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Red Cross honors heroes

BY ANDIE L. BRYMER Staff Writer

The Cleveland County Red Cross honored its Kings Mountain fund raising heroes with a luncheon Tuesday. The funding campaign which raises operating money for the local office continues.

So far Jay Rhodes, Ronnie Hawkins, Sam Cooper and Charles and Lynne Mauney have reached the \$1,000 goal. Other fund raising events continue. Karen Bess of This 'N That is selling chances on a baker's rack. Rick Moore of Timms Furniture is selling tickets for a Lazy Z Boy recliner. Paper crosses are also available at the above locations and at Swoogers, Subway and Hometown Hardware.

Scott Neisler is planning a golf tournament at Kings Mountain Country Club. Though he has reached his goal, Ronnie Hawkins continues to offer airplane rides.

"I'll take anybody up. If they want to make a donation to the Red Cross

that's great," he said.

Red Cross director Rick Dancy was pleased with the fund drive.

"Everybody's been most cooperative. We've had some fun, good laughs," he said.

The Kings Mountain office is open Monday through Friday from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. On Thursdays, individuals preparing for surgery may make analogous blood donations. First aid and disaster training classes also are held at night.

Volunteers are needed for the office and to sponsor bloodmobiles. For more information, call 704-730-

Upcoming bloodmobiles around the county are Aug. 18, El Bethel United Methodist, 2 to 6:30 p.m.; Aug. 22, Carpenter's Grove Baptist, Belwood, noon to 4:30 p.m.; Aug. 25, Cleveland Community College, 11 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.; Sept. 13, Grover First Baptist, 3 to 7:30 p.m.; Sept. 14, Shelby Presbyterian, 1 to 6 p.m. and Sept. 24, Walmart, Dixon Boulevard, noon to 4:30 p.m.



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Cleveland County Red Cross Director Rick Dancy congratulates "heroes" who are helping with a campaign to raise operating expenses for the Kings Mountain office.

KM test scores remain high

BY ANDIE L. BRYMER Staff Writer

Once again Kings Mountain area students are excelling at end-of-grade and end-of-course testing. East Elementary had the highest scores of any school in the county with the exception of North Shelby which serves the developmentally delayed population. Local middle and high school scores are tops in the county among those age groups.

East score was 94.9 percent. Other elementary schools: West, 94.6; Bethware, 91.8; North, 91.6 and Grover, 90. Scores at

other elementary schools in the system are: Boiling Springs, 93.2; Casar, 88.9; Elizabeth, 92.9; Fallston, 91.6; Graham, 87.5; James Love, 91.7; Springmore, 93.2; Township Three, 88.1; Union, 91.4; Washington, 88.6 and Marion, 89.8.

Kings Mountain Intermediate School, which serves fourth and fifth graders, scored 94.5 percent. There is no other intermediate school in the system.

Kings Mountain Middle School topped the county's other three middle schools with 91.4 percent. Crest scored 88.4; Burns, 86.4; and Shelby, 81.2.

Kings Mountain High School topped county high school scores at 83.9 percent. Crest scored 82.6; Shelby, 74.3 and Burns, 69.9.

North Shelby, which serves students up to age 21, scored 99.3 percent.

Davidson School, which serves middle and high students who would otherwise face expulsion, scored 28.2 percent. Last year schools in both the former KMDS and Cleveland County Schools sent students to Davidson which is located in Kings Mountain.

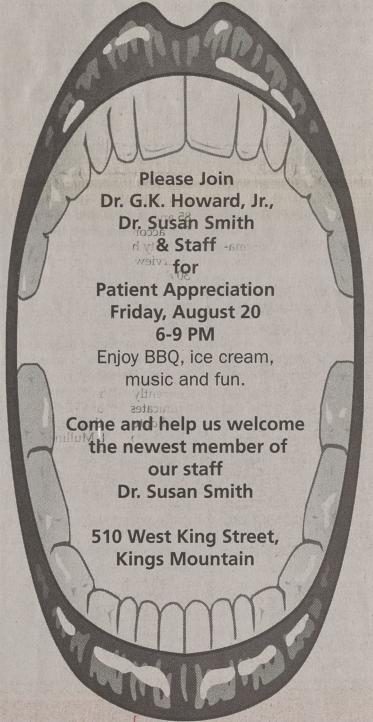
During Monday night's school board meeting, Superintendent Dr. Gene

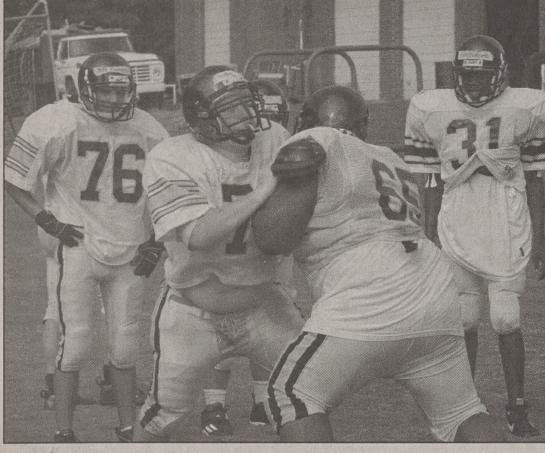
Moore called the scores 'good news across the district, East school in particu-

Teachers and assistants received bonuses related to test scores. At high growth schools teachers get \$1,500 and assistants, \$500. At

expected growth schools teachers get \$750 and assistants, \$375.

All Kings Mountain area elementary schools met high growth except Grover which met expected growth. KMIS met expected growth and KMMS met high growth.





GARY STEWART / HERALD Kings Mountain High football players go through blocking drills during practice Thursday

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