



Byard Ray String Band

Traditional Music To Highlight Pioneer Living Day

Music by the Byard Ray String Band will be one of the highlights of the fall "Pioneer Living Day" next Sunday, Sept. 21 at Vance Birthplace. The 1-5 p.m. festivities will feature costumed guides demonstrating the old fashioned ways of homemaking, centering around the Visitor Center at the restored historic site where Gov. Zebulon Baird Vance was born and lived as a child. The site, located on Reems' Creek Road east of Weaverville, consists of the Revolutionary era log house and six log outbuildings, where staff and volunteers will demonstrate the activities that occupied pioneers in the western settlements during

the lifetime of Civil War and Reconstruction Governor Vance (1862-65; 1877-79). In addition to the Byard Ray String Band of Mars Hill, David Nelson of Weaverville will be demonstrating pottery making. Other activities will include open hearth cooking, weaving, quilting, churning, using old tools and rug hooking by volunteers and staff members. The Byard Ray String Band is a traditional string band striving to preserve mountain music and tradition. Many titles in their repertoire were handed down to Byard, a fourth generation fiddler, whose renditions of the old tunes go back to the early 1800s.

Great Smokies Council Reading Association

The Great Smokies Council of the International Reading Association will hold their fall meeting Thursday, Sept. 18, at 7:30 p.m. in the Humanities Lecture Hall on the campus of UNC-Asheville. The guest speaker for the evening will be Dr. Tom Pickering, chairman of the Department of Elementary Education and Reading at Western Carolina University. Dr. Pickering's topic will be "Helping Reluctant Readers." The public is welcome to attend and there is no admission charge.

Community Calendar

BLANTON'S ALUMNI

Blanton's Junior College Alumni Association will hold its 50th Anniversary Celebration on Friday, Oct. 31, and Saturday, Nov. 1, at the college on College Street in Asheville.

Activities will include a parade, a dinner-dance and a picnic. For information call (704) 252-7346.

PONDER'S CHAPEL HOMECOMING

Ponder's Chapel Baptist Church will hold its homecoming services Sept. 21. Dinner will be served following the morning worship service in the dining hall.

The afternoon worship service will begin at 2:30 p.m. with Rev. Joe Smith, pastor of the Mt. Olive Baptist Church as guest speaker.

4-H JUNIOR LEADERS

The 4-H Junior Leaders Association will hold its first meeting Sept. 22 at 7:30 p.m. at the Extension Office. All 4-H'ers between the ages of 14-19 are welcome.

Plans will be made for a roller skating party, Sept. 29, and campout and river trip on Oct. 3 and 4.

'RIVERFEST'

The Marshall 'Riverfest' will be held on the island at Marshall Elementary School Saturday, Sept. 20 from 10 a.m. to 9 p.m. As part of French Broad River Week, the 'Riverfest' will feature bluegrass bands throughout the day as well as a flea market, buck-dancing contests, watermelon eating contest, river tubing and other games and activities. A fireworks display will cap off the event at 9 p.m.

REVIS—LUNSFORD REUNION

The relatives of Ervin and Mary Ann Revis, Jim and Sally Lunsford will hold a family reunion on Sunday, Sept. 28, at Mt. Zion Free Will Baptist Church.

It will be an all day service with preaching and singing. Each relative is asked to bring a picnic lunch and enjoy the day.

REVIVAL SERVICES

A series of revival services will begin at the Memorial Church of God on Thursday, Sept. 18, beginning at 7:30 p.m. each night.

Rev. Ray Fletcher of Del Rio, Tenn. will be the visiting evangelist.

Everyone is welcome.

BALES OF BURLEY

Burley farmers are invited to view a film on baling tobacco. The film will be shown in the Courtroom of the Madison County Court House on Thursday night, Sept. 18, at 8 p.m.

The meeting is co-sponsored by The Agricultural Extension Service and The Farm Bureau. Representatives from both ASCS and Agricultural Extension will be available to answer questions.



