

People in Service

■ Annette M. Galloway, daughter of Phyllis and Randolph Galloway of Kings Mountain, recently enlisted into the Air Force's delayed enlistment program.

A 1991 graduate of East Gaston High School, she is scheduled for enlistment into the regular Air Force in May. Upon graduation from the Air Force's six-week basic training course at Lackland Air Force Base near San Antonio, Texas, she will receive technical training in her designated career area.

Annette will earn credits toward an Associate Degree in Applied Sciences through the Community College of the Air Force while attending basic and technical training schools.

■ Air Force Airman 1st Class Stevan N. Robbins has been decorated with the Air Force Achievement Medal.

The medal is awarded to airmen for meritorious service, acts of courage, or other outstanding accomplishments.

Robbins, a health care administration specialist, is the son of Johnny and Linda Bunch of 1224 Bethlehem Road, Kings Mountain. He is a 1990 graduate of Kings Mountain High School.

■ Navy Chief Petty Officer Stephen J. Gndant, a 1981 graduate of Kings Mountain High School, recently departed for a six-month overseas deployment aboard the nuclear-powered guided missile cruiser USS Mississippi, as part of the USS Theodore Roosevelt Battle Group.

Gndant is one of 595 sailors aboard the guided missile cruiser, which departed Norfolk, Va., in mid-March along with 10 other ships and submarines. The 11-ship USS Theodore Roosevelt Battle Group is a formidable force equipped with jet fighters and attack aircraft, helicopters, and ships and submarines armed with Tomahawk cruise missiles. Extremely mobile and flexible, the battle group can operate together, moving nearly 700 miles a day, or can be deployed simultaneously to separate geographic regions.

Gndant and his fellow sailors spent the past year training for a variety of situations they might encounter during the deployment. They will be replacing the USS Dwight D. Eisenhower Battle Group, which has been operating in the Persian Gulf supporting United Nations operations off Bosnia-Herzegovina in the Adriatic Sea.

Gndant's involvement in the deployment is an example of how the Navy and Marine Corps team is designed to operate forward deployed overseas and respond quickly when needed. Whether delivering humanitarian assistance, cargo, or troops from the sea, these highly-trained naval forces provide a unique crisis-response option, which can be withdrawn quickly when no longer needed.

Kings Mountain Police Report

ARRESTS

Larry Dale Smith Jr., 19, 110 Center St., stop sign violation, citation.

James R. Baity, General Del., drunk and disruptive, held in county jail until sober.

Terri Davis McCoy, 35, 805/6 Cornwallis Ave., Gastonia, failure to stop at red light, citation.

James Delbert Hamm, 19, 111 Miranda Lane, Lot 6, speeding, citation.

Marshall Keith Page, 33, 804 Canterbury Rd., speeding, citation.

Cathy Yvette Alexander, 31, 603 Linwood Road, speeding, citation.

Sterling Bess, 18, 93 Pine Manor, assault on a female, \$300 bond.

Patrick Vaughn Reid, 25, 106-3 Williams Rd., no operator's license, citation.

Avila Lamont Matthews, 38, 405 N. Tracy St., worthless check.

Edward Scott Ford, 32, 810-A Church St., child restraint violation and expired registration plate, citation.

Frieda Dianne Goldner, 44, 830 First St., expired registration plate, citation.

George Washington Johnson Jr., 37, 206 S. Cansler St., driving while license revoked, citation.

William Scott Brooks, 19, 104 Curry Rd., speeding in a school zone, citation.

Roy Evans Pennington Jr., 23, 1117 Lot B3, Oak Grove Rd., probation violation, a felony, and simple possession and possession of drug paraphernalia, \$10,500 bond, secured. Trial date is April 26 in Cleveland District Court.

Larry Anthony Johnson Jr., 23, 609 Floyd St., child restraint violation, citation.

Jason Edward Clemmer, 20, 228-1 Hardin Circle, Gastonia, speeding, citation.

Reginald Tyrone Perkins, 35, 158 Galilee Church Rd., consuming alcohol on city property, the old city lake, citation.

Garcia Clay Frederick, 30, 322 Fulton St., consuming alcohol on city property, the old city lake, citation.

Maria Bailey Carver, 28, 202 Fairdale St., driving while license revoked and no insurance, citations.

INCIDENTS

Kings Mountain High School, 500 Phifer Road, reported vandalism of a drink box during a break-in which resulted in \$500 property damage.

The Pantry, 301 Phifer Rd., reported that a customer concealed three rings and left the store without paying for the merchandise.

Mary Grier, 213 Thornburg Dr., said that her 1988 Ford Taurus was taken from her driveway without her permission.

Handy Pantry, 225 Cleveland Ave., reported theft of three security padlocks.

A four-year-old child was bit by a dog on North City Street. Ptl. Larry Ware said the child was playing with a neighbor's dog when the dog bit him on the face.

John Reed, 121 Springwood Lane, Grover, reported a lost or stolen license plate.

A bicycle was found hanging on a flagpole at East Elementary School. The owner of the bike may identify and claim at the police department.

Charlotte Webb, 124 Laws Lane, reported theft of cash from her pocketbook.

Brian Hillman, 113 N. Cansler St., reported theft of two basketball jerseys, a pair of dark blue shorts and a Black Moon T-shirt from his locker at Kings Mountain High School.

Jerry Lewis Lowery, 1304 Northwoods Dr., reported theft of his

Mazda from his driveway.

ABC Store, Cleveland Ave., reported that a customer passed what appeared to be a \$20 counterfeit bill.

John Reed, Springwood Rd., Grover, reported theft of two tinted head lamp covers from his GTO parked at Food Lion.

North Carolina Department of Transportation, Shelby, reported that someone damaged a traffic control light box at Cleveland Avenue and Linwood Road.

