

the GROUNDHOG

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Mentone's First Inhabitants: The Indians

In the shadow of the West Brow of Mentone in Valley Head is a marker honoring Sequoyah, who sat under a huge tree to teach his pupils. The tree has long been gone. Now there remains the historic reality that Mentone's earliest inhabitants were the Indians.

To understand about the Indians of the Southeast, one must go to the archaeologists, because not only did they give the names to ages or eras of prehistoric Indians, but they have studied remains or artifacts of different tribes.

Lookout Mountain, and particularly our environs of Mentone, Alabama, was occupied by the Creeks. But "Creek" is not an Indian name. The early English traders gave that name to the Ocmulgee River, Georgia, Indians. They shortened the name to "Creek" which includes all Indians belonging to the Alliance. They were the most important tribe belonging to their particular confederacy. Not only were they cosmopolitan, they fell heir to traditions of the immediate previous Stone Age Indians, the early Temple Mound and Hopewellian Indians.

The Creeks occupied great portions of the Southeast including Mentone, but were gradually pushed out by the arrival of the Cherokees who were forced to abandon their lands in North Carolina as white settlers moved into their previously occupied homeland. Despite treaties with the British, they were

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Sequoyah

Painting By
Ken Pennington

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Judge Robert Wilson Addresses January MAPA

Initial meeting of the Mentone Area Preservation Association for 1985 will be addressed by District Judge Robert Wilson at the Mentone Fire Hall at 7:00 p.m. on Wednesday, Jan. 2.

Judge Wilson will speak on the activities of Parents Anonymous, a world-wide organization devoted to treatment and prevention in child abuse. He is a member of the board of the newly founded DeKalb County chapter.

Parents Anonymous groups assist parents in dealing with hurt, anger, and frustration. Services are free in providing anonymous assistance. A telephone answering service will be available.

Director Homer Crow, who will preside, invites all interested Mentone citizens to attend the meeting. Refreshments will be served.

Special Council Meeting Firms Up Water Program

At the special called meeting of the Town Council on Oct. 30, all council members discussed the future of the Community Block Development Grant of \$191,000 with Ken Towry of Public Systems, Inc., and Calvin Cassidy and Foster Fountain of Almon Associates. In essence, the talks concerned the amendment of the grant to improve the present system instead of seeking to find an independent source of water.

Altogether there was \$226,000, since the town of Mentone contributed \$35,000. Initially the plans were to renovate the present system by installing an eight inch line from Tutwiler Gap to Highway 117 and to add two new eight inch rings to the existing water tank.

Already the latter plan had to be scrapped because the original plans for the existing tank could not be found, and engineers were afraid that the tank could not support two additional rings. Instead, a new tank was constructed at a cost of \$40,040. Further monies will be spent to sandblast, paint, and fence in both tanks. This will cost in the neighborhood of \$10,000.

The grant is federal money, dispensed by Governor Wallace and Bill Rushton from the governor's special award funds. There are rules, regulations, orders, and laws that must be followed. State Senator Lowell Barron aided in getting the grant for Mentone.

Mr. Towry stated that there will be approximately a sixty day period before the town receives a reply from the state on the amendment proposals. If approved, the work should be finished by summer of 1985.

Councilmen decided to install a six inch line from the Hitching Post down to Camp Desoto and across the river to Moon Lake School, with new fire hydrants along the way. These cost from \$775 to \$1,000 each. In addition, a six inch line will be installed along the road slanted behind the Mentone Superette. If possible, the four inch line will be extended down to Camp Laney. Fire hydrants will be installed there and between the Log Cabin Deli and Clydel's Beauty Shop.

The state will not approve new hydrants on old four inch lines, although they could be installed without state or federal funds. The lines along Desoto Parkway had been bid, but the advisors and engineers stated that they must be re-bid, as a project of this magnitude cannot depend upon only two bids, and the routes are being changed, also.

The trenches for the new lines will be 36 to 40 inches deep with a gravel bed under the pipe and a 30 inch cover. Mayor Hammond requested a map of the entire line system. Mr. Fountain thought this might cost some \$2,000. Existing tax maps will aid in drawing up the new water system map. The new lines will go along state and county roads.

All council members were present at the regular Town Council meeting on Nov. 6. During reports of the standing committees, Mayor Hammond announced that Mentone Police Chief Colquitt Jones has completed school at Jacksonville University's Police Academy. It was unanimously voted to raise his salary \$100 a month beginning with his November check.

The streets committee will grade the center of the road leading into the Rosario home. In addition, Councilman Lee Davenport stated that he still wishes to have the ditch cleaned out on the road behind the Post Office.

On Nov. 13 the Alabama Rural Water Association will again send a team here to check on possible leaks, especially at the three river crossings. An effort will be made to have a meter for each house using town water and to collect bills in arrears. All meters must be accessible to the meter reader.

The finance committee will scrutinize the list of privilege licenses to determine whether amounts assessed are equitable. A motion was made and unanimously passed to raise all privilege licenses 15 percent for 1985.

A resolution was unanimously passed to adopt an

Musical Mountain Christmas: The Last Centennial Event

The last event of the year's Centennial Celebrations is the Musical Mountain Christmas, according to Geri and Ed Disney, coordinators. This will cover the weekend of Dec. 15 and 16.

