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merger, but because of his experience and knowledge of county issues.

"I have had a philosophy on the School Board that a person who has just been elected shouldn't serve as chairman," he said. "That doesn't mean they're not qualified to serve, but there's a lot of things that they need to learn. There are a lot of things that have been going on that you're not up to speed on, and I think a first-term person should be willing to put themselves in a place to learn everything they can and be knowledgeable about what they're talking about before they act as chairman."

"Willie has been there and I think he would be a good person to serve as chairman."

McIntosh could not be reached for comment, but all indications are that he will accept the appointment.

Although they haven't discussed it, Hawkins hinted that one of the three Kings Mountain commissioners-elect may be elected vice-chairman.

"I really haven't thought about it," he said, "but it's something we can sit down and work out. I've had a lot of experience as chairman of the School Board and I think I could bring the expertise of being a chairman to the vice-chair position. Mary and Tommy are knowledgeable about what's taking place in the county."

Hawkins said he would not support veteran commissioner Charlie Harry for vice-chairman because of his position favoring school merger.

"Charlie's a friend, but he and I are on the opposite end of the issues when it comes to merger," Hawkins said.

Bridges and Accor said they haven't entertained the idea of being vice-chairman yet, either. "It hasn't crossed my mind," Bridges said. "I'm not worried about it. Any of them would be alright with me."

Although the agenda for the December 4 meeting has not been set, the commissioners-elect hinted of some other actions they might propose.

One would be a resolution against school merger to be sent to the State Board of Education

and Department of Justice, and the possible dismissal of the county's merger attorney, Gil Middlebrooks

"We've got to explore some possibilities to stop merger," Bridges said. "I don't think we can do it ourselves but I think we can ask someone else to do it. They might listen to us and they might not."

Hawkins said he'd like to see a resolution that states the new Board's opposition to merger and that the recent election is proof that the citizens of Cleveland County are opposed to merger. He also said the resolution should state that the current Board feels that the old Board violated state law when it did not include Gaston County Commissioners in the decision because part of the Kings Mountain School District lies in Gaston County.

Another part, he said, should point out the escalating legal expense is not in the best interest of the county and that the county attorney be given the authority to take "whatever means" necessary to stop the expense including, if necessary, dismissing Middlebrooks.

"What I would prefer is that Mr. Middlebrooks see that the new Board is against merger, and he would just withdraw as the attorney," Hawkins said. "That would allow him to take himself out of it, but if it means making a motion that we don't need him any longer I think that would be appropriate."

The commissioners-elect will be in Asheville the remainder of this week attending a school for new county commissioners

sponsored by the NC Association of County Commissioners.

Midview Baptist sets revival November 26-29

Midview Baptist Church, Kings Mountain, will hold revival November 26-29. Services are at 11 a.m. and 6 p.m. Sunday and 7 p.m. Monday through Wednesday.

Speaker will be Rev. Bruce Davis of Kings Mountain. Rev. Bob Hope, pastor, invites the public.

OBITUARIES

WYNN B. HUSKEY
HENDERSONVILLE, N.C. - Wynn B. Huskey, 91, 100 Arber Lane, Hendersonville, formerly of Kings Mountain, died November 9, 2000 at Cardinal Care.

A native of Kings Creek, S.C., he was the son of the late Pinkney and Ola Bradley Huskey and husband of the late Eula Dover Huskey of 62 years. He was also preceded in death by his son Harold Dean Huskey and granddaughter Cheryl Huskey Turner. He was a member of Patterson Grove Baptist Church, Kings Mountain. He was a textile chemist, poultry farmer and barber for 75 years.

He is survived by his son Bobby P. Huskey and wife Laura of Hendersonville; daughter in law Nancy H. Curry of Spartanburg, S.C.; brother J.P. Huskey of Marion, N.C.; sister Neva H. Barnes of Grover; also six grandchildren and 10 great grandchildren.

The graveside service was conducted Saturday at 2 p.m. at Mountain Rest Cemetery by the Rev. Norman Brown. Burial was in Mountain Rest Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to Four Seasons Hospice, PO Box 2395 Hendersonville, N.C. 28793 or Patterson Grove Baptist Church Challenge to Build, 301 Oak Grove Road, Kings Mountain 28086. Harris Funeral Home served the family.

HENRY BLACKWOOD
SHELBY - Henry H. Blackwood, 75, 345 Bethlehem Road, Kings Mountain, died November 8, 2000 at VA Medical Center, Asheville.

A native of Cherokee County, S.C., he was the son of the late Oscar Samuel Blackwood and Minnie Pruett Blackwood. He was also preceded in death by his brother James Edward Blackwood. He was retired from New York Central Railroad as a Yard Conductor. He was a member of the Baptist faith and Life Member of DAV and the Civilian Conservation Corp. He was a U.S. Navy veteran of WWII.

