

Bent Tree-ites Put Beach First

Looks like Lake Tamarack's sun and swim beach area will be the busiest spot at fast-growing Bent Tree this summer.

Over 60 per cent of the property owners gave top priority to the swimming beach for completion in June 1972. This figure comes from returns tallied in the Amenities and Recreational Program Questionnaire mailed to all Bent Tree property owners.

"It's not too late to register your preferences and have them counted in our decisions on which amenities and programs to put first," Don Hare, general manager, said in an appeal that outstanding questionnaires be returned.

Next most wanted facility in the tally was the Club House, Phase II, which includes the main dining facilities. Picnic areas and boating facilities followed closely.

On down the line came: additional pool; campsites; back nine holes of golf course with front nine scheduled for play this summer; and children's playground.

Last in popularity, in this order, were riding trails, stables, additional tennis courts, volley ball court, shuffleboard court, and archery field.

As for sports instruction most Bent Tree-ites want to brush up on their swimming, golf, and fishing, in that order.

Runner-ups for instruction were tennis, riding, and sailing. Only a few folks wanted archery and life saving classes.

Golf came out way ahead as the favorite for sports competitions followed by swimming, tennis and sailing contests. And a few votes were cast for riding and archery competitions.

Weekend buffets were by far the most popular of suggested club house activities. Follow-ups were, in order: religious services, ping pong, movies, bridge competitions, billiards competitions, and private party facilities.

An "Other Recreational Programs" listing drew interest in beach barbecues, nature walks-lectures, summer camp programs for children, and bicycle rentals.

Both categories above fell in the "would use often" listing.

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Almost a full team in Stinnett family, l-r, Ronnie, Russ, Keith with Dr. and Mrs. Stinnett and "Fred"

B.T. Coach Discovered Archie

Dr. Roy Stinnett of Chattanooga and Bent Tree won't tell you but Archie Manning will.

The red-haired, All American, former Ole Miss superstar now with the New Orleans Saints, credits Dr. Stinnett with giving him his big chance.

That was about five years ago, before Roy Stinnett became head of the physical education department at the University of Tennessee at Chattanooga... and a Bent Tree property owner.

"No one from our small high school had won a football scholarship to Ole Miss as far back as I could remember," Archie recalled in a phone interview recently. At that time Roy Stinnett, a graduate student and assistant football coach under the Rebels' John Vaught, came to Drew, Miss. and watched the fast, brainy young high school player in action.

"Dr. Stinnett went back to Ole Miss and finally talked the head recruiter into coming to watch me play," Manning continued. The rest is pigskin history with Archie rewriting the record book at Ole Miss and in the Southeastern Conference

for his fine passing and running and quarterback leadership ability.

"The irony is I didn't get to work with Archie at Ole Miss," Roy Stinnett picks up the story in his soft-spoken, native Tennessee drawl. He had moved on to Chattanooga in 1967 to coach football and teach physical education, returning to Ole Miss only during the summer sessions to complete his doctorate.

In the fall of 1968 and '69, Roy Stinnett found himself helping coach his Chattanooga players to really challenge powerful Ole Miss... and Archie.

Archie himself believes Stinnett was primarily responsible for the good fight the smaller Chattanooga college gave the big, powerful Rebels.

"Just the same, I'll always be indebted to Dr. Stinnett for finding me and believing in me," the good-natured red-head jokes.

Dr. Stinnett admits he and his three sons go right along with last year's pro football slogan "Archie is a Saint."

The young Stinnetts are Ronnie, 17,

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Adult swimming pool with its large lounge decks and shade tables opens June 3, with additional water and beach sports at big Lake Tamarack

Hare Tells Future Plans For Amenities And Facilities

Here's a future schedule for development of amenities and facilities at Bent Tree based on property owners' priorities from the recent questionnaire.

Officials hope this information together with current status statistics in the enclosed "Community Data" brochure will bring Bent Tree-ites completely up to date.

