



Duplin Town Mayors And Commissioners Race Nov. 6

By Emily Killete

Elections for town commissioners and mayors will be Nov. 6 in each of the Duplin municipalities. Polls will be open from 6:30 a.m. until 7:30 p.m.

There are three commissioner seats up for election in Beulaville. The candidates are S.A. Blizzard, Jr., Franklin Boyette, Douglas Brown, Rabon Brown, Elvis L. Sumner and Vallie Turner. The seats will be vacated by Leland Grady, S.A. Blizzard and Franklin Boyette.

Calypso voters will be electing an entire board of commissioners and a mayor. Norwood Barfield, the incumbent mayor, is the only candidate in the race for mayor. Incumbent town commissioners, Libby Lewis Boykin, S.D. Davis, Jr., Cecil Aughey, J.R. Turner, Mosley Waters and challenger Jack Taylor will compete for the five seats on the town board. All seats are for two-year terms.

Three seats on the Faison town board and the position of mayor will be up for election. In the race for mayor, the incumbent, Mayor P. Bill Carter, will be challenged by W.R. (Bill) Clifton, Robert D. Kennedy and Peggy M. Ward. Candidates for the seats on the town board are Rachel M. Clifton, Billie H. Hollingsworth and Melvin Rogers. Going off the town board will be commissioners W. A. Frizzell, W.J. Igoe and E.L. Allen. Commissioner seats are four-year terms, and the mayor term is for two years.

Greenevers voters will elect a mayor and two town

commissioners, both to four-year terms. In the mayoral race is incumbent mayor Alex Brown and Alfred Dixon; and for the seats on the town board are incumbents J.W. Harrell and Nathan Murray.

Voters in Kenansville will be electing three town commissioners to four-year terms. Candidates for town commissioners are Ronnie Bostic, Glenn Thomas Braswell, Emmel Coggins, Donald Suttles, Mark Vinson and incumbents William P. Fennell, James "Jimmy" Johnson and Betty Long.

Two seats and the position of mayor will be up for election in Magnolia. Marjorie B. Pickett will run un-

challenged in the race for mayor, and incumbent Mayor Melvin Pope and Rudolph Becton, an incumbent town commissioner, will run as candidates for the town board. Going off the Magnolia town board will be Fred Archer and Bector, and Pope as mayor of Magnolia.

Rose Hill voters will be electing three to the town board of commissioners for four-year terms. Candidates for commissioners are incumbents Clarence Brown, Sr., Jerry H. Cottle, Jr., Keith Hinson, Charles Slemenda and Perry Whaley. Going off the town board will be Samuel H. Carr, Clarence Brown and Reid Fussell, Jr.

All five seats on the Teachey town board and the

mayor post will be up for election with three seats filling a four-year term and two seats filling a two-year term. The position of mayor will also be up for election. Candidates for town commissioners are incumbent James R. Boney, W.O. (Bill) Montford, Daniel Vance Norris, Bernard (Mike) Pisner, Henry (Zeke) Welles, Jr., and challenger Warren W. Henderson. Incumbent Mayor Ruby Ramsey runs unopposed for the office of mayor.

Wallace voters will elect three commissioners and a mayor. The commissioners will fill 4-year terms and the mayor will fill a two-year term. Candidates for mayor are commissioner Biggs and

Melvin Cording. Candidates in the race for the three seats on the town board are incumbent G. Arnold Duncan, Charlie Toal, David R. King, Sr., N.H. Carter, Charles Blanchard, Homer M. Boney, Jr. and Bobbie W. Marshburn. Leaving office will be Charles C. Farrior, mayor, and commissioners Harry Carlton and Thomas Townsend.

Three seats will be up for election on the Warsaw town board for four-year terms. Candidates for the seats as commissioners are incumbents J. Frank Steed, Marvin Sutton and Terry Quinn. Challengers are Billy Kennedy and Walter P. West.



Photo by Emily Killete

CLOWN DAY - at James Kenan High School brought out about fifty clowns who participated in the contest for the most original and for the best all-around clown. The winners

were Jimmy Frederick and John Phillips, as Siamese twins, who won as the most original, and Darlene Kornegay, who won as the best all-around clown.

Veterans' Week In Warsaw, Parade Nov. 10

The Warsaw Veterans' Week celebration will climax Nov. 10 at 11 a.m. with a parade which will feature over 80 units.

