

# PRIMARY

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say they would support redistricting with a new board structure to include equal representatives from various sections of the county. One candidate favors the chairman being elected at large, and two candidates say they favor the county commission initiating a merger of the county's school systems. Six of the candidates say they favor sending more money to municipalities through state sales tax revenue, a change from the present system begun in 1987 from one based on population to one based on taxing effort. The switch was offset by unrestricted grants to towns but those grants end this summer.

Another contest of interest to local voters is the race for the old 25th District seat held by Ollie Harris until two years ago. Former N.C. House Speaker Carl Stewart, a seven-term legislator, and David W. Hoyle, also of Gastonia, are running for the office. The winner will face Republican Jonathan Rhine in November.

Local voters will also mark bal-

lots for federal offices, including their choice for Governor of North Carolina and President of the United States.

In the Governor's race, the five Democrats seeking the top slot are former governor Jim Hunt, Attorney General Lacy Thornburg, Wendell Briggs, Jim Hatcher, and Marcus W. Williams. The GOP is running Lieutenant Governor Jim Gardner, Gary M. Dunn and Ruby Thompson Hooper.

For President of the U. S., Democrats have a choice of Jerry Brown, Bill Clinton, Tom Harkin, Bob Kerrey, Paul Tsongas, or may mark "no preference."

For President of the U. S., Republicans have a choice of incumbent President Bush, Patrick J. Buchanan, or may mark "no preference."

For United States Senator, former Charlotte Mayor Sue Myrick is waging a battle with Launch Faircloth, Larry E. Harrington and Gene Johnson for the GOP nomination to challenge Senator Terry Sanford in November.

The three nominees for House District 48 are unopposed in the

Primary but will face the two Republican challengers in November. Democrat incumbents are Edith Lutz, Bill Withrow and Jack Hunt who face John Weatherly and Dean Allen.

In the Lieutenant Governor's race, Jim Crawford, Charles Philip Ginn, Ed Renfrow and Dennis A. Wicker, all Democrats, challenge Doris Huffman, Art Pope, and Trip Sizemore.

For Commissioner of Labor, Republicans Nelson Dollar and Henry McKoy challenge John Brooks and Harry Payne for the nomination.

Democrats Jim Long and Charles Paxton are running for the office of Commissioner of Insurance. There is no GOP opposition.

For Superintendent of Public Instruction Democrats Bob Etheridge and Owen Philips are running with the GOP's Teena Little, Vernon Robinson, and Tom Rogers.

For State Auditor, Ralph Campbell, Franklin Freeman, and

Charles Hicks seek the job.

For county register of deeds Doris Rogers is opposed by Democrat Ronald Bryant Jordan.

For Associate Justice of the Supreme Court the contest is between Sidney Eagles Jr. and Sarah Parker.

For Judge of the Court of Appeals the race is between Democrats Steven Bernholz and Jack Cozort.

For Judge of Court of Appeals, the race is between John C. Martin and John Parker, both Democrats, and for a term expiring December 31, 1998 the race is between Democrats Joe John Sr. and M. Gordon Widenhouse. With the interest keen in local races, voting is expected to be brisk at the polls on Tuesday.

A total of 41,088 Cleveland County citizens are registered to vote, according to Debra Blanton, chairman of the board of elections.



Seven Kings Mountain High School Future Homemakers of America participated in Region VI Proficiency Events. Michele Newman participated recently at Central Piedmont Community College in Charlotte in the Commercial Foods area. Those participating at Cleveland Community College were: (left to right) Kendra Byrd, Amanda Lowe, Michelle Allen, Stacy Boyd, Jeff Canipe and Phaniel Nueman. (not pictured, Michele Newman)

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# JANIE

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cake and presented her with an orchid corsage and gifts at a noon party. At 3 p.m. members of the ARP Church visited for a surprise Psalm sing and to cut another birthday cake and distribute presents.

Daughter of the late Wallace Thompson and Lalia Falls Jackson, Janie Jackson attended the Kings Mountain schools. Music, she said, has always been her love.

The family luncheon was hosted by her brother and sister-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Howard B. Jackson of Kings Mountain and her sister and brother-in-law, Mr. and Mrs.

