

LOCAL ISSUES

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should be through codes enforcement."
At-large challenger Lamar Fletcher: "No."

Should the Kings Mountain City Council vote for a referendum on liquor by the drink?

Ward Two incumbent Brenda Ross: "No. I don't think city council has that right. That is a decision that has to be made by citizens not council."

Ward Two challenger Mike Butler: "No, that's too important for seven people to decide."

Ward Three Incumbent Jerry Mullinax: "No, citizens should be allowed to speak."

Ward Three challenger Tommy Hawkins: "No."

Ward Four incumbent Kay Hambright: "It should be left up to the people with a petition, not decided by council. I would not vote for it."

Ward Four Challenger Rodney Gordon: "No, I have seen no legitimate proof that liquor by the drink would contribute to Kings Mountain's economy in a positive way."

Ward Five challenger Clarence "Buddy" Smith: "My vote would be no. It's my Christian belief. I'm a minister. That's something that would have to be decided by the people. This is an issue the residents should be allowed to answer."

Ward Five challenger Keith Miller: "If your priority is protecting families,

you'd say no. If your priority is economic, you'd say yes. Liquor by the drink may result in more of our children and families being injured by drunk drivers, so I could not be part of opening that door."

At-large Incumbent Houston Corn: "I think it should be done by petition."

Incumbent Rick Moore: "It should be left up to the people. If that's what the people want it's okay with me."

At-large challenger Dean Spears: "I don't think any four people should be able to pass something that big. I think it should be a referendum for the people."

At-large challenger Lamar Fletcher: "It would have to be brought by a petition."

At-large challenger Roy "Butch" Pearson: "As a councilman, I will not vote to allow the sale of mixed beverages within the City. If in the course of due process a referendum is demanded, then all the citizens of Kings Mountain must vote to make this decision."

Where will Kings Mountain be in 10 years from now?

Ward Two incumbent Brenda Ross: "I would like to see nice restaurants, industries, downtown speciality shops, retirement housing for seniors, a water park, bike ways and trails to all the parks, all the schools Schools of Excellence, additional medical facilities, maybe an additional lake and a large sports complex for children and youth and college students."

Ward Two challenger

Mike Butler: Butler hopes Kings Mountain will grow and notes its closeness to an interstate and roads which attract businesses.

Ward Three incumbent Jerry Mullinax: "The city needs to take a better look at wasteful spending and control increases in the budget to have a better tomorrow."

Ward Three challenger Tommy Hawkins: "I'd like to think that Kings Mountain would be a real thriving, unique community. I can see nice hotels, restaurants, a little city people want to come raise their families, retire."

Ward Four incumbent Kay Hambright: "(To determine that we must) look at the strengths and weaknesses and what opportunities the town has. I would hope everything would be done fairly."

Ward Four challenger Rodney Gordon: "I envision Kings Mountain as a strong economic player in the County and surrounding area, provided we stay focused on the important issues that make this area attractive to potential new industry, existing industry, new residents, and existing residents."

Ward Five challenger Clarence "Buddy" Smith: "I hope Kings Mountain would be a thriving town moving toward Charlotte. Our best advantage is our location to I-85."

Ward Five challenger Keith Miller: Miller gave several conditions which would insure a good city in 10 years. Some of those include recognizing the town is in competition with

neighbors, using annexation powers to control and develop surrounding land, continue to upgrade, further develop and market natural resources, provide highest quality municipal services at the lowest possible cost and believe governments are not morally authorized to redistribute income for social services.

At-large incumbent Houston Corn: "I hope we continue to move forward, bring more businesses and housing developments to raise the tax base to keep taxes low."

At-large incumbent Rick Moore:

"Kings Mountain is going to grow." Moore cited the city's proximity to roads and the Interstate, low utility rates and property taxes and incentives.

At-large challenger Lamar Fletcher: "The town has a strong future due to Moss Lake, its location near I-85 and becoming a suburb or Charlotte."

Challenger Dean Spears: "We'll be a lot better off. For years Kings Mountain has been sitting on the edge of economic development, growing immensely. Now there are a lot of things happening in Kings Mountain and Cleveland County from the economic standpoint."

Challenger Roy "Butch" Pearson: "I want our city to remain what it is, a beautiful, safe, and historic place to live and raise my family. Growth will happen so we must have straight forward leadership with vision in order to prepare and plan for a positive future."

BATES

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mer Gardner-Webb football coach and now chairman of the Cleveland County School Board.

■ Dr. A. Frank Bonner, President of Gardner-Webb University, Bates' alma mater.

■ Master of ceremonies will be Steve Baker, the leading rusher on Bates' 1964 championship team and a former coach under Bates at KMHS.

As football coach and athletic director from 1962-70, Bates was one of the driving forces in planning the construction of John Gamble

Stadium, the field house, Lancaster baseball and softball fields, Donald L. Parker Gymnasium, the tennis courts and many other facilities at Kings Mountain high and middle schools. He publicly raised money for construction of the stadium and enlisted the help of many people in the community, including brick masons who

donated their time, and in some cases material, to build the field house.

Friday night's halftime program at KMHS will be led by Jim Medlin over the P.A. system. Bates' players may join him on the field for a special presentation by the Hall of Fame.



ANDIE L. BRYMER/HERALD

Southern Arts Society member Cindy Hovis, left, teaches Junior Girl Scouts from Troop 157 how to make paper boxes. The girls include Elaina Francis, left, Hannah McComas, Summer Wooten and Kelton Stone. The girls visited the Kings Mountain Arts Center Tuesday night where they also made memory books. Leaders are Deana Francis, Beverly Stone and Ric Francis.

KM WEATHER REPORT

By KENNETH KITZMILLER

	Sept. 21-27	Year Ago
Total precipitation	Trace	3.20
Maximum 1 day	Trace (25th)	3.20 (27th)
Month to date	Trace	11.70
Year to date	33.81	43.81
Low temperature	67 (26th, 27th)	54 (25th)
High temperature	89 (22, 23, 24)	82 (22nd, 23rd)
Avg. temperature	77.6	69.0

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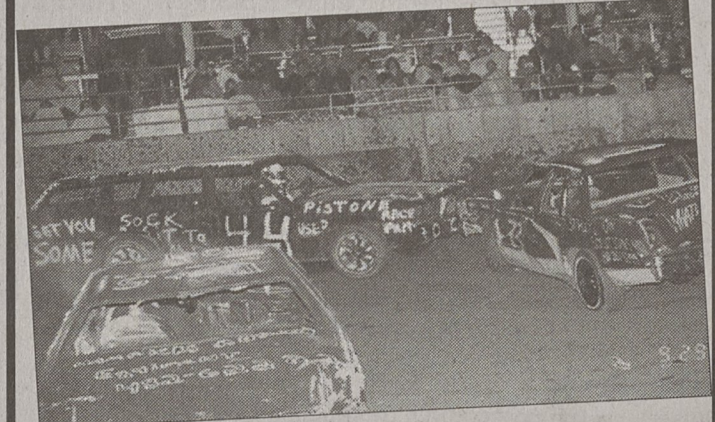
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