

PROJECTED EXPENSES OF PROPOSED PROGRAMS:

COMMEMORATIVE OR HISTORICAL BOOKLET:

Est. by Printer for a two color, illustrated, and with photographs, minimum order of 1000 booklets--\$9.00 to \$12.00 a page

Proposed 100 plus page booklet would then cost to produce anywhere from \$900.00 to \$1200.00.

Colonial Tasting Spree:

Cost of Plate:	\$1510.00 or \$2.09 per plate Total of 720 plates.
Printing of cook book 1000 = \$5.00 per page 50 page booklet	\$ 250.00.
Publicity:	\$100.00
Other Expenses	\$100.00
	\$1,960.00

To be successful 500 must attend: Maximum number that can be accomodated 600.

Commemorative Coin:

		Unit Cost	
200	1-12" 10 ga. Sterling Silver Coin numbered and boxed	\$12.00 approx.	\$2400.00
200	1-1/2" 10 ga. Antiqued Bronze Coins, numbered and boxed insets with sterling.	\$ 1.37	\$ 274.00
1000	1-1/2" 10 ga. Antiqued Bronze Coin	\$1.10	\$1,100.00
Approx cost for dies:			\$ 700.00

\$4,474.00

Total cost of all projects:

\$ 7,634.00



DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE
UNITED STATES ARMED FORCES BICENTENNIAL EXHIBIT VANS PROJECT
OPERATING LOCATION 1
BOLLING AIR FORCE BASE, WASH DC 20332

3 JUN 1975

Mr. Edward J. Spanski
Surry County Bicentennial
Dobson, SC 27017

Dear Mr. Spanski,

This letter will confirm the U.S. Armed Forces Bicentennial Exhibit Vans Caravan's arrival on 14 November 1975. Display will be on 14 November. The caravan will depart on 14 November 1975.

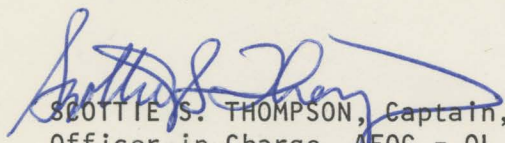
You may begin your publicity coverage for the above date which has been confirmed for Dobson. Additional publicity packets and material to include radio and television spots will be furnished well in advance of our arrival.

Due to road conditions, travel restrictions and other unforeseen circumstances, it is impossible to predict the exact arrival time. The caravan commander will be in contact with you or your designated alternate 24 hours in advance of the above coordinated arrival date.

We are certainly enthused about participating in Dobson's Bicentennial celebration.

Do not hesitate to contact this office at the above address or the following telephone number, (202) 767-4595, if you have any questions or require further information.

Sincerely,


SCOTTIE S. THOMPSON, Captain, USAF
Officer in Charge, AFOG - OL #1





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November 7, 1975

News Release:

From: Edward J. Spanski, Surry County ^UBicentennial Commission.

To: Ann Corrigan, Winston-Salem Journal

Re: U.S. Armed Forces Bicentennial Caravan.

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The Surry County American Revolution Bicentennial Commission is proud to announce that the U.S. Armed Forces Bicentennial Caravan will be in Dobson, Friday, November 14, 1975 from 12 Noon to 7 p.m. Admission is free and open to everyone. Description of the specifics of the caravan are included in the attached fact sheets. Location: Behind the County Court House-- (Crutchfield st.)
Col. David ^ZHatcher, U.S.A.F. ret. is the chairman for local arrangements and will preside over the opening ceremony at 12 Noon at the County Court House. Brief Bicentennial remarks will be made by Col. David ^LHatcher, State Senator George Marion, State Rep. David Diamont, R. H. Merritt, ^LChairman of the County Commissioners, Sid Comer, Mayor of Dobson, and by William S. Hiatt representing the Bicentennial Commission.

The general public is especially invited to the opening ceremony. There will be a presentation of colors by the Surry Central High School R.O.T. C. (Air Force) and the national anthem will be played by the Surry Central High School Band. Information about upcoming Bicentennial events in Surry County will also be available.



