

KMHS Corner



By Rainey Haigler

In writing my last article for the Kings Mountain Herald, I would like to take this opportunity to thank the people that gave me the chance to write the Kings Mountain Senior High School Corner each week during the school year '83-'84: Darrell Austin, Gary Stewart, and the staff at the Kings Mountain Herald; my creative writing teacher, Mrs. Mary Taylor; my English teacher, Mrs. Angel Teer; my principal, Ronnie Wilson; and the people of this community that gave me the encouragement I needed. It has been such a wonderful and rewarding experience for me and the highlight of my senior year. I will always cherish the beautiful award I received on Awards Day from the staff of the Kings Mountain Herald. Thank you all from the bottom of my heart.

The dedication of the 1984 Yearbook was made on May 29. The Class of 1984 dedicated the 1984 Milestones to Dean B. Westmoreland. Westmoreland has thoroughly exhibited to all persons his dedication to the advancement of education in North Carolina, whether it was in the classroom, sponsoring of student government activities, or in the political arena. He not only teaches current events in the social studies classroom, but becomes part of the events themselves. Mr. Westmoreland's nickname, "Pope", was acquired after a trip to see a visiting head of state, Pope John Paul II.

We were fortunate in sharing the short lives of two young men who were to have graduated with the 1984 Senior Class. In memory of Rod Lewis and Jeff Woods, are dedicated the 1984 Yearbook to them also. On April 5, 1981, a tragic fire struck a barn where the two boys were camping out for the night. Unfortunately our two friends were killed. As a student at Kings Mountain Junior High, Rod was a member of the track team and the football team for two years. Jeff was a member of the football team and played trumpet in the school band. Although their lives were short, their memories linger on.

Awards Day was held on Thursday, May 31, with many Seniors winning awards. The Senior Picnic was also held on May 31, with everyone enjoying the bar-b-que.

On June 1, the Senior Class of 1984 marched down the aisle at John Gamble Stadium to receive their diplomas and sing their alma mater together for the last time. It was a very happy and sad day for many of them. Now they have gone their separate ways and hope someday to meet again.

School ended for the remainder of the students at 1:00 p.m. on Wednesday, June 6. Teachers' last day will be Monday, June 11.

I wish to apologize for leaving Susie Biggers' name off National Honor Society in my last week's column and any other name. Sorry!

Finally, I want to thank my wonderful mother and stepfather for helping me throughout the school year. Not only have they helped me to learn more but become more independent as well.

My columns would not have been typed as well if my mother had not helped me every week. I love you Mom!

Drop-In Shower Honors Lane Tesseneer

Miss Lane Tesseneer, whose wedding to Robert Franklin Bolin takes place Saturday at 3 p.m. in Chestnut Ridge Baptist Church, was honored Sunday afternoon at a drop-in shower at

Pamela Padgett

On Dean's List

The University of North Carolina at Wilmington today announced the names of students who qualified for the dean's list for spring semester, 1984.

To qualify for academic distinction at UNCW, students carrying 12 to 14 hours must earn a quality point average of 3.5 or better with no grade lower than a B. Students carrying 15 or more hours must earn a 3.2 average with no grade less than B.

Students on the dean's list include Pamela Elizabeth Padgett of Kings Mountain.

Herald Publishing House, where Miss Tesseneer is employed as receptionist.

Entertaining together were Carolyn Taylor, Linda Ramsey, Jane Propst, all co-workers of the bride-elect, and Connie Cochran and Vera Taylor.

The wedding colors of peach and white were combined in decorative details and refreshments. The bride's table and gift table were overlaid with white cloths. Peach sherbet punch was served with decorated cakes, party sandwiches, mints, and nuts from a table decorated with peach colored candles, bows and flowers. A basket of peach silk flowers centered the gift table.

Guests, who called from 3 until 5 p.m., showered the bride-to-be with decorative and linen gifts.

Miss Tesseneer was presented a shoulder bouquet of peach and white flowers to wear with her party dress.

Park Activities Begin

Kings Mountain National Military Park will begin its summer evening programs on Saturday, June 9 at the historic Howser House. Return to the year 1803 as the park's interpretive staff guides you on an exciting tour of the Howser House by candlelight.

This locally famous 18-year old stone structure is a fascinating example of masonry and carpentry of the early 1800's.

The tours will describe how Henry Howser carved out a comfortable life in the Carolina backcountry as a farmer, stonemason, distiller, and miller. The Howser House can be reached from S.C. Highway 161 by turning onto Highway 216 and proceeding 5.6 miles through both Kings Mountain State Park and Kings Mountain National Military Park to S-11-86. It may also be reached from I-85 and U.S. 29 by exiting onto Highway 216 and proceeding 2.3 miles to S-11-86. Directional signs to the house will be posted on Highway 216 and S-11-86. Tours 7:00 until 8:30 p.m.

Weather permitting, the Living History program will begin on Sunday, June 10. The Revolutionary War campsite will be tended by park employees and volunteers in 18th century dress. The Living History Program features musket and rifle demonstrations on the hour from 11:00 a.m. until 3:00 p.m. on Saturday and from 1:00 p.m. until 4:00 p.m. on Sunday. Other camp chores such as cooking and musket ball making will also be demonstrated in camp.

Weather permitting, the Howser House will be open for visitation from 1:00 p.m. until 4:00 p.m. on Sunday afternoon. A member of the park staff will be stationed at the house to reveal the history behind this rock structure.

Other on-going daily programs

include: an 18 minute film, "Kings Mountain: Turning Point in the South"; an eight minute audio-visual museum tour; 1.5 mile Battlefield Trail; 16 mile system of hiking trails; 10 mile system of horse trails.

The public is invited and encouraged to attend all programs. There are no admission fees for any of these programs.

KINGS MOUNTAIN NATIONAL MILITARY PARK EVENING PROGRAM SCHEDULE

JUNE
9th-Howser House Tours, 7:00-8:30 p.m.

16th-Our Treasured Lands: The National Park System, 7:30 p.m.

23rd-Battlefield Trail Tour, 8:00 p.m.

29th-404th N.C. National Guard Army Band, 7:30.

JULY

7th-Making of a Myth: The Custer Story, 7:30 p.m.

14th-Howser House Tours-7:00-8:30 p.m.

21st-Battlefield Trail Tour, 8:00 p.m.

28th-Dr. Joseph Tally: Snakes Alive, 7:00 p.m.

AUGUST

4th-Civil Wars of America, 7:30 p.m.

11th-Howser House Tours,

7:00-8:30 p.m.

18th-Charlotte Folk Music Society: Concert, 7:30 p.m.

All programs and times subject to change. For specific information, watch this newspaper or contact the park at 803-936-7921.

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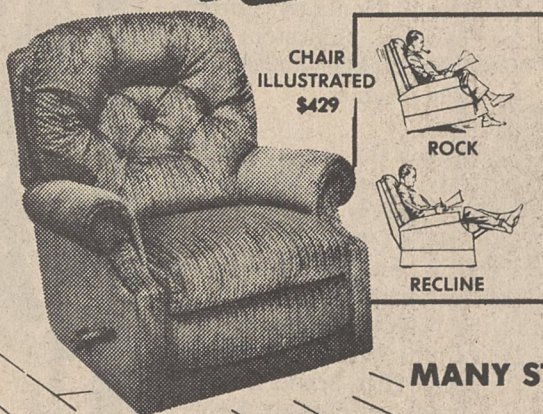
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