Briefs

Special programs set at Crowders Mountain

Special programs are scheduled this weekend at Crowders Mountain State Park, 522 Park Office Lane, Kings Mountain.

On Saturday, April 5 at 2 p.m., park volunteer Mike Peters will give the "History of All-Healing Springs." He will tell about the fascinating resort that was once a thriving business 100 years ago on Crowders Mountain. There will be a short walk to the site. The program will last 1 1/2 hours.

Sunday, April 6 at 2 p.m., park volunteer naturalist Duane Crane will lead a "spring wildflower walk" in search of colorful blooming wildflowers. Wear comfortable clothes and walking shoes. The program will last 1 1/2 hours.

For more information, call the park office at 853-5375.

KM Hospital receives \$9,089 Duke grant

Kings Mountain Hospital has received a \$9,089 grant from the Duke Endowment. More than \$4.1 million was awarded to 209 hospitals and children's homes in North and South Carolina.

The awards are made annually to all qualifying Carolinas' hospitals and children's homes. Hospital grants are based on uncompensated days of care provided to patients. Grants to children's homes provide general operating support.

Park benches still available

The Kings Mountain Business & Professional Association is still accepting orders for park benches to be assembled by the Kings Mountain High School woodworking class.

President Kathy Neely said the popular benches can be engraved with the names of the person honored.

Neely presided at the February 18 meeting at 7 p.m. at St. Matthew's Lutheran Church. Linda Allen read the minutes and Joe Smith gave the treasurer's report.

Tandra Ramsey, events coorndinatotabforgrahedt Parksui& Recreation Commission, called attention to special events in the city during the year. Neely encouraged members to become more active within the association and civic organizations. She suggested that merchants sponsor a spring festival and sidewalk sale to promote downtown shopping.

Jonas Bridges suggested that the association mail out nomination forms to seek new board members and members approved the idea.

Car wash, food sale at Gastonia church

There will be a hot dog and food sale Saturday beginning at 11 a.m. at Trinity AME Zion Church, 1638 Freedom Mill Road, Gastonia.

Chicken, fish and hot dog plates and sandwiches will be

The public is invited.

Mauney places

in Arts Festival William Kemp Mauney IV, Kings Mountain High School



Club's state Arts Festival at **MAUNEY** Salem College in Winston-Salem.

He selected "Petite Piece Concertante" by Guillaume Balay and played the euphoni-

um. He received a cash prize. Mauney is the son of Debbie and Kemp Mauney of Kings Mountain.

'The View from Here' auditions set at KMLT

Kings Mountain Little Theatre will hold auditions for "The View from Here," a twoact comedy, Friday and Saturday, April 4-5 and Tuesday, April 8, from 7-9 p.m. at the Kings Mountain Woman's

The cast consists of three women and one man ages 30-

The play is scheduled for production June 13, 14, 20 and 21. For more information or directions, call Joe Hullender at

Customers polled rank SUBWAY number one

For the fourth consecutive years, consumers have voted SUBWAY the best sandwich restaurant in the United States.

The recently released "America's Choice in Chains" ranking, commissioned by Restaurants and Institutions Magazine, said over 70 percent of restaurant customers surveyed coast to coast for for SUBWAY as their favorite sandwich restaurant. The chain received the highest rankings overall in the sandwich category and scored top marks for value, service, cleanliness and con-venience.

Poetry Alive! slated April 8 at KM High

Poetry Alive" will perform in local high schools April 8-0 as part of the Cleveland County Arts Council's Arts in Education series. These highenergy shows are presented by a team of two professional performers who have memorized poems and then perform them theatrically.

Performances are April 8 at 9:45 a.m. at Kings Mountain High School and 1 p.m. at Shelby High School; and April 9 at 9:45 a.m. at Burns High School and 1:45 p.m. at Crest High School.

Poetry Alive! was founded in 1984 and conducted its first show in a music hall in Black Mountain. The audience was made up of about 100 listeners. One audience member was a teacher who saw the educational potential of the show and asked Poetry Alive! to visit her

Since then, Poetry Alive! has produced educational performances for student audiences throughout the United States.

Arts in Education programs are cooperative efforts of Cleveland County Schools, Kings Mountain District Schools, Shelby City Schools and the Cleveland County Arts Council. They are funded in part by a grant from the North Carolina Arts Council.

For more information, call

AARP notes

10th anniversary

The Kings Mountain Chapter 4063 American Association of Retired Persons recently celebrated its 10th anniversary and received commendation from State President Thelma C.

Lennon. Chapter members recently attended a workshop in Morganton sponsored by Burke County AARP. Making the trip were O. C. Kiser, Bill Alexander, Carolyn Bell, Hilda Goforth, Jeanette Surratte, Myetta Oats and Marvetta Spann.

Hole-In-One Shootout Charity League benefit

The Shelby Junior Charity League will sponsor a \$1 million dollar hole-in-one shootout April 16-20 at Challenger 3 golf Course to benefit the Clothing

Last year 141 qualifiers participated in the fun event. The shootout works much like a closest-to-the-pin contest. Tees will be set up during the competition. Golfers will pay \$1 per ball to shoot at a special green approximately 150 yards from the tee. Lucky golfers will qualify for Sunday's finals and a chance to shoot for \$1 million

Participants must be 18 years old to enter and amateurs only can participate. For advance tickets, seven balls for \$5, call 480-6785.

Sponsors of the event are Belk of Cleveland Mall, Interstate Johnson Lane and Londre Chiropractic Center.
The Charity Leagu

League's Clothing Room supplies clothing to hundreds of needy school children in Cleveland County.

Special activities set at KM State Park

The following activities have been scheduled in April at Kings Mountain State Park. For more information call the park at (803) 222-3209

A spring bird walk will be held Saturday, April 19. Participants will listen to the different calls of common birds which migrate back to Kings Mountain in the spring. Take binoculars, bird books and a snack. The program is designed for ages 12 through adult.

Register by April 18. The fee is \$3 per person. Meet at the campground parking lot by 9:30 a.m. for the two-hour program. ■ "Spring Bloomers" will be

held Wednesday, April 26. Participants will watch for the spring beauty of trilliums, orchids and other wildflowers as they hike Kings Mountain's trails. Take a drink and lunch.

This is a moderately strenuous hike designed for ages 10 through adult.

The fee is \$5 per person. Register by April 23. Meet at the campground parking lot by 10 a.m. for the three-hour pro-

Rep. Andy Dedmon named Caucus whip

Rep. Andy Dedmon of Cleveland County is the only freshman named a whip for the N.C. House Democratic Caucus.

His duties will include keeping House Democrats informed about upcoming votes, developing strategy and shaping leg-

He also will make sure that the Cleveland County area will have a voice in the House Democratic leadership.

"I look forward to having Rep. Dedmon as a part of the leadership team," House Minority Leader Jim Black said.

Dedmon's district includes Cleveland and Rutherford Counties and parts of Gaston and Polk Counties.

Hannah Sutton

Colleen and David Sutton of Charlotte announce the birth of their first child, Hannah Paige Sutton, March 24, 1997. She weighed three pounds, three ounces and was 17 inches long.

Her father is a 1977 graduate of Kings Mountain High School.

Grandparents are Charles Owens of Beaufort, SC, and the late Peggy Reinhardt Owens; and Billie Murray of Charlotte and the late Roger Murray.

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