

Walk-A-Thon To Benefit March Of Dimes

There will be a WalkAmerica walk-a-thon for the March of Dimes Sat., May 14 in Kings Mountain.

Registration will begin at 9:30 a.m. at Kings Mountain Junior High. Walkers will walk four miles from the junior high to West Gold Street and back. Lunch will be served to all

walkers.

Persons of all ages are encouraged to enter. Pledge sheets are available at the Kings Mountain Herald, WKMT, Kings Mountain Junior High, Kings Mountain Senior High, Central School, West School, Bethware School and the Seven-Eleven Store on Phifer Road.

their donations between now and May 14 and turn their money in that day. All persons who participate will receive a WalkAmerica painter's hat and those raising \$25 or more will also receive a WalkAmerica T-shirt. Trophies will be presented to the three persons raising the most money.

Anyone who forms a walking team of five or more persons will

receive a plaque. Thermacote Welco of Kings Mountain has already formed a team of 40 walkers and will walk in Thermacote Welco T-shirts. Any other teams may also designate themselves by wearing T-shirts, tags or carrying a banner.

The March of Dimes fights birth defects through research, community service projects and public and professional educa-

tion. Kings Mountain Hospital and the Kings Mountain schools have received educational materials from the March of Dimes.

Over 250,000 babies are born each year with birth defects. North Carolina has the fifth highest infant mortality rate of any state in the United States.

The Seven-Eleven Store and Kentucky Fried Chicken in

Kings Mountain are participating in company promotions to help the March of Dimes. Seven-Eleven is currently collecting donations and Kentucky Fried Chicken will collect donations nation-wide beginning Memorial Day weekend.

Last year, over one million people walked in WalkAmerica walk-a-thons and raised over \$20 million.



DALE COSTNER

Costner Takes Job

D. Dale Costner, former Cleveland County Sheriff, reported to work Monday as an Inspector for the North Carolina Division of Motor Vehicles in the License, Theft and Weight division.

Costner will work outside of Cleveland County but will continue to reside in the county.

Costner served in the Cleveland County Sheriff's Department for 27 years and was Sheriff for the past three years before being defeated in his bid for re-election by Buddy McKinney. Costner was appointed Sheriff by the Cleveland County Board of Commissioners after the retirement of Sheriff Haywood Allen.

"It was a special honor for me to serve the citizens of Cleveland County as Sheriff from 1980 until 1983," Costner said. "I am now look forward to continuation of my service in law enforcement to both Cleveland County and to the state of North Carolina. As an inspector with the License, Theft and Weight Division, I will be working with all police agencies on various occasions."

"I sincerely urge each and every citizen of Cleveland County go give their utmost support to our present Sheriff, Buddy McKinney, and the members of his department. I am sure that Sheriff McKinney can count on the excellent support of the citizens of Cleveland County, because I know our citizens want to help stop crime in Cleveland County."

Bride-Elect Is Honored

Miss Margaret Owens, whose wedding to John Rhodes will be an event of June 19 in Kings Mountain Baptist Church, was honored Sunday afternoon at a bridal shower in the Mount Vernon Methodist Church annex in Hickory Grove, S.C.

Members of the fellowship class were hostesses. As the guest were greeted at the door, they signed a register.

Miss Owens was presented a wedding corsage which was pinned to the shoulder of her red and white party dress.

The bride's table was covered with a white linen and lace tablecloth. The table was centered with a flower arrangement and two candles. Guests were served punch and party pickups from a crystal motif.

The gift tables were covered in white linen and highlighted with a bride doll. The 73 guests showered Miss Owens with miscellaneous gifts which were opened and displayed.

The hostesses took the occasion to present the bride-to-be with miscellaneous gifts for her new home.

POPPY PROGRAM

The regular meeting of the American Legion Auxiliary will be held Thursday at 7:30 p.m. The program will be about the annual Poppy Day. Lib Stewart is in charge of the program. Hostesses will be Arlene Barrett and Daisy Queen.

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