



RAISING THE SIGN—Workers prepare to raise the golden arches for the new McDonald's which will be on 32 North across from Chowan Hospital. (Photo by Clay Roberts)

McDonald's Restaurant To Open In Edenton In March

by Clay Roberts
Two all beef patties, special sauce, lettuce, cheese, pickles, onions on a sesame seed bun, that's the song Chowan County will soon be singing. Step out of the Chicken McNugget Mine and walk into the new McDonalds which will be located on 32 North across from the hospital.

Around \$600,000 is to be spent on the new restaurant which is expected to open around the first of March, according to William R. Freelove, president of the Franchise Management Corporation of Greenville, a Franchise of McDonalds in charge of the construction.

Quality Plus Construction of

Raleigh is doing the construction with Dickerson doing the site work. "The interior will be colonized some," said Freelove. "It will consist of historical pictures bought from Edenton and the Division of Archives and History in Raleigh."

The exterior will be made of stone and wood. The wood will be tongue and grooved horizontally and will be stained, according to Freelove.

Applications for employment will be taken about 30 days prior to the opening. Franchise Management also went through John A. Holmes High School for possible employees, according to Freelove.

"Ronald McDonald will visit around four or five weeks after the opening," said Freelove.

Carlton R. Nixon Elected As 1983 District Governor

Carlton R. Nixon of Route 3, Edenton was elected 1983 district governor of the Albemarle Ruritan District at its annual convention recently held at Northeastern High School in Elizabeth City. About 375 members and guests were on hand for the evening banquet. Special entertainment was presented by the Commonwealth Choir of Suffolk, Virginia. Ruritan National president, Jim Radar and Harris Remley, a nationally known humorous speaker from Florida were the guest speakers for the occasion.

As a six year member of the Chowan Ruritan Club, Nixon has served as its vice-president and

president. He has also served the Albemarle Ruritan District as zone governor and lieutenant governor. As district governor for 1983, he will be in charge of 23 clubs in six counties.

Nixon is a member and deacon of Rocky Hock Baptist Church and served 15 years as Sunday School director. He is a lay-speaker with The Gideons International, a christian business and professional mens' association.

Nixon recently retired as district supervisor with the Law enforcement Section of the Division of N.C. Marine Fisheries after 22 years of service. He is married to the former Ruth Evans and has two children, Billy Nixon of Tyner and Charlotte Baker of Edenton.



Carlton R. Nixon

Notice

The Edenton Post Office will have shortened hours on Friday, December 24. The window service only will be effected by the Christmas hours. The window will be open from 9 A.M. to 12 noon on Friday, December 24.

Clementine Anthony Appointed To Staff

WASHINGTON, D.C.—Hon. Walter B. Jones, Chairman of the Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries and Representative of the First District of North Carolina has announced the appointment of Clementine Anthony from Edenton, North Carolina to the staff of the Committee.

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Church Holiday Programs

The following churches have released their special programs for the Christmas Holidays.

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Saturday, December 19th, the Edenton Baptist Church will have a mini-concert of familiar Christmas Carols. At 5:00 they will present a Cantata, "Welcome to the World" by John Lee. The combined youth choirs of the Edenton Baptist Church and Rocky Hock Baptist Church will sing.

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The Immanuel Baptist Church will have a musical-drama entitled "Christ of Christmas", Friday, December 17th at 7:30 P.M., Sunday, the 19th at 7:30 P.M., they will have their candlelight service.

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There will be a Christmas program Sunday, December 19th at 5:00 at the Ryans Grove Baptist Church entitled "Around the Manger", which will be sponsored by the Ryans Grove Sunday School. The Public is invited to attend. Pastor: Rev. Calvin Whedbee.

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Ballard's Bridge Baptist Church announced plans for their Christmas activities for Sunday, December 19, during the 11:00 A.M. worship hour the children and young people will present a play entitled "Path of Faith". At 5:00 P.M. the Adult choir will present their annual cantata called "Christmas Rhapsody".

The public has a cordial invitation to attend.

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The Adult Choir of the Rocky Hock Baptist Church will present a Christmas Cantata, "Joseph the Carpenter" by Joe E. Parks, Sunday night, December 19th at 7:30 P.M.

The musical tells of the events occurring around Jesus' birth as related by Joseph.

Soloist will be Marcia Evans, Kevin Twine and the Men's Quartet. Rob Boyce will narrate the part of Joseph. The choir is directed by Jack Evans.

The public is cordially invited to attend.

