

Kings Mountain's Fall cleanup set Saturday

By GARY STEWART
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Operation Fall Clean-up, the second effort by the city to give citizens an opportunity to get rid of trash and debris that is not normally picked up by the Sanitation Department, will be held Saturday from 8 a.m.-5 p.m. at two locations.

Large, manned trash containers will be placed at the Kings Mountain Fire Museum at 210 Cleveland Avenue, and the dead end street at the National Guard Armory at 300 Phifer Road.

Mayor Rick Murphrey said items that can be accepted include fence wire, roofing material, floor tile, ceramic tile, bricks, blocks and concrete, car parts, and bagged grass clippings.

Items that cannot be accepted are tree trunks, boards with nails, rocks, sand or dirt, hazardous materials and combustible waste. Paint cans will not be accepted unless they are emptied and filled with dirt, sand or paper.

Tires cannot be accepted. Murphrey said the county landfill has a trailer for collecting

tires. "This is an all-out effort in trying to clean up roadside trash," Murphrey said. "Let's all continue to work together to clean up our city."

In other action, Council: ■ Was invited by Bernice Chappel, vice-president of the Kings Mountain Business & Professional Association, to a "Salute to Kings Mountain" reception Tuesday, Oct. 17 from 5:30-8:30 p.m. at Holiday Inn Express.

■ Was asked by Jim Zwick of Rhodes Ave. to repair pot holes in the 800 block of Rhodes Avenue, and consider repaving the street.

■ Was asked by Sally Kimbrell to check into squirrels trying to enter the home of an elderly lady on Parker St.

■ Was asked by Jim Martin to proclaim the first Sunday of October each year as Confederate Memorial Day.

■ Authorized an auction of city owned personal property on Saturday, Oct. 14 at 9 a.m. at the Public Works building. The sale will include cars, trucks, tractors, lawn mowers, bush hogs, and other equipment.

■ Rejected a bid received for voltage regulators due to receiving only one bid.

■ Approved the annual renewal resolution of consideration for annexation. The area extends past most of the area recently taken into the two-mile ETJ and other areas. The action does not mean those areas will be annexed, but keeps the city's options open and is a requirement of state law prior to adoption of an intent to annex.

■ Authorized the mayor to enter into an agreement with Gaston County for collection of taxes.

■ Named Dean Spears as voting delegate and Howard Shipp as alternate to the annual business meeting of the 2000 Conference of the N.C. League of Municipalities in Fayetteville Oct. 15-17.

■ Recognized Don Campbell and Willie Yarbrough for 15 years of employment with the city.

YMCA success noted, essay winners announced

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Kings Mountain City Council received an update on the progress of the city's recreation arrangement with the YMCA, and also heard a report of other special activities scheduled in town over the next several months at Tuesday night's monthly meeting at City Hall.

YMCA Director David Ozmore said the Y has been in Kings Mountain for a little over a year and already has over 2,000 members. The Y also operates the city's recreation program, with the city providing \$300,000 a year toward the cost.

Ozmore said the Y and City have "one of the country's most unique" recreation partnerships. I don't know of any other City where the recreation program is provided through the YMCA.

In addition to providing the typical youth sports programs, Ozmore said the Y has also been able to offer a large number of programs and special activities for older people. Senior activities, health fairs, etc., are held on a regular basis and the Y also offers additional youth activities such as child care, teen centers, and church youth programs, he said.

He said during the first year, the Y provided over \$15,000 in scholarships to young people who couldn't otherwise afford to participate. He said the KM YMCA membership rates are the lowest in North and South Carolina.

"We're doing a lot for families, and what's so unique is that we provide a Christian atmosphere," he said.

Ellis Noell, the city's special events director, spoke of several activities that have been planned over the next several months.

The city will take part in the 220th celebration of the Battle of Kings Mountain on Saturday, Sept. 7 from 2-5 p.m. at KM National Military Park. Seven students who won the recent essay on "The Day the Mountain Spoke," will be escorted to the celebration in a limousine. After the celebration, they will return to Kings Mountain for a treat at Swoogers.

