

CAREER CLUB ACTIVE-Members of the Career Club at Kings Mountain Junior High School have been active on a number of projects. The members, pictured, planted periwinkles as a school beautification project and afterwards enjoyed pizza with advisors Ann Bennett, Margaret Rhodes and Glista Young. From left to right, front row, are Candy Cook, Michelle Jones, Marcus Hanks and Mark Green. Back row, from left, Jeannie Martin and Clay Corry.

KM Students Winners In Essay Contest

Several students from Kings Mountain were among the winners in essay and art contests held during the recent Spring Fest '89 in Shelby.

Phillip Heavner and Angela Whittaker, both sophomores at

Kings Mountain High School, received honorable mention in the 9-12 grade division of the essay contest.

Siavone Phanthalack, a seventh grader at Central School, won third place in the grades 6-8 division for her drawing, and Michelle Allen, a sixth grader at Central, won honor-

able mention in mixed media for grades 6-8.

Tina Caveny of Kings Mountain High won honorable mention in painting, Tabitha Hambright of KMHS won second place in mixed media; and Christi Putnam of KMHS won first place in print making.



ANITA LAUGHRIDGE

Laughridge Earns Degree

Anita Dawn Laughridge, daughter of Nancy Laughridge of Kings Mountain, graduated from Belmont Abbey College Sunday, May 14.

Ms. Laughridge received a B.A. degree in Special Education.

Ms. Laughridge has devoted much of her time working with handicapped children at Holy Angels in Belmont. She will continue her work as a teacher at the Shelby Children's Center.

Superintendent Returns To School

Chapel Hill — Robert R. "Bob" McRae Jr., superintendent of Kings Mountain City schools, returned to the classroom this academic year to expand his management and leadership skills with new information in areas such as law and computer technology through the Superintendents' Executive Program at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill.

McRae was among 31 superintendents selected to participate in the program, which provides professional courses for school administrators in UNC's Institute of Government. When the superintendents completed the 21-day program this spring, they were more effective in using current administrative techniques and thinking creatively about management in an educational setting.

The course requires that participants complete 160 hours of classroom work over three months. Besides law and technology, other major areas of study include personnel management, communications, self-knowledge, curriculum and personal development. Participants must read, complete study guides and discuss the contents of 14 books and 95 articles and case studies assigned by the 65 faculty members. They also write papers on educational management and school leadership.

"The intense management education provided by the program makes long-lasting changes in the superintendent as a leader," said Robert Phay, program director. "We teach a superintendent as a leader," said Robert Phay, program director. "We teach a superintendent the importance of setting high expectations for students and faculty, how to run a more effective school and the need to develop and implement long-range goals for the school unit.

The Institute of Government offers a similar program for principals.



BY LANCE WALLACE and CHAD SMITH

West School

Students Make Mothers Presents

This is what happened in the last week and events coming up next week. In Mrs. McGill's class they have been making Mother's Day presents, and writing stories about mothers. In Mrs. Leonard's kindergarten class they have been getting ready to go to the Charlotte Nature Museum. Mrs. Bennett's first grade has been talking about plants, magnets, and getting ready for the Smoke Free 2000 program. Ms. Roberts' class has been making sombrero hats for Spanish class and also getting ready for the Smoke Free 2000 program. Mrs. Arrowood's class has been adding three digit numbers and drawing and writing about monsters. Mrs. McDaniel's second graders have been making Japanese lanterns. Mrs. Lutz's and Mrs. Rudisill's class has been studying our textile community in social studies, and will begin their next unit in government this week. To close their textile unit and to introduce their Government unit they will visit Dependable Knits in Kings Mountain and also our government building.

Mrs. Denton's and Mrs. Bailey's fourth grade class went to Charlotte last Friday and toured WBTV, and also toured Charlotte on McDonald's fun bus. Mrs. Hope's class has been studying the states and finished up the Revolutionary War. In art they have been weaving. Mrs. McDonald's class will have their plants projects ready Tuesday. They are planning a field trip for Tuesday, May 16 to complete their science unit. They also made pot-pourri bags for Mothers Day. in P.E. The fifth grade went to field day. It was system-wide. Jump rope for heart, sponsored by Mr. Fortner, raised \$990.00 for the Heart Association.

The library sponsored a presentation from Mauney Memorial Library. The fifth grades are doing commercials for a library unit. Mrs. Cole's classes are having student teachers this week. Mrs. Grant's language students have been expanding vocabulary through oral language usage. The speech students have been sharpening their listening skills.



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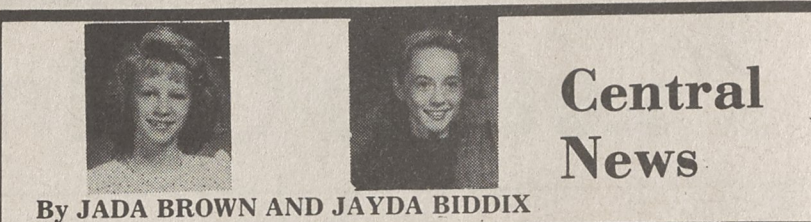
Central Students In Track Meet

The track team completed its season last week in the conference meet. The boys finished fourth and the girls seventh.

During Teacher Appreciation Week, which was last week, the Student Council gave the teachers a breakfast. Door prizes were awarded.

The PTO of Central gave the staff an apple and balloon during Teacher Appreciation Week.

Twenty-two sixth and seventh graders tried out for the junior high cheerleading squad last week. Ten



By JADA BROWN AND JAYDA BIDDIX

girls made it. They included Laura Bell, Molly Subler, Ann Marie Sanders, Melissa Carpenter, Denyse Small, Nicole Patterson, Amber Jordan, Sylvia Bess, Mary Parks and Tiffany Houze.

Last week was a busy week. Fifth graders from the elementary schools visited Central. They will be here next year. Be prepared!

There are only 12 more days of school.

Spring Concert Set Thursday

Annual spring concert by the Kings Mountain District School Bands will be held Thursday night at 7:30 in B. N. Barnes Auditorium.

The concert is free and open to the public and will be directed by Chris and Sarah Cole.

Performing in concert will be members of the Central School 7th Grade Band, the Junior High

School 8th and 9th Grade Bands and the Kings Mountain Senior High Blazer Band.

Orientation Set At Central School

Central School will have a fifth grade orientation for all parents of upcoming sixth graders Tuesday night at 7 p.m.

The orientation will include a brief summary of the school's guidance program, a report from Mr. Rhoney about the buses, introduction of the sixth grade teachers, and the viewing of a video on Central School. After the completion of the program in the auditorium, sixth grade classrooms will be open if parents wish to tour the school.

IN SOCIETY

Mary Vernon of Route 1, Kings Mountain, was inducted into Phi Eta Sigma during the annual year-end honors and awards ceremony at UNC-Charlotte.

The national scholastic honor society is for freshmen who have at least a 3.5 grade point average during their first semester or first year at UNC-C.

WINS AWARD

Berniece Redmond Messer, daughter of Elizabeth L. Redmond of Kings Mountain and the late Thomas J. Redmond, received the Derieux Paper Competition Award from the Collegiate Academy of the N.C. Academy of Science at the annual Lenoir Rhyne College Honors Convocation May 3 in Hickory.

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