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### **IN MEMORIAM**

### MR. C. VICK WEATHERMAN

May 23 Father of Frances W. Billings, Binding

### MRS. NANNIE F. SMITH May 29

Mother of Lonnie T. Smith, Piece Dye

### MR. HARVEY L. CARTER SR. May 29

Father of Harvey L. Carter Jr, Blending, Eugene E. Carter, Blending, Rickey L. Carter, Yarn Manufacturing, and Shirley J. Burchette, Yarn Manufacturing

### MR. A. F. DICKERSON May 30 Brother of Mittie D. Johnson, retired

MR. CECIL R. LYON May 31 Brother of M. Pauline Billings, Binding

### MRS. LOLA W. WOOD June 3 Retired Employee Wife of Joseph K. Wood, retired; sister of R. Eugene Wooten, Industrial Engineering

### MR. JAMES WILLIAM ST. JOHN June 6

Brother of Etta S. Harris, Burling

### MRS. LILLIAN B. TRAVIS June 6 Sister of Alston L. Boles and Robert G. Boles, both retired

Chatham Manufacturing Company, Elkin, North Carolina Getsinger-Fox Merges

from separate offices, the two

firms plan to move into new combined offices by August 1.

primarily to strengthen our

automotive representation, which

now has worldwide responsibili-

Mr. Don Cunningham and Mr.

Doug Neff, two younger members

of the combined firm, spent three

days earlier this month with us

here in Elkin getting acquainted

with our manufacturing facilities,

our personnel, and our product

The merger was undertaken

Getsinger-Fox Company, our Detroit automotive representative since 1936, has joined forces with Leckie & Associates, another firm of sales engineers to the automotive industry operating since 1952.

William Leckie, President of Leckie & Associates, along with Ralph Getsinger, Tom Fox, and Ed Cunningham, all principals in the Getsinger-Fox Company, jointly made the announcement effective June 1, 1982.

Though currently operating

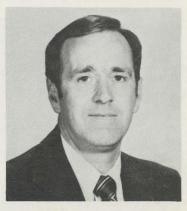
Accident Injury Report

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May	1982	
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	May	April	March
Caught in or coming in contact with machinery.	61	52	49
Striking against on or by objects.	22	20	24
Using hand tools (knives, scissors, tools, burling irons, needles, etc.)	23	46	41
Handling material (hand injuries)	28	24	29
Splinter	5	8	11
Foreign bodies in eye.	15	10	18
Slips & Falls	18	8	16
Fallings objects	5	4	6
Lifting, pulling, pushing, (strains, hernias, etc.)	7	13	18
Burns	4	6	9
Punctures	2	0	5
Miscellaneous	7	11	5
Chemical burns	0	0	1
Infections	0	0	0
Total	197	212	232



Frank Williams

### Yarn Sales Management Changes

President Richard T. Chatham recently announced the promotion of Frank Williams to General Manager of Yarn Sales Division. Frank has been in the Yarn Sales Division since late 1980 and has replaced Sam Neaves who retired June 1.

Frank Williams began his career with Chatham in September of 1957, after graduation from Appalachian State Teachers College, now Appalachian State University. An Elkin native, he is the son of the late John O. Williams and Myrtle Williams Gentry. He and Mrs. Williams, the former Betty Ann Parker, make their home on Westover Drive in Elkin.

Before he came to Yarn Sales, Frank was manager of Industrial Engineering for many years, manager of Quality Improvement, and superintendent of Fiberwoven.

### Holiday and Vacation In July

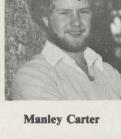
The entire plant will be closed on Monday, July 5, for the observance of the July 4 holiday. From July 18 through July 25 the plant will be closed for summer vacation. Exact operating schedules will be posted in each department. Page Two



**Ginger Blackburn** 



Jo Ella Lyon









**Robin Spencer** 

Loretta Vera Swaim

of Elkin.

