

Briefs

Friday Focus seminar February 12 in Shelby

Spaces are still available for the first Friday Focus seminar for the spring.

"Communications in Small Groups" is the topic on February 12 from 9 a.m.-12 noon. Cleveland County Public Information Officer Peggy Beach is the facilitator.

Participants will learn techniques for networking, forming strong committees and having effective meetings.

The seminar is free and open to the public. To sign up and for more information, call Peggy Beach at 476-3012.

Cleveland County's February main events

Top 8 events happening in Cleveland County government in February:

February 11 - Soil and Water Conservation supervisors meeting, 5:15 p.m., Soil Conservation Office, corner of Highway 18 and Wallace Grove Road.

February 12 - Friday Focus seminar, "Communication in Small Groups," 9 a.m.-12 noon, first floor conference room, County Administration Building.

February 14-28 - Visit of Carla Quieroga of the Industrial Chamber of Commerce in Bolivia. For more information, call Steve Gibson at the



PHONE DONATION- Bell Atlantic Mobile recently donated two wireless phones to the Cleveland County Red Cross. Taking part in a training session are, left to right; Cindy Benton, Bell Atlantic sales associate; Bill Young, Red Cross volunteer; Penny Henderson, Bell Atlantic Mobile sales manager; and Ruth Young, Red Cross volunteer.

Cooperative Extension Office, 482-4365.

February 15 - Planning Board meeting, 7:30 p.m., commissioners chambers, County Administration Building.

February 16 - County Commissioners meeting, 7 p.m., County Administration Building commissioners chambers.

February 21-27 - Severe Weather Awareness Week. Statewide tornado drill on Feb. 24. Call Beau Lovelace at 484-

4988.

February 22 - DSS Board meeting, 4 p.m., DSS board room.

February 25 - EDC board meeting, 4 p.m., first floor conference room, County Administration Building.

*For more information on these and other county events, call Peggy Beach, Public Information Officer, at 476-3012.

Free tax assistance for senior citizens

The American Association of Retired Persons (AARP) Tax-Aid Program has trained volunteers who are willing to help Cleveland County senior citizens complete their income tax forms.

Trained in cooperation with the IRS and the NC Department of Revenue, they are knowledgeable about both federal and state taxes.

When meeting with a tax-aid volunteer, take:

■ a copy of last year's forms and verification papers of expenses and income

■ any forms showing income you earned or pensions or social security paid to you.

■ 1099 forms showing interest or dividends that your investments have earned

■ receipts or canceled checks for medical costs or property taxes you have paid or for any contributions you have made to charities.

■ Tax forms you have received from the IRS (1998-1040) or from the NC Department of Revenue (State)

The AARP Tax-Aid Volunteers will be at the Kings Mountain Senior Center on Tuesday, Feb. 16 and Tuesday, March 9 from 10 a.m.-12 noon and from 1-4 p.m. Seniors must have an appointment to see the tax-aid.

Call Mattie Scoggins at 734-0447 to make an appointment.

KM Police Report

ARRESTS

Garnett Glenford Boardwine, 31, 703 Church St., assault on a female. Judith Swicegood Phillips, 57, Statesville, possession of stolen property, driving while license revoked, and displaying a fictitious registration, \$1000 bond, secured.

Kelly Antonio Lenair, 32, 811 W. Gold St., assault on a female.

Billy Maurice Johnson, 28, 811 W. Gold St. No. 21, domestic violence and resist, obstruct, delay.

Larry Joe Vassey, 30, 619 Polkville Rd., felonious larceny and assault on a female, \$6000 bond, secured.

Johnny Ray Bailey, 21, 811 W. Gold St. Lot 29, second degree trespass, \$300 bond, secured.

Stacey Renee Watterson, 27, 4-A Battleforest, simple assault.

Frederick A. Smith, 41, 513 Cherokee St., criminal summons, worthless check.

Michael Junior Greene, 29, 1014 Seluda St., Chesnee, SC, unlawful concealment, \$300 bond, secured.

Roderick Anthony Roberts, 27, 204 Putnam Place, driving while license revoked, fictitious tag, reckless and careless driving, failure to register vehicle, no insurance, resist, delay and obstruct officer, open container in vehicle and speeding to elude arrest, \$17,000 bond, secured.

Terrence Benard Jarrett, 24, 1202 Northwoods Dr., possession with intent to sell and deliver, \$5000 bond, secured.

Mary Starlene Macafee, 31, Clover, SC, driving while license revoked, \$500 bond, secured.

