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Local **Briefs**

Quilters hold show, raffle

The Perquimans Quilters will sponsor a quilt show and raffle Sunday afternoon from 2:30 - 5:30 p.m. Admission to the show will be \$1. Quilt raffle tickets are available at the library.

The first place winner will receive a beautiful quilt which is on display in the window of Darden Department Store. Other prizes include a baby quilt and quilted pillows.

Time is running out for the library's matching funds grant, so everyone is urged to support this very worthy

EIC receives federal grant to assist the homeless

Governor Jim Martin has announced that \$516,437 in federal grants has been received by North Carolina to provide emergency services to the state's homeless population.

The Economic Improvement Council which services Camden, Chowan, Currituck, Dare, Gates, Hyde, Pasquotank, Perquimans, Tyrrell and Washington counties will receive \$16,127.

Funds from the 1988 Emergency Community Services Homeless Grant program will be distributed among 32 of the state's Community Action Agencies and groups serving migrant and seasonal farm workers. The grants will be administered by the Division of Economic Opportunity (DEO) in the Department of Natural Resources and Community Development.

Governor Martin said the funds will enable the local agencies to provide urgently-needed services to homeless individuals and to develop follow-up and long-term

The state's DEO also administers the Community Services Block Grant program and the Community Action Partnership program, two major anti-poverty programs in the state.

Boosters to help St. Jude's kids

Cancer is the number one killer of children except for accidents. This year alone, 10,000 children will develop cancer, and in spite of the best efforts of researchers and doctors, one-half of those children will die

The Perquimans County Band Boosters will join hands with St. Jude's Children's Research Hospital on Saturday, June 10 when they sponsor a "Wheels for Life" bike-athon. Bikers should meet at the Winfall Post Office at 9:30 a.m.

The work done at St. Jude's Hospital is known and respected around the world. The hospital is a vital international resource in the continuing battle against cata-strophic childhood diseases.

A staff of 800 scientists and doctors have worked diligently at St. Jude's for over 25 years looking for the causes and cures of children's diseases such as lieukemia, Os-teosarcoma, Hodgkin's disease, malnutrition and others. The hospi-

mainutrition and others. The hospital also serves as a teaching unit for doctors from other countries.

Help the Band Boosters give the hope of life to thousands of children and their parents who do not know from day to day how long they or their loved ones will live. Race your wheels in the "race against death" Saturday.

Call Linda Privott at 426-7609 for Jurther information.

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Sheriff's Department to become involved with drug enforcement task force

Sheriff Joe Lothian told the county commissioners Monday that Perquimans County is going to participate in the first district drug enforcement task force. The board passed a resolution supporting the efforts of the sheriff's department.

The commissioners have historically been very supportive of Sheriff Lothian and his efforts to com-

bat the drug problem in the county.
"I think this is a major step in the right direction," said Lothian. He told the board that this will be the first mutual aid agreement drawn up between counties and municipalities within the district.

Commissioner Thomas Nixon said he was supportive of the task force, but that it wouldn't make any difference in the drug traffic if the judges will not dole out tough sentences.

Lothian agreed. He said that the major problem is judges who come from out of our district. They are used to huge drug trafficking prob-lems. "They may be satisfied with that quality of life there, but we're not going to accept that here," Lo-

He stressed that the judges in this district have been giving stringent sentences to drug offenders. "I don't have any problem with our judges," he commented.

It's bad on the street, Lothian told the board. He said that one year ago in September he was able to make a drug buy on a street in Hertford without disguising himself. Some of the dealers have been put out of business, but others have just moved their headquarters.

When judges come in and give light sentences, Lothian said it

makes matters worse.

Mail tax listings Tax supervisor Keith Haskett told the commissioners that he would favor mailing personal and real property tax forms.

Haskett said that many surrounding counties mail tax forms and that they report an improved listing rate as a result.

When asked what he thought the initial result would be, Haskett answered, "Confusion." But, he added, he thinks that by the second or third year, people will be used to the system and that it will become

"I have been told by other counties that this is an improvement," Haskett said. "We're looking for improvements in listing and collecting.

Thomas Nixon told Haskett that

he thought people would throw the forms away. Haskett replied that there would still be a 10 percent late listing penalty.

After much discussion, the commissioners agreed to the new method with the stipulation that next year tax listers will go into the townships as usual to list taxes, and will take the forms with them to familiarize taxpayers with the new forms and method before implementation

New clean water legislation Water Department supervisor Russ Chappell informed the commissioners of new legislation dealing with water supply contami-nation. All water meters utilized for mixing chemicals must have a special unit attached to prevent the

chemicals from becoming mixed

with the water supply.

The meter owner must purchase the apparatus, but the county will install it.

"It's for everybody's protection," said Chappell.

If people are caught using their meters with chemicals and no unit attached, the county will turn off their water supply. They must turn it off, according to Chappell, because the state has made the water department responsible for noncompliance

School budget

School Board Chairman Clifford Winslow and Superintendent Mary Jo Martin spoke with the board about favorably reviewing their budget needs for the coming year. The proposed budget provides for an 8.4 percent increase in capital outlay and current expense.

