

Of local interest

Young Democrats hold meeting

The Executive Committee of the North Carolina Young Democrats met this past weekend and called upon the President and Congress to lower the 1988 deficit.

The resolution, which passed unanimously, noted that the Gramm-Rudman-Hollings balanced budget law provides for a deficit of \$108 billion in fiscal 1988. Since current figures

place overspending in excess of \$70 billion, the resolution supported measures to lower the deficit and uphold the spirit of the Gramm-Rudman-Hollings law.

In addition to the resolution, the Executive Committee discussed upcoming Democratic events. "Our next major event is the Young Democrats of America Convention in Au-

gust at Phoenix," said state President Jim Gallaher. "North Carolina has a large delegation heading west and should be well-represented."

Anyone with an interest in the North Carolina Young Democrats should contact the State Democratic Headquarters at P.O. Box 12196, Raleigh, N.C. 27605.

Morrow attends operator's school

Edward Morrow, Hertford, N. S. attended the Forty-Eighth Annual Water Works Operators' School being held July 27 through July 31 at the Jane S. McKimmon Center in Raleigh, North Carolina. This school is conducted by the North Carolina Water Works Operators Association and the Division of Lifelong Education of North Carolina State University with assistance and sponsorship of the De-

partment of Civil Engineering, NCSU; the North Carolina Section of the American Water Works Association; the N.C. League of Municipalities; and the Division of Health Services of the N.C. Department of Human Resources. The purpose of this school is to provide instruction on the fundamentals of water treatment as well as to present the latest developments in water treatment

and water supply regulations. At the completion of this school, a written examination was given for certification as a water treatment facility operator in accordance with North Carolina Statutes. This program has proven to be of great benefit to water works personnel and to the towns, cities, agencies, and institutions that they serve.

Preparing your child for kindergarten

Going to school for the first time is one of the most important milestones in a child's life. The child is entering a period wherein he or she becomes more independent of parents and begins the process of formal learning.

Many parents may fear the first day of school as much as their children. To make this event a happy one, the parent should present a positive attitude about school for the child. Many children are afraid of permanent desertion upon being left at school by their parents. Let your children know that you are not leaving them forever, but that after each school day, your child will return home.

for naps. Some parents choose to put their child's name on coats, sweaters, lunch boxes, etc.

Make sure your child has the proper immunizations and health check-ups before school begins. Let the teacher know of any special physical needs or handicaps so that proper care can be taken at school.

Be supportive of your new kindergarten. Until now, your child has been living in familiar surroundings. Now he or she is going to be facing strange adults and a new environment.

Your child may also be experiencing the group situation for the first time. It is not unusual for a younger child to be tearful or sad during the first few days, but do emphasize the

positive aspects of school to make the transition less stressful.

To ready your child for kindergarten, a regular schedule will be very helpful. Enforce consistent bedtimes and daily schedules. Your child needs to be accustomed to regular eating times and rest times, as this will be the case at school.

Find out as much about the new school as possible. Know school and bus schedules, lunch prices, and general school policies. A good idea to reduce the anxiety of the first day at school is to take your child to the school ahead of time. Find his or her classroom and possibly meet the teacher.

If possible, find out which of your child's friends will share the same classes. These methods will all help to make the new school less of a strange and intimidating place.

Parents may need to go shopping to prepare children for school. Among the items that an elementary student might need are: a lunchbox, pencils, paper, book bag, proper clothing (raincoat, umbrella, etc.), and a mat

The name "kindergarten" is derived from the German language meaning "a garden of children", a place where children may grow naturally in a child's world. Many times kindergarten is a child's first introduction to formal schooling.

While there will be a structured learning program, kindergarten will still allow for "child's play" and children will be encouraged to develop their own individual potentials. Children's learning will be nurtured and enriched in kindergarten. The kindergarten program is designed to serve as a foundation for meaningful learning experiences which will make formal learning more effective.

Perquimans area obituaries

JOHN W. HURDLE
HERTFORD—Infant John Wesley Hurdle of Rt. 2, Box 225-A, Hertford died Thursday evening, August 6, in the Children's Hospital of the King Daughters.

JOSHUA A. TWIDDY
Joshua Alson Twiddy, 75, formerly of Rt. 2, Edenton, died Saturday morning August 8, in Chowan Hospital.

Woolard and the Rev. Don Burgess officiating. Swindell Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

He was the son of Michael and Carla Skinner Hurdle.

Besides his parents survivors include Maternal grandparents, Mr. & Mrs. Carl R. Skinner of Newport, N.C., paternal grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Hurdle of Hertford, maternal great-grandfather, W.R. Skinner of Newport, N.C., maternal great-grandmother, Mrs. Unia Garner of Newport, N.C., and paternal great-grandparents, Mr. & Mrs. Lee Brothers of Elizabeth City.

Private graveside services were held Saturday, August 8, at 1:00 p.m. in the Hurdle Family Cemetery with the Rev. William Clements officiating. In lieu of flowers the family requested donations to NICU, Children's Hospital of King's Daughters, 800 W. Olney Rd, Norfolk, Va 23507.

Swindell Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

A native of Pasquotank County he was the son of the late Joshua William Twiddy and Mary Caroline Hooker Twiddy and the husband of Eunice Long Twiddy. He worked as a machinist with the Norfolk Naval Shipyard and Albemarle Welding and Machine Shop and retired from Ashley Welding and Machine. He was a member of the Bethlehem Church of Christ.

Besides his wife survivors include 2 sons, Roy Rufus Twiddy and John William Twiddy both of Elizabeth City; 2 stepsons, Robert Ivey of Rt. 4, Hertford, and Jimmy Ivey of Elizabeth City, and 5 grandchildren.

Graveside services were held Monday, August 10 at 2:00 p.m. in Cedarwood Cemetery with the Rev. Ronnie

DOUGLAS E. WOOD
ELIZABETH CITY—Douglas Eugene Wood, 56, of Rt. 3, Box 361-J, Elizabeth City, died Thursday evening, August 6, in the Hampton, V.A. Hospital.

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A native of Ft. Eutis, Va. he was the son of Joseph M. and Evelyn Powers Wood of Melbourne, Florida and the husband of Eula Chaulk Wood. He was a steelworker with the Dill-Roy Construction Company and he was a Baptist. He served in the Army during the Korean Conflict.

Besides his wife and parents survivors include one daughter, Denise Bradley of Elizabeth City; 1 brother, Joseph P. Wood of Bath, Maine; and 1 sister, Doris Smith of St. Cloud, Florida.

Funeral services were held Sunday, August 9, at 2:30 p.m. in the Swindell Funeral Home Chapel with the Rev. Elwood Ritchie officiating. Burial followed in Cedarwood Cemetery.

pallbearers were: Lawrence Layden, Curtis Agnew, Ronnie Spence, Jerome Doxey, Douglas Bright, and Ronald Chaulk.



Albemarle Home Care's Hospice program recently received a donation from the Albemarle Area United Way Cancer Board Control Agency to purchase equipment that will be used by cancer patients. The Cancer Board is operated by the Elizabeth City Junior Women's Club (ECJWC). Shown left to right are Kay Whedbee - Nursing Coordinator AHC, Wanda Barnard - Hospice Coordinator, Bobbie White - Chairman Cancer Board of Control ECJWC, and Billie Buell - President ECJWC.

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