

Mrs. Gardner Is

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added to the increase in services will bring the total needed to \$11,000.

An unusual and quite practical fund-raising event is being organized in conjunction with Food Town which will involve all purchasers of tickets for last year's concert. Those people, who are considered symphony members, will be invited to do their grocery shopping on May 3, 4, and 5 at Food Town and sign the register tapes and present them to a symphony representative. Food Town will then donate five per cent of the sales to the Edenton Chapter. In this way friends of the symphony can help bring some entertainment to us all by doing their grocery shopping!

All local board members will be actively involved in this event with Mae Wadsworth acting as chairman. Anyone with questions or a desire to help please contact any of the following board members: President, Mary Rhea Gardner; Vice President, Terry Wackelin; Secretary, Marion Cross; Treasurer, Mae Wadsworth; Membership Chairman, Jake Boyce. Board Members: Sally Blount, E. L. Hollowell, Otis Strother, John Donovan, Fran Ward, Jim Hyatt, Shelby Strother, Hugh Dial, Martha Jo Hollowell, Judy Earnhardt, John Dunn, L. P. Hornthal, Emily Amburn, Ruby Jernigan, Sheri Jordan and Bill Pierce.

School Board

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to send it back to the Planning Board for further consideration.

School participation in the Save the Lighthouse (at Cape Hatteras) fund-raising campaign, was passed.

The Senior Class trip to the World's Fair in Knoxville, Tenn. on May 21-23 was approved.

A budget meeting on April 15 at 8 P.M. was approved.

Maxine Britt discussed the Southern Association Accreditation for Alternative School, based on SACS standards for Alternative School.

Following the approval of minutes from past meetings, the financial report and budget amendments were passed.

Last on the agenda was the transfer of school assignments and the approval of new school bus and activity bus drivers. All were approved. The meeting was then adjourned.

government programs from Raleigh and Washington. The situation is too complicated for that simple solution. There must be agreement all throughout the region about the need to control development in a conserving way, to farm without ruining the river and to clean up the existing industrial and municipal discharges into the waters. This will not be easy because there is money involved. But this is the challenge - can the political will be mustered to make the restoration programs success in spite of the obstacles?

I hope your local leadership is not fooled by the recent absence of algae blooms. They should debate the next moves and make sure they are all the right ones. Much rides on the outcome of the Albemarle Study Commission. I will be pulling for it to have vision and to make the right recommendations.

Best personal regards,
Neil

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something to say. Then, they know how to say it. An foremost, in this manner, volunteers live out a message that is beneficial and makes a lasting imprint on lives.

People along the Public Parade and throughout Tar Heelia have a particular opportunity, and responsibility, in the coming months. We can play an ever increasing role in the future by participating in the NC 2000 project. This is a statewide project involving citizens in mapping a course for the state through the year 2000.

Every day, though, scores of people give unselfishly of their time and talents for the benefit of others. In so doing, they are cultivating better citizenship and ultimate leadership in almost every section of life. These are people who are not so involved with the process that they forget the product.

And this is what volunteerism is all about. Try it, we bet you will like it.

Note From Neil

This week's mail brought a rebuttal to a story which appeared in a recent edition of The Chowan Herald. Dr. Neil S. Grigg is now settled into a professor-scientist position at Ft. Collins, Colo., after a stint in the political arena as assistant secretary of the N.C. Department of Natural Resources & Community Development.

Dr. Grigg is held in high regard along the Public Parade. He was the point man for Gov. James B. Hunt's top environmental priority - the Chowan River. Here's what Neil had to say:

I enjoyed reading the article by David Stick in the March 18 Chowan Herald. His knowledge of the region is rich indeed. However, there was a disturbing message at the end of the article that ought to be examined with a magnifying glass.

Mr. Stick says that the Albemarle is in a state of decline and that there have been "...innumerable meetings...investigations and reports...all without meaningful results." This may be the case for many problems we have, but the effort we all started under Governor Hunt's leadership in 1979 cannot be summarily dismissed in this way. The whole future of Albemarle Sound as a magnet for development and as a valued feature of the region is at stake. We must have the vision to continue the Chowan and Albemarle restoration program to its conclusion. Mr. Stick's prophecy cannot be allowed to come about. This is in the hands of political leaders from the Albemarle region principally at this time. They should take note of this prophecy by Mr. Stick and let it be a rallying call to do better.