Saturday afternoon, Dec. 15, will feature the lighting of the community tree at 5 p.m. The Community Chorus, under the direction of David Mays, will sing, and Ed Disney will be master of ceremonies.



Geri and Ed Disney, Coordinators

Festive Dinner At Cragmere

The December meeting of the Mentone Area Preservation Association will be a buffet dinner on Tuesday, Dec. 4, at 6:30 p.m. at Cragmere Manna. The menu will include roast beef and a choice from six vegetables and salad bar. The cost, tax and tip included, is \$7.50 per person. Because of the necessity of pre-planning, reservations must be made with MAPA secretary Amelia Brooks, 634-4836, by Sunday, Dec. 2. The dinner is a repeat of last year's delightful repast, and anyone may attend, not just MAPA members. MAPA members are reminded to bring canned goods for the needy to the dinner.

Mentone Box Goes For The President

In the Presidential election of Tuesday, Nov. 7, Mentone voters were generally in tune with the nationwide popular vote sweep of President Ronald Reagan. In his reelection landslide President Reagan received 317 votes in Mentone's beat 21 box while Walter Mondale totaled 171.

The local totals generally matched the national ratio in the election popular vote — 59 percent for Reagan, 41 percent for Mondale.

Officials at the Mentone balloting were Linda and Nancy Brown, Eleanor Tate, Lee Davenport, Sammy Cash, and Hobson Kirby.

Other totals in the voting were as follows: U. S. Senate: Howell Heflin, 231; Yana Davis 2; Albert Lee Smith, 240. U. S. Congress: Tom Bevill, 262. Associate Justice of the Supreme Court: James Faulkner, 235; Richard Jones, 229. Judge of Court of Civil Appeals: Richard Holmes, 230. Court of Criminal Appeals, John Tyson 3rd, 231; Sam Taylor, 231; John Patterson, 230; H. W. McMillan, 225. President Public Service Commission: Jim Sullivan, 198; Timothy Gatewood, 3; Gordon Tucker, 225. State Board of Education: Jim Allen, Jr., 229. Superintendent DeKalb County Board of Education: Franklin Kelllett, 232; Walter Thomas, 235. DeKalb County Tax Assessor: Mack McCollum, 242. DeKalb County Tax Collector: Leo Grimes, 257. DeKalb County Coroner: Elmer Henderson, 241. Member DeKalb County Board of Education: Willard Israel, 246; R. E. Ables, 247.

order of business for each meeting. More quotations of town insurances will be procured by Mayor Hammond before policies are let.

One guest was present in addition to The Groundhog reporter. Angelo Rosario thanked the council for its letter to him and for agreeing to scrape the road leading to his home. He requested the council contact the state for warning signs to be erected on either side of the bridge on Highway 117. Mayor Hammond assured him this would be done.

On Sunday, from 2 till 4, there will be an old fashioned Christmas at the Mentone Springs Hotel, with refreshments by MAPA; Drew Wolcott will be Santa with gifts for the little ones; refreshments will be served. There will be singing and music for everyone. Families inadvertently omitted from the Centennial Tea ceremony honoring founding families will be honored at this occasion.

EVERYONE IS WELCOME TO ALL OF THESE EVENTS.

The Community Chorus Gives Christmas Cantata

The Community Chorus will present three performances of a Christmas Cantata, "King of Love," by Rodger Strader. Director David Mays announces that there will be two renditions on Sunday, Dec. 16: at 5 p.m. at the Valley Head Baptist Church, and at 7 p.m. at the Moon Lake Baptist Church. A third performance will be presented at the United Methodist Church in Mentone Wednesday, Dec. 19, at 7 p.m.

The group will also be at the Mentone community tree lighting ceremony to sing carols on Saturday, Dec. 15, at 5 p.m.

More First Families Will Be Honored

Ray and Sandra Padgett, who honored founding families with a sketch of the Mentone Springs Hotel at the Centennial Tea, have asked The Groundhog to announce that any families who were overlooked in October will be honored with a ceremony complete with photographs on Sunday, Dec. 16, afternoon of the Christmas singing at the old hotel.

If your family was established here in 1884 when the hotel was built and the town was laid out by Ed Mason, please telephone the editors at 634-3737 so they may inform the Padgetts. In honoring so many, perhaps some were overlooked, and the Padgetts wish everyone to be included.

Holiday Dinner At Moon Lake School

A holiday dinner will be sponsored by the North Lookout Mountain Fire Protection District at 12:00 noon on Friday, Dec. 14, according to Fire Chief Sammy Cash. For just \$3.50 a plate, area citizens can either dine at the Moon Lake School Lunch Room, drive to the school and pick up a box dinner, or call and have a box dinner delivered to their homes.

There will be turkey and chicken dinners with all the trimmings.

Purpose of this fund-raising event is to pay off the remaining indebtedness on the fire truck. "This is an opportunity to have a good holiday meal," says Fire Chief Cash, "and help with a good cause."

For reservations or further information call:

Hobson Kirby — 634-4446
Eddie Worthey — 634-4507
Hershel Pruett — 634-4274
Sammy Cash — 634-4274

Lightning Strikes



When lightning struck the United Methodist Church early in November, a gaping hole resulted which required virtual rebuilding of the lofty steeple. The Groundhog photographer captured the precarious work of McKenzie and Bailey Contractors of Valley Head as they facilitated the task.

