

# KINGS MOUNTAIN POLICE REPORT

## 5 charged in store robbery

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Kings Mountain Police have charged five people in connection with the June 22 robbery of Kings Food Store.

Clyderick Trevon McGill, 17, of 130 Roseboro Road, Shelby was arrested July 20 and charged with felony conspiracy. He was jailed in Cleveland County under a

\$75,000 bond. Under the conspiracy charge, an individual doesn't have to have been at the scene but assisted in the crime.

John Anthony Smith, 17, of 210 Thornburg Drive, Kings Mountain and Anthony Thorell Strickland, 17, of 218 Thornburg Drive were both charged July 5 with armed robbery with a dangerous

weapon and felony conspiracy. Two 14-year-old males also were charged July 6 in connection with the robbery. After a Crime Stoppers award was offered, three individuals called Police Chief Melvin Proctor. The first individual who gave the information is eligible for up to \$1,000. "This day and time money talks," said Capt. Derek Johnson.

## KM man faces felony sex charges

A Kings Mountain man has been charged with three felony offenses against a child.

Nathan Daniel McKinnish, 23, of 202-A Blanton Street was arrested Tuesday, July 19.

McKinnish was charged with first degree kidnapping, first degree sex offense against a child and indecent liberties with a child. He was jailed in Cleveland County under a \$150,000 bond.

The kidnapping charge came after McKinnish allegedly restrained the child while allegedly committing the other two felonies. The District Attorney's office is using the charge more often in cases involving children, according to Police Chief Melvin Proctor.

The alleged incident occurred in August, 2004 when the child was eight years old. It was reported in May. According to Proctor, this time frame is not uncommon in cases involving children.

McKinnish is not related to the child but was known to the family.

### ARRESTS

Richard Flowers, 47, 114 Afton Dr. Lot #5, DWI, \$300 unsecured bond.

Travis Lockhart, 25, Grover, driving while license revoked, \$1,000 unsecured bond.

Tommy Hall Jr., 26, 227 Landry Dr., assault on female, no bond.

Jimmy Caudell, 28, 622 1/2 E. Gold St., felony manufacture of controlled substance, \$500 secured bond.

Alice Dittman, 51, 310 E. King St., assault with deadly weapon, \$1,000 unsecured bond.

Wesley Floyd, 19, Gastonia, carrying concealed weapon, possession of less than 1/2-ounce of marijuana, possession of drug paraphernalia, \$2,000 secured bond.

Kelly Murray, 30, Gastonia, DWI, driving while license revoked, \$1,000 unsecured bond.

Nathaniel Deaton, 20, 116 Ware Loop Dr., littering.

David Lawson, 35, 127 McGinnis St., failure to comply, no bond.

Jess Lightsey, 29, 103 Ironwood Pl., felony larceny, felony probation violation, \$10,000 secured bond.

Teresa Wilder, 20, Belmont, two counts assault on emergency personnel, \$5,000 secured bond.

James Merritt Jr., 39, 825 Ramseur St., felony breaking and entering, felony larceny after B&E, felony possession of stolen goods, \$10,000 secured bond.

Beverly Clark, 36, Shelby, driving while license revoked, expired registration, possession of drug paraphernalia, \$1,500 secured bond.

Keith Wood Jr., 27, 116 Walker St., intoxicated and disruptive, communicating threats, no bond.

Melody Alexander, 33, 414 York Rd., 18 counts felony embezzlement, secured bond.

Amanda Carrigan, 28, 105 Center St., simple assault, \$2,000 unsecured bond.

Bobby Short, 19, 114 Center St., worthless check, criminal summons served.

Torie Woodward, 26, 902 First St., communicating threats, injury to personal property, criminal summons served.

Lesco Gardner, 33, 411 N. Cansler Apt. A, felony assault by strangulation, no bond.

Tammy Wease, 32, 905 Rhodes Ave., DV assault, no bond.

Kara Beckham, 31, 203 Linwood Rd., false report to police, \$1,000 secured bond.

Alesa Jeffries, 45, 115 N. Deal St., domestic assault with deadly weapon, no bond.

Adam Sanders, 34, 905 Rhodes Ave., DV assault by strangulation, no bond.

### CITATIONS

Francis McSwain, Grover, expired inspection.

Jerry Vess, Grover, no insurance, expired registration plate.

Tanja Moore, 607 Ginger Dr., expired inspection.

Deana Owensby, Grover, possession of drug paraphernalia.

David Sapp, 341 Dixon Dairy Rd., no insurance, fictitious registration plate.

David Sapp, 341 Dixon Dairy Rd., failure to register vehicle.

Rhoda Ponder, 322 Margrace Rd., expired registration plate.

Lora Wood, 113 Monta Vista Dr., expired inspection.

Jose Escobar, 120 Deal St., no operator's license.

Jess Lightsey, 106 Marigold St., driving while license revoked, improper headlights.

Jeffrey Foster, 714 McDaniel Rd., fictitious registration number plate, failure to register vehicle.

Jeffrey Foster, 714 McDaniel Rd., no insurance, improper rear lamps.

Reginald Perkins, 158 Galilee Church Rd., no insurance, driving while license revoked.

Reginald Perkins, 158 Galilee Church Rd., fictitious registration plate, failure to register vehicle.

Heather Jourdan, 135 Wiggins Ln. Trailer 21, speeding 69 in 55 zone.

Allen Lewis, 212 Coronda Ln., driving while license

revoked, possession of less than one-half ounce of marijuana.