### Congratulations Graduates

### Ginger Blackburn

A 1982 honor graduate of Starmount High School, Ginger was voted Best All Around and Best Vocalist in the high school chorus. She was a member of the honor Chorus and Marshall Choral Clinic, National Honor Society, Society of Distinguished American High School Students, and the Close-Up Program in Washington, D.C. Clubs she participated in were Bible Club, Drama Club, Social Studies Club, FTA/SAE, and Ensemble. The Tri-County Junior Miss, she received creative and performing awards in the local pageant and a state scholarship. She also received the Hamptonville Scho-

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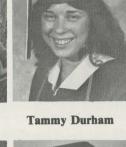
Nancy Jones, Editor



**Danny Collins** 



**Cynthia Norman** 





**Cindy Hawkins** 

**Paula Patterson** 





**Scotty Prevette** 

of Allen (Winding) and Lillie (Weave) Lyon and the granddaughter of Robert and Fannie Lyon (both retired).

**Constance Moore** 

A 1982 honor graduate of Elkin High School, Connie is the daughter of Dorothea and Jack Moore (Chief Engineer). She lettered in tennis four years and was voted most valuable player. While in school she was a cheerleader, on the track team, in the Spanish Club, Beta Club, Monogram Club, and Pep Club. She was a student council representative, homecoming attendant, and member of the Fellowship of Christian Athletes. This fall Connie will attend Meredith College.

#### **Cynthia Denise Norman**

Cynthia is a 1982 graduate of East Wilkes High School. She received an award for being the most outstanding ensemble student and a trophy for five years of perfect attendance. She has been a member of the Flag Corps for three years. Cynthia is the daughter of Wayne Norman (Engineering) and Rosa Mae Norman of State Road. She is the granddaughter of Maynard Norman (retired) and the late Millard Wishon (retired). She plans to attend Wilkes Community College this fall.

### **Gail Parsons**

Gail Parsons was graduated June 1 from Starmount High School where she was a member

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Susann Walker

larship from the Hamptonville

Jaycettes.Ginger will be attending

Appalachian State University. She

is the daughter of Lois Blackburn

(Burling) and Warren Blackburn

**Manley Carter** 

Processing) and Mary (Taslan)

Smith, Manley is a 1982 graduate

of Starmount High School. He

was a member of the Vica and

Deca Clubs and won first place in

the State Deca convention for

market managing. He was elected

for Who's Who Among American

High School Students. Presently

he is working part-time at Food

Town. This fall he plans to enter

Piedmont Aviation. Manley is the

grandson of Leo (Technical) and

Erlene (Burling) Calloway and the

nephew of Joey Calloway (Warp).

**Danny Collins** 

Danny Collins was graduated

from East Wilkes High School on

Friday, June 4. He has also

attended Wilkes Career Center

where he studied electricity. While

in school he was president of the

The son of Buddy (Data

# employed in Piece Dye, 2nd shift.

of East Wilkes High School, will be attending the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill this fall. She is the daughter of Roy Jones Durham (Blending) and

(Warp) and Ellen Hawkins, Cindy is a 1982 graduate of North Wilkes High School. She is the

Elisha, who was graduated

#### Jo Ella Lyon

Jo Ella is a 1982 graduate of East Wilkes High School where she lettered in track. A school bus driver for two years, she received a safe driving award for her good driving record. She is the daughter

### **Gail Parsons** VICA Club. Danny is the son of James (Binding) and Nyoaka (Wet Finish) Collins. He is

**Tammy Kay Durham** 

Tammy, a 1982 honor graduate Patricia W. Durham of Ronda.

### **Cindy Hawkins**

The daughter of Joe Hawkins niece of Jim Hawkins (Knitting).

### **Elisha Ann King**

from Elkin High School, was voted Most Valuable Player on the basketball and track teams, which she also captained and made all conference in both. She was the Tri-County's leading scorer in basketball with an average of 17.7 points per game. She plans to further her education at Barber Scotia College in Concord, N.C., where she has been granted a scholarship in basketball and track. She is the daughter of Patricia M. King (Yarn Manufacturing).

