

# The Bandon Notebook

By MAGGIE B. PEARL HARBOR — December 7, 1941 - "A day that will live in infamy". On this day Japanese aircraft carriers launched their historic air raid at dawn on American ships moored along "Battleship Row". Two hours later it ended with 18 of our ships sunk or damaged - our military might in the Pacific temporarily crippled. Of the 33 ships comprising the Japanese attack force, all but one destroyer were lost by the end of the war. The USS ARIZONA took five hits with large armor-piercing bombs causing it to violently erupt and sink to the bottom in less than nine minutes, carrying with it more than half the men killed on this Sunday morning. Attempts were made to raise the ship but resulted in more deaths so it was decided to leave it and build a Memorial over it. The USS Arizona Memorial spans the sunken hull but does not touch the ship. The form, wherein the structure sags in the center but stands strong and vigorous at the ends, expresses initial defeat and ultimate victory. Wide openings in walls and roof permit a flooding by sunlight and a close view of the sunken battleship eight feet below, both fore and aft. At low tide, as the sun shines upon the hull, the barnacles which encrust it shimmer like gold jewels - a beautiful sight! Inside the Memorial (an enclosed bridge) are three sections - the museum room, housing mementos from the ship, the assembly area which can accommodate 200 people for ceremonies, and the shrine room, where on a large marble wall are engraved the names of the 1,177 Navy men and Marines who are buried there. THE USS Arizona Flag still flies proudly in tribute to these brave fighting men. The Staff of the flag is attached to the ship and rises high above the Memorial. The overall effect is one of serenity. When one enters the Memorial, a feeling of awe and humbleness are overwhelming - when you enter the shrine room, see all the names on the marble wall and the beautiful flowers placed there, the throat seems full, you swallow several times then the tears slowly trickle down your face as you realize that these brave men gave their lives to protect you. As you look out the windows, it's amazing to see - after all these years - oil still seeping up from the ship below!

Although the weather outside was stormy, inside Bandon Chapel the atmosphere was one of warmth, friendliness and neighborly love as Asst. Supt. Thomas H. Dilday welcomed everyone to Sunday School, especially Deacon Clarence Barnes recently out of the hospital. The women are still leading in our Attendance Contest although the men did inch up a little bit this week. If the men don't "get on the ball", it looks like our male cooks will have to start boning up on their culinary skills!

Prayer List: Roy Housden, home and improving; "Duck" Reed, improving; Bill Matthews still confined to hospital; Mrs. Mattie Nixon, slowly improving in Norfolk Gen. Hospital; and Friend Eleanor Jackson. Please add our friends to your prayer list as well as our missionaries Nita Pride, the Smith family and our beloved pastor.

"Happy Birthday" was sung by all in honor of Wiley Hardison as he placed his contribution in our Birthday Bank.

Our Juniors, so ably taught by Mrs. Mary Elizabeth Beach, had as their subject "Turning From Wrong", based on Luke 5:27-32. Aim was that the student may show true repentance by confessing his sins and turning from them.

"The Way of Unselfish

Service", Mark 10:35-45, was the topic for our adults, taught by Wm. F. (Butch) Smith. Aim was that adult Christians should act habitually for the benefit of others rather than for mere selfish gain.

Dr. W.J.B. Livingston's inspiring message was "The Joy of Being Honest", Ezek. 17:11-21. In our scripture we discover the consequences of being dishonest - destruction, prison, failure of people and nations. Let's narrow "being honest" to "being honest with God". Is it really joyful to be honest with the Almighty? When an emergency arises, I imagine that many of you have said to God "I will do what you want me to do". After the crisis is over, we slip and fail to ask God what He wants us to do. We find ourselves running ahead, getting behind or never being able to catch up. Then we realize that we have been dishonest with God. Let's consider three points. First, TIME. God has given us 24 hours a day. When you awake, say "Good Morning, Lord, what can WE do today - from here on out I'm not going to do anything unless you tell me to do so". God will put into your mind what you are going to do. He will take care of everything. The Holy Spirit will come upon you and you will be filled with joy. Just turn loose - let go - and let God guide you. You will then be in God's perfect rhythm - the rhythm of the universe. Your time will be fruitful. That's the joy of being honest with God and your time; Second, HABITS: All our habits are not good. Bring these habits to God and say "I want to undoe these habits". He will do it. Jesus was thankful, forgiving, kind, just, caring. Take a look at the habits of Jesus and make His habits yours - conditioned reflexes; Third, Our MINDS: Bring your mind under His jurisdiction. Fear of failure - tension - secrets - destructive and dishonest thoughts, and say "I will not allow these kinds of thoughts in - then, put some good thoughts in our minds, thoughts out of God's Word. The great redeeming thoughts come from God. Thoughts of God can be your thoughts - can control your thinking processes. Let God take over your time, habits and mind and you'll experience "The Joy of Being Honest".