The parade will begin in front of the depot on Main Street and will continue to Highway 24 going by the old police department where the reviewing stand, and an area especially for the handicapped, will be located. The parade route will turn at the stoplight going up Highway 117 to end at the old Little Mint.

This year's parade will be dedicated to Mr. and Mrs. L.H. Brown of Warsaw. Brown is the last living charter member of the American Legion Post 127 which was organized in July of 1921. The Browns will be on the reviewing stand, along with the Warsaw High School football team of 1952 and the persons who will be judging the parade floats. Prizes will be given for the best float and band. First prize is \$100 in each category, and second prize is \$75.

According to Lloyd Parker, chairman of the Veterans' Day Committee, there are over 80 units participating in the parade. Parker says he expects to receive more entries by parade time. He said anyone who wishes to participate in the parade should contact Jackie Price at 293-7821 or call Mary Taylor, Veterans' committee coordinator at the Warsaw Chamber of Commerce. Parker added that a sidewalk sale will be held on Front Street, and any group interested in displaying arts, crafts, or any items to make money for their organization should contact Mary Taylor. The space is free. There will also be a farm implement display Saturday sponsored by the Jaycees. All events are free to the public. During the parade and

sidewalk sale, there will be a barbecue dinner at the Warsaw Fire Station. Plates will go on sale at 10:30 a.m. and will cost \$2.50 each. Also, the Bedford Amusements will have rides such as the ferris wheel, a slide, and swings set up near the fire department. The carnival will be open nightly through Veterans' Week and all day during the weekend.

Parker said the Dunn Clowns, and the James Kenan student clowns, which are sponsored by area businesses, will be walking in the parade Saturday. Also, there will be area high school bands, drill teams, floats, visiting beauty queens and visiting dignitaries.

Following the parade and activities Saturday morning, there will be a square dance at 8 p.m. at the recreation building. The public is invited to attend. Also, at 8 p.m. there will be a fireworks display at the new fire station. A second disco dance will begin Saturday night at 10 p.m. at the Warsaw Armory, with admission \$3 a person.

Other events scheduled for Veterans' Weekend will be a teenage dance which will be free to all young people. The dance will be held in the parking lot of the Town Hall, and it will begin immediately after the James Kenan homecoming football game and the music will be from the Roger Earp Disco of Wallace. In case of rain, the disco will be held at the Warsaw Recreation Building, and it is being sponsored by the Veterans' Committee. Also on Friday night, there will be the regular Bingo games at the Legion Hut. They begin at 7:30 p.m.

On Sunday, Nov. 11, memorial services will be held at Pinecrest Cemetery in Warsaw. Services begin at 2 p.m.

The Veterans' Week Celebration is sponsored by the Warsaw Jaycees, Rotary Club, Chamber of Commerce, Fire Department, Lions Club, American Legion and Rescue unit. The celebration is the oldest event of its kind in the country, Parker said.

Education Budget Hearing Nov. 7

Citizens and educators from Duplin are being invited to become involved in the budget-making process for public education in a series of hearings.

The first such forums being held in each of the eight educational regions is scheduled for the 17 school districts of Region 1 on Wednesday, Nov. 7 at East Duplin High School at 7 p.m.

The State Board of Education wants to find out from all citizens what they think

should be the top budget items as we prepare to make requests for programs and needs of the schools to the 1981 General Assembly," State Superintendent Craig Phillips said in announcing the hearings.

School systems in Region 1 include Brunswick, Carteret, Craven, New Bern, Duplin, Green, Jones, Lenoir, Kinston, New Hanover, Onslow, Pamlico, Pender, Sampson, Clinton, Wayne and Goldsboro.

Kenansville Water Bond Hearing Held

By Emily Killete

The second public hearing was held on the proposed Kenansville water project Thursday; the first referendum failed by a margin of one vote on Sept. 4.

Kenansville Mayor Douglas Judge said he felt the first referendum was not passed because of the poor turnout at the public hearing prior to the vote. He said most of the citizens in Kenansville did not know enough about the issue and did not turn out to vote.

However, less than ten were at the second hearing Thursday night, and the members of the town council agreed with Mayor Judge that information sheets on the proposed water project should be mailed to interested voters in Kenansville.

According to Judge, proposed water project will be funded 78% through grants which can only be received if the water bond referendum is passed by the town. The total cost of the project is \$769,000 with the town supplying \$170,000 of the cost. Judge said the town presently owes \$276,000 for water and sewer projects and with the cost of the proposed project, the total debt would be \$546,000. Judge said the state allows a town to be in debt up to eight percent of the appraised value of its property, and Kenansville's total indebtedness would be by 4.6% if the proposed water project passes.

Engineer Tyndall Lewis of McDavid and Associates explained that of Kenansville's three wells, only two are still operating. Lewis said one of the wells had gone out over a year ago. This well had been connected to Duplin General Hospital for a "fail safe" water supply. Now that the well no longer

produced water, the hospital is without water when repairs have to be made on the present water system, Lewis explained. The new water system would provide several connections from different directions which would insure the hospital a constant water supply, the engineer said. Lewis also stated the N.C. Division of Health Services recommends that municipalities provide storage capacity in an elevated tank equal to a one-day supply of water. Kenansville has a water flow of 220,000 gallons a day with the present storage tank holding 150,000 gallons, and the project is to include an additional 250,000-gallon storage tank. Lewis stated,

Also, to be added are cut-off valves, fire hydrants, water meters, three lines going out of town, and 40-year-old lines are to be replaced.

Lewis indicated that the new well site would be about one mile north of town on Highway 11. He said the town could pick up the most new customers in that area, and the well would be near the existing wells. Another line is proposed to go outside of town, south on Highway 11, which will be paid for completely by the state, and a third line will run out of town east on Highway 24.

According to Mayor Judge, the system will pay for itself but there will be an increase of \$1 over the present water rate.

The proposed water project is designed to serve Kenansville until 2000, based on the past growth figures, Lewis said. He added that the present Kenansville water system would have to be upgraded before the town could meet the present standards.

"If it (water bond) does not pass, the taxpayer will have to pay to get an elevated storage tank and well site," Mayor Judge said.

Funds for the proposed project will come from a \$356,500 FmHA grant, a \$169,500 N.C. Clean Water grant, and a \$73,000 Coastal Plains Regional Commission grant, and Kenansville providing \$170,000.



FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY - The officers of the Duplin Friends of the Library for 1979-80 are, left to right, Wanda Frederick, assistant secretary; Lauree H. James, secretary; C. Milton Rice, president; Mrs. N.B. Boney, historian; and William F. Frederick, vice-president.

Residents To Be Surveyed On County Wide Water System

Rural Duplin County residents may soon be asked to pledge support for a county-wide water system. A coordinator is to be hired to conduct a survey.

The county has received authorization to use CETA funds to hire a project coordinator for water system planning. The board of commissioners has endorsed the concept of a countywide water system, but so far the only action taken has been to commission a design for such a system by Rivers Associates, a consulting firm in Greenville.

Once a project coordinator is hired, he will begin a house-to-house survey of rural residents to determine support for the water system. At the time of the survey, those who support the project will be asked to pay a \$10 fee to be used toward the planning and construction of the water system. That fee would be applied later to the cost of hooking up to the waterlines.

According to Violet Phillips, a member of the Duplin County Planning Board, the planners were not always in favor of a county-

wide water system. But, she said, the planners changed their minds after hearing proposals from the FmHA about the benefits of developing such a system. FmHA would likely become the financing agency for a rural water system in the county.

The planning board will meet again the second Monday in November and hopes to have already hired the planning coordinator and begin planning in earnest.

Duplin is largely a rural county with about 40,000 residents, with 11,000 regis-

tered to vote. A referendum would be called for to approve the financing for a countywide water system. While the system would primarily serve the rural residents, voters of the towns would also have to approve the bonds for the system.

The goal of the countywide water system, according to planners, would be to link both rural and town water systems to provide a stable water supply for all users and provide the most economical water system overall.

Several towns in the county have only recently considered water bond issues. Faison and Magnolia approved water bonds, while Kenansville rejected a similar proposal by a margin of one vote.

Kenansville will hold another referendum of the water bond issue on Dec. 18.

Students

Injured In

Bus Accident

Several students received minor injuries Friday morning when a Duplin County school bus pulled too close to the side of a street in Warsaw throwing some passengers against the side of the bus.

Two students were treated and released from Duplin General Hospital.