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THE FIFTH GRADE CLASS of Shirley Outlaw at B.F. Grady School recently has been studying the eye and vision. The Rev. Clarence Warren, pastor of the Pink Hill United Methodist Church, talked to the class about his limited vision, his education and his ability to cope with his handicap. He

showed the class several Braille books and read portions of several. Also, Rev. Warren demonstrated his Braille typewriter and promised to write all students' names on Braille. Shown above are Rev. Warren, Audra Bower, Penney Rouse, Debbie Hamilton, Steven Turner, Eric Thompson, Kevin Sutton and Kristi Hardison.



Joe Lanier

SON of A gun

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themselves off from the public to make a decision. We, the public, will never know for sure what the truth is. We only know what we are told. Is there a tooth fairy? Is Santa Claus for real? And what about E.T.? Did he really phone home?

action of the combining of the tax supervisor and tax collector job. There has been an on-again, off-again kind of situation for the past several years. One time the board, in a cost-cutting measure, said they were to combine the two jobs, but before the ink could dry on that decision, they did a flop-over and said not yet — maybe when one of the jobs is vacant. Last month the tax collector announced his decision to resign to go into private business. The commissioners, Monday, after a closed-door session of over two hours, announced they would advertise for someone to fill the position of tax collector at a salary of \$16,489. The reasoning behind the decision was to keep the tax collection percentage up. . . Poppycock! . . . I do not believe the commissioners are that slow in their reasoning. If that were the reason, why did they shut themselves off from the public for over two hours? . . . Behind closed doors where the people who voted them into office could not hear? . . . They came to this simple decision after two hours in the closet. . . First off, they said they were discussing personnel, but their decision sounds like they were discussing a job, which is not personnel. . . Let it be known, the motion to go into the closeted session was made by the newest member on the board, Dovie Penney. She has apparently fallen right into the groove of those in the past and present. This group believes their voters should know only what they, the elected officials, want them to know. The general public is just not capable of handling that knowledge. . . It is only for a self-appointed few.

In the on-again, off-again saga of the Magnolia Depot. It is off again. The board has decided to sell the historic building. The committee to save the depot believed they had until February, but three members of the board who ran on a platform "to return Magnolia to the people" voted to do away with it. Those members are Herbert Tucker, Ruth Quinn and Rudolph Becton. It wouldn't surprise me to hear they voted to have it dismantled brick-by-brick to be thrown into the bottomless pit near Magnolia. They seem to be intent on destroying Magnolia's past. As a historian said, when you destroy your past, you also destroy your future. . . Son-of-a-Gun. . .

Pink Hill Town Board

In the Tuesday night Pink Hill town board meeting, the commissioners amended an ordinance which would change Red's TV and Cable Co. to Pink Hill Cable TV. They also asked for a progress report for the February monthly meeting. It was announced by Town Attorney Tom Griffin that Tom Davis would represent Pink Hill and LaGrange on the Neuse River Council of Governments.

Lester Turner, police chief, asked the board for consideration in buying a new police car. In his opinion, a used highway patrol car would be suitable. He was instructed to investigate surplus cars and give a report at the next meeting. David Vance announced

that Harold Stroud had contacted him concerning water and sewer services for the new First Baptist Church. The matter will be checked into by the board since, according to the mayor, there was some question as to where the town limits end.

Duplin Crash Kills Teen, Elderly Woman

A conditional order for a new fire truck was made pending a meeting of the Lenoir County Board of Commissioners with Fire Chief Warren Kennedy and Tom Davis present.

A college student and an elderly woman were killed and her husband injured Monday in an early morning two-car crash on N.C. 24 east of Kenansville. Killed at the scene, according to Kenansville Rescue Squad members, was Lloyd Bryant Respass, 19 of Jacksonville. Joyce Stewart Walton, 60, also of Jacksonville, died later at Duplin General Hospital. Fernie Alton Walton, 59, was reported in fair condition later Monday in Duplin

General. Monday was Walton's 59th birthday. State Highway Trooper Jimmy Ray, the investigating officer, said the two cars collided at 7:25 a.m. about two miles east of Kenansville on N.C. 24. He said the investigation is continuing. No charges had been filed late Monday. Rescue squad members said Respass was westbound enroute to Campbell University at Buies Creek. They said the Waltons were eastbound.

