

■ SOCIAL BRIEFS

KM Rotary to name Citizen of the Year

The Kings Mountain Rotary Club is taking nominations for an outstanding Kings Mountain resident who has set a standard for extraordinary service to the community in improving the quality of life for all citizens of the Kings Mountain area.

Nominations must be submitted by June 7. For more information and to make a nomination call Jerry Simmons at 704-481-8883 or 704-739-7657.

Photos, write-ups needed on military

The Herald will publish a special section on the men and women who are serving or have served us in the military.

"Honor, Glory & Pride" will publish on June 21. Deadline for stories and advertising is June 11.

The Herald is soliciting pictures and information from the public on anyone who is currently serving in the military; and also on persons who have served in the military in the past. There is no charge.

Send your photos and stories to The Herald, P.O. Box 769, Kings Mountain, NC 28086 or bring them to the editor's office at 821 East King Street, Kings Mountain. You may also email them to gstewart@kingsmountainherald.com.

Photos will be returned after the publication date. For more information call The Herald at 704-739-7496.

Blood drives slated in Casar, Shelby, KM

Red Cross blood drives are scheduled today from 3-7:30 p.m. at Casar Elementary School, School House Rd., Casar; Wed., June 6 from 11 a.m.-3:30 p.m. at Cleveland Community College, 137 S. Post Rd., Shelby; and Thurs., June 7 from 1:30-6 p.m. at Central United Methodist Church, 113 S. Piedmont Ave., Kings Mountain.

CC Health Department launches a new website

The Cleveland County Health Dept. launched its new website this week and has a wealth of health information as well as a means for the public to contact the health department via email. The web address is <http://www.clevelandcounty.com/public/healthdept/index.htm>.

KMHS Class of 1962 planning its reunion

The Kings Mountain High School Class of 1962 is planning its 45th year reunion for October 6 at Deer Brook Golf Club in Shelby.

To update address or for more information contact Gale Morrison at 704-756-5486 or galemorrison@bellsouth.net.

Car and truck show slated June 2 in Fallston

The fourth annual Fallston Woman's Club car and truck show will be held June 2 from 10 a.m.-2 p.m. at Fallston Elementary School.

It will feature classics, trucks, imports and motorcycles.

Registration is \$15. Those pre-registering will receive a gift bag and t-shirt.

Admission is free. For more information call Judy Search at 704-692-6099 or email fallston-carshow@yahoo.com.

Caroline Cantrell earns Gold Award in Scouting

Caroline Cantrell of Troop 4 (Mountain Grove) received the Gold Award at a recent ceremony of the Girl Scout of the Pioneer Council at Aldersgate United Methodist Church, Shelby.

The Gold Award is the highest honor in Girls Scouts. Girls ages 15-18 earn the award by creating a project to benefit the community and presenting their idea to the award committee. Once approved they must execute the project, including planning, budgeting, project coordination and recruiting volunteers.

Show-N-Shine slated June 9 at Cleveland Mall

Shelby Show-N-Shine, a car, truck and motorcycle show, will be held June 9 from 4-9 p.m. at Cleveland Mall.

Numerous awards will be presented.

To pre-register call 704-538-1966 or email shelbyshowshine@aol.com. Pre-registration deadline is June 4 and the fee is \$15.

Food distribution June 13 at fairgrounds

Shelby Lions Club will distribute surplus commodities Wednesday, June 13 at 8 a.m. at Cleveland County Fairgrounds. Some form of ID is required. A person picking up for someone else must take a signed note from that person giving their income, number in the household, and their current residence. For more information call J.D. Baldree at 704-487-7466.

Calvin Edwards Trio to perform at CCC

The Calvin Edwards Organ Trio will be in concert June 14 at 7 p.m. in the Mildred H. Keeter Auditorium at Cleveland Community College. Admission is free.

Live Under the Stars June 23 at Joy Theatre

Live Under the Stars, sponsored by Skyway Communications, is slated at Kings Mountain Performing Arts Center June 23 from 7-10 p.m.

The event features jazz, gospel and rhythm and blues. Calvin Edwards and the Calvin Edwards Organ Trio, the Harris Brothers, All for God Quartet and Renata Wingo will perform.

Tickets are \$12 at the door. Proceeds will go to the YMCA to help children in need. Children 12 and under will be admitted free.

Bell family reunion will be held July 7-8

The children and grandchildren of the late Roy Bell Sr. and the late Marveta Leach Bell will have a family reunion July 7-8. Each family is asked to pay \$25.

