

# Birthdays



CAMERON BULLOCK

### Cameron Bullock

Cameron Bullock, son of Charles and Kelly Bullock of 906 Bethlehem Road, Kings Mountain, was two years old August 26.

He celebrated August 29 with a swim party at his home. A construction theme was used. Guests were served cake that was decorated with a construction theme, and ice cream.

Guests included Paw Paw Bullock and Granny Sue, Nana, Kelisha Goodson, Cheyane Sanders, Erica and Tyler King, Garrett and Olivia Wease, Emily Webster, Bailey Goodson and all cousins, Jonathan Presnell, and other family and friends.

Grandparents are Ann Hall and Bob Goodson, and Dean and Sue Bullock.

Great-grandparents are Helen Hamrick and the late Frank Hamrick, the late Rev. and Mrs. Clyde Goodson, Clois Patterson and the late Yancey Patterson, and the late Lester and Victoria Bullock.

Cameron's mother is the former Kelly Goodson.



RYAN TURNER

### Ryan Turner

Ryan Cole Turner, son of Brent and Keisha Turner of 1001 Margrace Road, Kings Mountain, was two years old September 18.

He celebrated September 19 with a party at the home. He and his guests enjoyed hot dogs, ice cream and Barney cake. Guests included Jacob Hord IV, Haley Rucker, Chase and Luke Burton, Kelton Stone, Patrick Rucker, Anthony Glenn, Aaron Dellinger, Aunt JJ and Uncle Eric, Aunt Amy and Uncle Tripp.

Ryan has an older brother, Matthew Turner, age 4.

He is the grandson of Rev. Dennis and Carol Wells, and Wayne and Pam Turner.

Great-grandparents are Lurene Proctor and the late Burgin Proctor, Betty Wells and the late Rev. Bob Wells, Estelle Turner and the late Lloyd Turner, and James and Sarah Hale.



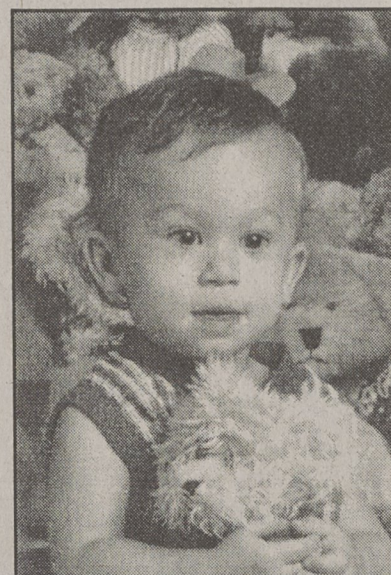
MADISON MARTIN

### Madison Martin

Madison Brooke Martin, daughter of Kevin and La'Shay Martin, celebrated her second birthday September 17.

She had a carousel party and a cookout for her family and friends at her home in Gastonia. Madison got a new swing set from her parents and grandparents.

Madison is the granddaughter of Evelyn and Bill Champion and Roger and Dianne Ross, all of Shelby, and Linda and Dennis Martin of Kings Mountain. She is the great-granddaughter of Catherine and Oliver Ross of Gastonia and Helen Sanders and Mae Morrow and Jay and Doyce Martin, all of Kings Mountain.



JON MOORE

### Jon Moore

Jon Michael Moore, son of Jon and Kim Moore, turned two years old September 3.

He celebrated with a fire truck party on September 5. Fire truck party hats and treat bags were given.

Family attending included grandparents, Raymond and Brenda Couch, and Norma and Charles Drewery. Other family members were Gene, Sissy and Misty Toney, Aunt Gigi Hastings, and Bill Fralick.

Friends attending included Chris, Tammy and Sumer Rhom, Leslie, Megan and Holden Brittain, Erika and Zachary Melton, Jenny and Morgan Sheppard, Merinda Grant, and Dylan White.



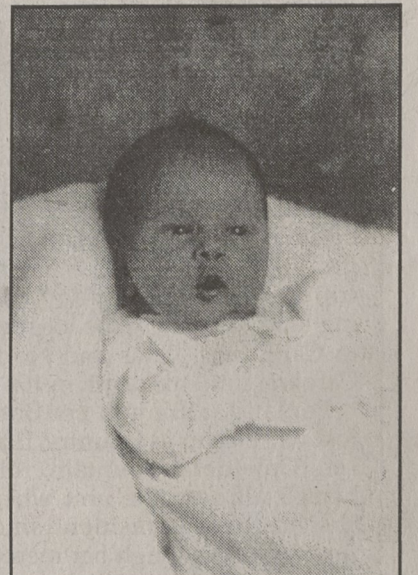
RILEY BROCK

### Riley Brock

Riley Neil Brock, son of Craig and Tiffany Smith of 300 Fulton Drive, was three years old September 9.

