

News Of Community Happenings & People

People & Places

By FRED A NELSON
Let's consider a few ancient customs in other countries and our own as we approach the New Year, 1977. People and Places are highlighted in these customs.

The celebration of New Year's Day has taken many different forms in different countries. It was observed as a holiday in ancient Rome. Exchange of greetings, the giving and receiving of presents, wishing good luck, masquerading, and feasting were features of New Year's Day in the time of the Empire. It appears to have been the one great holiday observed throughout the entire Roman Empire. The French called on each other for presents. The Scots gave New Year's presents.

The observance of New Year's as a day of calling and social intercourse was introduced into the colonies of North America by the Dutch of New York. The Presidents of the United States, beginning with Washington, have been accustomed to receive on New Year's Day. This custom however is falling into disuse.

In the United States people attend church and parties are held on New Year's

Eve to "watch the old year out."

Often heard on New Year's beginning: "turning over a new leaf," cleaning the slate, and let's make the new year better than the one just ended."

But more familiar are the numerous New Year's resolutions which are made by statement or sometimes written down. And many times filed away and promptly forgotten.

Someone has said that "it's dumb to make New Year resolutions," and added that the important thing to do is to try daily to be a better person which would suffice for all resolutions. Many would not argue with this philosophy but would agree that it may be difficult to carry out.

Superstitions also abound on this special event. For instance, if a male enters a home first on New Year's day, it is supposed to bring good luck for the rest of the year. However, if it's a female who walks across the threshold first, then bad luck will ensue.

So welcome New Year, 1977 and in whatever custom or manner is celebrated to welcome the beginning, may the best year of your entire life be the one that follows.



Bethel - Snug Harbor Community News

By Inez Corprew

"Especially nice to have family and friends for the Holidays."

Visiting with Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Phillips on Christmas Day were: Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Phillips of Virginia Beach, Va.; Mr. and Mrs. Robert Penley and children of Round Rock, Texas; Mr. and Mrs. Charles Phillips of Virginia Beach, Va.; Mr. and Mrs. Marshall White of Plymouth, N.C.; Miss Wanda White of Raleigh, N.C.; Miss Marsha White of Tulsa, Okla.; Miss Ellen Long of Henderson, N.C.; and Mr. and Mrs. Emmett Long.

Mr. and Mrs. Phillips' Christmas wish was to have all their children and grandchildren together again as it had been many years. Only one was missing, a grandson who had to be on the job and could not get away.

Mr. and Mrs. Billy Perry's Christmas dinner guests included: Mr. and Mrs. Kelly Burns and son, Neil; Mr. and Mrs. Jeff Perry and sons; also, Mr. Perry's sister and husband, Mr. and Mrs. James Lee from Woodland, N.C. who stayed for several days. Mrs. Freda Nelson visited relatives and friends in

Virginia during the Holidays. Her son, Dr. Joseph Dickens is visiting here and in Virginia. He will leave in mid-January to take a position at Universitat Freiburg in Freiburg, West Germany.

We were sorry to learn that Mrs. Evie Curtis fell in her home last Monday and broke a collar bone. She is now recovering at the home of her daughter and on-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Donald Lane at Great Bridge, Va. Mr. and Mrs. Nearest Jordan from Center Hill and James Jordan of Snug Harbor were dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Bill Corprew last Thesday.

A reminder to the Bethel Firemen of the monthly meeting which will be held Tuesday night at the Fire Station.

Mrs. Lola Watkins spent Christmas at Virginia Beach, Va. with her children, Mr. and Mrs. Donald Faison and family. Her granddaughter Michelle accompanied her home for a visit.

Enjoying Christmas dinner with Mr. and Mrs. Lester Simpson included Mr. and Mrs. David Cole

from Durham, N.C. who have visited for several days; Mr. and Mrs. Dan Simpson from Roper, N.C., Maude Simpson of Hertford, and Mrs. Lillie Harris.

Mr. and Mrs. John Corprew's Sunday dinner guests were: Mrs. Maude Corprew, Mr. and Mrs. Fahey Harrell, Marta and Alan; Mr. and Mrs. Fenton Eure, Pent and Amy; Mr. and Mrs. Johnny Corprew, Melissa Melanie, Tim, and Abby.