He is survived by his wife Geraldine H. Blackwood of the home; daughters and their husbands Norma B. McMurray and Dean of Shelby, Susan B. Cox and Mike of Asheboro, and Sylvia B. Bowen and Tommy of Matthews; daughter Stephanie Blackwood of Kings Mountain; son and his wife Michael S. Blackwood and Kimberly aboard the USS Tennessee; sister Hazel B. Evans of Macon, Georgia; sisters and their husbands Doris B. Smith and Glenn of Surfside Beach, S.C., Colleen B. Taylor and Wayne of Garden City, S.C.; granddaughters Heather McMurray of Shelby and Jade Bowen of Matthews; also several nieces and nephews.

A memorial service was held Saturday at Cleveland Funeral Services Chapel at 3 p.m. by Dr. Wayne Blackwood.

Memorials may be made to Draytonville Baptist Church Cemetery Fund, 179 Drayton Church Road, Gaffney, S.C. 29340 or Nursing Home Care Unit, C/O VA Medical Center, 1100 Tunnel Road, Asheville, N.C. 28805.

Cleveland Funeral Services handled the arrangements.

MICHAEL McCURRY
MORGANTON - Michael McCurry, 45, 2022 Bristol Creek Avenue, died November 7, 2000 at Carolinas Medical Center, Charlotte.

A native of Cleveland County, he was the son of Marie Pruitt Haynes of Shelby and the late Millard McCurry.

He was a member of Kings Light House Worship Center, Kings Mountain.

He is survived by his wife, Ilona Clark McCurry of the home; son, Michael Gene McCurry of Shelby; daughter, Tiara McCurry of Florida; stepdaughter, Sunshine Blevins of Morganton; brothers, Eddie McCurry of Waco and David McCurry of Kings Mountain; sisters, Jill Short and Debbie Dawson, both of Kings Mountain, and Brenda Pearson of Gastonia; and two grandchildren.

The funeral was conducted by Pastor Ron Hawkins and Assistant Pastor Traci Black at 11 a.m. Friday at Clay-Barnette Chapel, Shelby. Burial was in Sunset Cemetery.

Clay-Barnette Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

MODENE LANDIS
FOREST CITY - Mrs. Modene Hoyle Landis, 80, 173 Heritage Dr., died November 13, 2000 at Rutherford Hospital.

A native of Rutherford County, she was the daughter of the late Belo and Florence Ross Hoyle and widow of the late Claude Landis. She was a homemaker and a member of Alexander Baptist Church.

She is survived by her son, Fred Landis of Forest City; daughter, Judy Philbeck of Bostic; brothers, Herman Hoyle and Robert Hoyle of Bostic and Bernie Hoyle of Shelby; sisters, Ruby Hutchins and Ruth Kimbrell of Morganton and Lillian Greene of Kings Mountain; four grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

The funeral was conducted by the Revs. Wayne Toney, Robbie Hensley, Tom Elkin and Jerry Vess at 2 p.m. Thursday at Sandy Level Baptist Church. Burial was in the church cemetery.

Washburn & Dorsey Funeral Home, Bostic, was in charge of arrangements.

ILENE FRASER
SHELBY - Ilene Scruggs Bailey Fraser, 88, 625 N. Main Street, formerly of Shelby, died November 10, 2000 at Town and Country Manor, Boerne, Texas.

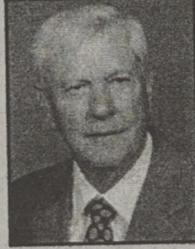
A native of Rutherford County, she was the daughter of the late Cliff and Essie Jane Harris Scruggs. She was the wife of the late John Forrest Bailey and the late Emory Felton Fraser. She was a homemaker and a member of Elizabeth Baptist Church.

She is survived by her son and daughter in law Donald F. and Elaine B. Bailey of Boerne; stepson Joe Fraser of Shelby; stepdaughter Jane Walton of Cary, N.C.; grandchildren G. David Bailey of Minneapolis, Minn. and Mathew F. Bailey of New Braunfels, Texas; step grandchildren Troy Walton of Cary, Joel Fraser and Kara Fraser both of Shelby; step great grandchild Beth Fraser of Shelby.

The funeral was conducted Monday at Elizabeth Baptist Church at 2 p.m. by the Revs. Terry Jordan and Jeff Brendle. Burial was in Cliffside Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to Elizabeth Baptist Church, 301 North Post Road, Shelby 28150. Clay Barnette Funeral Home served the family.

DONALD MCGINNIS
KINGS MOUNTAIN - Donald Harris McGinnis, 76, 907 Sherwood Lane, died November 9, 2000 at Carolinas Medical Center, Charlotte.



MCGINNIS

He was founder and former President of Kings Mountain Brick Co., and a former member of the NC Brick Association. He was a member of Resurrection Lutheran Church, where he was former president of Lutheran Men, former president and treasurer of the Church Council, and a life member of the Lutheran Brotherhood. He was former president of Kings Mountain Country Club, an avid golfer, and member of the Sigma NU Fraternity, and a graduate of NC State University. He served in the Army Air Corp during World War II as an aerial gunner on a B-17 Bomber and was a prisoner of war in Prague.

