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MISS AMERICA 1978

SUSAN PERKINS



Susan Yvonne Perkins, of Columbus, Ohio, was one of 50 lovely Miss America contestants to register at the Miss America Pageant in Atlantic City on Monday, September 5th.

By Saturday, September 10th, Susan had captured a Preliminary Talent Award with her outstanding rendition of Billie Holliday's "Good Morning, Heartache." She had impressed the Panel of Judges during the interview segment with her intelligence and healthy sense of humor, and she had participated with self-assurance and poise in the Evening Gown and Swimsuit competitions of Pageant Week.



There She Is . . . Miss America 1978.



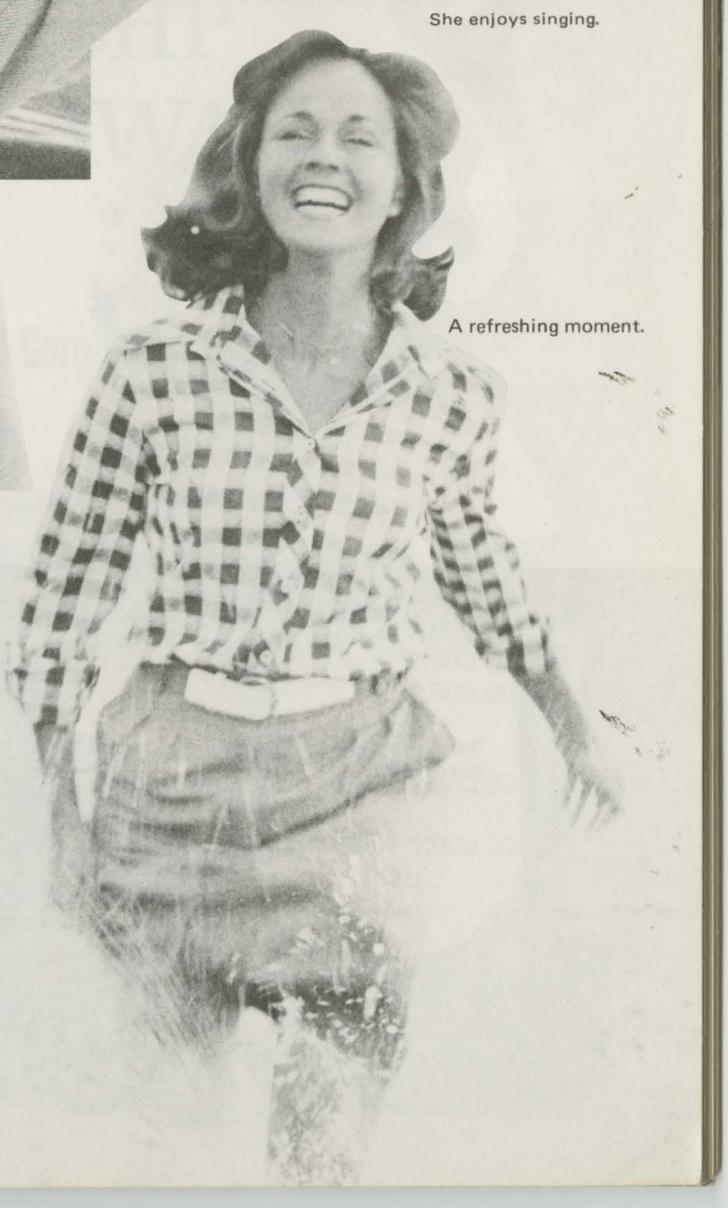
The media were impressed with her straight forward responses and quick wit.



The next day . . . a whirlwind tour of New York City.



She enjoys singing.



A refreshing moment.

"On Stage" Susan made her Miss Ohio Pageant fans extremely proud, but perhaps even more important, "Backstage" Susan made lasting friendships with her fellow State Representatives and they were among her most enthusiastic cheering section when Miss Ohio 1977 became Miss America 1978.

At 23, Susan was a 1976 Biology Graduate of Ohio's Miami University. Following college she became a Legislative Assistant in the Ohio Legislature. Here she worked for nearly a year writing political speeches, attending caucus briefings and speaking at various schools throughout the State on the importance of State Government.

Perhaps because of this work, Susan's future plans may include studying law and entering politics, although she is still desirous of additional training in music. She has studied piano for 7 years and voice for 5 years, with a keen interest in singing professionally. Whatever career Susan decides to pursue, she will have her $20,000.00 Miss America Scholarship to assist in her further education and training.

