

# Darlene Right At Home

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Daughter of J.D. and Doris Short of Kings Mountain, Miss Short graduated in 1978 from Kings Mountain Senior High School and completed a two year secretarial course at Gaston College. Two years ago she was licensed as an Emergency Medical Technician by Cleveland Technical College and became a volunteer with the all-male Rescue Squad in January, answering calls with the men after her workday was completed at Tultex Outlet Store.

She likes to walk, to play the piano "when no one is around", and relaxes by listening to music and by cross-stitching. Her church is an important part of her life, as is her family, which also includes three married brothers, Billy, Randy and Dean Short. Darlene and her parents and sister reside in the area between Patterson Grove and Oak Grove Churches. She says that life in the country is the perfect place to raise horses and to live.

Other officers of the Kings Mountain Rescue Squad are First Lieutenant Richard Byers, First Lieutenant Jeff Cloninger, Second Lieutenant Richard Oliver, Second Lieutenant Barry Dellinger, Senior Sergeant Gene Champion, Junior Sergeant Jonie

Blanton and Chaplain Elwood Barnes.

Miss Short says she is proud of the local Squad and the service it provides to Kings Mountain area people. As many as three calls a day are handled by the Squad during the course of a regular work week.

"I prayed hard before I took this job", she says, "The Lord really wanted me to go to work on the Rescue Squad."

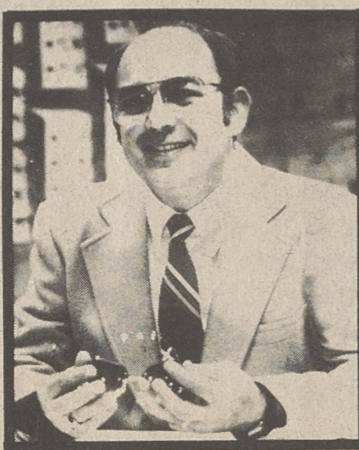
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Captain Hammett said the local Squad is pleased that the county commissioners approved the hiring of Miss Short as a full time employee. Miss Short works the day shift, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., and also volunteers for duty on Tuesday nights, as well as other evenings on a regular basis.

## Open Forum Meets

Kings Mountain's Open Forum will meet Thursday night, tonight, at 7:30 p.m. at KM Community Center.

Rev. Kenneth George, acting president of the recently organized group, said the public is invited and encouraged to attend the meeting.

The Open Forum has met in recent months on Saturday mornings but the Thursday night meeting is designed to accommodate those unable to attend the early morning meetings.

## Poppy Days Set This Week

Poppy Day is Thursday, Friday and Saturday in Kings Mountain and members of Otis D. Green Unit 155, American Legion Auxiliary, will be offering the red memorial flower to the public on downtown streets.

"We invite everyone to give a donation to the Auxiliary and all money will be used for veteran's projects in this area", said Unit President Ruth Ruff.

The poppies are made by hospitalized veterans and the project is conducted annually during Memorial Day weekend.

### VISITS IN GROVER

Lamar Owensby of Goldsboro visited in Grover last week with his mother, Mrs. Mary Owensby.

### BOARD MEETING

The city board of commissioners have rescheduled the Memorial Day meeting, Monday, May 27th. The meeting will be held on Friday, May 31, at noon in Council Chambers at City Hall.

### CORRECTION

Due to incorrect information supplied by the Kings Mountain Police Department, the name and address of Kenneth Foogie Williams was wrong in a story in last week's Herald about a county-wide drug bust. Williams, who was arrested for possession of marijuana and selling marijuana, was listed as Kenneth Foogie Willis of 501 North Watterson Street. According to Williams' father, Willis Williams, who lives at 501 North Watterson Street and has never been involved in drugs in any way, Kenneth Foogie Williams does not reside at that address.

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