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Warsaw Veterans' Dance Features Local Artist

The Warsaw Veterans' Day celebration is planned for Nov. 9 in Warsaw. The 1985 theme is the Vietnam Years.

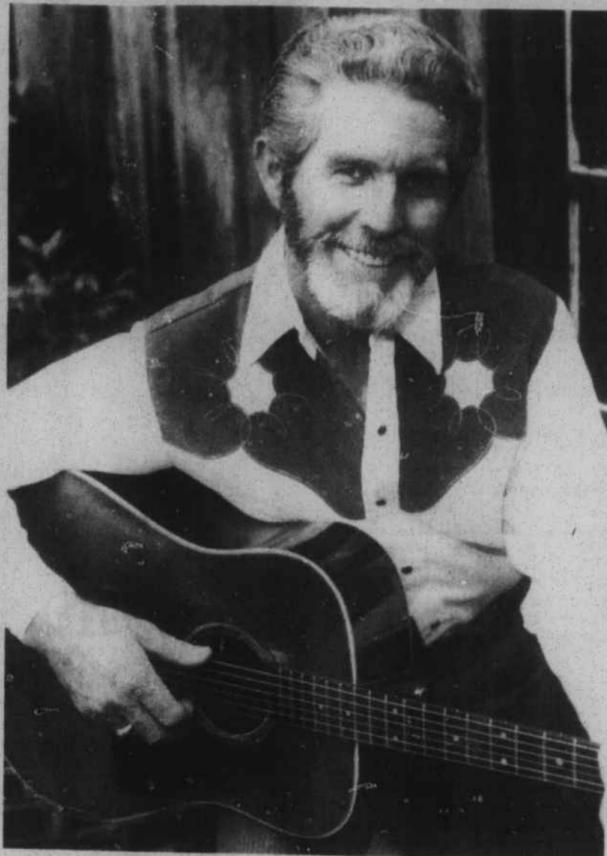
This year's celebration is the 64th annual event in Warsaw and the Veterans' Celebration Committee is currently accepting participants for the parade and sidewalk sale. Participants and entries for the parade will be accepted until Nov. 1. To participate in either the parade or the sidewalk sale, contact Mary Taylor at the Warsaw town hall. The sidewalk sale begins Nov. 9th at 8 a.m. The 1985 Miss North Carolina Joni Bennett Parker will appear at the Warsaw Veterans' Celebration. She is from Fayetteville.

The annual Veterans' Celebration dance is scheduled for Nov. 9 at the Warsaw Armory. Featured entertainment is Charlie Albertson and his band. The dance begins at 9 p.m. and tickets are \$6 single and \$10 couple. Free refreshments are included. Tickets for the Veterans' dance can be purchased at the Warsaw Southern Bank, Warsaw Drug, Brill's Florist, Quinn's Variety in Kenansville, Ray Carroll's in Beulaville, Gowan Drug in Wallace,

and Frederick Furniture in Rose Hill.

Throughout the celebration the Celebration Committee urges the public to participate through wearing or displaying a yellow ribbon for the Vietnam soldiers listed missing in action. Warsaw businesses are urged to participate through sponsoring a float in the parade or setting up a Vietnam display.

And, the Celebration Committee urges the public to remember the Duplin boys killed in Vietnam. Sgt. Alex Houston of Pink Hill, Staff Sgt. Herbert J. Artis of Rose Hill, Pfc. Dennis Earl Basden of Beulaville, Staff Sgt. Arthur Best of Kenansville, Staff Sgt. Allen Lewis Boney of Warsaw, Spec. 5 Robert Allen Brown of Rose Hill, Capt. David Carroll Burch of Faison, Spec. 4 Charles Grey Costin of Warsaw, Machinist Mate 1st Class Paul Edwin Gore of Faison, Lt. Litchfield Patterson Huie of Warsaw, Cpl James Juna Johnson of Rose Hill, Pfc Jammie Jay Lanier of Magnolia, Spec. 4 Dallas E. McKinney Jr. of Magnolia, Sgt. Clarence Leon McNeil of Warsaw, Staff Sgt. Lawrence Edward Philyaw of Bowdens, and Sgt. William Irvin Turner Jr. of Bowdens.



