

Grover School's Abigail Barber, second from right, was honored as the outstanding student at halftime of a recent football game at Gamble Stadium. She is pictured (left to right) with Booster Club President Danny Navy, her teacher Tandra Ramsey and her principal Janet Anthony.

#### GUEST GARY STEWART (13-2, 60-30) BILL PARSONS RITCHIE HALLMAN **ANDIE BRYMER** (12-3, 59-31) (10-5, 60-30) (9-6, 42-48) South Point South Point South Point South Point South Point over Ashbrook Crest over Country Day East Gaston Huss Huss over East Gaston North Gaston N. Gaston over Forestview N. Gaston North Gaston Forestview Shelby Shelby Shelby Shelby over Burns RS Central East Ruth. RS Central RS Central RS Central over E. Ruth. West Lincoln West Lincoln W. Lincoln W. Lincoln over B. City Cherryville East Lincoln East Lincoln Cherryville E. Lincoln over Cherryville Florida St. Fla. State Fla. St. over NC State NC State East Carolina Virginia Virginia Virginia over E. Carolina Clemson Clemson over Wake Miami Miami Miami Miami Miami over Carolina Georgia Tech Georgia Tech Ga. Tech Georgia Tech Ga. Tech over Marvland Tennessee over Georgia Tennessee Georgia LSU LSU over Florida

The guessing race is getting as close as the ACC. Herald Editor Gary Stewart and Bannernews sports-writer Ritchie Hallman both picked 13 of 15 winners of last week's games to move into a tie for first place with the guests, all at 60-30 on the season, Publisher Bill Parsons is one game back after going 12-3. This week's guest is Major Loftin of Kings Mountain, who just may be the #1 high school sports fan in the state. If there's a high school or college football or baseball game going on anywhere within driving distance, he'll be there.

## SPORTS BRIEFS

# **Cole top SEC player of week** second time in three weeks

Senior outside hitter Shonda Cole of the University of South Carolina volleyball team was named SEC Offensive Player of the Week for the second time in three weeks, the league office announced Monday.

Cole helped the Gamecocks to a 3-0 win over Georgia Wednesday, USC's first against the Bulldogs since 2002. She tallied 18 kills and hit .400 (18-6-30) while adding eight digs and two blocks.

In a 3-2 loss to Alabama Sunday, Cole notched her sixth 30-kill match of the year with 31. Cole's six 30-kill matches lead the nation, and she entered last week ranked second nationally in kills per game with an average of 6.02. She added 15 digs for her fifth double-double in 2006, and Cole's six services aces were a career high.

Cole and the Gamecocks travel to Knoxville, TN Friday to face the 17th ranked Lady Volunteers at 7 p.m. South Carolina takes on Kentucky in Lexington, KY at 1:30 p.m. Sunday.

#### Hollifield, Jones athletic advisors

Dale Hollifield and Bob Jones have been appointed to represent Kings Mountain schools on the Cleveland County Schools Athletic Advisory Committee

The committee will advise county athletic director Jim Taylor on athletics and public relations.

#### KM Middle 5th in cross country

Kings Mountain Middle Schools cross country teams finished fifth in the conference meet Monday.

The top five girls were Mary Beth Ellis in fifth

place, Morgan Scism 13th, Åkua Adams 27th, Latisha Goode 46th and Heather Johnson 48th Alex Toms led the boys in 10th place. Chaney Barnes was 15th, Tanner Denninger 17th, Adam

### **County schools to compete in race**

Gardner 38th and Blake Suess 39th.

Cleveland County Schools have another venue to display their athletic competitiveness.

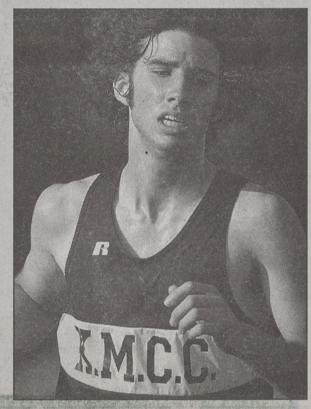
On Thursday, Oct. 14, one staff member from each of the four high schools will meet in a 10-lap race at Thunder Valley Speedway in Lawndale.

And at "halftime" of the event - after the fifth lap - student pit crews will change tires on each vehicle.

Action begins at 8 p.m. Tickets are \$10 each and are on sale at the four high schools. The schools will receive half of the money collected from tickets sold at the schools.



JOSEPH BRYMER / HERALD Kings Mountain's Tori Glass looks for teammate to move her up a base in softball game at KM Middle School.



Baxter McGregor competes for Kings Mountain in Southwestern Conference cross country run.



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