

# School News

## Sandhills College Faculty Available To Speak To Clubs

What do computers, wild flowers, personality theory, and poetry have in common? These are all program topics of the new Speaker's Bureau which has been established by Sandhills Community College.

Faculty and staff members from Sandhills are available for speaking engagements and programs for area civic groups, clubs, service organizations, or church groups.

The service is free, and speakers can present general programs about the College or programs about their academic disciplines or interests.

More than 30 faculty and staff members have volunteered their services for the Speaker's Bureau, and a number of different topics are available.

Jim Halstead will be coordinating the arrangements for the College.

For more information about program topics or scheduling a speaker, please contact Jim Halstead at Sandhills Community College, 692-6185.

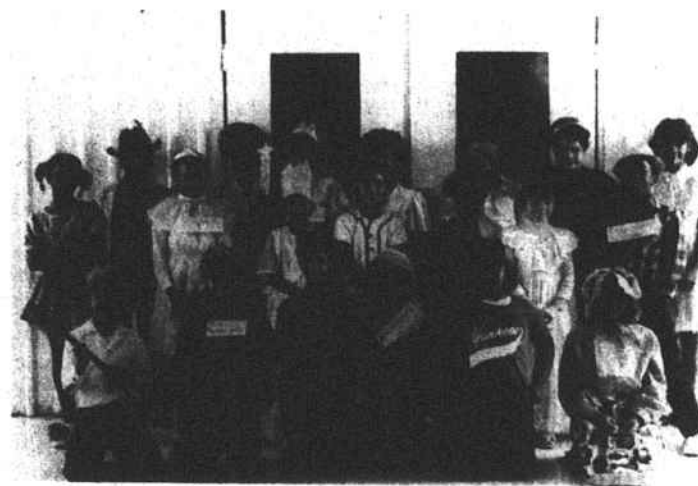
## M.K. Dews Makes President's List

Mary Kimberly Dews, who is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Dews of Rockfish, has been named to the President's List at Fayetteville Technical Institute.

During the fall quarter, she maintained a 3.0 average.

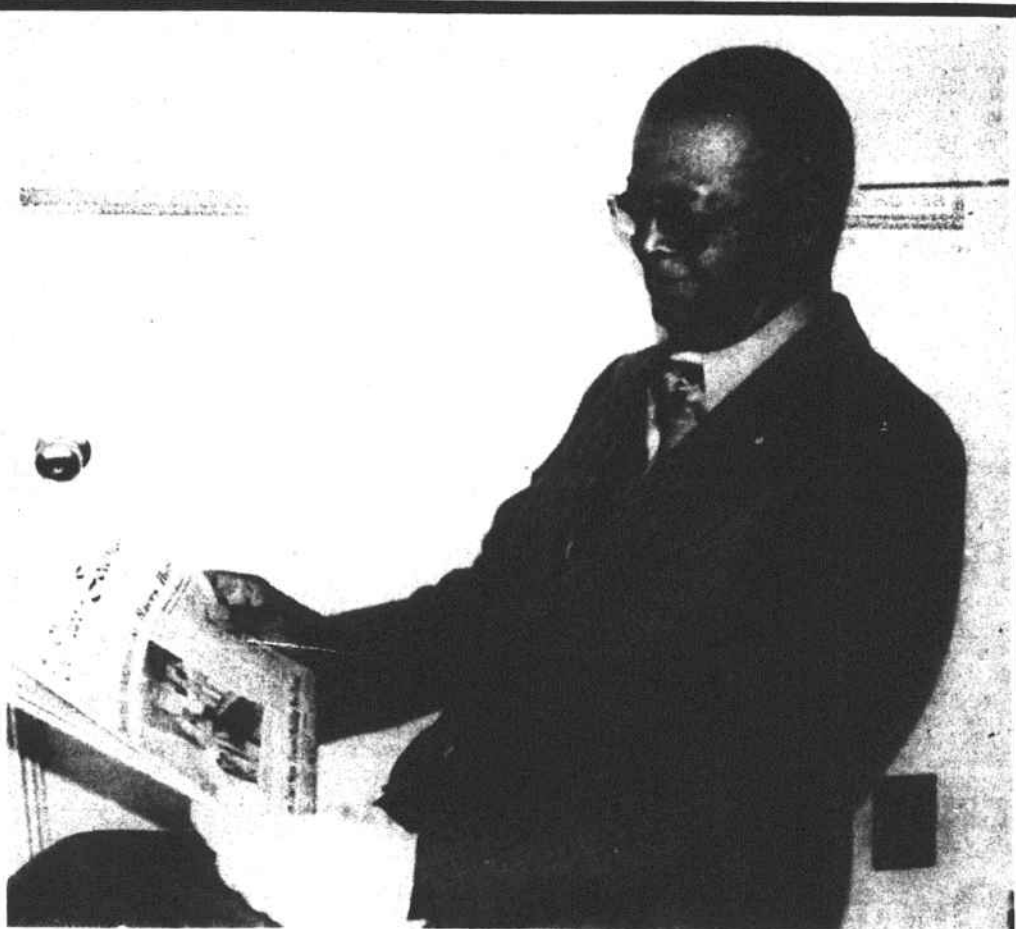


South Hoke Kindergarten and First Grade students with adult leader during special observances.



