

## Luncheon to benefit Kayla

A hamburger/hotdog luncheon benefit for Kayla Leanne Newton will be held Sunday by Branch 9289 of Aid Association for Lutherans at the fellowship hall of Resurrection Lutheran Church.

The fraternal insurance company, of which Glenn Linberry is local agent, sells products to Lutherans and the local branch includes the two local Lutheran congregations, Resurrection and St.

Matthew's Lutheran Churches.

Because the company operates on a non-profit basis it has money available to be used in the local communities where the branches are located and will match dollar for dollar up to \$1,000 the money raised at the benefit Sunday.

Doyle Campbell, a member of the Resurrection Church, said that lunch will be served immediately

following the morning worship hour. The menu will include hamburgers, hotdogs, chips, drinks and dessert. The public is invited.

Kayla, who will be six months old July 26, is now home from Carolinas Medical Center but requires around-the-clock medical attention. The first child of Steve and Leigh Anne Stewart Newton is suffering from three rare diseases.

## Rev. Wells assumes pastorate

Rev. Robert D. Wells, son of Mr. and Mrs. Carveth Wells of Kings Mountain, has assumed new duties as pastor of New Harvest Church of God in Gaffney, SC.

A native of Kings Mountain, Wells earned his B.S. in church music, Christian Education and

Biblical studies at East Coast Bible College. He attended Columbia Theological Seminary and the Church of God School of Theology.

Former pastor of Saluda Church of God, Wells worked as associate pastor of Mableton, GA Church of God and then for three years was

associate pastor of Easley Church of God. A member of the Church of God State Music Committee, he has composed and written many songs for the Church of God Convention song book which is published yearly. He is married to the former Rhonda Perry of Greenville.



Pictured are Lions Club dignitaries on the program for the District 31-C banquet Friday in Kings Mountain. Left to right, Larry Hamrick Jr., local president; John O'Malley, Harry Walton, William Woolard and Jim Chandler.

## Lions honor Stone

The late Bill Stone of Kings Mountain was honored as a Melvin Jones Fellow as the highlight of the District 31-C banquet of more than 100 Lions Club members at Central United Methodist Church Friday night.

Gene Stone accepted the award for his brother.

Bill Stone was a past president of the club and was the top money collector for the club's White Cane program which helped the blind. Proceeds from the Fellow will go to Lions International for relief work around the world.

Joe Hardin, club secretary, received the 100 percent secretary award and district chairman of White Cane Don Crawford was recognized. The district exceeded its White Cane goal.

William Woolard, past president of Lions Club International, and District Governor Harry Walton presented the award in honor of Stone on behalf of the Kings Mountain club. Other Lions dignitaries on the program were John O'Malley, Jim Chandler and local president Larry Hamrick Jr.

## Area residents aid flood victims

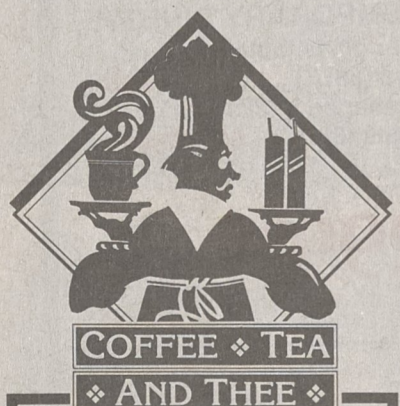
Rising flood waters in the Midwest are leaving many people homeless, according to Martha Scruggs, executive officer of the Cleveland County Chapter of the American Red Cross.

Scruggs said that Harry Matthew left for Minnesota last week and Mildred Blanton, also of Shelby, left for St. Louis, MO Friday. Other Cleveland County volunteers are already there to help flood victims.

Scruggs said that more than 6,000 families in seven states may be without homes because of rising flood waters. More than half of these families are expected to seek Red Cross help. Already the Red Cross has opened 22 shelters and served 50,000 meals.

Scruggs said the national Red Cross headquarters has called Shelby and local agencies looking for volunteers, especially people trained in Disaster Services Human Resources Systems for three-week stays in flood regions.

People interested in training for disaster relief may call Scruggs at 487-8595.



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