JORDAN

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nalist level of the competition in order to be considered for some 6,000 merit scholarships worth \$25 million.

Son of Rev. and Mrs. Morris Jordan, Michael is following his father's footsteps in the music field but, instead of directing church choirs, Michael wants to teach, write and conduct music at the college level. He plans to major in music theory, probably at Furman University in Greenville, and also pursue professionally his writing hobby.

Jordan said he has broadened his perspective by attending Kingdom '90 in Orlando, Fla. this summer with young people of First Baptist Church and really enjoyed Presidential Classroom last year in Washington, D.C. where he met Senator Jesse Helms and other legislators. He was an ambassador to the Hugh O'Bryan Youth Leadership Seminar at UNCC in April 1989.

He sings in the Youth and Adult Choirs at First Baptist Church and is a member of the popular Kings Revue at KMSHS, where he has sung since 9th grade and joined the Chorale this year. He has been a band student since seventh grade.

His love of the classics and jazz has been enhanced by his piano training under Dr. George Cribb at Gardner- Webb College, where Jordan completes four years of study in piano this year and will present his senior recital at Gardner- Webb and also at First Baptist Church. Kings Mountain people remember him as Col. Pickering in the high school drama production of "My Fair Lady" and his beautiful bass voice in the barbershop quartet in "Music Man."

Michael, who says he is just now learning to enjoy jazz as a scientific art, has written several songs and wants to conduct an orchestra. He also likes to write newspaper articles and a recent article was on "Challenges Facing High School Students At The Turn of the Century."

In that article, Michael noted that "in this day and age, when some sort of advanced degree is often a prerequisite for any good job, competition for college entrance is stiff. In short, it is difficult to be a high school student in America today, and it promises only to get harder. Students in the remainder of this decade will face the challenge of balancing their time between involvement in extra-curricular activities and making the grade."

Active in a number of on-campus clubs, including Beta Club and Pep Club, Michael also works parttime at Regal Graphics. His father is Minister of Music and Senior Adults at First Baptist Church and his mother, Marjorie, is First Baptist Church secretary. The family moved to Kings Mountain from Canton in February 1987, where the elder Jordan had served the First Baptist Church there for 17 years.

Michael enjoys some ribbing from classmates about his name similarity with athlete Michael Jordan. "No, I'm not that Jordan but I'm a big fan of the Mountaineers," he laughs.



RAYNARD ROBERTS

Roberts Home From Germany

Spec. E/5 Raynard Roberts of Kings Mountain is home on leave after a two-year tour of duty in

After a visit at home, Roberts will leave for Colorado where he will spend the final year of his four-year enlistment.

Roberts, a 1986 graduate of Kings Mountain High School, is the son of Ernest Roberts and Zenobia Odems, both of Kings Mountain.



FUN IN THE POOL-Sixth graders from KM Middle School, above, enjoy the waters of Neisler Natatorium as a part of their PE class. Instructing the students are their lead teacher David Heafner and KMSHS swim coach Gordon Edwards.

TECH PREP

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middle and high school buildings Sun., Oct. 14 at 2:30 p.m. at Barnes Auditorium. Afterward, there will be tours of the facilities.

*Received 10th-day enrollment figures from McRae. The enrollment on the 10th day was 3916, compared to 3786 on the same day last year. McRae said the system anticipates getting "allotment adjustments" from the state because

of the enrollment increase. "This is also a sign that our enrollment decline of the past several years may be leveling off," he said.

*Because of a lack of motion, the proposed policy to lengthen the teacher workday from seven hours, 20 minutes to seven and one-half hours was not approved.

*Heard first reading of Policy GAEAC (Drug Free Work Place). It will be brought back to the board for final action at the next meeting.

*Heard a report from Bill Hager, Director of School-Community Relations, and Jean Thrift, Director of Pupil Support Services, on State Superintendent Bob Etheridge's statewide plan for parental involvement in schools (see Bob McRae's guest column on page 4-A).

*Approved the following student transfers:

Released Robert E. Moeller, Randy Rich and Kevin Rich to Cleveland County Schools. Accepted Tony Hutchinson from

Shelby City Schools. Accepted Heath Armstrong. Stephanie Boyles, Steven Lee Canipe, Ricky Lee Hale, Amanda S. Nolen, and Regina M. Ratley

from Gaston County Schools. Accepted Jessica and Grady Hall from Clover School District II.

Accepted Amy Hampton from

Cherokee County School District

MAYOR

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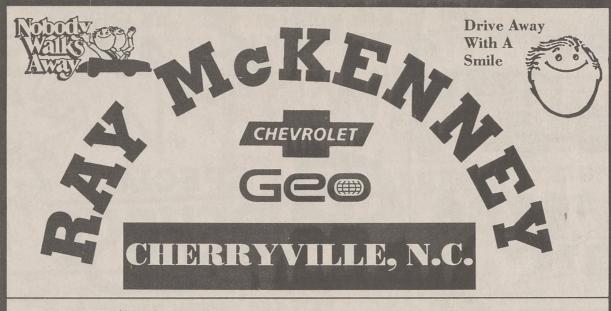
you will be asked to break them for other people. I just won't start it. That way nobody can claim "preferential treatment." If people want something done that is right, though, I will bend over backwards for them.

I honestly believe that we have a group of Council members making decisions now that are doing the best job ever for this city. I firmly am of the opinion that every vote they make is for the best interests of the citizens of this city. Just the other night after our meeting was over one Council member turned to me and said. "I can see that every now and then we have to vote on what is best for this city, don't we?" and my reply to him was,"We are supposed to do that every time, no matter what the issue." I am very proud of the Council that we now have. They have my full support and I know that they have yours.

We are taking bids on all of our utility projects. We should be working on the last project now and by this time next year all of our bond projects should either be completed or almost there. I am pleased with the way this is progressing and the way it has been handled.

Folks, I have been in meetings with mayors and commissioners all over this state, and every day I give thanks and I am very glad and proud that I live in Kings Mountain and not some other place, where some things are really in bad shape. I feel that all of the citizens in Kings Mountain ought to feel that way about

I am very proud of the way that the appearance of the city looks. We have a long way to go but a lot of you take pride in your city and I am thankful for you. A lot of ladies spend a lot of their own time planting flowers, uprooting grass, etc., and I just wanted to let you know that I do appreciate it. They are too numerous to mention but thank God for people like you that





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Crime Of The Week

Department is investigating a vandalism to several school buses which were in the Washington School parking lot. The buses had windshields shattered, tires punc-. tured, mirrors and light lenses broken and in some cases, torn off the bus. This damage occurred sometime during the night of August 31. (481-8477).

The Cleveland County Sheriff's Estimated damage is believed to be approximately \$5,000.00.

Although Cleveland County investigators are following up leads on several suspects, anyone with information about this case may be eligible for a reward of up to \$1,000.00 by calling CRIMESTOPPERS AT 481-TIPS

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