

Head Start To Host Circus

Cleveland County Head Start program will sponsor Allan C. Hill's Great American Circus. The all new circus will be arriving in Shelby shortly after dawn on Wednesday, April 5, bringing with it all the fun, fanfare, thrills, excitement, color, sounds and smells of a real old time circus. This colorful caravan brings to you its daring and unusual performances, wild animals and the always menacing and wacky clowns. By 8 a.m. this small city on wheels of 15 tractors, trucks and trailers will be erected at the Cleveland County fairgrounds. The show will be alive with activity as tangled ropes, electric cables, and wire rigging are unloaded onto the fairgrounds. The familiar smell of fresh brewed coffee emanates from the cookhouse as 16,000 square feet of canvas is

unrolled from the huge "Spool Wagon" and the stakes laid, while men and harnessed elephants pull together to raise the 200 by 110 foot big top. Soon the fairgrounds is transformed into a magical self sufficient city of rides, concessions, side shows, tents, banners, balloons and sweet smelling popcorn as crew, animals and performers prepare for the evening performances.

A telephone campaign is now being conducted by the Head Start program offering children's tickets. Citizens will be asked to purchase a book of tickets which will send a number of less fortunate and special needs children to the circus. With each purchase made Head Start will provide a family ticket which allows a family of two adults and three children to enter

the circus for only \$10.00 Head Start presently has requests for an excess of 2000 tickets. Tickets purchased by phone will be mailed along with an invoice and a self addressed envelope and purchasers will be requested to return any tickets they cannot use and a check to Head Start. Ticket prices on circus day will be: Adults, \$9.00 and Children, \$5.00. The Great American Circus has only one price for seats.

The Cleveland County Head Start program will use funds generated by sponsorship of the circus to financially enhance its federally funded program. Twenty percent of its budget must come from local source and a fund raising effort such as this is one way in which this may be accomplished. Head Start has been active in Cleveland County for over twenty years and works with those children who have special needs or come from less fortunate families. Head Start works within the school system throughout Cleveland County in the areas of medical, dental, educational and family and environmental needs.

The public can help the Cleveland County Head Start program by attending a performance of the Great American Circus when it rolls into Shelby on Wednesday, April 5. There will be performances at 5:30 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. A third performance will be held if ticket sales warrant.

For more information contact: Patti Norman, Head Start Director (739-8816), or Don Donaghy, Ticket Sales (480-6400).

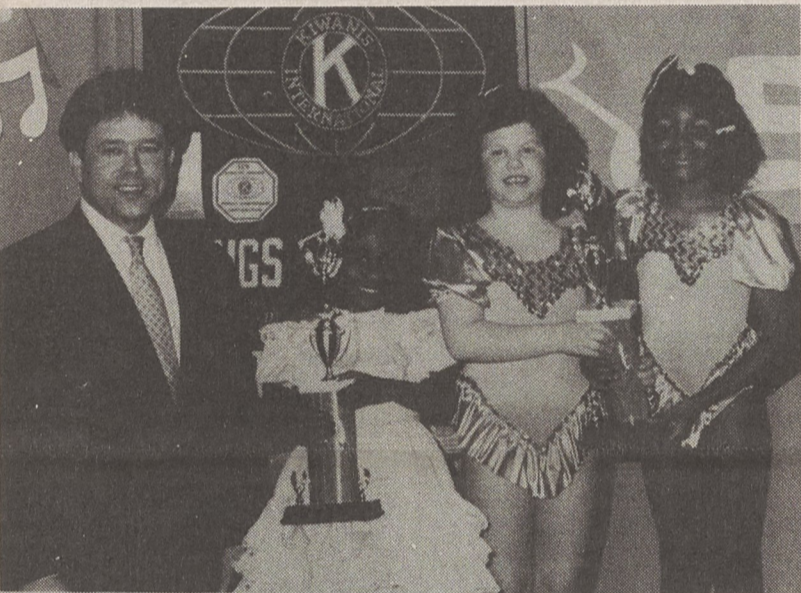
"An authorized representative will deliver tickets to businesses and will be able to identify themselves with a signed letter from the Head Start director. Do not give money to anyone without this identification. It is best to pay by check. All businesses and residents will first be contacted by phone. Please feel free to call either number listed for assistance," Mrs. Norman said.



