

Senior Citizens Observance Set

Every 20 seconds another American becomes a senior citizen, joining the nearly 19 million men and women now over 65. Each year this total increases by 1 1/2 million people. May has been designated as Senior Citizens Month by President Johnson to recognize the accomplishments and needs of this rapidly growing segment of the population, Lex G. Barkley, social security district manager in Gastonia, reported today.

Social security has been instrumental in helping to meet the needs of this group, Barkley continued. More than 9 of every 10 persons now reaching 65 can expect to receive social security benefits, Barkley added.

For the past 25 years, since January 1940 when monthly benefits were first paid, social security has been providing a base upon which senior citizens could build to insure financial security for themselves after retirement, Barkley commented.

Social security monthly benefits play a considerable part in maintaining the economic stability of the community.

Studies show that senior citizens spend the greatest part of their social security check in the community for food, clothing, and housing, Barkley emphasized.

FOR HOW LONG IS FURNITURE GUARANTEED?

By GENE TIMMS

The guarantee on any merchandise is only as good as the reputation of the factory who makes it and the merchant who sells it.

We are always reminded of the woman who purchased silver-plated flatware which had a 20-year guarantee. After it had transpired a year later she discovered that both the dealer and manufacturer were out of business.

That's why it's such a good idea to deal with a reputable store that handles merchandise from reputable factories. This is especially important when you buy furniture. You only buy furniture a few times in your life, and you spend more than a few dollars for it.

Therefore, you rightly expect furniture to be long-lasting. The best bet that the furniture you buy will be of good quality — and that any complaints will be taken care of — is to buy from a good dealer.

Incidentally, there are certain things in this business which are not generally guaranteed. Unless specified otherwise, there is no guarantee on the wear or fading of floor coverings, draperies or upholstery fabrics. These items cannot be guaranteed for a specific length of time because the life of fabrics depends on the proper care, cleaning and exposure to the sun.

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Miss Emylee Houston, John C. McBrearty Pledge Vows In Macon Church Ceremony

St. Thomas Church of Decatur, Ga. provided the setting Saturday, May 8, for the 2 p.m. wedding of Miss Emylee Annette Houston, of Blakely and Atlanta, Ga. and John Carl McBrearty of Macon.

The bride is the granddaughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Lee McGill of Kings Mountain. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Emory Houston of Blakely.

Rev. John Simon Slattery officiated at the double-ring ceremony. White gladiolus, chrysanthemums and pom poms decorated the altar.

The bride was given in marriage by her father. Her formal gown of delustered satin had a crystal-beaded leaf design which encircled the neckline and repeated on the cummerbund that ended in a flat bow above the detachable train falling over the back fullness of a bell skirt. A satin and pearl cap held her shoulder-length illusion veil and she carried a crescent bouquet of white orchids and sweetheart roses.

Mrs. Joan Klein of Atlanta, matron-of-honor, wore a street-length dress of aqua chiffon fashioned along tunic lines and carried a crescent bouquet of pink roses.

Best man for the bridegroom was his father. Ushers were Michael Morton of Tulsa, Okla. and Bruce MacGregor of Macon.

The bride's mother wore a street-length blue chiffon dress with lace overblouse bodice. She wore matching accessories and a purple orchid corsage.

Mrs. McBrearty, mother of the bridegroom, chose an aqua silk shantung suit and matching accessories. Her shoulder corsage was a purple orchid.

Following the ceremony the bride's parents entertained at a reception at the Americana Motor Hotel in the Colubus Room which was decorated with chrysanthemums, carnations and glads.

The bride's table was overlaid with white satin cloth and held a tiered wedding cake embossed with white roses and wedding bells, topped with a miniature bride and bridegroom.

For traveling on a wedding trip to the Tennessee Mountains, the bride chose a pink shift All-Febranne rayon imported dress and white accessories and the orchid lifted from her bouquet.

The newlyweds will live at 1456 Newberry Drive, N.E., Apartment 2, Atlanta, until June 15 when they will move to Cape Kennedy, Fla., where Mr. McBrearty will be employed by NASA.

