

Kenansville News

Mr. and Mrs. W.M. "Gene" Autry and Scott attended Mrs. Autry's family reunion in Roanoke Rapids on June 19. There were 154 present of the family of Maggie Elizabeth Lynch Cannon and Thomas Jefferson Cannon.

Mrs. Viola W. Quinn accompanied Mrs. Winnie Vereen of Columbia, S.C. to Topsail Beach Monday. They spent several days with the Jimmy Quinns and other members of their family.

Mrs. Christopher Tabor and Susan of Columbia, Md. has been visiting her mother, Mrs. J.O. Stokes.

Mr. and Mrs. H.D. Taylor accompanied Mrs. Eldon Brown to Raleigh one day last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Fife and Justin spent several days last week with relatives in Manassas, Va.

Mrs. O.P. Johnson spent several days in Burgaw visiting Mrs. Margaret Bradshaw and Miss Mary Lena Williams.

Mrs. Rudy Navidad of Fayetteville spent Saturday with her mother, Mrs. Robert Hollingsworth.

Mrs. Eva Hughes spent last weekend with Mrs. Belle Stallings in Wallace.

Elizabeth Spicer of Raleigh was home with her parents last weekend.

Mr. and Mrs. T.J. Tolson of Goldsboro accompanied by Mrs. Hamilton Cooke of Washington, D.C. visited their sister, Mrs. N.B. Boney Monday.

Dr. and Mrs. Joseph Hewitt of Wilmington spent last weekend with Mr. and Mrs. Wiley T. Booth.

Mesdames Joyce Williams, Edna E. Brinson, Sally B. Tyndall, Ruby G. Newton, Louise K. Boney, Gloria Brown, and Kermit Williams attended the instructional meeting in Warsaw Friday night for Eastern Stars of the 8th district of the Grand Chapter of North Carolina.

Mrs. Myrtle Quinn accompanied Mrs. Gene Hall and Kathryn Hay to Kinston one day last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Hatcher spent last weekend with their sons, Anthony and Dana in Greensboro.

Mrs. Stuart Hall spent several days in Roanoke, Va. with her daughter recently. She was accompanied there by Mrs. Harry W. Murphy.

The Kenneth Kings spent last weekend at Long Beach with Mr. and Mrs. Elton Soles. Mrs. King and two girls visited Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Grainger in Wilmington Tuesday.

Martha Swann returned from vacationing in Indiana and Minnesota Saturday.

Homemakers Club
Mrs. W.M. Ingram was hostess for the South Kenansville Extension Homemakers Club when it met with her Friday afternoon, June 17. The president, Mrs. Milton Rice presided. The opening song was led by Mrs. Louise W. Mitchell, after which Mrs. Ingram conducted the devotional. She read several verses from Isaiah saying there is a place for each of us and she urged all to show compassion. The program for the afternoon was in charge of Mrs. Troy D. Mullis. Her topic was "Sit A Spell."
Mrs. N.B. Boney, secretary, called the roll and welcomed Mrs. E.J. Raman, visitor. She also read the minutes which were duly

approved. After closing with the club collect, the hostess, assisted by Mrs. Mitchell, served ice cream floats and cookies.

Mrs. Page Bridge Hostess
Mrs. Leigh Page was hostess for her bridge club Thursday night, with Mrs. Marty Fife and Mrs. Bobby Kennedy substituting for two absent members. When scores were totaled, it was found Mrs. Fife was the high scorer for the evening, Mrs. Kennedy second, and Mrs. Vickie Alabaster took home the traveling prize. For refreshments, Mrs. Page served cheese cake with coke or coffee.

Kontract Klub
The Kenansville Kontract Klub met at 8 o'clock on Thursday night with Mrs. A.T. Outlaw. Additional guests included Mesdames Louise W. Mitchell, Ruth Jones and Ruth Wells.

When scores were totaled it was found that Mattie Barbee was winner of the high score prize for the club members and Louise Mitchell for the visiting players.

Duplin Duplicate Bridge Club

The Duplin Duplicate Bridge Club played its regularly scheduled Monday 10 a.m. game on June 20 with Lee Allred as director. The winners were: First - Fran Beyer and Kay Autry, both of Kenansville; Second - Merle Currin and Emma Cavanaugh, both of Wallace; Third - Angel Warren of Pink Hill and Lee Allred of Rose Hill. The Monday July 4 game at The General Store will be cancelled because of the holiday.

Space Savers In Kitchen

Ever wonder how your measuring spoons find their way in the drawer that also contains spatulas, last week's mail, and the birthday candles? It may be disorganization, or it may be lack of space.

So find out, first, if you need more space in the kitchen. Clean out closets, the pantry and other storage areas. Discard or give away those utensils and supplies that you don't use.

Then wash the remaining contents, if the items need a washing. And wash the shelves and interior cabinets. Replace those often-used supplies. Then, if more room is still needed, try some space-savers.

One idea is to use pegboard, which can hold anything from the measuring spoons to pots and pans, lasles, graters and salad tongs.

It's easy to hang that pegboard on walls above the work areas, or cut it to fit inside cabinets or doors. An alternative would be decorative hooks.

To further alleviate clutter, there are pot and pan, and pot cover racks--and racks to hold pie, cake and muffin pans as well as platters.

