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Newbold-White House

The Newbold-White House is thought to be the oldest house in North Carolina. Built before 1725, probably by James Coles or Henry Clayton. It is a story and a half structure with brick walls laid in Flemish bond. Among the occupants in its long history were Abraham Saunders, Benjamin Saunders, Nancy White, Abraham White, Mary J.R. Rucker, and John H. Newbold. The original owner of the land was Joseph Scott,

who received George Fox in 1672. This house will be among the featured homes scheduled for the Museum of the Albemarle annual tour, this year featuring Perquimans County. The tour begins at 11 a.m. and ends at 5 p.m. Lunch, from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. will be served at Mrs. Julian Winslow's home. Tour date is April 25, with tickets, including lunch, selling for \$5. Proceeds go toward MOA projects.



Holy Trinity Church

The oldest church building in Hertford. The parish was organized in 1848, the church was built in 1850. The belfry and vestibule were added about 1894. The church possesses a baptismal font said to have been give

originally by Queen Anne of England to St. Paul's Parish in Edenton. The church still uses its 1854 Jardine organ, the oldest in the country. This will be on the Perquimans County Tour, April 25.



SPECIAL SINGING FOR HEART FUND SHOW — The Nex Dixie Blue Grass group of Williamston will highlight along with other talent, the Heart Fund show set for Saturday night at Perquimans High School auditorium at 8 p.m. Lots of local talent will be on hand also. Talent includes, Bud Miller, Lisa Boyce, Ruthie Ward, Susan

Rogerson, Joyce Winslow, Julie Cherry, Beth Brown, Joy Stevenson, Joyner Whedbee, Walter Miller, and many, many more. Jane Cherry produced the show and our own Tom Brown is master of ceremonies. The theme is "You've Got To Have Heart". It will get a great show you will not want to miss.

ARPDC Meeting Brings News

Federal Grant Can Affect County

By FRANCINE SAWYER
News Editor

EDENTON — James Harrington was keynote speaker Wednesday night at the second annual dinner meeting of the Albemarle Regional Planning and Development Commission (ARPDC) here. Harrington is secretary, N.C. Natural and Economic Resources.

Harrington told the gathering of about 200 persons, who represents the counties of Perquimans,

Chowan, Gates, Pasquotank, Washington, Hyde, Tyrrell, Camden, Currituck and Dare that Gov. Jim Holshouser is considering asking for a federal grant to assist in preparation of a comprehensive coastal development plan in North Carolina.

Harrington said the state will move forward in land-use regulation, but it does not have the manpower or desire to control local areas.

Harrington the ARPDC that Holshouser's request for funds for the study would go to the Coastal Plains Regional Commission.

He praised the county commissioners of Currituck County, who last year placed a moratorium on development of coastal areas in the county and raised funds to initiate a detailed land-use plan.

"Every county in North Carolina should look to Currituck and see what local

government can do to determine its own plan," he said.

Harrington said with the introduction of any land use bill in the General Assembly there will be those who fear a state takeover of local land use regulation and zoning, but he said this is unlikely.

"If there had been state takeover of local enforcement in the past, it's because local government has failed to exercise its responsibility," Harrington said.

"With land use planning, once again the burden of responsibility will fall upon the shoulders of local government."

"There is nothing that can be done at the state level about land use if local government doesn't support it," he said. "If we don't have 100 Currituck counties, a state land-use plan will never become a reality."

He said the state plan will be developed first because the land-use decisions of state government will have a tremendous impact on the location or population, on the economic growth of different areas and quality of environment at the local level.

Wes Cullipher, executive director of ARPDC presented the annual report. The report is an 8 x 11 inch booklet containing 51 pages of written material and a number of pages devoted to graphs and data.

Officers are William B. Gardner, chairman, Fred P. Markham, III, vice chairman and N.J. George.

Executive board members from Perquimans County is Riley S. Monds. Board of directors from Perquimans County are Emmett Landing, Sr., Riley S. Monds, and Lester H. Simpson.

Municipality representation from Hertford are Jesse Harris and Graham Trent.

Through the aid of the ARPDC the Hertford Water System was completed. It cost \$211,000. The Newbold-White House project is under proposal and estimated cost is through Housing and Urban Development is \$25,410. The Perquimans County Water System is in progress and it will cost \$3,230.

Clean-Up Campaign Continues

By FRANCINE SAWYER
News Editor

HERTFORD — The beautification campaign which was launched several weeks ago to rid Hertford of its junk cars, tacky yards, and abandoned houses is getting more support.

Youth groups of the town will appear at the next meeting to give ideas and opinions. A special committee will contact the youth groups through the school system. This will be done after talking with the board of education at its next meeting, the first Monday in April.

To also aid in keeping the campaign alive was the appointment of a chairman and co-chairman of the Beautification campaign. Mrs. Ida Rouse and Mrs. M.N. Taylor were elected.

