

# KM photographer wins top State Fair prize

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Mickey Moten is on a roll, having already picked up two first place photography prizes in what began as a hobby just two years ago.

Earlier this year, a highly detailed close-up of a striped horse fly he captured using a special lens won the \$200 grand prize in a contest put together by a North Carolina nature magazine.

Then, last week he pulled down top prize for amateur photography at the State Fair in Raleigh with the same shot, which centers around the tiny thousand-eyed insect.

"I've just gotten into photography again over the past year or so. Macro photography has opened my eyes to a whole new world I never noticed before, and as a result, I've gained a new appreciation for these small creatures."

"The Wildlife in North Carolina" contest attracts photographers of all types, many of which use tens of thousands of dollars in equipment to get the perfect shot, according to the magazine.

Not Moten, though. He used a \$400 camera, some homemade equipment and a little ingenuity to come up with the winning photograph last June, a shot so strong that it was a unanimous choice among the magazine's four judges. The prize for best photo in that contest was also \$200.

Moten, 43, says he has no immediate plans to drop his amateur status.

"I enjoy all genres of photography, and like the challenge of learning more about them, but for now, I guess this happens to be my strongest area," he said. "I am the most intrigued by macro photography. It's really cool to me that



you don't have to spend a lot of money and go to exotic locations to find interesting subjects to photograph. The most amazing things are usually being stepped over right in your own backyard and if you take the time and look down, you may find them. I'm no different than anyone else in that respect ... I stepped over the little bugs and spiders without a second thought, until I started getting into macro photography a few years ago."

Moten and his wife Yvette have two

children. He works at Kings Mountain's Baldor manufacturing facility as an automatically programmed tools technician.

The details of the camera and equipment used for the winning close-up of the horse-fly: Panasonic DMC-FZ100, 108mm (600mm equivalent) Raynox DCR-250 macro lens, ISO 100, f/8, 1/640 of a second, YongNuo YN-560 Speedlite with homemade diffuser).

## Wastewater agreement approved

City officials approved a wastewater agreement with the Town of Grover last Tuesday night, an initial 20-year contract for sewer connections.

The contract has the potential for 40 years and Grover Mayor J. D. Ledford, who was at the meeting, said he and his board hopes the contract will last 40 years and more.

Grover Town Board voted Oct. 21 to contract with Kings Mountain for sewer connections for the town, squashing its plans to expand the Grover Industries wastewater treatment plant on Linden Street.

The rate to be charged will be the same as Kings Mountain's inside residential rate. The present average discharge of waste water is estimated to be 50,000 to 60,000 gallons per day. The contract gives the town the ability to increase the discharge up to a maximum of 200,000 gallons per day.

Grover's construction cost is expected to be \$1,283,400 compared to \$1,936,000 if Grover fixed up the Linden Street plant - a savings for the town of over a half million dollars.

Town Board met in Grover Monday night with the engineering firm of W. K. Dickson on how to proceed. Grover officials have

been working with the engineers on the Harry family-donated Grover Industries plant which council had hoped to refurbish and triple the town's capacity to process waste water. However, upgrading aging lift stations and plant upgrading is costly. A 27% sewer increase hit Grover residents and officials had to make a decision on sewer infrastructure.

### In other business, Council:

+awarded a downtown incentive facade grant of \$5,405.81 and a customer inducement grant for \$1,000 to Rick Greene, 233 Cherokee St., for renovations of Flowers by Falls, 233 S. Battleground Avenue. The repairs are to be done by Tab Breakfield, the Awning Shop, Martin's Electric, Hamrick Welding & Fabrication and Richard Greene.

+After public hearings Council reduced (from five to three) the number of off street parking and loading spaces if a shopping center's majority tenant is a supermarket store; accepted the Planning Board's recommendation to amend a zoning ordinance text amendment that would exclude solar farms in Light Industrial and Heavy Industrial zones. A solar farm is considered the same as a

power generation facility whose primary purpose is to create energy and distribute the energy off-site. The Planning and Zoning board saw solar farms as appropriate in some paces and having a minor role in the area for energy creation.

+adopted ordinance amending the conditional use permit site plan for developer Tommy Hall, Eagles Gate which essentially is a change that allows the developer to reduce the setback of 35 lineal feet to 33 lineal feet in one area of the development.

