

RECORDS

Police Report

ARRESTS

APRIL 21: Kenneth Lee Rockwell, 35, 209 E. Parker St., resist, delay, obstruct, driving while license revoked, fugitive wanted, cited for driving left of center and running a stop sign. Wanted by NCIC by Columbus, Ohio, he was confined under a \$2,000 secure bond and under a no hold bond for Columbus, Ohio.

APRIL 21: Monterrio Robbins, 18, 1717 Kings Row Dr., Apt. 101, felony breaking and entering, felony larceny and felony conspiracy, \$30,000 bond, secured.

APRIL 21: Sterling Christopher Miller, 19, 703 Church St., felony breaking and entering, felony larceny of a gun, two counts, and felony conspiracy, \$30,000 bond, secured.

APRIL 21: Vincent Taylor, 17, 708 Groves St., felony breaking and entering, felony larceny and felony conspiracy, \$30,000 bond, secured, and two orders for arrest, simple assault and larceny.

APRIL 21: Scottie Dwayne Hinson, 19, 223 Morrison St., Shelby, felony breaking and entering, felony conspiracy breaking and entering and felony larceny, \$30,000 bond, secured.

APRIL 22: Jacqueline Madigan, 29, 121 N. Dell St., assault with a deadly weapon, no bond.

APRIL 22: Jerry Wayne Herring, 48, 307-C E. King St., school attendance law violation.

APRIL 22: Ramona Herring, 47, 307-C E King St., school attendance law violation.

APRIL 23: Sheldon Thompson, 22, 406 W. Parker St., simple possession marijuana.

APRIL 24: William C. Schoener, 30, 134 Eastend Dr., misdemeanor larceny, \$500 bond., secured.

APRIL 25: Timothy Dade, 47, 203 McGill Court, second degree trespass, criminal trespass.

CITATIONS

APRIL 17: Roger Lee Sawyer, 22, 811 W. Gold St. apt. 7, seat belt violation.

APRIL 20: Britinny Danelle Smith, 20, Grover, expired tag, speeding, possession of marijuana.

APRIL 21: Timothy Davis, 29, Shelby, speeding, altered tag.

APRIL 22: Arnold Gore, 24, Cullowhee, speeding.

APRIL 23: Stacie Smith, 43, Charlotte, speeding.

APRIL 23: Leslie Murphy, 43, Charlotte, speeding, expired tag.

APRIL 23: Joseph Davis, 28, Cherryville, speeding.

APRIL 24: Landon Benton, 28, Shelby, revoked license.

APRIL 25: Cynthia Settle, 45, Shelby, expired tag.

APRIL 25: Ryan Shane Alexander, 38, 103 S. Waterson St., revoked license.

APRIL 25: Trina Archie, Shelby, revoked license.

APRIL 25: Tommy Purpo, 18, 101 Cloninger St., running red light.

APRIL 25: Brandy Bolton, 24, 5116 Southbrook Dr., expired tag.

APRIL 25: Andy Logan, 31, Ebenezer Rd., expired tag.

APRIL 25: Alice Guthrie, 29, Gastonia, no operator's license.

APRIL 26: William McCullen, 18, Bessemer City, red light violation.

APRIL 26: Troya Toms, 35, Gastonia, expired tag.

APRIL 26: Wendy Brooks, 32, 309-A S. Juniper St., revoked license.

APRIL 26: Patricia Scott, 31, Gastonia, expired tag.

INCIDENTS

APRIL 18: City of Kings Mountain, PO Box 7, reported a pair of handcuffs was lost by police working a wreck on Cleveland Avenue near Branch Street.

APRIL 20: Kerns Trucking, 110 Holiday Drive, reported theft of two radios and antenna and broken sight windows from a vehicle in the parking area of the business.

APRIL 20: Hardees 0279, 509 E. King St., reported larceny of currency.

APRIL 21: C. A. Foy Machine Co., 265 Kings Rd., reported larceny of video cameras valued at \$400.

APRIL 21: A resident of Phenix Street reported larceny of firearms valued at \$800 and damage to a door and gun cabinet totaling \$500.

APRIL 21: A resident of Sterling Drive reported that her tan black Husky/Malamute mix dog is missing.

APRIL 22: J. E. Herndon Co., 1020 J. E. Herndon Ac. Rd., reported theft of metal bars and a 1969 Chevy truck.

APRIL 24: Food Lion 230, 1320 Shelby Rd., reported a customer concealed several items and left without paying for them.

APRIL 24: Christ the King Catholic Mission, 714 Stone St., reported that someone knocked the statue of Jesus down and damaged it \$1,000.

APRIL 25: A resident of Clinton Drive reported theft of a computer, DVD player, and television set after a break-in.

APRIL 25: One Stop Food Stores 125, 2120 Shelby Rd., reported a customer passed counterfeit currency.

APRIL 25: A resident of Thornburg Drive said her vehicle was scratched while parked on the street at her residence.

APRIL 26: A resident of N. Deal Street reported a com-

mon law robbery. He said he was robbed of \$346 by a suspect who took his money and fled.

WRECKS

APRIL 21: Vehicles operated by Frederick Jackson, 810 Church St., and Donna Schronce, 111 Budsway Dr., hit in the intersection of E. Ridge and N. Dilling Streets doing \$4500, according to investigating officer Kenneth L. Hamrick.

