

## Awards Program Is Tonight

Jim (Catfish) Hunter will be the keynote speaker for a Community Development Awards Program today (Thursday) at the American Legion Building in Edenton starting at 7 P. M.

The program, sponsored by the Albemarle Area Development Association, will recognize outstanding community development

## Leadership

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Mrs. Betty Manning at 482-2380.

The 100 county conferences are being sponsored by the North Carolina Council on the Status of Women and the North Carolina Council of Women's Organizations in cooperation with the Office of the Governor.

Helms, a Senate agricultural committee chairman, and Rose, as chairman of the peanut and tobacco subcommittee in the House, should not only oppose Block but also work to modify the system to make it fair to consumer-taxpayers and to the people who actually do the farming.

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## Court Notes

Judge Edwin S. Preston of Raleigh is meandering along the Public Parade this week. He is presiding over a term of Chowan County Superior Court where criminal cases are being tried.

The jurist Monday expressed his delight in being in Chowan County and commented about the beauty of the community. "It is evident right off that the people who live here take exceptional pride in the area," he said.

Judge Preston also noted the cleanliness of the streets, lawns, etc. Mind you, the judge drove in from Raleigh that morning and since Tuesday is garbage collection day on the West side he was not exposed to the ugly trash containers which line the streets.

The judge didn't meet Attorney Max Busby until mid-afternoon. Max didn't have any criminal cases that day but he had another court assignment - he was a member of the jury panel which was drawn to hear cases during the week. Also among the jurors was Dr. Landis Voigt.

When a young man asked to be excused from jury duty, Judge Preston called him to the bar. The man explained that he is a student at East Carolina University and a week of jury duty at this time would not help in grades.

"I need young men like you on the jury," Judge Preston said. "It will be good for you (to serve) and good for us. But I'll transfer you to another time, but I want you to serve."

A short time later Asst. Dist. Atty. Keith Teague of the Isle of Pasquotank announced that the court would take transcript of pleas with sentencing held until Thursday.

The transcript of pleas is another safeguard built into the court system, but it takes a lot of time. In many cases it takes about as long to plead not guilty, have your case heard and a jury render a verdict as it does to plead guilty.

But Judge Preston put the legal maneuver in layman's language. He said before taking a break to let an attorney go over the questions with his client: "And make sure your man understands everything. He might tell you what he may not tell me with this black robe on."

and civic organizations in the 10-county Albemarle Area.

Claud Jones of Tyrrell County, chairman of AADA's Community Development Committee, will present the awards. Jones said that Extension Offices in each county have tickets and that AADA supporters should contact their local office immediately.

AADA was organized in 1961 to give citizens a voice in determining the growth of the Albemarle Area and to improve the standard of living in rural areas. Ed Brown, Jr., of Perquimans County, is president.

## Gross Sales Are Reported

Gross retail sales in Chowan County during January totaled \$4,808,922, according to a report released by Sec. Mark Lynch of the State Department of Revenue.

Sales throughout North Carolina exceeded \$2.6-billion during the month.

Gross sales in other Albemarle Area counties for the period were: Camden, \$913,072; Currituck, \$3,126,312; Dare, \$4,639,696; Gates, \$1,766,198; Hyde, \$1,261,513; Pasquotank, \$14,405,897; Perquimans, \$2,796,305; Tyrrell, \$1,274,859; and Washington, \$5,116,208.

## Coalition

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difference between them and Virginia peanuts."

Pete Thompson, who was elected temporary chairman of the local coalition, said their efforts are being supported by both NCPGA and the N. C. Farm Bureau Federation. "These agencies are not in conflict. We are all working for the same thing."

In an April 3 letter to U. S. Secretary of Agriculture John R. Block, North Carolina Commissioner of Agriculture Jim Graham said that the approach being taken by the Reagan administration concerning the peanut program will inflict serious economic injury on the peanut growers of North Carolina.

