

## Schedule For Christmas

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celebration of God's reaching into our world through the gift of his Son. The public is invited to attend.

Oak Grove is located on Hwy. 64, 1/2 mile west of the 64-32 junction.

"Christmas is Love", the newest Christmas composition by John W. Peterson will be presented this Sunday by the First Assembly of God church choir. This special service begins at 7 P.M. The 20-voice choir is under the direction of Donald Bunch.

A time of refreshment and fellowship will follow the evening services. The pastor and congregation cordially invite the public to attend. First Assembly is located on U.S. 17 Business South (Queen Street Extended) in Edenton.

The Chancel and Fellowship Choirs of Chappell Hill Baptist Church will present special musical programs during the morning and evening service on Sunday.

The Chancel Choir will present the cantata, "Festival of Lessons and Carols", by Roger C. Wilson, during the morning worship service at 11 A.M. The Chancel Choir is under the direction of Sylvia Old, church music director. Yvonne Lane will be the accompanist.

The Fellowship Choir, under the direction of Mae Belle Chappell, will present the cantata, "From the Star to the Cross", by Gene Bartlett, in the evening service at 7 o'clock. Connie Lane will be the accompanist.

Chappell Hill Baptist Church is located between Belvidere and Center Hill on State Road 1002. Rev. Billy Old is the pastor and invites the public to come share in these worship services as well as all services at Chappell Hill Baptist Church.

## Council

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Town in the future.

It was authorized that one mobile home be sold as surplus property by means of sealed bids.

Sam Noble was appointed as a member of the Firemen's Relief Committee.

In the final item of new business the Council took action concerning municipal beautification by deciding to let Willie Spruill, presently employed with the Town, to be responsible for the upkeep and beautification of the Town.

There was one item not on the agenda that was added. Al Everson requested that a shelter for civic organizations be constructed behind the Scout Hut as a Scout project. This was referred to the Finance Committee.

In unfinished business, Councilman Hornthal discussed the Committee appointments that were made and made a motion that he be put on the Public Works Committee and the Recreation Committee. Councilman Herbert Hollowell seconded the motion. The ensuing vote was tied at three, and Mayor Harrell killed the issue by voting against it. Hornthal said that he didn't want any one taken off the committees and that he didn't want them changed, but he wanted to be treated equitably. Harrell countered that the Council had the opportunity to reject the committee appointments.

The meeting ended following the payment of the Town Bills.

Full services are offered including Sunday School for all ages at 10 A.M.; morning worship services at 11 A.M. Church Training Service at 6:30 P.M. also Mid-week Bible study and prayer services on Wednesdays at 7:30 P.M. A standing welcome awaits you at Chappell Hill Baptist Church.

The Edenton Historical Commission announced today that all is ready for the Christmas Candlelight Tour. On December 18 six homes will be open in the Court Square area of Edenton from 7 - 9 P.M. On December 19 six homes in the West Church and Gale street area will be open. The entrance to each open home will be marked with luminaria.

The Barker House Gift Shop will also be open. Tickets may be purchased there or at any of the open houses. The price for tickets is \$7.50 both nights; \$5 single night; \$1 per house.

Refreshments will be served on Friday evening at the Barker House and Saturday evening at the home of Mr. and Mrs. James M. Bond, 106 W. Church Street.

Everyone is invited to come out and support this worthwhile event. All proceeds will be used for restoration and preservation of Historic Edenton.

First Presbyterian Church of Edenton will hold its sixth annual Moravian Love Feast at 7:30 P.M., Christmas Eve at the church. The public is invited.

Special music will be provided by the choir and a brass and woodwind ensemble. Traditional Christmas carols and chorals will be performed by the choir and ensemble along with congregational singing of traditional Moravian Christmas hymns.

The yeast bread buns are baked by the women of the church and are served with mugs of coffee by "dieners". After the love feast meal, the church is darkened and homemade beeswax candles from Old Salem are distributed.

Choir director is E. Gil Burroughs, organist is Mrs. Otis Strother and program director is Mrs. Chester Stevens.

## N.C. Receives Federal Funds

RALEIGH — David Kelly, assistant secretary of the N. C. Department of Crime Control and Public Safety, announced today that \$1,145,900 has been authorized in the 1982 federal budget for North Carolina under the Emergency Management Assistance Program.

