

# RECORDS

## Obituaries

### Howard Corbin

LINCOLNTON - Howard John Corbin, 71, died Monday, Sept. 28, 2009. He will be remembered as a loving and caring husband, father and grandfather.

Born July 16, 1938 in DuBois, Pa., he was the son of the late William George and Velma Corbin. Reared in Hazen, Pa., he graduated from Brookville High School, attended Penn State University and graduated from Gannon University with a degree in mechanical engineering.

He began his career with Brockway Glass Co. and worked for Stackpole Carbon Co. in Mary's, Pa. He relocated to Lincolnton in 1976 with Stackpole Carbon, opening and managing the Lincolnton manufacturing plant. He worked for MTE Hydraulics in Gastonia for a number of years and spent the last 17 years working with Buckeye Fire Equipment in Kings Mountain. Through his leadership and dedication, he touched the lives and inspired the careers of those he worked with over the years.

Corbin was an avid golfer, hunting enthusiast and enjoyed traveling.

Howard, lovingly known as Papa Corbin, was preceded in death by his wife, Rebecca Hughes-Corbin in 1992. He is survived by his daughters, Lesa C. Ritter and husband William of Lincolnton and two children, Ashton Whitney and Megan C. Panicucci and husband Riccardo of Boston, MA and their four children, Brandon Paul Heavner, Hayden John Heavner, Alexandra Panicucci and Christiana Panicucci. He is also survived by his two brothers, Larry Milton Corbin and wife Nancy of Surfside Beach, SC and William J. Corbin and wife Cindy of Hazen, Pa, three nieces and two nephews.

The family will receive friends Thursday, Oct. 1, 2009 at Warlick Funeral Home from 3-3:45 p.m. The funeral service will be held at 4 p.m. in Warlick Funeral Home Chapel. Burial will follow in Hollybrook Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to the Howard John Corbin Engineering Scholarship Fund, c/o Carolina Trust Bank, PO Box 308, Lincolnton, NC 28093-0308.

### Warlick Funeral Home

### Lawrence Twitty

CASAR - Lawrence G. Twitty, 95, of 200 Morrish School Road, died Sept. 24, 2009 at Cleveland Regional Medical Center in



Shelby.

He was born in Union County to the late William John Twitty and Harriet Strawn Twitty. He was husband to the late Elise Bigam Twitty and was also preceded in death by stepdaughters, Patricia Causby and Mary Ervin.

A member of Oak Island Presbyterian Church, he was also a member of the Oak Island, NC Masonic Lodge and attended Sunrise Independent Baptist Church in Southport, NC. He was retired from The International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers in Concord and served in the United States Army Air Corps during World War II in the Pacific Theatre.

Surviving are his wife, Jeanette McCarter Barnette Mullis Twitty of the home; one stepson, Jackie D. Barnette and wife Patti of Kings Mountain; three stepdaughters, Linda B. Newton and husband David of Casar, and Glenda B. Fredell and husband Coy, and Joan Stephenson, all of Kings Mountain; a stepson-in-law, Robert Ervin of Kings Mountain; 14 grandchildren and 10 great-grandchildren.

The funeral service was conducted Saturday, Sept. 26, 2009 at 11 a.m. at Ollie Harris Memorial Chapel in Kings Mountain. Rev. Bruce Davis officiated and interment was in Northwood Cemetery in Southport.

The family received friends Saturday from 10-11 a.m. prior to the service at Harris Funeral Home and on Sunday, Sept. 27, 2009 from 1:30-2:30 p.m. prior to the service at Peacock-Newnam & White Funeral Service in Southport, NC.

Memorials may be made to Sunrise Independent Baptist Church, 8375 River Rd., Southport, NC 28461.

A guest register is available at www.HarrisFunerals.com.

Harris Funeral Home, Kings Mountain, was in charge of arrangements.

### Harris Funeral Home

### Musical Comedy Show scheduled

A big musical comedy show featuring The Jones Twins with host Denise Williams and Ricky McCluney as MC as well as Small Fire and Christopher Lewis will be held at Malcolm Brown Auditorium at Shelby High School Oct. 3 beginning at 6 p.m.

Tickets are \$25 at the door but advance sale tickets are \$20 and \$15 for seniors and youth. Bubba Brown Promotions, 704-772-5129, has tickets locally.

### Red Cross to offer flu prevention program Oct. 22

American Red Cross instructor Sharon Morris will present "Flu Prevention Tips" at the Patrick Senior Center, Conference Room I, on Thursday, Oct. 22, from 6-7 p.m. This is a free information program and the public is invited to attend.

## Police Report

### ARRESTS

SEPT. 21: Ralph Flack, 61, 304 Linwood Rd., communicating threats, \$500 bond, secured.

SEPT. 22: John DeWayne Black Jr., 34, Gastonia, assault on a female.

