

# Along the Way

By Emily Killeto

In one of the January, 1935, issues of the DUPLIN TIMES, the newspaper was holding a hog-killing contest. Persons who killed hogs could come by the paper and leave the weight of their heaviest hog, and at the end of the season, a winner was picked who had the heaviest hog. The winner's name was never printed, at least that I could find, but that brings us to the dieing art — hog killing.

Until recently, with the publication of the "Foxfire" books done in Georgia, much of the old country way of life was not considered art. It is with these books that the population all across the United States took a second look at the South and the ways of life which had been forgotten by many, and were never known to others. And the acceptance of the "Foxfire" books created a surprising interest and growth in the handmade and home-made craft and food worlds. One thing which the books failed to bring back was the attitude of the neighborhood families when the entire community worked together to help each other through the good times and bad times.

Among the forgotten arts of the country is the art of hog killing, which can still be seen in Duplin County today. Even though there are hog killings in Duplin today, they are not done as they were years ago. Many people have their hogs killed at a commercial slaughterhouse and the next day the owner picks up his hogs and pro-

ceeds with the hog killing from there, cutting up and cooking the fat for lard, grinding and stuffing the sausage, and salting the meat in the smokehouse. This way of killing hogs takes the entire challenge from the job of butchering the hogs, removing the hair in the hot vat, and cleaning the chitlins!

However, both kinds of hog killings are arts in themselves which require quite a bit of knowledge. In past years, such as 1935, a hog-killing was a neighborhood event in which all families participated. But, in 1980, not many hog-killings are seen in which the entire neighborhood willingly joins in the job and slaughters about 13 hogs in one day. It's sad to think that not many neighborhoods join in their neighbors' good times and bad times with each family doing all they can and the best they know how just for the satisfaction of being a good neighbor. The quality of life a person receives from helping his or her neighbor can be felt in every neighborhood, and in each home, making even a visitor aware of the strong bond of friendship the entire neighborhood shares.

Recently a Cypress Creek farmer held a hog killing in which 13 hogs were slaughtered, and the entire neighborhood was present. Together the 25-30 persons worked steadily and harmoniously until the end of the day, when a handshake was all the pay that was necessary before each went home.



Photo by Emily Killeto

**A COUNTRY HOG KILLING** — Starting the hog killing is the job of removing the hog hair in a scalding vat filled with water and turpentine which is heated to a very high temperature. Pictured is a scalding vat and

hogs which have been cleaned and ready to be cut up. During a recent hog killing in Cypress Creek, 13 hogs were slaughtered, of which six had been cut up by lunch. The remaining seven are shown above.



Photo by Emily Killeto

**HARD AT WORK** — Killing hogs requires much hard work and everyone works as quickly as possible in order to finish before the sun goes down. Some of the jobs include cutting the whole hog into parts as seen in

the picture above. Other jobs include cutting the fat to be cooked for lard, grinding and stuffing sausage, and cleaning chitlins — all in a day's work during a Cypress Creek hog killing.



Photo by Emily Killeto

**COLD WEATHER AND HOG KILLINGS** — Along with cold weather comes the chore of killing hogs for country folks, and many of these hog killings are community affairs when all the neighbors come to help. Pictured above is Lloyd Murganus of Cypress Creek at his hog killing, in which 13 hogs were slaughtered and all the neighbors came to help.

## JSTC Honor List

James Sprunt Technical College has released the President's List and Dean's List for the fall quarter, 1979. The President's List consists of those who were enrolled fulltime and made all A's and the Dean's List consists of fulltime students who earned a B average, with no grade lower than a C.

**President's List**  
Linda Aycock, Annie Barnhill, William E. Brown, Gordon Campbell, Ida Crumpler, Frank Daniels, James W. Davis, Warren Gore, Angela M. Hall, James M. Hall, Roosevelt Herring, Sylvia Hollingsworth, Larry Howard, Peggy Jernigan, Alice B. Jones, Bobby King, Jeff Lanier, Myra Lanier, Beth Nicholl, Leigh Page, Richard Parker, Randy Paschal, Iris Raynor, Carl Sandlin, Laura Smith, Linda Stokes, Don Vinyard, Johnny Wells, Julia Whaley, Louis White and James A. Williams.

