

What's In A Name? Plenty

There was a lot of name-calling and finger-pointing Tuesday night.

Both were aimed not at personalities but at points on a map, as Cleveland County commissioners held the second of eight public meetings to discuss new names for roads in the county. The commission hopes names for roads that are now numbered will aid mail delivery and speed fire and rescue responses.

About 20 people from Boiling Springs met at the Rural Fire Department building to discuss the two names that will affect the town: renaming Road 1148 to the Flint Hills Church Road and renaming Homestead Road and Road 1158 to the Beaver Dam Church Road.

J.W. Hamrick, a farmer whose land borders both sides of 1158, presented his case to the commission to call that two-lane stretch Hamrick Road:

"Ninety-nine per cent of that road comes through Hamrick land or comes by it," he told the commissioners. Hamrick had done his homework: he recounted 11 farms

along 1158 that belonged either to Hamricks or Hamrick heirs.

The commission said it will consider his name.

Hunt Hannah of the Cleveland County tax maps office, who had previously performed a similar task in Greensboro,

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drew up the new map.

Hannah selected the tentative new names for Cleveland County the same way he named roads in Greensboro -- he lifted them from St. Louis, Mo., a city 500 miles away.

He said that in Greensboro he chose original-sounding names from an old St. Louis street directory he'd found in a

packing box. "That way there was absolutely no duplication," he said.

Confusion caused by duplication is one reason for the naming, and sometimes re-naming process. Numbered houses on named roads make deliveries and rescue and fire department responses easier and

faster.

Hannah, who volunteered for the job, realizes that his names are arbitrary and some may go against the grain. "I'm dead against personal names unless it's a case where it's real old, in use a long time," he said. "You're going to slight somebody, every time." He used church names when it was possible, he said.

The house-numbering process will have to be compromised, in some instances, Hannah noted. The reason is that duplication is unavoidable with numbers.

He gave as an example Homestead Avenue, which on his new map appears as South Beaver Dam Church Road up to U.S. 74. "Boiling Springs would probably start with the first house numbered 100," he said, "and yet Shelby would expect to start at 100 going south from 74."

He and other county commissioners are hoping for a lot of response at several community meetings scheduled in February.

Meetings will be at the No. 7 Fire Department on Feb. 1; Waco Fire Department on Feb. 2; Polkville Fire Department Feb. 8; Casar Fire Department Feb. 9; Shanghai Fire Department Feb. 15; No. 3 Fire Department Feb. 16; Oak Grove Fire Department Feb. 22 and Bethlehem Fire Department on Feb. 23. All meetings are at 7 p.m.

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"Sagebrush Rebellion" Fails To Catch Fire

From NC Wildlife Commission

Despite repeated attacks on "overly restrictive" environmental regulations - the "sagebrush rebellion" - recent surveys show that many Americans still favor laws that provide for clean air, pure water and a high quality of life. Indeed, a recent survey of almost 40,000 members of the National Wildlife Federation shows that 62 percent feel we need additional environmental regulations, 25 percent feel current regulations are adequate, and only 11.5 percent feel we have too many environmental regulations.

In addition, the survey showed that Federation members feel the federal government should play a stronger role in two other areas--protection of farmland and population control. An overwhelming 95 percent of the participants favor a national policy to stem the loss of prime farmland to development, and 58 percent feel that the United States should be more involved in controlling the population of the world.

However, environmental regulations, farmland protection and population growth were only three of the eight topics covered by the survey. Others include nuclear power, use of public lands, transfer of federal lands to state ownership, funding for wildlife programs, and transportation.

Current management of public lands is controversial. About 38 percent of the participants said that grazing, logging, and oil and mineral development should never be allowed on public lands if these activities damage wildlife, recreation, and wilderness values. However, 58 percent said it depended on the individual case.

Improved transportation systems is also a priority, and mass transit appears to be the choice of Federation members.

Safety of nuclear power plants is also of vital concern. A total of 54 percent of the respondents oppose building new nuclear plants, 29 percent favor building new nuclear plants, and 15 percent are unsure.

There have been dramatic changes in the mix of dairy products consumed. Currently we eat more than four times as much cheese as we did in 1900 -- a reflection of the growing popularity of pizza and cheese and crackers as snack foods.

In contrast, we have seen a continuing decline in the consumption of fluid whole milk in the past 25 years. This is probably a result of the declining proportion of children in our population. Concerns about diet may also have played a part in this decline, as the use of fluid lowfat milks increased substantially during this period.

FATS AND OILS

Fat and oil consumption in 1980 was about one-and-a-half times as much as in the early 1900's, and there have been dramatic shifts in the types of fats consumed. We eat three-fourths less

lifestyles, such as skipping breakfast, as well as research suggesting a link between cholesterol and heart disease, may account for the decline in average egg consumption.

Interestingly, though, this decline has not been uniform: fewer people eat eggs now than in 1967, according to NFCS data, but those who do eat them eat more. The decline was particularly noticeable among young men under 35.

DIET AND HEALTH

These changes in the amounts and kinds of foods that make up the American diet have altered the levels of nutrients we consume. Of greatest concern are the new higher levels of fats and sugar, which, in excessive amounts, have been associated with heart disease and other health problems.

holes with bird seed. Hang it from a string in a well-lit area and water daily by holding a saucer of water to the bottom of the sponge to soak up water. It will eventually become a fluffy mass of foliage you can keep pruned to shape. When greenery has completely enveloped the sponge, water it by pouring small amounts of water into the top of the plant and holding a saucer underneath to catch drippings.

* Cacti are houseplants that tend to thrive in the indoor winter environment, so now is a good time to give them a hearty meal. These plants don't like nitrogen which forces rapid growth and causes soft tissue to overdevelop, but special formulas for cacti can be purchased at plant stores -- or use hoof and horn meal, or cottonseed meal.

Commander Changes From "Hawk to Dove"

"We all have to die someday," the naval commander told her approximately 40 people gathered at church. "But do we all have to die the same day?"

The speaker was Bill Withrow, retired naval officer and a faculty member at Gardner-Webb College. The question he asked about nuclear war was the reason he changed "from a hawk to a dove" he told a Charlotte anti-nuclear weapons group Thursday night.

Withrow spoke to the Charlotte chapter of the Committee for a Sane Nuclear Policy (SANE) meeting at St. Martin's Episcopal Church there. He told the group, which varied in age from early twenties to retirement, that he "never regretted" his Naval Academy education or subsequent 20 years' service in the Navy during World War II and the Korean War.

But Withrow said three factors dissuaded him from nuclear armaments by the military:

□ A tour at Antarctica performing research with military forces of other nations "convinced me that if people work together we can have peace and harmony";

□ An observation by atomic physicist Albert Einstein after World War II that the presence of nuclear weapons has changed everything in the world but the way men think. Withrow has carried a clipping of that quote in his wallet since.

□ A tendency, Withrow said, "to equate patriotism with militarism" that results, he said, in such mis-adventures as the Vietnamese War.

Withrow served in the Solomons Campaign during World War II and was base commander of advanced headquarters during Operation DEEPFREEZE at Antarctica. Withrow Glacier there is named for him.

AREA NEWS

Funeral services for George Dewey Horn, 82, of Boiling Springs will be held Thursday at 2 p.m. at Lattimore Baptist Church, conducted by the Rev. Joe Edwards. Horn died Tuesday morning at Crawley Memorial Hospital.

He was employed by Martin Grocery Store in Lattimore and served in the U.S. Army during World War II.

Survivors include two sisters, Mrs. Jim Lovelace of Boiling Springs and Mrs. Mary Turner of Shelby.

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