

Town Insured For Another Year After Securing Liability Policy

In 1988, Mooresville will spend nearly \$130,000 for a service town officials hope never gets used.

During Monday's meeting, the Mooresville Town Board accepted a general liability coverage plan for the town that raised the town's total insurance bill for the upcoming year to \$128,000.

As the town's old liability policy expired, the board okayed a

coverage plan offered by Charter House, Inc. through Pless-Haire Insurance Agency in Mooresville. The general liability policy carries a \$57,855-a-year premium.

That teamed with the town's \$40,535-a-year automobile coverage, provided by Employer's Mutual (also through Pless-Haire), and an additional \$30,000 for policies covering the fire department and

public officials raised Mooresville's investment in protection to the \$128,000 mark.

The town board accepted the Charter House liability policy after considering its options. The board held a special meeting Nov. 30 to purchase the automobile coverage because the old policy's coverage ended Dec. 1. At that meeting, board members voted to delay a decision on general liability coverage until more information could be obtained.

Monday, with an agreement ironed out, the board voted to accept the Charter House offer, not too long before the deadline for the town's old general liability policy.

The \$128,000 insurance bill, when compared with town insurance five

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Centralina To Coordinate Grant Project

The Centralina Council of Governments will oversee the renovation and rehabilitation project planned in the Ashe Street, Ashe Alley and School Street neighborhood in Mooresville.

Monday night, the Mooresville Town Board awarded the contract for administrative duties pertaining to the project to Centralina, which turned in the only bid for the job.

The contract calls for Centralina to receive \$56,500 for its duties in overseeing the project, which is being funded through a Community Development Block Grant.

The project will involve the renovation and rehabilitation of houses in the neighborhood as well as work on the streets.

Earlier this year, the town's request for CDBG funds for the

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Lakeside Park's annual Christmas party comes complete with nature-assisted snow, section one, page 9.

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Uncle Dan From Doolie Says:

DEAR MISTER EDITOR:

It's allus said that everything that goes around comes around, and Ed Doolittle come with more evidence during the session at the country store Saturday night. He had saw where ugly rights is back in the news. This come up 14 year ago, Ed said, when Congress passed the Rehabilitation Act to try and do away with employment discrimination.

When happened then, Ed told the fellers, is that civil rights in general and women rights in particular got the headlines, and the "facial discrimination," as they were called so as not to hurt their feelings, got sidetracked. Ed said he was thumbing through a magazine in the doctor's waiting room, last week when he come across word of the ugly rights revival.

A column writer says a young clerk to a U.S. District Court of Appeals judge has took it on himself to champion the homely handicapped. Never mind race, sex, creed and the rest, if you have reason to think your weak chin had anything to do with you not getting the job, he'll take your case. Ed said the piece didn't say if the lawyer was busy in his special field, but fer sure a claim of violating ugly rights would be fun to watch in court.

Fer instant, he said, start with jury selection. Will the homely handicapped's lawyer want a jury of his client's peers, or will he figger a panel of pretty people is more apt to feel sorry for the poor ugly feller? Will the defendant side insist on 12 hard ugly, hard working people on grounds they will think if they got past the personnel manager the feller's that's using could to.

Then, Ed went on, there's the expert witnesses both sides will bring in. With all the trouble pretty

secretaries have been causing in high places lately, Ed said, it's bound to be easier to make a case fer ugly as a asset than to see a woman paying good money fer somebody to come to court and rate her a 10 on the ugly scale.

Actual, broke in Zeke Grubb, the hole idea ain't as crazy as it sounds. He had saw where musicians trying out fer jobs play behind screens so they can be judged by their music and not by their looks. But if bad teeth and flysway ears are handicaps, Zeke ask, what about fat, short and bald? From what we've seen of racism and sexism, Zeke said, where are we going to find a stopping place fer looksism?

Practical speaking, Clem Webster allowed, ugly equality has as much chance now as it had when the Rehabilitation Act was passed. Fer the revival to git going, the lawyers and the courts are going to need guidelines, and this means 400 pages of Government gobbledook. Congress will have to set up a agency like it done fer poverty, and folks will have to be hired and trained to measure ugly so they can declare a person official ugly and eligible fer legal assistance if he falls under the minimum looks level.

The way Congress is going, Clem said, don't look fer even a guidelines committee during the upcoming election year. After 500 witnesses and 300,000 documents, the best they could do on the Iran-Contra mess last month was another set of majority and minority reports that made us feel like the football game we've been watching a year is still tied. Going into the fall season, we got Reagan, Wright or wrong, and the best Congress can do is split down party lines on which is which, was Clem's words.