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MEMO:

TO: Cama Merritt and Bicentennial Commission members

FROM: Mr. Edward Spanski

RE: Relating to ideas utilized from the Rogers Company Plan for Bicentennial activities in Surry County both past and present.

1. Fund Raising Advice
 - a. Assistance from Mr. George Elias in formulating our finance campaign and budget.
2. Rocking Chair Marathon project taken completely from the Rogers Company Plan (there were nearly 10,000 spectators attracted to the Pilot Mountain and Mt. Airy sites during the contest).
3. The "Come As Your Favorite Historical Character Contest" at the Autumn Leaves Festival. There were some 30 contestants entered and it received considerable response and publicity.
4. We are going to probably use the Rogers Plan for the Colonial Tasting Spree as Mr. Philip Frable helped to set this up with the Home Extension Club when he visited here in October.
5. We will probably use several other ideas, such as the Brothers of The Bush for the Festival in July and the others in October 1976.
6. We have also received ideas which may be used for the implementing a Commemorative Booklet on the local history of Surry County which may be published later on this year.

FESTIVAL COMMITTEE MEMBERS:

Mrs. Joyce Ingram

Mr. Gene Everett

Mr. Bill Hiatt

MR. Vincent Lella

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MEMO:

TO: All Festival Committee Members

FROM: Cama Merritt and Edward J. Spanski

RE: Meeting

DATE: Thursday, January 29, 1976

TIME: 7:30 p.m.

PLACE: Surry Community College, Board Room

EJS:ds

Bicentennial Events Proposed

Picnics

Competition between volunteer groups (ex. Rescue Squad & Fire Dept.)

Field Day for young athletes

String bands

Square dance

County Fair

Old timey farm implements (competition between other farm implements)

Radio spots

Displays of Historical materials

Selling of License tags

Display of flag

Battle of Siloam (something of each communities)

Bicentennial coins

Old timers day

Beer contest

Bicentennial Booklet

Involve churches

Ceremony with Mayors and Commissioners

Costume ball

Historical window display (scouts or school children)

Paint fire hydrants

Variety shows in schools

Future Homemakers of America



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Memo:

From: Cama Merritt and Ed Spanski

To: Bicentennial Commission Members.

Re: Master list of dates and proposed activities.

1. Feb. 22-- Formal opening-ceremony of the Bicentennial Year in Surry County. Commemorates a national holiday, Washington's birthday and event of local significance, February 26 when Jesse Franklin led a successful sortie against the Tories. In this action a Surry County native, Major Micajah Lewis lost his life for the Revolutionary cause. The ceremony will begin in the Rockford Baptist Church at Rockford at 3:00 P.M. (Attached is a tentative outline of the program.) Immediately following the ceremony, the Masons of Surry County will hold a service in front of the old Masonic Lodge in Rockford, recalling the fact that George Washington was the first Grand Master Mason in this country.

2. In Spring, late April or May, we hope to hold a Colonial Tasting Spree put on by the Surry County Home Demonstration Clubs. For an admission fee of \$3.00, each person will receive a colonial recipe book, a commemorative plate decorated with the new County seal and the tastes of a number of colonial dishes by the club members.

During the spring months there will be other activities recalling the everyday life of our ancestors in Surry County, such as beard contests and a costume ball.

On July 3 and 4 parades are planned in some towns in the County. The Veterans Park in Mount Airy will be the scene of a picnic with entertainment and fireworks. A picnic with a program demonstrating some old timey ways and recalling parts of our heritate will be held in Pickshin Nature Center in Dobson and at Pilot Mountain State Park.

Fall brings the agricultural fair and offers an opportunity to display old agricultural implements and to demonstrate the development of present ways of farming, including good conservation measures. October 7 and 8 are the dates of the Battle of Kings Mountain, the turning point of the Revolution, in which Jesse Franklin and others from Surry County took part. Fall would be a good time for displays and a program at the Franklin House, and a good time for an oratory contest in the schools. Thanksgiving might be an appropriate time for the churches to emphasize our heritage. Late fall and winter is also the time for fiddlers conventions in Surry County. If possible, we hope to produce information about the fiddlers conventions to be held in Surry County and about the traditional instruments played.

