



EMPLOYEES RECOGNIZED AT HOSPITAL - left to right, Sherry Wells, Daphney Ezzell and Mamie Kennedy



HOSPITAL EMPLOYEES RECOGNIZED - head, Hazel Rhodes and Edith Ezzell. Gussie Left to Right, Ruby Mincey, Ruthel White-Carter and Peggy Faison are not pictured.

Hospital Employees Receive Recognition

Nine nursing service employees at Duplin General Hospital received special recognition for longevity of service on Dec. 15 at the annual hospital Christmas party. Recognized for 20 years of continuous full-time employment were Mamie B. Kennedy and Edith Ezzell. The following seven were recognized for 15 years of continuous full-time employment: Ruby Mincey, Peggy Faison, Ruthel Whitehead, Sherry Wells, Gussie Carter, Daphney Ezzell and Hazel Rhodes.

Mamie B. Kennedy, L.P.N., resides in Kenansville with her husband, Ted. She has one daughter, Donna, who attends college at UNC-Chapel Hill. Ms. Kennedy's hobbies include fishing and gardening. She works on the medical-surgical units at Duplin General.

Edith Ezzell, a nursing assistant, lives in Rose Hill. She is single but is engaged to Richard Lamm, with wedding plans for Feb. 14th. Her parents are Mr. and Mrs. Charles R. Ezzell, residents of Guardian Care in Kenansville. Ms. Ezzell has her pilot's license and is also

an avid horseback rider. She works on the Second North medical-surgical nursing unit.

Ruby Mincey, a nursing assistant and mother of five children, resides in Rose Hill. Her favorite hobby is sewing, making her own clothes. Ms. Mincey works on the Second South medical-surgical unit.

Peggy Faison, also a nursing assistant who works on the Second North medical-surgical unit, resided in Faison. She and her husband, Gerald, attend the Moses Chapel Church in Faison. She is chairman of the decorating committee in the Ladies Auxiliary Club.

Ruthel Whitehead, a nursing assistant on the Second South medical-surgical unit, resides in Kenansville. She is the mother of three children. She enjoys all of her church services, especially Sunday school and prayer meeting.

Sherry Wells, L.P.N., and her husband, Dodson, reside in Rose Hill. They have two children: Lynn, a graduate of UNC - Wilmington, and Stewart, a junior at Wallace-Rose Hill High School. The Wells attend the Rose Hill Baptist Church. Ms. Wells'

hobbies include needlecrafts and quilting in the winter and outdoor gardening in the spring. She works in Duplin General's Intensive - Coronary Care Unit.

Gussie Carter, also an L.P.N. and who has worked in the hospital Intensive-Coronary Care Unit since the unit's opening, resides in Rose Hill with her husband, Buck, and her granddaughter, Rebecca. The Carters have three children, all married and actively involved in their careers. One of Ms. Carter's favorite hobbies is needlework.

Daphney Ezzell, L.P.N., also works in the Intensive-Coronary Care Unit. She and her husband, Robert David, live in Kenansville. They are the parents of five children: Mary, Robert Jr., Elaine, Pamela and Karen. They are members of the Kenansville Baptist Church. Ms. Ezzell has received advanced education in her specialty area, becoming a registered cardiology technician in 1975.

Hazel Rhodes, L.P.N., and her husband of 42 years, Marvin, reside in the Beaulville - Hallsville area where he farms. Ms. Rhodes

is the mother of three sons, the grandmother of 10, and the great-grandmother of one. In addition to her family, she enjoys crocheting, cross-stitching and spending her spare time at their cottage at the coast.

All nine employees are commended on their years of devoted employment at

Duplin General Hospital. The commitment of such individuals helps provide the quality of care needed and deserved by patients at our hospital, said Anne B. Houston, RN, MSN, director of nursing services at Duplin General.

Arts Council Presents Stevens In A Cart Week Performance

Duplin County Arts Council will present affiliate artist Leigh Howard Stevens, vibraphonist, in a CART week - public performance, Jan. 23-30.

Leigh Howard Stevens is one of America's foremost marimba virtuosos. He has greatly expanded the compositional and musical possibilities of the marimba through the development of a new technique which allows the performance of music once considered impossible on the instrument.

Stevens' creative approach to performance, employing the "one-handed roll" and a more pianistic approach to music, has led to a busy schedule of concert appearances in the U.S. and in Europe.

Affiliate Artists, a non-profit organization, is the leading producer of residencies for performing artists in the U.S. Since its founding in 1966, Affiliate Artists has successfully brought hundreds of artists and communities together in its on-going efforts to support the careers of young American artists and to expand audience support for the live performing arts.

The CART (Community Artist Residency Training)

program of Affiliate Artists was launched in 1978 to help communities develop expertise in presenting the performing arts.

CART training emphasizes the importance of community-wide participation as a means of developing "people support" for the arts. The year-long program includes seminars and consultancies in all areas of arts residency management and community development, and it culminates in a week-long residency by an Affiliate Artist. The CART Week, a week of informal community appearances, is highlighted by a public recital or concert event.

The Duplin County Arts Council is dedicated to the quality of life in the county. By promoting involvement in the arts in all facets of community life, the Arts Council works to educate residents on how the arts enhance their lives.

The Duplin Development Commission serves as a promotional organization for the entire county by working to improve economic well-being, job opportunities, the tax base and living conditions for county residents.

Howard University Choir Concert In Wallace

Saturday, Jan. 22 at 8 p.m., the Howard University Choir will be in Wallace through the efforts of the Duplin County Arts Council.

The group of 36 members will be in concert at the Adoram Baptist Church in downtown Wallace. This is the only North Carolina appearance of the versatile and celebrated Howard University Chorale.

Nancy Jordan of Wallace and Johnny Williams of Teachey, board members of the Duplin County Arts Council, have been coordinating this event. Anne Taylor of Faison is working with area music teachers to publicize this performance in the schools and to provide for refreshments to be served to the visiting students.

District Tobacco Meeting

Flue-Cured Tobacco Stabilization Corporation, the grower-owned organization which administers the price support program for flue-cured leaf, will hold its 25th

annual District Meeting for North Carolina growers in District #5. District #5 includes the following counties in the eastern belt of North Carolina: Duplin, Geeene, Harnett, Onslow, Pender, Sampson and Wayne. C. Hoover Surles of Roseboro, director from District #5, and Fred G. Bond, general manager, jointly announced that the meeting will be held in the Wayne Center in Goldsboro on Tuesday, Feb. 1 beginning at 2 p.m.

Hardison Re-Appointed

Lieutenant Governor Jimmy Green announced the appointment of Senator Melvin R. Daniels Jr. of Elizabeth City, and the re-appointments of Senators Conrad R. Duncan of Stoneville, Harold W. Hardison of

Deep Run, and Kenneth C. Royall Jr. of Durham to membership on the advisory budget commission. Their terms are for two years.

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