Roger Gene Farris, 36, 120 N. Deal St., disorderly conduct, \$300 bond, unsecured.

Travis Andrew Watterson, 28, 911 Sterling Dr., domestic criminal trespass and misdemeanor breaking and entering.

Robin Christopher Stone, 29, 603 S. Linwood Rd., Gastonia, larceny, \$800 bond, secured.

CITATIONS

Robert Wayne Hill, 27, Catawba, SC, stop light violation.

Christopher Fitzgerald Lee, 34, Grover, Christine Joy Martin, 22, Mount Holly, Brian K. Burton, 23, 801 W. Mountain St., Nicholas Dale Benton, 18, 249 Benton Rd., Donna Marie Morris, 22, Shelby, Madhu Mikkamela, Asheville, Michael Kevin Duhaime, 42, 192 Cindy Lane, Michael Scott Grimsley, 32, 521 Waco Rd., Nathan William Beard, 21, 109 Beas Place, Catling Rene Boyce, 25, Shelby, Terry Lewis Kendall, 26, Campobello, SC, Joseph Franklin Gladden, 33, 912 Second St., Jonathan Joseph Zimble, 19, Grover, Andres Hoskins, 27, Charlotte, and Henry Shane Frankum, 23, 205 Farris Road No. 8.

David Clinton Brown, 31, Gastonia, speeding and expired tag.

Eugene Jesse Wright, 60, 409 Dixon School Rd., no insurance.

Jeffrey Lamar Cody, 38, 1061 Monte Vista Dr., unsafe movement.

Wanda Johnson, 39, 1507 Lackey St., Shelby, speeding and failure to carry a driver's license.

INCIDENTS

Kings Mountain Express, King St., reported larceny of candy and damage to a gas pump; Kutaka Ruffin, 72 Pine Manor, reported theft of a play station, games and jewelry valued at over \$800; Donna Cook, 404 Tate Terrace, reported theft of aluminum trash cans; Times Turnaround, 908 S. Battleground Ave., reported theft of gasoline; Hattie Harmon, 1401 Shelby Rd., reported damage to a storm window, fuse box and carpet on Afton Drive Lot 2; Carl Smith, 403 Cherry St., reported theft of a kerosene heater; Harris-Teeter, King St., reported that a customer passed two bogus checks and a customer took \$100 in assorted meats; Robert Hicklin, 527 Katherine Ave., reported theft of four hubcaps with spinners and metal screws; Kings Mountain Metal Fabrication, 205-1 York Rd., reported theft of \$1,000 worth of metal; Little Dan's, 726 York Rd., reported three incidents of customers passing bogus checks; Rita Black, Pennington Place, reported a lost or stolen wallet; Benton Express, 604 Benton Express Ave., reported that a section of chain link fence was cut; Tracy Cohn, 202 Thornburg Dr., reported damage to a window; Food Lion, Shelby Rd., reported larceny of \$410 in groceries; Winn-Dixie, Shelby Rd., reported incidents of shoplifting; Stacey Watterson, 4-A Battleforest, reported that her door was damaged; Leigh Reynolds, 206 Victoria Circle, reported an incident of mail fraud; Larry Smith, 410 Hill St., reported that someone threw bottles in his yard and took up his fence post; Fred Caldwell Chevrolet, Broadview Dr., reported theft of two Ford Mustangs valued at \$7000; Anastasca Young, 211 E. Ridge St., reported theft of her

mail; Danny Lee Silvers, 221 Hasting Rd., Bessemer City, reported theft of his car tag; Harris-Teeter, King St., reported theft of cash; First Baptist Church, King St., reported theft of an electric keyboard valued at \$1400; Ricky Carroll, 802 First St., reported damage to a steel door; Harris-Teeter, King St., reported theft of beer; Mary Neisler, 700 Lee St., reported damage to a wood fence; Mary Kaylor, 45 Pine Manor, reported damage to a kitchen window; Ramada Limited, York Road, reported theft of a television set; Kings Mountain Medical Associates, 214 N. Cleveland Ave., reported theft of currency; Dana Rae Street, Ellenboro, reported theft of a 1995 Ford valued at \$10,000; Richard Dixon, 717 Landing St., reported theft of a car tag; Heidi Jones, Allison Court, reported theft of a CD player and damage to her car after a break-in; Rhonda Hopper, 59 Pine Manor, reported theft of a stereo system after her apartment was broken into; Little Dan's, 716 York Rd., reported that a customer hit a Amoco sign with his car and drove away; Johnnie Clinton, 604 Temple St., reported that he was robbed of \$15; Harris-Teeter, King St., reported two incidents of shoplifting and theft of cash; Ann Johnson, 14 Pine Manor, reported theft of cash; Ejaz Ahmed, 601 Odell St., Gastonia, reported theft of a Coleman lantern; Nancy L. Laircey, Robbinsville, reported theft of her purse from her car; Fred Caldwell Chevrolet reported theft of a car stereo and damage to a console; and Diane Harris, 113 Goforth Rd., reported theft of her purse from her car.