Kelly, who administers the public safety arm of the department's operations, said about the grant, "Through economies initiated on the state level, we are forwarding more money this year to counties participating in the program than we have been able to give them in the past.

This year we will apportion \$767,753 among the 76 counties participate in the program. That is an increase of \$130,153 more than the 1981 fiscal year allocation to the counties of \$637,600," Kelly said.

Chowan will receive \$7,051.

The Emergency Management Assistance Program is designed to encourage local governments to employ professional staffs to design and administer their Comprehensive Emergency Management Programs.

Each county provides matching funds to the federal grant money. This year, all allocations are subject to final congressional approval of the federal budget.

Kelly said, "For the first time in several years, funds were available to support every position requested by local governments. We were able to achieve this by maintaining a reduced staffing level here and allowing a larger share of the allocation to be apportioned among the local governments," he said.

This year the percentage split between the counties' share of the allocation and the state share is 67 per cent to 33 per cent. Last year it was 64 per cent to 36 per cent.

"We are working hard in Raleigh," Kelly said, "to increase the counties' share because we realize their needs, are great."

## Hunt Reinstates Ousted Commission Members

Gov. James B. Hunt's apparent purge of the Edenton Historical Commission last week was short lived. Five of the commission members who got "Dear John" letters have been reinstated. But eight new members named in the confusing events will remain on the commission.

W. B. Gardner, newly elected commission chairman; George Alma Byrum, immediate past chairman and head of the important Operations Committee; and Mrs. Judy Earnhardt, the commission's representative on the Historic Albemarle Tours panel and head of HAT, were among the five existing members reinstated by Gov. Hunt late Monday.

Mrs. Peggy Anne Vaughan, commission secretary, said she was recently asked by a Hunt aide to comment on the activities of the three ranking members, as well as: Mrs. Ruth Phillips, Mrs. Lindsay Hornthal, Tom Wood of

## Post Re-Elected To Presidency

WASHINGTON — The Highway 17 Transportation Association in North Carolina is winding up its most successful year and is getting ready for its third annual effort.

Thomas H. Campbell of Elizabeth City, chairman of the association's nominations, announced the annual election of officers today. They will serve during 1982. Re-elected president was William H. (Bill) Page of Washington. Mayor William D. Cox of Hertford, was elected vice president, and Mayor W. Bruce Teachey of Jacksonville, was re-elected secretary and treasurer.

Named to head the various boards and support councils of the association were: W. P. (Spec) Jones of Edenton, vice chairman of the board of directors; Mayor Cox, chairman of the Governmental Leadership Council; Franky Thomas of Leland, chairman of the Brunswick County Commissioners; vice chairman of the Governmental Leadership Council; Dick Paul of Washington, president of WITN-TV, chairman of the Executive Advisory Council; J. A. Stafford of Williamston, official with Vecpo, vice chairman of the Executive Advisory Council; Tom G. Thompson of New Bern, Craven County's industrial developer, chairman of the Professional Advisory Council; and Tommy Combs, Elizabeth City's city manager, vice chairman of the Professional Advisory Council.

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The association took a caravan to Raleigh to meet with Gov. James Hunt in August, 1980, asking for such a study. The governor called for the study a short while later. It is being conducted by Kimley-Horn, Inc., traffic engineering consultants from Raleigh.

Page, also reported that a conference with officials of the Chesapeake Bay Bridge-Tunnel Authority in Norfolk, Va., in October, had resulted in stepped up efforts by that group to get adequate highway passage from the bridge-tunnel to the North Carolina line north of Elizabeth City.

In addition, Page said suggestions made in the summer at a meeting with Federal Highway Administration leaders are now being implemented and a conference is being planned for the spring with Highway Officials all along the Ocean Highway route from New York to Florida.

Raleigh and Mrs. Anna Bair of Elizabeth City. She said she thought it was a routine inquiry until late last week when she received copies of letters to the seven existing members, thanking them for their past service, and the eight new members designated by Gov. Hunt.

Gov. Hunt had appointed all seven members affected by the purge in November, 1977. At that time he named 38 members, including some who had served since 1962.

