

Happy Father's Day

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School-sponsored day care to be open this summer

Perquimans County Schools After-School Care will open for the summer Monday. All students enrolled in the county school system are eligible for the expanded day care program.

The enrollees will be housed at Perquimans Central School in Winfall in the air-conditioned detached classroom located just behind the main building.

Hours of operation are 6:30 a.m. until 6 p.m.

Transportation will be provided from the site to summer school classes and back. Free lunches will be provided from June 25-July 27. Before and after these dates, enrollees must take a bag lunch. Morning and afternoon snacks will be provided throughout the summer.

Field trips and activities are planned to help children spend a healthy, happy summer together. Last year's program was very successful, and directors hope that this year will continue the tradition of convenient day care operated by the school system.

To enroll or receive further information contact Elyse Whitehurst at 426-8167 between 3 and 6 p.m.

A.E.A. sponsors monthly recycling day in Hertford

The Albemarle Environmental Association in cooperation with Tri-County Recyclers and local government agencies will sponsor its monthly recycling day on Saturday, June 16 at Harris Shopping Center from 10 a.m. until 3 p.m. Citizens are urged to trade their trash for cash.

Payment is given for plastic, glass, metals, batteries and radiators. Paper, tin, used oil and appliances are accepted without payment. Items should be sorted by type.

Help the environment. Recycle.

Citizens urged to fly flags

County residents are urged to fly their American flags on Thursday, June 14 in observance of Flag Day. Show your true colors. Fly the red, white and blue symbol of our nation on Thursday.

Arrests reported

The Perquimans County Sheriff's Department reported the following arrests:

Lesley Elwood Duke, 37, P.O. Box 365, Hertford, was arrested on June 3 and charged with assault on a female and simple assault. He was released on a written promise to appear.

Ronald Edward Skinner, 45, Rt. 3, Box 72, Hertford, was arrested on June 5 and charged with six counts of worthless checks, five on a criminal summons, one on a warrant. The charges were from Chowan County. He was released on a \$200 unsecured bond.

Nellie Rose Madre, 46, 225 Market St., Hertford, was arrested on June 6 and charged with a worthless check on a criminal summons from Chowan County.

Cynthia Louise Harrell, 33, 198 Sunset Dr., Hertford, was arrested on June 7 and charged with one count of breaking and entering and larceny and two counts of forging and uttering. She was released on a \$3,000 secured bond.

The Hertford Police reported these arrests:

Henry Michael Gill, 39, 209 19th St., Virginia Beach was arrested on June 2 and charged with shoplifting.

Timothy Lee Green, 24, Rt. 2, Lot 104T, Meads Trailer Park, Hertford was arrested on June 9 and charged with communicating threats.

Four-cent ad valorem tax increase questioned

By NANCY ROYDEN-CLARK
Staff Writer

A proposed 4-cent increase in Perquimans County's ad valorem tax rate came under fire Monday during a hearing on the county's proposed 1990-91 fiscal budget.

Eldon Winslow, one of four resi-

dents who appeared before the county's board of commissioners, questioned whether an increase in the number of new county residents is the reason for the proposed increase in property taxes. The current ad valorem tax rate is 77 cents per \$100 valuation.

Commissioners Durwood Reed,

Jr. responded by pointing out that demands on services has increased. He added that the state mandates many requirements, such as solid waste disposal and jails.

Winslow also questioned if the \$83,096 allocated to the county manager's department, including the

manager's salary, could be justified.

Reed replied that he feels the allocation is justified if quality service counts.

As proposed, no new programs are included in the budget and expenditures are projected to exceed revenues. County employees will see a 5 percent increase in salaries and 17 employees may also obtain merit raises.

Roy Reed of 304 Front St., expressed concern over the immense task of budget preparation. He said that he wants to make sure that his property is assessed at a rate comparable to similar properties.

County commissioners are expected to adopt the budget when they hold their next regular meeting on Monday, June 18 at 7:30 p.m. in the commissioners board room of the county courthouse.

Informant's tip leads to two drug arrests

An informant's tip led to the arrest of two Perquimans County residents in Hertford last week.

