

Elizabeth Sutton Harper weds Jeffrey Wayne Brannen Jan. 6

Elizabeth Sutton Harper and Jeffrey Wayne Brannen of Jackson, Miss., exchanged wedding vows in an impressive ceremony Saturday, January 6, at 12 o'clock noon at the First Presbyterian Church in Macon. Rev. Dr. Derek Thomas of Jackson, Miss., officiated.

The bride is the daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Kenneth Earl Harper of Macon.

The bridegroom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Wayne Brannen of Horsehoe Bend, Ark.

The doors to the church held all-white floral wreaths. Pillar candles and all-white arrangements adorned the altar.

A program of music was presented by Sandra Smith, organist, and Vadim and Marina Volynets, bass and violin, respectively. Vocalist was Mrs. Simon Chang of Boston, Mass., sister of the bridegroom.

Shaun Michael Brannen of Memphis, Tenn., served as his brother's best man. Ushers were the bride's brothers, Benjamin Paul Harper of Lookout Mountain, Patrick Bennett Harper of Atlanta, and Thomas Nathan Harper of Macon.

Kathryn Leigh Polston of Athens served as maid of honor. Bridesmaids were Mrs. Benjamin Paul Harper of Lookout Mountain, Jensen Branscombe of Tuscaloosa, Ala., Mrs. Matthew Siple of Athens and Lauren Royal of Acapulco, Mex.

Each wore a strapless J Crew teal-length silk dress in winter blue fashioned with chocolate brown velvet

E.H. Blackmon III receives Sacrament of Holy Baptism

Edward Harris Blackmon III, son of Edward (Bubba) and Becky Roach Blackmon of Newnan, received the Sacrament of Holy Baptism during the morning worship service at Centenary United Methodist Church in Quincy, Fla., on Sunday, January 28.

Dr. T. Glenn Bosley-Mitchell officiated. Trey, as he is called, wore a white heirloom christening gown and was joined by his family for the ceremony.

After his service, his maternal grandmother, Kay Roach of Quincy, Fla., sang "Child of Blessing, Gift of God" and the pastor presented "A Story for All Ages." The congregation joined in singing "Jesus Loves Me".

The altar flowers were placed to the Glory of God and in honor of Trey.

Following the service Mickey and Kay Roach entertained at a luncheon at their home. Among the guests were Trey's paternal grandparents, Harris and Glenda Blackmon of Washington, and uncle and aunt, Wayne and Susan Blackmon Hisaw, of Martinez.

J.T. Mack enjoys birthday party at Tignall Gym

J.T. Mack, son of Mr. and Mrs. John Mack of Tignall, celebrated his seventh birthday with a party at the Tignall Gym and Lunchroom on Saturday, January 13. His birthday was January 12.

J.T. and his guests enjoyed party snacks, a pirate ship cake and ice cream.

The children had fun playing basketball and hitting the piñata filled with goodies.

Celebrating with J.T., his parents and sister, Mary Kathryn, were his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. W.C. Bentley and Mrs. Pat Mack; Mr. and Mrs. Rodney Shedd, Mil, Matt and Morgan, Chip Bentley, Danielle and Aubrey, Mr. and Mrs. William Johnson, Rhodes and Lauren, Chris Mack and Austin, Mrs. Sanders Rhodes, Mrs. Charles Reese, Mrs. Craig Gammon, Curt, Kara and Kaci, Mrs. Karen Rhodes, Taylor and Christopher, Mrs. Jason Brock, Hunter, Bailey and Levi, Scott Ware and Stacey, Kenny Wade, Christian and Cameron, Mrs. Jimmy Harper and Tripp, and Cohen Pate.

J.T. also celebrated with his classmates on Friday, January 12, at Washington-Wilkes Primary School where he shared honors with his teacher, Julie Holloman.



ribbon at the empire waist and carried a bouquet of white mountain lilies, white roses, miniature calla lilies, thistle and fern curls adorned with monogrammed embroidered buttons and various greenery.

Flower girls, Henrietta Margaret Wright and Amelia Jean Wright of Atlanta, wore long full-skirted ivory dresses with wide chocolate brown satin sashes and carried moss covered baskets of rose petals.

John Widener Norris of Athens was the ring bearer.

Given in marriage by her father, the bride was radiant in her strapless ivory silk designer full gown fashioned with an eight inch French lace bodice and chapel-length train. Thirty-six silk covered buttons adorned the back. The gown was also worn by her sister-in-law and bridesmaid, Mrs. Benjamin Paul Harper.

She carried a bouquet of stephanotis, white mountain lilies, white roses, miniature white calla lilies, fern curls and greenery.

