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Retirement Party Scrapbook

September 11 was a great day for a cookout. Bright colorful tents erected to shelter tables and chairs, the aroma of food cooking on the grill, and the chatter and laughter of old friends reunited combined to make the long service and retired employee's party a big success. This year's crowd was estimated to be one of the largest crowds to attend in several years.

Now, we will see who got caught by the camera this year.



Alan Payne addresses the crowd with words of encouragement about the future of the Company.



Nelson Lowe posed for a picture with J. Lee Campbell, Gene Hemric, Preston Baity, and C.J. Holcomb.



Chatham choir, under the direction of Emaline Cockerham, entertained all present with a variety of musical numbers.



ARA Services employees worked hard to prepare a delicious meal for those at the party.

Retiring - Retiring

Wilma Welborn Retires



Wilma Welborn was given a retirement party by the Sample Department on August 30. Special guests for the party were (front row) her husband, **Edgar Welborn**; her sister, **Martha Randleman**; (back row) her son, **Perry Welborn**; and her daughter, **Rebecca Childress.**

Wilma Welborn retired with forty-five years and seven months service with Chatham. During this time she worked in the Print Shop, the Packing Department, the Cloth Department, and the Sample Department. She has been responsible for preparation, production, storage, and shipment of various types of swatches in the Sample Department for the past six years.

Wilma and her husband, Edgar, have two children, Perry Welborn and Rebecca Childress. Perry's two children are Jason and Jon Welborn. Rebecca's three children are Crystal, Jason, and Michael Childress.

Wilma wants to enjoy her retirement years. She wants to do some gardening and some traveling. She intends to get involved in a senior citizen's craft class.

"Thank you Chatham Manufacturing Company for what you did for me and others to make our lives better. Thank you Supervisors and Management that care about their employees and have a cooperating commitment to Chatham and employees with listening and understanding. All through the years it has been nice to have good friends at Chatham, people who care. I could not have had a nicer party then the retirement party in the Sample Department by friends who care," said Wilma.

Wilma is a member of Temple Hill Methodist Church and the Methodist Women's Group.

Louise Pinnix Retires

Louise Pinnix has been employed with Chatham forty-three years and ten months. Her first ten years here she worked in the Packing Department, the next nine years she was in Winding, and the past twenty-four years she has worked in the Cloth Department. Louise retired after working as automotive shipping clerk in the Cloth Department Office for twenty years.

Louise has two daughters, Janie Anthony and Kathy Nixon. Janie's children are Tracy, Bradley, and Brian Anthony. Kathy's children are Kendra and Christopher Nixon.

Louise will be a busy retiree. After she catches up on some work around home, she may take some bus tours. She plans to add several bells to her collection which includes bells from many different states and countries. Crafts are a favorite pastime. She makes lamp shades, does cross-stitching, weaves baskets, and makes dolls.

"I enjoyed working for the company. I appreciate the benefits they made available to me," said Louise.

Louise has had several relatives who have worked for Chatham over the years. Her brother, Edward Adams, is a Chatham retiree.

Louise is a member of Swan Creek Baptist Church.



Louise Pinnix was given a retirement party by the Cloth Department on August 30. Her daughters, **Janie Anthony** (left) and **Kathy Nixon** (right), were present to share this special time with her.

Belated Retirement Party



Dean Byrd (retiree) is enjoying some fellowship with his former co-workers in Garnett at his retirement party on September 4. Dean retired effective June 1, but, due to circumstances beyond their control, the Department could not have his party at that time. His friends in Garnett could not let him leave without a party, so they threw him a belated retirement party. Dean, you must have some real friends in Garnett.

The fifteenth year reunion of the East Wilkes Class of 1976 will be held on October 19, at 5:00 p.m. at Shaddracks in Boone, N.C. Adult admission will be $12.95, ages 4 to 12 will be $3.95, and children 3 and under get in free. For more information, call 874-7178 or 957-2082.

Adult Basic Education Classes Begin



On September 4 registration began for Adult Education classes. Many employees are taking advantage of this free educational opportunity. **Tina Waddell** (Yarn Finishing, Boonville, right) is taking a placement test while **Steve Carter** (Open End Spinning, center) and **Randy Lane** (Yarn Manufacturing, Boonville, left) are registering for the class. **Linda Brown**, the instructor, is assisting students with their individual needs.

Adult Basic Education is open to any Chatham employee or retiree. A student may join the class at anytime. The class meets in the Personnel Building on Mondays and Wednesdays. The instructor is available to assist students in this totally self-paced course from 2:00 p.m. until 6:00 p.m. on these days.

If you want to improve your reading skills, improve your math skills or get your GED, join the Adult Education class. For more information call Beth Steelman, Ext. 530.

