

Scott Wells, who has been coaching Pop Warner football for 29 years, received the Distinguished Service Award at Saturday's Kings Mountain Sports Hall of Fame ceremony at KMHS.

### SOFTBALL

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inning. The defense has done the job when they've had to."

Senior LaRonda McClain leads the plate attack with a .554 average. Courtney Tate is hitting .528, Casey Camp .486, and Childers .479 with a team-leading nine home runs and 47 RBI.

"I do think we've improved over last year," says Grayson. "I know several individuals have improved, but I also see that other teams have improved. Even though I feel like we're better I feel like other teams are also better."

The Mountaineers' strength the past three years will make all of their opponents take their game up a notch in the playoffs. But they love the challenge.

"We have to take it one game at a time," Grayson said. "We know that every at-bat counts and we expect to play defense. We can't take anything for granted. Everybody that we play has a very quality team. We think about the opportunity to play Enka but Enka may not exist if we don't get by Catholic."

Grayson says her players must focus on every pitch and every play.

"We've had situations when we've not been as productive as we need to be at the plate," she said. "We

need to make sure our offense comes through and we're heads up on defense. I know Enka (23-1) is a very, very good team this year. You've got to take it one game at a time. Yo have to have your A-game each day you play. What I want the kids to understand is that you have to have that A-inning every inning. It's not okay that this at-bat doesn't count or this little mental error is not significant. You have to be ready every minute."

While she's hoping this season doesn't end until another state crown at Walnut Creek in Raleigh in June, Grayson said it has been a thrill working with her players. The Mountaineers will graduate seven players, including Kala Buchanan, Brittney Thornburg, Krystin Funderburke, Heather Hale, Amber Millwood, Lauren Gaffney and LaRonda McClain. But they have several outstanding young players coming back.

"I just really appreciate the effort the kids have given," she says. "They're a great bunch of kids to work with. We had senior night this past week and it was a very emotional time for them and the rest of the team, the coaches and everybody in the stands. It's been a great team to work with. The state championship is something they want and I hope they're able to attain that."

said. "It was just the real simple things that we didn't get done in the second half. When we looked at the shot total it was very even. But they scored and we didn't."

### MOUNTAINEER SOFTBALL STATISTICS

Player	AB	R	H	RBI	AVG.
Haley Barrett	29	7	6	7	.207
Kala Buchanan	66	20	21	11	.318
Casey Camp	74	31	36	24	.486
Mo. Childers	71	21	34	47	.479
Kristin Cogdill	41	13	14	11	.341
K. Funderburke	75	18	21	10	.280
Lauren Gaffney	9	0	1	1	.111
Heather Hale	10	2	1	0	.100
LaR. McClain	83	32	46	12	.554
Am. Milwood	3	6	0	2	.000
Courtney Tate	72	37	38	6	.528
B. Thornburg	83	25	29	2	.349
Jessica Yarbrow	62	11	17	6	.274

Doubles - Barrett 4, Buchanan 2, Camp 7, Childers 12, Cogdill 2, Funderburke 4, McClain 1, Thornburg 5, Yarbrow 5.

Triples - Camp 1, Cogdill 2, Funderburke 1, McClain 1, Yarbrow 1.

Home Runs - Camp 1, Childers 9, Cogdill 1, McClain 1, Thornburg 2.

Pitcher	W-L	IP	H	R	BB	K
Barrett	2-0	18	7	1	5	18
Childers	23-1	127	27	1	2	293

Earned runs - Barrett 0, Childers 1.  
ERA - Barrett 0.0; Childers 0.06.

Stolen bases/attempts - Buchanan 3-4, Camp 18-21, Childers 3-3, Funderburke 1-1, Hale 2-2, McClain 18-21, Milwood 3-3, Tate 21-13, Thornburg 3-3, Yarbrow 2-2.

### 2006 KMHS BASEBALL STATISTICS

Batter	AB	R	H	RBI	AVG.
R. Anderson	19	4	5	5	.263
Cody Barrett	68	11	21	15	.309
B. Blalock	68	12	25	10	.368
Ryan Bolin	3	0	1	0	.333
Alan Breakfield	63	6	15	7	.238
Trey Glass	67	13	22	14	.328
Alan Heinbach	1	1	0	0	.000
Jeffrey Howell	24	6	5	2	.208
Ryan Leach	46	14	17	9	.370
Drew Martin	66	13	14	9	.212
Cole Moore	1	0	0	0	.000
Isaac Proctor	55	5	16	5	.291
Luke Proctor	6	0	1	0	.167
Trey Robinson	67	9	13	9	.194
Junior Ruff	39	6	9	3	.231
Adam Sellers	38	5	6	1	.158
(Total)	631	105	170	89	.269

Doubles - Anderson 1, Barrett 3, Blalock 4, Breakfield 3, Glass 4, Howell 2, Leach 7, I. Proctor 2, Robinson 1, Sellers 2.