MAPA Minutes

The monthly meeting of the Mentone Area Preservation Association was held at the Fire Hall on Nov. 7, with Director Homer Crow presiding. Following approval of the minutes, the treasurer reported a balance of \$2,303.43 as of Nov. 1. The Groundhog report as of that same date was \$599.40.

It was reported that the Mentone brochures have been received and will be stored at the Hitching Post. \$238.38 was voted toward cost of the printing of the brochures. The Groundhog Classic Run committee reported 64 people for the Fun Run and 140 people in the Classic Run. Thus far a total of \$606.70 has been made.

The Groundhog report announced that effective with the January issue a new deadline will be in effect — nearer the mid-month, so it will be more current in connection with such meetings as the Town Council which are held just after the first of the month. Also, those who have already contributed toward out-of-town receipt of The Groundhog will continue to receive mailings until July 1, 1985. No mailings will be made after that date to persons not members of MAPA. In summation, all persons in Mentone will receive their usual copies. Out-of-town persons must pay the \$10 membership fee.

The holiday meeting will be at Cragmere Manna (See story elsewhere). Geri and Ed Disney will coordinate the Musical Mountain Christmas, final event of the Centennial.

— Digested from the minutes of Secretary Amelia Brooks.

Groundhog Finance Report

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Income	
Balance on hand	\$756.81
Donations, Mt. Stuff	7.55
Ad Sales	510.00
Postage	15.00
	\$1,289.36
Debits	
Donna Bukley, sales and delivery	\$106.50
U. S. Post Office	60.20
The Summerville News	523.26
	\$689.96
Balance on hand 11/1	\$599.40

Brow Briefs

Frank Brower, Mentone resident and staff writer for The Fort Payne TIMES-JOURNAL, authored an excellent feature story about William Terry Badham, well-known resident of Birmingham now retired in our town. Mr. Badham, who is Kyle Long's father, was a World War I Ace who received the Distinguished Service Cross. "All wars, more or less," says Mr. Badham, "are too costly to fight."

The Landmarks Players' production of William Inge's play "Picnic," directed by Harriet Sumner, is declared another successful staging by this group.

First place Side Dishes winner in The Times-Journal Holiday Cookbook contest was Mentone's Maxine Baty for her Louisiana Red Beans and Rice. Martha Kirby was a runner-up for her Cheese Squash Casserole. Mrs. Kirby's Red Christmas Punch and Candied Pecans were also included.

Do you know where any back issues of The Groundhog are stashed away? Frequent requests are made for issues with which to compile a complete set — now becoming collector's items. If you are one of the advertisers, next time Donna Bukley delivers the new publication, give her any back copies you have on hand, or call Donna at 634-4678.

A Message From The Postmaster

Please mail your Christmas cards and packages early. Don't miss the joy of remembering old friends in this holiday season. The Post Office offers an excellent selection of services to use for mailing packages:

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— Benny Goss, Postmaster

To MENTONE AREA PRESERVATION ASSOCIATION, BOX 50 in support of the objectives of MAPA, desiring to join with others in preserving and protecting the heritage, natural environment and other unique qualities of life in the Mentone area, I enclose \$10 for voting membership for one through June 1985.

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December Groundhog Award



The Groundhog Award for December goes to the residence of William and Willo Blackburn, proprietors of the Mentone Superette.

Adjacent to the store, the home has recently been covered with white aluminum siding. The screened porch looks more attractive, the house is better insulated, and the black shutters enhance the view of the side of the home.

The Groundhog Award Committee is composed of Max Cash for the town council, Nelda Howe for the garden club, and Mabel Kirk for MAPA.

Holiday Greetings

May Peace prevail,
And love and kindness and plenty.
May this holiday season
With all its blessings
And gifts of the spirit
Descend on all the earth
And especially on the people
Of Mentone, Alabama.

— The MAPA officers and Groundhog staff.
Homer Crow, director
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Rescue Squad News

Next meeting of the Rescue Squad will be at the American Legion hall on Tuesday, Dec. 4 at 7:00 p.m. Principal item of business, according to Captain Leonard Shigley, will be election of officers.

Attention

Please remember to telephone or drop a line to Grace Howard, 634-4506 if you have an item like a walker, wheel chair, crutches, that you will be willing to lend temporarily to someone in this area. A master list will be kept at Town Hall.

VIEWPOINT

By Charles White McGehee

Most of us love Mentone so much that we consider it a world unto itself. Its enchantments brought us here. We too often forget that Mentone has an interconnectedness with the outside world, even a definite dependence. No town nor any individual is an island unto itself.

There is no better illustration than last Christmas when our water supply was cut off from the Fort Payne system. This is something that we hope never happens again. The town council seems to be working toward solutions. But last winter when the temperature was 10 below and we had no water, we had a sense of helplessness.

What if at that same time TVA had been forced to cut off our electrical power, Continental disconnected our telephone lines, and the highways up the mountain from Valley Head and Summerville were blasted into uselessness? The trucks which bring our mail to the post office, the gasoline to our gas stations, the groceries to our stores, would be inoperative.

The chaos that would ensue is painful to consider. Cold houses, empty refrigerators, virtually no contact with the outside world. No television! Imagine that. No quick trips to Fort Payne for things we forgot the last time we were there. Perhaps helicopters could come in for those who were ill.