John Hoyle of Shelby. Others attending were her nieces and nephews Robert Jackson of Greensboro, Harold Jackson of Spartanburg, SC, Mildred Davenport of Charlotte, Sarah Smith of Summerville, SC, Margaret Woodcock of Raleigh, Herman Jackson of Florida, Maxine Jackson of Charlotte, Mae Jackson of Grover, Susan Bingham of Gastonia, Jane Hoyle of Raleigh, and Sarah Jackson of Clover, SC; and her great niece Laura Owens of Hickory and her great nephew Kevin Woodcock of Raleigh.

What is the secret of her long life and apparent good health? "Why, she must be doing something right," teased her sister as Janie smiled in agreement.

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tiveness of the board.

Local council agree and members voted unanimously in favor of the proposal.

One of the first tasks for the new board will be hiring a new director to replace Hendrick whose contract expires at the end of June.

Wood commended the county commission for the new venture. He said municipalities like Kings Mountain that own their own utilities systems will enhance further industrial development in the county and will give input and participation to the new board.

Responding to question of Councilman Fred Finger, Chief Goforth said the agreement with Grover Police means the city would be sharing manpower in event of emergencies. "Never will Kings Mountain be left unprotected," said Goforth. The chief said Kings Mountain also has a mutual aid agreement with the City of Shelby, Cleveland County Sheriff's Department, Lincolnton City, and Lincoln County Sheriff's Department.

In other actions, council: Contracted with Alley, Williams, Carmen, and King for engineering services for the Community Block Grant Program on Second Street at the low bid of \$25,100. Councilman Al Moretz voted against the bid award.

The Kannapolis firm was the highest rated firm among six firms bidding to do engineering work for the Second Street Extension project which includes rehabilitation of 25 houses, extension of water and sewer lines, and paving and curbing.

Authorized a survey and appraisal and the use of the upset bid method of sale for city property adjacent to Bynum Chapel AME Zion Church and St. Paul's Methodist Church with the appraised value being the minimum acceptable bid. Councilman Phil Hager said both churches want to expand.

Commended Police Office Melvin Proctor for bravery. Proctor rescued the late Lois Murray from a burning house on August 25, 1991, forcing his way in the front door through the fire at 1017 Sherwood Lane and found Mrs.

Murray overcome with smoke. He carried the woman from the burning house to his patrol car "risking his safety to save Murray from a potentially fatal situation." Four other members of Squad B and Chief Goforth were present for the presentation. The council room audience gave Proctor a standing ovation.

Rescheduled public hearing on a rezoning request from Barrett Floor Covering from April 28 to May 26.

After a public hearing the board rezoned from R-8 to GB the property of J. E. Herndon Heirs at the corner of Gold and York Road in the one mile perimeter. The Planning and Zoning Board had recommended the rezoning. Secretary Gene White said the amendment will bring the present use into conformance for permitted uses in the GB district. The majority of properties from King Street to I-85 are either NB or GB. The property has been used as a garage. No one spoke against the rezoning.

Approved Plan J with Blue Cross /Blue Shield for future retiree's Medicare supplement plan.

Wood reported that the recent malfunctioning at the new Gaston Street Sub-station have been identified and corrected. He said the new station "tripped out" last Tuesday during a storm and left 1,000 residents without power for over four hours. Lightning blew two fuses in the telephone system at City Hall and also caused major problems in the police communications system. Wood said when the city phone lines go on a new Essex system in July that "these type problems will be eliminated." He asked citizens to call 911 for only a true emergency in the event of power failures. The repair costs are included in the contract costs for the new substation. Utility committee chairman Moretz said. "Debugging is necessary when malfunctions occur," said the former city engineer. Wood said the city is fine-tuning the new equipment. He reported \$1,000 damage to insulators by rock-throwing vandals.

The mayor invited other council members to join him for a conference May 13 on "Where Do We Go From Here In Making Our Communities Drug Free?" and set up by Lt. Gov. Jim Gardner in Statesville. The mayor, Wood, and council members Phil Hager and Jerry White plan to attend a regional meeting of the N.C. League of Municipalities in Concord Thursday night.

The mayor signed a proclamation designating "Make-A-Wish Day" May 17 in Kings Mountain, commending the international Make-A-Wish Foundation which has granted more than 14,000 wishes to children suffering life-threatening illnesses since its organization in 1980.

# TAXI CAB

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City Manager George Wood said that taxi operators must renew their annual permits by June 30. Prior to that time, however, he said he would set up a conference with current taxi operators to explain the new regulations and give them time to comply.



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