December, 1770, is the time of the founding of Surry County. Also in December, 1821, a post office, named Haystack, was designated in Surry County. Before this time mail for this area was delivered out of Wachovia.



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During this last month of the calendar we will hold a closing ceremony for the Surry Bicentennial Year.

Other festival activities not scheduled for a particular date include periodic displays and demonstrations at Pilot Mountain State Park showing the way the early settlers lived; a program of choral music from different eras given by the Surry Community College Chorus; the sale of American flags, the present flag and the Betsy Ross Flag, with encouragement of its appropriate display by citizens and some special flag ceremonies. Also the Surry Bicentennial Commission is asking a professional script writer to use the historical data which has been researched to develop a historical drama for the dramatic groups in the County to produce.

Cama C. Merritt, Festival Chairman
Surry Bicentennial Commission

To : Ed Sporski

10-1-75

"The Bicentennial Bottle Ringing Booth"
(suggestion for a Bicentennial booth at the Autumn
Leaves Festival)

General Rules Guideline:

1. Three tosses will be allotted for 25 cents-- Six tosses for fifty cents.
2. The leather rings must drop completely down on the bottle. to qualify for a win. If the ring leans or tilts in any fashion on the neck opening of the bottle, it is considered as a miss.
3. A choice of either one leather key chain or one leather cigarette case will be awarded for a successful toss. Any person making two successful tosses out of three will win both items.
4. The players should stand 8 (tentative distance) feet from the bottle. The player will be disqualified for leaning over the roped off area.

General Discription of the booth:

It could simply be a ringed area, roped off, with a single bottle in the exact center of the ring. The rope can be wrapped with red, white and blue crepe paper or string to add color and to suggest the Bicentennial theme. A single bottle will be placed in the center. It should be firmly planted so it will not fall. The managers of the booth could wear clothes that suggest the Bicentennial era. For example, George Washington, Betsy Ross, etc. A record or cassette could be playing music with a revolutionary theme. Songs like Yankee Doodle, Shenandoan, etc.

All judgements made by those managing the booth should be official.

Betty Cotton

LESTER LANIN ORCHESTRAS

157 WEST 57TH STREET

NEW YORK, N.Y. 10019

COLUMBUS 5-5208

June 17, 1975

Dr. J. Dale Simmons
Surry County Bicentennial Commission
Rt. 7
Mount Airy, N.C. 27030

Dear Dr. Simmons,

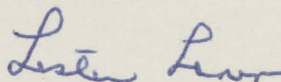
May I take this opportunity to ask your consideration
of my orchestra for the Surry County Bicentennial Ball.

I have created a special Bicentennial Orchestra which
has been meeting with great success playing popular
songs of America from 1700 to 1975.

I would be pleased to submit a music estimate for your
approval.

Thank you very much and with all good wishes.

Sincerely,



Lester Lanin

LL/sm

EIGHTH ANNUAL

AUTUMN LEAVES FESTIVAL

at

MOUNT AIRY, NORTH CAROLINA

October 18, 19, 20, 1974



Sponsored By:

