

MILITARY NOTES

Gaddy completes eight-week training cycle

Navy Seaman Recruit Willie S. Gaddy has completed recruit training at Recruit Training Command in Great Lakes, Ill.

During Gaddy's eight-week training cycle, he studied general military subjects designed to prepare him for further academic and on-the-job training.

Gaddy's studies included sea-

manship, close order drill, naval history and first aid. Personnel who complete the course are eligible for three hours of college credit.

A 1988 graduate of Mount Tabor High School, he is the son of Mary L. Gaddy. He joined the Navy in February.

Marine Pvt. **Rodney D.**

Mitchell recently reported for duty with 2nd Force Service Support Group at Camp Lejeune.

A 1988 graduate of East Forsyth High School, he is a resident of 142 Cameron Ave. He joined the Marine Corps Reserves in May 1988.

Marine Cpl. **Samuel Canty**

has been promoted to his present rank while serving with 3rd Marine Division at Camp Fuji on Okinawa.

A 1984 graduate of R.J. Reynolds High School, he is the son of Doris L. Jackson and Samuel Canty Sr.

He joined the Marine Corps in February 1986.

YMCA staff member offers safety tips for summer swimming

In recent years, drownings have become the third leading cause of accidental deaths in the United States. Drownings occur everywhere -- at home, at work, in motor vehicle accidents, as well as in recreational activities according to Whit East of the staff of the YMCA.

July is the peak month, accounting for more than 20 percent of all drownings; more than 60 percent of drowning victims are under the age of 25; nearly 30 percent teen-agers, ages 15 to 19; males make up nearly 85 percent of the victims; weekends account for 40 percent of drownings; nearly half of the victims were alone at the time of drowning; and more than 70 percent of all drowning victims didn't know how to swim.

Annual drownings have

increased from 6,500 in 1960 to a present level of 9,153 in 1988. To combat this growing death rate by drowning, the National YMCA offers these 12 basic rules for your swimming safety, Mr. East said.

1. Never go swimming alone. If you do, there will be no one to help you if you get into trouble.

2. Never go swimming at an unguarded spot. Docks, piers and river banks are dangerous places to swim.

3. Never dive into strange water. You might hit your head on the bottom or get caught in debris.

4. Don't attempt a water rescue unless you are trained and are a strong swimmer. If you attempt, you are likely to get into trouble.

5. Don't show off in the water. "Showoffs" cause many fatal accidents every year.

6. Cool off before plunging into cold water. Cramps or heart failure may be brought on by sudden changes in body temperatures.

7. If you can't swim, stay out of small boats. Never go out in a canoe or rowboat unless you are wearing an approved flotation device.

8. Pay strict attention to warning signals. They are put there for your protection.

9. Race and swim toward shore, not away from it. When swimming "go out like a lamb and back like a lion."

10. Know your limitations.

Don't go beyond your limits just because someone dares you.

11. Don't leave small children around water even for a minute. Small children don't realize the danger inherent in water.

12. Never mix alcohol and water. Drinking intoxicating beverage and swimming don't mix and often leads to fatal results.

Mr. East points out that the leading cause of drowning is not knowing how to swim. He stressed the importance of learning to swim and to continue to develop swimming skills for safety and as an exercise that simultaneously increases muscle tone, flexibility, improves posture and coordination, enhances circulation and physical endurance.

Member, volunteer achievements honored at Boys Club awards banquet

The Winston-Salem Salvation Army Boys Club held its annual awards banquet June 13 at First Baptist Church to honor the outstanding achievements of members and volunteers. One hundred twenty-five members, families and volunteers attended the ceremony.

