

Spring Brings Unwelcome Guest-The Pesky Mosquito

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RALEIGH - At this time of year, the sunshine and gentle rains are a welcome sight, but spring also brings an unwelcome guest - the pesky mosquito.

There are at least 50 identified species of mosquitoes in North Carolina, and the wetter the season, the more mosquitoes we're likely to see and feel. According to Jerry Perkins, head of the state's Vector Control Branch, "mosquitoes like to rest in grass, shrubbery or other foliage, but they don't develop there. They only develop in water, and standing water can produce a brood of mosquitoes in just a few days."

The Vector Control Branch, part of the N.C. Department of Human Resources' Division of Health Services, produces financial aid and technical assistance to local government.
Adair Humphrey

To Head JCSU SC Association

Officers for the Student Christian Association at Johnson C. Smith University were recently elected. The electees will serve during the 1982-83 academic year.

Adair Humphrey was elected president; Angelina Greenfield, vice president; Gregory A. Thomas, treasurer; Stephanie Brown, recording secretary; Reggie Bodrick, corresponding secretary; Sylvester Scipio, reporter and Houston du Cille, chaplain.

Sheila Tyson was voted Miss Student Christian Association. Deborah Hayes was voted first attendant and Clarissa Rhodes was voted second attendant of Miss SCA.

Youth Council To Hold Yard Sale And Fair

Are you a camera buff? Or maybe you just like picking up a few bargains now and then. If so the Charlotte-Mecklenburg Youth Council's Yard Sale and Fair Saturday, May 8 is the place you want to be! This 9 to 5 yard sale and fair will be held at the CMYC parking lot at 501 East Morehead Street (across from the main branch of the YMCA).

Omega photo enlargers, 35mm cameras, dark room timers and equipment will be on sale.

Also cars, books, projectors, furniture, toys and games, office equipment and supplies, sporting goods, crafts and more will be there for the getting.

There will be magic, music, refreshments, good food, free clown faces for the young and the young-at-heart, plus the Carolina Clowns will present a show you won't forget.

If you want more information about this event call the CMYC at 334-3035. If not...see you there.

Head Start Is Registering Children

The Charlotte Area Fund-Head Start Program for low-income pre-school children is now registering children for the upcoming school year.

Parents must meet income eligibility requirements for children to qualify. Parents of children who have been professionally diagnosed as handicapped should apply regardless of income if documentation is available.

A child's birth certificate and a copy of the parent's income tax form are necessary for registration.

The schedule for registration is: May 11 - Boulevard Homes Rental Office, 1620 Brookvale St., 9:30-12:30; May 12 - Dalton Village Rental Office, 305 Clanton Road, 9:30-12; May 13 - Grier Heights Presbyterian Church, 325 Skyland Ave., 9:30-12; May 18 - Matthews Public Library, 124 W. John Street, Matthews, 9:30-12; May 19 - Pinevalley Community Center, 1700 Longleaf Dr.

ment to eliminate the mosquito population. For fiscal year 1981-82, nearly \$636,000 has been allocated to approximately 57 units of government, on a matching fund basis, to aid in mosquito control.

"There are several ways to control breeding areas and get rid of mosquitoes, including ditching, reopening streams, or applying insecticides aimed at both the adult and larval stages," said Perkins.

He noted, however, that there is a lot the public can do to reduce the mosquito population around their homes and yards:

-Empty, remove, cover or turn upside-down any receptacles that could hold water, such as bottles or cans;

-Change the water in outside flower vases at least twice a week and grow cuttings in sand;

-Discard old tires or store them

-Screen rain barrels and water tank openings

-Repair leaky plumbing and outside faucets

-Fill or drain areas that hold stagnant water

-Clean clogged roof gutters and drain flat roofs

-Drain, spray and fill tree holes

-Stock ornamental ponds with mosquito fish

-Change water in bird-baths twice weekly; in wading pools, weekly; and in watering pans, daily.

In addition to being a nuisance, mosquitoes transmit serious diseases in humans such as encephalitis, yellow fever, dengue and malaria. A few cases of California Encephalitis have been reported in western North Carolina.



MR. AND MRS. FRANKIE LOUIS MEEKS
 She was Miss Elizabeth Massey

Miss Elizabeth Massey

Weds Frankie L. Meeks

"Whom God has put together let no man put asunder." Those sacred words sealed the wedding ceremony of Elizabeth

Ann Massey and Frankie Louis Meeks on Saturday, May 1 at 4 p.m. as they became man and wife.

The ceremony took place at Nazarene Primitive Baptist Church.

Miss Lydia Denise Pate served as the maid of honor. The father of the groom, Johnny M. Meeks Jr. functioned as the best man.

The bride is a graduate of Winslow College, Winston-Salem, N.C. and is employed by Belk Service Store. Her parents are Mr. and Mrs. Robert Lee Massey of 2321 Bancroft Street.

The son of Mr. and Mrs. Johnny Meeks Jr. of 3327 Burbank Drive, the groom is a graduate of West Charlotte High School. Meeks is employed by Cannon Mills.

The reception was held at Mt. Moriah Primitive Baptist Church.

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