

Christmas Dinner Held By Dobson Woman's Club

The Dobson Woman's Club held its annual Christmas dinner Thursday evening, Dec. 12, at the Dobson Community Building. The tables were beautifully decorated in the holiday motif.

Before dinner, members and guests enjoyed a social hour at the hors d'oeuvres and punch bar.

President Minnie Hyler called the group together. Camilla Cook, chaplain, read the traditional Christmas Story from Luke and pronounced the invocation.

After a candlelight dinner, the guests were entertained by a special chorale ensemble from Mount Airy High School under the direction of Mrs. Pruett. She explained that these youngsters had to audition to be accepted into the ensemble.

And they were extra special. They sang several Christmas songs with an exquisite harmony of voice.

Special guests were the husbands of several members, the Rev. Ham Riner, Mrs. Juliet Poole, Lib Moore, Charles Bartlett Jackson and Spen and Lee Norman.

FAMILY HAS YULE PARTY

The family of Mrs. Callie Wood gathered at the Dobson Community Building Sunday afternoon, Dec. 15, for a Christmas party. It was a covered dish affair with plenty of good food.

The group visited with each other, exchanged gifts, sang Christmas carols and had a jolly good time.

Mrs. Wood makes her home in Dobson with her daughter, Pauline Eades. Others attending were sons Bill and A. L. Wood and their families of Statesville, the family of deceased daughter Mary Carter of Charlotte and the family of deceased son Odell Wood of Statesville.

ALMA ATKINS HONORED

Alma Atkins was honored Saturday evening, Dec. 14, on her seventieth birthday with a party at the Dobson Community Building.

Daughter Effie Marion made a chicken stew and son-in-law Harold Bledsoe made his famous oyster stew, so along with several other goodies the group partook of some mighty fine eating.

The group also sang Christmas carols and other fine old songs. There was some flat-foot dancing and a lot of laughter and talk among the 120 people attending.



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There were Alma's children, Effie Marion and husband, Jim; Jessie Stewart and husband, James Vance Lessie Brindle and husband, J. B.; Jimmie Atkins and wife, Mollie; Carol Bledsoe and husband, Harold; Wayne Atkins and wife, Glenda; and Kathy Woodruff and husband, Tom.

Grandchildren attending were Shaun, Jeff and Shanna Key of Pinnacle, Pam Stewart, Donna Marion of Raleigh, Dawn Marion, Clark Atkins and children, Justin and Jill, of North Wilkesboro, Tim Atkins, Emily and Neil Atkins, Lori Bledsoe of Charlotte, Amy and John Bledsoe and Jeni, Tonya and Frankie Woodruff.

Alma's brothers and sisters there were Emma Slaughter, Imogene Cave, Reuben Lewis of Mount Airy, Victor Lewis and Delmer Lewis of Westfield. Alma's parents were John and Ivory Marion Lewis.

Alma's aunt, Hattie Atkins, was there, along with her daughters, Cassie Wood and Janie McHone. There were other friends and four preachers: Ham Riner, Bill Greenwood, George Hyler and Charles Lennard.

DAR CHAPTER MEETS

The Jonathan Hunt chapter of the DAR met recently at the Edwards-Franklin House on Haystack Road with 10 members and four visitors present.

Marion Venable, a member of the Surry County Historical Society, presented an informative program on the house.

Afterwards, chapter members and their guests, Mrs. Venable, Mrs. Hugh Whitted and Miss Emma Cooke, met at the Lantern Restaurant in Dobson for lunch and a business meeting.

Sallie Gilreath, regent, presided over the business meeting, which opened with prayer and scripture by the chaplain.

Minnie Ruth Gentry, DAR Good Citizens chapter chairman, announced the high school winners of the annual award, as follows: Elkin, Stephanie Edwards, daughter of Mr.

and Mrs. George Edwards; Forbush, Stacy York, son of Mr. and Mrs. Monroe York; Starmount, Amber Wagoner, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Perry Wagoner; and Surry Central, Karen Seaver, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Earl Seaver.

PERSONALS

Mrs. Novella Edmonds suffered some broken ribs in a recent fall.

Ms. Marian Phillips of Winston-Salem, retired Baptist missionary to Nigeria, visited her cousin, Rosemary Miller, recently. She spoke at the morning worship service at Dobson Baptist Church Sunday, Dec. 8.

Congratulations to Luanne and Mike Marshall on the birth of a son, William Samuel Marshall, who weighed in at 10 pounds and 5 ounces. They also have a daughter, Anna, age 5. Proud grandparents are Robert and Betty Hemmings of Dobson and Bill and Elaine Marshall of Mount Airy.

Mrs. Marge Folger has returned to her home from Delaware, where she had been staying with her son, Harry, for several weeks. Harry underwent back surgery in November. He returned to Dobson with his mother.

Mary Sue, Ralph and Libby Beavers of North Wilkesboro placed flowers in Dobson United Methodist Church Sunday, Dec. 15, to honor John Norman, whose birthday was the day prior.

The Methodists in Dobson have been collecting toys for needy children.

Mrs. Alma Holyfield is doing fine at home.

John and Becky Harris of Wadesboro visited friends in Dobson over the Dec. 14 weekend. John was formerly with Mutual Savings and Loan in Dobson.

FAIRVIEW BAPTIST NEWS

The Baptist Men met Sunday afternoon, Dec. 15, and made and delivered fruit baskets to the shut-ins of our community.

The Adult Men and Women's Sunday School Class held its

Christmas party Saturday evening, Dec. 14, in the recreation room of Surry Manor. Everyone had an enjoyable meal and fellowship.

Mrs. Verna Freeman has returned home from the Elkin hospital and is feeling better.

Our heartfelt sympathy is extended to Mrs. Selma White and Arlis Coe in the passing of their sister, Mrs. Beatrice Stanley.

Youth Present Program

The youth of the church presented a wonderful program of music and the Christmas story Sunday night, Dec. 15.

The toddlers, dressed in their pajamas, gathered around to hear the Christmas Story, read by our pastor's wife, Kim Johnson, who is also one of their Sunday School teachers.

The Beginners presented the manger scene, with songs such as "What Child Is This," and "The Friendly Beast." There were solos by Cindy Fowler and Tammy Lowe, with Lori Draughn and Greg Stanley at the piano. The Older Youth Choir sang "Do You Hear What I Hear."

Refreshments were served in the Fellowship Hall for the entire church and visitors present.

LOCAL LEOS WIN AWARD

The Leo Club of Surry Central High School has been selected as one of 53 winners of the 1984-85 Leo Club Excellence Award, according to Rickey S. Dobbins, president of the Dobson Lions Club. The Lions sponsor the Leo Club.

The award, established in 1977 by Lions Clubs International, recognizes outstanding achievement

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