Class of 1970
Mars Hill High School

1970 Class Holds Reunion

The Class of 1970 of Mars Hill High School held its tenth year reunion on Saturday and Sunday, August 16 and 17. Thirty-four out of the 72 class members were present. Teachers present were Mr. and Mrs. M.L. Andrews of Mars Hill.

Activities for the reunion included a buffet supper at the high school cafeteria, a dance and party at Wolf Laurel Ski

Lodge, and a family picnic on Sunday afternoon at Crooked Street Park in Mars Hill.

Edwin Fisher, chairman of the Planning Committee, acted as master of ceremonies. Other members of the committee were Carolyn Angel Hyer, Danny Slagle, and Linda Yelton Shook.

The Class decided to reunite in five years.

Hunt Commends Madison Students

Governor Jim Hunt congratulated the students of Madison County today for the showing they made on the 1980 North Carolina annual testing program of basic educational skills.

"The results show that the students tested well above the grade level of the average student in the nation in almost every skill tested," he said. "I want to commend everyone—the teachers, the parents, the students—for this achievement."

Test results show first graders in Madison County were a year above the national average in math and exceeded it in reading. Second graders

were nearly a year above the national average in math and also exceeded it in reading.

Third graders exceeded the average in spelling and language arts. Sixth graders exceeded it in spelling.

The testing allows for students' learning strengths and weaknesses to be identified, to inform parents of the progress of their children and to plan and improve educational efforts.

The first tests were administered statewide to first, second, third, sixth and ninth graders in April, 1978 and have been given every year since at the same time.

Banks Completes Energy Workshop

Robert Donald Banks of Marshall was among 29 teachers attending a workshop on Conservation and

The two-week workshop included lectures by ASU physics faculty members, energy film previews, laboratory work and demonstrations and four field trips.

Future Energy Sources held at Appalachian State University this summer.

Guest speakers discussed the economic, political, environmental and psychological impact of the energy crisis.

Banks teaches at Marshall Elementary School.

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NOTICE OF SALE BY SEALED BIDS

PARCEL I:
FORMER MAIN HEADQUARTERS BUILDING, French Broad Electric Membership Corporation, South side of Main Street, Marshall, North Carolina, lot size 16,381 square feet, building sizes 4,534 square ft. first floor, partial basement and second floor equipment room.

PARCEL II:
French Broad Electric Membership Corporation warehouse, Rollins Road, Marshall, North Carolina, lot size 48,340 square feet approximately, warehouse 3,940 square feet, metal building 38.3x29 feet and 50.8x16 feet platform.

The French Broad Electric Membership Corporation will receive separate sealed bids for the sale of each of the above captioned tracts with improvements for cash until 12:00 Noon on 23 September, 1980, to be opened before interested parties at the new headquarters facility on the Mars Hill Highway, Marshall, North Carolina at 1:00 P.M. on the same day as its regular monthly Board of Directors meeting.

All bids should be submitted in accordance with bid instructions and bid forms which are available from Charles E. Mashburn, General Counsel for French Broad Electric Membership Corporation, P.O. Box 98, Marshall, North Carolina, 28753, telephone number (704) 649-3434 or from Charles R. Tolley, General Manager, French Broad Electric Membership Corporation, P.O. Box 9, Marshall, North Carolina, 28753, (704) 649-2051.

This sale is subject to approval Rural Electrification Administration and the National Rural Utilities Cooperative Finance Corporation (CFC). The Cooperative reserves absolutely the right to refuse and reject any or all bids.

Bidders shall be required to furnish a bid deposit of \$1,000 on the warehouse property and a \$5,000 deposit on the office building property, refundable to unsuccessful bidders.

The property is open for inspection from 9:00 A.M. to 3:00 P.M. on August 29, 1980 and September 5, 1980 or by appointment by calling Rich Thomason at (704) 649-2051. By order of the Board of Directors of the French Broad Electric Membership Corporation dated 22 July, 1980.

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BY: Charles E. Mashburn, General Counsel

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