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Volunteers Honored By Faculty

On Tuesday, May 26, the K-3 faculty of Burnsville Elementary School entertained the parent volunteers and other adults who have worked with the children throughout the school year. At the tea in their honor, each volunteer was presented an appreciation certificate by Larry Howell, principal, on behalf of the school and the PTA. Also present to express her appreciation was Miss Iva Nell Buckner, supervisor of education. These volunteer persons have given a total minimum of 1300 hours this year. Special recognition was given to Harriet Buckner, Marsha Sigmon and Rose Tschudy

who have each given over 300 volunteer hours, and to Kathy Burns and Betty Garland who have no children in school. PTA officers for next year are already planning a volunteer corp.

Pictured (left to right) Larry Howell, Joanne Tipton, Zena McDowell, Nancy Crout, Harriet Buckner, Wilma Bennett, Marsha Sigmon, Bunny McIntosh, Patsy Miller. Absent when picture was taken: Rose Tschudy, Kathy Burns, Gladys Ray, Betty Garland, Billie Jean Thompson, Mary Nell Penland and Lena Briggs.

Candidates File For County Offices And Board Of Education Seats

The Yancey County Board of Elections announces the following people have filed for candidacy subject to the August 17 primary:

Alton Robinson, Clay Miller and Carlson John Tuttle have filed on the Democratic side for the two member seats available on the County Commission. Carl Carter-D has filed his candidacy for the chairmanship of the County Commission and will not be on the primary ticket as he is unopposed. On the Republican ticket, J. Ardell Sink has filed his candidacy as Chairman of the Yancey County

Commission; Walter Edwards and Kenneth Lyda Letterman are candidates for member of the County Commission.

Two Democrats have filed for Register of Deeds subject to the primary. They are Grace Ayers-Incumbent, and Jean S. Buchanan. No Repub-

licans have filed for that office.

The non-partisan election of Yancey County Board of Education members will take place during the August 17 primaries. Two members of the five-person board will remain in office for another

two years. They are Romie Burns and Charles Gillespie.

Members of the board not running for re-election, whose terms are expiring, are Claude Vess, Bill Banks and Wade Styles. Candidates for the three available seats on the School Board are Kenneth P. Hunter, Thomas H. Robinson, Artie Lee Peterson, Garrett D. Anglin, Wanda Proffitt, Hazel Gilley, Dudley Robertson and Kenneth Laughran.

Westco To Charge For Directory Assistance Calls

On July 1, 1976, Western Carolina and Westco Telephone Companies will begin charging for calls to Directory Assistance.

According to Paul Wooten, District Commercial Manager, customers will be allowed five free calls to Directory Assistance within their local calling area, or 704 area, each billing month. After the five call allowance, a charge of 20c will be made for each call to local Directory

Assistance or to long distance Directory Assistance within your 704 home area. Calls to local Directory Assistance are those calls made by dialing either "O" (Operator) and asking for Directory Assistance, or 411, according to the instructions in the front of your telephone directory.

In addition to the five free call allowance, one free call to long distance Directory Assistance in the 704 area (reached [Cont'd on page 2])

Mountain Dancing Course

The Continuing Education Program of Mars Hill College will offer Smooth and Clog Mountain Dancing (Music 073) for the residents of Yancey County during the first term of the college's summer session.

The class will begin Tuesday, June 8, and meet on Tuesday and Thursday nights from 6 to 9 p.m. An exception will be the week of July 5-9 when the class will not meet. The end of the first term of summer school is July 29.

Participants will receive four semester hours of credit, or the course can be audited-taken but not receiving college credits. The teacher will be Lou Therrell, well known mountain musician and the leader of the Appalachian Folk mountain music band. The class will meet at the Micaville School.

Registration for the Yancey County course will be held the first night of class, June 8. Costs are \$100 for the students who want to receive credit for the class and a \$20 audit fee for those who wish to participate but not to receive college credit. Further information on the CEP classes can be obtained from the Admissions Office, Mars Hill College, Mars Hill, N.C. 28754 or by calling 704/689-1201.

Trout Dinner

There will be a Trout Dinner at Griffith Chapel Church on Saturday, June 5, beginning at 2 o'clock until 7. The price is \$2.50/plate.



Scouts Offer U.S. Flag Kit

Now is the time for all good men to fly their colors. Boy Scout Troop 502 is offering a complete U.S. Flag Kit-100% cotton flag, pole, lanyard and triumphal eagle for the modest fee of \$6.00. The entire Burnsville Community should prepare to fly O' Glory on the Fourth. Contact any Boy Scout or stop by Johnson's, Pollard's or Joe Young Ford.

Parkway Playhouse Schedule:

Plays Reflect Bicentennial

Parkway Playhouse, a summer stock theatre located in Burnsville, has scheduled a full season of American plays this year in observance of the nation's upcoming 200th birthday.

The playhouse, now in its 30th year of operation, will open the season July 7 with Thornton Wilder's "Our Town." The play, which will run through July 10, depicts American life in small towns.

It will be followed July 14-17 by "Dames at Sea," which focuses on American entertainment. Next will be "The Matchmaker," July 21-24, depicting American romance. "The Glass Menagerie," a Tennessee Williams drama about an American family struggle, will run July 28-31. Climaxing the season will be "South Pacific," a musical comedy about America in war. The popular Rodgers and Hammerstein play will be presented August 4-7 and August 11-14.