Stacking dinnerware and cup keepers, and single or twin turntables can also aid in cabinet cleanup. A trash

Currier & Ives Film Available At DCAC

At least a first in North Carolina. That is what you have the chance to be if you show your group the film, The Legacy of Currier and Ives. According to Merle Creech, director of the Duplin County Arts Council, "We have the film first since the sponsorship of a major art exhibit coming to Raleigh takes its roots from Duplin's own Wallace branch of Swift & Co."

In a marriage of business and art, the olding company for Swift, Esmark, will be

1973 Class Reunion

The class of 1973 East Duplin High School will hold their reunion on Saturday, August 13 at 6:30 p.m. at Duplin Country Club in Kenansville. Deadline, July 15th. Contact Rhonda A. Bryan, Rt. 2, Box 226, Beulaville, or call 298-5294.

The Thursday June 23, 7 p.m. game was directed by Kay Autry. The winners were: First - Fran Beyer of Kenansville and Vashti Taylor of Kinston; Second - Merle Currin and Eleanor Brown, both of Wallace; Third - Angel Warren of Pink Hill and Doug Clark of Kenansville.

All bridge players are invited to attend these regularly scheduled games at The General Store in Kenansville.

bringing this collection of Currier and Ives lithographs to the state capital. The movie comes to introduce the exhibition.

The film is suitable for all ages and 22 minutes long. It precedes a major exhibit to Raleigh's Museum of Archives and History this fall. To schedule, get in touch with Creech at P.O. Box 36, Kenansville, or phone 296-1922.

Jubilee Announced

A Gospel Jubilee featuring Tommy Ellison and the Five Singing Stars from Brooklyn, N.Y., and the Brinson Singers and the Goldenaires, both of Kenansville, will be held Friday, July 8 at Farrior's Community Center in Kenansville. The doors will open at 7 p.m. The event is sponsored by Ms. Lois Henry and Ms. Brenda Pearsall. See either one of them for tickets.

Back Swamp Celebration

The Back Swamp Ruritan Club will host a 4th of July celebration on Monday, July 4th at the Back Swamp Community Center. Activities will start at 1 p.m. with various games for the children. You can shoot a muzzle-loader, hear country music, eat hot dogs and drink soft drinks and finish with a fireworks display.

Time To Control Suckers

J. Michael Moore, Duplin tobacco agent, advises that "timeliness is the key to good sucker control."

More said, "Research shows that we lose 27 pounds of tobacco per acre per day for each day's delay in applying sucker controls."

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Budget Vote Will Increase Taxes

Duplin County residents will face a property tax increase of 5 cents per \$100 assessed valuation for the next fiscal year. The new rate will be 75 cents.

While the county commissioners failed to vote on a tax resolution as they have done in previous years, the increase was mandated in the 1983-84 fiscal year budget, which the board approved in a split vote late Tuesday night.

Minutes of the budget meetings of recent years show the board has usually first approved a tax rate resolution and then a separate budget resolution.

Making the budget motion was Chairman W.J. Costin of Warsaw. Dovie Penney of Wallace seconded it. Others voting for the resolution were Allen Nethercutt of Chinquapin and Calvin Turner of eastern Duplin.

Opposing the budget was D.J. Fussell of Rose Hill. "I'm opposed to the tax rate increase," Fussell said. "If we cut the fat out, we won't need a tax increase."

The increase will bring in about \$320,000 next year. The full levy will fund 14.84 million of the \$8.3 million budget, based on a 95 percent collection rate and an assessed property valuation of about \$674 million.

If 100 percent of the levy were collected, revenues would total \$5.055 million. Each penny of tax levy will

bring in \$64,000 at the 95 percent collection rate.

The county usually collects more than 95 percent of its levy, with anything above average going into a reserve fund.

Under the new rate, a person with \$50,000 worth of real and personal property will be billed \$375 this fall in county taxes, up from \$350 last year.

The new budget is about \$200,000 less than the budget approved a year ago for the current fiscal year, but that budget included revenue-sharing money. Because of the uncertainty surrounding the federal revenue-sharing program, no funds from that source were included in the new budget.

If Congress appropriates new revenue-sharing money, some will go to the school system and to James Sprunt Technical College in Kenansville. The county expects to receive \$431,000 in the current fiscal year, which ends June 30.

County officials try to maintain a cash reserve of \$500,000. The reserve has been depleted to just under half that amount.

The new budget provides no money for Duplin General Hospital, although the county will have money available in reserve funds and through an intensified effort to collect delinquent taxes.

"We need to see what develops (at the hospital) over the next few months,"

Costin said. "We need to see what support the physicians will give the hospital. The new physicians will support it if they stay any length of time. The lease is up in September and it's hard to make any decision right now."

Mrs. Penney said, "We spent tax money to get the consultant's report and we should follow that report as closely as possible."

County Manager Ralph Cottle said the budget provides a pay increase only for employees who have served for four years without an increase. It provides \$5,000 for an employee reclassification project to be undertaken in January by the N.C. Institute of Government.

The board rejected the Sheriff's Department's

request for six new automobiles and the county industrial development commission's request for one car. It reduced a \$5,000 budget increase request for the Mental Health Department to \$1,500, providing the department with \$96,500 for next year.

The Sheriff's Department will be authorized to replace some failing television cameras and monitors at the county jail.

The county school system will receive \$1,890,586 for operating expenses, the same as in 1982-83. The system's capital budget will be reduced to \$200,000 from \$235,664 requested.

James Sprunt Technical College will receive \$282,350 for operations and \$46,364 for capital projects.

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