Yours truly,
Uncle Dan

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64 Area Residents Among 168 Caught In Drug Dragnet; Roundup Continues

Sixty-four of 168 persons arrested to date in Iredell County's continuing drug bust live in the Mooresville area, according to the Iredell County Sheriff's Department.

The roundup of the suspects began at 6 p.m. Dec. 3 after almost a year of undercover work.

Cooperating in the roundup of suspects were the Sheriff's Department, the Mooresville and Statesville police departments and the State Bureau of Investigation.

Lawmen still held warrants for the arrest of suspected drug dealers Tuesday afternoon, according to Capt. Cecil Cook of the sheriff's department. He said most of the persons arrested are were charged with several counts.

These Mooresville area residents had been arrested through noon Tuesday, according to sheriff's department records:

Robert James Turman, 234 Southside Ave., Mooresville: three counts of misdemeanor possession of marijuana, six counts of possessing marijuana with intent to

sell, three counts of possessing cocaine with intent to sell, one count of felonious possession of cocaine, and one count of conspiracy to violate controlled substance act.

Michael Todd Honeycutt, Mooresville, route 2: one count of conspiracy to violate controlled substance act and one count of maintaining a vehicle for use in the sale of drugs.

Wesley Boyden Dishman Jr., 146 Duffy Dr., Mooresville: one count of felonious possession of LSD, one count of felonious possession of LSD with intent to sell, and one count of felonious sale of LSD.

Billy Joe Wheeler, 1004 Mebane St., Mooresville: two counts of felonious possession of marijuana, two counts of felonious possession with intent to sell marijuana, two counts of felonious sale of marijuana, and one count of maintaining a vehicle for use in selling drugs. His 1973 Pinto stationwagon was confiscated.

Mark Anthony Barnes, 544 Biltmore Ave., Mooresville: two counts of misdemeanor possession of

marijuana, two counts of possessing with intent to sell marijuana and two counts of the felonious sale of marijuana.

David Scott Kendall, 144 Canvassback Trail, Mooresville: one count of misdemeanor possession of marijuana and one misdemeanor count of having paraphernalia.

Brian Ray Lambert, Whitman Circle, Mooresville: one misdemeanor count of possessing marijuana, one felonious count of possessing of marijuana with intent

to sell, and one felonious count of selling marijuana.

Duane Lee Moore, Tooties Mobile Home Park, Mooresville: one count of conspiracy to violate controlled substance act, two counts of misdemeanor possession of marijuana, two counts of felonious possession of marijuana with intent to sell, and two counts of felonious sale of marijuana.

Ted Boyce Stewart Jr., 737-D Kings Creek Apartments,

Murdock On State Team Studying Airport Access

Iredell County Commissioner Frances Murdock of Troutman has been named to a new commission to study present and planned land use near state airports open to the public. She is the only elected county official on the 10-member panel that represents broad government, business and aviation interests.

The Height Limitations Near Public Use Airports Study Commission has held one meeting in Raleigh, at which its mission and its schedule of work were discussed. The commission was created by this year's General Assembly, at the urging of Rep. Joe Mavretic of Tarboro, who co-chairs it with Sen. Monk Harrington of Lewiston.

The commission will submit its findings to the 1989 General Assembly. Murdock said this week that "the first thing I learned is that we've got a lot of work to do."

"I was aware of situations at our county airports, such as the close-in obstruction at Lake Norman," she said, "but restrictions to airport approaches is a growing statewide problem that really needs to be addressed."

Mavretic said, however, that those "close-in obstructions" are not the commission's first area of concern.

"Basically," he said, "we've got to look at overall land use not only in the immediate vicinity of airports, but also in the surrounding areas."

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Town To Begin Development Of Future Land Use Outline

The Mooresville Planning Board has received the okay to begin ironing out a future land use plan for Mooresville and its one-mile

expertise and available data concerning land use plan development. The land use plan will map out, district by district, the type of growth and the amount of growth

calling for the development of a comprehensive land use plan for the Mooresville area.

The planning board asked for the town board's approval before taking the first step on the long, hard road to deciding how land in and right around Mooresville could best be used in the future. The first step will be to secure the assistance of the Centralina Council of Governments, an agency with plenty of experience,

educated guesses will be put to use to determine how much Mooresville will grow and where the growth — industrial, commercial and residential — will be located. Mooresville's land use plan, like the one hammered out for Iredell County in 1987, will not be a cut-and-dried blueprint of the future, but it will serve as a reference guide for city officials and developers in

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Putters Restaurant Owners Schedule January Tee-Time

Like golfers who have mastered their home course and crave new challenges, local restaurateurs Kathy Salaby and Dick Moore are leaving their cozy, successful Lake Norman business and moving to bigger quarters in town.

