

**WEDDING**



Mrs. Nathan Allen Porter (Kimberly Nicole Carter)

**Porter-Carter**

Kimberly Nicole Carter of Chesapeake, VA and Nathan Allen Porter of Virginia Beach, VA exchanged marriage vows September 13, 2003 at Indian River Baptist Church in Chesapeake, Va.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas P. Carter of Chesapeake, VA.

The groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Tim Porter of Virginia Beach, VA. He is the grandson of the late Earl and Juanita Erwood Scism of Kings Mountain. He is a graduate of Old Dominion.

The bride was given in marriage by her father, Thomas P. Carter.

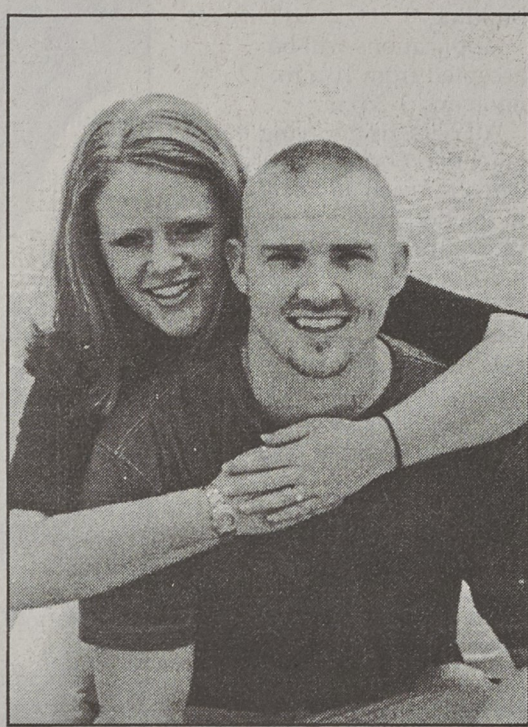
Maid of Honor was Annamarie McCoy of Virginia Beach, VA. Bridesmaids were Lisa Rittenburger, Candra Kluck, Susan Walters and Jenny Wheaton, all of Virginia Beach, VA.

Best man was Michael Porter and groomsmen were Ryan Jefferies, Bryan Jefferson, Vic Pokorski and Chris Hazzio, all of Virginia Beach, VA.

The bride's parents hosted the wedding reception at Shifting Sands Beach Club in Virginia Beach. The groom's parents hosted the rehearsal dinner at The Steinhilbers Inn in Virginia Beach.

Following a honeymoon in the Caribbean, the couple is at home in Virginia Beach.

**ENGAGEMENT**



ALLISON LOGAN KILLIAN STEVEN LAMAR RHYNE

**Killian-Rhyne**

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Killian of Stanley announce the engagement of their daughter, Allison Logan Killian, to Steven Lamar Rhyne of Dallas.

Allison is the granddaughter of Willene Hall Killian and the late Bill Killian of Stanley and the late Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Allison Logan Jr. of Kings Mountain. She is a graduate of East Gaston High School, Gaston College and a cum laude graduate of the University of North Carolina Charlotte, where she was a member of Golden Key International Honour Society. She is employed by Gaston County Schools at Costner Elementary in Dallas.

The prospective bridegroom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Bill Rhyne Jr. of Dallas and the grandson of the late Bill Rhyne Sr., the late Hattie Herman Gladden, and the late Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Johnson. He is a graduate of North Gaston High School and Gaston College. He is employed by Metso Minerals of Bessemer City.

The wedding will take place on December 13, 2003 at Hardin Baptist Church in Dallas.

**Blanton to compete in NC Teen Pageant**

Ashley Blanton from Kings Mountain, daughter of Mark and Elaine Blanton, has been selected to participate in the Miss North Carolina Teen USA Pageant, at The High Point Theater and Exhibition Center in High Point on October 24-25.

