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Pictured above are all the students from Perquimans High School who participated in the math contest at ECSU.

## Students win math contest

Perquimans High School has won first place in a district math contest which was held March 26th at Elizabeth City State University.

Students from Perquimans High School competed in all categories including Algebra I, Algebra II, Geometry, and Comprehensive Math.

The contest consisted of each student taking an 80 minute written exam in his or her area. Students were then ranked according to scores in their area, and overall.

Perquimans High School placed first overall in the senior division of the contest outpacing such schools as Currituck High School, Hunt High School, Wilson, N.C., J.H. Rose High School, Greenville, N.C., and North-eastern High School.

Several of the students who competed will now move on to regional math contests which will be held throughout the region in such places as Washington, N.C., and Rocky Mount.

Students were selected to compete in the district contest by the math

faculty at the high school which includes Mrs. Anne Flippen, Robin Ward, and Kathleen Brickhouse.

Students from the high school will also be competing in a math contest on April 16th at East Carolina University.

The contest will be similar to the one held in Elizabeth City, but different students will be competing in the contest.

The winners of the contest were as follows: Algebra I: Stuart Rayburn—2nd place, Selena Overton—3rd place, Leonard Mansfield—4th place, Valerie Burke—6th place, and Yvette Lee—13th place. Algebra II: Kevin Lewis—3rd place, Joanna Haskett—4th place, and Terri Baker—10th place. Geometry: Lori White—14th place, and Angel Adams—16th place. Comprehensive Math: Misty Kuno—5th place.

All five students who won a place in Algebra I will be going on to regional competition, two students will be continuing on from the Algebra II group, and one will go on from comprehensive math.



Pictured above are the math contest winners. Left to right front row are Misty Kuno, and Terri Baker. Back row: Stuart Rayburn, Kevin Lewis, Leonard Mansfield, and Selena Overton. They are pictured with the winning trophy.

## Youngsters offer aid to fellow student

An unusual event occurred in the lives of two Perquimans County youngsters last Thursday.

Paul Keoun, and Linda Felton had the opportunity to assist a fellow student, and utilize their knowledge of life saving techniques.

While enroute home last Thursday, Linda a sixth grader at Hertford Grammar School, noticed that a fellow student, Ramon Coleman, also a sixth grader at Hertford Grammar School, who was sitting in the seat in front of her was apparently choking on something. Ramon had attempted to get the attention of the bus driver, Demetria Felton, but was unable to do so. When Linda realized that Ramon was having a problem breathing

she began hitting Ramon on the back, and yelled for her sister Demetria to stop the bus.

After Demetria gained clearance on the road and stopped the bus, Linda with the help of the other students took Ramon from the bus. She then located the landmark for the Heimlick maneuver, and attempted to administer it to Ramon; however, Linda was not strong enough to dislodge the object from Ramon's throat so Paul Keoun, a seventh grader at Union School, stepped in to help. Paul, who at the time was taking a CPR course at Union under the instruction of Mr. Sid Eley, Science teacher, Mrs. Carolyn Spivey, Special Education teacher, and Mrs.

Logan, Emergency Medical Technician, and teacher's assistant, has been taught Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation, and the Heimlick maneuver for use on adults, children, and infants. Paul proceeded to perform the maneuver on Ramon, and according to H. B. Miller, a member of the rescue squad who arrived at the scene, Linda and Paul's efforts dislodged the object to allow some passage of air.

Mr. Miller stated that when he arrived at the scene Ramon's airway was partially open. Some particles of the object were still in Ramon's throat, but he was able to breathe more freely. Mr. Miller dislodged the object completely. Miller added that

Linda and Paul did a fine job in assisting Ramon.

Because of their quick thinking, and heroic efforts, Ramon was able to breathe sufficiently until the Rescue Squad arrived.

Both Linda and Paul have stated that everything happened so quickly that they didn't have time to think about what they were doing. They just did what they knew they needed to do to help Ramon.

Ramon was treated and released from the Winfall Medical clinic.

Both the staff and students of Hertford Grammar School, and Perquimans Union School are extremely proud of Linda Felton, and Paul Keoun.