The Mount Airy Chamber of Commerce

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 18, 1974

- 11:30 A.M. Opening Ceremony -- DOWNTOWN MALL
- 12:01 P.M. - 10:00 P.M. DOWNTOWN MALL -- Exhibits of yesteryear, Country Ham Biscuits, Food and Drink, Flea Market, Two Entertainment Bandstands, Souvenirs, Horse Shoe Pitching Contest, Portrait Artist, Crafts
- 12:01 P.M. - 10:00 P.M. Gun Show at REEVES YMCA
- 12:01 P.M. - 7:00 P.M. Arts and Crafts Display at REEVES YMCA
- 12:01 P.M. - 10:00 P.M. NORTH PARK SHOPPING CENTER -- Bandstand Entertainment featuring Del Reeves, The Cactus Joe Choo Choo, Food and Drink, Free Bus Transportation
- 12:01 P.M. - 10:00 P.M. MAYBERRY MALL -- Exhibits outside and inside, Helicopter Rides, Bandstand Entertainment, Food and Drink, Portrait Artist, Crafts, Military Displays
- 2:00 P.M. - 8:00 P.M. Free Rides by the Cactus Joe Choo Choo at NORTH PARK SHOPPING CENTER sponsored by Singleton's
- 3:00 P.M. Free Country Music Show featuring Del Reeves at NORTH PARK SHOPPING CENTER sponsored by Singleton's
- 6:00 P.M. Free Country Music Show featuring Del Reeves at NORTH PARK SHOPPING CENTER sponsored by Singleton's
- 8:00 P.M. - 11:00 P.M. Free Teen Dance at REEVES YMCA sponsored by Mount Airy AUTOMOBILE DEALERS ASSOCIATION
- 9:00 P.M. Free Country Music Show featuring Del Reeves at NORTH PARK SHOPPING CENTER sponsored by Singleton's

The Autumn Leaves Wagon Train Camp behind Outdoor Theatre on West Lebanon Street until Saturday morning.

Third Annual Display of UFO's over the Carolinas -- BOYLES SHOE STORE window.

Tour third oldest Tobacco Market in U. S. (103 years) -- three Warehouses open anytime.

Tour World's Largest Open Face Granite Quarry -- drive through anytime.

State Campers and Hikers having Campvention at Veterans Park.

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 19, 1974

- 10:00 A.M. - 10:00 P.M. DOWNTOWN MALL -- Exhibits of yesteryear, Country Ham Biscuits, Food and Drink, Flea Market, Two Entertainment Bandstands, Souvenirs, Horse Shoe Pitching Contest, Portrait Artist, Cecil the Clown, Crafts
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- 10:00 A.M. - 11:00 P.M. NORTH PARK SHOPPING CENTER -- Bandstand Entertainment featuring The Swing Kings, The Holston Mountain Boys and The Holston River Boys, The Cactus Joe Choo Choo, Food and Drink, Free Bus Transportation
- 12:01 P.M. - 6:00 P.M. Free rides by The Cactus Joe Choo Choo at North Park Shopping Center sponsored by Singleton's
- 10:00 A.M., 2:00 P.M. and 8:00 P.M. Shows by The Swing Kings
- 11:00 A.M., 3:00 P.M. and 9:00 P.M. Shows by The Holston Mountain Boys
- 12:01 P.M., 4:00 P.M. and 10:00 P.M. Shows by The Holston River Boys
- 1:00 P.M. Tobacco Spitting Contest at NORTH PARK SHOPPING CENTER
- 8:00 P.M. - 11:00 P.M. Free Teen Dance at REEVES YMCA sponsored by the Mount Airy Automobile Dealers Association

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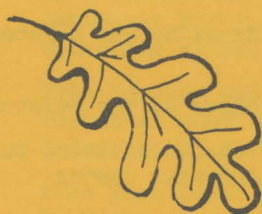
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SUNDAY, OCTOBER 20, 1974

- 11:00 A.M. - 12:00 Noon Philip Cartwright, guest minister at
Central United Methodist Church
- 2:00 P.M. - 6:00 P.M. DOWNTOWN MALL -- Exhibits of yesteryear,
Country Ham Biscuits, Food and Drink, Flea
Market, Two Entertainment Bandstands,
Souvenirs, Portrait Artist, Prizes, Crafts
- 2:00 P.M. - 6:00 P.M. Horse Shoe Pitching Contest finals --
DOWNTOWN MALL
- 2:00 P.M. - 6:00 P.M. Gun Show at REEVES YMCA
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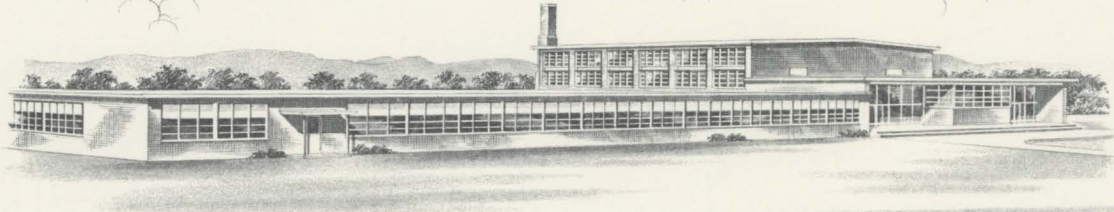


