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Meet Our Kinder-Care Jobbers



Kinder-Parts' newly merchandised sales area.

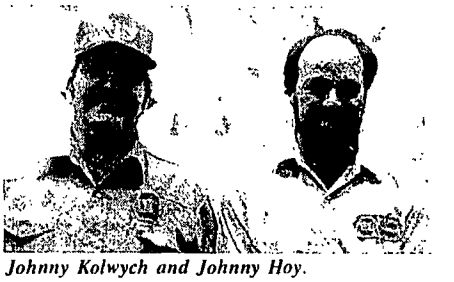
These kids at the Kinder-Care Learning Center in Oakwood, Georgia, with the help of a NAPA Car Care Days promotional kit, have founded their very own Kinder-Parts Store. This project stemmed from Kinder-Care Learning Center's belief that kids learn best in activities that are interesting and enjoyable — such as setting up a parts store in order to learn something about their community's service industries. According to their teacher Deirdre Dill, the kids not only learned a great deal but now recognize the NAPA gold and blue sign in a very positive way!

So who knows? Maybe we're looking at our future NAPA Jobbers and employees. You never can start 'em too early...



The sales team at Kinder-Parts includes (From left): *Kevin Lewis, Isaac Strickland, Josh Tanner, and Justin Hall.*

Two of NAPA's Best



Johnny Kolwych and Johnny Hoy.

Who says that people just don't care about helping each other out anymore?

Not Ted Simmons of Memphis, Tennessee.

Today he knows that at least in his local NAPA parts store there are still people who care enough about their neighbors to get involved when there's trouble. It happened this way.

On April 13, while paying for merchandise at the NAPA Memphis Local Store, Mr. Simmons' wallet was swiped right out of his hands by a "supposed" customer waiting for his turn at the counter. The thief turned and ran, closely followed by an astonished Mr. Simmons. Knocking another customer to the floor, the thief yanked open the door and disappeared onto the street.

Now you might have expected that Mr. Simmons would have been the only one interested in recovering his wallet. Too often that is the case. Not this time, however. For closely following Mr. Simmons were store manager Johnny Kolwych and employee Johnny Hoy.

Gaining on the thief steadily, the three men finally tackled him and continued to restrain him with their combined weight until he could be delivered into the hands of the police.

Now if that's not getting hit by the full weight of justice, what is? Let's hear it for our two NAPA heros!

Murphy's Law and the Automobile

"Anything that can go wrong will." Everyone has heard of the often quoted Murphy's Law. As you've probably already experienced first hand, Murphy's Law can apply to automobile ownership as well, says the Automotive Information Council (AIC), which made available the following list of automotive Murphy's Laws written by automotive writer Tony Swan:

The likelihood of someone doing 50 mph in the fast lane is directly proportional to how late you are for work.

Traffic always flows faster in the other lane.

The chances of someone making a right turn from the left-turn lane are a constant one in three.

Chances of the individual making this turn while flashing his left-turn signal are a constant one in six.

The windshield wiper on the passenger side always works better.

The windshield wipers will disintegrate only when you turn them on during the worst rainstorm of the decade.

The chances of the spare tire being flat are in direct ratio to the distance from the nearest town.

A tire will never go flat unless: a). the grade is at least 10 percent, b). the tool kit is covered by at least 87 pounds of luggage, and c). you loaned your jack to a friend.

The only point under the car from which oil will drip is directly above where you will be lying.

Winners of the 1984 United States Skill Olympics Announced

The winners of the twentieth annual United States Skill Olympics were announced June 29 at the Awards Session of the VICA National Leadership Conference. Placing first, second, and third in the auto mechanics high school division were: Barney Cornel Lewis of Sahuarita, AR, Eric Andrew Aylics of Longwood, FL and Carl D. Schultz of Calumet City, IL with James Floyd Winkles of LaGrange, GA, Kenneth M. Lafferty of Covington, KY and Anthony Kovac of Calumet City, IL, placing first, second, and third in the postsecondary division.

Contestants were judged on the basis of accuracy, quality of workmanship, speed of performance and adherence to proper safety practices.