1. Road construction: paving of roads in Oglethorpe, Little Pine and Mole Mountains, spring and summer, 1972.

2. Water distribution: installation of water systems in new Coffey Cove and Chestnut Cove sections, spring and summer, 1972. Building of state-approved

water treatment plant, spring and summer, 1972.

3. Electric power installation throughout community as construction demands, by Amicolola Electric Company.

4. Lake development: beach area, dressing facilities, boat dock and adjoining picnic grounds and play area, June, 1972.

5. Golf: front nine holes playable, May, 1972; back nine, spring, 1973. Temporary operations of Golf Pro Shop from a mobile home, spring/summer, 1972, with adjoining parking lot and driving range. Pro shop completed, fall, 1972.

6. Club House: Phase I Building cocktail-lounge open, June, 1972. Phase II dining facilities under construction, fall, 1972 through summer, 1973.

7. Adult pool: to re-open June 3, 1972.

8. Teen Club and olympic pool: completed July, 1972, providing temporary snack bar.

9. Camp ground: Phase I, camping, laundry and restroom facilities, June, 1972.

10. Riding stables: spring, 1973.

Recreation programs are under consideration and will be announced soon.

Stinnett

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a high school football player; Keith, 9; and Russ, 7.

"They consider Archie an intelligent, outstanding Christian athlete tops in all sports and a real leader," Dr. Stinnett explains. "They like his courage too, playing even when he's had serious injuries, lots of them," he thinks back to Archie's dramatic game against Arkansas, despite his broken wrist supported by a steel pin.

In all fairness, the Stinnett boys have their current UTC favorite athletes' photos pinned up alongside their autographed pictures of Archie in their comfortable Chattanooga home.

If you look hard, you'll also find a photo or two of Dad, from his own football playing days. He made the High School All American football team in 1953 at Ripley High (Tenn.) and played varsity quarterback



Archie Manning

at the University of Nebraska for three years. Stinnett, like Archie, also took academic honors.

Mrs. Martha Faye Stinnett is the only non-football "nut" in their household, her husband admits. "She goes to games and puts up with

our sports talk but she's really an art enthusiast."

Her proud husband also reports that Martha Faye is going back to college now and will complete her degree in art this May. She wants to be an art teacher or commercial artist.

Martha Faye has another vital interest, designing the house plans and interior decor for the new home her family plans to build on rugged, green Coffey Cove at Bent Tree.

"We may even get up some football games, along with all the other recreation, in those North Georgia hills," athlete Roy Stinnett jokes.

Bit of Bent Tree History...

Here's Way To Long Life

By CARL DARNELL

How come mountain folks live so long? Lot of that's just rumor and in the old days many of my mountain neighbors didn't know the exact year of their birth.

But when the newspaper boys ask our old timers their recipe for long life, they almost always give credit to the pure mountain spring water they've been reared on — the same water that's used in Bent Tree's new spring water system.

Then they usually figure the wild herbs they've always doctored themselves with had a hand.

One of the best stories about an old, old mountain neighbor of mine, Miss Caroline Paige, bears out the spring water and herb doctoring theory for lengthening your life.

The author is a retired teacher and Jasper community leader who grew up at the foot of Hendricks Mountain, now part of Bent Tree.

Miss Caroline lived at the lower end of Black Gum Hollow, a deep ravine beginning near the west end of Mole Mountain, now in Bent Tree.

The hollow got its name and fame as the spot where the old settlers found the hollow Black Gum logs for their bee hives.

Miss Caroline lived alone in a one room log cabin at least two miles from any other house. She didn't know her age but she remembered all the details about her father returning home from the Civil War.

She grew up drinking the icy water that gushed from the spring at the head of Black Gum Hollow, bubbling out of a crevice in a large rock cliff.

In the late 1930's we had a big snow, 12 inches of it, and I went to Miss Caroline's cabin to be sure she was alright. The little old lady was sitting close to the fire wrapped in a quilt with a corner of the room full of fire wood.

