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Dr. Sincox retired but still seeing patients



## HOMEFRONT

### KM man shot in Shelby, Grover man is charged

The Shelby Police Department has arrested Kevin Lamar Lockhart, 21, of 550 Kilgore Drive, Grover, for the July 8 early morning Earl/Walnut Street shooting of Perry Lamont Ussery, 24, of 210 Thornburg Drive in Kings Mountain. Ussery was treated and released from Cleveland Regional Medical Center for injuries sustained in the shooting. Lockhart was arrested at 212 Ramblewood Drive in Shelby at 11:42 pm on July 9. He was charged with assault with a deadly weapon with intent to kill, shooting into an occupied property, and possession of a firearm by a felon. He was placed in the Cleveland County Law Enforcement Center under a \$35,500 bond.



LOCKHART



BROOKS



CHAFMAN

Shelby Police are also seeking two other individuals believed to be involved in the incident. Warrants for assault with a deadly weapon with intent to kill and shooting into occupied property have been obtained by Shelby detectives for Santonia Lanquet Brooks, 19, of 309 N. Washington Street and Devosia Oneil Chapman, 16, of 410 Clegg Street in Shelby.

Anyone with information about this case should call the Shelby Police Department at 704-484-6845 or CrimeStoppers at 704-481-TIPS (8477).

## RADAR WATCH

Kings Mountain Police will be running radar at the following locations the week of July 16-22.

- Sunday - Shelby Rd.
  - Monday - NC 161.
  - Tuesday - Fulton Dr.
  - Wednesday - Sims St.
  - Thursday - NC 216.
  - Friday - Kings Mountain Blvd.
  - Saturday - Margrace Rd.
- \*Note - Police run radar every day on I-85 and US 74 Bypass.

## DEATHS

- Vada Abernathy, 88
- Kay Bowen, 65
- Ross Campbell, 51
- Ray Carroll Cline, 74
- Thaniel Pennington, 79
- Mary McSwain, 90
- Virginia Lee Bridges, 87
- Johnny Earnhardt, 95

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## WAITING FOR DADDY



GARY STEWART / HERALD  
10-month-old Brayden Deaton of Kings Mountain is ready for her father, Brad, to come home from Iraq. Brad's scheduled return date is in September. Brayden is the daughter of Brad and Ashley Deaton. Grandparents are Julie Deaton, Darrell and Crystal Love, and Shane and Tara Absher. Great grandparents are Olin and Mary Love, Martha Yarbrow, Shirley Cobb and Treva Mullinax.

## Harris to renovate old KM Drug Store

ELIZABETH STEWART  
Herald Correspondent

Downtown revitalization is getting a shot in the arm from John O. (Johnny) Harris III, Kings Mountain developer, whose vision for rehabilitation of a 1890s drug store could lead to major restoration in changing the face of Main Street Kings Mountain. Harris, president of John O. Harris Interests, is investing \$250,000 in refurbishing the old Rexall Drug Store and shooting for a September 1 completion date. In nearby Bessemer City he has invested \$750,000 in the construction nearing completion of a medical building bringing the total in Harris investments in the area to over \$1 million in land and construction costs.

Harris said, "I'm very much interested in the revitalization of

downtown and I have a lot of respect for the many area folks who are moving in that direction and hope our investment will send a louder message to other investors to market Kings Mountain."

"A loft look" is how Harris describes the dressed up former drug store building which will focus on restoration on two floors. The downstairs area with its 2,650 square feet of floor space will be perfect for a coffee shop, Hallmark store, pharmacy or other business-

es and the second floor, with its 1,050 square feet of floor space, will be utilized for office space by the Harris investment group. Recessed lighting, exposed brick, sprayed-in insulation, wood floors upstairs and plaster brick and



JOSEPH BRYMER / HERALD  
Johnny Harris looks over plans to renovate the old Kings Mountain Drug building in downtown Kings Mountain.

## Clay's new beginning

### New kidney replaces only one Clayton Ollis ever had

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Clayton Ollis, a resident of Kings Mountain, came into the world 41 years ago with one kidney, a condition known as renal agenesis. Many people who have a solitary kidney lead normal, healthy lives and are able to compete in sports and other activities just as a person would that has two kidneys. But what would happen if that one kidney decided to fail and there was no second one to back it up?

He suffered from many kidney stones as a child, and remembers having one at least once a year until he was about six or seven. Back in the 70s, doctors still believed the only way to treat the stones was to cut them out. So he underwent many surgeries, which left many scars, weakening his one kidney. "I distinctly remember going to my first day of kindergarten and knowing I was going into the hospital the very next day to have a kidney stone removed," he said, which did not bother him having been such a regular to the Ohio hospitals at that age.

"When we moved down here in '77, I didn't have any more kidney stones until I moved to Kansas City in 1996 and then I got another (one). When they cut it out, it was only three or four

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Clayton Ollis



GARY STEWART / HERALD  
City activities director Ellis Noell and Mary Ann Hendricks, left, and Mayor Rick and Sandra Murphrey, right, stand at city limits sign now featuring Keep KM Beautiful sign on Highway 161 north.

## Banners promote Keep KM Beautiful

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The 50 plus colorful banners that mark downtown street corners and entrances to the city have been designed to promote Keep Kings Mountain Beautiful and also to market local businesses.

Sandra Murphrey and Mary Ann Hendricks, co-chair of the project, and Mayor Rick Murphrey, assisted by Public Works Supt. Jackie Barnette, put up the welcome signs at the

entrances of the city Tuesday. The mayor said that the Keep Kings Mountain Beautiful committee is working with CGI Communications Inc. in the design of the banners and local merchants have purchased advertising logo for each of the banners to help support the project. Other merchants interested in a banner to advertise their business may call toll-free 1-800-398-3029 extension 249 and speak with the company representative. See Signs, 2A