

Joshua Foster stands with the workout bench he built from scraps inside of Kings Mountain High's welding lab.



photos by EMILY WEAVER TJ Crawford stands in front of the gazebo he built for his mom...and his senior project.

plans to put it out in their front yard and sometime soon he plans to build a bench that will run along the inside.

The son of Laura and Ernest Crawford in the Oak Grove community, TJ has studied carpentry at the high school for three years. After high school, he plans to go to college to get his building contractor's license.

For the gazebo, he said that Buckeye Fire Equipment Co., where his father works, gave him some some of the wood they had left over from recent construction activity. His grandfather Clyde Crawford, found the tin for him to use for the gazebo's roof. Other materials were purchased.

The lumber for the gazebo has been treated with a redwood stain. The recycled tin roof has been painted green. He installed vents along the roof to keep the gazebo cooler in the summer.

Many of the seniors this year at KMHS surprised the judges with their projects. Whether it was building a gazebo, teaching a group of kids how to play ball or helping those in need, the seniors make a difference with their projects.

## Seniors display skills through senior projects

By EMILY WEAVER Editor

Last Wednesday was judgement day for some member their speeches before heading in to face the judges.

One by one they filed into classrooms to give the

sion was to find a subject that was important to them, write a research paper incorporating that subject, find a mentor and create a

projects continued to wow the crowd.

Joshua Foster, son of Candy Slaton, welded his own work-out bench under the guidance of his mentor and welding teacher Ed Herndon. He said that it took him about 25 hours to complete the bench, which he wasn't afraid to sit on.

He used the TIG welding method to complete the bench.

After high school, Foster said that he plans to pursue a welding career. After his presentation Wednesday night, he put on a black cap and gown and headed off to Cleveland Community Col-

There, he crossed the stage with other graduates to accept a diploma for completing 15 hours of college credit - all completed in Herndon's class at Kings Mountain High School.

TJ Crawford used the product part of his senior project to build his mother a gazebo. He said that he spent two weeks building the gazebo with the guidance of his mentor and construction teacher Daniel Blanton.

"I've always been interested in construction," Crawford said, looking out on his craftsmanship. "And I promised mom I would build her a gazebo a couple of years ago when I started thinking about a senior proj-

When asked what his mother thinks of the finished project, he said, "she loves it."

With a large, proud grin he added that his mother





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### seniors at Kings Mountain final presentation of their product - all of which would finally be shared senior projects for an ulti-High School mate combined grade that with peers and judges from Many with pasteboards throughout the community. in hand, they gathered inwould determine how they would pass English IV. And, just like in years side of holding rooms to The object of the mispast, the seniors and their read over their notes and re-



**Stewart Thomas Livsie and Danielle Celeste Vincioni** 

## Danielle Vincioni to wed Stewart Livsie June 5

Alan and Josephine Vincioni of Albuquerque, New Mexico announce the engagement of their daughter, Danielle Celeste Vincioni, to Stewart Thomas Livsie, son of Kathy and Aubrey Livsie of Kings Mountain.

The bride-to-be is the granddaughter of Mary Rose Vincioni. She is a graduate of St. Pius X High School and the University of New Mexico where she was a member of Alpha Chi Omega Sorority. She is employed as a medical biller at a physical therapy facility.

Grandson of Ruth Wilson of Kings Mountain, the prospective bridegroom is a graduate of Kings Mountain High School, the US Merchant Marine Academy and the University of New Mexico. He is employed as Project Manager/Engineer at First Fueling Systems, Inc., manufacturer of aviation fuel storage systems in Albuquerque, New Mex-

The wedding will be an event of June 5, 2010.

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