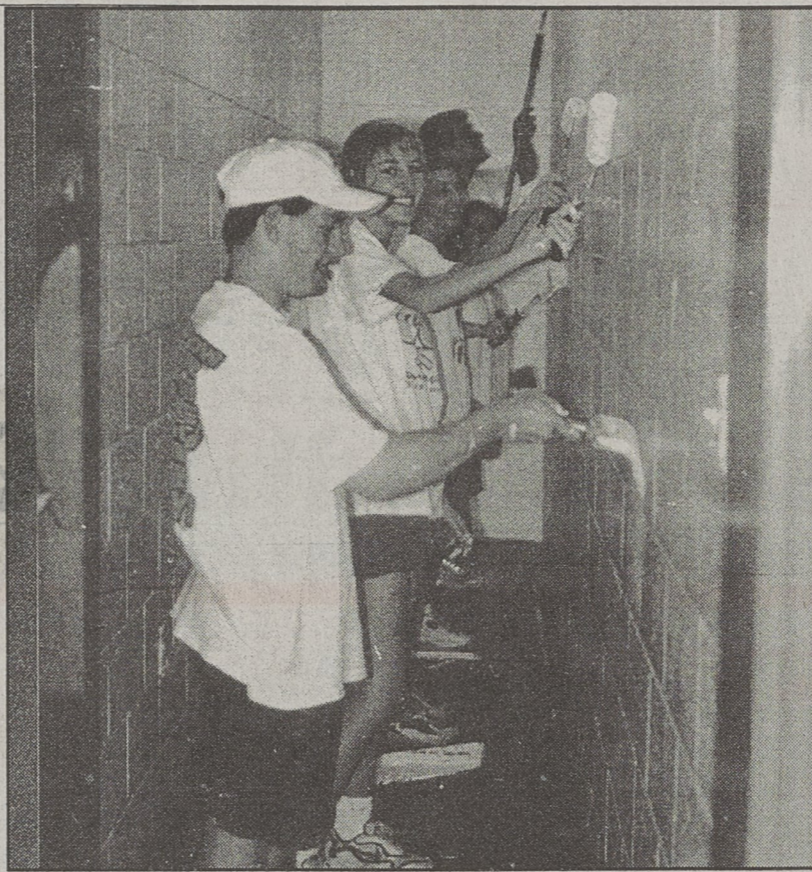


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Stephany Fraley honor roll winner
 The United States Achievement Academy announced today that Stephany Fraley of Gastonia has been recognized for academic achievement as a United States National Honor Roll Award winner.
 Fraley, who attends Bessemer City Middle School, will appear in the United States Achievement Academy Official Yearbook, which is published nationally.
 "Recognizing and supporting our youth is more important than ever before in America's history. Certainly, United States Achievement Academy winners should be congratulated and appreciated for their dedication to excellence and achievement," said Dr. George Stevens, Executive Director of the United States Achievement Academy.
 The USAA National Honor Roll Awards provide honor roll students with many benefits and services and is a great tribute to the student's dedication, talent and ability.
 Fraley is the daughter of Steve and Karen Fraley of Gastonia. Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Fraley of Gastonia and Mr. and Mrs. Gene Brown of Gastonia.



SPRING PAINTING - Students in the Interact Club sponsored by the Kings Mountain Rotary Club paint a bathroom at the Community Center as a spring clean-up project. From left, Justin Ethers, Alice Ann Howard, Chad Pearson, Will Hendricks and Abby Ropp.

Bethware School presents awards

Bethware School recently presented awards for the nine weeks grading period.
Terrific Kids - Robby Shank, Vondysa Watkins, Carmen Allison, Lamont Jefferies, Joshua Bell, Daniel Dyer, Taylor Hullender, Chris Griggs, Isaiah Byrd, James Isenhour, Krystal Ashe, Megan Talley, Tripp Ellis, William Blackburn, Tiara McClain, Laporshia McDougal, Jordan Toney, Jordan Clemons, Ryan Treece, Joseph Chambers, David Bolt, Ashli Sigismondi, Jason Strange, Kelsey Wray, Bryant Van Dyke, Jon Hines, Bridget Vouthivong, Heather Bridges, Austin Stacey, Raven Butler, Sierra Bess, Amanda Long, Dylan Justice, Kassy Whetstone, Fletcher Webster, David Clark, Stephen Moss, Clarissa Rabb, Kristen Davis, Bianca Bell, Andi Mullis, Will Stroupe, Brianna Grant, Adam Dixon, Candace Campion, Melissa Weston, Tyler Scruggs, Laronda McClain, Ken Wilson, Stacy Robbins, Nataisha Cannedy, Chad Martin, Katie Parker, Lacey Pearson, Ashley Bridges, Keith Yarboro, Jessica Crocker.
Good citizens - Maurice Bridges, Marty Barber, Timothy Gaddy, Eddie Blalock, D.J. Stokes Jr., Tony Walker, Chad Whetstone, Casey Stafford, Christian Mullis, Sidney Brown, Shaun Walker, Parlee Deaton, Kevin Holbrooks, Jacques Smarr, Tiffany Thomas, Heather Yarborough, Mia Mintz, Arti Patel, Elizabeth Greene, Lachrista Shull, Matt Cogdell, March Phouvanay, Robbie Clary, Tasha Calhoun, Jessie Watson, Krystal Proctor, Michelle Skeen, Joe Shull, Victoria Chryst, Ashley Self, Jeffrey McSwain, Josh Worthly.
Good citizens - Alycia Jordan, Stephen Moss, Taylor Cox, Shelton Watson, D'Azzia White, Jodie Allison, Carlos Bell, Brandon Ivey, Alison Sronce, Chelsie Brown, Casey Shipman, Kevin Fussell, Josh Green, Tony Davis, Brittany Brown, Matt Barber, Allan Cabrera, Max Kersbergen, Tyler Ray, Cory Phillips, Michael Henson, Haley Lail, Kyerstin Vinesett, Jon Eaker, Kris Hawkins, Katie Bell, Lee Ann Lingerfelt, Angelica Adams, Sabrina Coleman, Tyler Harris, Justin Bruner, Drew Jackson.

