

# Four To Make Debut

Four Kings Mountain area young ladies will be among the 101 from 16 cities and towns who will make their debut to Western North Carolina society at the 84th annual Debutante Ball June 8 and 9 of Shelby Junior Charity League.

Making their formal debut will be Barbara Marilen Patrick, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Lawrence Patrick of 523 Battleground Ave.; Kathleen Barker Sincx, daughter of

Dr. and Mrs. Francis John Sincx of 404 Edgemont Drive, Wanda Diann Barrett, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Tony Dale Barrett of Rt. 3, and Frances Elizabeth McLean Musselwhite, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Eugene McMillan Musselwhite, Jr.

The formal presentation will take place on Saturday evening, June 9th, in Malcolm E. Brown Civic Auditorium in Shelby.

In the early Ball years, girls wore pastel gowns and carried a nosegay tied with pastel ribbons. Eventually, the custom was established that each girl wears a long white gown, long white gloves and carries a bouquet of red roses.

Each of the young debutantes traditionally choose their fathers as chief marshal and an escort for the numerous social functions preceding the ball.

Co-chairmen of the 1979 Ball are Mrs. Dick Palmer and Mrs. Jac ReVille. Debutante Secretary is Mrs. Don Yelton, assisted by Mrs. John Schweppe, Jr. League President is Mrs. T.G. Westmoreland. Mrs. Henry Ghigo is publicity chairman.

The Debutante Ball had its beginning June 7, 1946 when the late Mrs. Isabel Hoey Paul initiated the occasion. Since then, invitations have gone out each year to a select group of young women in their senior year of high school. The Ball has traditionally been held the weekend after high school graduation.

Members of the Junior Charity League spend hundreds of hours each year in preparation for the Ball, to insure that it is a social, as well as financial, success. Proceeds from the Ball, along with funds from other money-raising projects, help support a year 'round charity program including a Clothing Room for needy children.

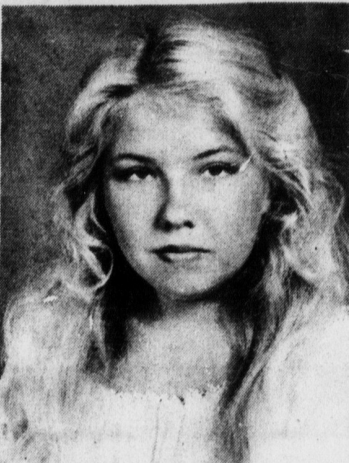
Since 1946, when 24 young ladies accepted invitations as "sponsors" of the first Ball, the event has grown to a well-established social custom in Western North Carolina. Post-war frugality dominated the first Ball, where the only decorations were crepe paper garlands. This year, Debutantes will be presented from the stage of the Malcolm E. Brown School-Civic Auditorium, decorated as a beautiful Southern garden.



WANDA DIANN BARRETT



FRANCES MUSSELWHITE



BARBARA MARILEN PATRICK



KATHLEEN BARKER SINCOX

**SMITH RETIRES**—Thomas W. Smith, center, is congratulated for long service by Bill Arial, left, Division manager at Reeves Brothers, Inc. Osage Mill, and Ken Kiser, plant manager. Smith, of Rt. 4 recently retired after 21 years service. He received a framed retirement award, Bible and watch from the textile chain.



