



## Women of the Pastor's Alliance meet

Women of the Pastor's Alliance recently met at Hospice Cleveland County's Administration Building, 951 Wendover Heights Dr., Shelby. Sharon Martin, director of Community Outreach, hosted the meeting. The Alliance will meet again July 12 at Roberts Tabernacle AME Zion Church, Shelby. Front row, left to right, Valerie Scherer, Evelyn Strong, Helen Jackson, Ann Duncan; second row, Betty Goforth, Esther Littlejohn, Lillie Smith, Linda Howell, Pamela Mack; and back row, Sharon Martin, Carolyn Briggs, Williard Brooks, Cruceta Jefferies, Lucinda Gregory.

## Gordan donates locks for love



On June 26 Carol Gordon had 12" of hair cut off for Locks of Love by Amy Davis at the Cotton Gin. Gordon is sending her hair in honor of Ethan Martin, 12, son of Brad and Nichole Martin from Shelby, who was recently diagnosed with a brain tumor. During the cut Gordon was reminded by her family that "this is for Ethan!"



## Moss wins \$500 Food Lion gift card

Heather Siak, manager of Food Lion on E. King Street, presents a gift card for \$500 worth of groceries to Earl Moss, center, who won the big prize in a drawing sponsored by American Legion Post 155 in collaboration with the super market. Commander Louis Floyd, left, said proceeds from the ticket donations will benefit

the American Legion baseball program. "We are proud to donate \$500 to help support young people," said Siak. Floyd said the Legion is appreciative of Food Lion's support of children and youth and veterans projects and appreciates the generous support of the community in all programs that the Legion promotes.

## Students awarded Golden LEAF scholarships

Nine students from Cleveland Community College will receive scholarships through the Golden LEAF Scholarship program for the North Carolina Community College System. The Golden LEAF Scholarship program, designed to help North Carolinians attend the state's community colleges, is funded through a \$750,000 grant from the Golden LEAF Foundation, an increase of \$250,000 from previous years.

The following students were awarded scholarships: Alejandro Basshart, Cara Ervin, Juleigh Gilbert, Travis Gryder, Franklin McAlister, Jose Mejia, Bobby Neal, Jennifer Regan, and Jane Turner. The Golden LEAF Board recognized the challenge

North Carolinians face in these tough economic times to attend college to retool and prepare for emerging job opportunities. Therefore, the additional \$250,000 will insure more scholarship funds are available for citizens seeking to enhance their employability skills.

The scholarship can be used for tuition, fees, books, supplies, transportation and childcare expenses related to attending classes during the 2012-13 academic year. Eligible students must demonstrate financial need and reside in rural counties that are tobacco-dependent and/or economically distressed. Scholarships are available for both occupational and curriculum students and are awarded during the

fall, spring and summer semesters.

"The Golden LEAF Foundation is proud to have awarded over 4,800 Golden LEAF Scholarships to help North Carolinians attend our state's community colleges," said Dan Gerlach, Golden LEAF President. "Our hope is that these scholarships will help build the talent, knowledge and skills of our current and future workforce, especially in the rural areas of our state."

The Golden LEAF Foundation is a nonprofit organization established in 1999 to help transform North Carolina's economy. The foundation receives one-half of North Carolina's funds from the 1998 Master Settlement Agreement with cigarette manufacturers and places special emphasis on assisting tobacco-dependent, economically distressed and/or rural communities across the state. The Golden LEAF Foundation works in partnership with governmental entities, educational institutions, economic development organizations and nonprofits to achieve its mission. The foundation has awarded 1,110 grants totaling more than \$511 million since its inception. For more information, about the foundation, visit [www.goldenleaf.org](http://www.goldenleaf.org) or call (888) 684-8404.

## Renaissance Club can select lockers

Kings Mountain High senior, junior and sophomore Gold Renaissance Club holders will be able to go to the high school to select their lockers and parking permit for the 2012-13 school year on Thursday, July 19.

Seniors get first locker selection from 10:30 a.m. until 11:30 a.m. All other Gold Card holders will select lockers from 11:30 a.m.-1 p.m.

Parking permits will be given out the entire two hours to Gold Renaissance holders.

## Library fees going up

Customers who return books, materials and DVDs to Mauney Memorial Library on time pay no fees but daily overdue fees for books and materials went up July 1 from 15 cents to a quarter a day.

Due to the high cost of carpet maintenance in the Community Room, free to the public, the library will charge a \$25 fee to groups wishing to serve refreshments. If no refreshments are served, the room, at the lower portion of the library, will be available free for group meetings.

City council at the recent meeting approved the library fee schedule on recommendation of the Library board of trustees.

## Free dinner

Free dinners to children ages 18 years and younger are being served for the summer, Monday through Friday, from 5-6p.m. at Bynum's Chapel AME Zion Church. The address is 213 North Candler Street. Contact Brandy Tate at 704-678-2165 or Bernadette Byars at 704-689-1814.

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**Harold's Weekly Health Tip...**  
**Fungal Nail Infections**

A fungal nail infection occurs when a fungus attacks a fingernail, a toenail, or the skin under the nail, called the nail bed.

If you are healthy, a fungal nail infection probably won't cause serious problems. But it may look bad, hurt, or damage your nail or nail bed. Talk to your doctor about the best way to treat a nail infection if you have one of these diabetes or a weak immune system.

What causes a fungal nail infection? Yeasts, molds, and different kinds of fungi can cause fungal nail infections. Most are caused by the same type of fungus that causes athlete's foot. Fungi grow best in warm, moist places, and they can spread from person to person. You can get a fungal nail infection from walking barefoot in public showers or pools or by sharing personal items, such as towels and nail clippers.

What are the symptoms? A nail with a fungal infection may: Turn yellow or white; Get thicker; Crumble and split, and it may separate from the skin.

How is it treated? Whether to treat a fungal nail infection is up to you. If it is not treated, it won't go away, and it might get worse. But fungal infections can be hard to treat. If you do treat it, you could spend a lot of money, and the treatment might not work.

If you decide to treat a fungal nail infection, you can try an antifungal cream, lotion, or nail polish.

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