

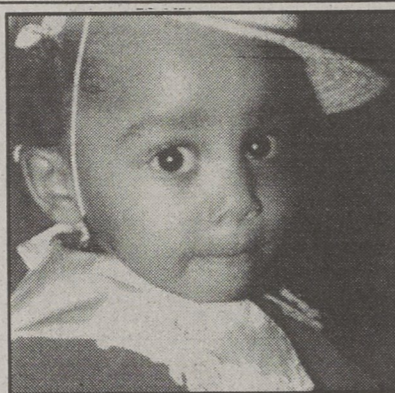
## Birthdays

### Diamond Brown

Diamond Brown, daughter of Stephanie Herndon and Dr. Micheal Brown of Kings Mountain, celebrated her birthday January 4.

A Bananas in Pajamas party was attended by her cousins, family and friends.

Diamond has a sister, Tiffany.



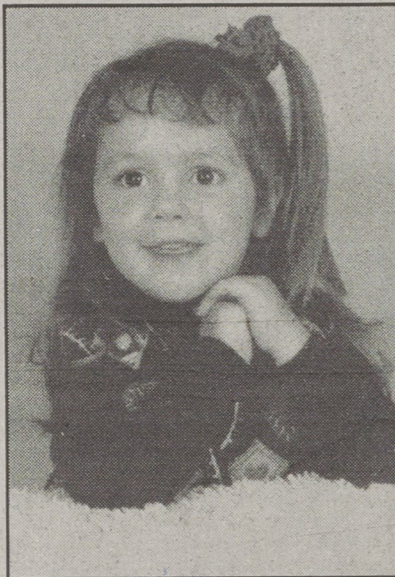
DIAMOND BROWN

### Morgan Scism

Morgan Haylee Scism, daughter of Neal and Tammy Scism of Oak Grove Road, Kings Mountain, was three years old February 6. She celebrated February 1 with a party at her home. Thirty-five friends and family members attended and enjoyed cake and other party refreshments. A 101 Dalmatians theme was used.

Morgan has two sisters, Jennifer, 12, and Johnna, three weeks.

Grandparents are Johnny and Mary Ann Hutchins and Jack and Mona Scism. Great-grandparents are Rob and Juanita Craig and Mr. and Mrs. Wilburn Hamrick.



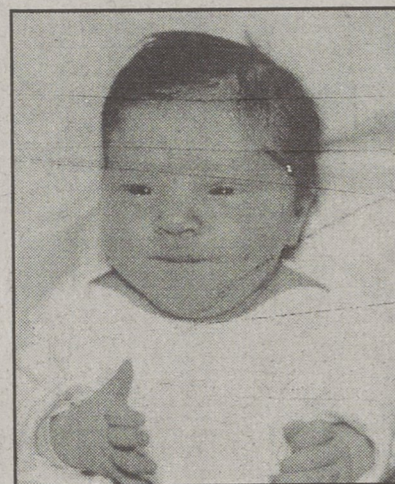
MORGAN SCISM

### Johnna Scism

Johnna Neal Scism was born January 17 at Cleveland Regional Medical Center. She weighed eight pounds, six ounces and was 19 inches long.

Parents are Neal and Tammy Scism of Oak Grove Road, Kings Mountain.

Maternal grandparents are Johnny and Mary Ann Hutchins. Paternal grandparents are Jack and Mona Scism. Great-grandparents are Rob and Juanita Craig and the late Charlie Hendren, Nora Hutchins and the late Converse Hutchins, the late Mr. and Mrs. Grady Scism, and Mr. and Mrs. Wilburn Hamrick.



JOHNNA SCISM

Johnna has two sisters, Jennifer and Morgan.

### Alex Johnson

Alex Johnson celebrated his birthday February 1 with a party at his home. A 101 Dalmatians theme was used.

Guests included Jonathon Dennis, Candy Jackson, Kimberlee Sanders, Casey Bolin and Justin Haynes.

Alex is the son of Ray Johnson and Kimberly Gower. He is the grandson of Ginger Gower of Kings Mountain, Doug Gower of Missouri, Betty Cobb of Kings Mountain, and the late Howard Johnson of Charlotte.

