

STINSON DESCENDANTS HOLD REUNION AT WAR MEMORIAL



The 37th annual reunion of the descendants of Ellis Harris and Agnes Puckett Stinson was held Sunday, Sept. 27, at the Mooreville War Memorial Building with Annie Stinson Dwyer and her family as hosts. Approximately 80 family members and guests enjoyed renewing acquaintances, picture taking, and a bountiful covered dish lunch. James Rogers, son of the late Maud Stinson Rogers acted as master of ceremonies and noted that all of the children and their families of the late Lillian Stinson Blackmon were in attendance. Billy Hoffman, son of Ruth Stinson Hoffman, talked about the five surviving children of Mr. and Mrs. Ellis Stinson who were present and pictured above, from left, Ruth Stinson Hoffman and Annie Stinson Dwyer, both of the Charlotte area; Rob Stinson of Huntersville, Young Stinson of Charlotte area and Lewis Stinson of Raleigh. The five children range in age from 75 to 87. Descendants present were from the Mecklenburg and Iredell County areas, as well as, Cherry Grove Beach, SC; Mesa, Arizona; Winston Salem, and Asheville. The reunion is held each year on the last Sunday of September at the Mooreville War Memorial.

John Knox DAR Members Guests Of Slocumb Chapter

At 2:00 p.m. on September 19, members of the Mary Slocumb Chapter, Daughters of the American Revolution, met in the Mooreville Junior High School Library. Guests of the Chapter were members of the John Knox Chapter of Mount Ulla. Mrs. J.M. Morrow Jr., regent, gave a warm welcome to all daughters present and Mrs. Farris Sechler, regent of the John Knox Chapter, led the group in the recitation of the DAR patriotic rituals and the Preamble to the Constitution. She was assisted by Mrs. James Guderger and Mrs. George K. Brown.

Mrs. John McConnell, hostess chairman, introduced the afternoon program which consisted of a movie entitled "Portrait of a Daughter," a documentary film dedicated to the founders of DAR and produced by the National Society of DAR. In 1890 in Washington, DC, the first daughters of the American Revolution made history by organizing the National Society of DAR to honor the officers and soldiers who risked their lives and fortunes to win freedom from mighty England; the brave women who made the revolution possible by their labors at home, working and stitching themselves to cloth and feed the patriot army, melting pewter and other metals to provide ammunition and caring for the needs of their children and homestead.

Mrs. Benjamin Harrison was the first President General and the membership that first year was 1,306. On George Washington's

birthday, 1892, those first Daughters held the first Continental Congress. Determined that DAR should stand for more than "Dress and Run!" The new society set goals to commemorate the noble deeds and sacrifices of our ancestors, founders of this great Republic, to promote historical research and preserve our historical records, to make better US citizens, by setting up schools for disadvantaged children in remote mountain areas, (these are currently Kate Duncan Smith School in Alabama and Tamassee School in Georgia).

South Carolina), by assisting in classes for naturalization of immigrants, by providing scholarships for American Indians.

Memorial Continental Hall in Washington, DC, is headquarters for DAR. Built in 1910, it was the first building owned by women in the United States.

Following the program, each chapter met in a short business session after which the meeting was declared adjourned.

Couple Reaffirms Wedding Vows At 50th Anniversary

The reaffirmation of their wedding vows marked the 50th anniversary of the Reverend Ray C. and Bertha Christen Watts on September 6. The heartwarming ceremony was conducted by the Reverend Ed Yarbrough in the sanctuary of Rocky Hill Baptist Church in Statesville.

Following the ceremony, a reception honoring the couple was held in the afternoon from three until five o'clock in the church Fellowship Hall.

Hosting the reception were the honored couple's four daughters and their husbands, Artie Stephens, Joann and Chuck Dalton, Bertha and Jerry Small and Lynn and Reverend David Cash. Reverend and Mrs. Watts have eight grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

Baskets of ferns and palms enhanced the gold and ivory decor of the reception room. Gold cloths overlaid with ivory lace covered three round tables holding refreshments. The first table was marked with a rose, ivory and gold floral arrangement with napkins embroidered with "1937-1987-Ray and Bertha." This table was also arranged with a tray of hoop cheese, crackers, homemade gold and ivory mints and nuts.

