



**JOSEPH BRYMER / HERALD**  
**Seven-year-old Erica Carpenter plays with her miniature bowling game that was contained inside a plastic egg she found at the Kings Mountain egg hunt Saturday at Patriots Park.**

**EASTER**  
 From 1A

Erica Carpenter, 7, bringing her to the hunt since she was born.  
 "We have her picture made with the Easter Bunny every year," her mom said.  
 Fully aware that childhood fades fast, Carpenter treasures each spring.  
 "This might be the last year she'll want to. You can never tell," she said.  
 This year Erica found miniature ducks, airplanes and a bowling set in her

eggs. At home she has her own Easter chick, part of a school project.  
 Family plans for Easter Sunday included a visit to Scott Carpenter's father's house for dinner following church.  
 After the egg hunt, kids lined up to have eggs, butterflies, chicks, hearts, lady bugs, suns, flowers, bunnies and dragonflies painted on their faces. Other activities, all planned by Mauney Memorial Library's Harris Children's Department, included an egg toss, competition to count jelly beans

in a jar and sack races with the Easter Bunny.  
 The human-sized bunny arrived on back of a Kings Mountain Fire Department truck. He blew kisses, waved and high-fived the 100 or so children and their parents who braved chilly temperatures to attend the festivities.  
 City events coordinator Ellis Noell was pleased with the festivities.  
 "It went real well. I just wish we had better weather. It's okay. It's not raining. This is an event you can't postpone," he said.

On Thursday and Friday the bunny visited White Oak Manor, Summit Place, Bolin Day Care, Life Enrichment Center, Pealey's Chapel Day Care, Katie's Small Wonders and Heavenly Kids.  
 Kings Mountain High School students Crystal McClain, Brittany McCreedy and Sandy Short helped out with the bunny's visit to the Patrick Center where seniors assisted kids from St. Matthew's Preschool hunt eggs. The students are studying early childhood development.

**DRIVING**  
 From 1A

learned a lot. They've had a lot of laughs," he said.  
 King said the Farm Bureau program reinforces what he teaches and what students learn in D.A.R.E.

class. While teen drivers are statistically more likely to have an accident, they are less likely than adults to be arrested for driving while impaired.  
 "It seems to be working. There are not a whole lot of teenagers getting DWIs,"

King said. "I think we're actually making an impact."  
 Drivers under age 21 who are convicted of driving while impaired lose their license until age 21 or one year, whichever time period is longer.  
 However, teens are still

having serious and sometimes fatal auto accidents without any help from alcohol. The odds of an accident go up when teens drive after dark or with one or more teen passengers in the vehicle. For more information, visit [www.highwaysafety.org](http://www.highwaysafety.org).

**COOK-OFF**  
 From 1A

little better," she said.  
 Saturday the two will smoke pork, chicken and ribs. They've created two homemade basting sauces, both vinegar-based, and a tomato-based table sauce. They're still working on a third sauce for the chicken.  
 "We're always looking for

something better," she said.  
 Bobby Eters of the Kings Mountain-based Smokin' Mountain Boys team says competition is getting fierce.  
 "It's kind of hard for the hometown boys. There's a lot of good cooks out there," he said.  
 Eters has met cooks who are retired and can devote their full attention to rubs, bastes, sauces and wood.

According to Eters, the cooks are forever experimenting. Apple, orange and cherry juices are favorite bastes. The dry rub is usually made from spices. Table sauces vary but one technique remains the same.  
 "The slower and the longer you cook it, the better," Eters confides.  
 The cook-off, a Kings Mountain Fire Department

fund raiser, starts Friday night with judging on Saturday.  
 The fire department will sell butts and the Kings Mountain Police Explorers will sell sandwiches. Four competitors also will vend barbecue. Top 40 music plays on Friday with bluegrass on Saturday. The public is welcome. The event takes place at the walking track adjacent to the YMCA.

