

Students Display Artwork



Art enthusiasts Calvin Dowdy, Steven Herring and Jeff Van Buren, left to right, hold examples of their work done in art classes sponsored by the Morehead City Art club. The classes meet each Friday afternoon at the Morehead City school. An exhibit is planned for May. Instructors are Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Griese.

The Morehead City Art club is filled to capacity and has a waiting list, according to its instructors, Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Griese of Richlands.

There are 22 members who meet every Friday afternoon after school in the lunchroom building of the Morehead City school.

The instructors' policy is to help any worthy and talented child with free art lessons. The child need only buy supplies.

The talented and public-spirited Grieses also conduct classes in Dixon, Richlands and Jacksonville. Their work is part of state exploration in development of formal and professional art in North Carolina schools.

The club is planning several projects: a trip to the art museum at Raleigh, sketch trip to the home of Mrs. E. C. Nelson, Ho Ho Village; an art exhibit in May of about 125 pictures where the Tercentenary committee of the county will be invited to display items of interest and garden clubs will be invited to display floral arrangements in keeping with the Tercentenary.

The club will show historical pictures done by its members. Mr. Griese expresses his appreciation to the principal, Lenwood Lee, for his keen interest in art. The club plans to make Mr. Lee, and the school secretary, Mrs. John Wagner, honorary members.

Club members are the following: Scott Shelton, Stephen Herring, Sherril Horne, Calvin Dowdy, David Morrison, Charles Sharp, Jeff Van Buren, David Phillips, Jean Wagner, Winnie Nelson, David Newberry, Sarah Hamilton, Jo Wood, Becky McCabe, Guy Peaham, Vincent Onorio, Elizabeth Bullock, Beatrice Martin, Charles Jarvis, Annie Taylor, Billy Barbour, Helen Baily.

Commission Approves New Rates for Water

● Beach Rate Changes Effective Now

● Increase Ups Income By \$1,000 Yearly

The State Utilities commission has granted the rate changes requested by S. A. Horton, operator of the water system at Atlantic Beach. The decision was unanimous and was made Wednesday at Raleigh. The rate changes will provide a \$1,000 gross revenue annual increase to the water company, according to George McNeill, town attorney for Atlantic Beach.

The changes establish a uniform schedule of rates, Mr. McNeill noted. The new rates are effective immediately.

All rates were not affected by the change. Small businesses, for example, remain at \$30 a year water rental and hotel rates remain the same. They are the rates approved by the commission Aug. 19, 1955. Commission went into the question.

Mr. McNeill said the utilities Commission went into the question thoroughly and gave an extensive report in issuing its decision. The order is signed by chairman Harry Westcott.

The new rates do away with the \$15 per season rate and charge a flat \$25 a year.

Duplex apartment rental units will now pay \$25 per unit annually.

Motels will be \$10 per room per year, and \$15 where cooking facilities are available; trailer courts will pay \$25 a year for the first trailer and \$10 annually for each additional trailer; fishing piers will pay \$100 annually, or \$75 a year if they do not have showers or ice machines.

Coast Guard Makes Assists

Fort Macon Coast Guardsmen made two assists Tuesday, one of which involved removal of an injured crewman from a merchant vessel.

Joseph Norman, 57, suffered deep cuts on his arm aboard the vessel Comayagua. The Coast Guard was notified at 3:30 a. m. Tuesday and met the ship two miles south of the sea buoy.

Norman was returned to Fort Macon at 6:35 a. m. and was transferred to A. M. ambulance for the trip to Morehead City hospital.

Manning the Coast Guard 40-footer were Bernard Williamson, BM3; George Godley, SNBM; and Kirby, EN1.

Bill Johnson, Spooner's Creek, notified the Coast Guard at 11:07 a. m. that a 42-foot Chris Craft was aground three miles west of the beach bridge in Bogue Sound. The craft was owned by William W. Johnson of Weatherfield, Conn.

