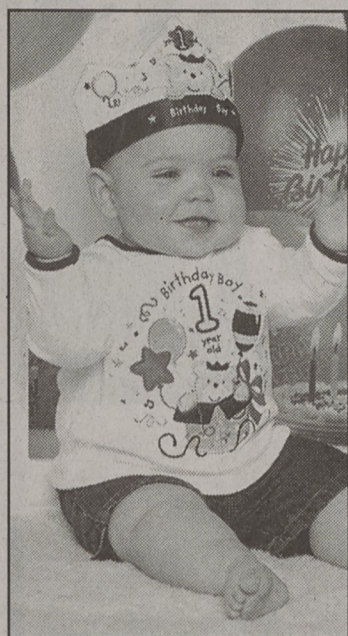


BIRTHDAY

LOCAL



LOGAN GREEN

Logan Green is one year old

Logan Green, son of Kevin and Sherri Green of Kings Mountain, was one year old August 25. He celebrated August 27 with a Winnie the Pooh party with family and friends at the home of his grandparents, Tony and Teresa Ruppe. Logan enjoyed a cake all to himself and guests were served Winnie the Pooh cake.

Logan was 13 weeks premature and weighed only two pounds, nine ounces at birth.

Logan is also the grandson of Michael and Susan Bridges and Larry Green, all of Kings Mountain. Great-grandparents are Ken and Lucy Anderson, Mary Helen Bridges, and Gaynelle Ruppe, all of Kings Mountain.

Ron Owens organizes Storm Watchers

Ron Owens has his eyes on the clouds. The Kings Mountain man has started Storm Spotters, a weather tracking organization.

Owens first got interested in weather seven years ago as a young teenager. His dream is to become a meteorologist.

Owens and other Storm Spotters' members pile into their Saturn vehicle when bad weather is predicted. They look for signs of tornadoes and other phenomena. The group notes cloud formations, cloud to ground lightening and measures hail. When they find it, the team notifies NBC 6 Skymax and the National Weather Service.

Storm Spotters members come from Charlotte and Gaston and Cleveland counties. For more information on the group, call Owens at 704-477-3780 or Mildred Miller at 704-730-9090.

Drama September 17 at Crowders Mountain

Crowders Mountain Baptist Church will present "I Looked All Over Heaven For You" September 17 at 6 p.m. The church is located at 125 Mayberry Lane. Take Highway 2974 to Sparrow Springs Road and turn right. Go 1.3 miles and turn right on Mayberry Lane at the church sign.



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The Bethware High School Class of 1950 recently held its 55th year reunion at Ryan's Family Steakhouse in Gastonia. Left to right are Alton Dover, Burnie Allen, Carol Dean Costner, Barbara Allen Bridges, Carol T. Ledford, Corrine Reynolds Swofford, Harold Hord, Betty Stone DeBruler, Joe V. Ware, Lillian Lovelace Rogers, Charles Herndon, Martha Jo Randall Nance, and Dean Spearman.

ART

Children may tour Art Center

I just have to tell you about my last week. I was painting a 16 X 20 piece. It is a jug with a lot of flowers sitting on a table. Have you ever tried to get a jug to sit up straight and it just does not want to cooperate. I tried to add paint to one side then to the other side and still it would not go straight.

My husband, who always checks out my art work, said to tie a rope around the jug and put it on a hook. Now, that was being a smartie, but I had about gotten to the point that I thought about it. Then he comes along and says to just put this little bit of paint right here and that will make it stand up

straight.

It worked.

Now, keep in mind he does not paint, but he got serious about my problem and solved it for me. Who says you have to be a painter to solve a painting problem? I got it finished and framed and it looks dog gone good too.

The Art Center is entertaining Dittie Proffitt's Girl Scout Troop 213 from Bessemer City tonight. The girls will tour the "I am



Pat Childers Arts

Woman" show and then do some art projects.

If you have a group that would like to make the Art Center a part of your tour just let us know. We will be happy to show you around. Children are the best. We at the Southern Arts Society

love them. They are our future.

Pat Childers is a member of the Southern Arts Society.

MILITARY BRIEFS

Army Pvt. Jessica N. Spencer has graduated from the Light-Wheeled Vehicle Mechanic Advanced Individual Training (AIT) course at Aberdeen Proving Ground, Aberdeen, Md.

