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Thursday, October 27, 1977_

Counties Pledge COA Expansion Funds

Dr. J. Parker Chesson, president, College of The Albemarle in Elizabeth City, pointed out that approval of a \$1.2-million grant from Economic Development Administration represents the largest and most crucial stage in consolidating all of COA's on-campus programs on one campus. Hopefully, we will be able to move completely out of the old hospital building and nurses' residence on Riverside Avenue." He went on to emphasize the increased efficiency and convenience, on the part of faculty and students, that will result from having almost all of the college's programs on one campus.

As currently planned, a new three-story building will provide critically needed space for a library, general classrooms, a learning resources center, and administrative offices. It will also house the college's extensive collection of audio-visual materials and equipment, a reading laboratory, student bookstore, student center, graphic arts area and laboratories necessary for use by the college's allied health programs. Included in the new construction will be a 5.800-square-foot addition to the existing building on the new campus. It will create space for a building trades shop.

A number of new programs will be added, including light construction, electrical installation and maintenance, accounting technology, and medical laboratory assistant technology.

Chesson said that credit for getting the \$2,439,000 project approved should be shared by many. "It has been truly a regional effort," he said. "The cooperation and active support of the area's county governments, businesses and individuals has been the vital factor in assuring that College of The Albemarle will be an instrument of greater service to the entire Albemarle region by

educational programs and cultural opportunities." The president said he was

particularly grateful to the boards of commissioners of the seven counties which comprise the college's service area. He said each county confirmed its confidence in the institution as a vital asset to the region by pledging funds for the building program. Funding support was based on a per capita formula for Pasquotank, Camden, Chowan, Currituck, Dare, Gates and Perquimans

counties Funding for the new building will be derived from the following sources: EDA basic grant, \$1,219,500; EDA supplemental grant, \$444,856; state construction

funds, \$182,340; state equipment funds, \$126,000; Pasquotank County, \$191,279; Camden County, \$2,800; Chowan County, \$5.300; Currituck County, \$4,250; Dare County, \$3,900; Gates County, \$4,100; Perquimans County, \$4,150; and COA building and development fund, \$250,525. The building and

development fund was accumulated as the result of a campaign which was conducted in the early 1970's. With its theme, "From Dream to Reality in the 1970's", the college received contributions from 70 businesses, 13 organizations, two foundations and 320 individuals.

The money was to be used toward the realization of Phase II of the institution's master development plan. The subsequent economic recession resulted in a reduction of federal funds which the college had depended upon for the bulk of construction money needed to successfully complete the second portion of its building program. The institution held on to its

continued to search for a funding source. Assistance came from the East Carolina University **Regional** Development Institute in the person of Thomas W. Willis, director. providing expanded Willis, working with COA's

dream for the future and

president and board of trustees,

thusiastically supported the concept of the college as an institution with important contributions to make to the region's economic development. He worked to assist with the preparation of the application and in its presentation to the Economic Development Administration. The formal application

was submitted to the office of Dale Jones, N.C. Economic Development Administration director in Raleigh, on June 20. Following a review and approval there, it was forwarded to the EDA

southeastern regional office in Atlanta. Chesson said the list of both public and private structure will be built agencies and individuals between the existing who assisted and supported building and Albemarle

Church

channel of singing.

Gospel Singers.

will be guest speaker at

Ebenezer Baptist Church in

Virginia Beach, Va. Anyone

wishing to accompany the

pastor may obtain tickets

from any officer of the

church. Cost of the trip is

\$3.50 round-trip (dinner

included). A bus will leave

The pastor, officers, and

Providence at 2 P.M.

Providence Church Notes

members of Providence School at invite you to attend any Providence begins at 9 A.M. service at our church. Our Morning worship service church is a friendly church, begins at 11 A.M. with the Sunday? observe its Eightth An-Mr. Taylor, 74 niversary at Providence. Your prayers and support are earnestly solicited. On

Died Sunday program will be several

choirs and gospel groups. TAYLORS BEACH -Please come out for an Carey Richard Taylor, 74, evening of inspirational died Sunday in Albemarle revelation as these groups will praise God through the Hospital.

the college is extensive.

Among those who endorsed

the application was the

Albemarle Regional

Planning and Development

Commission, area cham-

bers of commerce, city and

county governments, em-

ployment security com-

missions, banks, school

systems, newspapers,

health and social service

agencies and many area

businesses. With the

assistance of State Sen.

Melvin R. Daniels, Gov.

James B. Hunt approved the

\$444,856 EDA supplemental

Leslie N. Boney of

Wilmington is the architect

for the new building. It will

be constructed on the 42-

acre site on U.S. 17 North in

Elizabeth City. The new

is

grant earlier this year.

A native of Chowan County, he was the husband On November 6, at 4 P.M., of Mrs. Rosabelle Spruill the Senior Usher Board will Taylor and was a retired sponsor a gospel program carpenter and contractor. featuring the Halleluiah He attended Camden United November 27-Dr. Fenner Methodist Church.

