

Obituaries

Donald Barnett

Donald Ray Barnett, Sr., 55, of Greenville, S.C., died Thursday, Aug. 9, 2001, at Greenville Memorial Hospital.

Born on Aug. 2, 1946, in Iredell County, to Almer Christopher Barnett of Statesville and the late Harold Albertus Barnett, he was a brick mason.

Two brothers, Harold and Grady Barnett, preceded him in death.

In addition to his mother, Mr. Barnett is survived by his children, Tina Barnett, David Barnett and Donald Barnett Jr., all of Greenville, S.C.; brother, James Barnett and sister, Kay Payne, both of Statesville; and four grandchildren.

Funeral services were held Sunday, Aug. 12 at the Cavin-Cook Funeral Home Chapel, Mooresville. Burial followed in Iredell Memorial Gardens in Statesville.

Lillian Whiting

Lillian Cavell Whiting, 84, of Mooresville, died Sunday, Aug. 12, 2001, at the Brian Center in Mooresville.

Born Nov. 21, 1916 in Newfoundland, Canada, to the late Joseph and Martha Hopkins, she was a homemaker.

Mrs. Whiting was married to Frank B. Whiting Sr. who preceded her in death.

She is survived by four sons, David Whiting of Elkin, George Whiting of Key West, Fla., Frank B. Whiting, Jr. of Delaware and Chester Whiting of Mooresville; two daughters, Martha Howard of Lacey, Wash. and Nancy Whiting of Richmond, Va.; 27 grandchildren and six great-grandchildren.

There will be no local services for Mrs. Whiting.

Memorials may be made to the Elkin Public Library, 111 N. Front St., Elkin, N.C. 28621.

Funeral services will be held today (Friday) at 11 a.m. at the Neil Funeral Home Chapel with Dr. Steve Gouge officiating. Burial will follow in Glenwood Memorial Park.

The family will receive friends before the service from 10-11 a.m. at the funeral home. Memorials may be made to Southside Baptist Church, 255 S. Broad St., Mooresville, N.C. 28115.

Ronald Giles

Ronald Allen Giles, 57, of Mooresville died Monday, Aug. 13, 2001 at his residence.

Born July 12, 1944 in Danville, Va., to the late W.T. Bill and Erna Ferguson Giles, he was a retired maintenance supervisor for the Matsushita Compressor Corporation of America. A veteran of the U.S. Army, Mr. Giles attended Eastside Baptist Church.

He was married to Brenda Starnes Giles who survives.

Surviving, in addition to his wife, are two sons, Robert Giles of Mooresville and Richard Giles of Largo, Fla.; two daughters, Ronda G. Remaden of Charlotte and Renee Summerville of Mooresville; one brother, Dr. Thomas Wayne Giles of Hampton, Va.; and ten grandchildren.

Mr. Giles was preceded in death by one brother, Richard Lawrence Giles, and a granddaughter, Yasmee.

A memorial service was held on Tuesday, Aug. 14, at Eastside Baptist Church.

Memorials may be made to Gideons International, P.O. Box 872, Mooresville, N.C. 28115.

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Alena Rhine

Alena Clemmer Rhine, 100, of Sherrills Ford died Tuesday, Aug. 14, 2001 at Lake Norman Regional Medical Center.

Born March 1, 1901 in Gaston County to the late Laban and Mary Pasour Clemmer, she was a homemaker. Mrs. Rhine was a member of St. Mark's Lutheran Church in Mooresville and an active member of the Sherrills Ford Homemakers Club.

Mrs. Rhine was married to Rufus Earl Rhine, who preceded her in death.

Several brothers and one sister also preceded her in death.

She is survived by a son, Rufus H. Rhine of Winston-Salem; a daughter, Colene R. Titus of Sherrills Ford; five grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

A graveside service was held on Aug. 16 at Glenwood Memorial Park.

Memorials may be made to St. Mark's Lutheran Church, 454 Fieldstone Road, Mooresville, N.C. 28115.

Betty Donaldson

Betty Barkley Donaldson, 48, of Mooresville, died Tuesday, Aug. 14, 2001 at her home.

Born Dec. 18, 1952 in Mecklenburg County, she was a daughter of Ruth Shinn Barkley Irvin and the late Hunter Barkley. Mrs. Donaldson was a member of Vanderburg United Methodist Church in Mooresville and a graduate of North Mecklenburg High School Class of 1972.

She was married to Gordon Donaldson, who survives.

Surviving in addition to her mother and husband, are a son, Tommy Donaldson of Mooresville; three daughters, Michelle Bartlett of Swanton, and Tammy Donaldson and Alisha Donaldson, both of Mooresville; a stepbrother, Terry Irvin of Huntersville; and one granddaughter.