By vote of 6-1 (Rick Moore voted no) allowed Bhogial Mistry to withdraw one rezoning application and submit a request for conditional use of property at 716 Cleveland Ave. The board scheduled the new hearing for Nov. 26.

+adopted ordinance for "handicap parking" (two spaces) near the intersection of Cherokee Street and West Gold Street in the city's parking lot on Cherokee Street.

+appointed David Bean, Holiday Inn Express, to fill the unexpired term of Luther Wright on the Kings Mountain Tourism Development Authority.

+set public hearing for Nov. 26 on request of Noell Roberts to consider a draft

amendment to keep a limited number of chickens in a residential zone.

+set Nov. 26 to public hearing to consider the proposed Phase II Stormwater Ordinance as well as the proposed Soil Erosion and Sedimentation Control Ordinance.

+adopted ordinance approving no parking from 7:30-8:30 a.m., 2:30-3:30 p.m. Maner Road from Rhea Street to Jolly Street - both sides of the road.

+approved use of the Kings Mountain Training Center and Firing Range for a concealed weapons class for the public on Saturday, Nov. 16.

+adopted ordinance amending the zoning text, KM Preservation and Enhancement District, to allow Jan Harris, Downtown Main Street Director, to serve on the design review advisory committee which advises on the matter of a project conforming with the zoning ordinance standards for downtown preservation and enhancement.

+honored Captain Derek Johnson, 25 year employee of Kings Mountain Police Department, with a framed certificate of appreciation for long service.

## BUSTED: eighty-five charged in drugs probe

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bond.  
Virginia C. Ledbetter, Lawndale, possession of schedule IV controlled substance, possession of drug paraphernalia, \$2,500 secured bond.

Anthony C. Hoover, Shelby, possession of methamphetamine, possession of drug paraphernalia, \$2,500 secured bond.

Amanda B. Herndon, Lawndale, possession with intent to sell and deliver marijuana, possession of methamphetamine, possession of drug paraphernalia, \$5,000 secured bond.

Chatham L. Coxton, Shelby, felony possession of cocaine, possession of drug paraphernalia, \$5,000 secured bond.

Karen D. Carter, Shelby, exceed pseudoephedrine limits, \$7,000 secured bond.

Timothy J. Bell, 411 St. Luke Church Rd., Kings Mountain, exceed pseudoephedrine limits, \$7,500 secured bond.

Mary H. Melton, Mooresboro, exceed pseudoephedrine limits, \$3,000 secured bond.

Christy W. Clay, Ellenboro, possession of marijuana, possession of drug paraphernalia, \$7,500 unsecured bond.

Austin R. Smith, Casar, possession of drug paraphernalia, \$2,000 unsecured bond.

Lindsey C. Braswell, 647 Bell Rd., Kings Mountain, possession of drug paraphernalia, \$2,000 unsecured bond.

Anna M. Goforth, 246 Goforth Road, Kings Mountain, manufacture methamphetamine, possession of precursor materials, \$2,500 secured bond.

Michael J. Mathis, 29 Bennett Dr., Kings Mountain, possession of marijuana, possession of drug paraphernalia, \$7,500 unsecured bond.

Eddie D. Heath, Shelby, possess with intent to sell hydrocodone, sell/deliver hydrocodone, possession of drug paraphernalia, \$3,000 secured bond.

Sheila A. Goode, 111 Afton Drive Lot # 6, Kings Mountain, possess with intent to sell Xanax, sell/deliver Xanax, \$20,000 secured bond.

Kaleb D. Hill, Shelby, possess with intent to sell marijuana, sell/deliver marijuana, possession of drug paraphernalia, resist/delay or obstruct an investigation, possess counterfeit controlled substance, sell/deliver counterfeit controlled substance, \$3,000 secured bond.

Jamie L. Griggs, 816 Margrace Rd., Kings Mountain, possess with intent to sell methamphetamine, sell/deliver methamphetamine, possession of drug paraphernalia, \$25,000 secured bond.

Jason T. Blackman, 816 Margrace Rd., Kings Mountain, possess with intent to sell cocaine, sell/deliver cocaine, possession of drug

paraphernalia, \$10,000 secured bond.

