

Contests Set For School, County Boards

The list of candidates who filed for Hoke County offices by Monday's noon deadline shows Democratic primary contests for the Board of Hoke County Commissioners and for sheriff, and a November general election contest for one of the seats on the county board.

It also shows contests for the three seats on the County Board of Education in the board's nonpartisan election in November.

County Coroner Frank Crumpler and Clerk of Superior Court Ju-

nita Edmund, both Democrats have neither primary nor general-election opposition for reelection.

Ten Democrats and one Republican are running for the three seats on the Board of County Commissioners. Running in the May 4 Democratic primary are Commissioners Mabel Riley, James A. Hunt, and John Balfour, for renomination; and Tom Howell, Cleo Bratcher, Ed Lumbley, Wesley Miller, J.W. Plummer, and Julius Vanner for nominations. The Republican candidate is Mrs. Eve-

lyn (Ed) Manning, unopposed for her party's nomination.

Out for the three seats on the school board are current members Bill Cameron, Bobby Wright, and Walter Coley; and J.H. (Buddy) Blue, Charlotte Kelly, Willie McCaskill, and Onnie Dudley.

In the contest for sheriff are Sheriff David Barrington, up for reelection, and former Hoke Deputy Sheriff James Peterkin.

County Commissioner Dan Devane is running for a State House of Representatives seat in the district which will contain Hoke. A

complete list of candidates won't be available till after the filing deadline for General Assembly candidates February 15.

Exactly what the House district will be isn't known yet. The current 12th District is composed of Hoke, Scotland and Robeson counties. However, the General Assembly must redistrict to keep as close as possible in compliance with state and federal rule of "one man, one vote," because of changes in district populations found which by the 1980 U.S. Census to have occurred since the 1970 Census was

taken. Hoke and Scotland counties' county and city officials and leaders of both parties have stated preference for a Hoke-Scotland district, but a recent State House redistricting proposal would have the new district composed of Hoke, Robeson and some Scotland County townships.

Hoke County voters also will elect two candidates to the Board of Supervisors of the Hoke County Soil and Water Conservation District, but the filing deadline is noon September 10. The election is

nonpartisan. District Court Judge Joseph E. Dupree of Raeford is opposed in his bid for reelection.

At least one candidate, Walter Davis, a Hope Mills lawyer, has filed as a candidate for Dupree's seat in the Cumberland-Hoke judicial district.

(Editor's Note: The May 4 date for the primary is subject to change because of the redistricting situation. The date won't be fixed definitely till a redistricting plan is given final approval.)

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At February Meeting

Board Accepts Grant, Gets Jail Report

Around Town

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The weather over the past weekend was perfect. The temperature was in the 60s and 70s in the daytime and in the 50s at night. The rain held off so that a round of golf could be played each day.

The weatherman brought in the rainfall figures for January and it looks like the water table will get back up to a normal level if the rain continues for the next month or two.

The forecast is for more rain but for the temperatures to be above normal (that is in the 50s) for the remainder of the week. I hope it will continue on into spring.

I usually go by the office every day, not to do any work, but to check the mail. Some folks have always sent my mail to *The News-Journal*, even if I had sent them my box number. You get in a habit of things and it is hard to stop doing it the same old way.

One day recently when I was at my old desk, at the office someone came in and spotted me there. They wanted to know if I had come out of retirement after so short a time. After explaining to them what I was doing there, they stated that I should post my hours so they could come by and see me.

So to the other retirees that want to talk with me at the office, check by Monday afternoon or sometime during the day on Tuesday.

It helps in writing this column to keep in touch with my friends because they are the people that you usually read about here.

Last Saturday morning I went up to Robert Gatlin's pond and joined with a group in talking about "old times." The group consisted of Leo Fuller of Mount Holly, George Bethune of Concord, Jack Morris of Southern Pines and the following from Raeford, Robert Gatlin, Devoe Austin, Jaybird McLeod and Franklin Teal. It turned out to be a very interesting gathering.

The conversation, which lasted about three hours was taped and is now on record, a subject would be put on the floor and whoever in the group could remember the time or event would tell what and where he was during that time.