The Country Store Outlet Celebrates Its Second Anniversary

The Country Store Outlet will be celebrating its second anniversary on October 16th. In observance of this accomplishment, there will be a Sidewalk Sale at the store October 11 through October 19. WIFM radio station will be doing a remote broadcast during this week on October 11 and October 16 from 7:00 a.m. until 10:00 a.m. on location at the Riverview Village. Help celebrate this event by stopping in to see all the new products now carried by our store.

Please stop by and let the fine staff of the Country Store Outlet help you begin your Christmas shopping. Start early while selections are good. You will find great gift ideas such as a decorative assortment of Christmas towels, potholders, and cotton throws. For your convenience, longer store hours will be observed during the holiday season.

Classes for the Childbearing Family

Chatham will be offering classes about healthy childbearing. These classes are free and open to any employee. The series of topics available are: ABC's of Healthy Childbearing; Today's Knowledge, Tomorrow's Child: The Role of Genetics (Heredity); Eating for Two (Diet During Pregnancy); Danger: Tobacco, Drugs, Alcohol Use During Pregnancy; Healthy Families: Chance or Choice (Working while Pregnant); Fitness for Two; Coping with Stress During Pregnancy; Children Having Children; Pregnancy After 35; Preparation for Breastfeeding; and Infant Feeding and Care.

If you are interested in any or all of these classes, contact First Aid to sign up.

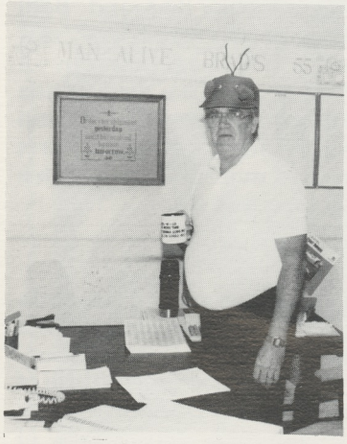
1991 - 92 C-I Company Team



The **C-I Company Team** is holding a banner which represents the prestigious QE award of Chrysler Corporation. This award is given by Chrysler to suppliers whose product has an excellent quality record. Chatham won this recognition for our automotive products for the year 1990. The award was presented on behalf of all Chatham employees whose hard work and determination for quality produce a product we are all proud to call Chatham.

The new C-I Company Team members: Front row - **Debbie Brown**, Burling; **Bonnie Blevins**, Winding; **Sandra Walker**, Extrusion; and **Joni Macemore**, Spinning. Second row - **Joe Layell**, Weave; **Bill Holbrook**, Cloth; **Earl Holcomb**, Warp; and **Claude Loyd**, Wet Finish. Third row - **Jerry Byrd**, Engineering; **Tim Pickett**, Dye House; **Alvin Sales**, Yarn Manufacturing. Back row - **Charlie Vanhoy**, Technical.

Happy Birthday Brad



Brad Bryant (Furniture Upholstery) celebrated his 55th birthday on September 18. His "friends" presented him with a banner, a mug, and this distinguished looking lobster hat.

Then and Now Guess Who



This young lady, who now works at the Pillow Plant, recently celebrated a birthday.

(Answer on Page Nine)

Let me tell you about...



Shelly Hall is the 3 year old daughter of Keith and Debbie Hall. She is the granddaughter of Carlyle and Sylvia Hall (retirees).



Justin Ray Miller is the 7 month old son of Billy Ray and Chrissie Miller. He is the grandson of William F. (Power Plant) and Rosa Lee Maske.



Thanks to all of you who helped make the annual party a success. Many retirees and long service employees have let us know what a great time they had.

Found in Chatham's parking lot - watch. Call Ext. 530 to identify.



Stephanie Burgess is the 4 month old daughter of Paula Holsclaw (Binding) and Lenny Burgess (Weave). She is the granddaughter of Tommy (Guard Force) and Rose Burgess and Birt (Shipping) and Betty Holsclaw. She is the niece of Donald Holsclaw (Spinning).



Dustin and **Garret Price** are the sons of Ben and Beth Price of San Antonio, Texas. They are the grandsons of Wayne (ARA) and Linda Gilliam of State Road. Dustin was 4 years old and Garret was 15 months old when this picture was taken.

Lance Preson and **Amanda Dawn** are the children of Lois (Binding) and Lester Inscoe. They are the grandchildren of Jean Blevins (Binding). They are the niece and nephew of Tony Bauguess (Pipe Shop), Joyce Bauguess (Dye House), Chester Blevins (Weave), and Terry Blevins (Restwarmer). Lance is 3½ years old and Amanda is 9 years old.



Rachel Elizabeth Hunt is the 9 month old daughter of Bill and Shay Hunt of Ohio. She is the granddaughter of Bobbie and Wavely Hunt (Shipping) and the great-niece of Ed Mitchell (Yarn Finishing, Boonville). Rachel is 6 months old in this picture.



