

If You're Fighting Heat, Don't Go To Sunshine State

It's hot weather and a person's thoughts turn naturally enough to keeping cool.

Don't go to Central Florida, unless you head for water recreation parks like Wet-N-Wild, a 25 acre park with slides, pools and lagoons for swimmers and non-swimmers.

Last weekend while in Orlando, Fla. to attend the state convention of the American Legion Auxiliary, at which I was guest as National Vice President of the Auxiliary from the Southern Division, I decided to visit Epcot, which is one of the biggest tourist attractions in Orlando. Epcot is not a hot weather antidote. If you vacation in Orlando this month, be sure to take your straw hat or something to shield yourself from the hot rays of the sun. Was it every hot!!! I headed back for my air conditioned hotel room after about four hours of walking and cooling off by seeing some of the attractions. There were no long lines but as soon as schools close in the area the lines will return, I'm told.

The Auxiliary Department of Florida had arranged for me to stay at one of the Walt Disney hotels, The Viscount at Lake Buena Vista, minutes to Walt Disney World, Epcot, the Walt Disney Shopping Plaza, Wet-N-Wild and many other attractions. The hotel provided air-conditioned buses every 20 minutes to and from the hotel. It's actually the ideal place to stay if you can get reservations. At this time of the year about all of Disney's 2,300 rooms at the six official Disney World hotels are full. Each of the six hotels lies on Disney property and an observant tourist notices that there is a certain uniformity to the hotel's landscaping. The hotel employees wear Disneylike identification badges.

If a hotel guest goes to a convention, he may be met by Mickey Mouse and he may notice that just as inside Disney's theme parks, the hotel employees will be clean cut and wholesome looking. It's unlikely that he will encounter a male employee who has a mustache or beard or a female employee wearing lots of makeup and jewelry. To get the official Walt



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Disney designation, we were told that the hotels sign agreements that they will abide by certain standards that Disney has set for them. The reason the hotels sign: there is a lot in it for them. Proximity to Disney World, along with the official designation and use of a Disney logo, brings the hotels instant recognition in the marketplace. Having that official logo is like having the Good Housekeeping Seal of Approval, one employee said. Lake Buena Vista is really the place to stay in Orlando to visit Disneyworld and Epcot. I noticed children were enjoying Disney World more than Epcot. The Mexico World Showcase and China World Showcase were both outstanding pavilions plus dinner aboard the Empress Lily, the authentic replica of a 19th century riverboat, were highlights of my short vacation.



Fighting Hunger

Hunger—a dreadful word in the English language. In the United States and abroad, there are people who need the tools and know-how to work to improve their own lives and thus help us with the greatest problem that confronts the human race.

In April, Long Creek Presbyterian Church joined in a program of loving service with its brothers and sisters in Christ of Concord Presbytery to minister to hungry and needy people. Each time the family sits down for a meal, they give two cents per person for a meal and bless the coins. Once a month, a brief time is set aside in worship with a family member bringing their offering for presentation. This money is sent to Presbytery's office to be used collectively with other churches' offerings to have an impact on this basic human need both in our community and across the world. The money is divided—40 percent overseas, 40 percent within Presbytery bounds, 10 percent emergency aid and 10 percent administrative costs.

Presbyterians know that aiding the urgent starvation is only a beginning. Other approaches are being made to get to the root of hunger and change the situation. The "Two Cents A Meal Plan" is designed to helping people help themselves.

Each church, as a part of this plan, appoints local hunger contact persons to attend workshops, receive updated information and to inform the congregation of projects. Long Creek's session appointed Sue Lovelace and Betty Davenport as contact persons.

On Sunday, June 9, they and the church would like to invite anyone interested in this program to a lunch emphasizing the program. Special music will be given by the youth, a skit "Living On One Hundred Dollars a Year" will be presented and special prayer offered.

During worship, Rev. Charles Davenport will present a children's sermon to help educate how children, too, can be involved.

163 Years Of Service

Retirement of five of Kings Mountain's veteran teachers is deserving of special attention, for each has rendered long and valuable service to the people and schools of the community.

The five are Donald Deal, KMSHS math teacher, who is retiring after 33 years as a teacher; Julia Plonk, who is retiring as a first grade teacher at West School and has been a teacher 19 years; and Margaret Spratt, North School first grade teacher, who became a teacher 33 years ago. The five have a total of 163 years of service.

All have earned retirement and, undoubtedly, all will have a bit of trouble getting accustomed to their change of habit when school bells ring next Fall. And youngsters will have a bit of trouble getting accustomed to the change, too.

LOOKING BACK

From the Thursday, June 4, 1953 edition of The Kings Mountain Herald.