Reception

Following the ceremony the bride's parents entertained at a reception at their home both indoors and outside on the grounds using multiple tents.

The wedding reception-brunch included favorites as tomato pie, marinated asparagus, grilled beef tenderloin on small croissants and shrimp and grits polenta prepared on site over an open flame.

The five-tiered wedding cake included two layers of strawberry cake and Italian cream cake with the traditional pound cake. The fondant icing had a different design on each tier and included the initials of the married couple.

The bridegroom's three-tiered chocolate pound cake was adorned with fresh fruit separating the tiers.

Both cakes were displayed in the dining room of the home along with mounds of chocolate-covered strawberries also sporting the couple's initials.

A trio of string musicians including violins and bass provided musical entertainment of the back patio while Tom Ridgeway of Macon was the pianist in the music room.

The traditional first dance was on the back circular patio to the strings' music.

A table for favors held a large crystal bowl filled with Skittles, a favorite of the bride. Also on the table were small bags of chocolate chip cookies adorned with ribbons and "Thanks Y'all" stickers.

For traveling the bride wore winter white slacks and a cashmere camisole with a pink and ivory heringbone wool coat with a matching pocketbook.

The couple is making their home in Jackson, Miss., where they are studying to complete graduate school at Reformed Theological Seminary.

Among the guests attending from Washington-Wilkes were the bride's grandmother, Mrs. Paul Harper; uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. Gary Butts; and cousins, Mr. and Mrs. Trey Smith and Harper.

Rehearsal Dinner

Mr. and Mrs. Kent Baldschun, Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Jones, Mr. and Mrs. Brent Pyles, Judge and Mrs. C. Ashley Royal, Mr. and Mrs. Lindsey Crosby, Mr. and Mrs. David Lee, Dr. and Mrs. Arthur Bray and Dr. and Mrs. Bill Barnes of Macon were hosts at a rehearsal dinner at the home of the bride's parents honoring the prospective couple.

The evening affair took place under the clear ceiling ten enhanced with an iron chandelier.

Round tables were adorned with full-length white cloths and chocolate brown overlays. Each table featured a moss-covered pot with multicolored fresh flowers, fern curls and peacock feathers.

Guests enjoyed dinner that included beef tenderloin prepared and served by the hosts.

Bridesmaids Luncheon

Elizabeth Harper was honored by her aunts, Mrs. Gary Butts of Tignall, Mrs. Rick Bennett of Atlanta, and Mrs. Billy Bennett of Albany at a bridesmaids luncheon at the City Club in Macon.

The wedding theme of browns and blues was continued in the decorating scheme and white roses adorned each table.

Homemade cookies, made by Jane Baldschun Harper in the shape of wedding cakes and featuring the bride's initials, were given as favors.

Twenty-seven guests attended and included the ladies in the wedding party, family and out-of-town guests.

PERSONALITIES!

Social News from the Washington area.

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Stefanie Jade Cronic to marry Trey Kennedy on March 23

Mr. and Mrs. Dal Cronic of Suwanee and Mrs. Kim Vaughn of Brunswick announce the engagement of their daughter, Stefanie Jade Cronic, to Trey Kennedy, son of Mr. and Mrs. Boyce C. Kennedy Jr. of Washington.

The bride-elect is the granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. William Cronic of Washington and the late Nell Ellis of Greensboro.

Miss Cronic is a 2001 graduate of Collins High School in Suwanee and is employed by Anthony Forest Products in Washington.

Mr. Kennedy is the grandson of Mrs. Ann Saggus and the late Charles Saggus and the late Mr. and Mrs. Boyce C. Kennedy of Washington. He is the great-grandson of Mrs. Annie Kate Strother, also of Washington.

He is a 1998 graduate of Washington-Wilkes Comprehensive High School and a 2001 graduate of Abra-



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ham Baldwin Agricultural College in Tifton. Mr. Kennedy is employed by Gillis Ag and Timber in Washington.

A family wedding is planned for Friday, March 23.

Bindy Allyn Tyler to wed Bryan Dennis Horner Apr. 27

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Allen Tyler of Washington announce the engagement of their daughter, Bindy Allyn, to Bryan Dennis Horner, son of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Allen Horner of Roswell.

The bride-elect is the granddaughter of Mrs. Clara P. McKinney and the late Thomas M. McKinney of McCormick, S.C., and Mrs. Mildred Tyler and the late Herman L. Tyler of Tignall.

She is a 1996 graduate of Washington-Wilkes Comprehensive High School and a 2000 graduate of Georgia College and State University in Milledgeville where she earned her Bachelor of Business Administration in Information Systems and Communications. Miss Tyler is employed as a Sales Executive for Navicare, Inc., in Duluth.