She was preceded in death by two brothers, Robert Barkley and Craven Barkley; her stepfather, Lynn Irvin; and a stepbrother, Dale Irvin.

Funeral services will be conducted today (Friday), Aug. 17 at 2 p.m. at Vanderburg United Methodist Church in Mooresville with the Rev. Gerald Davis officiating.

Memorials may be made to Hospice of Iredell County, 2347 Simonton Road, Statesville, N.C. 28625.

Hazel Gray

Hazel Nantz Gray, 90, of Mooresville, died on Wednesday, Aug. 15, 2001 at the Brian Center.

Born March 8, 1911 in Iredell County to the late Thomas and Gertrude Price Nantz, Mrs. Gray was a homemaker.

She was married to Oscar Gray, who preceded her in death on Dec. 31, 1996.

Survivors include a brother, Lloyd Nantz of Callahan, Fla.; a sister, Garnett Garrison of Salem, Va.; and a number of nephews and nieces.

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Exploring nursing

Ellen Morgan of Mooresville (left) joins several other regional high school students watching Leslie Davis, school of nursing faculty member and nurse practitioner in the cardiology department of UNC Hospitals, explains patient care. The high school students spent a week at UNC-Chapel Hill visiting area hospitals and health care facilities during Nursing Exploration Week 2001.



Don't dismay over child's hearing loss

This is another in a series of question-and-answer columns dealing with physical communication problems experienced by area residents. Answers are provided by a panel of three professionals in the medical and speech therapy fields — Dr. Danielle Rose of Growing Up Pediatrics, Dr. Anne McIntosh of Communication Connection, and Brenda Hawkins, CCC-SLP of SpeakAbility.

By Dr. DANIELLE ROSE

Question: My child was just diagnosed with a hearing loss and she is only 3 months old. What should I do?

Answer: This is a particularly difficult and sensitive time for you right now. Most parents enter into a period of grief after their child is diagnosed with a hearing loss.

At the same time there are lots of things that need to be learned about hearing loss and what is best for your

Healthy Communication

child. Most children are born to hearing parents who do not have much exposure to hearing loss in children.

There is much to learn. Important information includes everything from what the tests mean to how hearing aids work and are fitted not to mention all the different techniques to help a child communicate such as sign language, cued speech, auditory verbal techniques, etc.

In fact, there are so many different types of assistance and intervention techniques, there is no one correct answer for every family. Fortunately in North Carolina there is an agency called Beginnings available to assist every family who has a child with hearing loss from birth to age 21 free of charge. Beginnings' goal is to give parents the information they need to make an informed decision about

what devices, teaching strategies, and communication techniques will be best for their child as their child grows.

Beginnings also helps connect parents to other parents who have a child with hearing loss and with community resources available to help children with hearing loss and their families. Home visits from Beginnings staff at your convenience have been found to be the best format to discuss the facts about the different tests, devices, services, communication modalities that exist for assisting hearing impaired children.

Some of these include hearing aids, amplification devices, cochlear implants, sign language, cued speech, auditory-verbal training. Studies have shown that children who receive intervention with hearing aids and instruction in communica-

tion techniques at 6 months of age or younger are much more likely to catch up to their hearing peers by school age than children who do not receive intervention until later.

Exactly which intervention works best varies depending on the child and her family. Each device and technique has its own advantages and disadvantages. Although it is complicated and sometimes confusing it is best to take the time to learn about the many available resources and techniques and analyze which seem to fit your child and family the best. Once this decision is made focus on providing those devices and techniques and immerse your child in them.

Even if things change and later it appears the child needs to change some of the interventions, your child and your family will have benefited.

Reach Dr. Rose at 895-9060 (email: Drose2d2@aol.com)

Sutton looks to expand Rusk program

Though his term of service is officially "interim," Professor Homer Sutton has no intention of simply maintaining a warm chair for the next director of Davidson College's Dean Rusk Program in International Studies.

Sutton, a French professor whose global horizon first expanded as a JYA Montpellier student, has steadfastly promoted international awareness since joining Davidson's faculty in 1980. He served on the committee that designed the Dean Rusk Program for its launch in 1984, was coordinator of study abroad from 1984-1994, and co-chaired the 1996 Task Force on International Studies.

Those credentials make him the perfect temporary replacement for Ambassador Kenneth Brown, the director for the past six years who left last spring to become president of the Association for Diplomatic Studies and Training in Arlington, Va.

Sutton has agreed to serve for a year, and will organize the search for a permanent director. He said he accepted the challenge because of the opportunity to affect Davidson's strong international initiatives, and because he'll still be able to teach one course in his home department. In addition, he is experienced as a college fill-in, having served as interim director of admission and financial aid in 1991-92. "I'm beginning to feel like institutional duct tape!" he joked.

