

# NC Arts Council Awards Grants

The N.C. Arts Council has awarded \$321,495 in grants supporting arts activities across the state. The announcement comes from Gov. Jim Hunt and Sara W. Hodgkins, secretary of N.C. Department of Cultural Resources.

Grants were awarded in the following categories: Artists-in-Schools, Public School Challenge, Management Service Organizations, Salary Assistance, Local Government, Workshops, Creative Projects, Literary Arts, Music, Special Projects, Theatre Arts, Visual Exhibitions Exchange and Visual Arts Initiatives.

\$32,580 was awarded to nine organizations which place individual artists or professional companies in schools. Jointly sponsored by the NCAC and the National Endowment for the Arts, the Artists-in-Schools program supports school residencies in architecture, dance, film, theatre,

jazz, poetry, folk arts and visual arts/crafts. Residencies may range from one week to 18 weeks.

Local recipients of Artists-in-Schools grants include \$6,750 to the Clinton City Schools (Sampson) for one-semester theatre residency and \$750 to the Community Council for the Arts (Lenoir) for one-month visual arts/crafts residency, and \$240 to the Jones County Schools for one-week poetry residency.

Under the Public School Challenge program, \$14,125 was awarded. Like the Artists-in-Schools grants, the Public School Challenge grants must be matched dollar-for-dollar. These grants must be matched with funds appropriated from the public school budget. The grants assist elementary and secondary schools in supporting residencies by professional artists.

Local recipients of the Public School Challenge grants include \$1,000 to the Duplin County Arts

Council for 17 one-week artists' residencies.

Twenty-six grants totaling \$39,987 have been awarded to local governments across the state. The Local Government Challenge program is designed to encourage city and county government to increase their support for local arts programs. Grants awarded through the program must be matched dollar for dollar by the increased portion of the arts allocations from city or county budgets.

Area recipients of local Government Challenge grants include \$2,000 to Kinston for general operating support, an outreach program, and the Black Artists' Guild's programs — Community Council for the Arts, and \$2,000 to Lenoir County For Street-A-Gair festival and the Black Artists' Council for the Arts.

Seventeen non-profit professional

theatres received grants totaling \$46,111 for basic operating support. Special grants are also available to provide scholarships for the productions of new plays by North Carolina playwrights.

Guidelines for theatre projects are established by the Theatre Arts Board which reviews applications. Judy Chavis, director, said, "Theatre continues to be one of our leading industries and we are proud to encourage and reward the professional companies who are splendid contributors to our state and region."

Recipients of Theatre Arts grants included \$1,000 to "The Liberty Cart" for salary assistance for the cast, crew and the administrative staff.

Grant funds are provided through an appropriation from the N.C. General Assembly and federal funds from the National Endowment for the Arts.



## EMC Youth Tourists Visit Washington

Four high school students representing Four County Electric Membership Corp., Burgaw, prepare to leave Raleigh for a week-long visit to Washington, DC as part of North Carolina's 1984 Rural Electric Youth Tour. They are, from the left, Lisa Bryant, Rt. 2, Bladenboro; Julianna Smooth, Clinton; Chris Deal, Rt. 1, Watha, and Releata Baker, Rt. 2, Rose Hill. More than 30 youths were selected to participate in the tour through contests sponsored by various EMCs across the state. The Tar Heel group joined about 1,000 young people throughout the country for various programs in the nation's capital. While on the tour, the group visited the members of the North Carolina congressional delegation, various government agencies, the Smithsonian Institution museums, Arlington National Cemetery, Mount Vernon, the White House and other points of interest.

## Anniversary Hymn

All churches in Duplin County are being asked to join churches all over the state in singing "A Mighty Fortress" on July 15 during their service of worship to help celebrate our country's 400 years.

The 400th Anniversary Music Advisory Committee, using the guidelines that the hymn should be "of the period, familiar, available and singable," recommends that all denominations use "A Mighty Fortress" by Martin Luther.

You are asked to help spread the word to churches throughout the county to take part in this local and state method of singing praises to God and country.

Other hymns the committee felt appropriate to include in a service are: "All People That on Earth" (1561); "Jesus, the Very Thought" (late 12th century); "Jesus, Thou Joy" (late 12th century); and/or "Lord Jesus, Think on Me."

## Duplin Craftsmen Selected To Expo '84

A record number of craftsmen will be demonstrating and selling their craft when crafts Expo '84 opens its doors on July 7 and 8 at the Crystal Coast Civic Center in Morehead City.

Participating from Duplin County will be: Jessie Hall of Warsaw with baskets; Peggy Quinn and George Smith of Mount Olive with oak splint baskets; Bobby and Kathryn Teachey of Wallace with folk art painting, punched tin, wood lamps and sculptured lamp shades; Tim and Mary Batchelor of Beulaville with wind chimes, ruffled accessories, stenciled linens and musical pillows; Emogene Sackett of Pink Hill with wood furniture; and Gail Wells and Debbie Garris of Rose Hill with their folk art wreaths.

Expo '84 is sponsored by the home economics committee of the Neuse

Area Development Association and the North Carolina Agricultural Extension Service. May H. Spicer, home economics extension agent, stated that Expo '84 is a juried show and is held to provide a showcase of quality crafts produced in the nine-county Neuse area. Admission is 50 cents for adults and children under 12 are admitted free when accompanied by a parent.

The fair will open on Saturday at 10 a.m. and close at 5 p.m., and Sunday, 1-5 p.m. Mark your calendar for July 7 and 8.

This year's fair features some crafts not seen previously. These include tobacco stick creations, fold art, oak splint baskets, wind chimes, schperenschnitte and a record number of other favorite crafts. Participating counties are Carteret, Craven, Duplin, Greene, Jones, Lenoir, Onslow, Pamlico and Wayne.