South Hoke Fourth Graders in costume for observances.

## WATCH THAT CHILD!



Hoke County native John C. McLaughlin has been reading The News-Journal since its inception in 1905. Mr. McLaughlin grew up in the Bowmore section and served in the Army during World War I.

In 1937, Mr. McLaughlin moved to Greensboro and started a long career at A&T State University where he became the Dean of the School of Agriculture. Prior to his retirement he taught Sociology there.

It is Hoke Countians like John McLaughlin who make us proud to have been part of the community for more than 77 years.

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## Book Week, Education Week Feted

Children's Book Week and American Education Week were celebrated at South Hoke School during the week of November 15.

On Monday and Tuesday, all classes viewed a film titled "The Magnificent Mayor." It was about a 9-year-old girl who did not like to read. When she suddenly found herself in a land of non-readers, she had to defend the right to have books, and in the process, she

became enchanted with reading. All the classes decorated their doors illustrating the students' favorite story books.

On Friday, many of the children and some of the teachers dressed up as their favorite book characters. Book marks were given as prizes for the best costumes.

For American Education Week, a bulletin board was put up in the lunch room and a display of the history of education in Hoke Coun-

ty schools was placed in the entrance hall of the main building.

On November 17, teachers and students dressed up as their counterparts in schools of long ago, and each teacher received an apple and a pencil from the Raeford Junior Woman's Club.

A display of books about schools and a film strip about colonial children were displayed in the library during the week.

## Specialist Addresses Hoke NCAE Chapter

Members of the Hoke County Chapter of the North Carolina Association of Educators heard an NCAE political action specialist last week discuss the 1983-84 legislative program to be presented to the General Assembly in January.

The specialist, Joanne Norris, also discussed the results of the November 3 general election.

Ethylene Baker, the 1982-83 Hoke County Teacher of the Year, was presented a corsage from the organization.

The next meeting of the Hoke chapter is scheduled for February 18 in the Hoke County High School library.



Second and Third Graders of South Hoke during the special observances.

## Old Days In School Displayed



School history displays at Turlington.

The American Education Week display at J.W. Turlington School showed where Hoke County was in education years ago.

The articles were loaned by J.W. Turlington, retired Hoke county educator for whom the school was named, from his private collection.

They included more than two dozen textbooks, some printed in the mid-1800s, which were used in the past. They also included 16 black-and-white photos showing Hoke County school buildings as far in the past as 30 years ago.

The Turlington students expressed delight on viewing the display in the case in the foyer, seeing where their parents and grandparents went to school.

The comments included: "Boy, did they have it rough;" "I'm glad I didn't go there;" "Look at that book. I can't even read it;" and "What! No pictures?"

## 3 Local School Reps Attend Conference

How schools can use Governor Jim Hunt's "Year of the Public Schools" campaign to boost citizen understanding and support was the focus of a November 18-19 meeting of school officials.

Representing the Hoke County Schools at the Winston-Salem meeting were Raz Autry, Don Steed, and Glenn Langdon.

The purpose of the meeting, set by the North Carolina School Public Relations Association, was to suggest ways school personnel can improve communications with local citizens and encourage citizen involvement in the schools.

Leading the workshop sessions was Dr. Bill Banach, president of the National School Public Relations Association.

Banach has developed a plan that is used in a large number of school systems in the nation to encourage public understanding and support of schools. At the Winston-Salem meeting he helped participants adapt the plan to their local communities.

Dr. Craig Phillips and representatives from the Governor's Office were in Winston-Salem, also. Phillips encouraged those attending to use the Governor's Proclamation as a way to build confidence in North Carolina's public schools.

"We have an excellent public education system in North Carolina, but we must do better at letting taxpayers know what their investment is paying for," Phillips said.

More than 150 participants from across the State attended the conference.

## Adult High School Registration Held

Registration for adult high school, sponsored by the Hoke County Board of Education and Sandhills Community College, will be held Thursday, December 2, at 6:30 p.m.

The program is open to anyone 18 years old and older who has been out of school at least one year and has completed the 8th grade.

There is no registration fee but you will need your Social Security Number. Registration and classes are held at Hoke County High School on Tuesday and Thursday nights from 6:30 to 9:30 p.m.

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