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County Summer Olympics To Get Underway July 16

The Madison County **Recreation Department is now** making plans for "The Madison County Summer Olympics - 1977". The program is one of the department's most popular activities and received statewide attention last summer.

The Summer Olympics is a three-week competition among all of the recreation centers in the county. This year's competition involves

five phases, Ricky McDevitt, director of the recreation department, stated. They are: table tennis, volleyball, horseshoe pitching, a swim meet, and the "anyting goes" event. Points will be awarded each center throughout the olympics for each area of competition. Each event is broken down into various age brackets to make competition keener and fairer.

The schedule of activities

are as follows: 1. table te. nis tournament, Walnut Recreation Center,

July 16 beginning at 1 p.m.; Madison 2. County "anything goes" on Madison High School football field, July 22 beginning at 6:30 p.m. (rain date July 25, 6:30);

3. horseshoe tournament, Marshall Recreation Center, July 23, 1 p.m. (rain date July 24,1p.m.); 4. volleyball tournament.

Marshall Recreation Center, July 23, 1 p.m. (rain date July 24,1p.m.);

5. Madison County swim meet, Marshall Recreation Pool, Aug. 1, 2 p.m. (rain date Aug. 2, 2 p.m.). To qualify for the county

championship, each contestant or team must go through the eliminations being held in the near future at the eight county recreation centers. Anyone interested in

entering any phase of this year's Summer Olympics should contact your local recreation center July 11 or 12. "Come on out and join in the fun. It will really help your center toward winning the olympics. Contact your local center for details of the eliminations," McDevitt said. **RECREATION CENTERS** Phone Numbers:

Ebbs Chapel Recreation Center, 689-4843; Greater Ivy

Recreation Center, 689-4517; Hot Springs Recreation Center, 622-7378; Laurel Recreation Center, 656-2223; Marshall Recreation Center. 649-2744; Mars Hill Recreation Center, 689-9044; Spring Creek Recreation Center, 622-3485; Walnut Recration Center, 649-3122; and Madison County Pool, 649-2831. The recreation centers will

all be open the hours listed except Spring Creek:

Monday, closed; Tuesday 1-9 p.m.; Wednesday, 10 a.m.-9 p.m.; Thursday, 1-9 p.m.; Friday, 1-9 p.m.; Saturday, 10 a.m.-9p.m.; Sunday, 1-6p.m. All recreation centers are open during league games. Spring Creek's hours:

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all those eggs?

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Monday, 8:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m.; Tuesday, 8:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m.; Wednesday, 8:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m.; Thursday, 8:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m.; Friday, 8:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m.; Saturday, closed; Sunday, closed.

MARSHALL LION OFFICERS were installed last Thursday night following a dinner meeting at the Inn on the Plaza in Asheville. The installation ceremony was conducted by outgoing president, Roy Reeves. Guests, in addition to the Lionesses, were Mr. and Mrs. John A. Corbett of Favetteville. Officers installed, left to right, front row: O. A. Gregory. director; Ralph Rice, president;

Ricky McDevitt, Lion tamer; Lonnie Plemmons, tail twister; Ed List, third vice president; back row: Steve Wallin, second vice president; John Corbett, director: Clyde Hagan. treasurer; Wade Huey, director; David Caldwell, first vice president; Ricky Thomason, secretary, was not present. (Photo by Jim Story)

Commissioners Adopt **\$5 Million '77 Budget**

Madison County Commissioners last week adopted a \$5,008,333 budget without an increase in the property tax rate in keeping with campaign promises of some of the board members.

A tax rate of 95 cents per 100 dollar valuation for 1977-78 was unanimously approved following a public hearing and several weeks work by the county finance office who was faced with requests of more than \$5,286,535 in increase over last year's spending.

Many budget requests were sharply cut, and Federal Revenue Sharing funds were used for larger portions of general operating expense, it was stated.

The new budget allocates \$481,500 to the county school system, this amount includes \$350,000 for School Current Expense Fund; \$50,000 to School Capital Outlay; \$81,500 to School Debt Service Fund. The total amount is equivalent to 63 per cent of total property tax levy for the coming year.

The new budget is a six per cent increase over last year's budget, but the same tax rate of 95 cents per \$100 valuation will remain, the commissioners stated.

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Fall Is

College

REA Meet

French Broad EMC Meets July 16 In Marshall

French Broad Electric Membership Corporation will hold its annual meeting of the members on July 16 at the Marshall Elementary School gymnasium in Marshall. Registration will begin at 10 a.m. and continue until 2 p.m. with the business meeting getting underway at 2 p.m.

There will be reports to the members, election of four directors and prize drawings. The grand prize will be \$200 credit on electric bill plus many small appliance prizes such as toasters, irons, coffee makers, frypans, mixers, etc. The prize drawings will be for members only and you must be present to win, Charles Tolley, manager, stated.

CRAFT SHOW

Also at 10 a.m., a craft show will open in the old agriculture classroom under the school gym. There will be craft displays and demonstrations from over the entire service area including a special Christmas craft display by the Laurel Mountain Craft from Burnsville. You will see rug hooking, spinning, quilting, ceramics, bark baskets, and many, many more.

VARIETY SHOW

You will not want to miss the variety show which will begin in the gym at 12:30 p.m. and run for an hour and a half prior to the business session. Quinton Ramsey will serve as master of ceremonies and

there will be music by the Gott and Lewis Offspring String Band as well as the Appalachian Folk from Madison County, Campers in the Forest from Yancey County, and square dancing by the Carolina Ridge Runners and Carolina Moonshiners

Buncombe County. Star Marshall Eastern Chapter will have food for sale in the school lunch room. 5-15.

