

The Warren Record

Tobacco Market To Open

Mrs. Alice Marie Robertson, sales supervisor for the Warrenton Tobacco Market, has announced the opening of the local market on August 9, with first sale at Currin's Warehouse at 9 a. m.

Area tobacco growers are urged to sell their crop at one of the four warehouses operating in Warrenton: Currin's, operated by Owen Robertson; Farmers, operated by Gordon Limer and Harry J. Carter; High Dollar, operated by Ronald E. Stainback, C. J. Stainback, M. P. "Bo" Carroll and Glenn R. Riggan; and Centre, operated by Tommy Wagner, E. M. Moody and Robert Shearin.

Following the first sale at Currin's, buyers will move to Farmers for second sale, High Dollar for third, and Centre for fourth.

First School

Day Announced

The first day of school for students in Warren County will be Orientation Day on Aug. 21, Mike Williams, superintendent, said this week.

Schools will open at their regular time (approximately 8:15 a. m.) on August 21 and will close that day prior to lunch. The first full day for students will be August 23, and on this day students will be officially enrolled in school.

Applications for lunch will be distributed on Orientation Day. Last year's lunch prices will be charged until new applications are processed.

Williams noted that bus routes are essentially the same as last year, but urged parents to have their children out early the first few days. "If transportation problems arise, parents should contact the school principal involved," Williams noted.

New families in the area should report immediately to the Central Office for school assignments, rather than wait until August 21, according to Williams. Parents of children who will be five years old by October 16, who have not

Tobacco Barn

Hit By Fire

The first tobacco barn fire of the season was reported here Tuesday morning.

Malvin Haithcock, Jr., of the Macon Rural Volunteer Fire Department, said that a tobacco barn, the property of Glenn Riggan of Macon and part of its tobacco contents were destroyed at 10:25 a. m. Tuesday. The amount of the damage had not been estimated.

Haithcock said that five members with a pumper responded to the call.



Don Boulton (right), chairman of the Volunteer Blood Services Committee of the Carolinas Region, presents the Special Donor Recruitment Award to Elaine Coleman (left) and Ree Robertson, volun-

teers with the Triangle Area Chapter, Warren County Service Center of the American Red Cross. The Triangle Area Chapter is a four-county merged chapter with headquarters in Raleigh.

Warren Receives Four Top Red Cross Awards

The Warren County Service Center of the Triangle Area Chapter of American Red Cross Blood Services, Carolinas Region, received four awards—including one for the most outstanding chapter in the Carolinas Region—during the annual Regional Blood Services Recognition Conference in High Point.

At the awards luncheon on July 26, the chapter received three Special Donor Recruitment Awards. Special Awards are presented to all chapters who reached 100 percent or more of their annual collection goals. The Warren Service Center collected 130 percent of its goal during the fiscal year ending June 30.

The Warren County Service Center received an award for having the highest percentage of first-time donors of any chapter in the Carolinas Region during the past year. The Carolinas Region consists of 57 Red Cross chapters in North and South Carolina. An additional award recognized Warren for having the highest percentage increase in collections for the past year as compared to the previous year.

The Warren County Service Center took top honors at the Gold Circle Banquet, also held July 26, when it was recognized as the most outstanding chapter in the Blood Services Carolinas Region for 1983-84. The chapter received a Gold Circle Award in recognition of its work in donor recruitment during the past year.

Winners of Gold Circle Awards are chosen based on a point system. Chapters earn points throughout the year for excellence in donor recruitment and Blood Services efficiency. All Red Cross Chapters in the region are eligible to earn a Gold Circle. Warren earned more points during the past year than any other chapter.

Gold Circle Awards

are presented each year to the six chapters that accumulate the most points for overall achievement in Blood Services. An additional Gold Circle goes to the fixed collection site with the best overall performance. There are five fixed sites in the region, including one in Raleigh. Also, one award is presented to the chapter with the most outstanding record in pheresis collections. "We are very proud of the volunteers and staff

of the Warren County Service Center of the Triangle Area Chapter who have displayed excellence in the area of blood services," said Dell Dillard of Charlotte, chairman of the volunteer Regional Blood Services Committee.

The Carolinas Region consists of 57 counties in North and South Carolina. To meet the needs of patients in the 104 hospitals in the Region, 1,094 units of blood are needed each day.

Proposed Budget Is Given Council

A proposed budget which calls for no tax increase and which provides for employment of a second person in the municipal building was presented to Norlina commissioners Monday night. It is expected to be adopted following a public hearing at 7 p. m. on August 20 in the town hall.

The tentative budget, presented by Town Clerk Mae Gums, reflects only minor spending increases and will feature a 60-cent tax

rate, same as last year.

Mrs. Gums told commissioners that the only change in last year's operating budget, except for slight increases caused by inflation, is the inclusion of \$8,500 in order to employ an assistant in the town hall.

Mrs. Gums said general fund revenues are expected to be \$117,913 during the 1984-85 year. Water fund receipts are expected to be \$133,300, while \$26,076.98 is expected in

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Bureau Lists Census Plans For This Area

The U. S. Bureau of the Census will conduct a survey on employment and unemployment in the area during the week of August 20-25, according to Joseph S. Harris, director of the Bureau's Regional Office in Charlotte.

