

# Weston-Phillips Exchange Vows

Catharine Boyette Phillips, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Herman Hoke Phillips of Warsaw, and Jerry Marvin Weston, son of Mr. and Mrs. Marvin D. Weston of Richlands, were united in marriage Sunday, the twenty-fifth of November at three o'clock in the afternoon at Johnson Baptist Church near Warsaw.

The Reverend Lonnie D. Munn, former pastor of the bride, and the Reverend Dale Albertson, uncle of the groom, officiated at the double-ring ceremony.

A program of nuptial music was presented by John Wright Boyette Jr. at the organ and Mrs. Nell B. Middleton at the piano. Selections in the organ-piano prelude included "Jesus, Joy of Man's Desiring", "Ave Maria", "Arioso", "The Green Cathedral", and "Meditation in D. Flat Major, Op. 90".

Mrs. Tommie Phillips, aunt of the bride, and John Wright Boyette Jr. served as vocalists. Their selections included "A Wedding Prayer", "The Gift of Love", and "The Lord's Prayer". Traditional wedding marches were used.

The couple spoke their nuptial vows before the church altar center with a massive but loosely arranged bouquet of peach sonja roses, white dutch lilies and stately white fugi mums faintly accented with bronze and white daisy pompons and gypsophelia. Two similar arrangements on podiums stood on either side down in front of the choir rail.

Standing alongside this center focal point stood two 15-lite brass spiral candelabra holding long, lighted tapers. Twin green flowing palms completed this solemn but elegant serene setting.

The bride was escorted to the altar and given in marriage by her father. She wore a formal gown of white satin, re-embroidered Alencon lace and pearls. The gown was fashioned with a raised bodice buttoning in the back and a Queen Anne neckline overlaid with beaded re-embroidered Alencon lace. The long fitted sleeves of appliqued English net were puffed at the top and closed with traditional bridal buttons. Alencon lace bordered the full A-line skirt and court train. Her full-length mantilla of imported silkened bridal illusion was elegantly appliqued and bordered with re-embroidered Alencon lace, pearls and iridescents. The bride carried a cascade bouquet of sonja roses and white miniature carnations interspersed with white fragrant stephanotis.

Rebecca P. Matamoras of Winson-Salem, sister of the bride, served as matron of honor. She wore a floor-length gown of teal taffeta fashioned with a fitted bodice with sweetheart neckline with spaghetti straps and full skirt accented at the waist with a narrow self-fabric belt. A short removable jacket with stand-up collar and tulip sleeves was worn.

She carried a petite cascade bouquet of peach sonja roses and white miniature carnations along with a hint of bronze daisy pompons.

Bridesmaids were Mrs. Janice W. Strickland of Walstonburg, sister of the groom; Mrs. Reecia Smith of



full long sleeves adorned with pearls. A softly gathered skirt was adorned at the waist with a self-belt ending with a bow.

The mother of the groom wore a formal gown of slate blue self-embroidered silk chiffon. The gown was fashioned with full long sleeves and a scooped neckline featuring the self-embroidery.

Each mother wore an identical pure white cattleya orchid tied with white lace ribbon.

The grandmother of the groom, Mrs. Heber Jones of Richlands, wore a navy blue silk street-length dress. Her corsage was made of white miniature carnations.

The groom graduated from Coastal Carolina Community College in Jacksonville and is presently self-employed as an electrician.

The bride received her B.S. degree from the University of North Carolina at Wilmington and her M.E. certification from Campbell University. She is presently employed by the Duplin County Board of Education in the Rose Hill-Magnolia Elementary School.

After a wedding trip to the mountains, the couple is making their home at Route 2, Richlands.

### Reception

Immediately following the ceremony, the parents of the bride entertained at a reception at the Country Squire, Kenansville.

### Pre-Nuptial Parties

Mrs. Johanna Cooper, Mrs. Hilda Miller and Mrs. Audrey Powell gave the couple a kitchen shower at the home of Mrs. Cooper in Warsaw.

The bride was honored at a Pizza Party given in the home of Mrs. Jan Holt with Beth Killelte as co-hostess.

On Nov. 3, Mrs. Rex Moore, Mrs. Bennie Wilson and Mrs. Ron Matamoros honored the bride at the bridesmaids' luncheon at Mrs. Moore's home on Fox Ridge Road, Warsaw. The bride chose this time to present gifts to her attendants.

On Sunday, Nov. 4, the couple was honored at the groom's church located on Route 2, Richlands with a traditional "White Bible Service". The young people in the church were in charge. A White Bride's Bible was presented to the couple at this time.

The couple was honored at a miscellaneous shower at the groom's church fellowship hall, Route 2, Richlands. Aunts of the groom were hostesses.

