

Tour of Homes

Welcome spring by visiting some of KM's historical homes, buildings

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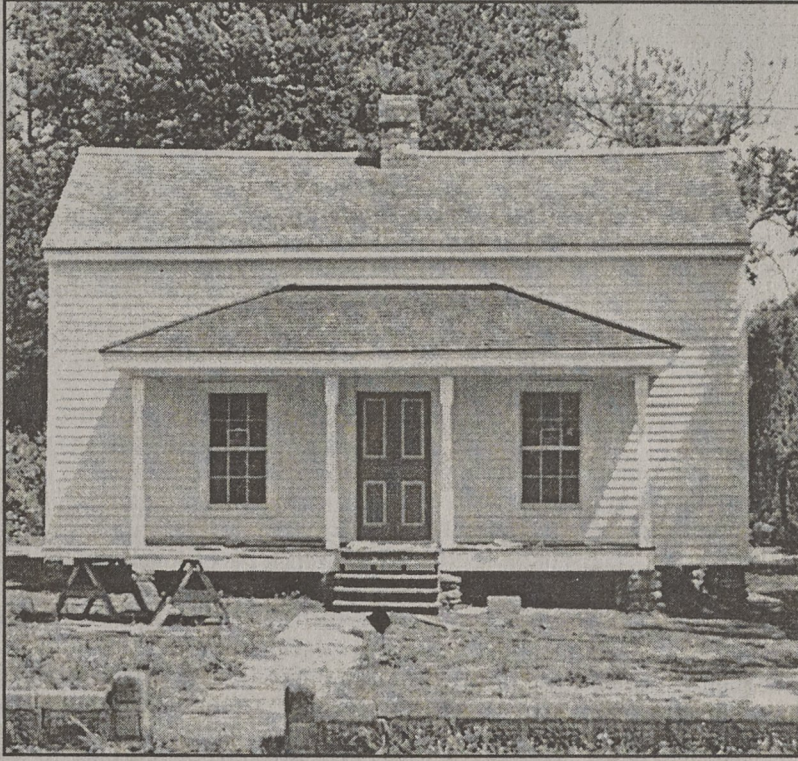
The Kings Mountain Historic Tour Committee and First Charter Bank will present the "Welcome to Spring" Home Tour on Saturday, May 6, from 10 a.m. until 5 p.m. Tickets are \$10 per person and includes lunch donated by the Sub Factory. Tickets are available at Kings Mountain businesses including First Charter, Frady's Florist, Ashley's Antiques, Dellinger's Jewel Shop, Christmas Emporium, and Harris-Teeter.

The Tour will include five residences, the old Post Office Building which houses the new Kings Mountain Historic Museum, and the Mauney House at 104 N. Battleground Avenue which is currently undergoing restoration.

The first home is located at 510 N. Piedmont and is currently owned by Cindy and Mike Brown. A 19th century colonial, the home was originally built by the C.E. Neisler family. The home is available for wedding receptions and other events rather than a residence.

Situated at 110 N. Gaston Street, the second home on the Tour dates to 1937 and is built in the Georgian style. It was originally the home of Kathrine Dicey Moss and Paul Mauney Neisler, Jr. Current owners are Bill and Melissa Lawrence.

Next stop on the Tour is 105 E. Ridge Street and the Central School building. Presently used



Though not officially on the Tour of Homes, the Mauney house at 104 N. Battleground Avenue will be available for viewing. The structure dates to 1870 and is undergoing restoration.

as the administrative offices of the Kings Mountain District Schools, the structure was built in 1933 and housed students for over six decades before classes ended in 1994.

The home of Melva and Roy Huffstetler, Jr., stop four is located at 202 N. Piedmont Avenue. Beginning as a 1,000 square foot house in the late 19th century, the house has been expanded to its current 5,000 square feet.

The next home is on the corner of Kings Street and

Piedmont Avenue. Dr. and Mrs. D. Beutel's house at 100 N. Piedmont Avenue was built in 1874 by railroad man and entrepreneur I.W. Garrett. A three-story, 7,000 square foot architectural tour de force, this house may soon become the first B&B in Kings Mountain.

Though located just outside the proposed Historic District, the oldest original house in Kings Mountain is located at 104 N. Battleground Avenue.

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Currently owned by Dr. and Mrs. D. Beutel of Lincolnton, the former Garrett house at 100 N. Piedmont Avenue was built in 1874. The three story structure is slated to become a bed and breakfast.

