Bethware Fair Opens September 13th

The 1983 edition of the Bethware Community Fair will open on September 13th and run through Saturday, September 17th at the Bethware School grounds. The fair has been in existance for 36 years and features farm and home exhibits, school crafts, farm machinery, livestock, and exhibits from local organizations.



Miss Laura Southards, 5th grade student at Bethware School, will reign as Little Miss Bethware Fair. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jerry B. Blanton of Kings Mountain.

Laura is active in G.A.'s and childrens choir at Oak Grove Baptist where she attends. Her interests include sports, needlework, and music. She was recognized for "Best Performance" at a recent piano recital.

She is the grand-daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Stokes Wright. Mrs. Fred Southards, Sr. and the late M. Southards of Kings Mountain, and Mrs. Vangie Blanton of Connelly Springs. Miss Sandi Watterson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Bill Watterson will reign as the Senior Miss Bethware Fair for the 1983 edition of the fair.

Currently, Miss Watterson is a Senior Class President at Kings Mountain High School. She is also Beta Club Vice President and an active member in the National Honor Society, FCA and the High School Band. She is also a member of Oak Grove Baptist Church where she serves as pianist for the adult assembly.

After high school, Sandi plans to attend college to study medicine.

This is the second year that the fair will run four days, and there will be two days termed family days. On Tuesday and Thursday armbands may be purchased that enable the wearer to ride as many times as he or she wishes for the one price of \$5.00. Opening time each day will be 4 p.m. Tues., 4 p.m. Wed., 1 p.m. Thurs., 3 p.m. Fri., 1 p.m. Sat. All exhibitors are requested to bring exhibits on Monday from 5 until 8 p.m. and Tuesday from 10 a.m. until 8 p.m. All exhibits will be judged on Wednesday, Sept. l4th and will be released on Saturday, Sept. 17th at 7 p.m.

Jack Harmon is president of the Bethware Progressive Club and Stokes Wright is fair manager. Magic Midways will be featured on the midway.

DeAnn Blanton Breaks Swimming Record

DeAnn Blanton of Athens, Ga., broke a state record which had stood since 1975 in the Southeastern United States Zone Swimming Competition in Winter Haven, Fla., last weekend.

The 12-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. DeWitt Blanton Jr., formerly of Kings Mountain, won first place in the 100 meter backstroke.

She recently set four records in the City-County Swimming Championships in Athens, winning the girls 50-free, 100-free, 50-back and 100-individual medley.

DeAnn is the granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. DeWitt Blanton of Kings Mountain.

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Roberts Appointed

RALEIGHT—Representative Joseph B. Roberts, III of Gaston County has been appointed to the North Carolina Criminal Code Revision Study Committee by House Speaker Liston B. Ramsey.

The committee was establish-

ed by the 1983 General Assembly to review and recommend revisions to update the criminal laws of the State.

Roberts, a Gastonia attorney, represents Gaston and Lincoln counties in the 44th House District.

