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Friday the Tryon Concert Association presents Gellert Modos, painist at 8 p.m. at the Fine Arts Center.

A New Arrival

Mr. and Mrs. Ronnie Collins of Spartanburg, S. C. are parents of a son. Christopher Mark, born January 9th at Spartanburg General Hospital. Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Dave Collins and Mrs. Nancy T. Daniel, all of Tryon.

Tryon Wins Two From Asheville

The Tryon Tigers won a basketball doubleheader from Asheville School Saturday night at Tryon. The girls took a 51-29 win and the boys avenged their only loss of the season with a 57-52 win.

The Tryon girls played one of Communication their best games of the séason, as their full court press gave Asheville trouble. Asheville's 6'1" Jan Meriweather, who had scored 124 points in her last three games was held to 21 points. For Tryon Becky Nesbitt had 18 points and Robin Simpson 13. Tryon led 21-12 at half and 38-25 at the end of the third quarter.

In one of the finest games of the season, the Tryon boys came from an 8 point deficit at half for their 15th straight win. Things didn't look good for the Tigers as Tony Cunningham picked up three quick fouls and spent part of the first quarter and all of the second quarter on the bench. Warfield Kirkendoll kept the Tigers in the game as he scored the team's first six points as Asheville led 18-10 at the end of the first quarter. In a deliberate style game both teams were held to 8 points as Asheville led 26-18 at half.

In the second half Tryon limited the taller Blues to one shot as they tightened up their zone. The Tigers began finding the mark the**mistings**, and by the end of the third unreter only trailed by one point 36-35. The **Figers** went into the lead for the for the first time as Tony Cunningham hit a jumper to open 'he fourth quarter to make it 37-36. Then Barry Skipper hit to make it 39-36 and the Tigers were on their way. The Blues came

within one point once, but could never get any closer. Trvon led by 7 at 55-48 with 31 seconds left. Barry Skipper was high for Tryon with 28 points while Sam Miller had 16. For Asheville School, Carl Hicks had 17 points followed by Fendrell with 13. Tryon girls are now 11-5 and the boys are 15-1. GIRLS GAME

ASHEVILLE SCHOOL (29) -Meriweather 21, Honeycutt 4, Howell, Goodman, Carter, Hall 4, Sarance. Brandice.

TRYON (51) - R. Simpson 13, T. Simpson 8, C. Booker 2, D. Booker 6, Nesbitt 18, Keyes 2, Littlejohn 2.

Halftime: 21-12, Tryon

BOYS GAME

ASHEVILLE SCHOOL (52) -Fredrell 13, Huryze 4, Hicks 17, Carter 6, Johnson 10, Beane, Thorpe 2.

TRYON (57) — Butler 4, Cunningham 9, S. Miller 16, Kirkendoll 10, Skipper 18, J. Miller.

Halftime: 26-28. Asheville School

Dear Seth:

I recently read an article in the Bulletin regarding the demolishment of the Youth Center, which prompted me to write this letter. When we first moved to Tryon.

our son, Peter, transferred from school in Wisconsin during his sophomore year to Tryon High School. At that time, he knew no one here. We were living at the Belvedere Apartments while we were house hunting. The Youth Center was situated right down the hill from us. It was very easy for Peter to go right down the hill and practically in the front door there. Most of his friendships started there and we all felt very fortunate in having a Youth Center here. I firmly believe that the youth in Tryon and the surrounding territory need a place to call their own or a home away from home. I would like to suggest that a drive for funds be started to rebuild the Youth Center. I am sure the caring residents of Tryon feel our youth need a recreational center to go to. For additional funds, they might have some projects to raise some money on their own. As it will belong to them, the more they have to do with the planning, decorating, and building, the more it will mean to them. Please count on me to help in any way that I can.

Sincerely,

Anne Brady

The Cosmic Reporter "Sky Events in February"

by Tim Linder

There will be quite a few interesting sky events occuring during February. Most of these events will be very close passages of the moon to stars on planets. Here's whats happening in February:

FEBRUARY 2: Late this evening the moon will be a half a degree south of the star Regulus in the constellation of Leo. Look for Regulus and the moon low in the east at about 9 p.m. This same event will occur again on February 29th.

FEBRUARY 3: Early this morning the moon will pass a half a degree south of the planet Jupiter. The moon and Jupiter will be located low in the west shortly before sunrise.

FEBRUARY 4: Tonight the moon will be very close to Saturn. The moon should be within three tenths of a degree from Saturn when they both rise in the east at about 10 p.m.

FEBRUARY 9: Last Quarter Moon. The moon is now half full in the morning sky.

FEBRUARY 16: New Moon. The moon and the sun are now on the same side of the Earth and the moon cannot be seen.

FEBRUARY 22: First Quarter Moon. The moon is now half full and is visible in the evening sky. At first quarter the moon sets about six hours after the sun.

Also late in the evening on February 22nd the moon will be about a degree from the state Aldebaran in the constellation of Taurus. Look for the moon and Aldebaran very low over the western horizon at about 11:30 p.m.

FEBRUARY 29: This evening the moon will pass less than a degree south of the star Regulus in the constellation of Leo. Look for Regulus and the moon well up in the east by 8 p.m.

In reference to the moon-planet (or star) separations given above, a half a degree is equal to the apparant diameter of the full moon.

That's it for this week, HAPPY STARGAZING!!!!!



Tuesday Tryon at Cherokee Edneyville at Polk Central Dixie at Landrum

Judy Hefner Wins Competition

Judy Hefner of Låndrum won the overall floor competition Saturday at the Fifth Annual Gymnastic Invitational at Landrum.

Airport won the Class II Competition, Northwest was first in the Class III events and Landrum won the optional competition.

Dinner Last Call

Persons interested in participating in Operation Outreach at St. Luke's, please phone Ms. Bobby Hill at the hospital for your reservation to the complimentary dinner, progress report and hospital tour, 6:30 p.m. Monday, Feb. 4, as soon as you read this! - Hospital Reporter

Northwestern **Increases Dividend**

North Wilkesboro, N. C. -Northwestern Financial Corporation directors today voted to increase the corporation's quarterly dividend 20 percent, to 15 cents per share from the 12.5 cents paid in the prior quarter. The dividend is payable April 1, 1980, to shareholders of record March 14.

Northwestern chairman Ben T. Craig noted this is the fourth consecutive year in which the corporation's dividend has been raised and stated that since 1975 the dividend has been increased a total of 120 percent.

Craig said Northwestern's dividend payout over the last five years has been below industry averages and explained that this conservative posture reflected two major financial uncertainties overhanging Northwestern - a problem loan situation in Colorado and the company's Federal income tax cases. "Now that these two issues have been settled," he added, "we feel a higher dividend payout is appropriate for our company and our shareholders."

The Colorado loan problem was resolved in July 1978 and, earlier this month, Northwestern announced a tentative settlement of its tax cases with the U.S. Department of Justice. Craig said the combined effect of these two settlements was to place about \$12 million of assets back on an earning basis for the first time since the early 1970s.