

## Transportation Co-op To Hold Meeting

The Annual Membership Meeting of the Transportation Coop will be held at the Old Crossnore High School Auditorium on Saturday, April 29, 1972 at 1:30 p.m.

Election of officers will be conducted and refreshments will be furnished. There will be a Gospel Singing group from Boone and door prizes! -- First Prize is a Ladies wrist watch, plus eight other prizes will be given.

If you are a member of the Transportation Coop and need transportation to this meeting, contact Mr. Simmons at 675-4311 on or before the

27th of April. The bus will run if enough members request transportation. You may also call 682-2610 and leave your name for transportation.

## V.F.W. Post To Hold Election

V.F.W. Post 8060 will hold its yearly election on Thursday, April 20 at 7:30 p.m., located on Altapass Road. All members are urged to attend.

Anyone who is eligible and would like to become a member of the V.F.W. Post 8060, contact V.F.W. for applications.

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## United In Marriage

Miss Joyce Ann Silvers, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Silvers of Route 1, Burnsville and Spec. 4 Vernon Lee Roy Johnson, son of Mrs. Dalma Johnson and the late Rev. Irving Ray Johnson of Mulberry, Florida were united in marriage March 24 at 7:00 p.m. in the Byrd Branch Free Will Baptist Church. The Rev. Charlie Miller conducted the ceremony.

The bride given in marriage by her father, wore a floor-length dress of turquoise blue Viscose-Rayon with white lace trim, that accented the Empire waist and the neckline. Her veil was of illusion attached to a coronet of seed pearls. She carried a bouquet of white carnations that topped her white Bible.

Miss Mary Jane Silvers, friend of the bride, served as maid of honor. She wore a silver floor-length dress accented with blue sequins, and carried a bouquet of pink carnations with baby's breath.

Mr. Ralph Silvers, brother of the bride, served as best man. Larry Silvers served as usher at his sister's wedding.

Mrs. Venita Deyton provided the music for the candle light ceremony.

A reception followed at the home of the bride's parents with 40 guests attending.

Joyce is a 1970 graduate of Cane River High School and was employed by Pam Mfg. of Micaville prior to her wedding. Vernon is a 1970 graduate of Mulberry High School and has just returned home from an eight-month tour of duty in Phu-Loi, Vietnam.

Following a honeymoon trip to Florida the couple will reside in Kentucky where the groom will be stationed at Fort Knox.

For her going-away trip, the bride wore a dress of deep lavender crushed velvet with a satin bow that accented the empire waist, with white accessories. She wore a corsage of white carnations that she had from her bridal bouquet.

## Classes At MAY Tech

More than one hundred classes have been offered in Mitchell, Avery, and Yancey Counties from September '71 to March '72 with more than one thousand people participating. Ninety-two of the classes have been vocationally oriented and seventeen have been culturally oriented.

Mayland Technical Institute operated during the first year, as did all new technical institutes, by offering evening courses in vocational, cultural, and enrichment.

From September through March, the following types of classes have been offered in Mitchell, Avery and Yancey Counties

Apple Production, Blueprint Reading, Bookkeeping, Enrichment and Cultural Classes, Fire Service Training, First Aid, High School Equivalency Classes, Job Safety, Mechanics and Engine Tune-Up, New and Expanding Industry, Principles of Banking and Installment Credit, Private Pilot Ground School, Real Estate, Sewing and Tailoring, Shorthand, Small Engine Repair, Small Garden Vegetables, Upholstery, Waitress Training, Woodworking,

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## Rebel Happenings

By Deborah Grindstaff  
Tuesday, April 18, Mrs. Susan Silvers visited Cane River. She talked to the junior and senior girls during fifth period on population. She showed pictures of examples of our fast-growing population and had some suggestions on how to control it. She spoke with the freshmen and sophomores during sixth period. Mrs. Silvers works with the Yancey Health Center.

