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Meeting On Efforts To Attract Quality Industry Set For January 23

A local development team concept aimed at improving local efforts to attract quality industry will be explained by officials of the N. C. Department of Conservation and Development during a series of meetings across the State.

The meeting schedule was released today by Roy G. Sowers, Jr., C&D director. He said the first area meeting will be held at 7:30 p.m., January 12 in Sylva at the Jackson County Courthouse, and on January 23, Edenton, Edenton County Club, 2:30 p.m. for Bertie, Camden, Chowan, Currituck, Dare, Edgecombe, Gates, Halifax, Hertford, Martin, Northampton, Pasquotank, Perquimans, Tyrrell and Washington Counties.

"This is a major new effort of our agency," Sowers said, "and it is a key feature of Governor Scott's total program for economic development in North Carolina.

"One of the goals of the Scott Administration, and this department, is to assist local communities prepare themselves for industrial development," Sowers continued.

"We feel that a local development team approach would serve that goal, and help us accomplish our ultimate objective: thriving local economies across North Carolina," he said.

Members of the General Assembly, C&D board members, area and local industrial development people, and county and municipal officials have been invited to attend the meetings to hear the sales team concept explained, according to Sowers.

Local leaders from an eight-county area have been invited to attend the Sylva meeting on January 12.

C&D personnel who will participate in the explanatory sessions are James N. Glenn, deputy C&D director; Robert E. Leak, administrator of C&D's commerce and industry division; Thomas Broughton, assistant administrator of the division; and Albert Calloway, head of the division's regional offices.

The meeting places and times, with the areas indicated by counties, are as follows:

January 12, Sylva, Jackson County Courthouse, 7:30 p.m. for Cherokee, Clay, Graham, Haywood, Jackson, Macon, Swain and Transylvania Counties;

January 13, Asheville, University of North Carolina, 7:30 p.m. for Avery, Buncombe, Burke, Henderson, Madison, McDowell, Mitchell, Polk, Rutherford, and Yancey Counties.

January 14, Statesville City Hall, 7:30 p.m. for Alexander, Alleghany, Ashe, Caldwell, Catawba, Davidson, Davie, Forsyth, Iredell, Rowan, Stokes, Surry, Watauga, Wilkes and Yadkin C.

January 15, Charlotte Public Library on Tryon Street, 7:30 p.m. for Anson, Cabarrus, Cleveland, Gaston, Lincoln, Mecklenburg, Montgomery, Richmond, Staly and Union Counties.

January 16, Burlington at Holiday Inn on Interstate 85, 2:30

p.m. for Alamance, Caswell, Chatham, Durham, Guilford, Lee, Moore, Orange, Person, Randolph and Rockingham Counties.

January 19, Raleigh, Governor's Conference Room in the Administration Building, 2:30 p.m. for Franklin, Granville, Harnett, Johnston, Nash, Vance, Wake, Warren, Wayne and Wilson Counties.

January 20, Lumberton, Robeson County Library, 7:30 p.m. for Bladen, Columbus, Cumberland, Hoke, Robeson, Sampson and Scotland Counties.

January 21, Burgaw, Pender County Courthouse, 7:30 p.m. for Brunswick, Duplin, Jones, New Hanover, Onslow and Pender Counties.

January 22, Washington, Eastern Elementary School, 7:30 p.m. for Beaufort, Carteret, Craven, Greene, Hyde, Lenoir, Pamlico and Pitt Counties.

Social Security Administration

Coal miners who are totally disabled by black lung disease, and the widows and dependent children of miners who died with this disease, may now apply for benefits under the Federal Coal Mine Health and Safety Act at any social security office, according to Mr. Robert W. Alford, Social Security Branch Manager at Elizabeth City, N.C. "The important thing right now is for every eligible person to make an application to avoid possible loss of benefits; if a claimant is found eligible, benefit payments will be retroactive to the date of filing an application."

"Actual payment of benefits under the new law cannot begin right away," Mr. Alford stated. "These are not social security benefits, and before payments can begin, Congress will need to appropriate money for them." He also pointed out that additional information and medical evidence would be needed in each case. "The additional information can be furnished later," Mr. Alford said.

The amount of the benefit is about \$136 per month for the disabled miner or widow, and a maximum of about \$272 a month for a family with 3 or more dependents. The application for benefits may be mailed to any social security office if a personal visit is inconvenient, Mr. Alford said.

"Anyone who wants to apply by mail should be sure to state that he is applying for benefits for himself and his family under the Federal Coal Mine Health and Safety Act, and give the name and the social security number (if it is available) of the coal miner. The applicant should give his own full address and his telephone number, if he can be reached by telephone. He should be sure to sign the letter, Mr. Alford emphasized.