"We have been conservative over the years," Winslow told the board. He reminded the commissioners that capital outlay needs are great. Asbestos removal, lease-purchase agreements for mobile homes to use as classrooms and other necessary renovations will be costly.

Winslow also told the commissioners that they are responsible for the compensation of school board members. He said that the school board members weren't asking for an increase in their earnings, but would accept a raise. Thomas Nixon assured Winslow

that school board compensation would be adjusted.

Winslow also told the commissioners that both boards should review long-range plans the board of education has. With an increasing enrollment, the uncertainty of future BEP funding and so many capital needs, the boards need to look for a capital source.

Blanchard building County Manager Paul Gregory

told the board that an engineer's report verified that the upstairs of the Blanchard building can be renovated for courtroom facilities

The renovation will make use of a truss system to support the second floor roof. A new concrete first floor will be poured. Downstairs, walls will offer support.

Shirley Vann, the roofer whose bid was accepted to put on a new roof, said he preferred to wait until interior modifications are made before doing his work, so that the roof system will be more sound.

HPD Chief Nixon resigns

In an emergency session called by Mayor W.D. (Bill) Cox Monday, the town council accepted with regret the resignation of Chief of Police Ernest Nixon.

Nixon stated that his resignation was due to a series of problems that had recently developed in the sale of his Woodbridge, Virginia home which required his immediate attention.

He commented after resigning, "I appreciate the opportunity each of you have afforded me to serve the Town of Hertford. Your support of me has been exceptional in every way, and I will sorely miss the outpouring of friendliness that has met me on every corner.'

The council members said they felt Nixon could have done an outstanding job as chief, and were sorry that he was not able to stay on with the department.

The resignation is the second ac-cepted by the town from police officers in as many weeks. Earlier, Captain Timothy Spence left the department after eight years.
Cox said that he is actively inter-

viewing for the position of chief, and hopes to find one soon. He is also looking for officers to fill two patrol slots.



The PCHS Marching Pirate Band performed a beautiful open-air concert in Missing Mill Park on Sunday.

PCHS graduation set for Friday night at 8

Over 100 students will graduate from Perquimans County High School Friday night during commencement exercises. Graduation is scheduled for 8:00 p.m. on Memorial Field.

Valedictorian is Paula Kaye Stallings, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Donald Ray Stallings of Belvidere. Lori Ann White, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Clark White of Belvidere, is salutatorian.

Dr. Jimmy Jenkins, Chancellor of Elizabeth City State University will deliver the commencement ad dress. Dr. Jenkins received his degree in biology from E.C.S.U. in 1965. He earned both his masters degree in biology and his doctorate at Purdue Univer-

In 1973, Dr. Jenkins was promoted to Assistant Academic Dean of Administration and Associate Professor of Biology at ECSU. He became a tenured professor in 1977, the same year in which he was promoted to Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs. On October 14, 1983, he was elected Chancellor.

Dr. Jenkins has received many awards and honors and sits on many local boards of directors.







Extension service makes annual report to county commissioners

The Perquimans Extension Service hosted its annual program summary report to the county board of commissioners with a luncheon attended by county commissioners, extension members and guests at the extension building Monday.

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The extension service was born 75 years ago, and has provided a great service to rural families. Presently, the service uses as its slogan, "Helping people put knowledge to work." Working through North Carolina State University, the extension service has indeed helped many local farmers, homemakers and youth.

Extension Director Stan Winslow told those gathered that the extension service is now working to help

water quality; conserve and manage natural resources; revitalize rural communities; improve nutrition, diet and health; contribute to family and economic well being and develop human capital.

This year farmers have participated in many on-farm tests and demonstrations designed to keep them updated about the latest farm trends. They have attended schools and seminars to learn about man-

ment, pest control and other cs of concern to them. omemakers have raised money for the library fund, held workshops on decorating, self-improvement, crafts and a host of other topics, and participated in craft fairs.

Expanded Foods and Nutrition

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The biggest 4-H project of the year was the livestock show. Other activities included district and state horse shows, an energy drama, a summer recreation program, bike safety and preventive substance abuse.

The extension service staff in-cludes Stanley J. Winslow, County cludes Stanley J. Winslow, County Extension Director; H. Jeff Copeland, Area Specialized Agent; Paige L. Underwood, Home Economics Extension Agent; Juanita T. Bailey, Home Economics Extension Agent; Earline C. Saunders, Expanded Food and Nutrition Aide; I. Louise Barnett, Home Economics and Expanded Food and Nutrition Secretary and Catherine G. Winslow, Administrative, Agriculture and 4-H Secretary.



Tim Byrum plays in the brass section of the band.

Shown left is salutatorian Lori

Ann White, daughter of Mr. and

Mrs. Clark White of Belvidere. In

the center is Paula Kaye Stal-

lings, valedictorian. She is the

daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Don-

ald Ray Stallings of Belvidere.

Above is Dr. Jimmy Jenkins,

Chancellor of Elizabeth City State University, who will be the

guest speaker at the PCHS

graduation Friday night. Ap-

proximately 115 students will be

awarded diplomas during the ceremony which begins at 8:00