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Check presented!

Dr. Farhadi of East Carolina's School of Environmental Design is presented a check from Mr. John Christensen, chairman of the Hertford Downtown Revitalization Committee for work which Dr. Farhadi and his students recently did on a new facade project for downtown Hertford. The check will be donated to ECU's School of Environmental Design. Pictured left to right in the photo are Dr. Farhadi, Ruth Leggett, North

Carolina Department of Natural Resources and Community Development, Tom Richter, North Carolina Department of Natural Resources and Community Development, Mayor Bill Cox, Mary Harrell, Executive Director Perquimans County Chamber of Commerce, and Carl Terranova, a member of the Hertford revitalization committee.

Gatekeeper program outlined for residents

Raleigh—David T. Flaherty, Secretary of the Department of Human Resources, has announced a cooperative program between four electric companies in the state and the N.C. Department of Human Resources' Division of Aging. The Gatekeeper Program is designed to assist vulnerable elderly who need help to function independently.

keeper Program in many of their service areas in the state. Company meter readers, trained to recognize certain danger signals in the elderly, will call for assistance if they feel the elderly person needs help. The company employees will watch for changes in appearance or behavior signs of confusion or disability.

the assistance the frail elderly require to stay in their own homes. "The elderly have a great deal of pride and they normally function without asking for help," she said, "but we need to listen and watch for warning signs to avert a crisis." Stoops added, "if they become ill or unable to function independently, the elderly can easily go unnoticed and unattended, that is where a caring attitude on the part of utility company

employees can serve the community and may even save a life." Flaherty praised the public spirit of the companies involved, saying they are showing their concerns for their neighbors, the elderly. "Good neighbors watch out for each other." The companies initiating the Gatekeepers Program are North Carolina Power, Carolina Power and Light Co., Duke Power Co. and Nantahala Power Co.

Parade scheduled

It's time once again for the annual Perquimans County Christmas Parade sponsored by the Perquimans County Jaycees.

This year's parade will be held on Saturday, December 5th in downtown Hertford at 2:00 p.m., and will feature all the highlights from years past.

The parade will wind through the streets of town and will feature everything from the Perquimans County High School "Marching Pirates" to fire trucks and horses with buggies. Santa Claus has also promised to be on hand for the big event.

Parade entries are still being accepted for the Christmas parade, but they need to be returned as soon as possible. If anyone group or organization did not receive an invitation to participate in the parade and would like to do so, they may obtain an invitation by calling Phil Harris at 426-5307.

The grand marshal for this year's parade will be announced at a later date.

Make plans now to come out and see this year's Perquimans County Christmas Parade on Saturday, December 5th at 2:00 p.m.

Christmas parade scheduled

AN OLD FASHIONED CHRISTMAS "An Old Fashioned Christmas", they just don't make them anymore. Sound Familiar? Well, not so! The Edenton-Chowan Chamber of Commerce will be sponsoring the annual Christmas parade again this year with the theme being "An Old Fashioned Christmas." The date will be Wednesday, December 2 at 4:00. All Chowan county schools will dismiss at 1:30 to allow students to attend this spirited parade.



Follow the leader! Above John Morgan does a turn for his faithful followers.

Tax rules for dependents explained

The Internal Revenue Service has issued a new publication to inform parents and children about changes in the tax law regarding taxes of children and other dependents.

The IRS says its Publication 922, "New Tax Rules for Children and Dependents," is a handy guide to help parents and children understand the new law.

As a result of the 1986 Tax Reform Act, many children who have never filed tax returns before may have to do so and may also have to pay tax

for the first time beginning in 1987, the IRS says. Under the new rules, any individual who can be claimed as a dependent on another's tax return generally must file an income tax return if he or she has any investment income, such as interest or dividends, and that income, plus any wages, will be more than \$500.

Beginning in 1987, no personal exemption is allowed to a taxpayer who can be claimed as a dependent by another taxpayer. Publication 922

explains this rule, as well as new rules that limit the standard deduction and require tax filing for children and dependents. It also discusses a new method of taxing children under the age of 14 who have investment income of more than \$1,000. The publication answers questions parents may have and gives examples that illustrate typical tax situations.

The publication is available free by calling IRS at 1-800-424-3876.

Mayor Cox elected to board of directors

Raleigh, North Carolina, November 18, 1987—Raleigh Mayor Avery C. Upchurch has been installed as 1987-88 president of the North Carolina League of Municipalities (NCLM). Upchurch and other NCLM officers and directors were elected and installed during the 1987 NCLM Annual Convention held in Greensboro Nov. 15-17.

