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Charlie Whitley To Speak At Farm City Week

Congressman Charlie Whitley will be the guest speaker at the Duplin Farm-City Week celebration Nov. 25 at James Sprunt Technical College.



Congressman Charlie Whitley

The national farm-city week celebration begins Nov. 21 at James Sprunt with displays by local merchants, industry, agriculture and schools. The celebration will end with a farm-city night Nov. 25, featuring musical entertainment, a tractor-driving contest for county Future Farmers of America, guest speaker Charlie Whitley, exhibits and drawings for door prizes.

The speaker, Congressman Charlie Whitley, is a native of Mount Olive and was re-elected to serve his second term in the U.S. House of Representatives Nov. 4. Whitley served 15 years as an aide to Congressman David Henderson before being elected to the

office in 1976. Before working with Congressman Henderson in Washington, Whitley practiced law in his home of Mount Olive. He is married to the former Audrey Kornegay of Warsaw, daughter of former Duplin County Commissioner Lott Kornegay.

Whitley will be speaking at 8 p.m. in the Hoffer auditorium at James Sprunt. Farm-city week is being coordinated by the Duplin Agri-business Council, and the national theme for the 1980 celebration is "Partners in Progress." Farm-city night activities will begin at 7 p.m. in the Hoffer auditorium with a welcome by Duplin Agri-Business President Ebern Watson. Regis-

tration for door prizes and membership in the Duplin Agri-business Council will be in the Hoffer building. Trophies will be awarded to the tractor-driving contest winners following Congressman Whitley. Exhibits will be in the McGowan and

Hoffer buildings, with farm equipment displayed on the JSTC grounds. The farm-city week events are free to the public, and exhibits will be available for viewing during JSTC hours.

Farm-city week sponsors are Federal Land Bank Association of Clinton, Coastal Production Credit Association, Branch Banking & Trust, Duplin County Farm Bureau, Bank of North Carolina, United Carolina Bank,

Southern Bank and Trust, First Citizen Bank, East Federal Savings, Carolina Savings and Loan, West Building and Supply, Jackson's IGA, Jernigan Tractor and Farmer's Hardware.

Warsaw Town Board Approves Moving Tennis Courts

Warsaw Commissioners approved the moving of the tennis courts at the municipal park from the site of the old school foundation during a special meeting last week.

According to Warsaw Recreation Director Neale Turlington, All Steel Co. will not guarantee courts on the site of the old school foundation. And, park architects suggested the use of a stabilizing material to prevent the courts from becoming unlevel. The cost of the stabilizing liner is \$2,500, Turlington said, but All Steel will not guarantee the courts with the use of the liner. The problems with stability of the ground at the old school site results from the debris pushed into the basement when the building was being torn down. The brick and materials pushed into the old basement and covered with dirt continue to move, Turlington said.

A second alternative, Turlington said, is to move the courts into the open play area. Prior to the Thursday night meeting, Turlington said the architect had staked the open play area for tennis

courts. And, the land had been excellent for tennis courts, only requiring the removal of topsoil and filling in with clay or sand, Turlington said.

Members of the town board agreed to move the tennis courts and allow members of the Warsaw public works department to remove the topsoil and fill the area with clay or sand. Upon completion of the work by the town, All Steel will begin installing the courts.

The board approved an area east of Highway 117 as a well and tank site for the water improvement project. A second well site was approved on the west side of Warsaw for development in the project. According to studies from tests run at both well sites, no treatment of the water is expected, town engineer Charles Joyner said. The motion to develop the well site on Highway 117 allows construction of the tank to begin and installation of the distribution lines. The board also approved a resolution adopting a user-charge of \$1.50 per 2,000 gallons, with a minimum charge of \$4 for residential customers.

Joyner indicated the adoption of the resolution was necessary in order to continue with Step Two of the water distribution grant. And, he added, rates may change before the completion of the project.

The board awarded McDavid and Associates, the town's engineering firm, the contract to administer the Housing and Urban Development grant in Warsaw. McDavid and Associates entered a bid of \$49,050 for street engineering and drainage, and housing rehabilitation. The area of Highway 117 between Bay and Garfield Streets has approximately 34 housing needing rehabilitation, 13 will be demolished and seven houses are vacant in the target area of the HUD grant. According to Tyndall Lewis of McDavid and Associates, local contractors will be used to complete the necessary construction in the HUD grant.

A request to sell more property behind the old police station, along with the building, has been made to the town board through attorney Gene Thompson's

office. Gerald Quinn of Quinn Company in Warsaw expressed interest in buying the building if more property behind the old police station could be purchased. The board tabled the discussion at the Monday night meeting and instructed town clerk Alfred Herring, during the Thursday meeting, to measure the distance between the street, old police building, and Scout Hut, which is owned by the town.