Kari Elizabeth Nixon is the 4 year old daughter of Ola Mae Nixon (Binding). She is the granddaughter of Lawrence and Bessie Settle (retirees) and Mr. and Mrs. Guy Blackburn. She is the niece of William Blackburn (Wet Finish) and Linda Holleman (Piece Dye).





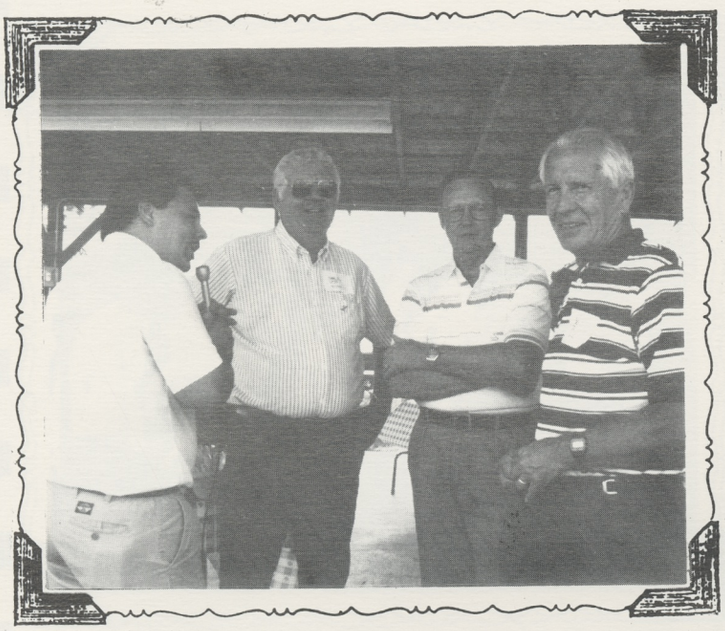
Kimberly Bryant is the 11 year old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Bryant (Clarence, Cost Accounting). She is a sixth grade student at North Elkin School who plays basketball and is enrolled in Karate class.



Brittany Nichole Martin is the 2 year old daughter of Jeff and Dawn Martin. She is the granddaughter of Sandra Holbrook (Spinning) and W.L. Holbrook (Piece Dye) and the niece of David Martin (Extrusion).



Andrew Hicks is the 10 month old son of Timothy Hicks (Fiber Reclamation) and Ruth Ann Hicks.



Charlie Lyles, Herman Couch, and Coney Couch talk with WIFM radio announcer.



Roby Reece and Fred Vestal enjoy the scrapbooks of previous retirement parties.



McKinley Nance, Verlie Richardson, Waymoth Howard, Herman Burcham, Jo Dunn, Samuel Boose, and Lorene Finney enjoy the day's festivities.



Imogene Pardue, Auba Myers, and Cooper McBride enjoy a time of fellowship.



Retirees of the Binding Department Vetra Martin, Louise Bunton, Mae Johnson, and Bessie Holcomb reminisce.



Coy Haynes, Sammie Spicer, Arnie Anderson, and Paul Wood renew old acquaintances.



These brothers and their sister have a total of one hundred twenty-four years with Chatham. They are Bobby Hanes (Piece Dye), Nancy Hamlin (Winding), and Grover Hanes (retired).



James Lane, Walter Denny, Ruth West, and Ed Ham scan the crowd for old friends.



Garvey Southard, Jim DeBorde, Raymond Crump, and Rayford Oliver visit.



Bramlet Spicer, Ed Hall, Paul Settle, Raymond Layell, Conrad Gambill, and Lonnie Spicer gather around to have a group photo.



Joe Martin, Boyd Moose, Junior Key, and Francis Jarvis enjoy greeting old friends at the party.



Virginia Shaw, Pauline Jarvis, Nellie Ray, and Louise Osborne enjoy a day at the park.



This family group has a combined total of one hundred seventy years of service with Chatham. They are Ruth Gambill (Repacking), Lloyd Martin (retired), Lonnie Martin (retired), and Ralph Martin (retired).



What do Jack Day, Tom Sprinkle, Morrison Snow, Gene Hampton, Jean Bauguess, Herman Couch, Annie Swaim, Evon Couch, Freeda White, and Irene Pardue have in common? They are all retirees of the Weave Department.



People get in line for desserts and drinks.



Party goers enjoy the cookout with all the trimmings.



Vennie Stanley, Peggy Simmons, Reece Bowers, Paul Rash, and Clarence Johnson chat.