SEPT. 23: Jeremy Shane Huffman, 21, 206 S. Cansler St., assault on a female.

SEPT. 23: Laura Allison Baird, 31, 320 Wilson Terrace, trafficking by possession opium and obtaining controlled substance by fraud and forgery, both felonies, \$100,000 bond, secured.

SEPT. 24: Jennifer R. Greene, 34, 314 Brice St., worthless check.

SEPT. 24: Randy Antoine Johnson, 25, 611 Cansler St., second degree trespassing, \$300 bond, secured.

SEPT. 25: John R. Massey, 32, Gastonia, larceny, \$2,000 bond, secured.

SEPT. 26: Ivy Nichole Mercer, 20, 2013 Redwood Circle, \$500 bond, secured.

SEPT. 26: Toby Daniel Pires, 30, 112 Guyton Loop, malicious conduct, a felony, resist, delay, obstruct, no operator's license, no bond. His vehicle was impounded.

SEPT. 27: Kerrie Lynn Turner, 35, Dallas, larceny, criminal summons.

SEPT. 27: Joe Dennis, 22, Charlotte, felony obtaining property by false pretense and forgery and uttering, both felonies, and obstruct and delay, \$10,000 bond, secured.

SEPT. 27: Michael Amos, 44, Rutherfordton, failure to yield right-of-way.

SEPT. 27: Chad Spriggs, 39, 351 Mary's Grove Church Rd., no operator's license, revoked registration, no insurance, and speeding.

SEPT. 27: Ryan Sylvia, 27, 411 Fulton Dr., stop sign violation.

SEPT. 24: Allen Ray Sparks, 44, Shelby, speeding.

SEPT. 24: Sherry James, 49, Blacksburg, SC, red light violation.

SEPT. 25: Darrell Green, 37, 308 Edell St., failure to decrease speed to avoid a collision.

SEPT. 26: Jacques Jackson, 50, 163 Galilee Church Rd., shoplifting.

SEPT. 21: Rick's Ole Country Store, 1557 N. Piedmont Ave., reported incident of shoplifting.

SEPT. 21: A resident of Wildwood Drive reported theft of a TV from a trailer.

SEPT. 21: D&B Transports, 410 Canterbury Rd., reported theft of an ignition

switch from a Chevy truck and theft of a radio face plate from a commercial building.

SEPT. 21: Circle P, Phifer Road, reported an incident of shoplifting.

SEPT. 21: A resident of Wildwood Drive reported that someone cut a steel lock cable from a four wheeler and removed it from a trailer parked in the yard. The 1995 four wheeler was value at \$1500.

SEPT. 21: Shell Station, 511 Linwood Rd., reported an incident of shoplifting.

SEPT. 22: A resident of Cloninger Street reported that the vinyl on his house was spray painted by vandals doing \$500 damage.

SEPT. 23: CVS Pharmacy 6407, 1019 Shelby Rd., said a customer presented a forged prescription.

SEPT. 24: A resident of Manor Drive reported theft of a \$1500 air-conditioning unit.

SEPT. 24: A resident of Kings Row Apartments reported theft of a wallet and currency

SEPT. 25: A resident of Northwoods Drive reported theft of \$382.50 in personal checks.

SEPT. 26: Kings Mountain Auto Supply, 904 W. Gold St., reported a customer wrote a bogus check for \$314.91.

SEPT. 26: Food Lion 2654, 610 E. King St., reported an incident of shoplifting.

SEPT. 26: A resident of Cleveland Avenue reported a break-in and theft of \$670 in equipment.

SEPT. 26: A resident of Crescent Drive reported theft of a 1999 Dodge Caravan.

SEPT. 27: A resident of N. Piedmont Ave. reported theft of plastic roofing material from a residential outbuilding.

SEPT. 27: Food Lion, 610 E. King St., reported a customer endorsed a counterfeit check for \$398.

SEPT. 21: Sgt. J. D. Buff cited Bouavanh H. Sinnorai, 110 Tara Terrace, with running a red light after the 1998 Chevy she was driving struck a 1997 Chevy operated by Brandon Johnson of Chester, S. C. The accident happened at the intersection of E. Gold and N. Gaston. Damages totaled \$1,000.

SEPT. 21: Shirley Moore, 101 Pennant St., told Officer B. C. McGinnis that she pressed the gas pedal instead of the brakes on her car while she was attempting to park at Silver Express on E. King Street. The vehicle struck a Ready Ice Freezer causing the freezer to hit a power outlet. Damages were estimated at \$1550.

SEPT. 22: Ptl. H. W. Carpenter cited Michael Lee Amos of Rutherfordton with failure to yield right-of-way after an accident involving his 2005 Volvo and a 1998 Ford operated by Shirley W. Johnson, 612 Mauney Ave. The accident happened on NC 161 and the US74 off ramp and damages totaled \$9,000.