The city board of commissioners has set the tentative 1953 tax rate at \$1.30 per \$100 valuation.

Sixty-two Kings Mountain High School seniors received their diplomas at commencement exercises at Central Auditorium Monday night.

Five Kings Mountain senior girls will make their debut to society at the Sub-Debutante Ball of the Shelby Junior Charity League Saturday night. Making their debut will be Cornelia Ware, escorted by Harold Glass and Jimmy Caveny; Shirley Falls, escorted by Darrell Austin and Sonny McDaniel; Shirley Houser, escorted by Ben Hudson and Charles Mauney; and Marlene Spake, escorted by Gene Bryant and Bill Ruth.

Deadlines

The Herald welcomes your items of interest for publication in each Thursday's paper.

We ask that you follow these guidelines when submitting articles:

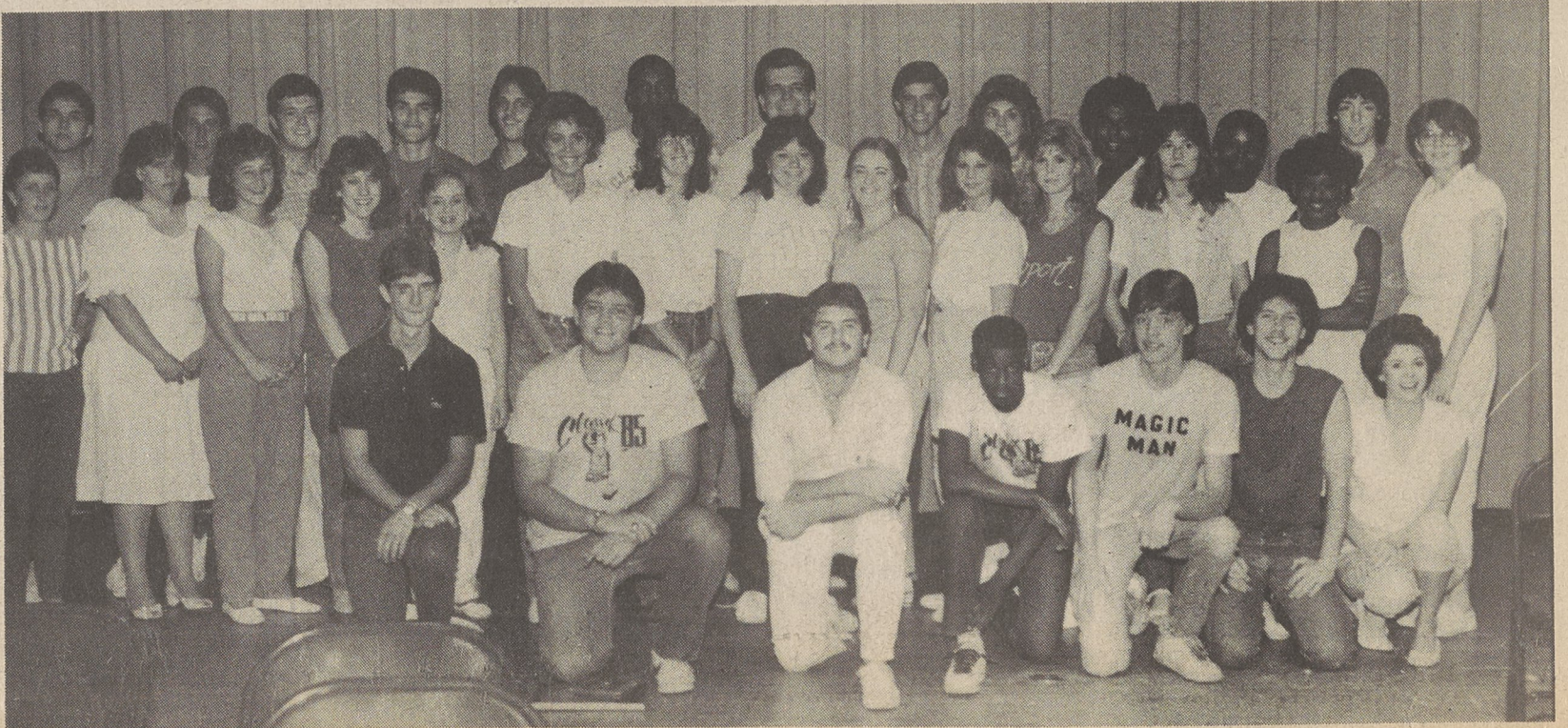
Deadline for all social news, which includes weddings, anniversaries, engagement announcements, birthdays, and club meetings, is 5 p.m. Monday. Social items received after 5 p.m. Mondays will not appear in the social section and may be held out until the following week. There is no charge for any of the above articles; however, there is a preparation fee of \$3 for birthday pictures, \$4 for anniversary and engagement pictures, and \$5 for wedding pictures. Pictures should be 5 x 7 black and white. Good quality color pictures will be accepted but most color photos do not reproduce well.

