



West School being torn down

WEST

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The general construction bid was awarded to Morrison Construction of Shelby for \$875,404. Comfort Contractors of Morganton was awarded the mechanical bid of \$279,750; Ben T. Goforth Plumbing of Kings Mountain received the plumbing contract of \$71,000; Caldwell Electric of Salisbury won the electrical contract of \$124,235; and the board accepted a bid of \$62,997 for kitchen equipment from Gardner and Demoit of Charlotte.

SCHOOL

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The total project will cost \$45.59 per square foot. The approximately \$100,000 which will be left over from the construction funds will be used for refurbishing North School and relocating the Central Office to the old Central School building. Central is being used this year by West students while their new facility is constructed, but the maintenance department, previously housed at Parkgrace, has already moved into Central.

Once the Central Office is moved to the Central campus, it is expected that the School Board will sell the old Parkgrace School and the current Central Office which was previously Davidson School.

on duty Monday afternoon and the traffic flow has been better since. "It's much better now," said McRae, "but probably as good as it's going to get until we get another access."

McRae estimated that over 1,000 cars travel Phifer Road each day during the times the high school and middle school are taking up and dismissing. "Many students ride buses, but I'd say at least 50 percent of the middle and high school students ride cars to school."

FUND

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United Fund they repay some of the "good things that have happened to you by living and working in Kings Mountain." Christopher pointed to county statistics of abused and neglected children and said the shelter home serves as many as 100 youngsters during a year's time and can care for nine children at a time. "It breaks your heart to see eight-year-old kids stealing food to put bread on the table for siblings and taking food from the garbage cans," she said. Prior to the presentation, the group watched a video which told

how local funds helped one local disadvantaged child.

Bridges, described as a typical volunteer, has been active in United Fund since World War II and a past president. "My livelihood is here and it feels good to help and to give a little back to my community," he said.

Anderson said a result of a survey of business, industry and individuals revealed that Kings Mountain citizens want Kings Mountain United Fund to continue as an independent entity committed to giving 97% of the total funds raised to area agencies to help the needy in the community. Anderson said the directors inverted the allocation process this year and surveyed the largest contributors--industry--to tally the requests and come up with an attainable goal despite economic obstacles.

Kings Mountain Weather Report

(Compiled by Kenneth Kitzmiller)

	Aug. 14-20	Year Ago
Total precipitation	1.15	1.16
Maximum one day	1.15 (14)	.57 (15)
Year to date	38.10	31.64
Minimum temperature	58 (20)	66 (14)
Maximum temperature	90 (18, 19)	94 (19, 20)
Average temperature	75.8	79.4
Days over 90 degrees	2	4



LAVON RAMSEY

Lavon Ramsey quits Parkdale

Lavon L. Ramsey, Personnel Director at Parkdale Mills for nearly 14 years, is resigning her job to join her husband, Charles, in the operation of Carolina Custom Windows at Belmont on Monday.

Friday will be her last day at the local plant which employs 100 at Parkdale No. 4 and 50 at Plant No. 19, the former Tultex Corporation acquired by Parkdale.

"Kings Mountain has been home to me and I will miss all my friends in the business and industrial community," said Ramsey, who has been active in Kings Mountain United Fund, Kings Mountain Rotary Club, KM Boys Club and has led several successful fundraising efforts, including the United Fund, of which she also served as president, and the cancer campaign. She is also a Hospice volunteer.

Ramsey, daughter of Mrs. Kate Ledbetter of Myrtle Beach, S. C. and the late Henry Ledbetter, came to Kings Mountain 21 years ago to work in the Personnel Department of Spectrum with the late Ben H. Goforth Jr. After 4 1/2 years there, she went to Foote Mineral Company as personnel assistant until October 1977. She was hired at Parkdale January 2, 1978 by plant manager Burris Ramey and the late Ken Fruitt, a vice president of manufacturing, and has worked for five plant managers.

She married Charles Ramsey in January 1991 and he owns and operates a siding and home improvement business in Belmont. The Ramseys are active in Hickory Grove Baptist Church in Mount Holly and live on Hickory Grove Road near Stanley. She has two children, Beth Burch of Kings Mountain and Keith Strickland of Shelby; two stepdaughters; and four grandchildren.

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