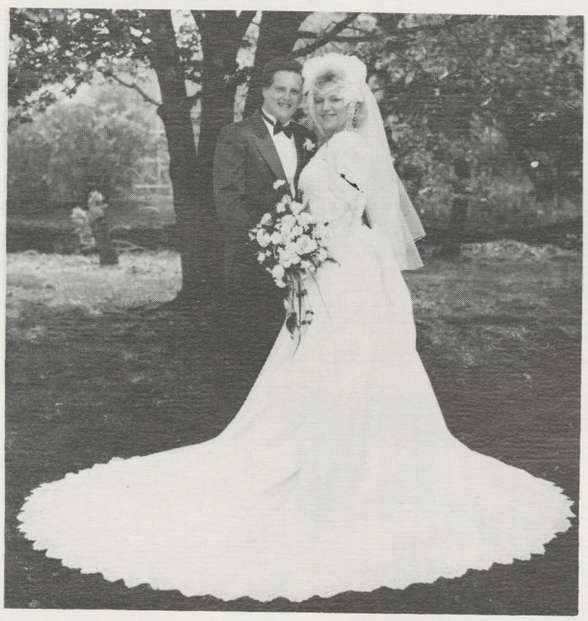


Pictured are some of the law enforcement officers and members of the Guard Force who helped direct traffic.



Jacquelin Delphine Welborn and **Neal Joseph Walker** were united in marriage August 3, 1991, at 12 o'clock noon at Wesley Chapel United Methodist Church. Rev. Annie B. Boyd officiated. The bride is the daughter of James L. (Weave) and Etta M. Welborn. The groom is the son of Braddock (Yarn Manufacturing, Boonville) and Christine Walker.

Following a trip to Tennessee and Virginia, the couple will reside in Elkin.



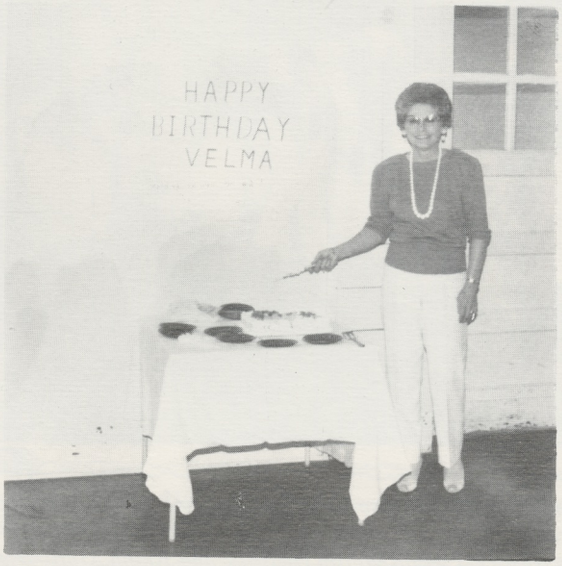
Gerette Lynn Jones and **Donald Wayne Gilliam, Jr.** were married April 27, 1991, in Keansburg, New Jersey.

The bride is the daughter of Richard and Cecilia Jones. She is a graduate of Johnson and Wells University of Rhode Island with a Bachelor's Degree in Food Service Management.

The groom is the son of Wayne (ARA) and Linda Gilliam of State Road and the nephew of Tony Gilliam (Technical Maintenance). He is a graduate of East Wilkes High School, Wilkes Community College, and Johnson and Wells University of Rhode Island with a Bachelor's Degree in Food Service Management.

Following a wedding trip to Jamaica the couple will reside in Keansburg, New Jersey.

Happy Birthday Velma



Velma Darnell (Personnel) celebrated her September 2 birthday on August 30. Her friends surprised her with a cake and a birthday banner. There is some dispute over the accuracy of this banner. Velma insists that this is her 60th birthday. The banner reads 62nd birthday. Someone must have made a mistake. Velma, whatever the birthday, we hope you had a happy one.

Travis' Banana Trees





Travis Bauguess (Spinning) is pictured with a banana tree he purchased as a sapling eight years ago while at the beach. Today, it has grown into an eight foot tree which has produced bananas for the first time this year.

The banana tree is a very unique plant. In the summer months, it produces about a leaf a week. These leaves will grow to a length of three to four feet. In the winter months, this plant cannot survive the cool weather, so, Travis must dig it up, cut the leaves off, wrap the root ball in burlap, and put it in the root cellar. This will cause the plant to be dormant during the winter months.

The banana tree reproduces itself by producing other trees from the tap roots. The root ball will branch off into several different and distinct bundles. A new tree will grow from each root bundle. Travis began with the tree in this picture. This summer he purchased two additional trees. These three trees have now produced a total of twelve trees.

The first evidence of bananas being produced is a purple pod appearing (pictured right). The pod comes off to reveal the bananas each having a bloom. As the blooms begin to die the bananas begin to ripen.