She assured me she was alright because she'd laid in a stock of good spring water and her "medicine cabinet" was well stocked. Her medicine was a collection of roots and herbs including ginseng, May apple, yellow dock and such. She ate some as is and used some to make hot herb tea.

She was proud of the fact that no doctor had ever walked the small path to her place and that she was self sufficient, with her \$5 monthly welfare check. Fifty cents of it went for snuff and the rest for food, all she needed for a good, long life.



Pretty Jenny Harper gives mountain spring water taste test in coffee and straight

Spring Water Tastes, Brews Better

Cool, clear water... from Bent Tree's 100 or more mountain springs pleases the T. Harley Harper family so much that they've been bottling it and mailing or taking it to friends as special gifts.

Jenny Harper, daughter-in-law of the Harper's who own a new chalet-home on Little Pine Mountain and who are building the new Sharp Top Shopping Center outside Jasper, samples Bent Tree spring water by the glassful and coffee cupful in the accompanying photo.

Jenny, a biology graduate student at Emory University, thinks the water coming directly from a spring near the Harper's lakeside home undoubtedly tastes "sweeter" because it's purer and less chemical-filled than its city counterparts.

Natives also claim it has less — or maybe no — lime content.

Home economists explain the better cup of coffee brewed from Bent Tree spring water on its not being chlorinated.

Largest springs in the giant bowl of

Blue Ridge mountains that make-up the Bent Tree resort community are named for the region's early settlers and for historic events.

Largest is probably Buckskull Spring, named for two giant bucks who fought, got their antlers entangled and caused their own sad end.

Big Stomp Spring was named for the salt lick spot where early settlers' mules gathered and did so much stomping around that vegetation still hasn't grown back to normal.

Grape Vine Spring, another big one, was named for the abundance of wild scuppernongs and muscadines that grew thereabouts.

And four other major springs were named for pioneer settlers: Thomas Fields, Elisha Padgett, Thomas Pendley and Caroline Paige.

"That spring water also made mighty good mountain dew in the old days too," jokes Carl Darnell, Bent Tree historian.

Shopping Center Expands In Space

Sharp Top Shopping Center is expanding its plans to include more shopping and service facilities and office space, according to T. Harley Harper, Bent Tree resident.

Store, service and office space has jumped from an initial 54,000 to 108,000 square feet and first retail tenants will be announced in May.

Land has been cleared for the development at the corner of Cove and Tate roads near Bent Tree and construction begins in late Spring.

Harper and his architect, M. G. Turner of Rome, stress that the center is being designed to complement its mountain setting in appearance. Architecture will follow a rustically-contemporary theme.



Here's Bent Tree's 51-mile, mountain road system completely cleared and graded with 38 miles topped with base stone and initial paving underway. Many road names are based on early-settler history and pioneer families in the scenic Cherokee Indian and Appalachian mountain area's favorite bowl of Blue Ridge mountains. These routes of man will be available at the moment.

Same House... Different Look



Dr. and Mrs. Raymond F. Spanjer's good-looking "Sierra" home, below, is actually the same model of luxury packaged home as the William E. Honey's mountain-topping manse, at left. The two handsome new Bent Tree homes, both under construction, make an excellent illustration of how adaptable and flexible today's top-quality pre-cut or packaged homes can be. Basic floor plans are so easily changed and adapted to the owner's wishes and site's requirements that no two look exactly alike. The Spanjers, natives of Cedartown, have built on two choice lots of rolling Coffey Cove while the Honeys, who come from Roswell, chose a breath-takingly beautiful peak of Hendricks Mountain.



Robert F. (Bob) Nardiello, above, is the answer to Bent Tree property owners' requests for home plan service and package home information. As building coordinator, Bob keeps a complete file of package vacation home manufacturers and their designs, plus approved Bent Tree builders. He may be reached at his lakeside office on the property, telephone Jasper 893-2628. Custom home design information comes from Thomas Adkins, new affiliated Bent Tree architect.

