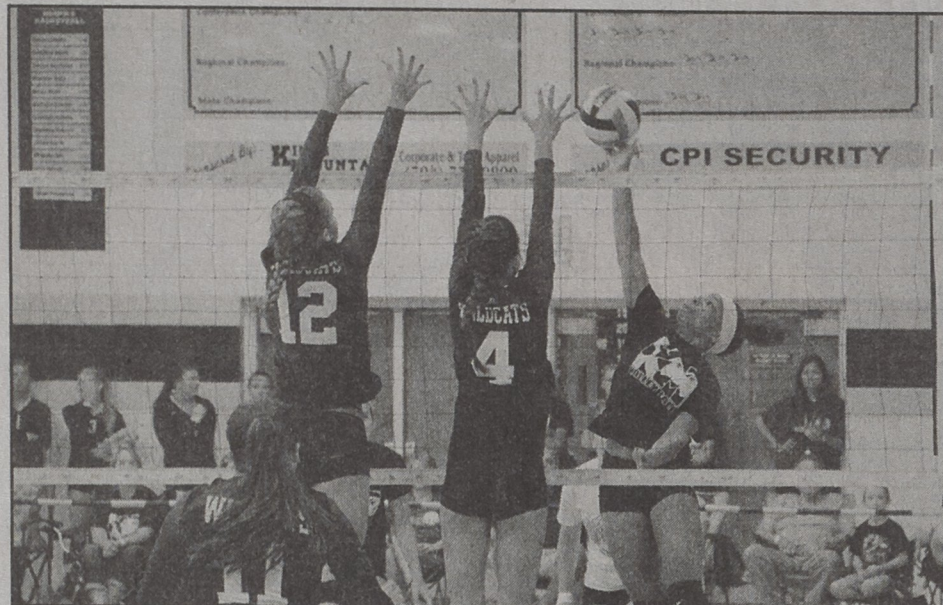
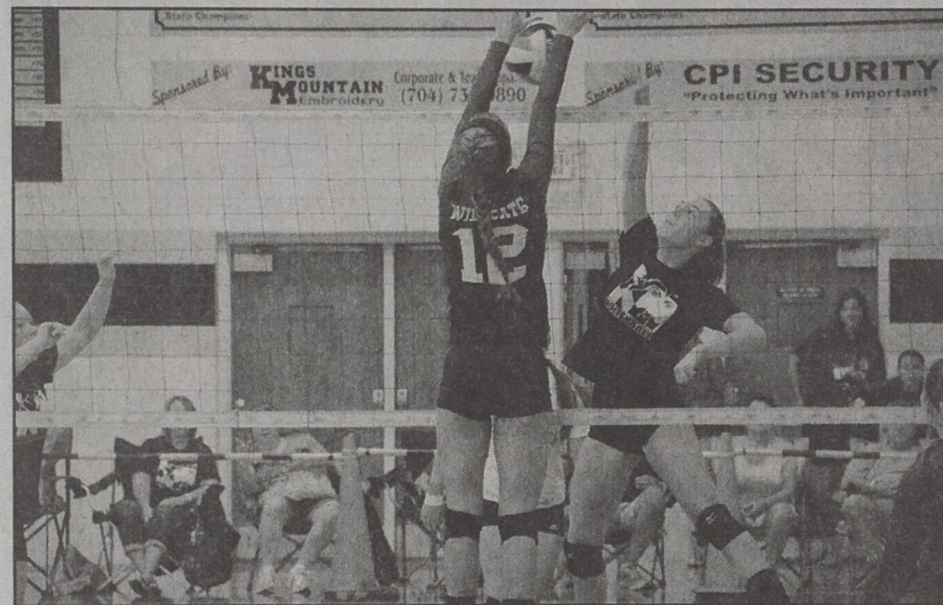


## Lady Mountaineer volleyball back in full swing



Kings Mountain High volleyball players are show in action during scrimmage with Lake Norman High School Saturday, Aug. 9 at Donald L. Parker Gymnasium.



## Athletic passes on sale at KMHS for 2014/15 season

Kings Mountain High School athletic passes are now on sale in the school office.

