

School Briefs



LATONIA HOWARD KM's Latonia Howard selected Who's Who

Latonia Howard, a student at Kings Mountain High School, has been named to Who's Who Among American High School Students for the second consecutive year.

She is the daughter of Mrs. Shirley McGill Howard, and the granddaughter of Mrs. Martha Louise McGill of Kings Mountain.

Who's Who is the largest, most respected publication in the nation recognizing students for their achievements in academics, athletics and extracurricular activities.

Approximately 15,000 high school faculty members, youth and education organizations nominate students for the honor. Only 5% of all high school students receive the annual award and only one-half of one percent are honored for two or more years.

Former KM student presents research

Ginger Blalock of Kings Mountain, one of only 26 students who were awarded a Hughes Fellowship for the 1996 summer semester, presented results of her project, "The in vivo and in vitro regulation of emrR in *Salmonella typhimurium*," at a poster session July 27 at the University of Illinois' Levis Faculty Center.

Blalock worked with Dr. James Sluach from the Microbiology department on the research. University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign faculty, staff, and students, and members of Blalock's family attended the poster session, social hour, and dinner with guest speaker.

The School of Life and Sciences at UIUC, with funding from the Howard Hughes Medical Institute, provides fellowships to undergraduate students majoring in the life sciences to conduct research under the guidance of a faculty member. During the summer semester, each Hughes Fellow works full time on their research project, receives a stipend of \$2,400, and enrolls in an independent study-research course for five hours of graded credit.

Orientation slated for KMHS freshmen

Freshmen orientation will be held at KMHS on Tuesday, August 6 at 1 p.m. and 6 p.m. in B.N. Barnes Auditorium.

Students and parents will have an opportunity to tour the school.



ABBEY KATES

Abbey Kates selected to Reading Honor Roll

Abbey Kates, fifth grade student at Grover Elementary School and daughter of Jerry and Debra Kates of Kings Mountain, has been inducted into the Accelerated Reader International Reading Honor Roll for the 1995-96 school year. The honor roll recognizes students who are their school's top reader in the Accelerated Reader computerized reading management program.

Kates won induction by earning 185.6 reading points. Students in the program earn reading points based on the reading level and difficulty of the books they've read, and the number of questions they answer correctly on computerized book tests.

This year more than 1,800 students from schools around the world were inducted into the honor roll. Each student receives a personalized award certificate and bumper sticker, and has his or her name entered in Advantage Learning Systems' permanent record as an outstanding achiever in reading.

CCC's fall quarter registration begins

Cleveland Community College is preparing for the fall quarter registration period. Several dates are scheduled for students to make their plans in registering for the quarter.

Preregistration payment day for returning students will be held Wednesday, August 7 from 8 a.m.-8 p.m. in the Campus Center Building.

Orientation and early registration for new students will be held on Thursday, August 8 at 10 a.m. or 6 p.m.

Fall quarter registration will be held on Tuesday, August 20 from 9 a.m.-1 p.m. and from 4-8 p.m. in the Campus Center Building.

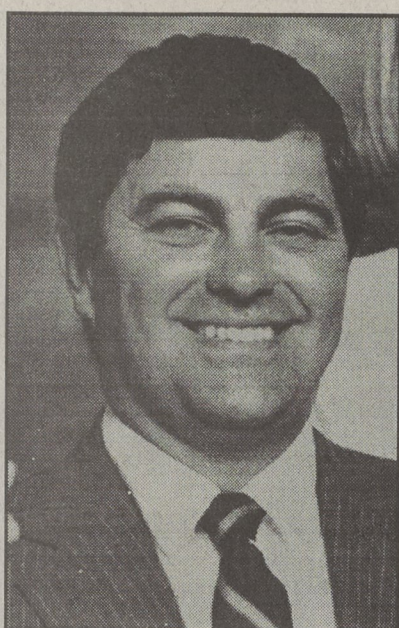
Fall quarter classes will begin on September 3.

For more information, contact the Student Services Department at 484-4081.

Artists Exhibition at Cleveland College

The Shelby Art League's 22nd Annual Juried Artists Exhibition will be held October 25-November 15 at the Arts Center at Cleveland Community College.

For a prospectus, mail a self-addressed label and a first class stamp (no envelope) to Shelby Art League, P.O. Box 1708, Shelby, NC 28151. For more information, contact Hal Bryant at 484-4023.



J. RONALD BAILEY

Bailey named UT Dean

J. Ronald Bailey, husband of the former Mary Anne McCurdy of Kings Mountain and son-in-law of Ellen and Broadus Elam of Kings Mountain, has been named the new Dean of the high profile College of Engineering at the University of Texas at Arlington.

