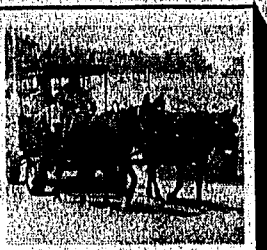


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"Although I Disagree With Everything You Say I Will Defend Unto Death Your Right To Say It"

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Ward 2 Is Largest Under Realignment

The political landscape of Mooresville, it is a'changing. The Town Board Tuesday night adopted a redistricting plan that realigns all four wards and requires new polling places for two of them.

The changes were necessary to comply with the U.S. Supreme Court's "one person-one vote" ruling that requires near-equal distribution of population within voting districts.

At the request of town government, Centralina Council of Governments used 1990 census data to prepare recommendations on how to bring the town's 9,359 population in line with the court's demand that populations within wards not be more than 10 percent higher or lower than the total population divided by the number of wards.

In Mooresville's case, "ideal size" is 2,340 persons per ward.

Prior to last night's change, Ward 1, the town's largest, deviated 17.7 percent from the ideal, requiring the redistricting.

Under the plan the board adopted, Ward 2 becomes the most populous, with 2,409. Ward 4 follows at 2,394, Ward 1 will have 2,306 residents, and Ward 3 weighs in at 2,250. All are in the acceptable range. The largest is 2.9 percent above "ideal," and the smallest is 3.8 percent below it.

Under the redistricting plan, homes of all four town commissioners elected within their wards remain in the wards they serve. Two commissioners are elected at large.

However, Park View School no longer is in Ward 3, and Senior High is not in Ward 1, so they will not be polling places for those wards.

Town Manager Rick McLean said this morning that the War Memorial is being considered at Ward 3's polling place. South School is a possibility for Ward 1, he said, but school officials have not been contacted regarding use of it for elections.

Ward 2 residents will continue to vote at the National Guard Armory, and voters in Ward 4 will use keep using the multi-purpose building on the municipal golf course.

Register Is Choice For School Post

Dr. Jesse B. Register will be superintendent of the Iredell/Statesville school system.

He was hired Monday night by the two school boards whose systems will become one July 1. The merged system will have an enrollment of 13,000.

Register, 45, has been superintendent of Cabarrus County schools for the past three years.

The school boards selected him by a vote of 10-2. The 13th member, Richard Feimster, is ill and was unable to attend the meeting at Troutman Elementary School.

Board members Steve Austin and Morris Roseman cast the dissenting votes. Afterward, both said they would support Register, who was one of three finalists in a field of 23 applicants for the job.

In announcing the boards' decision, Mrs. Edie Holland, a

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July 1 EAS 'Final Order' Expected By Commission

Toll-free telephone calls to Troutman and Statesville are not yet for Mooresville, but the local exchange's latest extended area service is on track to be in place within a year.

Hugh Garringer is an engineer in the communications division of the N.C. Utilities Commission public staff. He said Tuesday that he will recommend to the com-

mission July 1 that a "final order" be written authorizing the EAS plan that will link Mooresville, Statesville, Troutman, Davidson and Cornelius.

Assuming the commission agrees, Garringer said, the two telephone companies involved, Alltel and Southern Bell, will be directed to prepare their schedule of equipment purchase and installation for the extended service. He said about a month will be needed for this work.

Then, he said, the companies should have the service on line within a year.

The Iredell-North Mecklenburg EAS cleared its last public hurdle June 21, when the deadline passed to file complaints about it with the utilities commission. Garringer said only two subscribers expressed opposition. Both live in Statesville and both objected to the rate increase that will accompany the expanded toll-free service.

He termed the level of opposition "insignificant."

The Mooresville/South Iredell Chamber of Commerce tried unsuccessfully six years ago to interest Statesville in countywide EAS. So Mooresville looked south — successfully. In November 1988, Mooresville gained toll-free access to 250,000 phones in Davidson, Cornelius and Charlotte.

Still, Troutman and Statesville remained long distance. But Mooresville's EAS sparked immediate interest within the Statesville Chamber of Commerce, and the two chambers began work on the plan now in place.

Under the plan, here's what will happen:

• Mooresville will gain Statesville's 19,000 phones and Troutman's 3,500 for an added monthly cost of 12 cents for homes and 30 cents for businesses.

• Davidson and Cornelius will add Troutman and Statesville for 10 cents homes, 29 cents business.

• Troutman will get Mooresville's 13,000 phones and the 6,000 in "Davidson-Cornelius" for 62 cents homes, \$1.70 business.

• Statesville will gain Mooresville, Davidson and Cornelius for seven cents homes, 18 cents business.



BILL HICKS

National Award For Scouter

Bill Hicks, chartered organizational representative of Cub Pack 173 and Boy Scout Troop 173 at Fair View United Methodist Church at Mount Mourne, has been awarded the Torch Award by the National Association of United Methodist Scouters and the General Board of Discipleship.

The award, recognizing outstanding leadership, was presented to Hicks during the annual meeting of the Western North Carolina Conference of the United Methodist Church at Lake Junaluska.

Hicks also serves as Pack Committee Chairperson and the Gemstone "Iredell-County" District Cub Scout Chairperson.

To qualify for the Torch Award, a person must be an active member of the United Methodist Church. He or she must have given outstanding leadership to children and youth through one of the following programs: Camp Fire, Girl Scouts U.S.A., 4-H or Boy Scouts of America.

Hicks was one of seven Scout

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Chamber Joins Town, County In Carolinas Partnership

Iredell County and its two largest municipalities have pledged \$27,000 to the Carolinas Partnership, a not-for-profit corporation designed to promote economic development in Charlotte and the towns and counties surrounding Mecklenburg County.