Let us hope that no war or catastrophe would bring such a miserable situation about. But let us bear in mind the reality that Mentone is not an island. It is an integral part of an advanced, innovative culture.

Martha's Vineyard, an island off the coast of Massachusetts, a staid and sleepy little place where mostly summer visitors come and some longtime citizens proudly live, recently was the scene of a \$3,000,000 drug bust. This caused a writer for the travel section of The NEW YORK TIMES to reflect that Martha's Vineyard is not immune to the difficulties and diseases of the outside world.

"The worldwide struggle between the selfish and the unselfish is reflected here — a civilization in little," he wrote of this small community. "Still, there is hope, because what makes a place in the end as in the beginning, is not so much the scenery and the buildings or the facilities, but the people."

"And the people here are by and large, caring, intelligent, sensitive and not indolent. See how they ceaselessly tend their gardens, repair their fences, paint their houses, sweep their doorsteps in the best Voltarian fashion. So at least one infinitesimal piece of our time — a small island off the coast of Massachusetts — is clean and neat and orderly, but all in gentle moderation."

So it is with Mentone, this small town atop Lookout Mountain in the Appalachia of Northeast Alabama. We are clean and neat and orderly. But we are neither immune from the problems of the outside world, nor are we able to survive without the benefits of the outside world.

We join in the refrain of The NYT writer: "Order," said Alfred North Whitehead. "We must have order — but not too much order."

Museum and Information Center



Above is an interior view of the Museum and Information Center which was established during the October Centennial Week. Space was provided by Jack and Olive Jones in the yellow corner building adjacent to the Log Cabin Deli. It is hoped that a permanent structure can be provided somewhere in the vicinity of Old Hotel Square. Members of the Rhododendron Garden Club have agreed to be hostesses.

The Mayor's Report

The shoe is on the other foot! Several years ago the first town council meeting I attended was to protest a raise in the amount to be paid on my business privilege license. I didn't, and I don't think anybody, likes to pay more in taxes.

However, the council this month unanimously voted to increase privilege license taxes across the board by 15 percent. The council felt that the town must generate more revenue in order to maintain the services the town provides. So this time I voted to raise my own taxes. The shoe really is on the other foot!

The Alabama Rural Water Association brought its leak detection equipment back to Mentone Nov. 13 and 14. They were successful in locating a sizable leak under a culvert. The leak has been taken care of, and this should result in considerable water savings. The new tank should be tested and painted soon.

Congratulations to Colquitt Jones upon his graduation from the police academy at Jacksonville State.

— Rob Hammond

Leftovers

By Jean McGehee

Some of our favorite meals are those when we clean out the refrigerator — at least they provide variety and are easy on the cook. For some time now there have been anecdotes or thoughts that do not fit into the regular articles in *The Groundhog*. They are leftovers.

One bit concerns the singer Shirley Jones. Charles and I went to Chattanooga a recent Saturday night to hear Miss Jones with the symphony pops orchestra. She's holding her own in the voice and beauty departments. We were reminded of a tale told by Doc and Kyle Long and confirmed by a chat with Harvard "Haywire" Hester, Valley Head barber.

July 15, 1980, four people walked into Hester's shop. A young man, about 25 to 30 years old, a young woman, and two older women entered. The young man wanted his hair cut. What style did he want, asked Hester. The young man pointed to one of the women. Mr. Hester rubbed his hand over his short-cropped hair and agreed to cut the young man's hair like the woman's.

The young woman asked Mr. Hester if he knew who the woman was whose hair he had touched. "No," replied the barber.

"That's Shirley Jones," the young woman said. Mr. Hester had followed Miss Jones' career through *Oklahoma*, her winning an Academy award for her role in *Elmer Gantry*, and her role as the mother on TV's *Patridge Family*.

Not quite knowing what to believe, he said, "All right. If you're Shirley Jones, let's hear you sing!"

Immediately Miss Jones went into a fanfare, a sort of "Da, da, da — da, da, ta-da!" But that was all.

Still thinking he might be the object of a joke or hoax, Hester asked, "Now how old would you be, Miss Jones?"

"I'm 49," she replied. And indeed she was. Mr. Hester has an autographed photo of Shirley Jones as well as a message inscribed on the back of a photo of himself. He said she was quite natural and down-to-earth, not putting on airs at all. The other woman was her secretary, Betty Stephanian. Her son, Brian, and future (now) daughter-in-law Jill were the other visitors to Hester's shop.

A couple of weeks ago we went to Atlanta with Doc and Kyle for the opening of a new pottery gallery by Charles Counts of Rising Fawn in the Tula Building in the Buckhead area. Afterward we searched vainly for a restaurant serving lunch at 2 p.m. Deciding to head toward home, we lucked into China House on Peachtree and had a delightful meal, the only diners present. We were privileged to sneak glances at the waiters and kitchen help eating their meal with chopsticks. As always, there were enough leftovers to bring home for another meal.

Some of the best food we've had recently was the manicotti at Cragmere, created from scratch (makes her own pasta) by the new chef, Kelley Soder. Every bit was sumptuous. We also were blessed to partake of a perfect Thanksgiving Dinner at the Mentone Inn. The atmosphere (nowadays known as ambience) was delightful. It's hard to stop talking about the good food around here, but the Tiger's Inn breakfast is hard to beat. Great biscuits and gravy.

