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Activity Agenda

Of Interest To Women...By Sylvia Holmes
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BETHWARE SCHOOL P.T.A. meets on Thursday, May 11th, at 7:30 p.m. at the school. Election and installation of officers.

Housewives Celebrate!

This should really be a week of celebration for all local housewives. For the first time since I care to remember, grocery prices are coming down. That's right, DOWN.

For the past few years we have watched helplessly as the contents of our grocery carts cost more and more as we try to buy less and less. It wasn't just penny increases, but when items increase by several pennies or even nickels it really hurt the pocket-book.

Despite posted signs telling us that base prices are available upon request, food continued to rise in price recently, and we all felt frustrated about the situation.

But now things are changing for the better. We normally expect some seasonal price decrease at this time of year but we should get an unexpected bonus of generally lower prices in this area of North Carolina.

One of our local supermark-

ets has discontinued its trading stamp program and expects to pass on the benefits to the customer in the form of lower prices. As a consequence, there has been a noticeable rush to the stamp redemption stores to redeem bulging books for gifts before the stores go out of business.

Another of our local supermarkets has become a discount food store this week, closing last Monday in order to reduce prices throughout the store. I hope I am not going to wake up and find that this is all a dream.

Maybe, for a change, I am going to enjoy grocery shopping once more. I will not need to buy a pocket calculator that many women now carry with them. These handy devices enable the shopper to tally each item as it goes into the cart and if the total price exceeds one's budget, then an unnecessary luxury item may be replaced on the shelves before the check-out line is reached.

Edith Bunker was excited the day the package dating code was broken at her local supermarket!

One improvement I am looking for may possibly take place soon because it seems that legislation may be passed in order to bring this change into effect. The improvement concerns the packaging of bacon. It seems that legislation will govern the packaging and make it possible for the purchaser to view the entire slice of bacon and not just that tantalizing small strip that is currently in view through the package "window".

I confess that I am guilty of almost tearing bacon packages apart in my efforts to view what I am buying.

Meanwhile we can all look forward to shopping with a smile instead of a frown and perhaps we can afford steak again once in a while. S.H.

Mrs. Biddix Honored With Dinner

Mrs. Frances Biddix of 621 East Gold Street was honored Sunday, May 30th, by her children at a birthday dinner celebrating her 70th birthday. She was born April 27, 1902. Mrs. Biddix is the wife of the late R. C. Biddix and mother of ten children; 6 sons, Seimore, Clarence, J. W., Jay, and Earl, all of Kings Mountain, and Ernest of Bessemer City; 4 daughters, Helen, Bessie Childers, Betty Hughes and Pauline Rippey, all of Kings Mountain. A total of 64 attended the dinner which was held at the fellowship building of the East Gold Street Wesleyan Church. Also celebrating with Mrs. Biddix was her daughter,

Helen, whose birthday was Friday, May 5th. Those attending in addition to her children were: Mrs. Marie Biddix, Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Ledford, Chris, Dawne and Angela, Mr. and Mrs. Steve Carpenter and Chad, Mr. and Mrs. Danny Parker and Todd, Mr. and Mrs. Rocky Teat, Mrs. Hazel Hipp, Pam and Gerri, Mrs. Ruth Biddix and Donna, Mr. and Mrs. Ronnie Biddix, Mrs. Audrey Biddix, Cindi and Penny, Mrs. Brenda Biddix, Mr. and Mrs. Warren Deese and Mark, Mr. and Mrs. Mike Rippey, Mr. and Mrs. Mike Yarbrow, Mrs. Toby Biddix, Judy, Robin and Tammy, Lesia, Billy and Tina Hughes, Mrs. Evelyn Peavey and Tony, Mrs. Essie Stepp, Rev. and Mrs. Edwin Chriscoe, Steve and Darrell, Mickie McSwain and Diana Wells. Highlight of the dinner was a two-tiered birthday cake with yellow roses and green leaves and writing.

The human race, for all its boasting and puffing, is merely standing on the threshold of knowledge.