Mrs. Virginia Alderson has returned to her home at Ocean View, Va. after spending Sunday and Monday with her mother, Mrs. Lillie Harris.

Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Evans were happy to have all their children home for the Holidays. Cathy from N.C. State and Linda Evans from Raleigh. Also, Mr. and Mrs. Emerson Gower from Cary, N.C. Those attending Sunday morning services at Bethel Baptist Church received an extra blessing as Jane conveyed a message of adoration in song. She was accompanied by Linda at the piano.

"On earth in the year of 1977 may we seek goals that reach toward Heaven."

News From Belvidere Area

By MRS. ELTON D. LAYDEN

Reubin Knopf, Jr. of Winston-Salem spent the holiday weekend with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Reuben Knopf Sr.

Mr. and Mrs. W.T. Riddick had as their guests for Christmas dinner their daughter and her husband, Mr. and Mrs. Jim Malco of Point Harbor, N.C. and their son and his wife and children, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Riddick and Patricia and Kelly of Franklin, Va.

Miss Dianne Layden and her roommate Deborah Morton spent a few days at the home of Miss Layden's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Elton D. Layden over the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Smith and their children of Hollywood, Calif. are spend-

ing the holidays at their Belvidere home.

Mr. and Mrs. Douglas Layden entertained Mrs. Layden's parents and brother, Dr. and Mrs. Edward Shick and Edward Jr. and Mr. and Mrs. Elton D. Layden at a Christmas Eve dinner. The Shicks are from Virginia Beach, Va.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Copeland had as their Christmas guests Mr. and Mrs. Willis Landing and son Jason from Windsor, N.C. and Dr. Joyce Copeland from Durham, N.C.

Mr. and Mrs. Randy Hedrick of Raleigh, N.C., Mr. and Mrs. Walter Carpenter and daughter Nicole of Roanoke, Va., and Hugh Ralford Copeland of Norfolk, Va. are spending several days with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Estes Copeland.

Brenda Layden is spending several days in Huntington, W.Va.

Mr. and Mrs. Preston Winslow and children of Wilmington, N.C. are spending their Christmas vacation with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Claude Winslow.

Tony Copeland, student at Duke, is at home with his family, Mr. and Mrs. Willard Copeland.

Mrs. Mack White is recovering nicely following an operation at Norfolk General Hospital.

HOLIDAYS HERE

Mr. and Mrs. Wallace Baker, Jr. and family of Clayton spent the Holidays with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. T.P. Byrum, in Hertford and, Mr. and Mrs. Wallace Baker, Sr., in Belvidere.

NOTICE

All property subject to ad valorem taxation shall be listed annually as prescribed by law.

List during the regular listing period and save 10 per cent penalty.

BELVIDERE TOWNSHIP Mrs. Paul Bryum, List Taker Belvidere Community Bldg.

Thursday-Friday-Saturday & Monday January 31.
January 6, 7, 8, 13, 14, 15, 20, 21, 22, 27
28, 29 & 31 9 A.M. til 5 P.M.

BETHEL TOWNSHIP Mrs. Charles Ward, List Taker C.R. Wards Store, Bethel

Thursday-Friday-Saturday & Monday January 31
January 6, 7, 8, 13, 14, 15, 20, 21, 22, 27, 28,
29 & 31 9 A.M. til 5 P.M.

HERTFORD TOWNSHIP Oras Winslow, List Taker

Perquimans County Tax Dept., Court House Front St.
January 6, 7, 8, 13, 14, 15, 20, 21, 22, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28,
29 & 31 8 A.M. til 5 P.M.
Saturday 8 A.M.

NEW HOPE TOWNSHIP MELVIN EURE, LIST TAKER NEW HOPE COMMUNITY BLDG.

January 6, 7, 8, 13, 14, 15, 20, 22, 29 9 A.M. til 5 P.M.
January 26, 27 & 31 5 P.M. til 9 P.M.

WOODVILLE FIRE DEPARTMENT

Friday, January 21 9 A.M. til 5 P.M.
Friday, January 28 1 P.M. til 9 P.M.

PARKVILLE TOWNSHIP Mrs. Anna Newton, List Taker Winfall Community Bldg.