Salaby and Moore, partners in the Lakeside 1109 Restaurant on Williamson Road, have purchased The Boardwalk Restaurant on West Wilson Avenue in Mooresville.

Salaby said this week that the purchase agreement for the restaurant had been finalized with Randy Harwell, who has operated The Boardwalk for one year.

Salaby said she hopes the new restaurant will be ready to open by early January. Minor remodeling and redecorating will be done at the restaurant during the next few weeks to get ready for the opening, tentatively scheduled for Jan. 4 or 5.

The new restaurant, located across West Wilson Avenue from the Mooresville Municipal Golf Course, will be called Putters.

"We wanted to give it a different type of name and, since it's right there at the golf course, Putters sounded right," Salaby said.

She added that the restaurant will offer basic meat and vegetable lunches as well as sandwiches and salads. The dinner menu will also feature house specialties and other entrees for the entire family.

"We want to stress the fact that Putters will have something for everyone. It will be a real family restaurant," Salaby said. "We are planning to make some changes to give it more of a country-type atmosphere families can enjoy."

The restaurant, judging from some of the menu items mentioned by Salaby, will also play up its proximity to the golf course.

"Lunch will be pretty much the same, with a meat and two vegetables," Salaby said, "but we also plan to add some special items."

The "special items" will include bogey hoagies, birdie club sand-

wiches and tee-time tuna salad and that's just part of it.

"We're also planning some putting on the ritz items," Salaby added, emphasizing the "putt."

Those items will include a quiche of the day, bunker beef stew and a duffer's delight dessert cart.

For four years, Salaby and Moore have operated the 1109 business, overseeing the transformation of the business from a grocery store to a popular breakfast, lunch and dinner restaurant. Many of the things that made 1109 popular will be put into

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Distribution Of Surplus Food Friday

Government surplus food will be distributed to eligible Iredell County households on Friday.

Those households certified for Food Stamps should have received a surplus food card in the mail earlier this month. Households which do not get Food Stamps but are interested in getting surplus food will have to apply and be certified, and today (Wednesday) is the deadline for making applications for surplus food.

Applications can be made at the office of the Iredell County Department of Social Services, 349 North Center St. in Statesville, or at the County Office Building, 412 East Center Ave. in Mooresville.

Persons applying on behalf of another's household will need to bring a written statement signed by the head of the applicant household. The statement must include information about the number of people living in the household and the gross income of each household member. The head of the applicant household should sign and date the authorization.



Owner Mitchell, Dept. Manager Madeline

John Mack & Son's Diamond Anniversary Party Dec. 20

John Mack & Son is ready for its diamond jubilee, and you're invited.

That's the point to a four-page section inside. The family-owned clothing store at 128 North Main St. will be 75 years young Dec. 24, and the family wants the community it serves to be a part of the celebration.

So read the diamond anniversary

special. Oldtimers will refresh their memories and newcomers will learn about the origin of the business and the continuing contributions of its founding family.

And circle Dec. 20 in red on your calendars. Join the Macks and the store staff for a 1:30-4:30 party at the store that Sunday afternoon.

Day Care Center Owners: We Will Help Meet Growing Need

A day-care center accommodating 125 children will open in the spring in Lakeside Park.

J-Bear Development Center will be housed in a 5,700-square-foot building on a two-acre lot. It will serve children from six weeks through five years of age.

South School A National Finalist

Yielding a perfect batting average for the past two years, Mooresville is once again represented among North Carolina's line-up of schools in the running for national exemplary status.

South Elementary School is one of 13 primary class institutions from the state to advance into the National Exemplary Schools Competition, conducted through the U.S. Department of Education.

The list of the elite baker's dozen was finalized Wednesday morning by the N.C. Department of Public Instruction.

It marks the third straight year that Mooresville is being represented in the national competition.

Last year, in the competition conducted for secondary schools, Mooresville Junior High achieved national exemplary status.

During the 1986-87 school year, when primary schools were last judged, Park View Elementary became the first school in the five-

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Concert By Combined Choruses

Three school choral groups — two from Junior High and one from Senior High — will present their annual Christmas concert on Monday.

The program will be presented at the Roland R. Morgan auditorium at Senior High, getting underway at 8 p.m.

Involved will be the seventh grade chorus and the eighth grade chorus from Junior High, and the Senior High chorus. Appearing with the Senior High chorus will be a number of the chorus' alumni from 1971 until the present.

A varied program of seasonal music will be presented under the direction of Elaine Trawick and Willie Beaver, with Trawick also serving as the accompanist.

There will be no admission charge and the public is cordially invited to attend.