

PEOPLE

Another year, another place, another festival

Another year, another festival at another location — that was the 1983 "Festival of Skills" sponsored by the Perquimans County Extension Homemakers which was held Saturday at the Perquimans County High School Gym.

Individuals and then there were booths by organizations who had many willing workers.

Food, fun and enthusiasm was plentiful along with the variety of skills.

Woodwork in all sizes, shapes and forms was very popular as indicated by the happy shoppers seen leaving with tables, shelves, bowls, stools, folk art, toys and almost anything imaginable made out of wood.

The gym provided adequate space for all visitors, especially mothers who strolled babies or toddlers from booth to booth down and around the pottery, ceramics, mother rat brooms, Christmas ornaments, pillows, baskets and much, much more.

Stenciling was a new skill which appeared on place mats, aprons, pillows and baby bibs made by Sharon Godfrey.

Paintings of ducks, peanut fields and other scenes provided the

background for Penny and Leslie Williams who were busy hand-painting scenes on saw blades and ducks, strawberries, out houses, etc. on light switch plates. Again, almost anything imaginable was painted on a switch plate.

Frances Chambers, of Chowan County, who visited the fair in the afternoon, returned at night to bring a friend just to see Alyce Nadeau's wreaths and arrangements which were very unique, very attractive and very unusual featuring vines, moss, straw and touches of this and that at just the right places.

Most exhibitors were pleased with sales and indicated they would be interested in participating in 1984.

We appreciate all the support from exhibitors, visitors and volunteers. Without all working together, the festival could not have been a success.



Talent was the feature at the 1983 Festival of Skills held on Friday.

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The day was perfect for the 800 people who enjoyed the wonderful array of handmade items shown in the 37 booths by approximately 100 participants. There were booths by

Holiday Island gets church

By JACK GROVE

Holiday Island has a new church, "Chapel on The Sound." A summer ministry has grown into a full-fledged congregation of over 60, a minister, and a church home on the way.

Holiday Island's new lay minister, Jim Hodge, never dreamed of a ministry or living in North Carolina when he left his Portsmouth, Ohio home in 1952 to enter the U.S. Navy. Hodge's Navy career as a Radioman spanned 20 years and most of the world. The majority of his sea duty was on major amphibious ships. He served ashore at DaNang, Vietnam in 1969.

It was while still in the Navy that Hodge answered the call to the ministry. While on board the USS TWO JIMA (LPH-2), he began a lay ministry which he shared with a U.S. Marine Corps Gunnery Sergeant. He continued his ministry at USNTC Bainbridge, MD where he retired in 1972 as a Senior Chief Radioman (E-8).

Born and raised a Baptist, Hodge says "I'm as non-denominational as you can get. I like to be referred to as a Christian."

After his Navy retirement, Hodge moved his family back to Portsmouth, Ohio where he went to work in the electronic repair field. At the same time he continued his lay ministry in the Blue Bird Parish, a Methodist Association of sixteen small country churches. The parish is headed by a bishop and has twelve lay ministers. Hodge preached at seven of these churches.

Hodge and his family were stationed in Norfolk for eight years. (The family includes his wife, Janet; Regina, who works for Virginia National Bank in Chesapeake, VA; Angela, who is a registered nurse in Ohio; Mary Christine Odel, now a housewife in Tucker, GA; and Janet Lee who attends Perquimans Union School.) It was in Norfolk that they made friends with Bruce and Shirley Whitehard who own a camping lot in Holiday Island.

In July of last year, the Hodges bought a motor home, took a vacation, and visited the Whitehards and the Island. They liked the Island so well that they subsequently bought a camping lot.

Earlier this year Hodge resigned from his job and ministry in Ohio for health reasons. They came to the Island last June for the summer.

At the Holiday Island Property Owners Association Office while inquiring about local churches, they began talking to Ray Rayfield and Forest Myers.

Rayfield asked Hodge, "Could you preach a little Baptist?" and a Holiday Island ministry was launched.

Hodge conducted Sunday services in the Adult Lounge throughout the summer months with the talented musical help of Janet at the piano. Hodge said, "When we started this, it was just for the summer. You see, we planned to be home so Lee could be in school." Janet added.

After a couple of Sunday services, several property owners started to talk about a continuing church. In response to their request that Hodge conduct a full-time ministry here, he said that he prayed about it. As a result, Hodge said, "I felt that it was the will of the Lord that I remain."

They bought a lot, complete with mobile home. A sign designates their new home as "Chapel on The Sound Parsonage."

The congregation has chosen the following deacons: Ray Rayfield,

Smokey Anderson, Gene Stytler and Ruby Stanley. According to Hodge, the church will be organized along the same lines that Snug Harbor's Community Church followed. Incorporation papers for the Chapel on The Sound, Inc. have already been filed with the state.

At its September meeting, the Holiday Island Property Owners Association Board of Governors voted unanimously to turn over lot 1-J to the congregation for a church building lot.

Love offerings in cash and pledges of more than \$4,000 have been

received towards the new church building.

Seven colored glass windows for the new church have been donated by a window manufacturer in Virginia Beach. The windows were left over from another church's construction. The company will store the windows until they are needed.

A piano was donated by Russ and Darlene Sullivan and 25 hymnals were donated by Ruby Vick.

A ground breaking ceremony was held on Saturday, October 16, following the Board of Governor's meeting.



Pastor Jim Hodge and wife, Janet.

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VOTE

W.A. "Billy" White
Mayor Of Hertford
November 8, 1983

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