

## COG Meets Thursday

The Lumber River Council of Governments executive committee meeting is scheduled for Thursday.

March 18 at 7:30 P.M. in the council offices at 111 West Fifth St. in Lumberton.

Seven items of new business, including setting priorities for 701 planning applications and consideration of Emergency Medical Services Advisory Council's recommendation for additional communications equipment, are on the agenda.

Also slated is a review of three Law Enforcement Assistance Administration (LEAA) grants received, the Hoke County Sheriff's Department detective division, and the Raeford Police Department's juvenile officer and officer safety and support program.

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## Graham's IS CELEBRATING A BIRTHDAY

Throughout the years MARY LOU BEARD has been a tradition at Graham's and with the people of this area. Mary Lou has been at Graham's 55 years of its sixty existence! We are proud of her and her accomplishments and we know you will want to share with us how we all feel.

We invite Mary Lou's many friends to come by 1 pm. - 5:00 p.m. Thursday, March 18 thru Saturday, March 20 and congratulate her!

When you come by - Be sure to register for a brand new 4 piece outfit by Center Stage, valued at \$70.00. To be given away at a drawing Saturday afternoon at 4:00 p.m. You don't have to be present to win - And while you are here, look over the many Spring styles that Mary Lou has been instrumental in assembling.

Happy Birthday  
Mary Lou Beard

from

# Graham's

## Department Store, Inc

RED SPRINGS

## Graham's, Mary Lou A Tradition

If you know about Graham's, you know about Mary Lou Beard. That's about the way it is at 126 South Main Street where Mary Lou Beard and six or seven other employees keep a steady stream of customers dressed in quite good taste, and it's all done with cheerfulness, courtesy, and a kind of blithe friendliness.

It started back in June 1921, when the late Miss Patty Watkins, Dean of Students at Flora MacDonald, walked into the newly refurbished Graham and Company and flatly stated to Ernest Graham that he'd never get anywhere trying to sell women's clothes until he got someone in there who knew something about them.

Of course, she just happened to have someone in mind -- a student at Flora MacDonald -- who had shown a special aptitude for design, style, and dressmaking -- and she just happened to mention the name Mary Lou Beard to Mr. Graham.

Miss Beard has proven to be at least two generations of Red Springs' best dressed ladies that she does, indeed, know about women's wear.

As the employee who has been longest in service of Red Springs' oldest store, Miss Beard exercises a kind of benign dictatorship over everyone else at Graham's, up to

and including President-Manager G. Robert Graham. It was Bobby Graham's father, the late Ernest Graham, Sr., to whom Miss Watkins addressed her remark back in 1921.

Shopping at Graham's has become a tradition throughout this area of North Carolina and upper South Carolina. The store is stocked with brand-name wearing apparel for the entire family, comparable to that found in the best department stores of our larger metropolitan areas.

In 1967 the Highland Fling was opened in an adjoining shop with a stock of clothes and accessories aimed at the teen-age girl and younger ladies. An amazing variety of styles for the "now generation" may be ogled enviously or even critically by the more traditional Graham-type customer. But it serves well as notice to all that Red Springs, even at its traditional best, has something in the newest style for tomorrow's great lady.

To wish for Mary Lou Beard and her co-workers many more years of happy, neighborly service would seem to be trite and pointless, but it also would be wishing for Red Springs a long continuation of an association that is, in truth, a happy one.



Mary Lou Beard

## Magistrates Court

The following cases were heard by the magistrates: Billy D. Bulard, Laurinburg, equipment violation, address violation, fined costs; James M. Blue, Rt. 1, Raeford, greater than reasonable speed, fined costs; Kenneth B. Kowalski, Fayetteville, inspection violation, fined costs; Randy T. Livingston, McCain, corrective lens violation, \$25, costs; George Mason, Rt. 3, Raeford, equipment violation, fined costs; Jerry Wayne Thompkins, 110-S Highland St., Raeford, stop sign violation, fined costs; Rudolph Singletary, Raeford, worthless check, \$15.98 restitution, costs.

John Seaford, Jr., North Magnolia St., Raeford, worthless check, \$76.27 restitution, costs; Valencia S. Parker, Rt. 3, Raeford, worthless check, \$10 restitution, costs; Cornell Lide, 801 N. Magnolia St., Raeford, worthless check, \$75.45 restitution, costs; Neil A. Loyd, Ft. Bragg, speeding 57 in a 45 MPH zone, \$10, costs; Zanora N. Jones, Travelers Rest, S.C., 65 in a 55 MPH zone, \$5, costs; Richard P. Moultrie, Ft. Bragg, 65 in a 55 MPH zone, \$5, costs; Julian B. McKeithan, Leland, 65 in a 55 MPH zone, \$5, costs.