Travis' novelty banana plant has grown into quite a hobby. He can now grow tropical fruit in his back yard.

Coke is It!



Lakan Renee Wilkins abandoned her pacifier for that refreshing taste of Coca-Cola. She is beating the summer heat with her sun bonnet and an ice cold Coke.

Lakan is the 16 month old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Shane Wilkins (Shane, Shipping). She is the granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. Danny Wilkins and the great-grandchild of Lois (retired) and L.D. Wilkins (Engineering). She is the great-great-granddaughter of Tessie Wishon (retired) and the great-niece of Maxine Spann (retired) and Juanita Benton (retired).

Then and Now Answer



Nancy Wiles celebrated her 42nd birthday on September 25. She received a flower arrangement from her co-workers and one from her daughters. Nancy and her husband, Tony, have two daughters, Sandy and Tonya. She also has two sisters who are Chatham employees. They are Myrtle Horne (Yarn Finishing, Boonville) and Iva Dean Collins (Binding).

Catch of the Day



Kim Eller, a 12 year old from **Roaring River**, caught this **34 pound amber** jack during a fishing trip at Morehead. Kim is the niece of Loretta Carter (Binding), Bill Carter (Binding), and Rhoda Hamilton (Rest-warmer). She is the great-niece of Pauline Holbrook (retired).

Found at R.T. Chatham Park - a set of keys. Call Ext. 530 to claim.



Pictured above are James Cranford's (Wet Finish) pride and joy - **his grandchildren** - with a 43 pound watermelon he grew. His grandchildren are (back row), **Daniel** who is 10 years old, **Melissa** who is 5 years old, (front row) **Christy** who is 3 years old, and **Brandon** who is 2 years old. This was not your average melon. It was yellow inside, instead of red. James and his wife got some watermelon seeds from a couple they met at the beach last year. This summer they planted the seeds in their flower garden and fed them with Miracle Gro. Their tender care produced this large watermelon.



A Family Reunited

William (Bobby) Maske (Power Plant), was reunited with his two sisters, **Marlene** (right) of Wilmington, N.C. and **Billie** (left) of High Point, N.C. and his brother **George** (center) of Greensboro, N.C. on July 29, 1991.

The four of them were separated when they were small children. This was the first time they had seen each other in thirty-nine years. They all met at the home of his oldest sister, Billie. They spent the day having dinner, talking, and taking and exchanging pictures.

Also joining them were Billie's husband, Woodie; Marlene's husband, Al; Bobby's wife, Rosa Lee; his daughter, Chrissie; his son-in-law, Billy; and his grandson, Justin.

The family hopes to meet again soon.



A New Grandmother

Lorene Blevins (Pillow Plant) is a happy grandmother. Her first grandchild, Nichole Adranna Cudd, arrived on August 26, 1991, weighing 7 pounds and 3½ ounces. Co-workers made this day even more special by sending her a balloon and flowers.

Let's Cook

Neiman's $250.00 Cookie Recipe

1 cup butter
1 cup brown sugar
1 teaspoon vanilla
2¾ cup blended oatmeal*
½ teaspoon salt
4 oz. grated Hershey Bar (candy)
1½ cups chopped nuts
2 cups flour
1 cup sugar
2 eggs
1 teaspoon baking powder
1 teaspoon baking soda
6 ounces chocolate chips (Hershey's Semi-Sweet)

*Blended oatmeal: Blend in a blender to a fine powder. (Note: Start with 2 cups, add more oatmeal as necessary).

Cream butter and both sugars. Add eggs & vanilla. Mix together with flour, oatmeal, salt, baking powder, and soda. Add chips, candy, and nuts. Refrigerate for ½ hour. Roll into balls and place 2'' apart in ungreased cookie sheet. Bake for 12-15 minutes at 375 degrees. Makes 80 cookies.

-Contributed by Shirley Bell, Blending

Lemonade Pie

1 small can of frozen concentrate lemonade
1 can Eagle Brand milk
1 (8 oz.) Cool Whip
1 graham cracker pie crust

Thaw lemonade out completely. Blend lemonade, milk, and Cool Whip. Pour mixture into pie crust and top with additional Cool Whip. Chill. Makes one pie.

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FOR SALE

Hollywood bed frame with mattress and box springs. 366-4906.

1980 Delta 88 Oldsmobile. 4-door, new brake job, new recap tires, motor rebuilt less than 2 years ago. 835-4853.

1986 red Toyota 4 x 4 Sport, 8½ inch lift, new 10 inch chrome nuggets, new 33 x 12.5 Dunlops, A/C, 5 speed, PS, PB. 468-6371 or 526-3738. $6,500.

DP treadmill. ¾ HP. $180. 957-3339.

