

Central Is Awarded Southern Accreditation

The Southern Association of Colleges and Schools, through its Commission on Elementary Schools, has awarded continuing accreditation to Central School by action taken during the Association's 87th Annual Meeting here December 12-15, 1982.

Through accreditation, school staff and faculty members will benefit by knowing that conditions for teaching in accredited schools meet certain minimum standards and that efforts are continuously made to improve these conditions. Regional standards require adequate facilities and facilities and their effective use.

Citizens are assured of accountability and of value for their tax dollars through the pro-

cess of standard setting and the regular reevaluation of SACS member institutions. Communities with accredited schools can be confident that their institutions compare favorably with others in the region. Accredited schools are a "plus" for those who are interested in relocating their families and businesses.

Founded in 1895, the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools is one of six regional accrediting bodies in the United States. More than 11,000 member public and private universities, colleges, junior colleges, occupational institutions, secondary schools, middle schools, and elementary schools enroll approximately five million students.

Graduate Course At KMHS

A graduate course in education will be offered by the University of North Carolina at Charlotte in Kings Mountain during the spring semester.

Offered by the UNCC College of Human Development and Learning and the Office of Continuing Education and Extension, the course is "HDL 570N, Classroom Management." The class will meet from 4 to 6:30 p.m. Wednesdays, Jan. 19 through May 4, at Kings Mountain High School.

The instructor will be announced later.

The course carries three semester hours of graduate credit. The cost is \$125 before and at the first class meeting and \$145 after the first class.

For registration and other information, contact Ken Burrows in UNCC's Office of Continuing Education and Extension at 596-4447 from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. weekdays.

Rev. Barnes New Pastor At KM Assembly Of God

Rev. Elwood Barnes has assumed duties as pastor of the Kings Mountain Assembly of God on Waco Road.

Rev. Barnes has been in the ministry for 14 years and previously served in the Wilmington area. He also served as an evangelist in Goinia, Brazil, for one month.

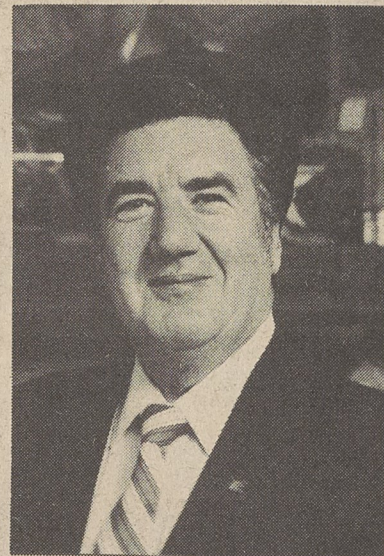
He and his wife, Dorothy, have two children. Their son, Mark, is on duty in the U.S. Air Force and is studying for the ministry, and their daughter, Sonja, resides in North Dakota.

Rev. Barnes is a graduate of the Full Gospel Bible School in Pittsburgh, Pa., and also attended the Elim Bible School in Lima, N.Y. He has had special courses in psychology, pastoral counseling and church administration.

"We're excited about being in Kings Mountain," Rev. Barnes said. "We anticipate a large church growth and with the help of God we're going to try to contribute to the community in every way possible."

"The Bible says that in the last days there will be an outpouring of the Holy Ghost. We look with anticipation in seeing the local church, as well as other churches, really move forward to bring the people to really know Jesus Christ as Lord and Saviour."

"The people of Kings Mountain have received us with a most warm welcome," he added. "Kings Mountain has been bless-



REV. ELWOOD BARNES

ed with many beautiful churches."

Rev. Barnes said the Assembly of God will minister to every area of one's life, including hospital, jail and nursing home ministries and ministry to reach the widows and orphans.

The worship schedule includes Sunday School at 10 a.m., morning worship at 11 a.m., Sunday evening services at 6 p.m. and Wednesday night prayer meetings at 7 p.m.

DISPLAY
A display of stained glass by Pam Perkins will be on exhibit at the Gaston County Public Library, 1555 E. Garrison Blvd., Gastonia throughout the month of January.

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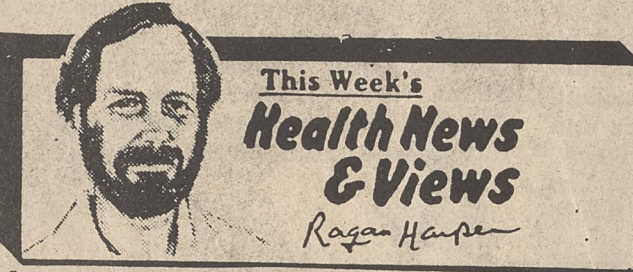
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New life and alcohol don't mix

Alcoholic drinks are quite popular during the Christmas season, but it is advisable that pregnant women steer clear of such indulgences.