And finally, this is the first autumn that I've experienced two color explosions. During Centennial Week, our back yard was so beautiful it was like gazing at stained glass windows. And now after a late freeze (a month later than the last two years) isn't it absolutely beautiful to look on the mountain sides?

\$6,500 Raised At Moon Lake

Over \$6,500 was raised at the recent Moon Lake School Harvest Festival, according to Christa Brown, secretary of the Parent Teachers Association which sponsors the event.

Money raised from this and other projects is used for improving the school facilities. A major future project is construction of a gymnasium.

Principal Charles Bell, PTA President Bill Berry, and Mrs. Brown wish to thank all of the Mentone people who helped make the harvest festival a success.

At the PTA meeting of Nov. 19 it was voted to donate \$200 to each Moon Lake teacher, to be used for classroom materials.

American Legion News

On Thursday, Dec. 20, the Annual Christmas Party of the local American Legion Post will be held at the Legion Hall at 6:00 p.m. Members and their wives will bring their favorite foods to this covered dish supper. For further details contact Commander Leonard Shigley.

Commander Shigley states that the Turkey Shoot held on Nov. 17 was very much a success. "People got there happy and left happy," he said. "We ran out of targets. The funds will be used for building repairs and improvements."

Fellow Celebrant

The Groundhog offers a HAPPY BIRTHDAY to Alvin Edwin Bradley, a resident of Cloudland, Georgia, just down the road.

On Nov. 9 he celebrated his 100th birthday. He and the town of Mentone are exactly the same age.

A former barber and railroad employee, he lives in a trailer near his son. Mr. Bradley fixes his own breakfast most mornings and takes a long walk every day.

STANDING TALL



Standing tall in the back row (third from right) is Colquitt Jones, Mentone's policeman, with the other graduates of the Police Academy at Jacksonville University. The seven-week course was largely conducted by FBI instructors. Policeman Jones commuted to the Academy for daily 8 to 5 courses, which involved 280 hours of classroom training and extensive physical activity in the gymnasium. Participants in the Academy were from throughout Alabama. From a grounding in criminal justice, the courses completed by Policeman Jones ranged across all phases of law enforcement, including first aid and coronary pulmonary resuscitation, crime investigation, wreck investigation, firearms training, patrol procedures, stress, auto theft, self defense training, arrest and search and seizure procedures. "I came back from the Academy a much more qualified officer," he said. "I have really learned a lot. No one should be allowed to serve Mentone as policeman who has not gone to the Academy." THE GROUNDHOG editors asked Policeman Jones how he felt about his job, now that he is into his second year of service. "I like it," he said. "I have enjoyed it. The people have been nice and complimentary."

Cloudmont Ski Resort All Set For New Season

Mentone's premier tourist attraction is all set for another big season. Gary Jones, manager of the Cloudmont Ski Resort, says that the kickoff will be heralded by a freezing temperature of around 28 degrees.

Last year's season at Cloudmont broke all records and received attention from the national media as the southernmost ski run in the U. S. It attracts not only beginners from the Southeast, but veteran skiers who are unable to make the long journeys to Colorado, New England, or Switzerland.

Throughout the off-season Gary and his staff have been involved in such improvements as smoothing the runs, constructing higher snow-making towers, and repairing equipment.

Cloudmont has two slopes, both 1,000 feet long and 150 vertical feet off a 1,900 foot peak. A recent Sunday edition of *The Atlanta Journal-Constitution* described the Mentone ski run as having 100 percent snow-making, night skiing, two super pony tows, with accommodations of six chalets at the ski area and cabins eight miles away. Facilities are available for parties of up to 65.

The 1984-85 staff is as follows: Gary Jones, manager; Doug Hair, ski director; Nancy Jones, ticket office and public relations; Chester Crider, snow making and lifts; Stephanie Hunter, rental shop; Barbara Clark and Philip Brown, ski instructors.

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Farewell To C and H



For twenty-five years the C and H Lumber Company has been a fixture in Valley Head. Before that, it was the Valley Head Lumber Company. Ted Holleman and William Crow agreed that if the latter were elected mayor of Valley Head, they would close the business. Mr. Crow feels that being mayor is a full time job, leaving too much responsibility for the business upon Mr. Holleman.

Ted Holleman has been associated with the company for about forty years. He worked there before World War II and opened a cabinet shop there after he returned from military service.

William Crow has worked with the lumber company for about thirty years. He and Mr. Holleman purchased the place from Mrs. Paul Davenport.

Wesley Ottis Dean has worked with the owners

since 1951. Mr. Holleman and Mr. Crow state that they will "attempt" to play some golf, but that each will find plenty to do to stay busy after this month when the company is no longer in existence. All of the men say that they will miss seeing people who have been loyal customers.

One Mentone citizen, voicing the sentiment of scores of people, said: "It's inconceivable that we will no longer have this service available at the bottom of the mountain. Not only have they been ever courteous with advice on the telephone for us amateur builders, but they have saved countless drives to Fort Payne for last-minute needs. C and H was always a warm, helpful place to visit; it was an institution which will long be missed." We all wish for Mr. Holleman and Mr. Crow a happy time in their new careers.

