

**WILMINGTON JAYCEES DONATE TO QUINN FUND** - The Wilmington Jaycees raised \$750 for the Ashley Quinn Trust Fund and made a presentation to the Kenansville Jaycees January 12. The Kenansville Jaycees are coordinating efforts to raise \$50,000 for the Ashley Quinn fund.

Pictured above, left to right, Kenansville Jaycees Carey Wrenn and David Phillips accepting donation from Wilmington Jaycees Sammy Edwards and Ricky Phillips. The donation was made at the wrestling match sponsored the Kenansville Jaycees at the Kenan Memorial Auditorium last Thursday night.



**SERVICE AWARDS PRESENTED DGH EMPLOYEES** - Six nursing service employees at Duplin General Hospital were recently presented special recognition for 15 years of continuous full-time employment. Pictured, left to right,

nursing assistant Eunice Williams, L.P.N. Susan Weaver, L.P.N. Emily Rhodes, R.N. Fran Wood and male nursing assistant Chancey Joe Carr. Not pictured, L.P.N. Katie Bringer.

# Wallace Studies Cable TV Sports Issue

The Wallace town attorney will investigate whether the Univision Cable Television company is violating its franchise by its blackout of the Entertainment and Sports Programming Network channel while a pay sports package is being aired.

The town board Thursday night directed Richard Burrows to study the matter and notify the company of his findings.

Commissioner Charles Blanchard said he questioned the legality of the cable television company's blackout of the sports channel to all but subscribers of the special pay package of 26 Atlantic Coast Conference basketball games.

"It's not a matter of basketball games. We pay the bills and we should get 24

hours of sports on ESPN, Blanchard said. "That's what we were told. Nobody said anything about blacking anything out. . . If I deducted a few dollars every time I sent my bill in, you'd cut me off. This is the same thing."

Blanchard added: "If you want to charge for these things, put them on another channel and charge for them. I have no question with that."

Company manager Ed Young said the ACC pay package "is not being successful and we should be thankful it isn't because we'd have to pay for the Super Bowl, World Series and other things like that if it had been successful."

Young told the board that Vision Cable of Jacksonville had only 43 of its 13,000

subscribers buy the special package.

Young said his company conducted a telephone survey of Wallace on the package idea and received poor response.

The board also called for a special meeting for 7 p.m. Jan. 26 to discuss a problem with the Rockfish sewage lift station.

Fire Chief Thomas Townsend said the fire department answered 88 fire calls last year compared with 120 in 1982. He estimated fire losses last year at \$203,150 compared with \$207,485 for the previous year. He estimated that the department saved \$493,250 worth of property in 1983 and \$626,915 the preceding year.

He said the department is studying fire hydrant locations to determine if any need relocating or if more hydrants are needed. "We have not lost a house due to lack of a fire hydrant within reach of our hoses in the 32 years I've been with the department," he said.

He suggested that the board think about building a reserve fund to pay for a new fire truck in four or five years to replace a 20-year-old vehicle. He estimated the cost at about \$100,000.

The board appointed Robert Hyatt, town administrator, as revenue sharing coordinator to make sure handicapped people have sufficient access to public buildings and no discrimination in employment exists. This is required under the new revenue sharing regulations.

# Du-Penza Accepting Applications

Du-Penza energy and weatherization program will begin accepting applications on Jan. 11. The following facts will provide some brief descriptions of the program's regulations and procedures.

Eligible persons must be low income and 60 or over in age.

Eligibility must be determined by the energy coordinator, Ms. Benita Wallace or her representative by documenting the total family income to the 125% of the U.S. Department of Energy's low income levels for the past 12 months from date of home visit; making a homesite visit to determine weatherization needs; estimating if the residence has a 20-year term of use.

Owner occupied dwellings can be weatherized if eligible residents sign release approval to allow Du-Penza Services energy weatherization to provide the service based on program requirements.

