

# Meet the candidates

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vocates world government modeled on our own federal union." She added that her husband sees a need to address the problems of the farmer, businessman, and unemployed youth. Keeping her comments brief, she closed with a campaign song she had written accompanying herself on the autoharp.

Also present was Democrat Lawrence Davis seeking the senatorial nomination. He opened his remarks by saying, "The root cause of inflation is deficit spending by our federal government." He then addressed several issues including welfare reform and energy. On welfare, he commented, "We continue to subsidize family break-up, encourage family break-up, to make it to the family's advantage to break the ties that bind them." On energy, Davis said, "We need to let the normal laws of supply and demand make more of the decisions and bureaucracy make less of the decisions."

The crowd received some more musical entertainment when Democratic U.S. Senate candidate Dave McKnight broke out his fiddle following with the comment, "I don't want you to fiddle around and vote for anybody but Dave McKnight 'cause I'm proud of the commitment I've made to the counties of the Albemarle because I feel these counties have been overlooked." He pointed out that this made his sixth or seventh visit to Perquimans County. He then addressed several issues including taxes, the farmers' situation, welfare reform, and the Panama Canal treaties saying he doesn't support the latter.

While the incumbent was absent, two candidates seeking the U.S. House of Representatives seat were present with powerful remarks.

Recognized first was Jim Bonner of Hertford who opened his remarks saying, "I think the fact that my opponent isn't here is representative of the type of representation he's given this district the past four years. We've had 14 years of nothing, 14 years of deterioration of this district. What I want to do is go up there and work for the farmers."

Bonner was followed by another candidate, Gene Leggett of Emerald Isle, a retired Naval intelligence man. He said, "I know who the crooks are in Washington 'cause I've investigated them. Washington has to be changed. It's as crooked as anything you've seen." Leggett got some agreeing response from the crowd when he discussed the problem of narcotics saying "you and I

are the ones that are suffering." He closed with the comment, "You pay your Congressman \$110,000 every two years. Ain't no man in Washington worth that. I'll take the job for nothing 'cause I love my country."

Moving into the General Assembly races, incumbent Senator Melvin R. Daniels Jr. was recognized. He outlined some of his past activities and involvements and said, "I hope I never receive the title professional politician. I like to be considered a businessman who went to Raleigh to try to straighten things out." Incumbent J.J. "Monk" Harrington, was not present.

In the three-way race for the two seats in the N.C. House of Representatives, all candidates were present. Recognized first was Vernon James who also outlined his involvements since his stint in the house pointing specifically to his work on the agriculture committee as most important. He noted the work done by his constituents saying the result has been "good teamwork." James, who received much publicity on his opposition of the recent statewide road bond referendum, said, "I have spoken out when I disagreed with the Governor's program. As long as I'm in Raleigh representing this district, I expect to speak out on issues."

Next was incumbent Rep. Stanford White who kept his comments rather brief but also touched on the idea of teamwork and cooperation.

Newcomer to the race Charles D. Evans, Mayor of Nags Head, pointed out that if elected his background as a lawyer would serve him as an asset, but quickly added that additional requirements for the office are "good common sense and understanding the people you represent." Specific areas he cited as needing attention were roads, schools, better communication between local and state government, and state and federal government, and the need to attract good industry to the area.

The group then heard from the candidates for Perquimans County offices with all but one being present.

First to speak was Jarvis Ward, incumbent for Clerk of Superior Court, who has no opposition. He outlined some of the responsibilities of the office.

Ward was followed by the candidates for Perquimans County Sheriff. First was incumbent Julian H. Broughton who kept his comments brief saying he wasn't much of a public speaker but "would make

one hell of a sheriff."

Aubrey Onley, candidate for sheriff, followed saying, "I have been asked by city businessmen, businesswomen, both white and colored to be a candidate for sheriff in Perquimans County." He said, "The drug traffic in this county is growing." He then added, "We do not have enough deputies. We need more law enforcement." "When someone calls," he continued, "we need to answer to them as promptly as possible." He closed his comments pledging to use the golden rule if elected. That statement was met with positive crowd reaction.