Williamson, Kirby, Larry Medlin, SN; Blanchard, BM3; and Smith, EN2, pulled the craft free with the 40-footer.

Civil Defense Report Made

A detailed report on civil defense operations in the county during 1961-62 was given county commissioners Monday.

Training and test exercises have been held during the past 18 months. The county's survival plan has been printed and 50 copies published, public meetings held, Fort Macon designated as a radiation fallout shelter, 22 men trained as radiological instrument operators and an extensive radio communications network set up.

Total cost of the radio system, some of which was borne by individuals, was \$4,239.50. Surplus property was purchased at a cost of \$887.10. This property is owned by the county and includes five emergency generators.

The report recommends that a permanent hurricane preparedness committee be set up, that the county civil defense director be appointed a special deputy, that only authorized CD personnel have identification stickers for vehicles and that letters of appreciation be sent to the following for their assistance in the CD program:

R. C. Salter, Mrs. W. J. Ipock, Dr. David C. Farris, all of Beaufort; Dr. Harold Peacock, Sea Level; Mrs. Georgina P. Yeatman, Open Grounds, and George King, Morehead City.

Chief of services in the survival plan should also receive formal thanks, according to Harry Williams, county CD director.

Vote of 127-12 Gives Area County Chamber of Commerce

Fire Destroys Trailer



All that is left of a trailer is this charred twisted monstrous piece of metal. The trailer was one of the larger "mobile home" types.

A trailer occupied by the Donald Smith family was destroyed by fire at 2 p. m. Monday. The trailer was located south of the A&W drive-in, west of Morehead City. Mr. Smith is manager of the drive-in.

Mr. and Mrs. Smith and their three children are now at Salisbury but plan to return here in about a week.

Nothing was saved from the flames. Mr. Smith said he believes the fire started around the heater. The children escaped from the trailer with only their underwear on. Neighbors answered an appeal for clothing.

Morehead City firemen answered the alarm.

Newport Medical Center Fund Drive Needs Support

R. Dixon Asks For Law Officer

Roosevelt Dixon, Broad Creek, appeared before the county board of commissioners Monday to request a constable in the Broad Creek area. Mr. Dixon said there was a need for law enforcement between Broad Creek and Cedar Point.

Mr. Dixon said that he would accept the job if appointed. Wiley Taylor Jr., county attorney, asked Mr. Dixon what township he lived in. Mr. Dixon said "Morehead." Mr. Taylor said Morehead township already has a constable, Buck Newsome, and there can't be two. Chairman William R. Hamilton said that the county plans to put a deputy sheriff in the western part of the county when it draws up the 1963-64 budget.

P. L. Burt of the Cedar Point section filed for justice of the peace in the last election — or so he thought. Instead, he filed for constable by mistake (White Oak township). But he doesn't want the constable's job, according to the clerk of superior court. So there is no constable in White Oak township.

J. Stancil Bell, chairman of the fund-raising committee for the Newport Medical Center, today sized up the status of the campaign. More money is needed and needed fast.

In a special statement, Mr. Bell said:

The proposed Newport Medical center MUST have MORE support if it becomes a reality. Much work and effort has been exhibited by a few, but we MUST have teamwork, concern, and cooperation of all committee members and the interest and support of all Newport community citizens and the good wishes and help of others outside our community.

First, we have gotten the approval of the Sears Foundation to extend the pledge date to March, 1963. They were hesitant about extending the time, but with some explanation for the requested extension, they gave their approval.

We have pledged to date around \$15,000. We must raise \$10,000 additional, making a total of \$25,000 before the Sears, Roebuck Foundation will give us the building plans and allow construction to begin.

The treasurer, Bob Montague, is now bonded up to \$40,000 and he is banking the loans as cash is received. The profit from the various entertainments is being used

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Commissioner Willis Renews Plea for Paving Nassau Road

Road problems consumed the first hour of the county commissioners' meeting Monday morning. Commissioner Headen Willis commented at length on the state highway commission's "traffic count" on roads, one of the factors that helps determine whether a road is eligible for paving.

