Their Quick Action Saved A Child's Life and Foot

Five-year-old Jody Florence's mother had just told him to be careful playing in the yard because his grandfather was cutting the grass.

But Jody, who lives in Mebane, did what most little children do when a dog chases them; he ran away from the dog.

And before his mother could stop him, he ran straight into the path of his grandfather's riding lawnmower.

Within a minute, the child's parents and grandfather were racing to the nearest emergency room Alamance County Hospital in Burlington.

"We didn't know at the time that his toes were cut off because the mower baldes didn't tear the shoe all the way off," his mother said. "We just grabbed him and jumped into the car."

On the way to the hospital, Jody's grandfather applied direct pressure to the child's severely cut knees and foot.

Jody's grandmother called out to a neighbor when she discovered the severed forefoot laying in . the grass. The neighbors helped her wrap the helped her wrap the what Duke surgeons forefoot in a towel, place recommend in the face of it in a bowl and pack the bowl in ice.

ed the hospital's emergen- Koman, assistant pro-

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cy room, they told her to fessor of surgery. "Stop go ahead and bring the toes in," Betsy Florence said. "They told her there

was always hope.' Jody was rushed to the Duke University Medical Center for treatment. When he arrived in the emergency room, his severed forefoot came with him.

During eight and a half hours of surgery last spring, Duke surgeons repaired the cuts in his knees, put a cast on his leg and reattached the

forefoot. In a follow-up visit at the medical center about three months later, the curly-haired boy played in

a waiting room. "He even tries to run," his mother said. "He pampers that foot a little when he walks, but he's doing really well." The Florence family's

quick actions and clear thinking saved his life and his foot. One of the Duke surgeons who operated on

him said there are ways to help out if you are ever at the scene of a traumatic' amputation. Without

training or forethought, the Florence family did such a tragedy.

when my mother call- "First, take care of the victim," said Dr. Andrew

the bleeding by applying direct pressure." Koman, who's part of

the Duke orthopedic replantation team that's performed some 400 operations since 1973, said gentle form pressure applied for ten minutes to the stump should stop the bleeding of a hand or foot amputation. He said am-

putations between the wrist and shoulder may need a tourniquet. "It's crucial with wrist

to shoulder amputation to stop the bleeding fast becasue the patient can easily bleed to death," he said.

If direct pressure fails, he suggested using a belt or strong colth for a tour- nine other Duke surgeons niquet. "If there is a blood pressure cuff available, wrap it on the upper arm and then pump it up to stop the bleeding," he said.

Koman said only after the bleeding is stopped should attempts be made to retrieve the severed

body parts. amputation, but they can One tragic mistake the wait longer to rejoin the young surgeon has seen severed body often in trauma cases is especially if it has been unnecessary delay in properly cooled. transporting the patient to the hospital.

"Use a sensible means tion site in time, but can't of transportation to get to have the body part rejointhe hospital," he said. ed becasue it was frozen in "Don't waste precious route to the hospital. time trying to get a plane Because freezing can kill

the tissue, members of the or helicopter if you can get Duke orthopaedic replanto a replantation site tation team caution within a reasonable agaisnt placing an amamount of time by car." putated part directy on In North Carolina, the following hospitals have

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"It's a good idea to turn more than one surgeon the amputated part every available for replantation: ten to fifteen minutes if it Memorial Mission Hospital has one is on ice to keep it from freezing." Koman said. In cooperation with of three surgeons always available to replant hands

Duke, the North Carolina and fingers and do other Agricultural Extension ofextremity fice has produced walletsized instruction cards and Carolina posters that illustrate how Memorial Hospital in to transport severed body Chapel Hill has surgeons parts. The extension office available to do finger is distributing these cards to factory and farm Koman is one of three workers throughout the senior Duke surgeons who

state. are always available to do The basic steps in caring replantation. There are for amputated tissue are: stop the bleeding at the who have experience in stump; rinse the amputated part with tap replantation water or saline solution (a surgeons throughout the salt solution) if available; state in private practice wrap the amputated part may be available through in a clean towel; place the towel in a clean plastic bag Koman said surgeons filled with saline solution; prefer to operate within place the bag on ice.

four to six hours after the Never scrub any area of a dismembered part and don't soak it in tap water. part, Do not tie off the small blood vessels. The Duke surgeon also cautioned Tragically, some amagaisnt placing the part in putees arrive at a replantasaline solution with ice it freezes much faster than ice alone and will damage the tissue.

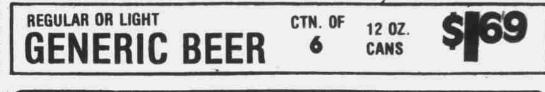
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In Early Childhood Education

North Carolina Central University will conduct a Model Demonstration Project to show how daycare and kindergarten programs can assist 'developmentally delayed" children, under a grant from the Office of Special Education of the U.S. Education Department.

The three-year project, funded at \$72,666 for the 1980-81 academic year, will use and test the Carolina Development Curriculum developed by staff of the Frank Porter Graham Child Development Center at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill and the Wake County Public school system.

and at the North Carolina Central University Child Study Laboratory (operated by the Departof Home ment Economics), will be screened for participation in the classes. Children whose learning and other skills do not match their ages will be provided individualized instruction.