It's now common knowledge that children born to drinking mothers bear greater risks of mental dysfunction, retardation, unusual facial structure, plus a possibility of heart and kidney abnormalities. In addition, smoking is said to double a mother's chances of having children which become impulsive and hyperactive by age seven.

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Notes

IT'S A GIRL

Kim and Cindi Stinchcomb of Kings Mountain announce the birth of a daughter, Kimberly Brooke Haven Stinchcomb, January 4 at Cleveland Memorial Hospital. The baby weighed six pounds and two ounces. Grandparents are J.W. and Audrey Biddix of Kings Mountain and Shirley and Clarence Stinchcomb of Shelby. Great-grandparents are Francis Biddix of Kings Mountain, Edgar and E.L. Lawing of Blacksburg and Alice Stinchcomb of Swansboro. The baby's godmother is Cindy Henderson of Kings Mountain.

AUDITIONS

Auditions will be held January 17 and 18 for the one-act play, "The Guest," written by Salvatore Salerno, visiting artist at Cleveland Technical College. The play, which has a production date of late February, has five characters, three men and two women. The auditions are scheduled at Cleveland Tech's Auditorium on Monday, January 17 from 7:30 to 9:30 p.m. and on Tuesday, January 18 from 11:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. Technical assistants will also be sought at this open audition.

ART EXHIBITORS

The Gaston County Art and History Museum (131 Gaston Avenue, Dallas, NC) presents four Gaston College artists in an exhibit now through January 30. Exhibit hours are Tuesday through Friday 10 a.m.-5 p.m., Saturday 10 a.m.-2 p.m. and Sunday 2 p.m.-5 p.m. The public is invited. For more information call 866-3437 during the above mentioned hours.

BOOKMOBILE

The Cleveland County bookmobile will be at several residences in the area Thursday. At 9:45 a.m., it will be at the Mable Rabb residence in the Bethware Community and at 10:30 a.m., it will be at the Bill Lowery residence in the Bethware Community. At 11 a.m., it will be at the Ruth Vess residence in the Oak Grove Community.

Course At KMHS

Western Carolina University will offer a graduate-level credit course in Methods of Research (EDCI 602) on Wednesdays, Jan. 19-May 4, at Kings Mountain High School.

The class will meet from 4 until 7 p.m. with registration at the first class meeting. The instructors from WCU are Dr. Joe Daniel Walters, associate professor of education, and Dr. Howard F. Wilson, assistant professor of special education.

For additional information, telephone the WCU Division of Continuing Education at (704) 227-7397.



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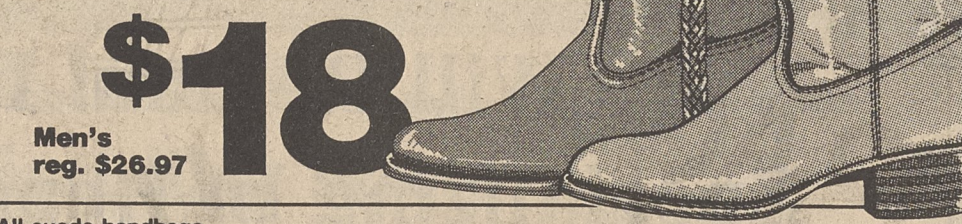
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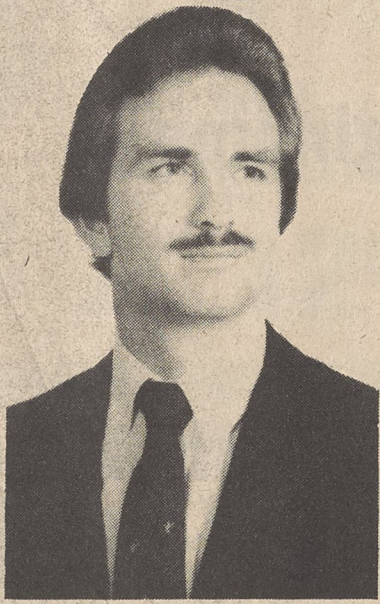
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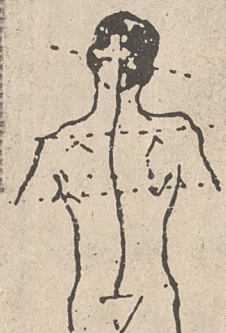
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