



A concert by the popular gospel singing group, "Forgiven," of Indiana will be held at Sardis Baptist Church Sunday, October 1, 7 p.m. Everyone is invited and it is free. You may have heard members of this group sing with the Gaithers.

- The Rayle Ramble will be coming up October 14 and plans are being made for a bigger and better one than ever.
- Where in the world is the cold front that was supposed to come through? We had a few degrees fall in the temperature, but I did not feel a bit different. I am so glad that we did get some rain and I'm looking forward to cooler weather, much cooler. I know all of you are, too.
- The Rayle community was saddened as they learned of the death of Bob Mays Friday. Bob was owner and operator of Bob's Drive-In for many years and made many friends in Wilkes County and with people who were just passing through. He was a good man with a friendly smile for everyone. He was in a nursing home in the Atlanta area at the time of his death. He will be greatly missed by all who knew him. Heartfelt sympathy goes out to his family. He is survived by two daughters and a son.
- The Armour family chicken houses were damaged when lightning ran in on the generator that they were running on. Many chickens were lost and they've been busy trying to get their operation going again. They appreciate all the help from people who have helped in any way.
- Bonnie Boatwright attended the Patton family reunion in Winder Sunday. She joined her two sisters, Frankie Jones of Athens and Martha Jones of Bogart, to go with them. It was good to see many cousins and other relatives. It was in the fellowship hall of the church at Winder in Bethlehem.
- Peggy Echols joined Mr. and Mrs. Paul Burroughs, June Arnold, and Billy Bryant to attend a "Has Been Postmaster" luncheon recently in Woodstock.
- Lunch and Learn met at the City

Hall Wednesday with six members and two visitors present. Everyone was glad to have Pam Davis and Millie Mansfield. The next meeting will be Wednesday, September 27, at 10 a.m. at the City Hall. A trip to Thomson and dinner at Iversy is planned at that time.

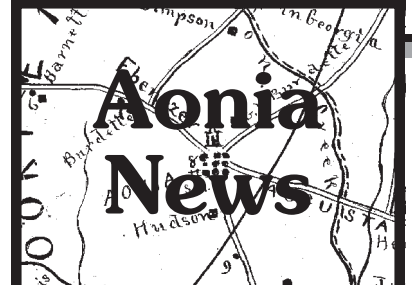
- Johnny and Kathryn Shedd, Tim and Gail Stewart, and Alyssa, and Lyn Shedd and Chance attended the Sherrer family reunion Sunday at the home of Warren and Ann Newsome.
- George and Ann Wideman have had as visitors Leeman and Mary Stewart, Tom Hardy, Gene Winfrey, Elizabeth Lamar, Thomas Poss and James, David and Mathew Wideman. Ann visited her mother, Laura Hester, in Wilkes Health Care Center in Washington; Ralph and Elizabeth Smith, and Buster and Sandy Winfrey.
- Margie Rogers, Esther Dawson, Clyde and Sandy Whittington, and Neil and Kim Frankel, Zachery and Kyle, attended the Sherrer family reunion Sunday at the home of Warren and Ann Newsome.
- Kathryn Shedd and Gail Stewart attended the Christmas in August program at the Mission Center in Washington Saturday.
- Fred Corbett's visitors have been Shawn Turner, Dan Corbett, Melvin Crawford, Josephine Orr, Marie Orr Tyler, Ruth Flynt, and J.W. and Bonnie Boatwright.
- Annie Blanche Vaughn enjoyed having Jean McDonald and Jill Vaughn visit. Penny Vaughn of Martinez spent the weekend. Rev. and Mrs. John Mark Carpenter joined them for Sunday dinner.
- George and Angie Dill of Lincolnton celebrated their anniversary and also their birthdays by having a pork barbecue and stew and all the trimmings and having all the family and friends come to help them celebrate including Margie Randall and Mary Bowick of Washington.
- Kathryn Shedd and Gail Stewart attended the celebration for Tommy Garrett at Poss-Ace Hardware Saturday afternoon.