SURRY CENTRAL HIGH SCHOOL

DOBSON, NORTH CAROLINA

27107

Office of the
Principal



Phone
386-8842

Mr. Ed Spankey, Chairman
Surry Co. Bi Centennial
Dobson, NC

Dear Sir:

This is to advise that we will reserve the Athletic field for your
use July 3-10, 1976.

Sincerely,

R.O. Lanier

R.O. Lanier, Principal

ROL/cw



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To: Ad Hoc Committee on the Festival

From: Cama Merritt, Active General Chairman.

Re: Agenda for meeting on Thursday, Jan. 29, 1976, Surry Comm. Coll.,
Board Room, 7:30 PM.

Dear Committee Members:

Apologies for another meeting. We need to make some decisions quickly if we are going to get off the ground by February 22.

Please look over the memo. It summarizes our work in the committee meeting and extends it a little more. Hopefully, you will have ideas about things we should and should not do and will either come Thursday night and share them or call me or Ed before then.

I think of our committee as an ad hoc committee whose work is finished when we get the schedule together, but perhaps we should discuss this matter as well as the plans for the year.

More apologies for the typing of the memo. I did it myself over the weekend to save time.

Sincerely yours,

Cama Merritt

Memo to the members of the committee to make a Bicentennial schedule:

DATES TO CELEBRATE DURING THE YEAR.

February 22 and February 25: Washington's birthday and date of a foray against the Tories by Jesse Franklin and others of Surry County. Ceremony to open the Bicentennial celebration in Surry County at Rockford. County Commissioners and other officials. Sunday afternoon at 3 p.m. Probably in one of the churches there.

April 25: the date of the Colonial Tasting Spree at Dobson. This is not a date of any significance, but this could be the time when we remember the everyday life of the people here about 200 years ago. What was going on in the houses, particularly the kitchens, at this time 200 years ago, etc. A good time for beard contests and/or bonnets and other costumes competitions. Maybe the ball should be early in May with a similar emphasis on authentic costumes from other eras here in Surry.

July 3 and 4: not only the Declaration in 1776, but also in 1778, our State convention delegates refused to sign the Constitution until the Bill of Rights was later added. This might be a time to celebrate our political rights and freedoms, both the national heroes and our State and Surry political heroes from history. There are numerous possible celebrations:

Veterans fireworks and other features at Veterans Park in Mt. Airy
Parades

Picnics--at Pikkshin Nature Center in Dobson, at Pilot Mountain. With some competitions between volunteer fire departments and rescue squads, etc.

Flag ceremonies--in connection with the picnics or in other locations.

October 7. Battle of King's Mountain; October 8, 1753, 12 unmarried men set out for Wachovia to settle there (it was then part of Surry County); October 10, 1830, James Henry Llewellyn was born who came to be a famous Baptist minister in Surry County. This time of year would be good for square dances and fiddlers conventions--with some special emphases ~~off~~ on the way ~~the~~ things were. Also around this time--slightly earlier, the fairs give an opportunity for some displays and demonstrations of old farm implements and methods. Perhaps we could stage some such event at the Franklin House--there is lots of land around it that we could ask to use. Also this is a good time for some oratory contests in the schools.

December: in 1770 Surry County was founded in this month; in 1821 a postoffice was designated named Haystack. This would be a time for closing ceremonies with the winner of the oratory contest speaking perhaps. Maybe the churches would help us strike a note of keeping the faith with our ancestors. ~~with~~
The beginning of the church year, the Advent season, the first of December, is a good time for this sort of transition from the old to the new beginning.

MEDIA TO TELL ABOUT SURRY COUNTY HISTORY.