Sutton's ambition extends beyond necessary program maintenance such as scheduling speakers for the year, organizing the program's Student Advisory Committee, and managing the grants for student travel and study abroad. He aspires to new initiatives such as broadening the scope of the program's outreach to Charlotte, and initiating a new "Languages Across the

Curriculum" program.

"I think the Dean Rusk Program should include curricular projects to internationalize our existing offerings," he said. "The 'Languages Across the Curriculum' program will

mainstream language skills, and encourage students to use their foreign language skills in their chosen discipline."

The program, which will probably begin in the 2002-2003 school year, would give

students some academic credit in their major or minor if in a foreign language.

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Training's done: Time for the 5K

On Saturday, Aug. 18, the Mooresville Family YMCA will host its annual 5K Power Run. Leading up to that race, the Tribune has been publishing weekly articles by Lora Joy of Mooresville, a newcomer to the running world, detailing her training preparations for her first 5K.

Joy, 38, a native of Lubbock, Texas, is an auditor at Adelpia Cable. This is the final installment in her diary.

By LORA JOY

Tuesday, Aug. 7: Today we worked on our legs. I came back in after work to run 2 miles with drill sergeant McCartney breathing down my neck. I did it. I know I could have gone farther if I had stretched out more.

Wednesday, Aug. 8: Man, the heat really got to me today. My air conditioner did not work in my truck and I

A runner's log

struggled with every weight I lifted.

Thursday, Aug. 9: I ran 1 1/2 miles at lunchtime. I'm trying to get it done before heat sucks the life out of me. I did a cardio class after work. It wasn't too bad. I hope this heat wave breaks soon.

Saturday, Aug. 11: We did a practice run this morning. I did all right until I got to heart attack hill between Bogangles and the YMCA on N.C. 150. Kathy came back for me to help me along. Thank God! She told me that, during the race on Saturday when I don't think I can go any farther, just pretend her hand is on my back pushing me along. That means a lot to me and I almost cried.

If you'd like to enter Saturday's Mooresville Family YMCA 5K Power Run, call 704-716-4000. The run benefits the YMCA's Community Outreach Program.

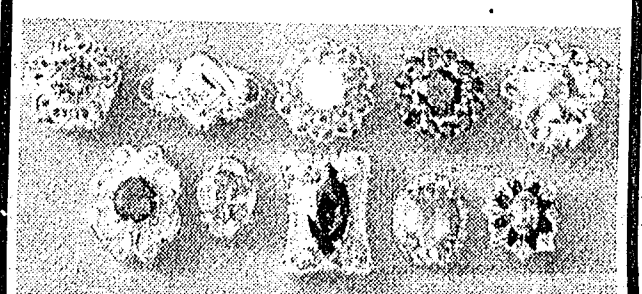
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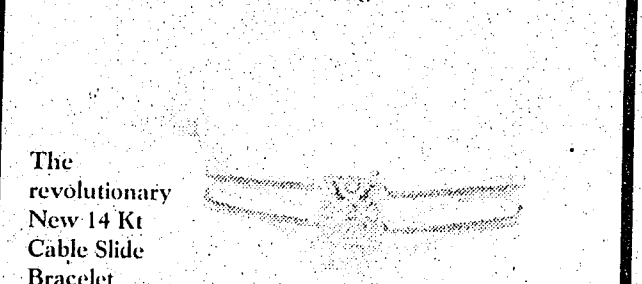
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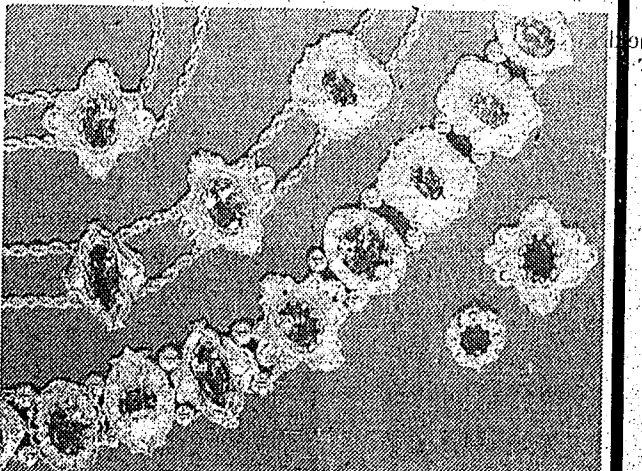
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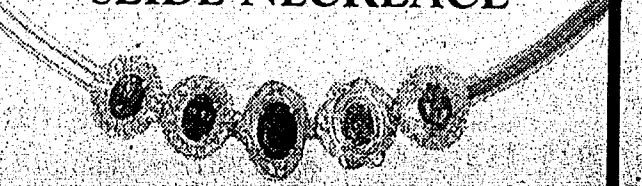
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