

Engagements



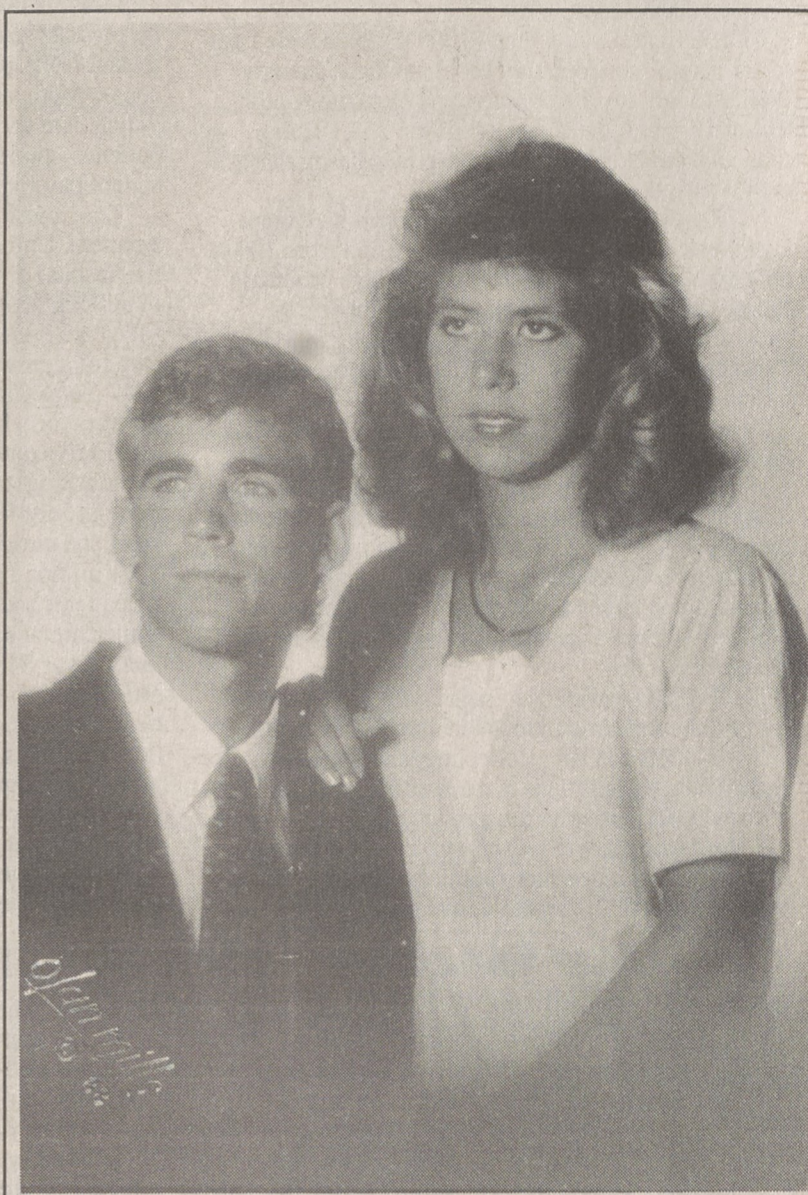
**CASSIE LEANNE STEWART**

**ENGAGEMENT ANNOUNCED**-Mr. and Mrs. Tony Stewart of Kings Mountain announce the engagement of their daughter, Cassie Leanne, to William Russell Turner, son of Mr. and Mrs. Donald Turner of Blacksburg, S. C. The bride-elect is a 1987 graduate of Kings Mountain Senior High School and is employed in the Retail Store of Hamricks, Inc. of Gaffney, S. C. The bridegroom-elect is a 1986 graduate of Blacksburg, S.C High School and is employed in the Compounding Department of Hoescht Corporation. The wedding will be an event of July 22.



**DEBORAH ANDREWS**

**ENGAGEMENT ANNOUNCED**-Mr. and Mrs. James E. Amos of Kings Mountain announce the engagement of their son, Jim, of Hawaii, to Deborah Andrews of Tucson, Arizona, daughter of Mrs. Sibyl Andrews of Omaha, Nebraska. The bride-elect is a graduate of the University of Nebraska at Omaha and is pursuing a career in the Criminal Justice area. She currently holds the rank of Captain and the position of Commander of the 222nd Transportation Company in the Arizona Army National Guard. The bridegroom-elect is a graduate of Wake Forest University at Winston Salem. He currently holds the rank of Captain and is assigned as the Adjutant, 45th Support Group, Scholfield Barracks, Hawaii. He will receive his promotion to Major in September. The wedding will take place May 21 in Las Vegas, Nevada. The newlyweds will reside in Mililani, Hawaii.



