

## Operation Child Find

# Funny Faces



Marshall's Town Hall was occupied by goblins, witches, smurfs, pirates and Uncle Sam-lookalikes last Wednesday afternoon. The strange creatures were lured to Town Hall by Operation-Child Find, a project to provide parents with fingerprints of their children.

Before the afternoon party was over, some 237 children of all sizes wearing costumes were fingerprinted by Sheriff's Dept. deputies and members of the Marshall Police Dept.

The fingerprinting project was the suggestion of Marshall town employees Linda Dodson and Peggy Loomis. Refreshments and materials were supplied by the Marshall Merchants Association, WWNC and the Madison Central Optimists Club.

Joining in to help make the party a success were Marion Wallin, Mayor Betty Wild and her husband, Lewis, Dept. of Social Services workers Debbie Williams,

and Frank Ogle, Clate Grindstaff, Joe Griffey, Larry and Janice Davis, the Marshall Brownie Troop and Girl Scouts and Dean Shields of WMMH.

Shields donated \$25 in prize money to the winners of a costume contest. The contest was judged by Shields, Marion Wallin and Brenda Parker.

Many Main Street merchants were visited by the trick or treaters and candy was distributed by members of the Merchants' Association.

Deputy Clate Grindstaff, who has volunteered his time for other fingerprinting projects in Mars Hill and Beech Glen, said Wednesday's turnout of youngsters was the largest he had seen in the county.

The Merchants Association is planning a follow-up to reach children not fingerprinted at Wednesday's party.



DEPUTY SHERIFF CLATE GRINSTAFF, right, fingerprints witch during Operation Child Find Halloween activities in Marshall.

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FLOWER CHILD was in bloom during Halloween party.



RAGGEDY ANN AND ANDY were among the winners in the costume contest.



PINK PANTHER AND STRAWBERRY SHORTCAKE



CHILD AND MOTHER wait in line to be fingerprinted.



## Community Development Awards Presented

By MARTHA NAVY

All community development organizations in Madison County received cash awards during the annual county awards program held Thursday night in Sleepy Valley.

Officers for the county council of CD clubs elected for the coming year were: Mrs. Gladys English, of Upper Laurel, President; Max Osteen, of Sleepy Valley, Vice President; and Martha Navy of Mars Hill, Secretary.

Chas. Hannon presented the following awards:

Division C—Greater Ivy—\$125 first place in community development and \$200 first place in beautification;

Mars Hill—\$100 in second place in community development and \$75 second place in beautification; Marshall—\$75 third place in beautification; Upper Laurel—\$50 third place in community development and \$50 in youth division; and Mrs. Gladys English, first place in mobile home contest.

Division B—Walnut—\$75 first place in community development and \$50 fourth place in beautification; Douglas McDevitt, second place mobile home.

Division A—Sleepy Valley—\$75 first place in community development.

Mr. James Laughlin, of Mars Hill, received a plaque and recognition as

woman of the year and Bruce Phillips of Greater Ivy a plaque and recognition as man of the year. They will compete for regional recognition.

Entertainment was provided by Pam Crowhurst, 4-H Extension leader, who played the violin; two Sleepy Valley duos who sang and Heather Strapps and Maria Wise who presented a skit on "Preserving Madison County Traditions."

Earle Wise commended the community for the work being done in community development and beautification. He said there has been good progress in these efforts since

the community development program was started several years ago.

Mrs. Lucille Burnett, of Walnut, outgoing council president, presided. Mrs. Marie Osteen, of Sleepy Valley, welcomed the group of 30-county CD representatives. Ms. Violet Navy of Mars Hill gave the invocation.

Providing money for the awards were Asheville Federal Savings and Loan, First Union National Bank, Wachovia Bank, Northwestern Bank, First Credit Services, Bank Manufacturing Co. A. Murphy and Home Electric. Music by the Sleepy Valley Marching Band, Southwestern and Marshall High.



TOWN SECRETARY LINDA DODSON got into the spirit during last week's Halloween party.