

For 25 Years' Federal Service

Raeferd Woman Honored

Mrs. Evelyn S. Kelly, daughter of David A. and the late Nora B. Smith of 311 South Main Street, Raeferd, has been awarded an Army Certificate of Appreciation and a pin for 25 years of federal service.

Kelly is supervisor of the Central Appointment Section at Brooke Army Medical Center in San Antonio, Tex. She was presented her certificate and pin by Brooke Commander Brig. Gen. Tracy E. Streyer, Jr.

A graduate of Hoke County High School, she began her civil service career at Womack Army Hospital, Fort Bragg, where she worked as a receptionist for eight years before initiating that hospital's first centralized appointment system.

Kelly then worked at Tripler Army Medical Center in Hawaii before coming to Brooke in 1966. She established Brooke's central appointment system in July 1975 and has supervised it ever since.

She is married to retired Army SFC Jesse W. Kelly, son of Mrs. Flora Kelly of Mayodan, N.C.

The Kellys each have their own motorcycle -- she has a 900cc BMW--and belong to the BMW (Bavarian Motor Works) Riders of America Motorcycle Club, the San Antonio BMW Riders Association, and the Retreads Motorcycle Club whose members are all more than 40 years old.

The Kellys won five awards at the 1981 BMW Surf and Sand Rally in Virginia Beach, Va., in addition to the plaque for having traveled the longest distance to attend the rally -- 1,370 miles by way of the scenic Blue Ridge Parkway.

Brooke is the second largest of the eight medical centers operated by the U.S. Army Health Services Command. It is a tertiary health care center offering the most sophisticated level of clinical care.

Brooke operates 692 beds in three hospitals for the care of medical, surgical and psychiatric patients. It also provides outpatient care for eligible personnel in more than 100 specialty clinics. Activities at Brooke cover almost every phase of patient care, medical training, postgraduate medical education and medical research.

NAACP To Meet

The Hoke County Chapter of the NAACP will meet Thursday at 7:30 p.m. in East Freedom Masonic Lodge Hall.



25-YEAR PIN -- Mrs. Evelyn S. Kelly of Raeferd, supervisor of the central appointment section at Brooke Army Medical Center since she initiated it in 1975, is presented a service pin by Brig. Gen. Tracy E. Streyer Jr., Brooke commander, for 25 years of federal service. [U.S. Army photo by Gerald DuBois].

Hoke Highlights

Pamela McNeill

Hoke County High School had its annual Mock Graduation Service on February 19th. The speaker was Master Sergeant Helton from Raleigh. The 1982 Senior Hall of Fame includes Dana Connell, Judy Scull, Rose Parish, Darell Cromatic, Eldred Blue, Debbie Williams, Geisila Barnes, Venus McLaurin, Bill Sellars, Linda Seizmore, Pamela McNeill, June McAllister, Patrice McRae, Debra Love, Tammy Locklear, Pam McRae, Gena Jackson, Torrence Malloy, Rowenia Leggett, Cindy Smith, and Ginny Leach.

The graduates of the Class of 82 have chosen their Senior Superlatives. Awards were Most Popular - Buck Oxendine, Debra Love; Best Dressed - Larry Quick, Anita Sinclair; Best Looking - Will Davis, Anita Sinclair; Cutest - Angela Candy, Greg Jackson, Most Athletic - Eldred Blue, Debra Love.

Most Intellectual - Rose Parish, Bucky Oxendine; Most Likely to Succeed - Rose Parish, Bucky Oxendine; Most Spirited - Terence Malloy, Rowenia Leggett; Most Humorous - Gary Day, Sharon Smith, Most Talented - Venus McLaurin, Bernard Bridges, Friendliest - Judy Scull, Arlis Locklear. Congratulations to these students!

On March 5th, the Bloodmobile will visit Hoke County High School. Requirements of the donors are that they be at least seventeen years of age and weigh at least 110 pounds. Students are eligible to leave school after the donation of blood. Everyone eligible is asked to participate in this worthy occasion.

Service Personnel

Marine Sgt. Kenneth M. Dixon, son of Myrtle McCormick and stepson of James McCormick, both of Rt. 4, Box 197, Raeferd, recently departed for an extensive six-month deployment to the Western Pacific.

He is a member of Battalion Landing Team 1/8, 34th Marine Amphibious Unit (MAU), Camp Lejeune, N.C.

The 34th MAU is tasked with providing quick reaction assault forces, and the air support required for those forces.

The 1,800 Marines and sailors forming the nucleus of the 34th MAU are embarked aboard ships specially designed to transport combat personnel.