Greg Thompson, 105 N. Watterson St., reported vandalism to a tombstone at Mountain Rest Cemetery, including two porcelain angels and flower pots.

Assault complaints were filed by Tammy Elder, 811 W. Gold St. Lot 21; Dana Rae Street, 495 Robert Church Rd., Ellenboro; Jerry Wade Carpenter Jr., 414 Crystal Lane, Shelby, Reginald Edward Turner, 400 W. Parker St., Brenda Beardwine, 703 Church St., and Gary Dee Wilson, 1241 Second Street.

WRECKS

JAN. 16

Shanna Boiter, Cherryville, was backing her 1995 Dodge from a parking space at Hardees and struck a 1988 Pontiac operated by Martha Burns, 921 Oak Grove Rd. Damages were estimated at \$1200.

A 1986 Chevrolet operated by Zenia Rodden, Gastonia, struck a 1993 Nissan at the gas pumps at Mike's Citgo. The parked car, owned by Charles Lee Odems, 117 Lake Montonia Rd., was slightly damaged.

JAN. 20

A vehicle which left the scene struck a 1996 Plymouth operated by Deana Francis, 3 21 Chestnut Ridge Road. The accident happened at Carpenter and King Streets.

JAN. 21

Three people were treated for injuries after a three-car pileup at the traffic light at King Street and Country Club Road. Ptl Gary Wagner said a 1986 Buick operated by Helen Hamrick, 355 Patterson Rd., struck a 1996 Dodge Van operated by Lynn Aderholdt which struck a 1997 Ford truck operated by Jeffrey Thompson, of Shelby, both vehicles owned by Transportation Administration of Cleveland County. Damages were estimated at \$8800.

JAN. 23

A 1993 Plymouth Van owned by Debra Reedy, 481 Alex Owens Dr., was damaged \$700 while parked at Harris-Teeter on King Street.

JAN. 25

A 1989 Pontiac operated by Jada Jackson, 107 Woodall Dr., struck a 1997 Nissan truck operated by Kenneth Hutemann, Gastonia, at a traffic light on East Gold Street. Damages were estimated at \$2250.

JAN. 26

Jerry Wade Carpenter Jr., 40, of 414 Crystal Lane, Shelby, was treated at Cleveland Regional Medical Center after he was struck by a 1984 Maxima operated by Tyrone Davis Moore, 101 Pennant St. Ptl. S. N. Wray said Moore was traveling north on S. Battleground Avenue and struck a 1986 Chevrolet truck operated by William Mitchell Moore, 204 Creekside Court, Bessemer City, at the traffic signal on S. Battleground, backed up and rolled over the pedestrian. Charges are pending and the investigation is continuing.

JAN. 27

A 1997 Ford truck operated by Faye Williams Matthews, 378 Dixon Dairy Rd., struck a parked 1993 Chevrolet truck owned by Jill Romnek, 807 Third St. The accident occurred on Third Street. Damages were estimated at \$1500.

NOVEMBER

DECEMBER

JANUARY

No Wonder February Is National Heart Month.

This February, give your heart a holiday. Eat right and get plenty of exercise. With all the recent festivities, your heart can probably use it. After all, you don't want to give heart disease any help. It's already the number one killer of men and women in our region. So if you have questions or need more information on National Heart Month, call Gaston Heart Center, The Carolinas Heart Institute - Gastonia at (704) 83HEART. Or visit our website at www.gastonhealthcare.org. Comprehensive heart care. Close to home. Now that's something to celebrate.



Order of Confederate Rose to meet in Kings Mountain

North Carolina Society Order of Confederate Rose will meet February 11 at Loui's Family Restaurant, Highway 74 Business, Kings Mountain.

The meeting will be held at 7:15 p.m. Those attending the supper should gather at 6:30.

The organization is open to anyone 10 years of age and older, regardless of lineage or gen-

der. It is a non-racial, non-political, and non-sectarian civic group.

The group will discuss several items of interest, including working on the crafts the group will make for the state convention to be held in May.

For more information, call 739-6139.