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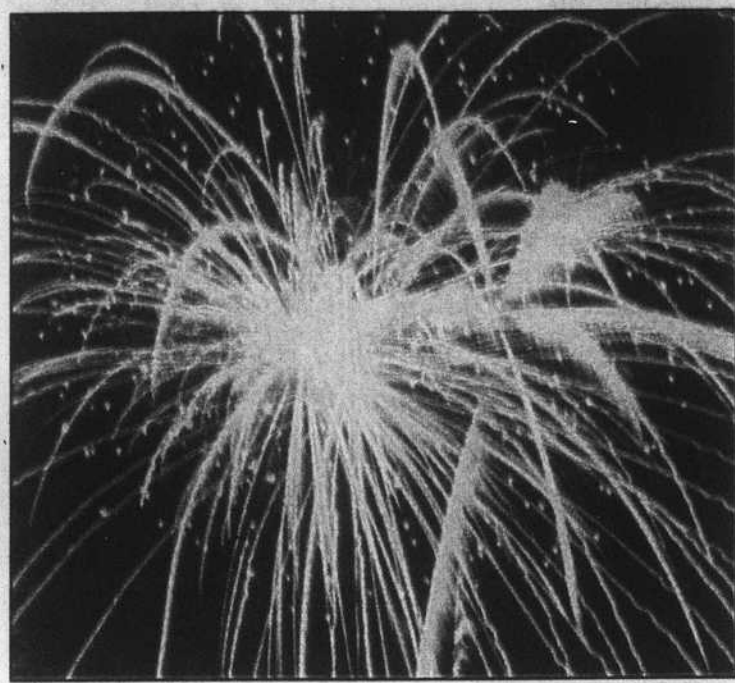
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Fabulous Fourth

On July 4, downtown Edenton will be bustling with holiday sales, not to mention clowns, puppets, bands playing gospel, oldies and beach music, pony rides and more at the waterfront beginning around 3 p.m. There will also be barbecue plates and the day will end with a spectacular fireworks display at dusk. Sponsors will be the Chowan-Edenton Optimists and the Marketplace Guild.



Special July 4 ceremony to be held at Hewes monument

BY HELEN K. OUTLAND
 Staff Writer

As the Fourth of July approaches how many people will understand the sacrifices and commitments that were made so Independence Day can be celebrated as a day of reflection on what it truly means to be as American?

Many years ago one young man from Edenton, Joseph Hewes pursued liberty with a commitment to freedom and an undaunted determination for the survival of "these United States".

On Thursday July 4, the efforts, sacrifice, and commitment of Joseph Hewes will be praised in a 10 a.m. ceremony at the monument that honors him on the Historic Courthouse Green in Edenton.

Judge Christopher Bean will be reading the Declaration of Independence and Chowan County Commissioner Louis Belfield will read a short biographical sketch detailing Joseph Hewes' life. The National Society of the Daughters of the American Revolution-Edenton Tea Party Chapter will lay a wreath at the monument.

Joseph Hewes, one of Edenton's most recognized citizens of the colonial era, is remembered for signing the Declaration on behalf of North Carolina. Hewes came to North

Carolina at the age of nineteen to apprentice under George Blair and Charles Worth Blount in the mercantile business.

Hewes quickly established a niche in the community as a popular businessman and a respected community leader and within a few years was elected the General Assembly of the colony.

In 1773, as the tensions with Great Britain increased, Joseph Hewes and Samuel Johnston, who had become close friends, were appointed to a Committee of Correspondence, and charged

with informing the colonies of Britain's activities. On July 4, 1776, as a member of the Second Continental Congress, Hewes signed the Declaration of Independence, being the only North Carolina delegate present when Congress voted for independence.

In late October or 1779 Hewes resigned his congressional seat as illnesses had plagued him for much of the past three years. He remained in Philadelphia, to weak to return to North Carolina. Hewes died in November of that same year and is buried at Christ Church.



A special ceremony of tribute and remembrance will be held July 4 at the site of the Joseph Hewes monument on the Edenton waterfront.



Partnership has clean state audit

TYNER, NC - Wendy Jewett, Executive Director for the Chowan/Gates/Perquimans Partnership for Children, announced today that under the leadership of Susan Nixon, its Finance Officer the Partnership received word that its most recent fiscal audit, performed by Crisp, Hughes, & Evans, revealed no irregularities.

"Because some of the State's Partnerships for Children have been cited for making poor choices where finances are concerned, we believe we should let the people of our service area know the responsibilities they have entrusted to us are taken seriously and carried out diligently," said Jewett. "This is especially important during this time when we will be depending more and more heavily on grants and private donations to ensure continuation and enhancement of the services we provide to the children and

families in our three counties," Jewett continued. According to Jewett, drastic funding cuts by the State have necessitated a heavier reliance on grants, donations, and volunteerism to keep the Partnership's programs intact.

