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Democrats To Appoint School Board Member

The Duplin County Democratic Executive Committee will meet at 7:30 p.m. on Thursday, Sept. 10, to appoint a new member of the Duplin County Board of Education in the main courtroom of the Courthouse in Kenansville.

The law requires that a successor to Mrs. Patricia

Broadrick be selected from either Warsaw, Faison, Magnolia, Rose Hill or Kenansville precincts. Any Democrat from these precincts who is interested in filling this position is invited to come to the meeting and speak on behalf of their candidacy.

Party Chairman Melvin Williams said, "The oppor-

tunity to fill a seat on the Board of Education points out the importance of Democrats attending the annual precinct meetings. Forty of the 46 members of the executive committee were elected at the 1981 precinct meetings, while six were elected at the 1981 county convention."

Williams said, "The Exe-

cutive Committee represents a good cross-section of Duplin County Democrats because its membership includes rich and poor, black and white, women and men. The number of votes each precinct casts at our meetings is determined by that precinct's vote for Governor in the last general election."



THE DUPLIN COUNTY OUTDOOR DRAMA SOCIETY board members selected Jimmy Johnson as general manager and David Thomas as director for the 1982 LIBERTY CART season during a board meeting on Monday. Johnson and Thomas will manage THE LIBERTY CART operations on an interim basis until formal contracts are drawn. Johnson has served as technical director for THE CART for three years, assisted in planning the William R. Kenan Jr. Memorial Amphitheatre, and worked with the 1949-50 productions of The Duplin Story. He is board director member of the D.C. Outdoor Drama Society and a Kenansville native. Thomas is a graduate of Appalachian State University with a degree in theatre arts

and has a very impressive background in theatre production in all capacities. He served as stage manager of THE CART in '81 and was production coordinator this season. This fall he begins studies for a double MFA in directing and arts management in Virginia. L.S. Guy was appointed by the board members to replace the late Charles Yelverton on the board of directors. The board unanimously voted to draw up a Resolution of Appreciation to Rich Boyd for his excellent services to the Outdoor Drama Society. Boyd is leaving Duplin County this week to pursue a new directing position at Opryland, U.S.A. in Nashville, Tennessee. Pictured above, left to right, Jimmy Johnson, Rich Boyd and David Thomas.

Catfish Grower Plans To Sell Fish Next Year

Production of catfish continues to intrigue North Carolina farm pond owners, but few have actually attempted the project and even fewer have succeeded.

Glanton Holland of the Beautancus community, about seven miles east of Faison in northern Duplin County, grows catfish in his pond "just for fun."

However, the 67-year-old Holland plans to sell catfish next year. He plans to retire, which will leave him with

more time to work with the pond and fish.

He plans to double the size of his one-acre pond next year. He dug his pond out to a depth of 14 feet and put fish in it in March 1980. Some of the catfish now weigh five pounds. The pond also has some seven- to eight-pound bass and one-pound perch.

Holland believes depth of the pond had much to do with the livability of his fish.

"Most folks lose their fish

in shallow ponds. In hot weather a pond must be over three feet deep. The hot sun takes oxygen out of the water," he said.

Holland buys feed in 500-pound lots at 15 cents a pound for his fish. He said one pound of food makes one pound of fish.

"You can't catch fish during the midday heat in hot weather. You fish in late afternoon or at night," he added.

Holland feeds church

groups, ball teams from Faison and North Duplin schools, Boy Scouts and Jaycees. They use his fish pond house and catch the fish without charge.

"Fishing with a cane fishing pole is an art," Holland said. "A catfish can break the pole. You must pull up on the fish as soon as he hits. Once a catfish takes a nose dive for the bottom, you've lost him. If you're not careful, he will rip the guts out of a small reel."

Community Theater To Meet

Persons interested in joining the Duplin County Community Theater should attend a meeting Thursday, September 3 at 7:30 p.m. at the old Kenansville Elementary school (beside the amphitheater).

On the agenda for the meeting will be discussion on the formation of a Board of Directors, as well as the selection of a play for the fall.

Members will consider "On Golden Pond" by Ernest Thompson, a play about an elderly man obsessed

with death who is rejuvenated by his 13-year-old grandson. Roles include an elderly man and his wife, their daughter and her husband, their son and the mailman.

The next Community Theater production will be November 20, 21 and 23.

The Community Theater staged "Aaron Slick From Pinkin Crick" June 11, 12 and 13 as their first play.