Mr. Horner is the grandson of the late Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Horner of Knoxville, Tenn., and the late Mr. and Mrs. Gruber of Germany.

He is a 1995 graduate of Chattahoochee High School in Alpharetta and a 2000 graduate of



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the University of Tennessee in Knoxville, Tenn., with a Bachelor of Business Administration in Marketing. He is a member of Kappa Alpha Order. Mr. Horner is employed as an Account Manager for GlobalCare, Inc., in Alpharetta.

A beachside wedding is planned for Saturday, April 27, at 3 p.m. in Negril, Jamaica.

Adrienne Sims Wills to wed Robert Stuart Pendley June 2

Mr. and Mrs. John Parker Wills of Thomson announce the engagement of their daughter, Adrienne Sims, to Robert Stuart Pendley, son of Mrs. Kaye Varn Pendley of Waycross and Dr. Robert Alan Pendley of Huntsville, Ala.

Miss Wills is the granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. Porter Barrett Cohen of Waynesboro and Dr. and Mrs. Charles Edward Wills Jr. of Washington.

She is a graduate of Briarwood Academy in Thomson and the University of Georgia in Athens where she was a member of Phi Mu sorority and graduated *summa cum laude*, with honors. She received both a Bachelors degree in Accounting and a Masters degree in Accountancy. Miss Wills is employed as a Certified Public Accountant with KPMG, LLP in Atlanta.

Mr. Pendley is the grandson of the late Mr. and Mrs. Kontz Stuart Varn of Waycross and the late Mr. and Mrs. Virgil Thurn Pendley of Marietta.

He is a graduate of Ware County



Adrienne Sims Wills

High School and the University of Georgia where he was a member of Kappa Alpha Order. He graduated with a Bachelors degree in Real Estate. Mr. Pendley is employed by CB Richard Ellis in Atlanta.

Miss Wills and Mr. Pendley will be united in marriage Saturday, June 2, at the First Baptist Church in Thomson.

Plans finalized for WHS Class of 1952 Scholarship presentation

Six members of the Washington High School Class of 1952 met at the Mary Willis Library on January 27 to finalize plans for the presentation of a \$500 scholarship to a 2007 graduating senior of Washington-Wilkes Comprehensive High School.

This will be the first scholarship awarded from the Class of 1952 Scholarship Fund established at the fiftieth reunion of the class on June 8, 2002.

The 1952 Scholarship Fund will be administered by The Community Foundation for the Central Savannah River Area. Distributions from the earnings of the Fund will be made available for scholarship awards for deserving students identified by the trustees of the Fund.

Interested seniors can apply through the school's guidance counselor, Don Bridges. Plans are for the scholarship to be presented at the Graduation Banquet on May 17, 2007. The recipient and his or her parents will be invited to attend the 55th Class of 1952 reunion on May 19.

The Class of 1952 was the first twelfth grade class of Washington High School. Don Taylor of Atlanta, the class treasurer, has spearheaded the efforts to establish this scholarship. Others present at the meeting were Jackie Garrett Price of Harlem, class president; Bootsie Lucas Averette of Hephzibah, David Hopkins of Augusta, Henry McAvoy and Ruth Hendrix Rogers of Washington.

Ashley Branan entertained at miscellaneous shower Feb. 3

Ashley Branan, bride-elect of Brad Sheffield, was honored with a miscellaneous shower on Saturday, February 3, at the home of Mrs. William C. Johnson on East Robert Toombs Avenue. Joining Mrs. Johnson in entertaining were Mrs. W.F. Lindsey, Mrs. M. C. Adair, Mrs. William Smith, Mrs. Pauline Bell and Mrs. Olin Newby.

For the occasion the bride-elect wore a winter white beaded skirt and matching sweater. The hostesses presented her a corsage of white freesia, fern and tulpe with coordinating ribbon.

Miss Branan and her mother, Mrs. William C. Branan, greeted guests

in the foyer and then invited guests into the dining room where a beautifully appointed table welcomed them.

The dining table was covered with an elegant cutwork and embroidered linen cloth and centered with an etched crystal vase filled with Rubrum lilies. Guests enjoyed cheese straws, pecan tassies, party sandwiches of ham salad and tomato, divinity and cake squares served from silver appointments. Hot spiced cider was served from the silver tea service.

The hostesses presented the bride-elect a dinner plate in her formal pattern. She in turn thanked her hostesses as she presented each a travel beverage mug, banana nut muffins, hot chocolate mix, peppermints and chocolates neatly packaged for each hostess to use on a busy morning.