Susan is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Paul Perkins of Middletown, Ohio. She was born on April 28, 1954 and has one younger sister, Brenda Karen, age 14. Susan's Local Pageant was sponsored by the Claymont Jaycees - Miss Clayland Pageant and her Miss Ohio Pageant was under the direction of the Mansfield Area Chamber of Commerce and the Mansfield Jaycees.



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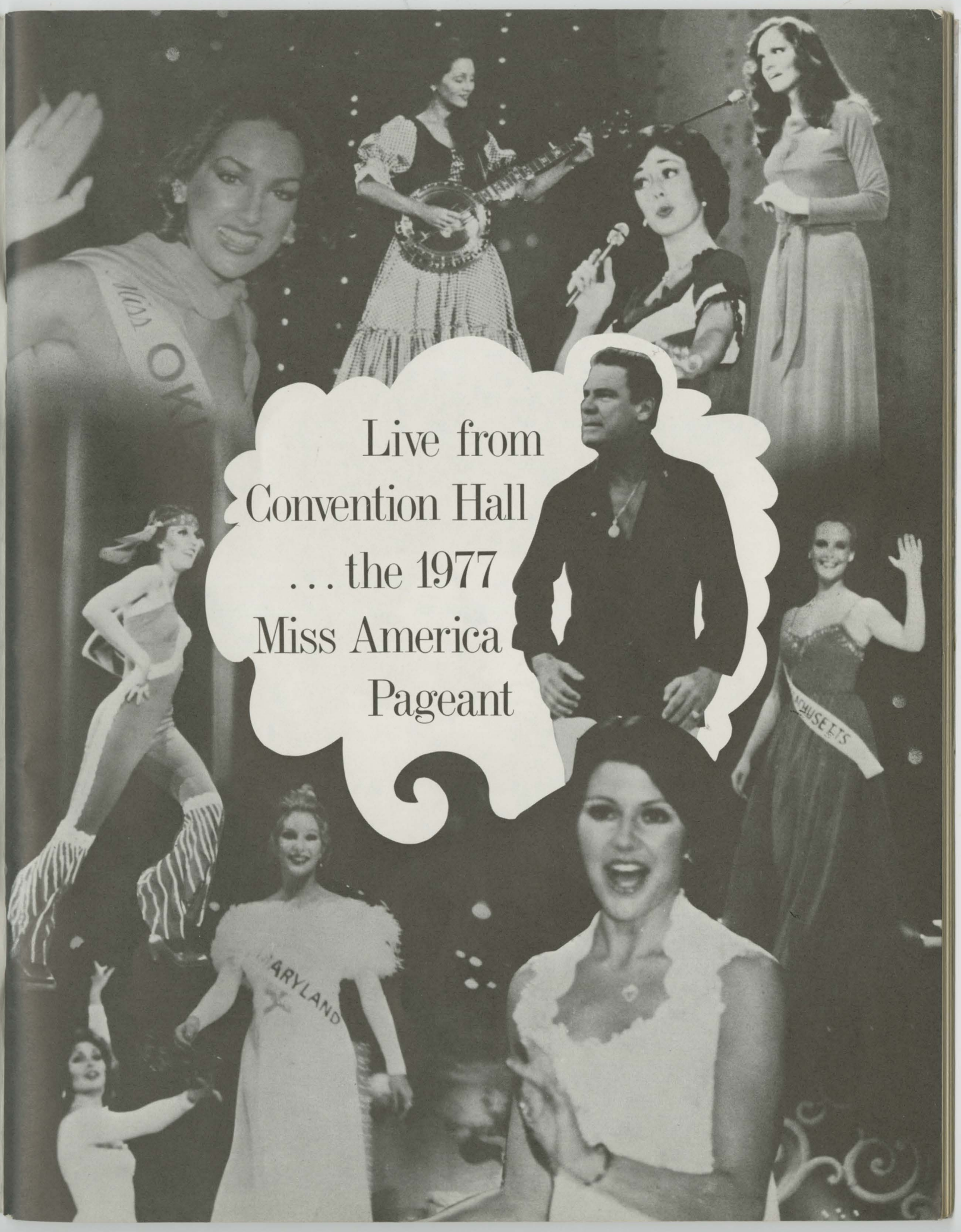
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STEVE BALL

Steve has directed the Miss Mount Airy Pageant for four consecutive years. His knowledge and experience in the pageantry field has earned state wide recognition of our local pageant. Steve, the Jaycees and Jaycettes salute you for your dedication and enthusiasm!!! Thanks a million!

