

Memory Of Bygone Days



Bill Early (the youngster pictured in front row with overalls on) supplied this picture of a birthday dinner at the home of the late Ed Bumgardner in 1935. Early recalled that Bumgardner had a dinner each summer and invited all his relatives and friends who worked with him at the Margrace Mill. Some of the persons Early recognized included Bumgardner and many of his children, including

Hazel, Austin, John and Bessie Bumgardner; Ken Jenkins, who is pictured beside Early; Whitney Wells, Sybil Sanders, Aaron Lee Wells and others. Early said the model T Ford his family drove to the reunion wouldn't climb the steep hill at the York Road mountain gap, and they had to back up the mountain.

Ormand Reunion Set July 25

The 90th consecutive reunion of the descendants of James Ormand (1669-1766) will be held at noon on July 25, at the site of the "Old Furnace" on Long Creek Church Road (located between Bessemer City and Kings Mountain). The Ormand reunion is also known as "The Old Furnace Picnic" and ranks among the oldest consecutive reunions in America.

About 300 relatives bring a picnic lunch and gather each year for the reunion, traveling from all over the United States. Rev. Ben F. Ormand has performed extensive work on the genealogy of the descendants of James Ormand, and has published a book entitled "Ormand History and Descendants of James Ormand, Sr. (1669-1766)" A press, Inc.; Greenville, S.C. (1983). A copy of the book will

be available at the picnic along with recent supplements.

A sprinkler system and "Space Walk" will be available for children this year, while adults reacquaint with friends and relatives under the picnic shelter.

James Ormand and his son settle on land granted to them in 1754 by George II, king of England, from the Catawba River to Long Creek. An iron furnace was erected on a portion of the property on Long Creek church Road around the time of the Revolutionary War. The furnace is said to have been used for making

iron products from cannon balls to plowshares. The Ormand family has maintained the property over the years and the Gaston County Historical Commission and Board of County Commissioners has designated the furnace as historical property. Application is also underway for including it in the National Register of Historic Places.

For additional information, call Ed Williams at 704/331-1805

Coffee At Lees Honors Bride-Elect Angel Allen

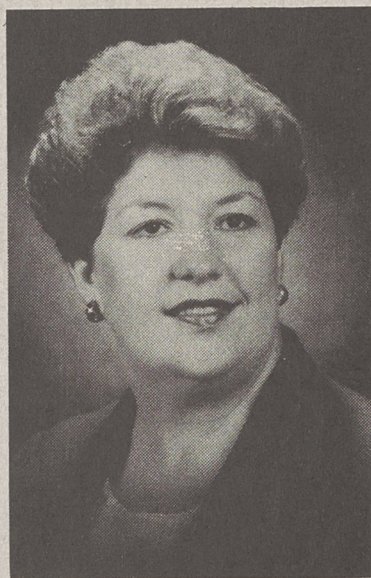
A recent coffee at the Kings Mountain home of Mrs. June Lee honored bride-elect Angel Allen.

Miss Allen, who will wed Carroll McCray of Boone July 18, was presented a pink rose corsage for her purple sweater dress and a gift of china from the hostesses.

The Lee home on Garrison Drive was decorated with

summer flowers. Coffee punch, cake squares, ham biscuits, vegetable sandwiches, melon balls and nuts were served to the 60 friends who attended between the hours of 10-11:30 a.m.

Hostesses included Mrs. Lee, Mrs. Vivian Duncan, Mrs. Bertie Bumgardner, Mrs. Susan Hart and Mrs. Rachel Bolt.



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Muench Named VP At School

Jeffrey Emmett Muench, son of Mr. and Mrs. Laurence W. Muench of 310 Downing Dr. in Kings Mountain, has been elected the 1987 Second Vice President of the Student Government Association of North Carolina Governor's School East. Jeff, a rising junior at Kings Mountain Senior High School, is studying Choral Music while attending the Governor's School.

The North Carolina Governor's School East, located on the campus of St. Andrews Presbyterian college in

Laurinburg, is a summer residential honors program designed to supplement the public school education of 400 gifted and talented high school students from across the state. While at the school, each student completes a program that includes intensive study of an academic subject or advanced training in a visual or performing art. Each student also is provided instruction in philosophy and applied psychology. The Governor's School is in session through August 1.

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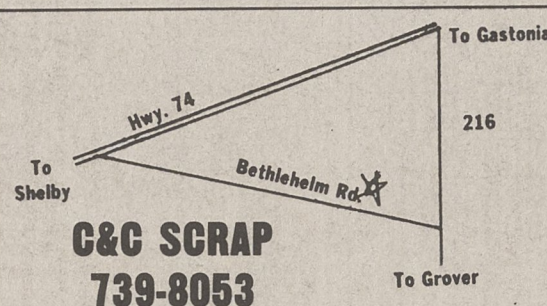
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