

Valley Happenings

GOSPEL SING
A Gospel Singing will be held at the East Black Mountain Freewill Baptist Church Saturday evening January 24 at 7:30 p.m.

Singers appearing on the program will be The Gethsemane Boys of Sylvia, The Robinson Family of Hickory, The Evangelistics of Maiden and The Brothers In Christ of Lenore.

The Rev. Gordon Walker, pastor and the congregation extend a cordial invitation to the public to join them in this service.

Kiwanis Essay Contest Winners

The Kiwanis Club is once more having students at Owen High School engage in an Essay Contest. The first winners of this were introduced and presented their Essays at last Thursday's meeting.

First prize winner was "Chip" Hudgins of Swannanoa, whose Essay follows and Clair Skidmore of Montreat who won second place.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY, AMERICA!
Happy birthday, America! Congratulations on two hundred years of "Life, Liberty, and the pursuit of Happiness."

Hello, America, how does it feel to be two hundred years old? How does it feel to have lived through two hundred years of wars, depressions, recessions, bad presidents, good presidents, times that were worse than bad, and times that were better than

good? How does it feel to be a great nation?

Remember, America, when you were just a few years old and not even a nation. yet, with strife and turmoil between your thirteen colonies and how a group of men got together and turned you into a nation? America, how about those years when no one stood beside you - years when everyone wanted nothing more than to pick up a piece of the broken nation. But you showed them that you could make it on your own.

Then came the wars. The Spanish American War, World War I, and World War II and when the wars were over, you emerged as a great nation, and remain so today.

So happy two hundredth birthday, America! May you have another two hundred years of "Life, Liberty, and the pursuit of Happiness."

Irene Wortham Center Inc. Offers

"Week-End Respite Care For Mentally Retarded"

The Irene Wortham Center, Inc., in Asheville, North Carolina, through the Blue Ridge Community Mental Health Center, has been awarded a grant from the Western Regional Office to provide a week-end respite care program for mentally retarded persons residing in the area served by the Western Regional Office of the Division of Mental Health Services.

The Week-End Respite Care Program will be available for a total of 18 week-ends through the end of the current fiscal year. The dates of the week-ends are attached. The hours of operation for each week-end will be from 4:00 p.m. on Friday up until 8:00 a.m. on Monday morning. The program will be located at the Irene Wortham Center, 916 West Chapel Road, Asheville. This service will be provided for 10 persons each week-end. There is no age limit restriction, nor a restriction on the severity of the handicap except in cases where more individual attention is required than the program allows (severe behavior problems) or where the individual requires more medical attention than the program provides. There will be no provisions within the program to care for individuals requiring nursing care.

Because these 10 persons must make prior arrangements for full week-end enrollment, there needs to be provisions for last minute emergency placements. For this reason, there are provisions within the staff-child ratio to allow for the admission of an additional 5 persons during the week-end for last minute emergency placement.

The primary purpose of the Week-End Respite Care Program is to provide im-

mediate week-end relief for families of a mentally retarded person, regardless of reason. Priority will be given to persons from families with a family crisis such as death, birth, illness of a family member, divorce or separation. However, the service will also be available for lesser events such as moving, a vacation or holiday trip, or immediate relief from the often arduous tasks related to the day-to-day management of the handicapped person. If space is available, and reservations have been made with the Center in advance, the person can be enrolled and the family do nothing more than stay at

home and rest, if this is their choice. The services each person will receive in the program will be commensurate with their needs. The primary services to be provided will be stimulation and attention to the individuals every day (emotional and physical needs, recreation, and nutrition). Services such as training, therapy, and medical treatment will not be provided. However, oral medication will be administered if prescribed and properly labled by a physician. Trained staff will be on duty. Meals and snacks will be prepared and served at the Center.

Craigmont Community News

By LIB HARPER

Mrs. Minnie Whittington spent the weekend in Durham and Greensboro with several of her children.

Mr. and Mrs. Wiley Woodruff spent some time recently in Marvin, N.C., with her parents.

Mrs. Eva Powell is in New Jersey this week due to business matters.

Mrs. Loraine Bracy of Cleveland, Ohio, accompanied by the daughter, Mrs. Nancy returned home on Sunday after spending several days here due to the death of her father, Clearence Moorehead.

Other out of towners attending the funeral were Howard Kennedy, Atlanta, Ga., Dr. William Moorehead, Fort Valley, Ga.; Willie Moorehead, Detroit, Mich., and Mrs. Emory Moorehead and two of her children of Evanston, Ill., and Mrs. Tiny Stafford, Detroit, Mich.