Fifty-five guests from Washington and the surrounding area were invited to the shower. Special guests included the bride-elect's mother, Mrs. William C. Branan of Washington, and sister, Mrs. Bobby Williamson of Martinez.

FBC Silver Streaks travel to Abbeville, Yoder's on Feb. 3

The Silver Streaks of First Baptist Church enjoyed a trip to Abbeville, S.C. on Saturday, February 3.

The group arrived in Abbeville in time for lunch at Yoder's. After lunch they browsed around town enjoying the shops before gathering at the Opera House for the afternoon production, "Honky Tonk Angels".

On the trip were W.C. and Cheryl Bentley, Mary Ann Bentley, Bill and Teresa Bishop, Mary Burt, Margaret Connor, Gail Craddock, Frances Dyson, Lila Edwards, Thomas Fanning, Andrew and Pat Grimaud, Norma Hopkins, Rosemary Hopkins, Mary Hubbard, Mabel Johnson, Mary Donna Luceford, Kerry and Nancy McAvoy, Edythe McCall, Sam and Flora Ann McGill, Kay Nelms, Susan Pope, Gladys Reese, Hazel Russell, Ed and June Smith, Jerry Stover, Ann Tanner, Emily Thornton, Ruth Holes, Chris Townsend, Emilie Waters, John and Linda Webster, Patsy Winn and Travis Armour who was visiting from Bear Creek, N. C.

Spaces available for community CPR class Feb. 10

A few spaces remain available for the community-wide CPR class hosted by the Wilkes County Emergency Medical Service on Saturday, February 10, in the Wills Memorial Hospital library.

The class will be taught by Teresa Stockwell, paramedic with the Wilkes County EMS, and will run from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. with a break for lunch that may be purchased in the hospital café.

The cost for the class is \$10, payable at the beginning of the class.

To register or get more information call 706-678-9272.

Anissa Marxsen honored at baby shower at Dyson home

Anissa Marxsen was honored at a baby shower on Monday evening, January 29, at the home of Mary Katherine Dyson hosted by Mrs. Dyson and Jennifer Jackson.

Mrs. Marxsen was presented a corsage of Alstroemeria lilies. Delicious refreshments included cheese straws, ham biscuits, cake squares decorated with pink booties, and punch.

Mrs. Marxsen was presented a gift certificate to Babies R Us and a sleeper.

Members of the Beta Sigma Phi

Xi Delta Tau, Gretchen Lamar, Crystal Wheatley, Susan Pope, Kelli Tillman, Andie Moody, Elizabeth Luceford, Monica Hardy, Cynthia Walker, Karmen Moon, Mary Katherine Dyson, Jennifer Jackson, and Melissa Burgess of Lincolnton, attended and had their regular meeting before the shower and refreshments.

Alex Lamar attended with his mother and other special guests were prospective big sisters, Maci and Maggie Marxsen.

Friends of Mary Willis Library to enjoy favorite characters

Friends of the Mary Willis Library will bring their favorite characters from history and fiction to the meeting today, Thursday, February 8, at 3 p.m. in the Meeting Room of the library to present them to other Friends.

Characters from favorite books have delighted the members in years

Curt Gammon celebrates seventh birthday January 23

Curt Gammon, son of Mr. and Mrs. Craig Gammon, was seven years old on January 23 and celebrated on several occasions.

Curt and his parents took friends, Colton Bearse, Bailey Brock, Hunter Brock, Walker Moore, Thomas Morgan, Wes Tanner, and Garrett Tawzer, bowling at Masters Lane in Augusta on January 20. The boys enjoyed bowling, popcorn, drinks and birthday cake.

Curt celebrated on his birthday with his classmates at Washington-Wilkes Primary School with cupcakes, chips and juice.

He was also treated to a birthday dinner at LaCabana with his parents; sisters, Kara and Kaci; grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Claude Bolton and Mrs. Richard Gammon; and Mrs. Rick Callaway, Alaina and Trace.



Washington Personal Mention

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Stevens enjoyed in the weekend in Clayton at Kingwood Golf Resort.

Dr. Dan Duggan Jr. of Augusta visited Saturday with his mother, Mrs. Dan Duggan.

Mrs. Steve Blackmon returned home Friday after a two week visit with her aunt, Miss Edna Wilkerson, in Roxboro, N. C. Steve Blackmon joined her there on Thursday and they visited Mr. and Mrs. Asa McNely in Salisbury, N.C., on their return trip home.

Mr. and Mrs. Sonny Nelms of Lavonia visited last Wednesday with her mother, Mrs. Felton Corbett, his brother and sister-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Richard Nelms.