**JILL MICHELE BROOKS  
GREGORY BAINE CARRUTHERS**

**ENGAGEMENT ANNOUNCED**-The engagement of Jill Michele Brooks to Gregory Baine Carruthers is announced by her parents, Kay C. Barker of Kings Mountain and O'Brien Brooks of Charlotte. The bridegroom-to-be, son of Carol H. Lowry of Gastonia and Woodrow Carruthers of Winston Salem, is self-employed by Baine Carruthers Horticultural Service Inc. The bride-elect is now attending North Carolina State University at Raleigh and will receive her B.S. in Recreation Resources Administration in December 1989. A Spring 1990 wedding is planned.

## Hobgood-Campbell Engagement Announced

The engagement of Miss Cherri Descrea Hobgood to Dr. Jeffrey Paul Campbell is announced by her parents, Milton Hobgood of Cary and Sylvia Hobgood of Eden.

The bridegroom-to-be, son of Mr. and Mrs. George Campbell of Kings Mountain, is a 1988 graduate of UNC School of Medicine at Chapel Hill. He is a resident in

Otolaryngology Head and Neck Surgery at North Carolina Memorial Hospital in Chapel Hill.

The bride-elect will graduate in May, 1989 from UNC School of Medicine and will begin her residency in Family Medicine in July at N.C. Memorial Hospital at Chapel Hill.

An October wedding is planned.

Anniversary



**MR. AND MRS. WESLEY THOMASSON  
Celebrate 50 Years**

Catherine Jones, the daughter of John and Alice Bennett Jones, met Wesley Thomasson when she went to work in the Sadie Cotton Mill the summer she was 15. Wesley had come from Murphy, Cherokee County, N. C., with his parents and family to work in the mill. His parents returned to their home in Peachtree, leaving Wesley in Kings Mountain.

The following year, Catherine dropped out of school in May and married Wesley. They started housekeeping on the Sadie Village.

The Thomassons live at 1002 Woodside Drive in Kings Mountain. Their children are Johnny Thomasson of Kings Mountain, Gerald Thomasson and Joan Thomasson Owens of Bessemer City, and Danny Thomasson of Leland, North Carolina. Their son, Jackie, whose family lives in Leland, died in 1986.

The Thomasson family planned a 50th anniversary party for Catherine and Wesley but illness intervened. Later this summer, when the grandchildren can come, the family will celebrate together.

## May Is Older Americans Month

By SHARON KEARNS

*Age is a quality of mind,  
If you have left your dreams behind,  
If hope is cold,  
If your ambition fires are dead,  
If you no longer look ahead,  
Then you are old.  
But if from life you take the best,  
And if in life you keep the jest,  
If love you hold*

*No matter how the birthdays fly,  
No matter how the years go by,  
You are not old.*

--Anonymous

The message conveyed in the preceding poem easily parallels with the purpose of every senior citizen in America.

No matter what a person's age may be, our nation's senior centers' main objective is to help its participants live full, happy and productive lives.