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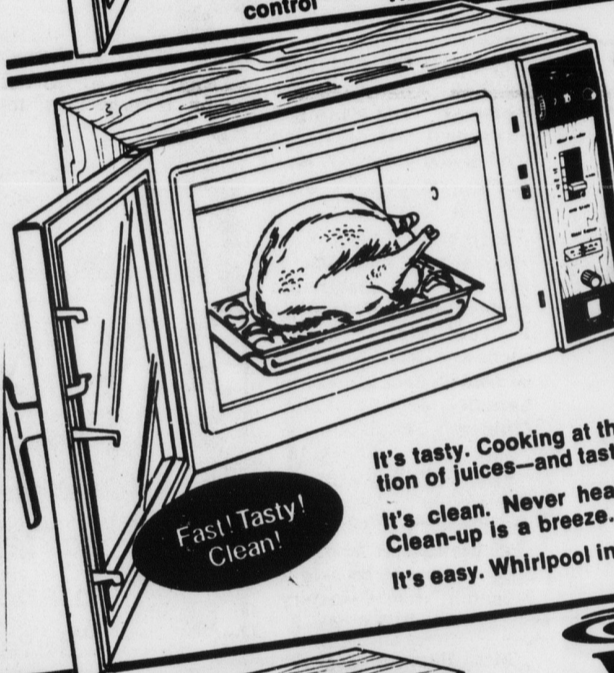
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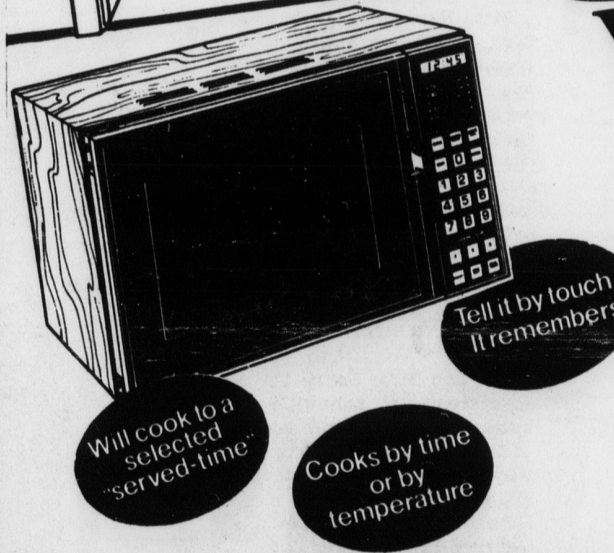


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## Ms. Hudson Is Honored At Luncheon

Miss Laura Ann Hudson, whose wedding to Hugh Harrison Hayes, III of Charlotte takes place June 30th, was honored last Saturday at a 12:30 luncheon at the home of Mrs. H. Carl Mayes on Ridge Street.

Entertaining with Mrs. Mayes were her daughter, Mrs. M.A. Ware, Jr. of Charlotte, and Mrs. Carl F. Mauney and her daughter-in-law, Mrs. Charles F. Mauney of Kings Mountain.

Tomato juice cocktails and cheese straws were served as guests arrived. The Mayes home was beautifully decorated with spring flowers. Guests were served a three-course luncheon from tables arranged with spring bouquets.

Miss Hudson received guests in a street-length vanilla raw silk ensemble. Assisting in greeting, along with the hostesses, were Mrs. Irvin M. Allen, Jr., mother of the bride-elect, Mrs. Hugh Harrison Hayes, Jr., mother of the prospective bridegroom, and Mrs. George Houser, grandmother of the bride-to-be.

Also present as special guests were Miss Jo Ann Hayes and Mrs. James Stancil, both of Charlotte, sisters of the prospective bridegroom, Mrs. Hugh Ed Howard of Charlotte, Mrs. Haywood Allen and her daughter, Mrs. Ellis Monroe, both of Shelby.

Miss Hudson's place was marked with a good-luck horseshoe and pair of lovebirds. The bride's table was covered with Battenburg lace cloth and centered with bride's bouquet of spring flowers from Mrs. Mayes' garden. Luncheon was served to 24 guests.

The hostesses presented the bride-to-be with a dinner plate in her china pattern.



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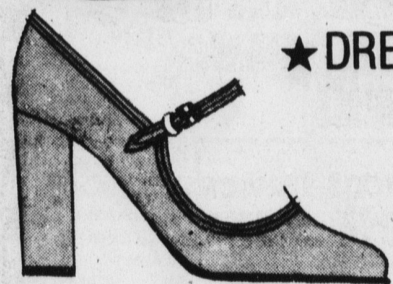
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