

Area Deaths And Funerals

JOHN ATWOOD THOMPSON
John Atwood Thompson, 70, of Yaupon Beach, died Feb. 9 in Tampa, Fla.

A graveside service was held Feb. 13 in Northwood Cemetery, Southport, with full military honors.

Thompson was born in Chester, Pa., on Nov. 17, 1922, the son of the late Anna L. Marshall and Wilford I. Thompson Sr. He was a U.S. Navy veteran.

Survivors include his wife, Mildred Brock Thompson of the home; a stepson, Johnny Barnhill of Milton, Fla.; a daughter, Beverly Weinstein of Atlanta, Ga.; a stepdaughter, Brenda Kay of Alexandria, Va.; three sisters, Grace Ferguson of Claymont, Del., Mildred Diehl of Las Vegas, Nev., and Jeanne Pyle of Wilmington, Del.; and four grandchildren.

JOYCE ANN SIMMONS
Joyce Ann Simmons, 56, of Whiteville died Feb. 9 in Columbus

County Hospital.

Her funeral was Feb. 12 at Old Dock United Methodist Church, with the Rev. Raeford Methvin and the Rev. Marty Duffell officiating. Burial was in the church cemetery.

Born in Columbus County, she was the daughter of Herbert Gore Sr. of Nakina and the late Carolyn Suggs Gore. She was employed by Whiteville Apparel Corp. until her retirement due to illness. Mrs. Simmons was a member of Old Dock United Methodist Church.

Survivors in addition to her father include her husband, Othell Simmons; a son, Bill Simmons of Wilmington; three sisters, Velma Richardson of Bolivia, Murle Hummel of Palm Bay, Fla., and Bernice Ray of Nakina; two brothers, Herbert Gore Jr. of Nakina and Lewis Keith Gore of Raleigh; and two grandchildren.

EVANGELINE (PEGGY) R. RUSS
Evangeline (Peggy) Reeves Russ,

73, of Shallotte died Feb. 11 in New Hanover Regional Medical Center, Wilmington.

The funeral was held Feb. 13 in the Brunswick Funeral Service Chapel by the Rev. John Landers and the Rev. Ivren Hughes. Burial was in Mintz Cemetery, Shallotte.

Born in Brunswick County on Feb. 4, 1920, she was a daughter of the late Charles Austin and Etta Beck Reeves. She was a member of Calvary Baptist Church and Shallotte Chapter No. 341, Order of the Eastern Star.

Survivors include her son, Bobby Ray Russ of Shallotte; two brothers, Berquine Reeves of Calabash and Jackie Reeves of Holden Beach; two sisters, Wanda R. Ward of North Myrtle Beach, S.C., and Laquita R. Kermon of Wilmington; two grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren.

Get Physicals Early Health Department Nurse Advises

BY LYNN CARLSON

Most people can't wait for summer. Kim McIntyre isn't one of them. She's the lead nurse in the Brunswick County Health Department's Child Development Clinic, and she's not looking forward to the onslaught of parents who'll wait until July or August to bring their children in for physical examinations required before starting school for the first time.

She encourages parents to take advantage of the slow season and make appointments now. Pre-school physicals are conducted on Fridays, by appointment only. Appointments are scheduled between 8:30 a.m. and 2:30 p.m.

Avoiding the rush isn't the only advantage to getting the examinations as soon as possible. The "head-to-toe" physical can identify physical or developmental problems which could hinder a child's performance in school.

Hearing and vision are tested. A complete medical history is taken, or updated if the child is already a health department patient. Blood is tested for iron and for exposure to lead. A sickle cell anemia test is done if the child is at risk for the disease.

Referrals are made when abnormalities such as dental, hearing, speech or vision problems are discovered.

Public health nurses performing the exams also take advantage of the opportunity to provide health education materials and to talk about growth and development, safety, nutrition and dental hygiene.

"We try to tell them what they should expect at their child's age," McIntyre said.

Parents should bring along immunization records. If the child's inoculations are not current, the shots will be given at no cost. The state now requires five DPT (diphtheria, pertussis and tetanus) shots, four polio vaccines and one MMR (measles, mumps and rubella) shot. Two MMRs are recommended because of



STAFF PHOTO BY LYNN CARLSON

JASON ROBBINS, 7, a Bolivia Elementary School student, demonstrates that getting a physical examination is important, but not too scary, as he jokes with Kim McIntyre, lead nurse in the Brunswick County Health Department's Child Development Clinic. McIntyre encourages parents not to wait until the last minute to have their children examined prior to starting school.

measles outbreaks which have occurred recently in other states, McIntyre added.

Parents should also bring medical records for children who have had severe medical problems in the past.

"These exams are supposed to be done by December before the child first starts kindergarten, but I've recently done two for kids who are al-

ready attending school," McIntyre said.

The physicals can also be performed by a child's family physician or pediatrician. If a child has had a complete physical within a year before starting school, his or her physician or health department nurse can use that information to fill out the form required for school.

CHURCH ACTIVITIES

Soldier Bay To Have Car Washes

The Athletic Department of Soldier Bay Baptist Church will hold car washes Saturday, Feb. 20, starting at 8 a.m. in two locations.