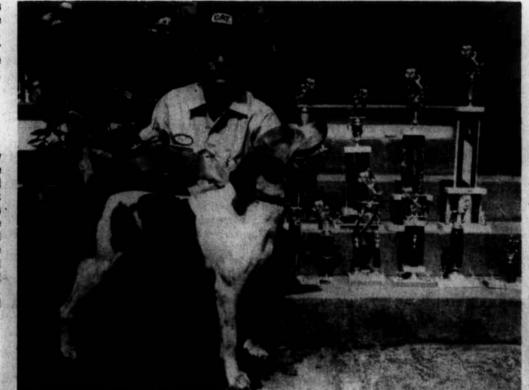
BRING REGISTRATION CARD

Members are urged to bring the registration card that will be mailed to them with the annual report. If you plan to vote proxies, you can speed up the registration process on annual meeting day by from Erwin High School in preregistering these proxies at either office in Marshall, Burnsville or Bakersville, July

Gets 2 Grants

Two 11th District colleges have been awarded grants totaling \$208,300 for Upward Bound and Special Services programs for disadvantaged students, it was announced this week by Congressman Lamar Gudger.

According to information received from the Division of Post-Secondary Education, Department of Health, Education and Welfare, Mars Hill College will receive two - \$87,300 for an grants Upward Bound program, and \$39,000 for a Special Services program; and Western Carolina University is scheduled to be awarded \$82,000 for an Upward Bound program.



RUSSELL ROBINSON poses with his coonhound, "Lead" and some of the trophies he won while qualifying for the World Championship hunt at Norwalk, Ohio, Oct. 10-15.



NEW POLICE HEADQUAR-TERS building is shown on the newly-paved parking lot on Main

Street. The new structure is larger and more modern. (Staff Photo)

Robinson Gets Development Fund Championship **Public Hearing Set Coon Hunt Bid** Friday, July 11 Russell Robinson, better

known by his friends in the Grapevine community as "Roho" got a real surprise last week when he received an invitation to compete in the A. C. H. A. World Championship Coon Hunt. The hunt will be held Oct. 10-15 at Norwalk, Ohio. Over 500 dogs are expected to enter the event from the United States and Canada. Roho qualified for the championship with his dog, "Lead," a 7-year-old English coonhound, by winning the prestigious Statesville open at Statesville last week. Winning is nothing new to "Lead" who has amassed a dazzling play of trophies and ribbons in his career. An invitation to in his career. An invitation to the world championship hunt is quite an honor for any dog and certainly, it should speak well for the quality of hounds and sportsmen to be found in the mountains of Western North Carolina.

The final public hearing handicapped persons; regarding the current year application for community development funds from the Department of Housing and Urban Development will be held July 8 and 11.

If you have any suggestions about how community development monies could be spent, please attend one of the six public meetings that will be held in the county. As a guide, the eligible community development activities are: 1. acquisition of real property which is blighted, appropriate for conservation or rehabilitation;

2. construction or installation of public works and facilities;

3. code enforcement in deteriorating areas; 4. clearance, demolition and rehabilitation of buildings: 5. special projects to assist the mobility of elderly and

6. payments for temporary housing and persons displaced by community development activities:

7. payment of local match for federal grants;

8. payment of cost of completion of existing urban renewal projects;

9. relocation payments; 10. activities necessary to develop a comprehensive plan and a policy planningmanagement capacity for CD and housing activities;

11. payment of reasonable dministrative costs; and 12. support of local social

service activities in conaction with a CD project.

The public hearing will be held from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the office of the Department of Public Safety in Marshall. Copies of the Citizens Par-ticipation Plan are available to

Fatal To Bride

Mrs. Edna Diane Welchel. 19, of Marshall, Route 2, was fatally injured Sunday afternoon in a creek near the Coman Boundary area of Barnardsville after she slipped on rocks and struck her head.

She was the daughter of Mrs. Norma Fender Craine and the late Merritt Craine.

According to a spokesman, a group of six people were picnicking in the popular area when the accident occurred

about 3:15 p.m. Sunday. The victim and another of the six persons were walking in a nearby creek when the young lady slipped on moss-covered rocks. She was pronounced dead on arrival at Memorial Mission Hospital.

Funeral services were held Wednesday at Bowman Funeral Home. The Rev. J. J. Slagle officiated and burial was in Laurelton Freewill Baptist Chapel Cemetery, Route 6, Marshall. Friends served as pallbearers.

Survivors include the husband, William D. Welchel of Route 2, Marshall; her mother, Mrs. Norma Fender Craine of Route 2, Marshall: seven sisters, Mrs. Sheila Davis, Route 2, Marshall, Mrs. Maxine Metcalf of Pikesville, Ky., Mrs. Ginger Graham, Black Mountain, Mrs. Reva Clark, Asheville, Mrs. Ann McCall, Clinton, S. C., Mrs. Mary Lou Wilson, Columbia, S. C., Mrs. Juanita Thomas, C., Mrs. Juanta Thomas, Route 6, Marshall; three brothers, Keith Craine of Shelby, the Rev. Herschel Craine, Cowpens, S. C., and Edward Craine of Fort Carson,

Mrs. Welchel who married to Welchel on Fr of last week, attended Mar High School and