Beauty shop equipment - wet station, hydraulic chair, 2 dryers, and sink. Will sell separately or $450 for all. 957-2730 after 5 p.m.

19'' Magnovox & 25'' Zenith T.V. Works well. 957-3579 before 3:00 p.m.

Four chrome American Saw Blade mag wheels with 14 inch 185-60 tires. Wheels 3 months old, tires in good condition, spinner centers. All for $250. 957-4033.

Antique Singer pedal type sewing machine. 835-3565.

Antique dresser with mirror. 835-3565.

1971 Bronco, 4 x 4, 302, 3 speed, dual exhaust. $1,000. Also have another for parts. 526-3739 between 2:00 p.m. and 6:00 p.m.

1982 Monte Carlo. V8, AT, AC, Power door locks. $950. 526-3739 between 2:00 p.m. and 6:00 p.m.

King size water bed. $75. 526-4752 weekdays before 2:30 p.m., weekends anytime.

1989 Suzuki 750 Intruder with 2 helmets. $2,800. 874-3256 anytime.

Bed and dresser. All wood, medium brown, good condition. $50. 468-4024.

Four piece fold tray tables with log cabin design on tray. $20. 468-4024.

Black Hickory Hill sofa with flame print. 366-4906.

Exercise bicycle with only 30 actual miles. 835-4981.

Several house plants. 2 large Christmas cactus. 468-8943.

White double kitchen sink. Good condition. 468-8943.

Two white lavatories. Good condition. 468-8943.

GE 25 inch color console television. 874-2653 after 4:00 p.m.

20 ton wood splitter. 5 HP, 2 years old. 526-3102 after 4:00 p.m.

Sylvania console TV. Needs fine tuner, picture very good. $100. 835-3072 after 5:00 p.m.

Pioneer home stereo. Four 150 watt speakers, AM-FM, double cassette, disk player, 24 random preset stations, remote control. $1,100 or make offer. 984-3180 after 4:00 p.m.

Pioneer car stereo. 2222KE digital synthesized tuner, AM-FM cassette. $75 or make offer. 984-3180 after 4:00 p.m.

Pioneer amplifier. 30 x 30. $50 or make offer. 984-3180 after 4:00 p.m.

Whirlpool dryer. 5 cycle, 3 temp permanent press, green. $75 or make offer. 984-3180 after 4:00 p.m.

Whirlpool washer. 2 speed, yellow, $75 or make offer. 984-3180 after 4:00 p.m.

Winchester Model 12 pump. Nice condition. 874-2706.

1975 Van camper. AC and furnace, sleeps 4. Good condition. 835-3332.

Maple bed with a double dresser. 835-3565.

Antique cast iron wash pot. 835-3565.

Two mahogany end tables and a mahogany coffee table. 835-3565.

4 male beagle puppies. 3 months old. $25. 874-2881.

6 beagle puppies. 3 males, 3 females, 6 weeks old. $25. 874-2881.

Good clothes. Size 12 jeans, sweaters, blouses, and a Member's Only jacket. 835-5578.

1986 two bedroom mobile home. 14x70. Take over payments with a small down payment. 874-7389 anytime.

6 oak dining chairs with cane backs & beige upholstered seats. 957-8530.

Queen size semi-waveless mattress with heater, filler kit, and bed liner. $40. 468-2895 after 6:00 p.m.

Brand new men's navy blazer, never been worn - size 38 reg. long. $40. 957-8774.

White youth bed and matching white chest-of-drawers. 366-2655.

1984 Camero Berlinetta 305. New tires, red, AM-FM cassette stereo, reclining seats. Good condition. 957-8385 after 4:00 p.m.

1983 Nissan Pulsar, very good condition. $1,900. 874-2163.

2 window air conditioners. 8,000 BTUs & 22,000 BTUs. 874-2163.

New Whistler Q2000 radar detector. $100. 874-2163.

30'' Hotpoint built-in electric range. Avocado, excellent condition. 835-2871 anytime.

Firewood. All oak. Cut, split, & delivered. $35 per pickup load. 835-8690.

1988 Hyundai Excel. 5 speed, AC, AM-FM radio. Good condition. 874-2186 after 4:00 p.m.

305 motor. Excellent condition. Must sell. $175. 957-2071 after 5:00 p.m.

1972 Luv Pickup, would make a good wood truck. $450.00. 367-7103 after 4:30 p.m.

Fireplace insert, fits most any fireplace. 2 blowers & glass doors trimmed in brass. Bought at Lowe's Hardware. $150.00. 367-7103 after 4:30 p.m.

OTHERS

FREE: Two kittens. 835-8871.

FREE: Two female puppies. Part setter, part pointer. 957-3339.

WANTED: Good used go-cart for Christmas present. Must be in working condition. 366-2666 after 9:00 p.m.

