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Victory Breakfast For UF Honors Volunteer Workers

A victory breakfast, in recognition of the successful closing of the 1973 Yancey United Fund campaign will be held at the Methodist Church in Burnsville on January 20. This breakfast will honor the team of volunteer workers whose generous contribution of time and effort made possible the success of the campaign. The meal is being provided jointly by the Methodist Men and The Northwestern Bank.

Last week the Journal reported the closing of the UF campaign with the hopeful prediction of Chairman Hazen Ledford that when all the contributions had been tallied, the budget goal of \$14,988 would be reached. Now, Mr. Ledford reports that the goal is definitely attained.

Last minute contributions

from the Blue Bell Company and from Dr. R. K. Ransom put the drive over the top. These last gifts qualified the two donors for inclusion in the UF Honor Roll, but arrived too late for the last publication of the honor list.

The dozen agencies for which the local UF undertakes to provide financial support will receive their first checks shortly. Since a number of pledges were received which have not yet been paid, the total amount budgeted for the several agencies cannot be paid out until later.

Open House At Westco

Want to see what makes a telephone work? You'll have a chance to do so January 26th and 27th when the Westco Telephone Company holds "Open House" for residents of Burnsville and vicinity.

Behind-the-scenes tours through the telephone plant at Burnsville will be conducted between 1:00 and 6:00 those evenings. A preview showing of local telephone facilities for telephone employees and their families will be held the preceding evening.

In issuing a general invitation to the public to inspect local telephone operations, C. O. Stafford, telephone company manager in Weaverville, said: "Our open house will give the Burnsville residents an opportunity to go behind the scenes and see the nerve center of local communications at work. Visitors will see the most modern telephone equipment handling routine local calls."

The tour of the building will take from 45 to 55 minutes, Stafford said.

Attendees will be stationed throughout the building to explain details of the improvement and expansion program which has been carried out by the telephone company here, and a special slide presentation will be shown featuring the company's Western North Carolina service area.

Road Projects Slated Here

Secondary road projects to be built in Yancey County during 1974 have been announced by the Department of Transportation. The projects have been discussed with the Board of Commissioners and work will be done with allocations made for the fiscal year.

Work approved for Yancey County included: SR 1138 -- Grade, drain and pave 0.69 miles from US 19E to SR 1437, \$70,000.00; SR 1410 Extension -- Grade, drain 0.50 miles, \$10,000.00; SR 1170 -- Grade, drain and pave 0.90 miles from SR 1154 to dead end, \$90,000.00; SR 1345 -- Grade, drain and pave 0.30 miles from SR 1336 to SR 1347, \$45,000.00.



Cub Scouts Display Works Of Originality And Creativity At Pack Meeting

Cub Scout 'Genius Night' Featured Creative Work

That's right! Genius Night! And Burnsville sports an up and coming group of geniuses. That was the conclusion of the panel of judges who had the responsibility last week of picking prize winners of some seventeen entries.

Cub pack 502's latest assignment was for each boy to take a bag full of odds and ends (clothespins, pieces of wood, nails, pieces of paper and cloth, some thread, discarded spools from a local mill, etc) and create. There were no limitations on the creations except that the boys were to try to be original. Secrecy held up pretty well, resulting in only one or two duplicate projects.

Cub Master Joe Maxwell introduced the judges: Carlyle Bledsoe, Danny Bledsoe, and exchange student Ricardo Checchia. While the judges deliberated, each den demonstrated its genius with humorous skits. David Styles added a touch of Magic to the show. Plans were made for the up and coming Pinewood Derby just after the announcement of the winners. 1st, 2nd, and third prize were.... "more like

a tie..." according to judges. Recipients were Bill Koch, Billy Woody and Tommy Maxwell. Seven boys were awarded honorable mention.

Pack 502 is now under the sponsorship of Higgins Memorial United Methodist Church. Boys from 8-10 interested in joining cubs are encouraged to bring their parents to a monthly pack meeting. Meetings are usually held at the Methodist Church on the second Thursday of each month. To verify meeting time and place, contact Joe Maxwell or Mr. or Mrs. Thom Koch.