### **Favorite Recipes**

### **COCONUT-PECAN LAYER** CAKE

### 2 cups self-rising flour

- 2 cups sugar
- 1 cup shortening
- 1 cup buttermilk
- 5 eggs, separated
- 1 teaspoon vanilla
- 1<sup>1</sup>/<sub>3</sub> cups flaked coconut
- Cream Cheese-Pecan Frosting

Heat oven to 350 degrees. Grease and flour 3 round pans, 9x11/2 inches. Beat flour, sugar, shortening, buttermilk, egg yolks and vanilla in large bowl on low speed, scraping bowl constantly, 30 seconds. Beat on high speed, scraping bowl occasionally, 2 minutes. Beat in egg whites on high speed, scraping bowl oc-casionally, 2 minutes. Stir in pecans and coconut. Pour into pans. Bake until wooden pick inserted in center comes out clean or until cake springs back when touched lightly in center, 30 to 35 minutes. Cook 10 minutes, remove from pans. Cool completely. Fill layers and frost top of cake with Cream Cheese-Pecan Frosting. Garnish with pecan halves. Store in refrigerator.

### **Cream Cheese-Pecan Frosting**

4 cups powdered sugar

- 1 package (8 oz.) cream cheese
- 3 tablespoons margarine or butter, softened
- Dash of salt
- 2 to 3 tablespoons milk
- 1/2 cup chopped pecans
- Mix powdered sugar, cream

cheese, margarine, salt, and milk until smooth and creamy. Stir in pecans.

### **BEAN SALAD**

- 1 can (1 lb.) French cut green beans, drained
- 1 can (1 lb.) green peas, drained
- 4 stalks celery, chopped
- 1 large white, sweet onion, chopped
- 1 can pimento (4 oz.) chopped
- 1 tablespoon salt
- 1/2 tablespoon pepper
- 1/2 cup oil
- 1 cup vinegar
- 11/4 cups sugar

Dissolve sugar in vinegar over low heat (do not boil); cool completely. Add oil to sugar and vinegar. In a large bowl mix beans, peas, celery, onion, pimentos, salt, and pepper. Pour in oil, sugar, and vinegar. Mix well. Chill at least one hour before serving. Drain off liquid before serving. Just drain off what will be used; unused will keep in refrigerator for several weeks.

> - Sara Carter. **Data Processing**

### Graduates

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of the National Honor Society, Who's Who Among American High School Students, and a member of the girls varsity basketball team. Gail is the daughter of Betty (Yarn Manufacturing) and Richard Parsons of Jonesville. She will be attending Wilkes Community College this fall.

### **Paula Elizabeth Patterson**

Paula was graduated May 8, 1982, from East Carolina University in Greenville, N.C., with a Bachelor of Science degree in Business Administration with concentration in Quantitative Methods. She is the daughter of Leonard (retired) and Dorothy Patterson and the neice of David Mann (Accounting). Paula is presently enrolled in classes with the Hanes Mall Fashion Board in Winston-Salem.

#### **Scotty Prevette**

The son of Bill and Louise (Garnett) Prevette, Scotty is a 1982 graduate of East Wilkes High School. He was honored for perfect attendance for all twelve years he attended school. He is the nephew of Jerelene Byrd (Shipping) and Jay Johnson (Garnett).

### **Robin Renee Spencer**

Robin is the daughter of Dianne Spencer of Yarn Finishing in Boonville. She is a 1982 graduate of Elkin High School where she was a member of the VICA Club. Robin is employed at the Western Steer.

### Loretta Vera Swaim

Loretta Vera Swaim is a 1982 graduate of East Wilkes High School where she was a member of the FHA for four years. She received an award for six years of perfect attendance. She is the daughter of Paul E. and Vera Swaim, the granddaughter of Minnie Bell Shore (retired) and the sister of Jeff Swaim (Napping).