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The canata "Come to the Manger" will be presented at the Chappell Hill Baptist Church by the Chancel Choir on December 19th during the 11:00 Worship Service. This cantata is a beautiful arrangement by Joe Parks. It will be directed by Mrs. Sylvia Old, Music Director of the church. The pianist will be Mrs. Yvonne Lane. Featured soloists will be Mrs. Peggy Chappell and Rev. Billy Old.

During the Evening Service at 7:00 P.M., the children will present a play entitled, "I Wished I Had Been There". The characters will be composed of all the children and the youth of the church family. Mae Belle Chappell and Mrs. Faye Lane will direct the play. Miss Mary Kay Lane is the pianist.

The pastor, Rev. Billy Old, invites the public to come and share in these worship services. Everyone is welcome.

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The combined choirs of Great Hope and Center Hill Baptist Churches will present the cantata "An Old Fashioned Christmas" on Sunday, December 19 at 11:15 A.M. at the Center Hill Baptist Church in Tyner. The participating children, youth, and adults invite everyone to join in this worship experience which takes us back to the 1880's. Through scriptures, narration and songs we are reminded that Christ is the center of Christmas and God's gift of love in His Son Jesus brings real joy in our hearts that lasts through the whole year.

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The Macedonia Baptist Church will be presenting a special Christmas program on December 19th at 4:30 P.M. This program will be the birth of Christ presented in song and scripture. It is arranged and conducted by Mrs. Karen Luszez, the Macedonia Choir Director. It is entitled "Carols For Christmas".

Immediately following the music program, a candlelight service will be observed with the theme "The Light of the World".

Everyone is invited to participate in these programs with us.

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Providence Baptist Church and Warren Grove Missionary Baptist Church will be holding joint services at 11:00 A.M. Christmas Morning. Rev. Willie Bemby, assistant pastor of Providence Baptist Church will deliver the message. The service will be at Warren Grove Missionary Baptist Church.

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On Christmas Eve at 8:00 P.M. St. Pauls Episcopal Church will have a Festival Celebration of the Holy Eucharist.

On Christmas morning at 11:00 A.M. St. Pauls will have the Holy Eucharist. Nursery will be provided at both.

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On December 19th at 11:00 A.M. there will be a candlelight service at the Edenton United Methodist Church. At 7:00 P.M., the cantata "Christmas is Love" by John Peterson will be presented. Direction is by Martha Jo Hollowell. Mrs. Lucy Brown is the organist. The pianist is Mary Smith. The soloist will be Allen Hayes, Jackie Parker, Nathen Owens and Trudy Parker. Narration is by Wil Parker.

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The First Assembly of God sanctuary choir under the direction of Mr. Donald Bunch will present "An Old Fashioned Christmas" a cantata by Don Wyrzten, Sunday evening, December 19th at 7:00 P.M. The program features a number of the traditional carols along with several contemporary compositions. The children's choir will present a musical selection included in the cantata. This cantata takes us back in time to the 1880's -- a period unaccustomed to the "hustle and bustle" of modern times. The choir will be singing with fully orchestrated soundtrack.

Light refreshments will be served following the service. First Assembly is located on US 17 Business South (Queen St. Extd.) in Edenton. Pastor Gloecker and the congregation extends a cordial invitation to attend an "An Old Fashioned Christmas".

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A Birthday Cake will be cut this Sunday morning at 10:45 A.M. commemorating Jesus' birthday at the First Presbyterian Church, Edenton. Those coming to worship are asked to come early for this celebration. The lighting of the fourth Advent candle will be done by the Gil Burroughs family with Keith and Kenneth Knox, their grandchildren. "Jesus revisited by the devout" will be the sermon by the Pastor Rev. H.E. Mallinson at the 11 A.M. Worship.

Caroling will begin at 6:30 P.M. from the church by children and adults together. A visit with gifts made the last two Sunday evening workshops will be given to patients in a hospital and visits made to homes around town.

Remember to keep the Moravian Love Feast. Friday, December 24th at 7:30 P.M. at the First Presbyterian Church, Edenton on your calendar of Christmas experiences. See you there.

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Mitchener Inducted Into The Courtesy Hall Of Fame

John Mitchener Jr. was recently inducted as the first charter member of the Courtesy Hall of Fame of the Edenton-Chowan Schools. During a brief ceremony and luncheon at E. A. Swain Elementary School, a certificate of membership was presented by Superintendent John Dunn.

