

# College Schedules Artists Series

Six days of special speakers and events are being held at Mars Hill College during the month of April. Known as the Appalachian Artists Series, the program is a co-operative venture between the college's Visiting Artists and Lecturers Committee and the Southern Appalachian Center.

According to Dr. Don Anderson, director of the Southern Appalachian Center, the series hopes to dispel the general view of Appalachia as barefoot boys and ramshackle houses.

"There is a wealth of talented people in Appalachia who have made significant

contributions that reach far beyond the region," Anderson commented.

The 1978 series began April 4 with a lecture and poetry reading by Jim Wayne Miller, poet and professor of German at Western Kentucky University.

On April 10 at 8 p.m. in Moore Auditorium the movie "Harian County U. S. A." will be shown. Then on April 20 John Stephenson, dean of undergraduate studies at the University of Kentucky will lecture. Dr. Stephenson's lecture, "Social Change in Appalachia," will be held at 2 p.m. in Belk Auditorium. There will be a discussion following.

Dr. Stephenson received his Ph.D. from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill in Sociology. He is the author of "Shiloh, A Mountain Community" and co-editor of "Appalachia In The Sixties".

The final event of the 1978 series will be three nights of Appalachian music. These concerts will be held on Thursday, Friday and Saturday evenings, April 27, 28, and 29, in the Timberline Coffee House. Each concert, which will feature the finest musicians of the region, will begin at 8 p.m.

Also during the month of April, a special exhibition of watercolors by Polly Gott will be shown in the Appalachian Room of Memorial Library. Mrs. Gott is a resident of the Shelton Laurel community of Madison County and has studied at Cornell University and the Brookland Art Museum. The Appalachian Room's hours are 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday. As in all of the other Appalachian Artists events, there is no admission charge.

## Singing

The regular second Sunday night singing will be held next Sunday at the Alexander Baptist Church, beginning at 7.

Groups taking part will include the Alexander Youth Choir, Alexander Quartet, Parris Quartet and others.

The public is invited.

# Horticulture Scholarship Is Offered

Some fortunate high school senior in the 18 western counties, planning to pursue a four-year degree in horticulture, will receive financial help thanks to concerned area horticulturists.

A \$500 college scholarship will be presented to a 1978 Western North Carolina high school graduate by the horticulture crops commission of the Western North Carolina Development Association.

Awarded annually to encourage Western North Carolina students to enter the professional field of horticulture and to provide financial assistance to the student during the first year of college, the scholarship is being donated by Van Wingerden's Inc. of Mills River; Maier's Greenhouses, Asheville; Pigeon Valley Tomato Co., Canton; Rhododendron Farm, Mountain Home; and Smoky Mountain Nursery, Garden Center and Florists of Sylva.

The scholarship will be awarded on the basis of need, interest, scholastic record, leadership and citizenship. The recipient will be an entering freshman and must pursue the four-year course leading to a degree in horticulture in a college or university with an approved curriculum.

1978 high school graduates from the 18 counties including Avery, Buncombe, Burke, Cherokee, Clay, Graham, Haywood, Henderson, Jackson, Macon, Madison, McDowell, Mitchell, Polk, Rutherford, Swain, Transylvania and Yancey are eligible to apply for the scholarship.

Applications may be obtained from high school guidance counselors, vocational agriculture teachers or 4-H Club agents in the various counties. The applications should be submitted to the Western North Carolina Development Association, 420 City Building, Asheville 28801.

Deadline for submitting applications is May 1. All applicants will be interviewed and the recipient selected by May 15.

In announcing the scholarship, Dr. Paul Shoemaker of Fletcher, chairman of the horticultural crops commission, stated that the production of horticultural crops has become by far the top agricultural enterprise in Western North Carolina, with producer sales of approximately \$55 million last year. This growth has brought with it expanded opportunities for young people trained in the professional field of horticulture.

