

Seashore Not Too Far From The City

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RELAXES—Clyde Huffman relaxes on the porch of his recently-opened seafood restaurant, an addition to the family grocery store and service station in the Dixon Community. Huffman likes the seashore and has

incorporated the theme in his business, developing what he likes to term his own vacation spot. When he isn't building homes, he helps out in the kitchen along with other members of his family.

The three teenage daughters of Clyde and Gloria Huffman are proof that you don't have to be an "old married woman" to know how to prepare good food.

Myra, 13, Sherran, 15, and Lisa Huffman, 17, have been cooking seafood since long before the Huffman family decided to expand their family service station-grocery store on Dixon Road.

According to their father, the whole family works together, in the home and business.

The Kings Mountain native, son of the late Mr. and Mrs. Theodore Huffman, Sr., is a good example of a "jack of all trades". He started at the age of 11 to build wagons for his little brothers and watched his father until he was able to construct a tool shed in the backyard, his first big building project.

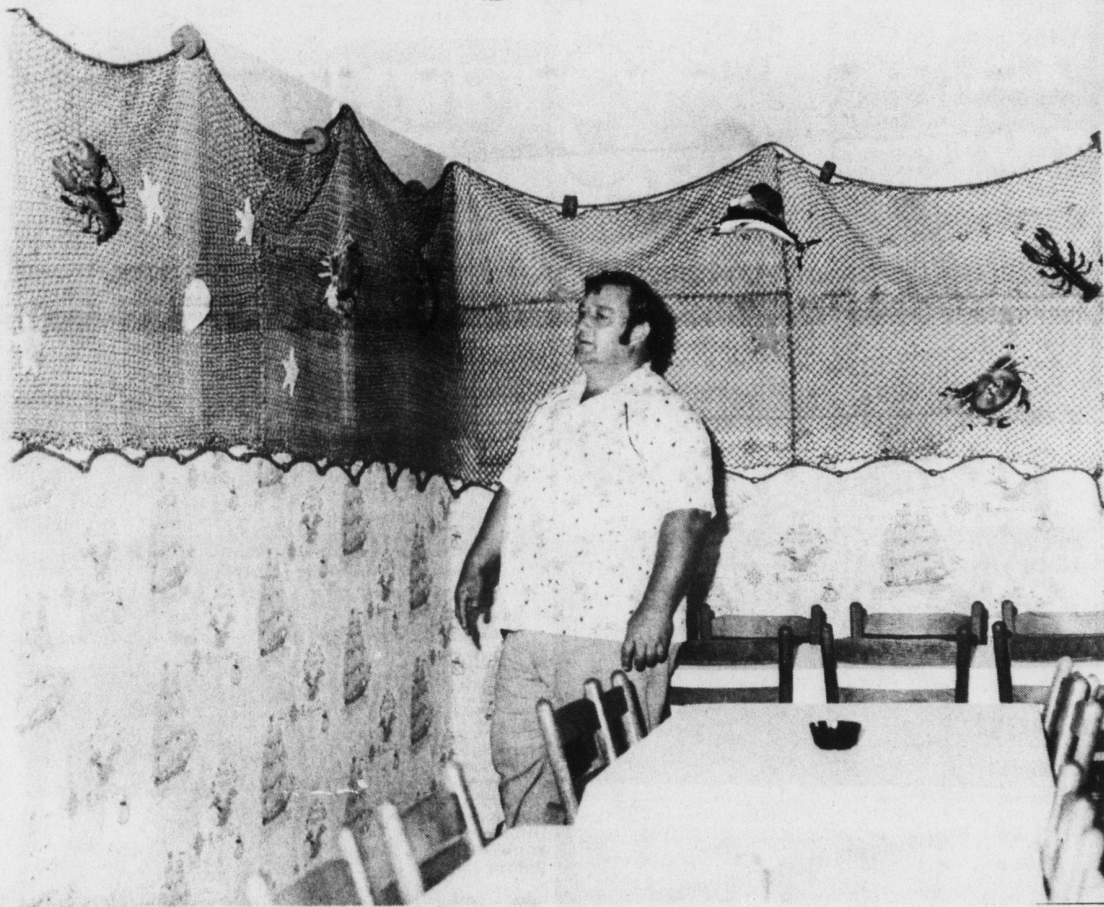
"Back when I was growing up on a farm, we learned to use our hands to do everything", said Clyde, "and it wasn't uncommon for us to build our own toys. He attended Blacksburg, S.C. High and worked in the Shipping Department of Burlington Mills for 10 years before getting into the house building trade "in earnest".

Cracking the house market in Kings Mountain is hard to do, but Huffman has a number of architectural showplaces to his credit and has developed a number of new homes in the Dixon Community. He built the home of the Jim Testas and under construction by his company now is the home of Mr. and Mrs. Mike Brown on Cherryville Rd., a two-story 4,000 square foot

residence which will also feature a large deck. Huffman's home, which sits atop a hill in the Dixon community with the mountains in the background, is a two-story colonial which he and his family designed. Some of his houses were designed "off the top of my head", according to Clyde, and from pictures submitted. He was a member of the construction team which built Spectrum Industries.

Because he and his family enjoy the seashore, Clyde and his good friend and associate, George Boone, decided to bring some of the sea to Kings Mountain. The walls of the new restaurant are decorated with seascapes painted by Boone and covering "false windows" with netting from the coast strung throughout the dining area. The Huffman family serve as chefs and waitresses.

