

## Close-Up

### Cathey says gardening motivates him

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Age is only a number when it comes to local resident George Cathey.

Cathey, 89 years young, has so much vim and vigor that it seems to rub off just talking with him.

He maintains a garden behind his house at the corner of First and Graham streets which he says that he plowed himself with a garden tiller.

He has flowers of all types lining his front porch. Shrubbery, peppers and cherry tomatoes surround

*"Exercise in that garden keeps me going. I do a whole lot of work out there and been doing it."*

-- George Cathey

his house as thick as a forest. The only ailment Cathey says he has is arthritis.

Cathey says that he and his late wife had always had a garden. "I've been saying for four years that I wasn't going to have a garden," says Cathey. "My arthritis may make me give it up."

Cathey grows tomatoes, corn, collard greens, sweet potatoes, peanuts and white potatoes.

He also has apple, pear, peach, fig and cherry trees. The remnants of grape vines lie in the back

yard also, but Cathey says that the grapes did not produce this year.

What does one person do with all of this abundance of fruit and vegetables?

He cans the fruit and peppers and makes pepper vinegar. Cathey says that the year before last, he made 50 bottles of pepper vinegar. Due to eye surgery last year, he could not make any pepper vinegar.

He makes chow-chow, a vegetable relish, from the green tomatoes and peppers. He says that he also gives the food away when people stop by for a visit. He has four sisters in Charlotte, and he says that he always gives them chow-chow.

Out of this year's tomato crop, Cathey has a tomato which he says originally weighed 2 pounds but has shrunk to 1 1/2 pounds. He says that he doesn't know why the tomato shrank.

Cathey says that this is the largest vegetable he has ever grown. He says that no special fertilizer or anything was used to grow it. The plant was given to him by his nephew and is known as a Big Red.

Constantly referring to his wife as "the madame," Cathey tells the story of how his wife was at a Big Star grocery store and heard a shopper saying she couldn't find something she was looking for in the store. He says that his wife told the shopper to come to her car because she had what the shopper needed in the trunk.

Cathey says that his wife opened the trunk, and



George Cathey, a country boy at heart, can still grow a serious garden after all these years (photo by James Parker).

other shoppers bought everything she had in the trunk.

He also grows gourds, which can be made into bird houses or a dipper drinking cup.

"When I was a boy, we made dippers and drank water out of them," says Cathey.

Even though Cathey lives in the city, he tries to keep everything country.

He now plans to make butter.

"I went down in the country and got me a gallon of milk, now I'm waiting on it to clabber, (for the Please see page A11

## COMMUNITY CALENDAR

### THURSDAY, AUGUST 29

• N.C. Baptist and Forsyth Memorial hospitals will hold Family Fun Night from 3 to 9 p.m. at Thruway Shopping Center to raise money for the Teddy Bear Fund, a non-profit organization which will purchase huggable teddy bears as companions for hospital patients age 12 and under. The Sweet Adelines and other musical groups will perform. Game booths will be set up by the Winston-Salem Recreation Department.

• The Annual Fellowship Banquet for the Handicapped will be held at 7 p.m. at the M.C. Benton Convention Center. Admission is \$6 for the public. Handicapped people are admitted free. For more information, call Mary Sloan Jones, 722-8597.

### SATURDAY, AUGUST 31

• Chev-Relay Track Club members are invited to a picnic at Miller Park's shelter No. 2 at 3 p.m. Awards and certificates will be given. Parents of athletes should bring their own picnic lunch. For more information, contact Buddy Hayes at 767-9383.

### MONDAY, SEPT. 1

• An exhibit of sculpture and paintings by Jack Paul and serigraphs by Dureece Grant of Winston-Salem will be on display in the First Presbyterian Church Gallery until Sept. 29. The gallery will be open during church and business hours; admission is free.

### MONDAY, SEPT. 2

• There will be a getting reacquainted picnic for all Elks, active and inactive, at 4 p.m. at the Elks Home, 1405 Patterson Ave.

• "A Day with Bill Cosby" will be shown as part of the Children's Mini Library Film Program Sept. 2 through 7. Contact the public library on Fifth Street, 727-2556, for locations and times. Admission is free.

### PUBLIC SERVICE ANNOUNCEMENTS

• The Black Political Awareness League will sponsor a countywide political workshop and seminar for all interested citizens in Winston-Salem and Forsyth County from noon until 3 p.m. at the Reynolds Health Center on Saturday, Sept. 7. The league invites all citizens, especially candidates seeking public office, to attend. Raising funds, voting, voter education, precinct activity and other topics will be discussed.

• An Ebony Affair, the triad's newest black singles network, will sponsor a trip to New York to see Grambling State University and North Carolina Central University's football game from Sept. 20 through 22. For more information, call 784-5237.

• Salem College will offer afternoon sessions of an SAT verbal workshop from 4 to 6 p.m., Sept. 4 through Oct. 16; evening sessions will be held from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m., Sept. 18 through Oct. 30. Afternoon sessions for SAT math workshops will be held at Mt. Tabor High School from 3:45 to 5:45, Sept. 4 through Oct. 16 and Sept. 18 through Oct. 30. Evening sessions for math will begin at 6:30 p.m. on Sept. 18 at Salem College. For more information or to register, call Salem College at 721-2669.

