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# Youth suspects top HPD cases

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Hertford Police have arrested four youth for their suspected involvement in local crimes.

Daniel Crandall, 16, of 316 Stokes Drive, was arrested on April 19 and charged with the armed robbery of Albemarle Cleaners.

Hertford Police Chief Dale Vanscoy said Crandall admitted his crime after

Hertford

From staff reports

U.S. Senate hopeful

Elizabeth Dole made a stop in Hertford during a sweep

of Northeastern North

Republicans and other sup-

porters at Captain Bob's

Dole stated, "As a United

States Senator, I can assure

you that the courageous

men and women on the

front lines of this war (on

terrorism) ... will have no

stronger supporter. I am

filled with pride for the role

this state plays in defend-

ing our freedoms. If our

young men and women are

called into harm's way, on

the front lines in the war

against terrorism, they

must have the best equip-

ment, the best training, and

no more food stamps! No

more substandard housing!

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"Ladies and gentlemen,

the highest morale.

In her prepared remarks,

Restaurant early Friday.

fellow

Carolina Friday.

Dole greeted

Dole

visits

as a suspect shortly after the robbery.

According to the police file, Crandall allegedly entered the business wearing a gray T-shirt over his head, brandishing a small, dark-colored handgun. He forced the clerk to put the money from the cash register into a bag, then fled the building on foot.

Police were alerted when the clerk activated the alarm. Vanscoy and Officer

the alarm. Vanscoy entered the building, while Krause did a perimeter check. With a good description of the assailant, the officers searched the area. Krause located Crandall in the 400 block of Market Street. Crandall attempted to flee, but was caught by Krause. The officers retraced Crandall's route back to the cleaners, finding money, a gun and several items of

Crandall's personal belong-

being picked up by police Brad Krause responded to ings stashed behind an LP gas tank.

Crandall was then taken to the police department and advised of his rights, after which Vanscoy said the youth confessed to the crime.

Bond was set at \$25,000 secured, and was not reduced during his first appearance in court on May 8. Crandall, through his attorney, waived probable cause and is now awaiting trial in superior court.

Police also arrested Omar White and Devon Thatch, both 16, and charged then with larceny of a motor vehicle, breaking and entering and larceny, and attempted breaking and entering and larceny. Vanscoy said one of the suspects admitted his role in the incidents that led to

the arrests. The pair allegedly stole a 1983 Dodge van owned by James Jordan from Continued on page 12

### for suspects in two robbery cases.

Perquimans County Sheriff Eric Tilley said his department is investigating an armed robbery at New Hope Grocery and a breaking and entering and larceny from the Chapanoke home of Curtis Trueblood.

Officers are developing a case in the New Hope incident, Tilley said.On April-17, three black males came on to the store property at closing time, according to the store clerk. When the clerk opened the door to sweep out the trash, two of the males, she said, entered the store and robbed it at gunpoint. The third male stayed outside. All three wore toboggans.

The trio left the premises with an undisclosed amount of cash.

The Trueblood incident occurred on March 29, when intruders entered the Trueblood home and left with an undisclosed amount of cash. The Truebloods were not at home at the time of the incident. There are no suspects in that case.

Tilley said, however, that there was a burgundy Corsica with Virginia tags seen in the area around the time of the larceny. The car, which carried two or three males, was parked near the Trueblood home. In fact, officers received a call about a suspicious vehicle in that area before the

stolen money was reported. A check into the license plate number revealed that it had been reported stolen.

Anyone with information regarding these incidents is asked to call the Sheriff's Department at 426-5615.

Tilley said he and two officers helped with security at the Perquimans High School prom, held at Albemarle Plantation late last month. The sheriff said prom attendees were very well behaved.

"I commend the youth for their good behavior,"

Tilley said. Tilley said one person did bring alcohol onto the property, but there was no incident of drinking or drugs, no were there any other problems.

**SUSAN R. HARRIS** 

Law officers are looking

## DOLE CAMPAIGN TRAIL



made a campaign stop in Hertford Friday on her visit county Republicans and others at Captain Bob's.

Republican candidate for U.S. Senate Elizabeth Dole to Northeastern North Carolina. She was greeted by

## Spring weekend is here

**ALICE BREWIN** and SUSAN R. HARRIS

Visitors from Charlotte, Greensboro, Richmond, Va., Raleigh, Virginia Beach, Va. Greenville Winston-Salem, Warrenton, Durham, Robersonville, Rocky Mount and other areas will join locals this weekend for a homes tour, pig pickin' and entertainment on the courthouse green, garden party and more.

The weekend will kick off with Pig-Out-on-the-Green, featuring a pig pickin' and live entertainment in front of the courthouse on May 17 from 4 - 7 p.m. Loose Change will provide music. Tickets for the pig pickin' are \$5. For more information, call 426-2021.

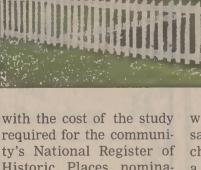


Elizabeth Jones gets some Huck Finn-type help Saturday as she prepares her home, the Creecy-Skinner-Whedbee House, for the spring homes tour. Painters are Pen and Shay Tompkins and Derek and Aaron lane.

Heritage Development Officer LuAnne Pendergraft said 150 people have pre-registered for the homes tour, which will feature 18 buildings which have either been restored or are in the process of being restored. The historic structures include homes, businesses, churches and outbuildings. "Two years ago, pre-

Tourism event ticket sales were at about 40 at this time," Pendergraft said. "We're now at about 150, so we're thrilled with the response."

A portion of the proceeds from the tour, which is sponsored by the Perquimans County Restoration Association and Preservation North Carolins, will go to the Bethel community to help



Historic Places nomina-

The tour will be held Saturday, 10 a.m. - 4 p.m. and Sunday, 1 - 5 p.m. Tickets in advance are \$15, and \$20 May 18-19. For more information, call 426-7567.

On Saturday, the Bertha Lane Circle of Hertford United Methodist Church will sponsor a chicken salad luncheon at the church ' from a.m.—1:30 p.m. Plates are \$5 and may be eaten in the fellowship hall where tea will be served or taken out. The church is one of the historic buildings open for the tour. For information, call Barbara Scaff at

426-8129. **Continued on page 12** 

### WEEKEND WEATHER

THURSDAY **HIGH: 83** Low: 56 MOSTLY SUNNY

FRIDAY **HIGH: 86** Low: 63 PARTLY CLOUDY

SATURDAY **HIGH: 83** Low: 57 SCATTERED T'STORMS