

Murphy Chamber Of Commerce Week, June 20 - 26

Murphy Town Budget OK'd; Tax Rate Stays At \$2

The Murphy Town Board met Monday evening, adopted the budget for 1966 and voted to keep the tax rate at the present level of \$2.

The budget shows estimated expenditures of \$230,113 and estimated revenues of \$216,496. The \$13,617 difference will be made up by drawing on funds already deposited in the town's accounts.

In voting to keep the tax rate at \$2 the Board also decided to allocate 60% of the revenue for the general fund and 40% debt service again.

The Board unanimously passed a resolution expressing appreciation to the Murphy Jaycees for their project which brought the television translator site to Murphy. The Jaycees' effort has resulted in area residents being able to receive an excellent signal from WRCE-TV and WDEF-TV of Chattanooga. A copy of the resolution was presented to the club's president, Jack Owens.

The payroll of the town's employees are adjusted in order to keep their salaries in line with those being paid by local industries.

The Board voted to continue the policy of rotating the purchase of gas, oil and grease

among the service stations in Murphy and to continue the financial support of the summer recreation program. Additional lighting at the fairgrounds was also approved. A resolution was passed to return Regal Street to the State Highway Department for improvements and maintenance.

Traffic problems in Murphy were discussed. The Board was particularly concerned with tieups that occur at the Square and in the area of the A&P. They talked about the possibility of installing a left-turn green arrow at the stop light on the Square and changing the location of the stoplight at Hilton Street and Valley River Avenue. It is considered possible that a crosswalk signal may be installed there too. The Board is requesting the State Highway Commission to study these traffic problems and make recommendations.

Harry Bishop and John Gill were reappointed to the Murphy Carnegie Library Board. A low bid of \$175 for a paint job on the Rimco Water Tank was accepted. The work will be done by Thomason Steepie Jack Service of LaGrange, Ga.

The Board approved a contract with Weaver and Shaver of Asheville to audit the town's books for the year ending June 30.

The Board again approved the removal of the sidewalk on the south side of Willow Street in the block between Tennessee and Church Streets. The sidewalk removal will enable the widening of the roadway in that block.

Mayor Cloe Moore appointed a committee consisting of Wally Williams, Ken Godfrey and W.A. Singleton to study the town's civil defense preparedness. The group will explore measures needed to assure continuity of government and proper shelter in the event of disaster here.

Murphy General Hospital OK'd For Medicare

Murphy General Hospital has been approved to participate in the Medicare program which becomes effective July 1.

Approval for Murphy General means that both Murphy hospitals will be able to accept patients covered by Medicare. Providence Hospital announced its acceptance by the program last week.

The Andrews District Memorial Hospital has also been approved.

Seven Sent For Induction

Seven area men were forwarded to Knoxville for induction into the Armed Forces on Monday by the local draft board.

Those forwarded were: Lloyd Bayless Lunsford, Jr., Jimmy Ashe, Jr., Kenneth Zane Hickey, James Burton Hall, Lee Ross Carter, Mitchell Swanson and Edward Lee Ledford.

Adams, Breedlove Make Dean's List

Two Cherokee County students have earned a place on the Dean's list for high scholastic achievement at North Carolina State University during the spring semester.

They are Thomas D. Adams and Gary M. Breedlove.

Adams is a sophomore in electrical engineering, is the son of Mrs. Anna L. Adams of Rt. 1, Murphy.

Breedlove, a freshman in liberal arts, is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Carl Breedlove, Jr. of Rt. 1, Andrews.

4-H Talent Show Set For Friday

A 4-H Talent Show will be held at 7:30 p.m. Friday in the Murphy school auditorium.

All talented 4-Hers are invited to participate and the public is invited to attend. There will be no admission charge.



NEWLY INSTALLED OFFICERS of the Murphy Civitan Club are shown here. Front row (l to r) Lonzo Shields, Bud Alexander, Roy Chandler and John Donley, immediate past president. Back row: Jim Sprung, Lillard Walker, Howard Martin and Bill Taylor.

Civitan's Install Sprung, Name Scholarship Winners And Three For Conference

Jim Sprung was installed as President of the Murphy Civitan Club for 1966-67 last Friday during the club's annual Ladies Night at the Milton Inn in Blairsville.

District Governor Milton B. Faust of Salisbury, N.C., also installed Charles Castor as president-elect for 1967-68. Lillard Walker, first vice-president; Bud Alexander, second vice-president; Roy Chandler, secretary; Bill Taylor, treasurer; Lonzo Shields, sergeant-at-arms; and Howard Martin, chaplain. Chandler is serving his fifth term as secretary and Taylor is in the treasurer's office for a third term.

John Donley, outgoing president was honored as Civitan of the Year.

Faust, in his charge to the new officers, stressed the guiding principles of the Civitans as summed up in the Civitan Creed: "Whatsoever ye would that men should do unto you, do ye even so to them." Civitans pledge themselves to practice this Golden Rule and to build upon it a better and nobler citizenship.

