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# THE PERQUIMANS WEEKLY

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## Briefs

### Head Start accepting applications now

Head Start is now accepting applications for the school year 1991-1992. Children must be 4 years-old by Oct. 16 in order to qualify for the program. Birth certificates, immunization records, proof of income, and applications should be brought when signing up.

Call Head start at 426-7070 or 426-5949 for more information.

### Exercise class set

Have you been looking for a safe, healthy way to get off those extra pounds that are still hanging around from the holiday season? Are you tired of wearing the same clothes over and over again because you can't get into anything else in your wardrobe? Do you want to learn exercises that help you tone muscles as well as lose weight? If you answered "yes" to these questions, now is the time for you to enroll in a Nutrition and Fitness class being offered by the Perquimans County Extension Service.

The class, "Noolighting: Food Facts and Fiction" will include fitness exercises, mini-nutrition classes and lots of fun. Classes will meet from 7-9 p.m. at the Perquimans County Extension Office on the Thursday nights from Feb. 28 through April 18. The cost for this series is \$5. This class is limited to 20 participants.

To enroll and to obtain more information on this class, call 426-7697.

### Members sought

The North Carolina Association of Teacher Assistants is seeking members. The organization's motto is "Helping Hands in Education." The 1989-1990 membership exceeded 5,000 members across the state. The current goal is to increase membership by 25 percent. For more information contact Charmayne Artis, c/o W.H. Robinson Elementary, P.O. Box 509, Winterville, N.C. 28590, or call between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m. (919-756-3707).

### Tax help available

The FBLA members of Perquimans County High School are offering free tax service through the Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (VITA) program this year. This program is sponsored by the Internal Revenue Service.

This free tax service helps taxpayers fill out the 1040EZ, 1040A, and the state forms. Volunteers also alert taxpayers to the special credits and deductions for which they may be eligible, such as child care and earned income credit.

FBLA members will be available at the site on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 3:30 to 5:30 p.m. until April 15 to assist taxpayers. The service is located in the Occupational Building at Perquimans County High School on King Street.

Taxpayers coming to PCHS to use the VITA service should bring with them their tax package (1990), usually received through the mail; wage and tax statement(s) (Form W-2) from all employers; the interest income statement(s) received (form 1099); a copy of last year's return, if available; and any other relevant information concerning income and expenses.

### EMT class slated

An EMT training class will begin on Feb. 19 at the Perquimans County Rescue Squad Building. Classes will be held on Tuesday and Thursday nights from 7-10 p.m. The instructor will be Earnest Mickey from Elizabeth City. Students will receive 125 hours of classroom and clinical instruction in basic emergency care. Those interested in attending should call 426-5646, or be present the first night of class for registration.

### DEADLINES FOR THE PERQUIMANS WEEKLY ARE AS FOLLOWS:

NEWS RELEASES ... MON. 3 P.M.  
RETAIL ADVERTISING ... MON. 3 P.M.  
CLASSIFIED & LEGALS ... MON. 3 P.M.

PRIOR TO THURSDAY PUBLICATION  
PERQUIMANS WEEKLY  
119 W. Grubb St.  
426-5728  
8 AM-5 PM, MON-FRI.



The town of Hertford recently hired clean-up crews to demolish what was left of the former police station. The plans being drawn call for the building to be reconstructed on the same site and to be larger than the former building. The town council should review the tentative plans by next week.

## Social Services plans commodities distribution

Perquimans County will receive butter, cornmeal, honey, flour, pears, and rice for distribution in February. The Hertford Lion's Club will begin distribution at 9 a.m. on Feb. 26. It will be conducted at the Ice Plant on Grubb Street and will be available to all income eligible households in Perquimans County. A rain date has been set for Feb. 27. Households having four or more members should bring a helper with them to assist in carrying 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 representative. There will be no exceptions.

There will be two lines at the distribution site. The second line will be for the physically handicapped and/or disabled who are present at the distribution to pick up their food. A doctor's note stating the disability, or proof of handicapped license plates for their ve-

hicle must be provided. Those persons using the handicapped line may pick up food for their own household only. 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 beginning Feb. 11: Department of Social Services, Health Department, Economic Improvement Council, Catholic Social Ministries, 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	\$ 8,164	\$ 681	\$ 157
2	10,946	913	211
3	13,728	1,144	264
4	16,510	1,376	318
5	19,292	1,608	371
6	22,074	1,840	425
7	24,856	2,072	478
8	27,638	2,304	532
Add for each additional household member:	\$ 2,782	\$ 232	\$ 54



Art students at Perquimans High School and Perquimans Middle School recently participated in the Superintendent's Choice Art Exhibit. The best art from each school was judged and one piece of artwork was selected to be sent to Raleigh for display at the Department of Public Instruction or the Secretary of State's offices during the 1991-92

school year. Finalists were (l to r) Torris Johnson, Tania Dall, Donna Byrum, Pam Smith, and Lyronne Welch. Welch's artwork was chosen to represent Perquimans County at the exhibit.

