

Community Shows Great Support For Area Special Olympics

March 27 was a monumental occasion for 60 "Special People" as they competed for recognition in their community. The Chowan-Edenton Optimist Club sponsored Chowan County's second annual Special Olympics at Hicks Field in Edenton with support from throughout the Albemarle area. Special Olympics coordinator Mrs. Betsy Kelly termed the day's events as a "huge success" and expressed gratitude for all who supported the games with manpower of financial contributions.

The Special Olympics began at 10 A.M. with a parade of athletes led by the John A. Holmes High School Marching Aces band, directed by Otis Strother. Following the parade, speeches were presented by several community leaders. Edenton Mayor Roy Harrell commended the athletes for their perseverance and dedication.

D. F. Walker Principal Ralph Cole challenged the athletes to achieve their goals through building themselves to be strong competitors. Macedonia Baptist Church Rev. Charles Harris praised the athletes for their spirit of hope and peace as they fulfilled their ambitions. Mrs. Betsy Kelly welcomed

all the athletes, their support groups, and the audience as the games began.

There were six groups of children broken into age barriers. Different area civic organizations led their group of children through the six different events. The following organizations performed dedicated services throughout the Olympics: the Chowan-Edenton Optimist Club, the Edenton Jaycees, the Edenton Jayettes, the Center Hill-Crossroads Fire Dept., the Advance Ruritan Club, the Edenton Sweetheart Club, the Knights of Columbus, the American Legion Auxiliary, Boy Scout Troop 172 and the Chowan-Edenton Rescue Squad.

The events of the day were the standing broad jump, the 200 meter race, the frisbee throw for distance, the 400 meter race, the softball throw for distance and the 50 yard dash. Each event was patterned after criteria established by the Joseph P. Kennedy, Jr. Foundation, who began the Special Olympics program in 1968. The Olympics were

designed to allow physically handicapped and mentally retarded young people to compete in local, regional, state and national events to improve their outlook on life and improve their opinions of themselves.

The meaning of sports competition in the truest sense of the word is conveyed through the Special Olympics oath, "Let me win, but if I cannot win, let me be brave in the attempt."

At the closing of the event, State Trooper Mike McArthur, President of the Optimist Club, thanked all participants at the event and recognized several of the competitors for their outstanding accomplishments of the day. Trooper McArthur's daughter, Jenny, led the crowd of 300 in singing Happy Birthday to Kathy Bonner, who had competed to her maximum ability throughout the day.

The Optimist Club thanked each group who served in a leadership capacity during the day. WCDJ Radio station manager Terry Williams provided live coverage of the games and Mrs. Anne Dail of WCDJ posed as a clown to spirit the athletes on to greater achievements. Trooper McArthur stated,

The Regional Special Olympics competition will be held in Elizabeth City on April 24 at Northeastern

High School. I hope that the enthusiasm demonstrated at our local event will carry on to each of the events in

the future, with a larger segment of the community becoming involved in helping these athletes become "Winners."



SPECIAL OLYMPICS COMPETITION + Special Olympics competitor Sandy Holiday is pushed through the 400 meter race by Mike McArthur, the President of the Edenton-Chowan Optimist Club. Trooper McArthur appears to be a little out of shape! (Photo Courtesy of Ken Kinion)

Centralized School Menus

Centralized menus for the Edenton - Chowan Schools for next week are planned as follows:

Easter Holidays - Mon. - Wed.

Thursday - Breakfast: Chilled Juice; Assorted Cereals; and Milk. Lunch: Cheeseburger w -Bun; Baked Beans; Pears; Brownies and Milk.

Friday - Breakfast: Fruit Cup; Cheese Toast and Milk. Lunch: Spaghetti w-Meat Sauce; Green Beans; Pineapple; Cornbread and Milk.

Monday - Breakfast: Chilled Juice; Cinnamon Bun and Milk. Lunch: Pizza; Tossed Salad; Buttered Corn; Oatmeal Raisin Cookies and Milk.

Tuesday - Breakfast: Chilled Juice; Little Smokies; Pancakes w-Syrup and Milk. Lunch: Ham & Cheese Sandwich; French Fries w-Ketchup; Apple Cobbler and Milk.

