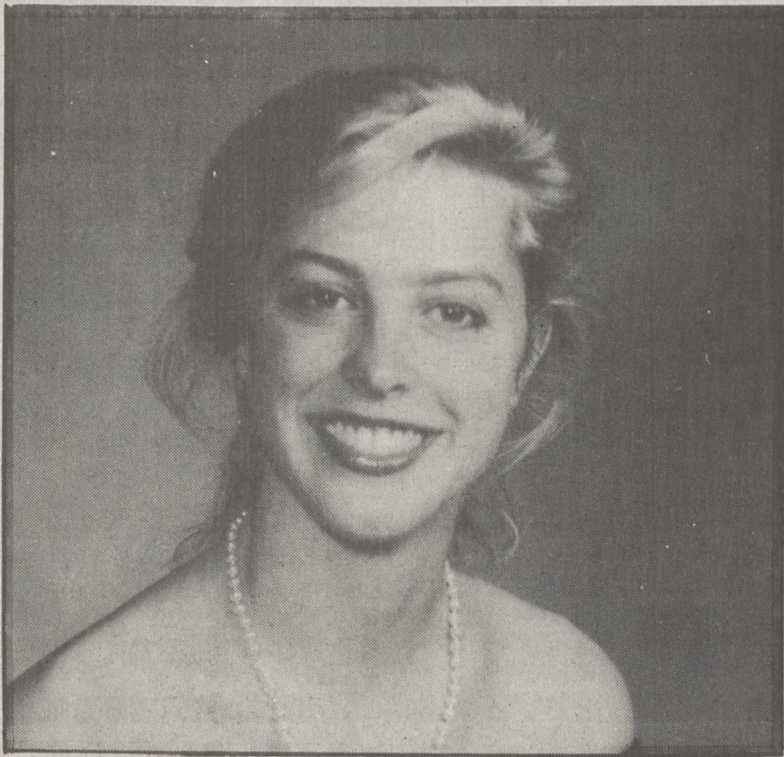


Social News



KIMBERLY JANE MCGINNIS

McGinnis-Spicer

Mr. and Mrs. John Byron McGinnis of Kings Mountain announce the engagement of their daughter, Kimberly Jane, to Eric Wade Spicer of Kings Mountain.

The bride-to-be is the granddaughter of Mrs. Paul H. McGinnis of Kings Mountain and the late Paul Hinkle McGinnis and Mr. and Mrs. Belvin Lassiter Strickland of Dunn. She is a 1987 graduate of Kings Mountain Senior High School and a 1991 graduate of the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. She is currently attending Mercer University School of Law and will graduate in 1995.

The bridegroom-to-be is the son of Beuford Lee Spicer of Kings Mountain and the late Gloria Bagwell Spicer. He is the grandson of Mrs. Lois Carson Spicer and the late Willis Norwood Spicer and the late Mr. and Mrs. Willis Bagwell. He is a 1982 graduate of Kings Mountain Senior High School and a 1986 graduate of the University of North Carolina at Charlotte. He is employed with T&W Textile in Clover, South Carolina.

A May 21 wedding is planned at Resurrection Evangelical Lutheran Church in Kings Mountain.



BELINDA LOUISE INMAN
KEVIN RAY WILSON

Inman-Wilson

Pete and Brenda Inman of Bessemer City announce the engagement of their daughter, Belinda Louise, to Kevin Ray Wilson, son of Ray and Donna Wilson of Kings Mountain.

Miss Inman attended Bessemer City High School and earned her G. E. D. diploma at Gaston College in 1993.

The bridegroom-to-be is a 1992 graduate of Kings Mountain High School and works at Esther Mill in Shelby.

The wedding will be an event of April 9 at East Gold Street Wesleyan Church in Kings Mountain.



MELISSA LYNN HARGROVE

Hargrove-Carson

Rita A. Hargrove of Lincolnton announces the engagement of her daughter, Melissa Lynn Hargrove, to William Ralph Carson, son of Mr. and Mrs. W.H. Carson of Kings Mountain.

Miss Hargrove is a graduate of North Gaston High's Extended Day Program, where she was a Junior marshal, and Gaston College. She is employed by Dana Corp./Wix Division in Kings Mountain.

The bridegroom-to-be is a 1984 graduate of Temple Christian School and is an Army veteran of six years active service with duty in Operation Desert Storm. He is a member of the Army Reserves. He is employed by Dana Corporation/Wix Division in Gastonia.

The wedding will be an event of May 15.