The third candidate in the sheriff's race, G.T. "Tom" White, was not present but had someone speak on his behalf reading a statement he prepared which said, "Every citizen of Perquimans County is important and deserves equal treatment."

The group then heard from candidates in the local County Commissioners race.

For the vacated Hertford seat, Rev. John H. London attempting to be the fifth black elected to the Board of County Commissioners, spoke first saying, "When you do not have fair representation on the board, no one on that board can look at another group and know how they feel."

Walter W. "Welly" White Jr., also seeking that Hertford seat, kept his remarks brief addressing several issues including educational programs, economic development and recreational programs. He said, "I cannot make any promises, but I assure you I will represent all the people of Perquimans County if I'm your Commissioner."

Marshall E. Caddy, candidate for the New Hope Commissioner Township seat, also kept his remarks brief saying only, "The only promise I'll make is to do the best job that I can. And I look forward to making Perquimans County the place you want it to be."

Fenton Eure Jr., also seeking the New Hope seat, said, "I'm interested in working with the people of the county. The only promise I'll make is that I'll do my best to make Perquimans County a better place in which to live."

The third candidate to speak in the New Hope Commissioner's race was George Hall. Hall elaborated more than the others and offered a list of qualifications he cited as necessary for a Commissioner. He said, "If we don't put a qualified person in office, we're just spinning our wheels."

Last to speak in the New Hope

Commissioner's race was Lovic E. McElroy Sr. who cited the need for county programs in the areas of health, education, and welfare. He also stressed the need to work together and to have communication between public officials and the people.

The two candidates seeking the vacated New Hope seat on the Board of Education were then recognized. Lloyd R. "Flutch" Dail went first and emphasized several times that he wants his life to speak for itself in the campaign. He said, "I think our school systems are sick, folks. I'm kind of old fashioned. I still think a child who finishes school should be able to read, write, and work a little arithmetic. I think it's high time we as parents, we as taxpayers, become concerned with our Board of Education and our schools."

Walter L. Leigh, candidate for the New Hope seat on the Board of Education, stressed his personal belief in people. He said, "We in this county need a very adequate educational system, one that can touch every child regardless of his level." He urged all citizens to "exercise our extreme feelings of concern."

In the other Board of Education race, for the Belvidere township, incumbent Clifford Winslow addressed the group first. He said, "If I didn't believe in public education, I wouldn't be here tonight. The single purpose of public schools," he continued, "is to provide a learning experience for all our children and when I say all of our children, I mean just that." Winslow then outlined some of the responsibilities of the Board of Education and cited his 11 years experience on the Board pointing out that for nine of those, he has served as chairman.

Next, the group heard from Thomas L. "Tommy" Dale, candidate for the Belvidere seat on the Board of Education. Dale, who came on as most aggressive of any of the local candidates, attacked several specific problems. He said pointed to the need for a new high school saying, "I believe there would be a new high school under construction today if the Board, under my opponent's leadership, had not wanted to build a school in the swamp." He also then endorsed the three-county proposed career center saying it was a needed step in the right direction. Dale also pointed to the need to keep the public involved and aware of Board of Education activities saying, "Today if you'd like to speak to the School Board, you have to have a spot on the agenda. I feel this is wrong."

# Civic calendar

THURSDAY, APRIL 20

The Hertford Volunteer Fire Department will meet at 7:30 p.m. at the fire station. Members are asked to wear their uniform shirts for a badge pinning ceremony.

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The Hertford Lions Club will meet.

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A meeting of the Hertford Business and Professional Women's (PW) Club will be held.

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The Helen Gaither Home Extension Club will meet.

SATURDAY, APRIL 22

The Inter-County Volunteer Fire Department will sponsor a fish fry from 4-7 p.m. Plates are \$2 per person.

The Future Business Leaders of America (FBLA) at Perquimans County High School will sponsor a car wash at the Little Mint in Hertford from 9 a.m. until 5 p.m. The public is invited to have vehicles washed and vacuumed for \$3.