Passes and prices include:  
-All-season pass, \$30 (admits one to every regular season home football game.

-Student pass, \$45 (admits one student K-12 to every regular season athletic event.

-All-sports pass, \$100 (admits one adult to every regular season athletic event.

-Mountaineer pass, \$175

(admits two adults to every regular season athletic event.

-Booster Club membership, \$20 (includes reserved parking at home football games).

## International Demolition Derby returns to Bar H Arena

It will soon be here! You will hear the roar of the engines and the crash of cars. You will smell the aroma of antifreeze coming out of the engines. You will watch as vehicle drivers crash into one another until there is a winner. You will feel the excitement of the challenge. The International Demolition Derby will appeal to all your senses.

The International Demolition Derby will again return to the Bar H Arena in Boiling Springs, NC on Saturday, Sept. 6 and Saturday, Sept. 13, 7:30 pm. The Boiling Springs Fire & Rescue will be the official sponsor of the event.

Each night will see a class of "old iron" (older than 1978) and "new iron" (1978 or newer). The Sept. 6 event will also have a class

of "mini cars" (4 cylinders with wheel base less than 98 inches).

It also will also have a "fresh blood" (drivers 18 & under) class. The Sept. 13 event will include a "battle of the churches" class along with a "mid size" class (4 or 6 cylinders with a wheel base less 108 inches).

Advance tickets are \$10 for adults and \$5 for a child (6-12yrs). Under 6 are free. Gate prices are \$12 for adults and \$6 for a child. Advance tickets are available through Thursday, Sept. 4, and are available at the following locations:

Kelly's Seafood-Shelby, Boiling Springs Auto Parts-Boiling Springs, Humphries Auto Parts-Boiling Springs, Gaffney Auto Parts-Gaffney, SC, Battle Ground Auto Parts-KingsMountain, Oak-

land Feed-Spindale

The 2014 edition of the International Demolition derby is shaping up to be a great spectator event. For more information or to enter visit our website at [www.barhevents.com](http://www.barhevents.com) or call (704) 434-2866.

## CCC maintenance staff completes training

The maintenance staff of Cleveland Community College recently completed training through the Environmental Health & Safety Institute. The OSHA for General Industry 10-hour training covered the major provisions of the Occupational Safety and Health Act. From left Carlos George, Richard Sharpe, Harvey Whisnant, Chuck Arrowood, EHSI instructor, Matt Gold, Mark Fox and Andy Johnson.

## Gaston College marks 50th anniversary

DALLAS, N.C. – Gaston College celebrates a half-century of excellence and growth during the 2014-2015 academic year, with events and activities filling the college's calendar from this August through commencement in May 2015. The signature sponsor of the Gaston College 50th Anniversary Celebration activities is CaroMont Health.

Fifty years ago, Gaston College's first classes met in the First United Methodist Church building in Gastonia. Just two months later, the college moved to its campus on Route 321 in Dallas and Gaston College has been going strong ever since. It expanded into Lincoln County in 1969 and in 2000 the facilities there were designated as the college's Lincoln Campus. The North Carolina Center for Applied Textile Technology became part of Gaston College in 2005 and in 2010 that Belmont location became the Kimbrell Campus and Textile Technology Center.

Curriculum and student body growth have been steady. In its first year, Gaston College offered classes in business administration, education and liberal arts and its first graduating class consisted of six students. In 2013-2014, Gaston College graduated 792 students. The college now enrolls over 5,000 students each term in over 100 curriculum programs and averages over 16,000 students a year in its

Continuing Education programs.

Ample opportunities are available for students, faculty, staff, alumni and the community to participate in the anniversary celebration. Faculty and staff are invited to attend the 50th Anniversary Celebration Kick-Off Luncheon on Tuesday, August 19, at the Myers Center on the Dallas Campus. That event will mark the starting date for the Give 50 for 50 Community Service Challenge, which encourages Gaston College students, alumni, faculty, staff and retirees to donate at least 50 hours of community service to non-profit organizations in Gaston or Lincoln counties. Information on volunteering will be available on the Gaston College website.

