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Duplin Home To Be Included In Governor's Solar Homes Showcase

The energy division of the North Carolina Department of Commerce and the Alternative Energy Corporation announced the selection of a Duplin County solar house for inclusion in the Governor's Showcase of Solar Homes. Diane Newsom of Beulaville will be opening her home to the public the weekends of Feb. 20-21 and 27-28. The house is located at the Greenleaf Apartment Complex off of Rt. 24 in Beulaville. It will be open from 10 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. on Saturdays and 1-4:30 p.m. on Sunday.

The Governor's Showcase of Solar Homes is a program featuring moderately priced and conventionally styled homes throughout the state.

"By the end of 1982, this Showcase project will give all the people of our state a chance to see first hand how cost-effective a solar investment can be," Hunt said in announcing the program. "Every one of our citizens should be able to visit several Showcase homes and see a variety of solar designs in less than a day's drive."

The Newsom home is an apartment in the distinctive looking Greenleaf Complex. All the buildings are oriented so that they face south and don't obstruct each other's view of the southern sun. The most striking features of the apartments are the south facing "trombe" walls. These are floor-to-ceiling masonry walls with panels of

fiberglass fixed several inches in front of them. Solar radiation is trapped in the narrow space between the wall and the panel and heats up the air and masonry. Vents in the wall allow this warmed air to rise naturally into the living space. The greenleaf apartments were financed by the Farmers Homes Administration, and rental costs are very moderate. They are beautifully designed to maximize energy efficiency, privacy for residents, and useable interior space.

Showcase manager John Manuel said, "We've been impressed with the number of moderately priced solar homes in the State and the low energy bills their owners

are reporting. These people are usually very proud of their houses and are eager to enter them in the Showcase. Public response to the Showcase has also been excellent. Over 3,500 people visited our first 10 solar homes in western North Carolina in December. Some people drove over 200 miles to see all of the homes featured in the region."

The Newsom house is one of 16 solar homes open to the public in southeastern North Carolina during the last two weekends of February. Maps to Showcase homes in other counties will be available at the Newsom house and will be printed in local newspapers. Directional signs will also be placed along the highways.



MILFORD QUINN - (third from left), a member of Campbell University's Board of Trustees, and his wife Reba (fourth from left), both of Warsaw, take part in the groundbreaking ceremony of Campbell's new Taylor Bott Rogers Fine Arts Building. Also participating in the

ceremony were Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Stancil (first couple on extreme left) of Rocky Mount, Rev. Tom Freeman (fifth from left) of Dunn, Dr. Tom Fleming (third from right) of Tarboro, and Dr. and Mrs. P.C. Purvis (couple on extreme right) of Fairmont!

Goldsboro Firm Gets Warsaw TV Franchise

The franchise for installing a cable television system in Warsaw will go to Beasley Broadcast Group of Goldsboro.

The Warsaw town board granted the franchise to Beasley, one of two cable TV companies seeking the business during its meeting last week. Univision of Richlands also had made the town an offer.

Univision has the franchise for non-urban areas of the county as well as franchises for Kenansville, Wallace, Rose Hill and Beulaville.

The Beasley group's offer included 21 channels on the air and a total of 35 channels with two-way capability for the future. It offered 17 channels for the base rate of \$8.50 per month. The town is to receive three percent of the gross revenue as a franchise fee and an additional one percent of the gross for

use of a town water tower for the company's antennas.

Univision proposed 16 channels for the base rate of \$8.95 per month and three percent of gross revenue as a franchise fee. Both companies offer included movie and sports channels for additional fees.

Installation is scheduled for completion within six months. The Beasley group's performance bond of \$20,000 is to be at the town hall within 30 days.

Ron Segars, the Beasley representative, estimated that the company would invest nearly \$200,000 in the Warsaw system.

This past spring a franchise was granted to Clear-Tel Cablevision Co. of Hope Mills, but the company was unable to make financial arrangements. It relinquished the franchise in December.

