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16 Bands From East And West Will Compete In Biggest Blue Devil Classic

Mooresville will once again come alive with the sounds, colors and excitement delivered by high school bands during the sixth annual Blue Devil Classic Oct. 17.

The band contest, sponsored by the Mooresville Blue Devil Band Boosters and the Mooresville High School Band, will begin at 4:15 p.m. at Mooresville Stadium behind Junior High.

This year's event promises to be the best yet, according to Bruce Boyles, director of the Senior High band. Boyles said 16 bands, each performing their competition field shows for spectators and the panel of judges, are scheduled to take part in this year's Classic.

Each band will present a 10-minute show on the stadium field. Bands will be judged for performances in several categories with winners being recognized in each of three band classes.

Boyles said the 16 bands entered in

this year's competition have been divided into classes according to the number of playing members.

Bands competing in class C, with 59 or fewer playing members, will be Cherryville, A.C. Reynolds from Asheville, Statesville and Wilkes Central.

Class B competitors, with 60 to 79 playing members, will be Newton-Conover, Bandys, North Mecklenburg, South Point from Belmont, West Lincoln, Independence from Charlotte, and Burns from Shelby.

The largest bands, those with 80 or more playing members, will compete in class A. Class A bands will be Myers Park from Charlotte, Central Cabarrus, East Mecklenburg and Goldsboro.

The fact that bands from the east (Goldsboro) and the west (Asheville) decided to take part in the Blue Devil Classic is a positive sign that the local contest has earned a good reputation, Boyles said.

He said the efforts by band

boosters along with the support from individuals and businesses in the community have made the Classic one of the most popular high school band competitions in the state.

"I am extremely excited about the number and quality of the bands that have entered this year," Boyles said. "This will be our biggest Classic yet and I think that is a credit to the hard work and organization of our boosters, students, parents and the staff of the local schools."

"Band directors know that when they come to the Classic they can expect a well-organized and supportive group of folks to work with," he added.

Boyles said the six-year-old Classic has grown in popularity each year and that last year more than 6,000 people visited Mooresville to attend the band contest. He said the

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Board Approves Annexation Of Mooresville Marketplace

The Mooresville Marketplace is now officially a part of Mooresville.

At Monday's town board meeting, the board voted unanimously to approve the annexation of the 14.5-acre site where the Mooresville Marketplace will be built. Trammel Crow Company of Charlotte, the developers of the shopping center complex, requested the annexation.

Land clearing on the site, at the intersection of West McLeiland Avenue and Plaza Drive, is just about completed and construction is scheduled to begin next week, according to Sam Allison, a Trammel Crow representative who attended Monday's meeting.

Allison said the shopping center project is progressing right on schedule and that the Mooresville Marketplace should be ready to open early next year.

"Right now, we are right on target and should be ready for business by

the first of March 1988," Allison said.

The new shopping center will feature a Winn-Dixie food store and a Wal-Mart variety store. One other business, McGuffey's Old-Fashioned Ice Cream and Frozen Yogurt, will also be housed at the local shopping center.

Allison said Trammel Crow is in the process of contacting other businesses about locating in the 110,000-square-foot complex.

One of the biggest jobs associated with the Mooresville Marketplace was preparing the site. Tons of earth had to be moved and holes had to be filled in to make the site suitable for construction.

"There was a lot of work involved in clearing the site, but now we've got it flat as a table and ready for construction to start," Allison said.

At Monday's meeting, there was

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Iredell Erased; Rowan Still On State's Waste Site List

Iredell County is off the hook, but two sites in the Piedmont are still being considered as potential sites for North Carolina's hazardous waste treatment facility.

At a meeting last week, the North Carolina Hazardous Waste Treatment Commission decided to eliminate all but two sites from the list of possible waste treatment facility sites. The remaining two sites are in Rowan and Davidson counties.

The Iredell site on the list, a 200-plus-acre tract inside the 348-acre Crawford Industrial Park just north of Statesville, was among 13 sites removed from consideration by the commission at last Thursday's meeting.

Iredell County residents, as expected, voiced strong opposition to locating the treatment facility in the county during a late September public meeting held by the commission in Statesville. The fact that the Iredell site is near Davis Community Hospital was one of the major complaints stated by county residents.

Other sites removed from consideration were located in Davie,

Rockingham, Durham, Guilford and Lincoln counties (Lincoln County had three sites among the final 15).

But while residents in Iredell and these other counties are breathing easier, residents of Rowan and Davidson counties are still on the offensive. Five sites in Rowan County were among the final 15, but Rowan residents were not pleased that only four out of the five were removed from consideration. The remaining Rowan site is the 264.4-acre Della Cauble property.

