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Marion Harris
Family Camp Speaker

AREA GOSPEL SING AT FAMILY CAMP AUGUST 31, 1986

3rd Annual C/A Family Camp August 29, 30, 31

We are growing more excited every day about the upcoming C/A Family Camp Labor Day weekend--August 29, 30, 31. We have the "Bob Hope of the Roanoke Valley," Marion Harris of the Edgewood Christian Church as our featured speaker. He will "tickle your funny bone" while nudging your heart as he develops the theme "Growing in Christ." He will speak at all three main sessions, one on Friday night at 7:30, one Saturday morning at 11:15, and one Saturday night again at 7:30. Sunday night we will have the all-area gospel sing featuring local groups.

This Family weekend will feature a Saturday afternoon hayride--compliments of Robert Buckland as your tour guide--a weiner roast at 5:00 on Saturday evening--everyone is invited to come--plenty of fun and recreation--but most importantly some great spiritual food to help us all GROW IN CHRIST. Complementing Marion's messages will be a full-house of workshops on Saturday for ladies, men, teens--and evern crafts and puppets for those under 12. WE HAVE SOMETHING FOR THE WHOLE FAMILY--so make C/A a date for that weekend!

Ve'll of course count on commuter campers to drive in to the sessions--and for our local churches to TRANSFER their Sunay evening services to C/A for the famous gospel sing. (Don't cancel--just transfer the place of your Sunday evening service to C/A.)

More details of workshop, singing groups, times, etc. will be mailed to your churches the first week in August. Please announce the events at EACH of your worship assemblies.

See Schedule of Events Inside Chronicle

# POOL HEATER NETS BIG PROFITS THIS MONTH \$1203.25

The pool heater has netted its biggest month ever--with gifts from area individuals, but the largest from those taking swimming lessons. Chris Cardinal, who offered the swimming lessons, donated all the gifts to C/A to have the pool heater possibly installed by next swimming season. She wanted me to thank everyone who took those lessons and gave generously.

Below is a partial listing only of some of those who gave--

Mary Harris--\$39 Jr. I Week of Camp--\$310.25 Handicap Camp--\$101.50 First Chance Camp--\$117.50 M/M Billy Webb Jr.--\$35 M/M L.W. Buckland--\$50 Evelina Jones--\$20 John & Carol Lundgren--\$6 (From Swimming Lessons) Cash gifts from swimmers--\$104 Calvin and Joan Shoemaker--\$100 Ray and Lana Moore--\$25 Vickle Shoemaker--\$10 Donald and Deborah Whitteker -- \$25 George and Tylene Ball--\$25 Malinda Watkins--\$100 Glenn and Joanie Tabor--\$30 L.W. and Tammy O'Donnell--\$20 Lillian Whittaker--\$20 Economy Electronic Cash Register Company--\$25 Pamela Whittaker--\$20 In Memory of Pauline Webb--20.00

#### **RONCEVERTE SENDS LARGE GIFT!**

Our good friends from Ronceverte Christian Church have sent us several donations lately, but we wanted you to know of the \$200 love gift they sent to help us out in camp. While I type this letter, Tim Carlson and family, from the Ronceverte congregation are deaning our Senior I week of camp.

#### GIFTS FROM INDIVIDUALS, BUSINESSES:

Bessie Martin--soup labels
First Christian Church--Hinton--soup labels
Bernice Via--31 soup labels
Genevieve Spence--53 soup labels
Emily McKenzie--113 soup labels
Kenny McFarling--pencils
Teresa and Amanda Barie--275--soup labels
Dot Griffith--soup labels
Martha Cline--soup labels
PRO-CARE--adult diapers for use in
Handicap camp--1 case
Ponderosa--storage containers
Tim & Sue McPeak--Queen size bed
and accessories

## **CHURCHES SUPPORT C/A THROUGH VBS!**

Four churches have sent in money from their local VBS programs this past month. Ronceverte sent \$81.02; Bozoo-gave \$112.00, and Hillcrest sent \$21.86. Pettry-provided the table - see additional article

## **CAMP EXPERIENCE DROP IN ATTENDANCE!**

The "leveling off" of our attendance that we have been telling our boards about has finally occurred. The 1986 camp season record will only boast of 448 campers, down from our all time high of 519 last year. This 71 camper drop occurred in our youngest weeks--65 from First Chance and Jr. Il alone. Some weeks actually showed growth as you will see from the diagram below.

Name of Week	1985	1 19	86
Jr.i	85		<del></del>
Jr. II	105	**	66
Jr. High I	54		57
First Chance	72		46
Jr. High II	66		51
Senior I	102	1	04
Senior II	34		19
Handicap			8
Grand Total	519	4	48

We can only guess that the economy which has forced some people to move out of the area and made it difficult for others to afford to send their children to camp (even though we would never turn anyone down because they do not have the money) is partly responsible for this drop in attendence.

While I am personally disappointed that I didn't reach my personal goal of 540--we have had both a good quality and quantity year!

Next month we will be listing more the exciting statistics including the numbers of baptisms, rededications, life recruits, etc.

# CAMP NEEDS USED ELECTROLUX MACHINES!

We've been flea-marketing recently and have picked up two electrolux vacumn cleaners with the power nozzles for only \$48 for the two. Surely amoung our 2800 readers we have several of you who either have some connections to get us several used but good electrolux machines or could donate us your old one when you purchase a new one. We need them to clean our dormitories here at the camp.

