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Community Development Program In 9th Year

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The Western North Carolina Community Development Contest is in its 9th year. Through this program amazing work has been done in the various communities in Western North Carolina and Yancey County. Community buildings have been erected, churches have added members and improved facilities, homes have been

made more attractive, and living standards have been moved to new heights.

Last year, eight Yancey County communities entered the contest. So far, only three have entered this year and there is a possibility of nine communities which might enter. The deadline for entering is May 15. If any community is interested in organizing or re-organizing, you are urged to contact one of the agricultural agencies in Burnsville.

Awards totaling \$2200 are being offered to the area winning communities in the 1958 Western North Carolina Rural Community Development Program. The communities will be judged next fall on the progress made from November 1, 1957, to November 1, 1958. Basis of scoring will be 50 percent on community improvements and 50 percent on increased income and better family living.

A total of \$700 is being offered in Yancey County for the county contest. This is \$300 more than the county had last year. The Yancey United Fund has contributed \$600 and the French Broad Electric Corporation has offered \$100.

The communities in Yancey, that have not entered and plan to later, are urged to do so before May 15.

Health Dept. News

Pre-school clinics are being announced by the Yancey County Health Department. All parents are urged to bring their children, who are entering school this fall, to the clinic held at the school they will attend so that they may be examined to discover physical defects. It is required by law that children be immunized against whooping cough, diphtheria, tetanus and smallpox before entering school. Children may be taken to their private physicians or to the Health Department in Burnsville for these immunizations.

The local doctors have volunteered to give physical examinations to pre-school children in the absence of a health director, and clinics are scheduled as follows:

- Spouth Toe School — April 10th, 9:00 a. m., Dr. E. R. Ohle
- Pensacola School — April 22, 9:00 a. m., Health Department
- Micaville School — April 24th, 9:00 a. m., Dr. E. R. Ohle
- Bald Creek School — April 29, 11:30 a. m., Dr. Walter M. Ost
- Clearmont School — May 1st, 9:00 a. m., Dr. M. W. Webb
- Burnsville School — May 9th, 9:00 a. m., Dr. W. A. Y. Sargent
- Bee Log School — May 13th, 11:30 a. m., Dr. Walter M. Ost

Children entering Lincoln Park School this fall will be requested to come to the Health Center in Burnsville at a date to be announced later.

Chest X-rays will be made in the Burnsville office of the Health Department on Mondays, April 14th and 21st, between the hours of 2 and 4 p. m.

The regular monthly orthopedic clinic will be held in the Spruce Pine office of the Health Department on April 16th. Dr. Bruce Galloway of Asheville will be the clinician. Persons wishing to be seen in this clinic should register before 11:30 a. m.

National Magazine To Feature Story On Burnsville

"Burnsville In The Blue Ridge" will be the subject of a sketch in the June issue of National Geographic magazine. The story, which will be illustrated with photographs of the area, was written by Malcolm Ross, of the University of Miami Press. Mr. Ross has a summer home in Burnsville. Copies of National Geographic are not available on the newsstands, but they can be ordered from the National Geographic Society, 16th & M. Streets, N. W., Washington 6, D. C.

Broom Sale Chairmen Announced

Roger Hyatt and Lewis Damron have been appointed co-chairmen of the Burnsville Lions Club Broom Sale to be held Thursday, April 10, according to Lion president, George Robinson.

This is the annual Broom Sale sponsored by the Burnsville Club. The brooms are manufactured by the Guilford Industries for the Blind, thus giving employment to physically handicapped.

The Burnsville Club will use what funds are secured from the sale of brooms to buy glasses for children and adults in the county, and to help finance a Tri-County eye clinic to be established in Spruce Pine.

Farm Owner Plants Pines Under Conservation Reserve



MRS. J. G. LOW

Mrs. J. G. Low, owner of a farm consisting of 240 acres in East Burnsville community in Yancey County, has more land than she can get tenants to cultivate. After discussing the Conservation Reserve Program with the A S C Office Manager Fred L. Anglin, she decided to put some of the land in pine trees under the Conservation Reserve phase, of the Soil Bank Program.

After talking with State Forest Warden Craig English, Mrs. Low ordered 8,000 white pines and 1,000 balsams from the State Nursery. She will receive a payment of about 80% of the cost to establish a stand of trees and also an annual payment of \$5.00 per acre for a period of ten years. All contracts covering trees must be for a ten-year period. After ten years, Mrs. Low may sell the trees for pulpwood or let them grow for timber at a later date.

According to Mr. Anglin, Mrs. Low plans to let this timber grow for her grandchildren. She stated that if she could get them planted she would like to plant all of her open land to trees this year. Since labor is scarce, she plans to set several more thousand trees next year.

The purpose of the Soil Bank Program is to take cropland out of production to reduce surplus crops which are accumulating each year. Yancey County farmers wishing to plant trees on their farms under the Soil Bank Program should contact the Yancey County ASC Office and find out the many advantages of the program.

