



DIAMOND ANNIVERSARY FOR BAPTISTS-Sunday marked the 75th anniversary of Second Baptist Church. Some of the members of the church are pictured outside the church following the morning worship hour which honored members.

Second Baptist Observes 75th Anniversary

In the early 1900's Kings Mountain Baptist Church began a mission Sunday School in the Cora Mill Village and from this mission Second Baptist Church, which celebrated its 75th anniversary Sunday, had its beginning.

Rev. Gene Land, pastor of the church for 20 years who has served the church the longest period of only 13 pastors in the church's long history, praised the members Sunday from the pulpit and recognized Mrs. Leola Tate as the member with longest continuous service. Mrs. Tate joined the church in 1915. A shut-in, she worships every Sunday via radio broadcast which the church began with Radio Station WKMT eight years ago. Land also recognized new members who joined this year, including Jeff Huffstetler, Robert Hartley, Ralph Chitwood, Becky Rodgers, Libby Chambers, Chris Chambers, Brandy Allred, Justin Allison, Denise Moore and Millard Metcalf. Mayor Kyle Smith and Mrs.

Smith, Senator J. Ollie Harris and Rev. Cline Borders, Director of Missions for the Kings Mountain Baptist Association, were special guests. Smith, Harris and Borders brought greetings. Cline congratulated the congregation for starting five new churches in the community and Smith said that "all great cities are made great by churches like Second Baptist." Harris reminisced of the contribution various members of the church and its ministers had rendered for the Kings Mountain community and praised the signing program the church has begun for the deaf.

"When the church is in the will of God, it calls its young people into the ministry," said Land, noting that the church has sent out 20 full-time Christian workers.

"Second Baptist, what is your name?" was the appropriate sermon topic and members, former members and guests filled the sanctuary and also enjoyed a picnic luncheon in the church recreation building.



SECOND BAPTISTS CELEBRATE-Rev. Gene Land, pastor of Second Baptist Church, stands beside a buffet table centered with a church-shaped cake which members of his congregation cut Sunday during the 75th anniversary celebration.

Grigg Named FUNB Vice President

Elaine R. Grigg has been named assistant vice president of First Union National Bank of North Carolina.

Grigg, manager of the bank's Kings Mountain office, began her banking career in 1966 as a teller after graduation from Kings Mountain High School.

Active in the community, the Kings Mountain native is a member of the Woman's Club, chairman of the American Heart Association, and volunteers for the United Way. She also serves on the Kings Mountain High School advisory committee. She is a member of the Kings Mountain Board of Realtors.

First Union National Bank of North Carolina is a principal subsidiary of First Union Corporation with headquarters in Charlotte. The corporation is the nation's 15th largest bank holding company with assets of \$39.1 billion as of March 31, 1990 and has offices in North Carolina, South Carolina, Georgia, Florida and Tennessee.

Bus Drivers Class At KMHS July 26

A bus drivers class has been scheduled for Tuesday, July 14-Thursday, July 26 at Malcolm Brown Auditorium in Shelby from 8:30 a.m. until 2:30 p.m. Instructors are Richard Beam and Don Bridges.

Authority Nixes Ski Ramp

Kings Mountain Lake Authority Monday turned down a proposal by Buffalo Ski Bees to operate a Ski Jump at Moss Lake.

The Buffalo Ski Club offered to carry \$1 million coverage in liability insurance but City Attorney Mickey Corry said the amount of coverage should be a minimum \$2 million.

Members of the Buffalo Ski Bees are residents of the lake area.

Jeff Gregory made the motion, seconded by Paul Ledford, to deny the operation of a ski ramp.

In other business of the Authority, Lake Officer Phil Witherspoon gave an update of summer activities. He said the season had opened for the summer with brisk business on Moss Lake beach and in camping and concessions area. Since April 1, a total of \$90,110 was collected in fees and permits.

Best Of Life Seminar

"The Best of Life," a seminar for older adults, is planned for Tuesday, June 19 from 7-9 p.m. at Gaston Memorial Hospital. The free community program is open to people of all ages.

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