Each delegate will be judged in swimsuit, evening gown, and personal interview. The winner will represent the Tarheel State in the NBC nationally televised Miss Teen USA Pageant in 2004. Among her many state prizes will be cash, a luxurious fur coat, wardrobe, evening gown, a 14K gold crown ring designed exclusively for state winners, and the opportunity to interview with top commercial talent agencies. The most exciting prize is an expense paid trip to the telecast of the Miss Teen USA Pageant where she will compete for the prestigious title of Miss Teen USA 2004 and \$150,000 in cash and prizes.

Ashley is a junior at Kings Mountain High School where she is a member of the varsity

football, basketball and competition cheer-leading squads. She has been involved with dance for 14 years at Dance Reflections and works there as a dance instructor. She is also a member of the Kings Mountain High School marching and concert bands, Future Teachers of America, Beta Club, French Club, Key Club, and has been recognized as a member of Who's Who Among American High School Students for several years. She attends Patterson Grove Baptist Church where she is a member and works in the nursery on Sunday mornings. After high school she plans to attend a four-year college and double major in Elementary Education and Accounting with a minor in Business and Finance.



ASHLEY BLANTON

Ashley invites everyone to attend Friday's preliminary and Saturday's final competition. The pageant begins Friday at 8 p.m. and Saturday at 5 p.m. Tickets to both events may be available at the door. For reserve tickets call The High Point Theater box office at 336-887-3301.

**David Baptist Church drop site for Samaritan's Purse shoeboxes**

David Baptist Church has been designated as the drop-off point in the Kings Mountain area for shoeboxes for this year's Samaritan's Purse "Operation Christmas Child" project.

Anyone who lives in the area can drop off their filled shoeboxes at the church at 2003 David Baptist Church Road on the evenings of November 17-21.

"It would be greatly appreciated if all of the shoeboxes turned in from our area would be delivered to this spot so that an accurate account can be made," said church member Mark Howell. "These numbers are very beneficial in determining allocations of resources in the future."

David Baptist has a limited number of shoeboxes still available. For more information, call Lisa or Mike Howell at 739-1203 or 739-4555.

Samaritan's Purse asks participants to include \$5 with each box to cover delivery.

Following is a suggested list of acceptable and non-acceptable items for shoeboxes.

Toys - small cars, balls, dolls, stuffed animals, plastic kazoos, harmonicas, yo-yos, jump rope, small Etch A Sketch, toys that light up or make a noise (with extra batteries), Slinky, etc.

School supplies - Pens, pencils and sharpener, crayons or markers, stamps and ink pad sets, coloring books, writing pads or paper, solar calculators, etc.

Hygiene items - Toothbrush, toothpaste, soap, comb, wash cloth, etc.

Other - Hard candy, lollipops, mints, gum, sunglasses, flashlights (with extra batteries), ball caps, socks, T-shirts, toy jewelry, hair clips, watches, small

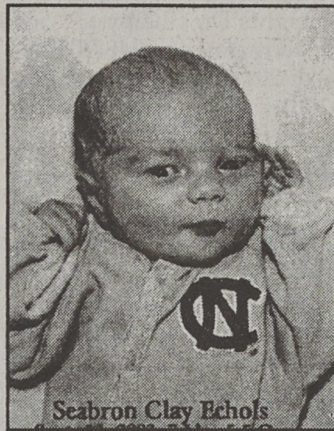
picture books, etc.

Do not include the following: Used items, war-related items, toy guns, knives, etc; chocolate or perishable food, liquids such as shampoo, lotion, bubbles, etc., medicine such as vitamins, cough droops, ointment, etc., or breakable items such as mirrors, china dolls and snow globes.

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SEABRON ECHOLS

**Seabron Echols born September 13**

Seabron Clay Echols was born September 13, 2003 at Cleveland Regional Medical Center.

He weighed seven pounds, 5.5 ounces and was 19 inches long.

Parents are Kevin and Amanda Echols of Kings Mountain. Seabron has a brother, Matthew Echols, 17, and sister Stephanie Echols, 16.

Maternal grandparents are Marshall and Jacqui Gore of Kings Mountain. Paternal grandparents are Winona Echols of Kings Mountain and the late Seabron Echols.

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