

Historic Howser House opens November 26

The Henry Howser House, an 1803 home on the grounds of Kings Mountain National Military Park, will be open to the public on Saturday, November 26, from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Reenactors will be on site to provide live history demonstrations and the Log Cabin String Band will be performing old-timey music from 11-1 p.m.

The historic home is only open to the public a couple of times a year and offers a unique look at how life was like in the early 1800's.

The Howser House stands as a prime example of Germanic architecture, resembling homes in Pennsylvania and the Mid-Atlantic states. The house represents the post-Revolutionary War settlement of the Carolina Piedmont.

A stonemason and Revolutionary War veteran from Pennsylvania, Henry Howser moved to South Carolina in 1789. His wife, four sons and four daughters resided in the home, as well as three slaves. Several out-buildings stood nearby, including a barn, corn crib, stil house and others.

To learn more about the house, the family and life in that period, the park invites the public to tour the home and its grounds on Nov. 26.

Visitors tour the grounds of one of area's most historic homes, the Howser House.



Canned food drive well underway

A canned and staple food drive for the Kings Mountain Crisis Ministry is well underway at 238 Cherokee Street Tavern and the collection is growing with public support.

Restaurant owner Robert Bolin says that Dance Reflections has committed to donate 100 food items to the drive. Every item will be matched by the restaurant.

"We're excited that Dance Reflections has jumped in and decided to support us," Bolin said. "when the community and other businesses get involved that's what it's all about."

Last week, the drive had over 100 non-perishable food items. On Tuesday, Nov. 22, the collection will be taken to the Crisis Ministry in time for Thanksgiving.

Fertilization improves bulb performance. There are two fertilizing systems available for Spring flowering bulbs. The first system uses a single fall application at planting, incorporated at planting and the second system uses bone meal with an application of 8-8-8 as soon as you see shoots breaking in the spring.

Fall planted bulbs topic of garden club gathering

Open Gate Garden Club members heard a program on "Fall-Planted Spring and Early Summer Flowering Bulbs" at the Nov. 9 meeting at Boyce Memorial ARP Church. Dot Ham, club secretary, was hostess and served a dessert course as 13 women arrived.

Bridges stated that you should photograph your spring garden to know where you need to plant your bulbs for Fall. Also your major bulbs, Tulips, Hyacinths and Daffodils, should be planted according to the flowering season - mid February to mid May and also depending on the local weather conditions for your area. She stated that the best time to purchase bulbs is in the Fall and criteria for bulbs is that they be firm. Be sure to buy early to get the best selections. The size and/or number of flowers is directly related to the size of the bulb. Keep bulbs cool before planting.

The soil for bulbs needs to have good drainage, sometimes mixing soil with peat moss, compost and aged bark. Soil pH is critical. Contact your county extension office for this. The bulbs must be planted in the Fall in order to develop a root system and satisfy the cold requirement of the bulbs. Wait until soil temperatures are below 60F before planting and in North Carolina this is usually late October to November.

Lena Morris, who presented "Timely Tips," said now is time to fertilize and seed lawns, plant trees and spring bulbs and mulch plants.

Joyce Ledford was welcomed as a new member. Margie Bridges and President Betty Grant said they would check at the downtown 'back lot' and with city workers before they began a gardening project.

Club members signed a card for Polly Phifer and sent a flower to Dwight and Betty Alexander. Mr. Alexander, the club's "right hand man" in planting crepe myrtle, has been sick.

The club will meet for lunch on Dec. 4 at 11:30 a.m. at Battleground Restaurant and receive a report of the nominating committee.

Kings Mountain man arrested at church

Gaston County authorities arrested a Kings Mountain man Sunday at a Gastonia church he has attended for 11 years.

David Lineberger, 50, of 108 Brandonwood Lane, a registered sex offender, was breaking the conditions of the registry by being on the premises of a church that has an on-site nursery.

Lineberger's bond of \$1 million was reduced to \$50,000 by a Gastonia judge Monday. His next court date is Dec. 6.

A caller to the Gaston Sheriff's Office brought two officers to the Gastonia church Sunday morning where Lineberger is active and where he said his church family knew of his criminal record. Lineberger said he never went into the nursery or on-site school areas.