- Ralph and Elizabeth Smith enjoyed having Mr. and Mrs. Bryan Arnold of Crawford, Bobby and Sandra Arnold of Winterville, Charlie Arnold of Athens, Janet Smith of Lexington, and Ann Wideman visit them.
- The prayer list includes Dorothy Callaway, Thomas Wheatley, Gary Rogers, Seba Williamson, Stephanie Chapman, Roberta Roper, Ellie Frey, Kathryn Padgett, Jonathan Grier, Bobby Parton, Helen Cowart, George Wideman, Sara Lynn Hyatt, Judy Paul, Charles Blakey, and Peggy Callaway.
- Marshall and Mablean Sherrer and Brent and Deana Sherrer attended the Sherrer family reunion Sunday at the home of Warren and Ann Newsome.
- Bonnie Boatwright visited Kay Berry and Trey Saturday afternoon.
- Sudie Kennedy and Ann Williamson were in Athens two days last week seeing their doctors.
- Wilda Boatwright and Sudie Kennedy made a trip to Thomson one day during the week.
- Bonnie Boatwright joined J.W. and Kathleen Canup and Margaret Peterman of Lexington Tuesday afternoon to go to Elberton to play bingo at Wendy's.
- Frances Fendley joined George and Mozelle Casey for a trip to Athens Tuesday.
- Faye Johnson, Brandy King, and Christy Sandford of Gray came and spent the weekend with Ruby Arnold and other family members.
- Ruby Booth, Kristy Booth, Kim Berry and Aalyia, Charlotte Fain and family, and other family members have been visiting Dorothy Callaway in MCG in Augusta. She has not been doing well. Please keep her in your thoughts and prayers.
- Rhonda Owen and Ruby Arnold went to the funeral home for visitation for Bobby McCarty.
- Congratulations to Crystal Booth who got married Friday. A reception was held Saturday at the Holiday Inn and Ruby Arnold, Kim and Aalyia Berry, Ruby Booth, Kristy Booth, and Rhonda Owen and other

- family members attended. Kristy and Robert are honeymooning in Gatlinburg, Tenn.
- Kim Berry was carried by ambulance to Athens Regional Medical Center where she spent Tuesday through Friday for tests after becoming ill at her job in Lexington Tuesday. She is okay now.
- Ruby Arnold and Aalyia Berry attended the football jamboree Friday night.
- A lot of people in the community are sick with congestion, ear and sinus trouble, etc. It used to be that you only got sick in the wintertime, but now it is a year-round thing.

News-Reporter announces early deadlines for Labor Day

The News-Reporter and RadioShack will be closed on Monday, September 4 for the Labor Day holiday. Deadline for all classified and legal advertisements, and society news will be Friday, September 1. Community correspondents are asked to slide their news under the door on Monday, September 4, by noon. All other news and advertisements should be in by noon on Tuesday, September 5.



I hope all enjoyed a good week. Our news from Aonia this week is a little slim. Aonia did not get much rain this week. I heard that it rained 2 to 3 inches in areas like Washington, Metasville, and Lincoln County got some in areas. So, I'm hoping for some rain.