## Seminar to focus on leadership for minority women

A seminar focusing on leadership skills for rural minority women will be held on April 25, 1987, at the Albemarle Commission Building in Hertford, North Carolina. This seminar is designed to encourage rural minority women to become involved as volunteers and community leaders.

The theme for the seminar is "Positive Thinking For Leadership" and will feature several outstanding speakers who will address the idea of positive thinking and leadership. The speakers for the seminar will include Mr. Ralph Mitchell of Merritt, Mitch-

ell Associates. Mitchell who resides in Pittsboro, North Carolina is an outstanding motivational speaker that leaves the audience on the edge of their seat, ready to go out and get things done. Attorney Ronald G. Penny of Penny Barnes and Rodgers, Elizabeth City, North Carolina, will be on hand to discuss ways to support one another as we take on leadership roles. Mrs. Gloria Mitchell, former Social Worker and Supervisor of Social Workers will discuss how self-esteem and spiritual values help create positive thinking. Mrs. Mitchell re-

sides in Perquimans County.

Dr. Brenda Allen, Leadership Development Specialist, Agricultural Extension Service will be the luncheon speaker. Allen is the statewide coordinator for the Leadership Development Program For Rural Minority Women.

Mark your calendars now and plan to attend because this seminar may be what you have been looking for to help build confidence in yourself and develop your capabilities as a leader. The seminar will begin at 9:15 a.m., at the Albemarle Commission Build-

ing (ARPDC) in Hertford. A charge of \$5.00 covers lunch and must be paid to the Perquimans County Extension Office by April 8, 1987 to ensure lunch reservations for participants.

For information on how to register for this seminar contact Mrs. Estelle Felton at 426-7697. Don't miss this opportunity! Call Now!

(This seminar is being sponsored locally by the Perquimans County Extension Service, and is open to any person regardless of race, color, age, national origin, handicap, sex or religion.)

## Governor discusses expansion of bases

RALEIGH—Governor Jim Martin has directed the N.C. Department of Administration to coordinate an in-depth review of a U.S. Navy request to expand Military Operation areas over Eastern North Carolina.

In addition, the Governor has written the U.S. Navy to express the state's concerns regarding the expansion proposals known as Cherry I and Core.

The Department of Administration has been coordinating a comprehensive in-depth review of the draft Environmental Impact Statement concerning these expansion proposals. The Departments of Transportation, Justice, Natural Resources and Community Development, and Agricul-

ture have also worked together to review the project.

"I understand the U.S. Navy's needs and I certainly believe in a strong military," Governor Martin said. "But my point of view focuses on the welfare and safety of our citizens and that is why I have asked for a detailed analysis of this issue."

Environmental concerns surrounding the expansion of military operations include the noise effects on citizens and wildlife and the disturbance of the character of the Cape Lookout National Seashore. Potential economic effects on commercial fishing operations, tourism, and agricultural operations utilizing aerial spraying are also being studied.



Pictured above is Paul Keoun who came to the aid of his fellow student last week when he was choking on the bus. Paul assisted Linda Felton in partially clearing the child's airway.

## Area school officials meet with legislators

Area legislators were on hand Monday to discuss current issues in education with local school officials.

Representatives Vernon James, Pete Thompson, and Senator Marc Basnight met with members of the board of education, School Superintendent, Pat Harrell, central office employees, Principals, Vice Principals, and members of the career ladder steering committee to discuss and review current and upcoming issues in education.

Mr. Clifford Winslow welcomed everyone, and thanked the legislators for offering the county the opportunity to hold such a meeting.

The group discussed upcoming bills in the legislature which will effect education such as the bill which includes the possible levy of an additional one cent sales tax which would be earmarked for school construction.

All three of the legislators stated their support of the bill.

Rep. James stated that he is in favor of this bill because it will allow small counties the opportunity to fulfill some requirements of the basic education plan, specifically the requirement for 13 percent more classrooms in the upcoming year. Mr. Thompson stated that he also supports this bill, and added that it will allow school boards to use these additional funds to pay off existing bonds if needed, rather than just providing money for new school construction.

The legislators added that although they support the bill, they are unsure if the bill will pass. They stated that many of the republicans in the general assembly are opposed to any additional taxation.

