

FIVE GENERATIONS



Cameron Allen Bell, center, is the fifth generation for the Allen family. Pictured counter clockwise from bottom are his great-great-great aunt Louise Allen-Heavner, his great-grandpa Harold Allen, his grandmother Gail Allen-Bell, and his mother Amy Bell.



This picture shows five generations of the Wright Family. Hunter Scott Gladden was born April 9, 2007. He is pictured with his great-great grandfather Talmage Stough Wright, great-grandfather Ottis S. Wright, grandfather Talmage L. Wright, and mother Tara W. Gladden.

LIFESTYLES

We Build People Campaign kicks off tonight at YMCA

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The Kings Mountain Family YMCA is kicking off this year's *We Build People* campaign with a dinner and celebration tonight in the KM Hospital's Community Room at 6 p.m.

Campaign Chairwoman Gina Ayscue said that last year they raised almost \$89,000, adding that their total was more than what Shelby was able to raise. Since all of the funds raised in a community, stay in the community, the campaign efforts gave dozens of KM people, who otherwise could not have afforded it, membership to the YMCA. Some of the people helped by the fund raising efforts last year will be at the kick-off to share their testimonials.

Fund raising efforts help chil-

dren, families, adults and seniors facing financial difficulty to achieve better health and fitness at the Cleveland County YMCAs. According to the Y, "The *We Build People* scholarship program helps us reach a greater number of people in order to build strong kids, strong families and strong communities. The YMCA movement is particularly relevant in our county due to low wages, major job losses and plant closings and various other economic factors."

Every penny raised through the *We Build People* campaign goes directly to providing "financial assistance for membership and/or youth programs by awarding full and partial scholarships to families and individuals in need."

According to the Cleveland

County YMCAs, since the effort began, funds raised have:

- "Enabled 'at risk' children to play sports in a safe, supervised setting
- "Provided a family that had suffered through Hurricane Katrina with membership privileges and after school care at no charge
- "Made it possible for single, working parents to send their children to our after school program in a caring, Christian environment"
- "Are giving assistance to a family of abandoned children."

For more information about the *We Build People* program or to contribute to the cause, contact the KM Family YMCA at 704-739-9631 or visit them online at clevecoymca.org/kings_mountain.

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