The Davidson County site still being considered was one of two Davidson sites added to the commission's list at the last minute. The property still being considered is a 244-acre tract on Clark Road.

The two remaining sites, however, may have company in the near future. Commission members, when announcing their decision, said other sites may be added to the list of potential treatment facility sites.

The commission will meet again Nov. 12 to decide whether or not other sites should be considered. No deadline for making a final decision has been set, but the commission is

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Affirmative Action Plan Approved

The paperwork creating an updated affirmative action plan for the town of Mooresville has been completed and approved.

Members of the town board voted unanimously to adopt the proposed affirmative action plan during Monday's regular monthly meeting.

During the meeting, Town Manager Rick McLean said the town has been honoring affirmative action guidelines for several years, but he explained that for grant applications and for participation in state and federal programs, it is important for the town to have a written outline of the plan "on the books."

"We have affirmative action guidelines," McLean told the members of the board during the meeting, "but they need to be brought up to date. As far as I'm

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Inside This Week

—In an annual gesture to honor National 4-H Week, the Mooresville Tribune offers a 20-page tabloid salute to Iredell County's 4-H'ers.

—Mooresville's Devilettes paint a perfect ending to their volleyball season and earn the right to advance into state postseason play, section one, page 13. More sports, pages 12, section two, pages 2-3, section three, pages 3-6.

—Trip to historical Abington, Va., proves delightful for a 44-member Mooresville group, story and pictures in section four, on pages 6-7.

Spoils Of Junior High's National Academic Success

It was quite a weekend for Dr. Sam Houston, school superintendent, and, in turn, it was quite a honor for the Mooresville Board of Education Tuesday night. Houston, at far left, was accompanied by Buddy Guin, Mooresville Junior High principle, on a trip to Washington, D.C. over the weekend to take part in a White House ceremony acknowledging that school as one of only 271 in the nation earning exemplary academic status from the U.S. Department of Education. An "Excellence In Education 1986-87" flag and a distinguishing plaque were the symbols presented to the Mooresville representatives. Tuesday night at the board's monthly meeting, Houston displayed the honors to board members. Frank Fields, board chairman, helps Houston with the plaque, while Mildred Miller and Dr. Gary Roach show off the flag. Junior High becomes Mooresville's second school to earn such recognition in the past two years, joining Park View Elementary in that regard.

Fall Leaf Pick-Up Now Underway

Fall is never a dreary season in Mooresville because plenty of leaves definitely fall.

And the town's street department employees began, as of Monday, following a carefully mapped out course in their efforts to gather the properly-placed raked piles of tree droppings.

According to Frankie White, Mooresville's director of public

works, and Ned Mills, town street superintendent, three months of leaf-loading detail cranked up early this week and will continue through Dec. 31.

The leaf pick-up crews will be covering a route that includes 43 miles of Mooresville streets, and White cautioned citizens not to be alarmed or voice concern when these crews arrive in their par-

ticular neighborhoods in random fashion.

"We are basically at the mercy of the leaves," White said from his West Moore Ave. office late last week. "The more of them that fall in one particular area, the more time we will have to spend there collecting them. There's no way we can say where we will be on a certain day. All I can say is, if there are leaves in front of your yard, we'll get to them."

White explained that the leaf pick-up route is divided into four sections. Two crews are dispatched in different directions, one starting in section one and the other in section four, and work their way back toward each other.

The cycle begins again once they cross paths.

"It more or less depends on the workload," added White, "as to when we complete the cycle."

The area in and around the Cascade neighborhood constitutes section one. Section two covers the Church and Pine Street areas back toward Center Avenue. The area between Center and Eldredge makes up section three, while the Lowrance, Pinewood Circle and Wilson areas form section four.

The leaf pick-up policy remains the same as when the town's trash collection ordinance was adopted back in November of 1958.

Only those leaves and pine needles placed in piles immediately back of street curbs will be picked up.

Residents are urged not to pile the leaves on the streets. This will prevent the clogging of street drains and catch basins, which are also maintained by the 40-employee public works department, that

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Town's Growth Creates Need For Zoning Officer Position

As a town grows, so does the emphasis on zoning. For that reason, Mooresville's government structure has a new position: zoning enforcement officer.

At Monday's town board meeting, the job description for a full-time zoning enforcement officer was added to the town's job list. It replaced the position of administrative assistant.

Erskine Smith will begin his duties

as the town's zoning enforcement officer Monday. Smith replaces Randy Kerr, who was the administrative assistant before taking a job with Duke Power Company.

At Monday's meeting, Town Manager Rick McLean explained that the issues concerning zoning in Mooresville have made the zoning officer's position a full-time job.

