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This \$10,000 was no scam!

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Peggy Cline Wells may have brought her 46-year-old son, David Wells, some good luck.

Last week Mrs. Wells thought she was lucky but a check for \$3,550 in her mailbox turned out not to be a windfall but a scam.

Last Saturday at the annual reverse raffle auction/benefit of the Kings Mountain Historical Museum the younger Wells won the grand prize, \$10,000. He and his wife, Brenda, and their son, David Ray Wells, were out celebrating birthdays—David Ray was 13 and his dad was 46. Mom and Grandma Peggy and Peggy's sister, Dixie Cline Blanton, were on hand to

Scammers get tricky with call for 'secret shoppers'

Page 2A - A second check scam was reported to Kings Mountain Police this week. Brenda Adams said that her daughter, Angelica, received a bogus cashier's check for \$3,450 from a "global company" that selected her to serve as a "secret shopper" at a major department store in the area.

receive the congratulations at American Legion Post 155 where hundreds of people bought \$100 dinner-for-two-tickets. Every third ticket drawn won a prize until the end of the drawing when the big winner was named. City Manager Marilyn Sellers' name was the next to the last ticket called out from the stage where Ellis Noell emceed and Greg Johnson drew the names.

"It was so noisy in the ballroom and David's name hadn't been called and

then we heard Marilyn's name called and we crossed our fingers that David's name hadn't been called yet. Then everyone started shouting that my son had won!" said an elated Peggy Wells.

Mrs. Wells used Larry Hamrick's cell phone to call her son with the good news.

"The big win couldn't happen to a more deserving couple," said the proud

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Stella Putnam, left, and KM Historical Museum Director Stephanie Walsh (in back) give Peggy Cline Wells the great news. Her son won \$10,000.

Kellstrom crowned Miss Pre-teen NC, off to Disney World

EMILY WEAVER

Editor

Two days and one year after the mayor proclaimed July 29th to be "Sophia Kellstrom Day" in the City of Kings Mountain, a young beauty queen had another day she won't soon forget in the State of North Carolina.

Kings Mountain's Sophia Kellstrom, the former Little Miss North Carolina, was crowned Miss North Carolina Pre-Teen on July 31st. In November, she will travel to the Hilton Walt Disney World Resort in Lake Buena Vista, Fla., to represent the state in the National Miss American Pageant.

Kellstrom and 49 competitors from throughout the United States will vie for the title of Miss American Pre-Teen. In mandatory contests, girls will compete in evening gown, spokesmodel and interview categories and may also opt to compete in talent. Kellstrom plans to sing in the talent contest.

She wowed the crowd at the state pageant July 30-31st in Raleigh with her vocals, singing two minutes of "Via Dolorosa" (translated from Latin to "Way of Grief"). A Gospel song depicting Christ's walk to the cross, "Via Dolorosa" was new to Kellstrom.

"I started learning it on Monday

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SOPHIA KELLSTROM
Miss Pre-teen North Carolina

Miss KM Pageant Saturday

Page 6A - Dim the lights. Start the drum roll. And polish those crowns! The Miss Kings Mountain Pageant begins at 6 p.m. Saturday on the stage of the Joy Performance Center.

Swimmers dive into Open Water Challenge



Photo by ELLIS NOELL

Gardner-Webb University swimmers were among 220-plus who raced in the second annual 2011 Western North Carolina Open Water Challenge Saturday morning at Moss Lake. Sharks Aquatic Club registered swimmers for the four swim events including those from USAS USAT, YMCA and Masters. Three teams camped in comfortable temperatures at the lake and on race day with the cold front coming in, the air was cooler than the water. Fans enjoyed the sweater weather and the coffee and hot chocolate served up by Oak Grove Fire & Rescue.

Scoggin says positive attitude key to survival

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Staying positive with a neat attitude is key to surviving cancer, says Kristin Scoggin, 23.

Her family, co-workers and friends agree that she is the epitome of a fighter.

Scoggin smiled, showed off her purple ribbon tattoo on her right wrist, and visited the beauty shop to have her hair trimmed before she left for a vacation with husband and family to New York.

"There isn't much to trim," she laughs to a customer at Center Street Tavern where she is a manager. Kora Corey, a co-worker, shaved Kristin's head nearly six months ago, which before cancer was a full growth of long, shoulder-length hair. Now her hair is growing back short in a pretty style. She hopes her hair will "come back longer and



KRISTIN SCOGGIN

curly."

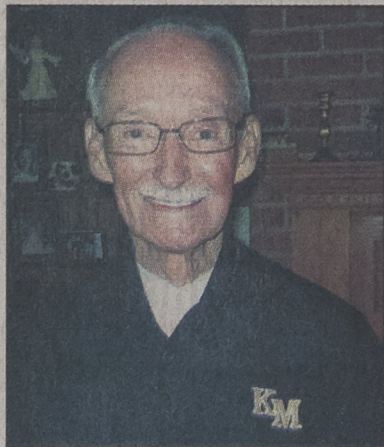
Kristin discovered a knot on her neck seven months ago, a swollen lymph node. Her oncologist gave her the news on March 7 that she had Hodgkin's

Lymphoma. She had never been sick a day in her life and there was no history of family cancer.

"Mom Lisa Beard of Dallas, grandmother Gayle Flow of Fort

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Campbell returns from final Flight of Honor



EDWARD GORDON CAMPBELL
...RETIRED KM RESIDENT

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Ed Campbell, 86, was the age of the young students he now shares history with in January 1943 when he got an appointment to the US Merchant Marine Academy after graduating at age 17 from the 11th grade at Kings Mountain High School.

The Kings Mountain veteran took his second visit to the World War II Memorial in Washington, D.C., Saturday, on the 7th and final Flight of Honor by Rotary District 7680. The Kings Mountain Rotary Club was among 50 clubs in Rotary District 7680 to send area veterans on the one-day visit and their send-off at the Charlotte International Airport featured a performance of a bluegrass-country band that GI's in Europe

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Campaign for million-dollar expansion kicks off this week

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The H. Lawrence Patrick Senior Life and Conference Center is kicking off a campaign this week for nearly \$1 million-for a

4,200 square feet addition. City officials say it is needed due to growth, not only in programs but in attendance by senior citizens, and wide and increased participation by the community.

Mayor Rick Murphrey said

the current facility cost \$3.2 million to build and was paid for by the city in three years. He said Kings Mountain's is the only senior center in the state functioning as a city department of

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