

It's time to count our blessings

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Historically, the holiday season is time for reflection, a time to count our blessing which are many in this country.

Our most cherished freedom is the privilege to worship without fear or reprisal or intimidation.

We can also be thankful that it is our privilege to establish our home and vocation anywhere in America that we may choose. Furthermore, we are at liberty to speak publicly for or against those who hold positions of trust and responsibility at

Accents on agriculture

all levels of government. Another fundamental right and privilege is the freedom of vote our personal conviction in the privacy of the voting booth. Unfortunately, too many people take these and other freedoms for granted while people of other lands can only dream of such an opportunity.

Many of this nation's blessings are due to agriculture.

All Americans should be most grateful for the bountiful production of farmers who remain unchallenged as the world's greatest supplier of food. As farmers we are quite proud of this. Total agricultural production in 1988 is more than two and one-half times the levels of 1930, even though the agricultural resource base has not substantially changed. The growth in farm output has come as much from the higher productivity of agricultural resources as from greater input use.

Production agriculture provides jobs for nearly one out of every five Americans employed in the private sector. Each farm worker in the U. S. provides enough food to supply himself and 116 others. They not only feed America, but also produce enough food for millions of people overseas.

The amazing productivity of the American farmer is a real bargain for U. S. consumers by enabling them to eat well for a smaller share of their take-home pay than people in most other nations. And, the money Americans have left over after paying for their food has been instrumental in the growth of our economy. The production of automobiles, televisions, recreational equipment; all the consumer goods which Americans buy, are purchased after we pay for essentials such as food.

All Americans should be thankful for our country as we get ready for 1989 and especially for the farmers who help make it all possible!

Nutrition site menu

The following is the Perquimans County Nutrition Site menu for the week of December 19-23, 1988.

Monday—baked pork roast with gravy, creamed potatoes, spinach, whole wheat bread, margarine, strawberries with whipped topping, shortcake, milk.

Tuesday—oven fried chicken breast, salad, buttered broccoli, cornbread, margarine, chocolate pudding, milk.

Wednesday—roast turkey breast with mushroom gravy and cranberry sauce, fresh orange slices with coconut & nuts, seasoned turnips with roots, dinner roll, margarine, pumpkin pie with whipped topping, milk, dressing.

Thursday—smoked Hilshire sausage, scalloped potatoes, seasoned collards, whole wheat bread, margarine, birthday cake, milk, orange juice.

Friday—meatloaf with gravy, creamed potatoes, mixed vegetables, biscuit, margarine, 2 medium oatmeal cookies, milk, orange & pineapple juices blended.

Golf privilege card

The American Lung Association of North Carolina, Eastern Region, has announced the availability of the 1989 Golf Privilege Card. The Association is offering area golfers a chance to "become a 49'er" with a Gold Golf Privilege Card. The card offers 49 rounds of golf for a \$30.00 donation to the American Lung Association of North Carolina. This card is in its sixth year and has great popularity in eastern North Carolina. Golf courses in the area donate time on their courses providing the "bargain" price for participants. The card offers an opportunity for a unique gift while serving a worthwhile effort.

In order to purchase the card, residents may call or write the Eastern Regional Office - 752-5093, P.O. Box 1407, Greenville, 27835.

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Perquimans County 4-H member Jason Harrell (left) attended the National 4-H Congress with Dr. Dalton R. Proctor, state 4-H leader with the N.C. Agricultural Extension Service at North Carolina State University.

Local 4-H member attends national congress

A Perquimans County 4-H member was among 42 Tar Heel 4-H'ers from 30 counties attending the 67th National 4-H Congress December 3-8 in Chicago, Illinois.

Jason Harrell, 19, Rt. 1, Hertford,

attended the congress as a state winner in the 4-H swine program. The son of Mr. and Mrs. Tommy Harrell, he attends North Carolina State University.

The purpose of the National 4-H

Congress is to recognize outstanding achievements in youth. During the week-long event, 279 4-H'ers were awarded national and regional scholarships ranging in value from \$500 to \$1,500 each. The scholarships totaled \$284,000.

AARP installs new officers

The Perquimans Chapter 4118 of the AARP met recently for a covered-dish carry-in dinner at the Senior Center in Hertford. Following the dinner, the 1989 officers were installed by Mrs. Helen Forsht, Associate State Director from Roanoke Rapids.

The following represents the slate of officers:

Mona Saddler, re-elected to her second term as president

David Stewart - first vice-president

Bea Kreckel - second vice-president

Doris Trueblood - Secretary

Hattie Williamston - Treasurer
Kathleen Brenneman, Clara Schofield and Gene Bernstein, three-year board members

Juanita Shacklock - Sunshine Lady and Membership chairman

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Due to the fact that the December meeting date falls during the holidays, the next meeting will be held on January 30.

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HOLIDAY SCHEDULE

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Thursday & Friday routes will be picked up on Thursday, Dec. 22rd.
Saturday routes will be picked up on Friday, Dec. 23rd.
Mondays route will be on regular schedule for garbage only.
No trash pick-up from noon, Friday Dec. 23rd until Tuesday, Dec. 27th.
Jan. 2rd Garbage route will run as usual

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Thank you for your corporation at this season of the year, so that our town employees can have some time at home with family.

Happy Holidays
Hertford Town Council
Bill Cox, Mayor

CARD OF THANKS

I would like to thank each and everyone who remembered me with flowers cards visits and phone calls while I was in the hospital and since my return home. Also to the nurses and doctors and Chowan Hospital.

Your prayers and acts of kindness was very much appreciated

May god Bless Each of you
Wilber Roberson

Perquimans, Chowan Partners with Youth

The Perquimans-Chowan Partners With Youth would like to appeal to the residents of these counties to open your hearts and become one-on-one volunteers with needy children.

As a Governor's One-On-One Volunteer Program, Partners With Youth matches sharing, caring adult volunteer role models with children who have had some contact with the Juvenile Court System.

Our goal as volunteer is to help these children become effective, productive, future adults. In order to accomplish our goal, we ask our volunteers to spend a minimum of 4 hours a week for one year with that child. Our volunteers are also required to attend an intense training session in order to prepare them for a one-on-one match. We also require that our volunteers attend in-service training sessions once every two months, and group activities. This may seem like a lot, but it's not when you see that child begin to take on the goals and values that will make him/her a productive part of society.

One very important thing to remember as a volunteer - results of your efforts are not seen right away in most cases. It's later on in that child's life that your efforts are appreciated and seen. There's no bet-

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ter feeling than a young adult that you've worked with as a child, coming up to you and saying, "Thank you for your time and patience."

Yes, it's Christmastime, a time of caring, sharing, and giving. Won't you become a Partners With Youth Volunteer, a program operating for the community, by community members, helping to fulfill a community need.

If you are interested, please call the Partners With Youth office at 482-3939, or write to P. O. Box 943, Edenton, N. C. 27932.

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