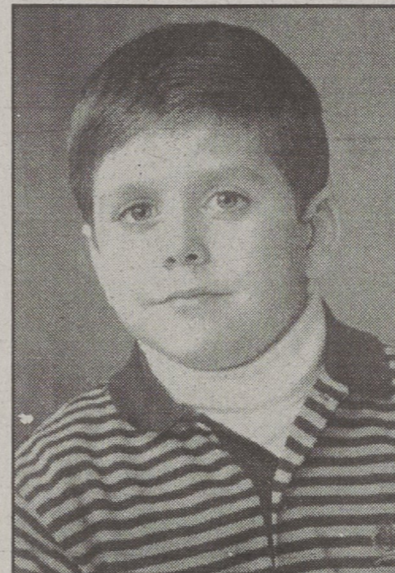
His great-grandparents were the late Ernest and Claudia Payne of Kings Mountain.



ALEX JOHNSON

### Cory Phillips

Cory Allen Phillips, son of Darrell and Lisa Sisk of 118 Winfield Drive, Kings Mountain, was seven years old January 28. He celebrated at a party with classmates at Bethware School on January 28, and also had a party with family and friends at Fun Jungle in Shelby on January 31.



CORY PHILLIPS and Mr. and Mrs. Youngblood of Florida.

Cory has an 18-month-old sister, Kaitlyn Sisk.

He is the grandson of Jim and Shirley Harry of Gastonia and Don and Pat Smith of Kings Mountain.

Great-grandparents are Eunice Smith, Ruby Gladden, and Charlie and Eula Mae Cobb, all of Kings Mountain.

### Andersons announce birth of son, Steven Lee II

Mr. and Mrs. Steven Lee Anderson announce the birth of their son, Steven Lee Anderson II, at 12:06 p.m. February 7, 1997 at Cleveland Regional Medical Center. He weighed eight pounds, 3 1/2 ounces and was 19 inches long.

Maternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Benny Millwood of Kings Mountain and Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Robertson of Kershaw, SC. Paternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Ken Anderson of Kings Mountain. His maternal great-grandmother is Mrs. Anne Holder of Lancaster, SC.

Steven has two sisters, Stefanie, 10, and Krista, 8. Mrs. Anderson is the former Melanie Robertson of Lancaster, SC.

### Cleveland County bloodmobile schedule

March  
 5 - Cleveland Community College, 9 a.m.-1:30 p.m., 50 pints.  
 11 - Casar Elementary School, 3-7:30 p.m., 50 pints.  
 18 - Shelby Presbyterian Church, 1:30-6 p.m., 50 pints.  
 20 - First Baptist Church, Kings Mountain, 1:30-6 p.m., 40 pints.  
 April  
 15 - Gardner-Webb University, 11 a.m.-4:30 p.m., 115 pints.  
 30 - Cleveland Community College, 9 a.m.-1:30 p.m., 50 pints.  
 May  
 6 - Upper Cleveland Rescue Squad, 1:30-6 p.m., 50 pints.  
 13 - Shelby Presbyterian Church, 1:30-6 p.m., 50 pints.  
 15 - First Baptist Church, Kings Mountain, 1:30-6 p.m., 40 pints.

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## Healing Force to perform at Mauney Library

The Healing Force comes with dance and music and storytelling in a celebration of African America arts and culture. They will perform at Mauney Memorial Library on Thursday, Feb. 20 at 7 p.m. in the Josephine E. Weir Auditorium.

Composed by Gail Anderson, her husband Joseph, and their daughter Sonji, the group celebrates black experience through the arts. Their programs are designed to encourage audience participation.

Black heritage is an important part of American heritage, and as such it should be nurtured and appreciated for its influence on our culture. The month of February has been set aside to celebrate Black heritage and the part that African Americans have played in shaping our history and culture. Mauney Memorial Library will celebrate Black History Month with programs and special emphasis on books and other media relating to African Americans.

The following are some new novels by black authors.

