

Teen Talk

Teacher trades homework for housework

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Glenn High Correspondent

The seniors of Glenn High School will be leaving Glenn on Friday in order to start their life after high school.

Billie Matthews, algebra and geometry teacher, will also be leaving high school after 30 years of service.



Terry

Mrs. Matthews began teaching at age 20, after graduating from Johnson C. Smith University.

She first taught at Atkins High School, transferred to Paisley High, where she taught Algebra II and physics for eight years, and later returned to Atkins, where she remained until transferring to Glenn in the fall of 1984.

Mrs. Matthews says that what she will miss most about teaching

is the students and their many talents, as well as her co-workers. She remembers one Algebra II student who solved every problem in the book.

During her 30 years of teaching, Mrs. Matthews has seen a lot of changes in schools and school systems.

For example, the "old" math has been replaced by the "new" math. Consolidation has become integration, and students have gone from using calculators to computers.

In her free time, Mrs. Matthews will be doing many of the things she enjoys, such as playing duplicate bridge, sewing, cake decorating, baking, traveling and playing games on the computer. "I am going from homework to housework," says Mrs. Matthews.

Her community and church activities will also occupy a great deal of her time. Mrs. Matthews is treasurer of the Delta Fine Arts Board, finance chairman of the Diaconate of Dellabrook Presbyterian Church and a

member of the finance committee of the Presbytery of Concord.

Despite her numerous civic obligations, Mrs. Matthews says she will also have more-time to spend with her family.

Mrs. Matthews' husband is a teacher at West Forsyth High School and a free-lance photographer.

Her older daughter is a rising fourth-year med student at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, and her younger daughter is a rising third-year veterinary med student at North Carolina State.

Mrs. Matthews leaves the following advice to all of her students: Get prepared in order to be prepared for the future. It is not the road you have traveled that counts, but the direction in which you are going.

Mrs. Matthews will still be tutoring students over the summer, which is something she says she enjoys doing very much. "When you retire, you don't stop working, you start," says Mrs. Matthews.



Ernest House, left, Cassje Hayes and Ernest McIntyre of T La Rock Productions take a break from a weekday rehearsal at the 14th Street Recreation Center to strike a dance pose. The group has had engagements at Mayfest International, the Oasis Downtown and the Hyatt House (photo by James Parker).

Local members attend district Eastern Star affair

The 11th District Order of the Eastern Star held its annual workshop and district meeting at the North Iredell Community Center in Harmony on Saturday, May 24.

The host chapters were Elizabeth No. 657 and Dorcas No. 287. Hostesses were Joyce Dalton and Eastie Dalton.

Devotions were led by Mary Washington and B.T. Williams, with Jerry Gilmore as chaplain.

The welcome address was given by the Elizabeth chapter.

The minutes of the previous

meeting were read by the secretary, Lottie Carson, who gave the roll call.

Grand District Deputy Dorothy Sprinkle gave her annual address. She told the members to be kind to one another and reminded them that it takes hard work to be successful. She also stressed the importance of faith, love and charity.

Committees were appointed for the year. Chairmen are Phyllis Phifer, place; Lula Jenkins, registration; Merle

Polk, awards and presentations; Mary Foote, finance, and Tomasue Crockett, publicity.

Five grand officers were present, including Grand Worthy Matron Elizabeth Tilley, who was instructor, Grand Worthy Patron J.A. Carter of Durham, Grand Associate Patron F.B. Eaton and Grand Lecturer Mary Perkins. Each officer spoke.

Chapters represented were Melissa No. 8, Omega No. 242, Beauty of the West No. 36, Meridian No. 308, Yakinite No. 612. Please see page A12

Young pianist presents classical recital at Salem Fine Arts Center

Tonya Renee Gentry presented a recital at the Salem Fine Arts Center at 3 p.m. on Sunday, June 1.

Among her musical pieces were "Bugles," as arranged by John Thompson, and the "New World Symphony" by Anton Dvorak.

Miss Gentry, a first-grade student at Hall Woodward Element-

tary School, has studied piano with Kenneth Frazelle for two years and is the youngest student that he has accepted for piano study.

In addition to the piano, Miss Gentry's interests include reading, dancing, singing and acting. She hopes to be a computer

specialist or a teacher when she grows up.



Tonya Renee Gentry settles in at her piano to practice for her recital (photo by James Parker).

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Calendar

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SATURDAY, JUNE 14

• The Winston-Salem section of the National Council of Negro Women Inc. will hold its honors banquet at 6:30 p.m. in the Kennedy Dining Hall on the campus of Winston-Salem State University. Bonnie H. Daniels will be the guest speaker. For more information call 723-8596 after 5 p.m.

SUNDAY, JUNE 15

• The Family Awareness Task Force will sponsor its annual Family Fashion Fantasy at 7 p.m. at the Sawtooth Building. Family members from the community will model various attire, and the Father's Day essay contest winners will be honored. The event is a fund-raiser for the Fourth Annual Conference on Families and is open to the public. Donations are \$5.

PUBLIC SERVICE ANNOUNCEMENTS

• The Delta Fine Arts Center has announced its slate of summer classes. Calligraphy classes will be held Mondays from 6:30 to 8 p.m. through July 7. Ceramics classes will be held Wednesdays from 9 a.m. to noon through June 25. Flower sculpture classes will be held Thursdays through July 3. Times and dates for classes in CPR, adult drawing, piano and Spanish will be announced. For more information or to enroll, call 722-2625.

• A widowed persons' support group will be offered at the YWCA on Glade Street beginning June 16 and continuing for six weeks. The program will examine the stages of grief, coping with bereavement, relationships with family and friends and the problem of loneliness. For more information call 722-5138.

• "Universal Air" will present a black art exhibit by Kayyum Allah, "Black Retrospect 1976-1986," at the East Winston Branch Library, 1110 E. Seventh St. The exhibit will be on display through the month of June. Also, the annual kickoff of the 1986 Summer Reading Club at the library will begin at 3 p.m. on Monday, June 23. Mr. Bill's Productions will be featured. For more information call 727-2202.