

JOHNNY'S UPHOLSTERY! Magnolia visited by Dance Group



Johnny's Upholstery, located next door to Town and Country Restaurant in Pembroke is owned by Johnny Woodell, a Karate enthusiast. Johnny's Upholstery offers general and custom upholstery (including auto) and Woodell builds and designs his own line of furniture.

Stop in and see Johnny Woodell at Johnny's Upholstery, one of the newest members of the Pembroke business community. (Bruce Barton photo)



Magnolia High School students were entertained on Friday, January 13, 1984 by a dance troupe from Fairgrove School. Under the direction of Mrs. Laraine Leggett, a social studies instructor at Fairgrove, the dancers demonstrated a series of intricate steps which were all basically "western dance."

Mrs. Leggett explained that the students, some twenty strong, had been dancing together over a year and counted among their achievements a second prize in western dance at the state fair last year.

Impressed with the dance group's obvious enthusiasm for their task at hand and delighted with the swirl of colorful skirts, the students of Magnolia School boomed their approval after each segment of the program. "Turkey In The Straw" is not the music of choice for most high school students, but on this particular occasion it was soundly received and clearly reflected the varied interests and talents of the young people in Robeson County Schools.

Rowland-A group of fifth grade students from Union Elementary School are presently enrolled at the Saturday Academy which is being held on the campus of PSU.

The Saturday Academy is funded by the Ford Foundation and is designed to increase the number of minority students taking science and mathematics in school.

The following students are representing Union Elementary at the Saturday Academy: Brandie Scherer, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Scherer; Jamie Bowen, son of Mr. and Mrs. Marshall Bowen; Debbie Oxendine, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William A. Oxendine.

Mark Cummings, son of Mr. and Mrs. Michael K. Cummings and Chris Oxendine, son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles E. Oxendine.

The students from Union Elementary join students from across the county. The group meets for 12 Saturdays this winter and spring, beginning in January and running through May.

Use of the computer is emphasized in the Saturday Academy. The students are divided into four classes with 15 students to each class. Besides computers, the students learn more about science, mathematics and communicative arts.

CONCERT AT MAGNOLIA

Mr. Henry McNeill, an artist-in-residence, at Robeson Technical College, presented a rousing one-man concert at Magnolia School on Wednesday, January 18, 1984.

Mr. McNeill, a native of Robeson County, has just recently returned to this area after an absence of some twelve years. He currently resides in Moore County.

Specializing in religious, contemporary music, Mr. McNeill holds a B.S. degree in religion and has written a number of songs reflective of his strong religious beliefs and training.

He is currently touring southeastern N.C. and performing upon request in educational institutions at every level from kindergarten through college. In addition, he participated in the most recent United Cerebral Palsy telethon on A.B.C.

Magnolia students were especially pleased with Mr. McNeill's rendition of the theme from the award-winning movie, "An Officer And A Gentleman."

Mr. Noah Woods, Magnolia's principal, echoed his students' enthusiasm for Mr. McNeill's presentation by issuing an open invitation for Mr. McNeill to please return at any time to share his talent and artistry with Magnolia's student body.

Social Security's new year resolutions

Every year about this time I try to remind people that consideration of their Social Security rights and responsibilities ought to be included in their New Year's resolutions. This is because Social Security not only has great potential for improving the quality of their life in retirement years, but can make a difference if they become disabled or die.

People who know about Social Security are able to plan for their retirement more effectively and provide for financial security for their family during their working years with greater peace of mind.

To help you get on the right track for the coming year, I offer the following suggestions for New Year's Resolutions that may make a difference in your Social Security protection:

Find out what Social Security provides. Many people think of the program as just a retirement program. But, it also provides survivors and disability benefits as well as Medicare benefits. Not knowing the full scope of Social Security may result in late applications and risks loss of benefits.

Get an estimate of your future benefit. The Social Security office can give you an estimate of what your benefits will be at age 65, or if you become disabled, and to your family if you should die. It is not possible to project benefits accurately for younger workers but you may get an idea about the level of your future benefits. This information will be valuable in planning your retirement and your family life and disability insurance needs.

Check your earnings recorded in Social Security records. We generally suggest that people check the earnings credited to their Social Security record every 3 years. This is especially important for people who change jobs often. The earnings record is the basis for determining eligibility for benefits and benefit amounts.

Know when to contact Social Security. Generally there are five times when a person should call Social Security. They are when someone in the family dies, when someone in the family becomes disabled, when someone in the family develops permanent kidney disease, when someone in the family retires, and at 2 or 3 months before 65 if you don't retire.

