

Give A Pint Of Blood At Armory March 6

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Tea Party Chapter To Sponsor Contest On Creative Writing

Mrs. Inglis Fletcher Explains Contest Friday at School

CASH AWARDS

Contest Is Received Enthusiastically By Students and Advisors

The Edenton Tea Party Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution chose February 22, George Washington's birthday, as a fitting occasion for the announcement of a new award for creative writing on a historical subject to be offered yearly to members of the Senior Class of Edenton Junior-Senior High School. Inglis Fletcher, herself a noted master of creative writing, and a member of the local D. A. R. Chapter, addressed the Edenton Seniors Friday morning in the High School library, explaining the nature of the award and the contest requirements.

The Edenton Tea Party Chapter has chosen, as the specific contest topic for 1952, "James Iredell, or Any of His Edenton or Local Contemporaries." The contestants may attempt any approved form of literary effort: essay, one-act play, short story, poem, etc., dealing with material within the assigned field. The literary projects need not be strictly factual, but must not contradict known historical fact. They will be judged as to research, historical fidelity and originality as well as literary merit. The contest is to end on or about Easter. Three cash prizes of \$25, \$15 and \$10 respectively will be awarded the three students whose projects are rated first, second and third.

Mrs. Fletcher and her announcement were given an enthusiastic reception by the audience of students and faculty members. Interest in the contest already runs high, and a revived wave of research in matters of local history is anticipated.

New Group Officers Proposed For C. Of C. At Meeting Friday

Joe H. Conger, Jr., Selected President to Succeed Holton

At a meeting of the Chamber of Commerce held Friday morning in the Court House, a tentative slate of officers and directors were nominated for the year 1952-1953. The nominating committee was composed of George Twiddy, J. W. Davis and Ernest Kehayes.

The officers proposed are J. H. Conger, Jr., president, to succeed David Holton; Clyde Hollowell, treasurer, and Louis George Wilkins, vice president. The directors include Ella May Morgan, Philip McMullan, Walter Miller, William Perry, Henry G. Quinn, Herbert Hollowell, Frank Holmes, Percy Smith, Eric Haste, Jesse Harrell, Lloyd Bunch, Dr. A. F. Downum, Paul Wallace, Frank Elliott, George Twiddy and J. R. Dulaney.

Members of the Chamber of Commerce are being polled by mail to determine if the officers and directors as nominated should be elected.

World Peace Winner Speaker At Woman's Club Meeting March 5

Miss Jane Goodwin, winner of the World Peace Speaking Contest held at Chowan County High School Friday, February 8, will deliver her winning speech to the Edenton Woman's Club at their regular meeting March 5.

The World Peace Program was sponsored at Chowan County High School by the Edenton Woman's Club. Mrs. C. P. Darr, English teacher, was supervisor of the program at Chowan.

MISSIONARY MEETING
The Woman's Missionary Society of the Edenton Baptist Church will meet for a mission study class at the church Thursday night, February 28, at 7:30 o'clock. Everyone is cordially invited to attend.

\$166 Short

According to the final report of Wesley Chesson, Jr., chairman of the Chowan County March of Dimes drive, contributions amounted to \$1,864 or \$166 short of the \$2,000 goal for the county. While the goal was not quite realized, Mr. Chesson is very much pleased with the outcome of the drive, especially in view of the fact that near the close the prospect appeared gloomy to even realize half of the goal.

Mr. Chesson, as well as officials of the Chowan County Chapter of the National Foundation For Infantile Paralysis, desire to thank all who gave of their time and effort in the drive, as well as those who made contributions in the fight against infantile paralysis.

Oratorical Contest In Edenton School On Friday Morning

15th Annual Contest to Be Sponsored By American Legion

N. J. George announces that the district oratorical contest will be held Friday morning at 10 o'clock at the new high school in Edenton. The speaking will take place in the audio-visual room, which will seat about 175 persons. The Student Council of the high school will be host for the contest, to which the public is cordially invited to attend.

This will be the 15th annual high school contest which is sponsored by the Department of North Carolina of the American Legion. The district winner will enter the division contest and from there winners compete for State honors and finally the national contest.