For more information call Ivory Bell at 704-937-9504, Gloria K. Camp at 704-937-3536 or Wanda Bell Goode at 704-730-1061.

Operation Cool-Off provides fans to seniors

Operation Cool-Off is under way at the Patrick Senior Center in Kings Mountain.

The program provides free fans for Cleveland County residents ages 55 and older. Those who received fans last year may not qualify.

For more information call Terrie Lewis at 704-734-0447.

KM senior center needs recipes, ads for cookbook

The H. Lawrence Patrick Center volunteers are creating a cookbook to be used as a fund raiser. They are collecting recipes from Kings Mountain area residents.

Anyone interested in providing recipes may contact the Patrick Center at 704-734-0447.

Also, volunteers will be approaching area businesses to sponsor the cookbook. Ads are \$25, \$50 and \$100. Interested businesses may also call the Patrick Center.

The cookbook should be ready for purchase by mid-November.

Free wills prepared at The Patrick Center

Legal Aid of North Carolina will prepare wills and/or other advanced directives for seniors free of charge at the Patrick Center, 909 E. King St., Kings Mountain, the first Friday of each month beginning in July and ending in early December or when funding runs out.

Seniors who are 60 years of age are eligible and, although not required, are requested to have incomes that fall below the guidelines for indigent civil legal services representation. Guidelines are \$12,763 for an individual and \$17,113 for a couple.

For more information call the senior center at 704-734-0447.

Moss baseball exhibit at KM History Museum

The "John Henry Moss and the South Atlantic Baseball League," featuring the 50-year baseball career of Moss and his 24 years as Mayor of the City of Kings Mountain, continues through August 31 at the Kings Mountain History Museum., 100 E. Mountain St.

Hours are Tuesday - Friday and the second and fourth Saturday from 10 a.m.-4 p.m. For more information call 704-739-1019.

Bereavement groups to meet at Hospice

"Reflections," a six-week grief support group, will meet June 19, 26 and July 3, 10, 17 and 24 from 10-11:30 a.m. at Hospice of Cleveland County, 951 Wendover heights Dr., Shelby.

Participants are encouraged to attend all six sessions.

Hospice also has a bereaved parent support group meeting the first Thursday of every month at 5:30 p.m.

For more information, call 704-487-0800.

Mountain Mamas

Male 'beauties' to raise money for Gateway Trail

EMILY WEAVER

eweaver@kingsmountainherald.com

For the funniest night since "The Womanless Wedding" don't miss the Mountain Mama Beauty & Talent Show for the Gateway Trails June 9 at 6 p.m. at the Joy Performance Center.

Former mayor Scott Neisler will ditch his slacks for a dress along with local Chiropractor Jay Majors to be Mountain Mamas, sparking a fund raising campaign effort for the Gateway Trails.

Other Mountain Mamas, whose true character identities will be kept secret until all of the ballots are in, are scheduled to be played by Andy Neisler, Jim Champion, Dan Potter, Jerry Ledford, and Tom Bennett. Dan Treharne will be the director and Nelson Connor the master of ceremony for this mountain of laughs.

The Gateway Trails, a non-profit organization, is hosting the hilarious event to raise money, interest and awareness in a biking, hiking, running, and walking trail that may one day connect Kings Mountain to its namesake at the National Military Park.

The Mamas gathered at different locations in April to discuss the ideas for their characters. Some of them were pretty excited and happy to don a wig and a dress - for the cause of course.

"It's going to be sort of a country hoedown with backwoods characters that relate to nature," said Shirley Brutko.

Hallie Connor described the characters as "mountain folks that live on or near the trails." But these Mountain Mamas have some crazy tricks up their sleeves and perhaps a baseball bat handy to keep the mountain men away.