Wildcat Basketball

By Wade Biddix and Chris Chrisawn

On Thursday, January 3, 1974, the South Toe Wildcats defeated the Burnsville Tigers by the score of 36-28. Leading the Wildcats were Darryl Huskins with 14 points, Scott Westall with 10, Wade Biddix contributed 8, while Chris Chrisawn made 4 points. South Toe had two players who played and did not score. South Toe was 0 for 2 from the free-throw line, and Burnsville was 0 of 4. This made South Toe 1-0 and Burnsville 0-2. South Toe's next game will be with Burnsville on the 17th.

The South Toe girls were defeated by the score of 37-30 in a game with Burnsville girls. The Wildcat's scoring was led by Sue Wilson with 12 and Cathy Murphy with 8. Rounding out the scoring was Teresa Bartlett and Pam Biddix with 4 and 6 respectively. Everybody played for South Toe who was suited up. This makes the girls record 0-1. Leading Burnsville scoring was Sandra Fox with 21 and Jeannie Biggerstaff with 9. The South Toe girls went 0 for 3 from the foul line, while Burnsville was 6 for 11. Fouled out were Sue Wilson and Pam Biddix for South Toe.

Fall Quarter Honors At ASU

Students from Yancey County were among the total of 1,250 students who earned fall quarter academic honors and have been placed on the Dean's List at Appalachian State University. The students are: Clara Jean Biggerstaff, a junior, of Burnsville; Janice Gail Hunter, a sophomore, of Burnsville; Marilyn Ruth Laughrum, a junior, of Burnsville; James A. Norris, a sophomore, of Route 2, Burnsville; Diana Lynne Styles, a junior, of Route 2, Burnsville; Janice Lelan Young, sophomore, of Route 2, Burnsville.

To qualify for this honor, a student must maintain a B average on at least 12 quarter hours of work with no grade below C.

Give to the March of Dimes

Soil And Water Conservation District Supervisors To Discuss Energy Crisis, Sediment Control Law

The Energy Crisis and North Carolina's new sediment control legislation headline a Tuesday morning assembly of Soil and Water Conservation District Supervisors and their guests as topics of discussion at the thirty-first Annual Meeting, scheduled for January 20-23 at the Wilmington Hilton (formerly Timme Plaza) in Wilmington, North Carolina.

Mr. Earl Young, Chairman of the Yancey Soil and Water Conservation District reports that "General John J. Tolson III, Secretary of the Department of Military and Veterans Affairs, and Chairman of both the Governor's Panel on the Energy Crisis and the General Assembly created Energy Crisis Study Commission, will address the group on the energy crisis and its effect on North Carolina."

During the same program James E. Harrington, Secretary of the Dept. of Natural and Economic Resources, will address the group on the role of the State Soil and Water Conservation Committee, Conservation Districts, and local governments in carrying out provisions of the Sedimentation Pollution Control Act of 1973."

The meeting is sponsored by the North Carolina Association of Soil and Water Conservation Districts, and will convene on Sunday night, January 20, with a Memorial and Inspirational Service. Mr. Young continued that "the Supervisors get down to serious business with committee meetings on Monday afternoon, following the Keynote Address that morning by George R. Bagley of Louisiana, Vice-President of the National Association of Conservation Districts (NACD)."

Also scheduled during the Tuesday morning session, along with Secretaries Harrington and Tolson, is an appearance by Kenneth E. Grant of Washington, D.C., Administrator of the Soil Conservation Service, USDA, to discuss the working

relationship between S.W.C.D. and Water Conservation Districts and the SCS in seeking a quality environment.

"Highlighting the meeting will be a Tuesday evening banquet featuring North Carolina Congressman Charles G. Rose III, of the Seventh Congressional District, who will address the group," Mr. Young added.

"Congressman Rose, a member of the House Committee on Agriculture, has expressed a strong interest in the conservation of our valuable natural resources and especially in the programs of North Carolina's ninety-two Soil and Water Conservation Districts.