In the state finals a \$500 college scholarship will be awarded the winner, with a \$100 U. S. Savings Bond going to the runner-up. There will be four prizes in the national contest, first being a \$4,000 scholarship, second a \$2,500 scholarship, third a \$1,000 scholarship, and fourth a \$500 scholarship.

Mr. George is chairman of District 1 and Edward Wozelka is chairman for Chowan County.

Outstanding PTA Meeting March 11

The Rev. R. N. Carroll Will Be Speaker at Turkey Dinner

The Rev. R. N. Carroll, pastor of the First Baptist Church, Edenton, will be the principal speaker at the Parent-Teacher Association dinner to be held in the new school cafeteria Tuesday evening, March 11, at 7:00 o'clock.

Mr. Carroll has chosen as his subject "The Responsibility of the Home and School for Citizenship Training." Music for the occasion will be furnished by Jack Mooney, accompanied at the piano by Mrs. Mooney.

Sale of tickets will get underway this week, according to Mrs. Ervin Griffin and Mrs. W. T. Harry, co-chairmen of the Ways and Means committee. All members and friends are urged to make plans to attend.

A turkey dinner will be served under the direction of Mrs. Paul Holloman. The Woman's Club recently contributed \$100 to each of the local white schools, so that the treasury at present is very low. For that reason it is hoped a large number will attend the dinner.

Y. W. A. MEETS

The Rocky Hock Y. W. A. will meet Monday night, March 10, at 7:30 o'clock at the home of Lillie Mae Bunch. All members are urged to be present.

World Day Of Prayer In St. Paul's Church On Friday Afternoon

Members of All Denominations Are Invited To Participate

The World Day of Prayer service this year will be held in St. Paul's Episcopal Church Friday afternoon at 5 o'clock. Last year the service was held in the Methodist Church and members of all churches are asked to participate in this service of prayer.

The observance began in 1887 when Mrs. Darwin R. James, president of the Woman's Board of Home Missions of the Presbyterian Church in the U. S. A., called on all Presbyterian women in the United States to gather in their own communities on a specified date to pray for home missions.

The response was so great that a day was set apart annually. In the early nineties, under the leadership of two outstanding Baptist women, Mrs. Henry W. Peabody and Mrs. Helen Barrett Montgomery, a day was designated for united prayer for foreign missions. For many years home and foreign mission groups observed days of prayer separately, but in 1919 they came together. In 1920 the women of Canada joined them when the first Friday in Lent was chosen as the day for missions, home and foreign, and promoted by the Council of Women for Home Missions and Foreign Missions Conference of North America jointly. Missionaries spread the idea of a day of prayer and at the request of many friends in other lands, it became a World Day of Prayer in 1927.

Since 1942 the planning, printing and promotion of the program in the U. S. has been the task of the World Day of Prayer Committee of the United Council of Church Women, now the General Department of United Church Women of the National Council. The service will be sent out to 104 countries by the Division of Foreign Missions, formerly the Foreign Missions Conference of N. A. The service was held in 17,000 communities in the U. S. A., in 1951 with an offering of \$288,000.

The offering is divided equally between the Division of Foreign Missions and the Division of Home Missions who allocate it for interdenominational work.

The purpose of the observance is to unite Christians around the world in prayer, and in the United States to make an offering to support interdenominational missions at home and abroad.

Joint Meeting Of Rotarians Tonight

Edenton and Ahoskie Clubs Meet In Parish House

Edenton's Rotary Club and the Ahoskie Rotary Club will meet jointly tonight (Thursday) in the Parish House at 7 o'clock in an inter-city meeting. The Ahoskie Club will provide the program for the occasion, and J. L. Chestnutt, president of the local club, urges a 100 per cent attendance on the part of Edenton Rotarians.

The Edenton Club had a 100 per cent meeting on February 7 and Mr. Chestnutt is very anxious to close out the month with another 100 per cent. It is expected that the Ahoskie Club will turn out in full force.

BLOODMOBILE SCHEDULED MARCH 6

George Alma Byrum, chairman of the Chowan County Red Cross program, again calls attention to the next visit of the bloodmobile on Thursday, March 6.

