MISS NC PRE-TEEN RITCHIE WITH GOV. MARTIN

Miss North Carolina American Pre-Teen Jennifer Nicole (Nikki) Ritchie receives "good luck wishes" from Governor Jim Martin on her quest for the national title. Jennifer will be traveling this week to Tampa, FL, to compete for the national honor with queens from each state. Competition will be held in evening gown, interview, a personal speech, stage interview and talent. The pageant will be held Thursday through Saturday, although all of the queens will be in Florida on Wednesday and will be treated to a day of fun at Disney World. Jennifer is the 11-year-old daughter of Ted and Norma Ritchie of Route 2 and is a 6th grade student at Brawley School.

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Miss Christiana Becomes Bride Of Mr. Bost

MRS. LLOYD DAVID BOST

Miss Gale Ann Christiana and Lloyd David Bost were united in marriage on Saturday, November 7. The 4:00 p.m. ceremony took place at St. Mark's Lutheran Church of Mooresville with the Reverend Johnny C. Cozart officiating.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas H. Christiana of Route 9, Isle of Pines, Mooresville. The groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Pressley A. Bost of Fieldstone Road, Mooresville.

Greeting the wedding guests and inviting them to register while presenting wedding bulletins was Ms. Marie Thomas.

Wedding music was provided by Ms. Pricilla Abrams, organist. Prelude selections were Jubilate by Young, A Gothic Prelude by Young, A Mighty Fortress by Luther, Prelude and Fugi in C Major by Bach, Sheep May Safely Graze by Bach, Aria from Water Music and O Perfect Love, both by Handel.

Jesu, Joy of Man's Desiring by Bach was played as the mothers were seated. The Prince of Denmark by Clarke was played for the processional of the wedding attendants and the bride entered to The Wedding March by Wagner.

Given in marriage by her father, the bride was radiant in a Ginza original formal gown of crystal silk organza and silk venise lace fashioned with high neckline of lace accented with pearl droplets above a sheer yoke in the fitted basque bodice of pearled lace and organza. The lace appliqued sleeves reached to the fingertips and a large puff at the shoulders was accented with pearl droplets. The full skirt of embroidered silk organza with scalloped lace edging extended into a semi-cathedral train curled ruffles overlaid with venise lace cascading from mid-back and forming the hemline of the train.

Her silk illusion fingertip veil was attached to a stand-up band of lace with pearls and edged in seed pearls.

She carried a cascade designed bouquet composed of white roses, mums, miniature carnations, gypsophila and baby's breath.

Ms. Christine Fuller was matron of honor. Bridesmaids were Ms. Lisa Jackson, cousin of the groom, Ms. Debra Christiana, sister-in-law of the bride and Ms. Cheryl Hanson.

All of the attendants were dressed identically in cranberry taffeta formal length gowns with large puffed sleeves and cummerbands with butterfly bows extending down the back. They wore floral-halo headpieces which matched their bouquets of baby's breath, pink and white miniature carnations, gypsophila and picot cranberry ribbon streamers.

The groom's best man was William Ray Hinson. Groomsmen were Charles Jackson, cousin of the groom, William T. Christiana, brother of the bride and Steven Cook. The groom wore a white dinner jacket with black pants and his attendants wore black tuxedos.

The bride's mother selected a pale peach chiffon full length gown with a heavy lace bodice flowing into an accordian pleated skirt. The groom's mother chose a full length grey tiered sheath gown of raschelle crepe.

The wedding was directed by Ms. Lynnie Winter.

A reception followed the ceremony at Vail Commons on the Davidson College campus.

One hundred and sixty guests enjoyed the lovely buffet reception where silver chafing dishes were laden with hot hors d'oeuvres and with an open bar.

Guests danced to the music by the Toni Naples Band.

The newlyweds are now residing in their new home on Linwood Road, Mooresville.

The bride is a graduate of Haldane High School, Cold Spring, NY and attended North Westchester Business School at Yorktown Heights, NY. She is employed in the data entry department of Draymore (Home Curtain Corp.) of Mooresville.

The groom is a graduate of Mooresville Senior High School. He is self-employed and owner of The Body Shop in Mooresville.

A rehearsal buffet-party was held at the bride's home and hosted by her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Harmon T. Christiana of Lake Hartwell, SC, for the bridal party, friends and out-of-town guests.

The morning of the wedding day, a buffet-breakfast was held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Roger Thomas of Queen's Cove, Mooresville, assisted by Mr. and Mrs. John Winter. The courtesy was for the bride's family and out-of-town guests.

Speaker Highlights 'Exceptional Teaching' For Alpha Xi Members

Using the topic, "Respecting Children and Responding to Their Needs," Principal Joel Blackburn of Sugar Loaf Elementary School in Taylorsville, spoke about the basic characteristics, attitudes and techniques of effective classroom teachers. Dr. Jo Foster, a member of the host group for Alpha Xi's November meeting introduced the speaker who is currently Alexander County's "Principal of the Year."

Mr. Blackburn described the exceptional teacher as one who is "intentionally inviting" — an individual who fills a student's world with invitations to be and to become the best he can be."

