



Pictured in the two photos above are captains and volunteers for the 1977 Cancer Crusade in Warren County. Included in the top photo are Annie Mae Alston (left), Sophie L. Hawkins, Estelle Somerville, Sallie Harrison, W. J. Smithwick, Mary D. Williams and Helen D. Pinkney. Shown in the bottom photo are Elizabeth Wilson, Bernice Furtick, Gwendetta Tunstall, Elaine Tunstall, Mattie Boyd, Wilhelmina W. Kearney, Walter Newman and Eva S. Holtzman.

[Staff Photos]



Directors of Warren County's Cancer Unit and crusade pose for a picture with Dr. Ray Pruette, guest speaker, at the campaign kick-off held in the Warren County Courthouse Monday night. Directors include (front row) Mrs. McCarroll Alston, past crusade chairman, 1976; Dr. Pruette, Mrs. Eva S. Holtzman, secretary-treasurer of the Warren County Cancer Unit; and Mrs. Bertha B. Forte, chairman of the Warren County Unit. Second row, Floyd McKissick, crusade chairman, 1977; Walter Newman, advisor; C. R. Edwards, vice-chairman, Warren County Cancer Unit.

[Staff Photo]

Cancer Crusade Formally Begun Here On Monday

The Warren County Cancer Crusade made its first bid to reach a goal of \$3,750 in a meeting held in the Warren County Courthouse Monday night. Dr. Ray Pruette, head of the Chemistry Department at Louisburg College was guest speaker for the evening.

Floyd B. McKissick, chairman for the 1977 crusade, told his volunteers and guests that 36 people died from cancer in Warren County last year. He added that cancer strikes about one out of four Americans and that doctors and scientists are able to cure one of three cases of the disease but the other two cases make crusades necessary.

Dr. Ray Pruette spoke to the group briefly on his success in past cancer crusades. Dr. Pruette is a past chairman of a crusade in Franklin County. The topic of his talk was "Take Time To Look Back, Forward And Inward." He explained that the volunteer workers as well as everyone should look back a few years at when cancer was hardly ever cured.

"Look forward to what new goals we can set to conquer the disease," he urged. "Look inward, at what we are going to do this time in our fight against cancer."

Norlina's Blue Wave Chorus, under the direction of Howard Stultz, performed during the meeting.

Lewis Myers, assistant crusade chairman, said that as of Monday the crusade had collected \$492, thanks to generous contributions from Arcola Lumber Company and the Soul City Company.

In McKissick's closing remarks he instructed his captains and volunteers to solicit funds from their neighbors and loved ones towards Warren County's fight against cancer.

Bake Sale

The Warrenton Rural Fire Department Ladies Auxiliary will sponsor a bake sale on Saturday, April 9, at the AAA Gas Company beginning at 10 a. m.

Cakes and pies for the Easter holiday along with light lunch plates, sandwiches and homemade ham and sausage biscuits will be sold.



MRS. HUEBER

Leggett's Store In Warrenton Gets New Manager

Mrs. MayBelle Hueber, Division Manager of Lingerie, Foundations, Robes, Infants, Girls and accessories in Leggett in Roanoke Rapids has been named manager of Leggett Department Store in Warrenton.

She replaces Randy Garrett who has accepted a position with Tar Heel Tire Sales and Service.

The announcement of Mrs. Hueber's promotion was made by H. Gordon Leggett, Jr., executive in charge of Personnel and Public Relations for Leggett Stores.

Mrs. Hueber was with Hudson-Belk Company in Raleigh from 1963 until 1966. She joined Leggett in Roanoke Rapids in 1969 and progressed from sales person to department manager. She was promoted to Division Manager in January, 1976.

Mrs. Hueber is a native of Kinston and has one son, Steve, a member of the United States Air Force, stationed in Washington, D. C.; and a daughter, Mrs. Martha Blanton of Roanoke Rapids. Mrs. Hueber will be moving to Warrenton soon.

Historic Halifax Plans Celebration

The annual Halifax Day Celebration will be held in Halifax on Tuesday, April 12, commemorating the 201st anniversary of the Halifax Resolves, the first state action for Independence from Great Britain. A special program will be held at 2:00 p. m. in the Joseph Montfort Amphitheater with Mrs. Sara W. Hodgkins, Secretary of the North Carolina Department of Cultural Resources, as speaker.