Cars can be cleaned at Southern National Bank at Shallotte and in the parking lot of the church on N.C. 130 at Ash.

Donations will be accepted.

Revival Underway

Revival services are being held at Abundant Life Full Gospel Church through Sunday, Feb. 21.

Guest speaker will be the Rev. Jerry Darnell of Peace Memorial Church of Winnabow.

The church is seven-tenths of a mile south of Shallotte on N.C. 179.

Family Featured

The Stanley Family of Longs, S.C., will be featured in concert Sunday, Feb. 21, at 6 p.m. at Longwood Baptist Church.

The Rev. Barry Long, pastor, and the congregation, invite the public said spokesman Doris Benton.

WMU Banquet Set

A Women's Missionary Union (WMU) Appreciation Banquet will be held by the Brunswick Baptist Association for all pastors, WMU directors, church staff and their spouses Saturday, Feb. 27.

The dinner begins at 6:30 p.m. at Antioch Baptist Church, Midway Road, Bolivia.

Church Breaks Ground

The members of Emanuel Outreach Church joined for a groundbreaking ceremony for their new church on Jan. 31.

Services were led by the Rev. Lloyd Ward. Building will begin

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Seaside UMC Receives Grant

Seaside United Methodist Church recently received a \$25,000 grant from the Rural Church Division of The Duke Endowment.

The grant will assist in completing Seaside's new multipurpose facility, a news release said. Estimated construction cost is \$765,000.

Currently the 10,000-square-foot structure consists of education and administrative wings, a multipurpose room where worship services are held, and a kitchen. A 450-seat sanctuary and a family life center are the next two phases of construction planned.

Seaside held its first worship service in its new facility July 5, 1992, after having been chartered in January 1989. The 275-member congregation has started several programs since moving into a permanent location. These include scouting programs for boys and girls, athletic teams and various support groups. According to the release, the grant will further assist in expanding education and parish life for Seaside.

this spring.

Services are temporarily being held at Nelson's Pine Straw and Nursery in Longwood.

Fellowship Revival

Fellowship revival services will be held at New Covenant Church on N.C. 130, Civietown, Feb. 18-21 at 7 p.m. nightly.

Evangelist will be "Happy Jack" Marcum.

Pastor Tom Bias welcomes everyone.

Ash Wednesday Service

An Ash Wednesday service will be held Feb. 24 at Shallotte Presbyterian Church with St. Luke Lutheran Church sharing worship and a covered-dish fellowship meal.

Calabash Presbyterian Church
Sunday Worship Service
9:30 AM
Church School For All Ages
10:45
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The Rev. Lester Dattler, pastor of Shallotte Presbyterian, and the Rev. Don R. Safrit, pastor of St. Luke Lutheran, will lead the worship service. Pastor Safrit will present "John, the Baptizer: A Voice Crying in the Wilderness."

The meal will begin at 6 p.m., with worship at 7 p.m.

UMW Meeting Set

United Methodist Women, Wilmington District, will hold its Brunswick County subdistrict meeting Sunday, Feb. 21, at Andrews Chapel United Methodist Church at Hickman's Crossroads.

The meeting will be from 2:30-4:30 p.m. All member churches are being encouraged to attend.

St. Luke Lutheran Church
Worship Service Sunday, 10:00 A.M.
Sunday School at 9:00 a.m.
Meeting In Shallotte Middle School
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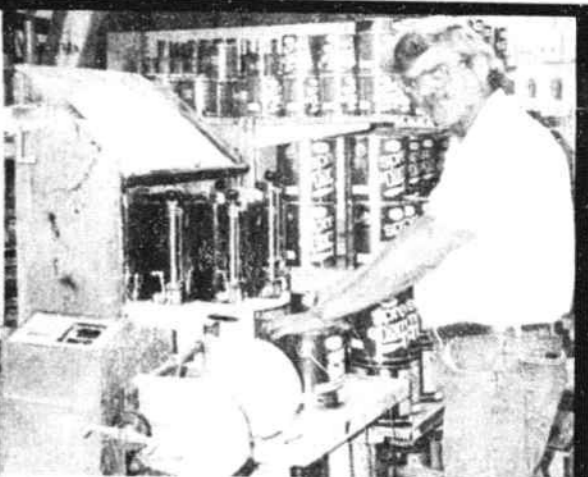
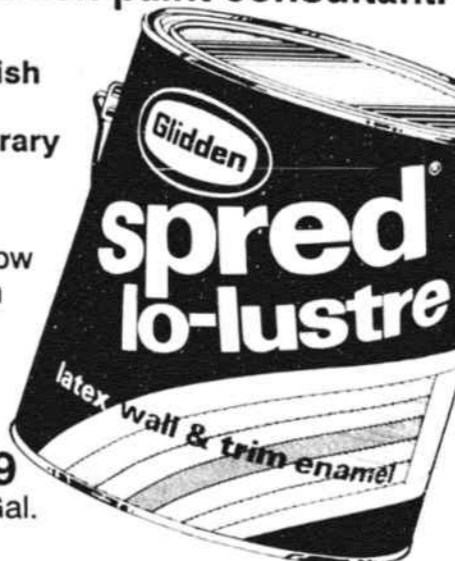
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