

Chowan County 4-H Members Win Honors At Recognition Day

Take Top Honors In Program Held at Chocowinity Oct. 30

Chowan County 4-H Club members won several honors at the District Recognition Day which was held at Chocowinity High School on Saturday, October 30. Chowan County had five district winners in projects this year. This means that five Chowan 4-H Club members had better project and records than any of the members of the 15 other counties comprising the Eastern District. Chowan County also had four district talent winners and two dairy food demonstration winners and the farm and home electric demonstration winners.

The five project winners as announced at Recognition Day were: Mary Sue Elliott, district clothing winner; Billy Goodwin, district winner in safety; Joe Privott, district winner in tractor maintenance; Vandy Parks, district and state winner in 4-H corn project; Sherwood Harrell, district winner in vegetable production demonstration; Carlton Perry, district cotton project winner, and J. D. Parish, district winner in the peanut contest. These winners were announced for the year 1953 as the field crop projects are not completed in time to be announced for the current year.

Mary Sue Elliott and Evangeline Copeland were district winners in the dairy foods team demonstration and Ida Ann Blanchard was individual district winner in dairy foods. May Frances White and Ann Pearce were district winners in the individual talent contest and a quartet composed of Jimmy Hollowell, Joe Privott, Joseph Wiggins and Lloyd Neal Ward were district winners in the vocal quartet class of the talent contest. The Chowan Ramblers, a vocal and instrumental quartet, composed of Britton Byrum, Leon Privott, Sammy Byrum and Stuart Hollowell, were district winners in the instrumental class of the talent contest.

Chowan 4-H Club members have done unusually well and are to be congratulated for their achievement.

Two Chowan Students Honored At College

Friends will be pleased to learn that Durward Bateman, nephew of Mrs. Earl Harrell and a junior at N. C. State College, was recently initiated a member of Kappa Phi Kappa, a national honorary society. Selection of candidates is based on scholastic attainment, leadership ability, moral character and dynamic interest in education.

Mr. Bateman's wife, the former Miss Shirley Byrum of Tyner, is a senior in preparatory school at Peace College in Raleigh and last week was elected president of her class. She is a member and treasurer of the honor society Pi Theta Mu. Both are former students at Chowan High School, where their former teachers and fellow students are proud of their records.

TEACHING DANCING IN EDENTON



Here is pictured Miss Myrtle Mountcastle, talented young dancer and dance director, who opened dancing classes in the Edenton Elementary School auditorium last week. The dancing school is sponsored by the Edenton Parent-Teacher Association. Miss Mountcastle is a former pupil of the Jean Ballance School of Dancing and the Gertrude Enis Ballet School of Norfolk and studied at the Jack Stanley Studios, Ernest Carlos Studios and American Ballet School in New York.

Garnishes That Add Beauty To Meals

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Foods should have eye appeal as well as taste appeal. While a garnish may not provide a lot of food value, it does have great value in making food beautiful. And when we see beautiful food, beautifully served, even the jaded appetite is whetted.

Tomato Roses—Make a colorful garnish for salad or meat platters. To make, turn tomato stem end down. Cut five or six petals. Cut through skin, but not into seed pockets. Separate petals from tomato.

Calla Lilies—Choose large, fine-grained, smooth white turnips. Do not refrigerate. Peel and cut into thin slices. Cut a piece of carrot for the stem or center. Curve turnips, lily fashion, in your hands, insert the stem, and fasten with two toothpicks. Put into water to crisp.

Zinnias—Use three turnip slices, each one just a little smaller than the last, for each zinna. Cut 12 petals in each slice, rounding off the corners. Stick a toothpick in a 1 inch long carrot stem if you want a white and yellow zinna. Begin forming your flower by placing the largest slice on the bottom, then the next in size and then the smallest one. Now, stick the toothpick through the slices. Put them in water to crisp.

Frosted Mint Leaves and Grapes—It's best to make these at least two days in advance as they require some air drying. Beat egg white to a froth

and dip small bunches of mint leaves or grapes into it. Shake gently so you do not have too much egg. Now dip them into confectioners' sugar and lay them on a wire cooling rack. When all have been dipped once, dip them again in the sugar, being sure all surfaces are covered. The air will do the rest—make them crisp.

Cheese Pumpkins—Grate American cheese on a fine grater and shape balls, about 1 1/4 inches in diameter. Flatten these balls, making the center slightly concave so they look like pumpkins. Using the back of a knife, groove the balls pumpkin fashion. Put the large end of a parsley stem—about an inch long—in the center. These little decorations are very realistic.

Cheese Carrots—Shape finely grated American cheese to resemble carrots, inserting carrot leaves in the stem end.

Rain Interrupts Cow Testing Campaign

The county wide cow testing campaign was interrupted last week by rain on Friday and no schedule on Tuesday and Wednesday due to Dr. Bradshaw having necessary work in other areas on Tuesday and Wednesday.

Cow testing continued Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday of this week and cow owners have been very cooperative in having their cattle at convenient places.

Cattle testing is very important to health of people as well as the animals," says County Agent C. W. Overman. "Every person having cattle should realize this and have their cattle tested."

Mrs. Epp Debnam Dies At Her Home Thursday

Mrs. Mary Grady Cheers Debnam died Thursday morning at her home in Westover Heights. The daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Vachel Thomas Cheers, she was born in Plymouth, but spent most of her life in Edenton, where for many years she was a member of the Edenton school faculty. In 1928 she married Joseph Epp Debnam.

Surviving are her husband; one son, Joseph Epp Debnam, Jr.; her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Vachel Thomas Cheers of Edenton; a sister, Mrs. Harry Phillips of Richmond, Va., and a brother, Thomas Cheers, Jr., also of Richmond.

Funeral services were held Friday afternoon at St. Paul's Episcopal Church, with the rector, the Rev. Gordon Bennett, officiating. Burial was in Beaver Hill Cemetery.

Pallbearers were J. W. Davis, J. H. Conger, Sr., Richard F. Elliott, Sr., John Kramer, Jesse Wilson, William Shepard, Sr., James E. Wood and Dr. Frank Wood.

County Agents Attend 2-Day Forestry School

A two-day forestry tour and school for county agents was held near Franklin, Va., Thursday and Friday, when the Camp Manufacturing Company was host to the group. The North Carolina Extension Foresters had an excellent program for agent training.

The Camp company is interested in good timber production on farm woodland of the privately owned as well as their own woodlands. Extension workers are interested in the same thing for the financial returns that good forestry practices will bring to the farm people and forestry owners. The hope is expressed that a group of Chowan farmers make a tour of the Camp woodlands to see what they can do with their own woodlands. The Camp personnel has extended a cordial invitation to bring farm groups but request prior arrangements to be made.

RYLAND 4-H CLUB MEETS

The Ryland Local 4-H Club met Monday night in the home of Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Lane and Herbert Ray Lane, local leaders. A total of five club members were present. Plans were made on the duties of the local club in the 4-H Achievement Day program held Wednesday of this week. Evangeline Copeland is to make a 4-H Club scrapbook on the activities of the Ryland Club. This scrapbook is to contain snapshots, newspaper pictures and articles and other things of interest in which the Ryland club members participated. This scrapbook should be very interesting to the 4-H Club members and to 4-H alumni in the future.

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A PENALTY OF 1% WILL BE ADDED ON 1954 TAXES NOT PAID BEFORE FEBRUARY 2. ANOTHER 1% WILL BE ADDED MARCH 2 AND AN ADDITIONAL 1/2 OF 1% WILL BE ADDED FOR EACH ADDITIONAL MONTH TAXES ARE UNPAID.

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