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**City, County Need To Work Together**

**Economic Development Needed**

"Textiles is hurting in Kings Mountain and we need diversification and to merchandise ourselves", said Comm. Jim Dickey, and his remarks were echoed by most speakers on the program for the two-day seminar for elected city officials Monday and Tuesday sponsored by the City of Kings Mountain.

"We're going to have to look for new industry but we're going to have to do it in an orderly manner", said County Commis-

sioner L.E. Hinnant who co-chairs with Senator J.Ollie Harris, Mayor John Henry Moss' city industrial committee.

Of a number of common objectives, which a dozen or more spoke to which would benefit all of Cleveland County, the topic of economic development was strongly featured.

Attorney George Thomasson proposed that county governments work together to push for the repeal of the state inventory

tax to help bring in diversified industry as well as help textile industry. But in Tuesday afternoon's session both Senator J. Ollie Harris and Rep. Edith Lutz, both of whom represent Cleveland County in the legislature, said they could not vote for repeal unless some alternatives for these funds which come from the inventory and intangibles taxes were obtained and then decide what services would be eliminated. How can

we cut out services to the needy, the poor, the blind," asked Harris.

According to Hinnant, the county gets \$1,800,000 from the state as its share of revenues from inventory and intangibles taxes. Of that amount, he said about half, or \$900,000 comes from inventory tax revenues. If the state repeals these taxes, as Governor-Elect Jim Martin is proposing, it will be up to the local level to start to look for

other ways of getting the revenue it needs to continue to provide all the services the public wants. Hinnant said the county's "going wet" and "some type of lottery" would increase revenue. Senator Harris said he is open to suggestions but that he will vote against lottery and gambling, as did Mrs. Lutz, who invited their constituents to let them know their feelings on all the issues of the 1985 General Assembly. Mrs. Lutz said that it has been

the policy of the local delegation to caucus in Raleigh before voting on any issues and that feelings of the voters back home were solicited via newspaper advertising paid by Senator Harris, Mrs. Lutz, and other legislators representing area voters. Area legislators are Harris, Marshall Rauch, Helen Marvin, Rep. Lutz and Representatives Charles Owens and Jack Hunt.

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**SEMINAR-WORKSHOP FOR CITY OFFICIALS** - Mayor John Moss, at head of table, above opens a two-day workshop Monday in which leaders from city and county government voted to hold similar meetings semi-annually. From left around the table, Stern Dixon, Shelby Star reporter; city attorney George Thomasson, city commissioners Irvin Allen and Jim Dickey,

Mayor Moss, county commissioners L.E. and Hinnant and Pete Stamey, commissioner-elect Joyce Cashion and city commissioner Humes Houston. City Commissioner Curt Gaffney was also present as were county commissioner-elect Gene LeGrand, Region C Director Paul Hughes.

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**Harris Favors Vote  
 On State Lottery**

Senator J. Ollie Harris, Democrat from Cleveland County, said he favors a referendum on the question of whether the governor would serve more than one term but said he doubted legislators would approve a vote unless it specified an effective date of 1992, to give incoming Governor Jim Martin the opportunity to run for re-election under present legislation.

Responding to a question, Harris said the N.C. Senate didn't kill a lottery bill in the 1984 session but killed "the time to have it." He said the sponsor of the Senate Bill had specified that only cities would vote and that this was killed because counties should also make the determination along with cities. Harris said he will vote against lotteries in this state but that he would favor a referendum on the question of lotteries to let the public make the decision at the ballot box.

Harris, Kings Mountain politician, made the remarks during a seminar for elected city officials Tuesday. He also said he would favor a "right to know law" involving rescue personnel, who he said go into dangerous buildings where there is hazardous waste. And in response to a question, he said he would oppose a county option of appealing intangibles and inventory tax. "That would be an easy way out for the legislature", said Harris, who said the tax repeal subject will be of the hottest subjects facing the 1985 state legislature. However, Harris said he would favor a state wide option. The state receives in excess of \$300 million in inventory taxes and over \$100 in intangibles.

Both Harris and Rep. Edith Lutz, also of Cleveland County, said other revenues would have

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**School Boss Lists Goals**

An indoor swimming pool at Kings Mountain Senior High was one of the goals raised by KM Schools Supt. Bill Davis during Tuesday's seminar for city officials and attended by

educators from Gardner-Webb, Cleveland Technical and Gaston Colleges.

Davis said the Kings Mountain Kiwanis Club is lending strong support to the project and

that other civic clubs are invited to "get on our bandwagon and push for this much needed facility for our young people." Physical conditioning rooms would be a part of the projected

facility. "We have more pressing facility goals now but with community support and effort this could be a reality", said Davis.

