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## Judge Williamson Seeks Re-Election



Stephen M. Williamson  
Judge Stephen M. "Steve" Williamson, 42, of Kenansville, has filed with

State Board of Elections to succeed himself as District Court Judge of the 4th Judicial District, which is comprised of Duplin, Jones, Onslow and Sampson counties. Judge Williamson was elected in the Nov., 1976 general election for a four-year term and has served in this capacity since that time.

He is married to the former Nancy Alpha and they have three children: Steve, Jr., 18, David Gilbert, 13, and Nancy Eva Margaret "Nan", 11. They are members of the Kenansville United Methodist Church, where Williamson is the chairman of the administrative board. He is presently serving as assistant Scoutmaster. Also he is a member of the executive board of the Tuscarora Council for the

Boy Scouts of America, Duplin County Law Enforcement Assoc., Warsaw-Kenansville Rotary, and the N.C. District Court Judges Association.

### Mobile Office To Visit Duplin

Congressman Charlie Whitley's Third District mobile office will be visiting in the county on Wednesday, Feb. 6. It will make stops at the following times and locations. Wednesday, Feb. 6 - Beulaville, 9:30-10:30 a.m., Post Office; Greenviers - 11-12 noon, Town Hall; Faison - 1-2 p.m., Fire Station.

Rodney Knowles of the Congressman's staff will be manning the mobile office and will be available to anyone having matters that they wish brought to the attention of Whitley. All schedules are subject to prevailing weather conditions affecting travel.

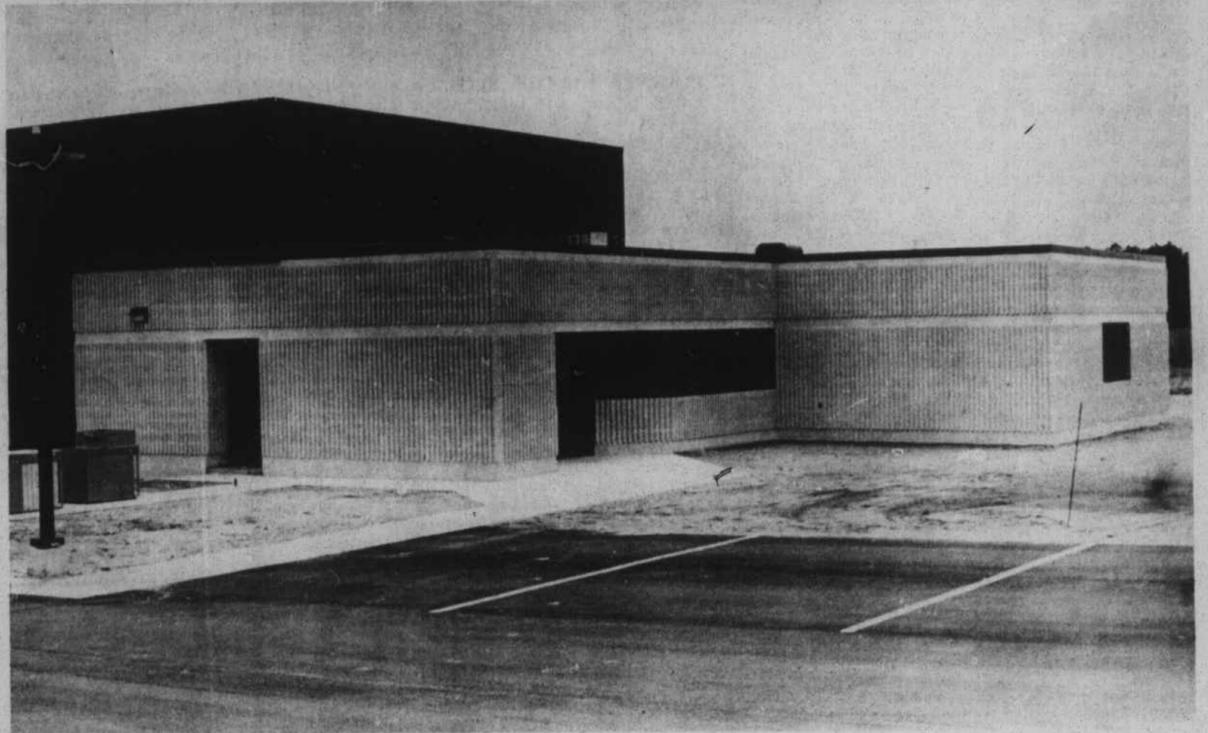


Photo by Emily Killeto

**THE NEW ROSE HILL DIAGNOSTIC LABORATORY** on U.S. 117 north of town. The new laboratory will be complete as soon as a well and septic tank have been installed, said Dr. Hugh Powell, D.V.M., director of the laboratory. In the new lab work will be expanded from primarily poultry to include all types of animals and to meet the demands of the new area will be Dr. Wayne Koski, D.V.M., who will specialize in mammals. The

lab is part of the U.S. Department of Agriculture and works in cooperation with area veterinarians and poultry producers in detecting, controlling and eradicating contagious diseases in the animal population, said Powell. The lab is presently located on the corner of Church and Pine Streets in downtown Rose Hill.