TOWN AND COUNTRY Garden Club meets on Thursday, May 11th, at 7:00 p.m. for dinner at the Country Club. Installation of new officers.

MOTHER'S DAY IS ON SUNDAY, May 14th.

POLICE AUXILIARY WILL hold a covered dish supper at the City Hall at 7 p.m. on Tuesday, May 16th. The police auxiliary will meet on the third Monday of each month at 7 p.m. at the City Hall starting in June.

STUDY BOOK CLUB MEETS on Tuesday, May 16th, at 7:30 p.m.

BRIDGE LUNCHEON AT THE Country Club on Wednesday, May 17th, at 10:30 a.m.

WEEKLY RECIPE

Barbecued Pork

by Joy Etters

This week's recipe was given to us by Joy Etters, wife of Bobby Etters who is employed by Frederickson Motor Express. The Etters have three children. Bobby, aged 12, and Suzanne, aged 9, are in 6th and 3rd grade respectively at North Elementary School. Younger brother John is four years old.

- 4-5 lbs. pork (Boston butt) or fresh ham
- 1 large onion, chopped
- 3 tbsps. brown sugar
- 3 tbsps. dry mustard
- 1/4 tsp. red pepper
- 1/4 tsp. black pepper
- 1 cup vinegar
- 1 1/2 cups water
- 1/2 cup ketchup
- 1/2 cup Worcestershire sauce
- 1 tsp. salt

Put meat in roaster. Mix remaining ingredients, pour over meat, cover and cook in a 325 degree oven for 5-6 hours or until tender. When meat is done, allow it to cool and take it from the drippings. Remove all fat and skin from pork. Skim fat from sauce. Chop meat and put back into the sauce. This makes about 6 lbs. of barbecue which is excellent for freezing and can be readily re-heated when unexpected company arrives. It makes good barbecue sandwiches.

Whenever pork prices are low is a good time to prepare this tasty meat.

We goofed last week and omitted the title of our recipe. It was "Strawberry Salad". One of the steps in that recipe was a little unclear. It is necessary to prepare the Dream Whip according to directions on the back of the box before folding it into the salad topping. Our apologies to our readers on these two points.

Rajni Enjoys Contrast From India To KM

By SYLVIA HOLMES

There has been quite an influx of new residents in Kings Mountain during recent months. One family of newcomers, now residing on Lee Street, lives a long way from home. That is because home for them is India.

Mr. and Mrs. Prem Sud moved to Kings Mountain from Etowah, Tennessee two months ago. Mr. Sud is employed by Beaman Corporation in Gastonia.

How did this couple come to live so far away from their native land? Initially it was education that brought Prem from India to N. C. State at Raleigh where he finished his masters in Industrial Engineering. He then went back home to New Delhi (the capital and third largest city in India) where he married Rajni and after honeymooning in Europe the young couple returned to live in Raleigh. After eighteen months there, they moved to Etowah where their daughter, Sonya (now nineteen months old) was born.

After two and a half years in Tennessee they were recently transferred here.

When asked about adjustments she had to make upon coming to this country, Rajni said that it was hard to separate what was due to being newly married and what was due to the new environment. Housework was a new chore because her family in India always had at least four servants to take care of household duties.

Driving over here is very different. Not only are the cars so much larger but Rajni had to learn how to drive on the opposite side of the road with the driver's seat on the opposite side of the car.

The language was no problem at all, because Rajni's family spoke English as well as Hindi. Educated at a Catholic Convent school, Rajni learned to write in English before learning to write Hindi. Hindi is a difficult language, written in a different script with twice as many letters to its alphabet. Rajni also speaks (but does not write) Punjabi. Letters home are usually written in English because Rajni's mother received some of her education in England (she has a masters in child psychology from London Polytechnic) and Rajni's father, now retired, was with Indian Oxygen which is a subsidiary of British Oxygen. Sonya is learning to speak both English and

Hindi--to the confusion of some of her American babysitters!