Bible Study will be Wednesday at 7:30 in Fellowship Hall with Dr. Bill leading the discussion. Everyone is invited.

The BCWG meets Thursday from 11 A.M. to 2 P.M. These dedicated women are always interested in projects to help their neighbors. This week they will be working on items for women who have had breast cancer. Last week 25 wood folding chairs were donated by this group to Fellowship Hall. Bring scissors, needle and a sandwich and join us. It'll be fun.

Dr. Bill has called a Congregational Meeting for next Sunday to vote on getting cushions for our pews. Cost will be \$50.00 per pew. If anyone desires to donate a cushion, it will be appreciated. Contact "Doc" Gilliam, Tom Dilday or Dr. Bill and they will be delighted to accept all donations.

Our deepest sympathy is extended to the family and friends of Mr. Eddie Nixon of Rocky Hock who passed away Sunday night. His widow, Mrs. Mattie Nixon is still in Norfolk General Hospital recovering from vascular surgery. Please pray that God will give her the strength she needs and that He will lay His Healing Hand upon her.

Monday morning, a group of Arrowhead residents supported the President of the POA, Capt. Al Howard, USN (Ret.) as he presented a petition with all pertinent information attached, to the Chowan County Board of Commissioners requesting that the State of North

Carolina take over all roads within Arrowhead Beach. The petition was received favorably by the Commissioners. As a result of a motion made by Mr. J.D. Peele, seconded by Mr. Nick George, the petition was approved by the Board and will be forwarded to the State Dept. of Transportation for action.

The Luncheon Buffet proved to be a big success Sunday in spite of the rain. The Buffet will be held each Sunday and will feature two meats, three vegetables, two salads, bread, tea or coffee. Hours are from 12 Noon to 2 P.M. Cost is only \$3.00. A special vote of "thanks" goes to Mrs. Dot Nixon and her committee for this treat.

A most welcome friend, Mr. Luther Skinner, visited Mr. and Mrs. Garris Perry last week and stopped by to say "hello" to his many friends here. He looked great - I believe he's getting younger every day rather than older. He was the first Sunday School Supt. after Bandon Chapel was completed. At the Sunday School Class Meeting Tuesday, he gave the opening prayer. We look forward to seeing him again in April.

First timers to Bandon this week were Mrs. Dot Reel of Virginia Beach and Mr. Raymond Hall of Chesapeake, guests of Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Gregory. Welcome. We hope you enjoyed our service and will return soon.

## Baptist Topics Are Revealed

Dr. Robert E. Gray, pastor of Edenton Baptist Church, has selected as his sermon topic for the 11 o'clock worship on Sunday morning the subject "Abraham Believed God." Scriptural text will be Romans 4:1-8.

"Ready For Revival" will be his message at the 7:30 evening worship. Text will be taken from II Timothy 2:20-26.

The Sanctuary Choir will render the anthem at both services. They will sing "He Looked At Me" at the morning worship and "Turn Your Eyes Upon Jesus" during the evening service.

Mrs. Lavine Aylesworth announces the marriage of her daughter, Phyllis Lou, of Elizabeth City to Mr. Robert Wayne Nixon of Rocky Hock on March 7.

The couple will make their home in Elizabeth City.

METHODIST TOPIC Rev. E.L. Earnhardt has chosen "Wondering Stars" as the topic for his sermon at the 11 A.M. worship service Sunday at Edenton United Methodist Church. His text is Jue 1: 10-13.

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## Upholstery Class Offered

Mrs. Pauline Travis announces that the upholstery class was left out of the listing of classes offered by the College of The Albemarle in last week's edition of The Herald.

There will be an upholstery class offered on Tuesday evenings at Holmes High School from 7-10 o'clock Please call Mrs. Travis and give her your name if you are interested in this course. There are a few openings left.

Other classes being offered at this time are: arts and crafts, CB radio, decorative painting, buff your car (powder-kuff mechanics), masonry, photography, sewing I, and sewing II.