Thursday-Friday-Saturday & Monday January 31
January 6, 7, 8, 13, 14, 15, 20, 21, 22, 27,
28, 29 & 31 8 A.M. til 5 P.M.
Saturday 8 A.M. til 1 P.M.

PROPERTY TAX RELIEF FOR ELDERLY AND PERMANENTLY DISABLED PERSONS WITH LIMITED INCOME.

"If you are 65 years of age or older or totally and permanently disabled and your disposable income for the preceding year did not exceed seven thousand five hundred dollars (\$7,500), you are eligible for an exclusion of up to five thousand dollars (\$5,000) in assessed valuation of the property you own and occupy as your principal residence.

Machinery Act of 1971, GS. 105-308, Duty to list; penalty for failure.

Every person in whose name any property is to be listed under the terms of this sub-chapter shall list the property with the tax supervisor or proper list taker within the time allowed by law on an abstract setting forth the information required by this sub-chapter.

In addition to all other penalties prescribed by law, any person whose duty it is to list any property who wilfully fails or refuses to list the same within the time prescribed by law shall be guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed five hundred dollars (\$500.00) or imprisonment not to exceed six months. The failure to list shall be prima facie evidence that the failure was wilful.

Any person who removes or conceals property for the purpose of evading taxation or who aides or abets the removal or concealment of property for the purpose of evading taxation shall be guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed five hundred dollars (\$500.00) or imprisonment not to exceed six months.

KEITH W. HASKETT
PERQUIMANS COUNTY TAX SUPERVISOR

Bethel-Harvey Point News

By Vanora Brothers



The Bethel Extension Homemakers Club met Dec. 22 at the home of Mrs. Vanora Brothers. Achievement Day and the Christmas program were combined.

Mrs. Clarice Newby gave the History of the club, and the achievement report was given by Mrs. Annie Jones. Topic of the meeting was "Christmas Dinner, Serve It Safely."

During the meeting a quiz on the Christmas Alphabet was played and enjoyed by everyone. Gifts were exchanged and refreshments were served during the social hour. Also, on exhibit were some of the items which members of the club had made during the year.

Recognized with gifts from the club for their birthdays were, Mrs. Annie Jones, Mrs. Mary White, Mrs. Alice Thatch, Mrs. M. B. Taylor, and Mrs. Vanora Brothers. Guests at the meeting were Mrs. Eula Riddick and Mrs. Hattie Williamston.

Mr. and Mrs. Steven Vaughn, Jr. are the proud parents of a baby girl, Faith Nicole, born Dec. 20 in the Chowan Hospital.

The Emmanuel Pentecostal Holiness Sunday School Department will present a program entitled "One Can Chase A Thousand," Thursday night at the Perquimans High School. The program will begin at 7:30 and the public is invited to attend.

Congratulations go to Mrs. Annie Jones who celebrated her birthday last week.

Mrs. Easter Creecy spent the Christmas holidays in Tennessee with her daughter Deloris.

Mrs. Florine Modlin of New York spent the Holidays here with her relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Donald Riddick and son were weekend guests of Mr. Riddick's sister, Mrs. Vanora Brothers. The Riddicks and Miss Willie Riddick were entertained at the Brother's on Christmas Day.

Visiting with Mrs. Maggie Brothers during the Holidays were her children, Murray of Newark, N.J.; Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Adams and children of Brooklyn, N.Y.; and grandson, Donald James of Newark, N.J.

Spending the Christmas holidays with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Spencer Elliott, were Beverly Elliott, Spencer Ray, Leo, Edwin, and Emma Vaughn. Mr. and Mrs. Bill Talley, Jimmy Talley, and Katie

Wamack spent the weekend with Mr. and Mrs. James Talley.

Dr. William Alexander of New York spent the Holidays with his aunt, Mrs. Lillian Alexander, and attended New Bethel Baptist Church on Sunday morning.

Mr. and Mrs. William Bunch and daughter spent the Holidays at their vacation home on Southern Shores.

Visiting with Mr. and Mrs. Steven Vaughn, Sr. were their daughter Mrs. Gail Hill and husband, Christopher.

Mrs. Ella Long and daughter, Katrina, visited with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Eddie Long.

Fred, Nathan, Marion, Delma, Teresa, and Dianne McDonald, grandchildren, and Eddie Walker of New York visited with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Oscar McDonald during the Holidays.

