

**Business News**

**Pampered Chef shows its wares**

You've got to wonder if The Pampered Chef, a company offering kitchen wares through in-home kitchen shows, would have been successful with any other name.

But local representatives, including Beth Hamrick, Sandi Long and Paula Schmietendorf, say the company's Round Up From the Heart program will again offer proceeds from heart molds to the Kings Mountain Crisis Center's Food Bank.

Jodi Smith McDaniel, West Elementary teacher, learned about the products at exhibits at the Bethware Fair, registered for free prizes and won a baking stone and recipe book.

Schmietendorf, a director with the company for 10 months, gives kitchen shows along with Hamrick and Long in the area. A Shelby homemaker, she was formerly owner of a Kawasaki Yamaha dealership in Shelby and decided to go back to school to earn her master's degree. Schmietendorf racked up enough sales to earn free trips for her and her husband, Roy Schlaudt, Elisabeth, 4, and Conrad, 2, to Disney World in Florida.



**FAIR WINNER** - Jodi Smith McDaniel, center, accepts a baking stone from representatives of The Pampered Chef. From left, Paula Schmietendorf and at right Sandi Long.

Long, of the Bethlehem Community, and Hamrick, of Grover, are kitchen consultants.

At kitchen shows the local homemakers say there are no party games and pressure selling. Instead the shows focus on food. Recipes are included with the kitchen tools and consultants demonstrate what the tools can do. The guests eat the results.

Schmietendorf is a mom who can't stand to see anyone go hungry. Since 1991, through its Round Up From the Heart, the company she promotes has been in partnership with Second Harvest, a Chicago-based non profit organization that distributes food through a national network of food banks and has donated more than \$1 million.

**Smith buys Carolina Freight property**

Gastonia developer C.W. Smith has purchased the former Carolina Freight headquarters property in Cherryville and plans to convert it into an industrial park for multiple tenants.

The 80-acre site includes 11 buildings totaling 380,000 square feet. About one-third of the space is the corporate headquarters building, and others are mainly break-bulk freight

handling and vehicular service buildings.

Smith bought the property from Arkansas Best Freight, which had purchased Carolina Freight prior to closing its Cherryville facility. Carolina Freight had been the major employer in Cherryville for decades, and its closing shocked the community.

"The city welcomes the new owners," Cherryville Mayor

Jack Davis said. "We're elated that this purchase has been made. We appreciate and feel confident that their investment in Cherryville will be successful. The City of Cherryville and its Economic Development Commission will assist in any way possible."

Smith said he has named the property Carolina Industrial

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**CNA GRADUATES** - Certified Nursing Assistant graduates at Cleveland Community College include, front row, left to right, Brenda Peterson and Ruby Parks of Shelby, Laura Crawford and Jennifer Greene of Kings Mountain, Sheina Powell and Patsy Canipe of Shelby; back, Tim Jamison of Shelby, Tina Ashworth of Kings Mountain, Kim Anthony of Cherryville, Cecilia Mitchell of Mooresboro, Sheila Gill, Tonia Mayse and Mark Hamrick of Shelby, Gaye Gilliam of Grover, and Janice Morgan of Shelby. Not pictured, Connie Harrelson of Kings Mountain



**READING WORKSHOP** - Sandy Newhouse, reading consultant for Harcourt Brace Publishers, left, instructs elementary school principals during a workshop on learning to read, reading to learn. Front row, seated, from left, Mary Accor of Bethware and Jerry Hoyle of East, and back row, Sherrill Toney of West, Joey Hopper of North, Steve Wells, assistant principal at Grover-Bethware, and Dr. Jane King, Assistant Superintendent for Public Instruction.

**Gaston College graduation Friday night**

Gaston College will graduate 178 students at its summer graduation ceremony Friday, August 23 at 7:30 p.m. in Myers Center Auditorium.

Guest speaker will be Gaston College faculty member Don R. Killian. Killian has been employed at Gaston for 31 years, during which time he has been a sociology instructor, professional development officer, and a retention and recruitment officer. He directed public television programs on campus for three years, and was a basic instructional skills trainer for the Department of Community Colleges for five years.

Local graduates include: Grover - Thomas Gary Jacobs. Kings Mountain - Leonard H. Anderson, Betty Smith Archie, Stephen Kale Bagwell, Marshall T. Blanton Jr., Susan Lee Eubanks, Donovan L. Garrison, Christopher

David Hullender, Mickey C. Moten, Frances Gale Parker, Amy S. Putnam, and Linda Feemster Ward.

**Local students earn degrees at Gardner-Webb**

Summer commencement exercises were held recently at Gardner-Webb University in Boiling Springs, with 173 students receiving degrees. The following local students received degrees:

Kings Mountain - Susan Hannon Belt, Jason Ty Eaker, Tabatha Genell Floyd, Debra Victoria Tunstall, Kathryn Page Wells.