DeBerry, Virginia. "Tryin to Sleep in the Bed You Made" (St. Martin's Press, 1977).

Curl up in a chair and enter the lives of two unforgettable women whose joys and sorrows will never forget. Follow the lives of two best friends as they grow, learn



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and make choices, find love, and find heartache.

Dickey, Eric. "Sister, Sister" (Dutton, 1996).

This is one of the most intuitive and hilarious new voices in African American fiction. Dickey's novel is sexy, funny, and scathingly realistic about sisters in today's LA - and the brothers who think they have it all figured out.

Gates, Henry J., editor "The Northern Anthology of African American Literature" (W.W. Norton & Company, 1997).

This is a dazzling and rich overview of the African American literary tradition, with the work of 120 authors from 1746 to the present writing in all genres - poetry, short fiction, novels, drama, autobiography, journals, and letters.

Jackson, Brian Keith. "The View From Here" (Pocket Books, 1997).

Jackson makes an astounding debut with a heart wrenching novel of black family life in the rural South. The novel surges with raw emotional power and deeply felt truth. At its center is Anna Anderson Thomas, a gentle, hard-working wife and mother facing a challenge that could destroy the family she has fought so hard to keep together.

Little, Benilde "Good Hair" (Simon & Schuster, 1996).

When a Newark girl meets an upper-crust Boston boy, sparks fly, backgrounds clash, and readers enter the rarely observed world of the Black elite.

Mosley, Walter. "Gone Fishin'" (Black Classic Press, 1997).

In this novel, Easy and Mouse come of age as they are compelled to examine their friendship and other relationships that have shaped their lives. Both young men take a closer look at their love and memories of their mothers and are forced to deal with the fathers in their lives.

Naylor, Gloria, editor "Children of the Night: The Best Short Stories by Black Writers, 1967 to the Present" (Little, Brown and Company, 1995).

In this landmark anthology,

Naylor presents the finest African American short stories of the last three decades. Arranged in four

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## McKenney's BLOWOUT

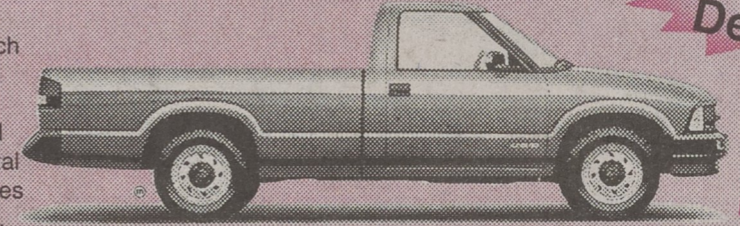
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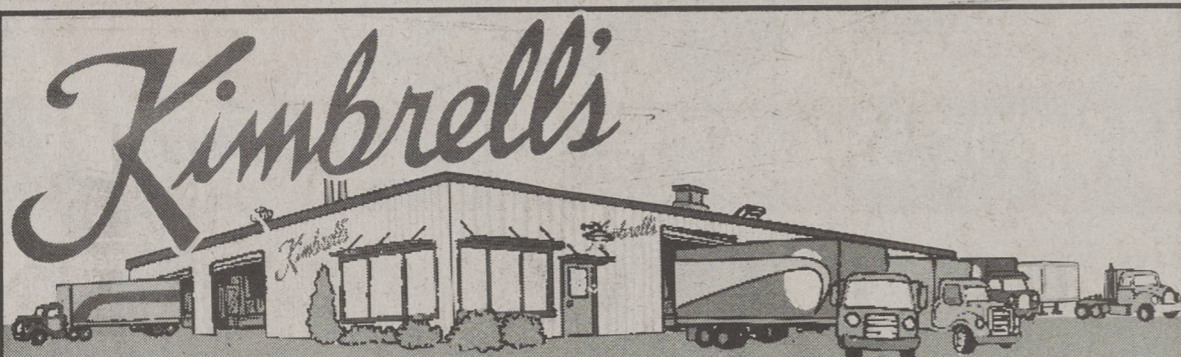
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