On June 1, 1979, the General Assembly ratified a bill to recreate the commission, which was designed to merge Historic Edenton, Inc., into the broader-based panel. When this was accomplished the commission established the Operations Committee to operate historic sites here.

Prior to 1979, the commission was composed of no fewer than 25 members, all appointed by the governor. All members served at his pleasure, except for ex-officio members who included the Mayor

of Edenton, the chairman of Chowan County commissioners and the State Secretary of Cultural Resources or their designees. The commission has had a membership of more than 50.

The creation legislation called for a commission consisting of 33 members, 18 appointed by the governor to serve at his pleasure, and 12 elected from time-to-time according to the procedure it adopts, plus the ex-officio members.

The commission then established by laws which, among other things, limits a member to no more than four two-year terms.

Mrs. Vaughan said the commission was composed of 27 members prior to Gov. Hunt's recent action. It will now consist of 33 members, with Wood and Mrs. Bair not being reinstated in Monday's action.

The eight people most recently named include:

Mrs. Francis Hollowell, Mrs. April Lane, Mrs. Betty Manning, I. R. Self, Mrs. Kathy Busby, Christopher Bean, Mrs. Tama Clark and Mrs. Emily Brooks.

## Ester Is Convicted On DUI Charge

The following cases were heard in the Chowan County District Court on December 8 by J. Richard Parker, the presiding judge.

Timothy Wesley Ester, DUI first offense, guilty, 90 days suspended sentence, \$200 fine and cost of court, and ordered to surrender his operator's license.

Robert Wayne Sawyer, exceeding a safe speed, guilty, \$10 fine and cost of court. A voluntary dismissal was given on a driving while license revoked charge.

Betty Arnold Byrum, 48 MPH in a 35 MPH zone, prayer for judgment continued on payment of cost of court.

Joseph Bunch Byrum, non-support of child, dismissal by prosecutor.

Edward Lee Lawson, DUI, guilty, 90 day suspended sentence, \$150 fine and cost of court, and ordered to surrender his operator's license.

Jimmy A. Williams, disobeying a stop sign, guilty, cost of court.

Kenny Warren, driving while license revoked and disobeying a stop sign, 90 days commitment. Appealed.

Grady Sessoms, assault on a female, guilty, 60 days suspended one year, \$50 fine and cost of court, ordered not to assault Ella Gregory for one year.

Marcus Richard Frear, 50 MPH in a 35 MPH zone, cost of court.

The following cases were heard in the Chowan County District Court on Dec. 15 by John T. Chaffin, the presiding judge.

Nancy Marie Jernigan, two counts of larceny, a motion to dismiss was allowed.

Annett Palin Basnight, two counts of assault on a police officer, two counts of larceny, and one count of resisting, delaying or obstructing an officer, a motion to discuss was allowed.

Floyd Goodwin, worthless check, not guilty.

Curtis Rudolph Anthony, reckless driving after drinking, 60 days suspended two years, \$100 fine and cost of court, ordered to attend the Drug-Alcohol school.

James Harry Bowen, exceeding a safe speed, \$50 fine and cost of court.

## Ingram Approves Rate Reduction

RALEIGH — Insurance Commissioner John Ingram says he will approve the 7 per cent automobile insurance reduction requested by Nationwide.

Ingram said the request by Nationwide for the reduction is proof that expert testimony in last year's auto insurance filing is correct.

Ingram said, "The statement by the cartel monopoly (the Rate Bureau) is a smoke screen."

Nationwide has appeared at rate hearings as a separate company saying they needed rate increases.

"The statement by Mr. Benjamin F. Seagle of Aetna Life and Casualty proves the cartel monopolistic Rate Bureau must be abolished," he added.

According to newspaper reports Seagle said, "I'm sure that after this, we'll be taking a hard look at our figures too," referring to the request by Nationwide.

How many looks at sets of books does the auto insurance industry have to make to give the people this kind of rate reduction? The Aetna said they would look at their books again.

Ingram said the Aetna's second look statement and the Nationwide's request show that the auto insurance companies have had all along, for years, the ability to compete using the deviation procedure.

Ingram said more competition will come about when the cartel Rate Bureau is abolished and the companies file directly with him, audited information from one set of books.

Nationwide is not the first auto insurance company to request lower rates in North Carolina.

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