

PTO FUND RAISERS—Melissa Gore, winner of a black and white television set, and Will Mauney, winner of a 10 speed bike; pictured are the big winners in the recent West School PTO fundraiser. Mrs. Roberts' First Grade class won a trip to the Pizza Hut as "top selling class" in the PTO fundraiser.

### God Bless The Red Cross

Dear Editor:

On October 20th I received a call from Korea stating that my 20 year old son, Larry Roseboro, was in the hospital in stable condition. The military contacted me each day to let me know how he was. He was sent to Tripler Medical Center in Hawaii and condition remained stable until Thursday. Dr. Hennessy called late Thursday to say my son's condition was critical and asked if I could come as quickly as possible. I told him I did not have the money, had never flown and could not read or write very good. The doctor told me to get in touch with the Red Cross here, as the viral hepatitis had caused the situation to be grave.

We called the Red Cross and in a few hours they had made arrangements for me and my daughter to fly to my son's bedside. The Red Cross office provided the funds for the airline tickets, food, etc. as this was a medical emergency. Linda Daniels worked for hours making the plans and Martha Scruggs had to drive us to the airport in Charlotte for the flight which left at 11:40 p.m. The airline needed the check signed in person.

We arrived at the hospital at 11 a.m. on Friday and I stayed with my son until he died at 2:30 p.m. Every mother will know how much it meant to me to be with my son, my youngest child, for the final hours of his life. God bless the Red Cross and the workers there for their help in this emergency.

Beatrice R. Hamilton  
Shelby, N.C.

### Roark Thanks Supporters

To the editor:

Let me sincerely thank all my friends and supporters in Cleveland County for your total commitment and hard work during our recent campaign. Your expressions of confidence were a great source of encouragement and strength for the entire Roark family.

Although we did not win the election, I feel richly rewarded with thousands of new friends throughout the District and stronger ties with old friends from the past.

Most important, I feel, was a sense of purpose and a total dedication to the cause we all believed in so deeply. I am convinced that we thus advanced the cause of good government and a clean and positive political process. These qualities are they very essence of democracy and must be protected with our total and continuing commitment.

Together, we have demonstrated that commitment in our joint effort of hard work and common purpose. In that light, we are all winners.

Let me assure you that my convictions are still in place and that my interest in government and our political system is still strong. My belief in the cause we pursued is not diminished.

Let us all join together in continuing to support the ideals we have worked so hard to advance.

Thank you for caring.

Sincerely,  
Les Roark  
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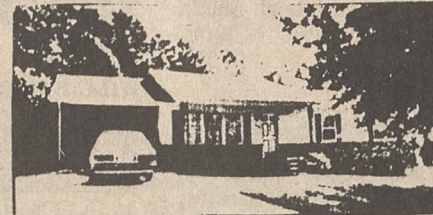
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