Other goals in the KM system, said Davis, based on a long range Blue Ribbon Study, are to phase out Central Middle School and move the Ninth Grade to the KMHS plant, which now houses only 10th, 11th, and 12th graders. Seventh and eighth graders would comprise Junior High plant. "All of this would involve money and construction and is in the future planning", said Davis. Currently, eight classrooms are being built at the Junior High.

Dr. Larry Sale, of Boiling Springs, said that in the last six years Gardner-Webb has merged from an institution in Boiling Springs to programs throughout North

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**Advent  
 Services  
 Slated**

Kings Mountain churches are sponsoring Wednesday noon services during the Advent Season beginning Wednesday, Dec. 5th, at Boyce Memorial ARP Church with Dr. Joel Jenkins, pastor of First Baptist Church, leading the service of worship.

Rev. J.C. Goare, pastor of Kings Mountain Baptist Church, will deliver the message at the Dec. 12th service at noon at Central United Methodist Church.

Dr. Eric Faust, pastor of First Presbyterian Church, will deliver the message at the Dec. 19th noon worship service at St. Matthews Lutheran Church.

After each service at 12:30 women of the sponsoring churches will serve a light luncheon. A donation of \$1 will be received to help defray the cost of the meal.

The downtown churches, sponsoring the Advent Services, plan the services at noon so that the working public can participate during their lunch hour.

**United Way Hurting**

Closing of Sulzer Industries, short-time for employees in numerous mills in the area, and anticipated "for sale" signs rumored at two mills in the area is taking a bite on the industrial division of the 1985 United Way.

"We aren't quitting and are hopeful that the industrial drive will reach its goal. A total of \$80,500 for 15 good causes is being sought," said Chairman John Young.

Pledges and cash-on-hand to date is \$68,815.00, according to Young, who said that an evalua-

tion committee is looking at ways and means to recruit some more volunteers and some more donors in the Kings Mountain area.

Most divisions of the campaign have reached their goals, with exception of the heavy industrial committee which is hard hit this year with closing and cut backs in plants which have heavily supported the United Way for many years in Kings Mountain.

Kings Mountain United Way approved the following budget requests for 1985. They include:

- American Red Cross, \$15,000;
- Ministerial Association and Helping Hand Fund, and Chaplain Service, \$12,750;
- Girl Scouts, \$7,000; Boy Scouts, \$6,500;
- North Carolina United, \$6,237;
- Kings Mountain Rescue Squad, \$6,050;
- Cleveland County Shelter Home, \$5,775;
- Kings Mountain Boys Club, \$5,500;
- Grover Rescue Squad, \$5,000;
- CODAP, \$3,000;
- Salvation Army, \$2,200;
- Cleveland County Mental Health Association, \$1,000;
- Hospice, \$1,000;
- Child Abuse Prevention, \$500;
- Community Partnership For Disabled, \$500.



Photo by Gary Stewart

**SHOW** - Santa Claus, aided by members of the White Plains Shrine Club, narrows cany to the children as he rides through the streets of Kings Mountain in Sunday's Christmas Parade which was sponsored by the Kings Mountain Fire Department. More parade photos are on page 1-B.

**Hollingsworth Heads  
 State Student Group**

Michael Hollingsworth of Kings Mountain has been named president of the North Carolina Comprehensive Community College Student Government Association.

The 19-year-old Gaston College student was elevated to the position from the Vice-President's post at the fall conference of the organization in Winston-Salem.

Hollingsworth had been elected vice-president at the spring conference and had been delegated many of the president's duties since that time by President Mike Reid of Central Piedmont Community College in Charlotte, whose job responsibilities were becoming more time-consuming. Reid officially resigned his position at the opening business meeting of the fall conference and Hollingsworth became the youngest president in the association's history.

Hollingsworth is a 1983



**MIKE HOLLINGSWORTH** graduate of Kings Mountain High School. He plans to run for re-election at the spring conference of N4CSGA next May and plans to transfer to UNC-Chapel Hill year after next to

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**5th Graders May Enter  
 Christmas Essay Contest**

Fifth graders in the Kings Mountain School District are eligible to enter the Kings Mountain Herald's Christmas essay contest. Winners will receive awards and have their pictures published on the front page of the Herald's annual Christmas edition.

Essays will be written on "What Christmas Means to Me" and must be 100 words or less.

Students should submit their essays to their teachers before December 14. Essays will be judged by the principals of the five Kings Mountain elementary schools but the principals will not judge essays by students from his or her own school.

The Herald urges students in grades kindergarten through four to submit Letters to Santa Claus which will appear in the paper during the Christmas season.

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