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To kick-off campaign for the Kayla Leigh Smith Liver Transplant Fund, Sheriff Hubert Stone presents contribution to family. Shown [l-r] Larry Smith, Betty Imman, Sheriff Hubert Stone. Seated is Kim Smith with baby, Kayla Leigh Smith. Contribu-

by Larry and Kim Smith ... Dear Friends and Citizens of Robeson County:

tions may be mailed to Kayla

We are the parents of Kayla Leigh Smith, a baby girl who is three months old, very beautiful and precious to us. old we noticed she was jaundiced. We took her to our pediatrician who referred us to Southeastern General Hospital for a liver scan. To our astonishment the tests were positive. We were then sent to Duke Hospital where Kayla was diagnosed as having "Biliary artesia," a rare liver disease that prevents the body from eliminating bile.

Leigh Smith Liver Transplant Fund, P.O. Box 827, Lumberton, NC or Antioch Baptist Church, Rt. 9 Box 460, Lumberton, NC 28358. Trustees are: Hev. C.J. Bordeau and Bruce Jobe, local attorney. Committee Chairman is Job B. Freeman, Robeson County Register of Deeds.

Bile is a blood waste product that is stored in the liver and used to digest food. The surgeons at Duke took a piece of Kayla's large intestine and attached it to her liver in hopes that this operation would alleviate her problem. The operation called "Kasia Porterenterectomy" is the only procedure available at the present time for babies with biliary artesia. The operation did not help our baby's condition. The only thing left now is a liver transplant.

Kayla was hospitalized at Duke for seven weeks. We then took her to the Children's Transplant Center in Dallas, Texas. A transplant team evaluated Kayla. They informed us that she was a good transplant candidate and could be transplanted upon gaining some weight. She now weighs 91/2 lbs. and can be transplanted when she gains up to 15 lbs.

We desperately need to raise \$200,000.00 as quickly as possible because time is of the essence for Kayla. She doesn't have much time to wait for this transplant because as her liver condition worsens, so does her heart, brain, kidneys and other major organs. Kayla is on the transplant list in Dallas, Texas and Pittsburg, Pennsylvania. We are now trying to get her on other transplant lists around the country. These Centers will not transplant our baby unless we, the parents, have the money up front. We were virtually caught with our pants down, with no insurance on Kayla. Medicaid and other State agencies do not pay for transplants in North Carolina. In the United States, 33 states pay for transplant surgery, but unfortunately, for us and other families, North Carolina does not. We are having to rely on local fund raising from Robeson and surrounding

If you or your organization could help assist with a fund raising project or just a donation we would deeply appreciate it. We love little Kayla very much and would love to see her grow-up. So please give or assist us in this effort in any manner available to you. Thank you.

> Sincerely, Larry & Kim Smith 1205 Saxon Ave. Lumberton, NC

## Randy Atcheson, a Master at the Piano and Organ to Perform During Albert Long Happening

by Gene Warren Watching Randy Atcheson perform at the piano is like seeing musical poetry come

His maestro's fingers dance across the keyboard, filling the auditorium with majestic

Atcheson, the only double major in the history of the Julliard School of Music in New York in both piano and organ, will be part of the Albert Long evangelistic team when Long leads a "Happening" April 13-16 at Lumberton Senior High School Auditorium. Services are at 7:30 p.m. nightly. Everyone is invited to this event for the entire county. The event is free to the public.

Atcheson, from Greenwich, Conn., has been with the team for 11 years. He has performed all over the U.S. and abroad. "Name it, and Randy will play it," said Long. "He is unbelievable."

Atcheson last performed in Lumberton in 1980 when Long's team was there last for a "Happening." He drew tremendous response. He also played a special concert on the organ at Chestnut Street United Methodist Church-and it, too, was acclaimed.

Prior to that, he visited Robeson County in 1975 when he was 23 years old, playing on the third night of an Albert Long "Happening" at St. Pauls High School. People who attended still talk of how superbly he performed on an old, scratched-up piano in the high school auditorium.

Although the piano was badly out of tune, Atcheson made it become an instrument

Runner Up in

Competition

Math

of fare beauty. I vot omy usu ne play the great hymns of the church, he also played a medley of songs from "The Sound Of Music" plus the works of Chopin and others. For the invitations to those making commitments, he played his own beautiful interpretation of "Amazing Grace.'

What made his performance at St. Pauls even more meaningful was that he played despite the fact his right hand was bandaged and swollen. "A spider bit me, I believe," he said. After his rendition, Atcheson received a standing ovation.

Atcheson is not scheduled to be here for the first night of the crusade, but will perform on Monday and Tuesday, April 14-15. He is also scheduled to present another organ concert, tentatively at Chestnut Street United Methodist Church in Lumberton. It will be from 12:15-1:15 p.m. April 15 so people can attend during their lunch hours.

