



**EAGLE SCOUT HONORED** - Eagle Scout Eric McDaniel is flanked by his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Joe H. McDaniel, as he was awarded Scouting's highest honor last week at St. Matthew's Lutheran Church Court of Honor. In background, left, are Scoutmaster Tommy King and Assistant Scoutmaster Wayne Putnam.

## McDaniel Earns Eagle Scout Rank

Court of Honor was held Tuesday night at St. Matthew's Lutheran Church to award Eric Shannon McDaniel, son of Mr. and Mrs. Joe H. McDaniel, the highest scouting rank, the Eagle.

The award was presented by Rev. Robert Allen, pastor of St. Mat-

thew's Lutheran Church. Also making other presentations were Scoutmaster Tommy King and Asst. Scoutmaster Wayne Putnam, presenting year pins to Scouts Mike Cornwell, four years; Mark Brooks, four years; Ralph Bumgardner, six years; Eric McDaniel, six years, and Jimmy Bumgardner, two years.

Scouts receiving merit badges and ranks were Mark Brooks, Life Scout and Citizenship In World, Sports; Jim Bumgardner, Star Scout and American Heritage; The troop itself was the recipient of the 1977 National Honor Unit which was shown to guests by Scoutmaster Tommy King, who had high praise for Eric McDaniel and the other boys present for awards ceremony.

Eric McDaniel is also a member of the Kings Mountain Rescue Squad, instructor in CPR, a Schilald Scout Reservation staff member and in the Fall will attend Spartanburg Methodist College.

## Trinity Day Graduates 19

Nineteen students were graduated from Trinity Episcopal Day School last Thursday in 7 p. m. services.

The graduates include Stawan Bhatt, Paul and Peter Chen, Donna Edgerton, Andrew and Spencer Fowler, Christopher Goforth, Darian Hager, Christopher Henson, Betsy Lavender, Germaine McCluney, Christopher and Chadwick Plonk, Kevin Randall, Christopher Robbins, Wendy Sisk, Larry Dean Slycord III, James Thompson and Casey Wiggins.

Father Morgan Gardner presided in the chapel. The students presented a 30-minute musical program prior to graduation exercises.

## HA Schedules Final Inspection On New Units

The Kings Mountain Housing Authority has scheduled the final inspection for the 40 elderly housing units. The inspection date is June 7th. The remaining family units are tentatively scheduled for June 21.

According to officers of Kings Mountain Housing Authority, the construction of these units has presented no more problems than could be expected, however, the most difficult problem has been selecting 40 tenants out of a list of 148. These selections have been

made after much screening of records and considering a list of criteria.

The primary criteria in general is need and financial solvency:

Need, a 78 year old widow of four years living alone in the rented old home place with no plumbing. In January she fell while carrying water from a neighbor's house and fractured her leg.

Need, an 88 year old vet. of WWI can no longer cook for his 83 year old wife, wants a place he can take care

of her.

These examples are extreme but true and are followed by many hardship cases. Solvency, contrary to common belief, financial solvency is maintained by the Authority. This requires from time to time the assignment of a person who has an income approaching the maximum of \$5,500 per year.

"We truly hope those who have not been assigned will understand and keep the faith," said Executive Director Tom Harpen.

Hopefully an open house can be held June 8. A firm date will be announced later.

## Diplomas Awarded Tonight

Diplomas will be awarded to 240 KMSHS graduating seniors in commencement exercises Tuesday (tonight) at 8 p. m. in John Gamble Memorial Football Stadium.

The baccalaureate sermon was delivered by Rev. C. George Sherrill, pastor of Grace United Methodist Church, Sunday night in E. N. Auditorium on the campus of Kings Mountain Senior High School.

Senior Class officers will lead the finals exercises which will open with the processional march, "Pomp and Circumstance" by the KMJH School Ninth Grade Band.

Robin Celeste Spears will give the invocation and Kevin Wendell

Allison will present Class President Michael Ira Bumgarner who will give the welcome. The Senior Choir will sing "I'll Walk With God" by Brodsky and "Parting Blessing" by Williams.

SPO President Wesley Narron will present members of Class of 1977 who will receive diplomas from Principal Forrest Wheeler, assisted by Schools Supt. Donald D. Jones and Chief Marshal John David Reed. John Maurice Gamble, class treasurer, will make formal presentation of the class gift which will be accepted by P. A. Francis, representing Kings Mountain Board of Education.

Singing of the school song will close the 1977 commencement.

## Services Will Be Relocated

A table of organization adopted Monday night by the city board of commissioners has subsequently relocated several services of city government.

Al Moretz, city engineer, and his secretary, Betty Clark, are now located in Room Three (basement of City Hall) site of the Codes Department, Building Inspector Office and Engineering Department. All permits for Moss Lake are available in this office from Mrs. Clark.

The personnel committee officially named Moretz head of the engineering department and direct the codes office and that the community development block grant program be assigned to the mayor's office. Moretz has previously been handling the engineering and codes jobs along with the community development program.

Miss Joyce Biser has joined Mrs. Katie Wilkes as secretary to the CD program in the Mayor's office and Joe Ann McDaniel has moved to the public works office as secretary to the newly-hired Public Works Supt. Edward Dwyer. Their quarters is located in a trailer on City St.

## Dickey, Wadell Honored

Jim J. Dickey, superintendent of Neisco, Inc., was tapped as "Employer of the Year" and Scott Wadell was tapped as "Student Employee of the Year" at the annual luncheon Wednesday of ICT, DE and Office Occupations Classes of Kings Mountain Schools.

