

CARE PACKAGE - Children at Dot's Day Care helped their parents collect food, clothing, toys, household items and money for victims of the recent tornado in Cleveland County. They helped pack the van for the trip to the Bliss Center in Lawndale and the money was sent to the Cleveland County tornado victims in care of the Kings Mountain Baptist Association. Children helping in the project were Wilder Clark, Ashley Williams, Casey Rucker, Lacey Pearson, Brad Deaton, Amanda Willis, Dean Lowrance, Cody Putnam, Greg Putnam, Bradley Wease, Michael Clark, Steen Grant, Emily Rountree, Isha Simmons, Jonathan Lowrance, John Early, Lindi Johnson, Wesley Lail, Cati Tate, Lindsey Hawes and Jen Scism.

## Family Reunion Held

Long

Creek

FRANCES

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Myrtle Beach.

Stormy Neal and Yvette Weaver,

recent graduates of Bessemer City

High School, spent "graduate

week" sunning and funning at

day at Carowinds Sunday before

Stormy gets back "in the grind."

Marie and Stormy Neal spent the

She is working at Carowinds this

Golf Items

8 x 10 Pratice Net

\$39.99

7x9 Net & Frame

\$84.99

Also: Golf balls, bags, gloves, Dexter & Nike Shoes

Last Sunday the Bridges family gathered at Long Creek for the Bridges Reunion. Since the last reunion held on the first Sunday in June 1988, three Bridges Brothers have died-Roy, Jim and Hood. The remaining brothers and sisters were all present this year for the gathering at Long Creek. These include Bryte Foster of Chester, S.C. Bonnie Absher of Bessemer City, Arnold and Ray Bridges of Lewis Farm Road, Kings Mountain, and Tom Bridges of Lexington. There were children, grandchildren, and great-grandchildren of eleven of the twelve children of Ervin and Margaret Bridges present for Sunday's reunion. Special guests were Charles and Betty Davenport and Bryan, Jason and Carrie. There were approximately 75 people in attendance at the Bridges reunion.

The young couples' Sunday School Class had a cookout for their members and families Saturday, June 10. Charles and Betty Davenport are teachers for this group. They had about 20 people present for this even held at the church.

April Wilson has been a guest of Andy and Mark Wilson and Justin and Jacob Wilson for Bible School at Second Baptist Church in Cherryville June 5-10. They also enjoyed and cookout on Saturday morning and a commencement exercise on Sunday night.

Summer fun started Tuesday morning at Long Creek. Children from 3 years old to Jr. High age attend from 9 to 12 each Tuesday morning for bible study and recreation. This is also known as "Mothers' Morning Out."

## G-W Is Character Builder

BOILING SPRINGS — Gardner-Webb College is one of 92 colleges nationwide to be honored by the Templeton Foundations as a "character building college."

The Templeton Foundations Honor Roll is an annual listing of schools which "best exemplify campuses that encourage the development of strong moral character among students." It was compiled by polling college and university presidents and directors of development of all four-year accredited institutions in the United States.

The Honor Roll is sponsored by Templeton Foundations, founded by John Marks Templeton, in the belief that our country's institutions of higher learning should not only turn out individuals of strong intellect, but of strong character as well.

## AARP To Meet Next Tuesday

The Kings Mountain Chapter of AARP will hold its regular monthly meeting June 20 at 3 p.m. at the Kings Mountain Depot Center. The board of directors will meet at 2 p.m.

The group will be celebrating its third anniversary with a covered dish meal. All 61 members and others interested in joining the group are urged to attend.

Dr. Benjamin Pool, optometrist, will be the guest speaker. Doras McClain is program chairman.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

The Abuse Prevention Council needs volunteers to provide shelter coverage five hours each month (Mondays through Fridays between 8 a.m. and 5 p.m.) If interested, call Ellen Brackett at 487-7129.

## How To Spell Relief: C-h-a-m-p-i-o-n-s-h-i-p

How do you spell relief? North Carolina State 3-A Baseball Championship!!! that's how you spell relief for me here in mid-June 1989. I was at the saturation point of grief and sadness, and at the same time, rejoicing because someone else was released from pain and turmoil. My memories were in such a twirl it had left me dizzy. And the darling doctor tells me dizziness is one of the most common complaints and symptoms of those over 60. This might be comforting to those under 20, but not the three score and ten bunch.

