

# Janet Crisp Honored For Criminal Justice Work

Ms. Janet Crisp, of Greensboro, N.C., formerly of Burnsville, is one of only seven in the nation to be awarded the "Certificate of Merit" by the National Forum on Volunteers in Criminal Justice, Inc.

Janet is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Crisp of Burnsville.

As director of the Volunteers in Criminal Justice program in Guilford County, Janet received the award for having "demonstrated exceptional merit as a humanitarian in the field of volunteerism in criminal justice."

Being nominated for this coveted award by the board of directors of the Guilford County program, Janet held the North Carolina nomination at the 6th National Forum in Atlanta last October.

NFVCJ board president, Robert C. Moffitt, in a letter of congratulations to Janet, states in part, "Of some 1,200 people who attended the Atlanta Forum, you are one of only seven who are receiving this award."

In addition to her full-time

duties as director of the Guilford County VCJ program, Janet is attending Guilford College on a federal law enforcement grant in the Administration of Justice program.

In its four and one-half year history, the Guilford County VCJ program (until recently called Volunteers to the Court) has proved that breaking the crime pattern early in an offender's life is an effective way to reduce crime. The merit of the program is indicated by an 84 percent success rate.

There are currently under Janet's direction 143 active volunteers and 220 active clients.

Volunteers who apply to work in the program are interviewed by Janet. Among other things, they must be willing to take the necessary time to work with youthful offenders. Volunteers are trained by Janet to become aware of skills that can help them in their role as models demonstrating successful ways of living in society. A big part of the volunteer's job is

just being a friend to a client.

Clients, ranging in age from 7 to 25, are referred to Janet by court officials. She carefully matches clients and volunteers. Special skills of a certain volunteer might make him or her ideally suited to a certain client.

Volunteers submit detailed monthly reports on the progress of their clients. At the end of a successful year in the VCJ program, the judge dismisses the case and the client has no "record."

Judges, probation officers and court counselors in Guilford County are unanimous in their praise of the VCJ program.

Janet is a member of the National Council on Crime and Delinquency, a member of the N.C. Association of Volunteer Administrators, and a member of the N.C. Juvenile Correctional Association. She is on the advisory board of the Ex-Offender Aid program, the advisory board of the Rape Council program, and she serves as secretary-treasurer of the Guilford County Professionals for Youth.



Janet Crisp

## Sr. Citizen Phone In New COA Office

The Committee on Aging announces installation of the Senior Citizen Phone in the new office on Mitchell Branch Road across from the Health Department. The number is 682-6011. Jackie Gillespie, Committee on Aging Secretary, is prepared to answer questions and make referrals

for any elderly persons who wish to call.

Or, if you of any age, are interested in visiting lonely older persons or could take one to the doctor on occasion, please call and leave your name. We need a few more volunteers to deliver meals on a once-a-week, once-every-two weeks, or on a back-up basis.

The Committee on Aging is the oldest infant ever to enter the Yancey County family. Volunteers find that their wisdom and understanding have increased by participating in its growth.

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## Students Report:

# Mtn. Heritage News

The Mountain Heritage High School Chorus sang at the Jacks Creek Presbyterian Church Sunday, March 22. The chorus sang "Create In Me A Clean Heart" by Mueller; "Alleluiah" by J.S. Bach; and "Battle of Jericho" by Marshall Bartholomew. The chorus is under the direction of Mr. Jerry Collins.  
By Debbie Deyton

### MATH CONTESTANTS

Math Contestants to represent Mountain Heritage at the 7th Annual Math Contest at Western Carolina University are as follows:  
Algebra I: Lynn Bailey, Dawn McDonald, Ricky Fender, Paula Rhymer, Mary Briggs; Geometry: Sam Ray, Junior Burke, Frankie Gouge, Marie King, Paul Tomberlin, Natalie Fox;

Algebra II: Harriet Vess, Tammy Young, Alfred Murtori, Brenda Elliott;  
Comprehensive: Donny Laws, Dairen Edwards, Bill Fender, Marcus Vess, Shirlyn Chandler.

### TRACK NEWS

On Friday, March 25 Mountain Heritage traveled to Brevard for the WNC

Relays to compete against 17 other schools. Although Mtn. Heritage finished ninth there were some outstanding performances. Three meters finished in the top ten out of 46 other entries. Wade Biddix won it with a 4:56.2 time; Marc Vess finished 6th at 5:09.2; and Chris Chrisawn finished 9th in 5:19.

We had several outstanding performances by different numbers of the relay teams. Our best was the distance medley (880-440-1320- and mile with C. Chrisawn, R. Tipton, M. Vess, and W. Biddix running and finished 3rd. Jeff Harding ran an excellent 220 leg in the 880 relay and triple jumped over 40 feet. Other fine performances were turned in by Darryl Huskins in the 440 relay, Pete Peterson in the mile relay, Bobby Briggs and Kirk Palmer in the two-mile relay.

### DISPLAY WINNER

On March 24-26, 1977 some student DECA members participated in the 33rd Annual State Leadership Conference held at Charlotte, N.C.