**OLLIS**  
 From 1A

Richard Prow, will officiate at Ollis' funeral this afternoon.  
 "He just taught me so much biblically, spiritually, personally. Just listening to him talk," Wells said.  
 City Councilman Houston Corn, who was also Ollis' neighbor of 27 years, was hit hard by the news.  
 "He's just a great guy. He was more like a brother than anything. He's in a better

place," Corn said.  
 Ollis knew more about the water department than anyone in the city, according to Corn.  
 "He cared a lot about his job. He always did what was right for the city," Corn said.  
 "He would do anything for anybody."  
 Rev. Eugene Land who was pastor of Ollis' church, Second Baptist from 1970 to 1997, said he was a great leader both on the job and at church.  
 Ollis served as a deacon,

Sunday school teacher and choir member under Land.  
 "He was a joy to work with," Land said.  
 Ollis trained those who worked for him, then gave them the freedom to do their jobs, according to Land.  
 "He knew how to work with people. People had a lot of confidence in him," the minister said.  
 Former City Councilman Gene White, who worked with Ollis as a council member, city planner and development coordinator, said

one of Ollis' biggest accomplishments was mapping the city water and sewer lines.  
 "You go to the guy and he knows the answer," White said. "He'll be sorely missed."  
 White also said Ollis was a talented vocalist and an avid gemologist.  
 Everyone who talked about Ollis described him as a strong family man and dedicated Christian.  
 "He loved the Lord, his family and his church," Land said.

**BRIEFS**

**Bethlehem VFD chicken BBQ set**

Bethlehem Volunteer Fire Department will hold its annual spring barbecue chicken supper Saturday at 5 p.m. at the fire department.  
 The public is invited. All proceeds benefit the community through fire services.

to the park. The work session begins at 8 a.m.  
 The Grover Area Women's Club will provide a hot dog lunch with all the trimmings from noon to 2 p.m.

GET hopes to spruce up the town making it more attractive for both residents and visitors.  
 The rain date is April 24.

**Appreciation day slated at City Hall**

Today is customer appreciation day for the City of Kings Mountain. Council members will be at City Hall from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. to meet the public. There will be refreshments and small giveaway items.

**K'Jaylyn Smith is a Little Star**

K'Jaylyn Smith won the recent Little Star Contest at OES Charity Chapter 548 in Kings Mountain.



McKayla Adams was second place and Jeremiah Adams was third.

**Program Tuesday at Life Enrichment**

Shannon McCool, speech therapist with Cleveland Regional Medical Center, will present a program on "Problems with Swallowing" Tuesday, April 20 from 5:30-7 p.m. at the Life Enrichment Center, 103 T.R. Harris Dr., Shelby.  
 The program is designed for those who care for adults.  
 A free sitter service is available for adult patients.

**Hospice training to begin in Shelby**

Hospice of Cleveland County will conduct a spring training class at the Hospice Administrative Building at 951 Wendover Heights, Shelby, Saturdays April 17 and 24 from 9 a.m.-4 p.m.

**Pick Me Up Day slated in Grover**

The Grover Enrichment Team will sponsor a Pick Me Up Day Saturday. Volunteers are encouraged to bring gloves, rakes, shovels and other yard tools

Training is open to anyone interested in learning more about Hospice and the services provided to the community. No fee is charged for taking the class and there is no obligation to volunteer.

For more information, call Krista Haynes at 487-4677.

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 Dr. R. Dixon  
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 1687 East Marion Street  
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 8:00-12:30/2:00-5:30 M-F  
 8:00-12:30 Sat.  
 Phone: 704-487-6060  
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 1643 Fallston Rd.  
 Dr. Joseph Wright  
 Dr. Deanna Moseley  
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**Kings Mountain Animal Hospital**  
 1912 Shelby Rd., Kings Mtn.  
 Dr. J.L. Eskridge  
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 Phone: 704-538-3487  
**SATELLITE RABIES CLINICS**  
**WEDNESDAY, APRIL 28, 2004**  
**KINGS MOUNTAIN**  
 1:00-1:30 pm  
 Westgate Plaza (Food Lion)  
 Dr. Eskridge  
**POLKVILLE**  
 10:00 am-12:00 noon  
 Old Polkville School location on Circle Driveway  
 Dr. Ousley  
**SATURDAY, MAY 1, 2004**  
**SHELBY**  
 2:00-2:45 pm  
 Shanghai Fire Dept.  
 Dr. Yarboro  
 8:00-2:00 pm  
 Boulevard Animal Hospital  
 1235 E. Dixon Blvd., Shelby  
 Dr. Westmoreland & Dr. Dixon  
**GROVER**  
 3:00-3:45 pm  
 Patterson Springs Baptist Ch.  
 2107 Cleveland Ave.  
 Dr. Yarboro  
**POLKVILLE**  
 3:00-4:00 pm Old Polkville School location on Circle Driveway  
 Dr. Ousley  
**BOILING SPRINGS/LATTIMORE**  
 9:00-11:00 am  
 Ingles Markets, Inc.  
 214 N. Main Street  
 Dr. Reese  
 1:00-2:00 pm  
 Ambassador Baptist College  
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 Dr. Reese  
 3:00-4:00 pm  
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