The decision to install the XPCL, a device marketed to help save gas, was tabled until more information from towns of similar comparison with Warsaw can be contacted.

Commissioner Frank Steed was appointed as a delegate to a county meeting to select a Duplin Representative to the Neuse River Council of Governments. Johnny Hollingsworth, Nathan Costin, Billy Phelps and Owen Martin were appointed to the Warsaw planning committee. Hollingsworth was appointed to replace Dr. Mett Ausley, and other members are reappointments.

Rose Hill Bans Sale Of Items For Drug Use

An ordinance banning possession or sale of paraphernalia intended for illegal drug use was approved by the Rose Hill Board of Commissioners last week. It will become effective December 1.

A violation of the ordinance can bring on a fine of \$500 or two years in jail.

Police Chief James Masters reported to the commissioners that similar ordinances in other localities had been upheld by the courts. The ordinance is aimed principally at sale of items for illegal drug use, he said.

The board also approved a loan resolution which will allow it to borrow \$375,000 from the Farmers Home Administration to finance the town's sewage treatment plant.

Ninety-three percent of the town's registered voters turned out Nov. 4 to cast ballots for or against the proposed bond issue. The certification of the votes showed 676 persons were registered to vote and 382 voted for the proposal and 192 voted against it.

Town Planner Woody Brinson said the state Environmental Management Commission would meet No-

vember 13 and was expected to allow a variance permit to allow an additional 2,100 gallons per day discharge from the present sewage treatment plant until the new plant can be built.

The variance will allow the town to go ahead with a \$800,000 grant from the federal Department of Housing and Urban Development to renovate 43 homes in the Yellowcuff section and provide sewer service to the area. The variance will also allow the town to add a 41-unit housing project for the elderly and handicapped to its sewer system. It will also be able to add eight new

single family dwellings per year to the system.

Brinson said planning and paper work on the new sewage treatment plant will delay actual construction until November 1981.

The board tabled action on a request of the Department of Transportation to provide utility service to a rest area on the proposed I-40 extension two miles east of town until it can determine if the town could add other customers to the line. DOT said it would pay costs of laying the line and a monthly fee when the line went into service.

Wallace Board Wants Promises In Writing On Town Computer

The Wallace Board of Commissioners are demanding that terms of a proposed agreement on programming the town's computer be put in writing before the board approves the measure.

Mayor Melvin Cording told the board at its meeting last Thursday night, the town was promised four programs when it purchased the computer a year ago from the Burroughs Co., but that it has only received two — programs for payroll and utility billing. However, he said, it has not received the contracted programs for budgetary accounting and tax billing.

"We were promised all programs would be in and operational before the first year was out, and we don't even have two of the programs installed yet," he said. The town purchased the computer in November 1979.

The company representative, Bob Thornton, told the board Burroughs had contracted with a third party, Dean Todd, to install the programs. He said Todd

owned the programs, which he had copyrighted. However, Todd has left the Burroughs company, Thornton said, and the company and Todd have been unable to reach an agreement on the purchase of the programs.

Richard Burrows, town attorney, said the Wallace contract called for Burroughs to be responsible for installing the programs and, thus, it is Burroughs' problem, not the town's.

Thornton made three alternative proposals. These were:

• The company will install the programs and train operators if the town can obtain the programs from Todd and get a letter of authorization for their use.

• Burroughs would provide the two missing programs from another source, but the computer would be unable to operate all four programs simultaneously. It would have to be reprogrammed for each operation.

— The company would install four new programs, replacing the two now in use,

but this would mean the town would have to take all the information now in the programs out and transfer it to the new programs. Burrows said Todd should be held financially responsible for part of the extra labor involved if this alternative were adopted.

Thornton told the board he would have the proposals presented to the board in written form as soon as possible.

Burrows said Fairmont, Red Springs and Elizabethtown are having the same problem with Burroughs. He told the board he would contact those towns on the possibility of taking joint action against Todd.

The town's contract with Burroughs for the programming totaled about \$7,000. It has paid about \$4,000 and is withholding payment of the remaining \$3,000.

Graham Phillips told the board the Rotary Club wants to donate \$2,000 to the Thelma Dingus Bryant Library for the trustees to use as they see fit. If the money is given directly to the

board of trustees, the board must turn it over to the town, which would have to include the sum in next year's budget.

