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Local Briefs

Peoples Bank donates desk to new Center

Ben Berry, Senior Vice President and City Executive of the Hertford Branch of Peoples Bank has announced a timely gift for the new Perquimans Heritage Center which is being dedicated on May 6, 1989 beginning at 1 o'clock p.m.

The bank has donated the executive desk which was used by former Vice President of Peoples, Robert Louis Stevenson. Mr. Stevenson was one of the charger members of the Perquimans County Restoration Association, and served as Finance Committee Chairman until his retirement in 1988. While he was chairman, money was raised to completely restore North Carolina's oldest house, Newbold-White, (circa 1685), and the David Newby, Carolina Coastal Cottage (circa 1820).

"We are happy to have this particular desk", said Mrs. J. Emmett Winslow, President of Perquimans Restoration. "Steve was a major factor in all of our fund-raisers. He was instrumental in securing a trust fund from Mr. Irving H. Wainwright, of Richmond, Virginia for the continued operation of the site".

Following the dedication of the Center on May 6, a big birthday cake will be served to guests, commemorating the appointment of Philip Ludwell in 1689. The Newbold-White House and the David Newby cottage may also be seen.

Newspaper to feature county civic groups

Perquimans County has many civic organizations which do a tremendous amount of volunteer and charity work. We wish to recognize these groups in a series of articles.

Our plan is to run weekly features this summer highlighting each civic organization. The articles will include membership qualifications, the purpose of the organization, a brief history of the local chapter and other interesting features of the group.

Please have a spokesperson from your organization contact Susan Harris at the PERQUIMANS WEEKLY office to set up an interview so that you can be included in this series.

Perquimans Quilters raffle quilt for library

The Perquimans Quilters are busy making a quilt and pillows to raffle. All proceeds from the raffle will go to the Perquimans County Library Fund. Four drawings will be held. The winner of the first drawing will receive the full-size quilt. The second drawing will be for a crib quilt made by Shirley Cohee. Pillows will go to the winners of the third and fourth drawings. Tickets are \$1 each and may be purchased from any Perquimans Quilter.

PTA sets annual yard sale Sat.

Clean out your garage and attic, and make some money, too!

The Hertford Grammar School PTA will sponsor a yard sale on Saturday, May 6 from 8:00 a.m. until 2:00 p.m. at the school. Spaces are available for \$10. Concessions will be available. Booths may be rented by calling Mollie Billups at 482-2228 or Susan Harris at 426-5728. Spaces will also be for rent the day of the sale if they are available. Rain date is May 13.

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Incident results in murder of Eliz. City man

An Elizabeth City man died enroute to Chowan Hospital following an early-morning shooting in the parking lot of a fast-food restaurant Sunday.

Willard Michael "Mike" Perry, 32, of 156 Woodstock Apartments, was pronounced dead at Chowan Hospital after his 2:15 a.m. arrival.

Law enforcement officials arrested William Jay Harris, 22 of Alexandria, Virginia, Sunday evening and charged him with first degree murder. He is being held in Albemarle District Jail without bond awaiting his first court appearance set for May 24.

According to Hertford Police Sergeant Tim Spence, the shooting occurred around 2:00 a.m. after an argument between Perry, Harris and others in the parking lot of Hardees.

Spence said, "The whole incident was just as senseless as anything I've ever heard." He added that he suspected alcohol exalted the incident.

From the information Spence and other officers have gathered, Harris was with Annie B. Bouey, Teresa McNeill, James Bouey and Jerome Bouey, all of Elizabeth City, at the Rainbow Lounge. Annie Bouey asked Harris and Jerome Bouey to go to Hardees for some food.

After the two had not returned for quite some time, Annie Bouey and Teresa McNeill went to look for them. The two men were parked under the drive-up window at the restaurant. The women pulled up beside them. Witnesses say that they were shouting and cursing among themselves.

A vehicle carrying Mike Perry, his wife Debbie, R.P. and Dianne White of Belvidere, Stuart White of Belvidere and Joanne Smith of Suffolk, Va., pulled into the parking lot. The group had been to the Chowan River Moose Lodge. All the passengers got out of the van and started across the parking lot.

As they passed the drive-in area, words were exchanged between the group coming from the Moose Lodge and those who had been at the Rainbow Lounge. Racial slurs were made by both sides, and someone, Spence does not know who, issued an invitation to fight.

Mike Perry approached the Harris-Bouey vehicle. Harris stepped out and stood by the door of the vehicle, producing a handgun. Harris then fired two shots in the air, but Perry kept walking towards him.

The third shot hit Perry in the chest.