"Parkway is presenting this summer's shows as examples of the diversity of American life and talent with the assurance that they will bring added pleasure and enrichment to audiences as part of the Bicentennial celebration," stated a spokesman for the playhouse.

Parkway Playhouse was founded in 1946 as an offshoot of the now-defunct Burnsville School of the Arts. From the beginning it was affiliated with the University of North Carolina at Greensboro. For a few years, the University of

Miami took the helm, but in 1964, UNC-G once again resumed its ties with the theatre.

Dr. John Joy, an assistant professor of drama and speech at UNC-G, will serve as managing director of Parkway this summer. He joined the UNC-G faculty last fall, and directed the UNC-G Theatre production "Twelfth Night" in February. Joy will direct two of the Parkway plays, "Dames at Sea" and "South Pacific."

James Reynolds, an instructor in drama at UNC-G, will serve as assistant director at Parkway, and will also direct two plays, "Our Town" and "The Glass Menagerie." Dr. David Latchell, director of the theatre division of the UNC-G Department of Drama and Speech, will direct the remaining play, "The Matchmaker."

About 32 students, representing both the undergraduate and graduate levels, will be enrolled at Parkway this summer. They will take drama courses for academic credit as well as participate in the various plays to be produced. Altogether, the students can earn seven semester hours at Parkway.

Because of the short time

Sponsor Variety Show

Newdale Community Club is sponsoring a Variety Show Saturday, June 5, at 7:30 at the Micaville Elementary School.

Local talent will include the Micaville Cloggers, a skit by the men teachers at Micaville, the R.M.S. Rock Band, etc.

There will be items to be raffled, donated by Henredon Furniture and Sullins Music Center. Proceeds will be used for recreation facilities at the Newdale Community Club.

Tickets may be purchased at the door. \$1 for adults, 50c for children.

lapses between plays, there frequently are two or three plays being rehearsed at the same time. Those not in the cast in a play are assigned to costume, lighting or scenery crews. Before the season is over, everybody will have done something of everything



Dr. John Joy

which precisely fits the playhouse's purpose of giving students "total theatre training through various experiences."

In addition to the 32 students enrolled at Parkway, this summer for the first time a small acting staff of six persons from UNC-G will be available to perform some of the very difficult roles. The six are Ms. Barbara Blackledge, Ed Simpson, Ms. Nancy Watkins, Ms. Pam Giannasio, Paul Tauger and Garth Schumacher.

The playhouse also will include in its cast again this summer its perennial guest artist, W.C. "Mutt" Burton, the retired Reidsville newspaperman, raconteur and actor, who has been with the playhouse every season since it first opened. He will be re-creating his first Parkway role, portraying the Stage Manager in "Our Town."

The playhouse will have a number of full-time staff members. These include James Parker of Catawba College, who will be back as scene designer; Arthur Meredith of Northern Kentucky

University, lighting designer; Ms. Leslie Knox, a graduate of Indiana University, property mistress; Randy McMullen, who received his master's degree from the University of Missouri, technical director; Ms. Teresa Keller, a UNC-G graduate student, publicity and box office assistant; Roger Brechner, an incoming graduate student at UNC-G, production stage manager; Ms. Eugenia Kehoe, another incoming graduate student at UNC-G, choreographer; Ms. Terry Jones, photographer; and two UNC-G home economics students, Ms. Maggie Jenkins and Ms. Doris Eckard, who will operate the cafeteria.

Life at Parkway is somewhat comparable to college itself. Students are housed in dormitories that were once part of the Yancey Collegiate Institute, a 1930s vintage school that trained people for jobs during the depression.

Through a \$25,000 grant by the N.C. General Assembly, some extensive renovations have been made on the playhouse for this summer, as well as some repairs in the dorms.

Tickets to the plays may be ordered by writing the box office in Burnsville, N.C. 28714 or telephoning 682-6151 (area code 704) after June 18. Prior to that time, orders may be placed through the UNC-G Department of Drama and Speech.

Grant Approved

Congressman Roy A. Taylor announced Thursday the approval of a grant of \$31,590 by the Appalachian Regional Commission [to the Appalachian District Health Department in Boone.

The grant proceeds represent the fifth and final year funding of a comprehensive home health services project to serve residents of Avery, Mitchell, Yancey, Alleghany, Ashe, Watauga, and Wilkes Counties.



Micaville Students Visit Burnsville

Mrs. J. Robinson's second graders from Micaville Elementary School visited Burnsville on Thursday. The children had lunch at Bantam Chef and ice cream at the Dipper. W.A.M.Y. furnished transportation for the students, for which they expressed their appreciation. Pictured on the Town Square are: [front, left to right] Michelle Hughes,

Monica Woody, Billy Tipton, Chris McZahan, Rachel Buchanan, [middle row, left to right] Rodney Miller, Calvin Elkins, Marshall Cassida, Robbie Hughes, Kim Buchannan, John Grindstaff, Patrick Thomas, [top row, left to right] Terry Ledford, Tim Brewer, Donna Robinson, Gerald Howell, Jenny Reed, Marty Ledford, Joey Marsh and Randy Whitson.