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Commissioners Meet

Duplin Jail To Remain Open Until Hearing

The Duplin County Commissioners were advised Monday by Sheriff Elwood Revelle that he had received a call from Harold O'Leary, Jail Inspector, inquiring if the Duplin County Jail was closed April 30, 1977, as directed by the Department of Human Resources Secretary, County Attorney, Mrs. Winifred Wells, told the Board they could continue the use of the jail until a requested court appeal is heard. Mrs. Wells stated she advised O'Leary that Duplin County appealed the decision of Secretary Morrow to close the jail and no hearing has been held on the appeal.

The state department ordered Duplin County April 4th to close the jail April 30 if contracts had not been let for a new jail. The new jail will cost an estimated \$2,000,000.

Mrs. Wells said she has requested a hearing in a letter to Superior Court Justice J. Lanier of Duplin County. However, Justice Lanier has been ill and is in a Chapel Hill hospital.

Under a previous arrange-

ment with the state, county officials had removed the nine bunks from the old jail and installed smoke detectors.

However, the jail still fails to meet new state requirements for minimum space and separate custody areas for adult males, juvenile males, adult females and juvenile females.

The Commissioners appointed William J. Igoe, of Warsaw and Thomas Hall of Faison to serve on the Hospital Board of Trustees for a period of six years, ending March, 1983. Igoe is replacing E. Warren Herring of Calypso and Hall is replacing Lee Brown of Warsaw. The Board reappointed Willie M. Biggs of Wallace to the Hospital Board.

Glen Jernigan, representing the Faison Rescue Squad, met with the Commissioners to discuss the monthly allotment paid by Duplin County to the Faison Rescue Squad. Jernigan requested the county to discontinue the \$300 payment to the Rescue Squad but allow them to continue receiving the dispatch

services of the county.

Unlike most rescue organizations in the county, the Faison group bought their ambulance without county aid. Faison Chief Jernigan said his organization can't get donations while they are receiving the \$300 monthly from the county commissioners. He said he thinks the organization can more than make up in donations what they could lose in taxpayers money. Moreover, Jernigan told the commissioners, two units competing with the Faison service in nearby Wayne and Sampson counties don't charge for ambulance services. As a result, he said, rescue organizations in those areas frequently get patients from the Duplin County area.

The County's budget with Faison is formed under a con-

tract that requires a service fee. The Board agreed to have Russell Tucker make a study of the situation and report back to the Board at the next regular meeting.

Leland Grady, Tax Collector, met with the Board to report on tax collections for the month of April and year to date. For the month of April, collections amounted to \$134,362.17 and year to date, \$3,062,616.84.

The Board was informed the official budget hearing is scheduled to be held Monday, June 6, 1977 at 10 a.m. in the Commissioners' room and is open to the public.

The Board was also informed that a public hearing on the use of Revenue Sharing funds will be held Monday, May 16, 1977 at 10:30 a.m. in the Com-

missioners room. Further, on Monday, June 6, 1977, at 10 a.m. a public hearing on the adoption of a budget for Revenue Sharing Funds will be held.

Tucker reported on a meeting of Local Government Officials held in Kinston. A project is now underway to build the Albert Coates Local Government Center in Raleigh. This is to be a joint project of the N.C. League of Municipalities and N.C. Association of County Commissioners. Funding will come partially from counties paying dues into the N.C. Association of Counties. For a two-year period, dues will be doubled with one-half going into the operating fund, and one-half going into the building fund. Duplin's share would be \$5,550 a year for two years.

Don't Miss It!

Festival '77 This Weekend

Residents of the Kenansville area are getting excited this week as the time draws near for FESTIVAL '77. The event is sponsored by the Duplin County Arts Council, and it promises to educate and entertain us with artists and craftsmen from all over the southeast and with musicians and dancers from Duplin, Sampson, Wayne and Lenoir Counties. Bright yellow FESTIVAL signs are already scattered around Wallace as they invite us to the festivities in the New Duplin Tobacco Warehouse on May 6, 7 and 8.

