

News and Events of Interest To Norlina Readers

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Mr. and Mrs. John Allen and Heather of Carolina Beach and Mr. and Mrs. Carson Clary, Amanda and Charles, visited their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Wilson of Norlina over the weekend.

Mrs. Martha Draffin, Dee Draffin and family and Charles Draffin and family spent the weekend with Mr. and Mrs. Fred Hicks at Ocean Isle Beach.

Mr. and Mrs. George White and sons of Alexandria, Va., spent the weekend with Mrs. G. E. White.

Mr. and Mrs. N. M. Hilliard of Chapel Hill spent the weekend with Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Harper and Dale.

Mrs. Peete Rose spent the week in Raleigh with her son and her daughter and their families.

Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Whitmore dined with Mr. and Mrs. Odie Richards of Henderson on Saturday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Taylor and Douglas spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Dwight Hinson of Jacksonville.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Bobbitt, Jr., of St. Petersburg, Fla., visited Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Bobbitt on Thursday and Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Leon Pridgen and Bob Pridgen spent Sunday in Norfolk, Va., visiting relatives.

Mrs. Mamie Thaxton, Mrs. Polly Clark, Mrs. Eleanor Hayes, Mrs. Cornelia Wiggins, Mrs. Pattie Robertson and Mrs. Louise Robinson attended a concert in Louisburg on Sunday night.

Mrs. Sarah Dishmon of LaCrosse, Va., and Mrs. Kathy Morris of South Hill, Va., spent Monday with Mr. and Mrs. Ron Baker, Beth and Norwood. Buster Dishmon joined them on Monday night.

Circle Meeting

Dates Are Listed

Miss Gwen Allen reports that the Norlina Baptist WMU circles will meet November 23 as follows:

Annie Armstrong at 8 p. m. with Mrs. Lottie Nance, Mattie Pridgen at 10 a. m. with Mrs. Eleanor Hayes, and Olga Hood at 7:30 p. m. with Mrs. Martha Ann Overby.

Lola Sue Group

Meets Monday

The Lola Sue Mission Action group met Monday morning at Hardee's for a brunch meeting with Mrs. Mattie Bishop and Miss Bertha Bishop as hostesses.

After the brunch and fellowship, Mrs. Sadie Mustian, director, read the devotions from Psalms 121 followed by prayer.

There were seven members present.

During the business session, Mrs. Nita Fuller reminded the members the foreign mission study group would be held Tuesday night, Nov. 17, at the church fellowship hall.

The Week of Prayer for foreign missions will be Nov. 29 thru Dec. 6. The Lola Sue group will have a Week of Prayer program on Dec. 6, 10 a. m., at the church.

The group will have its next meeting on Dec. 16 at 10 a. m. in the church fellowship hall.

Mrs. Gracie Floyd and her husband will be leaving Monday to spend the winter months in Florida. The group presented her a gift of love and appreciation.

The program was given by Mrs. Emily Bobbitt, program chairman. The topic was "Reaction to Grief." Mrs. Bobbitt also gave the names of missionaries from the birthday calendar for Monday. Mrs. Fuller led in a prayer for the missionaries, which closed the meeting.

Ruritans Hold

Monthly Meeting

The Norlina Ruritan Club held its monthly meeting recently at the Norlina Woman's Club.

A delicious ham dinner was served by the Woman's Club.

After a business session, L. B. Hardage, program chairman, introduced C. T. Dean, county agent from Franklin County, who presented a most interesting program on a variety of subjects mixed in with many humorous incidents about tobacco farming.



Mr. and Mrs. Leonard M. Bender of Rt. 2, Norlina announce the engagement of their daughter, Suzanne Marion, to Glenn Price Hudson, son of Mr. and Mrs. R. Hart Hudson of South Hill, Va. A February 14 wedding is planned at St. Paul's Lutheran Church in Ridgeway.

Literature, Music Club Has Gathering

The Literature and Music Club of Norlina met Thurs., Nov. 12 at 2 p. m. with Mrs. Jimmy Shearin and Mrs. Ira Weaver as co-hostesses.

Mrs. Weaver opened the meeting, gave the devotions and led in prayer.

During the business session, the members decided to give a book to the library in memory of Mrs. W. S. Hicks.