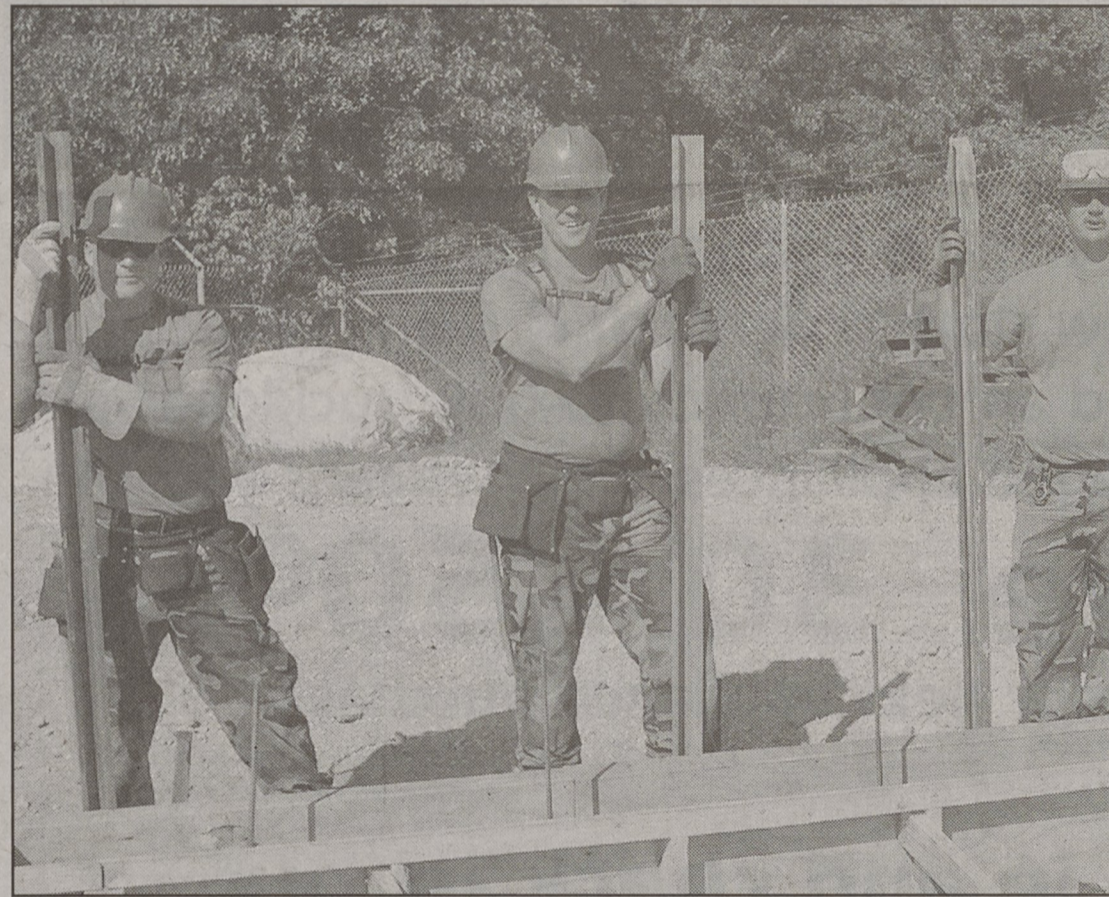
Spencer is the niece of Tena M. Benfield of Kings Mountain.

The course is designed to train soldiers to perform unit maintenance and recovery operations on gasoline and diesel fueled light-wheeled vehicles.

Army Spec. Karen D. Layel has graduated from the Network Switching Systems Operator-Maintainer Advanced Individual Training course at Fort Gordon, Augusta, Ga.

Layel is the daughter of Rita Parker of Bessemer City.

The course is designed to train the soldier to install, operate, and perform systems maintenance on large and small electronic switches, system control centers and node management facilities.



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Spc. James Ross, left, Spc. Mike Wilkins, Spc. Don Toney and Sgt. Ferdinand Galasinao (not pictured), all from the 505th B company Kings Mountain, are among members of the 505th Battalion completing training in Missouri last week.

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