

Social Events



Concert
Holiday music fills the air at Hoke High's MacDonald Gym as the High School Chorus and Chorale presented their annual Christmas Concert last Thursday. The concert, which lasted just over an hour,

was rated as one of the best by those in attendance. This year's theme was "For Unto Us A Child Is Born."

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By Lib Sumner

Baptist Church
Attendance was very good for Sunday School and worship service Sunday.

The sermon, "God's Plan for your Future", was ably delivered by Rev. H. L. Foster.

Sunday evening the children's choir and the chancel choir presented a Christmas Cantata, "Promise of Peace."

Following the program refreshments were served in the fellowship hall. This program was well attended with visitors from St. Pauls, Lumberton and the Lumber Bridge Presbyterian Church.

Fireman's Christmas Banquet
The Fireman's Annual Christmas Banquet was held Saturday night at the Town Hall.

The table's were decorated with white cloths, red candles and holly. The serving table was filled with turkey and all the trimmings, fried ham, beans, candied yams. Pies and cakes.

Friends from Parkton, Lumberton, Fayetteville and St. Pauls attended.

Mr. Lancaster from Fayetteville, retired Fire Marshall, gave a most interesting talk on the meaning of Christmas and how times have changed.

Approximately 85 members and guests attended. The program was opened and closed with prayer by the Rev. Henry L. Foster.

Birthday Party
On Sunday, Dec. 8, Mrs. Fritz K. Weber held open house and a surprise birthday party in honor of Col. Weber's 80th birthday.

The home was beautifully decorated for Christmas with candles and flowers.

The refreshment table was covered with a linen cloth with finger foods and coffee.

The three tier birthday cake was served by Col. Weber and coffee was poured by Mrs. Marian Sumner.

Many friends called between 4 and 6 p.m.

Christmas Showing
Mrs. Donna Grey, representative for Home Interior and Gifts, held open house Sunday evening at her home in Fayetteville. A large selection of decorations and gifts were shown. The hostess served punch, pound cake, cheese biscuit and finger foods.

Attending from this area were, Alene Bullock and Helen Caddell from Raeford, Marian Sumner, Pamela Lewis, Lois Sumner, Hope Sumner, Selina Sumner and Lib Sumner.

Circle II
On Friday, December 6th the members of Circle II, Women of the Lumber Bridge Presbyterian Church met for their annual Christmas Party at the home of Mrs. J.E. Clifton, Jr.

After a brief business meeting and a special Christmas reading by Chairlady, Mrs. Effie Forbis, a luncheon was served buffet-style.

A Santa Claus face centerpiece enhanced the buffet setting which was created by arranging carrot slices for the basic face, with cauliflower clusters for the beard and hat band, shredded cabbage for the mustache, olives cut in half formed the eyes, while marichino cherries made a red nose and a radish formed the mouth.

The red cap was made by arranging rows of cherry tomatoes above the face and tipping the tassel with a cluster of cauliflower.

Framing the face were scattered clusters of cucumber rings to represent holly leaves, centered

with a quartered radish as a poinsetta.

The guests created their own salad by using the Santa ingredients topped with a salad dressing of their choice.

Assorted sweets completed the luncheon menu.

A red delicious apple with a red candle cradled in the honed-out stem area was given to each guest, as well as a candy and peanut favor holder designed like the face of a beagle dog. The dog's face was made by using small tan fuffs as cheeks and a black one for a nose with a red felt tongue extending from its mouth and the two long black felt ears and moveable plastic eyes made it look almost life like.

An exchange of Secret Sister gifts highlighted the affair as each member opened their gift and discovered the name of the secret gift donor of all the year's special dates, like birthday, anniversary, Easter, etc.

New names were drawn by each one for their new 1986 secret pal.

"Santa" placed a table full of small, but useful Christmas wrapped gifts with a sticker on each package. Each one picked a similar sticker from a cup and matched it with one of the gifts to claim it as her own.

Softly played taped Christmas carols and other secular holiday tunes kept the spirit of the season uppermost in everyone's mind.

Chairlady, Effie Forbis, presented each circle member with a lovely handmade cross bookmarker and a colorful duck pencil sharpener and greeting card.

Those attending this gals affair were: Georgia Beck, Sandy Clifton, Effie Forbis, Marlyen Forbis, Mamie Spears, Rebecca Marley, Sara Ellen Maxwell, Katharine Weber and Ollie Ann Williford.

January's monthly Circle II meeting will be hosted by Mrs. Rebecca Marley at her home in Red Springs on Friday, January 10 at 3 p.m.

On Monday evening members of the W.M.W. and Sunday School class visited the Evergreen Rest Home, near St. Pauls.

Ice cream, cookies and punch was served to fifty-three residence and the staff of 15.

This treat was lots of fun for everyone, and the W. M. W. and Sunday School group enjoyed Christmas two weeks early.

Serving refreshments: Pearl Dew, Carolyn McGougan, Verna McGougan, Kate Weher, Lois Sumner, Dot McGougan, Betty Lou McGougan, Flata Schell, Lib Sumner and Mavis Foster.

Tuesday, Dec. 24th Christmas Eve Worship service is at 7:30 p.m. **Presbyterian Church**

The Lumber Bridge Community Choir presented a musical, "Our Glorious Message In Song" Sunday at 5 p.m.

This is the 10th year of the Community Choir, and the musical was a collection of songs from the past nine years.

The choir is under the direction of Marvin Lynne Maxwell.

This beautiful program was well attended.

A social was held following the service in the Stamps Fellowship Hall.

Mrs. T. L. Shook and son, George Shook visited Mrs. Katherine Allen and Miss Eva Shook in Charlotte last Sunday. Mrs. Allen and Miss Shook are

sisters-in-law of Mrs. Shook.

Mr. and Mrs. J.D. Gibson from Stedman and Mr. and Mrs. Merritt

S. Gison of Fayetteville visited their sister, Mrs. S.E. Sumner, Mr. and Mrs. Ricky Lewis, Sidney and Richard on Sunday afternoon.

Facts about ancestors topic at UDC meeting

Members presented interesting facts about their Confederate ancestors when the Raeford United Daughters of the Confederacy met on December 13. The meeting, held in the Hoke County Public Library, was led by Miss Elizabeth McFadyen, President.

Planning for Christmas remembrances for shut-ins and Real

Daughters was done. Items were brought to the meeting for distribution to veterans in the VA Hospital in Fayetteville.

An Auction Sale was held for the benefit of the Treasury.

Mrs. Pauline Pittman and Mrs. Ruby Penney served refreshments during a social hour which followed the business meeting.

New members installed at Junior Woman's Club

New members were installed when the Raeford Junior Woman's Club met on Monday evening. Mrs. Suzanne Balfour, Mrs. Kristi Posey, Mrs. Sandra Kelly, and Mrs. Mollie Williams were inducted into the club by Mrs. Kay Thomas, President-Elect of District Nine of the North Carolina Federation of Women's Clubs.

The business of the meeting included discussion of the recent

profitable Home Tour, plans for helping two households for Christmas, and an Arts outing to a dinner theater production.

The meeting was held in the home of Club President Sonya Falls. The Christmas decorations and candles created a festive setting for the meeting. Club members exchanged gifts, and

Mrs. Thomas was remembered with a decoration for her tree.



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