Obituaries

LOUCAS STROUD
GROVER - Loucas Antwan Stroud, 18, 234 Roseborough Road, died Friday, May 15, 1998. He was a native of Cleveland County.
 He is survived by his mother, Caroline Stroud Surratt of Shelby; his father, Louis Archie of the home; his stepfather, Gregory Leon Surratt of Shelby; his grandmother, Parry Lee Stroud of Lawndale; one brother, Quincy Stroud of Grover; and four sisters, Rita Stroud, Clarissa Stroud and Amber Borders of Shelby, and Brenda Archie of Grover.
 The funeral was conducted by Bishop O.B. Brintley at 2 p.m. Wednesday at Bethlehem Temple Holiness Church. Burial was in the church cemetery.
 Enloe Mortuary was in charge of arrangements.

WALTER ELGIN
KINGS MOUNTAIN - Walter Hershel Elgin, 73, 103 Lake Montonia Road, died May 18, 1998 at Carolinas Medical Center, Charlotte.
 A native of Franklin County, GA, he was the son of the late Raymond A. and Mary Dell Holloway Elgin. He was retired as a machinist for Westinghouse Corporation, where he worked for 23 years and was absent from work just one day. He was a U.S. Army veteran of World War II and a Prisoner of War. He was a member of St. Matthews Lutheran Church and North Carolina Lutheran Men in Mission. He was a member of the Blood Hound Kennel Club, VFW and American Legion Post 155.
 He is survived by his wife, Grace Margaret Falls Elgin; son, Richard Elgin of Kings Mountain; daughter, Mary Elgin Proctor of Lincolnton; grandchildren, Zachary Proctor of Lincolnton, Ronnie Proctor Jr. of Lexington, KY, Stacey Marie Elgin and Crystal Childers of Kings Mountain, and Whitney Proctor of Lincolnton.
 The funeral will be conducted by the Rev. James Dougherty at 11 a.m. Thursday at St. Matthews Lutheran Church. Burial will be in Oak View Baptist Church cemetery.
 Memorials may be made to St. Matthews Lutheran Church Memorial Fund, 201 North Piedmont Avenue, Kings Mountain, NC 28086.
 Sisk-Butler Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

CIERRA WILSON
KINGS MOUNTAIN - Cierra Nicole Wilson, 28 days, 102 East King Street, died May 12, 1998 at her home.
 She was a native of Cleveland County. She is survived by her parents, Ernest Pettis III of Kings Mountain and Tammy Wilson of Kings Mountain; maternal grandparents, Ronnie and Ruth Wilson of Kings Mountain and Lucy Wilson of Lancaster, SC; maternal great-grandparents, Clara and Charlie Blalock of Gaffney, SC; paternal grandmother, Mildred McNeal of Kings Mountain; paternal grandfather, Ernest McNeal II; paternal great-grandfather, Alfred Pettis of Gastonia; brother, Ernest Lee Pettis Jr. of Gastonia; and sister, Merisha Rochelle Pettis of Gastonia.
 A graveside service was conducted by the Rev. Odell Cook at 4 p.m. Friday at Mountain Rest Cemetery.
 Harris Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

MICHAEL FERRELL
PATCHOGUE, NY - Michael L. Ferrell, 42, died May 11, 1998 at Brookhaven Memorial Hospital.
 A native of Wyllysburg, VA, he lived in Kings Mountain for two years before moving to Holtsville, NY. He lived there for 19 years.
 He was employed by Marshall's of Stoney Brook, NY as Visual Coordinator.
 He is survived by his father, Alton Ferrell of Chase City, VA, and his sister, JoAnn Ferrell Williams of Kings Mountain, NC. He was preceded in death by his mother, Mary (Sue) Short Harris.
 The funeral was held at Ruland Funeral Home of Patchogue, NY. Burial was in Fresh Pond, Middle Village, NY.

Connor, Bundy earn degrees
 Two students from Kings Mountain were among those graduating from Mars Hill College May 9.
 Forrest Lanier Connor earned his B. A. degree in Communications and Public Relations and Shelley Elizabeth Bundy earned her B.S. degree in Physical Education.

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