

# Social Events

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## Stork Shower Is Given For Mrs. Maroney

Mrs. Judy F. Maroney of Kernesville N.C. (formally of Raeford) was honored with a floating stork shower Sat. night Jan. 30 at the home of her aunt, Mrs. M.B. Culbreth of Route 2. Co-hostesses were Mrs. Wanda Dew, Mrs. Fleeta Maxwell and Mrs. Ella Carr. All decorations were carried out in pink and white. Refreshments of punch, orange balls, sausage balls, nuts, cake, and potato chips were served. Approximately 50 guests attended. Mrs. Maroney received many useful gifts.

## Luncheon Honors Miss Perry, Bride-Elect

Miss Starr Perry, bride-elect of Bryce Nicholson, was honored at a luncheon on Thursday, Jan. 21 at the home of Mrs. Neill McFadyen. Hostesses with Mrs. McFadyen were Mrs. T.B. Upchurch Jr., Mrs. Hubert Wooten, and Mrs. Ralph Barnhart.

The home was decorated throughout with red roses, potted plants, and greenery.

Upon arrival, guests were served fruit punch and cheese wafers. Guests were later invited into the dining room for a delicious four course lunch. A beautiful arrangement of pink rosebuds, yellow-peach carnations, mums and jonquils centered the dining table.

The honoree was presented a corsage of silk camellias and china and crystal in her chosen pattern by the hostesses.

Special guests included the prospective bride-groom's mother, Mrs. W.E. Jones, of Raeford, his aunt, Mrs. A.M. Winstead of Greensboro, Mrs. Clarence Reid and Mrs. J.V. Pruitt of Hamlet.

Miss Perry and Bryce Nicholson will wed March 6 in a 6 p.m. ceremony in Nokesville, Va.

## Hospital News

MOORE MEMORIAL  
Frances Tyner

## Hoke Tennis Association Elects Officers

The Hoke Tennis Association held its annual meeting on Tuesday evening, January 26, at the Hoke County Library. Billy Powell, president, presided over the business session. The following officers were elected for this year: Steve Phillips, president; Marilyn Semones, vice-president; Betty Smith, secretary; Cecil Bond, treasurer.

The members discussed the accomplishments of the previous year and plans for 1982. Anyone interested in joining the association should contact Cecil Bond.



## Births

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Durant Blue of Raeford announce the birth of a son, Robert Durant Blue, Jr. on Jan. 25, at Cape Fear Valley Hospital in Fayetteville. Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Robert Lee Blue and Mr. and Mrs. King Blue, all of Raeford.

## Bridge

Mrs. King

Mrs. Julian King entertained members of her bridge club and visitor, Mrs. Robert Calhoun, on Tuesday evening of last week.

Cake, iced drinks, coffee, and snacks were enjoyed during progressions.

Prizes were awarded to Mrs. Jack Scarborough, high scorer, Mrs. Steve Phillips, second high, and to Mrs. Calhoun, consolation.

## Personals

Weekend guests of Mrs. Joe Gullidge were Mrs. J.A. Williams and Mrs. William Pittman of Wilmington and Mr. and Mrs. Rom Hardin of Springfield, Virginia.

## Adams - Woodell

Mr. and Mrs. J.R. Conoly of Raeford announce the marriage of their daughter, Deborah C. Woodell to Harley Adams, Jr., son of Harley Adams of Arabia and Mrs. Mary Adams of Dundarrach.

The ceremony took place Saturday, January 30 in Dillon, S.C. The couple will reside in the Hillcrest Community.

## Chaminade Music Club To Meet

The Chaminade Music Club will hold its February meeting on Tuesday, February 9, at 7:45 p.m., at the home of Mrs. Jeff Davis.

The program will be given by Mrs. Artemis Bedros, guest pianist, who is artist in residence at Robeson Technical College. Mrs. Bedros made her debut at Carnegie Hall with rave reviews.

## Personals

Major and Mrs. R.J. Rosa of Washington, D.C. spent a few days last week visiting Mr. and Mrs. M.B. Culbreth before leaving for South Korea, where he will be stationed with the U.S. Army for two years with the American Embassy. Weekend guests of the Culbreths were Mrs. David Melvin of Winterville, N.C. and Mr. and Mrs. M.B. Culbreth Jr. of Smithfield, N.C.

Mr. and Mrs. Larry Phillips and children, Brad and Brooke of Asheboro visited Mrs. W.C. Phillips and Bill and Mrs. Bill Upchurch on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Ebb Barrington of Pittsboro visited Mrs. W.R. Barrington and Mr. and Mrs. Ed Byrd on Sunday.

## School Menu

**Friday, February 5**  
Vegetable Beef Soup  
Grilled Cheese Sandwich or  
Peanut Butter & Jelly Sandwich  
Cinnamon Bun  
Milk

**Monday, February 8**  
TEACHER WORK DAY  
No School

**Tuesday, February 9**  
Hot Ham and Cheese Sandwich  
Tater Tots, Catsup  
Chilled Fruit  
Cookie  
Milk

**Wednesday, February 10**  
Pizza  
Buttered Corn  
Tossed Salad W/Dressing  
Banana Pudding  
Milk

**Thursday, February 11**  
Barbecue or Fried Chicken  
Fluffy Potatoes  
Green Beans  
Cheese Biscuits  
Milk

## HAZEL KAY TOURS

Feb. 10-15 - Daytona 500. Includes Transportation, 3 Nights Lodging. Reserved Seat Tickets On Sun. \$175

Feb. 18-21 - Disney World \$120

Other Dates: Mar. 18-21, April 22-25, May 27-30, June 11-13, July 22-25, Aug. 12-15 and Sept. 9-12.