And when Clyde isn't involved in construction work himself, he's in the kitchen, too, along with his son, three daughters, and his wife.



SEASHORE THEME—Netting and pictures feature the interior of the Clyde Huffman family business on Dixon Road. Huffman, a "jack of all trades" has been

in the construction business a number of years, learning the trade from his late father and beginning at the age of 11 to fashion wagons for his brothers.



SERVES VISITOR—Mrs. Oscar Jones, left, serves a seafood plate to Mrs. L.D. (Jo) Lee in the Huffman kitchen. Clyde Huffman said that tourists traveling

along I-85 frequently stop at the restaurant-service station.

Debutantes Looking Forward To Busy Weekend

Kings Mountain area debutantes can look forward to a busy weekend of activities leading up to their formal debut to society June 9th.

The Ball weekend will begin on Fri., June 8, with a debutante registration brunch for mothers and daughters at North Lake Country Club at 11 a.m. and continue that day with rehearsal from 4 until 7 p.m. at Malcolm E. Brown Auditorium and highlighted by a Buffet-Ball at Shelby Elks Club from 8 until midnight. Debs and their chief marshals will participate in a Debutante Waits to feature the event.

Fathers Golf and Tennis will feature Saturday events, all day, at Cleveland Country Club. A Garden Party will be held at North Lake Club for debs and their assistant marshals from 11 a.m. until 1 p.m. and a Mothers Luncheon is slated for 11

a.m. at Cleveland Country Club.

The formal presentation will begin at 8 p.m. in Malcolm Brown Auditorium.

The 34th annual Ball is sponsored by Shelby Junior Charity League.

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Miss Robin Dickey and her mother, Mrs. James Dickey, honored Miss Lesia Hughes with a kitchen and pantry shower Tuesday, May 15th, at the Dickey home on Phifer Road. Robin will be a bridesmaid in the wedding of Lesia and Fleete (Monty) Wilson on July 1st.

The guests were greeted by Robin and Mrs. Dickey in the den and shown to the flower garden where Lesia, her mother, Mrs. Betty E. Hughes and Mrs. Charles E. Dickey, her future

mother-in-law were introduced.

The wedding colors of yellow and white were used to decorate the garden. The bride's table was covered in a yellow cloth and centered with yellow candles and flowers. Fancy sandwiches, mints, nuts and cake squares were served with punch.

Upon arrival Lesia was presented a daisy corsage by the hostesses and the 20 guests presented her with pantry and kitchen items for her new home and also their favorite recipes.

Little Miss Talent competition in the performing arts for girls 5 through 12 in dance, vocal, acrobatic, instrumental, baton and variety will be held.

Competition for both boys and girls ages 13 through 18 will be held in the Super Stars Division in the same categories.



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These competitions will be held at Heart of Charlotte Convention Center - Holiday Inn, N. Tryon at Craighead Rd., July 13 & 14.

Current National Little Miss Nationwide Talent Holder is Wendy Dorris from Davenport, Iowa. Super Stars - Janna Dunlop and Steve Maestas from Albuquerque, New Mexico.

Those desiring applications for their designated programs may send a stamped self-addressed envelope to Nationwide Youth Programs, 622 East Grand, Beloit, Wisconsin 53511.

department.

"Our special thanks go to Rev. Flay Payne, Theodore Byers, Mr. Canipe and all other volunteers for the great job they rendered", said Mrs. Sharon Stiles, "and to all the wonderful employees of KMCC for making this week a huge success".

Mrs. Frank Cox has a suggestion for use of those yummy strawberries which many local citizens are availing themselves recently and freezing for winter-time good eating.

Mrs. Cox said that strawberries can be substituted for bananas in your favorite recipe for banana pudding. Just sugar the strawberries and mash, do not cook. Alternate layers of crackers, berries and pudding mixture.

Top Model Regional Competition for North Carolina, South Carolina

and southern Virginia will be held Fri., July 13 - Sat. July 14 at the Heart of Charlotte Convention Center - Holiday Inn - N. Tryon at Craighead Rd. Competition in Jr. Division, ages 14 through 17, Senior Division, 18 through 25.

Current National winners - Kim Smith, Foxworth, Miss., Jr. Division; Janet Jensen, Bismarck, N. Dakota, Sr. Division.

In addition to Title Holder Awards, special awards will be given for style, figure, photogenic. Those desiring applications for Top Model may send a stamped self-addressed envelope to Nationwide Youth Programs, 622 East Grand, Beloit, Wisconsin 53511.

Miss Jessie A. Wingo, Cleveland County Home Economics Extension Agent, will test pressure cooker gauges for in-

terested citizens Thursday from 11 a.m. until noon and from 1 until 2 p.m. at Bridges Hardware Company.

The service is free to local citizens.

"With beginning of the canning season I am hopeful that many citizens will bring their lids, with dial gauges, by the hardware store for checking of accuracy", said Miss Wingo, who explained that gauges should be checked annually. Weighted-type cookers do not require checking.

SPECIAL SINGING

A quartet from Mountain View Baptist Church of Cowpens, S.C. and Faith Baptist Church Youth Singers will sing at Faith Baptist Church Saturday night at 7:30 p.m. Rev. Floyd Seay, pastor of the church, invites the community to attend.