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# Her Dream Could Come True

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## Bicen Choir In Rehearsal

The Kings Mountain Bicentennial Choir will meet for rehearsal Sunday afternoon, July 18, 3 p. m., in the fellowship and activities building of First Baptist Church, Kings Mountain. Each choir member is urged to attend this rehearsal.

The choir will be singing Monday evening, July 19, at the B. N. Barnes Auditorium in a program sponsored jointly by the Gaston and Kings Mountain Baptist Associations. A drama group from Atlanta is on the program, also an address by Dr. Thomas Courts, President of Wingate College.

### FAMILY GET-TOGETHER

Mr. and Mrs. Joe G. Hicks, former residents, were honored at a family get-together Sunday at their home in Asheville.

Eleven of their 13 children, 29 of their 39 grandchildren and 10 great grandchildren attended the family reunion.

Rev. and Mrs. John Hicks, also former residents of Asheville, were hosts. Rev. Mr. Hicks is Associational Baptist Missionary for Buncombe County.

The 60 family members represented the two Carolinas, California, Michigan, Wisconsin, and Ohio.

Attending from this area were Mr. and Mrs. L. H. (Bud) Stewart, their daughter, Miss Debbie Stewart, and their grandchildren, Cassie and Kelly Stewart; and Mr. and Mrs. W. O. Pressley of Grover.

### IT'S A GIRL

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Carroll of Charlotte announce the arrival of their first child, a daughter, Wendy Leigh, June 28, Charlotte Presbyterian Hospital.

Wendy's grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Curtis Carroll of Kings Mountain and Mr. and Mrs. George Goode of Charlotte.

Wendy represents the fifth generation in her father's family.

### BAKE SALE SATURDAY

Grace United Methodist Church will sponsor a bake sale Saturday beginning at 10 a. m. in the church fellowship hall for benefit of the church bus fund.

Homemade cakes, pies and cookies will be on sale.

### BRIDE-ELECT HONORED

Miss Brenda Stone, bride elect of Otis C. Falls, 111, was honored July 1st, at a Lingerie shower, hosted by Mrs. Michael McDaniel and Mrs. Barry Bumgardner.

The party was held at the Oak Grove Baptist Fellowship Hall.

The bride-to-be received a corsage of yellow and white daisies from the hostesses which was pinned to her dress of blue and white polka dots.

The refreshment table was overlaid with white linen and held a arrangement of wild flowers in a cut glass container. Individual cake squares, cheese straws, nuts and punch was served to approximately twenty five guest who called between 7 p. m. and 9 p. m.

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American Legion Post 155 has booked the popular "Maurice Williams and the Zodiacs", for a dance on Saturday night, July 31.

Advance sale tickets are \$10 a couple. At the door the tickets will sell for \$15.

According to Commander Rick Moore, the seven-piece band plays a variety of music and has played in a number of supper clubs all over the country.

Vivian Stewart (Mrs. Arthur) Biltcliffe never dreamed she'd like to write poetry or that a book of her verse might be published. The Kings Mountain housewife has just completed a collection of more than 150 poems, which are being considered for publication in a book, "Unlock The Beautiful" by a New York publishing house.

After undergoing major surgery in late 1972, Mrs. Biltcliffe said that one early March morning the following year she wrote the inspirational, "Make Life Beautiful" and from that beginning came hundreds of others written in ballad style on an optimistic note, including poems on religion, nature, people, birds, flowers, and even one about her husband, a mailman, called, "Picking Up

The Pieces" which was reprinted in the North Carolina Letter Carrier in March 1976. Arthur Biltcliffe has captured the attention of many of his wife's poems. Mr. Biltcliffe has retired from the postal service after many years as a Kings Mountain mail carrier, now enjoys gardening and yard work at their North Goforth St. home and is one of his wife's most avid fans, in addition to their two sons and daughter-in-law.

Reading one of Vivian's poems uplifts her family if they are depressed and the whole family has encouraged Mrs. Biltcliffe to write, which she does, everyday.

Arnold Biltcliffe and his wife, Wanda, and their 12-year-old son, Loris, live in Columbia, Tenn. and Wanda, a secretary for a writer, does all Vivian's typing for her manuscripts. Arthur Biltcliffe, Jr. lives at home with his parents.