Some of the exhibitors from the Duplin area will include Stella and Helen Rouse of Rose Hill (sewing crafts), Kathleen Maresdy of Chingapin (deco-page and oil paintings), Cathy Lee of Kenansville (oil and acrylic paintings) and Judy Shoar Chadwick of Wilmington, formerly of Beulaville (needlecraft). Others being featured include Richard McNamee of Wilmington (oils, seascapes), Jean Sloop of Wrightsville Beach (macrame, Jewelry with driftwood), Don Ruppard of Raleigh (barnwood mirrors), Jerry and Claudia Dale of Wilmington (macrame bags, wall hangings), Jay Joyner of Hope Mills (exotic plants), Wayne Murray of Wilmington (miniatures in oil), Millard McDonald of Mocksville (ecology sculpture), Martha Chamblee of Greensboro (paper sculpture), Quade Lester of Wrightsville Beach (leathercrafts), N. J. Hewitt of Virginia Beach, Va. (underwater acrylic paintings), Buckamner Jewelry of Belhaven, Joe Pavin of Port St. Lucie, Fla. (sculptured painted slate), John Zentner of Charlotte (pottery), Don and Mary Ann Woodgrove of Greensboro (silkscreen, collage and woodcraft), Jim Rivenbark of Greensboro (wood toys and leather), Eugene Chadwick of Burgaw (wood carvings), Lucy and Diane Moore of Amniston, Ala. (soft toys and afghans), Bill Lindsey of Chapel Hill (animal illustrations in pen and ink), David and Nancy Boggs of Laurel Springs (silversmiths), Elmer Johnson of Wilmington (pencil and charcoal sketches), Betty and V. L. Hill of Titusville, Fla. (lapidary, sterling silver jewelry), Ray Coyus of Mason, S.C. (watercolor, pen and ink), Cindy Evans of Supply (air plants, exotic shells with macrame), Mary Reynolds of Williamston (critters 'n dolls), Yvonne McLemore of Tuscaloosa, Ala. (woodcrafted clocks, etc.), Wade Griffin of Wilmington (leathercrafts), Dan Siefers of Raleigh (children's wooden puzzles and wooden lusterus), Linda Nelms of Fayetteville (oils), Jean Massey of Fayetteville (oils), Jean Leonard of Wrightsville Beach (dried flowers and wall arrangements), Ray Flowers of Mount Olive (banjo, guitar and dulcimer



CHRIS DELANEY - Fidler from Durham, will be performing this Sunday, May 8 with local musicians Alan and Jay Smith, James Whaley and I. J. Hines of Beulaville and Cleveland Bryant of Rose Hill, from 1 to 4 p.m. in the Duplin County Arts Council's FESTIVAL '77 in the New Duplin Tobacco Warehouse in Wallace. Delaney will also visit area schools next week, and he will be participating in National Nursing Home Week by performing for residents of Guardian Care on May 10 at 4 p.m.

making), Nancy Chorey and Bill Fletcher of Leesville, S.C. (pottery), Jean Wenner of Jacksonville (watercolors and pastels), Sherry Thurston of Jacksonville (portrait sketching, pastels and charcoal), Cyrus Shoaf of Wilmington (leathercrafts), Carl Murrell of Wilmington (oils), Odell Knight of Wilmington (acrylics), Lee Ripa of Wilmington (watercolors), Ruth Hodges of Wilmington (driftwood assemblages and acrylic abstracts), J. Hilary Worthington of Wilmington (wildlife paintings) and MORE.

Performers participating in the festivities will go by the following schedule: Friday, May 6 - 10 a.m., Rose Hill Magnolia Elementary School Chorus; 11 a.m., Wallace-Rose Hill High School and Charity Junior High School Band; 12 a.m., Tres Rich, Guitarist; 1 p.m., Wallace-Rose Hill High School Chorus; 2 p.m., Tres Rich; 3:30, Girls Ensemble of First Baptist Church, Wallace, with Harriett Williams, Director; 4 p.m., Wallace-Rose Hill High School Spanish Club Singers; 4:30 p.m., Rhonda Wells and students from Wallace-Rose Hill High School; 5 p.m., Sandown Band; and 6 p.m., East Duplin High School Spanish Club Singers.

Saturday, May 7 - 10:30 a.m., Julie Conert and students from ED High School; 11:30 Judy Tucker's Dance students from the Duplin County Public Schools (ages 6-15); 12:30 p.m., Buck Swamp Kickin' Cloggers; 1 p.m., Clark Jones, Banjoist; 2 p.m., Buck Swamp Kickin' Cloggers; 3 p.m., Gary Allen, Banjoist; 4 p.m., Clark Jones, Banjoist and Chris Delaney, Fiddler; 5 p.m., Albertson Smooth Dancers with The Out-house Gang; and at 6 p.m., Completely Off-the-Wall Band.