Commissioner Willis said that the state doesn't go by traffic count. He said that J. L. Humphrey, county road superintendent, is not to be blamed for this situation, "but there's not a paved road leading off from a primary road in the Smyrna-Williston area. Every other community has all the roads it wants."

He said the Nassau road at Williston should be paved. It was approved for paving years ago and one person on the road prevented it because he wouldn't give the right-of-way.

Today, the commissioner said, there's enough traffic on the road to warrant paving but it never gets scheduled. Mr. Willis said he's not

trying to prevent any other roads from being paved, he wants the people to have all the paving they can get, "but don't let people think we're paving by traffic count when we're not."

William Roy Hamilton, county chairman, said that use of a road by school buses, location of churches and residences on the road, also are considered in determining whether a road is to be paved.

Mr. Humphrey said that there are about 75 miles of road unpaved and this consists of many little roads less than a mile long.

Commissioner Willis presented a petition requesting that the Nassau road be paved. The petition was accepted for forwarding to the highway department.

A petition was also accepted from Donald Gilgo, Atlantic, for a road there. A request for ditching at Davis and a letter requesting paving of road 1121, a loop road at

A vote of 127 to 12 has changed the name of the Greater Morehead City Chamber of Commerce to the Carteret Chamber of Commerce. Votes were tallied at the chamber directors' meeting Wednesday night at the Hotel Fort Macon.

Announcement of the outcome was met with a round of applause. Votes, which were returned to the chamber office by mail, were counted by J. C. Sherrill, J. R. Sanders, and Bill Strickland.

The directors advocated the name change in the hope that more businesses throughout the county would be inclined to back the chamber. The chamber during the past ten years has publicized the entire county and has had officers from various parts of the county, but went by the name of Morehead City chamber of commerce and more recently, Greater Morehead City chamber of commerce.

Discussed was the site for the proposed new chamber building. President Ben Alford said that the chamber would present first, second, third and fourth choice sites to the state at a meeting at Southport next Friday with the hope that a decision will be made immediately.

The chamber is seeking use of state-owned land at Camp Glenn. Grady Rich, contractor, suggested that all materials donated for the building be assembled at one point and all persons given the opportunity to donate cash or materials toward construction.

The board approved publication of names of chamber members, with re-publication as new names are added.

Frank Cassiano, retirement chairman, made a report. It was announced that the membership committee will meet Monday night.

President Alford informed the board that the state is now behind the camping site proposal at Fort Macon and it is hoped that action would be taken before summer. Fort Macon is a park operated by the state.

Read was a request from the Havelock Women's Bowling association inviting the chamber to sponsor a team in the national tournament.

The following committee was appointed to make recommendations as to the best methods to attract traffic to this county from Virginia when the Chesapeake Bay bridge-tunnel opens in 1964: William Daives, chairman; Mrs. Clayton Fulcher Jr., Dr. S. W. Hatcher, and W. L. Derrickson.

Appointed to work with Ocracoke civic leaders in promotion of traffic between Carteret and Ocracoke were Bill Strickland, chairman; J. R. Sanders, Charles McNeill, W. L. Derrickson and Ben Alford.

Mrs. Fulcher was appointed to study means of offering tourists information at Cedar Island when the Ocracoke-Carteret ferry starts docking there.

Attending, in addition to those mentioned, were Ken Newsom, G. E. Sanderson, George Phillips, who acted as secretary in the absence of manager P. W. Bullock, and Dr. Russell Outlaw, a visitor.

Newport Board Talks About By-Pass Plans

● State Wants to Have Hearing in September

● Project Will Cost \$2,151,000

Mayor Leon Mann announced at the Newport town board meeting Tuesday night that the state highway department will hear people's opinions on the proposed Newport by-pass in September. Date of the hearing will be announced.

Mayor Mann showed the commissioners the preliminary planning file on the highway, which was given him recently by the advance planning division of the highway department.