Cleveland County begins immunization project

The Cleveland County Health Department and McDonald's are launching a joint effort to help see that 90 percent of all children in North Carolina are immunized by the year 2000.

Dense Stallings, Health Director, and Bill Sherwood, owner of McDonald's of Cleveland County, recently attended a meeting at the Holiday Inn in Raleigh to hear Governor Hunt's proposals. Hunt affirmed the importance of partnerships between public agencies and private businesses in the effort to protect children from serious preventable childhood diseases. Hunt recognized N.C. State basketball coach Les Robinson for his participation and support in promoting immunization. April 23-29 was set as Pre-School Immunization Week.

Although there is much work to be done before 90 percent of

Cleveland County children are immunized, Stallings said several community-oriented programs have already begun in the effort to encourage parents to have their children immunized.

In July of 1993, McDonald's and the Health Department began a program that was the first of its kind in north Carolina. Ronald McDonald came to town and did a magic show which focused on immunizations. Tray liners which highlight the need for immunizations were developed and are being used in all Cleveland County McDonald's. Also, parents are given a free food coupon from McDonald's when they have their child immunized on schedule. To date, 878 milkshake coupons and 299 All-American meals have been distributed. "I'd love to give away 2,000 All-American meals if



Denese Stallings, Les Robinson and Bill Sherwood, left to right, at statewide immunization meeting in Raleigh.

means that many kids have completed their immunization series on schedule," Sherwood said.

The Masons of Cleveland County have also become involved

with immunizations. They have committed to provide time and energy to help make sure that all families in the county are able to have their children immunized. They have agreed to track and follow-up

on children who are delinquent in getting their immunizations. On March 12 the Kings Mountain Masons and the Health Department are co-sponsoring a free immunization clinic from 10 a.m. to 12 noon at Fairview Masonic Lodge on Landing Street in Kings Mountain.

In addition, the Kiwanis Club has voiced an interest in becoming involved with the campaign. Plans are underway for Kiwanians to assist in advertising as well as coordinating outreach campaigns.

"The assistance of local civic groups is very important to this effort and greatly enhances the efforts of the Health Department and private physicians who are immunizing children," Stallings said. "By continuing to work together as a community, it is certain that we will indeed reach our goal by the year 2000."

Stallings said by the time a child is two years old, he should have received the following vaccinations:

- 1 vaccination against red measles, mumps, and rubella.
- 4 vaccinations against diphtheria, tetanus, and pertussis.
- 3 vaccinations against polio.
- 3 vaccinations against hepatitis B.
- 4 vaccinations against Haemophilus influenzae, type b.

There is no charge for these shots at local health departments, community health centers and private doctor's offices. There may be an administration charge at some private doctor's offices.

For more information on immunizations or a well-child check-up, contact your doctor, clinic or local health department or call 1-800-FOR-BABY.

Samuel, Hannah Dye celebrate birthdays

Robert "Samuel" Dye and Hannah Elizabeth Dye, son and daughter of Barney and Debbie Dye of Kings Mountain, celebrated birthdays recently.

Samuel was one year old February 14 and celebrated with a party at his home. Guests attending were his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Gene Dye; great-grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Lee Dixon; and sisters, Lauren and Hannah Dye.

A teddy bear theme was used. Cake and ice cream were served.

Hannah was three years old January 25. She celebrated January 22 with a party at McDonald's.

Guests attending were her brother, Samuel Dye, and sister, Lauren Dye; Ryan and Michael Davis, Megan Blanton, Ryan and Jordan Doty, Jake and Andy Allen, Alex and Zac Howell, and C.J. Bagwell.

Hannah also celebrated her birthday with her family on January 25. A Barney theme was used. Her family enjoyed a spaghetti supper and was served Barney cake and ice cream. Family members present were her sister,



LAUREN, HANNAH AND SAMUEL DYE

Lauren, and brother, Samuel; grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Gene Dye; great-grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Lee Dixon; and uncle, Rex Dye.

Samuel and Hannah's grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Gene Dye of Kings Mountain and Mrs. Robert Ayscue of Grover. Great-grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Lee Dixon of Kings Mountain.

