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Kick-Off Campaign for the Kayla Leigh Smith Liver Transplant Fund



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 Hman, Sheriff Hubert Stone. Seated is Kim Smith with baby, Kayla Leigh Smith. Contributions may be mailed to Kayla

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

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

We are the parents of Kayla Leigh Smith, a baby girl who is three months old, very beautiful and precious to us. When Kayla was two weeks 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 atresia," a rare liver disease that prevents the body from eliminating bile.

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 atresia. 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 9 1/2 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 Pittsburgh, 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 counties.

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

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 Evaluation.

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 psychological barriers. He will encourage interaction and audience participation.

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 physically handicapped, or living with them.

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.

Runner Up in Math Competition



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

Student From Roseboro Named Editor of PSU's Yearbook for Next Year



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 Publications Committee. The

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 Fayetteville. "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 pre-med emphasis. She plans to enter the medical field or teach biology after graduation.

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 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 Nicholson of Lumberton and premiered at the Godwin Heights Baptist Church in Lumberton last Easter. Members of the

group are: Ellen Jackson, Julie Lindsay, Sharons Stone, Tammy Kujawski, Jimmy Jackson, James Freeman, Shawn Howard, John Locklear, Todd Miller, Tammy Hardison and Douglas Duenow.

Admission is free and the public is invited to attend. For more information call 521-4214, Ext. 257.

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 fifth-sixth 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 refreshments. Visitors are always welcome.

For information call 521-4619 or 521-8082.

ROAD RACE PLANNED

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 a.m.

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 begin at 11 a.m. and last until 6 p.m. Tickets are available but plates will be available at the site.

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. Oxendine.

PEMBROKE 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 country on the West Bank. Hopefully peace will come. The conflict on both sides could be settled if the U.S.

would be more involved in getting the problem of Israel being recognized as a State." Mr. Kahn said Israel is the underdog, and the Palestinians 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 citizenship to the Palestinians. Most live in Jordan. Arafat is looked upon as an extremist.

President Wade Hunt announced the district no. 7 ending this Thursday at St. Andrews College. President Hunt presided. Invocation was by Marshall Locklear. Reggie Strickland led the singing. Reporter Ken Johnson.



This picture was snapped recently at the Southeastern North Carolina Junior High

Band Contest at Pembroke State University. It captures the photographer attempting

to prompt the students to pose correctly for a group picture. Some 30 junior high bands

took part in the two-day event, held at the Godwin Heights Baptist Church in Lumberton last Easter. Members of the