

Classified Ads

POSITION VACANCY
Robeson County Soil Conservation Department has the following vacancy:

Job Title: Secretary IV
Annual Salary: \$ 18,168.00
Examples of Duties: Under general supervision, performs a variety of clerical-administrative work to support activities of the Soil Conservation Department. Work involves the preparation of correspondence, reports, vouchers, financial reports and other documents for the Department. Employee is responsible for attending Board meetings and preparing minutes; screening and independently handling a variety of inquiries by telephone and in person; and maintaining a variety of records and files. Employee is also responsible for performing a variety of administrative tasks in the delivery of Soil and Water Conservation programs to the public, including distributing educational literature and coordinating educational activities for local schools; and assisting the District Conservationist and Department staff and various administrative tasks and operational details of the program, including preparing and submitting budget requests, progress reports, etc. Reports to the District Conservationist.

Qualifications: Graduation from high school with an associate degree in Secretarial or Computer Science or a related field and 2 years or working experience in secretarial administrative work, including use of computer-driven word processing, spreadsheet and file maintenance programs, and preferable involving public contact; or any equivalent combination of training and experience which provides the required knowledge, skills and abilities.

POSITION VACANCY
Robeson County Register of Deeds Department has the following vacancy:

Job Title: Deputy Register of Deeds I
Annual Salary: \$16,572.00
Examples of Duties: Under general supervision, performs technical-clerical work of a legal nature in the Register of Deeds Office. Work involves receiving, indexing, and canceling legal documents and issuing such legal instruments as deeds, birth certificates, and marriage licenses. Employee is responsible for assisting the general public, and indexing and filing vital records, real estate documents and/or Uniform Commercial Code statements. Duties Assigned to employees in the position may vary slightly according to the specific needs of the Office and/or allocation of workload. Reports to an Assistant Register of Deeds.

Qualifications: Graduation from high school supplemented by specialized training, and 1 to 2 years of experience in clerical work; or any equivalent combination of training and experience which provides the required knowledge, skills and abilities.

Applications can be obtained at: Robeson County Administration Building, Human Resource Office (Personnel), 701 North Elm Street, Lumberton, NC (910) 671-3016. Applications will be accepted from 8:15 a.m. - 5:15 p.m. through Monday, February 17, 1997. Job descriptions are available for review in Personnel Office. **Robeson County is An Equal Opportunity Employer.**

Request For Bids:
Robeson County will be accepting bids until 2:00 pm on Wednesday, February 26, 1997, for the following project: Remount one Frontlight brand light rescue vehicle cab/chassis. Bidder shall provide a complete job, including pickup and delivery of vehicles. Specifications can be obtained from the County Purchasing Office, located at 701 North Elm Street, Lumberton, North Carolina 28358, or Pembroke Rescue Squad at (910) 521-2742. A (5%) five percent bid deposit will be required. Bid deposit may be in the form of Cash, Cashiers Check, Certified Check or Bid Bond issued by a surety licensed in North Carolina. Robeson County reserves the right to accept or reject any or all bids.

Purnell Swett High News

Purnell Swett High School administration and drama programs collaborated in their efforts for the "Winter Dance Showcase." The dance concert consisted of Robeson County High school dance students. It was held recently at the Carolina Civic Center. Mr. Steve Tynor supervised students from his "Theater Technical Class" as they provided expertise in the areas of lighting, prop, special effects, and stage management for the dances. Ms. Karen Paape took her three dance classes which performed "Jasmine," "Beach Bums", and "Invaders."

Principal Wesley Revels provided support for the dancers efforts to raise money for costumes by chaperoning a school dance. Assistant Principal Susan Blackmon, helped out by acting as mistress of ceremony. Dance students from Purnell Swett along with all the area high schools dance students put on a wonderful show and the next "Dance Showcase" will be May 20, 1997.

