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How To Install Manhole

The city has messed up the streets again! That's usually the cry when the city begins digging up the street to install new water, sewer or gas lines. But this time the city was after bigger game — a manhole about the size of a one-room apartment for a dwarf.

The digging took place on S. Piedmont Ave. in front of the Mirror-Herald building and required a hole about 18-feet deep and wide enough to lose a U-Haul truck in.

In the above photos we see Walter Ollis, street supt., guiding the concrete base for the new manhole into the hole. When the base was in place the crane operator lifted Ollis and another city employe out of the hole, then lowered the concrete walls for the manhole, then the top.

Below the Herald office, at the driveway entrance to Sample Yardage, another hole was dug and the same action repeated.

The job is a continuation of one started a couple of years ago, the installation of conduits and manhole for underground electrical wiring. This job will complete the loop from the municipal parking lots off Piedmont, include the new governmental services facilities building, then loop back around Cherokee St. to tie back into the parking area system.

In about three months the city crews will return to dig up the roads again, this time to install the conduit pipe to carry the electrical lines.

Head Start Deadline In April

April 15 is the deadline for applying for the 1978-79 Head Start federally funded program.

Head Start has classes here at North School and at Grover, and recruitment of students is now underway.

The program is intended particularly for families with limited incomes and usually those families who qualify have only one parent who works. Special emphasis is also being placed on the recruitment of the handicapped, whether physical, emotional or mental. For the handicapped, the family's amount of income is not the first consideration.

To qualify a child must be four years old by Oct. 15, 1978.

Children attend the program during regular school days and receive free dental service, physical examination and speech evaluation in addition to hot meals.

Parents may contact the Head Start office at 789-8816 for an application form.

Howard Is Vice-Chairman Emergency Group Works On Possibles

Grady Howard, administrator of Kings Mountain Hospital, was appointed vice-chairman of the city's newly-organized Emergency Operations Committee Wednesday night at the organizational meeting at City Hall.

The committee approved unanimously draft of an Operation Plan based on the possibility of a train derailment in or about the City of Kings Mountain with the possibility of evacuating civilian personnel from the areas involved. The plan will be updated as to the activity and actions of the units assigned, said Chairman Humes Houston, city commissioner from District Two.

Comm. Houston pointed out that the greatest problem would be the evacuation of personnel and combating toxic agents if involved in a derailment.

Comm. Houston made assignments to various committees members.

L. E. (Josh) Hirmant, county commissioner, will obtain copies of the county disaster plan to be used in conjunction with the overall plan.

Senator J. Ollie Harris will obtain information as to the location of radioactive detection equipment on the state level that would be available if needed. The information will come from the office of David L. Britt, of the N. C. State Civil Preparedness Offices.

First Sgt. Charles E. Wilson of the National Guard, prepared and submitted to the committee a chain of

command starting from a city request for use of National Guard assistance through all the agencies to the Governor and back to the local level.

Police Chief Jackie Barrett and Fire Chief Gene Tignor were asked to divide the city into areas and set up a traffic flow diagram in case of evacuation.

Mrs. Mary Timms will obtain a Red Cross Disaster Plan.

Jonas Bridges, manager of Radio Station WKMT, told the group his station "will stay on the air during any emergency situation."

Schools Supt. William Davis was asked to submit a plan for school evacuation in event of emergency.

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Stock Group Selection Wednesday

Temporary directors of Kings Mountain Development Corporation will meet Wednesday night at 7:30 at the Depot Center to select chairman and co-chairman for the stock solicitation committee.

Buford DeFore, chairman of the steering committee, urges all members to attend and to be prepared to offer ideas and input into the further organization of the corporation.

Airport Meeting Tonight

The general public is invited to attend a meeting of the Kings Mountain Airport Committee tonight at 7:30 at city hall.

A representative of the FAA will be on hand to talk about the city's possibilities of getting an airport facility to serve business, industry and the private pilot.

The interest shown by citizens at tonight's meeting could go a long way toward making an airport a reality for the city, according to Mayor John Moss.

