



## DURANT NEWS

by Rowena Hill

# Lexington native and HCC Bulldog signs with Georgia's Reinhardt University

## Marriage Quips and Quotes

I have several friends who have just had December weddings in their family. I also have three weddings to attend this spring. Then, summer weddings start usually in May.

I think women enjoy weddings more than men. I know at my house whenever I show my husband a wedding invitation that we have received his first statement is- "Do I have to go or can you just go with the girls?"

A little over ten years ago, my son got married and it was such a fun time in our family. I remember when it was over thinking-now what did we do before the wedding?

Our 40th wedding anniversary is this June. It is hard to believe that we have been married that long, but something that I am very proud of.

I ran across these amusing wedding quips and quotes last week. They tickled my funny bone and I hope they will yours.

\* When you see a married couple walking down the street, the one who is two or three steps ahead is the one who's mad.

\* Advice given to a son by his father: Never do anything around the house that you don't want to do for the rest of your life.

\* No woman ever shot her husband while he was doing the dishes.

\* There are two ways to keep a wife happy. First, let her think she's having her way. And second, let her have it.

\* The last word in an argument is what the wife says. Anything after that is the beginning of another argument.

\* What do you call a wife who always knows where her husband is? A widow.

\* When my wife was asked, "Do you take this man for richer or poorer...?" she answered, "For richer."

\* A good marriage would be between a blind man and a deaf woman.

\* I haven't spoken to my wife in years - I didn't want to interrupt her.

\* I had a terrible fight with my wife on New Year's Eve. She called me a procrastinator. So, I finished addressing my Christmas cards and left.

\* Keeping a secret from your wife is like trying to smuggle daylight past a rooster.

\* Ladies, you may marry the man of your dreams, but twenty years later you're

married to a couch that burps.

\* I never married because there was no need. I have three pets at home that answer the same purpose as a husband. I have a dog that growls every morning, a parrot that swears all afternoon, and a cat that comes home late at night.

\* The only difference between being married and being in prison is that in prison they let you play softball on the weekends.

\* You might want to try what my folks did. Twice a week they would go out for a special meal...with wine, good food, and soft lighting. Dad went on Tuesday and Mom went on Thursday.

\* Going shopping with your husband is like his going fishing with the game warden.

Hope you enjoy this week's recipes. Thanks for reading.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Ables of Sallis visited in my home last Friday. We always enjoy the times we spend together. It's only two years between Shirley and I. Bessie is another two years. I think the girls of the family always enjoy time spent together. We all love our brother Pete and enjoy time with him and his wife Sarah. Thank God for each.

We at First Baptist Church are enjoying Rev. and Mrs. Ed McDaniel. They are interim while we have no pastor. Wish we could keep them indefinitely. Daughter Deborah came up last Sunday. It was a real treat to be with her again. They were our pastor and family several years ago. We loved all of them and still do.

Charlie Irby had a visit recently from his family. We sure enjoyed seeing them all again. Wish some would come back to live but probably not. Out town doesn't seem to draw permanent guests very well. I love the town and those who live here. I do wish we could get some new stores and restaurants.

During the holidays the Frank Aldy family met together for a good meal and lots of talk and fun. We like to be together and recall days gone by. Most of us live in Mississippi.

Shirley and Sammy

combine and serve warm or at room temperature.

### NO PEEK PORK CHOPS and RICE

- 6-8 boneless pork chops
- 1 Tbsp. seasoned pepper
- 1 can Cream of Mushroom Soup
- 1 can Cream of Chicken Soup
- 2 cups chicken broth
- 1 ½ cups rice, uncooked
- 1 pkg. Lipton dry onion soup mix

Preheat oven to 350 degrees; lightly spray a 9 x 13 inch baking dish with non-stick cooking spray. Mix soups, chicken broth, rice, and soup mix together and pour in prepared baking dish. Season both sides of the pork chops with seasoned pepper and place on top of rice mixture. Cover tightly with foil and bake for 1 hour and 30 minutes.