Upchurch will serve a one-year term as president of the NCLM, a non-partisan federation of 479 N.C. cities, towns and villages. The NCLM serves as the advocate of municipal interests at the state and federal level and provides a variety of consulting and other services to member municipalities.

Other 1987-88 NCLM officers include the following: first vice-president, Mayor Donald W. Bryan, Nags Head, second vice-president, Mayor Joe V. Knox, Mooresville; and third vice-president, Mayor Jimmy C. Draughn, Valdese. Chapel Hill Councilmember Jonathan B. Howes, immediate past president, will continue to serve as a member of the Board of Directors.

District representatives elected to the NCLM Board of Directors included the following: NCLM district 1, Mayor William D. Cox, Hertford; NCLM district 2, Mayor Derryl Garner, Newport; NCLM district 3, Mayor Edith L. Greene, Bolton;

NCLM district 4, Mayor Kenneth Baker, Smithfield; NCLM district 5, Mayor Pro Tem Mary Kathryn Dornseif, Nashville; NCLM district 6, Mayor Mary T. Goodman, Pittsboro; NCLM district 7, Councilman J. L. Dawkins, Fayetteville; NCLM district 8, Mayor Roy Maness, Troy; NCLM district 9, Councilman Roy B. Culler, High Point; NCLM district 10, Mayor Fidell Frazier, Wilkesboro; NCLM District 11, Councilman Hal W. Kaylor, Conover, and NCLM district 12, Mayor David E. Hensen, Franklin.

Elected as at-large representatives to the NCLM Board of Directors were the following: Mayor William R. McDonald III, Hickory; Alderman Larry W. Womble, Winston-Salem; Vice Mayor Mary Lloyd Frank, Asheville; Richard A. McLean, manager, Mooresville; Dee A. Freeman, manager, Brevard; David R. Walker, manager, Morehead City; Henry W. Underhill, Jr., city attorney, Charlotte; Jean M. Bailey, city clerk, Rocky Mount; Larry B. Thomas, public works director, Sanford; and Z. Bryan Hill, finance director, Raleigh.

Election of NCLM officers and directors took place Monday, Nov. 16 during the business meeting of the NCLM convention and the board was installed during the closing luncheon of the convention.

Chamber banquet set

The Perquimans County Chamber of Commerce will celebrate their 25th anniversary on December 7th at their annual chamber banquet.

This year's banquet will be the 25th annual banquet sponsored by the chamber, which was chartered in 1962. This year's banquet will be held at Angler's Cove. The social hour will begin at 6:00 p.m., followed by dinner at 7:00 p.m.

This year's program will feature highlights of chamber years gone by presented by former presidents of

the chamber of commerce. Entertainment for the evening will be presented by the Bob Thomas Trio.

Tickets for the chamber's annual banquet and 25th anniversary celebration are \$8.50 and can be purchased at the chamber office or by calling 426-5657. All reservations must be made by Monday, November 30th.

Make plans now to come out and celebrate with the Perquimans County Chamber of Commerce on Monday, December 7th.

Awards banquet set

On Thursday, December 3rd, the Albemarle Area Development Association will hold their annual meeting and 25th Annual Awards Banquet. This year's banquet will be held, as in past years, at the Kermit E. White Center on the campus of Elizabeth City State University. The guest speaker for this year's banquet will be North Carolina's governor, the Honorable Gov. Jim Martin.

Also, during the meeting several awards will be presented by the Albemarle Area Development Association honoring recipients in the areas of business, economic and community development as part of the asso-

ciation's Economic Development Business Awards Program.

This year the award for business and economic development in Perquimans County will be presented to Dr. Robert E. Lane, MD, PA of Hertford.

The AADA annual meeting and awards banquet is open to the public and everyone is invited and encouraged to attend. Tickets for the evening are \$10.00, and they can be purchased at the Perquimans County Extension Office and the Perquimans County Chamber of Commerce.

Open house scheduled

The Perquimans County Board of Education has announced that they will be holding a Christmas concert and open house at Perquimans County High School on Sunday, December 13th beginning at 2:00 p.m.

Dr. Craig Phillips, North Carolina's Superintendent of Public

Schools will be on hand for the event, which will include brief comments by Dr. Phillips, concerts by the PCHS band and chorus, and tours of the building. Light refreshments will be served.

The public is invited to attend.

WEATHER

Weekend Forecast



Weather forecasters are calling for fair weather on Wednesday and Thanksgiving with a possible chance of showers on Friday. Temperatures will feature highs in the 60s and lows in the 50s.



Happy Thanksgiving