Long says he first met Atcheson at a Fellowship of Christian Athletes conference. "I told Randy I had no money, but would he like to go with me on a 'Happening?' said we would try to get a aigh money for a plane ticket and a little to eat on. Randy replied quickly, 'yes.' He's been a part of our team ever since.

In an article in "People" magazine, Atcheson scribed his talent as "a gift from God. And I owe Him the best I can make of it."

Long comments: "There is not a team in the country which can touch ours as far as musical talent is concerned."

Student From Roseboro

Named Editor of PSU's

Yearbook for Next Year

Of soloist Donna Stephenson of Benson, Long says: "A beautiful girl who received her voice training at East Carolina University and has sung in New York's Metropolitan Opera Guild. For the past two seasons, she has performed with the Cincinnati opera. Last December, she sang in Alice Tully Hall in the Lincoln Center in New York City. Beauty glows from inside her, showing Christ lives

Also at the "Happening" will be Debbie Bingham Pullen, a former "Miss Congeniality" in the "Miss North Carolina" pageant who missed the last event in Lumberton because of preparing to give childbirth. From Clemmons, "this lovely lady demonstrates God's power and love through drama and action," says Long.

Another team member is Lester Matte of Durham, who demonstrates his skills in karate in which he holds a black belt. "Lester shares his testimony of Jesus Christ as he show his power in breaking 'em up," says Long. Matte demonstrated his block-breaking feats in 1980 during the last visit by the Long team.

Completing the team will be David and Mike Alexander of Newland. Known as the 'Carolina Kids,' they are world champion cloggers who have appeared on shows like the Grand Ol' Opry and Hee Haw. They have also been on numerous religious television programs.

plements Long's preaching, is expected to make a vital impact on Lumberton and Robeson County come April

# local bulletin

FIELD TRIP HELD

Ms. Teresa Hunt, Librarian at Proctorville School, conducted a field trip for two of her classes on March 6. The fourth grade class of Mrs. Betty H. Rice and the fifthsixth graders of Mrs. Sandra L Lewis visited the Robeson County Public Library and the Robeson County Court House.

At the library the students were taken on a tour of the entire facility. Of special interest to them was the children's section.

Sheriff Hubert Stone and Register of Deeds Joe B. Freeman spoke briefly with the students at the courthouse and encouraged them in their school work.

Mr. Marion E. Rice, Court Counselor with the 16th Judicial District and a member of the Robeson County Board of Education, role played a courtroom scene with the students. He talked with them about juveniles and the law. Mr. Rice urged the students to respect parents and teachers and to put forth their best efforts in school.

AEROBIC CLASSES BEGIN Aerobic classes will be

taught at Pembroke Odom Home on Tuesday and Thursday nights from 7-8 p.m. beginning April 8- May 8. Registration fee-\$10. Instructor is Rebecca Lowry. The class is sponsored by the Robeson County Parks and Recreation Department.

Single Adult Fellowship Meeting April 8

"Healing for Damaged Emotions" is the program topic for the next Single Adult Fellowship meeting, at 7:00 p.m. Tuesday, April 8 at First United Methodist Church, Pembroke. Rev. Tony Brewington, Director of Missions, Burnt Swamp Baptist Association, will present the program. He is well qualified to deal with this subject.

Group participation is always encouraged. Each meeting includes fun, fellowship and tefreshments. Visitors are always welcome.

For information call 521-4619 or 521-8082.

ROADRACEPLANNED Robeson County Recreation and Park Commission will sponsor a Road Race on May 10, 1986 at St. Pauls High School.

One mile youth race for

ages 12 and under will begin at 8:30 a.m.

The 6.2 (10k) will begin at 9

For applications and further information, contact Robeson County Recreation Department at 738-9061 or 738-9595.

SOFTBALL MEETING

Robeson County Recreation and Park Commission will hold its Softball Meeting for men and women on Tuesday, April 15, 1986 at 7:30 p.m. at Red Springs courthouse. For more information, please call Robeson County Recreation and Park Commission at 738-9061 or 738-9595

GOSPEL SINGING PLANNED

The Pembroke Assembly of God will hold a special singing on April 19, 1986 at 7:30 p.m. Special singers will be the Tyler Family, along with the Singing Pilgrims, the Locklear Sister, Rev. Mitchell Oxendine and Family and the Sounds of Echo.

An offering will be taken toward the building of a fellowship hall.

Fund Raising Planned For County Commissioner Candidate

A fund-raising for Henry W. Oxendine, candidate for County Commissioner in the Pembroke-Smiths-Maxton District, will be held on April 4, 1986 at the Prospect School Cafeteria. Barbecue and chicken plates will be on sale for \$3.50. The sale will be begin at 11 a.m. and last until 6 p.m. Tickets are available but

plates will be available at the

On April 11, 1986 a plate sale will be held in the Pembroke Town Park. 1/2 chicken will be served and the price is \$3.50 per plate. The sale will begin at 11 a.m. and last until 7 p.m. All interested persons are invited to attend, purchase a plate and meet the candidate, Henry W. Oxen-

## **Public Awareness Committee** to meet at PSU

The Public Awareness Committee of the Mayor's Committee for the Handicapped has scheduled its third speaker at PSU in Moore Auditorium on April 10, 1986 at 7:00 p.m.