The center table held the three-tiered anniversary cake decorated with ivory and gold along with two heart-shaped side cakes, one with the name Ray and the other Christen. The top tier of the cake was adorned with the gold numerals "50th."

A crystal punch service with gold colored fruit punch graced the third table.

Gold palm leaves were spread around each table. Decorations and refreshments were provided by Barbara Harris, caterer.

Golden candelabras, bride and groom figurines and the greenery were provided by Jane Mills of Mooreville.

Other points of interest at the reception were collections of pic-



REVEREND AND MRS. RAY C. WATTS

tures of the entire family. A description of Reverend and Mrs. Watts' courtship and life together was posted in the center of the collage of pictures.

Serving refreshments were Carol Waugh and Kelley Small, granddaughters-in-law; Traci Benfield, Glenna Wood, and Terri Collett, nieces of the couple.

Bruce and Eddie Graham, nephews of the honored couple, greeted the approximately two hundred guests attending during the afternoon hours.

In attendance were six of Reverend Watts' eight brothers and sisters. One sister, Lucy Collett and husband, Frank, and son, Frankie, flew in from Little Rock, CA, for the celebration. Mrs. Watts' twin brother, Carleen Warren, her other brother, Kermit Warren, and her only sister, Lucy Wilson, joined in the happy occasion. Many cousins, nieces and nephews also called during the appointed hours.

Reverend Watts has served as pastor of the following North Carolina Baptist Churches: Com-

munity, Mt. Mourne; Wayde-Walnut Cove; Canaan, Walkertown; Springs, Harmony; Rocky Hill, Statesville; and at the present time, South River, Statesville. Many of the members of the churches mentioned were at the reception.

For the happy celebration, Mrs. Watts chose a lovely full length gown of rose satin and lace. She complimented her attire with her favorite jewelry, a pearl necklace. She also had on her new anniversary ring, a gift of her husband. A corsage of ivory, gold and rose flowers completed her attire and it was from her daughters.

Reverend Watts' charcoal gray suit was adorned with a boutonniere of rose colors and his tie in rose color matched his wife's dress. The handsome couple received many beautiful and useful gifts.

Following the festivities, Reverend and Mrs. Watts enjoyed a trip to the Outer Banks of North Carolina then returned to their residence at Route 1, Troutman.

Mrs. Collins Honored At Birthday Party

Mrs. C. V. (Mollie Sims) Collins of Route 4, Mooreville, was honored on Sunday afternoon at a birthday party at her Bells-X-Roads home.

Mrs. Collins was born on September 18, 1907, a daughter of the late Arthur L. and Carrie Ingle Sims. She has lived within four miles of her birthplace, moving four miles upon her marriage to Conway Vernon Collins in 1926. Mr. Collins died in 1969.

Helping Mrs. Collins celebrate were her sisters, Mrs. Robert (Rachel) Hambright of Troutman and Mrs. Jerry (Shelly) Honeycutt of Route 4, Mooreville. Mrs. Ken (Madeline) Bradburn of Troutman and their respective spouses.

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South Iredell GoldenAgers Plan State Fair Trip

The September 17 regular monthly meeting of the South Iredell GoldenAgers was a trip to the Energy Explorium on Lake Norman. Dot Morrow, John and Janet Gordon and Iris Rohrer, generous volunteers, provided transportation to the Explorium. The group was met by an enthusiastic staff and introduced to their personal guide,

Jonathan Smiley. A film, "The Great Inland Sea" was viewed with great interest since a member of the SIGA was a star in the film. A tour of the energy exhibit, Applied Science Building, display of snakes and fish native to Lake Norman and a walk through the wildflower garden was enjoyed. It was an interesting and educational experience.

After leaving the Explorium, the group went to Mom & Pops at Cornelius for lunch and more fellowship.

On Monday, October 19, the SIGA members will make a one-day bus trip to the North Carolina State Fair in Raleigh. Plans are to leave Williamson Chapel Church at 7:30 a.m. Bus fare is \$12.00. The trip will be limited to 44 passengers.