Arnold Ray Pennington, 206 Benfield Rd., reported that someone removed a bed liner from the back of his truck and scratched the vehicle. The black bed liner is valued at \$200. The truck tailgate was damaged \$300.

James Allen, 811 Rhodes Ave., reported theft of a bowling bag cloth, black bowling ball, one pair of white bowling shoes size 9, and a .25 caliber semi-automatic pistol from his 1995 Chevrolet parked at his residence. The passenger side window of the station wagon was damaged \$356.

KM Express Store 270, 716 Cleveland Ave., reported that a glass door was broken out by someone using a stick.

Urgina Wynetta Lewis, 104 Exter Lane, Shelby, reported theft of a Mickey Mouse watch from her purse.

Amy Francine Morgan, 2211 West 6th Ave., Gastonia, reported theft of a CB radio, two telephones and a set of glasses and pitcher from 213 Stowe Acres.

Shelly Michelle Parker, 203 Pinehurst Dr., reported theft of a riding mower, a weed eater and a hoe and shovel valued at nearly \$2,000. The items were taken from her utility building in the back yard of her residence.

Mary Virginia Owens, 913 Grace St., reported that her car was vandalized and the glove compartment damaged.

J. E. Anthony Jr., 611 Hillside Dr., reported that the passenger side trunk of his 1981 Ford truck was damaged by vandals breaking the glass with an unknown object.

WRECKS

APRIL 7

A parked vehicle owned by Keisha Eskridge, 391 Holmes St., was struck by a 1985 Ford operated by Howard Moore, 218 McGill Court, in the Express Store parking lot. Ptl. Chris Owens estimated damages of \$250.

Ptl. Chris Owens said that Edward Clifford Smarr, 108 Smarr Acres, backing his 1978 Chevrolet truck, struck a parked 1993 Chevrolet truck owned by Thomas Sigmon, 5003 Spring Lane, Shelby. The accident happened in a public vehicular area at W. King and Cansler Streets.

Four people were hurt in a two-vehicle wreck on King Street and were treated at Kings Mountain Hospital.

Ptl. Ron Creech said that a 1989 Plymouth operated by Steven John Grant, 415 Hawthorne Rd., struck a 1988 Nissan truck operated by Charles David Merck, 306 Countryside Rd. Two teenagers riding in the back of the truck were thrown from the truck into the roadway. Grant said he didn't see Merck slowing to make a left turn and was unable to avoid the collision. Creech said he found the brake lights of the Merck truck in working order. Property damages were estimated at \$4500.

APRIL 8

Ptl. Chris Owens said Thomas McNeal, 1707 Northwoods Dr., was attempting to change lanes on Cleveland Avenue in his 1988 Honda and the vehicle struck a 1986 Ford operated by Denisa Messer Pullen, 19 Bennett Dr. A passenger in the Pullen car was

treated for injuries. Property damages were estimated at \$1850.

Hit and run driver rams hand rail, but dodges train crossing arm

The handrail of a Norfolk-Southern train engine was slightly damaged by a hit and run driver April 5 at the Hawthorne Road Crossing, according to Ptl. C. M. Latham and Sgt. Mark Simpson, who investigated.

Engineer James Glen Stone of Honea Path, SC and Conductor C. T. Hester of Piedmont, SC told officers that an older model Chevrolet pickup truck dodged the crossing arms down and flashing and as the truck sped across the track the train struck the truck on the driver's side.

The driver of the truck did not stop, according to the railroad officials who said the handrail of the engine was only slightly damaged.

Parker Street School teacher alleges April 3 assault by student

A Parker Street teacher has accused a 15-year-old student of assault.

Kings Mountain Police say that the teacher filed a complaint saying that she was pushed by one of her students.

Ptl. Debra Garris is investigating the incident that reportedly took place April 3.

Under school policy, the student faces suspension.

Jeremy Grayson, Donnie Ray Cobb face felony drug charges April 10

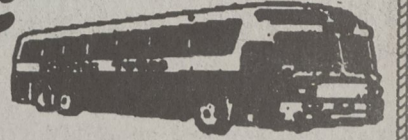
Drug charges were lodged against two people April 10 after a vehicle leaving a trailer park was stopped by police and the driver and his passenger agreed to a search.

Jeremy Adam Grayson, 16, of 1374 Clarence Beam Rd., Cherryville, and Donnie Ray Cobb, 20, of 112 Water Oak St., face charges of felony possession of cocaine April 10 in Cleveland County District Court.

A 1984 Ford Mustang was impounded by police and stored at Weaver's Body Shop.

Investigating officers were Sgt. James Camp, Ptl. R. K. Rikard and Ptl. Larry Ware of Kings Mountain Police Department and Deputy Mike Brown of the Cleveland County Sheriff's Department.

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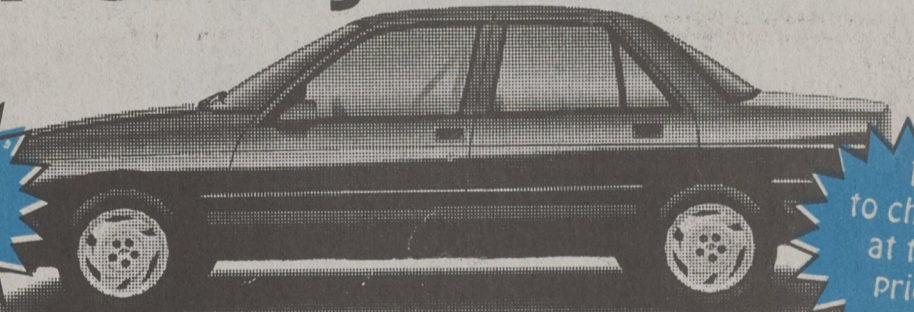


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