"I have considerable concern with your recent recommendations relative to the peanut program," Graham told Block. "The proposals you are suggesting will essentially ruin the operating procedures that have been developed since mandatory price support loans and marketing quotas were established for peanuts in the Agricultural Act of 1938."

"This program has provided production stability to the peanut grower and has removed a large amount of his risk over the years," he continued. "The unrealistically low support prices and drastic cuts in quotas as have been proposed will not be in the best interest of the peanut farmer."

Commenting on the importance of the proposed action, Graham stated that North Carolina has the smallest average size allotments of any peanut producing state and the second largest number. Fourteen North Carolina counties produce more than \$1-million value of peanuts each year.

"I very much oppose this action and will do everything in my power to prevent it," Graham concluded.

## Noted And Passed

The Project Review Committee of the Eastern Carolina Health Systems Agency will meet April 23 in Greenville. This is not unusual since the committee meets at least monthly.

What draws one's attention to the agenda for the April meeting are the 19 items dealing with drug and alcohol related projects. There are but 26 counties in the Health System Agency area.

The majority of funding for these programs would come from federal Hughes Grants.

If the federal government is so intent to treat and counsel people with drug and alcohol related problems, maybe the suggestion that Tar Heelia might substantially increase the tax on alcohol and the N. C. Department of Justice crack down on drug traffic might develop into a three-pronged move to improve the health of our sick society.



Dr. J. L. Lewis, Jr.

## Dental Specialist To Work Here

Beginning this month, Dr. J. L. Lewis, Jr., of Greenville, a specialist in pediatric dentistry will begin seeing patients at the offices of Dr. Allen Hornthal and Dr. Lonnie Sick. "We are pleased to have a man of Dr. Lewis' caliber to be associated with our office."

Dr. Hornthal stated: "This is a further extension of our idea to try to help make dental specialty services more available to our area. Presently, Dr. Kenneth Manning, an orthodontist, also utilizes our facility."

Dr. Lewis is a graduate of Wake Forest University and gained his dental degree and graduate pedodontic degree from the UNC School of Dentistry. He has served on many professional boards and societies including President of the N. C. Society of Dentistry for Children, State Chairman of National Children's Dental Health Week, Chairman of the Eastern AHEC Dental Advisory Committee.

He holds membership in numerous associations and study clubs including the American Dental Association, N. C. Dental Society, and the American Academy of Pedodontics. He has served as an instructor at the UNC School of Dentistry and is presently Chairman of the Division of Dentistry, Department of Surgery, ECU School of Medicine.

He is engaged in full time private practice in Greenville. He will begin seeing patients in Edenton two days a month with the hope of eventually having office hours every week.

## Need Certificate Earns Approval

The Certificate of Need Section, Division of Facility Services, North Carolina Department of Human Resources announced on March 24, 1981 approval of the proposal of Chowan Hospital, Inc. to incur a capital expenditure for the proposed addition of 10 medical-surgical beds.

Review of the project was conducted pursuant to Section 1122 of the Social Security Act and Chapter 131, Article 18 of the General Statutes of North Carolina. Prior to approval, the project proposal was reviewed by the Eastern Carolina Health Systems Agency, Inc. and found to conform to the applicable plans, standards, and criteria.

After reviewing the findings of the recommending agencies, the Certificate of Need Section determined that the project is needed, financially feasible, will be adequately staffed and operated, and promotes cost containment. Any individual who is aggrieved by the Certificate of Need decision is offered the opportunity to appeal this decision within 30 days of the approval date.

## 25-Year Term

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fine and costs and make restitution in the amount of \$1,421.

Robert Lee Dillard, drunk driving, remanded to District Court.

Willie Ray Basnight, Jr., larceny 30 days.

Paul Gregory, Jr., injury to personal property and discharging firearm within the city limits, six months.

## Pilgrimage Activities Revealed

Featured along with the public and private buildings that will be open for the Edenton Biennial Pilgrimage on April 24 - 26 there are special events planned throughout the weekend.