Winners of the contest are Dustin Wilson, Lacey Beam, Ben Carswell, Miles Galloway, Haley Calvert, Megan Bradshaw, and Sarah Roberts, all students at Kings Mountain Middle School.

A schedule of the other October festivities will run in next week's Herald.

OBITUARIES

CARRIE CHALMERS
KINGS MOUNTAIN - Carrie Bolt Chalmers, 89, 407 Garrison Drive, died September 20, 2000 at Raleigh Community Hospital, Raleigh.

A native of Laurens Co., SC, and a former resident of Anderson, SC, and Wilmington, she was the daughter of the late Robert Martin and Temple Blackstone Bolt and wife of the late John Thompson Chalmers. She was also preceded in death by seven brothers and five sisters.

She was a member of First Baptist Church, and was a homemaker.

She is survived by her sons, John Chalmers of Raleigh, David Chalmers of Wilmington, and Joseph Chalmers of N. Augusta, SC; daughters, June Chalmers Lee of Kings Mountain, Joyce Chalmers Brooks of Westminster, SC, and Miriam Chalmers Smith of Norfolk, VA; sister, Hettie Reese of Westminster, SC; 15 grandchildren and 18 great-grandchildren.

A memorial service was conducted by Dr. John Sloan at 2 p.m. Saturday at First Baptist Church. Interment was in Mountain Rest Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to First Baptist Church, P.O. Box 786, Kings Mountain, NC 28086 or to the charity of the donor's choice.

Harris Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

ROBERT G. COX
KINGS MOUNTAIN - Robert G. Cox, 59, 813 Church Street, died Monday, September 18, 2000.

A native of York County, SC, he was the son of the late Robert Lee and Hester J. Brackett Cox. He was an employee of Parkdale Yarns, Gastonia, and was a Baptist.

He is survived by his wife, Ruth Thrift Cox of Kings Mountain; sons, Ronald Cox and Michael Cox of Forest City; daughter, Jackie Cox of Forest City; and two grandchildren.

The funeral was conducted by the Revs. Robert Haynes and Barry Philbeck at 2 p.m. Friday at Ollie Harris Memorial Chapel. Burial was in Mountain Rest Cemetery.

Harris Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

SALLY RAINES
CHARLOTTE - Sally Ethel Bell Raines, 75, 2632 McClintock Road, died September 21, 2000 at Presbyterian Hospital.

A native of Cleveland County, she was the daughter of the late James Curtis Bell and Mamie Elizabeth Beam Bell. She was also predeceased by her husband.

She was a retired secretary for a florist in Charlotte and was a member of Holy Trinity Lutheran Church, Charlotte.

She is survived by her sisters, Ida Lois Love of Charlotte and Alda Mae Hoyle and Ann Elizabeth Bell of Shelby; and brothers James C. Bell and Michael Wray Bell of Kings Mountain.

A graveside service was conducted by the Rev. James A. Bartos at 4 p.m. Sunday at Grover Cemetery.

Harris Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

FLORENCE FALLS
KINGS MOUNTAIN - Florence Conner Falls, 99, Lakewood Care Center, Denver, died Friday, September 22, 2000 at Lincoln Medical Center, Lincoln.

A native of Cleveland County and a lifelong resident of Kings Mountain, she was the daughter of the late James Phillip and Rebecca Elizabeth Howell Conner and wife of the late

Mert Falls. She was retired from Mauney Mills and was a member of St. Matthew's Lutheran Church.

She is survived by nieces and nephews.

A graveside service was conducted by the Rev. Ralph J. Wallace at 11 a.m. Monday at Mountain Rest Cemetery.

Harris Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

MOZELLE HENSON
GAFFNEY, S.C. - Mozelle Henson, 90, 613 Larry Road, Gaffney, S.C., died Monday morning, September 25, 2000 at Upstate Medical Center.

A native of Kings Mountain, she was the daughter of the late John and Eva England Navy, Sr. and the wife of the late Thurman Henson. She was employed for a number of years with Musgrove Mills. She was a member of East Gaffney Church of God.