Know the best times to call the Social Security office. To assure you don't get caught up in the peak traffic, you should call the Social Security office during the later half of the month, later during the week and in the afternoon.

These are just a few steps you can take to get you started thinking about your Social Security protection. Believe me, you'll find that you'll begin to view the tax deducted from your paycheck a great deal differently once you get the facts on Social Security.

Day Care re-opens

Lumbee Regional Development Association, Inc. proudly announces the opening of the 5-G's Day Care Center, as of January 30, 1984. This center, adjacent to University Sportswear, Inc. is located in the Red Banks Community.

The 5-G's Center is the agency's eighth center that improves the educational, economic, health and social levels within local communities by providing state licensed, full-time day care services to low income families with children of ages infant to five years of age.

The center maintains daily operating hours (Monday-Friday) between 7 a.m.-4:30 p.m. Applications for admission of children are available at the center. The service is low-cost for low-income families. The Center Director is Ms. Sue Ellen Locklear. Additional information can be obtained by calling the center at 521-4246 during operating hours.

THE COACH'S CORNER Coach Ken Johnson

THE BASKETBALL LAY-UP SHOT FOR LITTLE KIDS.

Backyard basketball is where most little kids get a chance to start their basketball. This usually starts between the ages of five years and ten years. The principle to use for them to get started is interest.

For the lay-up shot simply have them bend the right

elbow, balancing the ball on the right hand and push the ball up and slant it against the backboard and into the basket. As they get older and stronger they can make as many as 18 to 20 baskets in 30 seconds. The footwork should start with the principle of opposite foot-opposite hand. In other words if you are right handed you should shoot off your left foot and vice versa, and bank the ball into the basket.

Next week we will discuss the principle of adding the dribble to the lay-up shot.

Dr. Johnson coached basketball at Dexter High School, New York, Corona Navy Hospital in California, Maryville College, West Georgia College and the University of Maine at Presque Isle before coming to Pembroke State.

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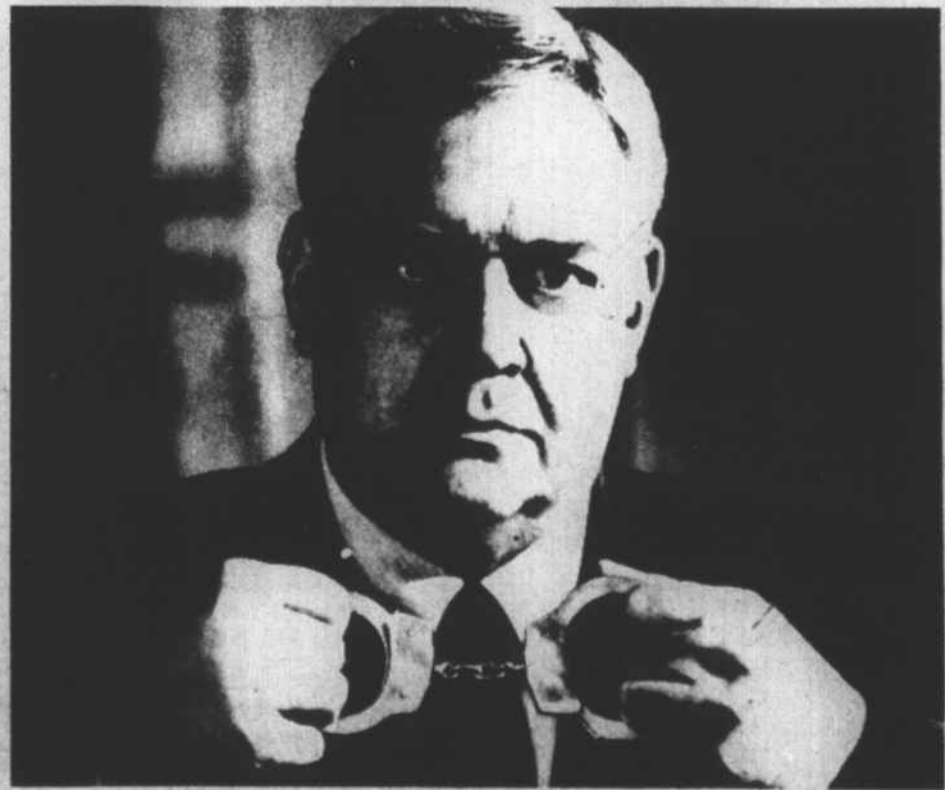
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