

# Community Calendar

## Laurel VFD To Sponsor Bingo

The Laurel Volunteer Fire Department will sponsor a bingo game Saturday beginning at 7 p.m. at the firehall. Proceeds will be used for the fire department.

## 'Music Man' To Hit Stage

The musical "The Music Man" hits the stage at the new North Buncombe High School theater beginning today (Thursday) at 8 p.m. The play will be directed by James F. DeBruhl, for whom the new theater is named. The play will continue Friday and Saturday at 8 p.m., with a Sunday matinee to begin at 2:30 p.m. Tickets are \$4, and \$3 for students. Reservations are recommended.

## 'Messiah' To Be Presented

The Weaverville Community Chorus will present Handel's "Messiah" at 7:30 p.m. Nov. 29 at the Weaverville United Methodist Church.

## Mars Hill Parade Is Saturday

The Mars Hill Christmas parade will be held Saturday at 2 p.m. through downtown Mars Hill.

## Marshall PTA s Sponsor Dinner

The Marshall Primary and Elementary Parent-Teacher Associations are sponsoring a fried chicken dinner from 11:30 a.m. until 2 p.m. on Dec. 6. Tickets are \$3 for children 12 and under; \$4 for adults.

## Mars Hill Planning Board To Meet

The Mars Hill Planning and Zoning Board will meet at 7 p.m. today (Thursday) in Mars Hill Town Hall for a workshop on a proposed land-use plan for the town.

## North Buncombe Dedication Sunday

The new North Buncombe High School will be dedicated in ceremonies starting at 1 p.m. Sunday at the school.

## Teams To Play East Yancey

The Madison County seventh- and eighth-grade basketball teams will travel to East Yancey tonight (Thursday) with the girls game to begin at 6 p.m.

## Hot Springs Christmas Parade Set

The town of Hot Springs will host its annual Christmas Parade on Dec. 19 at 2 p.m. Anyone interested in helping or entering a float is asked to contact Mayor Kenny Ramsey at 622-3234 or Marie Lawson at 622-7264. The parade committee and interested persons will meet today (Thursday) at 6 p.m. at Town Hall.

## Club To Sponsor Turkey Dinner

The Walnut-Brush Creek Community Development Club

will be sponsoring a turkey dinner Sunday beginning at 11 a.m. at the Walnut Elementary School. Prices are children under 5 free, \$2 for ages 5 to 12 and \$3.50 for adults.

## Drivers' License Tests Offered

A drivers license examiner will be in Hot Springs on the first and third Monday beginning Dec. 7 from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. at the Lion's Hut, excluding holidays.

## Calendar Deadline Announced

The deadline for items in The News Record's "Community Calendar" is noon Tuesday prior to publication. Items received after noon cannot be accepted.

## Shaped Note Singers To Perform

The Weaverville Music Study Club will present a program by the Reems Creek Shaped Note Singers Friday beginning at 8 p.m. in the fellowship hall of the Weaverville United Methodist Church.

## Hospice Plans Volunteer Banquet

The Hospice of Madison will celebrate National Hospice Month with a volunteer recognition banquet Saturday at 6 p.m. at the Marshall Presbyterian Church fellowship hall.

## Basketball Tourney In Hot Springs

The Hot Springs Youth League will sponsor a men's basketball tournament Nov. 27-28. Entry fee is \$20 per team and deadline for entry is Tuesday. To enter or for more information call 622-7145 after 5 p.m.

## Steer Winner To Be Announced

The Madison County Democratic Party fund-raiser steer will be given away on Friday at the Madison County Courthouse.

## Greater Ivy Plans Dinner

The Greater Ivy Community will have a covered dish Thanksgiving dinner Sunday beginning at 1 p.m. at the community center. A choral group will provide music.

## Boy Scouts Plan Turkey Shoot

Boy Scout Troop 522 is sponsoring a turkey shoot every Saturday from 10 a.m. until 3 p.m. at the end of the U.S. 25-70 Bypass next to Sprinkle-Shelton Wholesale in Marshall. All proceeds will benefit the troop. For more information contact Dennis Rector, scoutmaster, at 649-3251.

## Greater Ivy Group To Meet

The Greater Ivy Community Citizens Association will meet Monday at 7 p.m. at the community center. Plans for the coming year will be discussed.

## County To Sell Land

The Madison County Board of Commissioners agreed Tuesday to hire a surveyor to determine the best way to subdivide some 20 acres of county-owned property on Tillery Branch. County commissioners say they want to sell the property, and believe they can get more money if they divide the property into lots.

The commissioners, during a special called meeting Tuesday morning, agreed to hire the firm of McMahan and Reese to conduct the survey at a cost of \$2,500 to \$3,000.

The commissioners also agreed to release tax, penalties and interest charged to 115 taxpayers. The tax

should be released because the property had been improperly listed or had changed hands, said Larry Leake, county attorney.

The board agreed to hire Selma Nix Norwood as eligibility specialist for the Madison County Department of Social Services.

Commissioner Reese Steen did not attend Tuesday's meeting. He and Robert Capps, chairman of the board, have disagreed several times over special daytime meetings.

Steen has said that the meetings disrupt his dentistry practice in Mars Hill and has said it is not fair to his patients to ask them to reschedule appointments on such short notice.

I would like to thank voters for their support in the Hot Springs town board elections on Nov. 3.

W.T. (Bill) Whitten



## RABIES?

Cat rabies? Yes, cat rabies has outnumbered dog rabies since 1982 due largely to the sad fact that there are an estimated 36 million cats in the U.S. today that are not vaccinated. So protect your family and vaccinate your pets.



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## Mars Hill Christmas Parade Is Saturday

The annual Mars Hill Christmas parade will be held Saturday beginning at 2 p.m.

A special float will precede the other participants to collect food, clothes and toys to be distributed to the needy this Christmas season, said Carolyn Rice, coordinator of the

"Let's remember the many people who are less fortunate than ourselves," Rice said.

The parade is not just for Mars Hill, but for all of Madison County and Western North Carolina, she said.

"We expect a large attendance and participation," she said.

## Taylor Pleads Guilty To Assault

After more than a day of testimony in Madison County Superior Court, a man charged with discharging a firearm into occupied property and two counts of assault with a deadly weapon pleaded guilty.

Charles Taylor pleaded guilty Tuesday to the charge of firing into an occupied dwelling, and to two misdemeanor counts of assault.

Taylor had been charged with fir-

ing several rounds from a .22 caliber pistol into the home of Larry Wyatt on Cody Road, and with assaulting Wyatt and Raymond Buckner with a deadly weapon.

The trial of Taylor began Monday, but Taylor entered the guilty pleas as evidence continued on Tuesday.

Judge Charles C. Lamm sentenced Taylor to seven years, but suspended the sentence and placed him on probation for five years.

## Man Convicted Of Robbery

A Lenoir man received a 14-year sentence Monday after pleading guilty in Madison County Superior Court to armed robbery and second-degree kidnapping.

Joseph Robert Allison Jr., 34, of Lenoir County, pleaded guilty to kidnapping a man in downtown Lenoir, holding a knife to his throat and demanding money.

Allison was arrested at the scene of the crime, and taken to the Lenoir County Jail.

and watch, according to court records.

He then told the man that they would be going to Madison County to rob a store, and would then kill him, according to court records. The man escaped, jumping out of the car on Snake Park Bridge in Asheville.

Allison, who was on parole for other felonies at the time of the crime, could have received 20 years in prison.

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