



HALBERT WEBB AND HIS WORK

Webb's Paintings On Display At Mauney Memorial Library

Matching shades on canvass is the secret of Halbert Webb's success as an artist who learned to paint from matching shades of dye for 27 years at the old Margrace Mill.

Webb's activity and humor belie his 85 years. He is still as adept with the paint brush as he was in 1945 when he painted his first landscape. Webb paintings are prized possessions of friends and kin from all over the country.

Webb's collection of art will be displayed at Josephine E. Weir Auditorium during library hours at Mauney Memorial Library beginning Monday.

"I've never sold one of my paintings but some years ago in Laurel Hill when Congressman Bill Heffner's wife was campaigning for her husband's election she saw a painting she liked instantly. I told her I wouldn't sell the original but I would paint one for her. She offered me \$250 for it but I gave it to her with pride and told her to enjoy it," said Webb.

Landscapes are favorite subjects of Halbert who also has painted First Presbyterian Church, where he is an Elder Emeritus; First Presbyterian manse, his former home at West Mountain Street and the former Meek Ormand home on West Mountain Street, some of the town's landmarks. Some of his paintings hang at First Presbyterian Church, at the manse occupied by Dr. and Mrs. Eric Faust, at the Kings Mountain Herald, at the home of friends in the community and in the home of his son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Dick Webb, in Richmond, Va. Webb's five grandchild-

ren and six great-grandchildren share the pride of Mr. Webb's works and have many of his paintings in their homes. When Webb moved into an apartment at 204 S. Tracy Street he gave the bulk of his older paintings to friends and relatives. There is a place for some of his newer works at his apartment and each month he participates in a class conducted by John Brady at A. B. Snow Studio and contributes another painting to add to his growing collection. Webb took art lessons from Shirley Brutko in recent years and has been a student of A. B. Snow for several years. He is also active in Southern Art Society formed by Mrs. Snow for aspiring artists and painters.

"Halbert likes to paint a variety and on his country scenes he always features a cow, barns, figures and water," said Mrs. Snow.

One of his newest paintings depicts a lake with a speedboat crossing the water and an American flag flying at the back of the boat. Garden scenes are favorite subjects during springtime and many of the Webb paintings are florals with azaleas, dogwoods and other spring flowers predominant. Small churches catch the artist's eye and he has painted them with tall steeple as one of his favorites. His painting of First Presbyterian Church and his former home, where he resided with his late wife, Mary Belle Cannon Webb, and two children, Dick Webb and the late Jean Webb Neill, hold special memories for him.

Webb's paintings won 10 ribbons, including two "best of show" awards at the Spring In Shelby festivals.

School Calendar Listed

The Kings Mountain Board of Education approved the 1989-90 operational calendar at their regular board of education meeting in April.

Associate Supt. Larry Allen said school calendars must be developed to operate within 10 calendar months. If the calendar begins on Aug. 10, it must end on June 9, ten calendar months later. Saturdays and Sundays are not used to short-cut the 10 month calendar. When a day is identified as the starting day in August, the last day in June should not end on a Saturday or Sunday, he said.

The calendar follows:

- JULY**
- 4 Holiday Independence Day
- AUGUST**
- 9-14 Discretionary Workdays
- 15-18 Mandatory workdays
- 21 First day for students
- SEPTEMBER**
- 4 Holiday Labor Day
- OCTOBER**
- 27 Discretionary workday
- NOVEMBER**
- 18 Discretionary workday, Veteran's Day
- 23-24 Thanksgiving holidays
- DECEMBER**
- 18-22, 27-29: Christmas vacation
- 25-26 Holidays, Christmas
- JANUARY**
- 1 Holiday, New Year's
- 2 Discretionary workday
- 15 Holiday, Birthday of Martin L. King
- 16 Mandatory workday
- MARCH**
- 23 Discretionary workday
- APRIL**
- 16 Holiday, Easter
- 17 Holiday, Veterans Day
- 18 Holiday, Memorial Day
- 19-20 Spring Break, 5th makeup day on the 19th
- 28 fourth make-up day
- JUNE**
- 1 last day for students
- 4, 6-8 Discretionary workdays, first make-up day on the 4th
- 5 Second make-up day; mandatory workday
- 6 Third make-up day



KIMBERLY HOYLE

Hoyle In Honors Band

Kimberly Hoyle, a Kings Mountain ninth grade band student, was chosen by audition to perform with the North Carolina State Honors Band in Greensboro on April 28-30.

in the district All-State Band.

Kimberly will be staying with a host family while rehearsing two days under a guest conductor in Greensboro. The Honors Band Concert will be held on Sunday afternoon, April 30.

Kimberly plays the french horn in the band and also studies piano privately.

For a student to be eligible to audition, he must place high enough

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