Vivian Biltcliffe declares that she can look at anything beautiful and see poetry in it. God is author of all that's beautiful, says Vivian, and "I dedicate my life to God at the beginning of each day and He gives me the inspiration for my writing."

Mrs. Biltcliffe has discovered that early morning is the best time for writing, although she jots down her thoughts as quickly as they come to her, at times in the middle of the night.

A native of the Dixon Community, one of four daughters of the late Mr. and Mrs. Ed Stewart, Vivian was an avid reader in school and liked to write compositions and her own debates. Before her marriage she worked in the sewing room at Margrace Mill, was introduced to her husband by a visiting cousin, Arthur Biltcliffe, native

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THE POET - Mrs. Biltcliffe composes her poetry from ideas such as trees and flowers. Her words are the language of romance - a love for life and all living things.

# MIRROR-HERALD

Section B LIVING TODAY

Thursday, July 15, 1976

## 'Remember' Returns To Barnes This Saturday

"Remember...1776-1976" a stirring tribute to the American flag and the men who served under Old Glory, returns to B. N. Barnes Auditorium Saturday night at 8 p. m. for a special show before a state-wide meeting of the American Legion Auxiliary.

Kings Mountain area citizens who did not see the 20-scene show with a cast of 35 musicians, dancers and entertainers at the initial performances in May, are invited to attend. Tickets may be purchased at the door at \$5 for adults. Student tickets and advance sale tickets are \$3.

"Remember" comes from the title of a narrative written by East Tennessee Congressman James Quillen, recorded by M-Sgt. Johnny Short, retired, of Casar. Short will be featured in the title song.

Jackie Allison of the country duo of Keith and Jackie will portray Mrs. Preston Goforth in the 1780 scene where she goes to the battlefield of Kings Mountain to bring back the body of her husband. The Revolutionary War Hero is portrayed by Roy Starnes. Mrs. Allison will sing "One Day At A Time" in the moving scene depicting Nancy Goforth's search for her slain husband.

A number of visiting American Legion and American Legion Auxiliary dignitaries will be recognized. Mayor John Moss will give the welcome and will recognize visiting officials.

The Saturday night program will highlight a full weekend of activities to be hosted by Kings Mountain Unit 155 of which Mrs. Orangrel Jolly is president.

Members of the Executive Board will begin arriving at noon at Royal Villa, lunch will be served by the hostess unit from 12:30 until 1:30 p. m. at the American Legion Building and workshops will be held until 3 p. m. when State President Elizabeth Stewart of Kings Mountain will call the meeting to order at 3 p. m. The Sunday program will include a memorial and communion service at 9:15 a. m. at Royal Villa to be attended by both the American Legion and Auxiliary and a buffet Homecoming luncheon to be served by Post 155 from 11:30 a. m. until 1:30 p. m. at the American Legion Building honoring the city's first state president of the 11,000-member women's patriotic organization.

State Legion Commander J. B. Trexler of Salisbury, leader of the state's nearly 50,000 Legionnaires, will take part in the activities.

The two-hour musical salute Saturday night features top talent from the two Carolinas in country gospel and blue grass music fields. Plantation scenes, battle scenes, square dancing, "Remember Pearl Harbor," scenes from America's assassination period, with Jonas Bridges as narrator, are among show features.



FRONTIERSMEN - Ken Daniels, left, Roy Starnes and Brian Allison, right, portray the frontiersmen in one of the scenes from "Remember - 1776-1976" to be presented Saturday night at 8 p. m. in B. N. Barnes Auditorium.



Photos By Butch Vess

KEITH AND JACKIE ALLISON - Popular country music singers, Jackie and Keith Allison, are pictured above in one of the scenes of "Remember 1776-1976" to be presented Saturday night at 8 p. m. in B. N. Barnes Auditorium.



EARLY SETTLERS - Carl and Angela Brooks and their daughter, Alicia, portray the early settlers in one of the scenes of "Remember 1776-1976" to be presented Saturday night at 8 p. m. in B. N. Barnes Auditorium.