A Christmas tree ornament shower was given for Jerry and Catharine at the home of Mrs. Laura S. Jones. Mrs. Joe Lee Costin, Ms. Josef-Ann Wells and Mrs. Jones were co-hostesses.

On Nov. 11, a Wells aunt-and-uncle dinner party was given in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Bizzell Johnson in Rose Hill honoring the bridal couple.

The Country Squire was the setting for a dinner party honoring the bridal couple on Sunday, Nov. 18. Hosts and hostesses were Mrs. Betty W. Phillips, Mr. and Mrs. Hubert Phillips, Mr. and Mrs. Norwood Phillips, and Mr. and Mrs. Tommie Phillips, aunts and uncles of the bride.

Miss Reecia Smith and Mrs. Donna Dickson gave the bride a wine and cheese party in the home of Miss Smith.

The groom's parents entertained the couple and the wedding party at a rehearsal dinner in the fellowship hall of Johnson Baptist Church.

Warsaw; Mrs. Tribby P. Evans of Warsaw, cousin of the bride; Mrs. Jan Phillips Holt of Warsaw, cousin of the bride; and Miss Greta Albertson of Walstonburg. They wore gowns and carried flowers identical to that of the matron of honor.

Honorary bridesmaids were Mrs. Crystal Johnson Davis of Whiteville, cousin of the bride; Mrs. Donna Quinn Dickson of Aurora; Ms. Elizabeth Killelte of Warsaw; Ms. Kim Taylor of Kenansville; and Ms. Harriet Kissner of Magnolia. They wore long gowns of their selection and carried long-stemmed sonja roses tied with matching ribbons.

Marvin D. Weston of Richlands, father of the groom, served as best man. Groomsman were Ronnie Strickland of Walstonburg, brother-in-law of the groom; Marshall H. Phillips of Warsaw, brother of the bride; Alan Hoke Phillips of Warsaw, brother of the bride; Britt Albertson of Walstonburg, cousin of the groom; and Danny Weston of Durham, cousin of the groom.

Acolyte was Joseph P. Metamoros, nephew of the bride.

The mother of the bride wore a formal gown of burgundy silk chiffon and pearls over taffeta. The gown was fashioned with a beaded blouson bodice with a scooped neckline and

## ND Graduate Receives ECU History Scholarship

Seven graduate and undergraduate students in the East Carolina University Department of History have received scholarships from endowments established by Professor emeritus Richard C. Todd.

Five students received awards through the fund, established in 1974 to provide scholarships for undergraduate students in the history department.

Two additional scholarships were presented to students who are members of the Phi Alpha Theta honor fraternity. These scholarships were sponsored through a separate endowment established by Todd in 1980 to recognize outstanding members of the fraternity.

Each recipient received gifts totaling \$500 to be applied toward a year's tuition and fees.

A recipient of the Richard C. Todd Phi Alpha Theta History Scholarship is Susan D. Matthews of Faison. A graduate student in the Department of History, Matthews is a member of the History Honors Program and was an ECU honors student. She is a member of Phi Alpha Theta, Phi Beta Kappa, and Phi Kappa Phi. She has served as secretary for both Phi Alpha Theta and Phi Kappa Phi.

Matthews was a 1983-84 recipient of a Richard C. Todd Scholarship in History. She has been awarded a graduate teaching fellowship for 1984-85.

A graduate of North Duplin High

School in Calypso, Matthews received a BS degree in history from ECU in 1984.



Susan Matthews

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# Plantation Christmas And Open House At Liberty Hall

Decorating for Christmas in the 1850s was a family affair that sometimes involved the neighbors as the holiday season was a time for visiting and for feasting. The same is true as preparations are made for Liberty Hall Restoration to be open to the public on Sunday, Dec. 23 from 1 - 5 p.m. The elegant home of the Kenan family will again welcome guests to enjoy the beauty of its interiors filled with the natural decorations of the mid-19th century.

Rich Boyd, special consultant to the restoration, says it takes nearly 160 man-hours to create a Christmas that was like the Kenan family and their guests enjoyed. It also involves the community totally to make the open house festivities one of the highlights of the holiday season.

Dot Rollins has been working on administrative details for the open house and will assist in decorating Liberty Hall. Ms. Rollins, along with Patti Loftin, serves as curator. Dolly Cooper, assistant curator, provides invaluable service and dedication, not only at Christmas, but throughout the year.

The Kenansville Beautification Committee will provide refreshments and students in the Duplin Folk Arts Study group, under the direction of Ms. Shirley Gaskin, will serve as hosts for the occasion.

Prior to the day of open house, individuals like L.S. Guy, superintendent of Duplin County schools; Raywood Kennedy, Norwood West, Anne Craft, Al Smith, Maggie

Murphy and Alice Rich have generously contributed their time and talents.

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