May 6 is D-Day for duffers and expert golfers alike when Bent Tree's front nine holes, contouring through Lake Tamarack valley, are opened for play. Cart rentals are available, cart paths are paved and "Blast Off" is the word. Back nine of the championship course designed by Florida's famed Joseph L. Lee are under construction as well. A large driving range and putting greens are part of Bent Tree's complete "golf package" as is a spacious Pro Shop, also under construction.



Indian Folklore Expert Plans Return To Native Hills As Bent Tree Resident

By SYLVIA FEDERMAN
Long Island Press

Mrs. Meyerson is a Bent Tree property owner and artist who grew up near Bent Tree and plans to retire here in a couple of years. Photo from "Long Island Press."

The Southern charm and warmth that Mrs. William Meyerson of Flushing brings to her volunteer duties in the Forest Hills Nursing Home, does much to brighten the days of the elderly and the handicapped in residence there.

Born and raised in Canton, Ga., in the Blue Ridge mountains... where her parents and grandparents were pioneer miners and farmers... Mrs. Meyerson moved to Flushing five years ago.

For three of those years, she has devoted much of her time and talents to the philosophy of re-motivating the resi-

dents of the nursing home by sharing with them her artistic abilities... the art of sand-pouring, which she learned from the Indians while living in the Southwest, painting in oil, and creating beautiful pictures and sculptures from sea shells and other ocean treasures.

"For 15 years I traveled through the South and Southwest with my husband, who worked with a crew making training films for the Army," she revealed.

"Since I had plenty of time on my hands, I decided to take up a hobby, and being in Indian country much of the time, I began by watching the Navajos do sandpainting on the ground with their bare hands. They store bags of many-colored sands which they sprinkle on the ground and then make a design using the surrounding landscape, animals or birds as models.

"I was so inspired, that I decided to try an experiment of my own, using the Navajo sand idea. I collected my own sandbags... white sand from New Mexico, red, tan, black, orange and browns from Texas, all formed by the various minerals in the soil. I collected and filled several empty coffee cans, as well as a child's sandpail and shovel I always carried in the car," explained the gracious, attractive Clarice Meyerson.

"When I arrived home I found a beautiful wine bottle, poured layers of the various colored sands into the container and with a stick, manipulated the sands into a design.

"I've always been interested in Indian culture because I grew up in Cherokee territory... the Cherokee ancestral home was located only a few miles from our house... and I went to school with Cherokee children," continued Mrs. Meyerson whose collection of Indian arrows, spears and artifacts as well as seashells, stones (some semi-precious) and original paintings, has virtually transformed her apartment into a mini-museum.

"One painting I call 'Little Running Doe' is that of a 3-year-old Cherokee girl done from memory.

"I find my work at the nursing home a very rewarding aspect of my life, because it gives me an opportunity to put my hobbies to practical use where they are most needed.

"When I walk into the lobby of the home with my 'Tiny Tim' shopping bag, the residents ask 'Mrs. Meyerson, what goodies do you have for us today?' I have adopted them and it seems they have adopted me!"



Clarice Meyerson teaches art too

Security Tightened

As the Bent Tree community grows, both in volume of property owners and homes under construction, officials are tightening the security system.

Guards, who are all officially deputized by Pickens County, are empowered to give speeding tickets and have done so in several cases.

They are also conducting spot checks of cars entering and leaving the property to deter possible burglarizing.

Still tighter controls will be used as needed, Bent Tree officials report.

Adkins Named Architect Affiliate Of Bent Tree

Thomas Adkins, Atlanta architect, has been named affiliate architect of Bent Tree Corp., according to Don Hare, general manager.

He will be available to property owners on a fee basis for total design of their homes and site planning, inspection or consultation on any phase of building.

A Mole Mountain property owner himself, Adkins plans to construct the contemporary, hill-hugging home shown in the accompanying rendering.



