

defense channel.

In response Mr. Crane explained that an FM channel has been available since November, 1980, with music from an eastern North Carolina station, for which there is an annual charge of \$18. He also said that in the event of calls concerning interrupted service every effort always has been made to correct the matter as promptly as possible. He stated that expanding the number of channels has been delayed pending the merger with Newhouse, and stated that this probably will include an all-sports channel and an all-news channel. Finally, he said, with the addition of a planned satellite receiver there will be improved FM reception.

The group also said that with new and improved antennas reception from Channel 11 (WUNK) and CHANNEL 7 (Washington) will be enhanced.

Since the meeting, Mayor Cleveland has received a letter from Mr. Crane advising him that arrangements have been completed with station WFMT, at Chicago, to include their transmissions. This station, he said, was recently designated as the "Best FM Station in the Country" for its unique programming and technical excellence. Their programming includes live broadcasts and pre-recorded tapes from eight orchestras, including the Chicago Symphony, Boston Pops and the Lyric Opera of Chicago. As soon as the equipment is in place, he said, subscribers will be notified and that there will be no increase in the FM rate.

GARDEN CLUB HEARS

Joanne Powell, of the Hampton Mariners Marine staff, was the speaker at the May meeting of the Garden Club and spoke on

ABOUT SHORE BIRDS

"Shore and Coastal Birds". Through a narrated slide presentation she discussed the habits, coloring, habitats and species of birds of this area, including gulls, sandpipers, terns, pelicans, loons, heron, egrets, skimmers and ospreys.

In the business session, President Becky Moore thanked Marion Archibald for arranging and directing the azalea tour of Wilmington. Helen Granger, reported there are 66 azaleas planted around the circle in front of the town hall by members and others. Jo Zeller, hospitality chairman, announced that the annual luncheon and installation of officers will be held at the Beaufort House on June 10. Finally, a workshop on plant propagation will be held at the home of Newell Haller on Wednesday, June 17, at 9:30 a.m., with Irene Doremus assisting.

ANCIENT MARINERS

At the annual dinner of the Ancient Mariners Bowling League, held Monday, April 27, at the Ramada Inn., winners of this year's competition were presented with awards. Winning teams were those captained by Marj Ramsey, 1st; Karolyne Cleveland, 2nd;

FETE WINNERS

Ray Szypulski, 3rd; Larry Jerome, 4th; Ken Hoffmeyer, 5th; Art Browne, 6th; Dixie Eubanks, 7th; George Hillard, 8th; Frank Johnson, 9th; Arnold Smith, 10th; Eric Hassell, 11th, and Ken Knight, 12th.

High scorers for the season were Frank Johnson with a 569 series, and Ray Szypulski, with a 554 series. For the girls, Dixie Eubanks had a 517 series, and Marj Ramsey rolled a 515 series.