Allen Lewis, 212 Coronda Ln., possession of drug paraphernalia.

Francisco Nicasio, 20, 32 Chesterfield Ct., no operator's license, speeding 48 in 35 zone.

Francisco Nicasio, 32 Chesterfield Ct., expired inspection, seat belt violation.

Lisa Jones, 37, 143 Yarbrow Rd., Lot 19, open container.

Sherry Yarbrow, 41, 200 Heather Ln., expired inspection.

Rita Murray, 43, 101 Saddlebrook Ct., speeding 87 in 65 zone, reckless driving.

David Bolin, 20, 809 N. Cansler St., driving while license revoked.

Kimberly Rowland, 1557 York Rd., possession of less than one-half ounce of marijuana.

Timothy Messick, 328 St. Luke Church Rd., speeding 50 in 35 zone.

William Walters, 5134 E. Dixon Blvd., failure to decrease speed to avoid collision, driving while license revoked.

Kristin Day, 109 Stowe Acres, no insurance.

Anthony Pettyjohn, 27, 119 Gold Mine School Rd. driving while license revoked, fictitious registration number plate.

Larry Smith, 49, 823 Cleveland Ave., no operator's license.

Richard Anderson Jr., 18, 107 Anderson Acres, reckless driving, driving left of center.

LaShonda Hopper, 25, 200 Spruce St. Apt. 2B, no insurance, no operator's license.

Dennis Adams, 22, 112 Brayton Ln., driving while license revoked, expired inspection.

Kylie Bolden, 24, 819 Church St., expired registration plate.

Claudia Norwood, 51, 117 Cloninger St., driving left of center.

### INCIDENTS

Jim Belt, 804 Wildwood Dr., reported larceny of 32 American flags from mail boxes.

Kings Mountain Herald, 824 E. King St., reported break-in and larceny of money from paper boxes at Rick's Ole Country Store and Food Lion.

City of Kings Mountain reported meter tampering on Fulton St.

Soap & Suds, 301 E. King St., reported break-in and larceny of money.

Rebecca Scism, 108 Country Club Rd., reported that someone struck her vehicle while it was parked at a grocery store on E. King St. and left the scene. Damage was \$400 to the rear bumper.

Southern Convenience, 511

Linwood Rd., reported larceny of gas.

Karen Castro of Michigan reported theft of a 1999 Chevy Ventura while it was parked at the Waffle House.

The American Legion, 613 E. Gold St., reported that someone fired shots into the ceiling, causing \$450 damage.

KMPD officer S.M. Skinner reported damage to property owned by Don Johnson at 108 York Rd. Someone threw cement blocks through a window, causing \$500 damage.

Tommy Hall, 1425 Merrimont Ave., reported break-in and larceny of appliances from a residence on Landry St. Stolen were a refrigerator valued at \$1,600, range valued at \$600, microwave valued at \$350 and a dishwasher valued at \$600.

Dawyer Griffey, 422 Tate Terrace, reported that someone cut two tires on his vehicle, causing \$260 damage.

James Epps, 911 Linwood Rd., reported larceny of a Boxer Terrier valued at \$125.

Rachael Goforth, 104 Garrison Dr., reported larceny of a pocketbook while at a grocery store on Shelby Rd.

Torie Woodward, 902 First St., reported that someone cut wiring on her vehicle, causing \$125 damage.

### WRECK

Vehicles driven by Frances McSwain of Grover and Angela Coplen of Kings Mountain struck at the intersection of Mountain and Watterson streets. Damage to the McSwain vehicle was \$1,500 and damage to the Coplen vehicle was \$4,000.

## Shelby woman dies in wreck on Bethlehem Road

A fatal car accident on Bethlehem Road claimed the life of a Shelby woman Saturday afternoon.

Sherrie Gurley Ledford, 37, of 707 Ed Hamrick Road was killed during the 4 p.m. accident. Ledford was driving a 1998 Oldsmobile south on Bethlehem Road when she crossed the center line, ran off the left side of the road, hit a ditch and flipped the vehicle. It landed in the middle of the intersection with State Road 2249.

The State Highway Patrol is investigating the accident.

Ledford was traveling 45 miles per hour in a 50 mile per hour zone, according to the SHP. The car she was driving sustained \$8,000 damage.

## DAVIS

From 1A  
time deputy. In March the council voted to form its own department.

Davis said Monday night he is looking forward to the slower pace which will allow him to get to know residents better. Over 40 people came out for the swearing in ceremony and a reception hosted by Grover Women's Club. Many were eager to shake Davis' hand. A

red, white and blue cake read "Welcome Chief Davis." Balloons hung around the building. Davis said he didn't expect all the fanfare.

The evening was filled with emotion as family members congratulated Davis on his new post. Several officers from KMPD were at the reception. He called resigning from Kings Mountain "one of the hardest things I've ever done."

"I left behind a perfect team. I'm going to miss them," Davis

said.

Vandalism is probably the worst problem facing Grover. Davis hopes to start a youth sports league to give teens something constructive to do. He also plans to form a community watch.

His new patrol car is equipped with a radar and speed limits will be enforced, Davis said.

Grover Mayor Robert Sides said he was excited about the town again having its own

department. Depending on the budget, the town may hire a second officer. The town has mutual aid agreements with nearby law enforcement agencies.

"We're small but we may grow with time," Sides said.

As he addressed the crowd, it was obvious Davis was ready for the new challenge.

"If you all need anything, call me," he said.

The room erupted in applause.



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