

Christmas Parade Set

Kings Mountain's 15th consecutive Christmas parade has been moved closer this year to the bearded, roundman's visit: It is scheduled on Sunday, Dec. 11, at 2 p.m.

Announcement was made by Fire Chief Gene Tignor, who with Det. Sgt. Jerry White, of the Cleveland County Sheriff's Department, began the long string in 1973.

Prior to 1973, parades had not been held annually.

"We need to hear from persons and firms interested in sponsoring floats or units in the parade so we can get the lineup set," Tignor announced. Last year, some 115 units participated, he said, and this year he is "looking for about the same number."

The same route will be used this year as at last year's parade, Tignor said. The 1988 assembly point will be at the corner of U.S. 74 Business and Gaston St. intersection, with units forming to the east (toward Gastonia).

At the 2 p.m. start, the units will motor west on King St. to Battleground and turn left on Battleground to Gold St., then east on Gold. Units will begin disbanding after Lake Street, which gives

options for the participating units to go any of three directions.

Tignor said that the city electrical crews will begin work next week on decorations for the parade route. All pole decorations are expected to be completed by Thanksgiving, with a theme of "Christmas in the City."

Merchants are asked to erect wreaths and window decor, with the fire department to place pole wreaths and other items.

Seven floats are already lined up: Holiday Inn, Amity Finance, Belk-Cleveland Mall, B.B.&T., First Union, Home Federal, First Federal, and City of Kings Mountain Employees.

White Plains Shrine Club will again sponsor Old Saint Nick and his sleigh. Other floats are needed, Tignor said, and encouraged those interested to contact him as soon as possible.

The overall parade effort is under direction of David Handcock, city parks and recreation department director, who asked Tignor again serve as parade chairman.

"We hope we can continue our good luck with the weather on Dec. 11," he added, noting that "only one of the past 14 has been bad".

KM's J.J. Warlick Nominated For Morehead Scholarship



WARLICK



FAUST

A Kings Mountain High School student, Jennifer Jewel Warlick, is among those nominated for Morehead Scholarships to the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, and a second KMHS student, Margaret Bethan Faust, has been selected as an alternate.

Warlick joins two other nominees, Robert Christopher Miller of Crest High School, and Deanna Marie Reid of Shelby High School, as Cleveland County

nominees.

The three nominees now advance to district competition which will be held in Morganton in December.

The four were selected following interviews by the combined Cleveland-Lincoln County selection committee Sunday. Selections were announced Monday by Dr. Robert Litton, Shelby, chairman of the selection committee.

Miss Warlick, the daughter of John David and Jewel Robbs Warlick of 405 Downing St., Kings Mountain, ranks second in her class of 265 and is president of the student body at Kings Mountain High School. She is a member of the National Honor Society (of which she serves as vice president), the Beta, Key and French clubs and the FCA and the marching, concert and pep bands and flag squad.

She attended Governor's School and Girls' State and participated in varsity tennis and track. She was a junior marshal and first runner-up in the Cleveland County Junior Miss contest.

She is an active member of Kings Mountain's Central United Methodist Church.

Miss Faust, the daughter of Eric and Linda Margaret Miller Faust of 107 E. King St., Kings Mountain, ranks first in her class of 265 and is a member of the Beta, French, Science and Pep clubs, National Honor Society and FCA at Kings Mountain High School.

She attended Governor's School and Summer Ventures 1987, and is a member of the high school band and Sho' Choir.

She is an active member of Kings Mountain's First Presbyterian Church and was chief marshal during her high school junior year.

KM To Get \$220,000 In Powell Bill Funds

Kings Mountain received \$220,121.20 based on 1987 population figures of 9,235, and 5,707 certified non system miles. The town of Grover received \$17,055.38 based on 2.68 certified non system miles.

The Powell Bill funds were distributed this week.

STREET AID SENT TO CITIES
—More than \$66.7 million has been sent recently to the state's cities and towns including Kings Mountain to help them pay for street maintenance.

Checks for State Street Aid Allocations (Powell Bill) allocations were mailed or electronically transferred by the N.C. Department of Transportation (NCDOT) on Oct. 1 to 473 municipalities across the state. The money will be used to pay for maintenance and improvement projects on streets inside municipalities that are not part of the state's highway system.

The money comes from funds produced by 1 and 3/4 cents of the state's 15 and 95/100 cents per gallon gas tax and is distributed under a formula set by the General Assembly.

Seventy-five percent of the funds are allocated on the basis of population, while the number of non-state system street miles in each town or city is used to calculate the remaining 25 percent.

This year's allocations are \$2.9 million more than the \$63.8 million allocated last year.

Charlotte received the largest amount, \$8.1 million, while the Pitt County town of Falkland received the smallest amount, \$2,337.19.

Charlotte's share was based on an estimated 1987 population of 388,995 and on 1,444.15 non-system street miles, while Falkland's allocation was based on a population of 129 and 0.18 non-system street miles.

Other cities receiving major Powell Bill allocations were: Asheville, \$1.3 million; Durham,

CARD OF THANKS

We would like to express to all of our friends how much we appreciated your thoughts and prayers during the recent loss of our loved one. The food that was served, the calls, prayers, and visits gave us so much strength in our time of need. We express a special thanks to Dr. Mayse and the Intensive Care Nurses at Kings Mountain Hospital. The kindness and love shown to our family has helped to sustain us. May the Lord bless each of you.

Edythe, James, Jamie & Fritz
The Self Family

NEW ARRIVAL!!

— It's A Girl —

ERIN CASEY ELLIS

Born Oct. 27 — 2:00 AM

81 Lbs. — 20 Inches Long

Parents: Derice and Mike Ellis

700 Woodside Dr., Kings Mountain

Brothers: Brock and Evan Ellis

Grandparents: Earl Stroupe Jr.

of Kings Mountain and Sue Parton of Bessemer City and Mr. and Mrs. Gene Ellis of Gastonia.

Great-Grandmother:

Mrs. Ruby Stroupe

Committee Seeking Industry Meets With State Officials

A delegation from the Kings Mountain Chamber of Commerce's Economic Development Commission was in Raleigh Monday to visit with officials who help place new industries throughout the state.

The Kings Mountain group, who met with members of the Industrial Development Division of the North Carolina Department of Commerce, outlined opportunities available for corporate development in the Kings Mountain area.

The group's formal presentation was led by chairman John H. Moss who outlined plans for the Kings Mountain Corporate Center which includes development of nearly 2,000 acres along a corridor on I-85 near Kings Mountain and Gastonia and located in both Gaston and Cleveland Counties.

In addition to Moss, Kings Mountain Commission members attending the meeting were Jim

Herndon, Larry Hamrick and Glee Bridges. They were introduced by State Industrial Development Division Chairman Alvah Ward.

State officials in Raleigh many times came up with industrial prospects who are interested in locating or expanding their operations in North Carolina. They assist cities, such as Kings Mountain, in placing the industries.

The Kings Mountain Commission has also developed a questionnaire for existing industry in the area to see if their needs are being met.

"They may also need to expand, and if so we would like to do every thing we can to assist their expansion in Kings Mountain," a commission member said.

Also attending was Frank Matthews, Gastonia, an official of the Kings Mountain Corporate Center.

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