Sunday, May 8 - 1 p.m., Clark Jones and Chris Delaney with various local fiddlers and guitarists, including Alan and Jay Smith, James Whaley and I. J. Hines of Beulaville and Cleveland Bryant of Rose Hill; 4 p.m., Ladies Trio from the Wallace Quintet; 4:30 p.m., Duplin County Chorus with Irvin Graham and other soloists; and at 5 p.m., Community Gospel Chorus with Lillian Coyette, Director.

The Duplin County Arts Council cordially invites you and your family and friends to attend this gala event of the year at no admission charge. Just follow the yellow Festival signs to the New Duplin Tobacco Warehouse on northeast Railroad Street in Wallace.

FUNDS FOR PARK EXPANSION RECEIVED - The Kenansville Recreation Commission and the Town of Kenansville received a \$500 contribution for the Kenansville Municipal Park Expansion Project from The Reeves Brothers Foundation, Inc. of Summit, N.J. Presentation of the check was made at a special ceremony held Monday, May 2 at Reeves Brothers - Comfy Division Plant located near Kenansville, by Dennis Bell, General manager of the plant, to Mayor Doug Judge and Recreation Commission Chairman Mark Vinson. This contribution matches a donation of \$600 made by Reeves Brothers in 1974 when the Park

was first developed. Mayor Judge expressed the appreciation of the citizens to Reeves Brothers for their continued support of the community and their recreation program. Chairman Vinson stated that the addition of this donation brings total contributions for park expansion to over \$8,000. They are trying to raise \$30,000 to match a federal grant of \$30,000 which has been applied for by the Town. Through this project, restrooms, a refreshment center, a lighted ballfield and tennis courts will be added to the Kenansville Municipal Park.

N.C. Labor Department Presents Safety Awards

Commissioner of Labor John C. Brooks presented the N.C. Department of Labor's Certificate of Safety Achievement Wednesday night to representatives of 41 industrial and service establishments located in Duplin, Pender and Sampson Counties.

The awards were presented at a special dinner program held at The Country Squire. The dinner was sponsored by Business-Industry Associates.

Walter Pennington, President of Business-Industry Assoc-

iates, presided over the program. F. F. Oakley, Vice President, introduced Commissioner Brooks to the group. Bill Sutton, Treasurer, pronounced invocation. Approximately 100 people attended.

Prior to the awards presentation, Commissioner Brooks gave a brief talk outlining the importance of a safe, health and well-trained work force in North Carolina. He was accompanied by several officials, including Asst. Com. Charles Jeffress, Safety Awards Coordinator Russell Poe, State Employment Standards Representative Vince Hinson and Jim Sutherland and OSHA Safety Officer Linwood Smith.

Local area plants and businesses which received the "Certificate of Safety Achievement" are as follows: Carroll's of Warsaw, Inc.; Z. J. Carter & Son; Guilford Mills, Inc.; and Sonoco Products Mount Olive Plant; 2nd Consecutive Year - Beulaville Garment, Inc.; Branch Banking & Trust Co.; Carolina Power & Light Company, Mount Olive - Warsaw and Wallace area; E&B Oil Company; Faison Manufacturing; Futurian Corporation; Harold Scott Co., Inc. I and II, J. P. Stevens & Co., Inc. (Carter and Holly Plants), Swift Dairy & Poultry Co., and Worsley Oil Company; 3rd Con. Year - Beahm Corporation (Clinton); and 6th Consecutive Year - Reeves Brothers, Inc.

Sheriff's Report

May 3rd, Ernest Taylor reported two antennae and a G.E. control head, valued at \$300 were stolen from a 1971 GMC truck located on N.C. 117 between Warsaw and Bowden.

Eddie Henderson, band director at N. D. Jr. High School, one mile west of Faison, reported someone stole a flute valued at \$250 and belonging to Tuck Taylor as well as a saxophone valued at \$400 belonging to Arthur Sanderson, from the school.

The monthly report of the Sheriff's Department includes: Robbery - \$55; burglaries - \$1,040.50; Larcenies-\$1,076.75; Auto Larceny - \$250. The total indicates \$2,422.25 in property stolen and \$300 was recovered.