For reservations call Mary Anne Brown at 664-5821. This is an exciting way to learn more about North Carolina by spending the day among its crops, canned goods, clothing, crafts and people.

Poolside Party Fetes Bridal Couple

Popular October 24 bridal couple, Miss Frankie Elizabeth Englebert and Donald Lunsford, were entertained at a lovely poolside party on Saturday, September 27, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Sherrill.

The Sherrill couple are a sister and brother-in-law of the bride-elect and Mrs. Sherrill will be matron of honor in the wedding and little Miss Catherine Sherrill, niece of the bride, will be the flower girl.

In lieu of a corsage, a potted plant of mums was presented to the bride-elect and the host couple's gift was a place setting in the bridal couple's chosen sterling silver pattern.

Tables were set up around the pool and covered in white linen cloths and decorated with fresh flowers. Seasonal greenery was also used at vantage points.

The food table was arranged beautifully with lighted candles and fresh flowers. Guests helped themselves to roast beef and turkey, arranged on silver platters, fresh bread with dried beef dip, and a watermelon boat filled with assorted fruits.

Special guests were parents of the bride-elect, Mr. and Mrs. William Frank Englebert, along with former college classmates of the honored couple and other young contemporaries.

MISS CAROL AVERY CULBERSON Culberson-Crews Couple Select December 5 As Their Wedding Date

Mr. and Mrs. C. D. Culberson of 254 Heritage Place, Mooreville, announce the engagement of their daughter, Miss Carole Avery Culberson and Jeffrey Darrell Crews, son of Ms. Rebecca Deal of

Mooreville and Jackie Crews of Troutman. The wedding is planned for Saturday, December 5, at First Presbyterian Church of Mooreville, at 7:00 p.m.

News Briefs Of Mazeppa

By MRS. AVERY SLOOP

Charles Berg is home after being hospitalized at Lake Norman Regional Medical Center where he received treatment.

Lois and Hoyte Ervin soent last week at Long Beach as guest of Graham and Marjorie Cannon.

Don't forget the Barbeque Sat. at Triplett beginning at 11:00 a.m. and continuing until 8:00 p.m. family style for \$4 a plate.

Scott and June Oliphant are the proud parents of a baby boy. Jerrid Scott Oliphant who was born Sept. 18. He weighed 5 lbs. and 15 ozs. Rock and Mott Oliphant are the paternal Grandparents and Jerrid is their first Grandchild.

Richard and Carol Morrow of Hampton, Va. spent the weekend with Carol's father and Guy and Gladys Turman.

Farewell Breakfast For Chamberlain

In honor of David Chamberlain, his wife, Donna and sons, Dennis and Dan, the staff of the Mooreville Tribune hosted a breakfast at the Boardwalk Restaurant on Thursday morning.

Chamberlain, general manager of the Mooreville Tribune and Davidson Gazette, has accepted the position of books marketing coordinator with the Broadman Publishing Division of the Baptist Sunday School Board in Nashville, Tenn. He will begin his work there October 1. Nick Carrington has been appointed acting general manager.

Special guests attending the farewell breakfast with the Chamberlain family, in addition to the staff of the two newspapers and their mates, were Chester Middlesworth of Statesville, Park Newspapers' regional coordinator for North Carolina and Kentucky, David's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Chamberlain, his sister, Donna McConnell, Guy and Kelly Mc-

Marvin and Mable Sloop and Ernest and Lorene Owens have returned home from 10 day trip to Detroit where they visited Henry Ford museum, Niagra Falls and Bar Harbor Maine and other points of interest.

Mrs. Carrie London attended the Family Reunion of the late A.J. Winscott at the Patterson Grange at Millbridge.

Mrs. Mary W. Davis and Sam and Connie Brown attended the McCree Reunion Sunday, at Mt. Olive Lutheran Church, Newton.

Kay and Toby Hudson and Matt, Ervin and Wes of Kannapolis, had Sunday lunch with Avery and Hazlelee Sloop.

Gary Kopley had surgery at the Baptist Hospital in Winston, but is home and doing nicely.