Not only will young persons be getting into the campaign, but adults will be asked to participate. Hertford Lions, Rotary, and American Legion Club will be contacted.

Again through the schools, it was decided at the steering committee meeting held last Thursday night, to seek posters to be placed in downtown businesses drawn by school students. The posters would be displayed with the child's name on it.

A special interest meeting will be held at a later date to show slides and discuss the situation of the community with groups of young people.

Prizes will be given, in the form of money to the civic organization which gets the most accomplished during the beautification campaign.

Judgement Day is September 3.

Phones For Snug Harbor On The Way

By FRANCINE SAWYER
NEWS EDITOR

SNUG HARBOR — The residents of this development will be getting in telephone service on April 10. This estimate came today from Lem Blades, III, president of Norfolk & Carolina Telephone & Telegraph, Elizabeth City.

Last week, a number of residents of the development, complained to the Perquimans County Chamber of Commerce about lack of telephone service in the community.

Some six residents of area appealed to board members to investigate the possibility of helping residents obtain a telephone.

Blades told The Perquimans Weekly, wet weather and equipment delay were the reason the phone service had not been completed.

Blades said the people of Snug Harbor were not being ignored or forgotten.

"We have all the cable in, the project started a year ago. All telephone orders in the area are cleared. Approximately 20 held orders and regular orders are to be served," Blades said.



TALKING WITH HARRINGTON — Left, William Gardner talks with guest speaker James Harrington at the ARPDC annual meeting held in Edenton. Bud Amburn, middle

president of the Albemarle Area Development Association also chats with Harrington. (Staff Photo by Francine Sawyer)



The Briggs Boat Recovered

Salute To Farmers Set

HERTFORD — The Hertford Merchants Committee in co-operation with the Perquimans County Chamber of Commerce is planning a special salute to Perquimans County Farmers, Saturday April 7 from 9 a.m. until.

Activities include special sales by participating merchants, display of special farm machinery and merchandise, a fish fry, hot dogs and hamburger sale sponsored by

the Hertford American Legion post, and a fine blue grass band from Williamston.

The Perquimans Weekly plans a special salute to farmers of its own on April 5 with a special tabloid section entitled "Planting Time in Perquimans." The edition will have pictures and articles of local farmers compiled by news editor Francine Sawyer, with special articles and pictures composed by members of the

Perquimans County Farm and Home Extension service. The extension agents have worked long and hard on getting quality information to go in this first-time farm section.

It will be a special Saturday April 7 with farmers getting a royal welcome downtown and at Harris shopping center.

The farmers are the backbone of the community. Support April 7.

Judge Horner Hears Cases

Judge Fentress Horner presided at the regular session of Perquimans County District Court and heard the following cases:

Jerry Freeman Mansfield, charged with reckless driving, was taxed with a \$25.00 and cost;

William Bowser, charged with assault, received an 18 months road sentence. An appeal was noted in the case and Bond was set at \$2,000.00;

Johnnie Robert Lawson and Freddie Ray Jordan, both charged with larceny,

received 6 months road sentences each. An appeal was noted in the cases and Bonds were set at \$500.00;

A Nol Pro was returned in the case of Johnny Thomas Marshall, charged with larceny.

Family Rescued After 11 Hours In Chowan Waters

By FRANCINE SAWYER
News Editor

EDENTON — A Raleigh family was rescued from rough waters after 11 hours on a capsized sailboat one mile west of Railroad Bridge in the Albemarle Sound.

Rescued at 1:30 a.m. Saturday were E.L. Briggs, 50, and his stepsons Bob, 21 and Glenn Hines, 16. Briggs told The Perquimans Weekly Saturday afternoon, he left the Edenton Marina in his 19 foot 22 O'Day Mariner sailboat. "It was a little windy, but I thought we could make out and if he got too bad, come back to shore."

Twenty-knot winds were reported and small craft warnings were in effect as the trio left the marina.

After being rescued by Commercial fisheries inspector Carlton Nixon and Lester Lewis, and N.C. Wildlife protectors Al Parin Chowan Sheriff's Dept. and assistance from the Elizabeth City Coast Guard Air Station Briggs was admitted and released from Chowan Hospital for exposure.

Mrs. E.L. Briggs, who did not sail with her husband and sons told The Perquimans Weekly, "we are selling the sail boat right away."

Mrs. Briggs said it was more agony waiting for the rescue than being aboard the capsized boat.

The family lives at 1910 Park Drive, Raleigh.

DEATH

Word has been received here of the death of Joshua G. Cox, brother of Mrs. Clyde Sutton, at his home in Jacksonville, Arkansas on March 25.

He was retired from the Air Force after serving for 25 years.

Besides Mrs. Sutton, he is survived by his wife, Mrs. Lu Raper Cox; three daughters and two brothers.

Funeral services and burial were held Tuesday at 2:30 in Arkansas.