"The meeting shapes up as an outstanding one. Those pre-

sents will address themselves to some of our most pressing problems, and the task of finding equitable solutions to them. This, of course, doesn't mean that we will solve the energy crisis or our sedimentation problems, but we certainly will attempt to gain a better understanding of what needs to be done on the local level."

Veterans Administration Health Care Explained By Oteen Director

The Veterans Administration health care program for certain dependents of veterans will be carried out through private physicians and hospitals for the most part, H. W. Meredith, director of the Oteen VA Hospital, explained today.

VA hospitals have been advised to refer applicants to participating private physicians and hospitals and to admit eligible dependents to VA hospitals only when they have a unique capability not available in the area and when these facilities are not needed for treating a veteran.

The new medical program enacted last August, covers spouses and children of veterans totally and permanently disabled by service-connected conditions and widows or widowers and children of veterans who died from service-connected conditions.

The Civilian Health and Medical Program--Veterans Administration (CHAMPVA) closely parallels the Department of Defense program for dependents of retirees. Benefits are essentially the same, and claims will be paid through the fiscal system that already existed for the military program (CHAMPUS).

CHAMPVA covers a wide range of outpatient and hospital care, but eligible patients must

confirm in advance that the physician or other source of medical care will participate in CHAMPVA, Meredith explained.

Most medical facilities in the United States have received forms and instructions for making claims for reimbursement, and forms are available also from CHAMPUS fiscal agents throughout the country. Names of fiscal agents and full information on the CHAMPVA program are available through VA's 170 hospitals.

As in the military program for retirees, the VA program pays 75 percent of the reasonable charges for outpatient services and for hospitalization. For outpatient services, the beneficiary must also pay the first \$50 each year, or the first \$100 when two or more members of one family use the program.

Dr. Blake To Teach Class In Leadership At MAY Tech

Mayland Technical Institute will offer a class in Leadership beginning Wednesday, January 23rd, at 7:00 p.m. The instructor will be Dr. O. M. Blake, Jr., President of Mayland Technical Institute. Dr. Blake, a former public school teacher, has held management positions with Seal-

test Foods, Inc. and with the Winston-Salem Journal. He has also been a management consultant to industry and holds a doctor's degree in organization and administration from North Carolina State University.

The Leadership course will cover the following areas: definition of leadership, characteristics of a good leader, democratic versus autocratic leadership, leadership as a variable of the personality, group and situation, and the identification and selection, orientation, training and evaluation of leaders.

The course will be held in Room 1 of the Church building every Wednesday evening for eleven weeks from 7:00 to 9:00. There will be a \$2.00 registration fee.

Schools Add Band, DT Instructors

The employment of a band director and a drivers training instructor was announced this week by Edgar Hunter, Superintendent of Yancey County Schools. The band director is Miss Lisa Lamb, a recent graduate of Mars Hill College. Miss Lamb began work on January 14. She will work with students in grades 6-8 in Bald Creek, Burnsville and Micaeville School in the beginning, with the program to be expanded as soon as practical.

Mr. Bob Hudspeth will begin drivers training instruction at East Yancey High School on March 1. Mr. Hudspeth, a native of Yadkinville, will complete his work at Appalachian State University at the end of the winter quarter, February 26.

Mayland Tech Survey Class

Mayland Technical Institute will sponsor a class in Land Surveying to be held on campus. The organizational meeting will be held Tuesday, January 22, at 7:00 p.m. in the old Presbyterian Church Building on Upper Main Street in Spruce Pine. Mr. S. V. Griffith of Creasemen Associates of Asheville will be the instructor.

All persons interested in learning more about surveying either on a professional basis or non-professional basis are invited to attend. There will be a \$2.00 registration fee.

South Toe PTA To Meet

South Toe PTA meets Monday, January 21st, at 7:30 p.m. The program is "family music" by the Boyd Deytons, Thurman Huskins, Charles Jones, Phillip Simmons and Claude Vess.

The purpose of the program is to show how music can draw families together and bridge the generation gap.

The public is invited.



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