BRIDE AND BRIDEGROOM
Mrs. McBrearty is granddaughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. James L. Houston of Blakely. A graduate of Blakely high school, she attended Woman's College of Georgia and Georgia State College. She is employed by Emory University School of Medicine Research Department.

The bridegroom's parents are Mr. and Mrs. John Francis McBrearty of Macon. A graduate of Lanier high school, he is to be graduated June 12 from Georgia Institute of Technology with a

bachelor of electrical engineering degree.

REHEARSAL DINNER

The bridegroom's parents were hosts for the rehearsal dinner Friday evening at Holiday Inn in Macon. White chrysanthemums decorated the private dining room. The bride's dress was a blue sleeveless sheath with matching accessories worn with an orchid corsage.

The new Mrs. McBrearty was guest-of-honor at a luncheon on Thursday at Top 'O Peachtree in Atlanta. Hostesses were Mrs. Thea Scholze, Mrs. Joan Klein, Mrs. Eva Bhrkhalter, and Miss Mary Knox Lanier.

The honoree wore an imported rose Irish linen dress with matching accessories. The hostesses gave her an orchid corsage.

Parties Honor Nancy Hovis

Miss Nancy Hovis, bride-elect of June, was honored recently at two parties held in Statesville.

Mrs. A. G. Guthrie and Mrs. Ruth W. Woodward entertained at a bridal shower for 18 guests at the Woodward home. A color note of pink was carried out in the decorations and on refreshment plates.

The refreshment table was covered with a lace cloth and held a centerpiece of pink tea roses and candles.

Miss Hovis was given antique gifts from the hostesses—a relish dish and a pressed glass bread plate. They also remembered her with a corsage of yellow roses which she pinned to the shoulder of her pale blue dotted swiss dress.

Both Miss Hovis and her mother, Mrs. T. Lewis Hovis, attended the party.

Miss Hovis and her fiancé, Rev. Fred Archer, Jr. of Rock Hill, S. C., were honor guests at a dinner party for 16 guests at Womack's Restaurant in Statesville.

Hostesses were Mrs. Flake Jenkins, Mrs. David Hodgson, both of Statesville, and Mrs. James Elmore of St. Stephens, S. C.

Placemarks were single red roses and an arrangement of spring flowers centered the long table.

The hostesses gave Miss Hovis a corsage of white carnations and gave the couple a steam iron as a wedding gift.

Mr. and Mrs. T. Lewis Hovis, parents of the bride-to-be, also attended the party.

Miss Hovis and Mr. Archer will be married here June 12 in Boyce Memorial ARP church.

LUTHERAN SERVICE

At St. Matthew's Lutheran church this Sunday after Ascension Rev. Charles W. Easley's sermon will be entitled, "The Sanity of Prayer." Members of the high school graduating class who are members of the church will wear their caps and gowns and march in the procession with the choir and the pastor.



Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Blalock

Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Blalock Honored On Golden Wedding Day Here Sunday

Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Blalock observed their golden wedding day Sunday at open house given by their children at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Carl McGinnis in the Bethlehem community.

The 50th anniversary theme of gold and white was predominant in decorations used throughout the McGinnis home.

Bill Wells and Robert Parker, grandsons of the guests-of-honor, were at the front door to welcome arriving callers and Mrs. Bill Wells, granddaughter of the Blalocks, introduced the receiving line which included her parents and grandparents and other children of the guests-of-honor: Mrs. George Wray, Mrs. Thurmon Lyon, both of Kings Mountain, Mrs. Paul Walker of Lincolnton, Mrs. Bill Ormand of Dallas and Roy Blalock of Charlotte.

Mrs. Roy Blalock invited guests to the dining room and Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Blalock directed from the den to the gift room where Mrs. Dathia Sanders and Mrs. Jim Yarbro received and entertained.

A second receiving line formed on the side porch included sons-in-law and grandchildren; Thurman Lyon, Bill Ormand, George Wray, Paul and Theodore Parker and Ted Anthony.

Assisting in serving were Mrs. Ted Anthony of Shelby, Mrs. Fred Metcalf of Dallas, Mrs. Lola Dixon of Cramerton and Mrs. Fred Tate of Kings Mountain. Mr. and Mrs. Frank Royster of Grover invited guests to register on the side porch and Mr. and Mrs. George Royster of Grover said goodbyes.