Mooresville's proposed 1991-92 budget includes \$2,187 for the partnership, according to Rick McLean, Mooresville's town manager. The grant is subject to approval by the Mooresville Board of Commissioners, McLean said.

Iredell County's proposed 1991-92 budget, which also has not been approved, includes \$19,870 for the partnership; the town of Statesville will contribute the remaining \$4,943.

The Mooresville/South Iredell Chamber of Commerce will act as Mooresville's liaison to the partnership, said Homer Faulk, the chamber's executive director.

Faulk and other chamber officers attended a partnership press conference in Charlotte last week, Faulk said, to learn more about the organization.

"The chamber is supporting it (the partnership), to a certain extent," Faulk said. "We don't like 'Big Brother-type' things, but it turns out that this organization is not that way."

"It can't hurt us to be part of such an economically vibrant region as the Charlotte area."

The Statesville Chamber of Commerce will probably act as the partnership's liaison for Statesville and the northern end of Iredell, Faulk said.

The partnership is a \$7.5 million, five-year promotional program, drawing funding from 13 North and South Carolina counties, area cities and area businesses to promote the Charlotte region.

More than \$5 million in contributions to the partnership have come from the private sec-

tor. Mecklenburg County has pledged \$1 million to the program, while the city of Charlotte has pledged \$500,000.

The remaining 12 counties, which includes Anson, Cabarrus, Catawba, Cleveland, Gaston, Iredell, Lancaster, Lincoln, Rowan, Stanly, Union and York, will contribute the remaining \$1 million.

The partnership aims to establish Charlotte and the surrounding towns and counties as a metropolitan area, according to

Jamie Pickrell, a partnership representative.

The metro area concept is based on existing metro areas like Dallas/Ft. Worth. It is aimed mainly at economic development.

The partnership unites a 40-mile area surrounding Charlotte. Interstates 77 and 85 and U.S. 74 serve as "economic development corridors" for the region, each with its own specialization.

"Each county, each city in the

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Fourth: Some Keep On Keeping On, Most Don't

July 4 is just around the corner. It will be a holiday for some, work as usual for others, a vacation week for many.

That sums up the situation in Mooresville and the immediate area.

The Mooresville Tribune and the Mecklenburg Gazette next week will be published Tuesday instead of Wednesday.

Advertising deadlines are as follows: Friday noon for the Lake Norman Shoppers, display and classified; Monday 10 a.m. for the Mooresville Tribune and the Mecklenburg Gazette, classified and classified display; Monday 12 noon, display advertising for the Mooresville Tribune and the Mecklenburg Gazette.

The Mooresville post office will be closed July 4, and there will be no city or rural delivery of mail on that day.

The Mooresville Tribune and the Mecklenburg Gazette will be closed July 4 as a holiday.

The financial houses of Mooresville will observe July 4 as a holiday.

These institutions include: NCNB National Bank, First Union National Bank, Lincoln Bank of North Carolina, The Bank

of Iredell, Mooresville Federal Savings and Loan Association, Citizens Savings and Loan Association, CK Federal Savings Bank, Security Bank and Edward D. Jones & Company.

Many retail merchants will be open July 4.

Mooresville Mills will operate a regular schedule the week of July 4. The plant will be closed for vacation the following week.

All government offices will be closed July 4 in observance of Independence Day.

This holiday closing includes the Mooresville Transfer Station, west of town on N.C. 150, the Iredell County Landfill and the 901 Transfer Station.

All county emergency services will continue to operate on a regular schedule during the holiday.

L.B. Plastics Inc., Cairn Studio and Beacon Sweets will be closed the entire week of July 4.

Aeroquip Corporation, formerly Sterling Engineered Products Inc., Magla Products Inc., and Custom Products Inc. will be closed July 4.

Fleetwood Homes of North Carolina will operate July 4, but will be closed July 5.

New Hours For July 1 Blood Drive

Mooresville's Lake Norman Rotary Club will host a July 1 Bloodmobile.

The Piedmont Carolinas Blood Center will collect blood at the War Memorial on Maple St. from 3 p.m. until 7 p.m.

T.C. Homesley of Mooresville is blood services chairman of the South Iredell Red Cross Chapter that coordinates all bloodmobiles here.

"With the Fourth of July just ahead," Homesley said, it's extremely important that we remind ourselves that the need for blood takes no holiday. In fact, increased activities during holidays means more accidents and a greater need for blood."

Homesley said the regional center has issued a special appeal for blood types O negative, A negative and AB negative. All blood types are welcome, of course, therefore, everyone is invited to contribute during next week's collection, he stated.

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July Opening For Bigger, Better Golf Center

It's not even all the way here yet, and already, Mooresville's Golf Center is not what it used to be.

It's bigger.

And for Melvin Graham, of Capital Golf Investments, one of the movers and shakers behind the ground-breaking attraction that is not only unique to this immediate area but also to all of North Carolina, that should mean

better.

Six months after plans for the multi-million dollar center were initially revealed, what once was a sprawling, 24-acre grassy field off Bluefield Road behind Port City Shopping Village, near the N.C. 150 and Interstate-77 interchange, is now taking the shape of a state-of-the-art driving range, complete with all the trimmings plus a couple of added luxuries.

And it hasn't gone unnoticed.

"Because we're still fairly early in the construction stage," offered Graham on-site Friday afternoon, "we haven't done a great deal of marketing, but people are still finding out about us and asking questions. Every since we had our phone installed, it's been ringing off the wall. And we haven't released our phone number. It's just unbelievable

the kind of interest we're generating."

It's primarily due to this advanced interest that Graham, in a partnership with Grady Shumate of Sunbelt Golf Properties, has enlarged the golf-oriented establishment's initial plans.

Start with the red-bricked,

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Clubhouse sits center stage, fronted by parking lot, sandwiched between lighted areas, backed by hills.