

DAV remains neutral in local controversy

The Henry J. Curtis Chapter 161, DAV, has announced that it will remain neutral on the controversy created by the refusal of local organizations to support the Purple Toad. The groups have stated that they will not support the youth center while James Flounders is coordinator. Their disapproval apparently stems from the fact that Mr. Flounders refused to salute the American flag at a meeting of the Rotary Club where he was guest speaker.

Also submitted with the announcement of the DAV's neutrality was a copy of the Pledge of Allegiance as explained by Red Skelton on his Jan. 14, 1969 show.

Following is the statement given by the DAV:

"During the recent rights and wrongs on saluting the American flag that have been happening in our community DAV (Disabled American Veterans) has stood back, not wishing to get involved in something members feel is a personal conflict between two groups men.

"We would like these two individuals to read the following excerpt taken from the Jan. 14, 1969 Red Skelton Show in hopes that this will help dissolve the differences these men may have between them."

THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

From the Red Skelton hour, Jan. 14, 1969

I remember this one teacher. To me, he was the greatest teacher, a real sage of my time. He had such wisdom. We were all reciting the Pledge of Allegiance, and he walked over. Mr. Lasswell was his name. . . He said:

"I've been listening to you boys and girls recite the Pledge of Allegiance all semester and it seems as though it is becoming monotonous to you. If I may, may I recite it and try to explain to you the meaning of each word."

1—ME, an individual, a committee of one.

"Pledge—dedicate all of my worldly goods to give without self-pity. Allegiance—my love and my devotion.

To the Flag—our standard, Old Glory, a symbol of freedom. Wherever she waves, there is respect because your loyalty has given her a dignity that shouts freedom is everybody's job.

Of the United—that means that we have all come together.

States—individual communities that have united. There are 48 individual communities with pride and dignity and purpose, all divided with imaginary boundaries, yet united to a common purpose, and that's love for country.

Of America—

And to the Republic—a state in which sovereign power is invested in representatives chosen by the people to govern. And government is the people and it's from the people to the leaders, not from the leaders to the people.

For which it stands

One nation—meaning, so blessed by God. Indivisible—incapable of being divided. With liberty—which is freedom and the right of power to live one's own life without threats or fear of some sort of retaliation.

And justice—the principle or quality of dealing fairly with others.

For all—which means "it's as much your country as it is mine."

Since I was a small boy, two states have been added to our country and two words have been added to the Pledge of Allegiance—"under God."

Wouldn't it be a pity if someone said, "That's a prayer" and that would be eliminated from schools, too?"

Red Skelton

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KING AND QUEEN OF THE WINTER CARNIVAL—Wearing crowns of evergreen are George and Sheryl Ramsey who received 436 votes out of the 1626 total turned in Saturday evening. Coronation ceremonies were held that evening at the Municipal Building. Too much snow and stormy weather forced the cancellation of the planned Friday night affair. The Ramseys, sponsored by the Luncheon Club, were presented with a \$25 gift certificate from J. R. Miller Store and will be dinner guests of the Clearview Restaurant. Mr. Ramsey is manager of the J. R. Miller Store in Gouverneur.

Ramseys chosen King and Queen of Gouverneur's Winter Carnival

George and Sheryl Ramsey were crowned King and Queen of Gouverneur's Winter Carnival Saturday at the Municipal Building. Sponsored by the Luncheon Club, the couple received a total of 436 votes out of the 1626 tabulated that evening.

Dr. and Mrs. George Hanlon, sponsored by the VFW, were first runners up.

The \$1626 will be donated by the Gouverneur Swimming Pool Association to the village for the development of the Dr. Harry L. Mills Memorial Park.

The Rotary Club, sponsors of Joseph and Alice Weekes, received the award for the highest percentage of votes cast in relationship to club membership.

