

In The Service

Samuel Robinson

Chief Petty Officer Samuel Emory Robinson is stationed on the USS Saratoga headed for the Mediterranean Ocean.

He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Emory Robinson of Mars Hill and his wife, Katy and children Cindy and Tommy reside in Lillian, Ala., while he is on the Saratoga.

Terry Rice

Army Reserve Private Terry G. Rice, son of John L. Rice of 216 Old Gibbs Road, Weaverville, has graduated from the U.S. Army power generation equipment repair course at Fort Belvoir, Va.

During the course, students were taught to maintain and repair electric and hydraulic control systems of mobile power generators.

He is a 1985 graduate of North Buncombe High School.

Robert Murray

Marine Cpl. Robert B. Murray, son of Jennings B. and Katherine A. Murray of Route 3, Mars Hill, recently reported for duty at Marine Corps Base Camp Lejeune.

A 1982 graduate of Madison High School, he joined the Marine Corps in April 1983.

Sheila Lawson

Sheila A. Lawson, daughter of Betty L. Lee of Old Fort and Eugene Lawson of 246 Upper Shut-In Road, Hot Springs, has been promoted in the U.S. Air Force to the rank of airman first class.

Lawson is a vehicle operator and dispatcher at Keesler Air Force Base, Miss., with the 3380th Transportation Squadron.

She is a 1982 graduate of McDowell High School in Marion.

Clyde Gardner

Pvt. Clyde Gardner Jr., son of Clyde Gardner of Taylorsville, Miss., and Frances A. Gardner of Rural Route 4, Marshall, has completed the heavy wheeled-vehicle mechanic course at the U.S. Army Training Center at Fort Jackson, S.C.

During the course, students were instructed to perform maintenance and assist in the repair of heavy duty vehicles and associated equipment.

He is a 1983 graduate of Madison High School.

Victor Ray

Victor K. Ray, son of Wendell E. and Barbara J. Ray of 215 Ayers Road, Weaverville, has been promoted in the U.S. Air Force to the rank of senior airman.

Ray is a material facilities specialist in Japan, with the 432nd Supply Squadron.

He is a 1980 graduate of North Buncombe High School.

Timothy Plaut

Navy Petty Officer 3rd Class Timothy A. Plaut, son of Thomas S. Plaut of 160 Long Branch Road, Marshall, recently participated in exercise Sardinia 87 with 26th Marine Amphibious Unit, Camp Lejeune.

During the weeklong operation, which took place on the island of Sardinia, Plaut participated in a combined landing and cross training exercise with Spanish and Italian military forces.

A 1983 graduate of Madison High School, he joined the Navy in September 1983.

Bobby Swann

Marine Lance Cpl. Bobby J. Swann, son of Robert H. and Nina Swann of 51 Swann Road, Marshall, recently reported for duty with 2nd Marine Aircraft Wing, Marine Corps Air Station New River in Jacksonville.

A 1985 graduate of Madison High School, he joined the Marine Corps in October 1985. His wife, Darlene, is the daughter of Jene and Nancy Ray of Weaverville.

Frank Samara

Navy Petty Officer 2nd Class Frank B. Samara, son of Robert J. and Patricia M. Samara of 171 Haynes

Run Road, Marshall, recently participated in exercise Team Spirit 87 aboard the amphibious command ship USS Blue Ridge, homeported in Yokosuka, Japan.

During the exercise, conducted in and around the Republic of Korea, Samara participated in exercises designed to increase the defensive capabilities of the Republic of Korea and the U.S. Seventh Fleet. Approximately 26,000 Seventh Fleet sailors and Marines were part of the exercise, which also included Korean forces.

A 1974 graduate of Finney High School in Detroit, he joined the Navy in June 1980.

Timothy Buckner

Marine Lance Cpl. Timothy R. Buckner, son of Ronald P. and Shirley T. Buckner of Route 1, Marshall, recently departed for a six-month deployment to West Africa and South America with Marine Detachment Unitas 28, Camp Lejeune.

During the deployment, the unit will conduct more amphibious landings, travel farther and visit more countries than any other deployed U.S. Marine organization.

The mission of the deployment is to conduct operations which promote the Navy-Marine team as well as demonstrate U.S. interest in the South Atlantic region.

Roger Riddle

Marine Pvt. Roger D. Riddle, son of Jerry J. and Harriet L. Riddle of 70 Mundy Cove Road, Weaverville, has completed recruit training at Marine Corps Recruit Depot, Parris Island, S.C.

During the 11-week training cycle, Riddle was taught the basics of battlefield survival. He participated in an active physical conditioning program and gained proficiency in a variety of military skills, including first aid, rifle marksmanship and close order drill. Teamwork and self-discipline were emphasized throughout the training cycle.

A 1986 graduate of North Buncombe High School, he joined the Marine Corps in March.

Ricky Edwards

Airman 1st Class Ricky L. Edwards, son of Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Edwards of 186 Eller Cove Road, Weaverville, has graduated from Air Force basic training at Lackland Air Force Base in Texas.

During the six weeks of training, the airman studied the Air Force mission, organization and customs and received special training in human relations.

In addition, airmen who complete basic training earn credits toward an associate degree through the community college of the Air Force.

His wife, Melinda, is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Johnny Brown of 142 Lower Sheppard Branch Road, Weaverville. He is a 1986 graduate of North Buncombe High School.

Floyd Sands

Army Reserve Pfc. Floyd F. Sands Jr., son of Patricia A. Behm of Leicester and Frank Sands of Waynesville, has completed a combat engineer course at the U.S. Army Training Center at Fort Leonard Wood, Mo.

During the course, students were trained in the techniques of road and bridge building, camouflage and demolition. The also received instruction in combat squad tactics and the use of infantry weapons.

