

Aunt Biddie's Kitchen



If there's one thing that pains Aunt Biddie's soul it's to see something go to waste that we'd be mighty grateful for, before the winter's out. Oh, the pain of passing by a lonesome old apple tree that's dropping apples on the bank of the road - and to be riding with somebody that won't stop.

There's an old waste house up in the country that has the prettiest old apple tree in the yard; every spring it blooms, for folks who have been gone so long you can see daylight through the boards of the house. And every fall, the apples are as pretty and bright, like red balls on a Christmas tree. And they fall, for nobody.

"Course, now lots of folks don't like to fool with apples like that, because some of 'em are a little bit wormy. But if a thing's not fit for a worm to eat, I say, it won't taste like much to people, either. Store apples may be pretty, but there is something about old Rusty-coats and Jonathans and Grimeses and Greenings, and the ones that didn't know their father, that folks called "horse apples" - maybe it is character.

Last fall we did stop for a tree, all by itself by the side of the road, and I didn't have a sack, in this moment of good fortune, but I filled up my old hat. Don't know what they were, just old "horse apples." But we brought 'em home and cut around the few wormy places and they made the best jelly.

Once you've washed 'em and got out the bad places you just cut 'em up, cores and peels and all, and put enough water in the pan to keep 'em from sticking, and cook 'em to mush. When they've cooled squeeze out the juice through a damp muslin jelly rag, and measure it.

Now, if you haven't got a big stew pot - a canning kettle works good - don't try to work with more than two or three cups at a time, for it boils real big. Put the juice on to boil, and measure out a cup of sugar for every cup of juice. Dump the sugar in the hot juice and stir it a little.

Shortly after it boils again, start to test it - it's apt to be quick. Let the juice drop off the side of a tablespoon, and when it begins to make two drops that run together, that's it. Take it off, skim it and pour it up.

The prettiest jelly out of last year's batch had some strawberry juice, from a package of frozen, unsweetened strawberries. Say, you'd use a cup of berry juice to three cups of apple, and get the berry color and flavor. The same with grapes if you just have a few, not enough to make jelly by themselves.

She didn't say where this recipe came from, but one of the young ones sent it over, the other day, along with a piece of cake, and it was wonderful:

APPLE CAKE

- 3 cups flour
- 1 teaspoon baking powder
- 1 teaspoon cinnamon
- 4 cups chopped apples
- ¼ cup oil
- 2 cups sugar
- 2 eggs
- 1 teaspoon vanilla
- 1 cup chopped nuts

"Mix it up and bake it at 350 degrees for 30 to 45 minutes," she says. I reckon it takes longer if you use a 9x13 pan than if you use layer pans. Aunt Biddie would put in a little salt, but some folks don't want any.

How about some scalloped apples, to cook along with a pork roast? Peel and slice five or six sharp-flavored apples. Mix a tablespoon of flour and a little pinch of salt with ½ cup of sugar. Layer the apples in a buttered baking dish, sprinkle with the sugar. Pour about ¼ cup canned milk or cream over the top, dot the top with butter, put on the lid and bake it about 30 minutes, and uncover it for another 15 minutes or so.

Trinity Community News

By Doris Scruggs

A "Deacon Ordination" service was held on Sunday night during the worship service. Bill Edmondson and Mike Edwards newly elected deacons were ordained. Rev. J.E. Bishop led in the service.

Mrs. Betty Cassen of Pine Bluff, Arkansas returned to her home last week after spending several days here visiting relatives and friends. While here her family had a get together at the home of Mrs. Yates Green of Shelby. Mrs. Ralph Bridges of Greensboro and Mr. and Mrs. Albert Bostic of Johnston City, Tenn. joined them at the Greene home on Saturday night.

Mrs. Marshall Byars spent a few days last week at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J.D. Wiggins of near Hendersonville.

Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Parker, Eric and Beth spent the weekend recently at Bryson City going especially for Jerry to attend his

class reunion.

Mrs. Lynn Powell of Shelby, interim minister of music at Trinity was sick at home last week and unable to attend church services on the past two Sundays.

Mr. and Mrs. Marion Scruggs visited Joe Harris of Hickory on Saturday. Joe has moved from Elizabeth City to Hickory and is employed at Valley Hills Mall with Belks.

The Baptist Women's Group met on Tuesday morning with Mrs. Mary Lee Dobbins on Lake Houser. Following the meeting the hostess served delicious refreshments.

Mrs. Mary Lee Dobbins returned home over the weekend after spending two weeks in Butner with Mr. and Mrs. J.V. Buckingham.

Mr. and Mrs. F.A. Lovelace visited Mrs. Clifford Jolley of Gaffney on Saturday.

Flint Hill

Church Bell At Flint Hill Baptist Church

Community

Mt. Pleasant Community

By Betty Blanton

A recent visit was made to the Barry Humphries Family in Rock Hill by Mrs. Charles Humphries and her mother, Mrs. Cleo Wallace. They report finding the family fine and equally the baby boy in good condition. Mrs. Wallace visited her son, Rolland in Shelby over the weekend and again visited with her great-granddaughter, Jessica Wallace who she found to be growing and doing well.