Gordon McPherson, emcee, presented each candidate with a boutonniere or corsage. The Ramseys were crowned with wreaths of evergreen by Mrs. Ellen Tietjen, recreation supervisor, and Rev. Stanley E. Brown, campaign manager for the winning couple.

Mr. and Mrs. Ramsey were the recipients of a \$25 gift certificate from the J. R. Miller Store and will be dinner guests at the Clearview Restaurant.

The ceremonies came to a close as the loyal subjects gave the Ramseys three cheers: "Long live the King and Queen."

The other

Buenas noticias

New registrants are warmly welcomed to the adult education conversational Spanish class. The class is held in Room 155 at the Senior High School Thursday evenings at 7 p.m.

Dispute continues at local talc mill

In an interview with the Tribune-Press Tuesday morning Weldon E. Watson, President of Local 4979 United Steel Workers, John Newwine, recording secretary, and George Macaulay, steward, remarked on the dispute at Gouverneur Talc, subsidiary of R. T. Vanderbilt, New York City.

They explained that in 1968, mill employees sent a petition to the Vanderbilt offices to advise them of the problems in management personnel relations. The employees were advised to follow regular grievance procedures, but these have proved to be unsatisfactory.

On Jan. 25, 21 men of the mill department walked out. They were advised by William Kelly, local union representative, that unless they returned to work the union would be unable to help them. On Jan. 27 the 21 returned to work to discover that Mr. Watson had been discharged. A week later John Newwine was discharged. George Macaulay and Stewart Soper, stewards were suspended Feb. 2 until March 6. Kenneth Peck received 14 days suspension and disciplinary warning. The other

16 men have disciplinary warning entered on their permanent personnel files.

On Feb. 7, Newwine, Macaulay and Watson filed an official complaint with the National Labor Relations Board, Buffalo, and received assurance that a representative will investigate the local situation.

Union and company representatives will meet on Feb. 14.

Mr. Newwine stated "I do expect considerable help from Tony Nesby, sub-district director, U.S. Steel Workers, in my crusade for better understanding with the company."

Plans are being made by the four who were discharged and-or suspended to contact Assemblyman Dan Haley in regard to their problem.

George Erdman, Vice President and General Manager of Gouverneur Talc was unavailable for comment Tuesday morning.

Last warning for dog owners

Time is growing short for the purchase of dog licenses and tags for 1972. The state law requires that the names of all owners of dogs who have failed to obtain licenses be reported to the Commissioner of Agriculture and Markets in Albany by Feb. 10 and that suit be brought in the local Town Justices Court. Failure to obtain such licenses subjects the delinquent owner to a penalty of \$10 and costs, in addition to the purchase price of a license. Dog owners may avoid this penalty by obtaining a license and tag promptly and before summons is issued.

Dog owners whose pets have died or been otherwise disposed of since the October census can still appear personally at the Town Clerk's office and sign an affidavit so court action will not be taken against them.

District Governor to visit Rotarians

District Governor Mac Beaton will make his official visit at the meeting of the Rotary Club to be held tonight (Wednesday) in the new rooms at 21 Main St.

The meeting, the first scheduled in the new quarters will begin at 6:15.

Rotary Ladies' night Saturday

All past and present Rotary Club members and their guests are invited to attend the club's ladies' night dinner and dance Saturday evening at the Clearview Restaurant beginning at 7:30.

There will be live music and entertainment. Reservations should be made with Paul Sprague, Merton L. VanSant or Richard D. Snook by today (Wednesday).

International Dance to be held March 25

At the American Field Service "International" dance held last year at the Elks Club there were costumes, round and square dancing and everyone really enjoying themselves. Another dance will be held March 25 for the same benefit, to sponsor a student going abroad and a student to be entertained in Gouverneur next year.

Mrs. Stanley Brown, decorating chairman, is anxious to have as many articles from a foreign country on display at the dance as possible.

Anyone having articles they are willing to loan is asked to contact Mrs. Brown at 287-2322 any time.