He is a 1985 graduate of Tuscola High school in Waynesville.

Gerald Childers

Gerald M. Childers, son of Roy G. and Linda A. Childers of Rural Route 2, Weaverville, has been promoted in the U.S. Army to the rank of private first class.

Childers is a bridge crew member at Fort Hood, Texas, with the 17th Engineer Battalion.

His wife, Delaina, is the daughter of Melvin and Carolyn Cole of Weaverville. He is a 1986 graduate of North Buncombe High School.

Walnut Reunion A Success

By EMMA LOU WAMBLES
Approximately 200 people registered at the fourth annual reunion of former students of Walnut School earlier this month.

Some traveled from Michigan, Florida, Missouri, Illinois, Indiana, Maryland, Ohio, Virginia, South Carolina and Tennessee to attend.

Classes from the 1920's through the 1960's were represented. The 20's were represented by Virginia McClure (1925) and Ruth Guthrie and Stella Dockery (1928), who later taught school at Walnut.

The Class of 1957, which was observing its 30th-year reunion, had the



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most class members present. The Class of 1951 ran a close second with 12 members attending.

Copies of a history of the school, compiled by Naomi Tweed and Ruth Guthrie, were made available to former students.

Ernestine Plemmons invited all of the living former principals to the reunion. Hughie Ray of Mars Hill responded along with his wife who taught school at Walnut.

The Rev. E.M. Jones, retired Methodist minister of Thomasville, was unable to attend, but sent greetings and a brief account of Walnut School from 1919-1922 when he served as principal. He is now 96 years old and looking forward to his 100th birthday.

Everyone said they were impressed with the nice appearance of Walnut School. There was adequate seating in the auditorium, compliments of the former students and the Walnut-Brush Creek Community Development Club, who have donated funds for seating.

Many favorable remarks were made concerning the nice appearance of the community due to the efforts of club members and residents. The meal was hosted by the club, also.

Due to an unanimous desire to continue the event, the next reunion was scheduled for Aug. 13, 1988.



Landers Honored

Madison County Soil and Water Conservation District Supervisor Jack Landers recently received his 20-year pin from Jim Brown, chairman, for services to the district. A resident of the Shelton Laurel community, he serves as the board's treasurer.

School Personnel Attend Conference

Superintendents and central office personnel, including several from Madison County, gathered in Wilmington recently to attend the 1987 Summer Leadership Conference.

Approximately 1,100 people participated in the annual conference, which is sponsored by the State Department of Public Instruction. Attending from Madison County were: Robert L. Edwards, superintendent; Dr. Owen Fish, director of federal programs; Dr. Bobby Jean Rice, director of instruction; Linda Har-

rell, program administrator for exceptional children; and, Willa Wyatt, dropout prevention program coordinator.

The theme of the conference was "Learning." Superintendents, representing the 140 school systems in the state, and central office staff were divided into 'program strands' according to individual job responsibilities, and attended programs developed to meet the specific needs of persons with those respective job assignments.

Madison Selected As 'Bicentennial' County

Madison County has been recognized as a "Designated Bicentennial Community" by the Commission on the Bicentennial of the United States Constitution.

The recognition of Madison County has pushed the total of such communities to 1,476.

"The active involvement and willing participation of our nation's local governments will be a key to the success of the bicentennial," said Chief Justice Warren E. Burger, commission chairman. "A major goal of this commission is to educate the American people on the historical significance of the Constitution," he said.

The commemoration of the Bicentennial of the Constitution will focus this year on the writing of the Constitution, in 1787 on the ratification by the states, in 1789 on the formation of the first federal government under the constitutional system, and in 1990 and 1991 on the writing and ratification of the Bill of Rights.

Ricky McDevitt and Stuart Jolley are co-chairmen of the Madison County Bicentennial Commission. "The task of this commission will be to plan and coordinate bicentennial activities in Madison County," McDevitt and Jolley said. "We are looking for any suggestions from our citizens to assist us in this endeavor."

Edwards To Receive Degree

Kenneth L. Edwards, son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert L. Edwards of Mars Hill, will receive a master of science degree in mathematics from the Georgia Institute of Technology at commencement exercises Sept. 4 in Atlanta.

Edwards in a 1981 graduate of Madison High School and a 1985

graduate of Mars Hill College, where he received his bachelor degree.

Edwards has already accepted employment with AT&T as an information management associate. He will be working at the newly-completed AT&T Corporate Data/Billing & Administration Complex in Alpharetta, an Atlanta suburb.

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Nominees must be from Madison County, Weaverville or the Leicester area, and public officials are exempt.

Each Good Citizen of the Month will receive the following:

Lunch for two at French Broad Deli
Dinner for two at Mary's Restaurant
1-year Subscription to The NEWS RECORD
Floral Arrangement from Shadyside Florist

The nominator will receive a bouquet from Mars Hill Florist.

To nominate, send a brief explanation of your nominee, citing specific contributions, their name, address and phone number along with your name, address and phone number (Pictures of nominees are appreciated when available.) to:

The NEWS RECORD
P.O. Box 389
Marshall, NC 28753

Judging by The Madison County Board of Readers

Ms. Jane Doe

THE NEWS RECORD's Citizen of the Month

Ms. Jane Doe of Brush Creek for her generous contributions to her time in community development.

Weaverville Country Craft Fair

For booth rental contact Vikki Banks 645-9534

Friday, September 25th 10 am - 8 pm
Saturday, September 26th 10 am - 8 pm

Weaverville Optimist Community Center

All proceeds help N.J. Optimist Club

40-50 booths available. Deadline for booth applications is August 31 (Monday) — Late applicants after that date will be accepted on a space available basis.

Refreshment, Lunch & Dinner concessions available. For more information call Vikki Banks 645-9534

Free Admission