### Susann Walker

Susan is the daughter of Carrie (Cloth) and Rodney (Wet Finish) Walker. She is a 1982 honor graduate of East Wilkes High School where she was a member of Who's Who Among American High School Students, the National Honor Society, Science Club, Spanish Club, Drama Club, Band, a junior marshall, a nominee for Governor's School and Math and Science School for Exceptional Children. She will attend Duke University this fall.



KIM HANES, the daughter of Bobby (Piece Dye Lab) and Katie Hanes, made the Dean's List this spring at Appalachian State University. Kim will be a senior this fall and is studying Home Economics. She is the niece of Nancy Hamlin (Spinning) and Grover Hanes (Cost Accounting).



CHILDREN of Dale (Carpenter Shop) and Viola Gentry are Angela, Sandy, and Andy. They have three uncles at Chatham, Alden Gentry (Engineering), David Lee Gentry (Technical Maintenance), and James William Gentry (Extrusion).





**ENGAGEMENT ANNOUNCED** Mr. and Mrs. William Curtis Nichols of Rt. 1 Harmony announce the engagement of their daughter, Shanlyn Hope, to Stephen DiVincent Reaves of Statesville. The bride elect is a 1980 graduate of North Iredell High School and is employed with Mack's Store in Statesville. She is the niece of Barbara Russell (Winding) and Richard Russell Sr. (Boonville), the cousin of Richard Russell Jr. (Rewinding) and Sharon Russell (Boonville), and the granddaughter of Homer Cooper (retired). The prospective bridgegroom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Franklin Summers Reaves. He attended Statesville city schools and is employed with Cannon Mills in Kannapolis. The couple will be married August 7 at Piney Grove A.M.E. Zion Church in Harmony. They will make their new home in Statesville.

### LINDSAY CAFFEY

Lindsay is the seven-monthold daughter of David and Karen Caffey of Winston-Salem. She is the granddaughter of Ethelene Carter (Warp) and the great granddaughter



of Bram Carter retired.

### **BRYAN NEAL LINEBERRY**

Bryan is the sixteen-monthold son of Richard and Diane (Binding) Lineberry, the grandson of Angie Mook (Wet Finish) and the nephew of Reggie (Dye House) and



Debbie (Binding) Carter.



**Worth Billings** 





Gwyn Eldridge

### June Retirements

"Yarn Manufacturing had a retirement party for me and gave me a rocking chair. I'm planning on using it a whole lot," Worth Billings said. He has retired with over 45 years of service, all of it in the Spinning department. He has been a fixer for the past 30 years.

Worth is married to Freida Billings, retired from Spinning. They live on the Swan Creek Road and attend Swan Creek Baptist Church. He is going to spend his time gardening and farming raising soybeans and corn.

During July Worth and Freida are planning to travel to the West Coast. He wants to see California, Washington, and Oregon and take his time doing it.

Worth said he enjoyed working here and appreciated the benefits. "The most enjoyable aspect of work is the people," he said. All of his 45 years have been spent on 3rd shift. Worth really likes 3rd shift. He said he had all day then to get out and do things. "It won't take me long to get to where I can sleep at night though," he said.

### Louise E. Bunton

"I've got a full-time life ahead of me as long as the Lord lets me live," Louise Bunton said. "I'm retired now but I've got a lot of work at home." She also has two daughters, either of which can say "Let's go," and Louise is gone with them. Louise and one of her daughters have just returned from visiting Louise's sister in Washington, D. C. Other things to keep her busy are gardening and needlework.

Louise has retired with 45 years and three months of service. She began work in the Cloth department in Winston-Salem. When Finishing moved to Elkin in 1940, Louise transferred to Binding, where she has worked ever since. She began her employment with Chatham at 16 years old and has never worked anywhere else.

Louise makes her home in Arlington with her husband,

Douglas. He is employed at the Pepsi Plant and will retire next year. She and Douglas are members of the Arlington First Baptist Church where she is a Sunday School teacher and active in the WMU. They have five grandchildren, all of whom play ball. Just about every afternoon Louise said they are asked to attend a ball game, but she said her grandchildren keep her young trying to keep up with them.

