# KMLT wants to get acquainted every Thursday night in August

Kings Mountain Little Theatre is holding "Get Acquainted With Us Thursdays" in August.

Each Thursday in the month, anyone interested in joining the group of learning about the back stage features of the community theater are invited to at-

Each evening will begin with a snack supper at 6 p.m. at the Kings Mountain Woman's Club, 108 Mountain Street.

August 3, 10 and 24 will be devoted to organizing and cataloguing of costumes, set items, and props.

August 17 and 31 will be special evenings of Reader's

Theater. For more information, call Jim and Susan Champion at 739-9603.

■ Audition dates for the KMLT production of "Nuncrackers" are Sunday, August 13 and Monday, August 14 at 7 p.m. Jim Champion will direct the sequel to "Nunsense," with several of his original cast members returning to reprise their roles.

The "Nunsense" Christmas Musical "Nuncrackers," takes place in real time in the basement of Mount St. Helen's Convent. It is the first TV special being taped in the Cable Access TV Studio built by Reverend Mother with a part of the prize money won earlier by Sister Mary Paul (aka Amnesia).

The cast (returning players in parenthesis) consists of Reverend Mother Regina (Susan Champion), Sister Mary

Hubert (Teresa Williams), Sister Robert Anne (Linda Strachan), Sister Mary Paul/Amnesia, and Father Virgil Manly Trott. In addition there will be two young boys and two young girls (Mount St. Helen's students).

the Cleveland County Arts Council. KMLT productions are funded in part by a Grassroots Grant from the North Carolina Arts Council.

## PEOPLE



**SUBRINA JONES** 

#### Subrina Jones celebrates birthday

Subrina Nellie Louise Jones, daughter of David and Sherry Jones of Kings Mountain, was 13 years old on July 10.

She and her guests attended a movie at Moovies at Franklin Square, and then had a party at CiCi's Pizza. Afterward, they were served birthday cake and Subrina opened her presents.

Attending were Lindsey Carpenter, Amanda Bullard, Heather Wilson, Ashley Jones, and Nikki Wray.

Subrina is the granddaughter of Arnold Short of Kings Mountain and the late Louise Ford Short, and Nellie Jones of Shelby and the late Harris C. Jones.

Great-grandparents are Inez Bridges of Shelby, the late Lillian Davis Ford of Kings Mountain, and the late Rosie Benfield Short of York, SC.

#### Lattimore to preach at Gethsemane Church

George Junior Lattimore will preach his initial sermon at 7 p.m. August 5 at Gethsemane Holiness Church.

For more information, call Bishop James Mintz at 739-0203.



**CALEB SLOOP** 

#### Caleb M. Sloop celebrates birthday

Caleb Matthew Sloop, son of Mike and Christi Sloop of Charlotte, was one year old July 26. He celebrated July 23 with a Winnie the Pooh party.

Family members and guests were served hot dogs, cake, ice cream and other refreshments.

Guests included his big brother, Riley, uncle Ronnie Arant of Charlotte, special friend Lori Davis of Charlotte, grandparents Buddy and Evie Arant of Kings Mountain and David and Jan Sloop of Weddington, and his greatgrandfather, Jack Penick of Charlotte.

He is also the great-grandson of Eleanor Penick of Charlotte and Anne Arant of Chester, SC.

#### Davidson sheriff to speak at church

Davidson County Sheriff Gerald K. Hege, known as "America's Toughest Sheriff," will speak at Temple Baptist Church, corner of West Airline and Littlejohn Streets, Gastonia, Saturday, August 19 at 4 p.m.

For more information, call 865-0420.

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RILEY SLOOP

#### Riley M. Sloop celebrates birthday

Riley Michael Sloop, son of Mike and Christi Sloop of Charlotte, was five years old July 24. He celebrated with an 'Arthur" party at Chick-Fil-A in Matthews.

Guests were served chicken nugget kids meals, cake and ice cream.