Feb. 7 - Southern Living Show \$15.50

Mar. 6 - Spartanburg Shopping Spree \$17.50

Mar. 26-28 - Amish Country & Gettysburg \$120

April 1-4 - Nashville & Grand Ole Opry \$150

Other Dates: June 3-6 - 17-20, July 22-25, Aug. 5-8, Sept. 9-12, and Oct. 21-24.

April 9-11 - Washington, D.C. The Nation's Capitol \$125

April 16-18 - Renfro Valley Kentucky & The Renfro Valley Jamboree. \$100

May through October - World's Fair \$135 - \$160

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## HELPING PEOPLE TO LIVE WITH



Ellen Willis  
Home Economics Extension Agent

**Schedule:**  
**Monday, February 8, 1982, 7:00 p.m. - Mens Cooking Class**  
**Hint:** Use the oldest eggs you have on hand to make hard-boiled eggs. They'll be easier to peel than fresher eggs.

## ASHES TO ASHES

"Ashes to Ashes, dust to dust" is a succinct but fitting commentary on the brief earthly sojourn of the higher organisms. Ashes are the minerals that living plants take up from the soil to meet their metabolic needs. These minerals then pass into the bodies of animals who rely upon plants for food. After death the organic constituents of plant and animal bodies are broken down - oxidized slowly by decomposer microorganisms, or combusted rapidly in the flash and heat of fire. Unconsumed, the ashes remain.

These are the ashes that accumulate regularly and annoyingly in your solid fuel burner. Wood ashes also may include a little dirt that was ground into the bark during harvest and processing of the fuelwood, along with a little unburned char. Coal ashes contain not only the mineral constituents of the original plants that died and accumulated to form the coal, but also mineral contaminations that washed or sifted into the seam as coal was forming.

Wood is very low in ash - typically between 0.5 percent and three percent, which will yield around 50 to 60 pounds of ash per cord. Coal is much more ashy. Domestic coal generally has an ash content ranging from five percent to 12 percent. Coal consumers should inquire about the ash content of my given load of coal from coal retailers. Since ash represents the incombustible fraction of the coal, a low-ash product obviously provides more BTUs for the money. A ton of 10-percent ash coal will yield around 200 pounds of ashes.

Clean ashes regularly from all solid fuel-burning appliances. Ash buildup in the firebox can interfere with the draft and may reduce the amount of space for fuel. How often a stove or furnace needs cleaning depends upon the type of appliance, and the mode and frequency of operation. Many experts do recommend maintaining a two or three-inch ash bed in the firebox at all times to insulate both the stove bottom and the floor beneath from the intense combustion heat.

Remove wood or coal ashes into a covered metal pail; a cheap, galvanized bucket with a cover serves well, although fancier products are available. Set the bucket immediately on a non-combustible surface. A metal container will not

burn or melt, but it will do a nice job of transmitting the heat from live coals into a pine floor. If you are scooping ashes out with a shovel, the area near the cleanout door should be cleared of combustibles (carpeting, newspapers, kindling) that could go up if a live coal escaped the shovel.

Dump the smaller bucket of ashes into a large metal garbage can for bulk storage; keep this can covered too, especially if the ashes are stored outside. This not only will prevent the escape of remaining live coals, but will keep the ashes from leaching valuable minerals of much use in garden soils.

Fresh, dry wood ashes are grey and fluffy, and have a multitude of domestic uses. Consider them a valuable resource rather than a waste product to be trucked to the landfill.

Sprinkled onto garden soils, spread over lawns or around fruit trees and berry bushes, wood ashes make a valuable fertilizer, providing an exceptionally fine source of calcium (lime), a good source of potassium, magnesium and numerous trace elements, and a fair source of phosphorus all in readily available forms that plants can use. Store the ashes tightly covered to prevent leaching of the

minerals, and spread them in the garden at least two weeks prior to spring planting to allow the rapid changes in soil chemistry to occur before seedlings are set and seeds are planted.

Because wood ashes are highly alkaline, with a pH of around 13, they help maintain the near-neutral conditions preferred by most garden crops. Apply them at the rate of about 50 pounds per 500 to 1,000 square feet of garden, lawn or orchard. Dig extra into the beds where the lime and potassium-loving squash, cucumbers and melons will be planted, and watch them grow! Do not spread ashes where potatoes, watermelons, blueberries, or other acid loving plants will be planted.

Gardeners tending postage stamp-size gardens who make a regular practice of dumping wood ashes onto their soil may find pH levels rising way above the slightly acid to neutral levels most beneficial to crops. Coos County, New Hampshire extension agent Leighton Pratt says over-alkaline conditions resulting from heavy applications of wood ashes can be avoided by an annual soil test in the fall to make sure the garden can use the coming winter's accumulation of ashes. (Continued next week.)

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