Harris, Jerome Bouey, Annie Bouey and Teresa McNeill then left

the scene, heading in the direction of the Rainbow Lounge.

Officer Steve Thomas of the Hertford Police Department answered the call to the restaurant. While there, one of the witnesses observed one of the vehicles involved in the incident making a left turn on U.S. 17 going north.

Thomas fled in pursuit of the vehicle, calling for assistance from the N.C. Highway Patrol. Several troopers were on the scene when the blue Lynx bearing Annie Bouey and Teresa McNeill was stopped in Winfall.

The Elizabeth City Police Department and Pasquotank County Sheriff's Department were notified and subsequently picked up the Gran Prix carrying Jerome and James Bouey. All the suspects were taken to the Elizabeth City

Police Department, then back to the Hertford Police Department for questioning.

With the help of numerous law enforcement agencies, William Jay Harris was arrested at Elizabeth Manor Apartments Sunday evening at 6:50.

Annie Bouey, Teresa McNeill, James Bouey and Jerome Bouey were all arrested and charged with being accessories to the crime after the fact because they allegedly gave fictitious information to police officers conducting the investigation.

Spence said the arrests came as a result of cooperation between the law enforcement agencies. "Everybody added links to the chain," he said.

The incident is still under investigation.



The Perquimans County Jaycees held their annual Installation Banquet last Thursday night at Joe's Place. In the top picture are the officers for the coming year. (Lower left) Eldon Winslow places his daughter's presidential pen on her lapel. Winslow was once president of the Hertford Jaycees. Sara is the first female president of the Perquimans chapter. Right, past N.C. Jaycee President Gus Tulloss addresses the group.

Jaycees install officers

The Perquimans County Jaycees held their annual installation banquet last Thursday night, where they official placed into office the first female president in the chapter's 15-year history.

Sara Winslow will lead the group through its upcoming fiscal year as president. Other members of the board of directors installed by past State President Gus Tulloss include Chairman of the Board Mike Kelly, Individual Development Vice President Nancy Perry, Community Development Vice President Denise Peckham, Management Development Vice President Wayne Layden, Treasurer Diane Copeland, Recording Secretary Mike Kelly, Corresponding Secretary Gail Layden, State Directors Parker Newbern and directors Sharon Casper, Brenda Curp, Ronnie Hite, Chris Peckham and Edgar Rogerson.

Numerous awards for outstanding projects and club members were given.

Sara Winslow took two of the top honors, being named Officer of the Year and receiving a Presidential Award of Honor, along with a Regional Director's Award.

Rookie of the Year went to Brenda Curp. Denise Peckham was voted Spoke of the Year. The Spark Plug award went to Chris Peckham. Diane Copeland and Wayne Layden received Jaycee of the Year awards. Brenda Curp was named Director of the Year.

Project of the Year awards went to Nancy Perry and Sara Winslow for the bass tournament; Diane Copeland for the Speak-up Program; and Sharon Casper and Bernice Jones for the library fundraiser.

The Fourth of July Committee chaired by Susan Harris was named Committee of the Year.

The overall Project of the Year award went to Nancy Perry and Sara Winslow for the bass tournament.

In addition to Sara Winslow, Regional Director Parker Newbern presented awards to Lewis Evans, Diane Copeland, The Perquimans County Jaycees and Jeff Perry.

The towns of Hertford and Winfall were honored for their support, as was the PERQUIMANS WEEKLY for news coverage.

Guest speaker Gus Tulloss told the group, "It's amazing how involved people are in activities. It's incredible what goes on in a community with volunteer service."

Tulloss encouraged the chapter to emphasize the leadership training offered through the Jaycees, and to keep in contact with all members.

Tulloss said that the organization can change a community, tap hidden talents and give people a belief in themselves.

"You've got potential here to be even greater than you are today," he added.

In his last remarks to the group as president, Mike Kelly said, "It has been a good year. I believe...we've made the community a better place to live."

Sara Winslow said she wants to continue to have an impact on the community through such projects as the Fourth of July festivities, the Christmas parade and the Senior Citizens Christmas party.

The evening ended with a slide presentation set to music which depicted the 1988-89 Jaycee year.

School board tables school renaming

Mrs. Shirley Yates approached the Board of Education Monday night on behalf of what she said are hundreds of former students in the Training School and Union School, asking that Perquimans Middle School be renamed King A. Williams Middle School.

Mrs. Yates said that Mr. Williams was the driving force behind black education earlier in this century. According to her, there were no funds available for black schools during the depression and war years, so black students were forced to attend classes in churches and other buildings.