This will be the first month that data for this ongoing survey will be collected in this area, Harris said.

Households in this area are part of the sample of 71,000 across the country scientifically selected to represent a cross section of all U. S. households.

The monthly survey is conducted for the U. S. Department of Labor and provides the official government statistics of employment and unemployment. The June survey indicated that of the 113.9 million men and women in the civilian labor force, 105.7 million were employed. The nation's unemployment rate dropped to 7.1 percent.

Information supplied by individuals participating in the survey is kept strictly confidential by law and the results are used only to compile statistical totals.

Hopes Dashed For Block Grant

Norlina's hopes of receiving a Community Development Block Grant this year have been shattered by state officials who notified the town earlier this month that it would not receive funding this year.

Town Clerk Mae Gums confirmed Monday night the fact that Norlina had been left out of this year's funding which was announced Friday by Governor James B. Hunt, Jr.

Mrs. Gums said she was informed that the town may resubmit their application for the block grant again next year, at no additional cost to the town.

Funds from the anticipated Norlina grant would have been used primarily to upgrade facilities and homes in the eastern area of Norlina.

Mrs. Gums said that Norlina failed by 20 points to win approval for 1984 funding. She said that she understood that a large portion of the block grant funds had been diverted to aid victims of March tornadoes which devastated parts of North Carolina.

While Norlina did not fare well this year with state funding, the governor announced that Warrenton is one of 69 governmental units receiving grants totaling \$31 million.

Warrenton received a \$7,000 development grant, similar to that received months ago by Norlina to prepare its grant application.

Hunt said the unfortunate aspect of the program is the very small amount of funds available, compared to the large number of requests for the federal money. "Although our economy appears to be improving, the \$112 million requested by cities and counties indicates a continued scarcity of local resources.

"But it also shows that local officials have not decreased efforts to improve the quality of life

in North Carolina, especially for low to moderate income citizens, those hardest hit by an economic slowdown," he said. The Governor noted that over 80 per cent of each

project's funds will benefit low to moderate income individuals.

North Carolina's Community Development Block Grant program was designed by

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Hearing Is Planned

Well Ordinance Now Under Study

By KAY HORNER
New Editor

An ordinance governing the construction, repair and abandonment of wells in Warren County is expected to be adopted by county commissioners after a public hearing on September 4.

The board voted to approve the well ordinance, subject to the hearing, at the urging of the Warren County Health Department.

Marty Allen, environmental health coordinator with the department, told the commissioners that the state had more stringent regulations governing sewer disposal than it did water supplies.

"This is a fallacy," Allen explained. "The homeowner goes with the lowest bid (in well

construction). But the cheaper well is not necessarily as good a well."

The ordinance provides for the inspection of newly-constructed wells. In addition, it addresses the procedure for safe abandonment of wells.

Allen related instances in other counties where toxic wastes such as pesticides have been dumped in abandoned wells rather than being properly disposed of.

"Once a ground water source is polluted, it is polluted permanently," Allen explained.

Joe Lennon, Warren County health director, said this week that little or no opposition is expected to the ordinance.

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New Physician Comes To Town

One of two physicians recruited by Warren General Hospital to practice in Warren County has opened an office on the hospital campus in Warrenton, according to Nathaniel Davis, hospital board chairman.

However, the other physician has postponed his decision, Davis said this week, due to the uncertain future of the hospital and the birth of a child.

Derek C. Gardner, who specializes in urology, was in surgical residency at Howard University Hospital in Washington, D. C. before moving to Warrenton. He will be engaged in the practice of general medicine here.

A native of San Francisco, Calif., Dr. Gardner is a 1979 graduate of Howard University Medical School and has also completed five years of surgical specialty training in urologic surgery.

His special interests include infertility, impotence and renal stone disease.

Dr. Gardner, who will be practicing as The Tar Heel Urological Group, said this week that he hopes eventually to be joined by a Chapel Hill physician.

Dr. Gardner's wife, Donna, a certified

speech pathologist, will be employed with Warren County Schools.

The Gardners and their daughter, Dereka, are currently residing on Ridgeway Street.

Another physician, N. Moses Adiele, a family practitioner from Adelphi, Md., was also scheduled to begin practice in Warrenton last month. Davis said if and when Dr. Adiele makes a decision to come to Warrenton a contract will have to be renegotiated at that time.

Warren General Hospital usually guarantees physicians a minimum income for their first year of practice in Warren County, an accepted practice in rural areas where physician recruitment is difficult. In the past, the amount guaranteed by the county-owned hospital has been disclosed as a matter of public record, but Davis has declined to state the amount guaranteed to Dr. Gardner.

The hospital board and Warren General Hospital Task Force voted last month to ask the N. C. Department of Human Services to conduct a study to determine how the financially-ailing institution can better serve the needs of Warren County residents.



William L. Harrell, president of the Warren County Shrine Club, is shown this week with a sign erected in front of the Warrenton Lions Den calling attention to the club's annual fish fry planned next week. Proceeds from the fry benefit crippled children's

hospitals. "We hope that everyone will come out and eat with us and make this year the best year ever," Harrell said. Fish will be served from 11 a. m. until 8 p. m. on August 15.

(Staff Photo)