Shelly Williamson with the Central Council of Governments has been overseeing the town's zoning operations for the last few months. Williamson was at Monday's meeting and commended the board for creating the full-time post.

"I've seen first-hand the duties the zoning officer has," Williamson said, "and I think hiring a full-time zoning administrator is a good move the way Mooresville is growing."

In his new post, Smith will be responsible for making sure the town's zoning regulations are followed. He will also be able to conduct on-site zoning inspections to make sure structures and property uses comply with buffer

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Fall Crafts Festival At WM Nov. 7-8

Mooresville's Working Fingers Festival will be held Nov. 7 and 8 at the War Memorial.

Sponsored, as in years past, by the Mooresville Recreation Department, the crafts show and sale will be open to the public, Saturday, Nov. 7, from 10 a.m. until 5 p.m., and Sunday, Nov. 8, from 1 p.m. until 5 p.m.

And, judging from interest being shown in the traditional fall project, this year's festival will be the biggest and best ever, according to Mrs. Wanda McKenzie, who is serving as coordinator of the two-day event.

Mrs. McKenzie is director of the women's activities for the Mooresville Recreation Department.

The entire War Memorial, including the gymnasium, will be used to house the festival.

Some 90 exhibitors, manning more than 60 booths, will be showing and selling their wares. Some 25 of the

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Deal Going To Lenoir County Job

Wayne Deal, Iredell's county manager since early 1982, has resigned, effective Dec. 31, in order to accept a similar position in Lenoir County.

Deal announced his resignation last Friday.

"The decision is purely a personal one," Deal said.

"Both Sherron (Mrs. Deal) and I have a desire to be near our families."

Deal, a native of Edgecombe County, says the Lenoir County seat of Kinston will place them within 35 miles of their families.

"My years as your county manager have been most enjoyable," Deal stated.

Deal came to Iredell County after serving as county manager and finance officer in Hertford County for 7 1/2 years.

Deal, 44, holds a bachelor's degree in business administration from East Carolina University at Greenville.

He and his wife, Sherron, have two

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Uncle Dan From Doolie Says:

DEAR MISTER EDITOR:

The fellers got into somepup of a medical seminar Saturday night at the country store. It didn't take them long to discuss a heap more than they know about this 'peticular science, but none of them ever has been bothered with their reach extending beyond their grab, so they went right on pooling their ignorance.

It was Bug Hookum, fer instant, that raised the question wuther new diseases keep coming along or old diseases keep gitting discovered. Bug said he had thought the situation up one side and down the other, and he was more fer creation than evolution, but he stopped short of believing that everything there is has allus been like it is.

All the same, Bug said, it's easy to see where Alltime's Disease use to hide behind different names, like old age and senility. It might be, he went on, that AIDS has been killing people forever, but nobody knew what it was so all kinds of ailments got the blame. Right now, Bug allowed, doctors know there is a disease called lupus that gives signs of other ailments. It takes a special test to show if a person has lupus or flu or arthritis or whatever it is pertaining to be.

Actual, Zeke Grubb said, that probable is the answer. Diseases are limited only by medicine's ability to find em and name em. They've allus been, but they never use their real name when they rob and kill. Farthermore, Zeke declared, he has noticed that finding and naming a disease is like any other invention. Pritty soon we got a hole industry built around it. It's hard to relize today that folks could git a handle on how the economy was doing even before there was cars to sell.

The fellers were general agreed with Zeke, and Clem Webster was

foursquare behind the industry part. He said it's a plain fact that modern, well insulated homes give us new hazards to our health like radon gas and formaldehyde in plastic we make everything out of. The ozone has allus been there fer sure, Clem said, but now that we know what it is and we're worried we're going to run out of it. So what happens, Clem noted, is that onct the danger is identified all kind of new products hit the market to help us handle it. No sooner do we hit on floride fer cavities and stuff to fight plack than we are told our teeth are okay but if we don't do somepun quick our gums are gone, so here come more products, was Clem's words.

Ed Doolittle set through all he could stand, so he got the floor with a clipping he said proved new diseases happen because we keep coming up with new causes fer em. He had saw where a boy overseas lost touch with reality and doctors say he has come down with the world's first case of computer syndrome. In the old days before kids learned nothing really happens that ain't on television, Ed said, doctors would have said the boy had lost his mind. But now they got a cause so they got a contagious disease you catch if you mess with computers.

Immediate, Ed said, you know the defense them kids in West Germany will put up fer using computers to break into NASA's computer and steal secrets. It will be the same as the drunk driver that caught a disease from a bad diet. All the kids have computer syndrome so bad they didn't know what they were doing.

Personal, I see a computer syndrome epidemic coming and a new industry to fight it before we all turn into robots.

