

E Yancey Basketball Team Wins

By Rachel Howell and Janice Powers

East Yancey now with a winning streak of 27-0, has a very low loss record from 1963 to 1970. Some of the girls who have helped establish this record down through the years are Linda Hensley, Marla Brooks, Juanita Sparks, Nancy Howell, Ruth Jones, Gwen Young, Louise Jones, Doris Ballew, Linda Grindstaff, Judy Grindstaff, Carol Young, and Diane Murphy.

In 1962 East Yancey was the runner-up in the Toe River Tournament and the Skyline Conference. In 1963, 1964, 1965 East Yancey won the Toe River Tourney, and the Appalachian Conference. In 1966 and 1967 East Yancey was runner-up in Toe River Tournament. In 1968-1969 East Yancey was undefeated.

The winning East Yancey Panther team players are as follows for 1969-1970:

Rover Position

Carol Young, Junior; Donna Parker, Junior; Marcia Banks, Junior; Pam Styles, Senior.

Guard Position

Pat Wallace, Sophomore and Debbie Thomas, Freshman.

Substitute Players are as follows: Marcia Mayberry, a senior; Betty McMahan, junior; Wanda Hollifield, Sophomore; Luanne Banks, Freshman; Sherri Banks, Freshman; Kathy Griffin, Freshman; Connie Ray, Freshman and Donna Wilson, Freshman.

The four forwards for East Yancey this year are led by a fast moving Junior named Carol Young. Carol, in her Freshman year averaged 2 points per game as a substitute. In her sophomore year she averaged 7.6 points per game and received an all tournament trophy. This year Carol has an average of 8.2 points.

Donna Parker in her Freshman year, played a guard. In her sophomore year Donna

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Notice

A meeting of the American Legion, Earl Horton Post 122, will be held on Tuesday, the 27th of January at 7:00 p. m. The meeting will take place in the Community Building in Burnsville.



James Holshouser

GOP Is 'On The Go' In NC Says Holshouser

By Trena Fox
Political Reporter

"The eyes of the people of North Carolina are on the Republican Party", stated North Carolina Republican Chairman James E. Holshouser Jr. He added, "The Republican Par-

ty is the answer to North Carolina's lack of leadership". Holshouser was the chief speaker at the Annual Yancey County Republican dinner which was held last Saturday night at the Cane River High School.

Introduced by H. O. Carter,

State Director of the Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation Services, Holshouser spoke to a crowd of over 300 enthusiastic Republicans from Yancey, Avery, Mitchell, Madison, Watauga and Buncombe counties. Steve W. Boone, the Yancey County GOP Chairman presided at the meeting.

Holshouser, who is viewed favorably as a possible candidate for the Republican gubernatorial nomination in 1972, said that President Nixon is making the South a full partner in the government. The South has no place in the Democratic Party, he said, "and the fact that Hubert Humphrey represents the conservative wing of the party is a scary thing in itself".

Speaking on the tax situation, he said North Carolina is paying the highest gasoline tax in the entire country and the per-capita income is among the lowest in the nation. "Bureaucracy seems to be soaring in North Carolina," he stated, "and while the tax burden increases, most of it is going to a growing state surplus rather than for services to the people of the State."

"1970 will be the most important election year in North Carolina" said Holshouser. "We are at the end of a long road to a two-party system in this State." The Republican Party is on the Go here, and there is a tremendous challenge facing us. He said 4 congressmen, 41 state legislators and more than 225 office holders in North Carolina are members of the GOP.

Holshouser noted briefly that he missed an old friend and a staunch member of the Republican Party, Sheriff Donald Banks, who died several months ago.

Bill Banks gave the invocation at the dinner, also mentioning the former Sheriff of Yancey County and other absent members whose leadership will be missed as the party gains ascendancy in the 1970s.

Country Music was furnished by Jennie Vance and the Linville River Boys.