The airport committee, includes Dr. Frank Sincow, Tommy Bridges, J. C. Bridges, James Childers, Corbet Nicholson and Bill Grissom.

Band Concert Tonight

Barnes Auditorium will rock tonight with the sound of band music.

Beginning at 8 p. m. there is a free concert featuring the Kings Mountain Junior High Ninth Grade Band, under the direction of Christopher Cole, and the Senior High Blazer Band, under the direction of Donald Deal.

On Feb. 25 the ninth grade ensemble participated in state competition at Kannapolis and won a Superior rating. Next Friday (Mar. 17) the Blazer Band will compete in state festival competition in Salisbury.

The program tonight will consist of the selections prepared for the state festivals by both bands.

Beside KM Hospital

County Buys More Acres

Following discussion in executive session Monday the Cleveland County Commissioners voted to purchase 2.5185 acres adjacent to Kings Mountain Hospital.

The county agreed to pay \$40,000 for the property, less donations that may be offered, for future expansion of the hospital.

The property has frontage on Sipes and N. Sims Sts. and is owned

by Home Savings and Loan Association. On another adjacent lot Home plans to construct a new building. That site is 1.9 acres.

In other action the board approved a request from Thomas W. Harper that graves be removed from an old family cemetery adjacent to the Kings Mountain Country Club.

Harper suggested the graves be moved to another appropriate site.

The request was made in view that no living direct descendants of those buried in the eight plots in the old cemetery have been found and that the location of the cemetery hampers any possible future developments of the property.

Harper told the board that the cemetery is not kept up and that the graves have been desecrated over the years by vandals.

Lady Golfers Usher In Spring

Kings Mountain Women's Golf Association ushered in Spring 1978 in spite of the snow and rain Tuesday.

The event was the annual luncheon meeting at Kings Mountain Country Club and members took the occasion to model the latest in "hat fashions," using ingenuity to create spring bonnets illustrating golf, bridge and tennis — three activities in which local women participated in during the year.

Lynne (Mrs. Charles) Mauney took home the top prize, both for hats and as the 1978 Medalist. Mrs. Mauney exhibited a large Mexican sombrero festive with symbols of her golfing hobby. After the fashion show, she was presented the medalist award.

Vera (Mrs. A. B.) Hilton took the prize among bridge enthusiasts,

modeling spring finery resplendent with bridge cards.

Fran (Mrs. Frank) Sincow took the prize among tennis players with a hat decorated with miniature tennis balls.

Other golfing prizes went to Margaret (Mrs. H. O.) Williams, an Eagle; to Alice Ann (Mrs. Charles) Adams as tops in the handicap tournament with Lib (Mrs. Carl) Mayes as runner-up. Mrs. Mayes also won the "most birdies" award.

New officers were installed by outgoing president Ginny (Mrs. Jack) Arnette who was presented with a yellow golf wrap-around skirt from the members.

Alice Anne Adams is the new president of women golfers. Peggy (Mrs. Stonewall) Jackson is vice-president and Marion (Mrs.

Charles) Carpenter was re-elected to serve another term as secretary-treasurer. Outgoing VP is Anne (Mrs. Matt) Pouchak. Eloise (Mrs. J. Wilson) Crawford and Hazel (Mrs. Howard) Jackson will head up the tennis and bridge programs to be offered next year, as customary along with golf by the association.

Margaret (Mrs. H. O.) Williams will continue as Foothills Representative. Mrs. Williams is vacationing in Florida with her family.

The 80 women at Tuesday's luncheon modeled a variety of "high fashion" hats with large, summery fashions dominating the show. The "hat" theme also featured in table decorations, which were given as door prizes. They were appropriately straw hats filled with green plants.



NEW OFFICERS OF WOMEN GOLFERS — Pictured are new officers of the Kings Mountain Women's Golf Association who were installed at the annual luncheon meeting last week. From left, Mrs. Howard Jackson, Mrs. J. Wilson Crawford, Mrs. Stonewall

Jackson, vice-president, Mrs. Charles Adams, president and Mrs. Charles Carpenter, treasurer.