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Front row left to right Philip Barrett, Travis Wright, Cameron Eason, Holden Turner, Dax Hollifield second row Joey Blanton, Landon Skidmore, David Bell, Back row Matthew Turner, Tim Johnson, Matthew Huffstetler, Collin Franks, Hunter Cash and head coach John Gamble not pictured Chase Johnson.



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Collin Franks earned the right to represent the Kings Mountain All-Stars in the recent Home Run Derby at the State Dixie Majors Tournament in Leland. He hit 5 home runs during the Derby. The fields were the same size as the ball fields in Kings Mountain, with a 14-foot-high fence. Collin was in 5th place out of 16 teams represented. The winner hit 11 home runs. During the tournament, Collin went 6 for 10 and was hit by a pitch for a walk.

11-12 all-stars eliminated from state tournament

Kings Mountain was eliminated by South Park 7-2 in the 11-12 year-old state Dixie Youth baseball tournament last week in Leland.

South Park went on to win the state championship over Montgomery County and will represent North Carolina in the World Series.

Kings Mountain pitcher David Bell and some good defense retired South Park in order in the first two innings, but the eventual winners scored seven runs in the third to take command.

Kings Mountain scored its only two runs in the sixth inning. Philip Barrett drew a

walk and Cameron Eason bunted for a base hit. Joey Blanton reached base on an error and Barrett and Eason both scored on a throwing error.

Bell and Hunter Cash followed with base hits. Collin Franks hit a shot to third but the South Park third baseman dove for the ball and tagged out the runner coming from second base to end the game.

Kings Mountain turned some good defensive plays in the first inning to keep South Park at bay, and Bell struck out their number four, five and six hitters in the sec-

ond inning.

After South Park took the lead in the third, Matthew Huffstetler came on to pitch and held them scoreless the rest of the game.

Bell, Travis Wright, Joey Blanton, Barrett, Franks and Eason played good defense for Kings Mountain, and Blanton also had a hard hit to center field.

Kings Mountain, the District 3 runner-up, had a 2-2 record in the state tournament. Team sponsors were Bill Parker and Parker's Amaco, Bobby Etters and Smoky Mountain BBQ, people who bought tickets for a

BBQ fund-raiser, Simmons Machine, Dramar Machine, J&L Machine, Chapman Machine, Casey Wallace and the Kings Mountain Family YMCA.

Players - Coaches - Volunteers to be honored at KMHS

The KMHS football program will be honoring all former football players, coaches and volunteers at designated home football games this fall.

They will be honored by decade beginning with the first home game on August 17.

All former players, coaches, and volunteers will be admitted to the game free, be fed, and recognized before their designated game beginning at 6pm in the south end zone.

To be included please fill out the form below & return it to the school office by the Monday before the game you will be honored at.

Please circle your affiliation under the appropriate decade.

Active between 2000 - 2011

Player Coach Volunteer

to be honored August 17th (vs E. Rutherford)
form is due to the school office by 8/13

Active between 1990-1999

Player Coach Volunteer

to be honored September 7th (vs Alexander Central)
form is due to the school office by 9/3

Active between 1980-1989

Player Coach Volunteer

to be honored September 14th (vs South Point)
form is due to the school office by 9/10

Active between 1970-1979

Player Coach Volunteer

to be honored September 21st (vs Shelby)
form is due to the school office by 9/17

Active between 1922-1969

Player Coach Volunteer

to be honored October 19th (vs Crest)
form is due to the school office by 10/15

Please include:

Your Name: _____

Year Graduated: _____

Best Memory of KM Football: _____

You may drop your completed form off to the school office or mail it to: KMHS, Attn: Dustin Morehead, 500 Phifer Rd., Kings Mountain, NC 28086

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