Raynor Exhibits Art Work

Selected works of local artist Iris Raynor of Route 2, Beulaville, will be highlighted in the Lenoir Community College Art gallery in the main building from Jan. 21 through Feb. 21, according to Art Department Head Gerald Elliott. Mrs. Raynor is currently serving as accounting clerk in the LCC business office. She is married and her 18-

year-old daughter, Melissa Dawn, is a student at James Sprunt Technical College in Kenansville. Mrs. Raynor has earned two community college associate degrees — in applied science and general education. She operates Iris' Art Gallery on Beulaville Route 2 (Box 94-A) 28518. Her interest in art began when she was in the seventh

grade but was interrupted until about six years ago. She became completely serious about art when she began concentrating on watercolors about three years ago. The exhibit will be open at the LCC Gallery from 8 a.m. to 10 p.m., Monday through Thursday and from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Fridays from Jan. 21 through Feb. 21, Elliott stated.

DEAN'S LIST

Dennis A. Everette of Kenansville made the Dean's List, fall quarter, 1982, at Sandhills Community College at Carthage.



BULDOZER WORK BEGINS - Bulldozer work began on Friday to level a lot so construction can begin on the new First Baptist Church in Pink Hill. The 2,880-square foot structure is scheduled to be completed by late April. The location of the new building is on the corner of Stroud Road and Potter's Hill Road. The Rev. Tommy Tripp is the pastor. Pink Hill First Baptist Church was organized almost a year ago. The congregation is very appreciative of the use of the Pink Hill Veterans of Foreign Wars Hut for worship services since that time.

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Fantastic Fundraiser

Fantastic is the word to describe the success of the fund-raising drive for the Pink Hill Medical Center.

Who would have believed that in one month, at the poorest time of year, in a depressed economy, this extended community could collect over \$25,000 in cash. . . not in promises or pledges, but real money. When asked the question, "How do you account for this tremendous success?" the answers have been varied.

Catherine Sheppard: I believe people in this area recognized that this is a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity to procure the services of a physician. We know that a successful, established doctor is not going to pull up stakes and come to Pink Hill. So our best hope is a recent graduate who could not afford the cash outlay for a building and equipment while establishing a practice.

Ernest Byrd Jr.: Our community sees the need for a doctor to be here. I'm glad to think that a patient who is bedridden at home may be able to see a doctor without having the anxiety of being hauled on an ambulance 15 or 20 miles.

Butch Howard: A doctor in Pink Hill is a real asset to a farm family even if their family doctor is somewhere

else. After accidents occur on the farm that need quick attention, with a local doctor a worker can be treated in a lot less time than a trip to a hospital emergency room.

Carol Sykes: Part of the success of this drive has been the enthusiasm of the people who went out collecting. These workers truly believed in what they were doing and their enthusiasm was contagious. They helped other citizens see what a golden opportunity this is.

Dr. Alice Scott: In a rural area, all types of services are needed just as they are in urban areas. People in our community realized this was an opportunity to close a gap and they rallied at once.

Johnny Lyles: People with limited and fixed incomes are acutely aware of the high cost of "going to town" for medical aid and often have to forego this attention even though it is badly needed. Many of these people made real sacrifices just to contribute small sums. On the other hand, some people who have family doctors and have no intention of changing gave substantial amounts because it is a community need. With a help-each-other attitude, this project could not help but succeed.

Rev. Wayne Pittman: I am so excited about this one-in-a-lifetime opportunity. This

is a real blessing for the elderly in our community. These trips to Kinston are tiring, to say nothing of the long wait in the doctor's office. Many old people have to get someone to drive them to town. With a local Medical Center, we can hope there will not be the long waits, the traffic jams, nor parking problems — just service. Giving my support to this needy cause just makes me feel good.

Luther Ledford: In hard times, people have to be more practical. It is a lot more practical to receive medical treatment at home than to go out of town. This campaign has been a success because our community considers each dollar given as an investment rather than a donation.

The door-to-door workers have worked hard to call on every home. Many times they have found no one at home. Some people who were contacted may have decided to give more. We are still short of our goal of \$30,000 but too close to stop. It is hoped that every citizen will make some contribution. If you will call 568-3181, you can arrange for someone to call on you or you may leave your contribution at the town hall in Pink Hill or at Turner Insurance office.

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