Miss Loyce Blaylock introduced the Rev. Claude Pepper of Warrenton. He

gave an interesting talk on home life. It was enjoyed by all. The members were glad to have the Rev. Mr. Pepper to visit with the club.

The meeting was closed with all repeating the club collect.

The hostesses served cake, cheese straws and coffee to the 14 present.

Try Chestnut Trees That Resist Blight

It is possible to grow chestnut trees in North Carolina, despite the disease that devastated the American chestnut years ago.

If you live in an area where the chestnut was once a native tree, try one of the newer varieties of Chinese chestnut, suggest N. C. Agricultural Extension Service specialists.

The American chestnut was native to the Mountain and upper Piedmont sections of North Carolina, but these trees were lost to the blight disease.

Most newer varieties of Chinese chestnut have some level of resistance to the blight. Although the resistance is only partial, most Chinese chestnuts will survive an attack by the blight fungus.

If you want to try a Chinese chestnut, start with a named variety rather than a seedling tree. They usually produce larger, tastier nuts.

Five named varieties that should do well in North Carolina are Abundance, Crane, Kuling, Meiling and Nanking.

The chestnut does well on fertile soil and on a site with good air draining for frost protection. It cannot stand competition from grasses and weeds, so clean cultivation under the tree is essential.

The application of one pound of 10-10-10 fertilizer for each year of age up to 10 years usually is sufficient. For example, an eight-year-old tree would require eight pounds, while a four-year-old tree would require only four pounds. Apply the fertilizer at the drip of the branches.

Most Chinese chestnuts will grow about as large as an apple tree, and pruning and training are similar to that of an apple tree. Sun scalding is often a

problem, so leave adequate growth in the top of the tree for shading.

Harvest the nuts daily and cure them for a week to 10 days in a cool, dry place. Stir frequently and then store at 30 to 35 degrees.

Incidentally, scientists are still working on a blight-resistant American chestnut. The mountains of North Carolina and other places are full of chestnut sprouts, and occasionally one of these develops into a fairly large tree. But, so far, they all eventually succumb to the blight.



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Littleton Items

Mr. and Mrs. William Buffalo and daughter, Amy, of Greenville were visitors of his grandmother, Mrs. Selma Bobbitt and mother, Mrs. William Buffalo, Sr., during the weekend.

Mrs. Lorn McIntyre of Wilson spent several days last week with her father, L. E. Stainback, while Mrs. Stainback is a patient in Halifax Memorial Hospital. Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Stainback of Goldsboro were Sunday visitors of his mother in the hospital and his father at their home here. Mrs. Lloyd Earl Baird of Pleasant Hill visited them Sunday and remained with her father for several days.

Mrs. L. E. Morris is home after having spent some time with her daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Netherland in Roanoke Rapids. Mrs. Netherland spent Sunday with Mrs. Morris.

Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Glasgow and Delbert Porter were Sunday visitors of Mrs. Daisy Porter Bobbitt in Brinkley Community.

Mr. and Mrs. Roscoe Wagoner and daughter, Nora, of Charlotte spent the weekend with her mother, Mrs. George Threewitts. They attended worship services in Littleton Baptist Church Sunday morning.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Shephard and Mr. and Mrs. G. Wheeler of Durham were Saturday visitors of Mr. and Mrs. Bernice West. Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Inscow of Louisburg and Mr. and Mrs. Douglas Seuis of Roanoke Rapids were Sunday visitors of Mr. and Mrs. West.

Cecil Ray Shearin and Steve Manual of Charlotte were visitors of Mr. and Mrs. J. Clarence West during the weekend. Mrs. Freddie Paynter and children, James Allen and Kevin of Wise and Mrs. John King and son, Donovan, of Norlina were Sunday visitors of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. West.

Mr. and Mrs. Mark Harris of Roanoke Rapids were Sunday visitors of Mrs. Mable Browning.

Mrs. Vernon Walker, Sr., Mrs. W. G. Hedgepeth and Mrs. Hayward Browning visited Mrs. Vernon Walker, Jr., Monday in Raleigh. Mrs. Walker's granddaughter, Tiffany, accompanied them home and spent some time with her.

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Delbridge were Saturday visitors of Mrs. Delbridge's brothers and sisters-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Reynolds Perkinson of Norlina, Mr. and Mrs. Luther Perkinson and Mr. and Mrs. James Perkinson of Warrenton area.