The group also discussed salary increases for teachers in the upcoming year. Basnight who sits on the education committee reported that he feels teachers can expect a two to four percent increase in their salaries this year. Basnight stated that he would like to see teacher's salaries increased by about \$2500.00 to the national average, but added he did not

know when or if that would happen.

Rep. James stated that over the years the state has added many new programs to our educational system, programs which have added additional expense. The money used for some of these projects, in the past had been available for teacher salary increases.

The career ladder for teachers was also discussed at Monday's meeting. The legislators asked for feedback on the program from the teachers present.

Members of the county's steering committee for the career ladder program expressed some concerns of the county's teachers, and stated that they feel the pilot period of the program needs to be extended. They also stated they feel teachers are more comfortable with the program this year than they were last year. One issue that the steering committee, and Chris Barber, who is the head of evaluating teachers for the program in the county stated is that there is not enough time for proper evaluation of teachers currently. They stated that formal evaluations can be conducted, but that there is not always enough time to provide teachers with hints and information on how they can improve and become better teachers.

Anne Flippen, a member of the steering committee also told Senator Basnight that the evaluators don't always see all the effort that a teacher puts into his or her work. She stated that some of the teachers are frustrated because the evaluators only see them for one class period, and may not even see a whole lesson taught.

The group also discussed some other issues such as the no pass-no play legislation, no pass-no drive legislation, the drop rate, and issues facing the state board of education.

At the conclusion of the meeting the legislators thanked everyone for their comments and opinions, and offered their continued support of education.

## Burke selected

Damion Burke, a ninth grade student from Perquimans County High School, has been selected for the 1987 North Carolina Bandmasters Association, Junior High School All-State Honors Band. A Band Clinic and Concert for this group of students will be held April 24, 25, and 26th at North Carolina State University at Raleigh. The Junior High School Honors Band consists of the top 83 student musicians in grades 7 through 9 from throughout the state.

Damion, who was selected on Tuba, is 15 years old and was a member of the 1987 All-Eastern District Junior High School Symphonic Band which met at East Carolina University in February. Selected by audition, Burke placed 1st in the East and State on the Tuba. He is the sixth student in as many years from Perquimans to be selected for the Honors Band, and a student of David Ziemba's.

Besides his music studies Burke is also a member of the school JV Football team. He is a member of the Perquimans County 4-H Club and attends Poole's Grove Baptist Church.

Damion is the son of Emma and Clarence Burke.



## Ziemba honored

David Ziemba, Band Director of the Perquimans County School's bands has been selected to conduct an all-regional band concert.

The concert band will be comprised of junior high students from Martin, Tyrrell, and Washington counties, and the concert will be held Wednesday, April 8th at the Williamston Civic Center.

"I am very excited about conducting and working with these bands for this special event," said Ziemba.

Pearson Music Company, of Durham, North Carolina will be sponsoring the regional clinic, and Ziemba

was selected to conduct the concert by the band directors from the schools involved because of his expertise in the field.

Band rehearsals for the event will be held the day of the concert, April 8th, from 8:00 a.m. until 12:00 noon and again from 1:00 p.m. until 4:00 in the afternoon. The concert will begin at 7:30 p.m. that evening.

Mr. Ziemba has also been selected to conduct the all eastern district concert band in February at East Carolina University School of Music. The all eastern district band will be comprised of students from throughout eastern North Carolina.

## Buoy regulations outlined

In May of 1986 the N.C. Division of Marine Fisheries adopted new gill net buoy and identification regulations which apply to all coastal waters including the Perquimans River.

These new regulations went into effect on March 1st, and require two yellow buoys on the ends of each net or net set, which shall be of solid foam or other buoyant material. These buoys are too be no smaller than five inches in diameter and five inches in length. One of the buoys on each end of the nets is to be identified by engraving or attaching metal or plastic tags to the buoys.

Crab pots must also be identified in coastal waters. A solid buoy of any color except yellow, minimum size of five inches by five inches must be attached to the pot. Owner identification is also required on all crab pots.

The Perquimans River is full of nets and will soon be filled with crab pots as it gets warmer. Boaters and others who are in the river are urged to stay clear of net and pots to avoid damage to both.

For more information on these regulations call toll free 1-800-682-2632 between 8:30 and 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday.