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Rose Hill Hearing Draws Few Citizens

The final public hearing on Rose Hill's proposed \$650,000 water and \$437,000 sewer bond issues before the March 4 referendum drew an audience of four persons, two of whom were newspaper reporters last week on Tuesday night.

Neither of the town residents attending the hearing raised any questions. Neither of the previous two hearings on the questions were well attended. The greatest attendance was 12 at the second hearing.

The town board approved a letter describing the planned systems to be mailed to all residents this week, Mayor Ben Harrell said. Each question will be voted on separately, and either or both proposals could be approved or defeated.

The total cost of both projects would be \$3,650,000 with most of the money coming from state clean water bonds, Environmental Protection Agency funds and Farmers Home Administration grants.

Harrell said 31 people registered at a special registration for town voters on three Saturday mornings. town now has 641 registered voters out of an estimated population of 1,750.

Harrell said the town is under an EPA mandate to improve its sewage system. If the sewer bond project fails in March, a second referendum will be held later, he added. If that failed,

the town will still be obliged to improve the sewer system, but at higher cost to the city.

An auction will be held at noon Feb. 27 to sell a Ford 1963 dump truck. Bids had been asked, but the only one received was rejected by the board.

Police Chief James Masters reported the department spent \$1,000 in an undercover drug investigation during the past month

and that several of the 14 drug arrests during the past month resulted from the operation. These are scheduled for appearance in Superior Court in March.

A severe weather contingency plan was approved by the board with Clayton Herring, Jr., Jimmy Robinson and Clarence Brown voting for it and Jerry Cottle voting against the plan.

Duplin General Receives Recognition

Duplin General Hospital has been presented the American Hospital Association's Certificate of Recognition acknowledging its efforts to more effectively monitor costs and productivity.

Through participating in a management information program provided by Hospital Administrative

Services, a division of AHA, Duplin General Hospital is able to compare costs and productivity both internally and with other facilities of comparable bed sizes.

"Using the HAS program," said Administrator Richard Harrell, "we are able to gauge our own effectiveness and keep costs down. It also gives us a basis upon which future decisions

can be made." Duplin General Hospital has been utilizing HAS programs for several years and regularly uses the information in its cost containment efforts. They have begun to utilize the newest of the HAS programs, Monitrend, designed to provide even more effective management data, according to Harrell.



EAGLE SCOUT AWARD - Stuart Clute Hall of Kenansville is shown with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Dixon Hall shortly after receiving scouting's highest honor, the Eagle Scout Award. The presentation ceremony was held at the Kenansville United Methodist Church on Sunday.

Clute Hall Receives Eagle Scout Award

In an impressive ceremony, Stuart Clute Hall received the Eagle Scout

award during the morning worship service Sunday, February 17, 1980, at the Kenansville United Methodist Church. Clute, 18, is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Dixon Hall and is a member of Boy Scout Troop 50 in Kenansville. The award is the highest honor a scout can attain in scouting.

Jim Blanchard, Scoutmaster of Troop 50, was master of ceremonies. Leading the processional were Scouts David Gilbert Williamson, carrying the American flag, and Jimmy Blanchard carrying the troop flag. Scout Stephen Williamson led the congregation in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Carl Rice, district scout executive from Mount Olive, described the trail a scout must follow to attain the rank of Eagle.

Clute rededicated his life to scouting in a candlelight service as he repeated the scout oath and laws. Conrad Jenkins, former assistant scoutmaster, participated in the service by acknowledging in detail Clute's rededication.

John Hall, a former scoutmaster and an Eagle Scout, read a letter from the National office congratulating

Clute upon his achievement. The Eagle award was presented to Clute by his mother, and he presented his parents appropriate gifts signifying his appreciation for their part in helping him to become an Eagle Scout.

Presenting the Eagle certificate was Assistant Scoutmaster Steve Williamson.

The highlight of the service was the Eagle Charge given by Nate Hinkle of Beulaville, vice president of the Tuscarora Council. Using as his text, Isaiah 58, 11-13,

"That which you have received give unto others, be a restorer of paths for others to dwell in," Hinkle charged Clute with the responsibilities of an Eagle Scout. The Eagle Book of Honor was presented for Clute's signature by Rice.

Also participating were Eagle Scout Doug Costin, as the candidate's escort, Eagle Scout Keith Bland as his parents' escort, and Cub Scout Thomas Williamson as badge bearer. Charles Albertson provided special patriotic music for the occasion and the Rev. J.C. Stokes, Jr. prayed the Prayer

for Divine Guidance.

Clute began as a scout in the Cub Scouts at the age of 8. At 10 he was awarded the Arrow of the Light, which is the highest award obtainable as a Webelos Scout. Clute, a member of the Order of the Arrow, has attended summer camp several years, completed the 100-mile hike to Halifax in celebration of the nation's Bicentennial, and has hiked the Appalachian Trail. He has been a member of the High Adventure Troop in Wilmington.

In order to become an Eagle Scout, Clute earned 27 merit badges. For his service project, he taught the inmates at the Kenansville Correctional Center to construct a table with attached seats which is made without nails or glue. As a result of the project the construction of these tables is being taught in other correctional institutions throughout the state.

Clute is a senior at James Kenan High School. He played football at E.E. Smith and junior varsity at James Kenan. He is a member of the Kenansville United Methodist Church.

Warsaw-Kenansville And Wallace Rotarians

Hold Joint Birthday Party

A joint Warsaw-Kenansville and Wallace Rotary Clubs birthday party was held Thursday

night at The Country Squire to celebrate Rotary's 75th year of existence.

The party was attended by approximately 150 persons who were entertained by "The Sounds of

Music" from Wallace and Regis Ferruzza, visiting artist from James Sprunt Technical College.

Rotary got started when Paul P. Harris, a young Chicago lawyer, in 1905 called a meeting of friends on Feb. 23 of that year. He became known as the founder of Rotary. The name was derived from the fact that originally members met in rotation at their various places of business.

Rotary's program is expressed in its object, which is to encourage and foster the ideal of service as a basis of worthy enterprise. Rotarians follow four avenues of service: service to the club, vocational service, community service and international service. Rotary endeavors to advance good will, understanding and friendship, not only among its own members but among all the people of the world.

Jack Robinson, Wallace Rotarian, served as emcee for the evening, and got the party started by introducing Eddie Lockamy, also of Wallace, who led the group singing. The Wallace club had challenged Warsaw to a singing contest. As one Rotarian said afterward, "The results were obvious, but not announced."

John Weatherly, president of the Warsaw-Kenansville club was called on and made these comments: "The highlight of my experience in Rotary is these two clubs getting together on Rotary's 75th Anniversary. I hope that our motto, Service Before Self will not only make our lives better, but also help our whole country."

The entertainment by "The Sounds of Music," led by Ellis Henry Townsend, was entitled "Music Rotarians Have Grown Up With" or "Right on with Rotary." The group sang a medley of songs which were popular during the 75 years of Rotary. Mrs. Townsend also combined a brief history of Rotary from its beginning in 1905 until now, in 1980.

The closing song was a tribute to Rotary, "You Light Up My Life."



JOINT ROTARY BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION - (L to R) Bill Pope, president of Wallace Rotary, and John Weatherly, president of Warsaw-Kenansville Rotary, are

shown holding Rotary 75th Anniversary banner during a joint Rotary birthday celebration held at The Country Squire last Thursday evening.



"MUSIC ROTARIANS HAVE GROWN UP WITH" or "Right On With Rotary" was the theme of a medley of songs the "Sounds of Music" from Wallace sang during a joint Wallace and Warsaw-Kenansville 75th Rotary

birthday celebration held last Thursday evening. Pictured (L to R) Sanda Worsley, Emily Jessup, Ellis Henry Townsend, Harriet Williams and Linda Bizzell. Not pictured, Charlotte Jones at the piano.

Vocational Education Advisory Council Chairman Elected



Thomas Murphy

Thomas Murphy, vice president of the Rose Hill branch of United Carolina Bank, Whiteville, was elected chairman of the Duplin County Vocational Education Advisory Council at the Jan. 29 meeting of the council.

Murphy is originally from the Pink Hill area and a graduate of Pink Hill High School. He is a graduate of King's Business College in Raleigh, and a graduate of UNC Graduate School of Banking, Chapel Hill.

Murphy is a past member of the Rose Hill Jaycees. During his membership in the Jaycees, he at one time or another functioned in all official offices. He is currently a member of the

Rose Hill Lions Club, the Rose Hill Chamber of Commerce, and treasurer of the Rose Hill Industrial Development Association.

Murphy is married to the former Patricia Bell, and they are the parents of one son, Garry, who is currently employed by CP&L. The Murphys have resided in Rose Hill since 1968.

Concerning his election to the position, Murphy said, "I am honored to have been elected chairman by such a distinguished group of

people. It pleases me greatly to see this many outstanding citizens of the county take on the responsibility of assuring that our occupational education programs are of the highest possible quality. The fact that this council is officially recognized by the elected members of the Board of Education and the members of the Board of Trustees of JSTC is indicative of the impact this council can have on the occupational education programs of Duplin County."

Duplin General Re-Accredited

Duplin General Hospital was re-accredited by the Joint Commission on Accreditation of Hospitals.

"This means that our efforts to provide high quality patient care have earned professional recognition," said Richard Harrell, hospital administrator. "Earning accreditation shows that we care about the quality of services we provide and are committed to evaluate and improve them.

The decision to seek accreditation is voluntary and we are proud of our accomplishment."

The JCAH is the leader of the nation's voluntary efforts to raise the quality of care available. JCAH is a private, not-for-profit organization created by and composed of health care professionals. It was founded in 1951 and is governed by representatives of five organizations