

Bob Johnson

# What's happening!

**FUN AND GAMES...**The committee to elect Dr. Raleigh Bynum to a seat on the County Commission sponsored a fun and games night at the Beacon Club on Beatties Ford Road last Saturday night, June 7.

Pinochle, whist, backgammon and scrabble were just some of the games played at this triumphant affair. These chance activities, played within an environment of good music and friendly conversation, lasted from 9 p.m. til 1 a.m.

Some of the guests were Rosalin Gormley, Vernal Osborne, Mr. and Mrs. Bob Haden, Mable Ware, Harold Fountain and Mr. and Mrs. Robert Stroud.

**DANGEROUS PLAY...**During these times of physical fitness and body beautiful attitudes, most of us spend our leisure time participating in some form of sporting activity.

However, some of these activities, though they are said to make your heart and other muscles stronger, can be hazardous to your health.

Leroy Little, this area's personable promo man for RCA Records, can attest to the hazards. He sustained an injury recently while sliding into second base during a friendly softball game. Consequently, he is moving around slowly with the help of a crutch. It's rough out here, isn't it, Leroy?

**ROCK THE HOUSE...**Collins' Connections, an exacting group of musical mass, will make two rare Queen City appearances within the next two weeks.

Sunday evening, June 15, from 7-10 p.m. they will fill the Matador Lounge on Beatties Ford Road with their special brand of funk.

Friday evening, June 20, from 8-11 p.m., this mass of energetic musical components will appear at the Midway Lounge on Statesville Ave. for some more rock house fun.

**HEAVY MEETING...**Last Sunday evening from 9-1 a.m. there was a meeting of the heavy weights held at the Beacon Club on Beatties Ford Rd. As Jack Benson, one of the proprietors of this haven for jazz artists, so aptly stated, "The gorillas are here tonight." And they were!

Gerard Benson occupied the back left corner of the stage with his bass guitar snuggled against his breast. Tony Cooper settled opposite Gerard in the back, flanked by a monstrous set of drums. Up front, Alan Kaufman sat comfortably on the keyboards, while Donald (Cannonball) McClure cradled his tenor sax, Ziad Robie positioned his alto sax and Chris Peck fingered the flute. Everybody looked confident and ready.

The meeting was called to order and immediately the audience knew these cats meant business.

Some of the topics discussed with distinct clarity and unquestionable certainty were; "Things Ain't What They Used To Be," and old Duke Ellington classic, "So What" and "All Blues," all time favorites for jazz lovers, written by Miles Davis. Horace Silver's "Song For My Father" and Sonny Rollins' "St. Thomas" were also spoken of with authority - characteristic for these heavies.

Lucy Shropshire, a pretty song bird with a solid style and a sophisticated delivery, was a pleasant surprise speaker at this session. Two of her topics were "Here's That Rainy Day" and "Summertime," done in a style that is uniquely Lucy's.

Charles Sammons and Willie McGill really enjoyed the meeting, which means they probably will attend next Sunday night's heavy weight meeting at the Beacon.

**A BIG EVENT...**More than 100 golfers will tee off Saturday morning, June 14 in the Par-Busters annual Greater Griertown Open Golf Tournament.

Crystal Springs, located in Pineville, N.C. off Highway 51, is a tough track with many sand traps, leaning fairways and strategically located ponds. Therefore, this reporter concludes that a score of 145 should win.

