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Kylee Falls enjoyed the flowers and fallen petals the most at the Gazebo at Patriot's Park on Thursday night, for this year's last After 5, LIVE! celebration.

# Small turnout for final After 5 LIVE! celebration

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Whether it was the opening of the Cleveland County Fair or the impending threat of dark storm clouds above, the turnout for this year's very last After 5, LIVE! celebration was not very crowded. Most of the vendors were unable to make it to the event. The only thing that was provided were the sounds, beats and unlimited musical stylings of DJ Marcus from Carolinas Band Supply. But the music, dancing, scenery and flowers at Patriots Park, were all some needed to have a good time and every one who came - left with a smile.

First in attendance were Joni Smith from Mountaineer Partnership, Inc., who sponsored the DJ, and 17-month-old Kylee Falls with her grandmother. Kylee was asked to dance by the DJ, but she declined. She clung shyly to her grandmother, then noticed the flowers. Her short legs carried her to each of the closest bushes to inspect the different colored flowers. She was intrigued by their beauty

and delighted by the fallen petals. Smiles and laughter quickly came as she enjoyed the rainfall of windblown petals all around her. The music of the DJ added to the magic of the moment. Kylee quickly gathered up the petals and handed them to her grandmother, who completed her end of the deal by showering her with them. More laughs and excitement followed each time the process was repeated.

Dancers soon arrived and an Electric Slide was formed. Jaylin and Robert Addison enjoyed running through the park and then dancing with their mother Ronada and friend Tamra Jefferson. The rain clouds that loomed above waited for most of the fun to end before they opened up.

"Next year we are planning After 5, LIVE! events for the last Thursday in May, June, July and August," said Brenda Lovelace with the co-sponsoring KMBPA. "We hope to have a band start us up next year," she said.

"We will probably be alternating bands and DJs, cause these guys are so good," Smith said.

# Contestants are needed for Miss Kings Mountain pageant

Calling all miniature beauties and classy classmates! The Miss Kings Mountain Pageant is set for November 4 at 7 pm at the Joy Performance Center on Railroad Avenue. Entry forms for Tiny Miss, Wee Miss, Little Miss, Junior Miss, Teen Miss and Miss Kings Mountain can be picked up at the First National Banks in Kings Mountain and

Besemer City and at Frady's Florist in Kings Mountain.

Nikki Bliss Carroll, formerly with the Cleveland County Chamber of Commerce and participant in the Miss New Mexico Pageant, will be the emcee. Proceeds from the pageant go directly to provide scholarships to the winner of Miss Kings Mountain and to a graduating

senior at Kings Mountain High School. The pageant is sponsored by the Kings Mountain Business and Professionals Association. It is open to girls living and/or attending schools in Cleveland and Gaston counties.

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still sensed that there was some mysterious and wonderful presence that was lifting her up.

With her world shattered, Ann thought about the Christmas gift T. J. had bought her. He had kept trying to give it to her before Christmas, but each time she would laugh and tell him to put it away until Christmas Day. When she got home from the stables where her little boy had

died, she hurried upstairs to open that present. Inside the box, Ann found a beautiful necklace with a cross. Ann says that when she saw that cross she knew that God was with her, and thereafter God enabled her to learn how to reach out to others rather than become lost in her own grief. "Helping others," says Ann, "helped me."

Ann's husband also changed, and together they became followers of Jesus Christ. Through her ordeal, Ann discovered a gift for encouragement and the

bringing of healing to other parents, and since she lost her little boy, this young mother has reached out to help hundreds of other families who have lost their children in accidents. She calls her efforts "T. J. Ministries," not only after her son T. J., but also to emphasize how she's made it since then: Through Jesus.

Jeff Hensley is pastor of Kings Mountain Baptist Church.



The Kings Mountain Historical Museum had its third annual fundraiser, a Reverse Raffle and Auction, to raise money for the museum's preservation projects. Miss Margaret Ledford sold the grand prize winning ticket to Miss Jeanne Ware. Standing left to right, Mary Neisler and Margaret Ledford, board members of the museum, grand-prize winner Jeanne Ware, and president of the museum Evelyn Hamrick.

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