

**OBITUARIES**

**Evelyn R. Champion**

KINGS MOUNTAIN - Evelyn Ruppe Champion, 83, widow of Gene Champion, died Friday, September 30, 2011.

The funeral service was conducted Monday, Oct. 3, at 2 p.m. at Second Baptist Church. Rev. James Lochridge officiated and interment was in Mountain Rest Cemetery.

**Johnny Wayne Conner**

KINGS MOUNTAIN - Johnny Wayne Conner, 78, 102 Battleground Road, died Sept 25, 2011, at White Oak Manor in Kings Mountain.

He was born June 6, 1933, in Gaston County to the late James Ervin Conner and



Ethel Cabe Conner and was also preceded in death by his sister, Betty Payne and brother, Clyde Ervin Conner.

A carpenter, he served in the United States Navy. He was a man who loved his family and was a member of Temple Baptist Church in Kings Mountain.

Surviving are his wife of 58 years, Donnie Vee Cooke Conner of the home; sons, Johnny Conner and wife Janice of Kings Mountain and Donnie Conner and wife Dawn of Gastonia; daughters, Lynn Williams and husband Danny of Six Mile, SC, Sandra Randolph and husband, Mickey of Boiling Springs, SC, Sheryl Myers and husband David of Kings Mountain, and Gina Hamrick and special friend Matthew of Pensacola, Florida; special children, Patty, Dennis, Harold, Chris and Eric; sister, Garnell Bryant of Cherryville; 12 grandchildren and 12 great-grandchildren.

The memorial service was held Wednesday, Sept. 28, at 12 noon at Ollie Harris Memorial Chapel at Harris Funeral Home in Kings Mountain. Rev. Jimmy Maney and Rev. Doug Ramsey will officiate.

The family received friends from 11 a.m.-12 noon Sept. 28, prior to the service at Harris Funeral Home and at other times at the home, 102 Battleground Road.

Memorials may be made to Hospice of Cleveland County, 951 Wendover Heights, Shelby, NC 28150.

A guest register is available at [www.HarrisFunerals.com](http://www.HarrisFunerals.com).

Harris Funeral Home of Kings Mountain is in charge of arrangements.

**Harris Funeral Home**

**Ernestine Holland**

KINGS MOUNTAIN - Ernestine Holland, 90, a resident of 132 Sam Smith Dr., Kings Mountain, died Saturday, October 1, 2011, at White Oak Manor. She was born in Aubrey, Ark., daughter of the late Fred and Lillian Perry Gideon and was preceded in death by her husband of 30 years, Grover Si Holland.

A graveside service will be held at 3 p.m. Wednesday, October 5, in Marianna Memorial Park in Marianna, Ark., where interment will follow.

**Ryoko Stewart**

MONTGOMERY, ALABAMA - Ryoko Stewart, widow of Herman (Buck) Stewart, died Monday, Oct. 3, 2011.

She was the mother of Robert Stewart, grandmother of Matt Stewart and sister-in-law of Gary Stewart, Ralph Stewart, Linda O'Shields and Lib Stewart, all of Kings Mountain, NC.

**HOW TO REACH US**

Contact the Herald by coming by the office at 700 E. Gold St.; call 704-739-7496, fax 704-739-0611 or Email [emily.kmherald@gmail.com](mailto:emily.kmherald@gmail.com)

**"Honor Our Veterans: Remembering WWI" continues at Museum**

The Kings Mountain Historical Museum opened its latest exhibit "Honor Our Veterans: Remembering WWI" on Sept. 6. The exhibit, which features artifacts and photographs from the First World War, will run until Saturday, Nov. 12.

"Honor Our Veterans: Remembering WWI" offers visitors a chance to explore how the war affected American life both abroad and at home. The majority of the artifacts in the exhibit are from the Museum's permanent collection, with a few items on loan from local residents. Photographs and additional information have been provided courtesy of the Charlotte Mecklenberg Library, the Upcountry History Museum in Greenville, SC, and the XVIII Airborne Corps and Fort Bragg.

Kings Mountain Historical Museum is open Tuesdays through Saturday, 10



a.m.-4 p.m. The cost of admission is free, however donations are appreciated. All donations go toward supporting the museum's mission of informing the public of the history of the City of Kings Mountain and sur-

rounding areas by preserving and exhibiting the 19th and early 20th century collection.

In conjunction with the exhibit, the Kings Mountain Historical Museum Gift Shop has reduced the price

of select military titles. To find out more about the museum, visit the museum's website [www.kingsmountainmuseum.org](http://www.kingsmountainmuseum.org) and Facebook page.

**BRIEFS**

**Town Hall meeting in Shelby**

A town hall meeting about a new charter school proposal will be held Saturday, Oct. 8, from 10 a.m.-11 a.m. at the Cleveland County Administration Building in Shelby. The public is invited.

**BC Car show Oct. 8**

First Baptist Church of Bessemer City, 107 E. Washington Ave., will have its first car show, featuring live music from Gospel bands, 10 a.m.-4 p.m. on Oct. 8. All proceeds will benefit the church's youth and music departments.