Effective in January, the deadline for **The Groundhog** will be Jan. 8. The publication will be in the mail Jan. 15.

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Donna Bukley is advertising coordinator of **The Groundhog**. Donna is associate director of MAPA, board member of the DeKalb County Tourist Association, coordinated the 1984 Rhododendron Festival, and was advertising coordinator for the Centennial Celebrations. She likes to paint and is married to Charles Bukley, an electrical supervisor at the TVA Bellefonte Nuclear Power Plant.

Call Donna for further information or to place an ad — 634-4678 or the editors at 634-3737.

HOLIDAY GREETINGS!

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New Year!

Mentone-Based Artist Is Recognized

"Paint every painting as though it's going to be your masterpiece," said a friend to Rick Long. And this he strives to achieve, although it means more and more time spent on each painting.

Rick and his wife Debbie are currently restoring and renovating the Mayer home behind Brow Park. Rick began as a business major at Florida Atlantic University, but he found his true niche in the painting and print section of the Fine Arts Department.

After graduation he traveled with the California Professional Artists Association for five years. Today he goes to annual exhibits around the country, from Virginia to San Francisco, and from the Florida Keys to Chicago.

Rick grew up in a wooded area near Philadelphia, living in a 300 year old house. His father's degree was in art, also. While still an undergraduate, Rick was inspired by Aldous Huxley's essay, "The Nature of Precious Stones."

Huxley believed that precious gems are not precious because of their rarity, but because of their crystal luminescence. It is this enlightenment that Rick seeks to paint — a triggering of a subconscious memory of a bright parallel universe to this one. This is an experience of the very young or very old or of a psychically attuned person. His method is reverse painting on clear plexiglass with acrylics, air brush,



*Moon
Over
Sarna*



Rick Long, Artist

and brush.

The important aspect is the philosophy behind his painting. Although he is not a recreational reader, preferring to read only challenging material, Rick has read deeply into parapsychology and metaphysics, seeking to understand the world around him as well as himself. His reading is a "helpful tool for my own progress as a human being," he says.

People from all over this country and from Europe have purchased Rick's paintings. Since they are somewhat avant garde, they are more popular with young people and with Europeans, who are not conditioned to like what they think they should like, as most Americans are.

Rick began making prints of his works about five years ago because they offer less affluent young people art they can afford. He also has done album covers and collector plates, but nowadays he devotes his time to seeking to advance, to communicate, to open new doors through his paintings. Color is particularly important to Rick as it expresses feelings and emotions.

Debbie and Rick met at an art show in Albany, New York. Debbie is a native Californian who grew up in the Chicago area. "When I saw his paintings, I immediately wanted to meet the artist," Debbie said.

"There isn't much in my life that art hasn't been responsible for," Rick says. Daughter Lora is a beautiful nine months old charmer.

Rick Long has maintained his same distinct style and unusual quality throughout his painting career, although a definite growth is evident. Prints of his work are on display in the Gourdie Shop in the Hitching Post.

Rhododendron Garden Club Meets

Sixteen members and one guest of the Rhododendron Garden Club met Nov. 13 in the Fellowship Hall of the United Methodist Church. Terry Shackleford, from the County Agent's office, spoke on "Planting and Caring for Fruit Trees."

Mr. Shackleford divided his talk into four areas: the site, planting, pruning and caring for the trees. Since it is difficult to raise fruit trees in colder climates, and especially on mountain tops, each of these categories is quite important if one is to raise fruit successfully in Mentone.

Trees should get all day sun and good drainage

and no hard winds. Most horticulturists favor an eastern slope. Good soil must be from three to five feet deep for fruit trees to bear well.

Planting holes for fruit trees should be at least 18 to 24 inches across and 18 inches deep. Put some top soil and some humus in the bottom of the hole. Dwarfs should be planted so that the graft is above soil level. When the hole is $\frac{3}{4}$ full of soil, fill it with water. When this has settled, fill with rest of soil and leave loose. Form a watering saucer of soil. Water every four days for two weeks. Stake dwarf trees and never remove the stake.

Prune in late winter or early spring. Prune to keep the tree symmetrical. Never over-prune. Keep one main leader and after tree is shaped, remove any broken limbs, thick ones, and diseased limbs.

Regular spraying is essential. Spray with a dormant oil spray in the winter when the temperature is above 40 degrees. Follow a spraying schedule according to manufacturer's suggestions, but never spray within seven days of harvest. Fertilize annually in early spring. Maintain an organic mulch around all fruit trees. Generally, nitrogen alone will do if an organic mulch is maintained. Trees will bear within 3 years and continue for 40-50 years.

President Helen Hill reminded members to bring canned goods, staples, or cash to the Christmas meeting at the Kirk home on Dec. 11.



Gordon Strickland is weaving a basket from thin strips of oak, just as the pioneers did years ago. The basket will be quite sturdy when it is finished.

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Mentone's First Inhabitants: The Indians

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unable to police or guard roads as frontier people moved in. As the white settlers moved into this area of Northeast Alabama, there arose a great cry that they possessed the land. Historically speaking, some Indian tribes had fought with the British in the Revolutionary War and in the War of 1812. There remained a lingering fear that some Indians would be disloyal to the federal government. But this was not the case. The Indian's word was his bond.

