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Community Calendar

4-H Haunted Farm

The Madison County 4-H Clubs will sponsor a haunted farmhouse tonight and tomorrow night from 7 until 9 p.m. on Walnut Creek Rd. in Marshall. Follow the signs from U.S. 25-70. Admission is \$1 for children and adults. A special tots' hour has been set aside tomorrow night from 6 until 7 p.m. Proceeds from the haunted farm will benefit the 4-H Exchange Fund.

Walnut Boosters Dinner Set

The Walnut Boosters Club will sponsor a chicken dinner on Nov. 3 at the Walnut School cafeteria. Admission is \$3.

Walnut Plans Christmas Party

The Walnut community is planning to hold an old-fashioned Christmas gathering on Dec. 23. All donations of gifts, clothing and toys will be appreciated. All area churches are invited to take part. Anyone interested in helping in this effort should call 649-2591 for more information.

School Board Meets Nov. 6

The Madison County Board of Education will meet on Nov. 6 at 10:30 a.m. in the Madison County Court House.

Mars Hill Board Meets Monday

The Mars Hill Board of Aldermen will meet on Nov. 4 at 7:30 p.m. in Town Hall.

County Commissioners To Meet

The Madison County Board of Commissioners will meet on Nov. 4 at 1 p.m. in the Madison County Court House.

News Record Becomes Thursday Paper Next Week

Effective with our issue of November 6, The News Record will once again be published weekly on Thursdays. The Election Day issue has traditionally been published on Thursday in order to present complete election results.

The change in publication dates is being made to accommodate the printing schedule at The News Record's Wayneville plant. Subscribers in the Marshall area who have received their paper in the mail on Wednesday mornings will now receive their paper in the Thursday mail. Mars Hill-area subscribers will continue to receive their paper in Thursday's mail.

The change in publication day has allowed The News Record to extend the deadline for advertising and Community Calendar and Church events announcements.

Effective immediately, the deadline for all commercial, legal and classified advertising is Monday at 4 p.m. for inclusion in the next edition. Camera-ready advertising will be accepted until Tuesday at 2 p.m. Community Calendar and Church Events announcements will be accepted until Tuesday at noon. No exceptions will be allowed.

Interviews With J. Owen Tilson And Clayton Willis

Mars Hill Mayoral Candidates Address The Issues



CLAYTON WILLIS

Editor's Note: The News Record met with the two candidates for mayor in Mars Hill last week. The candidates were questioned in separate interviews conducted in their homes.

Clayton Willis, 38, left, is a native of Mars Hill, the son of C.N. and Ella Vee Willis. He is a graduate of Mars Hill H.S. and attended Asheville Buncombe Technical College. This is his first attempt at elective office.

Willis is active in youth athletic programs in the Mars Hill area and has served as president of the Madison County Youth Baseball organization. He has also served for the past 10 years as a member of the Mars Hill Volunteer Fire Dept.

He is married to the former Elaine Dillingham and make his home on Forest St. They have two children, Mark, 16, and Angela, 11. Willis is employed by MicroSwitch at their Mars Hill plant.

J. Owen Tilson, 58, right, is a former three-term Mars Hill mayor (1955-59) and member of the Madison County Board of Education (1959-60).

A native of Mars Hill, Tilson is the son of Verd and Julia Briggs Tilson. He is a graduate of Mars Hill H.S. and Wake Forest University and also attended Mars Hill College and the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. A veteran of the U.S. Navy in World War II, Tilson is a retired manager formerly employed by Graybar Electric Co.

Tilson is a charter member of the Mars Hill Jaycees and Civitan Club and also serves as chairman of the Board of Advisors of Mars Hill College, where he was named an alumnus of the year in 1983.

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Richard Kingston Withdraws From Marshall Race

Payne Resigns From Town Election Board

Marshall harpischord maker Richard Kingston withdrew from the Marshall mayoral race on Monday. Kingston announced his withdrawal in a letter to the town's election board.