Wednesday - Breakfast: Raisin Cup; Oatmeal; Buttered Toast and Milk. Lunch: Country Style Steak w-Gravy; Steamed Rice;

Green Peas; Peaches; Rolls and Milk.

Thursday - Breakfast: Chilled Juice; Scrambled Eggs; Buttered Grits and Milk. Lunch: Burritos; Tossed Salad; French Fries w-Ketchup; Pineapple Upside Cake and Milk.

Friday - Breakfast - Chilled Juice; Doughnut and Milk. Lunch: Fish n'Cheese; Crispy Cole Slaw; Green Beans; Cornbread and Milk.

Sing-A-Rama Is Planned

The Wainwright Gospel Ensemble of the Kadesh AME Zion Church will be sponsoring a Sing-A-Rama on April 11 at 7 P.M. Featured on this program will be several Young Adult choirs from around the area. Special guests will be The Kindred Harmonettes of South Mills, N.C., and the Moddis Acapella Gospel Singers from Portsmouth, Va.

The public is invited to attend.

Card Of Thanks

The family of the late Mrs. Carrie Hathaway Bemby wishes to express our deepest appreciation to our friends for the floral arrangements, food, cards, and other expressions shown during our hours of bereavement.

The Family pd.

Car-Banging

The Edenton Church of God Young People are sponsoring a car-banging and concession stand. It will be held at Northside Shopping Center April 10 starting at 9:30 A.M. All proceeds will go towards repairs that are needed for the church.

Sermon Topic Is Chosen

"Do We Yet Understand?" is the sermon topic selected by Rev. R. R. Blankenhorn for the Easter Sunday worship service at 11 A.M. on April 11, at the Edenton United Methodist Church. The text for this message is John 20:9. The choir will present two Easter anthems during the worship service.

The Sanctuary Building Committee will meet at the church at 7:30 P.M., April 12.

A new Children's Choir (grades 2-6), under the direction of Mrs. Esther Crisanti, will begin rehearsal on April 13, 7-7:30 P.M. at the church.

Unified Methodist Women's Circles will meet next week as follows: The Mary-Martha Circle will meet with Mrs. Emily Amburn at 10:30 A.M. on Monday, April 12; the Susanna Wesley Circle will meet at 8 P.M. on April 12 with Mrs. Joanie White; and the Afternoon Circle will meet Tuesday, April 13, 3 P.M. in the church library.

Auxiliary

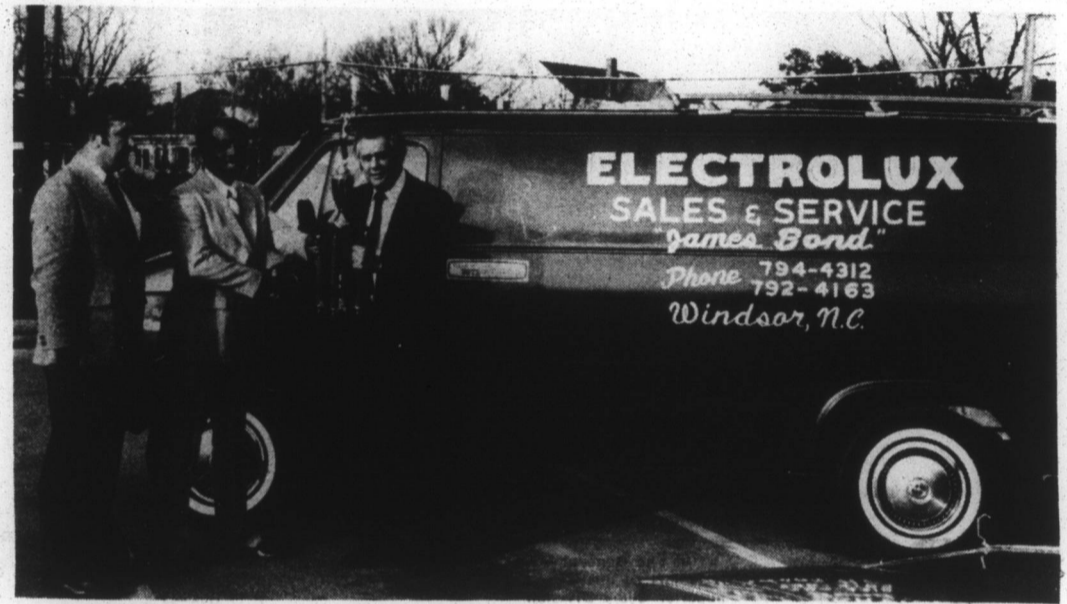
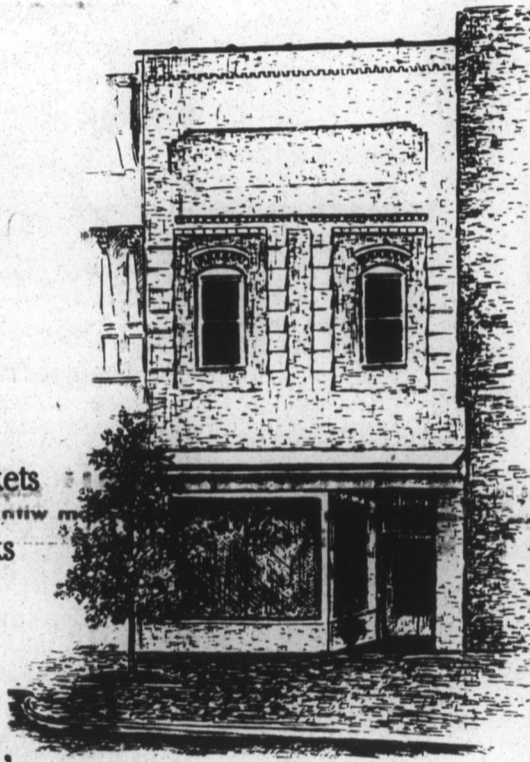
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Formal Wear to Suit Any Occasion