"We are fortunate to have received a great deal of support from the community to make many of our activities possible," said Jewett. She continued, "Given the potential that exists for even more severe funding cuts by the State, our very survival depends upon community involvement and commitment to our mission of ensuring children begin school healthy and ready to learn."

The Chowan/Gates/Perquimans Partnership for Children is a private, not-for-profit organization whose focus is children from birth through age five in the tri-county area.

Evans named new DF Walker principal

Edenton-Chowan Schools announced at a board meeting last week the new principal for D. F. Walker School.

Former Chowan Middle School assistant principal Sheila Evans was named to the post. She replaces Mary Anne Karriker, who leaves the system on June 28 for the Iredell/Rowan area.

"We already know what an asset Sheila is to Edenton-Chowan Schools," said Superintendent Allan T. Smith. "I'm confident that her vision and sense of community will lead D.F. Walker to unprecedented growth and achievement."

Evans, who attained her National Board of Professional Teaching Standards certification in 1999, taught at Chowan Middle School for 11 years. She was named Teacher of the Year there for 1994-1995. Evans was an assistant principal at the middle school for two years. Her most recent position with the school system was as a Director of Instruction.

"It's going to be an exciting year, as the teachers and I collaborate to continue the tradition of excellence at D. F. Walker," Evans said.



Former Chowan Middle School assistant principal Sheila Evans has been named principal at D.F. Walker Elementary School. She replaces Mary Anne Karriker who leaves the Edenton-Chowan school system June 28 for the Iredell-Rowan area of North Carolina. (Photo by Glenda Jakubowski, Edenton-Chowan Schools)

Evans received her Bachelor of Arts in Education from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill in 1986. She earned her Master of Arts in Teaching in 1987, also from

UNC-CH, and her Principal's Certificate in 1994 from East Carolina University.

She attends Rocky Hock Baptist Church where she is a Sunday School teacher,

Children's Committee co-chairperson and church historian. Evans and her husband, Steve, have two children, Samuel and Noah.

Flag part of edition

In an effort to promote patriotism and extend their wishes to everyone for a happy July 4, 30 area businesses have joined together to provide a flag for The Chowan Herald readers this week.

These civic-minded businesses encourage you to hang this flag in your window to show your love of country.

ALC hosts 'hands-on' training

BY HELEN K. OUTLAND
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For area teachers a two week course sponsored by the Albemarle Learning Center of Chowan County and the Science House of North Carolina State University offered the perfect opportunity for "hands on" technology training that will be passed on to students in the fall when school starts again.

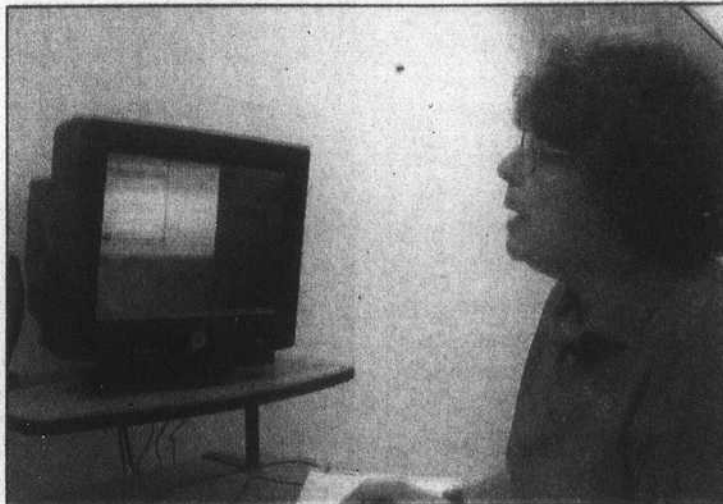
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House is sponsoring the course. Teachers have direct access to a number of computers and programs at the Albemarle Learning Center that are specifically designed to help tutor the teachers in technology for the classroom. "There are a variety of tools on these computers that will help teachers understand how to use technology in the classroom and make it natural, embedded in the curriculum," says Karl. One of the programs the

teachers will be working with uses mapping and geographic analysis. For instance, the students can use the program to map out fault lines and volcanoes worldwide. Thanks to Bill Miller and Joe Sliva of E-NC, through the Albemarle Learning Center, the attending teachers have ready access to computer technology right there at the learning center.

Throughout the two-week

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Colleen Karl of the Science House

COMMUNITY PATRIOTIC CONCERT

Swain Auditorium

Wednesday, July 3 • 7:00 PM

Dr. Dennis McIntire, Director

FREE ADMISSION