In reviewing the blood program in Chowan County, Mr. Byrum is convinced more cooperation should be given this very worthwhile effort to secure much needed blood to help save lives and reduce suffering not only at home but among the fighting forces.

Mr. Byrum points out that only 349 Edenton and Chowan County people have donated during the seven visits of the bloodmobile which resulted in 766 pints of blood. Included in this amount, however, are many pints which were contributed by Marines at the Edenton Marine Corps Air Station.

BPW Votes To Back Jaycees In Saving Historical Home

Carolyn Harrell Delivers Speech at Meeting Thursday Night

Miss Carolyn Harrell delivered her winning world peace speech before the Business and Professional Women's Club at a meeting held Thursday night in the Hotel Joseph Hewes. She was introduced by her English teacher and advisor, Mrs. Mary L. Browning, who explained the origination of the contest and how essays are prepared by the students. Miss Harrell's talk terminated a series of speeches to all local civic organizations sponsored by the Edenton Woman's Club.

An interesting film, "A Closed Book" was presented by the Farm Bureau Insurance Company, under the direction of Bernard F. Parker of Elizabeth City, district manager, with Lynn Perry at the projector.

George Alma Byrum, representing the Junior Chamber of Commerce, appeared before the club and a lengthy discussion ensued concerning the preservation of the historic Penelope Barker House for use as a community building. The recent purchase of the Penelope Barker home site on Broad Street by the P & Q Food Center necessitates removal of the building to make room for a modern super market. According to Byrum, the proprietors of the concern, Henry Quinn and Haywood Phibbs, have agreed to give the building to any group providing it is removed from the present site by around March 1. The Jaycees are interested in the new project and are now seeking the aid of other groups in an effort to save the house, which will not only preserve another historic landmark but will serve the purpose of a much needed community building. The club voted to lend their support and cooperation and a committee will be appointed to work with the Jaycees in finding a site for the building, which seems to be the major problem right now.

Mrs. Percy Smith, vice president, presided over the meeting in the absence of the president, Mrs. Corie White. She announced that plans were being formulated for the District BPW meeting to be held in Edenton on Sunday, March 23, and that various committees have been appointed to work out details. She urges the cooperation of all members to help make the affair a success.

Committee chairman were asked to turn in their reports to the president by March 1.

Mrs. Emma Perkins, chairman of Health and Safety, was in charge of the program and with her committee of Misses Olive Pothier, Fannie Sue Sayers, Kathleen Learl and Beulah Perry, served delightful refreshments of cakes, candy, nuts and ice cream sodas.

Chowan Farm Bureau Meets Friday Night

Chowan County's Farm Bureau Will Meet Friday Night at 7:30 o'clock at the Rocky Hock School Building.

Murray L. Goodwin, secretary, reports that there are over 350 members, yet only about 15 attended the meeting last month. Carey M. Evans, president, therefore, urges more members to attend Friday, saying, "If your organization is to serve you, it is most important that you take an active part and attend the monthly meetings. We were unable to get the Community Building, so the meeting place was changed this month. It may be well to rotate awhile. Be sure to meet with us."

Interest In Local Girl Scout Troop Now On Upward Trend Here

Senate Candidate



A. PILSTON GODWIN, JR. Late last week, A. Pilston Godwin, Jr., Gatesville attorney, announced his candidacy for one of the North Carolina Senate seats for the First Senatorial District. Gates County has not been represented in the Senate since 1923.

Al Phillips Appointed As County Chairman For Red Cross Drive

Chowan County Is Requested to Contribute \$2,500 In Week

Al Phillips, superintendent of the Edenton Cotton Mill, has been appointed chairman for Chowan County's annual fund raising drive, with the County's quota set at \$2,500. According to Geddes Potter, chairman of Chowan County's Red Cross Chapter, the drive will begin the first week in March.

Mr. Phillips plans to call a meeting this week of his various captains and co-workers in order to work out a program and it is hoped the drive can be completed within a week's time. He points out that the greatest number of men from Chowan County are now in service since World War II, and that the Red Cross is a direct liaison between homes and men in uniform.