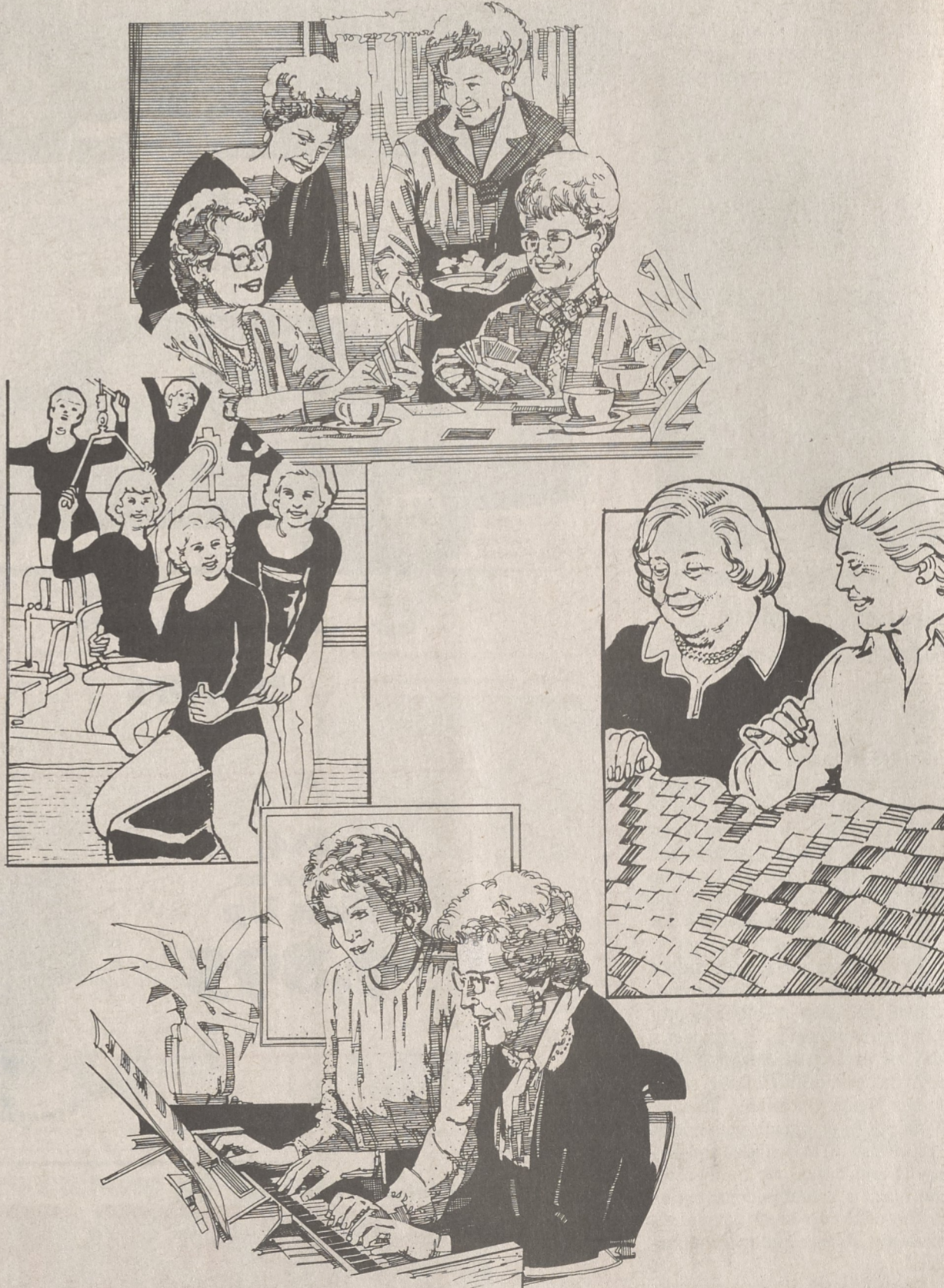
Many people believe in that purpose and intention and show their believes in various ways. With one million North Carolinians being over the age of 60, North Carolina Governor James G. Martin proclaimed May as "Old Americans Month" and the week of May 14-20 as "Senior Center Week."

Although Senior Center Week plays a significant role in Older Americans Month, both events have separate themes. The 1989 theme for Older Americans Month is "Aging, Aren't We All", and the theme for Senior Center Week is "Senior Center--An Open Door."

The local center, which is located in the renovated Southern Railway Depot at 301 North Piedmont Avenue, is participating fully in the special week of activities. With more than 3,000 senior adults in the Kings Mountain area, and that segment of the population steadily increasing, the center today plays its most significant role ever.

Monty Thomburg, director, feels an obligation to keep the local center both vital and full of opportunities and services.

"The medical community, during the last century, especially, has added years to life," he says. "Now



it's our turn as human service providers to add life to those years."

This week the center has scheduled the following activities:

Tuesday, the seniors spent the day at Schiele Museum in

Gastonia, viewing exhibits and walking the nature trail.

Today, a picnic was held at Lake Crawford for seniors from Kings Mountain and Shelby.

Friday, a one-mile walk for fun and fitness is scheduled. The walk

will begin at 10 a.m. at the Depot with Kings Mountain Mayor Kyle Smith leading the way.

Friday at 7:30 p.m., a 50's dance will be held at the depot. Prizes will be awarded to the best dressed male and female.