Patriotic celebration draws crowds

Fourth of July activities in Montreat and Black Mountain drew large crowds of participants throughout the long holiday weekend. The annual Montreat Fourth of July parade, led off by wailing sirens of emergency vehicles, included many imaginative homemade floats and costumes, Chimney Rock bagpipers, plaid banners and kilts. The parade began about 11 a.m., winding its way among hundreds of cheering onlookers for about 40 minutes.

A flag raising ceremony followed the parade, as did swimming in the Montreat pool, fishing and boating on Lake Susan, games and contests at Moore Center and an old-timers' softball game.

In Black Mountain, activities centered around Cherry Street Saturday afternoon where Spring Creek entertained with mountain music. A radio program was broadcast by an Asheville station from Cherry Street from 4-7

Street dances were the order of the evening with Carolina Bluegrass on Cherry Street and the Stoney Creek Boys in Montreat. The Spivey Mountain Cloggers led the dancers on Cherry

The Big Wise Sound Factory provided music until 1 a.m. for a dance at Lake Tomahawk sponsored by the Chamber of Commerce Economic Development Committee. About 50 attended.

Fireworks at Lake Tomahawk Sunday night were viewed by an enthusiastic crowd. Estimates of its size vary from several hundred to over a thousand. The 30 minute display drew applause from the audience, young and old.



This young man (above) had the best seat in the house for watching a Fourth of July parade and a little flagvaving on the side. (More photos on page 2)



Storm brings wind gusts over 70 mph

The skies darkened shortly before 5 p.m. with a storm that brought wind gusts over 70 miles per hour to the area but little rain.

Trees were reported down in many areas of the county. Black Mountain firemen and Carolina Power and Light crews were called to Vance Avenue, North Fork Road, Blue Ridge Road, Blue Ridge Assembly, N.C. 9 near Christmount, Assembly Drive in Montreat, Dougherty Street and Connally Street to remove trees which had fallen on power lines.

Several areas experienced power outages as a result of the storm. George Venturella of CP&L reported that Montreat, Montreat Road and other areas on the west side of town, the Blue Ridge Assembly area, Vance Avenue, Lytle Cove down to Swannanoa and up

Hydrants

If you notice some sediment in your

drinking water in the next couple weeks

it's nothing to worry about, according to

Black Mountain Fire Chief Gary Bart-

lett. Firemen will be testing fire

hydrants which may stir up some

The hydrants will be tested late at

night to allow settling by morning,

Chief Bartlett said. North Carolina law

requires that the hydrants be tested

tested

sediment.

once a year.

to the Beacon plant and the Broad River area were without electricity for several hours. All lines were back in service by 2 a.m., he said.

Two line trucks, two service trucks, two M.B. Haynes crews and two tree crews worked on the downed lines. "We had out about everything we could find," Venturella reported. He said the trees that fell were unusually large trees requiring an hour to two hours to remove.

The storm briefly interrupted the Fourth of July celebration in Black Mountain and Montreat.

Chamber concert Saturday

It will be the 13th season for the Swannanoa Chamber Players when they open their 15-concert season

with an 8 p.m. Saturday concert at Warren Wilson College. The series will end August 8.

Major works to be performed are: the Brahms Quintet for clarinet and strings, the Beethoven Quintet for clarinet and strings, and the Beethoven Quintet for piano and winds.

Other composers included in the program include Bach, Bartok, Bridge, Caravan, Dvorak, Haydn, Hummel, Mozart, Schubert, Spohr, Stravinsky, Telemann and Villa-Lobos.

An added attraction for the Saturday night Warren Wilson College concerts, the "Bach's suppers," have a new wrinkle this year. The "BYOP" (Bring Your Own Picnic) occasion will begin at 6:30 p.m. in the Tryon Amphitheatre adjacent to the Kittredge Arts Center Auditorium on the campus.

Guest artists this year will be Craig M. Brown and Carol Feuer. Brown, who plays double bass, is the principal bass of the Northwood Symphonette, He is also section bass with the N.C. Symphony and studied at the University of Michigan. Feuer, violinist, is the concert mistress of the Suffolk Symphony. A member of the Orchestra de Camera and I Solisti da Camera, she is a graduate of the Julliard School Pre-College Division and Bennington Col-

Season tickets are \$20; individual tickets are \$5. Pre-concert courses in chamber music appreciation are offered at Warren Wilson College. For details call the college, 298-3325, ext. 228.

The same concerts are also played at Blue Ridge Technical College in Hendersonville and at the United Methodist Church in Spruce Pine.

David Nache to judge Art League photography contest

The Spivey Mountain Cloggers led the dancing Saturday night on Cherry

The Swannanoa Valley Art League announced that David Nache, professional photographer, will be the judge of its 1982 photographic competition.

Street. (Photo by Bill Studenc)

Nache first came to the Swannanoa Valley in 1941 when he was a patient at Moore General Hospital. During his convalescence he met Gray Stephens and became interested in photography. in 1945 he left the hospital with a professional skill and a wife, the former Elsie Kerlee who had been working there as a medical secretary.

They relocated in Silver Spring, Maryland, where he opened a photographic studio that was to become most successful. Among his subjects for photographic portraits were Presidents Kennedy and Nixon, Allan Dulles, Perle Mesta, Marjorie Meriweather Post, and Prince Ali Khan.

He also photographed then Prince Juan Carlos of Spain when he arrived at Annapolis as a midshipman on a sailing ship. With a wry smile, Nache suggested that perhaps he got the job of photographing the prince at a number of official functions at the naval academy because he was the only area professional photographer who spoke

He photographed many of the universities in the area; among them Catholic University, George Washington and his favorite, Caludet College, a special school for the deaf and dumb.

After 14 years, he gave up his studio and went to work for the Department of Agriculture in Washington, D.C. Several years after that he was transferred to that agency's Asheville office where he did aerial photography.

When that facility was combined with an already existing one in Salt Lake family resided there, his wife taught

In 1980 he retired from government service and returned to the Swannanoa Valley and property off the North Fork Road. There he is busy clearing areas that are going to be suitable backgrounds for the outdoor photographic studio he plans to open next spring. He is a man full of energy and his eyes sparkle with enthusiasm for this new venture.

Nache and his wife have five children who attended Valley schools.

Any amateur photographer is eligible to enter the contest. The entry date is this Friday, July 9, between 10 a.m. and 6 p.m. Judging will be done on Saturday. The exhibit will be open to the public during regular library hours from Monday, July 12-Sunday, July 24. Entry forms with complete details are still available at the check-out desk of the Black Mountain Public Library where entries should be submitted.



David Nache touches up the frame for "The Actor," which will be on exhibit in the photography show.



CP&L crews worked until 2 a.m. cleaning up fallen trees on Connally (above), Vance (right) and several other areas. (Photos by Bill Studenc, Dennis Harris)

