

DWI Arrests Increase On Holidays

Arrests for driving while impaired have increased 16 percent over last year, and with the Thanksgiving holiday approaching, the N.C. Highway Patrol is urging motorists to drive with care this holiday season.

"Motorists should drive more

defensively. Be alert for speeding and drinking drivers," said Patrol Commander Col. Jack Cardwell.

Motorists are also urged by the patrol to use seat belts. Since the mandatory seat belt law took effect last October, more than 100,000 warn-

ing tickets have been issued to motorists for failing to buckle up. After Dec. 31, motorists will be fined \$25.

The Thanksgiving holiday period begins at 6 p.m. Nov. 26 and ends at midnight, Nov. 30. Heavy holiday

traffic is expected, and all available troopers will patrol the highways. Last year, 20 motorists died and 1,540 people were injured in traffic accidents during the Thanksgiving holiday.

...of Weaverville was honored recently with a ten and gifts for her many years of volunteer service at the Brentwood Nursing Center.

A native of Madison County, she graduated from Walnut H.S. and Maryville College before teaching school in Madison and Haywood Counties and later in Ohio. She retired in 1974.

Since her retirement from teaching, she has devoted 6,135 hours to volunteer service. She is also an active member of the Walnut Presbyterian Church and serves as chaplain of the Marshall chapter No. 35 of the Order of the Eastern Star.

At the recent ceremonies honoring her contribution, friends and center residents presented her with a gold brooch and strand of pearls.

Guthrie has devoted 4,000 hours of volunteer service to the Brentwood Nursing Center since 1975. She plans to continue visiting friends on a regular basis. In addition to her volunteer service at Brentwood, Guthrie also contributes her time at the Aston Park Health Care Center, Hillhaven and Madison Manor Nursing Centers.

Mars Hill Sponsors Ministering Symposium

Mars Hill College will sponsor a symposium for ministering to the aging Thursday and Friday at the Grove Park Inn in Asheville.

This interdenominational conference is geared specifically toward clergy and laypersons involved in

ministering to the needs of the elderly. The conference is also open to those who work in secular institutions with the elderly.

Topics covered will include "Development of Adult Day Care Services," "Family Issues in the Care of

the Aged," "Starting a Senior Adult Program in Your Congregation," "Pastoral Care in the Nursing Home Setting" and "Depression and Suicide Among the Elderly" among others.

The faculty for the conference will include Juliana Cooper-Goldenburg, director of the gerontology program at Mars Hill and several others.

A special feature of the conference will be an address by congressman

elect James M. Clarke Thursday evening on future issues and policy considerations for the aging.

For more information on fees, registration, hotel reservations and conference meeting time, contact Patricia Hensley, executive assistant in the Mars Hill gerontology program at 689-1442; or Juliana Cooper-Goldenburg at 689-1331.

All interested persons are urged and welcome to attend.

Weaverville Sets Parade

The town of Weaverville will hold its first Christmas parade at 2 p.m. Dec. 6 on Main Street.

The theme of the Saturday afternoon parade is "Home Town Christmas."

The parade will start at the Tri City Plaza and end at Weaverville Middle

School. Parade-goers are asked to bring canned food items to help the needy at Christmastime.

Anyone interested in participating in the parade should call Trisha Crisco at 255-5526 (work) or 645-9422 (home).

Bull Creek Choir Album For Sale

A recording of the Bull Creek Baptist Church choir, which takes part in the Marshall Christmas Pageant each year, is available for \$4 and "really sounds beautiful," says Ed Fender, who is in charge of the pageant.

The recording includes soloists Debbie Worley, Pat Haney, Sherill

Owenby and Roberta Roberts, and is a fund-raising project for the pageant. Those who would like to buy a record should contact Fender.

The pageant, scheduled for Dec. 12-13, could also use more wise men, more prophets, technical helpers for lighting and volunteers to help control traffic, Fender said.

Vance Birthplace Featured

Christmas decorations at the Vance Birthplace Historic Site on Reems Creek east of Weaverville are featured in a booklet about Christmas activities around the state, published by the N.C. Travel and Tourism Division.

The site, including the birthplace of

the state's Civil War governor, Zebulon Vance, will be "decorated in the traditional style of the 1830 period," according to the booklet.

An open house will be held at the site on Dec. 14, followed by candlelight tours, hot apple cider and cookies.

THINK BEFORE YOU DRINK

I would like to thank you, the voters, for the confidence you have placed in me to serve as county commissioner for the next four years. A special thanks to those of you who contributed so diligently to my success in being elected.

Bobby Capps

Thanks to all the voters, Democrats and Republicans, who supported me on November 4th and a special thanks to those who put forth their effort and concern. Every vote was greatly appreciated. I wish for those who won a lot of cooperation out of the people and fellow men of Madison County. They have my kindest regards.

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Wednesday • Matthew 7:1-12
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