She is survived by sons Thurman Henson and Thomas "Billy" Henson both of Blacksburg, S.C. and David Henson of Kings Mountain; sisters Helen Simmons of Wellford, S.C. and Carrie Carroll of Union, S.C.; also four step-grandchildren.

A Celebration of Life service was held graveside, Wednesday at 4 p.m. at Mountain Rest Cemetery, Kings Mountain by the Revs. Dean Painter and Henry Guyton.

White Columns- Blacksburg served the family.

MADGE RHEA
KINGS MOUNTAIN - Madge Wright Rhea, 81, 1409 Phifer Road, died September 26, 2000 at Cleveland Regional Medical Center.

A native of Cleveland County, she was the daughter of the late Fred J. and Jennie Blalock Wright. She was the wife of the late James E. "Zip" Rhea, Sr. She was also preceded in death by her brother Fred Wright, Jr. She was a homemaker and member of Central United Methodist Church in Kings Mountain.

She is survived by her son James E. "Bud" Rhea, Jr. and wife Tence of Kings Mountain; grandchildren Scott Rhea and wife Dr. Cyndi Robinson of Oxford, N.C., Monty Rhea and wife Mitzi of Kings Mountain, Stacie Plonk and husband Richard of Kings Mountain, Julie Turner and husband Jeff of Kings Mountain; great grandchildren Skyler and Dane Rhea.

The funeral will be conducted Thursday at 11 a.m. at Central United Methodist Church by the Rev. Harrison Hinson. Burial will be in Mountain Rest Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to Central United Methodist Church Capital Building Fund, PO Box 37, Kings Mountain, 28086.

Harris Funeral Home served the family.

J.B. SHORT
BLACKSBURG, S.C. - J.B. "Pop" Short, 90, 1370 Deal Street, Blacksburg, died September 25, 2000 at his home.

A native of Cleveland County, he was the son of the late Baxter and Hulda Morrison Short and the husband of the late Mamie Barnes Short. He was retired from Burlington Industries in Kings Mountain and was a member of Mountain View Baptist Church in Blacksburg.

He is survived by sons Bill Short of Kings Mountain, Thurman Short of Blacksburg, Loyd Short of Kings Mountain; daughters Edith Jenkins, Nell Cook, Mary Leigh all of Blacksburg, Janice Murphy of Fork Shoals, S.C., Kay Falls of Clover, S.C., Judy Jenkins of York, S.C.; brother Paul Short of Kings Mountain; sister Novella Foster of Kings Mountain; also 26 grandchildren, 44 great grandchildren, and 2 great great grandchildren.

The funeral will be conducted Thursday at 11 a.m. at Mountain View Baptist Church by the Rev. Howard Beam. Burial will be in Bethlehem Baptist Church Cemetery, Kings Mountain.

Memorials may be made to Mountain View Baptist Church, Piedmont Road, Blacksburg, S.C. 29703.

Harris Funeral Home served the family.

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Mayor proclaims AARP Month

Mayor Rick Murphrey has declared October as AARP Month in Kings Mountain.

"AARP has long been a vital source of information, community service programs and legislative advocacy for all people 50 and older," Murphrey noted. "Many members of our community are members of the local AARP, and others are active AARP volunteers. I hope that everyone in our community will join me in this recognition."

Kings Mountain AARP Chapter 4063, in conjunction with the Senior Center, is currently planning a trip to the mountains and is active in making lap robes and quilts for the elderly and for persons in the Abuse Shelter. The club's motto is "To Serve, Not to be Served."

AARP is also organizing a "55 Alive" mature driving course. Persons interested in taking the course may call President Arlene Barrett at 739-4233, or Carolyn Bell at the KM Senior Center, 734-0447.

AARP meets at 2 p.m. the third Tuesday of each month at the Senior Center. The October meeting will be held on Oct. 24 because of a scheduling conflict with the mountain trip.

For information about joining AARP or to obtain information on AARP programs and free publications, call Arlene Barrett at 739-4233 or the State AARP Office in Raleigh at 919-755-9757.

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