Robert W. Monroe, Rt. 1, Raeford, 65 in a 55 MPH zone, \$5, costs; John Tedder Jr., Fayetteville, 68 in a 55 MPH zone, \$10, costs; Ruth M. Curtiss, Rt. 4, Raeford, 69 in a 55 MPH zone, \$10, costs; Ester W. Calloway, Rt. 3, Raeford, 68 in a 55 MPH zone, \$10, costs; Thurman D. Hudson, Fayetteville, 65 in a 55 MPH zone, \$5, costs; Jerry R. Williams, Wagram, 70 in a 55 MPH zone, \$10, costs; Johnny Mack Oxner, Monroe, 65 in a 55 MPH zone, \$5, costs; William S. McGregor, Rt. 3, Raeford, 57 in a 45 MPH zone, \$10, costs; Willard B. Barker, Peach Bottom, Penn., 65 in a 55 MPH zone, \$5, costs; Dortha L. Cunningham, Raeford, 67 in a 55 MPH zone, \$10, costs; Albert E. Forester, Fayetteville, 70 in a 55 MPH zone, \$10, costs; Denese R. Frabhar, Greensboro, exceeding 20 MPH in a 20 MPH zone, fined costs.

Dorene Graham, Pembroke, 70 in a 55 MPH zone, \$10, costs; Marilyn A. McCoy, Rt. 1, Raeford, 65 in a 55 MPH zone, \$5, costs; Charles L. McLaughlin, Fayetteville, 65 in a 55 MPH zone, \$5, costs; Gilbert W. Ray, Jr., Fayetteville, 66 in a 55 MPH zone, \$10, costs; Robert R. Smith, Ft. Bragg, 69 in a 55 MPH zone, \$10, costs; Timothy A. Strickland, Raeford, 70 in a 55 MPH zone, \$10, costs; James P. Wright, Maxton, 66 in a 55 MPH zone, \$10, costs.

Herbert L. Hale, Bennettsville, S.C., 69 in a 55 MPH zone, \$10, costs; Lenora W. Fuller, Rt. 1, Raeford, 68 in a 55 MPH zone, \$10, costs; Allen E. Brighton, Fayetteville, 65 in a 55 MPH zone, \$5, costs.

## Tutor Workshops Mar. 29-31

Laubach tutor training workshops sponsored by the Hoke County Literacy Council are scheduled March 29 - 31 with two sessions each day, council co-chairman Anna Clark and Ellen Currie announced.

Morning sessions will be held at the South Hoke Community Center from 9 A.M. to 12:30 P.M. Evening sessions are set at the Cameron Heights Community Center from 6:30 - 10:30 P.M.

Charge for materials at the workshop is \$11. Persons interested in attending the workshop to become Laubach tutors must be at least 12 years old.

The Laubach method of teaching reading is the instruction planned by the Citizens United for the Improvement of Reading chapter in a drive against illiteracy among adults.

## Rockfish News

By Mrs. A. A. McInnis

The Brotherhood of Tabernacle church will meet next Monday night, Pittman Grove Church, had all the usual services last Sunday with very good attendance.

Parker Church had extra good attendance last Sunday for the morning worship service.

Circle No. 6 of Galatia Women of the Church met with Mrs. George Monroe Monday a.m.

Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Long of Sneads Ferry visited in the home of his sister, Mrs. Louise Watson last Tuesday and Wednesday, they went to see her brother in South Carolina and came back on Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Homer Terry visited Mr. and Mrs. Laurin McLaurin of Red Springs Sunday p.m.

Mr. and Mrs. Homer Terry attended the businessmen's Full Gospel regional meeting at Hilton Hotel, Raleigh last Saturday.

Mrs. Henry Fowler and daughter Kathy had as their guests over the past weekend Mr. and Mrs. Bill Durham and son Steve of Raleigh.

Mr. and Mrs. David Gibson of Shelby visited his mother Mrs. R.H. Gibson last weekend, Mrs. Tracy Garner also came to see her mother Sunday.

Mrs. Tracy Everett and her daughter, Mrs. McBryde of Fayetteville were very welcome visitors to Galatia last Sunday.

Mrs. Archie Clark, Mrs. Grady Guin, Mrs. Meda Williams and Mrs. Floyd Monroe have been invited to be dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Blackman Cook of Stedman on Tuesday. They have accepted and will go if the weather permits. Mrs. Joe Lovette is also invited.

F.C.H.

Mrs. Jesse Lee says all are doing fine at the Rockfish Family Care Home. They did not go to church Sunday because the weather was so cool and damp. Mr. and Mrs. Jack Sanderson were recent visitors of Mrs. Clara Sanderson.

A bridal shower was given last Saturday night for Mrs. Lee's daughter, Carol Ann, recent bride. She received lots of useful and beautiful gifts and may she and her husband have the stability, patience, love and faith to make a success of their marriage.

