



The extended forecast through Friday calls for mild weather and chance of showers. Today's forecast is chance of showers, but the annual Christmas parade will go on rain or shine. The highs Wednesdays will be in the 50s and in the 60s Thursday and Friday. Lows Wednesday and Friday mornings in the 40s. Low Thursday in the 40s.

Rain Or Shine

Yule Parade Today

The annual Kings Mountain Christmas Parade will begin at 4 p. m. today on E. Gold St., according to Police Chief Jackie Barrett.

The winding parade route is schedule to follow Gaston St. from E. Gold north to King St., then west to Piedmont and south to Mountain St. The floats, bands and units will follow Mountain to Cherokee, down Cherokee to W. Gold, then west to Battleground Ave. The route then turns north on Battleground to W. King, then west across the overhead bridge and south on Railroad Ave. to W. Gold where the units disband.

The police have asked that parade watchers use the off-street parking areas and those having vehicles parked on the following streets to move them: S. Gaston St., S. Piedmont St. and W. Mountain St.

Wanda Moore, co-chairman of this year's parade, said, "We picked this route for the parade because it would be the safest and easiest for the units to follow. It will also allow plenty of area for the parade watchers to congregate to see the floats and hear the bands."

The parade lineup includes state, county and local officials; represen-

tatives and vehicles from the city and area police, fire and rescue units; high school bands from Kings Mountain, Shelby and Bessemer City; cheerleaders and Homecoming Queens and courts.

There will also be units representing various Scout troops; churches, civic organizations; service organizations; dancing and modeling schools; horseman associations; and floats.

Special features will be appearances by Joey The Clown, Miss North Carolina, Little Miss North Carolina and Santa Claus.



Photo By Tom McIntyre

COUNTY AGING OFFICIALS - Shown here are officers in the new Cleveland County Council Aging, a non-profit unit formed to assist aging programs across the county. Left to right are Tyree Greene, president; Patricia Archer, vice president; and Edith Miller,

secretary. On the back row are Bill Miller, public relations chairman; Ken George, coordinator of the Kings Mountain Aging Program; Brenda Causby, membership chairperson; and Margaret Post, activities chairperson.

CD Hearing Thursday

The first of two public hearings on programs for the Community Development Block Grants for 1978-79 is scheduled Thurs., Dec. 1 at 7:30 p. m.

The mayor and board of commissioners will host the hearings in chambers at city hall.

Arnold Gordon-Wright, CD coordinator for Kings Mountain, said, "This is the fourth year of the CD program and the entire budget we will be working with for the 1978-79 year is \$693,000."

Letters have been sent to citizens, club presidents and club members in Kings Mountain urging them to attend the public hearings on Dec. 1 and 8. The mayor and board are asking for ideas on how to spend this year's CD funds.

Some of the programs currently being funded under CD grants include water and sewer improvements, improvements to the community center, a summer program in arts and crafts, Kings Mountain Aging Program, Homebased Child Care for low income children, planning and management development, Kings Mountain Development Office,

Urban Beautification, repair and construction of sidewalks in low and moderate income areas, housing and rehabilitation for low and

moderate income areas, and planometric and topographical mapping of the city and fringe areas.

Luther Hodges Jr. Speaks Here Thursday



LUTHER HODGES JR.

U. S. Senate Candidate

Luther Hodges Jr. will be guest speaker at Thursday's Kings Mountain Kiwanis Club and Rotary Club joint meeting at noon.

The meeting is scheduled at the Kings Mountain Country Club. This is regular meeting time and place for the Rotarians. The Kiwanians meet each Thursday evening at the KM Woman's Club.

Hodges, 40, a native of Rockingham County is a Democratic candidate for the U. S. Senate. He resigned his position as chairman of the board of North Carolina National Bank on June 30, 1977.

Son of former Governor Luther Hodges, the Senatorial candidate holds an AB in economics from UNC-Chapel Hill and an MBA in business administration from Harvard Graduate School. He served as an officer in the U. S. Navy and began his banking career in 1962 with NCBN.

In 1974 Hodges was named to Time Magazine's list of 200 emerging leaders in America. He was the only person from North Carolina named to the list.

JA - A Vital Education

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What is the purpose of Junior Achievement?

It teaches high school students the principals of the American free enterprise system by helping them run their own small businesses.