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Entrant agrees that if she is selected as the winner of this contest, she will not sign a management contract with any individual or corporation, and that she will not give any written or verbal endorsement of any merchantile commodity, nor will she permit any photographs to be used in connection with any advertised commodity of service not associated with this contest, without the permission of the Mount Airy Jaycees or Miss America Pageant.

Entrant must be a resident of the official territory by this particular contest for the past six months. This rule is only waived for contestants whose residence is out of the territory of state, but who is a college or university student in city where contest is held and at time the contest is held. She must not have completed in more than one official preliminary contest this year.

Entrant must be single and never have been married, divorced, or had marriage annuled.

Entrant must be a high school graduate by September First of this year.

Entrant's age on September First shall not be less than eighteen nor more than twenty-eight years.

Entrant must be of good character and possess poise, personality, intelligence, charm and beauty of face and figure.

Entrant must possess and display talent in a three minute routine. This talent may be singing, dancing, playing a musical instrument, dramatic reading, art display, dress designing, etc., or she may give a three minute talk on the career she wishes to pursue.

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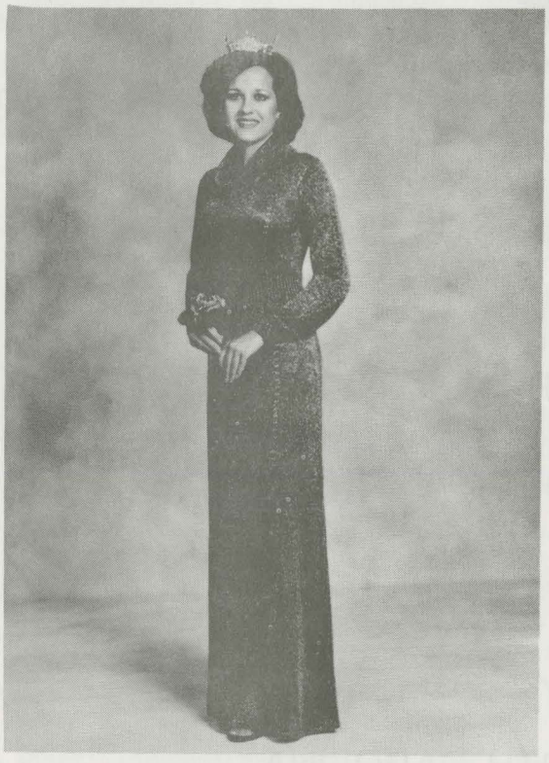
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To the next Miss Mount Airy, "Hold on tight, and brace yourself for EXCITEMENT strikes NOW."

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President's Comments:

The Mt. Airy Jaycees are very proud to present the Silver Jubilee Edition of the Miss Mount Airy Pageant.

Twenty-four young ladies have to this point, represented our community as Miss Mount Airy. Our deep gratitude goes to them for their hard work on our behalf.

We are also deeply grateful to you, the people of Mt. Airy. Your continued support has made it possible for YOUR pageant to continue as the longest continuous running local pageant in North Carolina.

From all reports, the Miss Mount Airy Pageant is one of the best productions of any pageant in North Carolina. For this, we have to thank the dedicated Jaycees who spend a great deal of their free time putting on the show, and also thank Mr. Steve Ball for his creativity and hard work.

All of these and many more factors make it possible for the Mount Airy Jaycees to continue with the production of the Miss Mount Airy Pageant.

Sit back, relax and enjoy YOUR pageant.

Again, please accept our thanks for your continued support and encouragement toward the Miss Mount Airy Pageant.

David Hawkins, President
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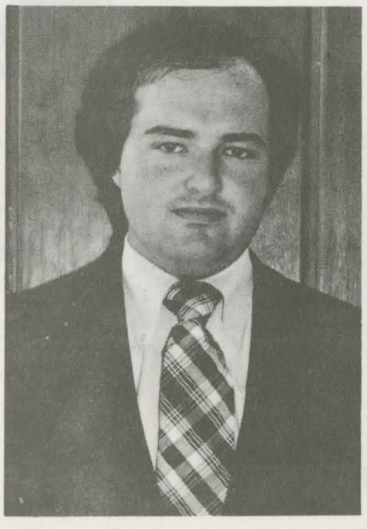
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Joe A. Reid

Joe A. Reid has been a member of the Mount Airy Jaycees for two years. He has served as Business Manager to the reigning Miss Mount Airy, Internal Vice-President, Internal Director, Chairman of the 10 million Penny Project, Jaycee Representative to the YVEDDI Board, and recipient of the June "Jaycee of the Month" award. He is a graduate of Appalachian State University, and is married to the former Sharon Greenwood. He is employed at Floyd S. Pike Electrical Contractors.