Charlie Albertson

Warsaw Seeks Money For Gym Renovations

The Warsaw Gymnasium is in good condition, but would be even better with about \$50,000 in renovations, Steve Moore told the Warsaw Town Board last week.

The gym was built by the Works Progress Administration in the 1940s and board members questioned if the building was in good shape. The gym was once part of the former Warsaw High School, which has been torn down.

Moore, chairman of the town's Recreation Commission, said the gym was inspected and the foundation and pillars are good. "They just don't build a building like that anymore," Moore said.

Work is needed on the floor and vinyl siding would improve the exterior, he said. The commission also wants to build an addition that could be used by small groups. Now, if a small group such as an exercise class wants to use the gym, the entire building, which is uninsulated, must be heated.

Moore said the commission's proposals would cost about \$50,000. The commission would raise funds to equal money provided by the town, he said.

The board told him to present cost estimates at the next board meeting.

In other business, the board agreed to sell one of two town-owned lots advertised for sale.

The board accepted a \$4,000 bid from Dwight Smith for a lot at Hill and Railroad streets. Smith owns a dry cleaning business next to the lot. Commissioner Billy Kennedy was the only one to oppose the sale, saying the bid was not high enough.

The town acquired the land when

the American Legion moved a building off the lot and gave the property to the town.

Two bids for a lot at N.C. 117 and North Street were rejected. Esther Hurst, who owns a motel that adjoins the lot, bid \$8,500. Commissioner Graham Hood was the only one who voted to accept the bid.

Martha and Bobo Potter bid \$6,000 for the lot.

The tax value of the lot is at \$8,160. Several years ago, the Town Board used about \$12,000 in Community Development Block Grant funds to buy the lot and a burned house on it. The house was torn down.

The Town Board reappointed members to two boards. Reappointed to the Alcoholic Beverage Control Board were Roy Barwick, J.G. Henry and Marvin Sutton. Keeping seats on the Board of Adjustments were James Martin, Bryant McKiver, Matthew Leondries, Douglas Pigford and Everett Westbrook.

Although board members liked the idea, they tabled a money-saving proposal from Town Clerk Alfred Herring who requested \$3,500 to buy a base station and two walkie-talkies for the town's water system.

Herring said water meter readings from the field could be transmitted from the field to Town Hall where a worker could immediately compare it to the previous reading. Now, the process involves comparing two books.

Herring said the walkie-talkie system could save his \$3,500 cost in six months. The commissioners asked Herring to report back after he got another bid for the system.

Parker, Emmer, Wilson Named North Duplin Morehead Nominees

Three North Duplin seniors have been selected by the school to compete for the John Motley Morehead Scholarship.

Melanie Parker, 17, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James A. Parker, Mark Emmer, 17, son of Mr. and Mrs. Gene Emmer, both of Calypso, and Rodney Wilson, 17, son of Mr. and Mrs. Tommy Wilson of Faison, will be interviewed along with other Morehead nominees in Duplin County on Oct. 21.

The county selection committee will make its recommendation to the District committee not later than Nov. 1. Final interviews will be held in Chapel Hill.

Miss Parker is the editor of the yearbook, treasurer of the Beta Club, treasurer of the Student Council and

past-president of her class.

She attended the East Carolina University Scholars weekend, the Governor's School, the state and national Closeup program and has many academic awards to her credit. These awards include first place in the Science Fair, medals for Algebra I, Algebra II, Geometry, Physical Science, Biology, Chemistry, World History and U.S. History, chief marshal, and has received the coaches' award for tennis.

Miss Parker has consistently been on the A Honor Roll and was invited to the Duplin County academic banquet. She is a member of a youth group at the Faison Presbyterian Church, a member of the North Duplin Flag girls, and has been on the Quiz Bowl team. She also is a

member of the Future Business Leaders of America, Science Club and Spanish Club.