Cameron Harris is one year old

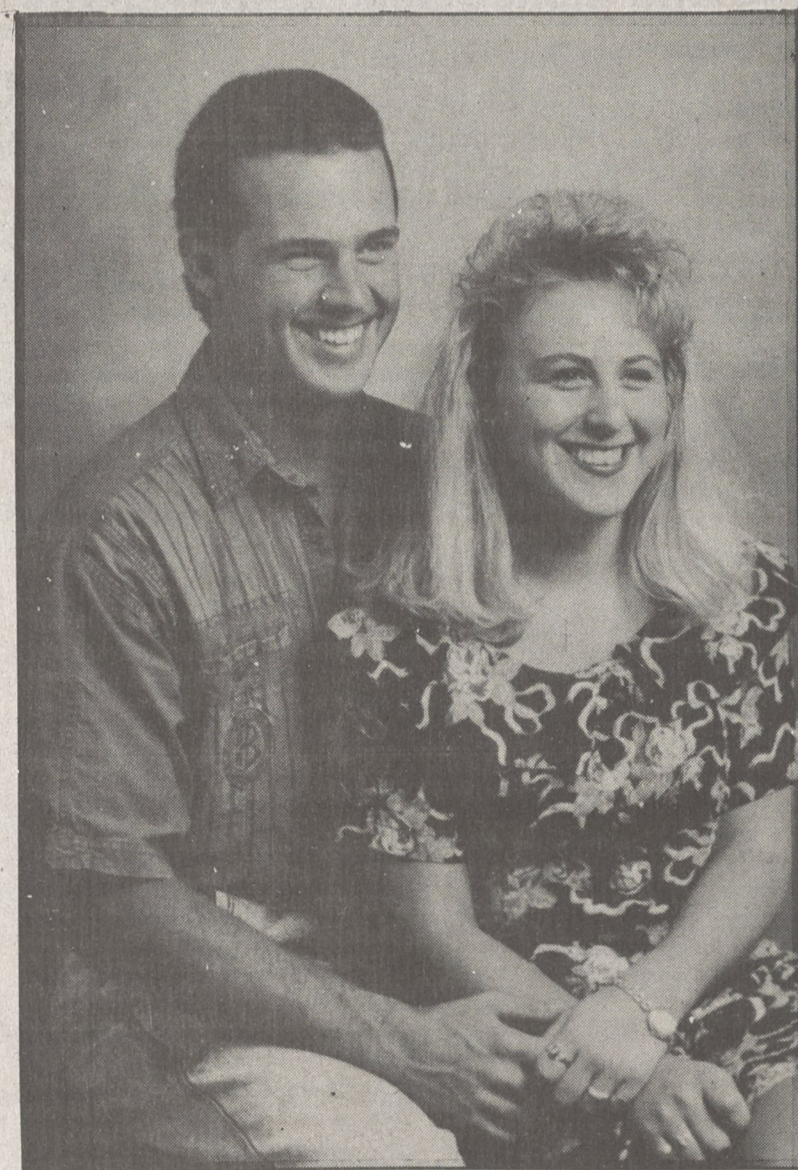
Cameron Harris celebrated his first birthday Saturday, March 5 at Burger King.

Attending the party were his grandparents, Jack and Georgia Hutchins, Myrtle Bowles and Ivan Harris. Also attending were his cousins Erica and Beverly Hutchins, and friends Derrick Shuda, Jonathan Williams and Hannah Withers.

Cameron is the son of Michael Harris and Angela Hutchins Harris.



CAMERON HARRIS



JENNIFER JILL BLANTON
GERALD SHANE HALE

Blanton-Hale

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Blanton of Kings Mountain announce the engagement of their daughter, Jennifer Jill Blanton, to Gerald Shane Hale, son of Mr. and Mrs. Johnny Hale of Bessemer City.

Miss Blanton is a 1993 graduate of Kings Mountain High School and attended Cleveland Community College. She is employed by Able Plating of Gastonia and the City of Kings Mountain.

The bridegroom-to-be is a 1990 graduate of Bessemer City High School. He is employed by Able Plating in Gastonia.

The wedding will take place April 16.



CHARITY ANNE WILLIAMS

Williams-Tolbert

Johnny and Maxine Williams of Kings Mountain announce the engagement of their daughter, Charity Anne Williams, to Jamie Len Tolbert of Shelby.

The bridegroom-to-be is the step-son and son of C.O. and Norma Koon and son and step-son of Steve and Gaye Tolbert. Both families are of Shelby.

Miss Williams is a 1988 graduate of Kings Mountain High School and a 1992 graduate of the University of North Carolina at Charlotte with a Bachelor's degree in Biology. She is employed by Barre National, Inc.

Tolbert is a 1988 graduate of Crest High School and a 1992 graduate of Gardner-Webb College with a Bachelor's degree in Religious Education. He is employed by Shelby City Schools and currently attends Graduate School at the University of North Carolina at Charlotte.

A June 11 wedding is planned.