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Registration Underway for SPCC Massage Therapy Classes

Registration is underway for two Massage Therapy classes that will begin in February at South Piedmont Community College. A six-month course that begins Feb. 4 and ends July 23 will be taught from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Monday through Friday. A yearlong course that begins Feb. 5 and ends Dec. 19, 2013, will be taught from 5:30 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays.

The 500-plus-hour course, which will be taught on the Old Charlotte Highway Campus in Monroe, provides all the skills and competencies needed to sit for the national accreditation exam and begin a career in massage.

Cost for either course is \$1,099, which covers uniform/holster, lotions, school books and materials. Payment is due at time of registration. Prerequisites, which must be met by Jan. 25, are college-level English or a 10th-grade reading level on the TABE test; attendance at an Introduction to Massage Therapy class on Jan. 25; an interview with the Massage Therapy program director; completion of a student medical form for massage therapy; and payment of tuition.

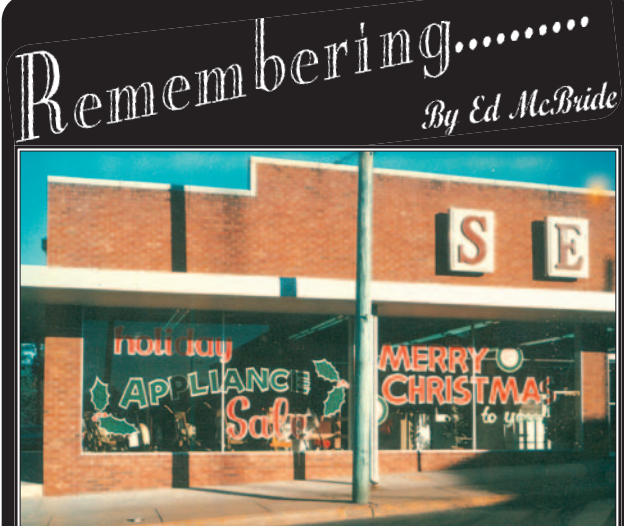
To schedule an interview with the program director, contact Mary Berger at 704-290-5865.

To register and pay for the class, go to www.spcc.edu and scroll down to "Massage Therapy" under Corporate and Continuing Education.

Free Movie is *Diary of a Wimpy Kid*

A free movie, *Diary of a Wimpy Kid: Dog Days*, will be shown in the Little Theatre at Hampton B. Allen Library on Monday, December 31 at 10 a.m. This PG rated movie stars Zachary Gordon, Robert Capron and Devon Bostick. Hometown Video, located in uptown Wadesboro generously provided the movie.

If you have any questions or need additional information please call the library at 704-694-5177.



Christmas Window Promotions

By this time of year much of the Christmas window sale promotions were already completed. In fact, most of my work orders were in, and work had begun before Thanksgiving. All of my signs were hand painted with real special paint, and the stores usually kept the promotion on through Christmas - and then we began again with something else!

The above picture is of "Bundy's" Sears-Wadesboro store. Most times I also did Sears stores in Monroe and Rockingham in North Carolina, and Lancaster, Camden and Chester in South Carolina. Others I did in Wadesboro were Dave Blalock's Tire and Appliance, Western Auto and Smith's Electric. In Norwood I did Ken's Furniture and Appliance and several others. All of this painting made for a tight work schedule to get the stores ready for Christmas. Today, as with so many areas of advertising, it is different - be it newspaper, radio, television...you name it.

Even though I have enjoyed my many fine folks, it is good to slow down some!

Anson County Spelling Bee Winners

All the elementary schools and Anson Middle School conducted Spelling Bees recently. Next up for the winners is the District Spelling Bee which will be held at Wadesboro Primary School on January 16 at 4 p.m.

The winners are: AES - Jessica Hall; AMS 7th - Dequandre Watts; AMS 8th - Jalen Powe; LES - Malik Gaddy; MES - Shymari Robinson; and PPES - Julian Suriba.

Malik Gaddy Wins LES Spelling Bee with "Subsequent"

At Lilesville Elementary School all students in grades three through six were invited to participate in a spelling bee. A class winner was declared from each of the homerooms. On Friday, December 7th the class winners competed in the school's verbal spelling bee conducted by LES Teacher Ms. Monica Currie and retired Anson County Schools Teacher Mrs. Leslie Capel.

The class winners were: third grade - Rebecca Huntley and Leah McLeod; fourth grade - Timothy Diggs, Diamond Pickett and Carson Williams; fifth grade - Malik Gaddy and Maurice Ingram, and sixth grade - Skylar Boone and McKenzie Johnson.

One by one, participants were eliminated as they misspelled a word. At the end of the verbal round fifth grade student Malik Gaddy was declared the First Place winner after spelling the word "subsequent." Another fifth grade student, Maurice Ingram, was declared Runner Up.

Malik will represent Lilesville Elementary School in the Anson County Schools Spelling Bee on Wednesday, January 16th. The purpose of the annual National Spelling Bee program is to help students improve their spelling, increase their vocabularies, learn concepts, and develop correct English usage that will help them all their lives.



Ms. Monica Currie, Malik Gaddy and Mrs. Leslie Capel.

Julian Suriba Wins PPES Spelling Bee

Peachland-Polkton Elementary School held its school spelling bee on Thursday, December 6th. Julian Suriba (pictured left), in Ms. Liles' fifth grade class was the school spelling bee winner. Runner Up was AJ Sampson, a fourth grader in Ms. Burns' class. Julian will compete in the district bee held on January 16th. PPES wishes him good luck!

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