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Benefit A Sell-Out

The Fine Arts Center announced Wednesday that the TFAC benefit, "An Evening at the Cafe des Beaux Arts" has sold out — even the chairs.

While the Center is in the unexpected position of having to turn people away or place them on a waiting list, a spokesperson noted that, based on the evident popularity of this event, any similar program offered in the future will be shown for two nights.

An effort was made to schedule an additional performance, but key cast members had already made other plans, so the ideas was abandoned.

Charlie Cecil, Ticket chairman, reminds all those who have reserved tickets to pick them up before the night of the performance if at all possible. We also request that cancellations be called in as soon as they are known, so that others may purchase the seats. The box office will continue to be open mornings from 10 a.m. to noon for picking up tickets. — Reporter

Chimney Rock Opens For Season

Chimney Rock Park, located on Hwy. 64 & 74 in Hickory Nut Gorge, is now open for the 1990 season.

For a brochure on the park, write: Chimney Rock Park, P.O. Box 39-OR, Chimney Rock, N.C. 28720 or call 1-800-277-9611.

EMS Director Sees Break-Even Future



Lisa Wilson believes Polk County can break even on its emergency medical service once it takes the ambulance operation over from St. Luke's Hospital in July.

She's working on plans to bring down the too long response times now experienced by some remote parts of Polk County, and to bring up the fees charged to patients.

Wilson, 25, started Monday, March 19th as the county's new Emergency Medical Services Director. Previously, she held the same position at St. Luke's Hospital.

Breaking even is not something St. Luke's has been able to do with its emergency medical services (EMS), and the hospital agreed to keep the service only

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Celebrate 50th Wedding Anniversary

Mr. and Mrs. Conway Burnette of Green Creek will celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary today, March 23.

The former Wilma ("Bill") Walker, Mrs. Burnette is an employee of the Milliken New Prospect Plant.

Mr. Burnette operated a saw mill until his retirement. He still fixes chain saws, small motors, etc.

The couple has two children, a son, Gene Burnette of Green Creek, and a daughter, Jo Bradley of Landrum and three grandchildren.

Both are natives of Polk County.

The morning after they were wed, the couple woke up to find snow on the ground, 50 years ago on March 24.

Codependency Support Group

A support group for Codependents, including Adult Children of Alcoholics meets every Monday at 6 p.m. at the Tryon Presbyterian Church on Harmon Field Rd.

Singing Sunday

Pleasant Valley Baptist Church, Lynn, will have a Singing Sunday, March 25, at 2:30 p.m. Guests will be The Redeemed Singers of Redeemed Baptist Church, Landrum.

Rev. Jerry Pierce is the pastor.

Weather Wednesday: high 65, low 35, hum. 50%.

Philip Earl Reed, 38, of Westville, Ind. was killed on I-26 near Landrum Wednesday when a 30 pound dumbbell dropped from an overpass crashed through his windshield. The incident happened at the Landrum Mills Road overpass which crosses I-26 between the exits for S.C. Hwy. 14 & 11.

First No-Hitter! Allison Barnette of the Landrum girls softball team pitched a no-hitter Tuesday as Landrum defeated Ware Shoals 13 to 0. This was the first time a Landrum girl had pitched a no-hitter.

Freezing temperatures may have destroyed up to half of the peach crop in Upstate counties, where nearly a third of all peach trees in South Carolina are grown. There was damage in Polk County, but we don't have a report on how extensive it was.

Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev Wednesday ordered Lithuanians to surrender their weapons as the war of words escalated between the Soviet Union and the rebellious Baltic republic.

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