Triples - Martin 1, Robinson 2, Ruff 1.  
Home Runs - Anderson 2, Barrett 3, Blalock 2, Breakfield 2, Glass 4, Leach 2, I. proctor 1, Robinson 2, Ruff 1.

Stolen bases/attempts - Anderson 3-3, Barrett 1-1, Blalock 2-5, Leach 1-1, Martin 5-5, I. Proctor 4-4, Robinson 1-1, Ruff 1-2, Sellers 7-7.

Pitcher	W-L	IP	H	R	BB	K
Kevin Bell	3-2	43.2	44	29	18	65
Trey Glass	4-2	19	30	20	5	30
Ryan Leach	3-3	56.2	30	20	23	103
Cole Moore	0-0	5	4	2	2	4
Luke Proctor	2-3	24.1	18	11	13	32

### BB's pulls triple play

BB's Pizza pulled a triple play in a 13-15 year-old girls softball league game Saturday at Kings Mountain YMCA.

In a game against Victoria Cole of Cherryville, BB's center fielder Cailyn Hughes ran deep to catch a fly ball. She threw to Hayley Hoyle at second base for the second out, and Hoyle threw to Jessica Scates at third base to complete the triple play.

Sheila Loman of BB's said she has been playing and coaching softball for 25 years

and it was the first time she had seen a triple play.

BB's went on to win 13-1. Connor Blalock was the winning pitcher and also had a triple. Megan Hoyle, Megan Loftin, Chelsey Loman, Hayley Hoyle, Lauren Phillips, Cailyn Hughes, Jessica Scates, Sierra Burnette, Brianna Stevens, Catelyn Loman and Caitlin Patrick also had hits.

BB's Pizza's coaches are Sheila Loman and Doug Hoyle.

### SCHOLARSHIP

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College.

Gary Stewart scholarship, given by Carl and Pat Champion - Trey Robinson, who will attend the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill.

Kings Mountain Hall of Fame scholarship - Angel Smith, who will attend East Carolina University.

Kings Mountain Booster Club scholarship - Lacey

Beam, who will attend UNC Chapel Hill.

Other special awards presented Saturday night included:

Distinguished Service Awards - Scott Wells and Jeff Putnam, longtime coaches of Kings Mountain Pop Warner football teams.

Special Achievement Awards - The state champion 2005 KMHS women's softball team and the state champion 2006 KMHS men's relay swim team.

### SOCCER

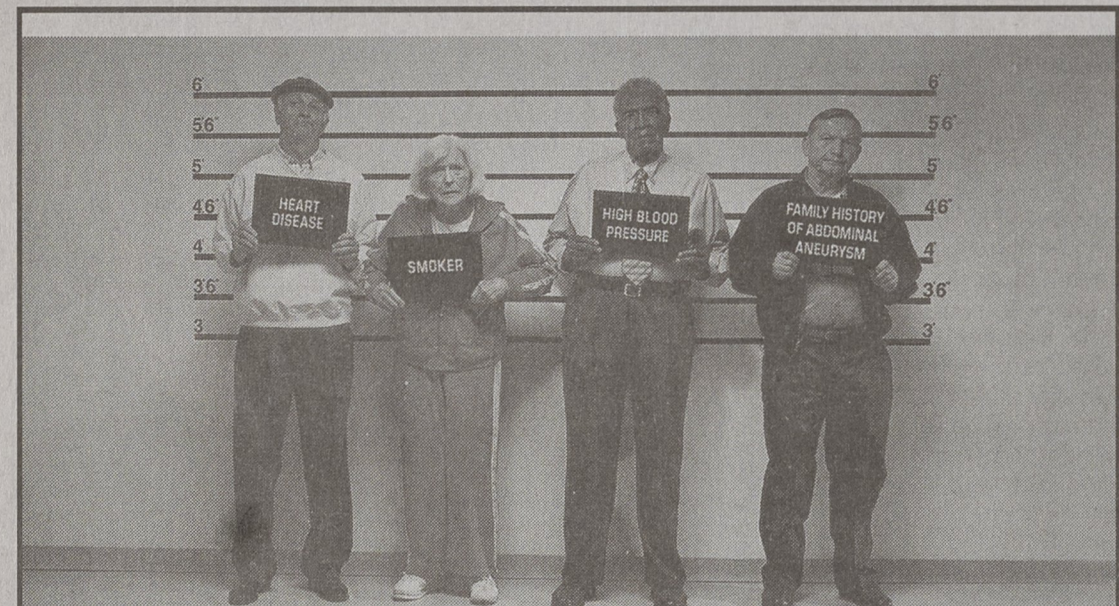
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n't have late in the first half. "In the second half, we didn't play that badly," he

### AMERICAN LEGION BASEBALL SCHEDULE

May 21 - at Cherryville; May 22 - Gaston Braves; May 23 - Henderson; May 25 - at Gaston Braves; May 26 - Cherryville; May 29 - at Denver; May 31 - Denver.