Mrs. Mable Lytle is visiting in New York with relatives. Mr. and Mrs. W. Marvin Hamilton are visiting this week in Cincinnati, Ohio, with their son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. William (Buddy) Hamilton.

Mrs. Mae Daugherty visited last week in Morganton, with her son William who recently underwent surgery at the Broughton Hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. Dotson Grey of Shelby, N.C., spent last Saturday with the Albert Harpers.

Mrs. Grace Greenlee of the Thomas Chapel AME Zion Church and Mrs. Willie Stepp and Mrs. Kitty Lawton of the Mt. Zion AME Zion Church, Montreat, attended the Missionary Mass meeting in Forest City last Friday.

Mrs. Jessie Lytle of the Thomas Chapel Church also accompanied the group.

Mr. and Mrs. Theodore Douglas recently visited in Winston Salem, with members of his family.

Simmons - Brown

Mr. and Mrs. Lee Simmons of Nebo announce the engagement of their daughter, Nancy Lee, to Richard Oliver Brown of Greensboro. He is the son of Mrs. John Brown of Swannanoa and the late Mr. Brown.

Miss Simmons is a senior at the University of North Carolina at Greensboro majoring in early childhood

education. Mr. Brown is a graduate of North Carolina State University with a B.S. degree in textile chemistry. He is employed by Cone Mills Research and Development as a textile chemist in Greensboro.

A June 5 wedding is planned.

Sympathy is extended to the family of the late Mr. Clearence Moorehead who was funeralized last Friday at the Mills Chapel Baptist Church of which he was a member.

Birthdays greetings to Miss Pamela Burgin, Keith Whittington, Rochelle Daniel, Mrs. Sadie Forest.

Mrs. Mary Willis recently visited in Trazewell, Tenn., with her mother, and other relatives.

Mrs. Peggy Stepp has returned home from the hospital following surgery several days ago.

Nelson Daugherty is a patient in St. Joseph's Hospital, Asheville, Room No. 909.

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Mrs. Gretchen Corbitt

Mrs. Corbitt's Book To Appear On Summer List

Gretchen Johnson Corbitt, of Ridgecrest, has signed a contract with Exposition Press of New York. Her book, "No Woman Had Gone," will appear on Expositions summer list and will sell for \$4.

The book is a true story Mrs. Corbitt says, and according to Exposition, is a warm account of how a young girl's love wins over the mountain people of Appalachia.

Gretchen is the wife of the Rev. John Corbitt, pastor of Grivestone Baptist Church, mother of four and grandmother of four.

She was named last year to

the Dictionary of International Biographies, the 12th Edition. Also to the International Who's Who of Musicians.

She is a teacher of General Music in grades K-6 in the McDowell School System in the following schools: West Marion, Glennwood, and North Cove. She has been in this school system for ten years.

In addition Mrs. Corbitt is Director of the West Marion Boys Choir and Vice-President of the McDowell Chapter of the North Carolina Symphony.

Life At Highland Farms

The two Norway spruce trees adorning B and E lounges during the holidays had been stripped of their ornaments and stood patiently waiting to be planted outdoors. This has been done as a gift from the Council to Highland Farms and may they flourish. In memory of Bertha Witwer, five woody plants were added to our landscape on January 16th. Two corkscrew willow shrubs were placed in front of the power - house and three tulip trees were positioned along the North - South walkways in the South Commons.

Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Team have just returned after spending a month in Lakeland, Fla. We hope that they have brought back some mild weather so that our building project can continue to make headway. Real progress has been made. You may have noticed the building being constructed here at Highland Farms. Three of the four sections are ready for the second story walls. Already the electricians have installed the first of many miles of conduit. Several feet of waste pipe have been buried by the plumbers. Furthermore, there will be 978 baseboard heaters, 72 fan-forced hot air heaters and 6 radiant heating panels controlled by 292 thermostats. The carpet to be installed would provide a three foot wide walkway from Highland Farms to Montreat. Not too long from now we will have an official ground-breaking ceremony and then more details will be available.

If anyone is seriously considering being the proud possessor of one of these new apartments it would be well to look into the matter soon as they are in great demand.

Mr. and Mrs. Orville Brouer were called away to Fort Worth, Texas due to the death of Mrs. Brouer's sister, Mrs. Roy Miller.