Donald Banks, owner and manager of the Amberjack Fish Camp in Burnsville, was responsible for a delicious dinner. He was in charge of the eating

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Yancey County Could Be One Of The Major Vacation Areas In Eastern US

By Carolyn Yuziuk

North Carolina vacation attractions will be featured during Vacation Expo '70 at St. Petersburg, Florida this year. "Through participating in this event I'm sure we can convince numerous Floridians that a trip to North Carolina would be most interesting and enjoyable", says Bill Hensley, Director of the North Carolina Travel and Promotion Division. "Florida is a prime area for prospective visitors to North Carolina", he added.

The North Carolina exhibit will feature large, full-color scenes of North Carolina attractions and includes a distance chart which shows the highway mileage from key cities in the eastern United States to North Carolina.

Grace Banks, Secretary of the Yancey County Chamber of Commerce, has sent one of the new colorful brochures of Yancey County to Mr. Hensley to be included in the Tar Heel Exhibit. The exhibit will be staffed by the Supervisor of the North Carolina Welcome Centers, Mrs. Sara Harison, two Welcome Center hostesses, and Mrs. Kitty Falger, a ski instructor who will give tips on skiing to potential visitors.

Yancey County will soon have a major attraction in its immediate area to boast about when the Bald Mountain Ski Resort is completed in the early 1970's. A large part of the 6,000 acre planned resort area, which will feature golf courses, ski slopes, a chalet-type restaurant and lodge, and many other attractions, is in Yancey County. The only obstacle to its being an actual vacation feature of the Burnsville area is the absence, thus far, of a direct access road from Burnsville to the resort. "A direct

access road would make the resort not much more than a half hour ride from here," stated a Burnsville man who went on to say that several of our local citizens have already purchased lots on Bald Mountain themselves in anticipation of its future growth.

A prominent Miami Beach banker, who owns property in Burnsville, has stated that as soon as expressway extensions and new major highways bring Yancey County within an 11-12 hour drive of southern Florida, there will be a tremendous upsurge of Florida visitors to this area of Western North Carolina. Other residents and summer visitors agree that Yancey County is only a few short years away from being "discovered" as a vacation area by lovers of natural beauty and those who appreciate the simple pleasures of

fishing, hunting, hiking and camping in the woods.

In addition to visitors attracted by the prospect of communing with nature, the Bald Mountain Ski Resort will bring inveterate golfers to the area. The fantastically popular sport of skiing will bring winter visitors, and Yancey County will find itself a major vacation area in the eastern U. S.

Already, ski officials in the Blowing Rock-Boone-Banner Elk area are having to make rapid expansions in their services and facilities.

Appalachian Ski Mountain, for example, this week expanded its night skiing schedule from three to five evenings per week to accommodate its overflow crowds. Skiers are now using its three lighted slopes on Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday, Saturday and Sunday.

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Goal Of 100 Pts Blood Almost Reached-91 People Volunteer

By Ashton Chapman

Yancey Countians gave generously when the bloodmobile from the Asheville Regional Blood Center of the American National Red Cross visited at the Armory in Burnsville last Thursday afternoon. The goal for Yancey County was 100 pints. The goal was almost reached when 91 persons each volunteered to give a pint of blood.

Mrs. Lulu Belle Wiseman, Chairman, and all other officers of the Mayland Red Cross Chapter, extend sincere thanks to each of these persons, and to every one who helped in connection with this visit of the bloodmobile, including physicians, nurses, those who

helped unload and repack the equipment, those who assisted with records, the canteen and all other volunteer duties.

A total of 86 pints was collected. Although the offers of five prospective donors had to be declined for various reasons, gratitude is extended to each one of them for volunteering to give blood.

Five of the 86 donors gave for the first time. Twenty-eight pints were given to replace Red Cross blood which had been used for specific patients.

There has been a severe shortage of blood in the past several months and the Red Cross had announced that all types of blood were needed.