Baptist Women met at the home of Mrs. Shull Whitaker on Tuesday evening. Mrs. Ruth P. Dawson was in charge of an interesting program. Mission Action Projects were discussed and plans were made to carry the project out. Mrs. Garland Jolley gave the Call to prayer. Mrs. Ronald McSwain announced plans for upcoming events for the group. Mrs. Ida Simmons announced plans for an afternoon Bible Study Group to be formed. Mrs. Whitaker presided over the meeting and served delicious refreshments at the close of the meeting.

Wednesday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Jolley were Mrs. Vaughn Brackett and Janice of Morganton. Then Sunday guests of the Jolleys were Mr. and Mrs. Howard Jones and Kevin of Dallas, also Renee Jackson of Dallas and Junie Scruggs of Camp Creek Community.

A family dinner at Quincy's in Gaffney honored Mr. and Mrs. Garland Jolley on their forty-fourth wedding anniversary.

The Jim Walker Family took Mrs. Randy Webb to Charleston on Friday in order for her to catch a flight to Germany to join her husband who is in service and stationed there. The Webbs will be making their home there now. The Walkers spent the weekend at the Garden City, S.C. and report having nice weather and enjoying their visit there very much.

Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Blanton and Mr. and Mrs. Ranny Blanton were in York on Tuesday and Wednesday evenings due to the death of their aunt, Mrs. Jake Lovelace last week. Ranny attended funeral services for her on Thursday.

Tim and Thomas Walker attended the Birthday Party for "Josh" Houser at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Vaughn

Houser and enjoyed the E.T. Theme of the party including the E.T. Birthday Cake and Candy.

We extend community sympathy to Mrs. Steve Goode and Alvin Clary in the death of Mrs. Austin Anthony. He was Mrs. Goode's grandfather and Alvin's uncle.

Among those sick and in the hospital at this writing are B.J. Harris at Cleveland Memorial, Lance Houser at Rutherford, Bob Hamrick at home after a stay in Cleveland Memorial, Dr. Karl Jordan, Jr. after an accident on Friday at his home. We hope for all of these a speedy recovery.

The Bible Study Group met on Monday afternoon with Mrs. Ranny Blanton. Mrs. Ida Simmons told the group something of the plans for the group and she, Mrs. Blanton, and Mrs. Ethel Ray led in the Bible Study Discussion. The group is planning to meet the first Monday of the Month at 2:30 p.m. and issue an invitation for others to join them in their endeavor.

A group of ladies from Mt. Pleasant attended the World Day of Prayer Program at First Baptist Church, Forest City on Monday evening.

The lovely flowers in the sanctuary on Sunday were presented by Mr. and Mrs. Garland Jolley.

By Ruby C. Ledbetter

World Day of Prayer was observed Monday night at Beaver Dam Baptist Church.

On Sunday, Nov. 20th we will have a missionary speaker from Haiti. On Monday night, Nov. 21st, there will be a Mission Study Course.

The Lattie Moon offering goal has been set for foreign missions. We hope all will keep this in mind and be prepared for giving on Dec. 11th.

Misses Stacy and Emily Gibson of Stewart, Virginia are spending the week here. While their parents are vacationing. They are the children of Mr. and Mrs. John Gibson, and visiting Mr. and Mrs. Irvin Scruggs.

Misses Emily and Jennifer Rochester, along with their grandmother Rochester spent the weekend in Newport, Tenn. with their Uncle.

Mr. and Mrs. Larry Ledbetter spent the weekend as ASU in Boone with Chuck Long and attended the Rugby game there.

Miss Goodman of Charlotte visited here during the week with Mr. and Mrs. Corene Hamrick and Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Hamrick.

Rev. and Mrs. Ed Sessom

visited Mrs. Leigh Richardson in a nursing home in Chapel Hill on Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. DALE Barlow of Lenoir, who have moved into our area, transferred their letters to Flint Hill on Sunday.

Mrs. Mary Lail spent Sunday at the Kings Mtn. Hospital with her father, Lee Lail, who is a patient there.

Mr. and Mrs. Broderick Chapman visited with her father, Mr. Dellinger at Duke Hospital in Durham; where he had surgery.

Mr. and Mrs. J.T. Martin and Mr. and Mrs. Frank Anthony spent the day Tuesday at Chimney Rock.

Mr. James Ledbetter, Shannon, Ashley, and Andrea were week-end guests in Concord of Mr. and Mrs. David W. Ledbetter and Melissa. They all spent Friday night at Lake Wylie at the Durham Ledbetter Home. Mr. and Mrs. Frank Anthony were also Friday night guests there.

Mr. and Mrs. James Long, Mr. and Mrs. Durham Ledbetter and Mrs. D.H. Conner were supper guests Saturday in Spartanburg, S.C. with the Joe Ledbetter family.

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