## Church Events

## **Benefit Singing At Davis Chapel**

A benefit singing will be held for Belva Robinson Massey at Davis Chapel Baptist Church on Dec. 8 at 7 p.m. All singers and listeners are invited to attend.

#### M.H. Methodists Plan Sale

The Mars Hill Methodist women will sponsor a poinsettia, nut and bake sale at the Mars Hill United Methodist Church on Dec. 1 from 10 a.m. until 3 p.m. Everyone is welcome to shop for great gift items for the holiday season.

### Pageant Practice Begins In Marshall

Practice sessions have been scheduled Monday at 7:30 for the choir participating in the Christmas play of First Baptist Church in Marshall. All singing parts are needed.

# Community Development Awards To Be Presented Saturday

Four Madison County communities Creek in Division B (100-200 competing in Division C. awards at the 35th annual awards luncheon of the Western North Carolina Community Development Program youth programs. in Asheville on Saturday.

Representing the county will be Sleepy Valley in Division 1 (fewer Division B title and the Beech comthan 100 families); Walnut-Brush

will be in contention for top area families); Greater Ivy in Division C (more than 200 families) and Upper Laurel in the finals of judging of

> In addition, Sandy Mush in North Buncombe will be contending for the munity in North Buncombe will be

Also at the luncheon on Saturday, the "man and woman of the year" will be picked. Competing from Madison County will be Helen Lamkin of Mars Hill and J. Bruce Phillips of Greater Ivv.

The last aunt of the family, Mrs. Etta King Allshie of Greeneville, Tenn.,

Others attending the reunion in-cluded Mrs. Irene Tipton, Causie Gentry, Olen King, Alberta Long,

died on Jan. 14 of this year.

King Family **Holds Reunion** 

William and Beatrice Coward, Mr. a reunion recently at the Hot Springs home of a granddaughter, Mrs. Pan-sy King Thomas. There was a large crowd in attendance at the reunion. and Mrs. Shad King and their children, Fremont Thomas, Phillip King, Zola McAfee and her son and

daughter, all of Greeneville, Tenn.

Mrs. Gay King Anderson and
DeWitt Thomas of Mosheim, Tenn.
also attended, along with Mary Lee
Bishop, Faye Bishop, Lois Ramsey,
Mr., and Mrs. Starling Gentry, Jr.,
Mrs. Bertha Thomas and Robert Seven of Orville and Pansy Thomas' nine children attended with their families. The children are Betty Norton of Hot Springs, Shirley Brown of Brevard, Barbara Waldroup of oring Creek, SUsie Gunter of Marshall, Lucille Brown of Candler, Nor-Thomas, all of Marshall. ma Hembree of Newport, Tenn. and Paula McDonald of East Lake, Ohio. Mr. and Mrs. Frank Dorato and

daughters Brenda and Tony, Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Cutshall and children, Mrs. Ailenn Cutshall Green and family of Asheville also attended.

Chester Cook of Clearwater, Fla. attended withhis daughter. The family of Mr. and Mrs. George Shelton at-tended with Martha Chandley and her son, Charlie.

Weaverville residents Ronnie Bishop, Dessie Bishop White, Davis and Arba Lee Tweed and Marie Snyder were all in attendence. Mrs. Minne Ramsey and Glenda Ramsey of Rutherfordton attended along with Mr. and Mrs. Charles Ramsey and family of Parrottsville, Tenn. and Mr. and Mrs. W.B. Fowler of Hot Spr-

The Rev. and Mrs. Larry Arrowood and their three children also attended. Rev. Arrowood gave the blessing at the noon meal.

Mrs. English likes to recal the da Mrs. Ada M. English celebrated her 97th birthday Monday at the when she made all the clothes for her home of her son, Clyde English. Mrs. family, even knitting socks. She has

English resides in the California lived in Madison County all her life. Creek section of the Greater Ivy com- In addition to Clyde, Mrs. English's munity. Many of her relatives and children are Nell E. Angel of Califorfriends celebrated the occasion with nia Creek, John Dan of Asheville and

Glen of Candler.

## Shirley Martin

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sometimes claims its victims within a year. Nevertheless she has gradually lost the function of some of her limbs and is now unable to support her own

Over the years a special bond has developed between Shirley and the nursing staff at Madison Home Care. Nurses and aides visit the Martin home weekly to check for complications, look for skin problems resulting from immobility, and monitor her vital signs and range of motion. While the nurses are there primarily for medical care and consultation, an equally important responsibility is to provide psychological support for patients and their families.

Brenda Pace, R.N., has visited the Martin family two or three times a month for the last six years. With tears in her eyes, she stated that the Martins have become like a second family to her. Over the years she has shared their ups and downs, their joys and sorrows. "We become very close to a lot of our patients," she said. "One of the hardest things about my job is to see our patients deteriorate, to see them slip away. Sometimes we laugh together, and a

lot of times we cry together." ie Gunter, N Care nursing aide, echoed Brenda's sentiments. "I have seen Shirley now twice a week for six years," she said."With all her problems, Shirley never fails to ask me about my children. She is always smiling, always brave. She is truly a special person. When the end comes, it will be like losing a member of my own

In one way or another, we are all enriched by the extraordinary courage of the "Shirleys" of the world and by the unselfish compassion of those who serve them. Thank you, Shirley Martin, for being an in-spiration to us all. And thank you, Madison Home Care nurses, for caring in a very special way.

### 4-H'ers To Sell **Christmas Trees**

The Madison County 4-H Exchange Club will be selling locally grown Fraser fir and white pine Christmas

Trees will go on sale Thursday and Priday afternoons, Nov. 29, 30, Dec. 6 and 7 and all day on Saturdays, Dec. 1 and 8 in the Northwestern Bank park-

## Hensley Completes Basic

U.S. Army Private Jerry J.
sessley han completed basic training
Port Dix, N.J. Hensley is teh son of
red J. Hensley of Mars Hill and Bertra J. Shelton of Traveler's Rest,

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