Besides his widow, survivors include a daughter, Mrs. John E. Cartwright of Taylors Beach; two sisters, Mrs. Sammy (Virginia) Oats of Norfolk, and Mrs. Jesse (Elizabeth) Dale of Rt. 1, Edenton; three brothers, Wallace Taylor of Taylors Beach, Medford Taylor of Conway and Raymond Taylor of Chowan County; two grandchildren two and greatgrandchildren. A graveside service was held Tuesday at 2 P.M. in Old Hollywood Cemetery,

Mrs. Baker, 84

Died Sunday

HARRELLSVILLE Mrs. Lula Harden Baker, 84, formerly of Colerain, died Sunday in Ahoskie. A native of Bertie County,

she was the widow of Ernest Baker. Survivors include four

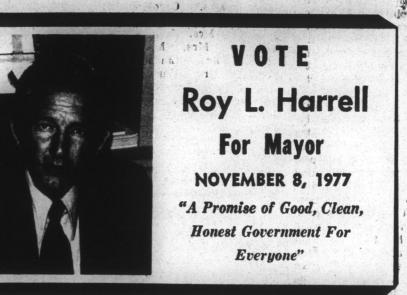
daughters, Mrs. Vivian Meadows of Edenton, Mrs. Virginia Gupton of Louisburg, Mrs. Agnes Mizzell and Mrs. Dorothy Holloman, both of Harrellsville; two sons, Willie Baker of Chesapeake, Va. and Mavin Baker of Harrellsville; two sisters, Mrs. Lonnie Sasser and Mrs. Rose Noble, both of Norfolk, Va.; six brothers, Dorsey Harden of Scotland Neck, Hersey Harden and Arthur Harden, both of Norfolk, Va., Willis Harden of Richmond, Va., Percy Harden of Fort Lauderdale, Fla. and Howard Harden of Jacksonville, Fla.; 19 grandchildren and 25 greatgrandchildren.

Funeral services were held Tuesday at 3:30 P.M. in the Garrett Funeral Home Chapel in Ahoskie. Burial was in the Hill Crest Cemetery in Colerain.

Reminder for Women There are two items every woman should mark on her personal calendar: once a month do breast selfexamination for possible cancer; once a year have a Pap test for cancer of the uterine cervix. Both these forms of cancer are most curable when caught early.



DISCUSS CRAFTS COOP-Albemarle area extension agents met in Edenton to continue organizational efforts for a crafts cooperative to serve the region. In the photo above, members of the board of directors discuss by-laws and their constitution which will be in readiness by December and January respectively. Mrs. Frances Voliva, Tyrrell County Extension chairman reported that the cooperative is geared to create a vehicle through which people in this area can market home industry-type items and to draw attention nationally to crafts from Eastern N.C. She added that the mountain region of the state has employed successfully such a cooperative and that Albemarle area crafts are of equivalent quality. The cooperative board of directors is chaired by Mrs. Katherine Wassink of Camden.



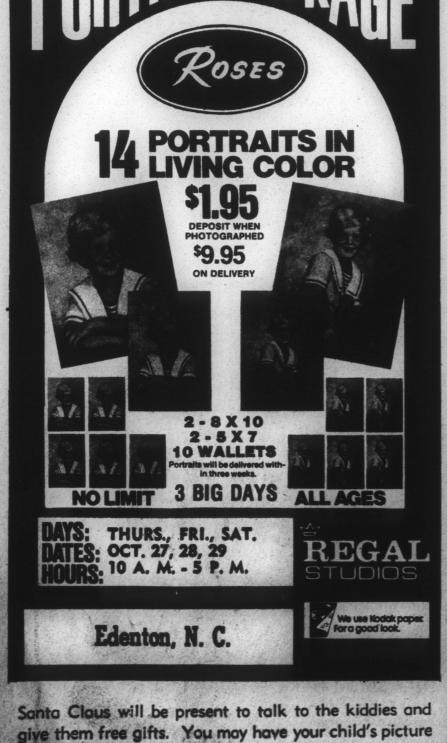


PORTRAIT PACKACE

Edenton Community Male Chorus serving. Dr. J.L. Fenner will be in charge of morning worship service. Sunday Evening at 5 o'clock the Edenton Community Male Chorus will

where everybody somebody and Christ is Lord

of All. Won't you join us in our worship service this



made with Santa if you like.

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Nixon Family

Elizabeth City.

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family of Suffolk, Va.; Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Boyce and family of Hobbsville, N.C. After a delicious buffet dinner string music was provided by J.P. Spruill and friends from Suffolk, Va. and Ralph Nixon of Ryland, N.C.

A delightful afternoon was spent in renewing former ties of love and friendship, and happily reminiscing about past experiences. The event was so enjoyable that plans are all ready under way for another reunion next year.

> Jewelry **Jottings** - by ----

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