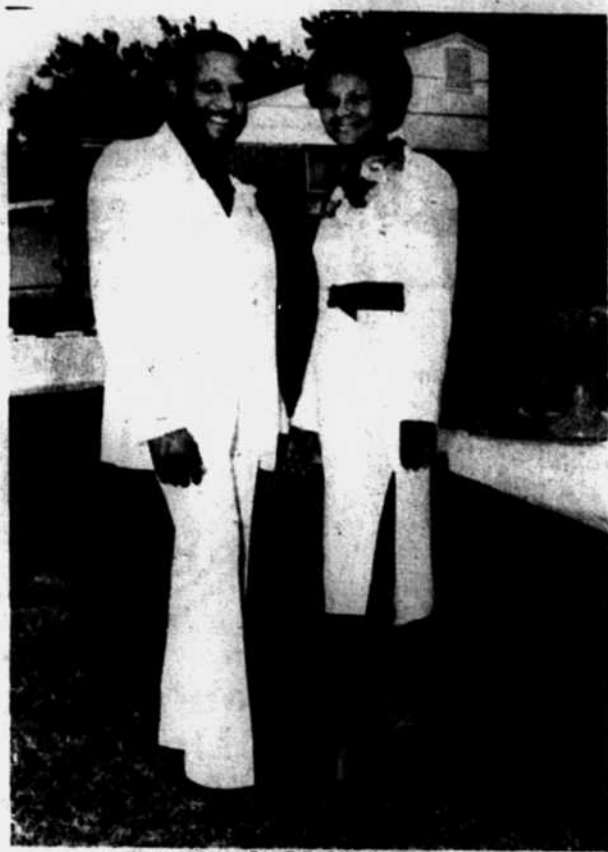
James Boulter, Billy Brannon, Sam Lawrence, Robert Brown and Haywood Stevenson will be among the many players vying for the trophies and prizes in this two-day 36-hole tourney.

**GRAND OPENING...**The Gold Room, located on the corner of Tenth and Graham Streets, celebrated its grand opening recently. The event was crowned with mucho success.

Success measured by the number of guests in attendance. Success also measured by all the delicious food consumed by the guests. Success measured, too, by the length of time most of the guests stayed. Just like bees and honey, it's hard to separate good people and good times.



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Mrs. Rondy Mobley  
...formerly Miss Doris Steele

## Miss Doris Steele

## Weds Rondy Mobley

Miss Doris Steele and Rondy Mobley were married Saturday in a civil ceremony in York, S.C.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James Steele of 2214 Arden Street in Charlotte.

The bridegroom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Mobley Sr. of 2900 Southwest Blvd., also in Charlotte.

Given in marriage by her father, the bride wore a two-piece white suit with a burgandy print blouse and a burgandy and white corsage. She carried burgandy and white mums.

Attired in a three-piece Self-Help Is

## A Way To Keep Healthy

The Red Cross will be offering a way to help keep America healthy. Taking care of ourselves and our family often calls for skills that many of us don't have. Body temperature, respiration and pulse are vital signs of health or illness. They are a guide for personal action. The Red Cross is offering a course called "Vital Signs" on Tuesday and Wednesday, July 8-9, from 9:30 a.m. till 12:30 p.m. in the Red Cross building at 2425 Park Road in Charlotte.

The course is self-paced and taught in two modules. The first concentrating on how to check temperature, pulse and respiration and the second concentrating on checking blood pressure.

There is no fee for instruction. There is only a \$4.40 charge for the workbooks used.

The Vital Signs course is taught every six weeks by a Red Cross volunteer registered nurse. Times for the classes are alternated from day to night each month. The August course will be taught at night.

Interested persons should contact Vicki Bealm at the Red Cross 376-1661, ext. 231 or 232, for more information about the July and August classes.

## Trichology Corner



Mr. Charles, RB

**QUESTION:** I have a curly perm, but I do not like the greasy look and drip the oil I have to use gives me. Help!

**ANSWER:** The (Mr. Charles Sta-Soft Fro) is back on the market for that reason. It activates the curl with less drip and less greasiness than most of the other oils. You may find it on our cosmetic counter if your favorite counters don't have it.

The House of Charles  
When You Care  
Enough To Look  
Your Very Best

## Tightens Eligibility

# New Food Stamp Law Increases Funding

WASHINGTON - New food stamp legislation signed on May 26 by President Carter authorizes increased food stamp funding to respond to unemployment and inflation, while at the same time removing 800,000 people from the program and reducing costs by three-quarters of a billion dollars.

Assistant Secretary of Agriculture Carol Tucker Foreman said program-tightening measures approved by Congress and signed into law by the President will cause 650,000 people with incomes near the poverty line to lose their eligibility for food stamps in fiscal year 1981. Some 150,000 students also will be removed from the program.