Citing the motto of the Alliance for Invitational Education — "Human potential though not always apparent, is there waiting to be discovered and invited forth" — the speaker encouraged teachers to become "artfully inviting by perceiving, choosing, and acting with consistency and sensitivity." He challenged them to believe that students are able, valuable, and responsible and to invite students to see themselves in these essentially positive ways.

The speaker noted that, when students enter school, their lives are dominated by its environment; school should therefore be a "living place where, according to E.V. Pullias, teachers should instill in their students a "vision of greatness." To be successful in such an awesome task, the "intentionally inviting" teacher will "know from the heart what the eye cannot see" (paraphrased from Antoine Exupery's "The Little Prince").

The meeting was held at Hiddenite Center in Hiddenite. Following the invocation by President Jane Carrigan, members enjoyed a delicious meal.

During the business session, Dr. Carrigan encouraged members to attend the state convention to be held in Asheville at Grove Park Inn, April 22-24.

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Prenuptial Event Fetes Miss Shoemaker

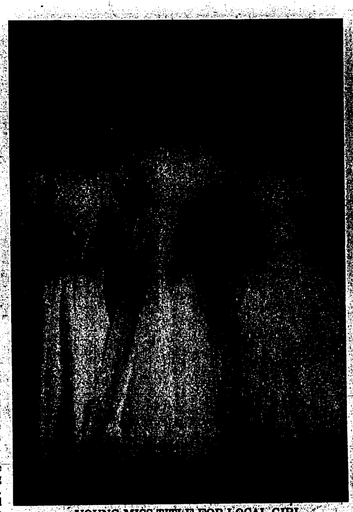
The first prenuptial event for Miss Kelly Shoemaker was held on Sunday, Nov. 21, at the home of the bride-elect's mother, Mrs. Nancy Shoemaker. Hostesses were Connie Josey and Elke Clark.

Miss Shoemaker is the January 2 bride-elect of Scott Robbins. The wedding will take place at Southside Baptist Church at 7:00 p.m.

Members of the engaged couple, along with many friends, attended the courtesy and showered the honoree with many lovely gifts including numerous pieces in her Pfaltzgraff china pattern, Heirloom.

The dining table was covered in handmade lace cloth from Germany and decorated with two red candles in lead crystal candleholders. A bride doll designed cake with a white icing gown, red and white bouquet and a cathedral length veil and surrounded at the base with red roses and greenery added to the beauty of the table. The cake was made by Cathy Burchette.

Patterned glass platters were laden with hors d'oeuvres including ham, roast beef and cheese. Peanuts, butter mints, cheese ball and assorted crackers and punch completed the party foods.



YOUNG MISS TITLE FOR LOCAL GIRL
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MISS CHRISTMAS SEAL PAGEANT
Winner Harwell, Center, With Trakas, Martin

Births

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas W. Thompson of Mooresville proudly announce the birth of their second child, a daughter, Rachel Ann, on Friday, November 20, at Iredell Memorial Hospital, Statesville. Rachel Ann weighed 6 pounds and measured 18¼ inches in length. She joins a sister, Amanda, 20 months old. Mrs. Thompson is the former Ann Naranjo. Proud grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Tom S. Thompson of Mooresville and Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Naranjo of Jacksonville, FL.

Two Mooresville Girls Winners At Recent Miss Christmas Seal Pageant

Jennifer Nicole Ritchie and Sheariahzard Trakas, both of Mooresville, were among the twenty-eight girls from seven area counties participating in the Christmas Seal Pageant at Lincoln County Citizens Center.

Jennifer captured the title in the Young Miss category and runners-up were Shanta Wright of Conover and Carmen Craig of Sherrill's Ford.

Sheariahzard was a runner-up in the Miss Christmas Seal. The winner was Amy Harwell of Newton and the other runner-up was Susan Martin of Hickory.

The 1987 Junior Miss Christmas Seal is Tonya Hipp of Denver. Runner-up was Rachel Adcock of Conover.

Little Miss Christmas Seal 1987 is Miranda Sewell of Shelby. The runners-up were Mary Claire Stanley of Denver and Le-Kisha Purkey of Maiden.

The pageant, a benefit for Catawba Valley Region of the American Lung Association of North Carolina, was co-sponsored by Poffie Girls Bridals and Formals of Eastridge Mall and Citizen's Savings Bank of Lincolnton.

1987 is the 80th anniversary of Christmas Seals. In 1907 tuberculosis was the number one killer in America. Emily Bissell sold colorful stamps to raise funds for a sanitarium that treated TB patients and this introduced the first Christmas Seal campaign. Eighty years after their birth, Christmas Seals still brighten thousands of holiday packages and mail, reminding the world of the fight against lung disease.

Wedding Deadlines

Effective immediately, wedding information must be in the Women's Department of the Mooresville Tribune by Thursday, prior to the week of publication. Engagements must be in the office no later than Monday morning for the week's publication.

The Tribune has special wedding and engagement forms for the convenience of persons wishing to have their write-up and picture appear in the newspaper. The forms are available in the business office, located at 147 East Center Avenue.

These deadlines are necessary due to the heavy flow of women's news as late as Tuesday noon of the week it is to appear in the paper.

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