

Meeting Scheduled

The American Legion Hurst-Turner Post 65 and its ladies auxiliary will meet Monday, March 12, at 6 p.m. for dinner with the regular meeting starting at 7 p.m. at the Post Home at 2446 Salisbury Highway. All members are urged to attend. All veterans are welcome. For more information call Don Webber at 704-873-6430.

Board Meeting Set

The American Renaissance Charter School board of directors will hold a regular board meeting Monday, March 12, at 9 a.m. at RBC Centura Bank.

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Obituaries

Barbara Duncan Padgett
May 6, 1948 – Feb. 27, 2007

Barbara Duncan Padgett of Wilkesboro died at Wilkes Regional Medical Center. Born in Mitchell County, she was the daughter of the late Grady Duncan and Juanita Murphy Duncan. She was a homemaker.

She is survived by a son, John Padgett; a brother, Jim Moody; and two grandchildren, Chelsea and Joshua Padgett.

Graveside services were at Stony Point Cemetery. *Chapman*

Helen Gentle Gemes Lamberth

May 4, 1930 – March 4, 2007

Helen Gentle Gemes Lamberth of Lamberth Ridge Drive died at Iredell Memorial Hospital. Born in Iredell County, she was the daughter of the late James T. Gentle and Ina Mae Hedrick Gentle. She was a former owner/operator of Iredell Memorial Gardens and attended New Bethany Baptist Church. She was preceded in death by her first husband, Karl Gemes.

She is survived by her second husband, Wade Lamberth; two sons, Eddie and Gary Albert Gemes; three step-sons, Johnny, Stevie and Mike Lamberth; a brother, Cecil Thomas Gentle; two sisters, Hazel Gurley and Glenda VanHoy; nine grandchildren, six grandchildren and 28 great-grandchildren, seven step-great-grandchildren and one great-great-grandchild.

Funeral services were at New Bethany Baptist Church. Burial was at Iredell Memorial Gardens. *Bunch-Johnson*

John Henry Griffin
July 8, 1942 – March 1, 2007

John Henry Griffin of Taylorsville has died.

He is survived by his wife, Mary Dianne St. Clair Griffin; a son, John Hamilton Griffin; a daughter, Mary Elizabeth Meredith; and two grandchildren, Samantha and Elizabeth Meredith.

Graveside services were at Stony Point Cemetery. *Chapman*

Willie Fleming
Dec. 26, 1923 – March 1, 2007

Willie Stone Fleming of Mooresville has died. Born in Rowan County, he was the son of the late Jerome and Katie Fleming.

He is survived by his wife, Martha Mae Connor Fleming.

Funeral services were at the Clyburn & Bigham Chapel of Clyburn & Bigham Mortuary. Burial was at the VA National Cemetery, Salisbury. *Clyburn&Bigham*



DEAR MS. CLEO:

I raise bees and I have noticed something quite odd. My bees are not coming back. I have fewer and fewer bees all the time. My hives are down in numbers consistently over the past several years.

I'll bet I don't have half the bees I had just three years ago.

As you know, bees have a wonderful sense of smell. I have a theory and need to know what you think or where I should take this to get my question answered. I believe the government is luring my bees away from me and they are using them to sniff out weapons of mass destruction. I have written the Department of Defense and have heard nothing. Should I take this further?

Bees are Gone

Dear Bees,

I'd take it clear to the County Agricultural Department! Heck, maybe even check with the Sheriff. You know, I've seen swarms of bees hovering over I-77. Maybe that's how they recognize those cars with all the illegal substances in them! Never thought of that.

If you have any questions for Cleo write her at P.O. Box 1221 Statesville, NC 28687 or e-mail editor@iredellcitizen.com. There is no need to use your name unless you want to.



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J.B.'s adoption includes current heartworm and fecal testing. adopting a new fill out an adoption adoption form completely with phone numbers and a vet reference (an old one, or a reason why there is not one) before it will be processed. Your application will not be processed without this information. Please visit our website at www.iredellhumane.org and download an application or email us at iredellhumane@yahoo.com. Please fax your application to 828-241-3399. Thank you for your interest in our animals!

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