

Tanner honored by family, friends at retirement dinner

A retirement dinner was held for John L. Tanner Sr., an original member of The Five Royales, Saturday, Nov. 23 at Steak & Ale Restaurant.

Hosts for the evening were Tanner's wife, Cornelia, John and Margretta S. Tanner, Calvin Tanner, Denise Tanner Hughes, and Willard and Lizzie Tanner.

Keynote speakers for the dinner were Purnell Tanner, Dr. Frederick D. Tanner and Alderman Larry Womble.

Tanner retired from Centenary Methodist Church on Nov. 27, 1991, Thanksgiving Day and his birthday.

During the dinner, Purnell Tanner and Dr. Frederick Tanner told of the childhood days with their brother John, and how they would sing at home, often along with their two other brothers, David Tanner and Eugene Tanner, who also later joined The Five Royales Group.

Alderman Larry Womble gave a synopsis of Tanner and the recognition that the City of Winston-Salem has given The Five Royales.

The Five Royales originally started out as the Royal Sons and toured the Carolinas and Virginia in the late 1940s. Their first style was gospel and the group later crossed over to rhythm and blues in 1952. It was that year that The Royal Sons became The Five Royales at the



John Tanner Sr., an original member of The Five Royales, was honored last weekend at a retirement dinner hosted by his family and friends. Tanner is retiring from Centenary Methodist Church.

home of Mrs. Evelyn Jeffries. Jeffries' late husband, Otto, was the manager and bass singer for the group. Also now deceased, but one of the original members, was Lowman "Peter" Pauling.

Other members were Jimmy Moore, Obadiah Carter, and Clarence Pauling. Eugene Tanner,

the younger brother of John Tanner Sr., joined the group when Clarence Pauling dropped out in 1957. Their first label was with Apollo Theater and the record that started it all was "Baby Don't Do It," followed by "Think," which was led by John Tanner Sr.

The Five Royales shared dates

with such big stars as James Brown, who later re-recorded their song "Think."

Another of the original songs by the group was "Dedicated to the One I Love." It was re-recorded in 1958 by the Shirelles and the Mamas and Papas. Other groups who shared dates included The Impressions, The Clovers, Gladys Knight, Brook Benton, Bobby Blue Bland, Sam Cook, Fats Domino, Wilson Pickett, Ray Charles and Aretha Franklin.

Other songs by The Five Royales include "Baby Take All of Me," "Help Me Somebody," "Crazy, Crazy, Crazy," "Cry Some More," and others. All together, the group produced, published and sung over

100 songs.

Jack Taylor Doggett and Alderman Womble were instrumental in the recognition awarded to The Five Royales. A service was held at the Stevens Center and plaques were presented to the remaining Five Royales and the family members of the deceased members.

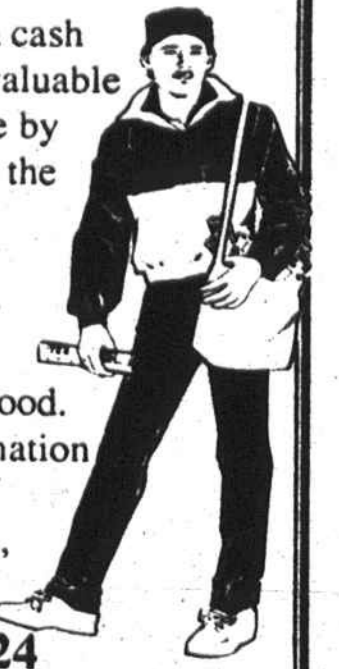
Those plaques were presented by Alderman Womble, Mayor Martha Wood and Jack Taylor Doggett. Mayor Wood also proclaimed Friday, March 29, 1991 as Five Royales Day.

In addition, The Five Royales have been recognized with a street named in their honor in Goshen Place. The street is called The Five Royales Boulevard.

*Boys, Girls
You Can Be A
Newspaper Carrier!*

Earn extra cash and gain valuable experience by delivering the *Winston-Salem Chronicle* in your neighborhood. For information on how to get started, call

722-8624



Shop for a free wrap.

We'll wrap your packages free. Just bring your packages and receipts totalling \$50 or more from participating mall shops to our gift wrap centers (located lower level near Sears and upper level near Dillard's) and the wrap's on us. Any day. Any time. And no hassles. It's our gift to you. Because that's what giving is all about.

OFFER BEGINS NOV. 22, 1991 AND IS SUBJECT TO END WITHOUT NOTICE. MALL MANAGEMENT RESERVES THE RIGHT TO LIMIT QUANTITIES. CUSTOMERS SHOULD REQUEST GIFT BOXES FROM STORES WHERE ITEMS ARE PURCHASED.

Free Check • Free Stroller
Also, ask about our free coat & package check and free stroller rental.

It's All About Giving.

Hanes Mall

Stratford Road and Silas Creek Pkwy.



Miss Rhomeia Scholarship Winner!

Atlanta, GA — On November 1, the Eta Sigma Chapter of Sigma Gamma Rho Sorority, Inc. held its 41st Annual Debutante Ball at the Civic Center in Atlanta, Ga. This national scholarship project is held annually in Atlanta and all proceeds are given in the form of financial aid and scholarships to deserving young people in the Atlanta area. Miss Karyn Elizabeth Anne Hillian, daughter of Winston-Salem natives, James and Vera Hillian, was crowned "Miss Rhomeia, Queen of the Debutantes." Karyn is a vibrant 17-year-old student. She is currently a junior enrolled in the Center for Engineering and Technology Magnet Program at Frederick Douglas High School. She is a member of the marching band, the junior council, treasurer of Emminence (her social club), a member of Ben Hill United Methodist Church and Youth Choir and is enjoying her third year employed at Six Flags Over Georgia. Karyn plans to study computer science at either Spelman College or North Carolina A&T University. Mr. and Mrs. Hillian wish to thank all their relatives and friends in Winston-Salem for their support.

Now You Don't Have To Spend Part Of Your Check To Cash Your Check.

Our Special Checking Account requires no minimum balance. You can write up to ten checks per month, and have unlimited use of our Money 24[®] machines, for only \$2 a month. It's a terrific value. Why not sign up now?

SOUTHERN NATIONAL
Sooner or later, we'll be your bank.

Member FDIC