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Governor to visit city Monday for BIG NEWS

By EMILY WEAVER
Editor

Governor Beverly Perdue will be in Kings Mountain Monday afternoon to make a big announcement on a new industry.

There was no official word from city or county officials Tuesday, but rumors were circulating that the announcement would be on the new data farm moving into the former Chris*Craft building.

The Herald reported on Sept. 8, that Infocrossing Inc., a division of Wipro Technologies Ltd. - coined the "Microsoft of India", was planning to buy the former boat factory for a \$30 million project to convert it into a highly secure server farm, according to sources close to the project.

Wipro, a giant information technology firm based in Bangalore, India, has been growing in the U.S. since its 2008 purchase of New Jersey-based Infocrossing - a data center and infrastructure-outsourcing company.

According to the Charlotte Business Journal, a New Jersey company had an agreement to purchase the former Chris*Craft property at 140 Riverside Court from T5 Partners of Atlanta, a group that specializes in recruiting data farm companies.

In a story that appeared in The Herald on Oct. 13th, Dan Limerick of RST Communications, announced that they had laid over 16 miles of all-fiber lines (for a fiber optics network) that will extend to the new data center farm being cultivated across from the Cleveland County Industrial Park.

The first goal for the fiber optics network, which branches out from a central station in Shelby, is to hook up RST Com-



GOV. BEV PERDUE



The Veteran's parade rolls into Mountain Rest Cemetery.

Veterans Day service Thursday at Mountain Rest

Kings Mountain citizens will observe Veterans Day 2010 Thursday morning with a parade from the War Memorial on Railroad Avenue downtown to Veterans Park of Mountain Rest Cemetery on East Gold Street for an 11 a.m. ceremony.

In event of rain, the service will be held at Kings Mountain City Hall.

The 11 a.m. ceremony will begin with welcome and remarks by Mayor Rick Murphrey. During the ceremony Shana Adams will sing "The National Anthem" and "God Bless America" and the Loch Norman Pipe band will perform "Highland Cathedral", "Amazing Grace" and "Flowers of the Forest". Adams and the Loch Norman Band will lead the procession from the War Memorial downtown, across from the Joy Performing Arts Theatre, to the cemetery.

The Kings Mountain Police Department and Explorer Unit Honor Guard will present the colors at the cemetery where music, Veterans Day prayers and Veterans Day addresses will be given in tribute to all veterans. Boy Scout

CEREMONY, 7A

WORLD RESERVE CHAMPION



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Lisa Proctor is pictured here on "My Secret Troubles" competing at the North Carolina State finals in Raleigh, two months before being diagnosed with cancer.

Proctor's amazing race to the top

By EMILY WEAVER
Editor

On exactly a year ago to the date when she was diagnosed with aggressive breast cancer, Lisa Proctor and her family's horse, "My Secret Troubles" - grandson of "Secretariat", won the 5D Reserve World Champion title at the National Barrel Horse Association World Finals in Perry, Ga.

It was a miracle - one of many. To even qualify for the world finals held the last week in October remains a challenge. But Proctor, with three of her horses "Thunder", "Dollar" and "...Troubles" (owned by her father), was on the right track in 2009, finishing in the top five of several barrel horse race competitions throughout the region.

The news she got on October 30, 2009, stopped her in her tracks. At the young age of 40, she was diagnosed with breast cancer with a 98 percent growth rate. Whether wanting to or not, she ventured into a new ring of competition in a fight for her life.

In order to qualify for the world

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Read Lisa Proctor's amazing recount of her race to the top, page 5A.

finals in 2010, Proctor would need to hold onto her top standings in barrel racing, but how could she focus on that? Her priorities had changed.

She hung up her reigns for a while and was flabbergasted to learn a few months ago, after being diagnosed as "cancer free", that she still qualified to compete in the world finals.

The races that could have put her out of the running the rest of the season had either been rescheduled because of inclement weather and were subsequently "rained out" or the ones who could have knocked her out failed to do so.

"I didn't know if I'd be able to go," Proctor said.

PROCTOR, 7A

DOWNTOWN New Old Stone on the way

By EMILY WEAVER
Editor

May the rumors be put to rest...the Old Stone Steakhouse IS coming.

Construction began Monday morning on the old Plonk department store, which is set to house the new Old Stone Steakhouse and Battleground Bar on the corner of Railroad Ave. and Gold St.

The nearly million-dollar renovation project will transform the southern portion of the empty downtown building into a 3,600 sq. ft. restaurant, featuring a 35-foot-long Battleground Bar topped with a mural on the historic Battle of Kings Mountain, indoor seating for 150 patrons and an outdoor year-round patio (for up to 30 guests) that will overlook Patriot's Park.

Father and son restaurateurs Nick and Rich LaVecchia teamed up with downtown property owners Bobby Horne and Scott Campbell and started working on the project in October 2009. Nick LaVecchia announced their plans for the restaurant, which could bring more than 25 full-time jobs to the city, in early May.

Old Stone Steakhouse and Battleground Bar was initially projected to open

CONSTRUCTION, 7A



Construction workers began hammering away at the brick wall, which currently dissects the site of the restaurant, inside the former Plonk department store Monday.

photo by EMILY WEAVER

Veterans Day special for Burris family

By ELIZABETH STEWART
Staff writer

Veterans Day is a special day for Marie and Frank Burris of Kings Mountain who sent 18 family members to war.

Their family, which also includes 10 grandchildren and six great-grandchildren, plan to attend the Thursday morning Veterans Day observance at Veterans Park of Mountain Rest Cemetery.

Frank Burris, a veteran of the US Army, served in the Korean Conflict and son, Gregory, and daughter-in-law Lynn served in Vietnam and a niece, Alice Perry, also served in the military.

Soldiers and sailors representing five generations of Marie Perry Burris' family answered the call to military duty, many of them serving in Uncle Sam's Army.

Photographs of Harry Perry Sr., Florence Perry, son of Harry, and Charles, Otis, Harry and Anglee, sons of



Photo by LIB STEWART

A "Salute to Veterans" exhibit at Kings Mountain Historical Museum brings special memories for the Burris family of Kings Mountain who sent 18 family members to war.

Florence, their sons, grandsons and spouses are displayed on a military salute

BURRIS, 7A

WHO WON?

Official canvass of votes Friday

The results in a neck and neck race for one of two seats on the county board of commissioners will become official Friday at 10 a.m. at the official canvass of the Nov. 2 election votes in the Board of Elections office in Shelby.

Last Friday election officials announced that 369 provisional votes and 17 mail votes are yet to be counted which could change the outcome.

CANVASS, 7A



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