



Back in the olden days

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Descendants of Perry and RuthElla Brown meet on August 26 for reunion

Submitted by Joyce McDaniel Koss

On Sunday, Aug. 26 the annual family reunion of Perry and RuthElla Bodie Brown was held at Parksville Shelter I on Strom Thurmond Lake with a covered dish luncheon. The day was perfect with nice weather and filled with laughter, food and wonderful fellowship among the 59 in attendance. This reunion has been celebrated for 69 or more years and is being carried on by their descendants. The seven children of Perry and RuthElla were represented by their children and grandchildren. Agnes B. Seigler's family had the most members in attendance. They

included Billie S. and John Bertzfield, Lincolnton, Ga. and family; Jimmy and Barbara Seigler, Plum Branch, and family; John and Elaine Seigler, Plum Branch and family. Shollie B. McDaniel was represented by Elaine McDaniel of Morganton, Ga., and family; Connie M. Read, North Augusta; and Joyce M. Koss, North Augusta and family; Ruth B. McDaniel's family included Ruth Ann M. and Don Beck, Gastonia, N.C. Joe Perry Brown's family included Betty Jo B. Jackson, Parksville; Warren and Rebecca Brown, Greenwood; and Heyward and Marcia Brown, McCormick and family. Janie B. Heyward's family included

Virginia H. McDaniel, Columbia. We were sad that no one from Herbert Brown's and Eloise B. Wood's families could join us. It is up to us as grandchildren of Perry and RuthElla Brown to continue our reunion so we can pass on family traditions. Those who could not attend for whatever reason were missed very much. This reunion is such a good time to see and visit with family and share memories. Each family member is special and we look forward to being together next year. This is such a wonderful way to continue the legacy of our parents and grandparents. God has richly blessed this family.

Birthdays/Wedding Anniversaries

Congratulations and best wishes to the following persons who celebrate birthdays and wedding anniversaries this week.

September 21 - Wendy L. Davis, Eldredge Kelley, Rhonda Morgan, Ladessa Nelson, Carolyn S. Trantham, Jean Lagroon, Kathy Thomas, Kimberly Clegg, Mike and Diane Rhinehart, Dr. E.W. Stokes, Virginia Garrett, Joyce Chemelewski, Steven Peterson, Pauline Brown Lomax.

September 22 - Brad Burton, LaVern S. Nelson, Lashanda Sibert, Kelley B. Hammond, J. Russell Stokes, Robert Stidom, Ronaldia Tutt, Michelle Smith.

September 23 - Marie Bell, Barbara Boddie, Kathy Chamberlain, Essie Louise Polly, Robert F. Wideman, Calvin Morton, Mark Dorn, Naomi Smith, Charlie and Georgia Jennings, Jackie Myers, Lynn Calaham, Mike Sprague, Daniel Green, Robert and Bridgette H. Gray, Sher-

ry Boyd.

September 24 - Jimmy Collier, Nancy T. Moore, Neal Hilliard, Ricky White, David Hitt, Watonya Searles, Terri and Steve Nalbandian, Eleanor Ryan, Leroy Kelly, Mr. and Mrs. Curtis Wideman, Allisa Bell.

September 25 - Johnny Deason, Hugh Goff, Jerome Perrin, Robert Sibert, Betty Carol Jones, Rachel and Johnny Broome, Wayneisha S. Gilchrist, Claudia Cason, Ethel Williams.

September 26 - Monica Kelly, Mr. and Mrs. John McMillan, Teri Wells Love, Laverne Mursier, Audric H. Jackson, Will Doolittle, Claudia Lofgren, Phillip Richardson.

September 27 - Gazetta Gilchrist, Mr. and Mrs. Leroy Gunter, Joe Morgan, Nellie Ruth New, Mr. and Mrs. Ira Jones, Jeremiah King, Bill Smith, Quincy Stevens, Bob Johnson, Dan Nelson Jr., Tonya Edmunds, Jerry and Mary Carroway, Roland Temple,

Hazel Freeland, Dianne and Doug Dodgen, Delores and Wayne Dehart, Rachel Wilkins, Steve Ferry, Sandra Patrice Epps, Rich Meyer, Larry and Helen Slater, Julius Meeks, Willie Williams.

Informative Workshops

The Rev. R. C. Holloway, a candidate for the McCormick County School Board, will present two more workshops within the county. His deepest concern is students being able to pass the state tests. With his recent research, he feels there is a solution. He asked that you come and share with him.

Meetings and times:
Oct. 20 - 9 a.m. until noon at the Mims Center
Clarks Hill (TBA)
Pastors and religious leaders are also asked to attend.

Staci Swider Exhibit at the MACK

By Liz Gilmore Williams

"The Depth of My Own Nature," the apt title of Staci Swider's exhibit this month at the McCormick Arts Council at the Keturah (MACK), opened on Friday, Sept. 7. The collection of 18 paintings will be on display until early October.

With a background as a textile designer, Swider takes inspiration not only from nature but also from the patterns and textures found in fabrics and quilts and other everyday items such as baskets. Some of her work reminds you of applique or methods used with fabrics. A few of the paintings on view even have snippets of fabric in them, a common technique of Swider's.

A graduate of the Philadelphia College of Textiles and Science (now Philadelphia University), Swider has lived in South Carolina since the late 1980s. She is a self-taught artist whose work has been shown at the Morris Museum of Art and many other galleries in the Southeast. In addition to painting, she has written a book about her craft, titled *Acrylic Expressions*, and produced instructional videos. See her web site for more information: www.staciswider.com

According to Swider, "I like my pieces to feel casual and immediate, regardless of how many hours I may labor over them. I like the colors to melt together overall with dancing bits of contrasting color and texture - a raw edge meets smooth silk, soft neutrals offset with shots of cobalt or orange."

Some attending the artist's reception on Friday commented favorably on the exhibit. Ursula Henderson found the exhibit "really unique and inspiring." Ella Arnold, of Lincolnton, Ga., said, "I think it's a wonderful exhibit, really different from what we've had before, very vibrant."



Staci Swider and husband at the MACK artist reception on Sept. 7. Swider's exhibit will be on display until early October.



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SCAC elects Charles Jennings president

By Bob Stockton

McCormick County Council Chair Charles Jennings has been elected the president of the S.C. Association of Counties.

As McCormick County council chair, Jennings has been the county's representative in the association for the past six years. He has been elected third vice president, second vice president, first vice president and now president.

"Some members of the association have been there since the 1970s," Jennings said. "We work to represent counties in the S.C. general assembly for the betterment of all counties."

"We meet six times a year to



Charles Jennings

S.C. congressional delegation.

"I'd like to thank McCormick County government for working together to support me these past years to attain this post," Jennings said. "I hope that we'll continue to work together."

Jennings said that the association awards a \$2,500 scholarship to a public school student in the president's name each year. He also announced that there would be a ballot question about Sunday alcohol sales in McCormick County and that construction of the Palace Foods building, which has been delayed because of wet weather this spring, is expected to be done at the end of October.

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