**Dementia Support meeting Oct. 18**

Christie Ray of Home Instead will present a program titled "What do they see? Looking Through the Eyes of Dementia" at the next family caregiver meeting at Life Enrichment Center Adult Day Care in Shelby, Tuesday, Oct. 18.

Ray will explain how the world looks to someone with dementia symptoms. The caregiver meeting, which meets from 5:30 to 7 p.m., is open to anyone and is free of charge. The center is located at 110 Life Enrichment Blvd. in Shelby. A free sitter service is available for the person diagnosed with dementia, but a reservation must be made by Oct. 11 by calling 704-484-0405.

**Fall Festival set for Oct. 19**

Plans are underway by the Kings Mountain Woman's Club for the annual Fall Festival to be held Wednesday, Oct. 19, at the Woman's Club, 109 E. Mountain St.

A turkey/ham dinner with all the trimmings will be served from 11:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m. and from 5:30-7 p.m. Adult tickets are \$10, children 12 and under \$6.

A floral display, country store, and "Trashformation" will also be featured. You are encouraged to display your plants and flowers, art and recycled creations by taking them to the clubhouse from 8-12 noon on Oct 19. Ribbons and certificates will be given to all participants.

For the Trashformation, you may use computer parts, glass, scrap metal, old clothing, papers, magazines, phone books, and your imagination

Call Johann Sherrill at 704-739-0405, Betty Gamble at 704-739-3800 or Lois Blanton at 704-734-1876 for tickets or more information.

**Trashformation art contest**

Enter your TRASHFORMATION in the Southern Arts Society-sponsored art contest at Kings Mountain Woman's Club as a feature activity at the annual Fall Festival Oct. 19.

All participants are asked to use 90% trash for their exhibit and artwork will be judged on the use of recyclable materials, creativity, originality, and level of effort. Girl Scouts, Boy Scouts, and educators and the public are invited. Get busy, start digging for computer parts, glass, scrap metal, old clothing, papers, magazines, phonebooks, and your imagination, say co-chairs Tonya Wilson and Johnsie Reavis.

Entries will be collected Oct. 8 at the Woman's Club between the hours of 8 a.m.-noon.

For more information call 704-739-1736 or 704-739-2056.

**Breast Cancer survivors free lunch is on Cherokee St. Tavern, Oct. 20**

Acknowledging October as Breast Cancer Awareness Month, Cherokee Street Tavern is hosting a free luncheon on Oct. 20 for all breast cancer survivors.

The luncheon will be held at 238 Cherokee Street, from noon until 2 p.m. Dr. Forrest Thompson, chief medical oncologist at Cleveland Regional Medical Center in Shelby, will be the guest speaker, answering questions and using a PowerPoint presentation to relay information regarding breast cancer. In addition to Thompson, other speakers will attend.

Tickets will be available Friday, Sept. 30 at City Hall, Suzy B's, Hometown Hardware, Cherokee Street Tavern, 1 Life Nutrition and Sub Factory.

If you have any questions please contact Robert Bolin (704-651-3476), Sandra Murphrey (704-739-7065), or Lisa Proctor (704-692-5060) for more information.

**Blood Drives**

The Cleveland County chapter of the American Red Cross has scheduled the following blood drives throughout the month of October. A drawing for three pairs of round-trip Delta Air Line tickets will be awarded to donors each month through December.

Thursday, Oct. 6 - Gardner-Webb University, 110 S. Main St., Boiling Springs, 11-4 p.m.

Thursday, Oct. 6 - FAS Controls, 1100 Airport Rd., Shelby, 11:30-3:30 p.m.

Saturday, Oct. 8 - Calvary Baptist Church, 320 Old Boiling Springs Rd., Shelby, 10-2 p.m.

Tuesday, Oct. 11 - Ambassador Baptist College, 101 Stockton St., Shelby, 11:30-4 p.m.

Tuesday, Oct. 11 - First Baptist Church in Grover, 403 Cleveland Ave., 3-7:30 p.m.

Wednesday, Oct. 12 - Cleveland Community College, 137 S. Post Rd., Shelby, 11-3:30 p.m. (In loving memory of Megan Sanders.)

Friday, Oct. 14 - Shelby First Church of the Nazarene, 1205 Charles Rd., Shelby, 3-8 p.m. (In honor of Charles Simmons.)

Tuesday, Oct. 18 - Shelby Presbyterian Church, 226 E. Graham St., Shelby, 2-6 p.m.

Friday, Oct. 21 - West Elementary School, 500 W. Mountain St., Kings Mountain, 1-5:30 p.m.

Saturday, Oct. 22 - Shoal Creek Baptist Church, 2707 Shoal Creek Church Rd., Shelby, 10-2 p.m.

Tuesday, Oct. 25 - Ruby C. Hunt YMCA, 1322 Patrick Ave., Shelby, 3-7 p.m.

Monday, Oct. 31 - Wal-Mart, 705 E. Dixon Blvd., Shelby, 12-4:30 p.m.

**Friends to Elect Danny Blanton for Cleveland County School Board**

**Rally & Fish Fry • Bluegrass Music**  
Cleveland County Fair Grounds - Goforth Hall

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