Deciding that the students had to have a school, several prominent black farmers tried to get a loan to erect a structure, but were unable to use their land as collateral, as it was already encumbered by deeds of trust, said Yates. Mr. and Mrs. Williams mortgaged their home to build the first building.

The parents even collected funds to purchase a school bus, but the bus would not make long trips, so Williams took students in his car at his expense to out-of-town functions.

Mrs. Yates said that Mr. Williams contributed time and money to the development of black education, and that he deserves recognition by having the school named in his honor. She added that it would be a way to show her people (blacks) that Perquimans County appreciates what the Williams' did.

Speaking on behalf of the school board, Chairman Clifford Winslow said that the membership was in agreement that Williams was deserving of an honorarium, but that the board was hesitant to name any of its facilities after anyone.

The board suggested that a plaque or statue be placed outside the building, and that a dedication ceremony be held in Williams' honor. Since Williams began his career in education as a vocational agriculture teacher, the board also felt that when the school receives a

much-needed expansion, the vocational wing could bear his name, perhaps on the cornerstone.

Mrs. Yates refused to compromise, saying that the county should name the building for Williams so that black youth would see him as a role model.

"I am disappointed with the board. I am truly disappointed," Mrs. Yates said.

After the board tabled the request, Mrs. Yates stated that she would come back with more people the next time it was discussed.

The board emphasized to Mrs. Yates that their decision had nothing to do with race, that they would not name any school for any individual at this time.

Odyssey of the Mind

Two Odyssey of the Mind teams performed for the board their presentations that sent them to state competition. The board was impressed with the students' hard work and dedication, and wished the team that will go on to international competition in May well.

Later, the board voted to fund the trip with \$3,503.20, which will sent the five students and three coaches to Boulder, Colorado.

Gym renovations

The board approved hiring Eastern Coatings to put a new roof on a portion of the high school gym at a cost of \$5,355, and of J & J Floor Specialists to repair the floor at a cost of \$8,119.20. The group decided to change the specifications on the window replacement project in an effort to keep maintenance costs down.

The board also awarded the contract for refurbishing the Middle School gym floor to J & J Floor Specialists.

Special Days

The Board joined Governor Jim Martin in proclaiming May 9 as National Teacher Day. "I think it's good that we can honor our teachers," Chairman Winslow said.

May 14-20 will be School Bus Driver Recognition Week.

Commodities distribution for May 19

Date: May 19, 1989
 Time: 10:00 a.m. - 12:00 noon

Perquimans County will receive butter, cornmeal, all-purpose flour, honey, peanut butter, dry beans, canned pork, raisins and egg mix for distribution in May. The Hertford Lion's Club will begin the distribution at 10:00 a.m. on May 19, 1989. It will be conducted at the Ice Plant, Grubb Street, in Hertford and will be available to all income eligible households in Perquimans County. Households having four or more members should bring a helper with them to assist in carrying the food to their car.

All households who will not be able to pick up their commodities may use a representative for this purpose. The commodities card or application must be signed in

the correct places for this to be acceptable. No household will be allowed to pick up food for more than themselves and one other household as representatives. There will be no exceptions.

There will be two lines at the distribution site. The second line will be for the handicapped and/or disabled WHO ARE PRESENT AT THE DISTRIBUTION to pick up their food. A doctor's note, stating the disability, must be provided. Again, there will be no exceptions.

Cars may not be driven into the distribution area. Please remember to park only in authorized parking areas as the Hertford Police Department will be patrolling the area.

Applications may be obtained from the following agencies be-

ginning May 8, 1989: Department of Social Services, Health Department, Economic Improvement Council, Catholic Social Services, Senior Citizen Center and the Open Door Ministries at the Ice Plant.

The Commodities Distribution Program is available to all eligible persons without regard to race, color, national origin, age, sex, religion, handicap, or political beliefs. Information about regulations against discrimination and how to file a complaint may be secured from the N. C. Division of Social Services, 325 N. Salisbury Street, Raleigh, N. C., or from your county department of social services.

The income criterion are listed below:

HOUSEHOLD GROSS INCOME MUST BE BELOW LEVEL OF APPROPRIATE SIZE HOUSEHOLD

Household Size	Per Year	Per Month	Per Week
1	\$ 7,501	\$ 625	\$144
2	10,049	837	193
3	12,597	1,050	242
4	15,145	1,262	291
5	17,693	1,474	340
6	20,241	1,687	389
7	22,789	1,899	438
8	25,337	2,111	487
Add for each additional household member			
	\$ 2,548	\$ 212	\$ 49