

# The Perquimans Weekly 35¢

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## Fall festivals scheduled next two weeks

**PCRA Hearth & Harvest is Saturday; Indian Summer is Sept. 19**

By **SUSAN R. HARRIS**  
 Editor

The next two Saturdays are festival time for Perquimans County.

This coming Saturday, visitors to the Newbold-White Historic Complex will step back in time during the

Perquimans County Restoration Association's Hearth & Harvest Festival.

Visitors will be able to take part in activities that probably took place on the site in its earliest days. There will be opportunities to make a corn husk doll, churn butter, spin, play 18th century games, and join in a performance of traditional music by the Perquimans Pipers, a local recorder group.

Artisans will be on hand to demonstrate fine crafts. Demonstrations will include Ben Hobbs, furniture; Shannon Anderson, pottery; Virginia White, tatting and lacemaking; and Bert Berry,

dulcimers.

This family event will have something for all ages. Ticket price is \$5 per carload and includes admission to the Newbold-White House, the oldest surviving, restored brick house in North Carolina. Food and beverages will be available for purchase. Festival hours are 10 a.m.-4:30 p.m.

For information, call 426-7567.

On Sept. 19, the 17th annual Indian Summer Festival will open in downtown Hertford.

Organized this year by the Hertford Downtown Merchants Association, the festival will feature a day of

entertainment, games, food and fun for the entire family.

Entertainers scheduled for the event include August, Rockin' Willie, Jeanie Truesdale, the Inspirational Voices, Step of Faith, Denim and Diamonds Dancers, the Harbor Lights Square Dancers and the Perquimans County High School band.

Other events set for the day include a street dance, a local produce contest and sale, and midway rides, including a seal of balls, moonwalk, tall slide and dunking booth. The deadline to enter produce for the contest is Sept. 15 at 4:30 p.m.

Some locals have volun-

teered to take it on the chin for a pie-in-the-face Chinese auction. Set to get creamed so far are Robert Baker, Franky Eason, Zeke Jackson, Sandra Smith, Greg Todd, Fred Yates and David Shaffer.

The Missing Indian Summer Festival pageant set for this Saturday night has been cancelled.

Booths for display, crafts and foods are still available for rent.

For booth or produce entry forms, call Jennifer Layden at 297-2901 evenings or see Franky Eason at Hertford Cafe or Mary White at The Wishing Well.

## HERTFORD GRAMMAR ALMOST FINISHED



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Randy Range (left), Senior Site Manager for M.C. Kahn Construction Company, discusses cafeteria layout with Perquimans County Board of Education Chairman Wallace Nelson and Superintendent Gregory Todd during a walk-through tour of Hertford Grammar School last Thursday. Administrators, school board members and county commissioners were invited to tour both Hertford Grammar and Central Schools. M.B. Kahn has scheduled an inspection for Sept. 10 to obtain an occupancy permit for the Hertford facility. The company projects an occupancy date of Sept. 14. Central School Site Engineer Derek Faulkenbury said that project is on target for the projected Jan. 11 completion date.

## Hertford woman killed in collision

By **GINGER LIVINGSTON**  
 The Daily Advance

A Hertford woman was killed in a two-car accident at the intersection of Halstead Boulevard and Roanoke Avenue shortly before noon last Monday.

Betty Whitehurst Parker, 62, of Route 4, Box 1014, Hertford, was later pronounced dead at Albemarle Hospital.

The driver of the other vehicle, Ray Edward Baker, 37, of 711 Briarwood Road, Elizabeth City, was also transported to the hospital. Information about his condition was unavailable immediately after the accident.

According to an initial report filed by Elizabeth City Police Officer G.J. Couture, Baker's vehicle, a 1996 Ford, was traveling west on Halstead Boulevard and the Parker vehicle, a 1993 Hyundai, was traveling south on Roanoke Avenue.

Couture's report states the traffic signal at the intersection of Halstead Boulevard and Roanoke Avenue was emitting flashing warning lights with the lights on Halstead Boulevard flashing yellow and the Roanoke Avenue lights flashing red.

Parker's vehicle entered the intersection in front of Baker's car, according to the report.