### Rose Hill Animal Disease Diagnostic Lab

### Dollar Days

In Mount Olive

Friday & Saturday

## Hardison Speaks At

### District Board Meeting

Senator Harold Hardison was guest speaker Thursday night at a meeting of the Fifth District School Board Association, composed of eight city and county school systems in Southeastern North Carolina. The meeting was held at East Duplin in Beulaville.

Hardison, whose district includes Lenoir, Duplin and Jones counties, spoke on inflation. He is chairman of the Senate budget committee.

The educators divided into small groups for discussions of North Carolina's open meetings law, energy con-

servation in the schools, a proposed statewide school bond referendum, and new techniques in school discipline.

Carsie K. Denning, director of the division of plant operations for the N.C. Board of Education, talked about energy conservation in the schools.

N.C. schools will spend \$50 million for energy this year, Denning said. Of that amount, \$34 million will pay for electric power. An estimated \$6 million worth of electricity will be "needlessly wasted," he said.

Energy management is needed throughout the schools to avoid such wastes, he said.

### New Procedural Requirements Discontinued

The new procedural requirements which recently became effective for obtaining worthless check warrants will be discontinued. Effective immediately, the magistrates have been asked to issue worthless check warrants without requiring compliance with the new statute passed by the Legislature.

The statute was enacted and implemented with good intentions. It was not a change in the substantive law of worthless check violations. It was merely a procedural change to simplify proof of a worthless check violation at trial when the statutory requirements had been met.

The problem was that the paperwork required to comply with the statute made it more trouble than it was worth. Prosecution of worthless check cases without the procedural assistance of the new statute is simpler and easier than complying with the paperwork requirements of the statute.

The result is that worthless check warrants will be issued and prosecuted in the same manner as they were before the new statute was passed.

By Emily Killeto

The Rose Hill Animal Disease Diagnostic Laboratory will soon be moving into a new building on U.S. 117 north of town and will expand their work to include all types of animals, said Dr. Hugh Powell, D.V.M., director of the laboratory.

Powell said the lab started work in 1960 primarily in the area of poultry and has continued doing 99% of all its work on the diagnosis of poultry diseases and recommending treatment. The primary purpose of the lab is to assist poultry and livestock producers in detecting, controlling, containing and eradicating contagious diseases in the animal population, commented Powell. However, he emphasized that the lab, which is a part of the U.S. Department of Agriculture, prefers to work through local veterinarians whenever possible, especially in areas other than poultry.

According to Powell, there are no veterinarians for the poultry population across the state, so the lab in Rose Hill works closely with poultry producers to detect diseases and prescribe treatment. In the case of other livestock such as hogs, local veterinarians will be involved in the process. The local veterinarians will have the opportunity to work through the Rose Hill lab, using it to assist in the diagnoses of diseases or as a second opinion, but treatment will be prescribed by the local practitioner, said Powell.

"We are here to assist with the diagnosis or to back up the local practitioners' diagnosis. However, treatment will be prescribed by the practitioner," Powell said.

Because of the expanded services of the new lab, Powell said the staff will double. In charge of the

additional area of services is Dr. Wayne Koski, D.V.M., who will primarily be working with mammals, said Powell. Koski is a graduate of Texas A & M University and has spent the last eight years in private practice in Knoxville, Tenn. He came to Rose Hill in January and has been in the process of meeting local vets and livestock producers to discuss the new services the lab will provide.

"We are not here to replace the local practitioner, but to assist with diagnostic problems," Koski said. "In fact, we will prefer to work through the local practitioners and will contact both the producer and veterinarian with our diagnosis. A treatment will be left up to the local practitioner. And, it is our hope to educate the livestock producers in ways to utilize the professional help of the local practitioner," Koski said.

Another service the lab

provides is monitoring the health of the animal population, Powell said. To test the health of poultry and other livestock, the lab requires several animals from the flock be submitted for examination. However, Powell stressed that any animal submitted to the lab for tests would not leave alive. During a post-mortem examination of animals, several tests are done, such as some bacteriology, bacteria tests; parasitology, study for parasites; hematology, blood tests; micology, study of mold and fungus; and some toxicology, tests for poison.

