

News Of Community Happenings & People

Bethel - Snug Harbor Community News

By Inez Corprew

The Bethel Home Demonstration Club with their families as guests, had a covered dish supper on Friday night at the Community Building. There were 23 present for the occasion. Tables were tastefully decorated with red carnations and red hearts. Mrs. Helen Desmond gave a devotional and all joined in singing "My Country 'Tis of Thee." Mrs. Paige Underwood made announcements and showed slides on "Energy and Resources" which proved to be of interest. Door prizes were won by Mrs. Midge Stuller and Mr. Lonnie Pritchard. Mr. William Stallings dismissed the meeting.

Mr. and Mrs. Emmett Long spent Sunday at Henderson, N.C. visiting their daughter, Miss Ellen Long.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Wise from Woodbridge, Va. visited Mr. and Mrs. Dewey Perry Jr. last Sunday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Perry and son, Timmy, visited their children at Virginia Beach, Va. on Saturday. They also visited Mrs. Perry's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Oliver Dail of

Chesapeake, Va. on Sunday. Sunday afternoon guests of Mrs. Maude Corprew included Mr. and Mrs. Fenton Eure, Fent and Amy from New Hope, and Melissa Corprew; Mrs. Edith Proctor, New Hope; Mr. Sidney Waller, Weeksville; Mr. and Mrs. Everett Markham and Donna, Mr. and Mrs. Albert Copeland, Mrs. Dallis Corprew, and Linda Morris from Chesapeake, Va.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Kracker from Norfolk, Va. visited Mrs. Evie Curtis on Sunday.

The Ladies Auxiliary of the Bethel Fire Department will hold their February meeting with Mrs. Madge Fleetwood on Thursday night at 7:30.

Glen Paul Morgan stopped by to see his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Proctor, Sunday afternoon on his way back to State University at Raleigh, N.C.

Rev. and Mrs. Stanley Nixon were among those attending meetings at Chapel Hill last Thursday and Friday.

Birthday greetings are extended this week to Mr. Stanley Nixon, and Mrs. Ann Lane.

The Bethel Baptist Church will resume night services beginning on Sunday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Mumm of Snug Harbor flew to Griswold, Iowa, last week after receiving word of the sudden passing of Mr. Mumm's father, due to a massive coronary. Sympathy is extended by the community.

Mrs. Freda Nelson visited with her son and his family, the T.L. Dickens' at Mechanicsville, Va. during the weekend.

The Youth of Bethel Baptist Church enjoyed a "Valentine Steak Supper" Monday night at the Community House. It also proved to be a "surprise" birthday celebration for their pastor, Mr. Stanley Nixon. About 25 were present to join in the celebration. Helping to make the evening a success were Mrs. Nixon, Mrs. George Drawdy, and Gail Proctor.

Mr. and Mrs. A.C. Parker have returned home after spending some time with Mr. Parker's brother, Mr. Raymond Parker, who has been ill at Rocky Mount, N.C.

The Snug Harbor Civic League will meet Sunday at 1 p.m. in the Clubhouse.

Woodmen Select Officers

Edgar W. Roberson Jr. was recently installed as President of the Woodmen of the World, Unit 463. Other elected officers to be installed included: Leon Harrell, vice-president; W.D. Landing Jr., treasurer; C.T. Skinner Jr., secretary; Jimmy Copeland, escort; Philip J. Copeland, watchman; Irvin C. Long Jr., sentry; Jimmy A. Hunter, musician; and Jarvis Copeland, H.F. Ward Jr. and E.W. Robeson Sr., trustees.

Bill Mosely and Terry Williams, representatives of the Woodmen of the World Insurance Society, were the installing officials and made brief remarks concerning civic projects.

The local Woodmen unit 463 meets each month on the four Thursday night.

Bethel-Harvey Point News

By Vanora Brothers



Visitors at Southern Shores this weekend were Mrs. Mamie Pollard, Mr. John Blount, and Mr. and Mrs. George Pierce.

