



KM GIRL IN SHOWSTOPPERS-Kings Mountain native Gray Wooten, pictured middle row second from the left, along with her group recently won first place in Showstopper National Talent Competition in Myrtle Beach, S.C. The group qualified for the national contest at Myrtle Beach, S. C. by taking first place at Showstopper regional competition in Hickory in April. They also won fifth place overall for the day's competition. They are students at Diane Griffin Dance Academy in Forest City. Gray is the daughter of Bobby and Lynn Wooten of Forest City and granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert L. Goforth of Kings Mountain and Doris Wooten of Winston Salem.

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House and it will have to pass both the Senate and House before it goes to a vote of the people." Royal is proposing that the question of a lottery go to the people for a vote on Nov. 7. Harris' amendment would set the vote the same time as the date of the next general election.

When and if the Senate votes on the lottery issue, Harris will call for an amendment. "It's unfair to those who live outside the corporate limits of a city not to have a vote on something as important as this issue

and if the vote should come up on Nov. 7th this year there would only be a handful of people making the decision," he said, noting that people turn out at the polls when a sheriff is up for election or legislators are up for election. Harris quoted polls that estimate that 60% or less will be casting ballots November 7 when very few names are on the ballots.

A multi-billion dollar highway construction program has been the biggest logjam to adjournment of the 1989 General Assembly. Harris said legislators are hearing howls of protest from citizens pulling up to gas pumps this week and paying an additional 5 cents for gasoline, a tax voted by the General Assembly to raise teacher pay and build roads.

Harris doubts the lottery issue will come up to a vote in the House this week. "Legislators are ready to go home," he said.

KM Lions Club Promoting Food Lion Community Day

Kings Mountain Lions Club and Food Lion is promoting a Food Lion Community Day Aug. 21-22-23 to benefit the N. C. Lions Research Center at Bowman Gray Hospital in Winston Salem.

Lion President Kemp Mauney said that Food Lion Stores will give a percentage of all cash receipts posted by Lions during the special promotion.

Local Lions attended a White Cane workshop in Gastonia Wednesday.

At the recent Lions meeting

Lion Bill Stone presented contributions of \$295 to launch the annual White Cane drive for the blind, a local project of the civic club.

Lions also made a \$50 donation to the Quest program at Central School which offers instruction to sixth grade teachers in teaching students how to say no to drugs. Twenty-five teachers are participating in the program Aug. 9-11. The Lions club is a state leader in the Quest program. Local Lions will visit the classroom during the program.

Fun Day August 12 At Center

Curry's Trans-Research and Development, Lake Montonia Road, is sponsoring a "Say No To Drugs" Fun Day on Aug. 12 at Kings Mountain Community Center from 9 a.m. until 2 p.m.

A car show, prizes, games, and music will feature the entertainment.

The public is invited.

Atkins To Teach At Gaston

Former newspaper publisher Garland Atkins will teach classes in dramatics, creative writing, public speaking and self motivation beginning in September at Gaston College.

Youngsters in second grade through high school may participate. The class will meet once a week and tuition is \$40 a month. The class will continue throughout the school year.

"Let me borrow your children for an hour and I'll teach them everything I know about dramatics, creative writing, public speaking and self motivation," says Atkins.

Atkins is former publisher of the Kings Mountain Herald, Cherryville Eagle, Bessemer City Record, Mount Holly News and Belmont Banner. He has appeared in over 50 stage productions, six motion pictures, is a popular after dinner speaker and has written three books and a play.

"I hope to teach children and adults everything I have been able to learn through my experiences as a newspaper publisher, through my work in state productions, public speeches, my work in films, and as a published writer," Atkins said. "Our students will write their own movie script and produce their own movie. We will write our own stage production and will present at the end of the season a one hour production featuring all the students."

For more information, call Atkins at 861-1492.

Revival Slated

Rev. Wayne Miller of Lucia will be evangelist for revival services Aug. 9-13 at East Kings Mountain Church of God.

Services are at 7 p.m. nightly. Rev. John Heath, pastor, invites the public to attend.

East Kings Mountain Church of God is located on Kings Mountain-Bessemer City Highway in front of Radio Station WKMT.