SEPT. 24: Cpl. Mark Butler said that vehicles operated by Sherry James, Blacksburg, SC., and Lillie Falls, 705 Erskine Court #4, collided in the intersec-

tion of US 74 Business and Phifer Road doing \$5,000 damage. Butler cited James for failure to stop for a stop signal.

SEPT. 24: Ptl. G. L. McKinney cited W. T. Berry, 128 Wells Rd., with failure to stop for a stop light after his 2007 Ford struck a 2005 Toyota operated by Minnie West of Waco at the intersection of W. Mountain and S. Watterson Streets. Damages were estimated at \$1300.

SEPT. 24: Cpl. Mark Butler said a 1996 Mazda operated by Caitlin Patrick, 210 N. Sims St., struck a 1998 Honda operated by Ellen Hall, 122 Chestnut Rjde Road, on Phifer Road. Damages were estimated at \$2350. Two passengers in the Hall car complained of injuries and one passenger was transported by ambulance to the hospital for treatment.

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### KM man arrested for trying to bribe license examiner

DMV shuts down multi-state document lab operators, suspects believed to be manufacturing hundreds of counterfeit documents weekly

Alleged illegal immigrant Juan Alberto Goddy Vasquez, 37, of Kings Mountain was arrested recently on charges of attempting to bribe a state driver license examiner to obtain a driver license.

The Division of Motor Vehicles' License and Theft Bureau recently brought charges against Vasquez and four other suspects in Gaston and Rutherford counties for manufacturing false identification documents and driver licenses from multiple states and attempting to bribe a DMV driver license examiner.

"I am proud of the DMV License and Theft Bureau personnel for their hard work on this investigation," Commissioner of Motor Vehicles Mike Robertson said. "It also speaks highly of our driver license examiners that they assist in reporting these crimes and increase the integrity of our offices across the state."

DMV inspectors arrested Mario Ziranda, 35, and Elvis Sanchez, 28, at their residence at 272 Roberson Lane, Forest City on common law forgery and manufacturing North Carolina driver licenses. More charges could be forthcoming upon the pending investigation. Sanchez has no legal United States documentation. Both are being held on \$75,000 secured bond in the Rutherford County jail.

Inspectors also arrested Claudia Morales Rodriguez, 29, and Alfredo Lopez Hernandez, 29, both of Gastonia, on charges of attempting to bribe a state driver license examiner to obtain a driver license. Rodriguez, Hernandez and Vasquez are believed to be in the U.S. illegally. They

are being held on \$10,000 bond in the Gaston County jail.

The arrests resulted from an investigation into the operation of a document lab which contained equipment and materials to manufacture counterfeit resident alien cards, Social Security cards, birth certificates and driver licenses from six states. A Gaston County driver license examiner assisted in the investigation. Annually, the License and Theft Bureau performs over 3,600 fraud investigations.

Search warrants issued at the Forest City residence resulted in ledgers indicating hundreds of fake document sales weekly. Driver licenses from California, Florida, Tennessee, Texas, Ohio and North Carolina were found at the location, along with Social Security cards and a Maryland birth certificate. Also seized at the location was \$8,000 in cash and 15 grams of cocaine.

License and theft inspectors from Gaston, Burke, Lincoln, Catawba and Cleveland counties conducted the investigations and made the arrests. Law enforcement officials from the Gastonia Police Department, Forest City Police Department and the Rutherford County Sheriff's Office assisted with the arrests. The U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement Agency has been alerted.

### Kingdom Life to mark pastor's 3rd anniversary

Kingdom Life Covenant Ministries invites the public to attend a celebration of Pastor Cruceta Jefferies on her third pastoral anniversary. The event will take place 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 4, at Patterson Springs Town Hall, 1709 S. Post Road, Shelby.

The speaker for the morning service will be Rev. Ella Rawlinson of York, SC, and the speaker for the evening service will be Minister Daura Torrence of Taylorsville. Lunch will be served immediately after morning service.

For more information and/or directions, call Carla Ellis at 704-739-4614 or Elder Helen Jefferies at 704-236-5842.

### Women's conference at Kingdom of God

Kingdom of God Ministries, 902 S. Battleground Ave., will begin the first annual Women's Conference Sunday, Oct. 4 at 11 a.m. on the theme, "The Hour of Power, the God Woman Perspective"

Carenda Lynch of Charlotte will fill the pulpit. Pastors Joyce Littlejohn of Gastonia and Jennifer Cook of Charlotte will speak at 6 p.m.

Monday evening's service at 6 p.m. will feature Pastors Janice Littlejohn and Cruceta Jeffers, both of Kings Mountain, leading the service.

Pastor Carol Davis and Minister Joni Smith both of Kings Mountain, will lead the 7 p.m. service Tuesday. Guest psalmist for the Oct. 5-6 services is Angela Hope of Gastonia.

The church is located beside of Ronald's Garage. The public is invited.

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