

## Patriot Girls Even Record At 4-4

The Madison Patriot Girls won two games on the road beating Owen 61-47 and Hendersonville 71-55 to even their record at 4-4. Their conference record is 3-2. The next

game is at West Henderson on Jan. 4.

On Dec. 17, Holly Hough led the girls with 17 points and 12 rebounds as they beat Owen 61-47. They came back from a

15-14 deficit at the end of the first quarter to lead 30-27 at the half. After being ahead by only one point at the end of the third quarter, the Patriot Girls rallied for 18 points in

the fourth quarter behind Holly's 10 points and six points by Cindy Shelton. Cindy finished with 11 points while Denise Thomason had nine. Coach Ricky McDevitt was extremely pleased with the fourth-quarter finish.

Scores: Madison: Reed 6, Shelton 11, Ramsey 2, Hough 17, Franklin 7, Thomason 9, Justice 2, English 4, Cole 1, Bentley 2.

Owen: Mucklevene 7, Creasman 10, Scott 2, Maret 11, Adams 13, Owens 4, Wilson, Correll, Lewis.

Starters Holly Hough, Sandy Franklin, Carolyn Ramsey, Janet Reed, and Cindy Shelton had a strong game as Madison won over Hendersonville Dec. 18 to even their record at 4-4. Holly with 23 points, Sandy with 21, and Cindy with 15 led the girls in scoring while Sandy's 12 rebounds and Holly's 8 were half of the 40 obtained by the Madison Girls. This was an important statistic in the victory. Other leading rebounders were Darlene Justice, Denise Thomason, and Pam English. Janet Reed led in assists. Coach Ricky McDevitt was pleased with the team victory.

Scores: Madison: Reed 4, Shelton 13, Ramsey 4, Hough 23, Franklin 21, English 2, Hagan 2, Bentley, Cole, Ammons, Justice, Thomason.

Hendersonville: Jarvis 18, Granger, Staples, Burgess 4, Bailey 13, Doane 2, Black 8, Sperry 4, Brummitt 4, Sproles 2.

### A Woman's Observation

## Was Santa Good To You?

By DOROTHY BRIGMAN SHUPE

Was Santa good to you? I hope so, because he was good to me and my family. For the first time in years, we had a family gathering on Christmas Day because

Charlotte and Jim got to be home on this day and so did George! And added this year was sister Pearl who came home from Baltimore in August.

Since Shupe has been "in prison" all these years (He's with the Department of Cor-

rections for you who never heard of us before) and Charlotte began working after college, we just couldn't get together on Christmas Day, and this was a real treat to have "family" home. Of course, Sandy and her folks would invite me for Christmas day dinner or at least bring me a meal, and it is nice to have dear friends, but family is dearer!

Caroline is adjusting to baby sister, Elizabeth, but I can imagine it's a bit tough on a 4-year-old to accept an extra one around getting love and attention from loved ones that has been exclusively one's own. Think Sandy and Charles are doing a splendid job and make charming parents!

Anyway, I hope you are successful in following your resolutions. And I'll keep limping along trying to leave off this and that — and that and this — and stay as fat as a blimp anyway!

**OBSERVED** — Enjoyed seeing Leonard Payne and meeting his pretty daughter last week at the Marshall meal site — They live in Pennsylvania and were visiting his parents, Maude and Emmitt Payne — My, what a huge crowd attending the fiftieth wedding anniversary of Sheriff and Mrs. E.Y. Ponder Sunday afternoon at the Baptist Church — It was nice to speak to Congressman Lamar Gudger and Judge W.K. McLean — I also met Zeno's new bride, she was quite charming — and the honored couple's little great-grandson was a little doll, being gently rocked by his beaming grandfather, Warren — the bride and groom looked very happy and young after 50 years of wedded bliss — don't know if I can make it 14 more years — Shupe is holding up pretty well — Many of our participants at the nutrition sites have gone away to visit their children over the holidays — guess we'll all be back in full swing Jan. 2 — Appreciated the nice gift Martha Ann made for her mother Clara to give me, Thanks, both of you — See you in 1980 — Have a good YEAR!

## N. C. State Invites Medal Nominations

North Carolina State University is inviting alumni and other friends across the state to join faculty and students in making nominations for the Watauga Medal, highest non-academic honor the University awards.