Only certain types of weather improvements can be provided using a prioritization system de-

veloped by the U.S. Department of Energy.

A maximum amount of \$1,000 can be spent on any one residence with \$400 limit for the cost of materials.

Applicant must be a resident of Duplin County.

Du-Penza has a number of applicants that were never completed so they cannot process the applications. If you have started an application, come by the office to complete it.

This program is designed to help the elderly and handicapped citizen. They cannot help if they do not know who you are. There are people who have not been reached who need the service.

"Our office will be glad to show slide presentations to any group or organization concerning our program. Next month we will start conducting workshops until March. The workshops will be held at the nutrition sites and anywhere someone would like to have one. We are also looking for volunteers for our programs. For more information, contact us

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## Feed Theft Gets Seven Years

Wither Harvey Days, 42, of Rose Hill was found guilty of felonious possession of feed belonging to Nash Johnson & Sons Farms, Inc. of Rose Hill and conspiracy to commit larceny last week

in Duplin County Superior Court. Judge Charles Winberry of Rocky Mount sentenced him to seven years' imprisonment on the larceny conviction. The sentence also

requires him to pay the company up to \$10,000 restitution if he is put on work release. Days also received a one-year prison sentence on the conspiracy charge, to be served concurrently with the other sentence

Days appealed the conviction. He remained in Duplin County jail Wednesday under \$50,000 bond.

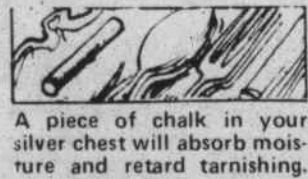
He was charged with felonious possession of 30 tons of feed valued at \$230 per ton.

## Pan Of Grease Causes Wallace Fire

A pan of grease left on a hot stove burner caused a fire that heavily damaged an apartment on West Raleigh Road in Wallace Thursday morning.

Chief Thomas Townsend of the Wallace Volunteer Fire Department said three trucks responded to the blaze around 11:30 a.m. at the Stratton Place apartment complex. Firefighters stopped most of the flames in five minutes, but worked for at least another hour putting out embers. Damage to the structure and contents was estimated at \$20,000.

Townsend said a resident left grease on the stove and left the apartment. The stove fire ignited a downstairs wall and flames climbed into an upstairs bedroom. An upstairs wall had to be torn out, causing water and smoke damage to an adjacent apartment, Townsend said. No injuries were reported.



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## Kenansville ABC Members Appointed

The town Board of Commissioners in Kenansville named two members to the town Alcoholic Beverage Control Board by similar 3-2 votes Monday when they met

last week. Cordell Johnson will complete the term of Jimmie Newkirk who resigned from the ABC board when he was sworn in as a member of the town board in December.

The term will expire Dec. 31, 1985.

Emil Coggins, whose ABC board term expired in December, was re-appointed to a three-year term expiring Dec. 31, 1986.

Voting for each appointment were Commissioners Earl Hatcher, Mark Vinson and Ronnie Bostic. Voting against the appointments were Newkirk and Betty Long.

## Kenansville Board Re-elects Hatcher Elects

Commissioner Earl Hatcher was re-elected last week as mayor pro tem for a two-year term.

The board also voted to advertise for a public works director to succeed Stan

Ricker who has resigned. Ricker was paid \$14,400 a year but the salary for his replacement will be negotiable.

Police Chief Tyson Bostic is handling duties of the post on a temporary basis.

## Hinson Sentenced In Drug Case

Leo Hinson of Farmville pleaded guilty last week in Duplin County Superior Court to felonious possession with intent to sell and deliver marijuana.

Judge Charles Winberry of Rocky Mount sentenced Hinson to 3½ years in prison plus a \$2,500 fine. The maximum prison sentence would have been five years.

Hinson was arrested April 6, 1983, by state and Duplin County undercover agents after he attempted to sell them 35 pounds of marijuana.

He initially faced seven charges of conspiracy.

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