Hendrix-Barnhill Co. of Greenville received the contract for a 12-inch sewer line to extend 3,700 feet along Best Street between South Front Street and the sewage treatment plant on a bid of \$98,323.40. It was the lowest of 11 bids offered. Engineers had estimated the line would cost \$125,000.

Construction is scheduled to start in late March. Completion deadline is 120 days from the start of work.

The board also agreed to supply water and sewer service to a state rest area on N.C. 24 that is 1.25 miles west of the city. The rest area also would serve the I-40 extension if that road is built. The state will pay for the extension.

The town received the final bill of \$11,000 for its share of the cost of widening N.C. 24 for 1.5 miles from the railroad track to the western city

limits. The road was widened from two to four lanes.

The town's share was 20 percent of the cost. It already has paid \$26,000. The board authorized town clerk Alfred Herring to pay the \$11,000 in two installments. No date was set for the payments.

Joel Smith, owner of an amusement arcade, asked permission to install pool tables in the arcade. The town has an ordinance against pool tables. Mayor Sam Godwin directed town attorney Garrett Ludlum to investigate issuing a special permit for the pool tables.

Douglas Williams presented a petition to the board asking for drainage improvements in the southern end of town. He was told that when the new sewer line is installed, the town would be able to improve drainage in the area.



VIOLET PHILLIPS - (second from right), a member of Campbell University's Board of Trustees, and her husband Hubert (third from right), both of Kenansville, take part in the groundbreaking ceremony of Campbell's new Taylor Bott Rogers Fine Arts Building. Also participating in the

ceremony were Robert Harris (extreme left) of Eden, Earl Pardue (second from left) of Burlington, Earle Ryals (third from left) of Greensboro, and Mrs. Martha Sue Todd (extreme right) of Windsor.

Rose Hill Agrees To Chlorinate Wells

The Rose Hill town board decided last week to purchase chlorination systems for two city wells. The town will pay \$600 each for the systems from Hartsfield Water Co. of Kinston.

State laboratory checks of town water samples last week turned out well, the board noted, but in November coliform bacteria were found in test samples. Board members said the chlorination should reduce possibility of future contamination.

In other business, the

board referred a request from Homer Brown of Rose Hill to the planning board for study. Brown wants Oak and Elm Streets on the north side of town extended to provide lots for 25 houses. The plat covers part of a new vacant area between the end of the streets and the state animal disease diagnostic laboratory north of Rose Hill.

Clayton Herring, fire chief, said the department needs a new tractor-truck to pull its water tank. He said the department has \$6,000 on hand. Estimated cost of

the vehicle is \$20,000. Commissioner Keith Hinson suggested the department look into the purchase of a 5-year-old vehicle, saying poultry firms, for example, were buying used equipment to haul chickens.

Mayor Ben Harrell said that as most of the water tank's use is in the rural area, the county should share in the cost. The county contributes \$300 a year to the fire department and \$250 to the rescue squad. Harrell said the town has a \$30,000 fire engine provided by do-

nations and county funds.

The board commended Fuzzy Buckner, Craig Raynor and Jackie Johnson for providing resuscitation and possibly saving the life of a Rose Hill man.

Harrell said the Duplin County Municipal Association was to meet at 7:30 p.m. Feb. 18 in the Rose Hill Restaurant. Wilmington Mayor Ben Halterman and S. Leigh Wilson of the League of Municipalities would be present. Wilson will be the speaker.

Magnolia Board To Ask CP&L To Extend Line To Sewage Stations

The Magnolia town board agreed to ask CP&L to extend a three-phase power line to two sewage lift stations despite a dispute between the town and its contractor — SoPar Utilities of Jacksonville — over who should pay for the work.

Last week the board voted to use funds allocated in the contract to pay the estimated \$6,342 cost of installing the line, pending settlement by arbitration of the dispute.

The decision of the American Arbitration Association is expected next month. If the decision goes against the town, it will use contingency funds and interest to pay for the work.

The town contends the contract with SoPar called for the three-phase line to the lift stations on East Main Street and at the intersection of McRae and Blanton streets. The company insists this is the town's responsibility.