Lineberger was convicted of sex offense and child pornography charges in 1995 in another state and sentenced to more than 5 1/2 years in prison. Upon release, he was required to enroll in the sex offense registry program for a minimum of 10 years, keep authorities aware of his location and adhere to a list of off-limit places, including where children are present.

POLICE LOG

ARRESTS

NOV. 7: Sarah Amity Hartman, 22, 719 Canterbury Rd., probation violation and possession of cocaine, both felonies, no bond.

NOV. 7: Allen Politia Epps, 37, Charlotte, trespassing, \$500 bond, secured.

NOV. 8: Thomas Lee James, 21, 108 Curry Rd., simple possession, \$500 bond, secured.

NOV. 8: Steven Kelly Bess, 40, 1715 Shelby Rd., driving while license revoked, failure to stop at stoplight, possession of stolen property, \$1500 bond, secured.

NOV. 10: John Fitzgerald Ross, 46, General Delivery, second degree trespass, \$1000 bond, secured.

NOV. 11: Micky Shellan Petty, 54, Shelby, possession with intent to sell and deliver cocaine, felony, possession marijuana, possession drug paraphernalia, no bond.

NOV. 11: Billy Joe McCutcheon, 39, 213 North City St., larceny, \$500 bond, secured.

NOV. 13: Lindsey Marie Pegg Clark, 24, Asheville, DWI, \$500 bond, secured.

CITATIONS

NOV. 7: Richard Allen Seif, 26, Gastonia, damage to property.

NOV. 7: Margaret W. Singleton, 30, Shelby, speeding.

NOV. 7: Helen K. Hurdon, 32, 1415 Bethlehem Rd., speeding.

NOV. 7: Tabatha Jane Williams, 42, 811 W. Gold St., Trailer 32, no operator's license.

NOV. 7: Brandy Nicole Moore, 22, Forest City, speeding.

NOV. 7: Christy Ann Hartman, 54, Lawndale, speeding.

NOV. 8: Dawn Marie Rowland, 41, Shelby, speeding.

NOV. 8: Tina Guthrie, 26, Gastonia, conceal merchandise.

NOV. 8: Vickie Bowen Oliver, 60, 110 Carlin Dr., Lot 1, permitting unlicensed driver to operate a vehicle, speeding.

NOV. 8: A 17-year-old KMHS student was cited for causing a disturbance in class.

NOV. 9: Two 16-year-old KMHS students were cited for taking food from the cafeteria

without paying for it.

NOV. 10: Jerrode Surratt, 25, Shelby, revoked license.

NOV. 10: Whitney Smith, 22, 304 Compact School Rd., revoked license.

NOV. 10: Elizabeth Cathey, 51, 413 York Rd., no electronic inspection, expired tag.

NOV. 10: Cheri Smith, 21, Shelby, revoked license, speeding, revoked license.

NOV. 10: Jeffrey Douglas, 20, 309 Somerset-Dr., careless operation of vehicle.

NOV. 11: Charles Baker, 58, Thurmond, NC, speeding.

NOV. 11: Navor A. Williams, 23, Shelby, speeding.

NOV. 11: Harry L'roy Estes Jr., 51, 111 High Ridge Court Lot 7, revoked license.

NOV. 11: Patrick Lee Green, 22, Dallas, no insurance, fictitious tag.

NOV. 12: Donald Lawrence, 65, Cherryville, expired tag.

NOV. 12: Jeffrey Webber Jr., 22, speeding.

INCIDENTS

NOV. 1: A resident of E. Gold St. reported a window in his vehicle was broken out.

NOV. 7: Emmanuel Baptist Church, 602 Canterbury Rd., reported a broken window was broken out at the church.

NOV. 7: A resident of Curry Road reported theft of a Moped.

NOV. 9: A resident of Deerfield Dr. reported damage to a window.

NOV. 10: Bridges Barber Shop, 409 Walnut St., reported a break-in and theft of assorted hair clippers and an electric heater.

NOV. 11: Kings Mountain High School, Phifer Road, reported theft of foodstuffs.

NOV. 13: A resident of Gastonia reported that her car was broken into while parked on Country Club Drive and a purse containing currency and an ATM card stolen.

NOV. 11: Express Care, 400 York Rd., reported theft of a tool box, tools, and a tool cart during a break-in. The stolen items were valued at \$1400 and a glass pane and electrical wiring were damaged.