GOLD AND WHITE

Overlaid with floor-length cloth of white satin and tulle, the refreshment table in the dining room was highlight of decoration. A three-tier gold, green

Girl Scouts Win Awards, First Class Honors, Badges At Kings Mountain Court Of Awards Tuesday Night

First Class awards were won by four Kings Mountain Cadette courts during Court of Awards Tuesday night at St. Matthew's Lutheran church.

Presentation of the top awards featured the program held by the Kings Mountain Girl Scout Neighborhood.

The top awards went to: Gail Bennett, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. T. Luther Bennett; Donna Gladden, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Tom E. Anks; Linda Pearson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Roy Pearson.

Teresa Wallace, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Wylie Wallace, Jr. The four Cadette Scouts are members of Mrs. Raymond Holmes Troop 4 at Central Methodist church.

Other merit awards and badges went to the following Troop 4 Cadettes: Linda Pearson: challenge of active citizenship, challenge of Girl Scout promise, chef, good grooming, my government, reader, world trefol, and world understanding.

Gail Bennett: challenge of active citizenship, challenge of Girl Scout promise, animal kingdom, bird, chef, conservation, my country, my government, reporter, world trefol, world understanding.

Donna Gladden: challenge of active citizenship, challenge of Girl Scout promise, animal kingdom, mammal, reptile, public health and world trefol.

Teresa Wallace: challenge of emergency preparedness, challenge of active citizenship, challenge of Girl Scout promise, chef, child care, and lifesaver.

Doris Sisk: challenge of active citizenship, public health, social dancer and traveler.

Gayla Stacey: challenge of active citizenship, chef, clerk, conservation, public health, rock and mineral, traveler, world trefol.

Greenda Goforth: campcraft, clerk, creative writer, family living, first aid to animals, food raiser, games leader, good grooming, rock and mineral.

Debbie Davis: chef, conservation, food raiser, good grooming, life saver.

Teresa Gladden: child care, creative writer, games leader, homemaker, public health.

Carol Alexander: first aid, hostess, reader, social dancer, swimmer, traveler.

Jane Yates: animal kingdom, bird, insect, mammal, reptile, water life, clerk, child care, creative writer, good grooming, reader, plant kingdom, plants and trees.

Phyllis Queen: lifesaver, rock and mineral.

Vickie Bowen: chef, child care, good grooming, lifesaver, rock and mineral.

Five troops of Kings Mountain Girl Scouts participated in Tuesday night's Court of Awards program.

They included: Troop 157 Junior Girl Scouts

of Boyce Memorial ARP church led by Mrs. M. D. Phifer, Mrs. D. L. Bennett, and Mrs. Floyd Queen.

Troop 3 Cadettes of Boyce Memorial ARP church led by Mrs. James Pursley.

Troop 155 Juniors of First Presbyterian church led by Mrs. Joe Neisler, Jr. and Mrs. D. T. Waters.

Troop 4 Cadettes of First Presbyterian church led by Mrs. Raymond Holmes.

Troop 189 Juniors of Bethware School P-TA led by Mrs. Buford Ware, Mrs. Max Bolin and Mrs. Henry Fite.

Junior Troop 155 led the flag ceremony and Mrs. Thomas L. Trotter, Neighborhood chairman, welcomed the large crowd of parents and Girl Scouts. Troop leaders presented thevarious awards and merit badges and Miss Kay Anderson of the Pioneer Girl Scout Council showed a film as highlight of the program.

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It's A Girl

For Barry Stroupe

Mr. and Mrs. Barry Stroupe, route 2, Grover road, announce the arrival of their second child—a daughter — Deborah Renee, May 21, Gaston Memorial hospital.

