

CHURCH NEWS

Circles Offer Lunch, Games

The Ladies' Circles of St. Brendan Parish will hold a luncheon and games and card party Friday, Jan. 15, starting at 12:30 p.m. at St. Brendan Hall.

Attendees are asked to bring cards or games for group participation. A luncheon of soup, homemade rolls and dessert will be served and door prizes awarded.

Admission is \$3.50 per person, with proceeds donated to the parish building fund.

The church hall is located on U.S. 17 approximately 2½ miles south of Shallotte.

Seminar Slated

A seminar for church workers on "How To Lead Conferences" will be held at Calvary Baptist Church, Shallotte, on Jan. 26, from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m.

Led by Marvin W. Chapman, director of missions for the Brunswick Baptist Association, the event is aimed at improving the association's mission performance.

Participants will become familiar with various teaching styles and methods, teaching tools and use of audio-visual equipment such as projectors, overhead projectors, chalk boards and posters.

Gospel Sing Set

The Stanley family of Loris, S.C.,

will entertain at a gospel sing to be held at Oak Grove Baptist Church Saturday, Jan. 16, at 7 p.m.

Free refreshments will be served afterward. All are invited to attend.

The church is located on N.C. 130 (the Holden Beach Road).

Services Begin Sunday

Shell Point Baptist Church begins a Sunday School revival Sunday that continues with services at 7 p.m. daily through Friday, Jan. 27.

Rev. Donald Hardwick, pastor, said the services will feature a videotape series by Leon Kilbreth, of Hendersonville, Tenn. Kilbreth is a career Sunday School evangelist with 49 years of experience in church growth through development of the Sunday School.

Shallotte First Baptist Church and Oak Grove Baptist Church will worship jointly with Shell Point Sunday night. Throughout the week these and other area churches of all denominations are invited to participate, said Hardwick.

Singing Slated

The Shallotte Church of God, on N.C. 179 south of Shallotte, will hold a singing Sunday, Jan. 17, at 6 p.m. featuring the Sunlight Gospel Band of Fayetteville.

Rev. William Meares, pastor, invites everyone.

CEDAR GROVE NEWS

NAACP To Honor King

BY BARBARA T. HEWETT

The Cedar Grove and Southport chapters of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People (NAACP) will take every opportunity to honor the late Dr. Martin Luther King Jr., their

fallen hero of peace, equality and economic sustenance for all Americans regardless of race, color or ethnic origin.

Local events begin on Sunday, Jan. 17, with the annual march to the International Longshoremen's Association (ILA) Hall in Southport at 3:30 p.m. Once assembled, the group will hear verse, music and ministry of the Word from NAACP branches throughout the southeastern district. The public is invited.

On Jan. 18, the county's public schools, the county government complex and Brunswick Community College will be closed in observance of King's birthday.

Also, at 3 p.m., a program will be held in the Public Assembly Building at the county complex. The program will include a filmstrip produced by McDonald's on King's role in the civil rights movement. No admission will be charged; refreshments will be provided. The public is invited. Rev. Winston Brown is president of the Southport-Brunswick County NAACP chapter and Mary E. Bernard is the coordinator for the chapter's Black Cultural Awareness Committee, which is coordinating the event.

Deliverance Service Set

St. James Missionary Baptist Church of Bolivia will hold a deliverance service Friday, Jan. 15, at 7:30 p.m.

Rev. Ronnie McCrae Jr., officers and members invite the public to come, "expecting a night of miracles, inspiration and Christian fellowship."

Session Canceled

The mid-year session of the Woman's home and Foreign Mission Convention of North Carolina scheduled Jan. 9 was canceled due to inclement weather.

Throughout the day Friday Ocean View Secretary Annie S. Frink and Youth Supervisor Arvella Marlowe found themselves on the phone calling to inform those planning to travel by chartered bus that the trip had been canceled.