Donley presided at the meeting attended by 90 members and guests.

In another Civitan activity, three rising-seniors at Murphy High School will be attending the Civitan Youth Conference beginning Sunday. They are Larry Hunsucker, Barbara Thompson and Naomi Sprung.

The conference, held at the L.D. Blumenthal estate "Wildacres" near Little Switzerland, N.C., is one of three held each June for rising seniors from high schools throughout North Carolina. It is dedicated to the development of youth leadership, citizenship and human relationship skills.

The Murphy students, in company with others attending the conference, will consider factors effecting good human relationships, along with leadership requirements and approaches best suited for resolving human conflicts. Inter-group relations will be considered through the exchange of a variety of points of view.

The Murphy Civitans have announced the awarding of two \$300 scholarships to recent graduates of Murphy High School. The winners were Carol Janell McRae and Ronald Carl Dockery.

Carol, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Harvey McRae of the Owl Creek community plans to begin her studies at Western Carolina College during the summer quarter. Ronald, the son of Mr. and Mrs. R.V. Dockery of Murphy has been accepted at Berea College for the fall quarter.

Since the scholarship project began, the Civitans have awarded over \$5,000 to graduates of Murphy High School. In the past, a single \$250 scholarship was granted, however, beginning with the present awards, the club is giving two \$300 scholarships each year. Nearly all the funds for the scholarships are raised through the club's fruitcake sales at Thanksgiving and Christmas.



CAROL McRAE AND RONALD DOCKERY were the winners of two \$300 scholarships awarded to graduates of Murphy High School by the Civitan Club.

Scout-Progress Plans Boys Baseball Clinic

By Red Schuyler

With the slow pitch league in full swing giving all those 16 years of age or older a chance to participate in a summer recreational program it appears that those under that age are left out.

It is our opinion that these, too, should be given some consideration and some means to be taken to insure that these young people participate in some sport during the summer months.

In the past we have had Little League and Babe Ruth League going but just after getting them off the ground and going, everything went poof.

We have two fine baseball parks in Murphy and it seems a shame that with these parks the kids between 10 and 15 do not have some kind of baseball program going for them. There are towns smaller than Murphy that don't even have one such playing field, but year in and year out they come up with Little League baseball teams.

Is it that we just don't care, or that we just haven't taken time to think about it, or we say let someone else do it? I prefer to think that it is just that we haven't taken time to think about it.

Each year the Cherokee Scout and Clay County Progress sends 15 boys to a camp in Ala. for two weeks at no expense to the boy. We don't like to toot our own horn and would prefer someone else doing it, but we can say that we know of no other organization, group, club or firm that does this in our area. We believe that our youth of today are our citizens of tomorrow. You are familiar with the saying "as the twig is bent so shall the limb grow." We further believe that

participation in sports during the early years plays an important part in later life. In order to be of more service to our young people, the Scout and Progress will hold a baseball clinic starting Saturday. Any boy between the ages of 12 and 15 that would like to attend is asked to report to the Fairgrounds ball park at 3 p.m. If you have a ball, bat or anything that can be used, bring that too.

We don't guarantee to make major league players out of you but we believe we can teach you the fundamentals and rules of the game.

Any adult interested in helping with this clinic is also asked to be present.

Ranger Rolls In Softball Action

Ranger posted its second straight win in the Murphy Softball Association Monday night by beating Rimco, 27-9.

A 14-run fifth inning clinched the victory for Ranger. Wayne Watson, Roger Sneed and Robert Smith belted home runs for the winners and catcher Chuck Johnson had a perfect night at the plate with five hits in five trips.

On Friday night, the Independents rolled over Tomlin 36-15.

Scout Managing Editor, Dave Bruce has asked scores of all teams to submit the scores to the Scout office on the morning following each game. Results this week are incomplete due to the fact that several games were not reported.

MURPHY CHAMBER PLANS BIG WEEK SWNC Development Group To Hold Meeting Here

The Southwestern North Carolina Economic Development Commission will hold its regular monthly meeting in Murphy on Monday. The Commission will be the guests of the Murphy Chamber of Commerce.

The dinner meeting will be held at 6:30 p.m. in the basement of the First Methodist Church.

The local Chamber has invited about 50 local citizens to meet with the Commission. The guest list includes the or dinaries of Towns, Union and Fannin Counties, Georgia.

The Georgia men have been invited so that the Commission can explore ways to work with North Georgia on projects of mutual interest to the two states. It is believed that a regional medical center for this area will be discussed. The six North Carolina counties represented by the Commission do not have the

population necessary to qualify for help under the Appalachia program to build a medical center. However, by adding the three Georgia counties, the population requirement could be met.

Local citizens are also expected to talk with the Commission about the proposed improvements at the Cherokee County Airport. The county commissioners are planning to hold a referendum on bonds for this work.

The Commission represents Cherokee, Clay, Graham, Swain, Jackson and Macon counties. Thus far it has received proposed projects from all of the counties except Cherokee and Graham.

