# Nursing Home news

By Virginia Smith Donovan

Honored

Vicky Brunker, Cynthiana sophomore at Morehead State University, receives the "Outstanding Female Student in Theatre" award from Dr. Frederick Voight, chairman of the MSU Division of Communications, at the recent Academic Honors Day. Miss Brunker, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Erwin J. Brunker of Route 4, Cynthiana, recently was named best-supporting actress in an MSU Theatre production.

"Each little flower that opens, each little bird that sings, He made their glowing colors, He made their tiny wings!"

It's just like Mrs. Elizabeth Bell said that it is best to collect memories, and that is what she did.

This little poem that I read in the Midway College Newsletter reminded me of what she said: "I catch memories in glass jars to light up the night like fireflies."

The Methodist Men of the Carlisle United Methodist Church came one Sunday and held a nice service. We were led in prayer by Leroy Earlywine. Lillian Hamilton and Phyllis Darrell sang a duet. John Whaley sang "The Shelf Behind the Door." Mrs. Cleola Snapp was at the piano. Calvin Wills read the scripture. James Lowe was the speaker and talked about "gifts." James isn't a preacher, don't know whether he is considered even a layman, but anyway he's a good talker! No wonder his wife, Marie, is proud of him. The Ritchie brothers-in-law sang a special. Rev. Howard Ritchie dismissed us with prayer.

Helen Dalzell Allen of Bourbon County visits us often. She "said" she was on a diet. Seeing is believing.

Marjorie Wells said a fellow never knew what he'd have to do in this old world.

Herman Conyers loves for his only granddaughter, Willa Faye Mathes, to come and bring her three little girls.

Conyers said when Miss Bridgett Hickey visited him they talked about when she attended Stoney Creek School and Mrs. Vivian Sellers Scott climbed an apple tree and they had to lift her out of the tree.

Do you know who a Grandmother is? She's a lady who has no children of her own, so she likes other people's little girls. Grandmothers don't have to do anything except be there. They are old so they shouldn't play hard or run . . . Usually, they are fat, but not too fat to tie kids shoes. They wear glasses and funny underwear. They can take their teeth and gums off. It is better if they don't typewrite, or play cards except with us.

This news is very belated but I want you to know about it.

One day Barbara Hopkins, social worker, handed me a box. I could hardly wait until I got to my room to open it; was from some of my Chestnut and Elm Street neighbors. It contained a pretty little housecoat, fancy pink box of bath powder, and goodness knows what else. The card said Christine Miller, Melinda Haney, Ethel Story and Elizabeth Gaunce. I have thanked each one, but a deed like that should be recorded.

Mrs. Frances Hickey was visited Sunday by Mrs. Nobel Jones of Moorefield. Mrs. Jones said they used to go to school together at Pokenstock School in Bath County. Said Mrs. Hickey was so full of life and pretty as a picture.

Mrs. Billie Weathers had a birthday this week. Her sister, Mrs. Goldie Bruster of Columbia, S.C., sent her some pant suits which are so pretty and comfortable too.

The patients, visitors and workers are enjoying an electric record player and records which the good nurse, Doris Jean Rogers, gave the home.

Some of Herman Shannon's great-grandchildren have the mumps. He only has 10 children, 75 grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren. Hope they don't all have them and swell up and burst at the same time!

Here is more about what grandmothers are like or should do. They don't have to be too smart to answer questions like these. Why did God never get married and why do dogs hate cats? When they read to us, they don't skip or mind if it is the same story again.

Everybody should have one if they don't have a television, because grandmas are the only grownups who have time.

Jean Rawlings of Bethel came to see Mrs. Frances Hickey, and brought her sister-in-law, Mrs. Delphia Rawlings, along. I believe Mrs. Hickey is acquainted with everyone in Bath County and the adjoining ones.

Keep thinking about John 3:16.

# Kentucky will seek Bicentennial funds

Kentucky will be seeking part of the $500,000 recently allocated by the National Bicentennial Commission for pilot projects in a national bicentennial grants program.

The money has been distributed in three $200,000 inter-agency agreements with the National Endowment to the Arts, the National Endowment to the Humanities, and the National Science Foundation. It comes from non-appropriated funds available to the bicentennial from commissions on medallion sales.

"I am very hopeful," said Clyde Webb, chairman of the Kentucky Historical Events Celebration Commission," that the detailed plans resulting from this conference might fit under one of the agency's listed existing programs." Webb was speaking at the conference on Kentucky Bicentennial Publications and Teaching of Kentucky History.

Over 200 historians, writers, and bicentennial enthusiasts attended the two-day meeting on the campus of Eastern Kentucky University.

"Kentucky's planning for the '74 celebrations puts us in the forefront with proven expertise when federal monies are made available," Webb said.

"Kentucky has a good reputation in Washington for its bicentennial programs. Plans for a bicentennial park have been well received. Our state's bicentennial planning booklet is getting the same reception," Webb told the assembly.

Webb stressed that the Bicentennial Commission staff is developing programs that will involve everyone across the state. He noted that "committees are being organized in every county to bring the bicentennial to every corner of the state. In July, Kentucky will be featured by the smithsonian in its annual program on American folklife held in Washington, D.C. The bicentennial will use the State's appearance there as the kit-off for an intensive publicity campaign to let others outside the state know about our Kentucky '74 plans."

Also at the conference, the University Press announced that although it plans a number of major works on Kentucky for the celebrations, its major effect will be devoted to a series of short books which will range over the whole spectrum of Kentucky's history and culture. Taken as a whole, the set will be intended to provide a library of immense resources for all Kentuckians and others interested in the state.

## THE HOME GAME

by MARY FUREY CRYMES

CRACKING GOOD — Exposure to sunlight or extremes of temperature can cause wood finishes to crack and checker. Get after the lines quickly with paste wax. Apply with fine steel wool, rubbing gently with wood grain. Polish while the wax is still soft and finish should look like new.

GREEN SAUCE — Uncooked spinach is good as a salad green, or in salad dressing. Chop a cup of fresh raw spinach, put it in a jar with a fourth cup of salad oil; juice of a lemon and a small chopped onion. Add a dash of sugar and a tablespoon of chopped parsley. Serve on greens or cauliflower salads.

PAINT TOUCHERS — Keep empty nail polish bottles clean and ready to store small dabs of paint. After you've finished painting, pour some of the remainder in the bottle and use to touch up and brush tiny places you may have missed.

RING AWAY — Are there rings on the dining table from too hot or wet dishes? Take them off with a paste made of equal parts of salt and salad oil. Brush the mixture on rings, let stand, then remove and polish wood with paste wax.

LOTION LORE — Skin dried by sun and wind responds nicely to a homemade lotion. Pour a cup of hand lotion in a bowl; mix in a half cup of baby oil. Apply generously. Lotion is absorbed, leaving a thin shield of oil on rough, dry skin.

CLOCK WATCHER — Two large, inexpensive alarm clocks will help you train a school-age child who dawdles and is tardy. Show him how many minutes he should be allowed to eat, dress and find his belongings. Then, set both clocks for the "race." If he beats the alarm, reward him.

SAUSAGE SIMPLER — Breakfast sausage links can be baked just as you do bacon. Line a pie tin with foil, crumpling it a little on the bottom. Grease drains off sausage into the folds of foil.

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