Mike Rader

Mike Rader has been a Joycee for the past four years, serving during that time as Secretary, External Director and External Vice-President. He is a native of Morganton, and is married to the former Cindy Hyatt and resides in Mount Airy on Cynthia Drive. He is a 1972 graduate of North Carolina State University and is employed at Quality Mills.

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COMMENTS FROM THE JAYCETTE PRESIDENT:

"Enthusiasm" is the key work describing the Mt. Airy Jaycettes' involvement with the 1978-79 Miss Mount Airy Pageant. We are proud to increase our scholarship contribution to $300 this year which enables contestants to further their education.

Each year Jaycettes play a more vital role in assisting the Jaycees with the pageant. Socials, judges' interviews, and the Coronation Ball – all are Jaycette sponsored activities. Our official hostess committee this year again has devoted their time and energy to the contestants. Hostesses work backstage during the actual competition helping with wardrobe changes, instilling poise and self-confidence, and calming nerves during last minute crisis!

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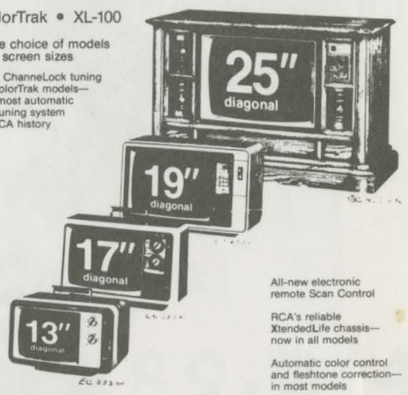
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ALBERT N. "TUCK" GUDGER – (CHIEF JUDGE) – from Asheville, North Carolina, where he resides with his wife Mary Francis, "Murph" ... Past Vice-President of the North Carolina Jaycees, past United States National Director of Jaycees. Listed in "Who's Who in North Carolina" for his civic services, having been chosen the "Outstanding Youth Man" in Kannapolis, 1952, and in Asheville, 1960. Has judged local, state, national, international pageants, festivals and Junior Miss Pageants. Has judged a total of 25 state pageants for the Miss America program. He was an advisor to the reigning Miss Mount Airy, Annette Evans. He is on the Recommended List of Pageant Judges for the Miss North Carolina Pageant.

ERIC ENNIS – Official designer for the Miss North Carolina Pageant and Miss America Pageant in 1975 and 1977. Native North Carolinian ... graduate of East Carolina University with degree in Music ... Masters degree from the University of Michigan ..... owner of La Couturier in Raleigh where he has designed wardrobes for the past ten Miss North Carolinas for the Miss America Pageant. He has judged numerous pageants and worked in wardrobing and preparation of contestants for local and the Miss North Carolina Pageants.

MR. AND MRS. LEON F. IJAMES – natives of Statesville where they are both active with the North Carolina Dogwood Festival .... He as the business manager and she as the official chaperone for the current Miss Dogwood. Both have worked with the Miss Statesville Pageant for several years and on occasions have traveled with Miss Statesvilles .... Both have judged pageants throughout North Carolina and are on the list of recommended judges for Miss North Carolina. The couple have one child, Mark, age 7. Both are active in the Jaycees and Jaycettes in Statesville.

ANN-MARIE NOBLE – owner of the Magic Wand Beauty Salon in Carthage, North Carolina. She has judged Miss North Carolina preliminaries and various festivals across the state .... most recently being the 1978-79 North Carolina Rhododendron Festival. She was the official chaperone for Miss Sharon Maness, the 1978 North Carolina Rhododendron Queen and personal hairdresser to Miss Bladen County, Miss Mooresville, and has traveled with Miss North Carolina.

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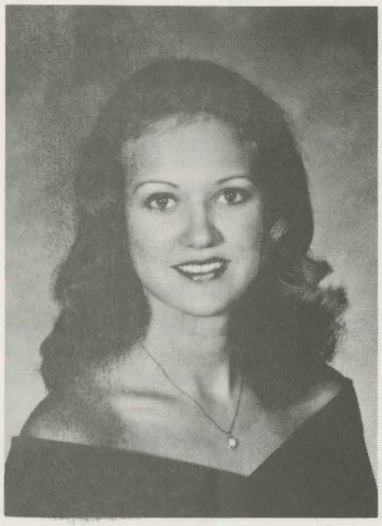
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PATTI MILLER

Patti Miller is a 1978 graduate of Mars Hill College. While at Mars Hill, she was a member of the College Touring Choir, Delta Omicron Fraternity and was selected to Who's Who Among American Colleges and Universities.