**Dean's List**  
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George Eberhardt, Robert English, Carolyn Ezzell, Teresa Fountain, Francis Frederick, Melody Frederick, Moses Frederick, Leslie Fussell, Amanda Futrell, Wendy Garner, Geraldine Giddings, Julie Gideons, Linda Godbold, James Goff, Vernell Gore, Myra Hall, Darlene Hatcher, Donald Henderson, James R. Hill, Laura Holden, Curtis Hooker, James M. Horne, Michele Howard, Timothy Huffman, Elizabeth Hunter, Wanda Hunter, Carol Ives, Alfonza Jeffers, Rhonda Jenkins, Marianne Jones, Beverly Judge, Gale Judge, Alex Kellem, Marvin Kellem, Frances Kelly, Larry Kelly, Glenda Kennedy, Roy Kennedy, Lisa Kornegay,

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**CORRECTION**

In an article on the new worthless check law in last week's Duplin Times, Gary Grady should have been identified as the Assistant District Attorney.

**THERESA'S FASHIONS**  
BEULAVILLE KENANSVILLE

**FINANCIAL STATEMENT FOR PERIOD ENDING December 31, 1979**  
Community Mutual Burial Association, Inc.  
Warsaw, N.C.

<b>BALANCE DECEMBER 31, 1979</b>	<b>\$30,835.86</b>
<b>RECEIPTS:</b>	
1. Current Assessments collected	\$8,027.10
2. Number new members, 61 at \$ .50	30.50
3. Interest on time deposits, stocks, bonds	1,229.24
4. Miscellaneous	
5. Disallowed death claims	
6. Total (lines 1 to 5, inc.)	\$9,286.84
7. Net difference of advance assessments:	243.50
8. Receipts	9,530.34
9. Total receipts	40,366.20
<b>DISBURSEMENTS:</b>	
10. Salaries	
11. Collection commissions	2,400.00
12. Miscellaneous expenses	335.84
13. Total expenses (lines 10 to 13, inc.)	2,735.84
14. Death benefits paid No. 7	No. \$100 700.00
	21 No. 200 4,200.00
15. Membership fees paid agents	30.50
16. Refunds	
17. Total disbursements (lines 12 to 16, Inc.)	\$7,666.34
<b>BALANCE TO BE ACCOUNTED FOR ASSETS:</b>	
18. Cash shortage	
19. Cash on hand	
20. Bank deposit Branch Bank checking	710.30
East Federal Saving C.D. #6721	26,247.31
21. Securities	
22. Securities East Federal Passbook	5,742.25
23. Securities	
24. Total assets	\$32,699.86
<b>LIABILITIES:</b>	
25. Advance Assessments	\$3,206.70
26. Death benefits unpaid	0
27. Expenses unpaid	0
28. Total liabilities	\$3,206.70
<b>SURPLUS</b>	<b>\$29,493.16</b>

Number of assessments during the year 12 Race W Membership in good standing at close of books 2206

I hereby certify that the information given in the foregoing report is true and correct to the personal knowledge of the undersigned  
**SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN TO BEFORE ME, This 8th day of January, 1980**  
William G. Britt, Jr.  
Notary Public  
My commission expires Nov. 24, 1980

Secretary-Treasurer, Mary P. Vernon  
Street Address - P.O. Box 492  
City - Warsaw, N.C. 28398  
Telephone number 293-7575

**ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING OF COMMUNITY MUTUAL BURIAL ASSOCIATION WILL BE HELD ON FRIDAY, JANUARY 25, 1980, AT 5:00 P.M. AT COMMUNITY FUNERAL HOME, WARSAW, N.C. MEMBERS ARE URGED TO ATTEND.**

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