Home service needs are also increasing with more men in service and thus, together with other calls on Red Cross, means that more funds must be made available.

"The average person does not know the extent of Red Cross activities and expenditures," says Mr. Phillips, "so that Chowan County should rally to the appeal for funds to the end that relief and assistance can be rendered by the Red Cross immediately when called upon."

Concert By Band Saturday Afternoon

Planned to Boost Interest In Securing More Donors of Blood

In the hope of arousing interest in the forthcoming visit of the bloodmobile to Edenton, N. J. George, recruitment chairman, has arranged a concert by the Edenton High School Band Saturday afternoon. The band will play in front of the Byrum Hardware Company store, starting at 2 o'clock, during which an effort will be made to enlist blood donors.

Chowan County's quota is 150 pints and Mr. George feels that this amount, at least, should be contributed by civilians.

New Members Added To Auxiliary Of VFW

Edenton's newest organization, the VFW Auxiliary, met Thursday night at the home of Mrs. Mary Coffield, when five new members were enrolled. Various matters of business were transacted, which included plans for a dance to be sponsored some time in March.

Mrs. P. J. Sheehy Volunteers Her Services as Scout Leader

WELL QUALIFIED Meeting Place Provided But Equipment Is Needed

By Evelyn G. Leary
Interest in Edenton's Girl Scouts is now on an upward trend following the volunteer services of Mrs. P. J. Sheehy as new Scout Leader. Mrs. Sheehy is vitally interested in the welfare of young girls and has come to the rescue of what seemed an imminent death, and one which has created much concern relative to the possibility of abandoning the local girl scout troop.

The new Scout Leader is thoroughly familiar with scouting activities, having had three years' experience as Scout Leader of a Girl Scout troop in Philadelphia. Edentonians should, indeed, be proud to have among them one so well qualified in handling the interests of children, and it is hoped full cooperation will be extended the new leader in her undertaking.

Mrs. Sheehy seems very much impressed with the enthusiasm being shown by the youngsters and she promises her best efforts to create a continuous interest in the troop and develop an organization of which the town and Parent-Teacher Association, sponsor of the organization, may be proud. At present the girls are working on their tenderfoot requirements in preparation for the investiture services, she says, after which they will be awarded tenderfoot pins and become girl scouts officially.

As a starter on new projects planned, the scouts are busy making scrapbooks and wool dolls. Various schemes are also in the making to help swell the already more than \$100 in the treasury. With nice weather coming on, Mrs. Sheehy hopes to soon be taking the troop on hiking trips. A camping trip would be nice, too, but she said as far as she knows there is no approved camping site available.

Principal Ernest Swain has offered a room in the basement of the Edenton Graded School for use as girl (Continued On Page Twelve)

Membership Drive On For Hospital Auxiliary

Effort Started to Organize Chaplain Service at Hospital

An unusually large crowd attended the Hospital Auxiliary meeting last week. Splendid reports were presented from all standing committees with especially good work on flowers, tray flowers and sewing.

The 1952 membership drive is now on and those who desire to renew their membership are urged to see Mrs. L. S. Byrum or Mrs. Wallace Goodwin.

It was voted by the Auxiliary to have the regular meeting hereafter on the third Friday of each month.

The president appointed Mrs. J. M. Jones, Mrs. Raymond Carr and Mrs. Rodney Harrell as a committee to place Bibles at every bedside in the hospital. Mrs. W. M. Wilkins, J. W. Davis, E. N. Elliott and Miss Frances Tillet were asked to interview the ministers of the community with reference to organizing a chaplain service for the patients.

For the program, Miss Kathryn Brown gave an interesting talk on her recent visit to Mexico. She described the beauty of the countryside, the ancient pyramids, floating gardens, parks and historic Chapultepec Castle and a colorful bullfight.

Senior Class Play Scheduled March 14

Edenton's High School senior class will present a play, "Marrying Margaret," Friday night, March 14, at 8 o'clock. The play will be presented in the Elementary School auditorium, and an evening of genuine entertainment is in prospect. Tickets for the affair are now being sold with the prospect of a good attendance.