



Pictured above is Lee Blackmon, February Kiwanis Boy, purchasing school supplies from Susan Kitts, chairman of the Student Store Committee. (Photo by Killebrew)

## Blackmon Chosen As February Kiwanis Boy

The Kiwanis Boy for the month of February is Lee Blackmon. Lee is the son of Mr. and Mrs. G. L. Blackmon of 832 South Tillery Street. When asked how he felt on being chosen as Kiwanis Boy, Lee replied, "I was so surprised and never thought I would ever get anything like this."

Not only is Lee Vice President of the Senior Class, he is a member of the National Honor Society. He is also on the House and Grounds Committee and a member of the Masquers. Lee was manager of the football team this past fall too.

Outside of school, Lee

enjoys playing basketball, pool, ping pong, and swimming. Lee is planning on attending the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill and study in the Pre-Dentistry program.

Along with the rest of the school, the Gryphon Staff would like to congratulate Lee in receiving this honor.

Mother: "Jonathan, I forbid you to use those bad words."

Jonathan: "But, Mother, Shakespeare uses them all the time."

Mother: "Then, I forbid you to play with him."

## Social Bits

By Phyllis Goffney

### HEY DAY

The second semester Hey Day was given February 5, 1974, in the cafeteria. The Hey Day is sponsored by the Social Committee. All new persons to RMSH since October, 1973, were invited.

### PRO-TEENS CLUB

The Pro-Teens Club is a national religious organization for teenagers. Rocky Mount has not been left out since we have several Pro-Teens Clubs here. Many students from RMSH participate in the clubs. The clubs mostly have extensive bible study sessions and many recreational activities.

### TEEN BOARD

The Belk - Tyler Teen Board was busy around Valentine's Day not just with modeling but with an interesting civic project too. The girls made miniature Valentine cards for the sick patients at Nash General Hospital. The girls found the project interesting and enjoyable.

### TWIRP DANCE

The Social Committee has rescheduled the TWIRP Dance for March 15, 1974. The dance will be held in the school gymnasium from 8 until 11:30. TWIRP Week will be held from March 11-15.

### SOCIAL CLUB ACTIVITIES

The Y.L.S. Club sponsored a social February 9 and a dance, February 16 at Brown's Chicken and Barbecue House.

The T.A.C. Club held their annual Sweethearts Banquet Feb. 16 at Bonanza Steak House. Afterwards, a dance was given for the club and their guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Smith Costen.

The Elegants Club held a jam February 15 at the Community Center.

### TOP TEN

1. Until You Come Back To Me -- Aretha Franklin
2. Jungle Boogie -- Kool and the Gang
3. Goodbye Yellow Brick Road -- Elton John
4. Boogie Down -- Eddie Hendricks
5. Love's Theme -- Love

### Unlimited

6. My Imagination -- Gladys Knight and the Pips
7. You're Sixteen -- Ringo Starr
8. Hollywood Swinging -- Kool and the Gang
9. Joy -- Issac Hayes
10. The Way We Were -- Barbara Streisand

## Don't Worry About An I.D.; Just Smile

"Let's go to the Ancient of Day tonight."

"Are you kidding? I'm not old enough!"

"Old enough? Just as many young people go as old."

"Well, I don't have an I.D."

"Come on! The only I.D. you'll need is a smile."

And that is all you need to get in the Ancient of Days. The once nightclub is now a coffeehouse, reopened by several businessmen in Rocky Mount. When I say coffeehouse, you don't just sit around and drink coffee, although if you want to. That's what you can do! It's a place where you can get together with friends and strangers, who by the end of the night will be your friends.

Even if you're able to slip in without a smile when nobody's looking, you won't be able to leave without one. Everyone will make sure of that. What is it about the Ancient of Days that can make frowning people smile, sad people happy, or discouraged people encouraged? It's the atmosphere! A warm and friendly atmosphere created by adults, kids, guitars, and songs.

The persons in charge of the opening of the Ancient of Days decided not to change

the name. There are many reasons, based on scripture passages, that the name remained the same. Besides removing the bars and plugging up the beer taps (for good), it looks pretty much the same. There are posters covering the walls not, shouting out to all, the love and peace they hope everyone finds.

There is now no need to complain about having nothing to do on the weekends or no place to go. On Friday night, anyone can drop in anytime between 7:30 and 10:30. Local groups, such as the Now Generation Singers will perform and of course Scott Wilkinson will be there bringing tears to your eyes with each note he sings. There is a set service with a speaker on Saturday nights, and the invitation to come out that night, too is issued for all. So, there you have it. Finally, a place where you can go and have fun and learn about yourself and others at the same time. So go on out and bring along some extra smiles in case someone forgot theirs.

Unfortunately, people learn more from a bad experience than from good advice.

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