



Cecelia Ropp



Kathy Lakoski



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## Easter Song 'Calvary' Featured Palm Sunday

The Chancel Choir of the Raeford Presbyterian Church will present the Easter message, "Calvary", by Henry Wessel on Palm Sunday at 5 P.M. in the newly renovated sanctuary. The 40-member choir will be directed by Chris C. Watkins, director of music at the church.

Guest soloists for the presentation will include Kathy Lakoski, soprano, who is a senior music major at Greensboro College in Greensboro; Cecelia Ropp, alto; Kenneth Koonce, tenor; and Lester Southern, baritone. Ropp, Koonce, and Southern are all soloists for the Raeford Presbyterian Church Chancel Choir whose voices are well known in the area.

From the opening scenes to the last chords of this cantata we are told of a Man who was brought to trial before a mock court, sentenced to die a death reserved for the worst criminals, beaten and whipped and mocked, and then nailed to a cross only to die after nine hours of pain, thirst, abandonment, and loneliness for the sins of those who had tortured Him. Henry Wessel makes the most of this sense of tragedy and composes a cantata using the last seven words of Christ, sung by the baritone soloist, against the sorrowing songs of Mary, the mother of Christ, as sung by the soprano, Mary Magdalene, sung by the alto, Joseph, as sung by the tenor, and the raging mob and chorus.

"I believe that this is one of the most beautiful and effective Easter cantatas that I have ever worked with in church music," says Watkins. "I hope that those people that come to hear this presentation will be moved by the sheer beauty and artistry of the choir and soloists and will sense the deep feeling of emotion that this act of love that surrounded one of the most beautiful love stories that the world has ever known."

Kathy Lakoski has performed in many concerts as a solo artist, one of which was here in Raeford with the Raeford Presbyterian Church during the Christmas season when she sang in the church's ceremony of carols and lessons. Miss Lakoski is a native of Virginia where she has also performed as a daily radio performer during the summer months. After she has completed her major in the spring, Kathy hopes to attend Julliard School of Music with hopes of later study in Europe.

Cecelia Ropp is well known in the Raeford area for her vocal contributions to the Raeford Presbyterian Church Chancel Choir and other choral groups. A graduate of Presbyterian College in South Carolina, Miss Ropp is a math instructor at Hoke High School.

Kenneth Koonce is also well known in the Raeford area for his contributions to the Raeford Presbyterian Church Chancel Choir. He has starred in the Pembroke State University production of "South Pacific" and achieved various musical honors. He was one of the few freshmen ever selected to sing in the UNC-CH Men's Glee Club in their first year of college. A former student of Mrs. Mary Archie McNeill, he is presently employed by Burlington Mills.

Lester Southern is presently a music major at Atlantic Christian College where he is majoring in organ with a minor in voice. Mr. Southern is also widely known in the Raeford area for his fine solo voice and his contributions to the Raeford Presbyterian Church. This spring Lester sang one of the leads in Atlantic Christian College Music Department's opera — an honor for a second-year voice student. The public is invited to attend.

## College Joins History List

Congressman Charles G. Rose announced Tuesday that Flora MacDonald College in Red Springs has been accepted and entered in the National Register of Historic Places.

A ceremony will be scheduled at a later date.

## CB Club Hosts Sale

The Hoke County CB Club will hold a "coffee break" and rummage sale on the 9th and 10th of April.

The break and sale will be set up at Carter's Exxon Station on 401 By-Pass. The public is invited to stop by and have coffee and browse.

## Magistrates Court

The following cases were heard by the magistrates: Cyrus Peterkin, Rt. 4, Raeford, worthless check, \$5 restitution, costs; Thomas Wilson, Rt. 1, Raeford, worthless check, \$4.70 restitution, costs; James R. Whitehead, Fayetteville, speeding 65 in a 55 MPH zone, \$5, costs; Tony D. McGregor, Rt. 1, Raeford, public drunkenness, sentenced to two days; Sylvester Evans, Aberdeen, 67 in a 55 MPH zone, \$10, costs; Mary E. Graham, Rt. 1, Raeford, exceeding a safe speed, fined costs; Mary E. Graham, Rt. 1, Raeford, exceeding a safe speed, fined costs; Eddie Gibson, Laurinburg, 67 in a 55 MPH zone, \$10, costs; Charles E. Hood, Ft. Bragg, 65 in a 55 MPH zone, \$5, costs; Thomas N. Mercer, 206 E. Prospect St., Raeford, 68 in a 55 MPH zone, \$10, costs; Roy L. Pittman, Ft. Bragg, 65 in a 55 MPH zone, \$5, costs.