## Firearm safety stressed at middle school

By NANCY ROYDEN-CLARK  
Perquimans County reporter

Teaching students about firearm safety is worth the time and effort, especially if it saves a life, a teacher told the Perquimans County Board of Education Monday night during a special board meeting.

Roger Morgan, a seventh-grade health and physical education teacher at the middle school, told board members that students are using the North Carolina Hunter Education Manual during class to learn about firearm safety.

"When I came to this town, I did not have a lot of experience with firearms. I saw a need...it's amazing how many kids get killed or injured by firearms," Morgan said.

Morgan said Jack Staley, of the N.C. Wildlife Resources Commission, has had a direct impact on the success of the course.

The teacher said the course is definitely a needed part of the student's overall education. He said he would not be surprised if firearm safety education classes eventually become required course work.

## Winfall man dies following Thursday wreck

A Winfall man died, apparently of drowning, at about 10 p.m. last Thursday night following a single-vehicle accident on New Hope Road.

The victim was identified as Glenn Alvin Elmore, 33, of Winfall, according to N.C. Highway Patrol trooper Craig Garris who investigated the accident.

According to Garris, Elmore was driving a 1981 Ford truck owned by Joseph Elliott when he apparently ran off the road on the right side as he negotiated a curve. It appeared that Elmore pulled the truck back onto the highway, then struck the left ditch bank. Garris found the truck turned in the opposite direction of that Elmore was traveling.

Garris said that when he arrived on the scene approximately two minutes after receiving the call, he found the truck in the ditch with the motor running, the headlights on and the vehicle in park. He walked around to the side of the truck and found Elmore face down in a wide ditch, with the water level at his waist and his feet and legs on the opposite side of the ditch.

With the aid of a passing motorist, Garris said he pulled Elmore out of the ditch. Although he could not find a pulse, Garris began administering CPR and continued until the Perquimans County Rescue Squad arrived approximately 10 minutes later.

Garris said alcohol was involved, and that Elmore was exceeding a safe speed to negotiate the curve in heavy rain. He estimated that Elmore was traveling 55-60 miles per hour. Garris noted no evidence of foul play.

Damages to the truck were estimated at \$1,200.

## Restoration group to meet

The annual meeting of the Perquimans County Restoration Association will be held at the Perquimans Center at the Newbold-White site on Feb. 22 at 6 p.m. Following a social hour, dinner will be served. Reservations may be made by calling the Newbold-White site (426-7567), or by sending a check for \$7.50 per person to P.O. Box 103, Hertford, N.C. 27944 by Feb. 18. Directors and officers will be elected for the 1991-93 biennium.

The Perquimans County restoration Association was formed in 1971 to acquire and restore Newbold-White, North Carolina's oldest house. This was accomplished, and the house was opened for public visits in 1981. Volunteers have played a most important part in the interpretive program by serving as docents to show the house. Members of the Board serve as chairmen and committee members who operate the site.

The importance of the site's 17th century history has been recognized by the State of North Carolina and Newbold-White has received a challenge grant of \$9700. Few North Carolina sites have been so honored. The Association must match this grant. It must also plan and stage programs which show the part of Perquimans and other Albemarle counties played in the earliest history of the state.

"Newbold-White is the symbol of North Carolina's earliest history as a state," said Lucille Winslow, who has worked on the Newbold-White project since its inception. "As it enters the last decade of the 20th century, there should be a new resolve from all Carolinians to preserve and share it with those to come. That is the purpose of the Perquimans County Restoration Association."

## Art show opens at COA campus

The February art display at College of the Albemarle's main campus in Elizabeth City features a photography show by local artist Mary Crutchfield and is entitled "Back to the USSR."

The 23-work show includes views of Moscow, the Georgian and Armenian Republics, and Baku in the Azerbaijan Republic. The colorful photographs depict city scenes, landscapes, and especially studies of the people in their daily lives in the USSR.