## Oak View burns note on building

Nearly seven years after they signed a note to borrow \$65,000 to complete a \$124,000 fellowship hall members of Oak View Baptist Church marked the note "paid in full" at a note-burning ceremony

The service was a highlight of annual Homecoming Day at the York Road church which attracted one of the largest crowds ever.

Guest speakers during the 11 a.m. worship hour were former pastors Rev. Robbie Moore, who delivered the sermon, and Rev. Ed Sessom. Rev. Ralph Sparrow, pastor of the church, led the noteburning ceremonies.

David Caldwell was chairman of the successful building fund-raising effort and Dean Fleming is chairman of the board of deacons.

Caldwell said the church is currently raising money to purchase a new organ for the sanctuary.

"This is a great day for Oak View," said Sparrow, who said the 200-member congregation borrowed money in September 1985 to complete the spacious addition.

"Grow in your grace experiences," said Sessom, who challenged the congregation to "keep on." More than \$3,000 was added to the special funds and to the regular offerings during the worship

After the worship hour, picnic lunch was spread in the fellowship hall and there were no empty chairs at the tables.

Delores White directed the church choirs in a special song service during the afternoon.



Former Oak View Baptist Church pastors Rev. Robbie Moore, left, and Rev. Ed Sessom, right, join Rev. David Sparrow in a note-burning ceremony Sunday on Homecoming Day. The congregation paid off the mortgage on its new fellowship hall in less than seven years.

#### Gospel singing at Calvary Hill

There will be a gospel singing Sunday at 11 a.m. at Calvary Hill Baptist Church, located between Waco and Cherryville on Highway 150. "The Enlighteners" of Concord will sing during the 11 a.m. worship hour. Dinner on the grounds will follow. Rev. Joe Jerry Jr., pastor, invites the public.

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#### Oak Grove offered county water

A wide area of the Oak Grove Community will be offered water by the Cleveland County Sanitary District which is scheduling a public meeting Monday, August 24, at tomers after he explains the ser-

Ronald Hawkins, 20, son of

Ronnie and Wanda Hawkins of

Kings Mountain, will study at

Holmes College of the Bible in

Greenville, SC in the fall. He is a

Hawkins, a 1990 graduate of

Kings Mountain High School, has

been employed at Hardees since

1987, the last 18 months in a man-

Mountain Church of God, he

teaches a Primary Sunday School

A member of East Kings

He said he accepted the call to

preach at age 18. After studying for

four years, Hawkins said he ex-

pected to be ordained as a minister

of the Church of God denomina-

ministerial student.

agement position.

7 p.m. at Oak Grove Volunteer Fire vices. Department.

Mike Richardson will conduct

The project area takes in several hundred homes on Scism Road, Oak Grove Road, Gold Run Subdivision, Ebenezer Road, a portion north of Highway 216, south from Mary's Grove Road and the northern part of Bell Road.

The meeting is part of an expansion project by the water authority and is intended only for those potential water customers living in the designated areas.

By 1996 Richardson says the expansion effort will reach about 8,000 households along an approximate 500 miles of water main.

"Our main intent is to try to as much as possible, contact everyone to see if they want to participate or not," said Richardson, manager of the authority formed in 1983 as the Upper Cleveland County Sanitary District. In 1989, the water authority merged with Piedmont Metropolitan Water District and the name was changed to Cleveland County Sanitary District. The water authority is governed by a seven-member board of commissioners who are elected by county

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#### **RONALD HAWKINS Jackie Houston wins** state singles crown

Hawkins ministerial student

Jackie Houston of Kings Mountain won this year's 14-yearold girls singles title at the North Carolina State Junior Tournament at Hollow Rock Racquet Club in

Jackie won the championship match over Bobbie Guthrie of Wilmington, 6-0, 6-2. The victory gave her the state championship for the second straight year. She won the 12-year-old title last year in

Chapel Hill. In July, Jackie participated in the USTA Zone Team Championships with her team claiming second place. She also played in the USTA Clay National Court Championships at Ft. Lauderdale,

Twelve-year-old Jackie is coached by Gary Moss at Kings



**JACKIE HOUSTON** 

Mountain Country Club. A straight 'A" student last year, she is a rising eighth grader at Kings Mountain Middle School.

### Benefit golf tourney set

Region VII of the North Carolina Recreation Park Society will sponsor a benefit golf tournament on Friday, August 28 at Kings Mountain Country Club.

The tournament will be conducted on a four player, captain's choice format using a shotgun start at 10:30 a.m. Proceeds will be used for the Recreation and Park Society building fund campaign.

The fee is \$160 per team with

Mon-Sat 9-5:30

\$80 being tax deductible under IRS codes. Included in the fee is food and beverage throughout the event, cart, and various prizes and awards. The tournament championship team will receive free entry into the NCRPS state tournament in November at the Society's annual conference in Pinehurst.

For more information, contact your local Parks and Recreation Department.



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