Miss Parker enjoys reading, dancing, music and all kinds of sports. Her goal is to become a chemical engineer.

Emmer has been a member of the All-County Chorus for two years, been involved in the Duplin County, North Carolina, and Washington D.C. Closeup programs and is a member of the tennis team.

He is on the A Honor Roll and attended the Duplin County academic banquet the past two years. He is a member of the Beta Club, Science Club, Spanish Club, Future Business Leaders of America, and serves as youth advisor in the Calypso Presbyterian Church.

Emmer plans to study pre-law in hopes of attaining a law degree in the future. He enjoys reading, music and chess.

Mr. Wilson has attended the Governor's School, is the president of the Beta Club, a member of the Student Council, Science Club and Spanish Club.

He has attended the state and national Closeup programs, and serves on the annual staff. He was invited to the Duplin County academic banquet and is on the football team.

Wilson has been selected for the All-County Chorus and will audition soon for the All-State chorus. He enjoys music, singing, reading and sports. His goal is to major in music.

Duplin Schools Fight Health Problems

The Duplin County Board of Education approved a plan last week to coordinate the schools' health curriculum with several service agencies in the county in an effort to combat health problems facing children.

School Superintendent L.S. Guy outlined the plan to improve the schools' role in dealing with child abuse, respiratory problems, after-school child care and other health-related matters.

The plan would set up a coordinated effort among the school system, the Duplin County health, social services, and mental health departments, the Goshen Medical Center and Vocational Rehabilitation.

Guy said representatives of those

agencies are willing to meet with school officials and allow students needing help to be referred to them and to provide information that goes beyond what is already covered in the school system's own curriculum.

The school system teaches state-approved health and living courses in grades kindergarten through 12.

"Teachers are not trained to the same degree as specialists are," Guy said in requesting the coordinated program.

Also, the board voted to change its regular meeting time from 8 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. beginning with its next meeting Nov. 5.

The board also heard an update from Bill Brown of the N.C. Department of Education on results of school testing programs.

Tar Heel Fine Arts Season Opens With Acrobats

On Tuesday, Oct. 29, the Tar Heel Fine Arts Society will begin its 1985-86 concert season. The Chinese Golden Dragon Acrobats and Magicians of Taipei will perform at 8 p.m. in Kenan Memorial Auditorium.

The Chang Family, formerly members of other distinguished world-traveling companies, have now formed their own company and, along with accomplished friends, will make their first tour of America this year.

There is nothing quite like them in

the western world. This troupe of 20 performers will demonstrate Chinese acrobatics in all its variety. You will witness super-human acts of levitation, kung-fu and some of the most mind boggling magic acts in the world. The age old illusions of the mysterious East will be performed by the master magician of Taiwan.

Chinese acrobatics is far more than merely a series of stunts. It is an ancient and integral part of the Chinese culture and is based on a desire for man to find perfect

harmony between mind and body and thus achieve perfection. Magic, too, goes back over 2,000 years in Chinese culture and has provided the basis for much of what we in the West think of as "magic."

Children are spellbound and adults are simply amazed at the artistry of the Chinese Dragon Acrobats and Magicians of Taipei. The Changs have appeared in numerous television shows including Merve Griffin, Dinah Shore. That's Incredible, etc. They have presented

their show in Madison Square Garden and many other leading auditoriums throughout America and in many foreign countries. The Changs are the most distinguished family of Chinese performers in the world today.

Acrobatics and magic combine for a very special evening on Oct. 29 at Kenan Memorial Auditorium at 8 p.m. Season tickets will be available at the door for \$12.50 for adults and \$5 for students. Plan now to spend your evening with the spectacular Changs.

Duplin Celebrates 200 Years Of Justice

When the first court session was held on the present site of the Duplin County courthouse, 200 years ago last week, its business included an orphan's apprenticeship and the inheritance of a man who had recently come of legal age.

To mark the 200th anniversary of the present county seat, Sonny Sikes, and employee of the county health department and president of

the Duplin Historical Society, read some of the minutes of that court session to the Board of County Commissioners Monday.

