

DeVane builds walkway to earn 'Eagle'

by ELIZABETH STEWART
staff writer

Eagle Scout Camden DeVane chose a unique project to complete final preparation for the coveted Eagle.

The son of David and Kim DeVane has built a walkway which runs from the back of the Kings Mountain Historical Museum (the old Post Office) to the Barber Log Cabin. It took the Kings Mountain High School senior 1 1/2 weeks to complete the project.

The walkway is graveled and has a compacted sand foundation.

After high school graduation, DeVane plans to use his construction and engineering skills since he plans to major in an engineering discipline either at Wake Forest University, N. C. State University or UNC at Chapel Hill.

DeVane has been a Boy Scout for six years. A member of First Baptist Church and Troop 92 of First Baptist Church, he has risen quickly to the rank of Eagle, the highest and most distinguished award earned by a Boy Scout which reflects determination, dedication and leadership.

Kings Mountain City Council on Tuesday recognized DeVane with a resolution and certificate. Mayor Rick Murphrey congratulated DeVane for "exceptional commitment and hard work in achieving the rank of Eagle and for outstanding work in constructing as an Eagle project a walkway at the Kings Mountain Historical Museum."



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Camden DeVane is shown with the walkway visitors to the Kings Mountain Historical Museum and the Barber Log Cabin can use. He designed and built the walkway to earn his Eagle Scout rank.

Safety glitch causes power outage

By EMILY WEAVER
Editor

A brief power outage in Kings Mountain just before noon on Monday was not caused by the city's usual culprit - the squirrel.

City Electric Director Nick Hendricks said that the outage, which he estimated lasted about 30 minutes, was just a safety glitch that occurred during a yearly maintenance check. He said that the department usually runs maintenance tests on all of its equipment this time of the year.

During one of those checks on Monday, he said, that one of the regulators, which act as a safe guard to let the system know when something is awry, was activated. When it came online, the breakers sensed that activation and automatically closed for protection.

Safety features and devices are plugged in throughout the department to protect the system, workers and the public.

"We have state-of-the-art, great equipment and we keep it that way through maintenance," Hendricks said.

He added that they plan to finish up their annual checks on Monday and he does not anticipate any recurrences.

Nine circuits feed power throughout the city, Hendricks said, and only two of those circuits were affected on Monday. The two circuits that went down provide power to the downtown area and to the area around North Elementary.

Margrace slated for National Register

Come and learn more about the history and architectural resource of the Margrace Village neighborhood at a National Register informational meeting on Thursday, Feb. 12, at 6 p.m. at City Hall Firemen's Training Room.

The National Register nomination for the Margrace Mill Village Historic District is now complete and will be presented to the National Register Advisory Committee for review Feb. 19.

Davyd Foard Hood, architectural historian who prepared the nomination, and Decca Johnson, National Register Coordinator for the North Carolina State of Historic Preservation Office, will attend the meeting to present information and answer questions about the proposed Margrace Village Historic District. The meeting is sponsored by the Kings Mountain Historic Landmark Commission.

For more information contact the City of Kings Mountain Planning and Economic Development Department at 704-734-4595.

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ferent school and will need to apply for a new transfer if they live out of the new school's attendance zone; and those on approved transfer from out of county and these students must apply for a new transfer each year.

Lee Wilson, as John Adams, Seth Barkley as Ben Franklin and Kevin Dedmon as Thomas Jefferson delighted the packed room of parents and teachers with excerpts from "1776" which they presented in N. C. Theatre Contests and won awards for excellence in acting and excellence in costumes and wig design. Seniors at Shelby High School, they are drama students of Kathy Burgin and Steve Padgett.

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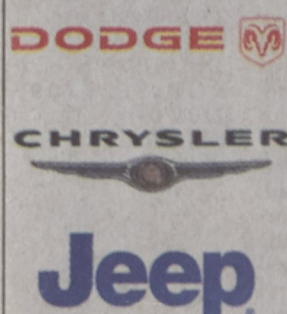


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