The address of the Elizabeth City Social Security Office is 401 South Dyer Street, Elizabeth City, North Carolina 27909, and the telephone number is 338-3931.

Savings Bonds Interest Raised To 5%; Chairman Worley Describes New Terms

GREENSBORO, N. C. - President Nixon has approved legislation raising the interest rate on U. S. Savings Bonds to 5 percent, if held to maturity.

When queried about the new Savings Bonds terms, Bland W. Worley, State Volunteer Chairman for U. S. Savings Bonds, stated - "The new rate of 5 percent to maturity applies to all outstanding Series E and H Bonds sold on or after June 1, 1969. The higher rate also applies to older Bonds. Beginning with the first semi-annual interest period starting on or after June 1, 1969, rates on outstanding E and H Bonds will be increased to yield a person when held to maturity a return which will be 5 percent."

"Savings Bonds have always been a good buy," Chairman Worley stated. "Now, with a more competitive interest rate, they are better than ever. Their guaranteed return, liquidity, safety, and tax advantages make them one of the soundest investments available. And you can buy them automatically and painlessly through the Payroll Savings Plan where you work or the Bond-A-Month Plan where you bank."

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Estate Planning TV Series On Tap

The Agricultural Extension Service at North Carolina State University will present a series of three educational television shows beginning Jan. 14 on estate planning.

The series will be carried by the five University of North Carolina stations: channels 4 Pittsboro, 2 Columbia, 58 Concord, 17 Linville and 33 Asheville. Viewing dates are Jan. 14, 21 and 28 at 7:30 p.m.

The first of the 30-minute shows will be a discussion on "Why Make a Will?" Others will be related to estate settlement procedures and property transfer methods.

NCSU economists and management specialists who developed the series said the program was being presented to help property owners recognize the need for estate planning.

"Every property owner has an obligation to himself and to his family to acquire some knowledge of estate planning in order to insure that property distribution at his death is as he intends and to minimize death taxes," explained economist D. G. Harwood Jr.

Harwood explained that the series will be a total of six shows. The last three will be organized around the theme of land use planning and will be aired on Feb. 4, 17 and 18.

Perquimans District Court In Session

Judge Fentress Horner disposed of the following cases during a brief session of PERQUIMANS County District Court on Wednesday.

Thad Revell, who was charged with driving under the influence of intoxicating liquors (2nd offense), was given a months road sentence;

Perce Felton, Grandy White and Jerome Fletcher, all charged with destroying county property, were given 30 day sentences, which were suspended upon payment of a fine of \$50.00 and costs, in addition to a \$25.00 fine for failure to appear in court December 3, 1969. They were also ordered not to go on the campus or into the buildings at Perquimans County Union School for 2 years; Elisha Thomas White was found not guilty of a charge of assault with a deadly weapon.

Peoples Bank To Establish Branch In Spring Hope

W. H. Stanley, President of Peoples Bank and Trust Company announced today that the bank has received approval to establish a branch in Spring Hope, North Carolina from the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation. Approval to operate the branch was previously granted by the North Carolina Banking Commission.

Stanley commented that Peoples Bank plans to operate in a mobile trailer from March 1, 1970 until permanent quarters are completed. The Spring Hope office will offer complete Full-Service banking facilities.

The Spring Hope office will be the 28th Peoples Bank & Trust Company bank location serving 15 North Carolina communities. Peoples Bank is the tenth largest bank in North Carolina and has deposits totaling over \$100 million.

New Vestryman Installed At Holy Trinity Church

Robert Wayne Halsey was installed recently as a new Vestryman at Holy Trinity Episcopal Church, Hertford. He was elected to the Vestry at the Annual Congregational meeting at which time the Vestry system under which the Church had been operating for some years was changed. Under the current system both men and women are eligible and the term of each person elected is only for one year. The number of Vestrymen was changed from six to seven.

Currently serving are: Walter Oakey, Senior Warden, Willis Jessup, Junior Warden, Ned Nixon, Herbert Nixon, Joe Towe Jr., W. Edward Griffin Jr., Secretary and Robert W. Halsey.

PFC Stephen Graham Wounded In Vietnam



Pfc. Stephen Graham, son of Mr. and Mrs. Harold Graham, of Chesapeake, Va., former residents of Hertford, was wounded in Vietnam December 9.