Sikes said the first court was held Oct. 17, 1785. That day, the minutes showed, the court ordered "Jasper Cox, orphan, 12 years old on the 15th of last June bound (as an) apprentice to Nicholas Sandlin, until age 21 to learn the trade of shoemaker and to

read and write and cipher as far as the rules of three."

That court 200 years ago also ordered the clerk to furnish "Thomas Carroll, orphan and son of Thomas Carroll, deceased, who proved himself to be 21 years of age" with records of the elder Carroll's estate.

In a related matter, Sikes told the board he has collected \$1,667.46 toward the cost of a monument for the courthouse square to honor veterans of all wars of the United States. The board approved another \$1,000. Sikes is attempting to raise \$10,000 for the project.

In other business, the commissioners approved transfer of \$703,503.77 in school construction funds from the county to the board of education. They cautioned the school administration to keep unused portions of this money invested to obtain interest.

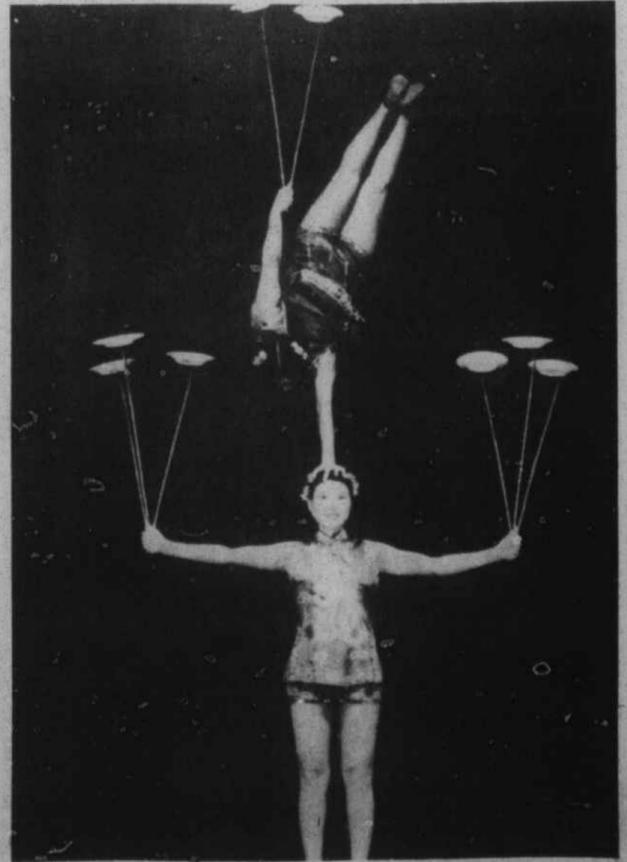
The commissioners appropriated \$1,485,900 last spring for construc-

tion at James Kenan High School. The project now is in the planning stage. Supt. L.S. Guy said some money would be required soon to pay for a topographical map of the grounds.

The board approved striking from the record \$1,035 in ambulance bills because the patients had moved from the county and \$3,070 because the uncollected bills were more than three years old — beyond the statute of limitations. The bills involved 126 people.

The board re-appointed Tom Rabon of Warsaw and Calvin Turner of Albertson to the mental health board for four-year terms. Turner is a county commissioner.

Tyndal Lewis of McDavid Associates reported \$91,000 of a tornado aid grant has been spent on 11 families. The grant financed rebuilding of four homes, purchase of five mobile homes and relocation of two renters.



CHINESE GOLDEN DRAGON ACROBATS

Murphy Appointed Co-Chairman

Rep. Wendell H. Murphy of Duplin County has been appointed by Speaker Liston B. Ramsey as co-chairman a special committee to study the problem of leakage and water contamination for underground storage tanks.

To be conducted by the legislative

research commission, the study will include the nature and extent of the problem and whether legislation is necessary.

Murphy, a Rose Hill agribusinessman, is chairman of the House Health Committee. He represents Duplin and Jones counties in the 10th House District.