Besides spots and news on the radio stations and in the papers, we want to put out some sort of message that reminds citizens visually of the historic celebration. After considering expensive displays, I think our best bet may be posters, appearing in lots of places and being changed every couple of months to announce each new date and emphasis, designed by one of our artists, Cotting White, on the staff at SCC and experienced in designing prints. If we can line up sufficient volunteers some of them can be silk-screened, a process that would give us beautiful collectors items.



HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20515

STEVE NEAL
NORTH CAROLINA

January 19, 1976

Mr. A. Haywood Merritt
827 Country Club Road
Mount Airy, North Carolina 27030

Dear Haywood:

Enclosed is a photocopy of a recent letter I received from the National Aeronautics and Space Administration regarding astronaut appearances at Bicentennial related events.

I thought you might find this of interest. If I can be of any help on this or any other matter, please let me know.

Best wishes,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Steve".

STEPHEN L. NEAL
Member of Congress

SLN:rew

RECYCLE THE PAST AS
WE PLAN FOR THE
FUTURE IN SURRY COUNTY

Needs for Program

(County bicycle population growing geometric proportion)

- 1) Scope of the transportation modal mix
Bicycle sales doubled from 3.7 - 7.5 million from 1960-1968
1973 - 15.3 million
by Christmas 1975 - 85 million
by 1980 - 112 million
- 2) Recreation
2nd most popular U.S. sport
Broad age groups range- 50% of bikes used by 16 over age group
Need for exercise
More recreation time available
- 3) Safety
357 injuries or deaths in N.C. over first 4 months of 1974 from
bike accidents
Designate routes, trails, & paths needs
- 4) Energy Conservation
 $\frac{1}{2}$ all auto trips are no more than 3 miles (20 - 30 minute bike trip)
 $\frac{1}{2}$ all auto trips are single occupant trips
- 5) Environmental pollution
- 6) Saves Time

BICENTENNIAL APPROACH

Promote local routes through

- a) Pamphlets
- b) History of trail areas
- c) Maps of Trails
- d) Publicity of Tours

Development of Bike Trails

Development of Model Trails

Promote "Sunday afternoon routes"

Coordinate

- a) State east-west route
- b) national west-east route - join in Virginia
- c) national north-south route

PLAN OF ACTION

Appoint a Bicycle Division of the Surry County Bicentennial Commission

Coordinate efforts through N.C. Dept. of Transportation and Highway safety

Surry County Bicentennial Commission administer funds, through Bicycle Division

40020

FUNDING

Surry County Bicentennial Commission Budget

Federal Highway Adm. (FHWA)

A) 90% Interstate system

B) 70% Primary & Secondary system

N.C. Bicycle & Bike-way Program



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REVISED SURRY COUNTY AMERICAN REVOLUTION BICENTENNIAL COMMITTEE
ESTIMATED COSTS EXCLUSIVE OF ADMINISTRATIVE AND
PAGEANT COSTS.

	YEAR 1974	YEAR 1975	YEAR 1976	TOTAL
	\$10,000.00	\$40,000.00	—	\$50,000.00
Bicycle Trails*				
Historical Booklets	300.00	1,000.00	750.00	2,050.00
Photographs, Histories	500.00	1,500.00	750.00	2,250.00
Contests, etc.	200.00	200.00	600.00	1,000.00
Heritage Tours	500.00	1,500.00	1,200.00	3,200.00
Signs	100.00	500.00	2,500.00	2,600.00
Folk Music	100.00	500.00	2,400.00	3,000.00
Emblems, Decals	1,000.00	3,000.00	3,000.00	7,000.00
Speakers' Fees	500.00	3,000.00	4,000.00	7,500.00
Other	3,000.00	6,000.00	5,000.00	14,000.00
TOTALS	<u>\$16,000.00</u>	<u>\$58,000.00</u>	<u>\$18,600.00</u>	<u>\$92,600.00</u>

*Explanation of Bicycle Tours Expense: One of the permanent contributions the Bicentennial Commission wishes to leave the county are a set of established bicycle paths and walking trails so that all residents of the county can see the county in its natural setting. Such paths and trails are increasingly popular and encourage a sense of pride in the beauty of our county.