He has been in Vietnam since August with the 173rd Airborne Brigade doing pacification work in Binh Dinh Province. During a routine military patrol, he was wounded by fragments from an exploding booby trap. His injuries include severe wounds in his legs left hand, throat and larynx. Although his wounds are serious, they are not considered critical. He will be evacuated to a hospital in the states near his home in a few weeks, if his condition continues to progress satisfactorily.

History Of The Albemarle Offered By COA

Did you know that the Society of Friends (Quakers) will celebrate the 300th anniversary of their first appearance in North Carolina in 1727? If not, then enroll in the "History of the Albemarle" course being offered for the first time in this area through the Adult Education Division of College of the Albemarle.

The course will consist of

discussion on the early settlements and historical events of the area. The social, economic and religious life of the people, as well as the architecture of colonial homes in the Albemarle area will be presented. Genealogy will not be included, however.

The course will be taught by Ray Winslow of Hertford, well-known local historian. Classes will be held each Thursday night beginning Jan. 8 from 7-9 p.m. at COA. Cost of the course is \$2.00 but anyone over 65 does not have to pay this. Interested persons may register by calling the Adult Education Division-phone 335-0821-or by attending the first meeting.

National Security Concern Of Legion Members

What American women can do to help keep their country secure amid the dangers of today's world will be considered at the 18th Annual Women's Forum on National Security in session in Washington, D. C., February 2, 3 and 4, 1970.

Mrs. Dessie Rountree, National Security Chairman of Unit 126 of the American Legion Auxiliary, has been informed.

Approximately 1,000 women representing 17 national women's organizations and coming from every part of the country are expected to attend the Forum. Presiding as the chairman will be Mrs. Margaret D'Angelo, National Commander of the Disabled American Veterans Auxiliary. Speakers will include authorities on the various phases of national security.

"The organizations represented at the Forum desire peace, of course, and they are convinced that the only foundation for peace in today's world is a strong America. At the Forum they will discuss how patriotic American women can contribute toward keeping the nation secure in its freedom, being convinced that there can be no peace without freedom," said

Thomas H. White Breaks Ankle

Thomas H. White of Winfall suffered a broken ankle Tuesday, December 23, when he accidentally fell from a truck while on a hunting trip. He was taken to the Albemarle Hospital where he was a patient for several days. He is now recuperating satisfactorily at his home.

George Smith, Jr. Declared Delinquent By Local Board

George Smith Jr., formerly of Route 3, Box 1930, Hertford, N.C. has failed to report for armed forces physical examination as ordered by Local Board No. 73, Perquimans County. In view of his failure to report as directed, the local board declared him delinquent at their December 1969 meeting.

The board urges this registrant to contact the local board office immediately in an effort to remove this delinquency. Unless he complies, he will be ordered for immediate induction.

The local board also urge members of this registrant's family and others acquainted with him to render assistance in locating him.

Perquimans County has an induction quota of one registrant to be forwarded January 21, 1970. The Armed Forces Physical Examination Call is negative for the month of January 1970.

Pork Producers Set Conference

North Carolina pork producers will review the latest information on feeding, breeding, housing and managing hogs at their 14th annual conference in Raleigh on Thursday and Friday, January 8 and 9.

Health problems in swine production will also receive major attention at the two-day conference.

Pork production is now the third largest source of farm income in North Carolina, grossing over \$30 million in 1969.

Planners of the annual conference say that topics have been selected which will help Tar Heel pork producers continue their present expansion on a large-scale, scientific basis.

The conference, which is conducted by N. C. State University in cooperation with the N. C. Pork Producers Association, will feature over a dozen experts on swine production.

Included will be a swine producer from Illinois, Russell Jeckel, who will talk on management. A scientist from the University of Wisconsin, Dr. Neil First, will discuss breeding.

Dr. T. G. Zweigert, the state veterinarian, will bring producers up to date on the hog cholera eradication program. Speakers from N. C. State University will cover such topics as baby pig survival, low cost rations, heating and cooling of buildings, controlling mastitis and other diseases, feeding cooked soybeans, controlling pork quality, progress in swine evaluation, and opportunities in country ham production.

All sessions for the conference will be held at the Hilton Inn in Raleigh.

Mrs. Griffin Heads Heart Variety Show

Mrs. Jean Newbold Griffin is chairman of the Heart Variety Show in Perquimans County this year. Mrs. Griffin hopes to have talent from all age groups and urges those who "studied" under Mrs. Mary Koonce to come forth again. Wednesday, January 14, there will be a meeting at the Perquimans County High School for all who are interested. Tell your talented friends we need variety and please come out to help the Heart Fund.



