

## Flint Groves Baptist Team State Winner

Flint Groves Baptist Church of Gastonia defeated Massey Hill Baptist Church of Fayetteville, 62-56, at Wake Forest University recently to become state champions for high school boys in the North Carolina Baptist Association State Playoffs.

Dell Cline had 28 points to lead the winners. Jeff Hayes had 14 points and Scott Alexander 12.

Flint Groves went through the Gastonia league unbeaten to advance to the sectionals, where they defeated First Baptist of Kannapolis and Newell Baptist of Charlotte. That placed them in the regionals, where they defeated First Baptist of Boone to advance to the state title game.

At the beginning of the season, over 150 teams from throughout North Carolina began competition for the state title.

### Registration Set Saturday

Kings Mountain will sponsor a Little All-American softball program for girls ages 8-10 this summer.

Registration will be held Saturday from 10 a.m. until 1 p.m. at the Community Center.

The number of teams will depend on how many girls register. The teams will compete in district and state tournament play.

## Lady Pats Lose

Kings Mountain Junior High's girls softball team opened conference play Thursday with a 7-1 loss to Crest.

The Crest ladies obtained only two hits but took advantage of 11 KM errors. Angie Keeter led the KM hitting with 2-for-3 and Stephanie Owens, Tanya Brown, Angie Yates and Christi Arant had one hit each.

The KM girls defeated West Lincoln 16-8 in a non-conference game. KM collected 14 hits with Sylvia White leading the way

with 3-for-4, including a home run. Susie Moore, Edie Herndon and Tonja Weeks added two hits each. One of Herndon's was a home run.

The Lady Patriots play at Burns Thursday.

Coach Candy Albergine's ladies have won the Western Association title the past two years, compiling a 20-0 record during that stretch. But she faces a rebuilding task this year as only three starters return.

"I'm counting on us getting better," she says. "We have the ingredients, all we need is playing experience and the confidence that comes with that."

Team members include Susie Moore, Cindy Bullock, Sylvia White, Angie Yates, Edie Herndon, Keshia Hines, Tanya Brown, Shannon yarbro, Lisa Dingus, Angie Keeter, Sherry Weaver, Stephanie Owens, Christi Arant, Lynn Donaldson and Tonja Weeks.

## Kristal Huffstetler Performs In Virginia

Miss Kristal Huffstetler, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Huffstetler of Kings Mountain, has just returned from a week in Bedford, Va. where she was among 20 singers and dancers performing under the direction of Mrs. Margaret Brackett at the National Home of the Elks.

While performing at the Egg and Dairy Festival in Newberry, S.C., Kristal and her mother were approached by talent scout and producer, Mrs. Brackett, who invited Kristal to an all-expense paid performing vacation in Bedford. Kristal states that she was overwhelmed with Bedford and all the co-performers from the southeast that she had the opportunity to perform with.



KRISTAL HUFFSTETLER

## School Board Faces Financial Questions

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sonal budgets.

A lot of people think we're putting them on when we talk about the fund shortage, but it's proof," Davis said. "If you have any suggestions where to find the green stuff, we'll keep them."

Board Chairman June Lee added, "It's not the fun thing to do, but it's better to cut a few hours off rather than fire them."

In a related matter, the board approved a four-day work week for summer employees in an effort to conserve energy. Davis said employees would still be required to work 40 hours a week.

In other personnel matters, the board approved the retirement of Mrs. Lina T. Owens at the junior high, Mrs. Edith F. Bridges at West and Mrs. Leon Patterson, a secretary in the Central office. The board granted a maternity leave extension for Yvonne S. Brinkman and a maternity leave for Donna Thrift beginning May 2.

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