Those recognized for their contributions included James Williams, basketball program assistance; Winston-Salem Urban League, Leadership Development program spon-

sors; the Boys Club Parents Council, volunteer support; Sonya Alston, health education assistance; Mark Thomas, photography; Gerald Chrisco and Bob Fellows, career development program assistance; William Voiers, outstanding achievement as a volunteer; Nello Pittman, 16, "Boy of the Year" at the M.L. King Jr. Recreation Center; Wayne Patterson, 17, "Boy of the Year" at the Cleveland Avenue unit; and Devon Tatum, 10, winner of the Lipton Sportsmanship Award.

25th Street Club holds final meeting

Members of the 25th Street Condolence and Flower Club met recently at the Horizon Park for the group's last meeting of the year.

Following a brief meeting, family and guests attended a picnic and cookout and participated in games and hiking activities.

The chair of the nominating committee, Rozena Smith, presented a slate of officers to be approved. Officers elected were Evalena Clayburn, president; Irma Rice, vice president; Roberta Cooke, secretary; Sara Hamlin, assistant secretary; Thelma Hines, financial secretary; Sara Maupin, treasurer; Annie Belle Hay, chaplain; Clara Bailey, parliamentarian; and Leola Sadler, advisor.

Guests attending were Claudette Kay, Jerrylyn Smith, Teretha Miller, Mary Hanner, Grover Flippin, Roland Fulton, Juan L. Maupin, Ella Whitworth, Sallie Bailey, Rembert Malloy and Annie Jones.

The next meeting is scheduled for the fall.

COMMUNITY NEWS DEADLINES ...

The *Chronicle* welcomes community news and calendar items. Announcements should be concise and typed or neatly printed. They should include the day, time, place and sponsors of the event, plus a number to call for additional information.

Announcements should be addressed to the *Winston-Salem Chronicle* Community News, P.O. Box 3154, Winston-Salem, N.C. 27102.

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measures. Child care will be available free of charge. For more information call 722-5138.

WEDNESDAY, JULY 12

The Southside Branch Library will present its free summer film series for the family. "Ghostbusters" will be shown in the library's auditorium beginning at 7 p.m. "Bambi" will be the featured film. And the final film of the series will be "Big" with two showings Aug. 10 at 3 and 7 p.m. Free popcorn will be provided. The library at 3185 Buchanan St. For more information call 788-8415.

The Forsyth County Genealogical Society will meet at 7 p.m. in the library auditorium. Janet Seippel will speak on "The War in North Carolina and Facts of Southern History."

THURSDAY, JULY 13

The Student Activities Office at Winston-Salem State University is sponsoring an outdoor rock concert featuring Quiet Fire Band, a top 40/R&B group, at 7 p.m. near Whitaker Gym. The concert is free. For more information call 750-3350.

SATURDAY, JULY 15

The Winston-Salem Pond Giants will sponsor a bus trip to Atlanta to see the New York Mets and the Atlanta Braves baseball game July 15 and July 16. The bus will depart from Jetway Shopping Center at 6 a.m. and will return following the game on Sunday. For more information call Charles Foster at 748-9646 or 748-9247.

SUNDAY, JULY 16

The Special Populations and Programs Unit of the Winston-Salem Recreation and Parks Department will sponsor a July Concert in the Park featuring a patriotic holiday theme at 6 p.m. at Miller Park Patio. Admission is free. For more information call the Elms at 727-2505.

PUBLIC SERVICE ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Anderson High School Alumni Weekend for all classes will be held Sept. 2 and 3 at Horizons Park from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. There will be a dance at Benton Convention Center from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. For more information call 744-1265 or 724-9643.

The Anderson High School Class of 1964 will celebrate its 25th reunion at Stouffer Hotel Friday, Sept. 1. For more information call Beverly Williams at 744-1265.

A local group is sponsoring a trip to Niagara Falls July 30 to Aug. 3. For more information call Jerry Griffin at 785-9374 or John Sigerr at 723-2728.

The Triad Chapter of the Alzheimer's Association has recently completed its second speaker's bureau training sessions. Speakers are available to make presentation to civic, church and professional organizations. Contact the office at 722-0811 or 1-800-228-9794 for more information.

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