He celebrated September 6 with a party at Chucky Cheese. Guests included Kayla Absher, Jacob Pandorff, Siera Wray, and McKinley Smith.

Grandparents are Danny and Teresa Earls and George C. Smith Jr. and Sandy Smith.



LANDON SMITH

### Landon Smith

Landon McKinley Smith was born August 12, 1998 at Gaston Memorial Hospital. She weighed seven pounds, 13 ounces and was 19 inches long.

Parents are Craig and Tiffany Smith of 300 Fulton Drive, Kings Mountain.

Grandparents are Danny and Teresa Earls and George C. Smith Jr. and Sandy Smith. She has a brother, Riley, 3.



SAM BAKER

### Sam Baker

Samuel Stephen "Sam" Baker, son of Steve and Sandra Baker of 803 West Mountain Street, was two years old July 31.

He celebrated August 1 with a swim party with a race car theme at the home of his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Cobb. Friends and family attended.

Sam is the grandson of Jack and Carolyn Cobb and Tom and Beth Baker, and great-grandson of Fred Sanders.



DESTINY WOOD

### Destiny Wood

Destiny Joylynn Wood was born May 26, 1998 at Gaston Memorial Hospital.

She weighed eight pounds, eight ounces and was 21 inches long.

Parents are Mark and Nikki Wood of Kings Mountain. Maternal grandparents are David and Debbie Dixon. Paternal grandparents are Norm and Catherine Lane and Marvin Wood.

Great-grandparents are Al and Thelma Tucker, Delbert and Hilda Dixon, and Rose and the late Leroy Wood.



MEREDITH LEE BAKER


### Meredith Baker

Meredith Lee Baker was born May 21, 1998 at Cleveland Regional Medical Center. She weighed six pounds, 13 ounces and was 20 inches long.

Parents are Dr. and Mrs. Steve Baker of 803 West Mountain Street.

Maternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Jack Cobb. Paternal grandparents are Dr. and Mrs. Thomas Baker. Great-grandfather is Fred Sanders.

Meredith has a sister, Caroline, 4, and a brother, Sam, 2.



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## THE TRUTH

Hugh W. Johnston

### We're Back In Five Newspapers With Things You Need To Know

As promised by me and requested by you, THE TRUTH, is back. Beginning with today's edition and in weeks to follow, this column expands its appearance to five newspapers in your distribution area, not one as in the past. Look for it. Its contents concern you.

**READERS** will notice a different format that will make the column more interesting and easier to read. However, THE TRUTH will continue to present important topics of interest in hopes of stimulating people to think for themselves and become involved with positive actions that are beneficial to their economic and social well being.

Initially, THE TRUTH will concentrate on four primary areas--Gaston Memorial Hospital, Gaston County's most valuable asset; Education, how it must be improved to save children of the future; The Terrible Predicament of Gastonia and other members of Electricities; and the excessive cost of police service in Gaston County.

**THE HOSPITAL:** Since the hospital belongs to the people of Gaston County shouldn't they have input into its operation? The answer is "yes." Be it understood, the purpose of these columns is not to confuse, only to inform. We have never commented on or criticized services provided by the hospital. Our bone of contention is with the tremendous misuse of funds being generated by the hospital in addition to the hospital's total failure to operate within the guidelines created by the original hospital authority in the early 1980's.


**EDUCATION:** The focus here will be on how to achieve real improvements in education which will materialize only if a sufficient number of people have enough interest to force improvements.

**ELECTRICITIES:** Gastonia and a group of other municipalities that own a nuclear power plant are in deep trouble. This association is in the unfortunate position of having to pay whatever the management company decides to charge for electricity. This is one of the reasons why electrical rates in the City of Gastonia are significantly higher than those charged by Duke Power Co.

**POLICE SERVICE:** Attention will be places on the astronomical cost of service to the sparse areas of Gastonia.

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