Mr. and Mrs. Forest Cheek, Jr., of Warrenton and daughter, Denise Cheek, of Raleigh were Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Willie Skyes. Mrs. Alice Porch of Weldon visited her father, Mr. Willie Skyes, and Mrs. Skyes one day this week.

Mr. and Mrs. William Liles of Corinth Community were Sunday visitors of Misses Mamie and Josephine Stansbury.

Among those visiting Mrs. Bonnie Wilson Sunday were Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Moore of Lawrenceville, Va., Mr. and Mrs. Julian Johnston, Mr. and Mrs. Hunt Johnston and family of Youngsville, Mr. and Mrs. Augusta Johnston and family of Franklinton and Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Harris of Littleton.

Mrs. Bernice Aycock, Sr. recently visited her daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Cliff Harwood in Wilson.

Mrs. Bernice Aycock, Sr. and Mrs. Cliff Wheeler and children, Scottie and Barbara Leigh of Roanoke Rapids spent the weekend with Mr. and Mrs. Carlton Critcher in Portsmouth, Va. They also visited Mrs. Peggy Clark, Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Baine and Mrs. Lou Jane Early.

Mr. and Mrs. George McMahan have returned to their home after having spent several days last week with their son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Jimmie McMahan and children, Lori and Billy in Olney, Md. They also visited McMahan's brother, Robert McMahan in Lutheran Village Nursing Home in West Minister, Md.

Mrs. Lula S. Kidd and daughter, Agnes Kidd, of Richmond, Va. spent last Tuesday with Mr. and Mrs. William A. Reid. They were supper guests of Mr. and Mrs. A. C. King. Miss Kidd gave a book study at Enterprise Baptist Church.

Miss Angela Hamill of East Carolina University in Greenville spent the weekend with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Freddie Ray Hamill.

Mrs. Katherine B. Gardner of Greensboro and Clinton Dickens of Snow Hill recently spent several days with their mother, Mrs. Jack Wilkerson and Mr. Wilkerson.

DID YOU KNOW? *By Janice*

The Grand Canyon
HAS ABOUT 400 MILES OF TRAILS. THE PARK IS LARGER THAN THE STATE OF RHODE ISLAND. SOME 275 SPECIES OF BIRDS LIVE THERE, AS DO SEVERAL HUNDRED WILD BURROS. SOME 6 MILLION YEARS AGO THE COLORADO RIVER STARTED TO FORM THE CANYON. THE FIRST EUROPEANS TO SEE THE BIG CANYON WERE SPANIARDS IN FRANCISCO CORONADO'S EXPEDITION IN 1540. THE CANYON WAS UNEXPLORED UNTIL LATE IN THE 1860'S WHEN A ONE-ARMED EX-ARMY OFFICER, JOHN POWELL, HEADED AN EXPEDITION. IN 1869, HE MADE THE FIRST SUCCESSFUL RIVER RUN OF THE GRAND CANYON. TEMPERATURES CAN VARY 25 DEGREES BETWEEN THE TOP AND BOTTOM OF GRAND CANYON.

GARDEN

Japanese Plum Bears Fruits During Winter

Rare indeed is the plant that will flower and bear fruit in the depths of winter, but such is the Japanese Plum or loquat. Native to China and Japan, the plant is adaptable to areas of the South and Southwest.

This handsome evergreen tree sports a foliage of dark, glossy-green leaves that may be 6-12 inches long and 3-6 inches broad. Flowers are yellowish, emerge in late autumn or winter as woolly clusters and are followed by plum-sized, edible fruit which ripens in early spring.

Propagation is by seed or layering in ordinary garden soil in half-shade to sunny locations. Regular watering may be required, but the Japanese plum will thrive in the humid winter atmosphere.

The spider lily, or Lycoris radiata, was named after a mistress of the famous Roman general, Mark Anthony. Handsome, autumn flowering bulbs usually make their growth dur-



ing winter and go dormant during the summer. However, if potted in cool greenhouse locations, they may bloom in late summer. Interesting and artistic flowers emerge from tall stems in the fall and are followed by Amaryllis-like foliage, which remains green throughout winter.

Propagation is by seeds sown as soon as it is ripe or by division of bulbs. Full sunlight is preferable as is regular watering during periods of active growth.

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MANY THANKS

The Northside Elementary School P.T.A. wishes to express their thanks to those who made our 1981 School Halloween Carnival such a success.

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