County Clerk explains functions of office

Robert Rotundo was honored at the Wednesday meeting of the Gouverneur Luncheon Club, for superior salesmanship. He was captain of the winning sales team in program advertising for the January Variety Show. The team of George Ramsey was in second place, and William Redick was individual sales champion.

Lewis W. Paddock, St. Lawrence County Clerk was guest speaker. He expressed pleasure for the opportunity to explain the functions of County government. High School classes are encouraged to visit the Court House, and he takes time from his busy schedule to acquaint them with the four branches of his office. These include the Recording Office (records of County transactions, passports and naturalization); Uniform

Code Office (mortgages), Clerk of Supreme and County Courts, and Motor Vehicles.

A total of \$163,000 was collected in fees last year and \$133,000 was used to cover expenses. The recent innovation of keeping all records on microfilm will further add to the efficiency of the office and reduce costs.

A bill, now under study, which would require all car owners and dealers to have a title to their vehicle was explained, and evoked a lively question and answer period. Much interest was shown also in the passport division.

Committee assignments for the year were announced by Club President, Rev. Donald S. French, as follows: executive and finance: Chairman, Paul Sprague, Jack Scott, Emil

Escklisen, Rev. Edward F. Caldwell, Rev. Stanley E. Brown, Ways and Means: chairman, John M. Burgess, Dr. Nyles Crowner, Vernon M. Gonyeau, George Ramsey, William Redick, Msgr. Robert J. McCarthy, Jack Scott, Gordon McPherson, Glenn Miller, and Joseph E. McAlister.

Program and public relations: Richard Snook, chairman, Edward Cole, Charles Cooke, Frank Breitenbach, Membership and Attendance: Terry O'Donnell, chairman, Rev. Howe B. Perry, John Green, Education: Max Levinson, chairman, David E. Nelson, Music: Charles Kanitz, chairman, Gordon J. McPherson, Social Welfare: chairman, Stanley E. Orford, Robert Rotundo, Cards and Gifts: Edward Burr, chairman, William Foster.

State University President to speak at Chamber dinner

The Gouverneur Chamber of Commerce announces that Dr. Thomas Barrington, President of the State University of New York, Potsdam, will be the guest speaker at the Chamber's annual dinner April 26 at the Elks Club. The Chamber of Commerce dinner, one of Gouverneur's most notable annual events is open to the public. Speakers have included national executives of the zinc and talc mining companies in the area, religious leaders and government officials.

Chamber President Gordon McPherson appointed retiring directors Emerson Orford, Msgr. Robert McCarthy, Mario Pistoiesi and Jack Scott to form the dinner committee.

One of the highlights of the affair is the presentation of the Julius R. Bartlett award to a chamber member with a record of outstanding contributions to

the organization and to the community. The recipients name is not revealed until the presentation is made during the dinner.

The award was initiated in 1954 and re-named a few years later in honor of Bartlett, an early recipient of the award. He was an accountant for the International Talc Co. newspaper reporter, village historian, and secretary of the Chamber of Commerce for 25 years.

Center lists requirements for van use

The Gouverneur Neighborhood Center is anxious to clear up any misunderstandings as to who is eligible to be furnished transportation in the new van.

People over 65 who are financially unable to own a car or to hire a taxi, may ask for help in getting to a doctor, the hospital, buying groceries or other essential errands. It is not necessary that they belong to the Senior Citizens Club.

Requests for transportation may be made by calling the Gouverneur Neighborhood Center, 25 South Main Street, and 10:00 a.m. Monday through Friday. The call should be made a day in advance except in case of real emergency.

State approves medical course at Canton ATC

Canton ATC has received approval from the State Department of Health for its fourth 36-Hour Medical Emergency Technician Course to be offered in Continuing Education starting March 9. The Department of Health, under a Highway Safety Project Grant, defrays in part the faculty costs in the course.