Bald Creek Church To Sponsor Supper

The Bald Creek Methodist Church will sponsor a supper Saturday night in the church recreation room. Serving will begin at 7:00 and continue until 9:00.

HEALTH DEPT. TO CLOSE FOR EASTER HOLIDAY

The Burnsville office of the Health Department will be closed on Monday, April 7th, for the Easter holiday.

19 Contestants Entered In Flower Box Contest

CONTEST STILL OPEN

Nineteen contestants have entered the Flower Box Contest to date. The contest is still open to other business places wishing to enter and compete for the prizes offered by Ruby's Flower & Gift Shop and B. B. Penland & Son Lumber Co.

Those who are participating in the contest are Roberts Chevrolet, Inc., Mt. Mitchell Motel, Pollard's Drug Store, County Courthouse, Doris Shoppe, Town and Country Shoe Store, Blue Ridge Hardware Co., Dr. W. A. Y. Sargent's office, Dr. M. W. Webb's office, Dr. W. L. Bennett's office, the Post Office, Anglin & Westall, the Nu-Wray Inn, Letterman's Barber Shop, the Information House, the Methodist Church, Burnsville Hosiery Mill, George Robinson's Grocery and B. B. Penland & Son Lumber Co.

Anyone wishing to enter this beautification project may call MU 2-2367. If a flower box does not suit the building or location, flowers may be placed in other types of containers or in flower beds.

Judging of the arrangements will be done three times during the summer, beginning about June 15. Arrangements will be judged on suitability to the location as well as attractiveness.

Ike Laughrun and Daniel Boone have offered special prizes to contestants on tin and wrought iron work used for flower containers. Roberts & Johnson Lumber Co., and B. B. Penland & Son Lumber Co. are offering at cost any materials used by participants.

WSCS To Begin Study On Japan

A general meeting of the Woman's Society of Christian Service of the Higgins Memorial Methodist Church will be held tonight (Thursday) at 7:30 at the church. A mission study on Japan will begin under the leadership of Mrs. P. C. Coletta. Mrs. Lamb and Mrs. T. H. Ash, of Asheville, who recently returned from a trip to Japan, will show slides of their trip.

The ladies of Circle No. 1 will be hostesses at the general meeting.

Representatives from the Burnsville W S C S will attend the district meeting today in Asheville to hear Mrs. W. B. Lanrum, of Little Rock, Arkansas, who is field worker of the woman's division of Christian Service of the Board of Missions of the Methodist Church. Mrs. Lanrum will speak at the annual meeting, which will be held at Grace Church.

JUNIOR WOMAN'S CLUB MEETING POSTPONED

The Junior Woman's Club meeting, which was scheduled for Monday, April 7, has been postponed until the following Monday, April 14.

Easter Services At Presbyterian Church

The Worship of the Lord on the anniversary of His Resurrection from the Dead, Easter Sunday, will be observed at 11 a. m. in the First Presbyterian Church. The Choir, under the leadership of Mrs. W. S. Reeve, will sing an anthem appropriate to the season, and the minister, Rev. Warren S. Reeve, will preach on the subject, "The World's Greatest Surprise". Preceding the service, at 10:30, there will be a few minutes for "Coffee Hour" in the basement rooms of the church. Sunday School will convene at 9:45. At 7 a. m. there will be a 30 minute Easter morning celebration of the Lord's Resurrection.

The faith and zeal of many members of the congregation were inspired and enriched by the messages and by the personal influence of the guest speaker last week, the Rev. Ray Graves of Bulls Gap, Tennessee.

Tonight (Thursday, April 3rd) at 7:30 the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper is to be celebrated. In this holy ceremony all the devotion and resolve that were aroused in people's hearts through the evangelistic services of last week should be brought to a focus and consummation.

Tomorrow, Good Friday, members and friends are invited to come to the church from 2 to 3 p. m. for prayer and worship, in remembrance of our Lord's struggle and triumph on Calvary.

County 4-H'ers To Have Talent Show

The county 4-H Talent Show will be held April 18, at the Burnsville Gymnasium. A variety of talent, such as singing, readings, and dance teams, will be presented by participants from each club in the county. Tickets may be purchased from club members or leaders until the program date, or they may be purchased at the door.

Blue ribbon winners of the county Talent Show will be participating in the State Talent Show in Asheville on April 26.

Plans Discussed For Promoting Poultry Industry

Poultrymen and businessmen met in the county agent's office Monday night, March 31, to hear agricultural workers and poultry industry leaders discuss plans for promoting the poultry industry in Yancey County, especially the expansion of commercial egg production and marketing.

Financing, grading, and selling quality eggs were explained.

Robert Helmle, Bill Babbs, and B. B. Penland, members of the Toe Valley Development Association, explained plans for the association and told how the poultry industry fits into the overall plan to promote the tri-county area.

Candidates Announce Plans For Democratic Primary



BASIL L. WHITENER

That this year is an election year becomes more evident each week in Yancey County.

