

Owen High Lights

mentioned before, Hi-Lites would like to produce to you each week a teacher that is at Owen High School. This week's teacher is Eugene Olinger Boyd. She is a new Health Occupations teacher. She moved here from New Orleans, and is originally from Chattanooga, Tenn. Boyd now lives in Swannanoa with her husband and their 12 year daughter. Boyd attended McKenize University and the University of Tennessee. Then she moved to Asheville Buncombe Technical Institute where she received her Associate Applied Science in Nursing. She is presently taking courses at NC State University at UNC-A campus. Before Boyd came to Owen High School, she was working at Memorial Hospital in the Intensive Care Unit. Mrs. Boyd says she loves teaching and everyone she has met seems friendly. Another club has been formed at Owen which is DECA. (Distributive Education Clubs of America). This educational youth organization plays a vital part in the school's Distributive Education Program. The activities of DECA are

designed to develop leadership qualities in its members. DECA is organized on the local, district, state, and national levels. Currently there are more than 5000 students in DECA in North Carolina. The students eligible for DECA are the ones who are enrolled in marketing or distributive education. The officers of this year's club are: Tommy Anderson, president; Jeff Wilson, vice-president; Karen Davidson, secretary; Theresa Allen, Treasurer; and Kevin Creasman, Historian.

Two students at Owen will be honored at a Rotary Club luncheon this month. These two students Mary Ann Myers, and Becky Loftis, were chosen by Owen's Scholarship Committee as Rotary Students for September and October. This is an honor. Mary Ann and Becky, congratulations.

The Bio-Chemistry and Advanced Biology classes went to a forum at UNC-Asheville on October 13. This forum was on the Biology of Aging. A different forum is held each week at UNC-A. Miss White and Miss McDuffie are planning to take full advantage of these forums

this fall.

Four of Owen's outstanding students have been nominated to compete for the Morehead Scholarships. These four students, Will Goure, Becky Loftis, James Love, and Mary Ann Myers, will compete with other students from Buncombe County for the scholarships to UNC-Chapel Hill. This award is for four years at Carolina, valued at \$12,000. Congratulations and good luck to these four. Carl Zeigler was recently named a National Merit Semi-Finalist. This is a great honor and requires an exceptionally high score on the PSAT. Carl will now compete nationally to become a finalist and be eligible for several scholarships.

Owen's Spanish Club, sponsored by Mrs. Budd, the Spanish teacher, has been organized and has elected new officers. The officers are: Marc Burmaster, president; Elizabeth McKay, vice-president; Troy Hopey, secretary-treasurer; and Kaye Creasman, reporter. Stephan Stock is in charge of the club's scrapbook. The meetings are held in order to establish a better understanding of the Spanish

language and the country's customs. These meetings often include Spanish meals, songs, and guest speakers. It seems that school has just

started and already one-sixth of it is over. Report cards came out October 7, just in case any of you parents have not received a report or heard

about it as yet. In case you haven't, now you know and you can start asking questions!



LT. DAVID STRICKLAND of the Swannanoa Fire Department enlisted the aid of a few Carver School students in a Fire Prevention Week demonstration at the school last week.

Satellite funding expected

by Fletcher Nelson Jr.

The Black Mountain Satellite Unit of the Western Carolina Center was surveyed last week by the State Office of Facility Services, which is part of the Department of Human Resources.

The survey was made under the regulations of Title XIX of the Social Security Act for Intermediate Care Facilities for the Mentally Retarded (ICFMR) to insure a facility receiving money under this act is in substantial compliance with the regulations.

There are 614 of these regulations. They cover everything from the width of the hallways to the level of direct care given to the residents.

The Parents Association was complimented during the survey for the help they had given in improving the unit. The unit was also complimented on its efforts with volunteers.

Edith Anderson, unit director for the Black Mountain Unit, commented on the survey, "It is very useful to have a group of professionals

such as the survey team look closely at the unit. Not only to point out those areas where we know we are deficient but also to point out areas where there are weaknesses."

Is the ICFMR money important? While the Center does not receive payments for all the residents at Black Mountain under this Federal plan, the \$455,868 received does constitute a substantial part of the Unit's budget. For the Western Carolina Center, as a whole, the ICFMR funds provide about half the budget, approximately \$6 million a year.

For all the help the ICFMR funds provide, more is needed and additional monies must come from the legislature. Dr. Iverson Riddle, director of Western Carolina Center, said he hopes that the legislature will appropriate additional funds to make both the Center in Morganton and the unit at Black Mountain better places for the citizens of our state than they already are. Funds will be needed to make certain changes in the building toward providing more privacy and more warmth to the environment, he said.

Black Mountain, while a part of the Western Carolina Center, is surveyed separately and will pass or fail on its own merits. The results of the survey will not be officially known for several weeks, although in the opinion of the staff the unit did pass the inspection.

In all likelihood the final decision will be "ICFMR certification" with a specific time to correct known deficiencies.

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- 4) Mail to: Black Mountain News, P.O. Box 8, Black Mountain, N.C. 28711
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