Deadline for all church news items is 5 p.m. Friday. This includes mini-sermons from pastors and news of sales, revivals, singings, special services, etc.

Deadline for sports and regular news items is 5 p.m. Tuesday. However, games and meetings which are held on Tuesday nights will be accepted until 10 a.m. Wednesday morning.

Deadline for letters to the editor and other editorial copy is 5 p.m. Tuesday. All letters must be signed and must include the complete address and phone number of the writer. Letters may be edited for libel, good taste, length, or any other reason, and may be refused for any reason.

Deadline for all classified and display advertisements is 5 p.m. Tuesday. All classified advertisements must be paid in advance.



SENIOR AWARD WINNERS—Pictured are KMSHS seniors pictured at Monday's Day Monday. Front row, from left, ... Back row, from left, Kevin Ingram, Shane Bowers, Richard Gold, Robert Appling, Mark Davis, Leonard Byers, David Dingus, Mike Reynolds, Lisa Edwards, Erika Woods and Evette Moore.

Teresa Smith, Leah Patterson, Karen Penner, Lorena Lawrence, Tim Wright, Allan Welch, Dina Lund and Joan Reavis. Back row, from left, Kevin Ingram, Shane Bowers, Richard Gold, Robert Appling, Mark Davis, Leonard Byers, David Dingus, Mike Reynolds, Lisa Edwards, Erika Woods and Evette Moore.

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

THURSDAY:

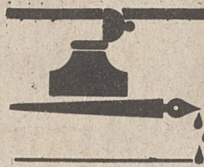
- 12:00 - Kings Mountain Rotary Club at Holiday Inn.
- 6:45 - Kings Mountain Kiwanis Club at Kings Mountain Country Club.
- 7:30 - Kings Mountain Open Forum at the Community Center.

FRIDAY:

2:00 - Kings Mountain Association of Educators is honoring retiring teachers at the annual meeting in B.N. Barnes Auditorium.

TUESDAY:

7:30 - Board of City Commissioners in Council Chambers.



Letters To The Editor

Discipline Controversial Issue

To the editor:

The disciplinary action that has taken place this year at KMSH, in my opinion, is a very controversial issue. There are various aspects that counter poise each other. The ramifications of disciplinary action in KM or any other high school is a derangement of human emotions, morals and rights.

It is being said that there was a lack of sufficient evidence in the suspension of a few students. These students had been accused of the possession and sell of marijuana on school grounds. These students, most of whom now are going to night school, feel, along with their parents, that their rights have been violated. To put someone out of school under accusations that have not been factually proven is, in my opinion, unconstitutional.

Disciplinary action not only informs the student of his or her right, it also grasps the emotions of the pupil. Some of these students go to night school, while some end up quitting school altogether. This could renavigate the entire course of a student's future. Does the school board have a right to choose a person's course of life? Especially, with insufficient evidence.

On the contradicting side of this issue, failure to take disciplinary action could result in moral decay and take away common decency from the student body. The selling of drugs and the use of weapons are not only against school rules, it's against the law. When the freedom or safety of the students have been threatened, action, disciplinary or otherwise, should be taken.

In conclusion, I feel that disciplinary action should be taken against problem students. Just as long as they're considered innocent until proven guilty.

Lorena Lawrence
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Common Sense Stand

To The Editor:

Superintendent of Mecklenburg schools Jay Robinson should be remembered from his common-sense and courageous stand on the smoking issue in schools.

It is unfortunate that schools must be forced to assume responsibility in many social areas where parents have abandoned all pretense of responsibility either through neglect or inability to cope.

This correct stand by the schools will help students who are casual smokers and who respond to the so-called "smart" reasons for smoking, to express a good reason for not smoking, that is, suspension.

Rather than assertion of independence, the greater problem may come from students who are truly addicted to this vicious drug.

The schools should make some effort to help students who are addicted, but suspension policies should prevail when needed.

Americans, at long last, realize they have been "had" by the tobacco and alcohol industries. Recognition of this is the first step in a long term cure.

We are finally overcoming what we once thought was a consensus of opinion on alcohol and tobacco, that is everyone accepts it, therefore it is rude or unacceptable to condemn those products and their social implications. Bertrand Russell said, "though a million people say a thing is right, but it is wrong, then it is wrong!"

Gene White
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