She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy W. Miller of Mt. Airy. The former Miss Mount Airy, 1976 was a semi-finalist and talent preliminary winner in the 1976 Miss North Carolina Pageant.

STEVE BALL – CHOREOGRAPHER

Mr. Steve Ball lives in Mountain Park, North Carolina and attended Appalachian State University. He is employed with the Ray Hollingsworth Dance Studio, is a former instructor with the Lelain School of Dance and Surry Community College.

He is a former member of the Elkin Jaycees, and received that club's highest award in 1973 for "Outstanding Young Man of the Year".

Steve has had leading roles in many off broadway productions and summer stock, and has made many guest appearances dancing the Cavalier with the Statesville Civic Ballet rendition of the "Nutcracker Suite". He has produced the Tri-County Junior Miss Pageant and the North Carolina March of Dimes Pageant.

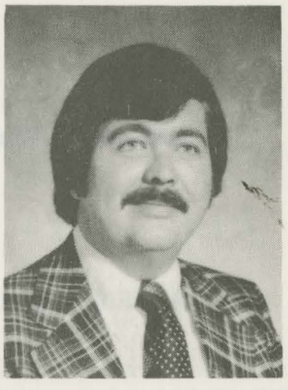
Among the many contestants Steve has trained in past years are the 1974 Junior Rhododendron Queen, 1973 and 1975 Tri-County Junior Miss, 1974 Carousel Queen, 1975 North Carolina March of Dimes Queen and the 1978 Miss Statesville.

Steve has given many hours of dedicated training and service to Misses Wendy Whitaker, Patti Miller, Cindy Harris, and Annette Evans, former Miss Mount Airys of 1975, 1976, 1977 and 1978, two of whom were top ten finalists, and one first runner-up in the Miss North Carolina Pageant.

SANDY BEAM – MUSIC DIRECTOR

Mr. Sandy Beam is a native of Roxboro, North Carolina. He received his Masters Degree in music education at Appalachian State University.

He currently teaches choral music at Gentry Middle and North Surry High School. He is well known in Surry County for his choral and dramatic work with young people, and has served as coach and accompanist to many Miss Mount Airys.



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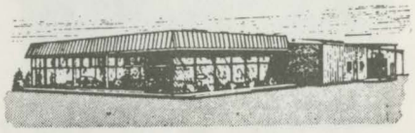
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2	Kim Griffith	18	5'6''	119	Green	Brown	Pantomine
3	Darlena Cockerham	24	5'3''	110	Hazel	Brown	Dancing
4	Yvette George	19	5'7''	120	Brown	Black	Singing
5	Cynthia Cook	20	5'6''	109	Blue	Blonde	Dancing
6	Jean King	20	5'4''	120	Brown	Dk. Brown	Singing
7	Lisa Rosendahl	18	5'7''	125	Hazel	Brown	Dancing
8	Melany Smith	19	5'4''	110	Blue	Brown	Banjo
9	Diane Carter	18	5'4''	113	Blue	Blonde	Singing
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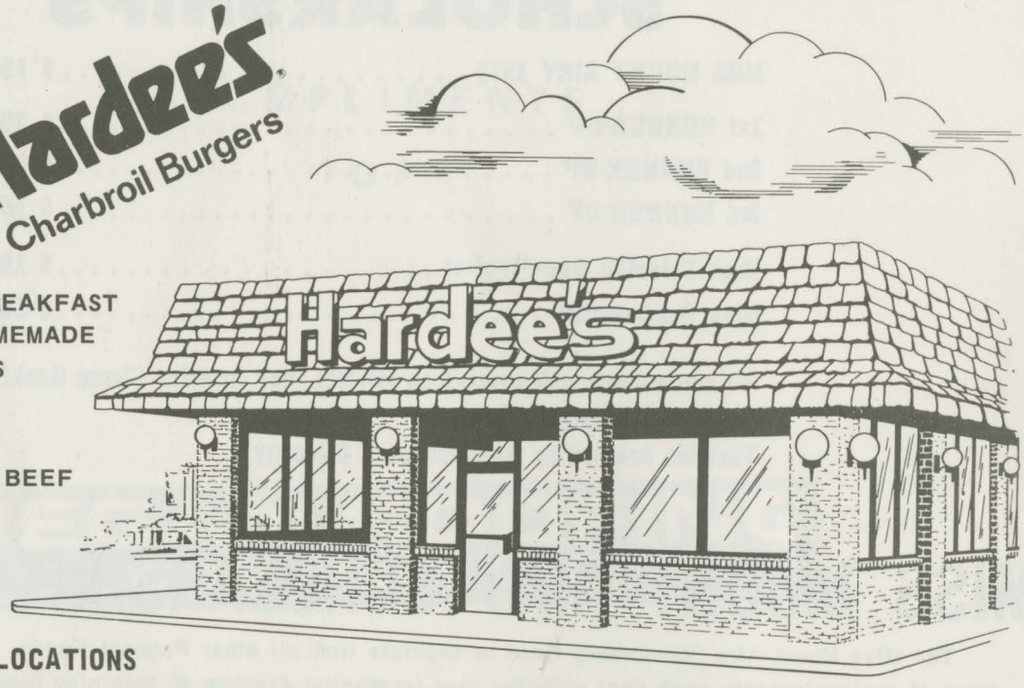
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Harlene is a student at Surry Community College seeking a degree in legal secretarial science. She plans to transfer to a four year university. A National Honor Society member, Harlene graduated from Carroll County High School in 1977. She has brown hair and blue eyes. Her many hobbies include sewing, horseback riding, crocheting, and singing.

