



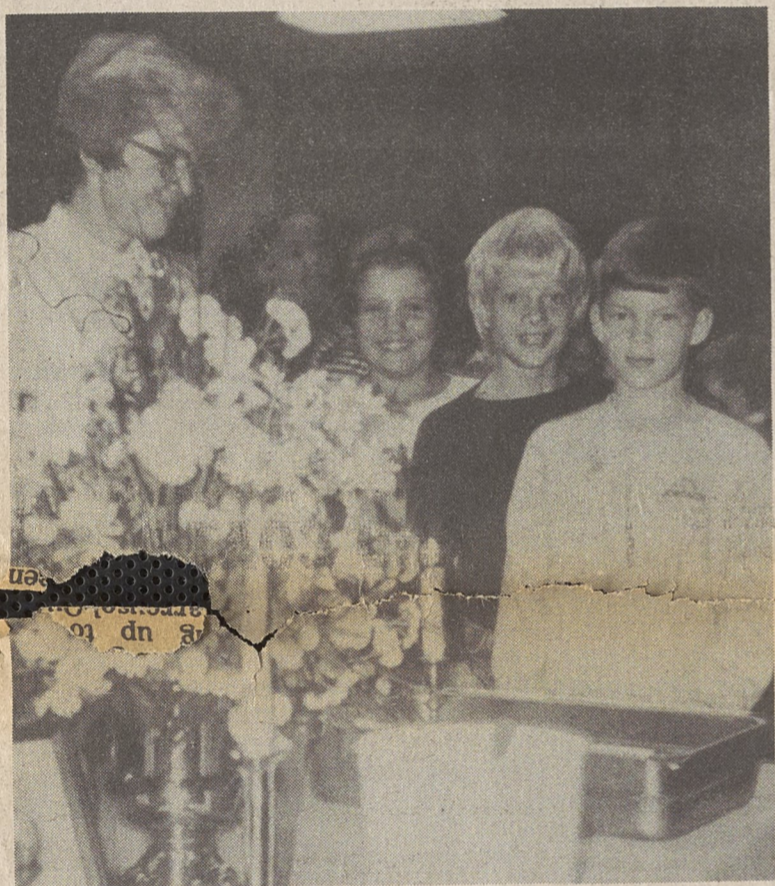
BETHWARE PARTY - Julienne Hambricht and Linda Carpenter, left, serve refreshments to students Karen Moore, Crystal Bridges, Shelley Leigh and Jeremy Gann (left to right) during Bethware School's celebration of Bach's 300th birthday.



BIRTHDAY PARTY - Shirley Hawkins, Food Service Manager at North School, serves cake to students Christy Hamrick, Sabrina Alexander and Rich Turner during celebration of Bach's 300th birthday.



WEST CELEBRATION - Shirley Austin, right, music teacher for Kings Mountain's five elementary schools, serves punch to a group of West School students during celebration of Bach's 300th birthday last week. Students, left to right, are Trey McIntyre, Derek Morrow, Sharon White and Becky Champion.



EATING AT EAST - Barbara Smith, left, serves cake and punch to students at East School during celebration of Bach's 300th birthday last week. Students, left to right, are Geneva Postell, Bobby Peterson and Doren Moore.

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Students Note Bach's Birthday

Elementary students in the Kings Mountain School District have been learning about Johann Sebastian Bach during celebration of Bach's 300th birthday.

The North Carolina Music Educators Association is promoting the celebration and the North Carolina Symphony Orchestra will play several of Bach's favorites during its annual Children's

Concert for elementary school students on January 13 at B.N. Barnes Auditorium.

Students from North, East, West, Bethware and Grover schools studied Bach last week under the direction of music teacher Shirley Austin. They were rewarded for their work with a Bach birthday party given by Food Service employees.

Smith In Final Race At Concord On Sunday

A race track holding its final major racing event of the season in December isn't all that common in North Carolina, but its something Concord Speedway promoter Henry Lee Furr has been doing successfully since 1978.

Sunday's Coors Turkey 100 at the 4-mile dirt track will mark the eighth edition of the event which Furr has promoted annually on the weekend following Thanksgiving.

A 100-lap feature for the late model wedge cars, paying \$5,000 to the winner, headlines Sunday's racing card. Also on tap are feature races for the semi-modified and super stock divisions. Action starts at 1:30 p.m.

Saturday (Nov. 30) the track opens at noon for practice with qualifying for the late model and semi-modified classes scheduled for 3 p.m. A feature race will be held Saturday for the super stock class.