ENGAGED — Mr. and Mrs. Luther J. Chappell, Route 1, Belvidere, announce the engagement and forthcoming marriage of their daughter, Dora Gray, to Mr. Everett Parks. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Eddie Parks of Belvidere. The wedding is planned for April 3 at 3 P.M. in the Warwick Baptist Church at Hobbsville. No invitations are being sent. Friends and relatives are invited to attend.

BENEFIT LUNCHEON The United Methodist Church Women of Edenton will conduct a chicken salad plate lunch sale on March 17. Price of the plates are \$2 and orders should be placed with Mrs. Delores Earnhart, 482-2289 or Mrs. C.B. Smith, 482-4730.

## For And About Women

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### The Society News

Mr. and Mrs. Hoke Roberson, Dr. and Mrs. A.F. Downum Jr., Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Small, Bruce Jones, Joe Thorud, Thomas Byrum, Bill Norvell, Cam Byrum, George A. Byrum and West Byrum were among those from Edenton attending the ACC Tournament in Greensboro last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert S. Wilkins have returned after vacationing in Florida.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Crisanti



### Miss Byrum Is Engaged

Mr. and Mrs. Forrest R. Byrum of Tyner announce the forthcoming marriage of their daughter, Joyce Anne, to Mr. Herbert E. Harrell, Jr., also of Tyner.

His parents are Mr. and Mrs. Harrell, Sr. The wedding is set for April 22 at 7:30 P.M. at Hunter's Fork Church. Friends and relatives are invited to attend.

have returned after spending several weeks in Florida.

Meredith College Students home for spring holidays are Miss June Byrum, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George A. Byrum and Miss Ginger Byrum daughter of Mr. and Mrs. West Byrum Jr.

Miss Elizabeth Roulston of Fairmont has returned home after visiting her grandparents Mr. and Mrs. Joe Thorud.

Mr. and Mrs. Fayewell Taylor have recently moved to their new home on Blount Street. The Taylors moved from Virginia Beach and Mr. Taylor is employed as General Mgr. at Hoke Motor Company, we extend our welcome.

Mr. and Mrs. John Isenhower and daughters of Raleigh were weekend guests of Mr. and Mrs. Claude Griffin.

Miss Maru Amburn student of St. Mary's College in Raleigh is spending a few days with her parents Mr. and Mrs. L.F. Amburn, Jr.

Among those from Edenton enjoying a ski vacation at Beech Mountain last weekend were Maurice Bunch, Luke Amburn, Ken Kenion, Elizabeth Stevens, Jane Parrish, and Laurie Baker. Bill Culpepper accompanied the group.

ON DEAN'S LIST Donald Ferebee was named to the Dean's List for the first semester at N. C. Central University in Durham. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Linwood Ferebee, 114 Coke Avenue.



PLANNING — Mrs. Bill Culpepper, president of the Edenton Woman's Club, Miss Clara Boswell, Chowan SGA advisor, and Mrs. Juanita Cozzens, tour director for Historic Edenton, pause along the historic tour route to be taken by delegates and advisor attending the EDNCASC convention.

## Migrant Workshop Planned

The State Migrant Education Parent Advisory Committee was organized in the fall of 1976 to consider parents views with respect to the planning of the State programs. This committee is composed of parents of children served in the Migrant Program and of other persons knowledgeable of the needs of migratory children.

Mrs. Andrea Blount of Edenton is secretary of the state advisory committee. As state secretary, Mrs. Blount and Loretta Guard, director of the Edenton



Mrs. Andrea Blount

Chowan Migrant Program, attended a state officer's meeting in Lillington on March 3. The purpose of the meeting was to set up the spring workshop for the statewide Migrant Education PAC, which will be held on April 27 at the Dutch Inn in Benson.

Evaluative questionnaires completed at the end of the October meeting in Wilmington formed the basis for planning the format of the April meeting. It was agreed that the most effective format would be that of a general topic discussion followed by several small group activities to center around (1) stimulating parent support in migrant education, (2) helping children learn, (3) supporting services in migrant education, and (4) how children learn.

"Because migrant parents realize that their children often have difficulty achieving academically as a result of school system changes, the PAC should prove extremely helpful in managing these parents to become involved in their children's educational welfare," Mrs. Guard stated.

## Providence Church Notes

"Have You Tried Your Faith Lately" was the subject of Dr. Fenner's morning worship service Sunday. As Christians, we often forget from whence we came and that God is omnipotent and is always ready to answer our prayers. When trouble arises in our life, we seek the aid of friends or we try to make it alone; but let us remember that all good things come

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