McGill reunion attracts crowd



Boyce Memorial ARP Church fellowship hall was packed for the recent reunion of the McGill clan. Standing, from left,t Linda Ann McGill Coffin, Angel Coffin, Salome McGill, Mike Lazinsk, Kristin Lazinsk, Jim McGill, John Coffin, Ann McGill, Ken McGill, Selena McGill, Jodi McGill, John and Joseph McGill, and sitting, from left, Michael McGill, Andrew Dimmock, missionary friend, Jason McGill and Nancy McGill, wife of the late Dr. Kenneth McGill of Kings Mountain.

The annual McGill reunion recently brought visitors from Florida who grew up in Kings Mountain when the late Dr. Kenneth McGill practiced with his brother, the late Dr. John C. McGill at McGill Clinic.

Dr. Kenneth McGill was called to the mission field and he and his wife, Nancy, and now their children, and

grandchildren are involved in African missions and in home missions in the states they live. Nancy McGill is mother, grandmother and mother-n-law to the large group of McGill kin who came to Kings Mountain for the family reunion at Boyce Memorial ARP Church fellowship hall.

Linda Ann McGill Coffin

and her husband, John, presently live in Florida and are child advocates for children in foster care and volunteer to help find forever families for children in foster care that are available for adoption.

Kristine Coffin Lazinsk is an attorney for foster children in Florida and her husband, Mike, is also an

Jim McGill, missionary to Malawi, provides clean water and sanitation to villages in Malawi, Africa and consults for water projects in other African countries. He was the subject of two Nova Science programs on television in the field of geology. He was in charge of computerized skills on the ship that

drilled to the earth's core in the oldest lake on the globe - Bikal, Russia and on Lake Victoria in the center of the Continent of Africa.

John Coffin is senior vice-president of Hospital Medicine Services, Inc.

Ann McGill is an adoption social worker.

Ken McGill, who lives and works in South Carolina, has two children who are police officers in South Carolina and two children in Georgia. He also has four grandchildren, one of whom is in the US Army.

Jodi McGill, Jim's wife, is a public health nurse practitioner and mother of six adopted children. John and Joseph are the McGill youngest twins.



Margaret Willis sits in front of the canned goods division at Photos by LIB STEWART



Vernell James, Sarah Queen, and Nancy Abasiekong, left to right, judged the quilt displays at the Bethware Fair.



Margaret Willis, Carol McDaniel, Samantha Mayes, and Barbara Jones sample baked goods as they judge entries for prizes in the annual Bethware Community Fair.

Exhibits at Bethware Fair were popular with fairgoers

In spite of dry weather Bethware Community Fair exhibitors showed canned goods featuring homegrown vegetables and agriculture products galore at the 68th annual fair last week.

The Fair has become a tradition in the Kings Mountain area and fairgoers enjoy the midway attractions and rides but a popular feature is the exhibit hall in the school auditorium.

Margaret Willis, who retired as exhibit hall director after nearly 50 years at the Cleveland County Fair, was one of the judges. At 85, Mrs. Willis judged the Drexel Fair before coming to Kings Mountain and has four more fairs to go to this fall to judge exhibits.

"The Fair got in my blood when I judged the Mountain State Fair in Asheville years ago and working at the Cleveland County Fair as exhibit director for nearly 50 years was just icing on the cake," said Willis as she judged canned foods and also was a taster for the cookies, cakes, and breads division.

Willis said her late husband Ed Willis liked to accompany her to the fair but didn't volunteer to judge exhibits. She has two sons, Dale Willis of Shelby and Steve Willis of Winston-Sa-

lem and three grandchildren. A large number of volunteers were on hand Wednesday morning to mark the exhibits with ribbons and many exhibitors received cash prizes.

"The entries all have a number so the judges don't know the names of the exhibitors.

Nancy Abasiekong, Cleveland County Extension Agent, was one of the judges in the quilt category. "We have an awfully lot of good entries," she said.

Judges working in the baked goods division were given a sample of the dessert and that's how they determined the winners.

Women's Department directors were Ruby McKinney and Wendy McKinney. Patsy Sparrow and Betty Grant chaired the canned fruits and vegetables section; Louise McSwain and Sarah Queen were in charge of the Household arts department; Sandra Mayes and Carol Patrick received the exhibits for arts, crafts and hobbies and Vernell Jones was chair of the flower department. Other committee members were Helen Thrift, Betty White, Erica Carpenter, Jacob Kahler, Katelynn McKin-

ney and Lynn McKinney. Craig Mayes was director and Doug Sparrow assistant, in the agriculture division of the fair where cash prizes went to best 10 ears of white corn, best quart of rye, best quart of oats. Mayes was also director of the horticulture section where the top prize went to most attractive garden display among other entries of garden products.

Another category of competition in the women's department were entries in canned fruits, canned vegetables, canned meats, preserves, jellies, pickles, relishes and juices, pantry and dairy products, and candy and cookies.

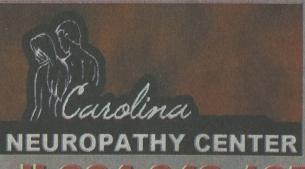
If exhibitors didn't want to show their talents in the kitchen with home-canned and baked goods they could show their creativity in needlework, crochet, and even adult, children and infant clothing. Ceramics, woodwork and crafts were also displayed as well as antiques and flowers.

Bethware Fair enjoyed a five-day run on the grounds of Bethware School under sponsorship of the Bethware Progressive Club. Proceeds from the fair are earmarked for school projects.

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Ministers to meet Sept.3

Kings Mountain Ministerial Association will resume monthly meetings Sept. 3 at 12 noon at Mountain View Restaurant on King Street. All Kings Mountain pastors are encouraged to become involved in the Ministerial Association.

Kings Mountain Weekend Weather

Thursday



Mostly Sunny - 86° 0% Chance of precipitation

Night time Low 64°

Friday



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