The Watauga Medal was authorized by the NCSU Board of Trustees in 1975 to be awarded to no more than three persons each year in recognition of "persons who have rendered unusually distinguished service to North Carolina State University."

Rudolph Pate, vice chancellor for foundations and university relations and chairman of the selection commit-

tee, said nominations should be submitted in writing no later than Jan. 21 to the Office of Foundations and Development, Box 5067, N.C. State University, Raleigh.

The medal is named for the Watauga Club which helped to persuade the General Assembly of 1887 to establish the Land-Grant Institution.

Previous winners of the medals have been:

In 1975 — Dr. Carey H. Boston, geneticist and former chancellor of NCSU; Roy H. Park, Ithaca, N.Y. businessman; and posthumously to Richard J. Reynolds Jr., former mayor and businessman of Winston-Salem.

In 1976 — Mose Kiser, Greensboro dairy executive; R. Walker Martin, Raleigh businessman; and A.E. Finley, Raleigh businessman.

In 1977 — Raymond A. Bryan, Goldsboro businessman; Dr. C. Horace Hamilton, NCSU sociologist; and Dr. Gertrude M. Cox, NCSU statistician.

In 1978 — L.R. Harrill, 4-H leader; and H.W. (Pop) Taylor, director of the NCSU Alumni Association for many years.

In 1979 — Dr. Ellen S. Winston, state and federal government official; Henry H. Foscoe, High Point furniture executive; and Claude S. Ramsey, Asheville businessman.

The medals will be presented at the NCSU Founders Day dinner March 11.

## How To Make Preparations To Retire

People planning to retire at the end of the year should be making serious plans for the event right now, according to Tom Johnson, Field Representative of the Asheville social security office.

One of the things they should do is apply for their social security retirement benefits. A person who applies for retirement checks two or three months before his or her retirement date can be sure that checks will begin when earnings from work stop.

Before applying, a person should get certain information and evidence together. This will help speed the application process. Here is what is needed:

—Worker's social security card or record of social security number.

—Birth certificate or church record of birth or baptism recorded before age 5.

—W-2 form for 1978 or copy of 1978 self-employment tax return.

If the worker's husband or wife also plans to apply for benefits, he or she should have the same information.

More information and assistance can be obtained at the Asheville Social Security office located at 400 Executive Park. The telephone number is 252-8773 or if long distance, ask operator for WX 3500.

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## Heard and Seen

By POP

WELCOME, 1980

This being the first issue of the new year, I thought it might be interesting to look back a few years and see what was taking place during the first weeks of January. While looking through the issues of this newspaper it made me realize how quickly the years were passing.

JANUARY 1979

In the January 4 issue last year, was an account, with pictures of the 15-car freight train derailment at Barnard. Most of the cars were empty but at least one car was loaded with loose corn. The cars derailed several hundred feet from where they piled up. There were no injuries.

The Hot Springs Health Program was preparing the final application for a \$100,000 ARC grant to be used for the construction of a new medical center in the Laurel section.

Tentative plans were made for the dedication of the Marshall-Walnut Medical Center on Jan. 15.

Patriot girls win Blue Ridge Cage Tournament.

Mrs. Maria Cox named president of County Cancer Chapter.

JANUARY 1978

Rock Cafe changes hands as Page and Princey Brigman decided to retire from the popular cafe on Main Street here after operating the cafe for 30 years. Mr. and Mrs. Claude Davis of Marshall are the new operators.

Jonas Chandler joins a real estate firm

## Basketball

### West Madison Dec. 22 Results

At Walnut: 3rd-4th grade girls — Laurel 1, Walnut 0. 3rd-4th grade boys — Walnut 4, Laurel 0. 5th-6th grade girls — Walnut 17, Laurel 13. 5th-6th grade boys — Laurel 35, Walnut 24.

At Laurel: 7th-8th grade girls — Laurel 42, Walnut 23. 7th-8th grade boys — Laurel 51, Walnut 34.

At Hot Springs: 7th-8th grade girls — Hot Springs over Spring Creek. 7th-8th grade boys — Hot Springs over Spring Creek. (Scores unavailable for these games).




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