Will Phillips and children spent the Christmas holidays with his father, Mr. Jessie Phillips and relatives.

Visiting with Mr. and Mrs. Wheeler Jones during the Holidays were Reginald and Ricky Jones, and Mrs. Ollie Austin of Portsmouth, Va.; Mrs. Willie Mae Lewis and family of Virginia Beach, Va.; Mrs. Zebactic Bryant and family of Durham, N.C.; and, Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Sawyer of Philadelphia.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Creecy and family of New York spent the Holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jeremiah Creecy. They also attended church with them on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Donald Riddick of New York attended the Lilley's family reunion which was held in Edenton, N.C.

Mr. and Mrs. Spencer Elliott, Mr. and Mrs. Levi Brothers and children; Mr. and Mrs. Donald Riddick and son; Miss Willie Riddick attended the Norfleet family reunion held Sunday in Elizabeth City, N.C. Hosts were Mr. and Mrs. Richard Johnson.

Calvin Skinner of New York visited with Mr. and Mrs. William (Ike) Skinner while spending the Holidays here.

HOLIDAY IN RALEIGH

Mrs. Royce Vickers, and her guest, Roy Vickers, Jr., of Virginia Beach, Va. were Holiday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Gregory in Raleigh.

Holiday Island Clipboard

A welcomed note was received this week from the Ted G. Weeks, Jr. family of Norfolk, Va. and Holiday Island. This family of seven are real boosters of the area as they enjoy every moment they spend at their Island

home. Officers of the Holiday Island Property Owners Association who were recently elected to the board are, T.T. Pirrone, President; Bob Richards, vice-president; John Trinca,

secretary; Ted Weeks, treasurer. Other board members are Mrs. Bernice Crofton, Bill Coward, and Jack Sherrill. Also, Mrs. Peggy Gaston was appointed to the office of Assistant Secretary-Treasurer.

Woodville & Durants Neck Happenings

By EARLENE SELLERS

Leighs Temple Youth Choir presented their annual Christmas program Sunday at 1 p.m. with Mrs. Penny Mallory as mistress of ceremony. The choir was under the direction of Mrs. Earlene Sellers who rendered the music. Mrs. Sellers was presented a Silver Serving Tray by Mrs. Gloria Thomas, president of the choir.

An appreciation service was held at the Pools Grove Baptist Church on Sunday at 2 p.m. for Mrs. Barbara Shannon, organist and director of the music department of the church, and Mrs. Fannie Leigh, church bulletin secretary.

Woodville Homemakers club met at the home of Mrs. Fannie Leigh for their annual Christmas party. Mrs. Lucy Johnnikins presided over the business session. Members exchanged gifts and refreshments were

served by the hostess, Mrs. M.B. Taylor attended.

Miss Gloria Willis, daughter of Rev. and Mrs. Leroy Willis; Miss Gwendolyn Whidbee, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Calvin Whidbee, were recent contestants at the Alpha-Kappa-Alpha Sorority Dubantant Ball which was held at North Eastern High School. The two are seniors at the Perquimans High School. Congratulations,

Gloria and Gwendolyn.

Mr. and Mrs. Kanen Sellers Jr. and son Andre from Baltimore, Md. visited their parents for the Holidays.

Mrs. Mary Seymore from Long Island, N.Y. visited daughter, Mrs. Emma Burke.

Mrs. Rovena Bartlett from New York City visited her brother, Mr. Clarence Burke recently.

BRIDGE CLUB MEETS

Mrs. H.C. Stokes was hostess to her bridge club at a bridge luncheon Tuesday at her home on Front Street. Guests were Mrs. G.W. Barbee, Mrs. John Coston, Mrs. C.R. Holmes, Mrs. W.C. Dozier, Mrs. T.L. Jessup, Mrs. Herbert Nixon, Mrs. Jack Kanoy, Mrs. Royce Vickers, Miss Ruby White, Miss Thelma Elliott, Miss Helene Nixon, and Miss Louise Chalk. Mrs.

Holmes won the high score prize for the club and Mrs. Nixon was guest high score winner.

VISITHERE

Winfield Tingle of Bath visited friends in Hertford during the weekend.

Joe Layden, Jr. and son of Macon, Ga. spent a few days last week with Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Layden, Sr.

January Sale

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