



L-T AWARD - Sherry McDaniel Brown and her husband, Eddie, accept the Kings Mountain Little Theatre's Lifetime Achievement Award on behalf of her mother, the late Joe Ann "Boots" McDaniel. Making the presentation is Jim Champion.

KMLT presents awards

Kings Mountain Little Theatre honored two veteran performers with "Outstanding Lifetime Contribution" awards at the recent Sample the Season at Kings Mountain Woman's Club.

Nan Jean Gantt Grant and the late Joe Ann Walker McDaniel were honored for long participation and achievement in the Little Theatre, not only as actresses and longtime members but as directors of many shows during the organization's long history.

Sherry McDaniel Brown accepted the award for her mother after a presentation by Jim Champion.

Grant was presented the engraved plaque by Steve Marlowe.

Over 100 L-T patrons enjoyed punch and party refreshments at the recent "Sample," which included reviews of upcoming productions.



Nan Jean Grant accepts the KMLT's Lifetime Achievement Award at the recent "Sample the Season." Making the presentation is Steve Marlowe.

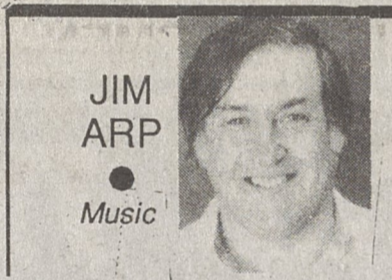
Jerry, a fabulous song writer

The other night I was talking to a friend in Nashville. Jerry Foster is a fabulous song writer. He's written hits for just about any big name you can think of in country music.

Jerry was on the road when I was. He was also doing rock-a-billy music. We both played at the Bambo Ranch in Savannah. Billy Joe Royal and Joe South also played there.

We got to swapping stories from the fifties. That's where our hearts are anyway. After I hung up the phone, I lay back on the bed half drunk on nostalgia. My mind got up and looked through the gates of tomorrow. I couldn't see any satisfaction as it peeped around the corner. Back it came, rested for a moment, then tore out and climbed to the top of the mountains of truth that lie just inside the outskirts of yesterday.

From its lofty perch it stared across the barren fields of yesteryear. They were littered with broken promises and lines. A land full of heartaches and sorrow.



Now and then a good dream would materialize. Then it would quickly fade like an echo from the distant past. Ideals lay buried, a headstone the only hint they ever existed.

As the journey continued, a shroud of a fog-like substance began to envelope everything. Then on the other side of somewhere, a faint sound of music came drifting through the mystic haze. Soon it drove the mist away. Hope replaced doubt. The future looked pretty good.

The fifties came roaring in bring new music, romance and fun. Even the fall wasn't quite as bad. Like the man said, "Nothing is born to

live forever." Too soon the fifties slipped away and reality took their place. Those of us who were teenagers through the fifties will hold a fond memory of those days. They bring back both good and sad recollections. Most of us will see them more like we wanted to than they really were.

I still have the faith in the music. I know the fall will come. I may not be here to see it, but that won't stop it. I still can't figure out how the seasons know when to change their clothes.

To all of you who love the fall, take heart. It won't be long til you hear that big explosion of orange and yellow. It will rip the leaves from the trees, leaving them to face winter naked. It will take away the butterflies, flowers and lazy shady summer afternoon. It will destroy everything spring worked so hard to create. It will drive away summer, sending it wherever summer goes. I'll be waiting for spring to get back from vacation.

Community Concert season begins Sunday at Huss

Albert McNeil and the Jubilee Singers is the first concert group of the season appearing before Gastonia Community Concerts October 11 at 3 p.m. at Hunter Huss High School in Gastonia.

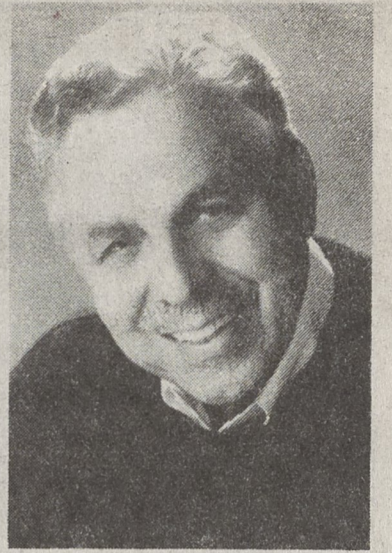
Acclaimed as singing ambassadors in 59 countries, the group has carried their music to the great capitol of the world with 15 sold-out European tours as well as tours of Africa, the Middle and Far East, South America and the United States.

The repertoire of the Jubilee Singers is focused on the rich genre and vast body of African-American music known as Spirituals. The Singers feature a selection drawn from the tribal music of the earliest slaves, the patios and calypso of the Caribbean, as well as the jazz and gospel of more recent times.

Albert McNeil founded the group 23 years ago. A native Californian, he is presently Professor Emeritus of Music at the University of California Davis, where he was director of choral activities for 21 years and headed the Music Education Department.

The McNeil Jubilee Singers' ensemble is his creation and he has dedicated himself to upholding a choral tradition of excellence with the presentation of the classic spiri-

tual around the world. He is an author and editor of music education textbooks and presently directs the choir of Congregational Church of Christian Fellowship in Los Angeles. In December of 1989, he was guest conductor for two performances of the Utah Symphony Chamber Orchestra and Chorus in the 74th annual presentation of Handel's Messiah by the Oratorio Society of Utah in the Salt Lake Tabernacle and the California Community College Honor Choir in October, 1990.



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In order to earn the designation CIC (Certified Insurance Counselor), each individual must have attended five institutes covering all phases of the insurance business and passed five rigorous examinations. Additionally, the National Society requires annual attendance in the program to maintain the designation.

Warlick, a 36-year veteran of the industry, has been a CIC since 1985. Warlick said he believes insurance consumers are best served by those who acquire and maintain a high level of professional excellence by meeting the continuing education requirements of the CIC program.

Contemporary line dance classes are underway on Mondays at 7:30 p.m. for eight weeks at the Adult Recreation Center in Gastonia. Call Cynthia Simpson at 866-6842 to register. No partner necessary. Cost of the class is \$30 per person.



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Larry Langson actively participates in the community as well. He wants to help make Gaston County a better place for our children. His involvement includes Horizon House, Gaston County Commission on Family, Gaston Families in Action and the Gastonia Children's Council.

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