Three routes are proposed but the highway engineers prefer the route they call "alternate 3," which is the west by-pass. (To get properly oriented, it must be remembered that highway 70 runs north-south through Newport, not east-west as most people think.)

The "alternate 3" route by-passes Newport on the side of the town on which the railroad runs.

The other two routes are east of the town. Mayor Mann said that the highway department prefers route 3 because it is better adapted to a 60-mile speed limit. They also predict that traffic on it will double and triple in the next 20 years and the land through which it will run is less built up than the areas for the other routes.

Commissioner C. H. (Dick) Lockey and mayor Mann visited the highway department together recently. Mr. Lockey asked whether the highway could be constructed so that the Nine-Foot road would pass over it.

The engineers said that the Nine-Foot road does not have enough traffic to warrant building an overpass over the dual lane. Where side roads enter the dual lane, stop signs will be placed, the mayor said.

A traffic survey showed, he added, that 80 per cent of the highway 70 traffic in Newport is through traffic.

Total cost of the project is estimated at \$2,151,000. Widening costs of the present highway 70, north and south of the Newport by-pass are estimated at \$382,000; relocating costs are estimated at \$1,362,000 and cost of acquiring right-of-ways \$207,000.

Mayor Mann said that he believes the highway department's mind is made up as to where the by-pass will go, but it is willing to listen to Newport residents in September in case they may be able to point out something the engineers have overlooked.

Traffic Cases Heard in Court

All cases heard in Morehead City recorder's court Monday morning concerned motor vehicle violations.

Robert L. Morgan, Beaufort, charged with driving with an expired operator's license, pleaded guilty and was fined \$10 plus costs.

Paying costs on speeding charges were William T. Simmons, Beaufort, and Patrick J. Guattlebaum, Fort Macon.

Hall costs were levied against Noah Francis Swanson, Morehead City, and John Paul Matis. Swanson was charged with driving without an emergency brake and Matis with making an improper turn at 24th and Arendell.

Judgment was deferred for one week in the case of Eric McArthur Taylor, Newport, who was found guilty of passing on the right, passing involved in a wreck and possessing fireworks. Taylor posted bond for his appearance in court next week.

Eight cases were continued until future court terms. Judge Herbert Phillips presided.

Board to Meet

The Atlantic Beach town board will meet at 10 a. m. today at the town hall.

Water Firm Ordered by Utilities Commission to Put in Three Hydrants

Money-Raising Events Planned for Heart Fund

Mrs. Garland Scruggs, special events chairman for the Heart fund campaign, has announced several activities to raise funds. A bazaar will be held Saturday, Feb. 16, in the building next to Webb's in downtown Morehead City.

Everyone in the county is asked to contribute items to the bazaar. Such things as antiques, handwork, baked goods, white elephants or any other item they think might sell will be welcome. The heart council will pick up items if necessary. Donors may call Mrs. Scruggs at PA6-5694 or Mrs. S. A. Horton at PA6-3508.

The council asks that items be clean and in good repair.

Children and teen-agers will contribute to the heart fund by enjoying an afternoon of roller skating. All proceeds from the skating rink for Saturday, Feb. 16, will be donated, Mrs. Scruggs said.

Also on Feb. 16, tag day will be conducted in downtown Morehead City. Balloons will be sold at the same time.

A coffee day has been planned, but no date has been set. The fund drive will be climaxed by a heart dance March 7 at the Elks club.

Names of heart council community leaders and chairmen will be announced Tuesday.

Demonstration Shows How Foam Extinguishes Fires

Morehead City firemen staged a demonstration of foam equipment Monday afternoon.

At 24th and Avery streets they put out an asphalt fire in a pit, an automobile and oil fire. A house at 1208 Bay St. was set on fire and the flames extinguished.

During the course of the demonstration, an alarm was sounded, calling firemen to a trailer fire west of Morehead City.

The demonstration ended at 4:30 p. m. on the waterfront where it was shown how foam can be piled around piers and docks to prevent fire on the water from setting docks afire.