The report states Baker tried breaking, but was unable to stop. Baker's car struck Parker's vehicle at the driver's door.

Both Baker and Parker were wearing seatbelts.

## County sisters put organization in spotlight

**Murphy sisters share Locks of Love with others**

By **ANGELA FOREST**  
 The Daily Advance

What began as a desire to help children who've lost hair to illness and disease has become a much bigger campaign for sisters Amber and Anna Murphy.

Because of their media exposure throughout the Albemarle and in southeastern Virginia, the two now represent the organization that uses donated hair to benefit others.

The sisters, ages 10 and 11, recently agreed to become unofficial northeastern North Carolina representatives for the Locks of Love organization, based in Fort Lauderdale, Fla. The organization uses human hair to manufacture specially designed wigs for children under 18 with long-term hair loss.

The siblings had their shoulder-length locks snipped off in May for the Locks of Love program. Two months

later, Locks of Love officials asked the girls' mother, Ramona Murphy, if the sisters would be interested in assisting the organization in raising money and awareness, Ramona Murphy said.

Last Wednesday, the girls made an appearance on a television station in Norfolk, Va. The two talked about Locks of Love for National Children's Cancer Awareness Week, which began Monday.

"There have been so many positive things happen since (The Daily Advance) article," Murphy said. "We've had a lot of people tell us they heard about (Locks of Love) on the radio. (The girls' story) has been on different radio stations in North Carolina and Virginia."

The sisters apparently made an impression on the television show's other guests. One of them, Hampton Roads disc jockey Angel Morales, invited the two to visit his Hampton University radio program, Murphy said.

The weekend after the girls had their hair clipped, they also received VIP treatment during the Pasquotank County

Relay for Life walk for cancer research at Northeastern High School.

Murphy said the family has become committed to supporting Locks of Love because of the amount of time and expense it takes just to create one wig for a child in need.

"We want to encourage people to send in hair contributions. It takes 4 1/2 months to make one wig. It takes so long because each wig has to be matched by color and length. Usually (the Locks of Love organization) has to sell some bundles of hair to get the money to make the wigs because they're so expensive to make," she said.

Although the organization has received approximately 2,500 hair donations, it has produced only 40 wigs at this point because officials lack the funds to make more, Murphy said.

Locks of Love officials say it costs between \$3,000 and \$5,000 to manufacture a single custom wig.

Locks of Love founder Peggy Knight said the organization, founded a little over a year ago, considers itself "hair

rich and cash poor." The long-term goals of the organization include making synthetic hair pieces for children undergoing chemotherapy and becoming a strong advocate for issues faced by children and adults with medical hair loss. One of those issues is obtaining insurance reimbursements for cosmetic enhancements, she said.

On the local level, Murphy said she'd eventually like to work with area beauticians to establish drop off points to collect hair donations from customers.

## County declared disaster area

**Hurricane Bonnie left over \$2.5 million in damages here**

Perquimans was one of 20 additional North Carolina counties added to the eligibility list for federal assistance as a result of Hurricane Bonnie.

Also added to the list were Pasquotank, Camden and Chowan counties. Currituck and Dare were two of the original 10 counties named major disaster areas by the Federal Emergency Management Agency following Bonnie.

The Daily Advance reported Sunday that nearly 200 families in Camden, Chowan, Currituck, Dare, Pasquotank and Perquimans counties have registered for disaster aid. The majority of those registering, 102, are from Currituck, the hardest-hit county in the Albemarle area. Dare is next with 81. Four have registered in Perquimans County.

Statewide, 6,500 people have filed for disaster assistance as a consequence of Bonnie. Two-third of the applicants are requesting funds to find or fix homes. Total assistance has risen to \$1 million.

The state Job Service has announced that people who became unemployed as a result of this disaster may be eligible for unemployment insurance benefits. Those who feel they may be eligible should visit the Employment Security offices in Edenton or Elizabeth City.

Residents who suffered uninsured losses can apply for help via FEMA's toll-free line, 1-800-462-9029 between 8 a.m. and 6 p.m. daily.

Victims are advised to call immediately.

## Outside

THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
High: 80s Low: 60s CLOUDY	High: 80s Low: 60s CLOUDY	High: 80s Low: 60s CLOUDY