BOOK CHARACTERS - Mrs. Evelyn Kiser's third grade students recently dressed as book characters to present book reports. The students pictured are first row, left to right, William Mote as a soldier from "Stone Soup;" Becky Jo as Hetty from "Down, Down The Mountain," Jennifer Davis as Annie from "Annie and the Old One." Back row, Mandy Wheeler as Peter Rabbit; Hannah Cartee as Annie from "Annie and the Old One," Darin Brown as Mike Mulligan from "Mike Mulligan and the Steam Shovel," and Clay Gardner as Johnny Appleseed.



WIN TALENT SHOW - Brian King and Will Mauney, left, won the fourth-fifth grade division and Virginia Hamilton and Erica Randall, right, won the sixth-seventh grade division in last week's elementary schools talent show at Barnes Auditorium.



TALENT WINNERS - Billy King, left, of the Kings Mountain Kiwanis Club is pictured with winners of the kindergarten and first-second grade divisions in last week's Talent Show. Second from left is Kristen Feemster, the K-1 winner, and right are Candace Wallace and Kimberly McDaniel, the second-third grade winners.

Elementary Talent Show Held Last Thursday Night

The Kings Mountain Kiwanis Club's annual elementary schools talent show was held Thursday at B.N. Barnes Auditorium.

Kristen Feemster sang "Move on up the Mountain" to win the kindergarten-first grade division. Other contestants were Beth Bumgardner, David Camp, Chanac Cole and Becky Dodge.

Candace Wallace and Kimberly McDaniel danced to "Five Foot Two" to win the second-third grade division. Others participating were Summer Crisp, Joy Dixon and Liana Owens, Kazi Jones and Christine Sanders.

Will Mauney and Brian King played a piano and drum duet,

"Whiter Shade of Pale", to win the fourth-fifth grade division. Others in the division were Kelli Griggs and Crystal Rowland, Amber McGill, Mindy Reynolds and Annie Roberts.

Virginia Hamilton and Erica Randall danced to "Wipeout" to win the sixth-seventh grade division. Other participants were Leanne Farris, Amber Jordan, and Brandon Wood.

Special entertainment was provided by Tiffany Ramsey and the North School Cloggers.

The junior high-high school division will be held March 16 at 7:30 p.m. at B.N. Barnes Auditorium. Admission is two dollars.

Bethware Students Thank Donald Duck For Visit

(ED. NOTE: Donald Duck visited Bethware School during Dental Health Week last week. Below are some thank you letters which students in Nancy Hughes' and Hilda Kiser's classes wrote Donald).

Dear Donald Duck,
Thank you for coming to our class. I liked everything that you brought. I liked your suit too. I like the skull most of all, but I like you.
Love, Mary Ramsey.

Dear Donald Duck,
Thank you for coming to our class. I liked the skull and the tooth

chair. But the best of all was the x-ray. I hope you will come to our classroom again one day. I love you, Donald Duck.
Steven Ray.

Dear Donald Duck,
Thank you for coming to our class. I like your skull. I liked your x-ray.
Love, John Mull.

Dear Donald Duck,
Thank you for coming to our class. Thank you for everything. I like your costume.
Love, Katie Stowe.

Registration Set At Gaston College

Dallas...Gaston College will register students for the spring quarter on March 9, 10, and 13 at both Dallas and Lincolnton campuses.

New and returning students may register from 8:00 a.m. to 7:30 p.m. on March 9 and 13, and from

8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., on March 10. Registration at the Dallas campus will take place in the Myers Center cafeteria.

For more information, call 922-6214 (Dallas) or 735-0487 (Lincolnton).

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