Anyone interested in any aspect of theater, including acting, direction, staging,

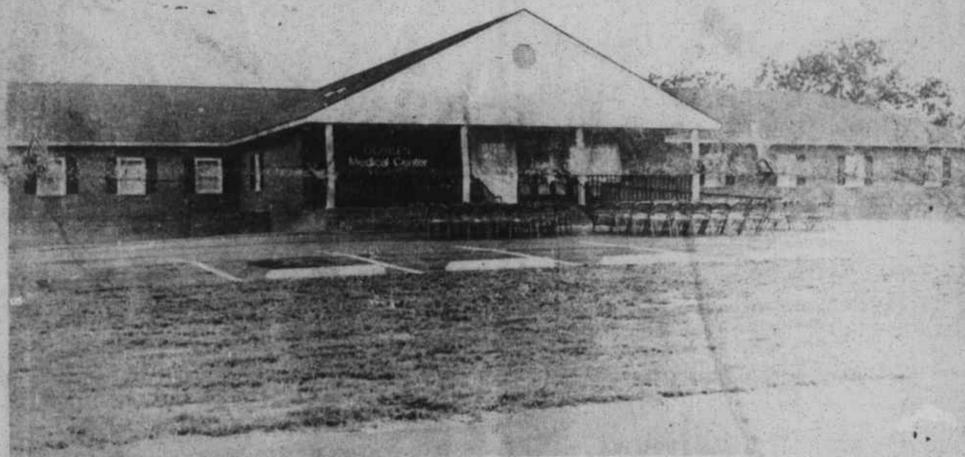
lighting, set building, publicity, costuming or the Board of Directors is welcome to attend the meet-

ing. For further information, call the Duplin County Arts Council at 296-1922.

Bloodmobile To Be In Kenansville

The Red Cross Bloodmobile has been scheduled to be at the Kenan Memorial Auditorium on September 10

due to the urgent need for blood at this time. The time is from 10 a.m. until 4 p.m.



GOSHEN MEDICAL CENTER DEDICATED - Dedication ceremonies for the Goshen Medical Center in Faison were held Saturday afternoon with Senator Harold Hardison as guest speaker. More than 100 attended the event. Glenn Jernigan, chairman of the Goshen Medical Center Board of Directors, recognized the board members present at the dedication, as well as members of the initial planning committee of the center, the staff and several area residents who contributed to the establishment of the

medical center. Presentations were made to the Taylor family of Faison who donated the land for the center, and to the Goshen Medical Center Director George Wallace. Saturday was Wallace's last day with the center. The Goshen Medical Center is fully operational with one full-time physician, one part-time physician, one dentist and ten staff members. The center's hours are from 9 to 5, Monday through Friday.



Mrs. Son-Of-A-Gun Uses Baby Doll Bottle To Feed Tiny Squirrel

Almost two weeks ago the squirrel's mother, while moving her babies from tree to tree, apparently dropped or misplaced this small furry fellow. He now makes his home in the sleeve of an old sweatshirt. He sleeps most of the time curled in a ball. If he gets hungry and his new mom is not around, he lets out a loud shriek.

After a tug at the baby doll bottle, he likes his nose wiped with a soft tissue and sits perfectly still while Donna wipes his little nose. Of course he insists on the soft "puffs." If not in his shirtsleeve nest, he prefers to be in the pocket of the shirt Donna is wearing. Here too he curls up and sleeps, occasionally peeping out.

His natural mother taught him some good house rules before she dropped him. When it is time for him to use the bathroom (Nature's call) he comes scurrying out of the shirtsleeve and over to the corner of the box to do his business.

He sleeps all night, usually wanting to be fed around 9 a.m. and again around 1 p.m., then about four or five in the afternoon he wants to be fed several times. So far he will only take milk — no nuts.

He fell from a large oak tree on Hill Street. William Martin introduced him to his new parents. If he lives to adulthood, we might get him on a TV commercial for tissues...



Norma Cates Dies

The funeral for Norma Phaup Cates, who in 1978 became the first woman to receive the North Carolina Public Service Award, was held Saturday.

Mrs. Cates, 62, died Thursday after an extended illness. The funeral was held at Faison Presbyterian Church with burial at Faison Cemetery.

Mrs. Cates was past president of the North Carolina Federation of Women's Clubs. At the time of her death, she was chairman of the federation's board of trustees.

A News and Observer Tar Heel of the Week in 1967, Mrs. Cates received the Lady Bird Johnson Keep America Beautiful award in 1977 for her activities with Keep North Carolina Beautiful Inc.

She was immediate past president of Keep North Carolina Beautiful, having headed the organization since 1974. She was a charter member of the Tar Heel Fine Arts Society, and at her death was chairman of the Faison Historical Association.

Surviving are her widower, George H. Cates; son, John E. McKinley of Atlanta, Ga.; step-daughter, Marsha Graf of Moscow, Idaho; mother, Mrs. Leroy Phaup of the home; and three grand-