



## Octoberfest In Little Switzerland

Currently registered guests, members of the Chalet Club and their families and guests celebrated the beginning of the Fall Color Season at the first annual "Octoberfest" in Little Switzerland. On the first weekend of October, the Schwabke

Family of the Chalet hosts the multitudes with a feast already legendary. Among the Yancey County crowd were James Floyd of Mt. Mitchell Lands and golf pro William Deck, pictured in middle photo.

Photos by Brian Westveer

## Courtroom Drama

The Carolina Theatre Company will present a courtroom drama, "The Death of Candace Wingler," in courthouses throughout the state for the Department of Public Instruction this fall. This re-enactment of a 1922 murder trial is designed to introduce ninth graders to the North Carolina system of justice.

There will be a performance of this courtroom drama in Burnsville at the Courthouse on Monday, October 4, at 1:00 p.m.

Candace Wingler died in 1893 in a remote cabin in Wilkes County. Her death was ruled accidental and that explanation was accepted until a neighbor accused her husband of murder 29 years later and the case was reopened.

Students attending the performance will receive study materials both before and after the presentation. The play does not include the verdict and each group of students will arrive at a verdict on their own. The study materials will then give them the original verdict, a later Supreme Court decision on an appeal, and a description of the ultimate fate of the principals in the trial.

The Carolina Theatre Company, directed by William Dreyer, is a professional touring company based in Winston Salem. In addition to the current tour for the Department of Public Instruction, the company performs in prisons, juvenile training centers and homes for senior citizens.

These productions are supported by the North Carolina legislature.

## Open House Slated

A Dedication Service at Open House have been scheduled for Mountain Heritage High School on Sunday, October 10. The Dedication Service will be held in Tomberlin Auditorium at 3:00 p.m. Dr. A. Craig Phillips, State Superintendent of Public Instruction, will be the guest speaker for the occasion.

Following the Dedication Service all parents and guests

are invited to tour the entire school facility, and to meet the principals and members of the faculty and staff.

The new school building was accepted by inspectors from the State Department of Public Instruction and the Yancey County Board of Education on August 5, 1976 as being substantially complete. All contractors have completed their work, except for minor adjustments in

equipment that becomes necessary as the equipment is used. Gymnasium bleachers, which were not a part of the original contract, have been delivered and will be installed by October 15.

The public is cordially invited to attend the service on October 10. A special invitation is extended to those who have not had an opportunity to tour the building.



## Autumn Harvest Scene In Mountains

October is a choice month for vacationing in North Carolina. Autumn foliage is at its peak during the middle of the month,

and auto races, fairs, and festivals are held throughout October. This is a photo of an autumn harvest scene in the mountains.

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## United Way

# Campaign In Full Swing

The 1976 fund raising campaign of the Yancey United Way is now in full swing, with \$4,800 already raised, or more than 25 per cent of the \$19,000 goal set by the budget committee. According to Campaign Chairman Joe K. Johnson, things are going well, thanks both to the efforts of the volunteer workers, as well as to the generous spirit displayed by contributors.

The campaign chairman this year is making a special effort to get across to the people of the county the importance of the work of the many agencies included in the budget. It is hoped that through recognition of the number of agencies, and the benefits of their work, the individual contributions will be larger than heretofore.

In answer to the question of how many people in Yancey County are benefitted through the United Way campaign, the campaign committee has made the following factual statement. Probably everyone benefits. The work of one agency or another for whom money is being raised touches the lives of all the people in the county.

From year to year the budgets of the United Way campaigns have been increasing. This is both in recognition of the effects of inflation, and the fact that more agencies are now included in the budget than heretofore. It is hoped that many contributors will recognize that a day's pay will approximate a fair share of support to the many activities covered by the budget.

As in previous years an honor roll is being published of the larger contributors. The first publication this year is shown below:

**UNITED WAY SPONSORS**  
(Contributors of \$500 or more)  
BanCo & Ginny Lisa Shop  
Mohasco Mill  
Dr. Garland Wampler  
Mr. and Mrs. Mack B. Ray

**UNITED WAY PATRONS**  
(Contributors of \$200 to \$500)  
Northwestern Bank  
Deyton Farm Supply  
Pollard's Drug Store  
Mrs. David & Carolyn Cort  
Dr. E.R. Ohle  
Dr. Judith McGahey  
Robert K. Helmle

**CENTURY CLUB**  
(Contributors of \$100 to \$200)  
Roberts Chevrolet-Buick  
French Broad Electric  
Robert Altemus

Burnsville Furn. & Hardware  
Yancey Builders Supply  
Edward L. Greer  
Milton Weiss  
Dover Fouts

Joe K. Johnson  
Lacey Johnson  
Hazen Ledford  
Mr. and Mrs. John Martin  
Staunton Norris

## Home Repair For Older Americans

An application for a home repair project submitted by W.A.M.Y. Community Action under Title III of the Older Americans Act has been approved. This program authorizes making minor repairs to housing of elderly families who are unable financially and physically to do necessary rehabilitation that will enable them to continue living in their homes. The limited amount of funds available limits the rehabilitation that can be done to a home to only essential and necessary repairs and provides for a maximum of \$250.00 for any one dwelling.

Elderly persons who urgently need repairs to their

houses and are unable to make such repairs themselves because of financial or physical problems or handicaps should contact the Yancey County W.A.M.Y. Community Action Office, P.O. Box 596, Burnsville, N.C. Telephone 682-2610.

## Notice

To all community leaders throughout Yancey County: Yancey County Council Committee on Aging requests your presence Thursday night, October 7, 7:30 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall of the First Baptist Church, Burnsville to reorganize the Loaves and Fishes Campaign.

## Farmland

### Value Rising

The value of farmland in North Carolina and the rest of the nation continues to rise.

The latest official estimate of the average value of Tar Heel land is \$686 an acre, according to North Carolina State University extension economists.

Values are expected to rise an additional 8 to 10 percent during the coming year.

## House Tour Will Benefit Music In The Mountains

A House Tour for the Benefit of Music in the Mountains will be held on Saturday, October 16 from 10:30 to 3:00 p.m. Have you always wanted to see the home of Mme. Lili Kraus, world-renowned pianist? You may judge for yourself if her house and music studio at Celso Farm is not one of the beauty spots in the mountains. Are you building? Find out how the Simmons family of seven built their own house on evenings and weekends. How did they do it? They kept singing, and the whole family might sing for you if you are lucky. Are you renovating? See what Ed and Marjorie Gibbs have done with an old farm and with interesting pieces of family furniture. Are you interested in the art of living? See the Abrahamson's house, where world travel and intensive home-making are blended in an unusual synthesis. Are you waiting to see the Charles Jones do-it-yourself post-and-beam house when it is finished? Don't wait; you might never see it.

Enjoy the House Tour in the Celso-South Toe area of Yancey County and benefit Music in the Mountains at the same time. Tickets at \$3.50 apiece, \$6.00 a couple, are available at each house, and you can visit them in any order between 10:30 and 3:00 p.m. Other attractions in the area you can visit free of charge include the Toe River Craftsmen and Arthur Morgan School and Celso Farm Camp in Celso Community. The Wendell Thomas House, one of the first solar heated houses, built 25 years ago, will also be open. You can visit McWhirter Pottery, the Candle Light Shop, and have a trout sandwich at Troxell's Trout Farm. For further information call Music in the Mountains, 675-4659 or 675-4060.

The same evening, follow-



Home Of Mme. Lili Kraus