Stephen A. Mims, Shelby, possess with intent to sell methamphetamine, \$1,500 secured bond.

Jason K. Barker, Grover, possess with intent to sell oxycodone, sell/deliver oxycodone, \$1,500 secured bond.

Leslie H. Gibson, 109 Rustling Winds Dr., Shelby, possess with intent to sell morphine, sell/deliver morphine, possess with intent to sell hydrocodone, sell/deliver hydrocodone, \$15,000 secured bond.

Aaron W. Washington, Shelby, obstruction of justice, \$2,500 secured bond.

Andrea L. Robbs, Cherryville, possess with intent to sell cocaine, sell/deliver cocaine, \$1,500 secured bond.

Edward W. Moss, 207 Stony Point Rd, Kings Mountain, exceed pseudoephedrine limits, \$7,500 secured bond.

Tasha N. Moss, 202 Fairdale Street, Kings Mountain, exceed pseudoephedrine limits.

Youthon T. Redmond, 510 Cherryville Rd., exceed pseudoephedrine limits.

Katie A. Lattimore, Shelby, exceed pseudoephedrine limits.

Brandon M. Justice, Shelby, possession intent to manufacture marijuana, drug paraphernalia, \$5,000 secured bond.

Jonathan D. Humphries, 111 Ada Street, Kings Mountain, possession of drug paraphernalia, \$2,000 unsecured bond.

Darren W. Blevins, 1035 Bethlehem Church Rd., Kings Mountain, possess with intent to sell marijuana, sell/deliver marijuana, possession of drug paraphernalia, \$5,000 secured bond.

Joshua C. Ledford, Casar, possession of methamphetamine, possession of drug paraphernalia, \$6,000 secured bond.

Robin D. Dorsey, Shelby, possession of marijuana, possession of drug paraphernalia, \$1,000 unsecured bond.

Wanda E. Moss, Shelby, possession with intent to sell Hydrocodone, no bond.

Arrest warrants stemming from Operation Prescribed Epidemic are still outstanding on the following individuals:

Robert W. White, Jr., Travis L. Little, Roy T. Harris, Vicky M. Rosato, Christopher Ledford, Bradley J. Davidson, Scottlin R. Scott, William M. Gentry, Brandy A. Bolin, Timothy L. Wilson, Jr., Aleasha B. Walls, Jasmine Smith, William A. Jenkins, Jr., Claudette M. Sisk, Samuel J. Scoggins, Steven M. Clay, Todd Owen, Richard M. Webb, Dustin M. Hoyle, Brittany D. Milborn, Austin T. Callahan, Elbert C. Shelley, Louis S. Black, Kristen N. Rogers, Bobby R. Cline, Samuel J. Fulton, Michael J. Halter, Chasity S. Holland, Devonta O. Nance, Jason R. Gilliam, Carl N. Gilliam, David M. Lockridge, Jr. and Adam T. Goforth.

## Recall on infant, childrens acetaminophen

The Perrigo Company has initiated a voluntary, nationwide product recall to the retail level of 18 batches of its acetaminophen infant suspension liquid, 160 mg/5 mL, sold in 2 oz. and 4 oz. bottles with syringes in a box under the store brand products listed below. The recall is being initiated because of the remote potential that a small number of packages might contain an oral dosing syringe without dose markings. The correct syringe should have a white or yellow plunger with specific dose markings for 1.25 mL, 2.5 mL, 3.75 mL, and 5 mL. If the product's syringe has these dose markings, consumers can continue to use the product while following labeled use instructions.

Using an oral syringe without dose markings can result in inaccurate dosing, especially in infants who could mistakenly get too high a dose.

This OTC product is indicated for the relief

of fever and minor aches and pains and can be used in infants, children and adults. These recalled products are sold by distributors nationwide and distributed through retail stores.

If the oral dosing device contained in the package has dose markings, no action is required, and the consumer can continue to use the product consistent with the label instructions. If the package contains an oral dosing device that does not have dose markings, the consumer should not use the product and should call Perrigo's Consumer Affairs Department, toll free, 1-800-719-9260. Consumers should contact their physician or healthcare provider if they have any questions, or if they or their children experience any problem that could possibly be related to this drug product.

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