The Indians of this area were rounded up like cattle, put in stockades, and later forced to abandon their beloved homeland and sent on their "Trail of Tears."

Fort Payne, Alabama, near Mentone, was a center of such a stockade. The city was named for the officer in charge of the stockade, Captain John Payne.

Late in 1829, the Creek Indians of the southern end of Lookout Mountain held a council meeting and voted to remain in Alabama and submit to the laws of the state. Alabama had become a state Dec. 14, 1819.

However, intruders swarmed over the land and made life unbearable for the Indians. In the spring of 1832 the Creeks signed a treaty yielding all their land in Alabama.

The Creeks joined with their avowed enemy, the Cherokees, and also with the Chickasaws to remain rather than be sent West.

A civil war broke out when the Creeks took to acts of violence against the white settlers, and the secretary of war ordered their removal. (The Creeks had already signed with the state of Georgia in 1827 to vacate their land there). Finally 2,495 Creeks were transported by force to the West, and hundreds were hunted out among the Cherokees by the military.

A small group of Indians led by John Ridge and Elias Boudinot signed a treaty with the federal government to give up all Cherokee lands east of the Mississippi River. The Treaty of New Echota, signed Dec. 29, 1835, ceded the Cherokees' lands in Tennessee, Alabama and Georgia to the federal government for the amount of five million dollars and an interest in Western Indian territory.

Most of the Cherokees were not in agreement with the treaty. The Cherokee nation's chief, John Ross, considered the treaty non-binding; however, President Andrew Jackson enforced the treaty and appointed General Winfield Scott in charge of these federal forces, and on May 10, 1838, issued a proclamation to the Cherokees warning them that their emigration was to commence immediately.

A great number of Indians hid out in the many caves of Alabama; later they emerged and returned to North Carolina where they established a center. It is believed one of these families in hiding was that of Mentone's fabled Granny Dollar.

In many stories, the Indians have been depicted as the "bad guys," but actually, they had high moral standards.

Their having no written language handicapped them because the white men could wave a piece of paper in front of them, and they couldn't read the small fine print of the contract or treaty.

Sequoyah arrived on the scene capturing words on paper or bark called a syllabary or an alphabet, to give the Cherokees a reading system in about 1821. A syllabary is a list of syllables or a list of characters representing syllables and serving the purpose of stages of writing an alphabet.

Sequoyah's name in the Cherokee language means "the

lame one," from an injury to his leg in the War of 1812 when he fought with the federal troops. He was born about 1775 or 1776. His father was white, Nathaniel Gist, and came from a wealthy family of Baltimore, Maryland. Nathaniel, along with two other men, had a trading post on the Holston River.

Sequoyah's mother, according to Indian custom, remained with her people after her Indian tribal marriage ceremony to Nathaniel, instead of returning to Baltimore, Maryland. She raised Sequoyah as a single parent.

About the age of seventeen, Sequoyah went to Spring Place, Georgia, where there was a mission school, and where he met John Ross, whose Indian name "Coaweescoowee" means "The Great White Bird." Sequoyah learned to be a blacksmith; he made a loom for his mother and learned how to patch copper and to be a silversmith. When Sequoyah was about nineteen he married and had children.

Sequoyah enlisted with the United States forces in the War of 1812; he was enrolled as George Guess. At the end of the Battle of Horseshoe Bend at the Tallapoosa River in Georgia, 27 March 1814, war was over; he had been gone two years.

In 1782, the first Cherokees left for new home land in what is now Fort Smith, Arkansas. When the U. S. purchased Louisiana in 1803, Arkansas became part of the Union. By 1808, the western Cherokees were calling themselves the Nation West and inviting the Nation East to join them. By then the Cherokees had made new treaties with the United States.

On Sequoyah's return home, he had a compulsion to create a written language. Because he would retreat to a cabin apart from his main house, he was suspected by family and neighbors. It is not known whether his wife or neighbors burned his cabin, but all his work was destroyed.

He left and took his little girl to Arkansas where he married a woman who apparently encouraged him in his endeavor. He was able to teach his wife as well as other members of his family to read and write in the Cherokee language.

At last he took his alphabet to the chief of the Cherokee nation, and after an amazing demonstration of the use of the alphabet by his young daughter in a meeting of the Council, the new system was adopted. Sequoyah had lived for a while at Willstown near the present city of Fort Payne, Alabama.

The four principal groups of Indians in Alabama were the Creeks, Cherokees, Chickasaws, and Choctaws. They may be better identified as occupying sections of the state of Alabama, as in the southwestern corner were the Choctaws, Chickasaws in the northwestern, Cherokees in the northeastern part, and Creeks in the southeastern.

The Indians of Alabama had houses of upright logs, plastered over with mud, and each family had a small vegetable garden, but did not sell their produce. Grasses were woven together to make walls for their houses, and then plastered with mud. Roofs were braided of grasses into thatch. Most houses were weatherproof.

Beds were elevated. Couches were made to sit on or to sleep upon. Bed clothes were soft and often woven of turkey feathers or softened pelts. In some tribes men helped the women such as the Choctaw men, but other

tribes refused to do any "women's work."

