

Swine Flu Vaccine Information Available

Some information on the Swine Flu vaccine has been made available to the Robeson County Health Department. It should be pointed out that specific information about the availability of the Swine Flu vaccine continues to change rapidly.

It appears the State will be getting the vaccine in periodic shipments beginning October 1 through December 1976. The vaccine will be allotted or prorated to counties based on each county's population. The actual amounts received will vary with each shipment.

Two types of vaccine will be available, bivalent (A/Victoria -A/New Jersey) for the group identified as being the "high risk" group and monovalent (A/New Jersey) for the remainder of the population.

The Health Department will proceed with plans to first immunize identified High Risk groups in Robeson County. The High Risk group consists of (1) people 60 years and older, (2) chronically ill adults, and (3) chronically ill children age 3-17. Chronically ill conditions include the following:

Adults and Children (Age 3-17)

1. Chronic bronchopulmonary disease, such as asthma and cystic fibrosis
2. Heart disease
3. Chronic renal disease
4. Diabetes and other chronic metabolic diseases
5. Chronic neuromuscular disorders
6. Malignancies and immunodeficient states

Children and adolescents age 3-17 years will receive two (2) intramuscular injections (0.5 ml each) of bivalent split-virus vaccine containing 200 CCA units each of A/New Jersey/76 and A/Victoria/75 antigens separated by at least 4 weeks.

Based on the amount of vaccine available, limited amounts of vaccine will be distributed to local physicians and some industries that employ a nurse and have requested the vaccine.

Physicians giving the vaccine must use the prescribed consent forms and dispense with any charge (for vaccine or administration of) in order to fall within the scope of protection and/or liability provisions of Public Law 94-380 which covers program participants.

Citizens should understand that several clinics will be held beginning in October and continuing through December and beyond, if necessary, until everyone has had an opportunity to receive the vaccine. Demands may exceed availability when the vaccine first becomes available, but the total amount of vaccine eventually available will most likely be adequate.

Assuming the vaccine will be available the week of October 4, 1976, we plan to begin immunization of certain high risk and identified groups on or about October 7, 1976. The first of the mass clinics for people in the high risk category will be held on October 15, 1976 at six locations throughout the county.

Mass clinics for high risk groups will be held in Rowland, Red Springs, Pembroke, Maxton, Fairmont, and Parkton on October 15, 1976. High Risk clinics will be held in St. Pauls on October 17, 1976 and in Lumberton on October 17 and 23, 1976.

It should be noted that the October clinics are primarily for high risk people. Specific times for the clinics will be announced and posted at strategic locations throughout the county.

Mass clinics for the healthy or general population will be held in November and December and dates and locations

will be announced and posted when more accurate predictions can be made about the shipment schedule and availability of vaccine.

Your cooperation and assistance is greatly appreciated. If there are any questions, please contact the nursing supervisor (Project Manager) at the Robeson County Health Department - 738-7231.

Bobby E. Rogers, M.P.H. Health Director

Anniversary Observed



Mr. & Mrs. James Edmond McGirt

The 36th wedding anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. James E. McGirt was observed with a reception in the Fellowship Hall of Mt. Moriah Baptist Church Saturday afternoon, Sept. 25, 1976 given by their children: Mr. and Mrs. Larry Heater (Sarah); Mr. and Mrs. Vickie Wilkins (Teresa); Mr. and Mrs. Donald Smith (Cathy); Mr. and Mrs. Billy Graham (Veronica); Mr. and Mrs. Furman Brewer (Catherine); Mr. and Mrs. Henry F. McGirt, Jr.; Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence McGirt; Patricia and Cynthia McGirt.

The McGirts were married on September 21, 1940 in Dillon, SC. Mrs. Betty Lois McGirt is the daughter of the late Edmond and Mary Jacobs. Mr. McGirt is the son of Henry McGirt and the late Mary Catherine McGirt.

Seventy-five friends and relatives, including out of town guests, were invited to attend the reception. They called

between the hours of five and seven and were greeted by Dr. and Mrs. Dalton P. Brooks, niece of Mrs. McGirt.

In the receiving line with Mr. and Mrs. McGirt were the hosts. Mrs. McGirt wore a navy and white suit and a corsage of white feathered carnations. Mr. McGirt was given a boutonniere.

Presiding at the register was Mr. and Mrs. McGirt's oldest granddaughter, Benita Brewer. Mrs. Pam Locklear and Mrs. Jessie Locklear, friends of the honored couple, presided at the gift table.

The refreshment tables were overlaid with white lace-trimmed table cloth.

A three tiered coral anniversary cake and arrangement of coral gladiolas, carnations, and baby's breath flanked by white candles in brass occupied the place of honor. Serving the cake with ham and cheese sandwiches, chicken salad on lettuce, cheese pin wheels, mints, nuts and punch were Mrs. Stella Sampson and Mrs. Graham.

Goodbyes were said to Mr. and Mrs. Leary Jacobs and Mr. and Mrs. Barto Clark, Jr.