Warrants served included one for larceny, 1 motor vehicle theft, 8 assaults, 6 forgeries, 1 fraud, 4 for carrying concealed weapons, 5 marijuana charges, 2 offenses against family and 37 other. The juveniles served included two assaults, 4 forgeries and one other. The Department filed 330 civil papers.

Last week's report in this paper should have indicated that Gaynell Monk, 17, of Route 1, Kenansville, was charged with three charges of forgery and uttering and one charge of falsely using a Master Charge card.

DEMOCRATIC PRECINCT MEETINGS

On May 5 at 8 p.m., the Democrat Precinct will meet at the old city hall in Warsaw. J. C. Page, precinct chairman, urges all Democrats to attend this meeting as county officers and delegates for county convention will be elected at this meeting.

Mental Health Extending Hours

J. W. Hoffer, Chairman of the Duplin County Commissioners, announced that the Duplin County Mental Health Center will be extending hours and will be open from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. during the week. This will enable working patients who are unable to keep their appointment during usual working hours to benefit from this change.

Commissioner D. J. Fussell, Chairman of the Area Mental Health Board, remarked that the additional working hours would be ideal for those who are currently employed, with least disruption to their work. He also remarked that the Mental Health Center has begun to

provide counselling service to Guilford East as part of the Employee Assistance Program.

Dr. E. J. Raman, Area Director, Duplin County Mental Health Center, complimented the County Commissioners for their foresight and concern for their constituents in making Mental Health Services more accessible to the Duplin residents. He remarked that the staff is willing and very cooperative in adjusting to the change in their work schedule in order to meet day-to-day demands of the patients efficiently. Dr. Raman is very appreciative of the positive attitude of the staff in shouldering the additional responsibility.

JK District Chorus Spring Concert

The James Kenan District Chorus Concert will be held Wednesday, May 11th in the Kenan Memorial Auditorium. The concert will begin at 7:30 and admission is free. The public is invited and urged to attend.

The program will consist of three schools; E. E. Smith Jr. High, Warsaw Jr. High and James Kenan High School. JK will open the concert, followed by the Jr. High Chorus. The finale will be a combination of the three with "I Write the Songs" and "The Young and Restless." The High

School accompanists are Beth Killeter and Dean Hardison of Warsaw. Carol Hawkins of Magnolia is the Junior High accompanist. The Chorus are under the direction of Valerie McCoy of Warsaw. She has been Choral Director of the JK District for the past three years.

You are invited to an evening of musical entertainment. We are sure you will enjoy every minute. The students have worked very hard. Come support them and help build the cultural arts of Duplin. We need and appreciate your support, said Ms. McCoy.

Waccamaw Names Board Appointments

Philip W. Harrell, Vice President, Waccamaw Bank and Trust Company, has announced the appointment of two new members to the Kenansville Advisory Board. They are Jimmy Leo Jackson and Richard E. Harrell.

Jimmy Leo Jackson is a life-long native of Kenansville and is owner of Jackson's IGA stores in Kenansville and Pink Hill. He is the son of the late Leo and Helen Smith Jackson. He graduated with a B.S. degree in business from Campbell College and is a past member of the Kenansville Lions Club. Jimmy and his wife, the former Frances Stroud, are members of the Grove Presbyterian Church. They have two daughters, Betty and Michelle.

Richard E. Harrell is the son

of William and Edna Harrell, Route 2, Rose Hill. He is the Administrator of Duplin General Hospital. Richard graduated from Atlantic Christian College with a B.S. degree and Northern Illinois University with an M.B.A. degree in 1973. He is a director of the Kenansville Area Chamber of Commerce, and a member of the American College of Hospital Administrators, Hospital Financial Management Association, American Hospital Association, and the American Academy of Hospital Administrators. Richard is married to the former Margaret Funderburk of Rock Hill, S.C., and they have three children, Stephen, Charles and Cathy. Richard and his family attend the Warsaw Methodist Church.

Airport Gets Runway Funds

The P. B. Raiford Airport received a \$4,000 state grant to regrade and establish turf on eroded sections of runway safety areas.

Duplin County authorities were recently informed of the funds approved for 12 state airports by the state Advisory Budget Commission.

Thomas Bradshaw, Jr., state

Secretary of Transportation, said the money approval is "another indication of the Department of Transportation's commitment to develop a diversified transportation system in N.C." Bradshaw said development of air travel throughout the state will enhance community growth.

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