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Kimberly Jo Griffith

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Kim is a graduate of East Surry High School where she served as treasurer of the National Honor Society. She plans to attend Surry Community College in the fall. Swimming, skating, and tennis, are her favorite sports. Kim has brown hair and green eyes.

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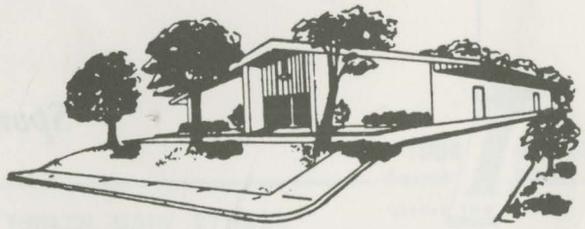
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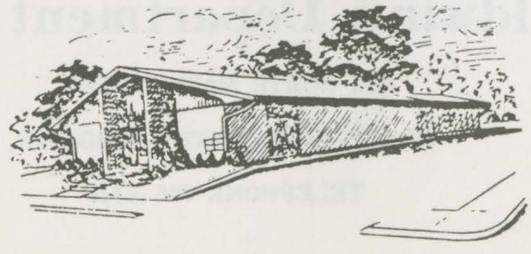
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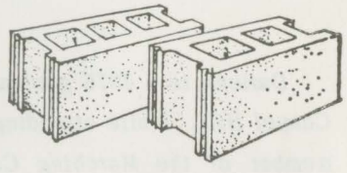
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Yvette is presently attending the American Business and Fashion Institute in Charlotte, N. C. She graduated from North Surry High School in 1977 where she was a cheerleader. Yvette hopes to open her own bridal and evening wear boutique. She has off black hair and brown eyes. Her hobbies are sewing, knitting, remodeling clothes, and playing volleyball.

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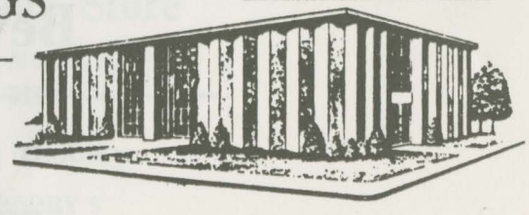
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Cindy graduated from Surry Central High School in 1975, where whe was a cheerleader for three years. She is attending Surry Community College pursuing a career in nursing. Her many hobbies include swimming, tennis, bike riding, and dancing. Cindy has blonde hair and blue eyes.