Importantly, there is available a nine-for-one matching grant from the Federal government for such projects: in other words for every thousand dollars we put into the project we receive nine thousand dollars. More and more people are eager to get away from the automobile and onto the nature trails (over 13 million bicycles alone were sold in this country.)

This fund is also designed to put the paths around the historic Franklin house in prime condition for historical and heritage tours. The sum in this budget item is also designed to supplement school historical tours and other like activities.

Edward J. Spanski, Jr.
Executive Director

"BUTTER CHURNING"

The butter churning is just a curiosity now days where it was once a familiar site in every household.

The Surry Bicentennial emphasis for April, May and June is everyday life of the people here in the past. How did they get along without the super-market and the dime store---when they had to make for themselves most of the items of food and clothing that we take for granted.

"COLONIAL TASTING SPREE"

April 24th 2-4 p.m. Agricultural Building Dobson Admission \$2.00

Come and taste a nostalgic menu prepared by Extension Club Women and served on a small commemorative plate that you can keep.

"BICENTENNIAL CANTATA AND COSTUME DISPLAY"

May 16th 8:00 p.m. Mount Airy Fine Arts Center on Rockford Street

The Surry Community College Chorus will present this special Bicentennial music and the Mount Airy Junior Women's Club in cooperation with the Surry Bicentennial Commission will show costumes from Surry County's past.

"PILOT MOUNTAIN DAY"

May 29th All Day

A day long series of fun activities sponsored by the Bicentennial and all the civic clubs of Pilot Mountain. Parade--Fireworks--Water Fights of Volunteer Fire Departments--Blue Grass Music--Choral Groups. Beard contest already started will have awards ceremony for the men with the best and most unusual beards. Everyone is invited to join in the fun.

"BARN RAISING AT PICKSHIN NATURE CENTER"

June 19th All Day (Raindate June 26th)

Logs will be shaped and fitted the way it used to be done to make a smoke house. Other activities such as quilting and food preparation will also go on during the day. Bring your family and picnic.

"PILOT MOUNTAIN STATE PARK ACTIVITIES"

A display showing the old ways of doing things and demonstrations of things for weekends at Pilot Mountain State Park: A blacksmith at work, tobacco production, butter churning, Indian artifacts, and others. Watch the newspaper for events and times.

INDEPENDENCE DAY CELEBRATIONS IN SURRY COUNTY

ELKIN ACTIVITIES

Saturday, July 3, 1976, Elkin Recreation Center: Square Dance at Pavilion, 7:30 p.m; Fireworks, 10 p. m.

Sunday, July 4, 1976: Old-fashioned Picnic, 1 p. m., Ball Field, Memorial Park; other activities during afternoon.

Monday, July 5, 1976: Parade, 11 a. m., Elkin to Jonesville, stops at Lille-Swaim Field; activities all day; Fireworks in Jonesville.

MOUNT AIRY ACTIVITIES

Saturday, July 3, 1976: Old-fashioned Fourth of July sponsored by American Legion and V. F. W.

Parade begins 10 a. m. at Workmen's Federal, South on Main Street, down Cherry Street to Renfro, North to Veterans Park. Anyone can join parade by entering float or wearing costume.

11 a. m., Flag Ceremony, music and speech by Congressman Steve Neal at Veterans Park.

All day at Veterans Park: Music in Grandstand by country bands and gospel singers, dancing by Oddsteppers, games and fun for old and young, including horseshoe pitching, pie-eating contest, volleyball, tug-of-way, crab race, and much more. Fireworks. Bring picnic, buy hot dogs, hamburgers, drinks, and homemade ice cream.

ALSO DURING THIS SUMMER

June 19, barn raising at Pickshin Nature Center, all day activities, food for sale.

June 26, Bicentennial Day at Beulah. Starts at Noon; Procession from Oak Grove Church to Beulah School; all afternoon activities: Little league baseball, country music by Union Grove winners, singing by church groups.