Traditionally the Turkey 100 has drawn one of the best fields of cars and drivers of any race of the year and is blessed with unseasonably mild and sunny weather.

And while track officials can only hope regarding the weather, early entries such as Freddie Smith, Buck Simmons, Fulmer Lance, Jeff Purvis, Billy Scott, Jack Pennington, Eddie Gibbons, David Lucas, Chuck Stokes and Steve Moran indicate that Sunday's race will indeed boast one of the most competitive fields of the season.

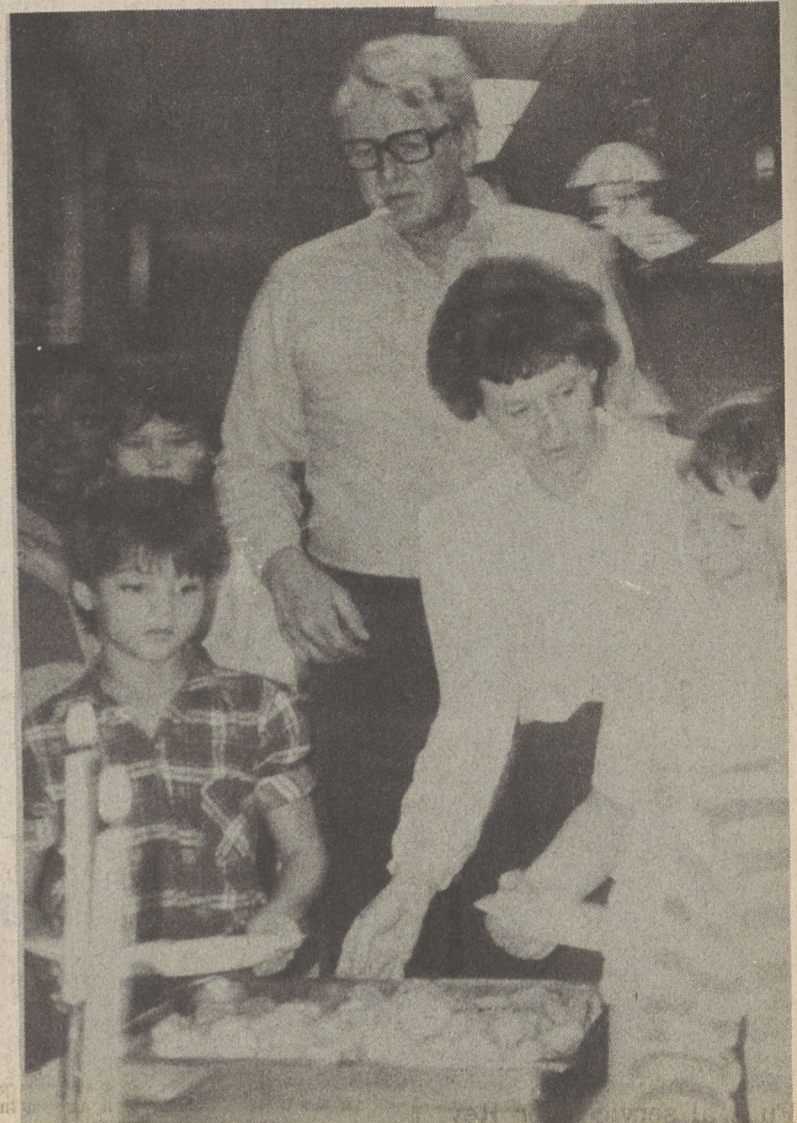
Furr began hosting the Coors Turkey 100 in 1978 when he was promoting races at Metrolina Speedway. He moved the event when he opened his ultra-modern racing facility at Concord in 1982.

This year the Coors Turkey 100 takes on even more importance since Concord Speedway established the lucrative Big 10 racing series and designated Sunday's season ender as the final race

in the series point battle as well.

The point champ in the \$55,000 point battle will take home \$10,000, with drivers rounding out the top five getting \$6,000, \$5,000, \$4,000 and \$3,000 respectively.

The current point standings are: Gibbons, 824; Smith, 788; Simmons, 752; Allen Weiss, 740; Lance, 738; David Lucas, 724; Freddy Query, 724; Moran, 720; Pennington, 714, and Paul Croft, 690.



CELEBRATE BACH'S BIRTHDAY - Grover School librarian Joyce Van Dyke and Principal Jim Scruggs serve cookies to Grover students last week in celebration of Bach's 300th birthday.

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