He is survived by his wife, Sara Cooksey McGinnis of the home; son, Kevin L. McGinnis of Kings Mountain; brother, William McGinnis of Kings Mountain; and sisters, Janet Eagle of Kannapolis and Dorothy Whetstone of N. Myrtle Beach, SC.

The funeral was conducted by the Rev. Ken Gillikin Sunday at 2 p.m. at Resurrection Lutheran Church. Interment was in Mountain Rest Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to Resurrection Lutheran Church, 600 Crescent Circle, Kings Mountain, NC 28086.

Harris Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

VERNON MATTINGLY
LINCOLNTON - Vernon Eugene Mattingly, 88, formerly of Grover, died November 11, 2000 at Cardinal Care.

A native of Lewis, KS, he was the son of the late I.W. and Daisy A. Campbell Mattingly, and husband of the late Geneva Hope Mattingly.

He was a member of First Baptist Church, Grover, and was a veteran of the US Army during World War II. He was a retired mechanic.

He is survived by nieces and nephews; and sisters-in-law, Cora Hope of Grover, Estelle Tessener of Charlotte, and Cleo Hope of Meridian, GA.

A graveside service was conducted by Rev. Tony Fulbright at 2 p.m. Monday at Oakland Cemetery, Gaffney, SC.

Memorials may be made to First Baptist Church, P.O. Box 237, Grover, NC 28073.

Harris Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

POLICE

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In a demonstration, Kings Mountain police Sgt. Andy Berry rounded the curve at the top of Nebo Hill at the posted 45 speed limit. Once in the curve, a driver only has about two seconds to stop if something is blocking the road on the other side of the bend.

"People really need to be aware that this is a hazardous area," Sgt. Berry said. "We'll be out trying to slow them down."

CALVIN WRIGHT
KINGS MOUNTAIN - James Calvin Wright Sr., 79, a resident of Century Health Care, Cherryville, died November 12, 2000 at Century Care.

He was a native of Cleveland County and son of the late Dekossie and Lillie Jane Hoyle Wright. He was also preceded in death by his son, James Calvin Wright Jr.; brothers, Rev. Ray Wright; and sister, Hazel Smith.

He was a member of David Baptist Church and was retired from Anvil Knit.

He is survived by his wife, Pauline Spurling Wright of Cherryville; brothers, Clayton Wright of Gaffney, SC, Curtiss Wright of Gainesville, FL, and L.O. Wright of Jessup, GA; sisters, Bonnie Ford, Marge Early, Dot Gann and Annette Cooper, all of Kings Mountain; and four grandchildren.

The funeral was conducted by the Revs. Jody Griffin and Mike Chambers at 2 p.m. Tuesday at David Baptist Church. Interment was in the church cemetery.

Memorials may be made to David Baptist Church, 2300 David Baptist Church Road, Kings Mountain, NC 28086.

Harris Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

FRAN LASKARIS
KINGS MOUNTAIN - Fran Laskaris, 72, 508 Long Branch Road, died November 8, 2000 at her home.

She was a native of Davidson County and a longtime resident of Polk County. She was the daughter of the late John Panther and Bessie Fowler Panther. She was retired from Spectrum Mills and Helping Hands Nursing Agency.

She is survived by her daughter, Linda Rhodes Ramsey and husband, Steve, of Kings Mountain; brother, Bill Panther and wife, Helen, of Landrum, SC; special friend, Gladys Hardy of Shelby; and granddaughter, Tiffany Ramsey.

The funeral was conducted by the Rev. Eugene Land at 3 p.m. Sunday at Ollie Harris Memorial Chapel.

Memorials may be made to the Humane Society, 1010 W. Sumter St., Shelby, NC 28150.

Harris Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

BOBBY RIPPY
SHELBY - Bobby George Rippy, 51, 504 Roberts Street, died November 11, 2000 at his home.

A native of Cleveland County, he was the son of the late William Talmadge and Iver Mae Head Rippy. He was also preceded in death by his sister, Louella Rippy.

He was a weaver at Minette Mills for 30 years.

He is survived by his wife, Delores L. Rippy of the home; stepdaughters, Theresa Barber of Kings Mountain, Debbie Bobiak of Wilmington, Susan Kiser of Kings Mountain, Tina Davis of Buffalo, NY, Lisa Friday of Shelby, and Kim Earwood of Shelby; stepson, Kelly Davis of Shelby; brother, Dean Rippy of Earl; sisters, Velvia Martin of Shelby, Lib Blanton of Grover, Trit Lowery of Grover, Brenda Mace of Kings Mountain, and Jean Whitworth of Patterson Springs; 10 grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

The funeral was conducted by the Revs. Richard Shores and Tom Ensley at 2 p.m. Wednesday at Cleveland Funeral Services Chapel. Burial was in Sunset Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to Hospice of Cleveland County, 951 Wendover Heights Drive, Shelby, NC 28150.

Cleveland Funeral Services was in charge of arrangements.

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