STABBED TO DEATH - Police in Somerville, Mass., are seeking some clue in the death of Lynn Ann Fournier, 3, who was found stabbed to death at the foot of the basement stairs. Her mother, Mrs. Marilyn Fournier, 36, seven months pregnant, had left Lynn with Mr. and Mrs. William Hughes, downstairs neighbors, while she went shopping. He found the body.

1,669 Students In Perquimans Are Transported Daily

Data recently released by the Transportation Division of the State Department of Public Instruction reveals that during the 1968-69 school year some 610,760 Tar Heel school children were transported to school on buses. A. C. Davis, Controller for the State Board of Education, announces. The data, according to D. J. Dark, director of transportation, is compiled yearly. During the 1968-69 school year, 54.9 per cent of the total public school population were transported to and from school daily, according to Dark.

Of that number, 70.9 per cent of the students were enrolled in elementary school and 29.1 per cent were in high school. The average school bus in the State transported 66 students per day, made 1.57 trips per day - an average of 12 miles in length one way - and transported an average of 48.5 students per bus trip. The total cost of North Carolina's school transportation for 1968-69 was \$14,293,272.00, including replacement of buses.

In Perquimans County the number of regular school buses operated during the 1968-69 school year were 33. An average of 1,669 students were transported daily, with an average of 50.6 students per bus per day.

Each bus traveled an average of 47.0 miles a day getting 6.008 miles to the gallon of gasoline. The operating cost per mile was .1511.

The average cost State-wide - including replacement of buses - for the 1968-69 school year was \$1,541.05 per bus; \$8.51 per bus per day; \$23.40 per pupil for the school year; \$1,202 per pupil per day; and \$,2243 per bus mile of operation.

Correction

In listing the names of the Perquimans County Tax Listers in the Perquimans Weekly last week, a mistake was made by the printers. Mrs. Elton Layden was named for the Belvidere Township Tax Lister - this should have been Mrs. Estes O. Copeland, and for the Parkville Township Tax Lister, Mrs. Doris Jean Riddick was given - this should have been Mrs. Floyd Long. Other Tax Listers are Bethel Township - T. Julian Long; Hertford Township - Percy Rogerson; and New Hope Township - Melvin Eure. The time and place for Tax Listing is given in a Block Ad in this section of The Weekly.

Questions and Answers On Selection Procedures

Q - I am 18 years old and will not be 19 until after December 31, 1969. Do I have a selective service random sequence number?

A - No. You can determine your random sequence number from charts published in the newspapers and posted in local board offices.

Q - What effect does the random selection method have on deferments?

A - Local board deferment policies are not affected by the random selection method of selecting registrants for induction.

Q - When will there be another random selection drawing?

A - Plans call for a drawing to be held during each calendar year, but no date has been set for the drawing to be held during 1970.

Q - Has the random selection system caused any changes to be made in classification regulations, policies, and procedures.

A - No.

Q - I am 19 years old and in I-A. If I stay in I-A all of 1970 and my random sequence number is not reached during 1970, how will it affect me?

A - Whether you are in I-A or in some deferred classification, if your number is not reached you will be placed in a lower priority category.

KADER RIDDICK

BELVIDERE - Kader Felton Riddick, 75, of Rt. 1, died Monday morning at a Virginia Beach Nursing home following a long illness.

A Perquimans County native, he was the son of the late William Alonza and Mrs. Ella Perry Riddick, and the husband of the late Evie Overman Riddick.

He was a member of the Sandy Cross Baptist Church and was retired from the Ford Motor Company Assembly Plant.

Surviving are a daughter, Mrs. Roundtree Stallings, Rt. 1; one son, James Edgar Riddick of Chesapeake, Va.; one sister, Mrs. Nell White of Rt. 1; three brothers, Wilbur Riddick of Chesapeake, Ivan Riddick of Richmond, and John Riddick of Rt. 1; four grandchildren and one great grandchild.

Funeral services were conducted Wednesday at 2:30 p.m. in the Chapel of the Swindell Funeral Home by the Rev. Thomas A. Clarke Jr., Music was provided by Mrs. Elton Trotman, organist.

The casket pall was made of red carnations, white chrysanthemums and fern.

Pall bearers were Nathan Rountree, Linwood Twine, James Edward Twine, Henry L. Joyner, Wayne Lane and Lloyd Stallings. Burial was in the Riddick family Cemetery.

1970 DRAFT CALLS
Secretary of Defense Melvin R. Laird reports the 1970 draft calls can be cut by approximately 25,000 men as a result of the Administration's announcement of an additional withdrawal of 50,000 men from Vietnam.