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Extension Homemakers County Council Members Attend Covered-Dish Luncheon, Business Meeting

Homemakers Council Met

The Extension Homemakers County Council met January 22 at the home of Mrs. Annie Bennett, County Music and Cultural Chairman. A covered dish luncheon preceded the business meeting which was conducted by Mrs. Pauline Lawhern, Council President. Twelve officers and County Program of Work Chairmen attended.

Reports of projects planned for 1974 were shared by Club Presidents. These include sponsorship of 4-H clubs and Expanded Nutrition Youth groups, Scholarships to 4-H Camp, Sponsoring child at Western North Carolina Center, Assistance to Mental Health Day Activities program, Special interest workshops, Membership drives and services to aged.

Mrs. Lawhern reported on the Executive Board Meeting of the N.C. Extension Homemakers Association which she attended in Raleigh on January 15 and 16.

A discussion followed on "Our Concerns for 1974". Three points were adopted by the Council as a means of strengthening the Extension Homemakers Program as follows: (1) Active Council and Club officers who are willing to carry out responsibilities of office; (2) Active County Program of Work Chairmen who will train Club Chairmen to carry out program at local level; and (3) Greater involvement of total membership in club projects, special interest workshops and educational tours, etc.

Council officers attending in addition to Mrs. Lawhern were Lydia Deyton, 1st Vice Chairman and President Brush Creek Club; Ora Lee Hopson, 2nd Vice Chairman and Family Relations; Annie Bennett, Cultural Arts; Harmie Briggs, Education; Mary Gillespie, Home Economics; Louise Blair, International; Martha Priesmeyer, President, the Burnsville Club; Mary Lillian Towe, President Happy Homemakers Club; and Mary M. Deyton and Patsy Fleming, Extension Agents.



Ben Floyd, Viola Edwards Receive Certificates; Tony Eubanks (center) Was Speaker

Awards Given, Appreciation Expressed At Yancey 4-H Achievement Night

The Yancey County 4-H Achievement Night was held January 21st at Higgins United Methodist Church. Tony Eubanks, special speaker for the evening, spoke on "The American Farmer". Lisa Deyton from the Green Mountain 4-H Club provided entertainment for the meeting.

The following awards were given to outstanding 4-H'ers: Achievement--Peggy McQuade, Melinda Treadway, Victor Adkins, Susan Wilson. Agricultural--Bobby Bennett, Jerry Craine, Darrell Woodby, Steve Gortney.

Bicycle Care & Safety--Stormy Honeycutt.

Clothing--Melinda Treadway.

Dog Care & Training--Peggy McQuade.

Dress Revue Winner--Janet Treadway and Russell Wilson.

Foods & Nutrition--Stormy Honeycutt.

Leadership--Debbie Miller, Janet Treadway and Marvin Hensley.

"I Dare You Award"--Mar-

vin Hensley and Debbie Miller. Club of the Year Award--Bee Log Club.

The following businesses and organizations were presented certificates in appreciation of their support to the 4-H Program during the past year: Glen Raven Mill, The Northwestern Bank, Burnsville Hosiery Mill,

First-Citizens Bank, Ye Ole Fabric Shop, Viola Edward's Fabric Shop, Higgard & Jarrett Fabric Shop, The Burnsville Extension Homemakers Club, Extension Homemakers County Council, Dayton Farm Supply, Employees of Hickory Springs Manufacturing Co., The Yancey Journal, and WKYK.

Wilson Elected To Board Of WNC Development Assoc.

Vernie Wilson of Burnsville has been elected to the board of directors of the Western North Carolina Development Association representing Yancey County. The election took place at the annual meeting of the 18-county area and community development association in Asheville. John W. Erickson, general manager of Gerber Products Company at Skyland was reelected president of the organization.

The development associa-

tion, which operated for many years as the Asheville Agricultural Development Council, is a self-help program concerned with rural development and agricultural promotion in the western counties. Its operation and programs are based on a partnership involving the rural people, agricultural agencies, business and local governments in the counties. It is financed by the counties and the City of Asheville.

Body Of Accident Victim Found In Cane River Following All-Night Search By Rescue Teams

Members of the Yancey County Sheriff's Department, North Carolina Emergency Radio Patrol, Burnsville Volunteer Fire Department and Spruce Pine and Burnsville Rescue Squads searched Cane River all night Saturday before finding the body of a 25-year-old Burnsville woman almost fourteen hours after the car in which she was riding crashed into the river.

