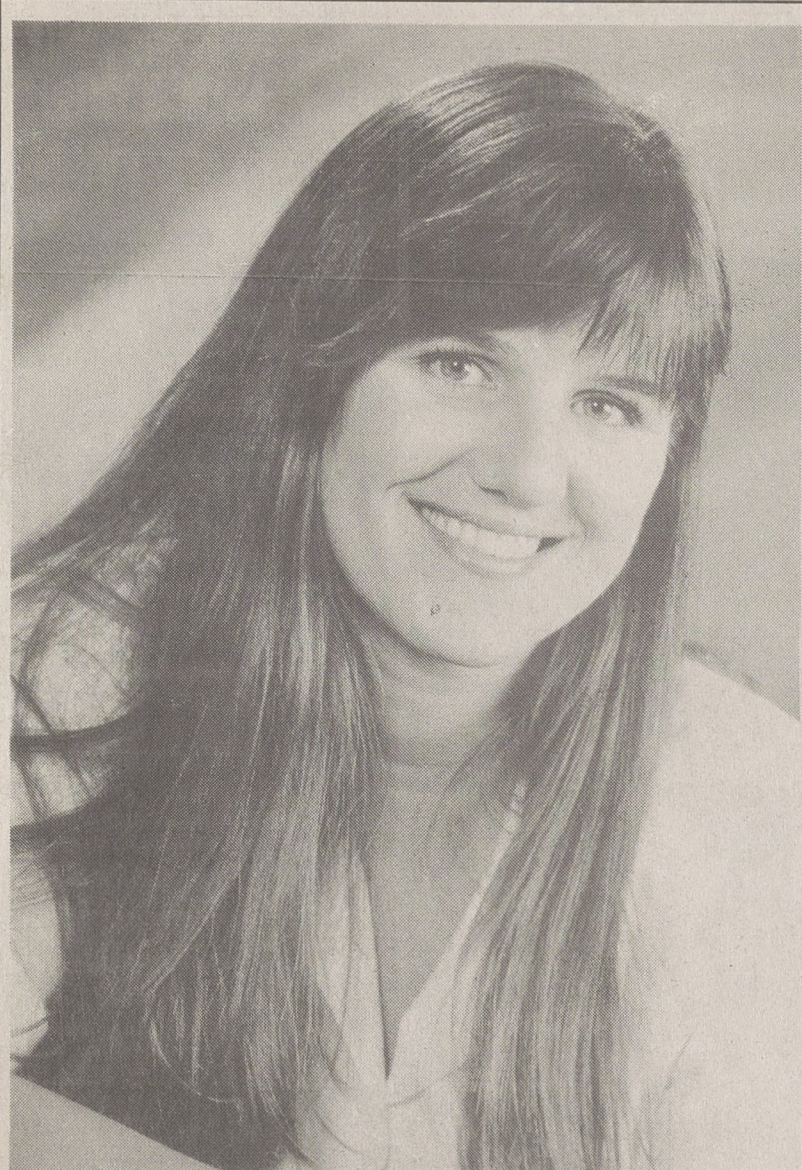


Engagements



ELEANOR HACKETT

Hackett-Ballew

Mr. and Mrs. John Patrick Hackett of Cranston, Rhode Island, announce the engagement of their daughter, Eleanor, to John Anderson Ballew of Kirkland, Washington, son of Mr. and Mrs. William Charles Ballew of Kings Mountain.

Miss Hackett is a 1982 graduate of Brown University with a bachelor's degree in English.

The bridegroom-to-be is a graduate of Kings Mountain High School and the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, where he was a Morehead Scholar.

Both the bride-elect and bridegroom-to-be are employed at Precor, Inc., manufacturer of high-end aerobic fitness equipment based in Washington state.

The wedding will take place on Saturday, September 5, at 11 a.m. at Manning Chapel, Brown University, Providence, Rhode Island. The reception will be at Rhodes-on-the-Pawtuxet, Pawtuxet Village, Rhode Island.



AMY ELIZABETH MINNIX

Minnix--Hamilton

The engagement of Amy Elizabeth Minnix of Shelby and Charles Everett Hamilton IV of Kings Mountain is announced by her parents, Jack and Jane Corey of Shelby and Steve and Freida Minnix of Lattimore.

The bridegroom-to-be, son of Charles E. Hamilton III of Kings Mountain and Marilyn Plott Hamilton of Gastonia, is a 1987 graduate of Kings Mountain High School and a 1991 graduate of Appalachian State University. He is employed with Medical and Professional Systems Inc. of Charlotte.

The bride-elect is a 1989 graduate of Shelby High School and a 1992 graduate of Gaston College School of Nursing. She is employed by Cleveland Memorial Hospital.

The wedding will be an event of December 19.

BROWN

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Rose King of Salisbury, college roommate of the bride, Monica Ann Scism of Kings Mountain, Julie McGinnis Simmons of Hickory, and Gale Dawson Yarborough of Kinston, sister-in-law of the bride.

