

# What's happening!

By Bob Johnson

**HAPPINESS IS...** Camp Thunderbird, a conveniently located piece of property, just beyond the Buster Boyd Bridge in South Carolina. This bit of real estate is equipped with all of the facilities to keep a youngster pleased for days.

That's exactly what happened last week as sixth graders from Merry Oaks Elementary School and Davidson Elementary School combined for a two day outing of fun and in the sun classes.

However, most of the classes consisting of pertinent facts surrounding water, soil, forestry and habitat were taught in the rain and under cloudy skies by the courageous teachers from both schools.

The pupils enjoyed themselves swimming, fishing, canoeing, dancing, playing basketball and making new friends.

Some of the exhausted children that left the camp last Friday afternoon were: William Colson, Chris Springs, Candyce Kerns, Tonie Lowery, Willis Alexander, Beverly Boyd, Wendell Ponder, Gwen White, Wilfred Gaston, Stanley Jordan, Angela Houston, Carolyn Huntley, Anne Alexander, Emmanuel Clark, Antoinette Davis, Eddie Palmer, Anthony Beatty, Angelia Hailey, Ralph Hunter, Earlene Springs, Jerry Sutton, Ricky Smith, Sturtevant Todd, Timothy Shinn, Cynthia Jones, Avery Gaston, Doris Jett, Ferry McIlwain, Karen Diehl, Robin Eurey, Barry Sullivan, Amy Childers, Tammie Ritch and Martin Stroud.

Some of the teachers and counselors responsible for the pupil's program were Wayne Roberts, Tom Wilson, Nena Gibson, Patricia Harrison, Madelyn Hunter, Delores Barnes, Cissy Kelton, Robert Johnson, Zeb Blackwell, and Becky Hunt.

**TEA TIME...**The Les Amies Social Club hosted a pre-memorial day tea recently, at the Elk's Home, which was very successful. Some of the clubs these lovely ladies played host to were the Ambassadors Social Club, L'Chaques, The Faces, The Tuke La Gay Social Club, Black Decisions Society of Women and others. In keeping with the 'What teas are all about' agenda there was free tea all evening long coupled with a menu that kept every corner of a stomach satisfied.

Members of the Les Amies Social Club include Vernica Thompson, Eunice Saunders, Debra Worthy, Linda Williams, Armetta Nelson, Jenny Hill, Dawn Orange and Rebecca Pullins.

This was one of the many events sponsored by Les Amies during the year to raise funds for the Thanksgiving and Christmas donations that they make to needy families annually.

**FISH FRY...**If you like to enjoy crispy good fish in a terrific atmosphere, join the people at Trinity Baptist Church on Beatties Ford Road for a soulful Fish Fry, Saturday, June 4.

The function will begin at 11 a.m. and end late. The proceeds will go to the building fund.

**MCCROREY HAPPENINGS...**The McCrorey Branch YMCA has organized two baseball teams for the first time which have been entered in the Omega Little League and the West Charlotte Babe Ruth League.

McCrorey entries for the Omega League consists of boys ages 9 thru 12 and will accompany teams from Westside, Oaklawn, Double Oaks, West Charlotte and Waddell Park.

This little league team has thus far won four and lost three including exhibition games.

The star players for this team are Maurice Black who leads the team in homers with three and triples with two, Eric Watson, outfielder, Kevin Alexander, pitcher and third baseman and Terry Black, firstbaseman.

Entries for the West Charlotte Babe Ruth League consists of boys ages 13 thru 15, and accompany teams from Lincoln Heights, Revolution Park, Westside Rangers and West Charlotte.

Star players include pitcher Curtis Wallace, and hitters, Tony Brown and Grandrick Dixon each with homers.

**OVENS SHOW...**The long time super entertainer Ray Charles came through here last Monday night and entertained spectators at a not too crowded Ovens Auditorium for one show.

Brother Charles who is an evident perfectionist, sang awhile, talked awhile, and complained awhile, about one thing or another to a rapt audience including Dr. and Mrs. Raleigh Byrum, Mr. and Mrs. James Crosby, Mr. and Mrs. Ed High, Sarah Stevenson, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Williams, Dr. C.W. Williams, Kitt Massi, Edna Johnson, Hattie Ardrey, Rudy Torrence, Gwen Cunningham, Mrs. Mack Collins, Grace Robinson, Mrs. Jack Braboy, Lucenda Wells and Roberta Carson.