All are scheduled to participate in various training exercises and make port visits to several Mediterranean cities.

Rockfish News

by Polly Barnard

Prayer Meeting was held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Amos Grant Thursday evening, February 25 in preparation for Revival Services at Sandy Grove United Methodist Church which will begin Monday evening March 8 at 7:30 p.m., continuing through Friday evening, March 12. Rev. Arthur Winstead, pastor of Raeferd United Methodist Church will conduct the services. The public is cordially invited and prayers are solicited for the success of the revival.

Family and friends gathered at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Roy Hayward the past Sunday evening to share in the celebration of their daughter, Peggy Lynn's seventeenth birthday. Birthday cake and ice cream was served following a buffet dinner. She received many nice gifts and a good time was had by all.

Am happy to report that Mrs. Ethel Monroe is getting along very well at this time. This reporter had a nice visit with her last week and she stated that she did not think that she would be able to get any springtime fishing in but hopes to get in some fall fishing. She also said that the fish seemed to bite better in the fall. "Miss Ethel", as most everyone call her is a true inspiration and a joy to know.

Mr. and Mrs. Graham Monroe of Raeferd accompanied by Mrs. Betty White of Southern Pines visited Mrs. Ethel Monroe the past Sunday afternoon.

Little Jonathan McKethan spent the past weekend at home with his parents in the Galatia Community. He and his mother, Mrs. Judy McKethan visited their grandmother, great grandmother, Mrs. Ethel Monroe Sunday. It was a very special day for Jonathan as it was his birthday.

Mrs. Bess Newton of Parkton is

hospitalized with a fractured leg.

Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Koonce of Raeferd and Mrs. Davis Parker of the Galatia Community visited Mr. and Mrs. Herman Koonce the past Sunday afternoon.

Mrs. Herman Koonce was on the sick list last week. Am happy to report that she is feeling much better this week.

Mrs. Lawrence Barnard visited Mrs. Grace English last Friday. Mrs. English reports she is really enjoying being at home and does not feel that she will "tire of retirement" anytime soon.

Mrs. Louise Watson visited Mrs. Mary Long of Fayetteville the past Monday afternoon.

Mrs. Wright Parker of Selma visited her sisters, Mrs. Louise Watson and Mrs. Grace English last week.

It is reported that Mrs. A.W. Wood, Sr. is getting along very well at this time. She is able to get around in the house much better than she could at one time.

Mrs. Lawrence Barnard attended worship service at The Manna Church in Fayetteville, with Mr. and Mrs. James Sakobie and son, Justen last Sunday evening. Mrs. Barnard attended especially for the dedication of her grandson during the service.

Charles Chason was admitted to Womack Army Hospital in Fort Bragg after becoming ill while on the job Monday, February 22. He was later transferred to Cape Fear Valley Hospital in Fayetteville where he remained until Friday of last week. He seems to be doing very well at this time but has to have more tests done.

Boy!! that snow sure slipped up on us didn't it?? After those nice spring days we had, the drastic drop in temperature surely made us feel it!!

Symphony Groups At Hoke Schools

The Woodwind and Brass quintets and Spring Trio of the North Carolina Symphony will hold Discovery Programs March 12, making up for appearances called off by snow last month.

The Woodwind Quintet will be at the J.W. Turlington School auditorium starting at 10:30 a.m.; and the West Hoke School library in the afternoon, starting at 12:45. From 11 to 11:45 a.m. Woodwind Clinic Master Classes will be held, the locations to be announced.

The Brass Quintet will be at Upchurch Junior High School's

auditorium 10:30 a.m. to 11 a.m. It will hold Brass Clinic Master Classes, locations to be announced, from 11 to noon.

In the afternoon the quintet will be at the Hoke County High School Band Room. A concert and demonstration is scheduled for 1:19 to 2:05 p.m.

The String Trio will be at the Scurlock School Library in the afternoon, with a Discovery Program scheduled for 12:30 to 1 for kindergarten and First Grade students; and 1:15 to 1:45 for Second and Third Grades students.

Adult Registration March 4

Registration for the Adult High School Program will be held Thursday.

Anyone interested in enrolling is advised to come to the Hoke High School principal's office at 6:30 p.m.

The program is operated jointly by the Hoke County Board of Education and Sandhills Com-

munity College.

To enroll a person must be at least 18 and out of school at least a year, unless permission is granted by the county schools superintendent.

The person also must have proof of having completed satisfactorily the Eighth Grade or be able to perform at the Ninth Grade level.

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