At least three guests from out of the area have indicated they will attend the meeting. They include a representative from the Office of Economic Opportunity in Washington, John Hampton of Raleigh, Governor Moore's liaison man with the Commission; and Hugh Battle, Jr. of Sylva, field coordinator of the Commission.

Local leaders have expressed hope that this meeting will bring about a more effective working relationship between Cherokee County and the Commission. The six-county group can bring about faster approval of Appalachia

grants to the area. The Cherokee County members on the 18 man Commission are J.H. Duncan, Doyle Burch and Capt. Frank W. Swan.

Mayor Cloe Moore has proclaimed next week Chamber of Commerce Week in Murphy and the local chamber has several events scheduled to stimulate its growth.

On Tuesday evening at 7, a testimonial dinner will be held to honor past president W.D. Townson for his untiring efforts in securing industry here. Townson was instrumental in securing the local Levi Strauss plant in 1963 and he has worked closely with other industries seeking sites in the area. The dinner will be held at Milton Inn in Blairsville. Invitations have been sent to chamber members and other prominent businessmen and industrialists from this area.

The membership campaign workers will have a kick-off breakfast Wednesday at 8 a.m. at O'Dell's cafeteria. Final plans will be made at this meeting for the membership drive which will be held on Friday and Saturday.

The local Chamber of Commerce has become active again in recent weeks and seeks to fulfill its purpose by working full time at promoting the interests of Murphy and Cherokee County.

At a meeting of the Chamber Tuesday night, Virgil O'Dell was elected secretary of the board of directors. He replaces Larry Black who recently resigned. Hadley Dickey was elected a member of the board.

Superior Court

In Session Monday

Cherokee County Superior Court will be in session beginning Monday. Civil cases will be heard at this session with Judge Hugh B. Campbell presiding.

Jurors serving at this term will be receiving the new rate of \$7 pay per day. The old rate was \$5. The rate was raised by the county commissioners upon the recommendation of Clerk of Court Don W. Ramsey.

Ramsey said that the raise was needed to help compensate jurors who lose income while serving because their employers do not make up the difference between jury pay and their usual wages.

The jury list for this session consists of Oliver Douglas Beal, Mrs. Beryl Witt Fulton, A.J. Hembree, A.G. Quinn, S.P. Horowitz, Mrs. R.S. Bault, Clyde Patton, Holland McSwain, Margaret A. Gibbs and Charles C. Beal, all of Murphy; Willie Kendall Barnett, A.J. Barton, George Grady Allen, F.H. Little, James F. Hendrix and Gwin L. Arrowood, all of Murphy, Rt. 1, Wilson Phillips, Porter Oliver, John Frase, Howard Hall and Ralph Wilcox, all of Murphy, Rt. 2; Clifton Kephart and Earl Kephart both of Murphy, Rt. 3; Walter Douglas Brown of Andrews; W.L. Taylor and Clyde Williamson, both of Fanner, Tenn. Lee Coffey of Marble; James Edgar Newman and Charles F. Fox, both of Culberson, Rt. 2 and Frank Ashe of Brastown, Rt. 1.

Forest Workers Cited For Safety

Twenty three employees of the Tusquitee Ranger District were awarded pins Saturday evening for a total of 128 man-years of work without a lost-time accidents. The awards were made at a covered dish supper held at the headquarters in Bealtown.

Peter J. Hanlon, Forest Supervisor from Asheville made the awards. Hanlon expressed pleasure with both the safety record and the work in general done by the Tusquitee District employees.

Bunch Nugent received a pin for 31 years without a lost-time accident.

Charlie Allen, who retired recently was awarded a pin for 13 years without a lost-time accident.

The others receiving pins were: Harvey Stiles, 11 years; Walter Smith, nine years; Jack Thompson and Hoyt Dockery, eight years; Janice McCombs and Bailey Coleman, six years; Wade Hogsd, Chester Greene, and Jimmy Walker five years; Edwin Manchester, four years; John Waddell, Marvin Hall, Henry Chambers, Charlie Clonts, Ralph Rogers, Marshall Allen, William Kilpatrick, Gordon Stiles and Glen Beaver, three years; Lee McLelland two years; and Gay Ledford, one year.



THE FOREST SERVICE EMPLOYEES present to receive their Safety Awards last Saturday included (l to r): kneeling, William Kilpatrick, Jack Thompson and Charlie Allen; front row, Ralph Rogers, Forest Supervisor Peter J. Hanlon, Chester Greene, John Waddell and Jimmy Walker; back row, Wade Hogsd, Hoyt Dockery and Bunch Nugent.

Mallonee To Visit Area Wednesday

Tom L. Mallonee, assistant to Congressman Roy A. Taylor, is now making scheduled visits to the counties in the 11th Congressional District.

He will be in Cherokee and Clay Counties next Wednesday. Mallonee will be at the Andrews Town Hall from 9 to 9:30 a.m., City Hall in Murphy from 11 to 12 noon, and the Clay County courthouse in Hayesville from 3 to 4 p.m.