We had many old pictures that were brought out and even after the short time of 40 or 50 years it was hard to identify everyone in the pictures.

Many things that have been a puzzle in my mind on some events and things that have happened in Hoke County are now clear, but also they are on tape for a complete record.

We all hope to get together again and maybe have others join to further this start of recording the history of Hoke County.

The filing deadline has come and the ballot will show, what I think is a record number running for County Commissioner. There are 11 candidates out for the job. Ten (See AROUND TOWN, page 17)

Bond Anticipation Notes Sale OK'd

The Raeford City Council Monday night authorized the sale of \$58,000 in city bond anticipation notes, the money to be deposited to accumulate interest.

The money will be used, if needed, to help pay the cost of the new waste-water treatment plant, and, if not needed, would be repaid in a year, the council was informed. City Manager Ronald Matthews explained that the interest accumulated while the funds are on deposit would compensate to some extent for the interest charged on the notes, which he said would amount to about 9 1/2 per cent.

Matthews explained that the bond note money would be added, if needed, to the \$720,000 federal grant, \$110,000 state Clean Water Bonds grant, and \$40,000 in city

funds previously budgeted for the project.

In other action, the council adopted a formal resolution regarding construction of a 1,450-foot, 12-inch sewer line extension to the new addition of Tar Heel Hatchery. The federal Advancement, Inc., approved a grant of up to \$20,000 after the council and the Board of Hoke County Commissioners approved allocating \$10,000 each to help pay for the project.

Matthews said the cost is estimated at about \$36,000, the city is to pay the first \$10,000, the county the second \$10,000, and Advancement whatever the remainder is.

Under the motion adopted the city will enter into an agreement with Moore, Gardner Associates of Asheboro to handle the engineering

work for a fee of \$4,000; and the city will ask for bids from contractors to do the construction work.

Jimmie Neill Conoly, general manager of the Hoke County Semi-Pro Baseball Association, asked the council for financial help for the association's program, which is scheduled to start in the spring. He didn't ask for a specific amount but said the association is \$600 short of its goal of \$2,600 to start the program.

No motion either to help or decline to help with an appropriation was offered. The effect is the association will get not city funds. Opposition to granting the request was expressed against using taxpayers' money for the program, though the baseball program itself is favored.

Rec Commission To Sponsor New Program

Hoke County Parks and Recreation Commission along with the Hoke County Youth Services Task Force will be sponsoring a 10-week motivational recreation program.

The program will operate two school gyms. J.W. Turlington gym will operate Saturdays 9 a.m.-noon, and 1-6 p.m. Upchurch school gym will operate Saturdays 1-8 p.m. and both gyms will open

Sundays 1-5 p.m.

There will be two qualified adults at Upchurch and one qualified adult at Turlington at all times to coordinate and supervise all activities.

The program objectives are: to provide youth, ages 10-17, an opportunity to participate in a wholesome, worthwhile recreational activity; to provide an op-

portunity to improve self-image through rewards such as certificates and other forms of recognition; and to provide a recreational opportunity during a high-risk time period, Saturdays and Sunday afternoons.

Included in the program will be free-play basketball, one-on-one tournaments, free-throw contests, instructional drills, basketball re-

lays, shout-out championships, and organized team competition.

The program is set to start at both gyms on Saturday. Youths ages 10-17 wishing to participate are encouraged to attend the gym closest to their homes.

The Parks and Recreation office would like to remind those ages 18 and older who desire to use a gym that they must reserve a time and location.

7 Stores Barred From Accepting Food Stamps

Tyler's Price Rite of Rt. 1, Raeford, and six other North Carolina grocery stores have been barred from accepting food stamps because of violations, the U.S. Department of Agriculture Food and Nutrition Service reports.

Tyler's is disqualified for six months starting last November 16, the announcement, received Friday, says. The store is owned by Cynthia Scott, the announcement says.

The stores have been charged with selling cigarettes and other ineligible items for food coupons,

the federal agency reports. The other stores disqualified for the periods listed and the starting dates of disqualification are:

K & M Grocery, 1332 South Main St., High Point, owned by D. Keith Green, disqualified for a year, starting Dec. 14.