The special instruction should enable of the developmentally delayed youngsters to avoid special class placement when they enter public schools. Others will have been given assistance in The project is funded developing, learning and under the Handicapped Children's Early Educa-tion Program of the U.S. social skills. By the end of the first office of Special Educa-tion. NCCU's proposal year of the project, NCCU will offer training and demonstrations to daywas one of 26 funded for care and kindergarten the first time this year, teachers in other schools with 25 applications made in North Carolina. to the program./

Dr. Octavia B. Knight, director of special education at NCCU, and Dr. Barbara K. McCloud, the associate professor of education, will lead the ternational beginning Ocdemonstration project. tober 2, 1980. Anyone Dr. Knight will serve as wishing more information principal investigator, and Dr. McCloud as project director.

University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill has provided leadership, birth has caused more and and consulting services in more parents to assume the planning and develop ment of the NCCU pro-

are coming home to have series of six classes for their babies.

couples preparing to have their babies born at home is being offered locally by Association for Childbirth at Home, Inwishing more information should contact Svea Oster ** 929-8282.

A growing con-Dr. David Lillie of the sciousness of the physical, pshychological and spiritual implications of the birth of their children. They see childbirth as a natural, healthy exrience, not as an illness to be shrouded in mystery or feared. Through increased education and the exchange of ideas, services and books on all aspects of pregnancy, labor and delivery, they are aware that they do have choices in deciding where and how. to give birth. As the concept of prepared chidbirth matures, parents are rejecting, the impersonal routine of the hospital and

The Association for Childbirth at Home, International is a group of parents, interested people and medical professionals dedicated to peoples' rights to decide where and with whom they will give birth. ACHI offers childbirth classes, counsel-

presentations by trained, researched series of childbirth at home.

distributed.

ing, referrals to doctors and alternative sources of help, and a library. The classes provide essential, reliable information from which prospective parents may make responsible decisions on questions of where, how and with whom they will be giving birth. This is accomplished through data presentation, experience sharing discussions and media certified ACHI leaders presenting a throughly classes. The series is open to prospective parents, to individuals and to professionals interested in

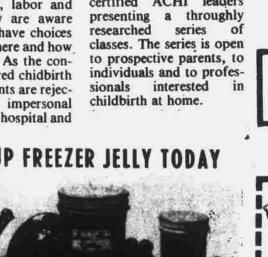


Series On Home Births Set For October 2

Youngsters from three to five years old, enrolled at the Mount Vernon Day Care Center in Durham

God Takes Care Of Me

PUT UP FREEZER JELLY TODAY



Think about tomorrow today when you see fresh plums and Concord grapes in the market. They're a delicious combination in a freezer Grape-Plum Jelly you can serve combination in a freezer Grape-Plum Jelly you can serve on fresh bread and muffins when fresh fruit is just a memory. This no-cook jelly is easily prepared with the help of powdered fruit pectin, which assures a good "set." Use standard jelly jars with lids or reusable glass or plastic containers of not over a pint capacity. Freezer jelly can be stored in the freezer for up to six months or, if freshly made or thawed from the freezer, it can be kept in the aptrication up to three weeks. Select the best fruit in the refrigerator up to three weeks. Select the best fruit available, have ingredients ready, follow the recipe accu-rately and write labels for the finished product with a flourish. That's good reason to congratulate yourself.

GRAPE-PLUM JELLY

3 cups prepared juice (about 1-1/2 lb. fully ripe Concord grapes and 1-1/2 lb. fully ripe plums) 6 cups (2 lb. 10 os.) sugar 3/4 cup water

1 box Sure-Jell fruit pectin

1 box Sure-Jell fruit pectin First prepare the juice. Thoroughly crush, one layer at a time, about 1-1/2 pounds Concord grapes. (For ease in extracting juice from grapes, heat fruit alightly; then crush with potato masher or in food mill.) Place crushed fruit in jelly cloth or bag and let drip. When dripping has almost ceased, press gently. Measure 1-1/2 cups into large bowl or pan. Pit about 1-1/2 pounds plums; do not peels Chop very fine; then plage in jelly cloth or bag and let drip. When dripping has almost ceased, press gently. Measure 1-1/2 cups; add to grape juics? Then make the jelly. Thoroughly mix sugar into juices; let stand 10 minutes. Mix water and fruit pectin in small ssucepan. Bring to a full boil and boil 1 minute, stirring constantly. Stir into the juices. Continue stirring 3 minutes.

constantly. Stir into the juices. Continue stirring 3 minutes. (A few sugar crystals will remain.) Pour quickly into scalded containers. Cover at once with tight lids. Let stand at room temperature 24 hours; then store in freezer. Small amounts may be covered and stored in refrigerator up to 3 weeks. Makes about 6 cups or about 7 (8 fl. os.) cont.

TALLHASSEE, FLA.—JamesRebinson enjoys some shade in his old wheelchair recently while taking a break from chipping mertar from eld bricks of the Capitol. He's been working eight hours a day, five days a week. "The whole world is depending on the government, adn the government is going down the drainhele," he said recently while explaining why he works. UPI

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