

Jamboree Winners And Others Lend Talent And Music To Fair



With participants competing in eight categories, the 5th annual Yancey Youth Jamboree got off to its traditional swing with Mr. Bill Banks emceeing the two-night event of Thursday and Friday evening at the East Yancey High School Gym.

As a special attraction for the Jamboree, exhibition numbers were performed by Mike Loftis and "The Drifters," Susie Deyton, Doris Dayton, and Jerry Clevenger. Friday evening was highlighted with a visit by Mrs. Leona Hayes, wife of the late Hubert Hayes who founded Asheville's Hubert Hayes Mountain Youth Jamboree.

This year's Jamboree hosted a panel of well-qualified judges: Mr. and Mrs. James Mallory who are associated with Mayland Technical Institute; Mr. Emmett Sams, math professor at Mars Hill College; Mrs. Kay Wilkins, a talented dance specialist of Avery County; Mrs. May Davis of Ft. Lauderdale,

Florida who is highly talented in fields of voice, organ and piano.

The eight category winners of the Class I division were as follows: Bucking, Chris and Kelly Chrisawn; Clogging, the South Toe Elementary School; Folk Songs-Folk Ballads, Mary Beth Fender and Lisa Deyton; Instrumental, Amos Jones; Patriotic Song, Eric Vess; Religious Song, Tanya Allen; Smooth Square Dancing, South Toe Elementary; Western Square Dancing, Micaville Elementary School.

The eight category winners of the Class II division were: Bucking, the Bill Bailey Girls; Clogging, South Toe Elementary School; Folk Songs-Folk Ballads, Cane River High School's group (Ramona Ray, Marie Maney, Debra Whitson, Dianne Banks and Pam Fox); Instrumental, Tony Hughes, Ricky Harris and Steve McClure; Patriotic Song, Gregory Presnell; Religious Song, Pat-

ty Simmons; Smooth Square Dancing, South Toe Elementary; Western Square Dancing, Micaville Elementary School.

Raylene Fox was presented the Class I Grand Champion trophy for her "Red Wing" song and Indian dance. The Country Store Cloggers were awarded the Class II Grand Champion trophy. Both of the Grand Champion Jamboree recipients were under the directorship of Mrs. Nancy Fox of Burnsville.

A special Challenge Trophy was presented to the person or group whose song scored the greatest number of points in authenticity. Recipients of this trophy were Ramona Ray, Marie Maney, Debra Whitson, Lianne Banks and Pam Fox for their song, "Blowing In The Wind."

The Yancey Youth Jamboree is a Yancey County Chamber of Commerce sponsored event.