I have said that the restoration program must be a long term and permanent commitment to the river and the sound. There will be set-backs and we have seen a few recently. This does not diminish the commitment within Governor Hunt's Administration to follow through with the program, however, and if they can get enough local support and commitment, I know that progress can continue.

The Chowan and Albemarle will not be restored by just laws and



HUNTER SAFETY SHOOTING TEAM—Edenton will have its first Hunter Safety Shooting Team entered in the upcoming N.C. Hunter Safety Tournament on April 24. The team consists of, left to right, Ed Alston, Kevin Bunch, Jeff Toppin and Rodney Chappell. To enter, each contestant must be a graduate of the N.C. Wildlife Resources Commission's Hunter Safety Program, still enrolled in school and a member of a school team.

Shooting Team Members Chosen

Ed Alston, Kevin Bunch, Rodney Chappell and Jeff Toppin will make-up John A. Holmes High School's first Hunter Safety Shooting Team. The team will enter the Fourth Annual North Carolina Hunter Safety Tournament to be held April 24, in Kinston, N.C. To be eligible to enter, all contestants must be graduates of the N.C. Wildlife Resources Commission's Hunter Safety Program, still enrolled in school and a member of a school team.

Edenton's first Hunter Safety Shooting Team's participation in the upcoming tournament has been made possible by contributions from local businesses and individuals from Edenton. Contributions have been made by Chowan Veneer Co., Hobb's Implement Co.,

Hampton Plumbing Co., Griffin Music Center, Virginia Forks Produce Co., Jimbo's Jumbos Inc., Peoples Bank and Trust Co., Hoke Motor Corp., Creywood Oil Co., Leary Bros. Storage Co., Bridge Turn Exxon Service Station, Dr. Richard Hardin, E. L. Howell, Al Partin, Earl White, Ernest Knighton, Dr. Lanny Voight, Bobby Bunch and Guy Hobbs.

Jimmy Alston, Assistant Supervisor for the N.C. Wildlife Resources Commission and instructor for the team, said "I would like to thank very much these local businesses and individuals for supporting Edenton's first Hunter Safety Shooting Team. Without their support the team's participation would not be possible."

State Grants Are Announced

RALEIGH — Dr. Sarah T. Morrow, Secretary of Human Resources, and Gov. James B. Hunt, Jr., announce state grants totaling \$4.25-million have been allocated to 22 local governments for use in water supply systems projects.

Chowan County received \$8,915. This funding was the latest under the provisions of the N.C. Clean Water Bond Act which authorizes grants of up to 25 per cent of the total eligible costs to assist in financing approved water projects.

Symposium

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conducted by Tom Funk, Raleigh archeologist.

Through the generosity of Edenton hostesses, a number of homes will provide bed-and-breakfast accommodations for Symposium registrants. Fees paid by the visitors will be donated to the Edenton Historical Commission as a major means of offsetting operational costs. Mrs. Campbell points out that it is the kindness of these hostesses, along with that of the owners of the special tour houses, Leigh House and Sycamore, as well as the generosity of Mr. and Mrs. Vaughan in making their home available for the cocktail-buffet, that enables the Symposium to function smoothly and without financial loss.

The entire Symposium program is offered for a fee of only \$55., a considerable value in today's inflated economy. Registration forms may be obtained by telephoning 482-3663.

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Imbalance In Peanut Crop To Be Topic

The Board of Directors of the Virginia and North Carolina Peanut Coalition met April 5 to discuss the marketing of the 1982 Peanut Crop. The supply and demand position is out of balance.

The supply of peanuts is more than double the amount on hand a year ago. Faced with production costs of \$730 an acre and a large quantity of peanuts on hand, the Directors of the Coalition are recommending that farmers plant only 75 per cent of their 1981 acreage allotment. If a farmer had an acreage allotment of 100 acres in 1981, he would plant only 75 acres in 1982.

The Coalition Marketing Committee has met with all peanut shellers in Virginia and North Carolina, with the exception of Columbia Peanut Company, to discuss contracts and demand for peanuts. Only one sheller recommended that farmers plant all their peanut acreage, the remaining shellers felt it would be economically unwise for farmers to plant their full acreage.

