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TOP HONORS were awarded the two Madison High School FFA members shown above at the annual FFA Banquet held in the school cafeteria last Thursday night. On left is Jack C. Cole, Vo-

Ag education instructor and planner; Harvey Franklin, state Star Farmer Award; Michael Coates, state Star Agribusiness Award; and Garland Woody, Vo-Ag instructor.

## Madison FFA Banquet Held; Winners Cited

By JIM STORY

An estimated 100 members of the Madison High School Future Farmers of America (FFA), their parents, and guests attended the annual FFA banquet held in the school cafeteria last Thursday night.

Following the opening ceremony conducted by officers of the FFA chapter, special vocal selections were presented by Robin Cole and Rene Cole with Laura Rigby, pianist. Rene also accompanied on the guitar.

A.L. Carson, Area VII and VIII agriculture education consultant from the state Department of Instruction,

Raleigh, was special guest. The featured speaker for the occasion was Coach Harrell Wood of Mars Hill College.

The popular speaker mixed his talk with hilarious jokes and serious topics which held the audience captive.

He emphasized the importance of discipline in all walks of life and urged the FFA members to strive for high goals in whatever fields they follow. He spoke of the many opportunities for those interested in the advancement of agriculture. As a lay minister, Coach Wood also urged the members to seek and serve Jesus Christ and hold on to eternal value.

### AWARDS PRESENTED

Climaxing the enjoyable banquet was the presentation of awards, as follows:

Madison chapter overall federation winner, 1979.

District winner in livestock contest, Harvey Franklin, Michael Coates, Michael Griffin, Lynn Shelton (team members).

Proficiency awards (district winners): agriculture electricity, Michael Griffin; agriculture sales/service, Michael Coates; beef production, Harvey Franklin; nursery operations, Howard Bobbitt; soil and water management, Keith Rice; tobacco production, Bobby Zimmerman; state Star Farmer Award, Harvey Franklin; state Star Agribusiness Award, Michael Coates.

Overall federation winners: agricultural mechanics, Bobby Zimmerman; crop production, Wayne Justice; diversified livestock production, Joey Pegg; fish and wildlife management, Michael Coates; forest management, Howard Bobbitt; home and/or farmstead improvement, Howard Bobbitt; horse proficiency, Charles Swann; outdoor recreation, Holden Nix; turf and landscape management, Harold Snelson.

Received awards in contest: public speaking (second in district), Bobby Zimmerman; extemperaneous public speaking (second in district), Michael Griffin; creed speaking (third in district), Randy Case.

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RONALD RICE

## Metcalf, Rice, Flynn Win VICA Honors

Twenty-two VICA students and their advisors attended the state VICA Convention held in Wilmington recently.

Tim Metcalf, son of Mr. and Mrs. David Metcalf of Mars Hill, was awarded the highest individual award, the Adam F. Thomas Award, which was presented to the VICA student who achieved the highest excellence in VICA work.

The Madison Club won one of the gold merit awards for the outstanding club in North Carolina.

Ronald Rice, son of Mr. and Mrs. Eusekiel Rice of Marshall, won first place in prepared speech. He will represent North Carolina in Atlanta, Ga., in the national VICA contest.

Keith Flynn, son of Mr. and

Mrs. Donald Flynn of Marshall, won second place in the extemperaneous speaking division. The first-place winner is unable to go to Atlanta, hence Keith will represent North Carolina in this contest.



TIM METCALF

## Greater Ivy Community Watch

The regular meeting of the Greater Ivy Community Citizens Association will be held next Monday at 8 p.m. in the Community Center. Capt. Heatherly will speak to the citizens concerning the formation of a Community Watch Program. Sheriff E.Y. Ponder will also be present.

All citizens are urged to attend this important meeting.

PARTICIPANTS in the annual 4-H Fashion Show are pictured above front row: Beth Murphy, Heatherly, Jessica Newton, Brenda George and Elizabeth Cheek.

Second row: Allen Stines, Jackie Buckner, Renee Wyatt, Peggy Sexton, Jessica Newton, Brenda George and Elizabeth Cheek.

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## Survey May Settle Beer Sales Dispute

The issue of the location of Peabody's Discount Center - whether in wet Buncombe County or in dry Madison - went before Buncombe County Superior Court Monday, and Judge William T. Grist ruled that the two counties are in

conflict as to the location of their common border.

An order is expected to be signed, this week at which time the court will appoint two commissioners, one from each county, who will in turn appoint a third, to determine the

location of the border by surveying the land.

Peabody's Discount Center has a permit to sell beer in Buncombe County, but Forks of Ivy residents claim the store is in Madison.