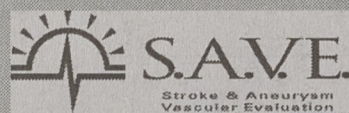
June 1 - at Charlotte; June 3 - Steele Creek; June 4 - at Steele Creek; June 6 - at Gastonia; June 7 - Gastonia; June 11 - Huntersville; June 12 - at Newell; June 14 - Union; June 17 - at Huntersville; June 18 - Charlotte; June 19 - at Pineville; June 21 - Newell; June 22 - Pineville; June 26 - at Union.



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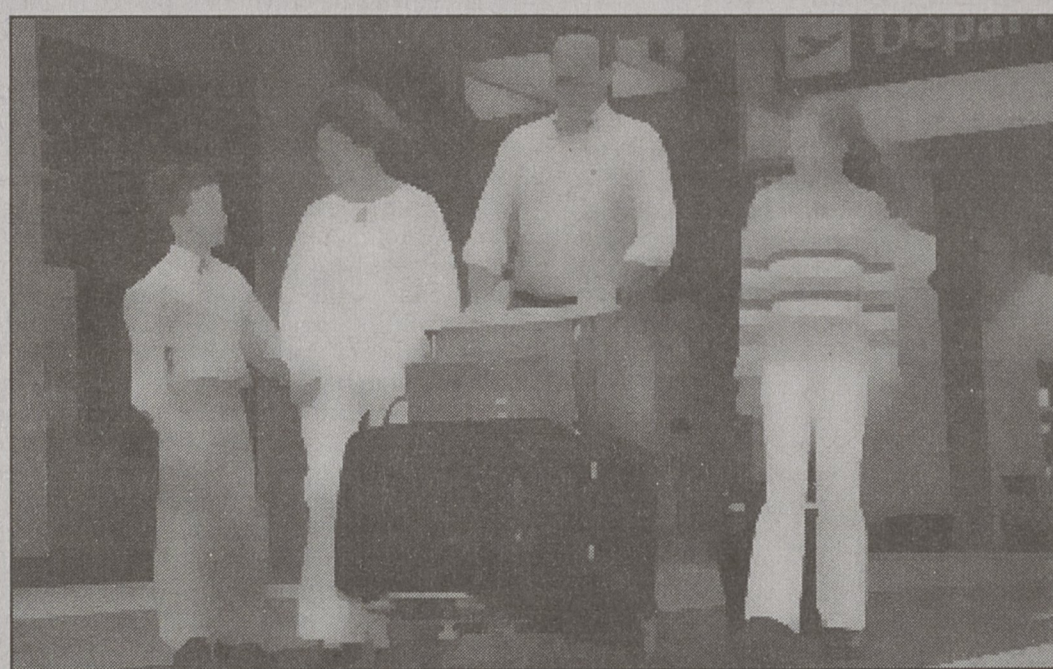


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### Central United Methodist Church Kings Mountain, NC

Activities

#### Sunday Morning

8:45 Praise and Worship Service  
9:30 Sunday Morning Fellowship  
9:45 Sunday School  
10:50 Traditional Services

#### Wednesday Evening

5:15 to 5:45 Children's Choir Practice- Preschool to 5<sup>th</sup> gr.  
7:00 Adult Choir Practice

#### Sunday Evening

Children's Activities: Ages 4 to High School  
Snack supper and Bible Related Activities  
5:00 to 5:30 Children's Choir- Preschool to 5<sup>th</sup> gr.  
5:30 to 7:15 Kids for Christ- 5<sup>th</sup> gr. and younger  
5:30 to 7:15 United Methodist Youth- 6<sup>th</sup> to 12<sup>th</sup> gr.

#### Thursday Evening

7:00 Over 40's Basketball

#### Community Kitchen

Serving our 11,000 meals in 2005  
Monday- 11:30AM to 1:00PM  
Thursday- 5:00PM to 6:00PM

#### Tuesday Evening

6:30 Youth Bible Study - 6<sup>th</sup> gr. to 12<sup>th</sup> gr.  
6:30 Boy scouts

#### Preschool

Ages 2 to 4 years  
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