

Local educator receives international acclaim

Connie Phifer Savell, a member of Beta Epsilon chapter of The Delta Kappa Gamma Society International, has been selected to attend the 2010 Leadership/Management Seminar at the McCombs School of Business, University of Texas, Austin, June 27-July 9, 2010.

International president, Dr. Carolyn Rants, Iowa, cites that "This intense educational training is taught by world-renown experts in the field of management and includes course work in interpersonal communication, leading across generations, conflict resolution, effective decision-making, advocacy, negotiation skills, grant writing and fundraising, thinking on your feet, and wellness. This training is valued in excess of \$6,000."

Golden Gift Fund committee chair, Alice Carrier of Vermont,

praised the selected participants saying, "The diversity of the group will provide extraordinary networking and learning opportunities."

"Every level of education is represented, including a library specialist and speech pathologist. As these talented and skilled women use their new-found skills and abilities, they will enrich both their profession and their communities."

Over the past 30 years, the Society has selected and financed the leadership training of over 600 of the 107,000 members living in 17 countries.

Established in 1929, the society defines its mission as promoting professional and personal growth of women educators and excellence in education.

This organization of key women educators provides numerous ben-

efits, including scholarships, world fellowships to women who are not members, grants and stipends for research and special projects, presentations at professional meetings, opportunities to write for a juried/peer reviewed publication, participation in community service projects that benefit education and making a difference in the lives of women, children and youth.

Connie Phifer Savell was selected for this honor for her work in the society, abilities as a professional educator, and involvement in her community. Connie is currently serving the Society as Secretary on the state level.

Connie said, "This opportunity to meet and study with leaders from other areas of the world will provide me a new avenue for my personal and professional development. I will study with women ed-

ucators from Finland, Iceland and 20 states as I improve my leadership skills."

The honor organization of key women educators was formed in Austin, Texas on May 11, 1929, by Dr. Annie Webb Blanton from a nucleus of 12 founders representing all levels of education, kindergarten through university.

Professor of rural education at the University of Texas, Dr. Blanton was elected president of the Texas State Teachers' Association in 1916, the first woman to hold that office.

Blanton was also the first woman to serve Texas as State Superintendent of Public Instruction, having been elected in 1918. More than 2,000 members are expected to attend the International Convention in Spokane, Washington, July 20-24, 2010.



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Early inhabitants of Piedmont at museum

The Kings Mountain Historical Museum is hosting its new exhibit "Early Inhabitants of the Western Piedmont" which will run through May 1.

This exhibit features private and other museum collections of early pottery, basketry and weapons from the Native Indians and early pioneers that lived in the Western Piedmont many years ago.

The Museum is open Tuesday-Saturday from 10 a.m.-4 p.m., located in the Old Post Office at 100 East Mountain Street, Kings Mountain, NC 28086.

For more information, call 704-739-1019 or e-mail kmhmuseum@bellsouth.net

Relay for Life Calendar of Events

Mark your calendar for April Relay for Life events in Kings Mountain.

April 10 the Parade of Tables will benefit Relay for Life at the Senior Center at 6 p.m.

April 15 cancer survivors will be honored at dinner at 6 p.m. at Boyce Memorial ARP Church. Survivors should make reservations with Becky Cain at 704-692-6094.

April 19 is Bank Night at the King Mountain Fire Department at 6:30 p.m. Shirts can be picked up at this time.

April 23: Relay for Life at 6 p.m. at Kings Mountain Walking Track beginning with Survivor Walk.

DAR honors essay winners

by BETTY MASTERS
Club Reporter

Regent Norma Fuchs called to order the Col. Frederick Hambricht Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution (D.A.R.) meeting at 4 p.m. February 23 at Mauney Memorial Library. There were 25 persons present, including 14 D.A.R. members.

Regent Fuchs and Chaplain Margaret Ledford led the ritual. Margaret McGinnis led the singing of "The Star Spangled Banner". Becky Seism led the pledges to the U.S. and N.C. Flags. Robin Meyer led "The American's Creed."

Betty Masters presented the three American History Essay winners and they each read their essay about the "Transcontinental Railroad". Gibson Conner and Jackson Hendricks from Kings Mountain Intermediate School were the 6th grade co-winners. Erica Carpenter was the winner from the 7th grade at Kings Mountain Middle School and Taquisha Smith was the 8th grade



CONTRIBUTED PHOTO
Essay winners from the Colonel Frederick Hambricht Chapter Daughters of the American Revolution are, left to right, Gibson Conner (6th grade co-winner), Erica Carpenter (7th grade winner), Norma Fuchs (Club Regent) and Jackson Hendricks (6th grade co-winner).

winner. Taquisha Smith was not able to attend the meeting. These young people did a wonderful job. They will receive a certificate and medal at the awards day at the end of school.

Refreshments were served after the meeting.

Saturday, March 27, the club went to Lincolnton to

help with decorations and registration for the N.C. State Conference April 9-11.

The D.A.R. met Tuesday, March 23rd at Mauney Library. Guest speaker was

Kathleen Blake.

Being there was no other business, the meeting was adjourned by Regent Fuchs at 5 p.m.

Y to host Healthy Kids Day

As part of a nationwide effort to encourage kids to get moving, the Dover Foundation YMCA and the Cleveland County Asthma Coalition will host YMCA Healthy Kids Day & Asthma Expo, the nation's largest health day for kids and families, on April 17 from 10 a.m.-1 p.m.

YMCA Healthy Kids Day & Asthma Expo is filled with fun, engaging and creative activities that foster healthy living, and is a part of the YMCA's efforts to help kids and families become physically active. All activities are free and open to the public.

Annual Career Day at CCC

Cleveland Community College will again host the annual Career Day event on Wednesday, April 14. The event is co-sponsored by Burns, Crest, Kings Mountain and Shelby high schools. Approximately 2,000 juniors and seniors from the area high schools will be on the CCC campus to explore career options.

Each student is pre-registered for three sessions. Each 40-minute session will be a workshop conducted by an expert in the field. Students have nearly 50 careers to choose from including business management, education, journalism, music, real estate and trucking. Students have the opportunity to ask questions of each presenter.

The first session begins at 9 a.m. and the final session concludes at 11:30 a.m.

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