Two conflicting restraining orders have been issued by separate judges. One restrains Madison Sheriff E.Y. Ponder from interfering with the operation of the store, and the other restrains the store from selling beer.

## Marshall Seeks State, Federal Sewer Grants

The Town of Marshall has applied for State and Federal funds to begin the design phase (Step II) of the "201" Sewer project. However, only that portion of work relating directly to the upgrading of the existing wastewater treatment plant is on the current (FY 79) funding list.

In an effort to complete all of the design work this year, The Town of Marshall has initiated a request to have all portions of the Marshall Sewer System Improvements placed on the current (FY 79) funding list for design. This request is to be placed before the North Carolina Environmental Management Commission at its June meeting. Roy Davis, Division of Environmental Management, Western Regional Office, is assisting the Town of Marshall in this effort.

Step III or the construction phase of the "201" project is on the funding list for 1982 and 1983. A request for placing the construction phase on the FY 80 funding list is currently being reviewed by the Division of Environmental Management in Raleigh as they prepare the FY 80 funding list. Results of this effort will be known when the new funding list is published. Step I, or the planning report has been certified by the North Carolina Division of Environmental Management and is awaiting certification by EPA in Atlanta. A grant increase in the amount of \$4871 has been received by the Town of Marshall to conduct a Sewer System Evaluation Survey on the Main Street Interceptor. The field work has been completed and the interim report should be available at Town Hall by mid-June.

Local financing has already been arranged by the bond referendum which was approved in March 1974. Updates

to the Farmers Home Administration are presently being conducted so that local funds will be available when needed.

The Town of Marshall has awarded the design phase of the project to Butler Associates, P.A., consulting engineering located in Asheville. Plans are to complete the design this year with construction to begin in the spring of 1980 providing State and Federal funds can be appropriated to coincide with this time schedule.

Hopewell, Walnut Gap Club To Meet

The Hopewell-Walnut Gap Community Development Club will meet this Friday at 7:30 in the Community Room of Hopewell Baptist Church. Mrs. Jeannette Plemmons, club president, urges all residents of the communities to attend the meeting.



INTERIOR of the new chapel at Bowman Funeral Home is pictured above. The chapel will seat 250 persons. An organ and piano

will be located right of the altar. A beautiful cross complements the soft lighting, comfortable pews and carpet.

## Awards Night Held Last Friday

Awards Night for Extension Homemakers last Friday featured a "Fashion Revue" by Madison County 4-H'ers and a slide musical program on "I Like Calling North Carolina Home." Beautiful scenes of North Carolina were shown during the musical number. The Faith Trio of Walnut sang as a part of our devotional for the program. Miss Violet Navy also shared slides and information of her recent trip to England, where she represented Madison

County Homemakers on the "People to People" tour.

Reading certificates were presented to 44 homemakers. Ten women attended each of their 12 club programs last year and received perfect attendance awards for 1978. First place club award was presented to Sleepy Valley; second place to Mars Hill; and third place to Little Pine. Certificates and plaques were presented to these clubs.

Jackie Buckner and Renee Wyatt were the masters of

ceremonies for the 4-H "Fashion Revue".

Allen Stines

escorted each of the young ladies modeling their fashions on stage. They were: Elizabeth Cheek, Beth Murphy, Cherlon Lunsford, Peggy Sexton, Brenda George, Edith Cheek for the artistic work for the program cover; and the stores and clubs who donated fabric to the winners", Mrs. Ethel Wallin stated.

Refreshments were enjoyed by those in attendance.



## Health Directors

### To Be Named In June

Tom Wallin, chairman of the Hot Springs Health Program announces the dates for annual elections of board members of the various areas of the local health clinics.

On June 4, at 7:30 p.m. at the Hot Springs school, one member from the Spring Creek voting precinct will be chosen to replace the term of Billie Crowder; on June 11, at the Laurel School, one member will be elected for the expired term of Mrs. Oleta Shelton; then at Madison High School, June 18 at 7:30 p.m., one member of the program is entitled to participate in these elections and to ask questions or make suggestions on improving the services of the program.

Mike Norris and Tom Wallin will conduct the official election of the board vacancies with assistance of members from each of the area clinics. Be present at these meetings and elect

someone who will give support to the program, so that medical and health services may continue" Wallin said.

## Democrats Reinstate Officers

The Madison County Democratic Convention was held last Saturday at the courthouse here.

The following officers were reinstated for the next two years:

Chairman, W.T. (Bill) Moore; first vice chairman, Jim Lee Bucner; second vice chairman, Robbie Jean Rice; third vice chairman, Wayne McDevill; secretary, Debbie Ponder Baker; and treasurer, David Caldwell.