Tuesday, April 11, the senior cap and gown pictures arrived. These color portraits were taken by Tri-State of Elizabethton, Tennessee. The complete package, consisting of 2 8 x 10's and 9 wallet size photos cost \$15. To one 8 x 10 the cost is \$10.98 plus tax. For two 8 x 10's the cost is \$12.98. The 9 wallet size photos cost \$8.98. We hope these pictures will be a pleasure each senior will treasure for many years to come.

Thursday, April 13, the fifth edition of the Rebel came off the press. During sixth period, the Rebel Staff put the paper together and sold it at the last of the period. The edition was a special Easter and spring edition. It contained the freshmen superlatives and freshmen ABC's. The paper sold for 10¢.

During sixth period Thursday, April 13th, the Confederate Staff met in the library. They signed the dedication annual after thoroughly looking it over.

Monday, April 17th, at 10:00 a.m. the annual dedication program took place. First, the Glee Club sang "Lonesome Valley". Then Deborah Grindstaff gave a speech on the delay of the Glee Club - annual program and the purpose of the program. She read as devotion: I Corinthians 13. Then Tim Higgins introduced the staff members and told their offices. Janice Fox gave a speech on the honor of being on the annual staff. Anna Lou Robinson told of the cost of the annuals and the low price to pay for each. The changes in the annual were told by Jody Cox. He told how the staff had added four pages to this year's book, bought a full-color page, bought a spot color page, and changed the cover to white with red raised letters and blocks with red inset pages. Then Deborah Grindstaff presented the dedication. This year's edition of the Confederate was dedicated to Mrs. Phyllis Bailey, sophomore English teacher and Beta Club-sponsor. The program ended with Mrs. Cora Cox talking to the student body on the remaining days of school and the annual.

The Confederate Staff would like to take this time to thank all businesses who have supported us in our endeavor to make this annual the biggest and the best yet. The members are: John Renfro, editor; Tim Higgins, Business manager; Janice Fox and Anna Lou Robinson, typists; all seniors; Doris Byrd, Jody Cox, Pam Fox, and Eddie Stiles; junior members.

The annuals went on sale during lunch for \$3.25 with deposit of \$6.25 without deposit. Plastic covers are also available for \$.25 extra.

By Nina Silvers

On April 14, the Cane River Beta Club left from Cane River at approximately 8:00 a.m. for the Convention in Raleigh. On the way down there, a stop was made at the R. J. Reynolds Tobacco Co., and Old Salem. The arrival was made in Raleigh around 7:30 p.m. After arriving at the Journey End Motel, where we stayed, the Beta Club attended the campaign session later that night.

The next day the Betas attended the general meeting of the Beta Convention and the sponsors had a luncheon. During this time the Betas went shopping and had lunch in town on their own. Afterwards the members and sponsors went on a tour of the N. C. State Art Museum. At the museum we all viewed the new portrait painting of Queen Elizabeth. Everyone was impressed. After visiting the museum, we walked around the Old State Capitol Building. At 6:30 p.m. the Betas went to the Talent Show at the Memorial Auditorium. From 9 until 11:00 a dance was held which everyone enjoyed very much.

Sunday, everyone was up early and anxious to be going home. On the way we attended the morning service at the Duke Chapel. Before the church service everyone had time to tour part of the Duke campus.

We arrived at Cane River Sunday night at 7:30. The students attending this convention were: Nina Silvers, Debbie Edwards, Pam Fox, Wanda Tipton, Jana Pate, Audrey Renfro, Jody Cox, Eddie Styles, Miles Metcalf, Mike Thomas, John Renfro, Dennis Whitson, and Tim Higgins.

The sponsors going were Mrs. Phyllis Bailey and Mrs. Mary Swann. We would like to thank these two teachers for making this trip possible.

## Gun Course Teaches Youth

By Brad O'Connor

I have a 10-year-old son, so I knew the question might come up some day. It did...this year. "Dad, when am I going to be permitted to have a gun?"

It was nearly 30 years ago that I'd asked my own father the same question. Fortunately the decision was a relatively easy one for him. At the time we lived in Tucson, then a town of 30,000--only one-tenth its present population. Dad taught at the state university, wrote for an outdoor magazine, and was also an incurable gun buff. He had no trouble taking two or three hours off from his job several times a month for target practice or to hunt jackrabbits and coyotes, which were plentiful in the nearby desert. And from the time I was "knee-high to an antelope jack," I was allowed to tag along with him. There were fewer people around then. And thus there were fewer hunters.

