

What's happening!

Hello! We are in the midst of a winter season that's as fickle as Jezebel was in her prime. A winter that bathed us with the warmth of Spring last Thursday and Friday (Feb. 15-16). Then turned around and chilled us like meat in a packing house last Saturday (Feb.). And if that wasn't enough it dumped nine inches of snow in our laps last Sunday (Feb. 18), which brought many happenings to a complete stand still. However, before the halt.....

VIP fun...Sunday, February 11, the VIP Club on Beatties Ford Road was alive with the sights and sounds of people really enjoying themselves. The good time started around 5 PM and lasted for the rest of the evening.

The Extraordinaires Civic and Social Club was largely responsible for the action that took place. They sponsored a terrific sip and snack that boasted of many fringe benefits for the large group of friends that participated.

Among the guest and club members participating were Walter Montgomery, Reggie Banks, Allie Grant, Thelma Grier, Billy Whitnure, Julius Lloyd, Archie Smith, Sarah Kincaid, Russell McDowell, William Tolliver, Therman Branch, Hank Washington, Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Dowdy, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Warren, Frank Wright, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Halls, Mr. and Mrs. Richard Simmons, Mr. and Mrs. Steve Hayes, Bernadine Cole, Mr. and Mrs. Earl Brown, Mr. and Mrs. James Evans, Carolyn Lloyd, Edna Johnson, and Mr. and Mrs. Charley Cox.

Winners of the door prizes were Iris Wilson, Vivian Washington, Thelma Grier, Hank Washington, and Reginald Banks.

How about it Darryl, it was a good evening huh!?

SURPRISE GATHERING... Surprise, surprise, surprise, words made famous by Gomer Pyle of Mayberry RFD. In this case though the words were used to greet Clarence Williams on his 27th birthday??? Anyway, Clarence had a fantastic birthday, topped off with a surprise party given to him by Vera Dooley and friends at MacArthur Davis' place on Cox Avenue.

Food of 101 varieties was served along with beverages of all types to Sonny Davis, Ella Nichols, MacArthur Davis, Horace McKnight, Bobbie Parks, Jeff Adams, William Whitmire, Ace Drakeford, Walter Smith, Bessie Hollis, Shashannah Shephatak, Clara Caldwell, Alberta Hall, Brenda Worthy, Rufus Cross Tom Bradley, Jean Heath and Charlotte Gordon.

SUPER PERFORMANCE... February 14 is Valentine Day, a day to show tender loving care to the one you love. Many people capped the last hearts and flowers day enjoying the sentimental, tender performance of Johnny Mathis, at Ovens Auditorium.

Mathis opened his performance with the tune "Wonderful, Wonderful," the smash hit that catapulted the balladeer's career. He also sang "My Funny Valentine," "Chances Are," right on through such standards as "Ask Me Why" and "Misty" and finally his most recent million-seller "Too Much, Too Little, Too Late," a song he recorded with Deniece Williams. Even though Miss Williams wasn't there, her voice was—in the form of a tape recording that accompanied Mathis.

Johnny also received a standing ovation for his skilled performance of "Last Dance", which really exhibited the class and range of his voice.

Some of the people that comprised the nearly full auditorium crowd were John Mansel, Edith Ligon, Barry Cleveland, Sandra Sullivan, Mr. and Mrs. Ernest White, Jessie Brown, Carol Eaves, Shirley Brownstone, Mr. and Mrs. Sam Gaston, Mr. and Mrs. Donald Strickland, Tom Bradley, Fran Owens, Michelle Lee, Jerri Broome and Cassandra McMillan.

STIRRING PRODUCTION... The Central Piedmont Community Colleges' battery of actors and technicians presented Charles Gordone's Pulitzer Prize winning drama last week (Feb. 14-17).

The play, "No Place To Be Somebody," won the Pulitzer Prize as the outstanding play during the 1969-70 season. It had to be one of the most challenging pieces ever tackled at CPCC. The plot concerned a young, rebellious black man who tried to get into the action in the rackets in New York, but met insurmountable odds. The script was brutal, often violent, and intended for mature audiences. Bernard White and Donald

Daviss headed an unusually strong cast of fifteen. The show was frequently funny and exciting throughout. This can be attested to by some of its patrons; Bobbie Parks, Andrea Stallings, Mary Bivens, Gwendolyn Rodgers,

Mable Vance, Sherman Hollings, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Artrey, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Hefner, Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Carter, Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Smith, Mr. and Mrs. Tony Barnett, James Scott, Suzanne Chafe, Marjorie Hamilton, Ben Thompson and Kenny Jordan.