Grower representatives in all three peanut producing areas in the U.S. are recommending a major reduction in acres planted.

The Coalition is asking the shellers for contracts for \$650 a ton for peanuts. To date, April 11 the shellers have not responded to the Coalition with a contract offer.

Price support for 1982 is \$550 a ton for quota peanuts and \$200 a ton for additional peanuts. The 1981 farm bill opened peanut production of additional peanuts to shellers for contracts for \$650 a ton for peanuts.

Some shellers are talking contracts on the basis of delivering one ton of additional peanuts for every two tons of quota. The contract price is stated to be \$550 per ton for both quota and additional. The farmer would receive \$200 for his additional and the remaining \$350 would be paid to PGMA for payment to the farmer in 1983 after program losses are liquidated.

Other shellers are talking contracts for additional peanuts at \$200 a ton with final price to be determined based on market at the time of harvest. Still others are considering offering farmers contracts in the \$350 range for additional peanuts.

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Optimist Club Planning Special Sale

Members of the Chowan-Edenton Optimist Club will be selling cedar mulch April 17 at the parking lot of John A. Holmes High School. This mulch is ideal for use in plant beds and for many other landscaping purposes.

Three cubic feet of mulch will be sold for \$1.50, which is a substantial savings over retail prices. Proceeds from the sale will go toward the building fund for im-

provements to the VFW building on Old Hertford Road.

Club president Mike McArthur stated, "We have received tremendous support from the community in the past and we hope to continue our various services to the community and in turn improve the conditions of the VFW building where we now hold our weekly meetings."



EMPLOYEE OF THE QUARTER - Lelia Bunch, right, has been selected by Seabrook Blanching Corp. of Edenton as their Employee of the Quarter. Ron Jones, left, the ESM Supervisor presents the award to her. The award, which features dinner for two and a \$50 savings bond, is based on work performance and attendance.

Rev. Charles Albert Tindley

Musical Tribute Is Planned

A Musical Tribute and Colloquium to A. C. Hudson's grandfather, Rev. Charles Albert Tindley, will be sponsored by Smithsonian Institution Performing Arts on May 7-9, 1982.

The compositions of Rev. Charles A. Tindley (1851-1933) formed a base upon which the new Black urban sacred music-gospel was developed. Tindley's style influenced all of the early gospel music composers: Thomas A. Dorsey, Lucy Campbell, Roberta Martin, and Rev. Herbert Brewster. His songs moved quickly into the Black oral tradition, and many of today's soloists, quartets, choirs, ensembles, and bands consider his music part of the pool of Black music by unknown composers.

His songs, "Stand By Me," "The Storm Is Passing Over," "We'll Understand It Better By and By," "Nothing Between," "Leave It There," and others have permeated the Black sacred music tradition.

Cancellation Has No Effect

RALEIGH — Despite the fact that the state of North Carolina has cancelled its contract with the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services to conduct Medicare surveys, there will be no adverse health affects on North Carolina citizens, I. O. Wilkerson director of the N. C. Department of Human Resources' Division of Facility Services announced today.

"We, in North Carolina, have been conducting licensing surveys since long before the Medicare program came into existence, and under the laws of our state we will continue to conduct these surveys," Wilkerson said.

"These licensure surveys check facilities for basically the same thing that the Medicare certification surveys do. The only result of the action of the state is to let the federal government know that we will not conduct business with any entity which cannot uphold the basic stipulations of a contract," Wilkerson said.

Governor Jim Hunt has cancelled a contract between the N. C. Department of Human Resources and the U. S. Department of Health and Human Services because the federal government reneged on a signed agreement to provide funds to the state for the state to conduct federally mandated Medicare certification surveys. Under law, such surveys are a responsibility of the federal government, but in practice the federal government has paid states to do the work.

In the current federal fiscal year, the federal government issued a signed letter of credit for funding for the program and then proceeded to issue funds at a lesser amount. Historically, letters of credit from the federal government could be considered absolute guarantees of payment.

Tynch Qualifies

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basketball team. Academic honors include membership in the Senior Beta Club, Chief Marshal 1981, membership on 1981 and 1982 Quiz Bowl teams where he served as captain this year, membership on the 1982 Varsity Forensic team in the category of serious oratory, and finally Valedictorian for the graduating class of 1982.

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