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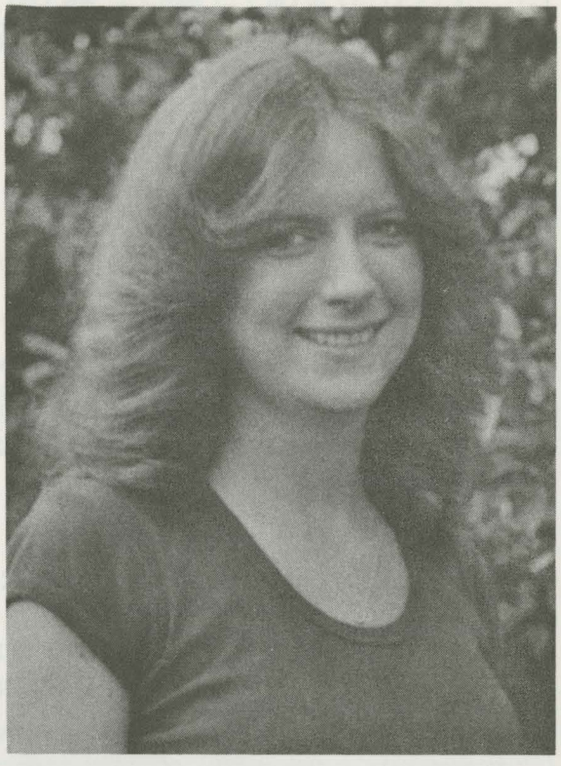
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Sherry Lynne Gore

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Sherry is a 1978 graduate of Mount Airy Senior High School. She was a 2nd place winner in the Lion's Club Scholarship Competition and was an All-State Choral Representative. In the fall she plans to attend Surry Community College and major in medical technology. Her many hobbies include singing, piano, volleyball, track, and ping pong. Sherry has dark brown hair and brown eyes.

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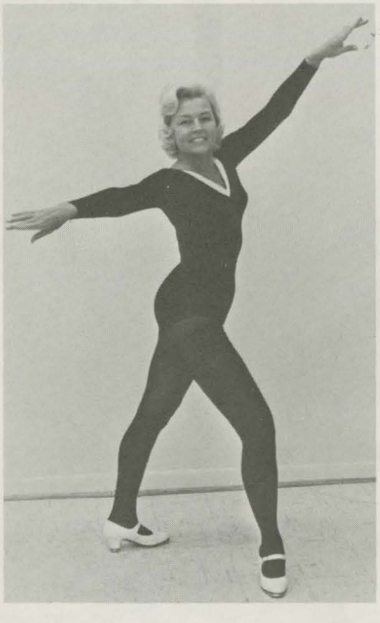
WHAT THEY'RE DOING NOW



After obtaining a Master's Degree in Music Education, Diana Dohrmann, Miss Massachusetts 1970, is now Director of Music at the Kennedy High School in Willingboro, N.J., where she resides. During vacations Diana fulfills her love for cruising by performing as a concert/jazz pianist on cruise shiplines. Besides keeping busy working for her doctorate, teaching, performing and running a music department. Diana does the repair work around her home, including putting on a new roof and digging out tree stumps!



Suzanne (Reamo) Leamer, Miss California 1960, has enjoyed 12 successful years doing stage, film and television work, over 150 commercials, commentating fashion shows throughout the United States and Canada, and working in public relations. She has been a partner, instructor since 1974 with a New York firm specializing in Television Commercial Acting Workshops and Executive Speech Consultations. Suzanne finds her career extremely satisfying and her pride boundless in her three beautiful children, Michele (14), Robert (11) and Kari (7).



Jerry Long Waggoner, Miss Atlanta 1948, operates the Jerry Waggoner School of Dance with continued enthusiasm. She and husband Robert, who is Supervisor of Music Education for the Atlanta Public Schools, are extremely proud of their two sons, Randy (26) and Brad (22). In their free time Jerry and Bob are avid boaters, enjoying many cruises aboard their "Ballerina". Additionally they are both very active in the U.S. Coast Guard Auxiliary, for they are interested in seeing that others enjoy their favorite sport *safely.*



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Phyllis George, Miss America 1971, was married on April 14, 1977 to Robert Evans in a garden ceremony at the bridegroom's Beverly Hills home. Following a honeymoon in Acapulco, both Evans returned to their successful careers, he as a movie producer and Phyllis as a CBS television sportscaster.





WHAT THEY'RE DOING NOW

The recipient of four Emmy awards and an Academy Award as best supporting actress, Cloris Leachman (Miss Chicago 1946) is well known for her superb acting ability. Cloris' off-stage life, however, is family-centered, for as Mrs. George Englund, her greatest joy has come from her five children and time permitting, those very special family picnics.

Following graduation from Oklahoma State University, Jane Hitch, Miss Oklahoma 1964, moved to Dallas where she did some modeling, little theatre work, local and national commercials and substitute teaching. It was here that Jane met and married attorney Clark Willingham. Today Jane's volunteer work in Dallas includes women's committees for the Creative Learning Center and for the Theater Center Summer Musicals Guild. Pictured at Christmas time 1974 are Clark, Jane and their two children, Meredith and Barret.