Bob Johnson

Washington Height Garden

Club Meeting

A discussion of what black leaders have meant to the black race highlighted the meeting of the Washington Height Garden Club.

The history of black leaders such as Mrs. Mary McLeod Bethune, Mrs. Marion Anderson, Roland Hayes, George Washington Carver and Dr. Martin Luther King and their accomplishments were discussed at the February 13 meeting held in the home of Mrs. Viola Allison, 5301 Elderbank Drive in Charlotte.

An additional discussion focused upon the groups members that were ill and not present at the meeting: Mrs. Maude Smalls, Mrs. Jannie Pride, Mrs. Carrie Pitts and Mrs. Essie Stovall.

The nine members who attended the meeting were Mrs. Lois Scott, president; Mrs. Ethel Choate, Mrs. Willette Patterson, Mrs. Edena Williams, Mrs. Mildred McCain, Mrs. Cora Gaither, Mrs. Arlena Gabriel, Mrs. Viola Allison and Mrs. Lillie Mae Carter.

In March, a meeting will be held at the home of Mrs. Lillie Mae Carter, 1622 Taylor Avenue.

28th Rhomania

Rescheduled

For Sunday

The 28th Annual Rhomania originally scheduled for Sunday, Feb. 18 has been postponed till Sunday, Feb. 25 at 3 p.m. at the Greenville Center.

Featured at this event will be a presentation of the 1979 Calendar Babies and the Miss Rhoer Pageant.

Sponsored by the Beta Omicron Sigma Chapter of the Sigma Gamma Rho Sorority, the proceeds will be used for scholarships to Johnson C. Smith University and Barber Scotia College.

Tickets costing \$2.00 a piece will be sold at the door.

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New officers of the Duke Club were installed last week at the 32nd anniversary celebration held at the clubhouse.

Installed at the informal social gathering were the following officers: Leroy Polk, president; Lee Ervin, vice president; Harvey Barnett, secretary; Clarence Rickett, treasurer; Roosevelt Neal, secretary-treasurer; and Charles Neal, chaplin.

Other members include: Raymond Alexander, Roy Williams, Thomas Greene, William McCombs, John Price and James Brown.

Organized in 1947, this private club was formed for social purposes from members of the Second Ward High School and West Charlotte High School.

Four of the veteran members are still with the club, according to William McCombs. The group's latest accomplishment was the construction of a clubhouse on Lakewood Avenue in Charlotte.

Salvation Army Sets

"Civic Awards Banquet"

The Salvation Army in Charlotte will hold its second annual "Civic Awards Banquet" Monday February 26, 1979 at the Sheraton Center in Charlotte, at 7 p.m.

The meeting, open to the public, will honor an outstanding Charlotte citizen, presenting him or her the Army's "OTHERS" award, highest recognition given a civilian by the Salvation Army.

Keynote speaker for the event will be a former Charlotte Minister, Bishop Kenneth Goodson of Richmond. Bishop Goodson began his work as a minister in the Western North Carolina Conference of the United Methodist Church in 1935, serving many churches in Charlotte, Winston Salem, Greensboro, High Point, Wadesboro and other cities.

He is the spiritual and administrative leader of the more than 1-thousand ministers and nearly 400-thousand members of the 1-thousand, 3-hundred local churches in the Virginia Conference of the United Methodist Church.

Elected a bishop in 1964, Bishop Goodson was assigned to the Virginia Conference in 1972, after eight years as presiding bishop of the Birmingham Area. In Alabama, he led the church during the Civil Rights conflicts of the 60s and was instrumental in establishing significant inner-city ministries in the area.

Despite the administrative duties of his office, Bishop Goodson insists that he is still in the role of pastor. He preaches three to four times each week, and is in great demand as an "after dinner" speaker.

The "OTHERS" Award to be presented to the nominee originated with Salvation Army Founder William Booth, at the turn of the century in London. It summarizes the purpose of the Army program, caring for others. Tickets, for a \$15 donation, available at Army on N. Poplar Street.

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