

BABIES BALANCE OUT: The Alan Shelors became parents for the first time June 8. It's a girl; her name is Jalayne Allison Shelor. Also on Oakleaf life the parents of Laren Monroe Dundee Campbell, the son born to Debbie and Will on June 21st. So - it's one and one for June.

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Lions Club - At the June 24 dinner meeting at the Yancey Convention Center, Pine Knoll Shores' GUS WERTZ was installed as President of the Bogue Banks Lions.

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 Your editors had a request for an article on wild flowers, and they ran straight to Nettie Murrill, their authority on island matters. Nettie, like your editors, loves flowers but doesn't know the technical names, so we have asked for help from Erica Kohlmeyer who is with the Institute of Marine Science in Morehead City. While we were talking with Nettie, she showed us some of her recent watercolors and her new brushes and demonstrated how you use the various brushes. The new watercolors Nettie showed us were the loveliest of hers we have yet seen. Three of her pictures are on display in the window of Heritage Jewelers in the Morehead Plaza right now.

Now to the wild flowers -- Erica Kohlmeyer and her husband, Dr. Jan Kohlmeyer are both interested in North Carolina wildflowers and have a wildflower garden at their home on Broad Creek. Mrs. Kohlmeyer showed us a book with beautiful colored pictures which can be used to identify wildflowers new to people who have recently moved to our area. It is WILD FLOWERS OF NORTH CAROLINA by William S. Justice and Richie C. Bell, published by the University of North Carolina Press in 1968. Among the more familiar flowers are the Coreopsis and Gaillardia which have been so colorful all over Morehead City as well as on the island the past couple of weeks. We also find Blue-Eyed Grass and Star Grass and the Sea Pink. Among the vines are Honeysuckle so familiar to all of us and the Coral Honeysuckle which is less familiar to those who move here from the north. Yellow Jessamine we recognize for its fragrance. There is also the Thimbleberry with its blossoms followed by edible fruit. Poke we all know, and the Beauty Berry Bush with its clusters of red berries. Less familiar to us, at least, was the Fetterbush with its urn shaped flowers. But you need a handbook when you start out to identify wildflowers and shrubs. The Library has a number of books which will help. And when the Kohlmeyers talk and show their wildflower slides at the garden club, many of us will have the chance to learn much more. Incidentally, they are scheduled for February.

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 PKS GARDEN CLUB met Monday, June 24th at Louise Aponyok's (Louise is out of her cast -- broke her foot this past winter - but still on crutches, and was happy to have Mabel Hemphill serving as co-hostess.) The Mimosa entrance island was worked over by garden club members until it now does them much credit. Next projects include landscaping at the new Davis Landing boat dock and the Town Hall.

Speaker at this open meeting was Randy Turner, botanist, of Morehead City, formerly of South Carolina. Mr. Turner discussed the evolution of plants, ways they pollinate, talked about the differences between flowering and non-flowering plants, describing with diagrams the parts of a flower. He brought with him quite a library of books he thought might be helpful especially to gardeners in this area. Among them are: Carolina Landscape Plants, by R. Gordon Halfacre, Wild Flowers of America, by H. W. Rickett, and The Organic Gardener by Catharine Osgood Foster.

Next Garden Club meeting will be at Newell Haller's on July 22nd, 10:00 A.M. with Mary Katherine Smith as co-hostess, and H. O. Edwards, Jr., Development Specialist at ECU, as speaker.

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 GARBAGE GRUMBLINGS -- The garbage cans at the Mimosa Beach fill up very mysteriously with the kinds of things that smack of more than just a quick picnic by the sea. It is suggested that people down here for weekends, people who are somehow without garbage collection for whatever reason, or people with middle of the week garbage build-up take their waste to the Sanitary Landfill, which can be found off Highway 70 West, just before Newport. (County Highway 1141, 5 mi. West of intersection of Highway 70 and 24)

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 WELCOME WAGON has come to PKS. Jeanne Miller (726-2069) asks all new residents to call her and she will be round. Jeanne is Mrs. Alfred Miller on Sycamore, right here in our midst. Come to think of it, Newcomers, y'all, why don't you call your editors while you're calling? They don't have any goodies for you but they want to put you in print and let your neighbors know you're here. And, neighbors, if new people in your block are no newsletter receivers, you call for 'em and they can become subscribers quite easily. \$2.50 per year. Subscribers whose subscriptions are up for renewal will find a bill attached to this issue.