Rajni enjoys the convenience of American foods. She still cooks Indian dishes but they take much longer to prepare. Using spices ordered from New York, Rajni makes her own curry. The ingredients include fresh ginger, fresh garlic, cumin, coriander, cardamom, cinnamon, cloves and other spices.

Vegetables are usually steamed with spices. Rice is used frequently and Indian breads such as chapatties, Rajni prefers to make her own yoghurt.

After completing high school, Rajni spent four years at a women's college in New Delhi where she earned a B. S. in home science. She then did graduate work in food and nutrition in Calcutta. Before coming to the States she worked as a research assistant at the All India Institute of Medical Sciences in New Delhi.

While in Tennessee, Rajni went back to school, graduating last summer with a B. S.

Shower For Miss Wray

The Dover Yarn Clubhouse was the setting for a miscellaneous drop-in shower on Thursday night in honor of Miss Brenda Wray, bride-elect of Bobby Peterson.

Color scheme for the shower was pale yellow, pale green and white.

The round refreshment table was centered with a two tier flower arrangement of daisies in three colors, with purple iris and yellow candles. It was covered with a pale yellow lace tablecloth and the gift table was centered with a model bride doll. Lime punch with cake squares, mints, and mixed nuts were served from the table.

The hostesses for the occasion were Mrs. Percy Lynn, Mrs. Paul Scism, Mrs. Daniel Williams, and Miss Judy Wray.

Their gift to the bride was an avocado teflon coated steam and dry iron.

Thirty-five guests called between the hours of 7:30 and 9 p.m.

The wedding is to be held at Buffalo Baptist Church on June 10th.

in Science Education. She hopes to teach chemistry and physics in the future. As a nutritionist she was amused to

about 110 degrees, which is higher than here. The monsoon season is about three months long.



Rajni models an Indian cotton sari. She refrains from using a red dot on the forehead while she is in this country. (Photo by Sylvia Holmes)

hear about the "Dial-a-Diet" service which operates in Knoxville, Tenn.

Prem is a much travelled person because his father works with the World Health Organization which is operated by the United Nations and this involves changing location every five years. Currently in Brazzaville in the Congo, Prem's father has worked in many far away places such as Peking, China, and Alexandria, Egypt, as well as in India. Prem has two brothers now living in England, a sister in Tennessee and a sister in India. There are four children in Rajni's family and they all live in India.

Rajni explained that there are three seasons in her homeland--winter, summer and the monsoon season. The winters are similar to the ones here but with no snow. The summers are very hot-

Despite differences that have to be overcome, Rajni is very happy living here in the United States. Although she enjoys wearing pantsuits, you will recognize Rajni occasionally by the beautiful Indian saris she wears. She is presently taking sewing lessons and will soon be making her own clothes. I hope that some of them will be saris.

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Country Clubbers Hold Reincarnation Dance

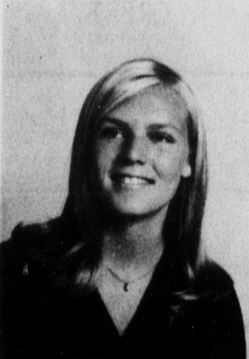
Country Clubbers held a Reincarnation Dance last Saturday night. Costumes included Santa and Mrs. Claus, Rhett Butler and Scarlett O'Hara, Jack Nicklaus, A SmileFace and Superwoman. The prize-

winning couple was Carolyn and Dick Shaney who were dressed as Mae West and Wyatt Earp. Charles and Marion Carpenter were celebrating their twenty-fifth wedding anniversary at the dance.

Lynn Cornwell Is Miss Student Nurse

Miss Lynn Cornwell has been selected as "Miss Student Nurse" for the 1971-72 academic school year at Gardner-Webb College, Boiling Springs, N. C.

Lynn was chosen on the basis of academic standing and nursing and extra curricular activities. She also serves as an officer for the nursing class as reporter. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Frank W. Cornwell of Route 2, Barrett Road, Kings Mountain. She is a 1971 graduate of Kings Mountain High School.



Lynn Cornwell

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