Anthony Downing spent the weekend at home with his family.

Mrs. Essie Steward and Mr. and Mrs. Issac Jones were weekend guests of Mr. and Mrs. Clifton Jones.

Visiting with Mrs. Maggie Brothers over the weekend were her sons, James Brothers, Charlie Brothers and daughter, Sharon of Baltimore, Maryland.

Jerald Honeyblue spent the weekend at home with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. James W. Honeyblue.

Mrs. Leateta Felton celebrated her birthday last week.

New Bethel Baptist Senior Choir observed their choir anniversary Sunday afternoon. Mrs. Emma Billups was recognized as holding the longest membership in the choir. There were 13 groups participating in the program. Mrs. Clarice Newby was mistress of ceremony.

Mr. and Mrs. C.T. Felton are the proud grandparents of a baby boy, John Robert Jr. born Feb. 12 to Mr. and Mrs. John Robert Lawson Sr. of Kinston, N.C. Mrs. Lawson is the former Miss Paulette Felton.

Woodville-Durants Neck News

By EARLENE SELLERS

The H.V. White Choir of Pools Grove Baptist Church celebrated their 6th anniversary on Sunday at 3 p.m. with the Rev. B. Moore as guest speaker accompanied by the Bagley's Chapel Youth Choir, under the direction of Mr. Greylen McClenney.

Rev. Fred Wills of Edenton, N.C. was pulpit guest of his nephew, Rev. J. L. Wills on Sunday at Pools Grove Baptist Church at 11 a.m.

Katie Chapman and son of Bertie County were Sunday

dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Kannon Sellers.

Mrs. Fannie Leigh, and Mrs. Earlene Sellers were guests at a luncheon Saturday afternoon which was held at the University cafeteria for the benefit of the Junior Miss E.C.S.U. Scholarship Fund Drive.

Willie Sellers, son of Mr. and Mrs. Kannon Sellers, stationed at Fort Bragg with the 82nd Air Borne Division, has been promoted to Specialist E-4. He is married to the former Carmilla Burke who is also stationed at Fort Bragg and recently promoted to B-3.

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Highlights From Belvidere

By MRS. ELTON D. LAYDEN

Miss Millie White who is employed in Raleigh, N.C. spent the weekend with her mother, Mrs. Becky White and her grandmother, Mrs. Walter Dale.

The Ladies Auxiliary of the Belvidere-Chappel Hill Fire Department had an old fashioned pot-luck supper honoring the firemen, their families and friends Saturday night at the Belvidere Community building. A large crowd attended and the food was delicious and abundant.

Rev. Ken Spivey of the Piney Woods Church asked the blessing. After the supper, Mrs. Rudolph Perry opened the evening's program by reading from the 12th Chapter of Romans and she closed her devotional with a very inspiring prayer.

Miss Barbara Layden and Worth Dale pleased the crowd with some lovely old hymns, some popular old favorites and some love songs in keeping with the Valentine season. Worth accompanied them on the guitar. The highlight of the evening was when by popular request, Worth and his sisters, Mrs. Gladys Chappell, Mrs. Arnold Chappell, Mrs. Lassell Chappell and Mrs. Quinton Stallings entertained the crowd with some lovely old hymns. They admitted that it was the first time they had sung as a group in 18 years, but all agreed they should do it more often.

Jarvis Copeland was named as the fireman of the year. Congratulations go to Jarvis and his fine family.

Mrs. Arnold Chappell was in charge of recreation. Mrs. Julian Baker was the winner of the prize for the best player in a guessing game.

Mrs. Tommie Ellis closed the evenings entertainment with showing of motion pictures and slides of last year's supper and scenes from The Grand Ole Opry in Nashville, Tenn. Many residents of the county took that tour last summer and it was delightful to see how many people you could pick out that you knew.

Many thanks go to the committee who planned such an enjoyable evening: Mrs. Tommie Ellis, Mrs. C.T. Rogerson Jr., Mrs. Harold Copeland, Mrs. Reuben Knopf Sr., Mrs. Lassell Chappell.