NOV. 11: Kings Mountain

VFW, Margrace Rd., reported theft of trophies and miscellaneous items during a break-in.

NOV. 11: An Army serviceman from Philadelphia, Pa. told police that someone used his credit card via computer without permission in the amount of \$1836.

NOV. 11: Dollar General, York Rd., reported an attempted break-in by a suspect taking pins out of the side door and trying to enter the store. Wires were cut, a meter tag broken, a door motion sensor and side door damaged.

NOV. 11: C&C Heating & Cooling, 502 York Rd., reported that a truck was broken into and the side window damaged.

NOV. 11: Financial card fraud was reported. The suspect made an on-line purchase using the victim's debit card information.

NOV. 11: Food Lion, E. King St., reported shoplifting of steak and ribs.

NOV. 14: A resident of Fulton St. reported that a window in his vehicle was broken out.

WRECKS

NOV. 4: Officer B. L. Wilkinson cited Arturo Caballero, 1323 W. Gold St. Ext., with hit and run, leaving the scene of an accident in the parking lot of Kentucky Fried Chicken. He was driving a Toyota and backed into a

parked 1999 Mitsubishi owned by Michelle Thompson, 331 Ebenezer Road. Property damages were minor.

NOV. 7: Ptl. K. Wajda reported that a 2008 Ford operated by Cassiopea Watkins, 312 Rollingbrook Rd. backed into a parked 2006 Chrysler operated by Lindell Zanders, 125 Earney Road doing minor damage. The Zanders vehicle was parked at Patriot's Park.

NOV. 10: Officer K. L. Hamrick said that Lorenzo Knox of Grover, operating a 2000 Honda on Lake Montonia Road, said another driver cut him off causing his steering to lock up and his car struck trees doing \$3,000 damage to the vehicle.

NOV. 12: Cpl. Mark Butler said that Namon Carlton of Shelby, operating a 2007 Ford, was traveling west on the 74 Bypass and tried to avoid an object in the road and hit a NCDOT guardrail doing \$4,000 damage to the guardrail and \$2500 damage to his vehicle.

NOV. 13: Ptl. K., Wajda charged Lindsey Clark of Asheville with DWI after an accident on the US 74 Bypass. Clark, operating a 2007 Chevrolet, was behind another vehicle which braked suddenly and she swerved her car to avoid a collision and struck the median guardrail doing \$250 damage to her car.

Tip leads investigators to discover nearly a ton of pot


Two Shelby men are in jail after Investigators found nearly a ton of pot in their Shelby home Nov. 9, according to Cleveland County Sheriff Alan Norman who said the street value of the marijuana is estimated at \$2 million.

Marcelino Guerrero-Serrano, 21, and Juan Hernandez-Carmana, 32, both of 1200 Cherryville Road, Shelby, were charged with one count each of trafficking marijuana and are being held on \$150,000 secured bonds.

The arrest came after an anonymous tip to the Cleveland County Sheriff's office. Investigators arrested the men after getting written consent to search the property for illegal substances. Officers seized 1800 pounds of compressed marijuana from the bed of the pickup truck and outbuilding on the property and \$52,000 in cash inside the residence.

"To date, it's the largest marijuana seizure in Cleveland County that I'm aware of," said Norman.

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Natural Tips to Prevent a Cold
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#3 Don't Touch Your Face: Cold and flu viruses enter your body through the eyes, nose, or mouth. Touching their faces is the major way children catch colds, and a key way they pass colds on to their parents.

#4 Drink Plenty of Fluids: Water flushes your system, washing out the poisons as it rehydrates you. A typical, healthy adult needs eight 8-ounce glasses of fluids each day. How can you tell if you're getting enough liquid? If the color of your urine runs close to clear, you're getting enough. If it's deep yellow, you need more fluids.

#5 Take a Sauna: Researchers aren't clear about the exact role saunas play in prevention, but one 1989 German study found that people who steamed twice a week got half as many colds as those who didn't. One theory: When you take a sauna you inhale air hotter than 80 degrees, a temperature too hot for cold and flu viruses to survive.

#6 Do Aerobic Exercise Regularly: Aerobic exercise speeds up the heart to pump larger quantities of blood; makes you breathe faster to help transfer oxygen from your lungs to your blood; and makes you sweat once your body heats up. These exercises help increase the body's natural virus-killing cells.

See more tips in next weeks Herald!

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