Bailey has been chairman of the mechanical and aerospace engineering department since 1995.

Bailey replaced John McElroy who announced his resignation in the fall and was appointed as vice provost for research and dean of the graduate school.

"He is absolutely superb," McElroy said. "He has outstanding professional skills and more importantly, outstanding people skills."

"I think the thing that stands out in his record is that he had an exceptionally fast rise at North Carolina State University and then moved off to IBM where he had an equally distinguished career," McElroy said.

The College of Engineering, which has a budget of \$8.3 million, is ranked among the nation's top 50 schools in the production of engineering professionals by the Engineering Workforce Commission. At the master's level the college is ranked ninth in the nation and in industrial engineering it is ranked ninth at the doctorate level.

The Baileys are parents of two daughters Ellen Bailey is a computer specialist in Boston, MA and Catherine Bailey is a recent college graduate. Mrs. Bailey, also the daughter of the late F. R. McCurdy of Kings Mountain, is a certified public accountant.

Local students inducted into UNCC honor society

Sandra A. Humphries of Shelby and Laura Elizabeth York of Cherryville were among 215 students at the University of North Carolina at Charlotte who were recently inducted into the Phi Kappa Phi National Honor Society.

Phi Kappa Phi recognizes and encourages superior scholarship in all academic disciplines. To be eligible for membership, a student must rank scholastically in the upper five percent of the junior class, the upper 10 percent of the senior class, or the upper 10 percent of the graduate enrollment.



NURSING GRADUATES - Cleveland Community College's Associate Degree Nursing graduates of the Foothills Nursing Consortium were recently honored with a pinning ceremony. Left to right, front row, Fran Moritz, Myra Clark, Ameer Allen, Lisa Willis. Second row, Toni Camp, Teresa Cook, Allen Wedincamp. Third row, Nancy Howell, Bobbie Jo Day. Fourth row, Sandra Brittain, Wanda Pearson, John Moritz. The Foothills Nursing Consortium is made up of students from Cleveland, Isothermal and McDowell Technical community colleges.

GWU bell tower to honor Hollifields

A gift to Gardner-Webb University's 20 million "Dreaming, Daring, Doing" capital campaign by Wyndolyn Hollifield and her husband, the late Hughy Hollifield, of Winston-Salem will construct a unique bell tower and plaza on the GWU campus.

The Hollifields in 1992 made a multi-year pledge of \$1 million to Gardner-Webb for the construction of a six-acre lake complex that was dedicated in 21994 and now bears their name. However, because Gardner-Webb has since embarked on its fundraising venture, the Hollifields decided to pay off the remainder of the pledge immediately so that additional features can be added as a show of support for the campaign.

The result will be a 70-foot

brick tower with a system of bells, called a carillon, that can be played electronically or manually. It is planned to grade the highest point on the Lake Hollifield Complex grounds. A lighted plaza will surround the structure which will serve not only as a tribute to the couple's generosity, but as a memorial to the late Mr. Hollifield, who passed away in May. A groundbreaking ceremony was held July 30.

The bell tower is the first new construction project on the GWU campus that is the result of a gift to the "Dreaming, Daring, Doing" capital campaign. The Verdin Company of Cincinnati, Ohio, has been contracted to build the tower. Work on the project will begin in August or September and be completed near the end of the calendar year.

The couple has long been visible in their support of Christian causes, having been named in 1995 as North Carolina Philanthropists of the Year or support of Baptist activities.

Wyndolyn Hollifield is a former Gardner-Webb trustee and Hughy Hollifield was a 1935 alumnus. He was recognized in 1993 as GWU Alumnus of the Year for his close involvement with the University.

The Hollifields contributed what had been the University's second million-dollar gift in its history upon learning of a firm's recommendation to GWU in the late 1980's that a lake would greatly enhance the campus' attractiveness to not only prospective students, but the community as well.

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SCHOOL FOR TEACHERS - Kings Mountain teachers have been in school this week in special seminars underway at the Central School administrative offices. Lois Johnson taught Paideia Methodology which emphasizes teachers as coaches rather than lecturers through use of the Socratic seminar she called an academic challenge for students. From left, Annette Parker, Nelson Conner, Kimberly Hoyle, Margaret Pearson, Assistant High School Principal Ethel Pedersen, Becky Champion, Carole Peeler, Allen Dixon, Sandi Shaeffer and Lori Putnam. Teachers officially start back to school next week and students return August 12.