County Jaycees Go To District Session

Ten Beaufort Jaycees and 14 members of the Morehead City club went to New Bern Tuesday night to attend a district meeting. The Jaycees traveled by chartered bus.

Bob Jolly, president of the New Bern club, served as host and presided at the meeting. Dan Rand, district vice-president, called for annual reports from presidents of the eight chapters in the district. Ivey Mason, Beaufort, and Joe Beam, Morehead City, were among the presidents giving reports.

The Jaycees heard a guest speaker from Farmville, enjoyed a dinner and entertainment.

State Utilities Commission on Tuesday Ordered Carolina Water Co. to Install Hydrants

on Tuesday ordered Carolina Water Co. to install hydrants immediately in Beaufort town areas where 6 and 8-inch mains now exist.

The commission conducted a two-hour hearing at Raleigh. Aired was the dispute between the town of Beaufort and Carolina Water Co. relative to providing hydrant and water service to the newly-annexed areas in Beaufort.

The new hydrants, three of them, will be in the vicinity of Highland and Hancock Parks and one in the vicinity of Circle drive.

The town has requested six other hydrants, but the utilities commission issued no order in respect to those.

Attending the hearing were C. R. Wheatly, town attorney; mayor W. H. Potter and John Jones Jr., town clerk.

Mr. Jones said yesterday that it is believed the utilities commission will issue its decision within two or three weeks.

January Tax Receipts Amount to \$137,144.34

Receipts at the county tax collector's office in January amounted to \$137,144.34, according to the report given county commissioners by E. O. Moore, tax collector, Monday.

Collected on the 1962 levy was \$128,416.14, on 1961 and prior levies \$8,626.95 and income from business license fees totaled \$101.25.

Commissioners expressed pleasure with the good collections during the month. Percentage of the 1962 levy collected to date is 75.93 per cent.

Mr. Willis asked whether the land would be turned over to the federal government. Mr. Price said the state plans to explore every means available before turning it over, but said it may be necessary to do that before the needed funds are made available.

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County Fathers Hear About State's Plans for Anchoring Outer Banks

Harvey Hines Jr., Kinston, and Woodrow Price, Raleigh, appeared before the board of county commissioners Monday afternoon and outlined the state's recommendations for restoring the outer banks. Mr. Hines is chairman of a Seashore Parks Commission committee to study acquisition of outer banks property. Mr. Price is chairman of the parks commission.

Mr. Hines said his committee had determined that the major questions in the restoration project are whether the state should turn over the property it acquires to the national park service, how far should the park extend if this is done, and what about private developments already existing along the banks?

Mr. Price said a 1959 law which permits the state to purchase land on the outer banks to halt erosion, will be followed in acquiring the land. He commented that the committee fell back on the law because it feels that everything on the outer banks needs some protection and to exempt any area would invite criticism for showing favoritism. He said the committee feels con-

struction of motels or buildings at any point along the banks now would be destroyed by storms.

The state proposes to retain title to the land, but to grant long term leases to clubs, existing marinas, and cottage owners as long as they do not interfere with protection of the dunes. The proposals would also permit the residents of Portsmouth to live out their lives there.

Mr. Price said the project will include all the land from Ocracoke to Cape Lookout, including the hook of the cape, and as much of Shackleford Banks as is necessary to stabilize Hatter's inlet.

Board chairman William Roy Hamilton inquired just how much of Shackleford is involved. Mr. Price told him that as much as needs protection will be acquired, at least the eastern third. If, however, the board wants all of Shackleford banks in public domain, he said his committee will recommend it.

Commissioner Headen Willis asked about the cost to the county. Mr. Price said they are trying to work out a solution whereby the county won't have to pay anything. He es-

timated cost of the project at six to eight million dollars.

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The board seemed favorably inclined towards the proposals and asked Mr. Hines and Mr. Price what action, if any, they need take. They were told that the committee doesn't need resolutions, it just wants the board's support.

The commissioners indicated that they had no objection to the proposals.