In Sunday School

Harriette and Samezetta Becote of Harrietteville, S.C., participated in the Sunday School lesson at Cedar Grove Missionary Baptist Church on Jan. 10, entitled, "Loving Those You Don't Like."

The Becotes are members of New Hopewell Baptist Church in Society Hill, S.C.

Also worshipping at Cedar Grove were Edna H. Turner of Philadelphia Pa., and Deillah Smith, widow of the late Rev. John W. Smith, formerly pastor of Macedonia Baptist Church in Supply.

Happy Birthday

Happy birthday to Bert Johnson III, Marion Gore, Miles T. Bryant Somerset of New Jersey, Kim Bates Grissett, Sherry B. Lewis of Elizabeth City, Emerson Fullwood, James Marvin Johnson, Natasha Scott, Harold Johnson, David Gore and Lucille Bryant.

Tune In

Tune in to WVCB Radio Station (1410 AM) in Shallotte on Thursdays at 3 p.m. and Saturdays at 10:15 a.m. for the Cedar Grove Area News, and on Sundays at 3:30 p.m. for the Moments of Inspiration gospel music program.

Weekly Scripture

The scripture for the week comes from St. Luke 10:21, "In that hour Jesus rejoiced in spirit..."

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'Buckle Up' Has New Meaning



Stan Smith

Every year churches across North Carolina observe Highway Safety week. We are urged to promote safety on the highways.

For the last several years, we have been emphasizing the importance of wearing seat belts. Tell your people to "buckle up," says the promotional literature.

Even now when it is the law, statistics show that many of us still fall short. We do not wear our seat belts.

Our excuses vary. They include such reasons as "too much trouble," "seat belts are uncomfortable," "we're in a hurry," and "I always forget."

I have used them all, but no more. After Christmas my family went for a short, five-day vacation at our home at Lake Junaluska. Because we had just completed it this summer, we were looking forward to relaxing in the mountains. We would build a fire and catch up on our reading. Well, Ann and I would relax as much as five teen-agers would allow.

My oldest daughter, Chrissy, had invited her boyfriend, Christian

Keller, of Chapel Hill, as a house guest. The two of them planned to visit another friend from Camp Kanata who lives in Asheville.

On their return home Wednesday evening along I-40 near Canton, disaster struck. The two were hit from behind by an 18-wheel tractor-trailer truck. As witnesses observed, Christian's Honda Prelude then struck a temporary concrete barrier and careened into a guardrail on the other side before lurching back and hitting the concrete barrier a second time. Sounds terrible, doesn't it?

"Were they wearing their seat belts?" was my second question.

No. Neither one had buckled up.

My daughter sustained injuries of a broken nose and a broken collar

bone. Her friend's injuries were more serious. After several days he had surgery on his neck. Before that his head was placed in a collar device used for traction of the neck and head.

The EMT and the physicians speculated that if the two had buckled up, their injuries would have been minor or non-existent. When I saw the car, I understood what they meant. The car's body was damaged everywhere, but the seats were secure and looked exactly as they had before the accident.

Like many of you, I had heard all the statistics and had been given all the reasons for wearing seat belts. My secretary had insisted the week before that I buckle up if I rode with her. Yet I was careless about wearing seat belts. I wore them about half the time when I remembered to do so.

No more. This experience has left an indelible impression. I will buckle up. I believe that seat belts do save lives and prevent serious injuries.

I share this with you in the hope that you'll vicariously learn from my

experience. I encourage you to make one of your 1988 resolutions to always buckle up.

"But what if I'm just running down to the store, do I really need too?" you might be thinking.

Yes. Chrissy and Christian were less than 10 miles from home. Most accidents happen near home.

The Kellers and the Smiths were spared this time. I've thanked God each day for this measure of grace.

Yet, I also intend to express my gratitude in a tangible, practical way. I intend to buckle up when I drive or ride in a car. Please, won't you join me?

(Dr. Stan Smith is the minister of Camp United Methodist Church in Shallotte.)

ST. JAMES EPISCOPAL CHURCH
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