WANTED: Ride to and from work C shift. From 228 Harris Avenue to Finishing Dept. 835-3141 between 4:00 p.m. & 5:00 p.m.

WANTED: Mauve or light gray carpet. Approximately 12 x 16 feet. 957-2219 after 4:00 p.m.

Grandmother would like to babysit in her home 2nd and 3rd shift in the Benham area. 957-4417.

Will fix hair. 835-4245.

United Way Campaign Begins

The United Way Campaign begins at Chatham in October. Cards will be distributed to each employee for their voluntary donations.

Funds given to the United Way go to organizations which provide services for our community. Tri-County Christian Ministry, Girl Scouts, Boy Scouts, Hospice, Bloodmobile, Rescue Squad, and SADD chapters of area schools are a few of the recipients of United Way Funds.

''Thanks to you -- It works for all of us.''

National Textile Week - A Decade of Pride

Ten years ago, leaders of the U.S. textile industry decided the time had come to celebrate the pride and appreciation they felt in the industry's employees and the communities where textile plants are located. The decision led to the designation of one week in October as National Textile Week. This year National Textile Week will be celebrated October 20-27. The purpose of this annual event is to recognize textile employees for their vital contribution to textile manufacturing and to help remind people of the role the textile industry plays in our lives. Textile products include fabric for clothes, home furnishings, automobiles, aviation, medicine, road building, space exploration, and national defense.

The textile industry is a $60 billion a year industry employing some 2 million men and women in every state of the U.S. About $2 billion is invested in plants and equipment per year by this most productive textile manufacturer in the world. The industry is nationally known for its pioneering of safety, drug free workplace and employee education programs, and its commitment to environmental preservation, through recycling.

When U.S. military forces moved into the Persian Gulf last year, textiles went with them. Some 10,000 items needed by the U.S. Armed Forces in war and peacetime are made completely or partially from textiles.

Back home, U.S. textile and apparel mills moved quickly to shift and step up production to meet the urgent demands of fighting a desert war. In support of the war effort, the industry produced 5.2 million pairs of pants, 5.2 million coats, 750,000 camouflage helmet covers, 400,000 field jackets, and millions of sandbags.

The U.S. Defense Department released a report to Congress on the domestic textile and apparel industry's indispensable role in contributing to the national defense. In part, the report noted, "The textile industry played a critical role in Operations Desert Shield and Desert Storm. If the U.S. clothing and textile base had not been responsive, both the deployment and conduct of operations in the Middle East could have been jeopardized."

More than 27,000 textile employees and their families are participating in company-sponsored programs to improve literacy, math, and oral commucications skills. Another 28,000 are receiving job-related technical training, also paid for by their employers.

One goal is to help employees read instructions and use the high-tech equipment in today's modern textile mills. In other cases, employees are working toward high school equivalency diplomas, simply to increase their self esteem or to open the door to better job opportunities in the industry.

The textile industry's war on drugs is paying dividends in terms of improved safety, and increased productivity. Today, most textile companies have written and well-publicized policies covering pre-employment testing for drugs and testing of employees in "safety sensitive" occupations, such as vehicle operators.

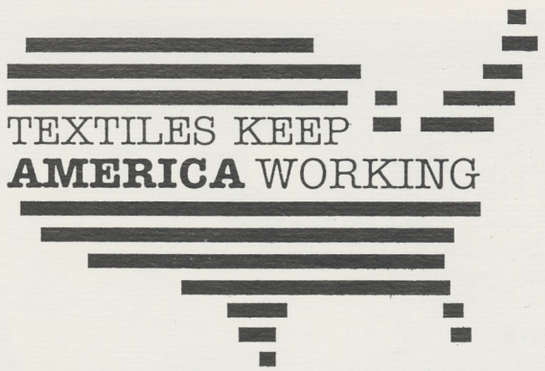
Textile companies also test employees who are considered to have "safety sensitive" jobs where they could cause injury to themselves or others if impaired by drugs or alcohol use. The National Safety Council ranks textile among the safest of all industries.

The U.S. textile industry has an impressive track record in environmental preservation efforts. Historically, textile companies and employees have served as active members in their communities, working to beautify and protect their hometown areas. Over the last decade, more than $1.3 billion has been invested by the industry in environmental control technologies and operations to ensure that byproducts of textile manufacturing do not pollute the air, ground or water.

Neil H. Hightower, president of the American Textile Manufacturers Institute, said: "Encouraging environmental excellence and leadership is one of the industry's top goals today. It's our responsibility to promote a clean environment for working and living."

A high-tech revolution in the U.S. textile industry has enabled today's companies to creat innovative and quality products to satisfy the growing demands of the consumer.