The body of Mrs. Jeanette Silver King of Route 4, Burnsville, was recovered at about 9:15 a.m. Sunday and was identified by Trooper E. K. Bumgarner of the State Highway Patrol.

The body of Mrs. King was found 1.6 miles downstream from the scene of the accident on U.S. 19W, according to Bumgarner. The victim's body was found partially out of the water on two rocks in the river.

The accident occurred about 7:45 p.m. Saturday during a heavy rain, the State Highway Patrolman said. According to the trooper, the vehicle driven by Kenneth Lee Robinson, 22, of Route 1, Green Mountain apparently swerved to avoid an obstruction and plunged down an embankment on the left side of the highway.

Mrs. King was thrown from the car, Bumgarner said. Ro-

binson was taken to Yancey Hospital in Burnsville where he was listed in satisfactory condition. In addition, two other passengers in the car sustained minor injuries. They are Wanda Higgins, 20, of Route 1, Relief and Kenneth Lee Yarborough, 21, of Route 2, Burnsville. Both were treated and released from Yancey Hospital.

Bumgarner said that none of the survivors was able to accurately recall the circumstances of the accident, but that he anticipated filing no charges.

Bumgarner and Trooper W.J. Stallings initiated the search for Mrs. King immediately after arriving on the wreck scene, the State Highway Patrol said.

Bumgarner said it appeared that only Mrs. King was thrown

Note Of Thanks

The North Carolina Radio Patrol and Emergency Service would like to extend their thanks and appreciation to those who participated in the search for the body of Jeanette Silver King.

We would also like to extend our appreciation to those who brought food and coffee.

--Jay Laws, Captain Yancey County Unit

from the vehicle and that the survivors made their way from the car to the river bank after the accident.

Surviving Mrs. King are one son, Ernest King; the parents, Mr. and Mrs. Carter Silver of Burnsville Route 4; one sister, Mrs. Charlie Briggs of Burnsville, Route 4; the maternal

Retired Couple Honored For Community Service

On the last day of December 1973, the Valley of The Moon Family Care Home was officially closed due to the retirement of the operators, Mr. and Mrs. Carl Erickson.

The home started in 1939 when Mr. and Mrs. Erickson moved to Celso Community from Madison, Tennessee where they both had taken nurses training as well as dietary training. Dr. E. A. Morgan was looking for someone to open a tourist home in the community and through "friends of friends", the Ericksons heard about their future home. Upon buying the home, the Ericksons decided to open a family care home instead of a tourist home as originally planned. As Mr. Erick-

son's grandmother, Mrs. John McAlister. Funeral services were held Tuesday, January 29 at 2 p.m. in the Elk Shoal Union Church. Revs. Burgess Shelton and Furman J. Rogers officiated and burial was in the Edwards Cemetery.

Mrs. King was an employee of Blue Bell Textiles, Micaville.

says, they both "enjoyed elderly people and wanted to help them."

When the home first opened it had only two residents. From 1941 to 1942 Dr. Brownsburger held a free community clinic at the home and the Ericksons assisted in the treatments.

Through the years the Ericksons have maintained a warm homey atmosphere for many elderly and disabled citizens from this and surrounding counties in the area.

The Yancey County Department of Social Services celebrated the home's thirty fourth anniversary with a reception on Sunday, January 27, from 2 to 4 o'clock at the First Presbyterian Church. A certificate was presented to the Ericksons for their service to the community through the operation of the home. All friends and family as well as fellow operators of rest homes and family care homes were invited.

Organ Recital In Burnsville

At 8:00 p.m. on Tuesday, February 5th, Schuyler W. Robinson of Warren Wilson College will play the music of Bach and other composers on the beautiful organ of the First Baptist Church, Burnsville. Mr. Robinson is a new member of the Board of Music in the Mountains, and this will be his first visit to Burnsville.

Those who heard Marilyn Keiser a year ago will be interested that she and Mr. Ro-

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Mrs. Ruby Smith Presents Certificate To Carl Erickson



Behind-The-Scenes Tour At Westco

Westco Telephone Company hosted a successful "Open House" last Saturday and Sunday when many Yancey County residents showed up between 1:00 and 6:00 p.m. on both days to see what makes a telephone work. Behind the scenes tours were conducted on both days with a special slide pre-

sentation featuring the company's Western North Carolina service area. Visitors saw the most modern telephone equipment handling routine local calls, and attendants stationed throughout the building explained details of the improvement and expansion program.