All the attendants wore floor-length gowns of iridescent taffeta and tapestry. The bodices were fitted with a Basque waist and off-shoulder sweetheart necklines. The light aqua skirts were full and accented in the back with a large bow. They carried cascades of garden roses, mini carnations, stephanotis, and Stars of Bethlehem in shades of pink and white with rose ribbon streamers.

The bridegroom's father was best man.

Ushers were Harvey B. Bowen Jr., cousin of the bridegroom, Scott David Carpenter, and James Alexander Jewell, all of Shelby, Eric Dean Rich of Charlotte, and Terry Eugene Yarborough of Kinston, brother of the bride.

Shawn Webster Wright presided at the register.

Alison Cole Hannah distributed wedding programs.

The bride's parents hosted the beautifully-appointed reception after the ceremony in the church fellowship hall.

Mr. and Mrs. Elbert Bowen, parents of the bridegroom, hosted the rehearsal dinner Friday night at Kings Mountain Country Club.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Tommy Yarborough of Kings Mountain and granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. Howard Lee of Boiling Springs. A 1986 graduate of Shelby High School, she was presented at the 1987 Shelby Junior Charity League debutante ball. She graduated in 1990 from UNC-Charlotte with a degree in nursing and is employed by Gaston Memorial Hospital as a registered nurse. Currently, she is a graduate student at UNC-Charlotte pursuing a Master of Science degree in nursing.

The bridegroom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Elbert Bowen of Shelby. He is a 1984 graduate of Shelby High School and a 1988 graduate of the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. He is employed in computer operations at Overnite Trucking Company in Gaffney, SC.

DUNCAN

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Their dresses were of a spring floral print featuring full skirts, complimented with bows on the shoulders and melon sleeves.

William Roy Duncan was his son's best man.

Groomsmen were Sean DiCristofaro of Huntington, West Virginia, Andrew Faust of Kings Mountain, and Sheldon Grigg of Gastonia. Acolytes were Brad and Chris Burner of Princeton.

The guest register was kept by Bethan Faust of Kings Mountain and Adele Moutz of Blacksburg, Virginia.

Distributing programs were Leslie and Laura Logsdon of Bristol, Virginia.

The wedding was directed by Scott and Karen Kephart of Princeton.

The bride's parents hosted a traditional reception in the church fellowship hall. The rehearsal dinner was hosted by the bridegroom's parents.

The bride is a 1987 graduate of Princeton Senior High School and a 1991 graduate of Virginia Tech, Blacksburg, Virginia, with a BS degree in Biology. She is employed by First Christian Church in Princeton.

The bridegroom is a 1987 graduate of Kings Mountain High School and a 1992 graduate of Virginia Tech with a BS degree in Engineering Science and Mechanics. He is employed by Virginia Tech and will begin graduate studies in the fall.

After a honeymoon trip to Killington, Vermont, the couple reside in Blacksburg, Virginia.

DEATON

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bridegroom.

The bride's parents hosted the reception after the ceremony in the church fellowship hall.

The bridegroom's parents hosted the rehearsal dinner June 26 at the home of the bridegroom's aunt and uncle, Mr. and Mrs. Mike Brown.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Lewis of Kings Mountain are parents of the bride, granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Lewis of Ashtabula, Ohio and Mrs. Mildred Bixel of Kings Mountain and the late Roy Bixel. A graduate of Kings Mountain High School and Gaston College, she is employed by Dynamatrix Weight Loss Clinic in Shelby.

The bridegroom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Deaton of Kings Mountain and grandson of Mr. and Mrs. Elvin Brown of Kings Mountain and the late Mr. and Mrs. Deaton. He is a graduate of Kings Mountain High School and Gaston College and will attend Gardner-Webb College in the fall. He is employed by Cleveland County Mental Health Department in Shelby.

After a wedding trip to Myrtle Beach, SC the newlyweds are residing in Kings Mountain.

It's a girl for Ruckers

Jamie and Shannah Rucker announce the birth of a daughter, Jessica Haley Rucker, born July 25 at Gaston Memorial Birthplace.

Grandparents are Gary and Pat Smith of Kings Mountain and Pat Hambricht of Kings Mountain, and Tommy and Shirley Rucker of Kings Mountain. Great-grandparents are Lurene Procer of Kings Mountain and Crawford and Gladys Rucker of Kings Mountain.

Tuft reunion set

The Tuft family reunion will be Aug. 1 at 1 p.m. until 6 p.m. at the Kings Mountain Community Center.

Jessica weighed six pounds, eight ounces and has an older brother, Casey, 5.

Eaton's sales and earnings increase

Eaton Corporation today announced increases in sales, earnings and earnings per share for the second quarter of 1992. For the second quarter, income from continuing operations was \$42 million, or \$1.22 a share, on sales of \$1 billion. This compares with 1991 second quarter income from continuing operations of \$27 million, or \$.80 per share, on sales of \$855 million.

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