Special activities are planned throughout the day, with special emphasis this year on the Sally-Billy House, moved to Historic Halifax by the Historic Halifax Restoration Association, restored by the state, and furnished with furniture given to the state by the North Carolina Society, DAR. Exterior restoration of the fine 1808 plantation home was completed last April prior to Halifax Day. Interior restoration is underway now and the first floor will be open and furnished for this year's Halifax Day celebration. The second floor will be completed at a later date.

In addition to the Sally-Billy House, other buildings will be open April 12th for visitors to tour. The 1760 Owens House, the Constitution-Burgess House, and the 1832 Clerk's Office are completely restored and will be manned by costumed hosts and hostesses for the day. Other features on the site, which is open year-round, include a modern Visitor Center with audiovisual orientation program and exhibit area, Magazine Springs, the 1838 Jail, 18th Century Taproom, an amphitheatre, and a picnic area. A Craft House featuring working craftsmen will be located in the downtown area, and the Halifax County library will feature an Art Exhibit and several movies during the day.

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Warren County Would Receive \$4300 Under Proposed New Funding Plan

Warren County would receive \$4,300 annually if a bill to take state funding for community arts projects out of Raleigh and into individual counties is passed by the North Carolina General Assembly.

If enacted, the legislation would provide increased funds for art classes, festivals, performances, exhibitions and other community arts projects. Introduced last week by Rep. Richard Wright, D-Columbus, and Sen. Willis Whichard, D-Durham, the "Grassroots Arts Bill" has been strongly supported by the N. C. Association of Arts Councils.

The bill asks an arts project appropriation of \$1.5 million a year to be distributed on a per capita basis to each of North Carolina's 100 counties — approximately 27 1/2 cents per North Carolinian.

The bill also requests \$75,000 for administrative costs, which would be handled by the N. C. Arts Council, the community development section of the Department of Cultural Resources.

Currently, all money for community arts projects in the state is appropriated to the N. C. Arts Council, which distributes it to local community groups on a project by project basis.

"It was fine to control the money from Raleigh when community arts was a new thing in North Carolina, and local organizations needed professional guidance from the state," Sen. Whichard said. "But we feel that now community arts councils have enough maturity, enough ability to plan their own programs for their own people, that the state's arts funding can and should flow directly to the people who will be affected."

The \$1.5 million requested would represent a considerable increase in arts funding, since North Carolina now appropriates only \$250,000 a year for all activities of the N. C. Arts Council.

Rep. Wright, a board member of the Columbus County Arts Council, believes the rural counties will be the main beneficiaries of this funding.

"Naturally, any per capita allocation is good for the cities," he said. "But, this appropriation will give the rural counties the kind of secure operating base they need to develop strong programs for their people. That's where this Grassroots Arts Program will have the biggest impact."

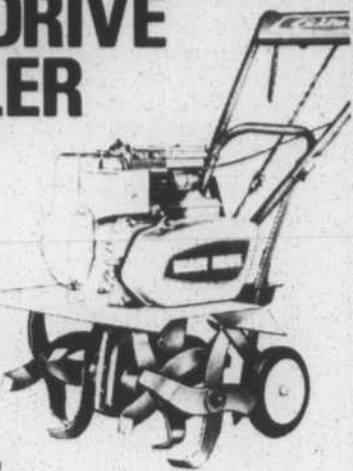
The bill also would establish a system for distribution of the increased funds to communities across the state.

Every county in the state would designate an organiza-

tion that would act as the county's distribution agent for these art funds. That organization would have to meet at least four standards: it would have to exist primarily to aid the arts; it would have to operate programs that are open to the entire community; it would have to be non-profit, tax-exempt, governed by a citizens group and at least one year old; and it would have to be able to match the state's appropriation dollar for dollar with arts money from within the county.

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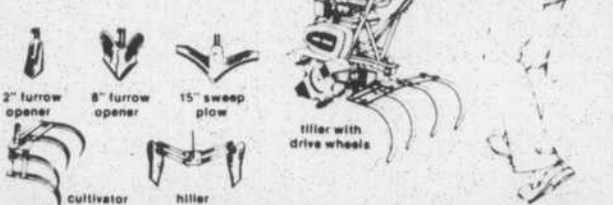


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