The women cultivated crops, gathered firewood, looked after the children, ground the corn, made clothing, and wove baskets. The men fished, hunted, and went to war; they also made hand tools such as needles and awls of bone for sewing and for fishhooks. Shells were used for cups, spoons, and other utensils; an axe was made of stone; Alabama clay was manufactured into pottery.

There was one negative facet to the culture of the Indians of Southeastern United States and that is they never knew about or used the wheel. They were not aware of metallurgy except copper; that was usually fashioned into jewelry.

The Indians did everything to music; they were not always silent, and some old warriors were great orators and story tellers; they loved to dance and to whoop and holler.

Their art depicted the life around them, birds, fish or other wild animals; very often it was geometric or symbolic art. The swastika form was used long before Hitler was born.

They believed in The Great Spirit or by other names as the Breath Keeper, or the One Above, and had elaborate ceremonies in their Indian religion.

In the Archaic Era of Prehistoric Indians, careful treatment of the dead showed they had a belief in an after life; also that they had strong emotional ties, even though the burial site was also the refuge heap. They also buried their dogs.

The Indians of Prehistoric time had a short life span of probably not more than fifty years. They were plagued with arthritis and abscessed teeth.

The Early Woodland Indians buried their dead in round circular pits, shallow, only about two feet deep; the arms and legs of the corpse were tied to the sides; skeletons of whole families have been found in one grave and sometimes showed signs of violence.

A group of students and professors of the University of Georgia's Anthropology Department in 1973 investigated an Indian mound near Trenton, Georgia, not far from Mentone, at the Tunacunnnee Site. The artifacts unearthed by the archaeologists were of the Hopewellian culture in the period 200 B. C. to 400 A. D. which indicated that before the time of Christ, there had been an extensive trade network with the Hopewellian Indians of Ohio.

Scientists do not always agree, but it is generally believed that Indians of Asiatic origin came to this continent by way of the Bering Straits some 40,000 to 50,000 years ago. From studies made — the Carbon 14 method — scientists believe that Indians were in Alabama since about 8,000 B. C. and went through at least six stages before the arrival of the first Europeans. They were the ancestors of the Creeks and Cherokees who resided in the Mentone area. They, in turn, were here when the white explorers arrived.

Chapter 3

A History of Mentone By

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A Tour Of Mentone

Monday, Dec. 3 — 6 p.m. — Town Council meets at Town Hall. Rob Hammond, Mayor.

Tuesday, Dec. 4 — 6:30 p.m. — MAPA Christmas Dinner at Cragsmere Manna. All welcome. Homer Crow, Director.
7 p.m. — Rescue Squad meets at American Legion Building. Leonard Shigley, Captain.

Thursday, Dec. 6 — 7 p.m. — Volunteer Fire Dept. meets at Fire Hall. Sammy Cash, Chief.

Saturday & Sunday, Dec. 9 & 10 — 12 to 6 Cloudland Pottery Christmas Show.

Tuesday, Dec. 11 — 10 a.m. — Rhododendron Garden Club meets at the Kirk home. Helen Hill, President.

Wednesday, Dec. 12 — 9:30 a.m. — Bookmobile comes to Town Hall.
2:15 p.m. — Valley Head Woman's Club invites all to a concert by the Ala. State Jr. College at the United Methodist Church.

Friday, Dec. 14 — noon — Christmas dinner at Moon Lake School by the Fire Dept.

Saturday, Dec. 15 — 5 p.m. — Lighting of the Mentone Community Christmas Tree. Mentone Inn parking lot. Music. All welcome!

Sunday, Dec. 16, 2 to 4 p.m. — Mentone Springs Hotel Singing. Santa, Refreshments. ALL WELCOME.
5 p.m. — Community Chorus sings at Valley Head Baptist Church.
7 p.m. — Community Chorus sings at Moon Lake Baptist Church.

Wednesday, Dec. 19 — 7 p.m. — Community Chorus sings at United Methodist Church.

Thursday, Dec. 20 — 6 p.m. — American Legion Christmas Party. Covered Dish.
7 p.m. — Fire Dept. meets at Fire Hall.

Sunday, Dec. 23 — 5 p.m. — Lessons and carols. St. Joseph's On-the-Mountain.

Wednesday, Dec. 26 — 9:30 a.m. — Bookmobile.

Wednesday, Jan. 2 — Deadline for January GROUNDHOG.

7 p.m. — MAPA meets at Fire Hall. Judge Robert Wilson, speaker.

At the top of the mountain where 117 intersects with DeSoto Parkway (89), you are at Old Hotel Square. Within walking distances are the following points of interests: (Maps are usually available around town).

(a) MENTONE SPRINGS HOTEL, focal point of the Centennial, built in 1884, a classic example of Victorian architecture. It is not operated at present as a hotel, but there are gift shops worthy of a visit.

(b) THE WHITE ELEPHANT, formerly an annex of the hotel, now a fine gifts and antiques shop. behind the hotel to the east.

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(g) ST. JOSEPH-ON-THE-MOUNTAIN CHURCH, usually open for visitors. Its center unit is a log cabin thought to be originally the oldest residence in Mentone.

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(i) CRAGSMERE MANNA RESTAURANT AND GARDENS, originally a log cabin residence of a former slave. If you're hungry and it's after 5 p.m. (and not Monday or Tuesday), a top-notch meal; suitable for parties.

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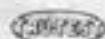
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