

## Grapes are sour

George Bush was reelected last week, and the world hasn't come to an end. I'm glad it's over and I am proud of an electorate that saw through all the hate, biased news and phony celebrity bunk.



**Jim Heffner**  
Columnist

I take much pleasure from knowing that those Hollywood types were rebuffed.

Frankly, I don't think any of them should use their celebrity to push a politician, unless he or she is willing to suffer the consequences. So many times, conservatives spoke out against some of them and were accused of being fascists or worse.

It's a free country and anyone can support whomever he chooses, but I am free to choose where I spend my entertainment dollar. It's a fair trade off.

I will never forget the vitriol of those people, nor will I forget that some of them went to foreign countries and maligned the American president.

Some of the people on my list are Harrison Ford, George Clooney, Johnny Depp, Sean Penn and the Dixie Clucks, who traveled abroad to vilify their president. There were others as well.

Tim Robbins, Susan Sarandon, Mike Farrell, Ed Asner, Brad Pitt, Ben Affleck, Matt Damon, Richard Dreyfus, Janine Garafolo, Bruce Springsteen, Barbra Streisand, and many others were there blabbering away, and foaming at the mouth every time you turned on the tube or opened a newspaper.

Hal Linden, of Barney Miller fame, made phone calls to senior citizens telling them George Bush was going to take away their social security. Bad form, Barney.

Michael Moore is despicable. Enough said about that jerk.

Sad to say, Robert "Fat Boy" Redford said he would move to Ireland if Bush won. So Long Fat Boy, don't forget to write.

Cher and Rosie O'Donnell spoke at a throng which was supposed to be 3,000 people, but turned out to be approximately 38. Cher told them if Bush was elected all their homosexual friends

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## KIDS AGAINST CANCER



**ANDIE BRYMER / HERALD**  
The Kings Mountain Relay for Life ABC team members are, left to right, Lyndsay Murphey, Ashton Withers, Captain Taylor Davis, Johnna Scism, Kelsi Skinner, co-captain Morgan Scism and Kayla Capps. ABC stands for Angels Battling Cancer.

## YOUR RIGHT TO SAY IT

# Restricting leaders from reflecting faith would be unconstitutional

### To the editor:

Andie Brymer's article last week ("Action may be in violation of 'First Amendment'") accuses the Mayor of violating the Constitution by his proclamation of Nov. 21-28 as Bible Week. This annual event has been sponsored by the National Bible Association (and "proclaimed" by mayors across the nation) since 1941 and has a very prestigious list of national chairpersons that include political figures and well known CEOs of major corporations.

Her attitudes reflect a lack of understanding of the principles of this document and the desires of the Founding Fathers. Amendment One clearly states that the federal government "shall make no law... prohibiting the free exercise (of religion)." The underlying purpose of Amendment One was to assure new America that there would not be one national denomination (as the mother country of England had done) and to insure the full exercise of faith in daily life among all arenas, public and private, without federal intervention.

But what many political liberals want is a federal government that does prohibit the free exercise of religion among local jurisdictions. The Constitution does not even address the issue of governmental endorsement of the Christian faith. Why? Because it was the assumption of our Founding Fathers that our national, state and local governments would

certainly endorse the values of this faith among their constituency!

Against the restrictive rhetoric of today, even the many dedicated Christians may not understand that statement. This is because over years of "selective" historical recounts, a number of pertinent facts of our spiritual heritage have been left out of our textbooks. Here's just a sampling:

- Samuel Adams ("The Father of the American Revolution") pre-dated the constitution with his famous work, *The Rights of Colonists* (1772) which underscored national need for citizens to ground themselves by "carefully studying the institutes...of the Christian Church, which are to be found clearly written... in the New Testament."

- The famous Minutemen who helped to secure the freedom of our land were groups of laymen from churches throughout the states who were led into battle by pastors and deacons/elders.

- On October 18, 1780, eleven days after the battle at Kings Mountain, Congress proclaimed a national day of thanksgiving, "...to offer our fervent supplications to the God of all grace... to cause the knowledge of Christianity to spread over all the earth."

- The first American-printed Bible was published in 1781, the year the Revolutionary War was won. Called "The Bible of the Revolution," this Bible was specifically designed to be used in public schools, and carried on its opening page an endorsement by

the United States Congress!

- In a speech to Delaware Indians who wanted to be educated in the new American schools, George Washington said, "You do well to wish to learn... our ways of life and, above all, the religion of Jesus Christ."

We should remember that the very document that contains that precious First Amendment proclaims its approval with the "...Unanimous Consent of the States present the Seventeenth Day of September in the Year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and eighty seven."