Betty's Place, Rt. 1, Laurinburg, owned by Betty T. Ikner, disqualified for a year, starting Dec. 14.

Breeden's Grocery, 203 Clark St., St. Pauls, owned by Freddie Breeden, disqualified for a year, starting Dec. 14.

Clear Acres Food Mart, Rt. 1, Gibson, owned by Elijah Covington, disqualified for a year, starting Dec. 14.

Evergreen Service Center, Evergreen, owned by Carroll Martin and Hubert Fowler, disqualified for a year, starting Dec. 7.

Jim's Grocery, Inc., 3114 Garner Rd., Raleigh, owned by James L.

Fowler, disqualified for a year, starting Dec. 9.

Mrs. Gerald Holt, who is in charge of the Raleigh field office of the Food and Nutrition Service, explained that food stamps, by law, can be used only to buy food. The only exceptions, Mrs. Holt said, are garden seed and plants to be used to produce food.



LISTING TIME -- One of the many Hoke County tax payers is shown here in the county tax supervisor's office listing his taxes for 1982. (Staff photo by Pam Frederick).



GIRL SCOUT COOKIES -- The Rockfish area Girl Scout troop 862 and Brownie Troop 821 of the same community gave The News-Journal two boxes of Girl Scout cookies January 26 to advise that the annual Girl Scout fund-raising cookie sales are under way. The presentations are being made in the picture by Lori Boahn (left) of the Scout troop and Stephanie Wood of the Brownie troop to Bill Lindau of The News-Journal staff. The Scouts are taking orders for the cookies till February 8. The cookies will be delivered between March 8 and March 22. (Staff photo by Pam Frederick).

The Hoke County commissioners voted Monday to accept a Motivational Recreation grant from the State Community based Alternatives office.

The grant, for which the county had applied, will finance a program for 150 youths ages 10-17. The grant totals \$1,995. The County Board of Education will provide \$119.50 worth of utilities for the county's share of the budget.

The commissioners also during their monthly meeting were informed by Earl Fowler, executive vice president of the Raeford-Hoke County Chamber of Commerce, that he had been notified Monday morning by mail that a \$20,000 grant from the federal Advancement to help pay for extension of a 12-inch sewer line 1,450 feet to the site of the new addition to Tar Heel Hatchery on U.S. 401 (North) Business.

The commissioners and the Raeford City Council at their separate January 4 monthly meetings had authorized providing \$10,000 each to go with the federal grant if it were approved.

Advancement provides money to counties to help pay for water and sewer lines for businesses' expansion if the expansion will increase employment. The Tar Heel Hatchery addition will employ 22 more people, the commissioners were informed.

The commissioners adopted a motion to accept a report of a state inspection of the Hoke County jail and directing County Manager James Martin to work with Sheriff David Barrington to correct the four points classified as "attention needed" and the two not in compliance of the total 80 checked. The inspection was made December 17 by Robert G. Lewis, jail consultant of the State Department of Human Resources.

The commissioners in studying the report were informed that on one point of noncompliance, Lewis and the person who made the next most recent inspection disagreed. This was on the point; clean and adequate bedding is provided. The difference between the two inspectors' rating was on the matter of providing mattress covers. Lewis found this inadequate but the previous inspector found the jail "in compliance."

The other point on which Lewis found the jail not in compliance is on the provision of a medical clinic area. On the other hand, on medical care, the jail was found in compliance on three points: supervisors understand responsibility and requirements in submitting death reports; the mentally ill are properly observed and expeditiously transferred to a medical facility; and inmates with infectious or contagious diseases are segregated.

The inspection rated as "attention needed," though marked "in compliance," the following: diet and meal schedule in compliance with minimum standards (found in compliance but "attention needed"); juveniles provided with toothpaste, tooth brush, soap, towels, bedding and combs; number of lavatories and showers; and paint.

In other business, the commissioners found Bill R. Boyles and Robert A. Wright, both of Rt. 1, Raeford, had submitted identical bids of 40,1436 cents per pound for the county's tobacco quota, which accompanied the purchase of the city-county landfill property.

The commissioners voted that (See BOARD, page 17)