## 1984 Red Cross Fund Campaign Report

George Garner Jr. of Kenansville, fund manager for the Red Cross, reported the following contribution totals: Vera Turner, Albertson, \$118.17; Cathy Blizzard and Charlie Chasten, Beulaville, \$340.42; Mrs. Willie Bowden of Bowdens, \$15.44; by mail, Calypso Plywood, \$34; Marsha Hunter, Cedar Fork, \$129.05; Mrs. Walter Rhodes of Cabin, \$165.85; Beth Warren of Faison, \$304.00; Mrs. John Miller of

Hallsville, \$77.00; Louise K. Boney of Kenansville, \$801.90 (First Place); Mrs. Turmin Alphin of Oak Ridge, \$139.33; Marjorie Pickett of Magnolia, \$245.78; Hazel J. Williams of Sarecta, \$18.50; Hilda Grace Smith of Smith's, \$25.00; Mrs. E.D. Wells Jr. of Teachey, \$156.00; and Sherlyn Clark and Pearl Maye of Warsaw, \$711.97 (Second Place); and Ann Sholar of Pin Hook, \$25.00. This totaled \$3,308.21 for the campaign.

## ACS Publications Donated To County Library

The Duplin County unit of the American Cancer Society has recently donated several publications to the Duplin County-Dorothy Wightman Library. These should be helpful to cancer patients and their families.

One of the objectives of the service program of the society is to offer information and guidance. These publications will enable the ACS to reach a broader base of people and offer guidance and support to those who are suffering from the stress of cancer.

Available are the following: Victorious Journey by John Fisher; Hanging in There by Natalie Spingarn; Cancer Care by Harold Glucks-

berg, M.D. and Jack Singer, M.D., Young People with Cancer and Science and Cancer, both publications of the National Cancer Institute.

Copies of the cassette tape, "Help Yourself, Tips for Teenagers with Cancer," have also been donated.

All the materials contain medical information and practical tips gathered from cancer patients. It is the hope that these materials will bring understanding of medical aspects, cancer treatment and resources for coping with the changes that cancer will bring to the lives of many.

For more information about patient services, contact Mrs. Bettie Lanier of Rose Hill.

## Attend NAACP Convention

A fully-loaded 47 passenger bus will leave Duplin County bound for the national NAACP convention in Kansas City, Mo. on Saturday, June 30th.

The Duplin County branch, North Carolina's largest, will be allotted five voting delegates at the 75th convention and five alternates. The Duplin delegation will leave Warsaw at 10:30 a.m., Saturday, June 30, and return July 8, according to R.E.

Wilkins, Duplin's membership and finance chairman. The group will travel straight through and will be housed at the Century Inn in Kansas City.

"We will be celebrating the Golden Jubilee anniversary of the nation's largest, oldest and most respected civil rights organization and six citizens will receive awards at the membership luncheon," he said. Wilkins will make special

presentations to the most effective membership chairmen from across the nation on July 6th.

Richard Miller, Duplin County long-time president, has been invited to dine with Ben Hooks, executive director of the NAACP on Thursday. This promises to be a lively convention studying options open to cope with the growing plight of Black citizens of the U.S.A., Wilkins said.

### FAMILY REUNION

The family reunion for Roland and Edith Mercer family will be held Saturday, July 7th at 1 p.m. at the home of Morris and Helen Mercer of Cypress Creek. Bring a covered dish. Paper plates, drinks, etc. will be furnished. Relatives and friends are invited. For information call 285-5443 or 298-3770.

### Village Duplicate Bridge Club

The Village Duplicate Bridge Club held its regular session June 29 and welcomed Willie Duckworth visiting from Burlington. The winners were: First - Lee Allred of Rose Hill and Willie Duckworth; Second - Emma Cavenaugh of Wallace and Pony Quinn of Beulaville; Third - Fran Bever and Kay Autry of Kenansville.

All players are invited to play duplicate bridge every Wednesday morning at 10 a.m. at the Rose Hill Restaurant. Since the restaurant will be closed the week of the Fourth of July, the club will play in the home of Thelma Weatherly of Warsaw. After the July 4th game, the club will return to the Rose Hill Restaurant.



A Sample Of Duplin Crafts Going To Expo '84 In Morehead City.

## Fair Booths Available

Duplin County Fair booths are now available to commercial exhibitors.

The 1984 Duplin County Fair will be Oct. 1-6 in Kenansville.

Booths are currently being assigned on a first-apply basis. Spaces are eight by eight feet or eight by six feet and rent per booth

varies.

For additional information contact Emily Killeter at 296-0239 or Jim Johnson at 296-0721 or write the Duplin County Fair, P.O. Box 470, Kenansville, NC 28349.

A limited number of spaces are available.

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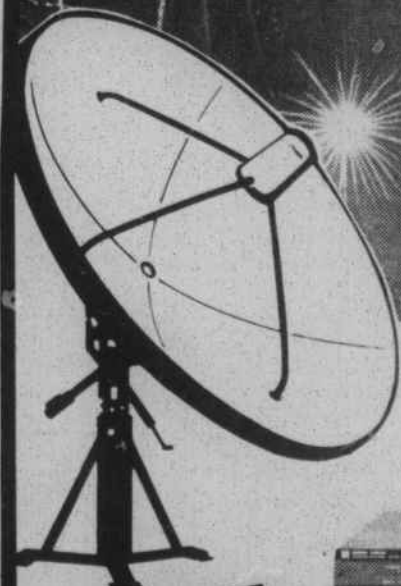
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