# Elderhostel Project For Elderly Planned

If you are 60 or over, or have a friend, parent, or grandparent 60 or over, then a unique educational program called Elderhostel is available to you and other elder citizens this summer at 10 colleges and universities throughout North Carolina.

Elderhostel combines the adventure of hosteling with the pursuit of knowledge into an exciting week of educational activities. Campuses making up the North Carolina network of Elderhostel include Appalachian State University, Duke University, Mars Hill College, UNC-Asheville, UNC-Chapel Hill, UNC-Charlotte, UNC-Greensboro, UNC-Wilmington, Western Carolina University and Winston-Salem State University.

During the summer each school will offer a series of week long, non-credit college level courses taught by regular faculty members. There will be no exams, no grades and no required reading. Included are such subjects as plants of the Blue Ridge, Appalachian music and dance, the life and literature of Thomas Wolfe,

## Singing

The Singing Justice Family of Hendersonville will be singing at the Belva Baptist Church this Saturday night with the service starting at 7.

Other special guests will be Al Plemmons of Brevard and the Foster Creek Youth Choir of Mars Hill.

Owen W. Fish, emcee of the church's monthly singings, extends a cordial welcome to the public to come and join in worship with these talented groups.

modern poetry, Afro-American music, personalities of the Old Testament and the Marine environment, to name just a few. The fee for one week, which includes tuition, campus housing and dining will be \$75 for North Carolina residents and \$106 for out-of-state residents.

In addition to courses each campus offers a wide variety of extra-curricular activities such as concerts, plays, music programs, nature hikes, together with recreational sports such as golf, tennis and swimming.

"The enthusiastic response that elder citizens have given Elderhostel to date indicates

that a large number of our retired citizens welcome the opportunity to stay active, to travel and to learn," said Bob Wagoner, North Carolina director of Elderhostel. "Elderhostel contradicts the rocking chair image of growing old. It is a program for people who are going somewhere, not in terms of

physical movement, but in the sense of reaching out for new experience."

A slide-tape program is available to local groups desiring to learn more about Elderhostel. Interested parties should contact Bob Wagoner, 204 Abernethy Hall, 002A, Chapel Hill 27514, (919) 933-1123.

# Solar Display In Library This Month

Bill Shealy will have a display of a workable solar flat plate collector in the Marshall library during the month of April.

"If you have never seen a real solar collector and cannot wait for the May 3 Solar Day display at Mars Hill College, you can get a sneak preview by visiting the library during April. This collector on display was built by the students at Mars Hill College in a period of about 12 hours at a cost of approximately \$100. It is made of one-fourth inch copper tubing inside of a well-insulated wooden box and covered with a translucent fiberglass roofing panel. In a solar collector of this type the copper tubing and the metal absorber plate are painted flat black so that the light entering into the collector will be turned into heat by the dark surface. The principle is based on the world's best solar hot air collector, the black automobile. For those of you that own a black automobile and have gotten into it on a hot summer day when the windows have been up know that you have a real energy producer and the same is true for the simple solar flat plate collector. Solar energy is free, let's use it now," Shealy stated.

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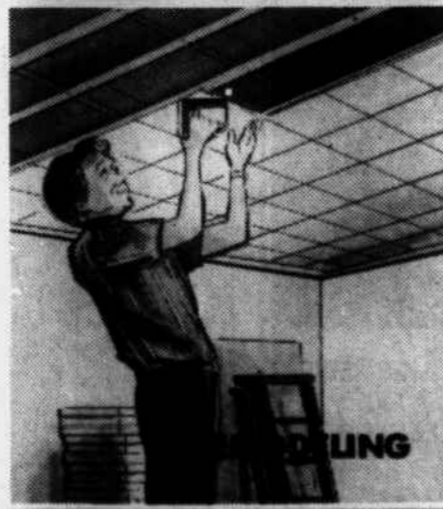
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	60 months	\$155.72	\$9343.20	12%
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