MONDAY, APRIL 24

The Perquimans County Jaycees Board of Directors will meet.

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A meeting of the Perquimans County Rescue Squad will be held.

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The Inter-County Fire Department Ladies' Auxiliary will meet.

The Perquimans County Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors will meet at 8 p.m.

TUESDAY, APRIL 25

The Perquimans Masonic Lodge meets.

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The Hertford Rotary Club will meet at 6:30 p.m.

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The Belvidere Homemakers Extension Club meets.

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A meeting of the Woodmen of the World will be held.

UPCOMING EVENTS

The Perquimans County Democratic Party will meet Saturday, April 29 at 1 p.m. in the Perquimans County Courthouse for the annual county convention.

# Dedication is held

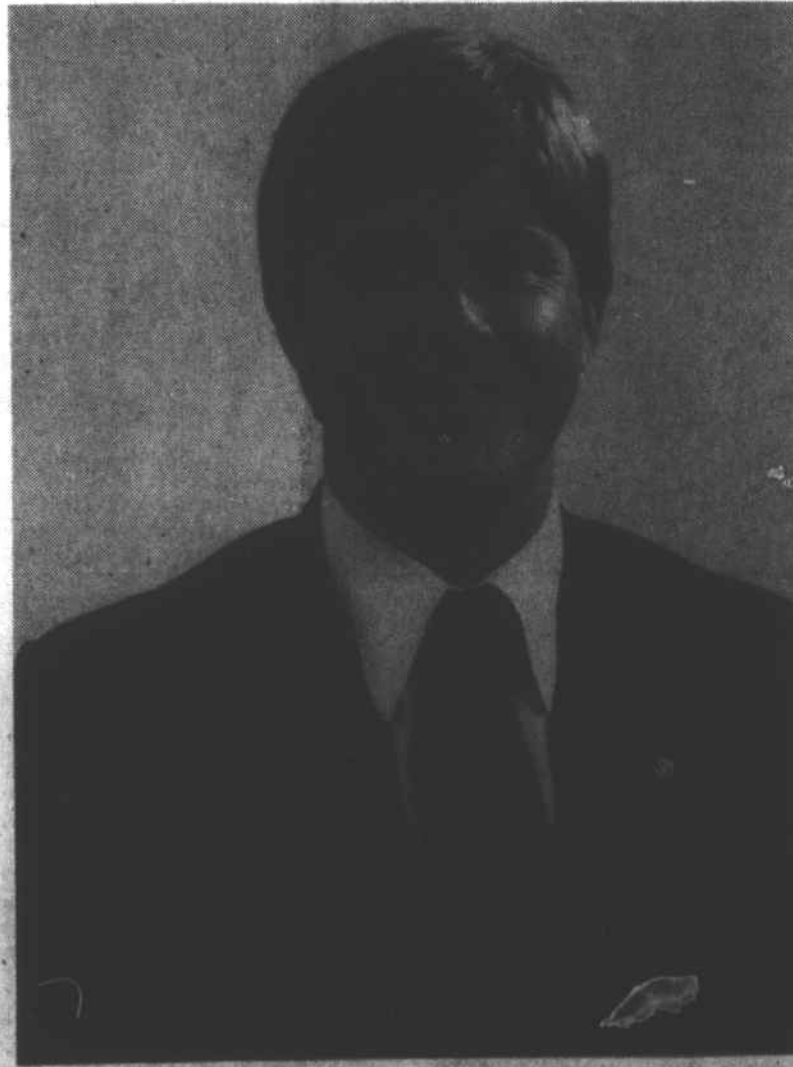


BROWNIES DEDICATE TREES — Members of local Brownie Troop 711 recently donated two trees to the town that were placed on the Perquimans County Health Department grounds. The donation was originally a community service project, but the members dedicated the trees Monday with a plaque in memory of Lisa Dawn Lane. (Staff photo by Yvonne Baker)

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