"The law will allow USDA to make needed management improvements in this vital program," Foreman said. "It includes all of the proposals made by the President in March to help balance the federal budget. These include authorization of substantially increased appropriations over the next year to help meet needs caused by increased unemployment and inflation."

Measures that will curb potential spending for food stamps by \$148 million this year and \$620 million in fiscal 1981 are also included, Foreman said.

Under the new law's funding authority, Congress can legally appropriate up to \$9.491 billion for 1980 and \$9.739 billion for 1981, she said. Previously, the ceilings were set at \$6.188 for fiscal 1980 and \$6.236 for fiscal 1981. The revised authorizations and additional money provided in separate legislation came in time to prevent a threatened delay or suspension of June benefits because of insufficient funds.

"Even with the additional spending, the 21 million people who use food stamps will not receive the same

level of benefits as under the previous law," Foreman said. "The new law cancels the cost-of-living adjustment that had been scheduled for July 1 and eliminates one of two cost-of-living increases originally planned for next year. That means only one increase will be allowed in the next 16 months, and that will come in January."

The legislation also makes it harder for people to qualify to receive food stamps, she said. It requires that participants have net incomes below a new, lower poverty line limit, and that they have fewer resources. Effective in July, the maximum net income limit for a family of four will be set at \$7,450, and it will not be updated to \$8,200 as had originally been scheduled.

Under the present food stamp law, most food stamp households must have assets worth less than \$1,750. The new law will lower this limit to \$1,500 beginning October 1. Households of two or more people, in which at least one person is elderly, will not be affected by the change. The assets limit for these elderly households remains at \$3,000.

Most of the 200,000 adult students (over 18 and under 60 years of age) who now receive food stamps will be ineligible as of October 1. The only exceptions will be low-income students with disabilities or those who: (1) work more than 20 hours a week, (2) head households with dependents, (3) participate in a federal work-study program, or (4) are enrolled in a work incentive program under the Aid to Families with Dependent Children program.

Other major provisions of the new law aimed at tightening eligibility and management and cracking down on fraud and abuse include:

-expanded authority for states in verifying information provided by applicants

about household size and other factors affecting eligibility and benefit levels; -authorization for USDA and the states to set up, with appropriate safeguards, systems for cross-checking income information furnished by applicants;

-a provision for issuance of photo-identification cards in project areas where the USDA secretary of agriculture, in consultation with the inspector general, determines they

## Navy Assigns Safford Here

Ralph E. Safford, son of Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Safford of Rt. 1, Box 274, Otto, N.C., has been assigned to the Navy recruiting station on Trade St. in downtown Charlotte, it was announced last week.

Safford, a chief machinist's mate, was graduated from Manatee High School in Bradenton, Fla., in 1966 where he played football. He attended Manatee Junior College in Bradenton for a year before enlisting in the Navy in 1967.

The Navy chief went through boot camp in Great Lakes, Ill. and was schooled as a machinist's mate

would be useful in controlling fraud and abuse; -a requirement that the income and resources of household members who are ineligible aliens be considered in determining the household's eligibility for food stamps and the level of benefits;

-increased federal payments for administrative costs for those states that substantially reduce program error rates, and reduced federal payments for those that do not

there also. He received additional Navy training at nuclear power school in Bainbridge, Md. and at the nuclear power training unit in Windsor, Conn. Later in his career Safford went through air conditioning-refrigeration school in San Diego and career counseling school in Norfolk, Va.

Safford has served on submarines based in San Diego and Charleston, S.C. and has served as an instructor at the nuclear power training unit located in Windsor, Conn.

The Navy recruiter enjoys camping and wood-carving for hobbies.

## Matador Lounge

2412 Beatties Ford Rd.

Presents

A Sunday evening

Jam Session

Featuring

Collins Connections

7-10 PM (Cover Charge)

Sun. June 15

Memberships Are Available

Sometimes, the best things in life are small.



Smirnoff...it leaves you breathless