

WELCOME HOME-Kings Mountain Middle School guidance counselor Amy Ross, left, gives her brother-in-law, Sgt. Michael Mitchell and his wife, Rhonda, a tour of the Kings Mountain Middle School after he was welcomed home from Saudi Arabia Thursday by sixth grade students.

# KM's Mitchell returns from Persian Gulf War

er-in-law Sgt. Michael Mitchell, all we encountered," he said. home from a tour of duty in the War in the Gulf.

carrier inspector, his job was to keep up security vehicles in Riyadh, about 180 miles from the Mountain Junior High, Mitchell fighting on the front lines.

"Were you scared?" asked a student. "You bet I was," he said, showing the students pictures of scud missiles and a portion of one that was shot down. "We didn't know if the scuds had chemical biological agents nor if the Patriots would shoot the scuds down," said

Amy Ross' 6th grade at Kings back if necessary. "The freedoms 13 months will return to Whiteman Mountain Middle School had a we have in America are what we special visitor Thursday, her broth- were fighting for and it was worth

Students were interested in the culture and dress of the Saudi peo-Mitchell, a security policeman ple and the women's role in the with the USAF, reported to Saudi war. They also were interested in Arabia Aug. 26, 1990 and came the currency and money exchange home March 24, 1991. An operator rate. Mitchell showed pictures of Saudi culture and currency.

> A former student at Kings said he liked the changes he saw in the present Middle School as he toured the new buildings with Mrs. Ross, guidance counselor and his wife, Rhonda, daughter of Nancy and Richard Ross. Mitchell is son of Lewis and Pat Mitchell, all of Kings Mountain.

Sgt. Mitchell, his wife and their Mitchell, who said he's ready to go children, Amanda, 6, and Brandi, AFB in Missouri April 28. Mitchell has been in service 8 years and 7 1/2 months and his wife and children lived here while he was in the Gulf. Mitchell graduated from Kings Mountain High school in 1979 and Mrs. Mitchell graduated from KMHS in 1981. Mrs. Mitchell flew to Kansas City to meet Mitchell when he returned from the Gulf and they drove from there to Kings Mountain to visit their parents and other relatives

Mitchell's father served in the U. S. Marine Corps and Mitchell joined the USAF after working at Martin Marietta of Charlotte. He says the Air Force has many opportunities for young people.

"It's good to be home," he said.

## Borders to speak at Woman's Club

Cindy Borders, Health Education Coordinator in Kings Mountain District/Shelby City Schools, will be guest speaker on "Teenage Pregnancies" at Monday night's meeting of Kings Mountain Woman's Club.

Mrs. Borders joined the school system in 1988 after serving for nine years as a teacher in Shelby City Schools and before that as a charge nurse in Pediatrics and Surgical Intensive Care for two years at Cleveland Memorial Hospital. She earned her B.A. in Nursing from Lenoir Rhyne College and her Master's in Health Education from Garner Webb College. She serves on the board of the American Heart Association, American Cancer Society and Child and Parent Services and is a member of Adolescent Pregnancy Prevention Council, Health and



**CINDY BORDERS** Safety Division of the American Red Cross and Prevention Coalition of Cleveland County. She

has served on the social issues task force for Cleveland County Challenge and is a member of Elizabeth Baptist Church and Woodbridge Social, Swim and Racquet Club.

Prior to Mrs. Borders' address, the club executive board will meet at 7 p.m. Refreshments will be served from 7:30 until 7:45 p.m.

Members of the Home Life Department have arranged the program and hostesses will be Peggy Baird, chairman, Hilda Goforth and Sandra Murphrey.

Ginnie Arnette, chairman of the ways and means committee, will report on the recent bridge benefit and Gideon dinner. Members will also discuss plans for a CPR course on May 4 open to the interested

President Linda Dixon will preside at the 7:30 p.m. meeting to which the public is invited.

### Bryan Davenport named All-American Scholar

The United States Achievement Academy announced today that Bryan C. Davenport has been named All-American Scholar.

The USAA has established the All-American Scholar Award Program in order to offer deserved recognition to superior students who excel in the Academic disci-

plines. The All-American Scholars must earn a 3.3 or better grade point average. Only Scholars selected by a school instructor, counselor, or other quali-

fied sponsor are DAVENPORT accepted. These scholars are also eligible for other awards given by the USAA.

Davenport who attends Bessemer City Jr. High was nominated for this National Award by Mrs. B. Maxon.

Davenport will appear in the All-American Scholar Directory, which is published nationally.

Recognizing and supporting our youth is more important than ever before in American history. Certainly, winners of the All-American Scholar Awards should be congratulated and appreciated for their dedication to excellence and achievement," said Dr. George Stevens, Executive Director of the United States Achievement Academy.

The Academy selects All-American Scholars upon the exclusive recommendations of teachers, coaches, counselors, and other

qualified sponsors. Once awarded, the students may be recognized by the USAA for other honors.

Davenport is the son of Dr. and Mrs. Charles Davenport.



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