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...VIEWS ATHLETIC PROGRAM—KMSHS Football Coach Dan Brooks presented views on the local athletic program before a breakfast meeting of the KM Chamber of Commerce and

Merchants Association Monday morning. C of C President Jim Potter, left, welcomes Brooks to the meeting.

Photo by Gary Stewart

Coach Dan Brooks Is Speaker At C Of C-Merchants Meeting

"Young people are looking for an identity and a sports program can give it to them."

The speaker was KMSHS Football Coach Dan Brooks who addressed the second quarterly breakfast meeting of the Kings Mountain Chamber of Commerce and Kings Mountain Merchants Association Monday morning at KM Motor Inn.

Coach Brooks said the key word is "Involvement" and reported that 100 KMSHS students are involved in athletic programs on the campus this Fall with football leading as the big spectacle sport. Brooks said that 43 young men are participating in varsity football, 24 in junior varsity football, and 10 are taking part in cross-country tennis teams. The sports program also features two teams for young women, a volleyball team of 15 girls and a tennis team of 15 girls. "We field 16 athletic teams at KMSHS and football supports all of

them," said Brooks, who noted that 90 football aspirants came out at beginning of the season. "Our kids know the Kings character by coming back Friday to win at football after losing in the initial game of the season. We're looking for a win on Friday at the home game between the Mountaineers and East Gaston," he added.

Responding to a question as to how civic clubs and business groups can support the local teams, Brooks said that attendance at games is a big factor in a team's performance on the gridiron. "Our kids know the Kings Mountain folk are behind them, and we want them to keep up this support."

Brooks said that season football tickets to five home games are now available at \$10 and encouraged representatives of industry to boost the team by purchasing block seats of tickets and reward their employees for safety efforts by presenting them tickets to home ball games.

He also took the occasion to commend the KM Boosters Club which, he said, has boosted the athletic program considerably and last year presented over \$11,000 to the athletic program and sponsored a very successful Football Camp on campus.

"Our kids play harder when they know they have the homefolks rooting for them," he added.

Chamber of Commerce President Jim Potter presided at the meeting.

Mini-Marathon To Be Held Sat. Oct. 20

On Saturday, October 20, at 10 a.m., the Southern Pines Recreation Department, Moore County Recreation Department, and Sandhills Savings and Loan will sponsor a Mini-Marathon beginning at Campbell House, Connecticut Ave., Southern Pines, N.C.

The events include a 13.1

mile, a 6.2 (10,000 meter), and a 1 (one) mile health job. Registration fees are \$5, \$4, and \$2 respectively prior to October 18, and a \$1 penalty for late registration after that date. All entrants will receive a shirt.

For further information call the Kings Mountain Parks and Recreation Dept. at 739-6995.

Black Heritage Comm.

Held First Meeting Tues

A Black Heritage Committee for Cleveland County is being formed and held their first meeting Tuesday night at the Cleveland County Historical Museum.

Ms. Thelma E. McVea was elected Chairman of the Committee and Ms. Emily M. Withrow will serve as Vice Chairman. Other members are Ezra A. Bridges, Louise Roberts, Herbert Gidney, Mary Gleave, Addie Grier and Vernie Freeman.

The purpose of this committee is to collect, preserve and present in a special exhibit next spring in the Historical Museum, the history and heritage of the black people of Cleveland County in conjunction with a special traveling exhibit from the

State Museum on Black Heritage in North Carolina. Areas that will be covered in these exhibits will be education, medicine, law, art, music, religion, farming, civic organizations and sports through written material, photographs, and three dimensional material. The exhibit will emphasize the important role of the Black people in the development of the county.

Anyone interested in joining the committee or participating in the exhibit is invited to attend the next meeting which will be on Mon. night, Oct. 15, at 7 p.m. at the Museum, located in the old County Courthouse in downtown Shelby. For further information, contact the Museum at 482-8186.

Courses At Cleveland Tech

The Continuing Education Department of Cleveland Tech has announced the following courses:

Beginner piano begins Fri., Sept. 21, from 6:30 to 9:30 p.m., at Cleveland Memorial Library. Jenny Reynolds will instruct. Ceramics begins Mon., Sept. 24, from 7 to 10 p.m.,

at the shop of the instructor, Connie Grigg, in Lawndale.

Crochet begins Mon., Sept. 24, from 6:30 to 9:30 p.m., at the Kings Mountain Community Center. Rita Falls will instruct.

Christmas Florals begin Mon., Sept. 24, from 6:30 to 9:30 p.m., at Artistic Flowers in Polkville. Shirley Pruett will instruct.

Crochet begins Mon., Sept. 24, from 9 a.m. to 12 noon, at Tech's Uptown Annex, room 17. Elizabeth O'dell will instruct.

Floral design begins Wed., Sept. 26, from 6:30 to 9:30 p.m. at Tech's Uptown Annex, room 16. Carolyn M. Jackson will instruct.

Crochet begins Thurs., Sept. 27, from 12:30 to 2:30 p.m., at the Kings Mountain Depot Center. Rita Falls will instruct.

Floral Design begins Thurs. Sept. 27, from 7 to 10 p.m., at the Kings Mountain Community Center. Carolyn M. Jackson will instruct.

Adults 18 years of age and older may register free of charge.

CHICKEN SUPPER

Bethlehem Volunteer Fire Department will serve barbecued chicken with slaw, rolls, tea or coffee, and homemade cake Saturday from 5 until 7 p.m. at Fire Department Headquarters. Take-out service is available also, and plates are \$3.

Fire Damages Local Home

Fire damaged the home of Isaac Bell in the Mary's Grove Community early Monday morning.

According to firemen from Oak Grove and Waco Fire Departments, the fire apparently began from a shortage in a dryer on the porch of the residence.

The blaze, confined to the porch area, resulted in \$600 damage to the residence.

The house was owned by William Bell.



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