WHAT THEY'RE DOING NOW

While teaching first grade, Catherine Lawton, Miss Delaware 1972, invited Kevin Reilly of the Eagles to speak to her class on professional football. Through this chance meeting, courtship and marriage followed. Son Brett, born December 4, 1976 and pictured at 3 months, is the joy of their lives. Brett keeps Cathy hopping, but she still enjoys performing on weekends with her "banjo plucking" in the Delaware, New Jersey, Maryland and Pennsylvania areas.





On Saturday, October 1, 1977, Becky King, Miss America 1974, became a member of the Colorado bar, having passed the bar examination given last July.

Becky credits the Miss America Pageant scholarship for making it possible to complete her studies at the University of Denver Law School. "The scholarship was the stepping stone for the rest of my life and I think it's pretty evident that the Pageant is out to help young women as it certainly has helped me."

Mary Harriet Rita Shelby, Miss Passaic 1927, was married on June 9, 1934 to Francis Xavier Bauer. The Bauers had a daughter, Mary Margaret, and twins Francis, Jr., and Susan Bauer. Mary was widowed in 1950 and carried on a career in Electronics Quality Control as a Mechanical and Electrical Inspector, work which requires reliance on instruments, ingenuity and ability to read blueprints. Mary is pictured with her grandchildren, Suzanne Elizabeth Creegan and Patrick Joseph Creegan.



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1922-23 ..... Mary Campbell, Columbus, Ohio
1924 ..... Ruth Malcolmson, Philadelpnia, Pa.
1925 ..... Fay Lanphier, Oakland, California
1926 ..... Norma Smallwood, Tulsa, Oklahoma
1927 ..... Lois Delander, Joliet, Illinois
1933 ..... Marian Bergeron, West Haven, Conn.
1935 ..... Henrietta Leaver, Pittsburgh, Pa.
1936 ..... Rose Coyle, Philadelphia, Pa.
1937 ..... Bette Cooper, Bertrand Island, N.J.
1938 ..... Marilyn Meseke, Marion, Ohio
1939 ..... Patricia Donnelly, Detroit, Michigan
1940 ..... Frances Marie Burke, Philadelphia, Pa.
1941 ..... Rosemary LaPlanche, Los Angeles, Calif.
1942 ..... Jo-Carroll Dennison, Tyler, Texas
1943 ..... Jean Bartel, Los Angeles, Calif.
1944 ..... Venus Ramey, Washington, D.C.
1945 ..... Bess Myerson, New York City, N.Y.
1946 ..... Marilyn Buferd, Los Angeles, Calif.
1947 ..... Barbara Walker, Memphis, Tennessee
1948 ..... BeBe Shopp, Hopkins, Minnesota
1949 ..... Jacque Mercer, Litchfield, Arizona
1951 . Yolande Betbeze, Mobile, Alabama (Postdated)
1952 .... Colleen Kay Hutchins, Salt Lake City, Utah
1953 ..... Neva Jane Langley, Macon, Georgia
1954 ..... Evelyn Margaret Ay, Ephrata, Pa.
1955 ..... Lee Meriwether, San Francisco, Calif.
1956 ..... Sharon Ritchie, Denver, Colorado
1957 .... Marian McKnight, Manning, South Carolina
1958 ..... Marilyn Van Derbur, Denver, Colorado
1959 ..... Mary Ann Mobley, Brandon, Miss.
1960 ..... Lynda Lee Mead, Natchez, Miss.
1961 ..... Nancy Fleming, Montague, Michigan
1962 ..... Maria Fletcher, Asheville, North Carolina
1963 ..... Jacquelyn Mayer, Sandusky, Ohio
1964 ..... Donna Axum, El Dorado, Arkansas
1965 ..... Vonda Kay Van Dyke, Phoenix, Arizona
1966 ... Deborah Irene Bryant, Overland Park, Kansas
1967 ..... Jane Anne Jayroe, Laverne, Oklahoma
1968 ..... Debra Dene Barnes, Pittsburg, Kansas
1969 ..... Judith Anne Ford, Belvidere, Illinois
1970 .... Pamela Anne Eldred, Birmingham, Michigan
1971 ..... Phyllis George, Denton, Texas
1972 ..... Laurie Lea Schaefer, Bexley, Ohio
1973 ..... Terry Anne Meeuwsen, DePere, Wisconsin
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