EAST STONEWALL AME ZION CHURCH

...Pastor's Aid Board with Rev. James E. McCoy

## East Stonewall Pastor's Aid Celebrates Its 57th Year

By Jacquie Levister  
Post Staff Writer

"Working Together For God" was the theme for the festivities in celebration of the 57th Anniversary of the Pastor's Aid Board of East Stonewall AME Zion Church. The festivities began with a Princess Parade and culminated with an address by Rev. Eddie Weathers and the congregation of Melfield United Church of Christ of Greensboro.

The first affair, the Princess Parade, spotlighted young ladies between the ages of 7 and 12 years vying for the title of Princess. The winners were Anitara Barringer - Princess, with a contribution of \$326, Christie McCoy - first runner-up with \$166, and Elizabeth Moss - second runner-up contributing \$165. The pageant was held Saturday May 21 at 5 p.m.

Sunday afternoon, at 2:30 p.m., saw everyone in attendance inspired when Bellefontaine United Presbyterian Church, of Harrisburg, N.C. rendered a concert. The fitting climax to the weekend activi-

ties was held at 5 p.m. Sunday, May 22. The Rev. Eddie Weathers along with the congregation of Melfield United Church of Christ worshipped with East Stonewall in their sanctuary. Throughout the day a unique menu fortified those that participated in and attended the ceremonies. The selections included: East Stonewall Variety Sandwiches, James' Cheese Straws, Elvert's Ice Box Cookies, McCoy's Fruit Punch along with an assortment of mints and nuts. The menu items were the specialties of various members.

The entire celebration was dedicated to the loving memory of Mrs. Louvenia McDowell who helped plan the gala but was deceased before witnessing the rewards of the fellowship. A poem, "In the Morning," written with the collective efforts of the board members and dedicated to the memory of Mrs. McDowell, was a very sobering part of the ceremonies.

The officers and members of the East Stonewall Pastor's

Aid Board are as follows: Mrs. Marie Sanders - President, Elizabeth Davis - Vice President, Mrs. Audrey Womble - Secretary, Laura Porter - Assistant Secretary, Bessie Sims - Treasurer, Mrs. Lela Drakeford - Program Committee Chairman, Ann Staton - Chaplain, Rena Mae Blake - Reporter, Mary Wilmore, Mrs. T. Junior and Ethel Galmon. Rev. James E. McCoy is the pastor of East Stonewall.

Receipts for the event amounted to \$1,462. The next event scheduled by the organization is a trip to Williamsburg, Virginia (date to be announced at a later time).

Flowers for the group and for decorating the church were from S&A Flower Shop of Beatties Ford Road.

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## Public Hearing Set For New City Budget

The Charlotte City Council will hold a public hearing Monday, June 6 at 3 p.m. in the Council Chamber at City Hall to hear comments and suggestions on the proposed 1977-78 City budget.

Persons wishing to speak should contact the Office of

the City Clerk, City Hall, 600 East Trade St. by noon, the day of the hearing. Comments may be made orally or submitted in writing.

Copies of the proposed budget and capital improvement program are available for public inspection at the Office

of the City Clerk and the Public Service and Information Department, both located at City Hall.

After a series of budget workshops and the public hearing, the City Council will adopt a finalized budget on June 27, 1977.

## Democrats To Hear Gov. Rockefeller

(Raleigh)...State Democratic Party Chairman Betty McCain today announced West Virginia Governor Jay Rockefeller as keynote speaker for the annual Piedmont Spring Banquet, scheduled for

Saturday, June 25 in Greensboro.

"We are delighted that Gov-

ernor Rockefeller was able to arrange his schedule to accept our invitation," Mrs. McCain said.

"He is typical of the emerging new leadership at the national level in our Party. The Governor is an inspiring speaker, and I'm sure he will bring North Carolina Democrats a strong plea for Party Unity and for honest, efficient

government under Democratic leadership."

The \$25 per plate fundraising affair is expected to attract the Democratic faithful from across the state and provide an active forum for Democratic candidates for statewide office.

Activities will begin with a reception at 6 p.m.

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