



ATTENDED MEETING—Seated- Pamela Stallings, Mary Ann O'Leary and Carolyn Bunch; standing- Joe Hollowell of the Chowan Co. Unit of the American Cancer Society attended the N.C. Division Annual Meeting, October 30-31, 1982, in Raleigh. They are pictured above with James E. Davis, MD, outgoing Division President, and celebrity guest, James B. Sikking, 'Lt. Howard Hunter' of "Hill Street Blues."

DECA Session

Recently Mrs. Sandra Faircloth, DECA advisor, and Sharon Hollowell, District One Vice-President attended the Distributive Education Clubs of Americas District Officer Training session held at the Hilton Inn in Winston-Salem.

Opening session began Friday night at 7:00. There was a leadership session followed by a Taco Party. Saturday started off with a business breakfast and then followed by workshops. North Carolina's DECA State Officers hosted the workshops. The workshops included: 1) How to dress and act as a DECA officer; 2) How to use time to your advantage; 3) The DECA Price is Right; and 4) an impromptu public speaking session.

The workshops were enjoyed by Mrs. Faircloth and Sharon. Sharon has been very active in DECA activities this local chapter. Sharon plans to run for State Vice-President in the Spring.



TOURNAMENT WINNERS—Ping Pong Tournament winners in the recent Tournament at the Recreation Department are shown above. Russell Lassiter shown at left holding championship trophy. Scott Dizon (right) won second place. (Rob Laughton photo.)

Recreation Report

Youth Basketball Leagues
Twenty basketball teams for boys and girls ages 6-18 have been selected by the Recreation Department and are beginning to practice. Games will begin next week for the Senior League and immediately after Christmas for all other leagues. There are still a few teams that need a coach. If you have a few hours a week available to help the youth of the community please call the Recreation Department at 482-8595.

Adult Basketball
All teams planning on being in this year's Open League are reminded of the entry fee deadline this Friday, Dec. 10. The season will begin on Wednesday, Dec. 15.

Thursday Night Basketball
All men who meet the following qualifications are invited to come enjoy an informal night of basketball and exercise on Thursdays starting December 9. You must be at least 25 years old or older, not be a participant in any other league, and consider yourself "over the hill". Be at the Recreation Department at 7 P.M. to get in on all the fun. Call 482-8595 for more information.

Aerobic Exercise Class
Attention all men and women! To avoid that bulge that often develops around the midsection during the winter months, the Recreation Dept. is offering an aerobic exercise class that can help you cope with it. Julie Spivey and Terry Rothberger, both certified in CPR, are teaching this exciting class that meets every Monday and Wednesday evening at 6 P.M. There is also a class that meets on Tuesday and Thursday morning at 10 A.M. One of these classes is sure to meet your needs. Call Julie at 482-8055 or Terry at 482-4417 for more information.

Ping Pong Tourney Results
A total of 28 participants matched their skills in the Edenton-Chowan Rec. Dept. Table Tennis tournament held last week. After 3 rounds of exciting play only Mandy Peoples, Scott Dizon, Gregory Bonner and Russell Lassiter had survived. In the semifinals, Dizon defeated Peoples 21-9, 21-12, 21-13 and Lassiter outlasted Bonner 21-14, 21-17, 21-14 to move into the championship round.

After much fast and furious action Russell Lassiter emerged as the 1982 champ by defeating Dizon 21-15, 21-18, 21-16. Each of the finalists were awarded. Thanks to all participants for making the tourney a success.

Wassail Bowl

The Cupola House Association will host its annual Christmas Wassail Bowl on Sunday, December 12, from 2 to 7 P.M. at the Cupola House. The house will be decorated for the holidays by the Garden of Eden Garden Club and music will be furnished by Susan Rodgers, harpist, of Elizabeth City, and the Edenton Choral Society. The public is cordially invited to attend.

"Nothing so needs reforming as other people's habits."
Mark Twain

Many VA Programs Affected By Passed Legislation

Part-time VA scholarship for full-time agency employees and Saturday premium pay for nurses nationwide—those are just two highlights of recently passed legislation which will affect a variety of VA programs, particularly in the area of health care.

Signed into law by President Ronald Reagan on September 8, 1982, "The VA

Health Care Programs Improvement and Extension Act of 1982" provides for:

- Permanently-assigned full-time VA Health Care scholarship grant of up to 6 years.

- The Administrator of Veterans Affairs can approve premium pay for any part of Saturday of up to 25% of base pay for any category of nurses on a nationwide, local,

or geographic basis, if needed for recruitment and retention purposes.

- Extends VA's authority to contract for hospital care and certain medical services for nonservice-connected veterans in Puerto Rico and the Virgin Islands until September 30, 1983.

- Reestablished eligibility for CHAMPVA care for

beneficiaries who have exhausted their Medicare coverage.

- VA's authority to make grants to states for construction or renovation of state home facilities has been extended for four years. The act also authorizes agreements with state homes for the sharing of medical information.

- The act also requires the

VA Administrator to submit a report to Congress by July 1, 1984, on the agency's use of flexible and compressed work schedules.

Tax Underpayments

GREENSBORO—The annual interest rate charged by the Internal Revenue Service on tax underpayments and overpayments will decrease from 20 to 16 per cent on January 1, 1983.

The rate on the underpayment of individual and corporate estimated taxes will also slide into 16 per cent, the IRS said.

The interest rate is changed semi-annually by October 15 and April 15, and based on the average prime interest rate for the 6-month period ending September 30 and March 31, respectively. The next change in the interest rate, if any, will be made next April.

The IRS cautions that taxpayers who are now delinquent in their taxes will be charged the 20 per cent rate.

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