Any interested person holding a Red Cross Advanced First Aid Card or who is currently in an Advanced Course is eligible to enroll. A nominal tuition fee is charged to cover books and supplies costs.

Professor John Kennedy, Medical Laboratory Technician curriculum, is the senior instructor for MET Training.

Inquiries concerning enrollment should be directed to the Office of Continuing Education. Call 386-7129.

Mrs. VanInderstyne to manage Gift Shop

Mrs. Frank VanInderstyne has been appointed to manage the Gift Shop at the Edward John Noble Hospital, Gouverneur.

Mrs. Ernest Deauval will assist Mrs. VanInderstyne.

New committee appointments were made by Mrs. C. McDonald Groat, president, at the first monthly meeting of the Auxiliary year, held Feb. 1, at the hospital.

The Gift Shop is one of the daily volunteer activities carried on at the hospital by the Auxiliary.

Traditionally held in the Fall the drive was postponed last year so that it would not conflict with other community fund drives.

The annual hospital ball will be held May 6.

Careers Day for high school students interested in health care work will also be held in May, making three Auxiliary events scheduled that month to coincide with the country-wide celebration of National Hospital Week.

In other committee appointments made by Mrs. Groat, Mrs. James Mason became chairman of the nominating committee, and Mrs. Merton VanSant was appointed to represent the board of directors on the nominating committee.



THIS PILE OF SNOW GREW OVERNIGHT. Village crews were out hauling the snow away but hadn't yet cleaned this pile in front of the Gouverneur Savings and Loan building Saturday noon.

Three join Youth Center Corporation

Joseph Connor, Larry Imperiale and Gary Beckwith were elected to membership at the Paul Scott heads Good Citizenship Award committee.

Paul Scott has been named chairman of a committee appointed by the Silas Wainwright Post 6338 to choose a recipient for the annual Good Citizenship Award. This award will be presented at a dinner to be held in March at the VFW home on West Main Street.

Other committee members are Earl Klock, Max Levinson, Richard Mason, James Bellingier and Robert Emerson.

Letters of recommendation for candidates may be addressed to the VFW Post or to any member of the committee.

Jan. 28 meeting of the Gouverneur Youth Development Corporation. A list of proposed nominees for membership was drawn up. These persons will be contacted by present members.

After an extended period of discussion by laws for the corporation were unanimously approved. David Davis was elected vice chairman of the corporation.

The resignation of Herbert Hunt was accepted. Because of a conflict in schedules and inability to attend meetings the Board voted regretfully to ask Stephen Kenney, Interim Pastor of Oxbow, Rossie and Brasie Corners Churches, to resign membership.

The name of John Rouse was proposed unanimously as Honorary Chairman of the Corporation. Mr. Rouse's generosity has made the present location of the Purple Toad Youth

Center possible. He will be contacted relative to his willingness to serve.

Fowler Board regulates use of snowmobiles

Seven persons were present at the public hearing held by the Fowler Town Board Wednesday. Of those present no opposition was presented against Local Law No. 1 for the year 1972. This law regulates the use of snowmobiles in the Town of Fowler.

The law was unanimously passed by the board and will take effect immediately upon its filing in accordance with the provisions of Section 27 of the Municipal Home Rule Law.

Copies of the law are available and may be picked up at the Town Clerk's Office in Hawesboro.

WEATHER

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Tuesday	28	14	trace
Wednesday	23	5	.00
Thursday	37	10	.13
Friday	36	12	1.09
Saturday	14	3	.00
Sunday	2	2	.06
Monday	17	-2	.00



MORE THAN 100 BOTTLES were collected in two weeks by students at the Special Education Center. Barbara Stone, Gouverneur and Donald Woodman, Harrisville.

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Wycarley, students on the second mark: Danny Backus, re, Dayle Brown, Kathleen Connor, Bethany Flemington, Nona Hodgkinson, Lorraine LaMere, Paula Skelton, Belinda d Turle Deborah /anLone, Tammy an Yerdon.

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