



Has James Kenan High School been short-changed? Some folks seem to think so. So let's explore. There has for quite some time been a plan to consolidate James Kenan High School and North Duplin High School. This plan has existed even though neither school area wants the combination; each wants their community school. Politics has kept the plan from being discussed openly. However, as the plan has existed in the past, improvements have not been made to the school. James Kenan is the only high school in Duplin County that does not have the 9th grade on its campus. James Kenan has the smallest library and media center of any Duplin County high school. Mobile classroom units dot the campus. There is not even enough room to house the 10th through the 12th grade students. Some of these shortcomings can also be seen at North Duplin High School. There is no support for a consolidated high school — morally or financially. I am sorry to say the students at James Kenan and North Duplin will suffer for many years to come because of this unworkable plan.

When the money was available and prices were down, the foresight of the school board and administration looked to "bigger is better," not "small is quality." Now the revenue sharing that once paid for these school improvements is being consumed by the general fund of the county. This money was at one time put into bricks and mortar and is now being put into running the county. This change about came, I think, because of inexperience and the inability to see beyond today — and, of course, politics. This is the way it began — a practically new board and a new county manager. The county commissioners cut the tax rate — a loss of \$150,000. Then added a county manager at a cost of about \$100,000. The two together comes to \$250,000. Three years ago, to pick up the slack, they began to consume the revenue sharing money that was once used to build schools. Needless to say, the \$250,000 has grown as has inflation. To get Duplin County back on track is going to take some drastic moves, some admission of mistakes, some unpolitical moves, and some fact-finding. It is going to require the county commissioners to once again run the county. Duplin County has been a progressive county; it has a fine reputation throughout North Carolina, but it is living on its past — it is fast becoming a Detroit or New York as far as money goes.

But, back to James Kenan. I am getting a little off the track. The county commissioners are supposed to furnish the money for new buildings, but all the blame cannot be placed on their shoulders. Even if money had been made available, the school would not have been improved due to the plan for joining JK and ND. There is in the planning stage, another plan for Duplin schools' future. This plan, to be approved by the school board, is due in about 60 days. It will be interesting to see if the consolidation high school is still a priority. In my opinion, it is an idea whose days have passed. It is now time to put money and effort into James Kenan and North Duplin to bring those schools up to par. To ignore them much further, in my opinion, would be criminal.



We wish you the very best golfing year ever... See you on the links.

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### Legal Notices

#### NORTH CAROLINA DUPLIN COUNTY

**NOTICE OF SALE**  
Under and by virtue of the order entered by the Superior Court of Duplin County on December 2, 1982 in case number 82 SP 303 entitled "In the matter of Myrtle Jones Williamson" wherein the Court approved the sale of some of her property by her trustee, W. Dorth Langston, Jr. and appointed the undersigned commissioner for the purpose of conducting said sale, the undersigned trustee will offer for sale at public auction to the highest bidder for cash, on the premises in Duplin County, North Carolina, at 10:00 a.m. on Friday, February 4, 1983 two tracts of the land of Myrtle Jones Williamson, the said tracts of land situated in the said tract of land situated in the Wolfscrape Township, Duplin County, North Carolina, and more particularly described as follows:

**TRACT ONE**  
BEGINNING at a nail in the center line of N.C.S.R. 1559, the northwestern property of A.M. Malpass Deed Book 503, Page 382 and the northeastern corner of Myrtle J. Williamson Deed Page 7; thence leaving said road S. 08° 52' 06" E. 9.01 feet to an existing iron pipe set; thence S. 08° 52' 06" E. 20.99 feet to an iron pipe set; thence S. 08° 52' 06" E. 1271.00 feet to an iron pipe set in the center of a ditch; thence with said ditch S. 84° 35' 20" W. 354.26 feet to an iron pipe set; thence leaving said ditch and with the eastern property corner of Dornell Bell Deed Book 55, Page 395 N.

07° 48' 35" E. 1263.49 feet to an iron pipe set in the southern right of way of said road; thence N. 07° 48' 35" E. 30.00 feet to a nail set in the center line of said road; thence with said road N. 83° 30' E. 33.00 feet to the POINT OF BEGINNING containing 10.18 acres including said right of way as surveyed by W. Hillman Rav, Jr., Registered Land Surveyor, November 8, 1982.

