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## Multimillion Dollar Showplace Plan For Carolinas Will Rival Disneyland

By Carolyn Yuziuk

Yancey Countians now are going to have a multimillion dollar national showplace, entertainment center and recreation facility in their own backyard, or at least in easy driving distance. A \$250 million planned resort community called CaroWinds and featuring a Dis-

neyland type amusement park will be located in southwest Mecklenburg County, North Carolina according to Charlotte industrial developer E. Pat Hall.

"There has been a critical need for a major recreation facility in our area for years," Mr. Hall said. "We are meeting the need. We are bringing a new

concept of living to the Carolinas. We are putting together something the Carolinas will be very proud of."

With Gatlinburg on one side of us and CaroWinds growing up on the other, Yancey Countians may well take deep thought to our own future. With a great deal of foresight and some astute

planning, we can guide our own area away from being a flamboyant souvenir shop-entertainment complex center and develop it into a wholesome, tranquil vacation area.

The really wonderful part about this major attraction, reportedly planned to rival Disneyland and Six Flags in size

and appeal, is that those of us in Yancey County can "have our cake and eat it too". The entertainment complex will be a couple of hours drive or more from our peace and tranquility and thus will be a pleasant days outing or weekend trip if we get the notion.

In announcing the project, Hall said, "CaroWinds will become a national showplace combining recreation, amusements, historical heritage, education, love of nature and pleasant living into a center that is unparalleled anywhere else."

The amusement center will have churches and an operating miniature farm.

"The major attraction will be an amusement park planned for a 500 acre site split by the North-South Carolina border and fronting on Interstate 77 eight miles south of Charlotte," Hall stated. "With both states as part of the project, it will have a true Carolinas theme."

The CaroWinds resort community will be three miles west of the amusement park. Located on a 2,000 acre site with six miles of shoreline on Lake Wylie, it will feature a resort-convention hotel, a 36-hole championship golf course, parks, luxury apartments and environmental designed residential units.

Construction on the first phase of the complex will begin in 1970. The total project will be developed in four phases over a ten year period.

A portion of the CaroWinds site is owned by the Crescent Land and Timber Company, a wholly-owned subsidiary of Dule Power Company. Crescent Land and Timber Company is providing land and is a participating partner with Hall in the venture.

Shuford Mills of Hickory, N. C., is another principal. Hall said other participants would be named later.

A site development plan for CaroWinds was prepared by A. G. Odell Jr. and Associates, a Charlotte architectural firm. Economic and population surveys by the Stanford Research Institute of South Pasadena, Calif. and Hammer, Greene, Siler & Associates of Washington, D. C., indicated more than 1.2 million persons will visit the amusement park when its first season opens in 1972.

## Yancey Man Dies In Car Wreck

Alden Pate, 33 year old son of Mr. and Mrs. Baxter Pate of Route 4, Burnsville, was found dead Sunday morning after a one car accident Saturday night on U. S. 19 West, according to State Highway Patrol.

Patrolman Max W. Greene said Pate was pinned under his car after it plunged down a 75-foot embankment about 5 miles west of here and overturned into the Cane River. He was alone in the car, Greene said, and was found by his father, Baxter R. Pate.

Dr. W. A. Y. Sargent attributed death to chest and skull injuries.

Surviving in addition to the parents are three sisters, Mrs. Johnnie Robinson, Mrs. Leonard Fender, Mrs. Jimmy Phillips, all of Burnsville, Route 4; two brothers, Reece and Ronald Pate of Burnsville, Route 4; and grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Harrison Phillips of Route 4.

Funeral Services were held at 2:30 p. m. Tuesday in the Bee Log Baptist Church. The Rev. Niram Phillips and Rev. James Beaver officiated. Burial was in the Bee Log Cemetery.

Pallbearers were Max and Howard Whitson, Arthur and George Edwards, Burnie Ramsay and Gaither Bailey.

## Bloodmobile

The Red Cross Bloodmobile will be at the Armory in Burnsville this Thursday, October 16 from 1:00 to 6:00 p. m.

Everyone is urged to come and help us reach our goal.

## Banks Crowned EY Homecoming Queen At Friday's Football Game

By Janice Robinson and James Bagwell

Friday night, October 10, during the Homecoming Game between the East Yancey Panthers and the Hot Springs Blue Devils, the 1970 Homecoming Queen of East Yancey High School was chosen. The Queen shared honors with four runners-up and all were selected from among the many contestants -- one from each homeroom at East Yancey.

Fourth runner-up was Miss Donna Allen from Mrs. Nora Dayton's room. Donna is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Allen of Burnsville. She was escorted by Bill Bartlett.

Third runner-up was Miss Mitze Presnell from Miss Gwen Young's room. Mitze is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Presnell of Newdale. She was escorted by Glen Williams.

Second runner-up was Miss Linda Shuford, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Shuford of South Toe. Linda is from Mrs. Kate Zuver's room and she was escorted by Terry Willis.



Vicki Lynn Banks

The Homecoming Queen of 1970 is Miss Vicki Banks, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ben Banks of Burnsville. The Radiant Queen was presented with the crown from last year's queen, Miss Wanda Slagle, who also presented her with a spray of Yellow Chrysanthemums. Vicki was escorted by Jack Boone, Jr.,

## Jaycees Planning To Make '69 Christmas Parade The Best

The Christmas Season is once again drawing near. This year the Yancey County Jaycees have agreed to sponsor a Christmas Parade. The Parade will be on Saturday, December 6, 1969 at 2:00 p. m.

Any club, group, or individual who would like to enter a float, marching group, or band please contact Charlie M. Hensley at Box 742, Burnsville, N. Carolina as soon as possible. First, Second, and Third

Place Awards will be given for the best floats. A prize of \$100 for First, \$50 for Second, and \$25 for Third. Each float entered will receive \$20 for entering the parade if your float does not win one of the first 3 places.

We are striving to have one of the largest parades ever and we can do this if you will give us your help and support.

Looking forward to seeing you at our Christmas Parade!

and is the representative of Mrs. Thana Davis' room.

The crowning of the Homecoming Queen and the Homecoming Game at East Yancey are major events of the School year. A large crowd was in attendance to support the Panthers in what turned out to be a most victorious game, and to applaud the newly-crowned queen, Miss Vicki Banks.

At East Yancey's Homecoming game the Panthers were host to the Hot Springs Blue Devils.

The Panthers jumped to an early lead by scoring 3 times with extra points without letting the Blue Devils manage to score. East Yancey's touchdowns were scored by Number 41 (Rodney Bishop) and 21 (Kenneth Winters). James Ray, no. 40, scored the extra points after each of the two touchdowns. The third touchdown was scored by Number 12 (Kenneth Highes) followed by one extra point by number 83 (Randy Banks).

The second quarter East Yancey scored twice again by number 40 and also number 20 (Forrest Westall). Halftime, the score stood at East Yancey 38 - Hot Springs 0.

After the halftime, both teams played an even match. Neither team managed to score during the third quarter.

The fourth and final quarter Hot Springs scored 3 times. East Yancey did not score for the remainder of the ballgame.

The final score of the football game was East Yancey 38 - Hot Springs 20.

This Friday night, October 17, East Yancey will play host to Spruce Pine for the last home game of the season. Plan to attend and support the Panthers