The modern mills of the '90s have updated their marketing strategies and carved out niches in the marketplace to compete in today's rapidly changing conditions. More than just manufacturers of fabric for clothing, many companies are developing ground-breaking new products to serve special markets, including household furnishings, industrial fabrics, automotive textiles, textiles for medical use, and military textiles.



Quick Facts About Today's U.S. Textile Industry

Number of Companies	4,787
Number of Plants	6,412
Number of Employees, 1990	701,000
Employment in Major Producing States, 1990: North Carolina	216,900
Annual Sales, 1990	$54.69 billion
Capital Spending, 1990	$ 2.18 billion

Production: 22 billion yards of yarn and fabric annually (enough cloth a yard wide to circle the earth 500 times or make 26 trips to the moon)

FLU VACCINE

Flu vaccine will be given in the First Aid on the following schedule:

Thursday, October 17 from 9 a.m. - 12 noon
Thursday, October 24 from 12 noon - 4 p.m.

They will be given at the Boonville Plant:

Thursday, October 24 from 12 noon - 1 p.m.

The charge this year will be $5.00 to cover the cost of the vaccine. If you have had a reaction to the vaccine in the past or you are allergic to eggs, **DO NOT TAKE THIS VACCINE.**

Personnel Facts

Service Anniversary Dates

45 Years

Eunice S. Bauguess, Winding - October 31

30 Years

James A. Hemric, Piece Dye - October 9

25 Years

Roy O. Reynolds, Transport - October 4
Linda C. Royal, Shipping - October 5
George H. Renegar, Piece Dye - October 7
Richard M. Barker, Wet Finish - October 13
Johnny D. Kennedy, Spinning - October 18
Louise J. Prevette, Garnett - October 19
Jane S. Pinnix, Cloth - October 25
William Blackburn, Wet Finish - October 26

20 Years

Russell Williams, Weave - October 4
Nancy P. Dimette, Weave - October 25

Retirements Effective October 1, 1991

Jerrell G. Gough, Furniture Upholstery, 1st shift; 38 years and 2 months
M. Leo Haynes, Garnett, 1st shift; 21 years and 1 month
Vera N. Petree, Winding, 3rd shift; 13 years and 2 months
Cecil R. White, Spinning, 2nd shift; 34 years and 6 months

Christmas Savings to be Paid On November 1

Employees who participate in the Christmas savings plan will receive their checks on November 1, 1991. The payroll check dated October 25 will show total savings. A 4.0% per annum or 2.0% of gross account dividend will be paid to those who have not borrowed on Christmas savings. Stop by Chatham Employee Credit Association to sign up or make a change in your Christmas savings deduction.

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In Memoriam

James Ralph Collins
August 24
Retired Employee

Ila Mae Wood
August 24
Sister of Doris Blackburn, retired.

Ira Winfield Hinson
August 26
Brother of Robert G. Hinson, Technical Maintenance.

Gaither Lee Gregory
August 26
Brother of Junior L. Gregory, Weave.

Ruth Osborne Gough
August 29
Sister of Hazel D. Anthony, retired and Thomas L. Osborne, retired.

Charity Pinnix Vestal
September 8
Mother of N. Fred Vestal, retired; R. Alton Vestal, retired; R. Worth Vestal, retired and Elmer D. Vestal, retired.

Faye Higgins Brown
September 9
Mother of Lonnie V. Brown, retired.

Carl Dean Cothren
September 15
Brother of Brady L. Cothren, Cloth.

Nannie Shaver Warren
September 19
Mother of Opal W. Wall, retired; Velda W. Transou, retired and Louise Billings, Dye House.

O'Brien D. Hayes
September 22
Retired Employee

Harvey E. Stockton
September 22
Retired Employee

Charles V. Durham
September 23
Father of Mickey L. Durham, Weave; M. Ray Durham, Weave; brother of Grover M. Durham, retired.

James Robert Ring
September 24
Retired Employee

Welborn William Settle
September 24
Retired Employee
Brother of Brady J. Settle, retired and Garvie J. Settle, retired.

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employees and retirees like **R.J. Carter**, **Dwight Byrd**, and **Rufus Southard** all of the Garnett Department. R.J. works in the Stock Room. He has been with Chatham fourteen years. R.J. and his wife, Brenda, have two children, Vicki Williams and Bradley. Their only grandchild, Chasity Hope Williams, is 3 weeks old. Dwight works in Maintenance. He has been with Chatham for twenty-six years. He and his wife, Carolyn, have three children. They are Becky Goulds, Beth Absher, and Mark Byrd. They have one grandson, Eric Todd Absher, who is two years old. Rufus, a maintenance technician, has been a Chatham employee for twenty-nine years. He and his wife, Shirley, have two sons, Marty and Chris.