**TRACT TWO**  
COMMENCING at an existing nail in the intersection of N.C.S.R. 1559 and N.C.S.R. 1372; thence with the center line of N.C.S.R. 1372 S. 10° 45' 50" E. 719.62 feet to a nail set in said road, THE POINT OF BEGINNING; thence leaving said road and with the center line of a ditch along the southern property line of Johnnie McWells Deed Book 488, Page 317 S. 79° 36' E. 103.43 feet to an existing iron pipe; thence S. 72° 11' 05" E. 248.96 feet to an iron pipe set; thence S. 67° 29' 45" E. 45.63 feet to an iron pipe set; thence S. 87° 01' 20" E. 585.64 feet to an iron pipe set; thence with the Dornell Bell property line Deed Book 55, Page 395, S. 08° 16' 10" E. 353.56 feet to an existing iron pipe; thence N. 84° 35' 20" E. 684.26 feet to an iron pipe set in the western boundary line of A.M. Malpass Deed Book 503, Page 383; thence S. 10° 53' 53" W. 1130.97 feet to an existing iron pipe in the Johnnie McWells property line; thence with the McWells property line N. 73° 45' 50" W. 125.88 feet to an iron pipe set; thence leaving said McWells line N. 13° 49' 01" E. 386.89 feet to an iron pipe set; thence N. 28° 49' 43" W. 78.31 feet to an iron pipe set; thence N. 63° 40' 15" W. 381.59 feet to an iron pipe set; thence N. 18° 15' 50" W. 196.31 feet to an iron pipe set; thence N. 47° 24' 36" W. 236.32 feet to an iron pipe set; thence N. 02° 58' 24" W. 83.07 feet to an iron pipe set; thence N. 57° 47' 27" W. 171.73 feet to an iron pipe set; thence N. 03° 15' 33" E. 102.89 feet to an iron pipe set; thence N. 66° 20' 24" W. 106.30 feet to an iron pipe set; thence N. 86° 01' 45" W. 282.73 feet to an iron pipe set; thence S. 04° 30' W. 64.66 feet to an iron pipe set; thence N. 85° 30' W. 234.62 feet to an iron pipe set on the eastern right of way of N.C.S.R. 1372; thence N. 85° 30' W. 31.10 feet to a railroad spike set in the center line of said road; thence with said center line N. 10° 45' 50" W. 252.18 feet to the POINT OF BEGINNING containing 13.81 acres, as surveyed by W. Hillman Rav, Jr. Registered Land Surveyor, November 8, 1982.

The tracts will be first offered separately and then together with sale being by whichever method brings the highest price. The said tracts will be sold without any allocation of crop allotments. The highest bidder at the sale will be required to post a cash deposit of ten per cent (10%) of said bid.

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1-27-41-FAD-135

**NOTICE OF EXECUTOR**  
Having qualified as Executor of the Last Will and Testament of Mary J. Coston, late of Duplin County, North Carolina, the undersigned does hereby notify all persons, firms and corporations having claims against the estate of said decedent to exhibit them to the undersigned at Rose Hill, North Carolina, on or before the 6th day of July, 1983, or this notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery. All persons, firms and corporations indebted to the said estate will please make immediate payment to the undersigned.

This the 30th day of December, 1982  
Ed Dudley Monk, Executor of the Last Will and Testament of Mary J. Coston  
Lanier and Hall, Attorneys at Law  
P.O. Box 87  
Kenansville, N.C. 28349  
296-1444  
1-27-41-L&H

**NOTICE OF EXECUTOR**  
Having qualified as Executor of the Last Will and Testament of Svbil W. Thigpen, late of Duplin County, North Carolina, the undersigned does hereby notify all persons, firms and corporations having claims against the estate of said decedent to exhibit them to the undersigned at Rt 1, Box 305, Pink Hill, N.C., on or before the 6th day of July, 1983, or this notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery. All persons, firms and corporations indebted to the said estate will please make immediate payment to the undersigned.

This the 30th day of December, 1982  
Kenneth S. Ball, Executor of the Last Will and Testament of Svbil W. Thigpen  
Lanier and Hall, Attorneys at Law  
P.O. Box 87  
Kenansville, N.C. 28349  
296-1444  
1-27-41-L&H

**NORTH CAROLINA DUPLIN COUNTY**  
FILE # 82 CVD 575  
IN THE GENERAL COURT OF JUSTICE  
DISTRICT COURT DIVISION  
NOTICE OF SERVICE OF PROCESS BY PUBLICATION  
HUMPHREY-HARDISON OIL COMPANY  
VS  
WILLIAM HAYWOOD  
BY ELLEN FAY CASTEEN, ATTORNEY IN FACT AND ELLEN FAY CASTEEN, INDIVIDUALLY TO: William Haywood Casteen, one of the above named defendants.

Take notice that a pleading seeking relief against you has been filed in the above-entitled action. The nature of the relief being sought is as follows: an action for Judgment against you for default and non-payment of a promissory note to Humphrey-Hardison Oil Company. You are required to make defense to such pleading not later than the 8th day of February, 1983, said date being 40 days from the first publication of this notice, or from the date complaint is required to be filed, whichever is later; and upon your failure to do so the party seeking service against you will apply to the court for the relief sought.

William E. Craft, Attorney for Plaintiff  
P.O. Box 6  
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**DUPLIN COUNTY SUPERIOR COURT DIVISION**  
PETITION BEFORE THE CLERK OF SUPERIOR COURT  
ANGELINE LEACH, Administratrix For the Estate of FANNIE LEACH  
Petitioner  
VS  
WILLIE SAMUEL LEACH  
Respondent

TAKE NOTICE that a pleading seeking relief against you has been filed in the above-entitled special proceeding. The nature of the relief being sought is as follows: That respondent, Willie Samuel Leach, is an abandoning spouse within the meaning of G.S. 131A-131, and has lost all right to intestate succession in any part of the estate of Fannie Leach. You are required to make defense to such pleading, not later than February 11, 1983 and upon your failure to do so the party seeking service against you will apply to the court for the relief sought.

William E. Craft, Attorney for Plaintiff  
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