Arrangements have been made to have Mrs. Samuel Bingham, Regional Coordinator for Common Cause, speak on this subject on the evening of January 27th.

The book titled "Great Decisions '76" published by the Foreign Policy Association and covering the eight foreign policy issues facing the U.S., have arrived so that those who have one will be poring over it between now and the first meeting.

The Coffee Club will devote the remaining two meetings of this month to the following questions: "Should the people or the energy conglomerates control new sources of energy?" and "What has the 92nd Congress accomplished

in its first session?" It is not unusual these days to see new people about such as the building personnel and prospective tenants. This was Mrs. Marion Humphrey I passed in the hall, a guest of Lucille Forrest spending a few days here on her way home to Rock Island, Ill. from Florida. She and Lucille had been for many years co-workers at the Rock Island Arsenal before their retirement. Mrs. Humphrey is charmed with Highland Farms and wishes there were a place like it where she and so many of her friends live.

At our Social Hour last Friday - as we sat beside the fire, our knitting needles click-

clacking - one of the members of the group mystified us with her account of a happening here last fall. She had returned from a trip and had stopped by to see a friend who gave her an egg for breakfast. On leaving, she had taken the egg to her car and placed it carefully on the front seat. Realizing at that moment that she had left her purse behind, she retraced her steps and retrieved it. But, when she got back to the car, the egg was missing! A thorough but futile search was made. It was never found. Wouldn't you think by now this particular egg might have given us at least an olfactory clue as to its whereabouts?

Swannanoa Woman's Club Luncheon

The Swannanoa Woman's Club will have a Salad - Luncheon Meeting on Saturday Jan. 24th at 1 p.m. at the Clubhouse in Grovemont.

Guests are invited with emphasis on daughters of members as special "guests." Members are requested to bring a salad or a dessert. Beverage and rolls furnished by the club. Mrs. C. R. Stevens has charge of the luncheon arrangements.

The program will feature the Swannanoa Library also housed in the Grovemont facilities. A tour of the library is planned with Mrs. J. Herbert Doman, librarian, con-

ducting. The History of the Library and future plans will be discussed. Mrs. Selwyn D'Amico is chairman of the program.

A business meeting conducted by the president, Mrs. James B. Handie, will outline important club activities which are scheduled to take place in the next three months.

The Club plans to sponsor a Bicentennial.

Folk Festival for the Swannanoa Valley on March 26th at the Charles D. Owen High School auditorium. Plans in detail will be announced shortly.



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Girl Scout Cookie Sale In Progress

Western North Carolinians will get still another opportunity to order five delicious varieties of Girl Scout Cookies beginning January 23rd.

Each year girls throughout the country sell Girl Scout Cookies — which include mint, peanut butter sandwich, butter flavored, vanilla sandwich, and a new addition this year - peanut butter nuttle, to raise money for scouting activities.

Each troop in the Pisgah Girl Scout Council, which covers a 16-county area in Western North Carolina will receive ten - seventeen cents for each box sold. The price of each box is \$1.25. Other proceeds from the sale of Girl

Scout Cookies are used to supplement the funds received from the United Way and other local sources.

All monies raised by the council are used to develop programs in camping, arts and crafts and other character-building activities.

Anyone interested in placing an order for Girl Scout Cookies may contact a scout or leader they know. Residents may telephone 669-2120.

The Black Mountain - Swannanoa Girl Scouts will be taking orders for cookies January 23 through February 13. Support the Girl Scout Cookie Sale...it's a delicious thing to do.

Duplicate Bridge

Duplicate Bridge scores for January 13, 1976 are as follows:
North - South - 1. Mrs. Cliff Field - Mrs. W.W. White; 2. Mrs. R.T. Greene - Mrs. Max Woodcock; 3. Mrs. Bart

Bartholomew - Mrs. Lester Snyder.
East - West: 1. Mrs. E.E. White - Mrs. W.W. White; 2. Mr. and Mrs. Ray Baughman; 3. Mrs. Bolard Mure - Mr. Lester Dildine.

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You and your family are cordially invited to the formal opening of Penland & Sons Funeral Home at 125 South Avenue (Across from Swannanoa First Baptist Church) in Swannanoa: Friday, January 23rd - 3 p.m. to 8 p.m. Saturday, January 24th - 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. Sunday, January 25th - 2 p.m. to 6 p.m.

Mr. & Mrs. George A. (Ruth) Penland
Mr. & Mrs. Jerry T. (Janice) Penland
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