• Carolina Streetscene events will be held Thursday, Sept. 5, through Saturday, Sept. 8. Events will include a Downtown Gala  
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## Social Notes

### Old Town couple gives party for pastor and relative

Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Lash of Old Town recently had a birthday party for their pastor, the Rev. Bobbie Smith, and Mrs. Lash's brother, Napolian Fulp.

People who attended the celebration were Pollye, Eugene and Beaufort Bailey, Mark and Debbie Woodson, J.T. and Mary Kimbrough, Rosa Gleen, Della Shouse, Jimmy Lomax, Evangelis Johnson, Eugene Turner, Richard Fulp, Alice Johnson, Tina and Walter Fulp, Ida Cobb and Lindsay Hughes.

Also attending were: Napoleon and Edna Fulp, Dottie Mainer, Nellie Brown, George Savage, Dillard Leake, the Rev. and Mrs. Joseph Nance, the Rev. and Mrs. Jerry Quick, and Mr. and Mrs. Albert Morgan.

Other participants were Mable Johnson, Kim and Keith Royal, Mr. and Mrs. John Lash Sr., Susie Leach, Donna Fulp, Charles Eldridge, Henry Barksdale, Doris Shouse, Thorny Simpson, Martha Hauser, Geraldine Ingram and Mr. and Mrs. Howard Lash.



### Another Candle

From left to right, Kenneth Lash, the Rev. Bobbie Smith, Geraldine Ingram and Virginia Lash laugh it up during a birthday party for Smith in Old Town (photo by Beaufort Bailey).

### Winston-Salem State adds faculty members for academic year

Winston-Salem State University has added 15 new faculty members for the 1985-86 academic year. They are: Dr. Carolynn Blount Berry, assistant professor, department of physical education; Dr. Michael Brookshaw, assistant professor, department of communication arts; Catherine Burton, temporary instructor, department of music; Dr. Richard Davis, associate professor, department of social services, and Melvin Fair, adjunct instructor, physical education.

Other new faculty members are: Elva Jones, assistant professor/interim chairperson, department of mathematics/computer science; Dr. Donald MacThompson, adjunct assistant professor, social sciences; Cynthia McAfee, instructor, physical education; Arleese Salley, instructor, division of business and economics, and Dr. Douglas Schell, associate professor, business and economics.

Others are: Dr. William Turner, associate professor/chairperson, social sciences; Dr. Signe Waller, instructor, social sciences; Joe

Whisnant, temporary instructor, department of art; Dr. Paul Woods, associate professor/coordinator of student teaching, department of education, and Janice Young, instructor, division of nursing and allied health.

In addition, nine faculty members were recently granted

tenure. They are: Dr. Lenwood Davis, associate professor of history; Dr. Barbara Faison, associate professor of social welfare; Dr. Lucy Hayden, professor of English/chairperson of the department of communication arts; Dr. Alex Johnson, professor of education/assistant to the vice chancellor for academic affairs; Dr. Alice Johnson,

associate professor of nursing/interim director of the division of nursing and allied health; Dr. Edward Jones, associate professor of computer science; Dr. Paul Kuhn, associate professor of history; Dr. James McLaughlin, associate professor of history, and Dr. Donald Suttles, associate professor of business.

### Flower/garden club president attends convention

Virginia Stewart, president of the Best Yet Flower/Garden Club, recently attended the Golden Jubilee Convention as a delegate for the Federation of Garden Clubs of North Carolina, which was held at the Sheraton in Greensboro.

The theme of the convention was "Soil and Conservation: Beautification Through Conservation." The slogan for the convention was "Keep North Carolina Beautiful."

Mrs. Dottie Wagner coordinated a flower-arranging workshop during the convention. The Best Yet Club won first place in the scrapbook competition and second place in the yearbook competition.

Members of the scrapbook and

yearbook committee were: Mrs. Willie Martin, Mrs. Hazel Holiday, Mrs. Ann Moze, Mrs. Virginia Stewart and Mrs. Magdaline Watson, chairman.

During the convention, the delegates went on a garden tour of the Bicentennial Gardens and the Nature Science Center.

The convention included the annual Queen's Award Banquet. Mrs. Elouise Ward of Henderson

was crowned queen for 1985-86 and Mrs. Eva Jefferies of Winston-Salem was named the first runner-up.

A special memorial service was held for the deceased members.

Mrs. Cora Hawkins of Warrenton was elected president of the Federation of Garden Clubs during the convention. Mrs. Edythe Williams of Winston-Salem was elected first vice president.

### Brides contest held at Masonic Temple

The Eleventh District Order of the Eastern Star recently held a brides contest in the chapel of the Masonic Temple on E. 14th Street.

Mistress of ceremonies was

Virginia Barr. Music was played by Lillian Bonner. Helen Graham read the scripture and Eadie M. Black led the prayer. Avis Crockett was soloist.

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