The informal luncheon took place in Swain's Cafeteria and the discussion, which was usually led by Mr. Mitchener, centered around what could be done to bring about more courteous behavior in the school system. Included in the discussion were ideas on what the schools could do to develop more responsibility among it's students.

The presentation of the certificate took place in the hall outside the principal's office. John Dunn, while presenting the certificate, thanked Mr. Mitchener for his support of the school system and it's "Courtesy Campaign".

Mr. Mitchener expressed his gratitude for being selected the Hall of Fame's first and charter member.

The school systems official news release stated that, "Mr. Mitchener was honored for his on-going sup-

port, constructive criticism and continuing encouragement of the 'Courtesy is Contagious - Spread It' program in the local schools and through out the community."

The courtesy campaign is continuing to receive statewide recognition with it's successful presentation at the N.C. School Board

Association, N.C. School Public Relations Association, N.C. Association of School Administrators and "Education Spotlight" of the Carolina Today Show on WNCT-TV, Greenville.

The Courtesy Hall of Fame will Continue to recognize and honor people throughout the coming year as it inducts them as it's members.



HALL OF FAME'S FIRST MEMBER—The Edenton-Chowan Schools have inducted John Mitchener Jr. as it's first member. Mr. Mitchener is shown here receiving his certificate of membership from John Dunn, the school systems superintendent.

Town Council Approves A Special Use Permit

The Edenton Town Council was held on December 14th.

Council persons present were Steve Hampton, W.H. Hollowell, Jr., Marina Crummy, Willis M. Privott, James L. Fenner, and County Administrator Sam Noble.

A public hearing was heard concerning a request from Mr. and Mrs. Cliff Holland for a SPECIAL USE PERMIT. It was approved, allowing Holland to conduct a retail seafood market at 1116 North Broad Street which is zoned Commercial Highway.

The Finance, Utility, and Public Works gave their report.

The Council took action upon the concept of the Albemarle Development Authority and appointing a member of the Council to represent Edenton. It was unanimous.

It was requested that the Council

take action on the By-Laws for the Edenton-Chowan Recreation Advisory Committee. A council must be appointed as chairman.

It was also requested that the Council take action upon designation of a planning consultant for the Town of Edenton 1983 Community Development Block Grant Program. It was held off until

December 20th.

The Council entered an executive session to discuss a lease of property at the Edenton Municipal Airport.

The Council afterwards had an Informal Discussion and Comment. Thereupon was the payment of Town bills.

County District Court Report

Chowan County District Court was in session on Tuesday, December 14, with the Honorable J. Richard Parker presiding.

Ruth Emma Wright was found guilty of driving 55 in a 45 zone. She was fined \$10 and cost of court.

James Williams, Jr. was found guilty of driving under the influence and operating a vehicle left of

center line. He was sentenced to six months with two years suspended, fined \$200 and cost of court.

Matthew Maddred was found guilty of careless and reckless driving after drinking alcohol. He was sentenced to 90 days with 2 years suspended, fined \$200, cost of court and has to attend Drug Alcohol School.

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Arrive Alive

Arriving alive is a logical and reasonable goal for a trip taken at any time of the year, but especially one taken at the Merriest Season of all. Yet the merrymaking itself tends to cloud judgement making your safe arrival and that of your loved ones in doubt.

In proclaiming December 12-18, National Drunk and Drugged Driving Awareness Week, Gov. James B. Hunt, Jr., and the Congress of the United States have given North Carolinians and Americans an opportunity to reflect upon the choices we make when we get into our cars. Some of those choices—for example, drinking and driving—are increasingly being viewed as unacceptable and dangerous behavior. Others are not so obvious, but are just as life-or-death threatening and should be just as much a part of the decision-making process.

Prescription drugs are a prime example, because many of them impair driving skills as effectively as alcohol or street drugs. Antihistamines, tranquilizers, and any medication containing a narcotic reduce reflex action and limit judgement. When mixed with drinking and driving, these drugs are particularly deadly—a single antihistamine mixed with a single drink can double the impairment effect of both.

Peat Answers Needed

Unless the Hunt administration and the Legislature take a stronger hand, North Carolina's vast peat deposits may be ravaged with disastrous consequences to wetlands and the coastal environment. Strong signs have emerged recently that suggest that peat-mining will be broad and deep before the state begins to get its regulatory act together.

Consider what already has taken

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Blood Mobile To Visit Chowan Hospital
Date: December 21 12:00 noon to 6:00 P.M.