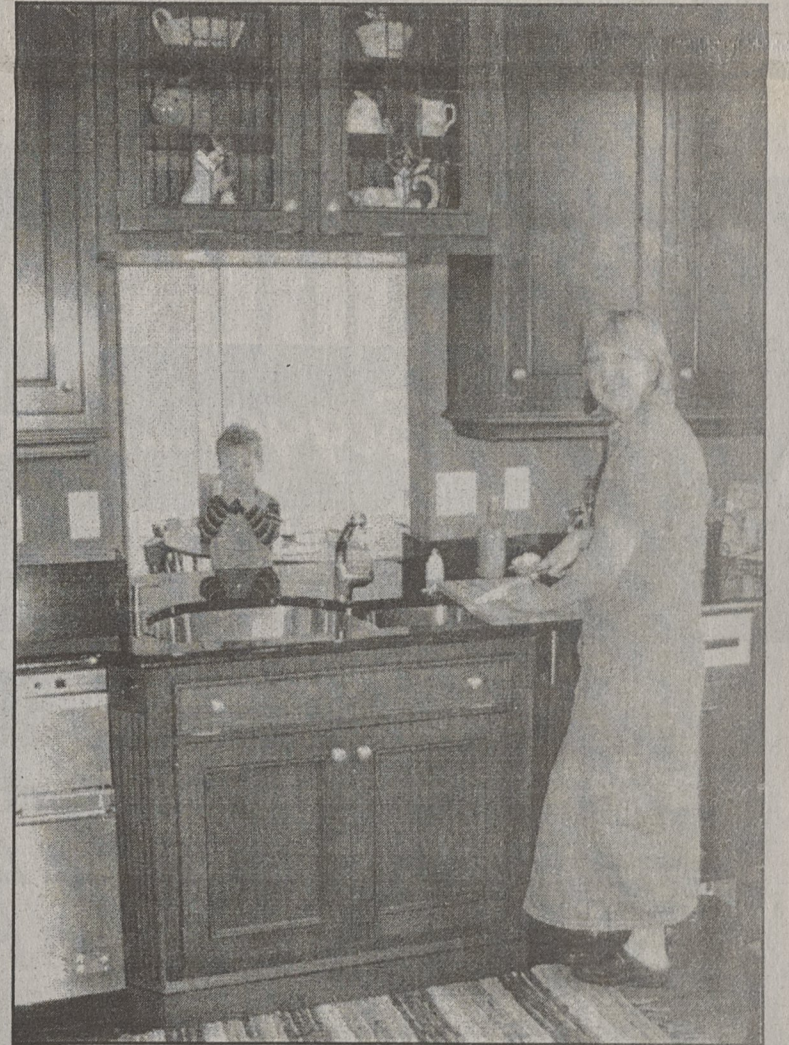


Melva and Roy Huffstetler, Jr. have greatly expanded their 19th century home at 202 N. Piedmont Avenue. The Huffstetlers have filled the house with a variety of antiques.

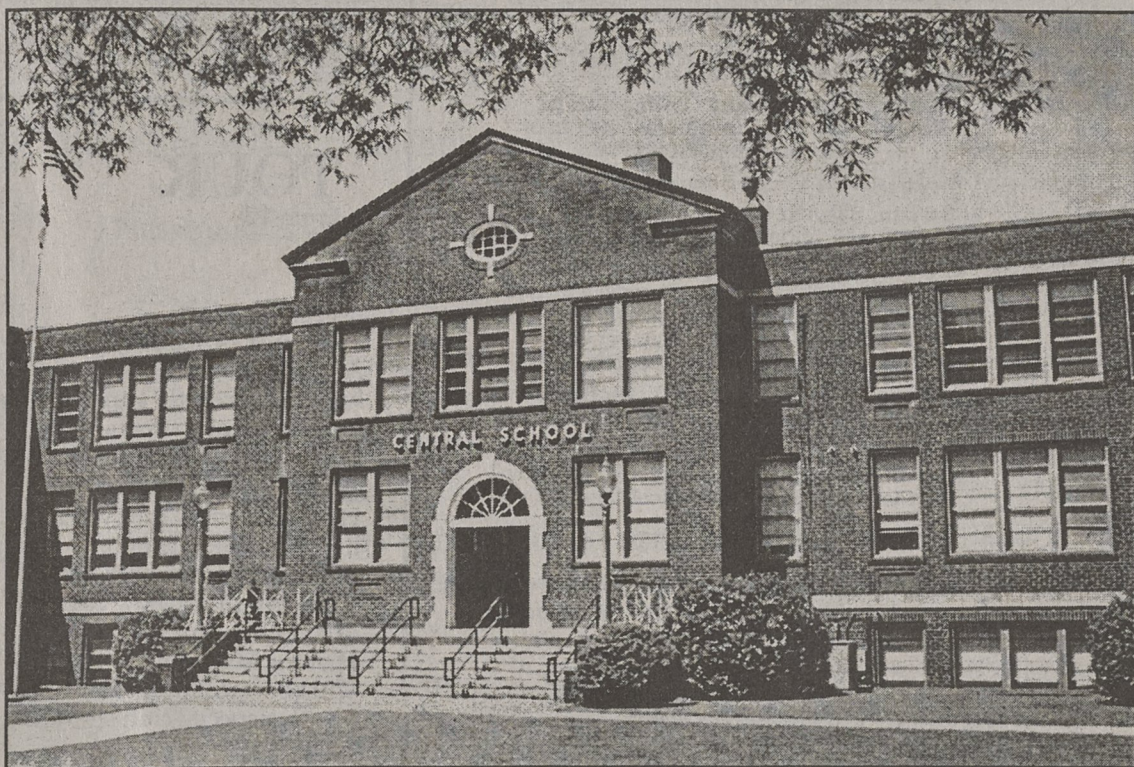


Known as the "White House" the property of Cindy and Mike Brown at 510 N. Piedmont Avenue was built in the late 19th century for the Neisler family. The home is currently used for wedding receptions and other events.

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Melissa Lawrence and son Joe enjoy a recent morning in the remodeled kitchen of their home at 110 N. Gaston Street. Melinda and husband Bill are doing much of the restoration work on their Georgian-style home themselves.



The Central School building is also part of the May Tour of Homes in Kings Mountain. The structure currently houses the administrative offices of the Kings Mountain District Schools.



Soon to house the Kings Mountain History Museum, the former Post Office at 104 E. Mountain Street will be open for the May 6 Tour of Homes.