Along with the new year at Purnell Swett High School came additions to our Faculty and Staff. The new teachers for the 1996-1997 school year are: Linda Bullard, Phillip Joyner, Susan Maynor, Melody Gill, Wilbert Mitchell, Mary Ellen Oxendine, Marcos Urbancja, Maria Smith, Karen Jacobs, Paul Locklear, Jerome Hunt, Phillip D. Oxendine, and William Reese Oxendine. Good Luck!!!

On December 12, 1996, Purnell Swett High School held its annual Christmas Concert. It consisted of Chorus, Band, and Orchestra students led by Ms. Ellen Jackson and Mr. Jamie Palo. Special Thanks to the South Robeson High School Orchestra for assisting in this program.

The Robeson County Shoot Out proved to be a huge success at Purnell Swett High School. The varsity boys won all three of their games, which were played against such teams as Fairmont (50-53), with the help of 6-6 Senior Shawn Clark, who landed a three-pointer at the buzzer, Scotland (50-46), and Lumberton (70-50). The varsity girls won two of their games against Fairmont and Pinecrest. Jonathan McIntyre, a student at our school, was the MVP of the Shoot Out and the All Tournament members were Shawn Clark, Jarrod Williams, and Jordan Sampson.

To begin the new semester, the Rams welcomed Miss Black USA, Dawn N' Cole Moss. She spoke about a program called Y E S (Youth Entertainment Success) which she uses to promote and provide motivation and counseling to the youth by using the arts and entertainment. She hopes her message will change lives throughout communities around the United States.

Congratulations to these Visual Art Students for their art works being chosen to compete in the North Carolina Scholastic Art awards. Jeremy Locklear, Damien Locklear, Chad Locklear, Raymond Hunt, Billy Locklear, Chris Murphy, and Richard Oxendine. Richard received a high honor, a Silver Key in drawing. All these artists represented us well in this competition. The works will be on display at Barton College until Feb. 6. Billy Locklear received honors recently at the Robeson County Board of Education for winning the Robeson County Christmas Card Art Contest.

A faculty and staff social was held before Christmas vacation as the faculty and staff found out the identity of their week long Secret Santa. Money certificates were presented to principal Wesley Revels, and assistant principals, Susan Blackmon, Ernie Locklear, and Wayne Leggett.

As a community project, the art students, under the direction of Mrs. Delora Cummings, painted the playground equipment in the Pembroke Park with the nation's colors - red, white, and blue. It was a huge success!!!

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PEDIATRIC POINTERS

by Dr. Joseph T. Bell
Pediatrician with Robeson Health Care



Allergic contact dermatitis (ACD) is an inflammation of the skin caused by the skin coming in contact with a substance it is sensitive to. ACD affects young and old and can be seen in kids as young as one week old! It is estimated that up to 20% of all rashes in kids are ACD. The most common source of ACD in this country by far is poison ivy, oak and sumac. Other common sources include jewelry (with nickel), certain tanned shoes, topical creams, soaps, perfumes, cosmetics and lotions (with lanolin). Rashes to these agents usually appear within hours to days, depending on how potent the substance is.

The rash of ACD is usually itchy and located at the site of contact to the skin. potent substances like poison ivy and nickel cause intense inflammation rashes with redness, swelling and blisters. Less potent substances cause mild inflammation with slight redness, scaling and

scratch-induced thickening of the skin. ACD's are usually localized to certain areas of the body. For example, non-clothed exposed areas of skin (arms, legs and face) are common sites for poison ivy. The neck, earlobes and waist are common sites for nickel jewelry and belt buckles. Of course the feet is the site of shoe dermatitis.

Treatment of ACD involves removing whatever is causing the rash. Most simple ACD also responds well to topical steroid creams such as hydrocortisone (Cortaid). For more severe cases, a doctor may want to give a shot or prescribe several days of oral steroids to reduce the inflammation. Even without treatment, most ACD's will resolve in 2 weeks.