Adkins stresses that ecological preservation is of first importance in planning a home in a setting as naturally beautiful as Bent Tree.

"Then comes excellence of design to fit the setting and arrangement of houses in relation to each other," he explains.

A graduate of the U.S. Military Academy followed by training at Georgia Tech's School of Architecture, the Atlanta architect has spent the past 18 years designing a range of structures from military installations to luxury condominiums.

He prefers the "creative freedom of designing vacation houses."

Addition of the affiliated architect completes the environmental-planning team for Bent Tree residents, Hare points out. Other members are Bob Nardiello, building coordinator, and Dr. Philip Greear, consulting ecologist.

Nature Trail Moves To More Scenic Location

The wild orchids, Solomon's seals, goat's beard, lady slippers and Jack in the pulpit will still be there, forming Bent Tree's new Nature Trail.

But the setting will be even prettier, with its winding stream, cascading waterfall and mossy terraces.

Composed of several score of native mountain flowers, herbs and trees, the trail has been moved to the east side of the 14th fairway, following Cripple Oak Trail near the intersection of Bella Vista Trail.

Officials estimate the re-located trail should be planted and ready for viewing in May. Several hundred Georgia garden club members toured the uniquely-beautiful spot last summer and fall.

New Rep' To Give Property Owners Right Answer With British Accent

If the "a's" sound rawther broad and the accent a bit clipped, it's all very sincere. It comes with Bent Tree's new Property Owners' Service Coordinator, Hilary Glynis Evans.

A veddy proper and precocious young Britisher, Miss Evans is quickly learning all the answers to property owners' thousand-fold questions, from "when is my tax due" to "what minute will the swimming pool open."

In Atlanta for almost four years, the petite brunette's varied background equips her for almost any question a Bent Tree-ite can think up.

She served a short stint in government real estate properties management in England, but most of her career background focuses on the advertising and public relations field.

In London, she worked on all kinds of accounts from British potato chips to petrol. And she helped toss every kind of publicity stunt from a garden party at Walmer Castle for the Heart Fund to a mod bash on the River Thames banks to introduce a get-away gasoline.

Hilary joined Spratlin Associates in 1970 as the secretary-assistant to Elsie Moses, advertising and public relations director, and now she holds the same position with Bent Tree Corp., with the additional responsibilities of Property Owners' Service Coordinator.

When the exuberant little Britisher isn't fast talking, fast moving and fast thinking in her multi-duty Bent Tree job, she's equally busy at her many hobbies. She's



Hilary Evans needs phone in each hand

a weekend painter, off hours writer, health food fan and yoga practitioner. She's also the "mother" of an individualist male Siamese cat, "Junket."

Hilary's parents also currently reside in Atlanta: Mr. and Mrs. Emrys Evans. Her father is an aero-space engineer at Lockheed, and her brother, Tony, a talented young hair stylist, lives here as well.

If you question that very proper accent it's backed by Hilary's very proper British education: Dr. Triplett's Church of England School; Mellow Lane Comprehensive School with English, French and Economics as her spec-i-a-l-i-t-i-e-s; followed by business training in London.

Her special property owners' service phone number is (404) 261-6095.



Trio receiving awards for Bent Tree's 1971 prize-winning newspaper campaign ads and television commercials are, pictured left, Elsie Moses, Bent Tree advertising and public relations director, flanked by Frank Griffith, left, vice president of Davis-Newman-Payne-Griffith agency, and Ken Witt, art director on the Bent Tree campaign. Presentation of the two coveted awards came at the March Annual Atlanta Ad Club Banquet. These accolades follow earlier awards for Bent Tree advertising from the Knoxville Ad Club and Mid South Art Directors.

Owners Please Note!

Property owners are asked to notify Bent Tree's Property Owners' Service Department — Miss Evans or Mrs. Moses — if selling your property.

New owners are entitled to Country Club membership application and also should receive all communications directed from the corporation.