Guests included Chloe Moore, Katy Colvin, Erin Tillman, Bayleigh and Kylee Henneman, Austin and Thompson Cunningham, and Christopher and Victoria Phipps, all of Charlotte.

Riley has a brother, Caleb, who is one year old.

He is the grandson of Buddy and Evie Arant of Kings Mountain and David and Jan Sloop of Weddington. His greatgrandparents are Jack and Eleanor Penick of Charlotte and Anne Arant of Chester, SC.

#### Sharpes in concert at Temple Baptist

Vance and Jeannie Sharpe of Blythewood, SC, will be in concert Sunday, August 13 at 11 a.m. and 6 p.m. at Temple Baptist Church, 701 Littlejohn Street, West Gastonia.

#### Local airmen are on duty in Mediterranean

Navy Airman Philip C. Smith, son of Sandra and George C. Smith of Kings Mountain, and Navy Airman Bridgette M. Barker, daughter of Cathryn F. Barker of Bessemer City, recently departed on a six-month deployment to the Mediterranean Sea and Arabian Gulf while assigned to the aircraft carrier USS George Washington, home ported in Norfolk, VA.

They are among more than 10,000 Atlantic Fleet Sailors and Marines deploying aboard the ships of the USS George Washington Carrier Battle Group and USS Saipan Amphibious Ready Group. The groups are comprised of 11 surface combatants, two submarines, nine aircraft squadrons and one Marine Expeditionary Unit.

During the deployment, Smith's and Barker's ship will defend U.S. policy and support international interests in the Middle East and Europe.

Prior to deploying, the groups participated in a 17-day Atlantic Joint Task Force Exercise. This exercise was designed to prepare naval forces for contingencies they may encounter during the deployment. Sailors trained in amphibious, undersea and surface warfare operations, and maritime interception.

Carriers like USS George Washington are deployed around the world to maintain U.S. presence and provide rapid response in times of crisis. They serve as a highly visible deter-rent to would-be aggressors, and are equipped with the most versatile and powerful weapons and aircraft available.

Smith, a 1999 graduate of Kings Mountain High School, joined the Navy in August 1999. Barker, a 1999 graduate of Bessemer City High School, joined the Navy in September

## For more information, call Jim Champion at 739-9603.

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## **CLUBS**



Athlene Hicks, left, and Betty Masters of Colonel Frederick Hambright Chapter, DAR, were recognized nationally for their efforts to raise donations for the DAR's Book of Remembrance. Hicks is Regent of the local chapter, and Masters is NC State Program Chairman.

### Hicks and Masters recognized for raising funds for DAR project

Members of Colonel Frederick Hambright Chapter, Daughters of the American Revolution, recently helped North Carolina win third place in the World War II Memorial Challenge, an effort to collect the most donations for honorees in the DAR's Book of Remembrance.

State Regent Betty Boyd, Vice Chairman of the WWII Memorial Challenge for the Southeast District, won first place in the nation for sending in the most honorees for the book - 2,272.

John Foster Chapter in Monroe won first place for the chapter reporting the largest number of donations - 221. Alexander Martin Chapter in High Point was second with the most donors - 83.

North Carolina sent in \$27,190, and was topped only by the much-larger states of California and Texas.

Of the 22 DAR members across the country who had 20 or more donations, two were from Kings Mountain - Athlene Hicks and Betty Masters.

DAR chapters are continuing the memorial effort through December 31. To place a name in the Book of Remembrance, call Athlete Hicks at 739-6585 or Betty Masters at 739-2653.



These Webelos Scouts of the Scorpion Patrol of Pack 93, East Elementary School, led by Cub Master Joe Holland, recently received Cub Scouts' highest honor, the Arrow of Light Award. The ceremony also includes Cub Scouts crossing over to Boy Scouts. Front row, left to right, Wendell Bunch Jr., Alex Fields, John Witherspoon and Austin Gardner. Back, den leader Charles Witherspoon and assistant den leader. Tim Gardner. These Scouts joined Troop 92, sponsored by First Baptist Church and led by Scout Master Dennis Bolin.

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