



## Area Recycling Experiment Underway

### Same Pork, New Barrel

In government and politics, it seems the more things change, the more they remain the same.

Take the pork barrel, for example.

Back in the good old days, there was no such thing. There were, of course, discretionary funds -- little pots of money from which the Governor, the Secretary of Transportation and a few other highly placed officials could do a favor for a group or community, build a road or employ a friend and supporter.

But they didn't become known as "pork barrel" until the members of the General Assembly started setting aside something they themselves could use in their discretion for some special project in their district which served "a public purpose."

During the last session of the legislature, it amounted to a total of \$6 million, not much when you consider there are 170 members among whom the money was distributed. But it was enough to whet the stone of politicians inside the General Assembly and out who had an ax to grind. They called it "pork" and gave it such a bad name that they succeeded in convincing many voters that the practice was wrong.

But, right or wrong, here's what brought about the legislative pork barrel. Individual members, going through the budget recommended by the Governor's Advisory Budget Commission, would discover that commission members, many of them legislators, had taken care of their own pet projects by writing them into the budget, with little or nothing left for the special projects of others.

That's when pork-barrelling became a do-it-yourself practice. Individual legislators discovered that if they were to get any money allocated to their projects they would have to introduce their own bills and push them through the Appropriations Committee. Pretty soon, these special bills became so numerous that the leadership decided simply to set aside a fund, which never exceeded \$8 million, to be apportioned among the members for use on public projects in their

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By JACK GROVE

Chowan County has begun an experiment that ultimately could result in a big savings of tax dollars. The new effort is trash recycling and will require the cooperation of the public to make it a success, officials say.

Chowan County Water Department Director, Graham Farless, was at the dumpster site on Midway Rd. off of Base Rd. Monday morning to set the recycling wheels in motion.

Three of the dozen trash bins there have been set aside solely for recyclable materials. One is reserved for metal, such as cans and trays that package food; another is for plastics; and the third is reserved for glass items. Paper and garbage will continue to go in the remaining nine dumpsters.

County officials have high hopes that the recycling program, when fully implemented, will extend the life of the tri-county landfill in the Belvidere section of Perquimans County. The landfill serves Gates, Perquimans and Chowan Counties and is expected to be closed in 15 years.

Stringent new federal and state requirements call for expensive lining of future landfills to protect ground water supplies.

Farless encouraged all county and even town residents to take advantage of the new recycling bins on Midway Rd. He said that George Riddick, a resident of the Yeopim community, will collect the recyclables from the bins and store them in a nearby truck trailer. When he has a load, he will take the material to a recycling center in Raleigh.

Farless said "this is the first experimental station."



**PITCHES IN** -- Jane Mabry was the first resident to pitch recyclables into dumpsters at Midway Road that are reserved for trash that can be recycled. Ms. Mabry writes the "Swat A Litterbug" column for The Chowan Herald. She said that she had been separating her trash for over a week in anticipation of the new program that began Monday.

He indicated that if it was a success, other areas of the county would have designated recycling centers. "We hope that it keeps expanding. Every bit that we don't put in that landfill will save us money," he commented.

If all three counties and their towns had a recycling program with public support, he estimated that 40 per cent less material would go into the landfill. This could almost double the life of that fa-

city.

The recycling is designed to be "user friendly." No spe-

cial preparation of recyclables is required other than  
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## Investigation Results In Arrest

After an extensive investigation and aborted grand jury indictments, the co-owner of Little Rascal Day Care Center in Edenton was charged Friday with four counts of first degree sex offense involving children at the center.

Robert Fulton Kelly, Jr. was arrested by Edenton Police under the direction of District Attorney H.P. Williams. This came after the Chowan County Grand Jury handed down four true bills of indictment against Kelly in the case.

Shortly after Superior Court Judge Thomas S. Watts accepted the grand jury report, Court Clerk Marjorie Hollowell came into the court room with one of the jurors, and in a whispered conference with the judge and Williams, reported that the juror was apparently ineligible to serve.

The grand jury had already been dismissed for the session and the judge briefly wondered if they could be re-

called. It was then quickly established that a recall effort would probably prove unsuccessful.