But times change. The Tucson I knew as a child has disappeared. So what did I tell my son John when he asked when he'd be able to have a gun? I said that I'd sleep on the matter. And I did...for two nights. Then I told him he could have his rifle. I knew just the gun. It was a scope-sighted Winchester .22, none the worse for wear almost 30 years after my dad had given it to me.

As my own father did for me, I've taken John out into the country, taught him the rudiments of shooting position, breath control, how to squeeze a trigger gently, and the vital importance of gun safety.

Yet my personal instruction on how to handle a gun properly is not enough. Before he can buy a hunting license, John and all youngsters up to age 18 must complete a firearms safety course. This course is an official function of the State Game Commission in 41 states and is required by law in 16 of those, including Washington. It is also mandatory in the other nine states.

Several weeks ago, John received a quick rundown from the local state coordinator for firearms safety on what he, John, should expect when he takes the course before the fall hunting season. Among other things, he will learn about:

- a. The parts of a gun and how to care for them
- b. The safe ways to enter a boat or cross a fence with a gun
- c. His place in the zones of fire when hunting with others
- d. The safest color (blaze orange) to wear in the field
- e. The dangers of pointing a rifle at something that he doesn't intend to shoot
- f. The state game and gun laws
- g. Common courtesy in the field, such as not littering and seeking an owner's permission to hunt on his land

If it seems like a pretty big order to you for a lad John's age, you're quite correct, but the primary aim, after all, is to make him a safe hunter. The state coordinator always tells the fathers of youngsters who have satisfactorily completed the course, "It's your responsibility to see that your child puts into practice what he learns in the course. Safety should become a habit."

And if your boy treats his gun with the same loving care that I have given that .22 my dad gave me nearly 30 years ago, he can probably pass it along to his own son 30 years from now. (Reprinted from INNER CIRCLE Magazine)

## Booster Club Skate Party

The Cane River Booster Club is sponsoring a Skating Party to be held at the Riverside Roller Rink, Tuesday, April 25th, from 7:30 until 10:00 p.m. There will be a charge of \$1.00 per person. Everyone is invited to attend, whether you skate or come to watch. Tickets may be purchased at Cane River High School or from any Booster Club member. Also, money will be accepted at the door.

"Come on out for some fun!"

## At Convention

By Kaye Honeycutt

Mrs. Ethel Boone, County Supervisor, Mr. James Byrd, Representative from East Yancey High School, and Mr. Blaine Whitson, Representative from Cane River High, attended the North Carolina Association of Educators Convention in Greensboro last weekend. A new president was installed, and plans were made to join the North Carolina Association with the National Association of Educators probably in the coming year.

On Monday, April 17, at 3:30 p.m., twenty three students from Mr. Horace Cox and Mr. Blaine Whitson's American History classes made the trip to Asheville to the plaza to see "Mary Queen of Scots!" Mrs. Phyllis and Mrs. Blaine Whitson acted as chaperones. "It was a very enjoyable and worthwhile trip for all," stated Mr. Whitson.

By John Renfro

Monday and Tuesday, April 17-18 the Student Council met and discussed money. They are contributing \$25 to the Anastasia Tomberlin Scholarship Fund. All members are to turn in all record money and any records not sold. They also discussed the possibility of having an outing one day.

By Verlyn Higgins

Thursday, April 13, an animal show took place in the Cane River gymnasium called "Animals on Parade". In this program, Al Syase, the owner and trainer of these animals, displayed Vic The Bruiser, a bear; two chimpanzees--Mr. Meels and Tanya. They performed such tricks as bicycle riding, jumping, walking bars and shaking hands with some of the students.

After this, Mr. and Mrs. Syase gave a lecture on human kindness to animals, and how to raise them.

This program was sponsored by the Southeast School Assemblies of Greensboro.

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