



I AM...DRACULA — The infamous vampire Count Dracula (George Kubanda) prepares to put the bite on Mina Murray (Rhonda Kirby) in a scene from Holmes High School Drama Club's production of "Dracula", a Ted Tiller adaptation of Bram Stoker's novel. "Dracula" will be staged Friday and Saturday nights at the Holmes High School auditorium.

Play To Be Presented

John A. Holmes will be the home of "Count Dracula" this Friday and Saturday at 8 P.M. In an up-dated version of Bram Stoker's novel, "Dracula", playwright Ted Tiller creates an exciting play full of humor and, of course,

Shields, Jr.) and Hennessey (Thomas Bass, Jr.)?

Go see "Count Dracula" and find the answer.

Director Hugh Dial, Jr., says of the play: "Count Dracula" is as much a magic show as a play. The famous vampire appears and vanishes before the audience's eyes. This play is a challenge for everyone — the director, designers but especially the actors who are all superb in their roles. I would like to invite the entire community to attend this production about one of literature's most fascinating characters — "Count Voivode Dracula".

Performance admission is \$2 for students and \$3 for adults. Make plans to attend, this Friday and Saturday, May 11 and 12, at 8 P.M. in John A. Holmes Auditorium!

Mina Murray (Kirby) becomes the bride of Dracula (Kubanda) who is amorously pursued by Seward (Michele Alexander) while her father (Dean Jernigan), her friend Dr. Van Helsing (Darryl Banks) and Mina's fiance (Robert Dail, Jr.) try to destroy the count; or will Renfield, (Jill Stutzman) an inmate in Dr. Seward's sanitarium, get her "feast of blood" while being tended by the housekeeper Ida (Kim Martin) and attendants Wesley (Robert

PTA Views Chowan Play

The first and second graders at Chowan Academy presented the operetta, "Peter Rabbit" for the Parent Teacher Organization meeting on April 30 and on May 1 for the other students.

Mrs. Jackie Adams and Mrs. Lucy Meade Harless directed the production with Mrs. Vivian Mooney as pianist.

The operetta had a variety of expressions in its character parts, choral speaking, singing and dancing sequences. The following students were the characters:

Cindy Howington and Stephen Copeland, Peter Rabbit; Cindy Jo Beasley, Mother Rabbit; Stacy Bunch, Cottontail Rabbit;

Leah Harrell, Flopsy Rabbit; Natalie Ward, Mopsy Rabbit; Matt Williams, Mr. McGregor; and Kevin Hollowell, Mouse.

Choral readers were: Cindy Bass, Marcia Perry, Anita Hollowell and Pammy Howard.

First graders in the chorus included: Sterling Baker, Paula Bass, Curtis Byrum, Amy Colson, Kristie Dail, Bonnie Davenport, Becky Jo Evans, Jennifer Perry, Carla Stallings, Bob Riddick, and Brian Riddick.

Among the second graders in the chorus were: Jennifer Ashley, Brian Blanchard, Jenny Dunstan, Lee Harrell, Emma Rae Lane, Lynn Lane, Blake Roberson, Beverly Spruill and Leah Ward.

Hints For Homemakers

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Treating a new cutting board with a thin coating of oil will help to seal the wood.

Use mineral oil, if possible, because it has no odor, and is not sticky, says specialists with the North Carolina Agricultural Extension Service.

Leave the oil on overnight then wash off the excess. A second application will further seal the wood.

Cutting boards should be cleaned after each use to prevent contamination and to remove odors. Wash with a sudsy cloth or sponge, rinse and dry well.

A diluted chlorine bleach can be used to disinfect the board.

Avoid soaking cutting boards in water; even the best of woods will warp when soaked.

Nut Prices

Prices for all domestically grown tree nuts are now at near record-high levels.

According to NCSU agricultural extension specialists, last year's production of the six major kinds of tree nuts in the United States was down

almost one-fourth from the 1977 crop.

Smaller crops of almonds, walnuts, pecans and pistachios more than offset larger crops of filberts and Macadamia nuts.

Energy Savers
When baking with ceramic, glass and stainless steel utensils, you can lower the temperature of your oven 25 degrees.

That's because they retain heat better than other materials.

When frying or pan broiling on top of the range, slightly lower temperatures can be used if you are cooking with teflon-lined utensils say specialists with the North Carolina Agricultural Extension Service.

Another energy-saving tip is to use a tea kettle instead of a pan for heating or boiling water to avoid loss through steam.

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