Yours truly,
Uncle Dan

Morehead Advance For Vargas

Three Iredell County high school seniors—including Ricardo Vargas, a student at Mooresville Senior High School—have advanced to district competition for John M. Morehead scholarships to the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill.

The other two are Michael Cathey, a student at Statesville Senior High School, and Joseph Trivette, a student at North Iredell High School.

Announcement of the three Iredell finalists was made Tuesday by R.A. Collier Jr. of Statesville, Senior Resident Superior Court Judge of the 22nd Judicial District.

Collier is chairman of the Iredell County Selection Committee for the Morehead Scholarships.

Vargas, son of Mr. and Mrs. Rigoberto Vargas of 439 Hillside Dr., Mooresville, has been a representative of the Student Council at Mooresville Senior High School for

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ABC Report For Quarter And Year

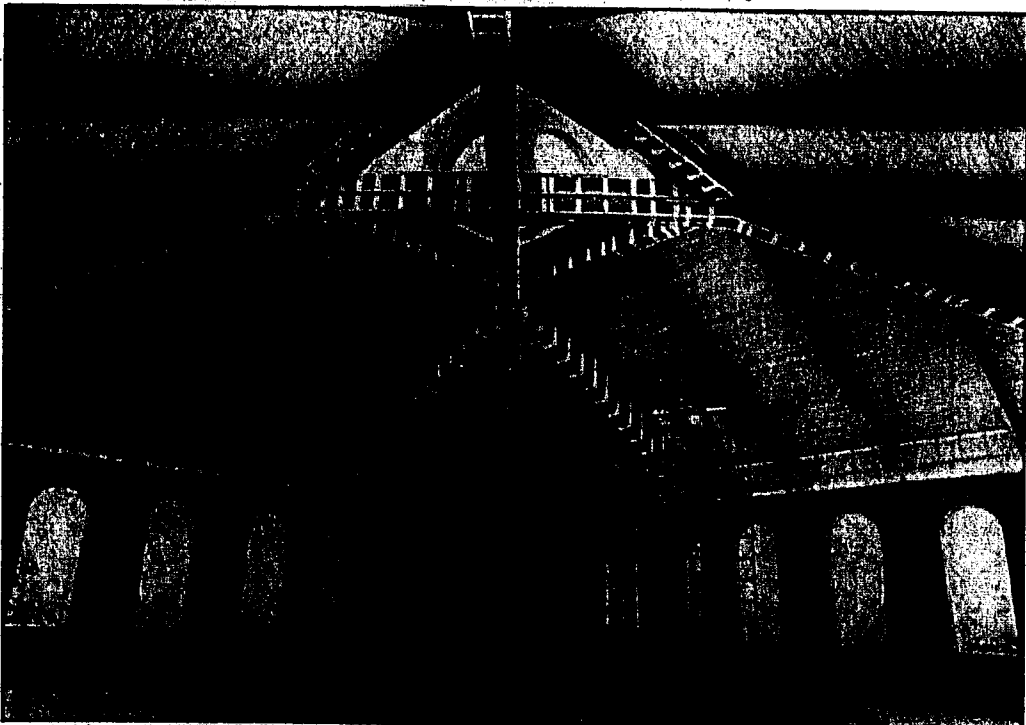
During the fiscal year ending June 30, the Mooresville ABC store earned \$165,280 on sales totaling \$1,363,011. Net income and business volume were up slightly from the 1985-86 accounting period.

Of total revenue for the year, \$41,446 was registered during the April-June quarter. This figure, too, was up from the comparable three months of 1986.

Lewis Mack is chairman of the Mooresville Alcoholic Beverage Control Board that oversees operations of the town's one hard-liquor outlet on West Iredell Avenue at Plaza Drive. He released sales-and-earnings figures this week after receiving a regular quarterly statement from the board's accountants.

Mack said \$45,000 of store profits was disbursed to town government for distribution to its general fund and to Mooresville and county schools. He said the healthy equity

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Inside The Sanctuary Of The New St. Therese

The congregation of St. Therese Roman Catholic Church will celebrate Christmas in this sanctuary in its new home on Brawley School Road. The pulpit-altar area is in center of this view of the skylit worship center that can accommodate 350 persons. The sanctuary is part of a 25-acre parish complex that contains a rectory that will be ready for occupancy early next month. Stained-glass windows from the former church at 761 North Main St. will be used in the new facility. The 1.6-acre North Main property—church, rectory and education building—have been sold to three separate interests. Beginning Sunday, St. Therese members will worship at Central United Methodist Church here. Mass is planned at 9 a.m., followed by Sunday school. Central will continue sharing its facilities until the new Roman Catholic church is available.