Saturday afternoons at Pilot Mountain State Park, Demonstrations-Exhibits: Indian artifacts, June 19 and 26; Primitive pottery and pottery on wheel, July 3 and 10; Tobacco in Surry County, July 17, 24, 31; Wild plants used by early settlers, August 7, 14, 21, 28.

BICENTENNIAL QUIZ

1. Name the original 13 colonies?
2. When was N.C. admitted to the Union? Either date or what rank 1-13?
3. National Motto of America.
4. State Motto of North Carolina.
5. When was the NCFWC formed or organized?
6. When were NCFWC Junior organized?
7. When was the GFWC Organized?
8. Name the first Governor of North Carolina?
9. Name three presidents from North Carolina.
10. How many amendments are there to the Constitution?
11. Tidbits of information to know about North Carolina...
 - state bird -----
 - state colors-----
 - state flower-----
 - state tree -----
 - state insect-----
 - state seashell----
 - no. of counties--
12. How many historical dramas are there in N.C? Name them.

St. Paul Planning Bicentennial Events

The greater St. Paul school community is conducting a variety of bicentennial activities in the area schools at Lambsburg, Mt. Bethel and St. Paul.

These activities will culminate at St. Paul Intermediate School on Friday with a variety of activities from 5 to 7 P.M. An old fashioned dinner featuring pinto beans, onions, corn bread, potatoes and greens will be served.

Between 7-9 p.m. a pie supper, cake walk will be held with various displays set.

Between 9-11 P.M. a square dance will be held with Wade Jones and the Berrier Boys. Costume judging will also be held. Cartoons will also be shown for children between 9-11 P.M.

Sponsoring organizations

include the Mt. Bethel, Lambsburg and St. Paul PTAs, the Cana Rescue Squad, the Cana Volunteer Fire Department and the Lambsburg Ruritan Club.

Prizes will be awarded for the best bicentennial dress.

The objective of all the sponsoring organizations is to involve the entire community in celebrating the country's heritage and cultural development over the past 200 years, with a major emphasis placed on local contributions, traditions and crafts.

Student projects from Mt. Bethel, Lambsburg, and St. Paul Schools will be exhibited at St. Paul Intermediate School for all visitors to view.

The public is invited and encouraged to dress with a Bicentennial flavor.



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Time Table Continued:

Publicity Division--Verona West.

A. Speakers Bureau

In Operation.

B. Media Relations

In Operation

Activities--Ruth Minick

A. Exhibits & Landmarks --Hugh Atkinson

Early Spring 1975

1. Historic Markers--Steve Taylor

Fall 1974

2. Maps

Jan-feb. 1975

B 3. Bike Trails⁶⁶* MIKE CLARK

Dec. 1974

a. brochure describing project

Oct. 15, 1974

\$ b.

4. Historical Tours

a. Planning

Fall 1974

5. Folk Music--Planning--A

Jan., 1975



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TIME TABLE CONTINUED--III

Activities Cont.

Planning of Museum, Archives, Auditorium

_____?

Festival--Dona Nance, Chairman

A. Student Coordinator--also under Youth Div.

B. Decorators--Displays

Fall of 1974

C. Concessions & Rides

Fall of 1974

D. Setting up finance campaign

Fall of 1974

1. appointment of chairman

Oct., 1974

2. appointment of subcommittees for
each community.

Nov. 1, 1974

E.

Research--Bill Sanders

A. Authenticity Committee

B. Museum Collection

Ongoing.

C. Commemorative Booklet--ready for printing.

Spring of 1975

Bicentennial Events Proposed

Picnics

Competition between volunteer groups (ex. Rescue Squad & Fire Dept.)

Field Day for young athletes

String bands

Square dance

County Fair

Old timey farm implements (competition between other farm implements)

Radio spots

Displays of Historical materials

Selling of License tags

Display of flag

Battle of Siloam (something of each communities)

Bicentennial coins

Old timers day

Beer contest

Bicentennial Booklet

Involve churches

Ceremony with Mayors and Commissioners

Costume ball

Historical window display (scouts or school children)

Paint fire hydrants

Variety shows in schools

Future Homemakers of America