How do regular high school JA companies operate?

At the start of the program the student members, under the guidance of adult volunteers (advisors), form into groups of approximately each. Each group subsequently functions as a small business, meeting one night a week for two hours.

At these meetings, according to Jerry Ledford, program coordinator for the Kings Mountain JA project, the company members sell stock to raise capital, elect officers, choose a

product to manufacture or a service to offer, keep books and map out marketing plans, pay salaries, rent and taxes, if appropriate, produce, promote and sell their company's product or service.

"At the end of the school year," Ledford said, "the students involved liquidate their companies, publish an annual report and return dividends (if any) to stockholders."

Ledford said the local JA program involves about 60 sophomores, juniors and seniors from Kings Mountain Senior High. The three companies formed here are Busy Bees, C-BO and Centrex.

The Busy Bees are manufacturing and selling hanging baskets; Centrex handles auto trouble lites and C-BO is manufacturing heavy duty clothing hangers.

"The companies usually select at least two products to manufacture

and sell each year," Ledford said. "That's about all time allows for during the school year."

The local JA companies generate initial working capital by selling 100 to 150 shares of stock at \$1 each. Ledford said local business and industry does donate some capital in the beginning, but that the student companies generate the bulk of the working capital through shares and through product sales.

The product list JA companies can manufacture is almost endless, but usually includes such items as ecology boxes, desk pen sets, auto trouble lites, lamps and silk-screened T-shirts. But a JA company can be a newspaper, auditing firm, radio or TV company, modeling agency or a bank to handle the financial transactions of other JA companies.

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County Council On Aging Is Organized

The Council on Aging of Cleveland County, a new non-profit organization to assist the aged and aging programs in the county, met at the Kings Mountain Depot Center last week.

Tyree Greene of Shelby, president of the organization, said the Depot meeting was to handle regular business and to tour the Kings Mountain facilities for a first hand look at how the city handles its aging program.

Rev. Ken George, coordinator of the local program, who also serves on the new county unit board of directors, was host for the meeting.

A special guest for the gathering was Joyce Word of Ashboro, director of the Randolph County aging program. She told the group the types of programs her unit serves.

Bill Miller of Rt. 3, Kings Mountain, public relations chairman for the new county unit, said, "The purpose of the Council on The Aging of Cleveland County is to assist all groups, persons and organizations within the county which are con-

cerned with and interested in the problems and well-being of older adults residing within the county."

It is the intent of the Council to serve as a vehicle whereby the activities of such groups will be promoted and encouraged and their efforts coordinated in a manner to best serve the interests and needs of the county's elderly.

During the general business meeting Greene pointed out that Bill Young, a Shelby attorney, has agreed to serve the Council as legal representative. He said the articles of incorporation are ready to be signed and sent to Raleigh. Six standing committees and chairpersons were also introduced. Margaret Post - Activities; Patricia Archer - Education; Bobby Smith - Finance; Brenda Causby - Membership; Bill Young - Nominating; and William Miller - Public Relations.

A total of 18 persons have been selected to serve as the Council's board of directors, including Greene, Archer, Post, Smith,

Causby, Young and Miller. Also Edith Miller, Kenneth George, Bobbie Carter, Nancy Abasiokong, Rosemary Sink, Verle Hughes, Vera Falls, Dan Camp, Thelma McVea, Alla Ormond and Sam Raper.

The Council plans to investigate the possibility of receiving 314D funds by overseeing an informal survey of countians over 60. The survey is needed to be eligible for Title III funding.

To raise seed money for the Council memberships will cost \$10 annually for one voting representative from a group or organization; \$3 annually for individual memberships; and \$5 annually for family memberships.

Greene said the reason for organizing memberships is that the Council must have agencies behind it, "because our group was formed to carry out needs as shown us by these agencies."

The next meeting of the council on The Aging of Cleveland County is scheduled for Tues., Dec. 20 at Aldersgate Methodist Church in Shelby.



FUNDS FOR KMJA - Joe Robillard of Eaton Corporation presents a check for \$2,000 from his company to help finance the Kings Mountain Junior Achievement program to Jerry Ledford as Marvin Teer looks on.

Robillard is JA area coordinator, Teer is county coordinator and Ledford is program coordinator in Junior Achievement.