Written notice is preferred, to: 2964 Peachtree Rd., N.W., Atlanta, Ga. 30305; or phone notice to (404) 261-6095.

Please indicate lot number, new owner's name and address or name of realty firm handling sale.

Here's an important reminder to property owners who change their home address.

Please notify our Property Owners' Service department in Bent Tree's Buckhead office of your new address and phone number, along with your Bent Tree lot number.

We prefer this in writing addressed to: 2964 Peachtree Rd., N.W., Atlanta, Ga. 30305. Second best is a phone call to Hilary Evans at (404) 261-6095.

This notification is extremely important so that your Bent Tree notices, newsletters and other correspondence reach you with a minimum of delay.

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With almost 70 homes already under construction or completed, the "do you plan to build a home at Bent Tree" and if so, when, revealed that almost 18 per cent of current property owners plan to build in 1972. Another 20 per cent have 1973 building plans; almost nine per cent in 1974; and approximately 50 per cent are uncertain.

Property owners showed keen interest in a "Home Plan Service" offering a range of possible designs, in the questionnaire's category of possible home building services that Bent Tree might offer.

Next came purchase or arranging for erection of package homes through Bent Tree Corp.; followed by advice on ecological aspects of siting a home.

A recommended list of architects and builders for custom-built homes came next in interest, followed by advice on financing.

Would you be interested in renting your home through Bent Tree's services? Most property owners were unsure; almost 34 per cent said "yes;" and 26 per cent, "no."

About To Build? Save That Flora!

With home construction pushing ahead at an amazing pace (almost 70 homes completed or under construction), Bent Tree's Consulting Ecologist appeals to property owners about to build:

"Save those laurels, wild azaleas, dogwood and sourwood."

Every Bent Tree lot is loaded with native mountain trees, shrubs and plants that look pretty uninteresting in winter but burst into pink, orange and white in warm weather, Dr. Philip Greear reminds.

Unless property owners take a firm stand on plant life preservation with their contractors and builders, much of the natural flora of their lots will be lost in the building process, he believes.

"Just through negligence and traditional clearing methods many trees and shrubs and plants will be killed needlessly," Dr. Greear says.

He reminds that little if any excavation is necessary for building at Bent Tree because the bedrock is on or near the surface, unlike lowland building.

"So the usual soil disturbance is not necessary. Give your builder a limit of a few feet from the foundations that he can clear," Dr. Greear suggested.

"And that preserved greenery will reward you with colorful blossoms and green leaves all summer long," the ecologist promised.



Now You Can Dial Free

Want to know whether it's snowing or sunshining before you head for Bent Tree? Need to know whether to bring your bikini or hip boots?

Now, property owners in the greater Atlanta area pictured above can use a direct, no-charge phone line to Bent Tree, 523-0686. You'll be connected with Marie Foster or one of her well-trained co-hostesses at the new Welcome Center now located on the property.

And they have all the answers or know where to get them.

Make a note. That no-charge number to Bent Tree is: 523-0686... just another service to keep our property owners informed and happy.

They're Catching Big Ones Already

It's no fisherman's tale, either, that Bent Tree-ites, especially the permanent residents and regular week-enders, are pulling up live ones... rainbow trout in the 18-inch, 2-pound category.

Yes, Lake Tamarack has been initially stocked, under supervision of Otis Pauley, Bent Tree production manager and professional angler.

"We're planning our stocking program carefully with the advice of our ecologist, Dr. Philip Greear, and government biologists, to keep the proper balance of plant and animal life and to suit Lake Tamarack's special requirements," Pauley reports. (That was just before he took off on his annual March trek to the Florida National Bass Tourney.)

More stocking will come throughout the spring and summer season from government hatcheries.



Among Bent Tree's first and most faithful anglers so far are: Harley Harper, Ben Hyman, John Hartrick, Charles Johnson and Stuart Morrison.

Areas where fishing is permitted will be changed from time to time and will be posted at the Guard House, Pauley said.

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