Even with the expanded services, the Rose Hill Lab will still be a limited service laboratory, said Powell. However, additional work, which may be required in some cases, can be completed in the Raleigh laboratory. According to Powell, the Rose Hill lab is

one of eight limited-services diagnostic laboratories in the state, four of which are mainly used for poultry — Rose Hill, Shelby, Robbins and North Wilkesboro. Powell said the Rose Hill lab handles about a third of the poultry work in the state, and with the expansion into mammals at the new lab, he feels the percentage will be the same for the new area.

According to Powell, the new lab was designed for future expansion and he is optimistic that the facility will be expanded in the future to a full-service diagnostic laboratory.

Powell said the new lab will be ready as soon as a well and septic tank have been installed and hooked up to the building. The old laboratory is on the corner of Church and Pine Streets in downtown Rose Hill.

## Duplin Arts Council Sponsors Quintet

The Duplin County Arts Council will sponsor "Matrix," a brass quintet from Winston-Salem, throughout the school system Jan. 31-Feb. 8.

Already this school year, the Council has sponsored the N.C. Dance Theatre, N.C. Little Symphony, Shelton and Ellis Mime Duo, Clompi Quartet from Duke University, and has assisted Valerie McCoy in her musical production of "Scrooge." In late February, the N.C. School of the Arts Sr. Company will present two plays and a mime production in the county.

The performance schedule for "Matrix" is given below and we encourage all interested parents and citizens to attend these concerts so they may see what the

Duplin County Arts Council is doing for the school children. These programs are partially funded by a Grassroots Arts Program grant given through the N.C. Arts Council, a state agency.

**Matrix Schedule**  
Jan. 30 - Chinquapin I, 9:30  
Jan. 31 - North Duplin High/Ele. 9:30; North Duplin Jr. High, 1:30; Feb. 1 - Warsaw Jr. High, 9:30; Warsaw Ele. - 1:30; Feb. 4 - Warsaw Ele. - 9:30; Feb. 5 - Chrity Middle - 9:30; James Kenan High School - 2:00; Feb. 6 - Chinquapin I/IIK - 9:30; Rose Hill-Magnolia Ele - 11:15; Feb. 7 - E.E. Smith Jr. High - 10:30; Kenansville Elementary - 1:30; Feb. 8 - B.F. Grady Ele. - 9:30; and Beulaville Ele. - 1-1:50 and 2-2:50

## Williams Dies In Fire Near Magnolia

Reginald Williams, 22, died early Saturday morning when fire swept through his residence about two miles north of Magnolia, said Magnolia Fire Chief J.D. Quinn.

Quinn said the blaze was reported at 2 a.m. Saturday. Fire was coming out of all the windows in the five-room brick house on State Road 1114, and had broken through the kitchen roof by

the time firemen arrived. Cause of the blaze has not been determined, but Quinn said a three-burner oil stove was found charred in the kitchen where the fire apparently started. Quinn said the house had no electric or gas service.

Firemen had extinguished the major portion of the fire by 2:45 a.m. Quinn estimated the damage to house and contents at \$10,000.

## Pesticide Workshop

On Monday, Feb. 4 at 7 p.m. in the Agricultural Extension Building in Kenansville, a workshop will be held for certification in restricted pesticide use by Snodie B. Wilson, agricultural extension agent. If you have already been certified, this workshop is not for you. Federal law requires that all persons who use restricted pesticides must be certified. Restricted pesticides are those pesticides which have been so designated by the Environmental Protection Agency, and bear the statement "restricted-use pesticide" on the product labeling. In order to be certified, you must attend four hours of classes. You do not have to pass a test. If you know someone who needs to be certified, invite him to this certification meeting. You are asked to be on time so the meeting can start promptly at 7 p.m. Also, it is a must that you bring your social security number, and a pencil or pen.

Call or drop by the office if you plan to attend. The number is 296-1996.



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**EPILEPSY AWARENESS WORKSHOP** - The Employment Security Commission sponsored an Epilepsy Awareness Workshop at James Sprunt Technical College Jan. 22. The workshop featured special guest speakers Louise Denmark of the N.C. Division of Health Services; Dr. Earl Trevathan of the East Carolina School of Medicine; Robert Marker, vocational rehabilitation counselor; Robert Reilly, N.C. Assistant Attorney General; and Jack Cottle, personnel officer at J.P. Stevens

Company. The workshop was attended by local Employment Security Commission counselors and nursing students at JSTC. Pictured above, left to right, Dr. Trevathan, Louise Denmark; Elizabeth Grant, manager of the Employment Security Commission for Duplin, Sampson and Southern Wayne counties; and Hugh Ebert, handicap specialist with the N.C. Employment Security Commission.