

# News & Events of Interest to Norlina Readers

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## Senior Club Visits Play

By SADIE YANCEY

On August 15, 32 members of the Norlina Senior Citizens Club and one granddaughter made a trip to Pembroke to see the outdoor drama, "Strike at the Wind," a story of the struggles and hardships of the Lumbee Indians in the early days of our country.

We left Warrenton at 1 p.m. on a new bus, using

a bus company new to the group.

The driver, Herman Whitmore, was a most efficient driver, full of wit and humor and a singing voice similar to Larry Hooper with the Lawrence Welk Orchestra. He fitted in with the group to a tee.

We arrived in Lumberton around 4 p.m. and were met by our host and hostess, Dr. and Mrs. Harold J. Teague. He is a professor at Pembroke State University and she is owner of Regency, Ltd., an international gift shop.

They are a most charming couple and without them our trip would not have been as enjoyable.

We were served delicious punch and cookies after we registered and browsed around her delightful shop where we made small purchases and drooled over the more expensive items.

After leaving, we were taken over to another gift shop in the mall where they were having a sale. Many in the group bought souvenirs and gifts. After leaving here, we were escorted to McCathey's eatery where a whole dining area was reserved for us.

On the way, Mrs. Teague gave us a history of Lumberton and her life, to which many of us could relate. She and her husband and six-year-old daughter, Ann Marie, joined us for a delicious meal of our choosing. They are a charming family and without them we would have missed many interesting things as they made the trip a delightful one.

She told us that they had promised Ann Marie that she would take her to see the pageant.

Dr. and Mrs. Teague had played in the performance the first year that it opened. The pageant proved to be most interesting with a lot of shooting that caused many to jump almost out of their seats.

The Teagues rode with us back from Pembroke to Lumberton continuing their stories of Lumberton and the life of the people of Robeson county. As they left the bus, they told us how much they had enjoyed our visit and invited us back to see them anytime we were nearby.

We continued on our way back to Warren County, arriving around 1 a.m. tired, sleepy, but happy nonetheless for a most joyous trip.

## Homemakers Club Members Have Meeting

The Zion Homemakers Club met Thursday evening with Mrs. Helen Rooker in Norlina. Mrs. Richard J. Holtzmann, president, presided over the meeting and opened it with all singing "My Old Kentucky Home."

Mrs. Rooker gave the devotion, reading Psalm 23, followed by "The Lord's Prayer" in unison.

Mrs. Louise Ranes, education chairman, reminded members to bring old glasses by Sept. 1 and used stamps by Oct. 1.

Mrs. Eva S. Holtzman presented the program on "Philately" and talked about the value of new and used stamps, postmarks and stamped envelopes. She showed a film on the art of stamp collecting.

Mrs. Holtzman will serve as hostess for the next meeting on September 19.



These youth from Norlina United Methodist Church were on hand last Wednesday morning to board the church bus for their last day at Camp Kerr Lake. The youth during July and August participated

in four day-camp sessions in a program sponsored by Norlina United Methodist Church with assistance from Methodist churches throughout the county. (Staff Photo by Kay Horner)

## Methodists Have Unique Experience

The Rev. Gene Cobb, pastor of Norlina United Methodist Church, is a firm believer that Methodists should at times meet for fellowship and study with Christians of other denominations.

He is also a firm believer that there are certain things young Methodists need to know about what makes their own denomination distinctive.

His concern for the latter led to a first-time experience for United Methodist youth in Warren County this summer.

On four mornings in July and August, Methodist youth from eight of the county's 11 churches boarded a bus in Norlina for a short trip to Camp Kerr Lake, a campground supported by the N.C. Annual Conference of Methodists.

For four hours each day, the youth were involved in a program of worship, music, Bible study, and recreation.

In reflecting on the success of the camp, which enrolled 40 youth, Cobb noted this week that it had a fragile beginning.

"The project really wasn't on go until July 1," he said. "We set a goal of 20 kids to participate and sent out registration forms. Within three days, we had reached our goal and ultimately doubled it."

While the program was spearheaded by members of the Norlina congregation, the cooperation of other congregations and pastors was instrumental, Cobb commented.

In addition to Cobb, the Rev. Jon Strother, pastor of the Macon charge and the Rev. Kevin Stroop, pastor of the Warren charge, led in camp sessions

with an assist from the Rev. Leon Pernel, pastor at Middleburg.

The fee for all four camp sessions was \$5 per youth, which along with additional contributions by parents and an offering from the Warren charge covered all costs of the camp.

The camp was unapologetically Methodist from beginning to end, with the Norlina Methodist Youth Fellowship providing an invaluable contribution. But Cobb noted that nine youth from other denominations attended and were welcomed.

"We weren't trying to saturate or indoctrinate them with the Methodist experience," Cobb explained. "But we wanted them to know what we were about, just as we want to learn what others are about."

"We're planning to have the camp again next year, around the same time, and I believe we could have as many as 150 kids involved," Cobb said. "And we want to stress that there is no child who should feel he can't come and be a part of our camp...This year the camp was an experiment to see if the interest was there, and we came away with no doubt that it is."

### Visits Are Made

Mrs. Frank Benson of Norcross, Ga. spent the weekend with Mrs. Henry Wiggins.

Mr. and Mrs. John Holtzman and Mrs. Paul Brauer visited Mrs. Bertha Piper in Henderson on Sunday afternoon.

Robert Lacy Goodbar of Durham visited Mr. and Mrs. Roger Norwood on Sunday afternoon.

On Thursday, Mrs. Leola Baker, Mrs. Robin Young and Mrs. Pat Baker spent the day in Clarksville, Va.

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