

WHAT'S GOING ON?

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EDITOR'S NOTE: Each week, The Courier-Times will offer a new feature titled What's Going On? We will take photos of things taking place in Person County, attempt to find out what's going on and then inform our readers. We also encourage our readers to submit photos and/or questions and we will attempt to find out what's going on for you. Of, if you already know, we will inform others what's going on. Photos can be sent via e-mail to tchandler@roxboro-courier.com or they can be dropped off at The Courier-Times at 109 Clayton Ave.

What's going on at The Courier-Times? The C-T is upgrading part of our production technology. Currently, we produce our newspaper by building our pages on computers and printing the completed pages to a machine called an imagesetter. The imagesetter produces a negative of a full page. Two of the negatives are then combined on a metal plate using a plate burner. The plates are then placed on our press and used to print the newspaper. Due to the change in photography from film based to digital based, the price of film and the chemicals needed to process the film are increasing dramatically. The new machine shown being installed at The C-T this week is a new type of equipment known as an iCtP NewsWriter. The newswriter will develop the plates directly from the computer, eliminating the process of creating the film negative and burning the plates. A portion of today's newspaper was created with the iCtP NewsWriter.