Mr. Thomas A. Jones, who is presently employed with the "Willy M" program in Fayetteville will be the guest speaker. He holds a B.S. Degree from PSU with a concentration in Medical Sociology and is presently working on his Master's Degree

in Rehabilitation Counseling emphasizing Vocational Eval-

The presentation will include, among other topics, a handicapped abilities versus disabilities, attitudes of the able-bodied toward them which many times causes social and pyschological barriers. He will encourage interaction and audience parti-

Mr. Jones lives in Fayetteville with his wife, Patricia, of twenty-six years, and is a Guidance Counselor in the St. Paul's Middle School.

The presentation will be informative and can be applied to those working with the mentally and/ or pnysically handicapped, or living with

For those not familiar with PSU, Moore Auditorium is directly behind Old Main. The parking lot in the back of the building is directly across the street from the Berea Baptist Church and can be used by both wheelchairs and able bodied individuals.



Natasha Lynn Bullard was first funner up in the Math Competition at Deep Branch School. She is 10 years old and a fouth grader. Natasha is the daughter of Doris O. Bullard and Cecil Lane Bullard.

Carolyn Williams ... Named editor of PSU yearbook for next year.

Pembroke-Carolyn Williams of Roseboro, who is completing her freshman year at PSU, has been named editor of "The Indianhead," PSU yearbook, for the 1986-87 academic year.

Selecting Miss Williams for this position was the PSU

announcement came from Alec Price, PSU dean of students.

Miss Williams served this year on the yearbook staff and was also on her high school's annual staff at Cape Fear High School in Favetteville.

'We are looking forward to producing a fine annual because next school year is the Centennial year of PSU," said Miss Williams.

The daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James A. Williams, Carolyn Williams is majoring in biology at PSU with a premed emphasis. She plans to enter the medical field or teach biology after gradua-

At Cape Fear High School, she was a member of the marching band, concert band, and French Club in addition to serving on the annual staff. She was also a N.C. Scholar.

A member of Peters Creek Baptist Church near Roseboro, she has been president of the "Youth in Action" group and taught training Publications Committee. The - union for younger children.

## cantata to be presented

tonight

The PSU Madrigal Singers will perform the folk Easter Cantata, "My Savior Died For "Me," at the Baptist Student House across from the PSU campus, on Thursday, April

3, at 7:30 p.m. The cantata was written by local composer Kerry Nichol-son of Lumberton and premi-ered at the Godwin Heights Baptist Church in Lumberton last Easter. Members of the

group are: Ellen Jackson, Julie Lindsay, Sharona Stone, Tammy Kujawski, Jimmy Jackson, James Freeman, Shawn Howard, John Locklear, Todd Miller, Tammy Hardison and Douglas Due-

Admission is free and the public is invited to attend. For information call 521-

### PEMBROKB KIWANIS

BY KEN JOHNSON

Program Chairman Adolph Dial presented Mr. Kelly Kahn, a native of Jordan, a naturalized citizen and now the proprietor of the Filling Station Restaurant. Mr. Kahn is also a graduate of the University of Tennessee with a major in Banking. His topic was about Old Jordan and its problems.

Jordan is a small country of two and a half million people. "We are farmers, traders, and fighters. We are fighters in the sense of our country being invaded by Israel, therefore we are freedom fighters. We are terrorists if some radical extremists go outside of our country and kill innocent people. This same terminology can be applied to any people who are under subjugation by outside forces and cannot vote and solve their own destiny. In 1948, the creation of the Israel State started the Arab War. The conflict in its entirety is mostly political. The Jews have a dream of the promised land of Palestine. After 1948 Jordan & Palestine became 1 stry on the West Bank.

in getting the problem of Israel being recognized as a State." Mr. Kahn said Israel is the underdog, and the Palestines were dispersed. The same thing happened to the Jews in years past. Both sides think they are correct. Europe went through this conflict of dispersement in WW II. They must sit down and try to settle the matter. Jordan is religious and is closer to the USA than she is to Russia who is anti-religious "We take assistance where ever we can get it. In this respect, Russia is weaker, however, the problem must be settled fairly. The country used to be called Transjordan whenever we have built it up war comes." Jordan is the only country to give citizen-ship to the Palestinians. Most live in Jordan. Arafat is looked upon as an extremist

would be more involved

President Wade Hunt announced the district no. 7 sting this Thursday at St.



This picture was snapped recently at the Southeastern

Band Contest at Pembroke to prompt the students to pose took part in the two-day State University. It captures correctly for a group picture. event, held at the Givens State University. It captures correctly for a group picture. the photographer attempting Some 30 junior high bands Performing Arts Center.