APRIL 23: A 17-year-old driver was cited by Ptl. R.S. Davis for failure to report an accident after her car struck a parked vehicle in the parking area of Kings Mountain High School.

APRIL 23: Ptl. T.D. Adams charged Leslie Franklin Herndon, 514 N. Watterson St., with DWI, driving while license revoked, and leaving the scene of an accident after he lost control of his vehicle at Barnette Drive and N. Cansler Street. Herndon was taken to Kings Mountain Hospital and then transferred to Cleveland Regional Medical Center for treatment of injuries.

APRIL 24: Ptl. B. L. Wilkinson said that William Lee Coleman of Lincolnton, operating a 2006 Chevy, was traveling East on the US 74 Bypass when a deer jumped out in front of his car. Damages were estimated at \$2500.

Obituaries

MARGARET RUFF

KINGS MOUNTAIN - Margaret Smith Ruff, 82, died April 23, 2009 at Kings Mountain Hospital.

The funeral service was conducted Tuesday, April 28, 2009 at 3 p.m. at Ollie Harris Memorial Chapel. Rev. Paul Grigg and Rev. Kelly Kowalczyk officiated and interment was in Mountain Rest Cemetery.

Active in the Kings Mountain Senior Center, she started the "Swinging Mountaineer" band, wrote songs and poems and in the 1950's sang with her twin sister on the Arhur Smith Show.

She was a foster grandparent and loved by a devoted large family.

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MARTHA SHORT

KINGS MOUNTAIN - Martha Hicks Short, 58, of 820 Second St., died April 21, 2009 at Kings Mountain Hospital.

The funeral will be conducted Friday, April 24, 2009 at 4 p.m. at Ollie Harris Memorial Chapel. Rev. John Benton will officiate and interment will be in Mountain Rest Cemetery.

The family will receive

friends at Harris Funeral Home from 2:30-3:30 p.m. Friday prior to the service.

VERGIE MILSTEAD

GASTONIA - Vergie Sumner Milstead, 93, went home to be with her Lord on April 27, 2009, at Robin Johnson Hospice House, Dallas. She was born on July 25, 1915, in Carroll County, Va., to the late Rush Floyd and Mary Jane Branscomb Sumner.



The funeral service will be conducted by the Revs. Todd Hinson and Wes Brown Wednesday, April 29, 2009 at 10:30 a.m. at Firestone Wesleyan Church, Gastonia. A graveside service will be held at 4 p.m. Wednesday, April 29, 2009 at Shady Grove Wesleyan Church Cemetery in Colfax, NC.

The family will receive visitors at the home of Jim and Ilean Beck, 135 Burton Hills Circle, Gastonia.

Vergie was a graduate of Wilmington General Hospital School of Nursing Wilmington, Delaware. Her early education was in Surry County, NC. She was a registered nurse for Winston-Salem Baptist Hospital for many years and later did private duty nursing. Vergie was a pastor's wife of eight Wesleyan Churches in the North Carolina West District and was a member of Firestone Wesleyan Church, Gastonia. The family wishes to thank the staff of Robin Johnson Hospice House and Gaston Memorial Hospital, 3 South, for their professional care.

She is survived by sons, H. Harlan Milstead and wife Helen of Harrisburg, Larry S. Milstead and wife Addie of Kings Mountain, Rev. Donald W. Milstead and wife Carol of Liberty, SC; daughters, Ilean M. Beck and husband Jim of Gastonia, Mary Ellen M. Covington and husband Michael of Harrisburg; 10 grandchildren; and 11 great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Rev. Lawrence W. Milstead; brother, Howard Sumner; and sisters, Edna Leonard, Grace Brendle, Zela Stone-man.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to Firestone Wesleyan Church, 1700 Union Road, Gastonia, NC 28054 or to Gaston Hospice, PO Box 3984, Gastonia, NC 28054.

To offer condolences, visit www.siskbutler.com

Sisk-Butler Funeral Home, Bessemer City, is serving the family.

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New patrolmen take oath of office



photo by Lib Stewart
NEW POLICEMEN - Paul W. Alexander, left, and Wayne Carpenter, right, take the oath of office from Kings Mountain Mayor Rick Murphrey.

BY ELIZABETH STEWART staff writer

Two new city patrolmen - Paul W. Alexander and Wayne Carpenter - took the oath of office Friday and with their right hands on the Bible swore to be "alert and diligent to enforce the criminal laws of this state

and to faithfully and impartially execute the duties of my office." They also pledged to recognize their badge of office as a symbol of public faith.

The newly-sworn officers also repeated the Kings Mountain Police Department "Code of Ethics" and the City of Kings Mountain Mission Statement after the reading of each by Mayor Rick Murphrey who con-

ducted the swearing-in ceremonies in Council Chambers at City Hall in the presence of other police officers, city staff and councilmen Dean Spears and Jerry Mullinax.

Alexander and his wife, Patty, come to Kings Mountain from Fort Lauderdale, Fla. He is a graduate of Cleveland Community College. Mrs. Alexander pinned the badge on her husband's shirt.

Carpenter, a former King Mountain police officer, returns to Kings Mountain after serving in the Shelby Police Department. He and his wife, Lareina, have two sons, Adam Carpenter and Colten Arrowood. Young Adam pinned the badge on his father's shirt.



Jeremy Dwayne Cooke

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Love always, Ashley

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Michelle, Alan Michael, Justin, Mom & Dad