Tammy Williams won 2nd place for her advertising display. She is eligible to

travel to Anaheim, California to participate in the national contest on April 26, 1977. Randy Ollis was competing for the Student of the Year (young man); Keith Miller competed in Merchandise Information Manual and as a Delegate; Tony Tipton, Ray Troxell and Richard Clopton competed in Competency based on competitive events. Tony Tipton and Patsy Robinson also competed as delegates.

By Kim Gilley

### BAND COMPETES

Friday, April 1, the Mountain Heritage Concert Band will travel to Asheville High School to compete in the North Carolina state contest for concert bands. The band will play three numbers: "March for a Rainy Day" by John O'Reilly; "The Spirit Rejoices" by Johann S. Bach; and "Pageant" by Kabalevsky. The band will be judged on many different things including intonation, style, technique, interpretation, and expression. Mrs. Lisa Mauney directs the band.

By Debbie Deyton

### HERITAGE VS. BEN LIPPEN

Mountain Heritage baseball team started their season off with a victory over Ben Lippen on Wednesday, March 23. The score was 9 to 7.

By Ricky Peterson

### FFA STUDENTS WIN

Tuesday, March 22, Mr. Allen and five of his agriculture students traveled to Tuscola High School to enter a land judging contest.

David Gibbs, Scotty Hicks, Wade Biddix, Frankie Geouge and Harold Young were winners in the competition and will travel to the state event at Yadkinville the last week of March.

### BUCKNER PLACES THIRD

Wednesday, March 23, Mr. Mike Orr traveled to Cherokee High School with Randy Buckner and Jerry Chandler to participate in a seventeen county carpentry competition contest. Randy Buckner won 3rd place in District 8.

### VESS WINS FIRST PLACE

Wednesday, March 23, Mr. B.R. Bailey traveled to Cherokee High School with an industrial arts group consisting of Gregg Edge, Jerry Layell, Alton Robinson and Marc Vess.

Marc Vess won 1st place in Mechanical Drafting and will be competing on the state level next month.

By Lisa Fender, Rod Renfro

### BANQUET HELD

Mrs. Neill, Mrs. Ray, Mrs. Whitson and Mrs. Hughes took 78 daughters and mothers to the S & W Cafeteria in the Asheville Mall March 22. They left from Mountain Heritage at 4:30 Tuesday in 2 buses. The group was served at the S & W and during the meal a program was given with President Stephanie Angel presiding. Invocation was given by Ann Hunter. Poems were read by Connie Angel, Debbie Byrd, and Stephanie Angel. After the meal they shopped in the mall. The group left at 9:15 and returned home.

By Jane Allen

### BLOODMOBILE VISIT

The Health Occupations II students from Mountain Heritage again had the privilege of working at the Red Cross Bloodmobile on Friday, the 25 of March, at the First Baptist church, Burnsville.

When working at the Bloodmobile the students help register donors, take temperatures, number bags used during the actual blood donation, assist donors to the refreshment center, and take blood pressures for the public. The students also make spot announcements on the radio, and make and distribute bloodmobile posters.

At this visit, the Bloodmobile collected 77 pints of blood with several rejections for various reasons. The H.O. students are very pleased that they are allowed to work at the Bloodmobile. They gain experience in working with professionals and volunteers; in addition it is a valuable learning experience.

**BURNSVILLE OPTOMETRIC CENTER**  
Will Open  
Tuesday, March 29th at 9:00  
Dr. H.B. Hahn Dr. R.H. Dickey  
Banks Family Square  
Burnsville, N.C. 28714  
704-682-6417  
HOURS: 9-5 Tues.-Thurs.-Sat.  
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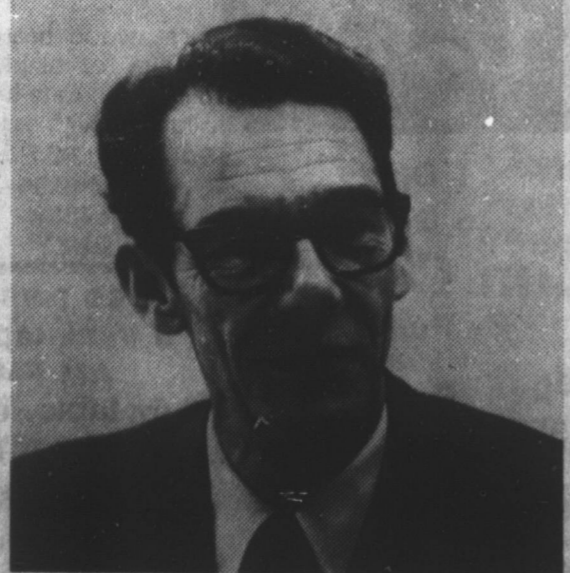
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1977 MOUNTAIN HERITAGE COUGARS BASEBALL SCHEDULE  
[Games played away are marked with asterisk (\*), all other games are at the Mountain Heritage Baseball Field]

March 23	*Ben Lippen
March 25	North Buncombe
March 28	*North Buncombe
April 1	Mitchell
April 4	*Owen
April 8	West Henderson
April 11	Sylva-Webster
April 15	*Madison
April 18	Hendersonville
April 22	*East Henderson
April 26	*Mitchell
April 29	Owen
May 3	*West Henderson
May 4	*Sylva-Webster
May 10	Madison
May 13	*Hendersonville
May 17	East Henderson

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