# Candidates share top priorities, if elected

growth.

Several major offices in the county and state are up for grabs this election year including the races for Cleveland County Sheriff, two seats open on the county board of commissioners, NC House seats 110 and 111, and a position in the US House of Representatives.

The Herald asked our local candidates to share with us (in 50 words or less) their top priorities and a list of items/issues they feel are most important to the position for which they are seeking election.

To follow are their responses in their own words.

## Cleveland **County Sheriff**

#### Don Allen

As a Conservative Christian Republican with over 35 years experience, these are some of



Don Allen (R)

the office; zero tolerance for corruption; more officers on the road/improved call response; my personal involvement in crime prevention programs; professional career development program for deputies; no partisan politics.

#### Alan Norman

I have devoted 27 years of my life to law enforcement. I am running for the office of Sheriff not for the title but to try to make a dif-



listed m goals Alan Norman (D)

and priorities of what I would like to achieve as Sheriff www.alannormanforsheriff.com. I would appreciate vour vote.

#### Cleveland County Commissioner

#### Jo Boggs

A top priority of our board of commissioners has

been to

bring

jobs to

this

county. I



proud of what o u r board Jo Boggs (D) has been

able to accomplish during these tough economic times to attract businesses to Cleveland County. Continuing to reduce our counties unemployment rate by putting those seeking employment back to work will continue to be the goal of our board. Companies are currently considering locating in Cleveland County and we are working diligently through partnerships to secure these industries.

#### **Jason Falls**

I am honored to be the conservative candidate for Cleveland County Commis-

ference sioner. I promise to focus good, sustaina b l e

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JOBS. I Jason Falls (R)

sure that our county government makes decisions based on the greater good for our citizens and not a select few.

#### **Eddie Holbrook**

Economic development, jobs, lowering of the unem-

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Eddie Holbrook (D)

planning of the county school board, law enforcement reduction of street crime, property crime, and gang activity, and enhancing the quality of life for our citizens through such things as Gateway Trail, Joy Theatre, Destination Cleveland County and American Legion World Series, as examples.

#### Philip Brafford, Jr.

Jobs is our number one Cleveland problem in County.



tate supply and demand Philip Brafford (R) between

our larger and smaller com-

**NC** House District 111

blimited government.

I believe in free markets,

North Carolina will be \$3

personal responsibility with

billion in debt next year. We

have to reduce spending and

#### Tim Moore

not raise taxes.

I will continue supporting lower taxes, recruiting more



Tim Moore (R)

jobs to the region and I believe tax cuts are the way to do it. We also must ensure our state has strong laws to punish criminals and protect our children.

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#### Mary Accor

Top priorities: Building partnerships to attract businesses



Mary Accor (D)

public education is maintained for our children and state employee benefits are protected; Protecting Quality of Life for All Citi-

zens and Families - reform-

panies. This will create in cases of involuntary annexation-taxing before services; safety and well being of our citizens, supporting law enforcement, emergency management, health and human services; and restructuring our present tax sys-

#### **NC** House District 110

#### John Mark Eaker

My campaign is all about helping people meet their goals. A major part of this is



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John Eaker (D)

to continue to live the small town and rural lifestyle of the 110th district, the state needs to help bring about conditions which will allow them to do so. We need to complete the Highway 74 bypass and improve the existing roads to meet the needs of residents and small busi-

(Candidates response was cut in fairness to others in regards to word restrictions.)

#### Kelly Hastings

I plan to focus on lower taxes, less spending, eco-



cation. Kelly Hastings (R) Ialso

ing laws that protect citizens plan to support stiffer penalties for child molesters, fight illegal immigration, and support an honest election law that will require valid, photo identification before voting.

#### **US** House of Representatives

#### **Patrick McHenry**

Repeal and replace the Obama Health Care plan



nent the Patrick McHenry (R) Bush-era tax cuts and continue to oppose all tax increases; end TARP and cancel all unspent stimulus funds; and continue to oppose unfair trade deals that cost us manufacturing jobs.

#### Jeff Gregory

Jobs: Repeal NAFTA and

the favored nation status of China; protect Social Security; Protect Jeff Gregory (D)

our people and guard our borders; stop illegal immigration and deport illegal immigrants; defend the US Constitution; open up rich lands of N. Dakota, S. Dakota, Montana and Alaska to bring energy costs down. Represent the people, not special interests.

## Crowds turning out for early vote

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Crowds are turning out at the Kings Mountain early voting site and at the Board of Elections and other sites open in Cleveland County.

About 25 voters per hour were marking ballots Monday at Family Worship Center on the first of six days that voters can vote at the satellite polling place prior to Election Day Tuesday. Poll workers will be on hand through Friday from 9 a.m.-5 p.m. and on Saturday from 9 a.m.-1 p.m. and you can register and vote on the same day during this period.

Candidates are visiting all the polling places and pollwatchers are handing out cards and putting up signs in the parking lots.

Monday morning's rain didn't slow up activity inside the spacious hall of Family Worship Center on Shelby Road but poll workers had to scurry around and move their signs and other informational materials to protect them from the weather.

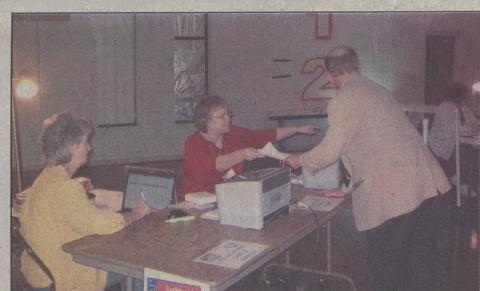
LIB STEWART photo Early voters mark their ballots at the satellite voting site at Family Worship Center in Kings Mountain.

## Inspections

Kings Mountain Intermediate School lunchroom, with a score of 101.5, and Kings Mountain High School lunchroom, with a score of 100.5, were graded in facility inspections by the Cleveland County Health Department the week of Oct.11. Both school lunchroom staffs got two extra points added to the final score when an employee working at the facility had attended an approved food handling course.

## Hospital to host jewelry sale

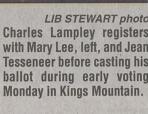
The Kings Mountain Hospital Volunteers are hosting a \$5 jewelry and accessories sale 7 a.m.-6 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 2, and 7 a.m.-3 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 3 in the hospital's main lobby. All items will be on sale for \$5 each.



Voters exiting from the local polling place said they voted early to beat the crowds. "We didn't want to

stand in line," said one voter who says he expects a record turnout on election day Nov.

LIB STEWART photo **Charles Lampley registers** with Mary Lee, left, and Jean Tesseneer before casting his ballot during early voting



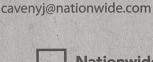
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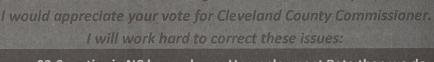
**John Caveny** 210 East King St. Kings Mountain (704) 739-3953

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We have our challenges in Cleveland County.





- 93 Counties in NC have a lower Unemployment Rate than we do.
- 73 Counties have a lower Property Tax rate than Cleveland County.
- Last year our County Commissioners voted to give themselves <u>free</u> Health Insurance after serving 10 years.



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