Boiling Springs - Ann Burriss Petty.

Shelby - Diane King Branch, Jane Harrington Brewer, Dawn Belvins Camp, Benjamin Abenoja Estioko, Jasper Warren Gamble, Jane Leigh Greene, Queneth Yuri Greene, Rickey Dale Ledbetter, Sandi Hill Odugba, Nell Brooks Shrum, Brian Luther Ware.

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ing graduate), Brian Thomas Harris, Deborah Long.

Machinist - James William Blanton, Ryan Daniel Roper (outstanding graduate).

Practical Nursing - Kathy Ford Adams, Andre Scott Canipe, Felecia Jeffries Forney, Donald Roosevelt Herndon Jr., Cheryl Frazier Hoyle, Jessica Marie Milam, Michelle Lee Morrison, Ticki Nicole Sadler, Violet Porter Smith (outstanding graduate), Elizabeth

Pauline Tipton, Christene Vaughan.

Technical certificates: Business Information Management - Chris D. Philbeck, Dorothy McCurry Wegrzyn.

Medical Transcription - Sherry Snyder Baxter.

Microcomputer Technical Support - Dorothy B. Hyde, Gregory G. Pearson, Gerald Wayne Witherspoon.

Vocational certificates: Cosmetology - Tina Christine Hunt, Sheila Walker (outstanding graduate).

In addition, 34 students received the Adult High School Diploma or GED Certificate.



**SCHOLARSHIP** - Shellie Hamrick-White, left, Director of Cable Access and Instructor of Communications Technology at Cleveland Community College, receives a check in the sum of \$1,000 from Floyd Williams, Manager of Time Warner Cable in Shelby. The annual scholarship is given by Time Warner Cable to support students in the Communications Technology program at CCC. Jennifer Phillips, right, is a students in the Communications Technology program.

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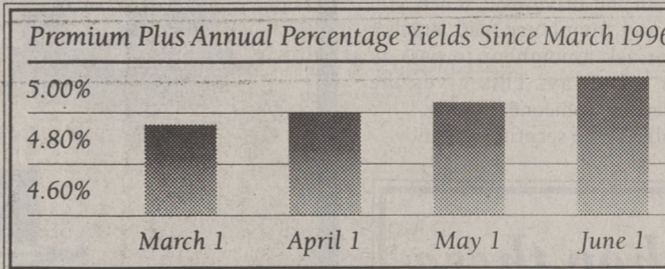
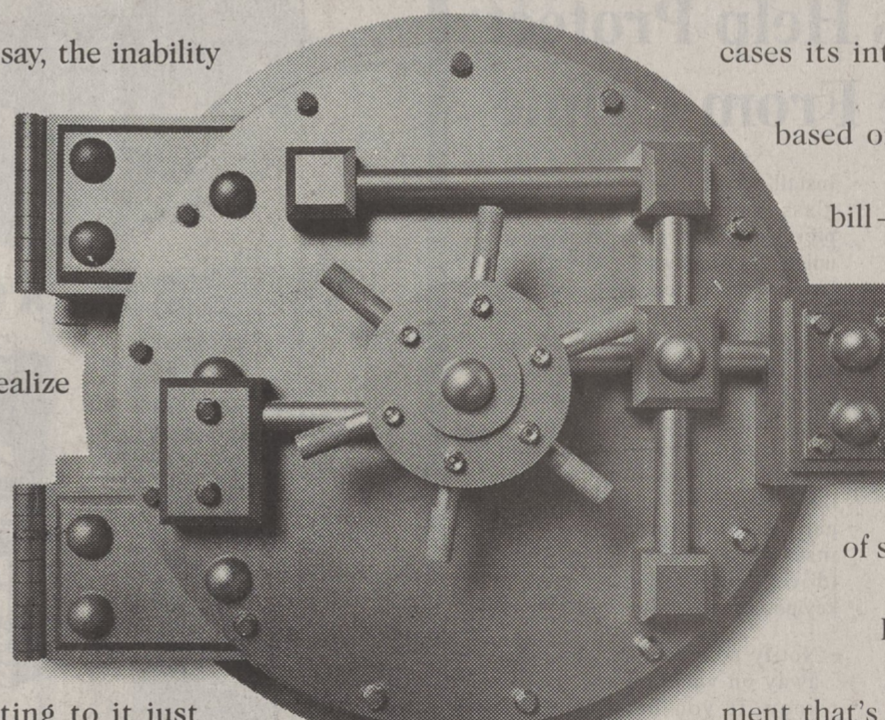
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