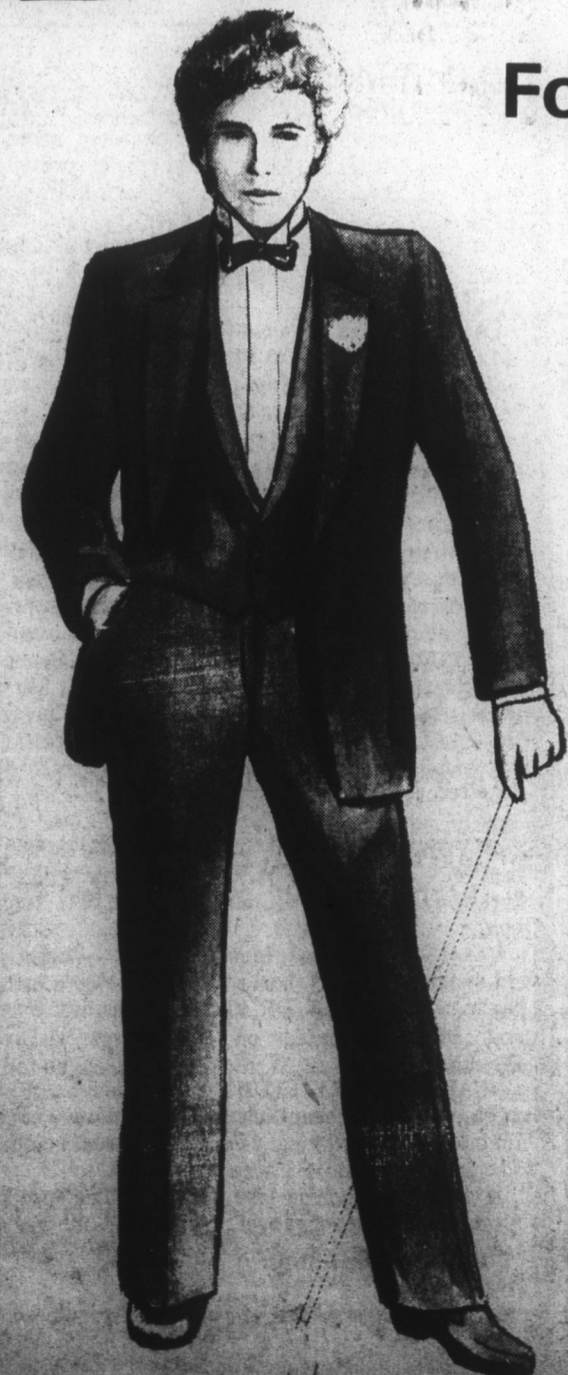
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