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Thanksgiving Dinner Held

A Thanksgiving Dinner for the Elderly and Disabled of Yancey County was held the Tuesday before Thanksgiving at Higgins Memorial Methodist Church. The event was sponsored by the Yancey County Department of Social Services and W.A.M.Y. with generous contributions in the form of time, money and supplies made by Ingles Supermarket, Bilo Supermarket, Burnsville Supermarket, Burnsville Presbyterian Church, First Baptist Church, West Burnsville Baptist, Higgins

Memorial Methodist Church, Bolens Creek Baptist, Martins Chapel Methodist Church and Bowditch Freewill Baptist, the Moose Lodge, Robinsons Dairy, Hilltop Restaurant, and Mrs. Max Hughes' Home Economics Class at East Yancey High School. Decorations and serving were provided by Mrs. Jewell McIntosh's senior Girl Scout troop. Rev. Donald Sides gave the Thanksgiving prayer and entertainment was provided by local volunteers.

Bloodmobile Visit Slated; Red Cross Urges 'Gift Of Blood'

BY ASHTON CHAPMAN

If you're making a holiday gift list, check it twice and be sure to include the "gift of life," a blood donation for the ill and injured, suggests the American Red Cross.

"During the holiday season, the Red Cross traditionally has extra demands for blood," reported Earl Van Horn of Spruce Pine and

Ashtamont, Chapter Chairman of the Mayland Red Cross Chapter which serves Mitchell, Avery and Yancey Counties. "At the same time everyone is so busy with holiday preparations that the gentle reminder about the need to make a date to give blood should be noted on all gift lists."

Here in Burnsville, blood

donors may visit the bloodmobile from the Asheville Red Cross Blood Center, which will be operated at the Armory next Wednesday, December 18, from 1 to 6 p.m. under sponsorship of the Yancey Rescue Squad.

Mr. Van Horn emphasized that the health of the donor and the needs of the recipients are the main concern of the Red Cross Blood Program. Donors may give blood only every eight weeks and no more than five times a year.

"The entire donation procedure takes only about 40 minutes of your time from start to finish, with the actual donation time taking only seven minutes," Mr. Van Horn explained. "The remainder of the time is occupied by taking the donor's medical history, temperature, blood pressure, performing a hemoglobin test, a short rest period and serving light refreshments."

Mr. Van Horn noted that

while one unit of whole blood can be used for just one patient, blood is now frequently separated into red cells, platelets, fresh frozen plasma and cryoprecipitates and used to treat several different patients.

"The plasma from a unit of blood may also be fractionated into gamma globulin, serum albumin, and antihemophilic factor - derivatives that may be used in the treatment of a number of disorders," he said.

"Thanks to modern technology and medical advances, the unit of blood you donate during this holiday season 1974 and throughout the year 1975 will help to save many lives," Mr. Van Horn added.

Playschool Christmas Program

The children of Burnsville Playschool will present a Christmas Program on Sunday afternoon, December 15, at 2:30 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall of the First Baptist Church. The program will consist of the Christmas Story in scripture and songs.

Those participating are Christy Boone, Traci Bucner, Scotty Cooper, Renee Cooper, Bo Dover, Alison Floyd, Brandy-Kaye Hemphill, Joel Hughes, Karen Maddox, Heather McIntosh, Stephanie Schortinghouse and Cary Turman.

Meeting Is Cancelled

The Burnsville Woman's Club Christmas meeting on Thursday, December 12, has been cancelled due to bad weather, to be rescheduled in the future. Co-hostesses are Mrs. Annie Bennett and Mrs. Winnie Lou Ray. Mrs. Margaret Tyner is in charge of the Christmas program for the evening.

Many Aid 'Facelift' Project

By digging deeply into their pockets to contribute to the Burnsville facelift, many Yancey County citizens as well as many of the county's summer residents have demonstrated that they greatly care about the appearance of Burnsville.

The renovation of the town square is being financed only in part by tax revenues, (\$6,000 from the town and \$2,500 from the county). The major part of the cost is being borne by contributions, some "in kind" but mostly in cash.

Following is a list of contributors:

Cash Contributions

Burnsville Mens Club
Earl Yancey
E.V. Garren
Arnold Roberts
Camp Celo
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Burnsville Garden Club
Mohasco Industries
Carol and Peter Schwintzer
Ernest Morgan
Lambert Davis
Roberts-Corn Chev.-Buick Inc
G.W. Roberts, Inc.
M.C. Vess, Jr., CPA
Burnsville Hosiery Mill, Inc.
J. C. Styles
Styles Automotive Supply
Styles & Company
W. J. Banks
Earl Young Grading Company
Ben G. Floyd, III

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Homemakers Show Creativity

Fourteen members of the Extension Happy Homemakers Club agreed that the things that make Christmas most meaningful are those things that go on at home. A sharing of Christmas ideas was an important part of the program at the home of the President, Mary Lillian Towe. Homemakers combined skills and imagination to create attractive decorations and gifts. Wreaths from native materials, patchwork stockings, patchwork vests, Santa's boots, Mr. and Mrs. Santa, gifts for the kitchen and others were displayed by homemakers Georgia Cannon, Vera Westall, Jewell McDonald, Betty Lou Young, Henrietta Hilliard, Maud Higgins, Myra Hensley, Millidene Laws, Donna McLain, Golda Peterson, Jean Phillips, Becky Gillespie and Mary Lillian Towe. Following a demonstration on "Creative Cooking with Spices and Herbs", the group observed a number of decorating projects. Of special interest was the antique oak bedroom furniture (pictured below), refinished by Mary Lillian, which had belonged to her grandparents.

Part of the Yancey delegation attending the Western North



Holiday Musicale

Music in the Mountains will hold a Holiday Musicale on Saturday night, December 28 at 8:00 p.m. in the Presbyterian Church.

The program will feature Yancey County musicians playing everything from "spoons to Steinway" where instruments are concerned. Folk, gospel and some classical works will be on the program.

Everyone is cordially invited to join in an evening of fun. Refreshments will be served.



Yancey Delegation Attends Luncheon

Members of the Yancey delegation attending the Western North Carolina Development Awards Luncheon, pictured above, heard featured speaker J. Phil Campbell, U.S. Under-Secretary of Agriculture at the event. Awards by the WNC Development Association to Yancey County Community Development work went to Brush Creek Community as Honorable Mention on Overall Community work. One of five Special Merit Youth

Awards was captured by Brush Creek also. Several Yancey Communities have participated in organized community work this year. The activity is sponsored by several local businesses and the United Fund. The Agricultural Extension Service provides guidance and counseling. The Community Development Program is open to any community group without regard to race, creed or national origin.



Forest Service Open House Set

The U. S. Forest Service is holding Open House on Friday, December 13, from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. The new office is located on the 19E By-pass. District Ranger Johnny McLain invites anyone interested in seeing the new facility to stop by for a guided tour.