### ROASTED ASPARAGUS with MUSHROOMS

- 1 ½ lbs. fresh asparagus, trim ends
- ½ lb. fresh white button mushrooms, stemmed and quartered
- 2 Tbsp. olive oil
- 3 tsp. balsamic vinegar
- Coarse ground salt and pepper to taste

Preheat oven to 425 degrees; on a nonstick baking sheet, toss the vegetables with the oil, salt and pepper. Spread the vegetables in a single layer. Toast for 10-15 minutes or until they are tender and brown; turning once during the cooking. Sprinkle vegetables with balsamic vinegar and additional salt and pepper. Toss gently to

combine and serve warm or at room temperature.

### ÉCLAIR CAKE

- 2 pkg. French vanilla instant pudding mix (4 oz.)
- 8 oz. Cool Whip
- 3 cups cold milk
- 1 box graham crackers

Mix the first three ingredients with a mixer until well blended and thickened. Lay whole graham cracker to cover the bottom of the baking dish. Pour ½ of the pudding mix over the graham crackers. Cover with another layer of crackers. Pour remaining pudding over this layer of crackers. Top with another layer of crackers. Top with frosting.

- Frosting:
- 2 oz. semi-sweet chocolate squares
  - 2 tsp. vanilla
  - 3 Tbsp. milk
  - 2 Tbsp. white Karo
  - 3 Tbsp. soft butter
  - 1 ½ cups sifted powdered sugar, sifted

Melt chocolate squares and Karo. Add remaining ingredients; mix well. Pour over top layer of crackers. Refrigerate for 24 hours before cutting into squares and serving.

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Higginbotham of Clinton spent last Friday night with me. Jay returned home to Clinton with them. He was with me for more than a week. A good friend of the family died so they hurried home for the funeral.

We regret that the church of the Boyette community has closed the doors because of so few members. So many churches are suffering because of so few in attendance. Paul Cain and wife worked hard to it going. First Baptist and First United Methodist Churches in Durant are small in attendance. God knows about how things are. We pray for the small churches that they will increase in number. We attended there before marriage.

Residents are thankful the factory north of town is adding to their building. Hope it will bring some new residents. Also the factory south of town looks promising. Hope they will give us some encouragement and new residents.

**Intended for the week of 1-2-19:**

Prayers are for Buck Burrell and the family of Mrs. Buck (Nell) Burrell who died a few weeks ago after being home for some-time. She will be remembered for a long time. May God bless the family. I know they are missing her.

The Goodman Main Street Baptist Church and First Baptist Church Durant combined the two choirs last Sunday night and presented the Easter program at First Baptist Church. it was well done and well attended. Mrs. Stephanie Diffey was the director for the two choirs. It was raining but a good crowd attended.

Jay Higginbotham of Clinton spent the week with the family. He is our first grandchild and very special. He enjoys spending time here.



Pictured at left, John Jordan, Jr. (6'1 260), offensive lineman at Holmes Community College has signed his letter of intent to play at Reinhardt University in Georgia. Reinhardt is the National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics (NAIA) program that played for the national championship in 2017. Jordan was recruited by O.C. Williams II who is also from Lexington and played at J.J. McClain and Holmes CC. (Photo Submitted)

We are definitely enjoying Rev. and Mrs. Ed McDaniel if the Jackson area. Their daughter, Deborah attended both services here at church and sang special music. She still seems to have a lot of energy. We are enjoying Libby and Brother Ed while they are interim. Wish they could stay on indefinitely. They were the first family occupying the new parsonage many years ago.

I spent time with Shirley, Sammy and Jay in Clinton for the Christmas week. They always make me feel welcome. I attended church with them New Year's Eve. They attended and Sammy directs the choir. He and Shirley are both very talented. I thank God for my family.

Holmes County is a friendly place to be a part of. Things not so good have been going on recently. I pray it will not become a habit. Let's not be a part of those things. May God protect and love us

though all trials and protect us as we seek His leadership. Have a good trouble free year everyone. Trust in God.



- January 10 - John and Denise Grover
- January 12 - Mike and Misty McBride
- January 15 - Bryan and Jill Killebrew, Arthur and Virginia Melton, John and Jean Branch

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