Judge Watts determined from juror Sharon Hollowell Boyce that she had moved her residence to Kill Devil Hills two and a half weeks before, had participated in deliberations, had voted on the indictments and had signed the grand jury report as its secretary.

Constitutional law requires that grand jurors live in the jurisdiction for which they serve.

Ms. Boyce was dismissed from the jury and Watts ordered that a replacement be named prior to the May 8 session of superior court.

On a motion by Kelly's attorneys, Keith Teague of Elizabeth City and C. Christopher Bean of Edenton, Watts quashed the indictments.

The charges stem from complaints apparently lodged by parents of several children at the day care center in January. An investigation by Chowan County Social Services, a state Social Services representative and the Edenton Police resulted in the information being forwarded to the District Attorney's office  
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## Motions Could Delay Murder Trial

A murder trial, scheduled for a special session of Chowan Superior Court on May 8, will likely be delayed as the result of a hearing before Superior Court Judge Thomas S. Watts last Friday. The one day session was to hear motions by defense attorney Bill Culpepper.

Culpepper is representing Claude Augustus Felton, 35, of Route 1, Hertford, who is charged with the double murder of Sarah Ann Jones, 26, and her 11-year-old daughter, Falinda Brooks on August 28 of last year. Ms. Jones died of stab wounds while her daughter was killed with a small caliber handgun.

The defense attorney entered several motions that asked that Samuel B. (Sambo) Dixon of a large Raleigh firm be assigned as associate defense counsel and assign-

ment of technical experts for the defense to testify on fingerprint, fiber and ballistic evidence found at the murder scene. These experts would be used to counter expert SBI testimony of the state.

Culpepper further requested that Felton be given a psychiatric examination and assignment of a South Mills woman as interpreter for Felton who is a deaf mute.

Dixon, the son of Mr. and Mrs. R.D. Dixon, Jr., of Edenton, has already been contacted by Culpepper and has assisted in obtaining the services of a private investigator and former SBI director, Haywood Starling as the fingerprint expert.

Judge Watts assigned Dixon as associate counsel and observed that, while his fee would be paid by the state, per diem payments would not be

allowed since he could reside and take his meals at his parents' home.

While approving the re-

tion of the technical experts, Watts observed that the search for the experts and  
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## Activities Planned For Pilgrimage

By REBECCA BUNCH

Edenton will once again share with visitors its proud tradition of carefully restored old homes and the charm of its tranquil countryside during the Biennial Pilgrimage this weekend.

Mrs. Kim Goodwin and Mrs. Fran Cuthrell are co-chairwomen for the event, which is sponsored by the Edenton Woman's Club.

Tour sites this year will include a considerable number of private residences of various eras and styles, as well as several churches and other dwellings regularly open to the public on Historic Edenton tours.

Cost of the tour will be \$16.50 (adults) and \$8.25 (students) for block tickets. Single admittance to individual sites will be \$3.00 for adults and \$1.50 for students. As in past years, block tickets may be purchased in advance.

Tickets will be available at the registration area near the waterfront in downtown Edenton all day Friday and Saturday, April 21-22. Tour times will be from 10 a.m. until 1 p.m. and 2-5 p.m. both days.

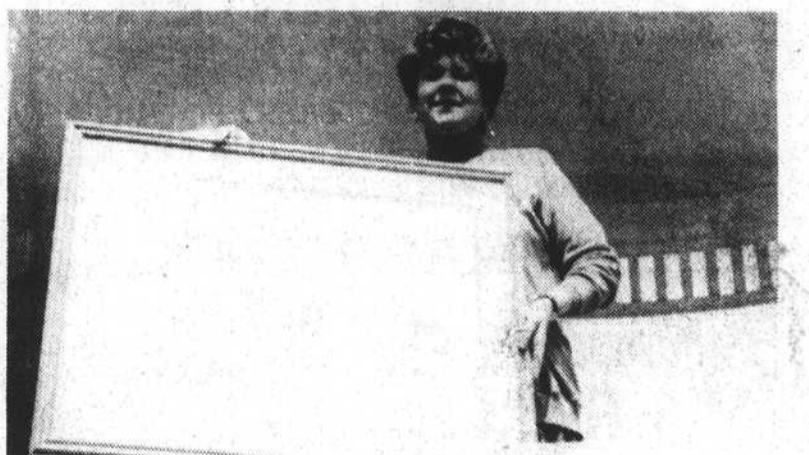
Several special events are being planned by various organizations in conjunction with the Pilgrimage. They include:

