

Schools



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FISHING TOURNAMENT - A fishing tournament conducted by Eaton Corporation resulted in \$21,960.94 to North Shelby School for Special Olympics. Although the number of boaters was down, the sponsorships were larger. Carol Goforth, coordinator for Special Olympics of Cleveland County, receives a check for \$21,960.94 from the recent fishing tournament. Rick Peace makes the presentation on behalf of a large number of sponsors.

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Author donates book to school

Mark Hughes, author of *The New Civil War Handbook*, recently donated a copy of the book to the Kings Mountain Intermediate School in memory of former KMIS 5th grade teacher Mr. Tom Wright. Left to right, KMIS Media Coordinator Tonnie Bearfield, Recca (Mrs. Tom) Wright, KMIS AIG (Academically Intellectually Gifted) specialist, and Mark Hughes.



All aboard, Trains Exhibit at museum

Kings Mountain Historical Museum's seventh annual Trains, Trains, Trains Exhibit is now on display through Saturday, Jan. 9.

The Piedmont 'S' Gaugers have their interactive trains running for everyone to enjoy. Several train collectors from the area are exhibiting their prized possessions along with great railroad memorabilia.

Moravian cookies and cheese straws from Old Salem are available at the Gift Shop during the Train Exhibit.

The Museum is located at 100 East Mountain Street, Kings Mountain, NC 28086. It is open 10-4 p.m. Tuesday-Saturday and 1-4 p.m. on Sunday.

For more information, call 704-739-1019, email: kmhmuseum@bellsouth.net or visit www.kingsmountainmuseum.org

Grammy winners in concert Jan. 16

Lakehouse Ministries and TNT Concert Series will present Grammy-nominated Dove Award winning DecembRadio with Tower of Mercy and A Temple Cry Saturday, Jan. 16, at Shelby City Park, 850 W. Sumter St., Shelby.

Doors open at 6 p.m. and bands start at 7 p.m. For more information call 704-472-7409 or go to www.tntconcertseries.com.

Gaston Senior Center hosts monthly bingo

The Gaston County Senior Center (Dallas Park, Highway 279) is hosting the monthly bingo night January 11, 2010 from 6-8 p.m. For additional information, contact the Senior Center at 704-922-2170.

Academic pep rally



Photos by LIB STEWART

NO SWAGG CREW - This group of young people was among performers at the Academic Pep Rally last Tuesday at Kings Mountain High School. Front row, from left, Michelle Philavong and Christine Phany. Back row, from left, Zac Funderburke, Tony Chanthaphaeng, Derrick Thammavongsa and Ivan Paul.



HIP HOP ROUTINE - Kings Mountain High School students who dance for Dance Reflections auditioned and participated in the recent big Academic Pep Rally at Kings Mountain High. From left, Carsyn Bolin, Kaitlin Goodson, Kristen Boone, and Kylee Wideman. Seniors Joni Collison and Ryan Hale, not pictured, spearheaded the event.

News briefs...

Inspections Report

White Oak Manor of Kings Mountain received a grade of 99.5 plus two points added when any employee working at the facility has attended an approved food handling course and Younguns Sports Bar, Slater St., received a grade of 92.5 in recent inspections by the Cleveland County Health Department.

Faith Ablaze to host blood drive Jan. 15

An American Red Cross blood drive will be held 3-7:30 p.m. Friday, Jan. 15, at Faith Ablaze Baptist Church, 1128 York Rd., Kings Mountain.

Donors will receive a free gift and Cleveland Mall Chick-fil-A coupons. To make an appointment, call 704-648-7577.

Lake Commission meets Tuesday

The John H. Moss Lake Commission will meet Tuesday, Jan. 5, at 6 p.m. in the Fireman's Training Room at Kings Mountain City Hall.

Coffee & Conversation program

Len Byers, Cleveland Regional Medical Hospital Chaplain, will talk about advance care planning and importance of living wills and healthcare power of attorney at Coffee & Conversation Thursday, Jan. 28, from noon until 1 p.m. at the Neal Senior Center, 100 T. R. Harris Drive, Shelby, and Thursday, Feb. 4, from noon-1 p.m. at Patrick Senior Center, 909 E. King Street, Kings Mountain. The programs are free and open to the public. Light refreshments are sponsored by Carillon Assisted Living.

Hospice 'Reflections' to meet

The Hospice grief support group, Reflections, will meet on Thursday, Jan. 7, 14, 21 and 28 and Feb. 4 and 11 from 10:30 a.m.-12 noon at Hospice Cleveland County. The programs are free and open to anyone who has lots of loved one.

New Year's Eve Dance

American Legion Post 155 will sponsor a New Year's Eve dance beginning at 8 p.m. Thursday and featuring the dance band, "Mink." Tickets are \$15 singles and \$25 couple and includes breakfast after midnight. The public is invited.

Inspections reports

Five area restaurants and a school cafeteria received inspections from the Cleveland County Health Department recently.

They included: Carolina Crossing Restaurant, Grover, 100.0 plus two extra points added to the final score when an employee working at the facility has attended an approved food handling course.

Eaton Cafeteria, 100.0 plus two extra points added to the final score when an employee working at the facility has attended an approved food handling course.

Little Caesar's Pizza, E. King St., 92.0 plus two extra points added to the final score when an employee working at the facility has attended an approved food handling course.

Woodbridge Golf Club, 92.0.

Town and Country Catering, 100.0 plus two points when an employee working at the facility has attended an approved food handling course.

Bethware Elementary School, 101.0 plus two points when an employee working at

the facility has attended an approved food handling course.

West Elementary School, 101.0 plus two points added when an employee working at the facility has attended an approved food handling course.

Facilities inspections by the Cleveland County Health Department during the week Dec. 7-11, 2009 included the following Kings Mountain area restaurants, food stands, and meat markets.

Chat-N-Nibble, N. Piedmont Ave., 97.0; Ingles Deli, Shelby Rd., 95.5; Minit Grill, Battleground Ave., 96.0; and Town and Country Catering, Park Grace Rd., 99.0 plus two extra points added to the final score when an employee working at the facility has attended an approved food handling course.

Also: Ingles Produce, Shelby Rd. 97.5; Inles 147 Meat Market, Shelby Road, 99.0; and Food

Lion 2654 Meat Market, E. King St., 100.0.

KM hospital earns chest pain center accreditation

The Emergency Department at Kings Mountain Hospital recently received accreditation as a chest pain center from the Society of Chest Pain Centers.

This designation means that Kings Mountain Hospital uses proven best practices to care for patients who are experiencing chest pain. Having this accreditation helps improve quality outcomes for patients, said Chris Smith, assistant director of ED at KMH.

"All staff received specific training and education to help ensure quality care is delivered in a timely manner," Smith said.

The ED staff members are also involved in creating new policies to ensure rapid identification of patients having cardiac related emergencies.

"I am particularly proud of KMH becoming a nationally accredited chest pain center. It is a sign of our commitment to improving quality and should be an assurance to the community that our care meets or exceeds national standards," said Sheri DeShazo, vice president/chief nurse executive for KMH.

The hospital was cited for its commitment to:

- Integrating the emergency department with the local emergency medical system

- Assessing, diagnosing, and treating patients quickly

- Effectively treating patients with low risk for acute coronary syndrome and no assignable cause for their symptoms

- Seeking to improve processes and procedures

- Ensuring personnel competency and training

- Maintaining organizational structure and commitment

- Having a functional design that promotes optimal patient care

- Supporting community outreach programs that educate the public to promptly seek medical care if they display symptoms of a possible heart attack.