Mrs. Johnny Allen and daughter Teresa spent the weekend with Shirley and Sandra in Charleston, S.C.

Mrs. R.V. Tanner visited Mr. and Mrs. Richard Cameron of Georgetown, S.C. the past weekend.

Johnny Gillis, Billy Gillis, Will Gillis and Jim Gillis, Thomas McInnis, Lewis Lindsay and Omer Register were among those from this area who went to work at Camp Monroe last Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Ronald Long and children were dinner guests of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Long last Sunday.

Thomas McInnis and his mother were Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. James E. McInnis of Fayetteville.

Mrs. Sarah Bundy was still a patient at Cape Fear Valley Hospital at last account.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Wood and son Timothy spent the past weekend with his mother, Mrs. Martin Wood.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Heath took Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Wood with them to visit Mrs. Beulah Lee of Dunn Sunday afternoon.

BIRTHDAY

Mrs. A.W. Wood was a birthday dinner guest of Mr. and Mrs. Wilton Wood last Saturday night. They were celebrating their daughter Beth's birthday. All their children, Beth from Mars Hill, Allen from UNC Law School, Chapel Hill, David from Elon College and Mark of the home, it was an enjoyable occasion for all and may Beth have many, many more happy birthdays.

Mrs. Joe Lovette and Mrs. Ralph Plummer returned home last Friday after ten days visit with Mrs. Mary Shewbridge of Margate, Fla. Mrs. Shewbridge who had a fractured knee cap was some better when they left her and the cast was to be taken off on the following Monday.

The men from Galatia took their turn at working at Camp Monroe last Saturday a Mrs. Mary McInnis went with her son and visited her sisters at Wagram.

Mrs. Ellen Willis took Mrs. Floyd Monroe, Mrs. A.A. Ray, Mrs. David Solomon to Raeford Sunday night to hear the Organ Recital at the Presbyterian Church.

Galatia Church Choir Director Mason Bell, Will Gillis and Thomas McInnis also attended the recital, from this area Sunday night.

COMMENT

It's sad but often true that: "We have a welcome for the stranger A smile for the sometimes guest, But for our own the better tone Tho we love our own the best".

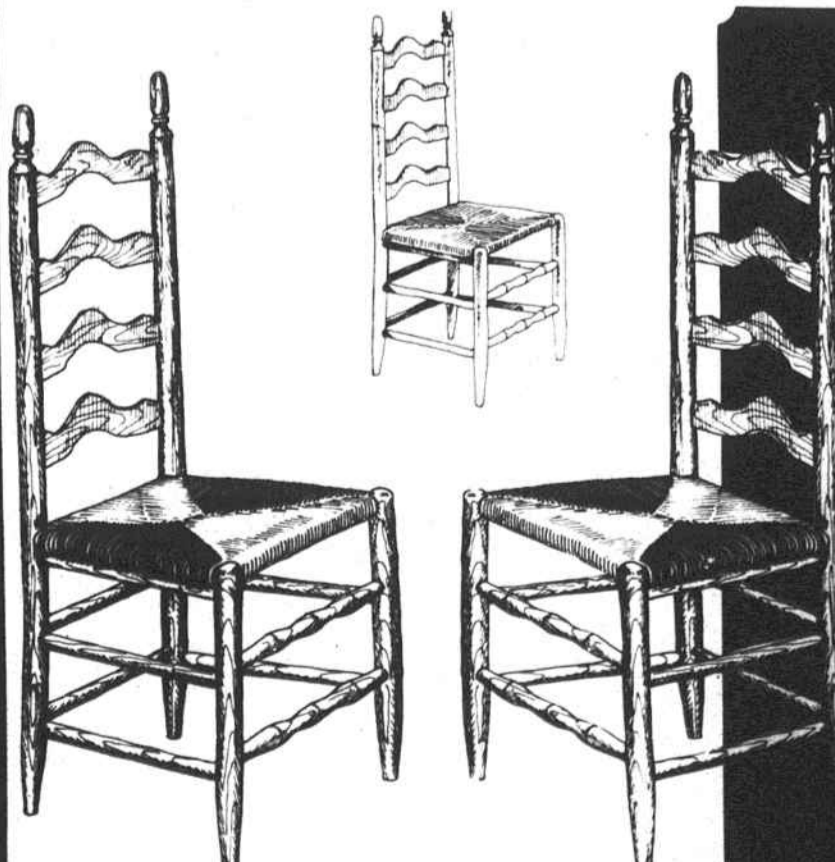
## New Church Opens April 4 In S.C.

The public is invited to opening day services for the New St. James A.M.E. Zion Church, in Chesterfield, S.C., on Sunday, April 4, Rev. J.W. McRae announced.

There will be continual services throughout the day and dinner served.

All choirs and choruses are invited to sing.

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