#### TRACTOR MOTOR BITES THE DUST!

After 16,00 hrs. I guess it was finally time but during our Jr. High I week of camp the tractor blew its stack--motor that is. We have already taken it to be overhauled at an approximate cost of \$800-\$1000 or maybe even more. The youth rally has graciously chipped in \$300 to help start to pay for these repairs. (We just spent over \$200 the weel before on brakes, bearings and seals on the rear wheels.) We plan to draw money out of our emergency savings--as listed in each Chronicle to cover the additional cost--but if anyone wants to help--we should or could use the additional gifts!

# **BUCK-A-MONTH RECIEVES \$302! ADDS 2!**

We have two new Buck-A- Month members to report this month--Berlin Ratliff from Cedar Grove and Sharon Fisher from Willowton.

We also collected in the C/A office \$302 from both indicals and area churches who sent in their collection. Below is a list of those who help B-A-M!

\$18
\$16
\$32
\$37
\$2
\$15
\$24
12
\$10
\$12
\$19
\$10
\$16
\$30
\$51

# RICK AVAILABLE FOR REVIVALS, SEMINARS, FILL IN

Since my weekdays won't be tied up teaching at the college, I am now free for revival meetings, youth coach's seminar, Second Coming Seminars, or for some fill-in preaching. Contact me at the C/A number of 589-6296.

#### PFRSONAL THANKS:

camp has graciously picked up my medical insurance, retirement program of \$50 monthly, and given me a \$25 a week raise to compensate for part of what I lost as a result of no longer being employed by the college. The camp has given me freedom to hold many revivals, etc. to make up for some of the additional loss of the \$500 per month I was making teaching.

# PETTRY VBS PURCHASES NEW TABLE FOR C/A!

Our hats off to the VBS'ers of the Pettry Church of Christ for purchasing a new picnic table for C/A. This octagonal table will be delivered within the week and be placed at the exterior of the dining hall. They collected \$75 in their VBS.

#### **HINTON INCREASES SUPPORT!**

With the camp now faced with the extra financial burden of having me full-time, Hinton has come to the rescue! They have notified us that they are increasing their monthly giving from \$25 to \$50 monthly.

## **MEN'S FELLOWSHIP AT CENTRAL AUG. 16TH!**

Our monthly meeting of men will be held at the Central Church of Christ in Baptist Valley, Virginia on August 16th with Harold Goins speaking. We encourage all area men to set this time aside to attend the 7:00 meeting.

#### ANNOUNCEMENTS:

NA: Change of Address from Box 48

to Box 348

MUDFORK: Revival with Harold Goins

August 17-22 at 7:30

SPRINGVILLE: Reival with Tony Reed August 20-24 at 7:30; Homecoming Sunday the 24th

#### CAMP COMPLAINTS

If any of you hear of things that went on at C/A this summer, we would like to be the FIRST to know. The only way we can improve is for your constructive criticism to be directed to us. Please call or write and let us know of any off-beat things that you think should not have gone on. Only WE can do anything about it.

#### C/A FAMILY CAMP SCHEDULE

#### FRIDAY NIGHT:

Registration 4-7

Opening Main Session 7:30 - 9:00

Afterglow (Campfire)

#### **SATURDAY:**

Family Devotions 9:00 - 9:15 Workshops 9:25 - 10:05 Coffee break in chapel

Workshops Repeated 10:25 - 11:05

#### Morning Main Session: 11:15 - 12:30

Lunch at your campers

Afternoon Recreation 1:30 - 4:00

(Swimming, softball, volleyball, horseshoes, etc.)

Hayride 4:00

Supper (All families' hot dog cookout) 5-6

Pre-Concert Session 6:30 - 7:15

# Evening Main Session 7:30 - 9:00 SUNDAY:

Scatter to area churches and to area restaurants for Sunday lunch
Afternoon recreation 2-5

Closing Main Session - All area Gospel Sing 7:30 - 9:00

#### **USE OF C/A FACILITY**

Dorms 1 and 2 - Women Shower dorms Dorns 7 and 8 - Men's Shower dorms Dorm 6 - Guest Dorm Dorms 3,4,5,9,10,11 - Family Cabins

#### **GENERAL BOARD TO MEET AUGUST 15 TH**

The regular quarterly meeting of the C/A General Board will be held in the C/A CHAPEL on August 15th beginning at 7:30. Highlighting the meeting will be the camp report.

## **WORKDAYS TO BE CALLED IN SEPTEMBER**

We will be calling our local church men to come help with the installation of the playground equipment and new walks above the cafeteria in the next few weeks. Please come and help when we call!

#### HAM SUPPER IS SEPTEMBER 6TH

Our annual ham dinner is September 6th with music beginning at 5:30 and the meal being served at 6:00. Mark this event on your calendar for September.

What? - C/A Ladies Retreat

When? - August 8-9, 1986

Who? - Shirley Wallingford

Why? - So you may "Bloom When You're Planted."



# **CHRISTIAN ACRES**

Thank You, God, for the Christian Camp, And for all that is means to me; In helping us grow in grace and truth So we can be what You'd have us be.

Thank You for deans and teachers too, Who are dedicated and strong; Whose only goal, in a week of fun, Was to teach us right from wrong.

Thank You, for the counselors
And the leaders of each team;
For the knowledge that we gain from them,
Of Jesus Christ, our King.

September 02, 1985

**CHRISTIAN ACRES** 

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ADDRESS CORRECTION REQUESTED

Thank You, for Your handwork,
And the beauty of the land;
From the mountain, to the pond below;
All carved out, by Your hand.

Thank You, for all, who care enough,
To labor, in this white field.
From the office to the board and staff,
As their wills, to You, they yeild.

Yes, thank You, God, for Christian Acres, And for the fellowship we've found; For it's truly, "HEAVEN ON A HILL", Where joy and love abound.

Janice F. Glancy

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