

Elderhostel Program Set For Autumn

Mars Hill College will host four special Elderhostel sessions this fall, according to Raymond C. Rapp, director of the Center for Continuing Education.

The college was one of a handful that earlier participated in an experimental program proving the feasibility of mixing older Elderhostel students with regular college-age students during the regular session of school.

Elderhostel began in Boston years ago, loosely based on the youth hostels of Europe which allow young travelers in Europe to stay at clean and safe - but frill-free - facilities at rock-bottom prices.

The idea was to utilize college campuses during the summer months when fewer students are on campus and the activities are traditionally slower.

The four fall programs will be held at Mars Hill during the month of October, and all will feature three programs except for the last week, which will be an intensive studies program in natural history.

The first week will begin Sept. 27, will end Oct. 3, and will feature "The Making of a Modern Mountaineer," a review of the modernization of the

mountains since 1890; "Autumn Comes to Appalachia," which will focus on the flora and fauna of the fall color extravaganza in the mountains; and, "Appalachian Homespun: The Forgotten Arts of Pioneer Living," which will explore providing the basics of existence in a new region.

The second week, Oct. 4-10, will feature "American Innocents Abroad," a survey of the works of Hawthorne, James, Fitzgerald, Hemingway and Faulkner; "A Window on Tomorrow," will use Mortimer Alder's "Visions of the Future" to discuss 12 ideas shaping the future; "By George! The Music of George Gershwin" will include critiques of the composer's better known works as well as his Asheville experiences.

The third week, Oct. 11-17, has a week of foreign policy classes which begins with "Foreign Policy Exchange: The US and USSR," a look at the re-emergence of the cold war between the two super-powers; "Foreign Policy Exchange: The US and Latin America," surveys the current crises in Central and South America; and "Foreign Exchange: The US and China," will examine traditional and modern Chinese

culture as a background for current US-China relations.

The final week, Oct. 25-31, will be an intensive study of "Appalachia Natural History," which will introduce the participant to the rich variety of the natural wildlife found in the surrounding Blue Ridge and Smoky Mountain ranges. Students in this class will need to bring a sturdy pair of hiking boots and will be ex-

pected to have read "The Appalachians" by Maurice Brooks.

For additional information, including costs, contact Raymond C. Rapp, Director, The Center of Continuing Education, Mars Hill College, Mars Hill, N.C. 28754, telephone 689-1166. A limited number of computers will be allowed to attend each class along with the residence students.



Reunion Held

A community wide reunion was held at the Upper Laurel Community Center (the old Ebbs Chapel school building) July 25. Grilled hamburgers and hot dogs were served with cold melon. Several of the former teachers were present and many people who attended the school were there. Former teachers from left to right are, first row - Dealia Brittany, Carolyn Ponder, Pat Ball, Evelyn English, Shirley Cody and Betty Ballard. Second row - Faye Loyd, cook, Lena Ray, Tommie Ann Blackwell, Paula Parker and Marsha Boyd. Third row - Roscoe Phillips, Howard Haynie, Nell Hill and Estoy Whitney.

River Photos Wanted

Photographs of the French Broad River are wanted for celebration of French Broad River Week. A reward will be offered for those chosen as the most memorable.

The photographs must be of or related to the river. The contest is part of The Transylvania Times' annual French Broad River photography contest.

Black and white or color photographs are welcome. There is no size limit. Photographs will be mailed back to the participant.

There are two categories, one for children ages 12 and below and another for adults ages 13 and above.

First, second and third prizes will be awarded in each category.

The prizes in each category are \$25 for first place, \$10 for second place and \$5 for third place.

The deadline for entries is Sept. 1. The winners will be announced in the Sept. 7 issue of The Transylvania Times. Winning photographs will also be printed at this time in the paper.

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