Singing Slated

Holly Robinson of Bessemer City and Singing Americans will be featured at the Royals Anniversary Gospel Singing Friday night.

The program will begin at 7:30 p.m. in Ashbrook High School.

The public is invited.

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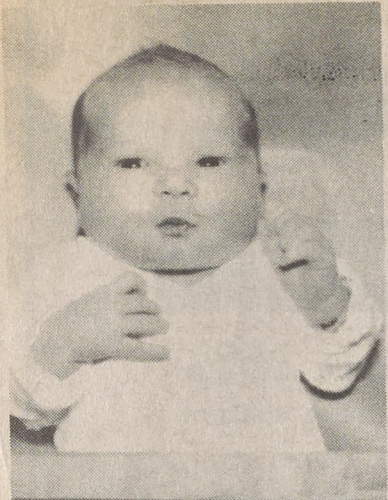
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REBECCA HEATH

It's A Girl

Mike and Sue Ann Heath of Kings Mountain announce the birth of their daughter, Rebecca Michelle, July 12, Cleveland Memorial Hospital. The baby arrived at 11:13 p.m. and weighed eight pounds, eight ounces. The baby was 19 1/2 inches long.

Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Dewey Murray and Junior Heath, all of Kings Mountain.

It's A Girl

Allen and Kimberly Stowe announce the birth of their daughter, Tara Nicole, July 28.

She weighed six pounds and seven ounces.

Grandparents are Doris Garris and Raymond Garris of Kings Mountain and Randall and Judy Payne of Gastonia.

Great-grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. John Queen of Shelby, Mr. and Mrs. Mack Garris of Gastonia and Loyd Elder of Sliva, Md.

Officer Hired

Grover Town Board hired Linda Norris of Kings Mountain as the new police officer Monday night.

The board held a special session to approve the hiring of a police-woman.

Grover has not had a police officer for some months. Cleveland County deputies have been policing the area.

BUS DRIVERS

A bus drivers' class has been scheduled for Tuesday, Aug. 8, and Thursday, Aug. 10, from 8:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. at Gaston County Schools Lucille Tatum Building, Administrative Office, 943 Osceola Drive, Gastonia.

Jessica Notes Fifth Birthday

Jessica Elizabeth Ledford, daughter of Tom and Vickie Ledford, celebrated her fifth birthday on June 23.

A party was held on Saturday, June 15. Family and friends were served a Snow White cake and ice cream.

Out-of-town guests were Rhonda, Nathan and Rebecca Sapoch, Elaine and Madison McEntyre, and Jackie and D. J. Batchler.

Jessica's sister, Karen, assisted with the party at their home at 1018 Brookwood Drive.

Tyler Wyatt Honored On His First Birthday

Tyler Wyatt, son of Donna Wyatt and the late Stanley Wyatt of Gaffney, S. C., celebrated his first birthday July 24. A birthday party was held July 23 at his home.

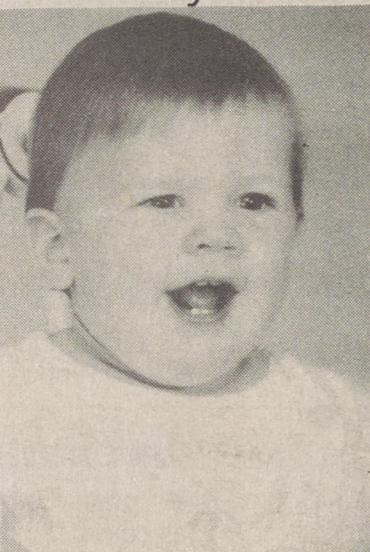
Tyler is the grandson of Clarence and Betty Biddix of Kings Mountain and Don Wyatt and Rhonda Wyatt Henson of Cowpens, S.C. His mother is the former Donna Biddix.

Guests from Kings Mountain included Ronnie Aaron Biddix, Diane Frazier, Lisa, Fleete and Chip Wilson, Tina, Kenny, Brandon and Blake Bolin, Rita, Mike and Michael John Presnell, Sandie and Jackie Johnson, all of Kings Mountain.

Out-of-town guests were Kathy and Carla Broome, Nancy Powell, Helen Young, Julian and Terry Wyatt, Lucille Wyatt, James Wyatt,



JESSICA LEDFORD



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