

Local News

Poster contest gets underway in schools

The thirty-fourth annual poster contest got underway last week in the Perquimans County Schools.

The contest is held once a year in the month of February in grades 4th, 5th, and 6th.

The contest is a learning experience for children providing them with information and booklets about soil and water conservation in their county.

Mrs. Grace Coston, a retired school teacher, better known as the "Conservation lady", has been assisting the district for several years in donating her time to go out in the schools and explain the rules and stressing the importance of soil conservation to the students. She urges

each student to do his or her best in representing their class and school in this project.

The posters will be judged with cash prizes being awarded to 1st and 2nd place winners from each grade in their respective categories. County winners will be invited to a luncheon at Angler's Cove Restaurant, where posters will be judged with winning posters from Pasquotank, Chowan, Currituck, and Camden Counties, with district winners being eligible for the state poster contest.

The district contest is sponsored by Albemarle Electric Membership Corporation in cooperation with the Albemarle District Supervisors.



Mrs. Grace Coston explains the rules of the district soil conservation poster contest to Perquimans County School students in grades 4, 5, and 6.

Changes announced in wildlife seed program

There'll be some changes in the Wildlife Commission's wildlife planting materials program this spring. Landowners and sportsmen who wish to receive planting materials from the N.C. Wildlife Resources Commission should mark March 1 on their calendars. Applications for seed must be submitted to district wildlife biologists prior to this date.

"Changes are being made in application deadlines and delivery dates to improve the success rate of the perennial seed mix," said David Rowe, wildlife biologist for the N.C. Wildlife Resources Commission. "The primary species in the perennial mix—scrub lespedeza and partridge pea—both perform best when planted early. Consequently, we've moved the application deadline back, and seed should be delivered to cooperators by April 1. The sooner this seed mix is planted, the better."

Landowners must consider the year-round needs of quail and rabbits to successfully manage these species," he said. Food plots are designed solely to provide a fall and winter food source. Quail and rabbits also need escape cover and areas to nest and brood their young. In general, wildlife food plots will be more beneficial if they are planted near the following habitats: dense brush that provides escape cover, 1-2 year old weeds that provide nesting cover, and fruit-producing scrubs such as blackberries, wild plums, or grape vines. We also urge anyone who is interested in learning more about managing wildlife on their land to contact their district wildlife biologist."

Applications for wildlife seed mixes can be received by writing to: David Rowe, Route 3 Box 415, Edenton, N.C. 27932, or contacting the county offices of the U.S. Soil Conservation Service.

Commission calls for expansion of program

RALEIGH—The State Soil and Water Conservation Commission reaffirmed its support for expanding the state's multi-million dollar Agriculture Cost-Share Program statewide at a meeting Jan. 11-14 in Winston-Salem.

Commission Chairman, David W. Sides, said the Program last year involved \$3 million to reduce stream pollution from sediments, nutrients, animal wastes and pesticides from entering the state's streams, lakes and rivers.

The Commission endorsed an annual increase in spending to reach \$12 million by 1997. The Commission's stand, Sides said, reaffirms the proposal by the Agricultural Task Force calling for expansion of the program.

Presently 33 of the state's 100 counties participate in the Program, which pays 75 percent of the average cost for each of the Best Management Practices (BMP's). BMP's include installing conservation practices such as conservation tillage, animal waste management and conversion of cropland.

The Commission also allocated \$100,000 in grants for watershed projects in Duplin and Rutherford Counties. Duplin County will receive \$12,000 to continue work on Limestone Creek and Muddy Creek Watersheds.

Limestone Creek will have \$72,000 to construct a recreational lake and facilities, and Muddy Creek will get \$20,000 to offset local costs for channel construction. The channel work will reduce flooding and provide adequate farm drainage in the watersheds.

Rutherford County will receive \$128,000 for the Second Broad River Watershed Project. The plans call for construction of a multi-purpose flood retention and recreational site.

These grants bring the state's commitment to Duplin County's watershed projects to \$459,530 and to \$350,000 for Rutherford County.

In other action, G.C. Palmer, Jr. of Clyde and William Griffin of New Bern were nominated as members of the Commission, pending approval by Gov. Jim Martin. Palmer has been nominated for a second three-year term as mountain representative, and Griffin was nominated for his first term.

The Commission unanimously approved the appointments of nine district supervisors to fill vacancies on district boards.



To thicken a cream sauce, add a tablespoon of crushed dry cereal just before serving.

Look who's new

ASHLEY E. VENTURES
Scott and Christie Ventures of Edenton announce the birth of their daughter, Ashley Elizabeth Ventures, born Feb. 5, 1987 at Chowan Hospital.

Maternal grandparents are Richard and Gloria Stallings of Belvidere. Paternal grandparents are Charlie and Ruby Ventures of Edenton.

Mrs. Ventures is the former Christie Stallings of Belvidere.

ALVETA K. BOONE
Calvin Lee and Brenda Kay Boone of Rt. 5, Hertford, announce the birth of their daughter Alveta Kay Boone, born Feb. 7th in Chowan Hospital.

Maternal grandparents are Herbert and Georgianna Hardy of Hertford.

Paternal grandparents are Lemeul and Virginia Boone of Belvidere.

Mrs. Boone is the former Brenda Hardy of Hertford.

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