Kingston declined to give his reasons for the decision, saying only, "This is the best thing for all concerned at this time." The withdrawal reduces the mayoral race to a two-woman race, with incumbent mayor Betty Wild facing challenger Anita Ward in the Nov. 5 election.

Kingston's withdrawal was the second of the week from the election. Earlier, Eileen Payne, chairman of the town's Board of Elections, submitted her resignation. Payne cited a new job as the reason for her decision to step down.

Marshall Mayor Betty Wild called a special meeting of the town's aldermen to consider a replacement for Payne. The special Monday night meeting almost didn't take place when

two board members failed to attend the scheduled 7:30 p.m. meeting.

Mayor Wild and alderman Ed Niles waited 45 minutes for either John Dodson or Sammy Lunsford to arrive at the meeting. Dodson arrived some 20 minutes after Wild declared the meeting adjourned. When Dodson arrived, town secretary Linda Dodson called the mayor and Niles and they returned for the brief meeting.

The aldermen named Garry L. Moore to replace Payne as chairman of the town's election board. Moore is expected to meet with election board members Julia Bailey and Billie Jean Redmon on Tuesday. The board will have to decide if Kingston's name will be removed from the Nov. 5 ballot. They must also name a replacement for election board clerk Debra Webb, who also has resigned.

Ward Stresses Communications, Water Systems Repairs

Anita Ward, 32, is a political newcomer in her first election. The Marshall native is seeking to replace Marshall Mayor Betty Wild in the November 5 municipal election.

Mrs. Ward is the daughter of Juanita Desmond and the late Dr. Arthur Ramsey. She is married to Yates Ward and they make their home on Skyway Drive. They have two children, John, 9, and Mary, 4.

A graduate of Marshall H.S., Greenville (S.C.) Technical College and Asheville-Buncombe Technical College, she is a registered nurse formerly employed by Memorial Mission Hospital in Asheville. She is currently a teacher at Madison H.S., where she conducts the health occupations education classes.

Mrs. Ward was interviewed by News Record editor Bob Koenig at the newspaper's offices on Monday afternoon.

She is a member of the Madison Boosters Club and serves as sponsor for the Madison cheerleaders and HOSA Club.

TNR: Why are you running for mayor?

Ward: "I was raised here, my family and friends are here, and I want my children to be raised here. I think I can help in some way to keep Marshall what it has always been—a safe place. I would like to help improve Marshall so that my children and other children will want to stay here."

TNR: What are the three biggest problems facing Marshall?

Ward: "I think they are water and sewer, communications and the lack of industry."

TNR: What solutions do you suggest?

Ward: "I believe that some of the water lines have to be replaced. We have dirt and leaks that decrease the water quality. We need to get these old lines repaired or replaced."

"The electric bill for water is too high. We've got to reduce

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Burley Markets To Open Nov. 18

The Burley Sales Committee, meeting in Mt. Sterling, Ky. last week, approved regulations for the 1985 sales season. The committee voted to approve auction sales beginning on Nov. 18. Sales will begin on Nov. 18 and continue through Thursday, Nov. 21 during the first week of the market.

Sales will continue on Nov. 25 and continue through Nov. 27. Following the Thanksgiving Day recess, sales will begin on Dec. 2 and continue on Mondays through Thursdays until Dec. 12, when markets will close for the Christmas holidays. Sales will resume on Monday, Jan. 6, and continue four days each week until the crop is sold.

The committee also passed regulations governing the amount of burley leaf which may be sold daily and hourly. Warehouses were ordered not to accept tobacco for sale until Nov. 8, ten days prior to the opening of the sales.

The committee also approved resolutions calling for warehouses to properly supervise the packing of baskets and to begin afternoon auctions no earlier than 1 p.m. Another resolution passed during the meeting allows warehouse to collect damages from growers whose "nested" tobacco has been returned and downgraded because of the improper handling of the leaf.

J. OWEN TILSON

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