Burrows said the club could donate the money to the town, designating what it wanted done, or the Rotarians could give the money to the Friends of the Library, specifying what that organization should do with the funds. Another alternative is for the club to purchase and give items to the library.

The board approved \$500 for a study of potential water supply sources for the town with Henry Von Oesen Associates of Wilmington. The study would include information on planning for additional water sources as needed and on budgeting for them.

Town officials have estimated that the town's water usage has increased about 16% in a six-month period.

Bids for a street sweeper will be opened December 4 at a special meeting of the board. The board has appropriated \$35,000 for the project.

Duplin County Arts Council Honors New And Past Directors

Four past directors of the Duplin County Arts Council were honored Monday night at the November meeting of the council board.

The four completed a three-year term on the board in June. They are Edriel Ausley of Warsaw, who served as president from 1977-1979 and as vice-president from 1979-1980; Anne Craft of Kenansville, who served on the board from 1977-1980; Laura Barwick of Warsaw, a board member since 1977; and Evelyn Buckley of Wallace, who also joined the board in

1977. Sally McGahey, vice-president, presented the past directors with plaques of appreciation.

Four new members began three-year terms in June. They are Pat Broadrick of Warsaw, Claudia Hollingsworth also of Warsaw, Eddy Lockamy of Wallace, and Betty Long of Kenansville.

Mrs. Broadrick is the wife of Dr. Gary Broadrick and the mother of two sons. She attends the Warsaw United Methodist Church where she serves on the administrative board and teaches Sunday school. A native of the

western part of the state, she has lived in Warsaw for five years.

Mrs. Hollingsworth, third and fourth grade teacher at Warsaw Elementary school, has lived in Warsaw for 10 years. A native of Roanoke Rapids, she is married to Johnny Hollingsworth and has two sons. Mrs. Hollingsworth is a member of the Warsaw Baptist Church and the Warsaw Garden Club.

A native of Wilmington, Lockamy works with E&B Oil Company of Wallace. He and his wife, the former Faye

Baker of Wallace, attend the Wallace First Baptist Church, where Lockamy serves as minister of music.

Mrs. Long works as a teacher's aide at Kenansville Elementary school. Among her many civic activities, she serves on the Kenansville Town Board and is president of the Beautification committee. Married to Elbert Long and mother of one daughter, she attends Kenansville United Methodist Church. Mrs. Long is a native of Sampson County.

Warsaw Apparel Co. Has New Owners

Fred Lawson, president of Courtland manufacturing Company, announced last Thursday the purchase of the Warsaw Apparel Company. The new owners expect to reopen the plant December 1st.

Mrs. Ida Matthews of Faison will be the plant

manager and she will be at the plant on Yancey Street in Warsaw from 3-5 p.m. on Monday, November 24, to receive applications for employment. Ultimate employment opportunities are not known at this time.

The plant will begin operations with the production of ladies' blouses.

Warsaw is the third plant Courtland Manufacturing Company operates in North Carolina.

Lawson expressed appreciation to the former owners, Mrs. Matthews and John Gurganus of the development commission for their assistance.

Quinn Appointed To UBC Board

Milford Quinn, president of Quinn Company, Inc., Warsaw, has been appointed to the board of directors of United Carolina Bankshares Corporation, Whiteville.

Quinn Company is a wholesale grocery supplier which services chain and independent grocery stores in Eastern North Carolina.

Quinn is a graduate of Beulaville High School and a distinguished alumni of

Campbell University, Buies Creek, of which he is a trustee.

In addition to having served as a director for United Carolina Bank for the past several years, Quinn is a member and past chairman of the Duplin County Development Commission; director of the Independent Grocers' Alliance, Chicago; director and consultant to the Consolidated Companies,

New Orleans; past president of the N.C. Wholesalers Association, and past president of the Warsaw-Kenansville Rotary Club.

Quinn is married to the former Reba Sanderson and they have four sons. They are members of Warsaw Baptist Church of which Quinn has served on the Board of Deacons, and is past chairman of the building fund and finance committee.



THREE-TIME CONSERVATION WINNER - Richard Boyce of Wallace, the 1979 Duplin Conservation Farmer of the Year, was awarded the Area Six Conservation Farm Family of the Year award for 1980 in Kinston last night. And, in January of 1981, the Boyce family will be awarded the Eastern Region Farm Family of the Year. The Eastern Regional Farm Family Award will be presented for the first time in 1981, along with two

other regional conservation farm family awards. Boyce will receive the coastal plains award for conservation. On the Boyce farm, there are approximately 10 acres of grassed waterways and borders around cropland. Boyce has been working with the Duplin County Conservation Service since 1978 to stop water erosion on his 283-acre farm.