According to Lothian, deputy George Long received a call from an informant that a brown 1984 Oldsmobile sedan was selling drugs near J & L convenience store at the corner of Edenton Road and Market streets.

Deputies Long, Eric Tilley and Ralph Robinson, sergeant James Logan and Lothian went to investigate.

The officers spotted the car traveling on Grubb Street, and saw it turn onto West Academy Street. They stopped the vehicle near the Perquimans County Library.

Inside the Oldsmobile officers found 33 bendyis of crack cocaine, drug paraphernalia and a small quantity of marijuana, Lothian said. The street value of the crack was estimated to be \$2,000.

Manuel Miller, 27, of 329 Market St., Hertford, and Paula Deneen Felton, 25, of River Street, Winfall, were subsequently arrested and charged with possession of a schedule II controlled substance with the intent to sell and distribute, and possession of drug paraphernalia.

Felton was also charged with maintaining a vehicle for the purpose of sale and delivery of crack cocaine, a schedule II controlled substance.

The pair was taken before magistrate Broughton T. Dail, who set a \$3,000 secured bond for each.

"Miller's bond was paid in full in cash by his family," Lothian said. He added that Miller's family also paid a bondsman in cash to secure Felton's release.

"Manuel Miller is a familiar face in the local drug trade," said Lothian.

Law officials said they were disappointed with what they say was a low bond for the seriousness of the offense.

Assisting in the investigation was Hertford Police chief Aubrey Sample.



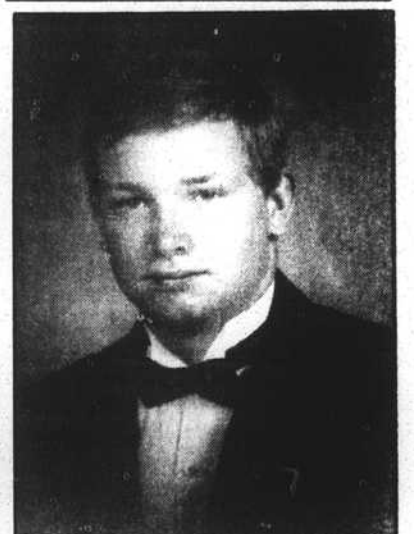
Photo by Susan Harris

Authorities confiscated crack cocaine in a drug raid last week worth about \$2,000 on the streets. Also found was drug paraphernalia.



Photo by Nancy Royden-Clark

The two dealers arrested on crack cocaine charges last week were allegedly selling just outside J & L convenient store on the corner of Edenton Road and Market streets.



Rayburn



Mansfield

Honor graduates announced

Stuart Walker Rayburn and Leonard West Mansfield will march at the head of the line Friday night when the Perquimans County High School class of 1990 holds its commencement exercises at 8 p.m.

Rayburn was named valedictorian. He received an academic scholarship at Duke University, where he plans to major in engineering. He is the son of Walker and Marjorie Rayburn.

Rayburn played football and baseball, participated in many school clubs, and was active in Hertford United Methodist Church throughout his high school career.

Mansfield, who was named salutatorian, will attend UNC-G in the fall where he will study in the business department. He is the son of John and Lenna Mansfield.

A musician, Mansfield played the trumpet in the band and enjoyed participation in many school activities during his tenure at Perquimans High. He is a member of Mt. Sinai Baptist Church.

Guest speaker for the evening will be G. Shelton Davis, Jr., principal of Sheep-Harney School in Elizabeth City, and formerly assistant superintendent in Perquimans County Schools. He was named Principal of the Year in the Elizabeth City/Pasquotank County School System.

The Rev. Joseph Wills will offer the invocation and benediction.

The band and chorus will both participate in the graduation ceremony.

There are 111 students graduating.

Grand honor roll graduates include Rayburn, Mansfield, Yvette Leigh, Jennifer Boncet, Ernest Hobbs, Chad Bundy, John West, Karen Felton, Stephanie Vaughn, Mary Langevin, and Chad White.

Harrell is salutatorian



Harrell

A Perquimans County resident was named salutatorian of the class of 1990 at Albemarle Academy.

Leah Parker Harrell earned the distinction. She was the recipient of the math award and the outstanding cheerleader award. Miss Harrell will attend North Carolina State University in the fall.