ACROSS THE MAYOR'S DESK



With
**REGGLE
STRICKLAND**

Mrs. Maybelle Elk, our former Town Clerk, went through her operation just fine and is back home recuperating.

WINTERIZATION FUNDS AUTHORIZED

The North Carolina Office of Intergovernmental Relations has announced that a federal act authorizing Winterization Program funding has been signed by the President. If and when an application bill is signed, the Federal Energy Administration will administer the grant funds. Funds will be limited to \$400 per house for materials with an additional 10 percent funds available for program administration by funded applicants. Organizations interested in further information should contact Ed Regan at the Office of Intergovernmental Relations in Raleigh at 829-2594 or Mr. Bill Coleman at the Council of Governments office.

OLDER ADULTS NUTRITION PROGRAM EXPANDED

The Council has received an additional \$34,000 in federal nutrition funds to expand its contract by approximately 100 meals and to expand its transportation services for participants in the Title VII Program, which should bring more persons in from outlying areas in each site location. These funds are available the first of July for the next six months. The meals will be spread among the seven (7) sites in the Region as the

following table of pre-and-post-allocation indicates:

Meal site: Tudor Court; Previous allocation: 35; Present allocation: 45.

Meal site: Eastwood Terrace; Previous allocation: 35; Present allocation: 45.

Meal site: Pembroke; Previous allocation: 40; Present allocation: 50.

Meal site: Laurinburg; Previous allocation: 40; Present allocation: 50.

Racford, Previous allocation: 35; Present allocation: 45.

Bladenboro, Previous allocation: 35; Present allocation: 40.

Fairmont, Previous allocation: 25; Present allocation: 40.

At this time there are no plans to open additional sites in the Region since the existing sites can easily accommodate a sufficient number of persons to utilize all the meals and since each additional site includes a significant amount of overhead in terms of a site manager, etc.

We are in the process of applying for \$600,000 for a new Municipal Building. This will come from E.D.A. Funds.

A loose tongue often gets you into a tight place.

Wendell Lowery

Samuel Cummings

Linwood Locklear

CENTRAL AUTO SALES

(Across from Pembroke Texaco, Pembroke)

72 Datsun 510

2 Door Automatic

AM / FM Radio, A.C.

\$1195

74 Comet (Mercury)

4 Door, V-8 Automatic

Power Steering & brakes,

Air Conditioning

\$2395

73 Maverick Grabber

Red & White, V-8

Straight Drive

\$1995

76 Ford

Grand Torino
2 Door Hardtop, V-8
Automatic, Power Steering
Brakes, Air Conditioning
"Just Like New"

Has been reduced to

\$3595

72 Chev. 1/2 Ton Pickup

One local owner,

6 cylinder Straight drive

\$1595

73 Honda 350

6,000 miles

With new Helmet

\$550

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Native American Awareness Week October 10-16

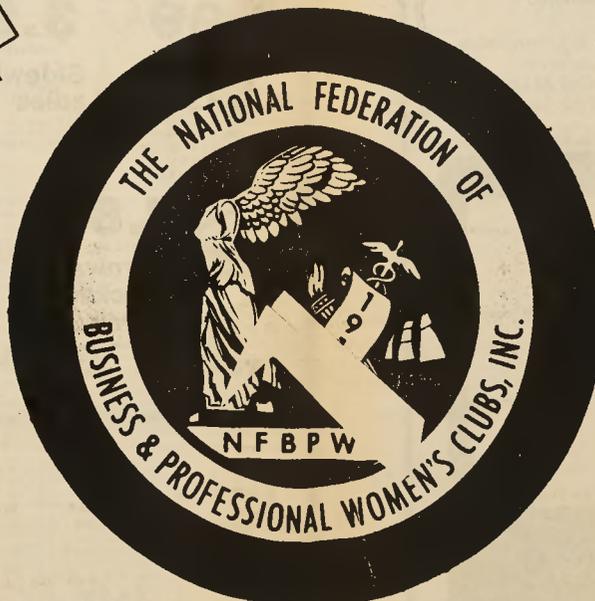
Bruce Jones, executive director of the N. C. Commission on Indian Affairs, announced today that Gov. James E.

Holshouser has proclaimed the week of Oct. 10-16 as Native American Awareness Week in North Carolina.

NATIONAL BUSINESS WOMEN'S WEEK

October 17 - 23, 1976

A SALUTE TO WOMEN IN BUSINESS AND IN THE PROFESSIONS



OBJECTIVES:

- To elevate the standards for women in business and in the professions.
- To promote the interests of business and professional women.
- To bring about a spirit of cooperation among business and professional women of the United States.
- To extend opportunities to business and professional women through education along lines of industrial, scientific and vocational activities.

PROGRAMS:

- Support for National BPW Foundation, the only research and educational organization devoted exclusively to working women.
- Career Advancement and Continuing Education through support of educational scholarships.
- Support and endorsement of Equal Rights Amendment with emphasis on employment and advancement of women.
- Community involvement in cooperation with social and civic organizations, programs and activities.

PEMBROKE BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONAL WOMEN'S CLUB