"Profit sharing and the lump sum means a lot to you when you retire," Louise said. "I really appreciate all the Company has done for me."

### J. Gwyn Eldridge

Gwyn Eldridge has retired from the Carding department after working 40 years and seven months, all in Carding. When he started work in 1941 he began as a feeder and then was a middle tender. Now, Gwyn said, one man works as the feeder, middle man, finisher, and weigher, where it took four men back then.

Gwyn and his wife, Faye, live in the State Road community. They have one daughter and two grandchildren and attend the First Baptist Church in Elkin.

"If I have anything you can call a hobby, it is traveling," Gwyn said. He has several trips planned for the future, such as Disney World, the western U.S., and Canada. He wants to take a bus tour to the Amish country this summer.

Gwyn has three cousins retired from Chatham, Louise Bunton, Ervie Eldridge, and Will Eldridge.

### Harvey G. Hendricks

Harvey has taken early retirement on disability due to heart problems. He has been employed on the outside crew out of Engineering since 1977. Prior to that Harvey worked three years in Engineering — the machine shop, welding shop, and pipe shop before he quit in 1973.

His wife, Nancy, is employed at Surry Rest Home in Dobson.They make their home at Dobson in the Zephyr community. Harvey has a son and daughter attending school in Dobson and married daughter.

**Harvey Hendricks** 

When asked about activities, he said his health limited what he could do. He enjoys drawing and painting and would like to return to the ministry.

### Leonard K. Patterson

Leonard Patterson, known to most people at Chatham as Speedy, has retired from Industrial Engineering, where he was assistant payroll supervisor, with a service record of 41 years and 4 months. Speedy worked in the Commissary until 1955 when he transferred to Industrial Engineering.In the days before ARA, food was prepared in the basement of the "Y" and sent out into the mill.Speedy worked as an assistant to Gene Hall.

Besides the usual work around the house and gardening, Speedy said he planned to get into some kind of work or business this fall.

He is married to the former Dorothy Mann, who works at Rumple Furniture. They have three children — one daughter just graduated from East Carolina University, their son is a junior at Starmount and another son is assistant manager at TG&Y.

"I've enjoyed working at Chatham," Speedy said."All the people I have worked with have been real nice and I appreciate the benefits."

#### **Connie L. Spicer**

"I've worked in a whole lot of departments and enjoyed all of them," Connie Spicer said of her 27 years at Chatham. "I've really enjoyed working with the people in Burling." At retirement she was employed in Burling, 1st shift.

Connie plans to be working at home now, raising a garden and canning. There will be more time to spend with her three children and eight grandchildren. Her husband, Sam, works in the Sample department and has a few more years to go before he retires.

They live in the Pleasant Ridge



**Leonard Patterson** 



**Connie Spicer** 

community and are members of the Pleasant Ridge Baptist Church. She enjoys working in the church and is looking forward to being able to spend more time with church work. She is active in the Pleasant Ridge Ruritanettes.

Connie has two sisters working in Burling, Mozelle Myers and Carol Ledbetter.

### **Ruby S. Swaim**

Ruby Swaim said that Chatham had been good to her. It is the only place she has ever worked. Although her service is nearly 27 years, she first started to work at Chatham in 1937 in Winston-Salem. She worked four years until she took maternity leave. She stayed out until 1955 taking care of her children. Most of her service has been in the Cloth department, but she has also worked in Binding, Worsted, and the Dye House.

Ruby and her husband, Clay, live on the Swan Creek Road and attend Dennyville Baptist Church. They have a son and daughter and four grandchildren. Clay is retired from Cloth and Ruby said he is happy as a lark. They plan on traveling and hope to see the World's Fair and Disney World soon.

"I really love to work," Ruby said. "I had much rather work than retire, but I want to spend more time with my mother who is 89 years old." Ruby will also be spending more time with her sister, Mozelle Wooten (retired). She has a nephew, Joey Shore, in Garnett.

## J. Worth Billings Douglas.