Mr. and Mrs. James Malco of Point Harbor, N.C. spent Sunday afternoon with Mrs. Malco's parents, Mr. and Mrs. W.T. Riddick, and attended the ordination of Mr. William Byrum.

Miss Brenda Layden, a student at Atlantic Christian College in Wilkes, N.C., spent the weekend at her home.

Mr. Reuben Knopf Jr. who has spent several weeks with his parents has accepted a position with Mack's Stores, Inc. located in Shallotte, N.C. He will leave Wednesday to take over his new duties.

Mrs. Douglas Layden had a surprise birthday dinner for her husband Monday evening, Feb. 9th. Richard and Tiny White helped Doug enjoy his dinner and birthday cake.

Mr. Don White has returned to his studies at North Carolina State University in Raleigh after a visit home.

Mr. and Mrs. Elton Layden visited Mrs. Luna Layden and Mrs. Velma Owens in Hertford Sunday evening. Mrs. Owens is recuperating after a long and serious illness.

Mr. and Mrs. F.M. Matter of Virginia Beach, Va. visited with the W.T. Riddicks on Sunday afternoon. They attended the Ordination of Mr. William Byrum.

Mr. Gilbert Byrum of Virginia Beach, Va. spent Sunday in Belvidere with relatives and attended the Ordination of his nephew, Mr. William Byrum at Whiteville Grove Baptist Church.

Mrs. Henry H. Perry who has been critically ill in a hospital in Bryn Mawr, Pa. is slowly improving and may be able to be moved to the infirmary close to their living quarters. Mr. Perry has been confined to his bed under nursing supervision after breaking a small bone in his leg. The Perrys who are well known in the county now live in Dunwoody Village, Newton Square, Pa. 19073.

In its one hundred and twenty-five years of existence, Whiteville Grove Baptist Church has never witnessed a more impressive or deeply moving service than the one conducted Sunday afternoon, Feb. 13, 1977 when William Byrum was ordained a Minister of the Baptist Church.

Rev. George H. Cooke, pastor of Ballard's Bridge Baptist Church, led the ordination services and charged the candidate in his duties and responsibilities.

Rev. Billy Presley from the Reynoldson Baptist Church of Gates County

gave the charge to the church reminding the members of their duties and obligations to their pastor.

One of the most impressive parts of the ceremony was the laying of hands by the deacons, let by W.T. Riddick, chairman of the board of deacons of the Whiteville Grove Baptist, followed by C.T. Rogerson Jr. and Cyril Winslow the two other deacons from the church. The other deacons present and participating were, Willie Ainsley, Noah Gregory and Lloyd (Pete) Riddick from the Hertford Baptist Church. Dewey Perry Jr., Roy Chappell Sr. and T.R. Kirby from the Bethel Baptist Church and F.M. Matter of the Virginia Beach, Va. Baptist Church.

W.T. Riddick on behalf of the members of the Church presented the new Minister with a copy of the Holy Bible and a Pastor's Manual.

Rev. Cooke presented Mr. Byrum with the Certificate of Ordination signed by the members of the Examining Board and the deacons from his church. Rev. Cooke invited Joyce, the newly ordained minister's wife, to stand beside him as the members and guests passed by offering their congratulations and words of encouragement.

Rev. Byrum closed the service by pronouncing the benediction. He now becomes the Pastor of the Whiteville Grove Church and extends a welcome to all to come to the services.

It's good to remember after a moving service like the one we witnessed that we go to church not because we are so conscious of our own goodness, but because we are so conscious of the need of God's power in our lives.

A reception was given for the new pastor and his family by the ladies of the church. Mrs. Harold Winslow presided at the punch bowl. Cookies, ham biscuits and nuts were served to a large crowd.

The new pastor is well known in the county, he is principal of Perquimans County High School. He is married to the former Joyce Byrum of Ryland and they have three sons.

He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Byrum of Belvidere.



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