Restricting our elected leaders from reflecting the faith of their communities? I believe that our Founding Fathers would say, "now that would indeed be unconstitutional."

**Reg Alexander**  
Kings Mountain

## We're entitled even to our wrong opinion

### To the editor:

In reference to Andie Brymer's article in last week's KM Herald, I would like to respond by saying, first of all, that Americans are entitled to their opinion according to the constitution by having our voices heard.

Sadly, many times our opinions are wrong and once again, as so often is the case, yours is!

I think your statement, "If the words of God are true and good, they

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## LOOKING BACK

From the November 12, 1942 edition of The Herald:

The Kings Mountain football team is scheduled to play at Forest City Friday afternoon. As yet, the problem of transportation has not been solved. Anyone who will volunteer to take players to the game is asked to contact the high school.

Members of Town Council Tuesday night voted unanimously to prohibit the sale of beer or wine in Kings Mountain from midnight Saturday until midnight Sunday.

Winnifred V. Long of Kings Mountain is credited with destroying a German plane. Long, who is 23 years old, attended Kings Mountain High School.

Sixteen selectees left yesterday morning for Ft. Jackson, seven more will depart today, and three more will leave tomorrow.

Observation of American Education Week in Kings Mountain began Monday during the assembly at Central School. The topic of this program was "Serving War-time Needs."

M.L. Gaffney Sr. of Gaffney, SC, father of Mrs. Nevette Hughes of Kings Mountain, died about 9:30 Wednesday night, Nov. 4 at his residence on Draytonville Road.

Charles "Bus" Calvin Oates recently left Keesler Field, one of the Army Air Forces Technical Training Command Schools for Miami Beach, Fla., to begin a 12 week course of study at the Army Air Forces Officer Candidate School.

Dr. Jacob Mauney, son of Mr. and Mrs. S.A. Mauney, has been promoted from 1st Lieutenant to Captain in the Veteranary Corp of the U.S. Army.

Because of the short days the schools of Kings Mountain will open at nine o'clock in the morning instead of eight-thirty, beginning next Monday.

Pfc. Charles A. Black is recovering from an operation he underwent in the hospital in Panama Canal Zone.

Mrs. D.C. Hughes and Mrs. John B. Barber were accompanied to Ft. Bliss, Texas, by Mrs. Bill Hughes of Smyrna, S.C., to visit Private D.C. Hughes.

Major and Mrs. O.P. Lewis of Camp Shelby, Miss. are visiting friends and relatives here.

Private Raymond Hartsoe of Drew Field, Tampa, Fla., is spending the weekend with his father, Ed Hartsoe.

Lieutenant Charles T. Carpenter was transferred recently to Camp Landing, Fla.

## SIDEWALK SURVEY

BY ANDIE L. BRYMER  
THE HERALD

## What did you think of the election results?



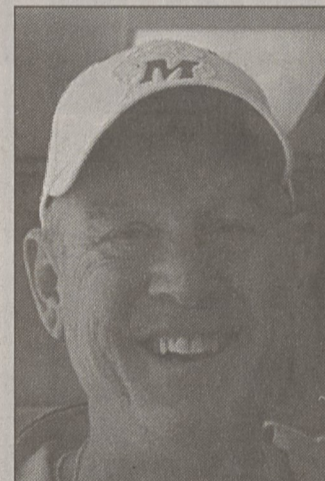
I love it.  
**Betty Johnson**  
Kings Mountain



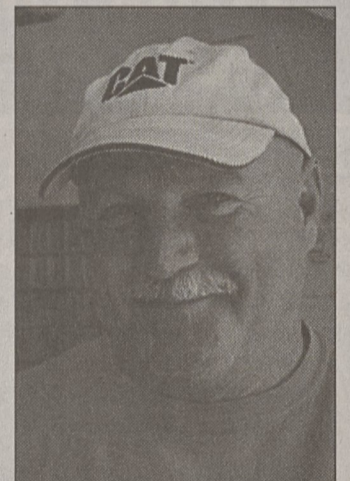
I'm satisfied with it.  
**Mary Wood**  
Kings Mountain



I was very disappointed.  
I'm thinking of moving to Canada. I'm kidding about moving.  
**David Cone**  
Kings Mountain



I think they were great.  
Locally with Ronnie Hawkins and Tim Moore. They do an excellent job. And nationally.  
**Jay Rhodes**  
Kings Mountain



I was happy with it. I voted for Mr. Bush. It's so nice not to have my mailbox full of campaign mail.  
**Dennis Smith**