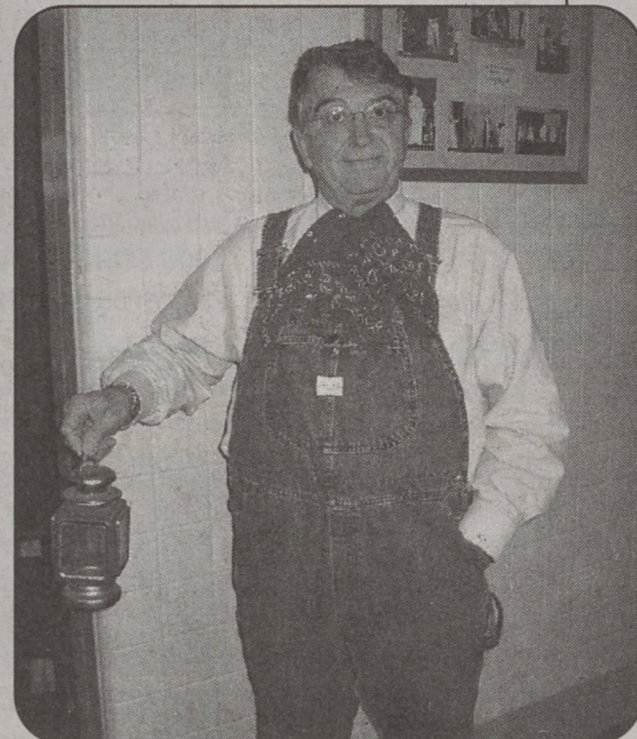
Tickets at \$50 apiece for this once in a lifetime hilarious fund raiser are going fast. To get tickets, call Shirley Brutko at 704-739-4755 or drop by the Kings Mountain Cleveland County Chamber Office on Battleground Avenue or at the Kings Mountain Family YMCA.

Ricky "Leggs" Hall will serve a barbecue dinner, with two kinds of slaw and baked beans, from 6 p.m.-7:20. Priscilla and Jeff Mauney and Susan and Dennis Patterson will be joining him on the Food Committee, providing an assortment of breads, chips, pickles, brownies, cookies and nuts. Tables will be set up inside and outside in the lot beside the theatre for dining.

The show begins at 7:30 p.m. The evening will be complete with door prizes, drinks, music and entertainment.

Brutko, Ashley Harris and David Ozmore are in charge of the publicity. Jyma Atwell is in charge of ticket sales. Kathy and George Culver will supply the non-spirited beverages and Larry Hamrick, Jr. will supply the other drinks. Handling the backstage scene, will be Erin Broadbent, Linda Falls and Larry Hyde. Gina Ayscue and Melanie Ballard will assist the Mountain Mamas and Ayscue will also be in charge of door prizes with Dennis Patterson.

Barbara and Clenon Tackett will be in charge of light and sound, Mary Wade Smith in charge of programs. Greg Williams will be leading the judges, who will be "dressed appropriately." Pre-show entertainment



includes: the banjo tunes of Dustin Bowers, a serenade by Heather Wilson and a skit by Craig Mayes.

Brutko and Connor have been working tirelessly on the logistics of the event since January. "We are hoping to raise at least \$10,000," Brutko said, adding that more would be better. All of the money raised will go towards the Gateway Trails, which is anticipated to infuse new life, health and tourism into the Kings Mountain area. On the night of the show, the lobby of the Joy Theatre will showcase information on the trails.

"We're really getting ready to take off with the trails," Brutko said, adding that she thinks the Mountain Mama Beauty & Talent Show will be the big kick-off they need, with laughter and hopefully money guaranteed.

The distinguished looking gentleman in the middle is Nelson Connor. The two lovely ladies are Tom Bennett, top, and Jim Champion. You'll see all this and plenty more in the Mountain Mamas Beauty and Talent Show at the Joy Performance Center on June 9.

Photos by Emily Weaver

Barrett's HOME FURNISHINGS

Great Prices...Great Service...
Serving Gaston County & Surrounding Areas Since 1963

We Know Comfort!
Visit our BERKLINE®
Comfort Gallery For the
Best in Reclining
Sofas & Chairs

3209 W. Franklin Blvd, Gastonia • (704) 867-1207
www.barrettsfurniture.com

Congratulations to the Class of 2007!

Always strive to "Do it Best" In Life!

Best HOMETOWN HARDWARE & GARDEN CENTER Best

110 South Railroad Avenue, Kings Mountain (704) 739-4731

Save up to \$1,100 cool cash on our coolest system.*

Now thru June 29, 2007

If you should ever have an emergency with your heating and cooling system, let our trained technicians put it right - right now. No matter what brand of heating and cooling system you have.

Our Carrier technicians are the most qualified repair technicians in the business, trained and equipped to find the problem quickly and fix it correctly.

So, for fast, expert service on your heating and cooling system, call us...we're happy to help.

SHELBY Heating & Air

704.739.5166
www.shelbyheating.com

Carrier Turn to the Experts