- An art exhibit featuring the work of local artist Laney Layton, sponsored by the Chowan Arts Council. The exhibit will take place on Friday, April 21 and Saturday, April 22 from 10 a.m. until 4 p.m. on the front porch of the Dixon-Powell House.

- The Cupola House Association will sponsor an Herb and Perennial Plant Sale in the Cupola House Garden on South Broad Street, Edenton, April 21-22, from 9 a.m. until 5 p.m.

- St. Paul's Church will be serving lunch for visitors to the Biennial Pilgrimage on both Friday and Saturday, from 12 noon until 2 p.m. Chicken salad and country ham plates will be available

- For further information, interested persons may call the Barker House Visitors Center at (919) 482-3663 or the James Iredell House at (919) 482-2637.



**LAYTON EXHIBIT PLANNED** -- Artist Laney Layton is preparing for an exhibit of her work which will take place on the porch of the Dixon-Powell House during Edenton's Biennial Pilgrimage, April 21-22. Layton's work is well-known throughout North Carolina and includes seascapes as well as portraits, local homes and wildlife subjects.

## New Inspector Selected

After a considerable period of time, the Town of Edenton's building inspector position has been filled.

Frank Krizan, 58 of Holiday Island was chosen to fill the post and began work for the town Monday. Krizan at-

tended the University of Hawaii and has had 30 years of experience in all phases of commercial and residential construction.

He retired from the Army Reserve as a First Sergeant and was last employed by the Suffolk, Va. Housing Authority. Prior to that, he was the construction manager for a CBN University student housing complex in Virginia Beach.

Early this week, Town Manager Ann-Marie Kelly escorted him around Edenton to meet local officials. Wednesday, he accompanied Acting Police Chief C.H. Williams as they performed a traffic survey at the new shopping center on Virginia Road.

Krizan was living at Holiday Island  
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## Livestock Show And Sale Held

The American Legion's show barn was full Tuesday afternoon for the 35th annual Chowan County Junior Livestock Show and again in the evening for the follow-up sale.

County youngsters from ages 6-19 seized the opportunity to gain experience and understanding of what is in-

involved in raising lambs, hogs and beef cattle to market weight. Each was required to keep a record book listing expenses, time and resources needed to care for the animal. They also learned the skills to exhibit their animal in the show ring.

The show and sale was jointly sponsored by the Ad-

vance, Chowan, Rocky Hock, Ryland and Yeopim Ruritan Clubs in cooperation with the Chowan County Extension Service.

At the evening sale, many local businessmen swelled the crowd to bid on the animals. Unlike previous years where bidding was on a per pound basis, this year bidding was for a price per animal.

Twelve young people participated in the hog competition; five competed with their steers; and 17 brought lambs to the event.

Michael Paul Jordan's lamb was judged Grand Champion. C.A. Perry and Son was the successful bidder at \$140 (plus support).

The Grand Champion steer was shown by Robin Lichtenwalner and Golden Corral was the high bidder at \$1,198.60

L.W. Nixon had the Grand Champion individual hog which was bought by Murray Nixon Fishery for \$853.33.

Grand Champion pen of three was shown by Tim Smith. Hobbs Implement Co. was the high bidder at \$700.52.



**GRAND CHAMPION**--Jeff Copeland, extension service livestock specialist, steadies the Grand Champion lamb while his proud owner, Michael Paul Jordan, holds his trophy and blue ribbon. The 35th annual Junior Livestock Show and Sale was held Tuesday at the American Legion's show barn. Jordan's lamb was purchased by C.A. Perry and Son.