James R. Rowe, Southern Pines, 70 in a 55 MPH zone, \$10, costs; Eddie F. Wise, Hope Mills, 70 in a 55 MPH zone, \$10, costs; Cherry K. Killian, Fayetteville, 67 in a 55 MPH zone, \$10, costs; Johnny M. Honeycutt, Raeford, 67 in a 55 MPH zone, \$10, costs; Theodore, R. Mack, Ft. Bragg, 66 in a 55 MPH zone, \$10, costs; Milton E. Parks, Rt. 1, Aberdeen, 67 in a 55 MPH zone, \$10, costs; James C. Robertson, Lakeland Fla., 65 in a 55 MPH zone, \$5, costs; Frederick F. Smith III, Atlanta, Ga., 68 in a 55 MPH zone, \$10, costs; Beatrice R. Tyler, Rt. 1, Shannon, failure to see before starting, fined costs; John R. Nunalee, Fayetteville, 65 in a 55 MPH zone, \$5, costs; James R. McCafferty, Fayetteville, 65 in a 55 MPH zone, \$5, costs; Fred O. Lewis, Ft. Bragg, passing violation, \$10, costs.

Victoria Hrdlicka, Durango, Colo., 66 in a 55 MPH zone, \$10, costs; Robert E. Hardy, Taylors, S.C., 68 in a 55 MPH zone, \$10, costs; Richard L. Bryan, Aberdeen, 65 in a 55 MPH zone, \$5, costs; Larry A. North, Ft. Bragg, 65 in a 55 MPH zone, \$5, costs; Simid Peterkin, Rt. 4, Raeford, 67 in a 55 MPH zone, \$10, costs; Delton Woods, Red Springs, following too closely, fined costs; Gilbert A. Cribb, Rt. 3, Raeford, 65 in a 55 MPH zone, \$5, costs; Thomas E. Jones, Red Springs, 70 in a 55 MPH zone, \$10, costs; Steven R. Francis, Rt. 1, Raeford, failure to see before stopping, fined costs; Robert H. Colson Jr., Southern Pines, 65 in a 55 MPH zone, \$5, costs; Elton J. Campbell, Southern Pines, 66 in a 55 MPH zone, \$10, costs; Thomas S. McDonald, Ft. Bragg, 65 in a 55 MPH zone, \$5, costs.

William S. Creedmore, Fayetteville, 65 in a 55 MPH zone, \$5, costs; George L. Stewart, Southern Pines, 65 in a 55 MPH zone, \$5, costs; Daniel P. Winston, Rt. 1, Shannon, equipment violation, fined costs; Isaiah James Scurlock, Lumber Bridge, inspection violation, fined costs; Benjamin Bratcher, Raeford, equipment violation, fined costs; Paul Bryant, Fayetteville, equipment violation, fined costs; Jesse J. Locklear, Red Springs, public drunkenness, \$10, costs.

## Tutors Certified

Eight more people have been certified as Laubach tutors.

A system involving an "each - one - teach - one" method to teach adults to read and write was taught to the volunteers in a ten hour course at Cameron Heights Community Center in Raeford.

The course, sponsored by the Hoke County Literacy Council, was conducted by Mrs. Doris Hines and Bill Caedel of the Robeson County Church and Community Center.

Mrs. Edna A. McNeill, Mrs. Louise Nichols, Mrs. Nina H. Davis, Helen M. Sellars, Russel McDonald, Mrs. Doretha Black, Mrs. Susan Strain, Shirley Frahm, and Mrs. Gennette Morrison received their certificates Wednesday, March 31.

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## Public Hearing Apr. 22 On Land Use Proposal

On April 22 citizens from Cumberland and surrounding counties will get their first opportunity in a public hearing to comment on a proposed land classification system that will guide the future use of land in our state. One or more Hoke commissioners will attend the meeting.

The land classification system is only one recommendation of the N.C. Land Policy Council up for discussion April 22 at 2 p.m. at the Cumberland County Office Building in Fayetteville and also during April in Raleigh, Greenville, Lenoir, Kernersville, Bryson City, Asheville, and Charlotte.

According to the proposed classification system, local governments would make the decisions on categorizing lands for future use. The system would promote wise land use and guide federal, state, and local investments and policies affecting land use. The Council also recommends that three or four local citizens commissions, similar to the Coastal Plains Commission, be appointed to guide the classification process and later, to coordinate regional growth policy.

Other recommendations of the Land Policy Council include a policy on valuing property for tax purposes, an automated land use information system, and policies to coordinate land use programs among all levels of government.

The recommendations evolved from two years of work, including over 20 local workshops, by the Council and a 24 - member citizens advisory committee representing agribusiness, tourism, land development, and environmental sciences throughout the state. The Council was established by the legislature in 1974 to recommend to the governor and General Assembly a land policy and classification system for the state.

A variety of local interests represented at the workshops and the composition of the Council and advisory committee have already assured that local interests are represented in the recommendations.

After the hearings, the recommendations and public comments will be reviewed by the governor and local planning agencies before submission to the legislature in 1977.