On Friday evening at 8 o'clock International Award winning concert guitarist, Michael Chapdelaine, visiting artist at the College of The Albemarle, will give a classical guitar concert in the Old Chowan County Courthouse. There is no charge for this event.

A sidewalk art and craft show and sale will be held on the Courthouse Green and in the Conger Building on April 25, from 10 A.M. to 5 P.M. Artists and craftsmen from North Carolina and Virginia will be participating. Anyone interested in exhibiting may call 482-8231.

Local Albemarle potter, Sonny Fletcher, will demonstrate on the Courthouse Green, the early American craft of hand-throwing pottery with the use of a kick-wheel. His pottery will be for sale to the public and special orders may be arranged through the Barker House Gift Shop.

The First Carolina Volunteers will re-enact a Civil War Recruitment Camp on Saturday and Sunday next to St. Anne's Catholic Church on North Broad Street. This living history demonstration will feature drilling and battle tactics and formation in the early 1880's. This regiment is patterned after the original in its voluntary service, dress, gear, and activities.

The Deerfield Vineyards and Wine Cellars will not be open as had been previously planned.

"We are fortunate again to have the Masonic Lodge open so all can see the elegant Master's Chair, one of the great finds in American furniture," it was stated. This elaborate chair is the only known example of the dolphin leg and foot in eighteenth century America. Lodge members will appear in formal lodge costume to welcome tour-takers and offer complimentary refreshments."

## 'Back Stabbing' Is Alleged

WASHINGTON — "The people of Northeastern North Carolina will not stand for this." Joseph M. Parker of Ahsokie, chairman of Operation Overcharge, angrily made this claim as he revealed that Virginia Electric and Power Company (VEPCO) has just filed a wholesale rate increase request with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

amounting to 31.4 per cent, based on the 1981 test year.

"This increase is likely to cost the people of Greenville an additional \$8-million per year," Parker claimed. "It will cost the people of Washington an expected amount of more than \$3-million a year," he said. "It is likely to cost Elizabeth City people just under \$2-million a year," Parker claimed. The people in Tarboro will pay an additional amount near \$3-million per year," he revealed. "So will thousands of others served by municipals across the region be stabbed in the back," he said.

"Prices are supposed to be coming down instead of going up," Parker exclaimed. "Vepco's head is in the sand."

The Overcharge chairman said he was shaken when he learned about the increase and charges subterfuge by Vepco in trying to make everyone believe that it would only amount to 17.1 per cent to the municipalities because fuel charges would keep dropping.

"We all know about Vepco's promises," Parker said. "Anybody that believes them also believes in the Tooth Fairy and the Easter Bunny."

Parker said Vepco had not even dropped its fuel charge as much as it originally claimed it would do in the present costing period. "They claim they can do it in the future because they will have all their nuclear plants running at the same time," he explained. "They've never been able to keep them running all at the same time before." "How are they going to do it now?" he asked.

Parker said every organization that is involved should plan to fight Vepco every step of the way in hearings at the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission. "We won't take this lying down," he said.

## Little Theatre Goes For Movies

In support of its membership drive for the 1981-82 season, the Edenton Little Theatre, a non-profit association, is now offering its subscribers a series of three motion pictures, plus a fall activity.

The first film, to be shown in the parish house of St. Paul's Church this evening, will be "Cactus Flower," starring Walter Matthau, Ingrid Bergman, and Goldie Hawn.

The other films will be "Rider On The Rain," and the 1954 winner of 8 Oscars and Best Picture of the Year, "On The Waterfront."

Further information may be obtained by calling 482-8962 or 482-2792.

## Artist's Reception

Preservation artist Linda Funk of Raleigh will be introduced at a reception here Sunday. The reception will be from 2 P. M. to 5 P. M. in the Cupola House.

The artist will present her composite drawing of 20 historic sites in Edenton and Chowan County.

The public is invited to attend.

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