

Crowned Little Miss Duplin

Dena Houston, the eight-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Dean Houston, was crowned Little Miss Duplin County 1984 in the Kenan Memorial Auditorium in Kenansville Feb. 11. She is a third grade student at Beulaville Elementary School and performed a tap dance in talent competition for the Saturday night pageant. First runner-up to Little Miss Duplin County 1984 was Monica Shuffler of Wallace. Trophies were presented to contestant Lou Frederick of Rose Hill for placing first in ticket sales and talent competition

for the Little Miss Duplin pageant. The congeniality award and most photogenic trophies were presented to contestant Penny Sumner of Beulaville. Pictured above, left to right, Lou Frederick, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Frederick. first runner-up Monica Shuffler, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jimmie Shuffler, Dean Houston Little Miss Duplin County 1984, Gina Rivenbark Little Miss Duplin County 1983, and Penny Sumner, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Randall Sumner of Beulaville.

Along The Way

By Emily Killette .

The Miss Duplin County Pageant was held last Saturday night in the Kenan Memorial Auditorium in Kenansville. The pageant has a long history in Duplin and many winners have ranked among contestants for the title of Miss North Carolina.

The Miss Duplin County pageant had originally been sponsored by the local Jaycees, but is now in its first ear under the direction of the Duplin County Pageant Association. The 1984 competition will be the first Miss Duplin pageant since the 1981 competition in which Julia Spicer of Kenansville was crowned.

The Miss Duplin County pageant was sponsored by the Warsaw and Calypso Jaycees the last three years of its existance. It was originally organized by the Warsaw Jaycees. The Warsaw Jaycees held their first preliminary Miss America pageant in 1966 and awarded the title of Miss Warsaw to the winner. The pageant was the week of the Veterans' celebration in Warsaw with the queen making her first official appearance in the Veterans' Day parade. Carolyn Denton Gresham of Warsaw was the first Miss Warsaw and the pageant continued one more year with Patricia Ann Hopkins of Faison winning the 1968 title of Miss

After 1968, the Warsaw Jaycees changed the name of the pageant making the title more suitable for any girl in the county, Miss Duplin. County. And, the first Miss Duplin County pageant was held in Kenan Memorial Auditorium on the Saturday night of the annual Veterans' Day parade. There were nine contestants and Miss North Carolina Anita Johnson and Miss America Judy Ford were among the visiting guests. A former Miss North Carolina Jeanne Swanner was mistress of ceremonies, and Mrs. Jo Jones of Warsaw directed the pageant. The winner received a \$300 scholarship, first runner-up received \$100, and second runner-up received \$75, with

Miss Congeniality receiving \$50. The following were Miss Duplin Countys: 1970, Nancy Coleen Shaw of Beulaville; 1971, Karen Louise DeLuca of Warsaw; 1972, Helen Elizabeth Bostic of Wallace; 1983, Angela Carol Hanchey of Rose Hill: 1974, Jo Carol Jones of Warsaw; 1975, Debbie Weston of Beulaville; 1976, Mary Sanderson of Wallace. After the Miss Duplin County pageant in 1976 another competition was not held until 1979. However, Duplin did not go unrepresented in the Miss North Carolina pageant; our county was represented by Miss Beulaville 1976 Sonja Yvette Miller. who placed as first runner-up and won the talent competiton, and Miss Beulaville 1977 Kimberly Ann Edwards. The Miss Beulaville pageants were held each year in July, im-

Duplin School Menus

Feb. 20-24

Breakfast

In addition or assorted cereals, fruit or juice and milk the following will be served:

Mon. - orange muffin Tue. - peanut butter toast Wed. - bran muffin Thur. - sausage biscuit

Lunch

Mon. - steak-n-biscuit with cheese or barbecue plate with hushpuppies, baked beans, french fries, peach cobbler, spiced apples

Tue. - lasagna with batter bread, hot ham and cheese sandwich. greens, okra, fruit cocktail, fresh

Wed. - hot dog with chili, turkey with rice and roll, green coleslaw, sweet potato pie, fruit cup

Thur. cheese taco, pork steak with roll, whipped potatoes, lettuce and tomato, spiced apples, mixed fruit

Fri. - hamburger, chicken pom pom, green limas, tater tots, fruit whip, applesauce.

Each lunch is served with chocolate or plain milk.

Sandy Plain Church Holds Revival

Sandy Plain Free Will Baptist Church near Beulaville on Highway 241, will be holding revival services Feb. 20-24 at 7:30 nightly. The prayer room will be open at 7:10 and there will be special singing each evening. The evangelist is Rev. Ronnie Parker from Folkston. Rev. Ransom McAbee, pastor, extends to all a cordial welcome.

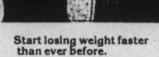


mediately following the Miss North Carolina pageant, and in 1976 Duplin had two representatives in the state pageant — Mary Sanderson Miss Duplin County and June Horne Miss Beulaville 1975. The Beulaville pageant was sponsored by the Beulaville Jaycees, and in 1978 the pageant was changed to a Beulaville Junior Miss.

After a break of two years, the Miss Duplin County pageant was held again in 1979 by the Warsaw Jaycees with the aid of the Calypso Jaycees. The pageant was directed by Sam Garner of Wilmington, and Miss North Carolina Debbie Shook was present. Tina Brewer of Faison was crowned Miss Duplin County. The following year a Warsaw native, Shari Jones, was crowned Miss Duplin County and selected as Miss Congeniality at the Miss North Carolina pageant. Shari Jones gave up her crown the following year to Julia Spicer of Kenansville. The 1981 competition was the last Miss Duplin County pageant sponsored by the

The Duplin County Pageant Association hosted both the Miss Duplin County and Little Miss Duplin County competitons. Contestants for Miss Duplin included Melissa Lou Brooks, Allyson Stroud, Oscara L. Carter, Angela Joy Norman, Cynthia English, Lee Ann Blanton and Clarice W. Carter. Contestants in the Little Miss Duplin County pageant included Catherine Diane Minshew, Sara Leane Jones, Penny Lane Summer, Monica Lynn Shuffler, Deana Houston, Sheila Renea Sibbett and Mary Louise Frederick.





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