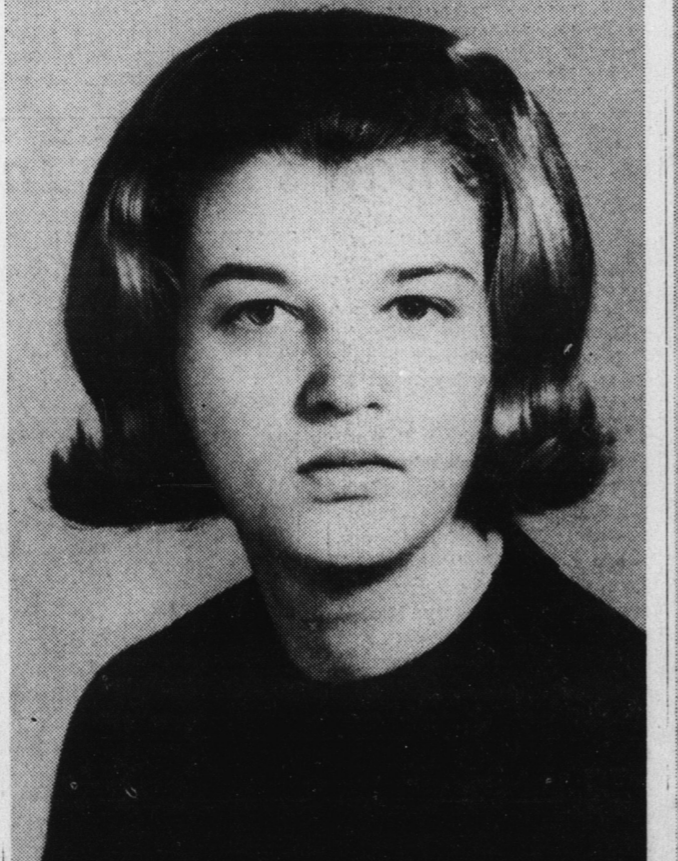
Kings Mountain grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Lester Welch and Mr. and Mrs. Vance Stroupe.



BEAUTY QUEEN AND RUNNERS-UP—Reta Vollbracht, center, was crowned Miss Upper Cleveland County and also received a second trophy as Miss Congeniality during a pageant sponsored by the Upper Cleveland Junior Chamber of Commerce Saturday night. Flanking the Queen are Cheryl Christeena Caldwell, left, first runner-up, and Linda Joyce Swink, second runner-up. Miss Vollbracht is daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Dale Vollbracht of Kings Mountain. A senior at Burns-Fallston high school, she will represent Upper Cleveland County in the 1966 Miss North Carolina pageant. She will attend next month's pageant in Charlotte as a spectator. (Photo by Bill Jockson)



ENGAGEMENT ANNOUNCED — Mrs. Holland A. Horn announces the engagement of her daughter, Sandra Veau, to Charles Eugene Connor, son of Mr. and Mrs. Jim Connor. Both families are of Kings Mountain. The bride-to-be is daughter of Mrs. Horn and the late Mr. Horn. Both the bride-elect and prospective bridegroom are graduates of Kings Mountain high school. Miss Horn is employed by M & J Finance Company in Shelby and Mr. Connor is in the U.S. Navy stationed in Mayport, Fla. The wedding will be an event of July.



ENGAGEMENT ANNOUNCED — Mr. and Mrs. George Stroupe announce the engagement of their daughter, Diane, to James Robert Ledford, son of Mr. and Mrs. Plato Ledford. Both families are of Kings Mountain. The bride-to-be is a senior at Kings Mountain high school. The prospective bridegroom is a graduate of Kings Mountain high school and is employed by Harris-Teeter Super Markets. The wedding will take place June 6 at 12 noon in East Side Baptist church.



ENGAGEMENT ANNOUNCED — Mr. and Mrs. B. R. Davis of Gastonia announce the engagement of their daughter, Sandra Kaye, to Charles Eugene Gibson, son of Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Gibson of Kings Mountain. No date has been set for the wedding. A graduate of Ashley high school, the bride-to-be is employed by Diana Corporation. The prospective bridegroom is a graduate of Kings Mountain high school and attended East Carolina college. A member of the North Carolina National Guard, he is employed by Bennett Brick & Tile Company.



ENGAGEMENT ANNOUNCED — Mrs. Bertha Ellison of Kings Mountain announces the engagement of her daughter, Viola Magdalene, to John David Kilgore, son of Mr. and Mrs. Claude D. Kilgore, Sr. of Calhoun Falls, S.C. The wedding will be an event of August 15.