Both Dickey and Wadell were presented handsome engraved plaques by Myers T. Hambright, faculty advisor, as student employers from local industry and business were recognized with certificates.

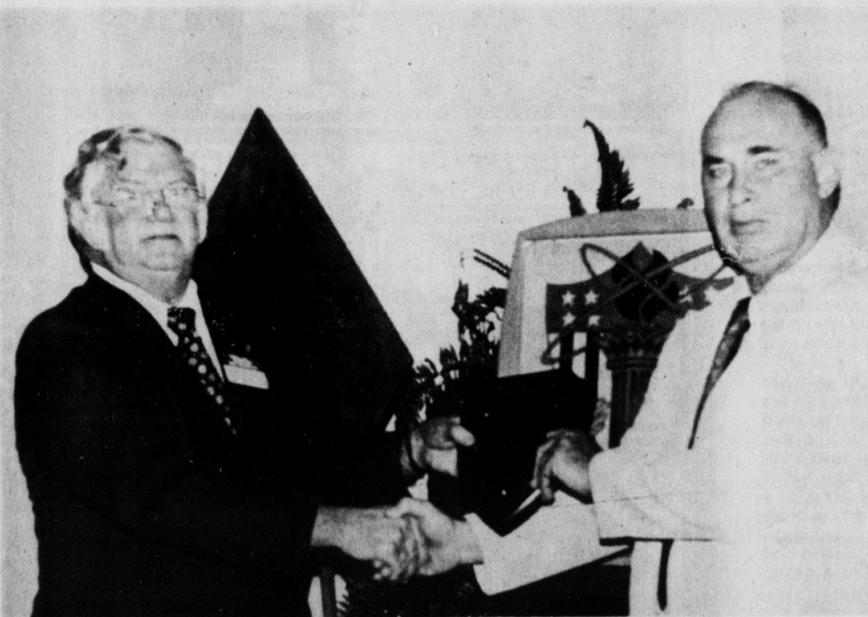
Fried chicken and country style steak with all the trimmings was served at Kings Mountain Inn in the private dining room made festive with the emblems of the school organizations: Distributive Education, Industrial Cooperative Training and Office Occupations.

Scott Wadell, ICT President, was master of ceremonies and other students on the program were Myra Barnette of ICT who gave the invocation, Tammy Blanton, Future Business Leaders President who gave the welcome, Julie Durham, of DECA, who introduced guests, Janice Elliott who presented industrial representatives, Jane Campbell of DECA who introduced employers and students associated in this program, and Donna Leach, of Office Practice, who recognized students and their employers from offices in the area.

Response to the welcome was made by Ron Tompkins, executive of Eaton Corporation.



**STUDENT EMPLOYEE OF YEAR** - Scott Wadell, right, is congratulated by faculty advisor Myers T. Hambright after he was honored as Student Employee of the Year at KMSHS ICT, DE and Office Practice luncheon last week.



**RECEIVES PLAQUE** - Myers T. Hambright, faculty Year by members of ICT, DE, and Office Practice advisor, presents Jim J. Dickey, superintendent of organizations at Kings Mountain Senior High School at the Neisco, Inc. with a plaque naming him Employer of The annual luncheon.

## Free Tax Adjustment

H & R Block, the nation's largest tax preparation firm, is offering a free service to more than one million taxpayers who will benefit from the newly enacted tax revision bill just signed by President Carter, according to Tracy Streater, Manager for H & R Block in Kings Mountain.

As a public service, the tax people at H & R Block at 1512 S. York St. Gastonia or 402 S. Lafayette St. Shelby, will help taxpayers amend their 1976 tax returns in order to claim the refund for which they may now qualify under the new tax law. If taxpayers were paid for the

time lost from their jobs last year due to illness or injury, received a disability pension, or if the taxpayers were 65 or older on or before January 1, 1977, they may qualify for the benefits of this change in tax law.

To find out, taxpayers should call 864-5701 (Gastonia) or 487-8128 (Shelby) or bring their 1976 tax return with them to H & R Block, who will help them fill out their amended tax return free of charge.

There is no obligation, and the taxpayer does not have to be a Block customer, Streater said.

## Entries Due June 8

Entries for the Brian Bickley Golf Benefit must be received by Wed., June 8 in order for eligibility in the Sat., June 11 tournament at the Kings Mountain Country Club.

All profits from this tournament will be donated to the Brian Bickley Fund at the First Union National Bank of Kings Mountain.

The tournament is open to the public and men and women golfers are urged to participate. The format for the tourney will be the Calloway flighted system in which everyone has an equal chance to be a winner.

The tournament committee also urges all entries to indicate whether or not they have a golf cart they can supply or will they wish one from the club.

Numerous prizes will be awarded such as merchandise, golf balls, and

equipment. Prizes will be awarded for low score, high score, low total putts, high total putts, longest drive on number 2, shortest drive on number 1, closest to the hole on all par 3's and many others.

In order to enter, each person must contribute \$20 or more. This donation includes green fee and refreshments (sandwiches and drinks.)

Send entry fee along with completed entry form. Entries must be received before Wed., June 8. Submission of entry fee automatically qualifies you for the tournament.

All participants are to report to Kings Mountain Country Club at 9 a. m. Sat., June 11 and check in at the scorer's tent for a shotgun start beginning at 9:30 a. m.

### ENTRY FORM

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Phone No. \_\_\_\_\_

Playing partner preference (if you have one) \_\_\_\_\_

Please enclose check or money order in the amount of \$20 or more made out to Brian Bickley Benefit Tournament and mail to Box 1062, Kings Mtn., N. C. 28066.

All entries must be received by Wed., June 8.