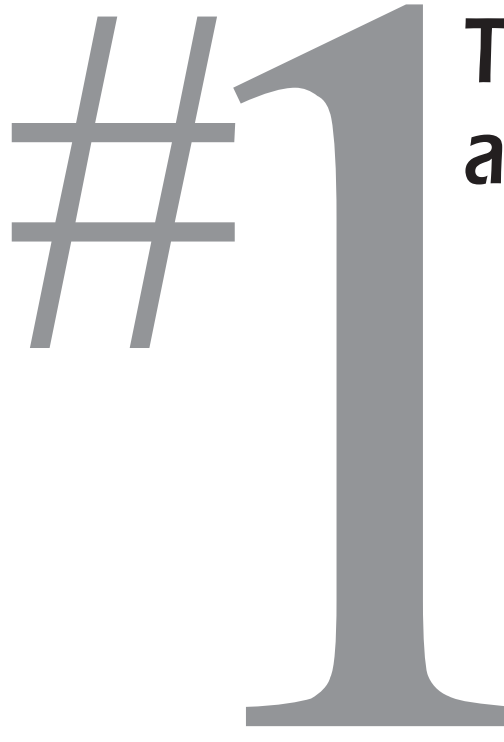
- The group that went to Riverbank Zoo (about 27 people) Saturday reported a great time. They all had supper at Old McDonald's Fish Camp near North Augusta. The ones from our community were Mrs. Bobby Myers, Jeannie Bruce, Jennifer Bruce, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Mobley Jr., Austin, Tyler, and Sumner.
- I went to doctors in Augusta, and went to visit my friends, Richard and Judy Sleister in Columbia County. I also visited Mr. and Mrs. Sanders Dallis in Lincoln County during the week.
- On Sunday, G.B. and I joined our children, Shane Gaines, Tanner and Trace of Winterville, Shannon Thomason and Taylor, and Wes Butler of Wilkes County, Trace's friend, Will, of Jackson County, Mr. and Mrs. Richard Goff of McCormick, and Garnett Wallace for dinner at the home of my parents, Henry and Blanche Wallace in Lincoln County. My dad is not doing well and he would appreciate prayers.
- Cassie Goldman of Washington was honored with at shower at Mt. Zion United Methodist Church Saturday. Guests from my community were Mrs. Lucille Ingram, Lona Chesnut, Trudy Ingram, Sherry Newsome, Sharon Ingram, Linda Standard, Sara Huff, Connie and Misty Johnson of Lincoln County, Mrs. Louise Burt, Mrs. Helen Miller of Washington. Special guests were

grandmothers, Mrs. Helen Miller and Mrs. Sara Huff. Cassie received many lovely gifts.

- Mr. and Mrs. Richard Phillips visited in Augusta Saturday.
- Miss Florence Ingram was able to be back in church Sunday at Mt. Zion. We are glad she is better.
- Sara Huff and Bobbi Thornton visited Miss Grace Dunaway last week.
- Burt Newsome attended job related school in Columbia, Mississippi, during the weekend.
- Shelly Mann of Monroe, N.C., who is an aunt of Chip and Skyla Haynes, needs our prayers. She is awaiting a liver transplant. She is about 30 years old.
- Stephanie and Chip Haynes have been on the sick list again. Get well soon.
- Mr. and Mrs. Dave Peek of Vero Beach, Fla., have returned home after visiting her grandmother, Mrs. Jenelle Newsome. They visited her brother, Jamie, Charlene and Anna in Martinez several times while here. The Jamie Newsomes were guests of Mrs. Jenelle Newsome one evening last week.
- I attended the Reese family singing at First Assembly of God Church Saturday evening in Lincolnton. I saw several of my classmates and others I had not seen lately. Mr. and Mrs. Frank Bentley also attended.
- Our sick and prayer concerns include James Callaway, Margie F. Hopkins, Henry N. Wallace, JoAnn Bryant, Tim and Brittany Brown, Mrs. Martha Drinkard, Shelly Mann, Shirley and Gary Haynie, George Wideman, Ed Burdette, Linda Albea, Lynn Gay, Evans Davis, Juanita Bradford, Trudy Sutherland, JoAnn Barden, Charles Bradford, Carolyn Barnett, Michael Barnett, Mary Lou Barnett, Mary Dunford, Linda and Gordon Collier, Bennie and Rita Thurmond, Mary Ruff, Jenelle Newsome, Ethel Harris, Dot Shank, Lois South, Lyn Brim, and Mrs. Lucy McCorkle.
- Sincere sympathy to the families of Bobby McCarty and Edward Walker.

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