So that's allergic contact dermatitis in a nutshell. One recommendation--a good way to avoid the most common cause of ACD, poison ivy, is to teach your kids how to recognize the plant. Remember, avoidance is the best prevention.

Reflections

by Alta Nye Oxendine

100 Years Ago

I just realized that Mother's 100th birthday celebration would have taken place this month.

Mother was born in the rural community of Pageville, Montana, on January 23, 1997. The way her mind and health were holding out, some of us thought she would make it to 100. And she herself had fun thinking about that possibility.

But, like all of us should be, I believe, she was ready to either stay here or go on to be with the Lord. Four months after turning 98 she had a stroke. She died one month later, in June of 1995.

For 67 years January 23 was a very important date for me. Last year I had my mind on my two-month-old grandson. This year the day was almost over before I realized it was the 23rd.

Seems strange not to be looking

for "Mother" cards anymore.

However, my 85-year-old cousin Elizabeth and my brother Stan's granddaughter were both born on Mother's Birthday. Aunt Jessie, Elizabeth's mother, gave her daughter the middle name, alta, in honor of her younger sister. When my niece, Terri, had a baby girl on that date, she named her Sarah.

Mother's real name was Sarah Alta Redfield. Sarah was the name of her mother "Vira's" mother. Alta was the name of one of her mother's sisters. Even though Mother always went by "Alta", as a child she thought it was special that her initials "S A R" were the first three letters of her first name.

Mother liked her middle name so well that she passed it on to me. I'm the only family member since my great aunt Alta Page with "Alta" as a first name.

Notice of Public Hearing

The Title IX Indian Education Parent Committee of the Public Schools of Robeson County will hold a Public Hearing on Monday, February 3, 1997 at 6:00 p.m. at the Indian Education Center, Pembroke, North Carolina. The hearing will be open to the general public, especially to parents of Indian students enrolled in the Public Schools of Robeson County and to high school Indian students. The purpose of this hearing is to provide full discussion on the 1997-1998 Indian Education Project Grant Application. At this hearing, a representative of the applicant will:

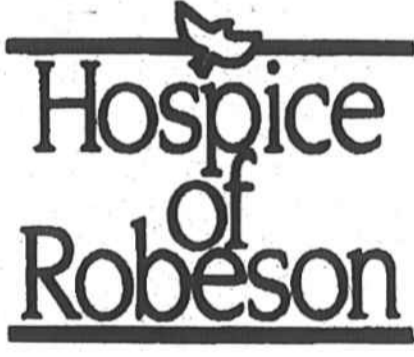
- * Describe the proposed project application.
- * Ask for discussion, comments and recommendations from those attending the hearing.
- * Ask for discussion on the proposed project.

Please make every effort to attend.

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VOLUNTEER TRAINING COURSE

ORIENTATION: February 24, 1997
7:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.
(Attendance required for those interested in becoming Hospice of Robeson Volunteers)

TRAINING COURSE: February 25, 1997 - April 15, 1997
Tuesdays, 6:30 p.m. - 9:30 p.m.
(Meets once a week for 8 weeks)

If you are interested in learning more about Hospice of Robeson and becoming a volunteer, please clip and mail this form to the above address.

REGISTRATION INFORMATION:

Name _____ Date of Birth _____

Address _____

Phone: (Home) _____ (Work) _____

Please check ALL that apply:

I plan to attend Orientation on February 24, 1997 to learn more about Hospice of Robeson and the volunteer opportunities.

I am interested in becoming a Hospice of Robeson Volunteer.

I am not interested in becoming a volunteer at this time, but do want to learn more about the Hospice program.

Comments: _____

Date: _____ Signature: _____

You are invited
to attend
a lecture and reading
by
Dr. Kimberly Blaeser
(White Earth Anishinaabe)
nationally-known poet, scholar
and storyteller

Friday, 7 February 1997
1:00 PM

Native American Resource Center
Old Main Building
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This event is co-sponsored by
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