Carolina Power & Light Co. told town officials earlier that a single phase line would have been sufficient to

handle the loads and that it would have installed this at no cost to the town. A three-phase line, as specified in the contract, is much more expensive, and the company told the town it would be unable to recover its cost in reasonable time without charging for the extra cost.

CP&L several months ago estimated the cost at \$9,757. Because some clearing and other work has been done in the areas involved, the company reduced its cost estimate recently to \$6,342.

Town Attorney Garrett Ludlum said Tuesday night, "Had we had these figures four months ago we probably could have worked it (the dispute) out with them (SoPar)."

He added, "With these new figures we might be able to negotiate something and get this thing over with. Everybody is losing. It's costing the town and it's costing SoPar because it hasn't completed the job and received its final payment."

The town of 592 people has been unable to make full use

of its new sewage facilities without electric power to the two lift stations.

The contract for \$289,297.95 originally called for completion of the system on Aug. 1, 1981. A change order delayed the deadline to Sept. 1, 1981.

After the town and con-

tractor were unable to agree on who should pay for the power line, the company stopped work on the project.

The town claims it should receive damages because the company failed to comply with the contract. It claims it should have been able to put the lift stations into service last fall.

Schools Targeted For Energy Study

The Duplin County schools are participating in a one-year program sponsored by the N.C. Alternative Energy Corporation and the state Board of Education to study options designed to cut electric power costs.

Kenansville Elementary in Kenansville is one of 56 schools selected as a demonstration project.

J.L. Rhodes, maintenance supervisor, is serving as the project coordinator and Kermit Holland has been

named as the technical coordinator for the schools. Wilbur E. Carr, principal, and his staff make up the remainder of the local team that will be working closely with state field coordinators. Together they will initiate and implement an electrical load management program for the school designed to save energy dollars.

Various methods are available for use in cutting costs including some that require little or no expense.

Old Faison Church Is Born Again

Not all old church buildings perish. Some are resurrected.

The 125-year-old St. Gabriel's Episcopal Church of Faison was slated for extinction. It no longer had a congregation.

The four-year-old Elizabethtown parish had a congregation but no church.

One day last month the old building was uprooted from its familiar foundation, loaded on a house-moving rig and carried to Elizabethtown 50 miles away, where it soon will begin life with a new congregation as St. Christopher's Episcopal Church.

The 35-member Elizabethtown church group had organized in 1978 as a mis-

sion of Grace Episcopal of Whiteville. The group first met in Our Lady of the Snows Catholic Church and then in the former Methodist parsonage in Elizabethtown.

Betsy Cole of Elizabethtown discovered the Faison building. The St. Christopher's group obtained permission from Bishop Hunley A. Elebash of the Episcopal Diocese of Eastern North Carolina to try to move the building.

The building was uprooted and moved Jan. 22. It was set on a lot on N.C. 87 on the western edge of Elizabethtown near the Robinwoods Development. That area 200 years ago was identified as St. Martin's Parish.

The diocese paid for moving the church. Local parishioners raised the money for renovation.

The building is constructed of heart pine with a concave ceiling, bell tower and hardwood flooring, said senior warden Aubrey Smith.

The 1,300-square-foot building was designed to seat 150 people. Smith said the church lost its congregation as its members either died or moved their church allegiance to nearby Clinton.

Reconstruction will cost \$30,000 to \$35,000, Smith said. He estimated an entirely new building and furnishings would cost \$100,000 or more if a building had to be built.

Nora Clark, a member of the vestry, credited the Rev. Charles Walton, who was rector of the Whiteville church in 1978, with helping organize the Elizabethtown mission. "He served as our priest in the formative stages of the parish," she added.

St. Christopher's has contracted with a priest from Chapel Hill to serve as supply priest two Sundays each month.

"When we finish the church, we will search for a full-time rector," Smith said, "and we plan then to add an early morning communion service."

Other vestry members are Larry Hathcock, Ted Prichard and Aubrey Flint.