Anyway, the ball games came in the very best nick of time for me. It was a marvelous diversion. And Glenn and I had the luxury of being driven to the games by Paul and Holly, had our chairs set up for us, used Paul's double umbrella, got the royal treatment on every hand. Paul already has several mother-in-law points toward Oct. 22. And, of course, Jim Reid's vacuuming the ball field will surely be in his favor towards Mother-In-Law Day.

Many times here lately I've seen families, friends, churches, the community come together to support each other on various occasions. These ball games were a proof of the pudding of what can happen when you work, play, weep and laugh together, cheer each other on, practice, persevere, listen, learn, respect leadership and each other, follow directions, learn to lose and try again, enjoy the process, win, celebrate and give thanks.

Each night as we faced the U. S. A. flag and heard The National Anthem for a few moments there was no opposition. It was not team against team, but one nation, one fellowship, under God.

Pawleys Island

Rope Hammocks

•54x82 \$89.99

•60x84 \$98.99

It has been legalized not to have



public prayer before athletic events. Legislation can never quieten the prayers of the individual as long as there is liberty and justice for all. The silent, inner prayer can outshout even the loud speaker.

All during the ball games I was in prayerful gratitude for having had the pleasurable privilege of watching this championship team grow up. We have seen most of those boys play ball with each other competitively and cooperatively for about 10 years. And here they are now being an example for us, in a miniature and mighty way, showing the whole world how we can all be winners if we play by the rules and care about each other.

And now for one more account of the tooth of root canal fame. This will keep Patsy from dozing. I got the tooth at last crowned and paid for Thursday morning. Everybody was pleased to have it over and done with. I was eating a banana Friday morning and out came the crown. The dentist

office was closed, so I called Pam Montgomery to report the calamity. I had a good time doing all the talking. When I'm at the dentist they are either blow drying my mouth, drilling, scraping or something and doing all the talking. But on the telephone I could tell Pam all about the terrific ball game and the remarkable game Grover's own Keith Allen pitched. Pam says Andy is all set for Bible School. Stay well, Andy.

Jean Francis spent the weekend in Easley, S. C. with Steve and Sandra Francis. Jean is going back to school again this summer at UNCC. Bucky and Sybil Hardin were in town again to be with their families and especially with James Byers. I checked with Tina and

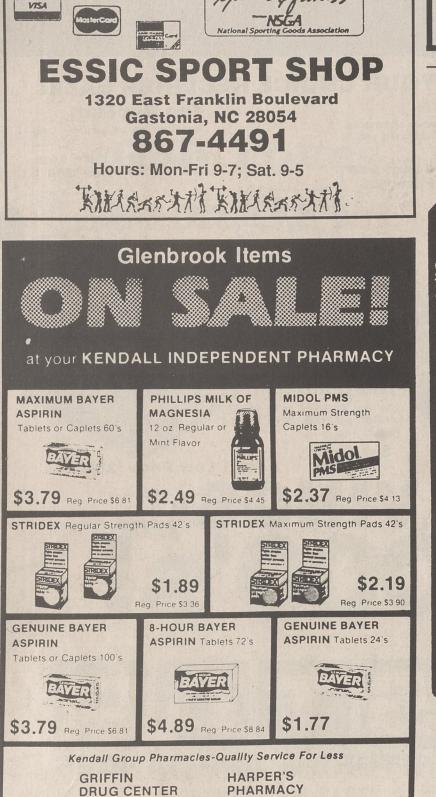
they hope Maria Harry will be home this weekend from Atlanta. Edith Morgan is off to Georgia for a week-long class and choir reunion. Joel has returned from his adventures in England and France.

Paul and Holly got in their Father's Day points a week early. They went with Glenn and me to the Rountree Reunion in Georgia. This reunion started out many years ago as a birthday dinner for one of the sons in a family of 10 children. It was such a happy time it became an annual event and increases in numbers with the years. As the years went by so did those children, their mates and many of their children. We are down to an aging group of cousins and their offspring. But even a remnant can keep a family spirit alive and well.

More champions are in the making at the ball field in Grover just about every evening. It's a good summer evening outing to watch and play.

Those orange sacks along the highway surely look better than the litter. Adopt a highway.





Offer good through July 1