Congressman Basil L. Whitener, of Gastonia, announced recently that he will be a candidate for re-election to Congress from the 11th district, subject to the Democratic primary to be held May 31. Leonard Lowe, practicing attorney of Forest City, has announced that he will seek the

Berea Conducts Visitation Program

A WNC visitation program is now being conducted by students of Berea College, Berea, Ky., according to Mack E. Ray, chairman of Yancey, Avery, Mitchell, Madison and Watauga counties. Don Pardue is Yancey County chairman.

Mr. Ray states that it will be the aim of the visitors to call on every former Berea student who now resides in the county. Each visitor will be prepared to talk about current activities of the college and to present plans for future development.

A fellowship supper for friends and former students of Berea College will be held at the Community Building next Tuesday, April 8, at 7 p. m. Anyone who has an interest in Berea or who plans to attend the college may call Mr. Ray or Mr. Pardue for arrangements to attend the fellowship supper. A good program, including a movie on Berea College, has been arranged. All former students are urged to keep up to date on the Berea story and attend this important meeting.

At present over half of the student body of Berea College is composed of students from the Carolinas, West Va., Virginia and Tennessee.

Rabies Clinic

There will be a Rabies Vaccination Clinic at Pricos Creek Saturday, April 5, from 1:00 p. m. to 3:00 p. m. at the voting place.

democratic nomination for solicitor of the 18th Solicitorial district in the May primary.

On the local front, Harlon Holcombe has given notice that he will seek renomination for the office of Representative to the General Assembly from Yancey County. Mr. Holcombe was elected for the office in the last general election.

Six persons have announced their desire for the office of Yancey County Sheriff, subject to the Democratic primary in May. Sheriff Terry Hall, who is currently serving the unexpired portion of the term of Sheriff C. Frank Randolph who resigned in 1956, has announced that he will seek election to the office. Others to announce for Sheriff are Love Fox, Horace H. Higgins, Yates Bennett, Grady Robinson and Charlie Chisaw.

Lowe Thomas, Clerk of Court, has announced that he will seek re-election for another term.

Announced candidates in the Democratic primary for Chairman of County Board of Commissioners are W. M. Hall, Rhonda D. Westall and Lloyd Fortner. For member of the Board of County Commissioners, the following have announced: H. Lee Griffith, Lloyd Miller, D. H. Brinkley, Elmer S. Byrd, John E. Fox, Bill Shepherd, J. E. Edwards, D. H. Harrison and Uranus B. Deyton.

Candidates who have announced for Board of Education are J. L. Robinson, W. H. Peterson and Mark Bennett.

Yancey County's election board recently appointed by the State Board of Elections, include George Robinson and Willard Hensley, Democrats; and Edgar Hensley, Republican. The appointments were made from lists of nominees submitted by the state Democratic and Republican chairmen. The new election board will be sworn in by the Clerk of Court on Saturday, April 12.

Closing date for local candidates to file is 12 noon, Saturday, April 19.

Garden Club Hears Interesting Program

Mrs. John Robinson was program leader at the Garden Club meeting Friday evening at the home of Mrs. Ike Laughrun.

Mrs. Robinson used material for the program from articles collected by her mother-in-law, the late Mrs. Sarah Y. Robinson. Among these articles was an old New York newspaper dated April, 1800. It contained an account of the death and funeral of George Washington which had happened four months before. Mrs. Robinson drew a parallel between the way news traveled then and now.

Other interesting items were read by Mrs. D. R. Fouts, Mrs. Hobart Ray and Mrs. Grady Bailey. Mrs. Fred Proffitt read a group of poems, including one of her original poems, "Cypress Lake".

Mrs. W. A. Y. Sargent, president, presided at the business meeting. Street signs and names of streets were discussed, and it was decided to sponsor a sale of white dogwood trees for a town beautification project.

During the social hour, Mrs. Laughrun served a delicious salad course, carrying out the Easter theme with spring colors.

WHITE DOGWOODS TO BE SOLD AS CIVIC BEAUTIFICATION PROJECT

One hundred white dogwood trees are being sold at 50c each by the Burnsville Garden Club as a civic beautification project. The trees are two years old. Orders may be placed by calling Mrs. W. A. Y. Sargent, MU 2-2566, or Mrs. Fred Proffitt, MU 2-2166. Orders will be delivered to your home.



BURNSVILLE GIRL SCOUT TROOP 88 presented a charming puppet show version of Robert Browning's "The Piper of Hamelin" at a recent meeting of the Burnsville Woman's Club. With a cast of 40 puppets, the troupe retold the story of the poem, assisted by Mrs. Joe Young as reader. A series of short puppet numbers also was presented by three Senior Scouts. This portion of the program included a playlet, "Abraham Lincoln", written by Mrs. Mary Dean, who assisted the Scouts in beginning the puppetry project as a means of working toward a Puppeteer Badge in Scouting. The program was under the direction of Mrs. P. C. Coletta and Mrs. W. A. Y. Sargent.