An Alumni Speaker's Series—Stories of Success—will run through April 2015. The series will feature Gaston College alumni who have gone on to highly successful professional careers. They will come to one of Gaston College's three campuses to share their stories with students, faculty and staff, who may attend the events free of charge. Invited members of the community will be asked to pay a small fee to attend. The first installment of the series will be on Friday, September 26, with a very special guest—country music star Jimmy Wayne. A 1994 Gaston College graduate, Wayne overcame a turbulent childhood to become a

singer, writer and advocate for at-risk youth.

September 26 also marks the community kick-off of the Gaston College 50th Anniversary Celebration with a Barbecue on the Lawn outside the Myers Center on the Dallas Campus, followed by a Jimmy Wayne concert in the Myers Center Multi-Purpose Auditorium. The barbecue and concert will be ticketed, free-of-charge events. Attendance is limited to 500.

Other events include: A recognition luncheon for Gaston College Scholarship Donors and Recipients, an Alumni/Faculty Art Show and a Recognition Ceremony for participants in the Give 50 for 50 Community Service Challenge. The Student Government Association (SGA) also has planned activities to commemorate the 50th anniversary. The year of celebration culminates in the Gaston College Commencement on Friday, May 15, and the Gaston College Anniversary Black Tie Gala on Saturday, May 16, a community-wide event at which former Gaston College trustees and foundation board members will be honored and a Gaston College Alumnus of Distinction will be recognized.

Gaston College's 50th Anniversary will be highlighted in a multi-page insert in the Gaston Gazette in early 2015 and in other media outlets throughout 2014-2015 academic year.

## Genealogy Fair at Gaston Library set for Sept. 20

The Gaston County Public Library is gearing up for a Genealogy Fair to be held Saturday, Sept. 20, from 1-5 p.m. at the Main Library, 1555 E. Garrison Blvd., Gastonia.

The library's auditorium will be devoted to exhibitor's tables and a table

will be provided for each organization wishing to exhibit with literature or publications the exhibitor has for sale.

The auditorium is equipped with Wi-fi if exhibitors want to use laptops to interact with visitors. A series of short presentations

by library staff will be held throughout the afternoon in the conference room. Genealogy databases such as Ancestry, African American Heritage, Heritage Quest, and Family Search and other sites will be available.

## Regional Artist Project Grant

Applications for the Regional Artist Project Grant (RAPG) are now available. The grant provides funding for individuals and unincorporated groups of artists to pursue projects that further enhance their artistic development.

The RAPG is open to eligible artists in all disciplines and provides an all or nothing grant of up to \$2,000 to pay for one professional development fee, or to purchase or rent one piece of equipment.

"Gaston Arts Council is pleased to be able to make the Regional Artist Project Grant opportunity available

to artists in Gaston County. The area of professional development is key for artists to continue their advancement," said June Jones, Chair.

To receive the application link, send an email request to [uac@gastonarts.org](mailto:uac@gastonarts.org) (with RAPG in the subject). RAPG applications must be submitted online by noon on Friday, September 19, 2014.

The RAPG is funded in part by the Gaston Arts Council, arts councils in nine North and South Carolina counties, the North Carolina Arts Council and the Blumenthal Endowment.

## Magnuson to speak at Broad River Genealogy meeting, Sept. 14

Have you ever wondered about how the early pioneers moved into our part of the Carolinas? What travel was like for the early settlers before 1780?

Tom Magnuson, founder and CEO of Trading Path Preservation Association of Hillsborough, will answer these questions and more at the Broad River Genealogical Society's September general meeting Sept. 14 at 3 p.m. at Neal Senior Center, 100 TR Harris Drive, Shelby.

Magnuson is a military historian and graduate of San Jose State University, the Naval Post Graduate School and Duke University. He is a North Carolina Humanities Council Scholar.

Light refreshments will be served after the program to which the public is invited.

The Broad River Genealogical Society, 114 County Home Road, Shelby, directly across from Putnam Baptist Church, opens its archives every Tuesday night from 6-8 p.m., 2nd and 3rd Mondays from noon to 4 p.m., 2nd and 3rd Saturdays from 9 a.m.-1 p.m. and other times with prior arrangements.

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