Lions Club Conducts Drive For Men, Women Members

The Mooreville Lions Club is looking for a few good men — and women — to increase its membership.

The local Lions Club recently began its biggest membership drive ever and hopes to attract enough men and women from the Mooreville area to double the club's size.

Charles E. Moore is the immediate past president of the club and is serving as the chairman of the membership committee and the membership drive. Moore said the local Lions are determined to attract up to 50 new members.

The Lions plan for several women to be among the new members, representing a new era for the local club and Lions clubs everywhere.

Moore explained that the decision to allow women into the Lions organization was made during this year's International Lions Association conference in Taipei, Taiwan. Since then, the local club's board of directors has approved opening the club to women and has already received membership commitments from two local women.

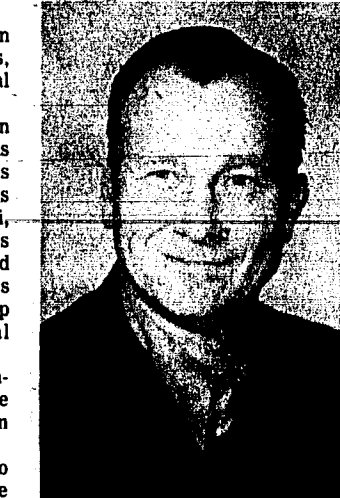
Moore said during the membership drive, the local Lions will be looking for men and women to join the club.

"We feel this is a good time to recruit people of both sexes into the club," Moore said. "We are looking for good, qualified people with solid moral standards to join our club."

Moore said this year's drive is the largest in the club's 48-year history. He added that the goal for the drive is to increase the club's membership from 50 to 100.

Moore said the club was looking for new members dedicated to maintaining the club's high level of community service.

"We are one of, if not the leading Lions club in North Carolina," Moore said, "and we want to keep that distinction."



REV. FRANK OSTWALT Beulah Heights Wesleyan Church Plans Revival

Revival services are scheduled to be conducted at Beulah Heights Wesleyan Church at Troutman next week, Oct. 4-11.

Sunday services will be held at 10:45 a.m. and 6 p.m., while weekday services will be conducted at 7 o'clock.

The Rev. Frank B. Ostwalt will be the visiting evangelist. There will be special singing at each service.

Mr. Ostwalt pastored Beulah Heights Wesleyan Church for 19 years. Since then he has held services at churches in several states and has served as interim pastor at Charlotte Methodist Church for the past four months.

The Rev. Charles McFarlane and the congregation of Beulah Heights Wesleyan Church invite the public to attend the services.

Overman Funeral Thursday

Jennings Wesley Overman, 75-year-old resident of Center Avenue in Cornelius, died Monday at the Lake Norman Regional Medical Center in Mooreville.

A native of Alamance County, Mr. Overman was born on Feb. 19, 1912, a son of the late Charles W. and Lovie Ann Overman.

He was a retired textile employee. Mr. Overman's wife, Mrs. Letha Usery Overman, preceded him in death some seven years ago.

Surviving are: one son, James W. Overman of Cornelius; two daughters, Mrs. Patty Signon of Mount Mourne and Mrs. Maxie Carver of Cornelius; three sisters, Mrs. Ada Sanders and Mrs. Louise Smith, both of Burlington, and Mrs. Alice Kelly of Lowell; and two brothers, Jack Overman of Gastonia and Carson Overman of Bessemer City. Four grandchildren also survive.

Funeral services for Mr. Overman will be conducted at 2 p.m. tomorrow (Thursday) in the chapel of the Neill Funeral Home in Mooreville, with the Rev. S.M. Dorton of Huntersville officiating. Burial will be in the Mount Zion Community Cemetery in Cornelius.

The family will receive friends at the Neill Funeral Home in Mooreville this (Wednesday) evening from 7 until 8:30 o'clock.

Personals

Tuesday, Sept. 22, Mrs. J. I. Hinson, Mrs. Vada Rosebrock, and Mrs. Mary Lewis visited Snodde Hastings at the Golden Age Rest Home in Lexington.

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