She has been active in 4-H activities in Perquimans County for many years, and attends Great Hope Baptist Church.

Miss Harrell is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Tommy Harrell, and the granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. Thurman Harrell.

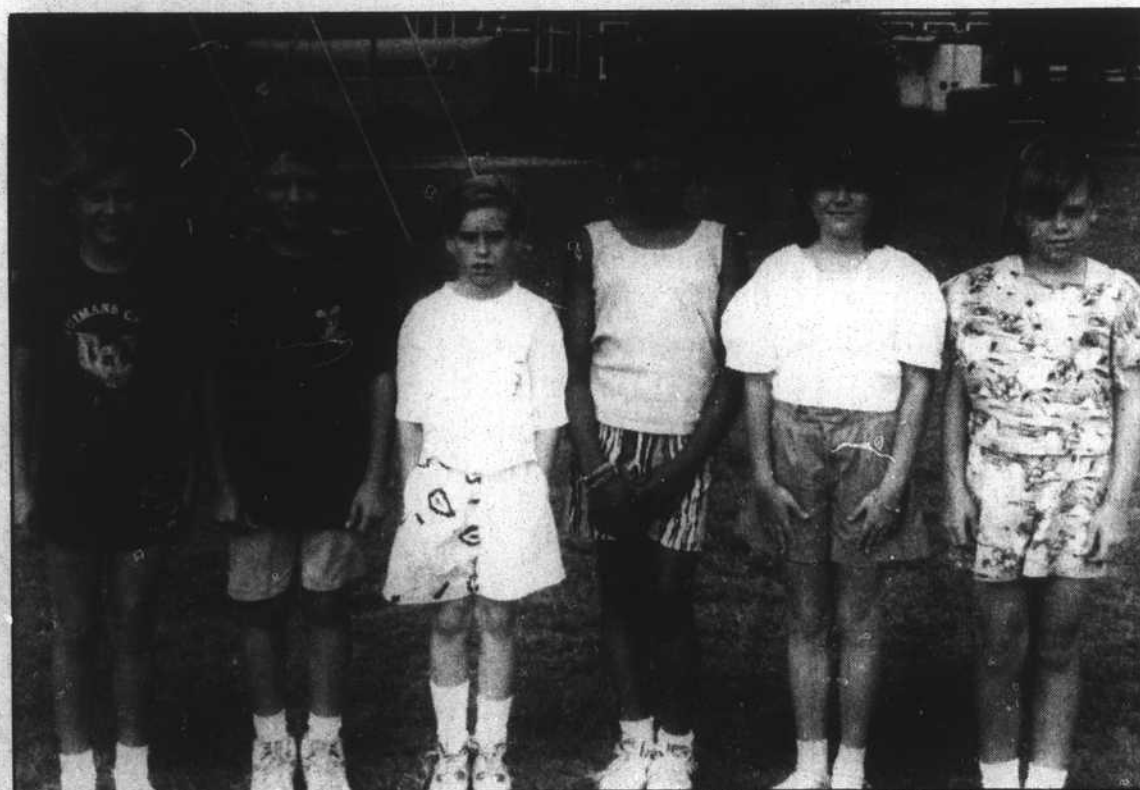


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Safe bike riders

Fourth graders at Central School participated in a 4-H Bicycle Safety program during the year. Christian Clark (right) won the state bicycle poster contest, and will receive a 10-speed bike for her winning entry. Classroom winners were (l to r) Laura Matthews (first), Cliff Stallings (second), Prrick Gregory (first), Kenya Eason (second) and Amanda Winslow (second). Tonisha Wilson, not pictured, placed first also. The teachers involved with the project were Katie Lightfoot, Betty Morris and Brenda Holley.

DEADLINES FOR THE PERQUIMANS WEEKLY ARE AS FOLLOWS:

NEWS RELEASES ... 3:00 PM

RETAIL ADVERTISING 3:00 PM

CLASSIFIED & LEGALS ... 3:00 PM

MONDAY PRIOR TO THURSDAY PUBLICATION PERQUIMANS WEEKLY

119 W. Grubb St.
426-5728
8 AM-5 PM, MON-FRI.