

Withrow's Funeral Home designated by city as local historical landmark

Withrow's Funeral Home was designated by the city as a local historical landmark by Mayor Rick Murphrey and city council at a recent council meeting. Tuesday night's city council meeting at city hall.

Kenneth Withrow, President of Withrow Funeral Home, accepted the

plaque from the mayor who said an appropriate signage will be put up outside the building at 309 E. King Street.

The historic property was the first brick building in the city and its architectural design represents the building style of the 1910s built by the Joseph Ander-

son Falls family. It was also formerly occupied by Sisk Funeral Home in the early 1940s.

The mayor said the city was delighted to designate the property as a local landmark, the city's first local historical designated property.



Withrow's Funeral Home, above, has been designated a local landmark, the city's first local historical designated property. It was the residence of the J. A. Falls family, built in the early 1900s. Below Withrow family members at recent grand opening. Photo by LIB STEWART



Eagles Among Us

(Ed. note - This is the fifth in a series of articles by Scouter Jim Ferebee on Eagle Scouts in the Kings Mountain area.)

By JIM FEREBEE

Jay Rhodes was born in Baltimore, MD in April 1949. He grew up in Glen Burnie, MD. Jay joined Boy Scout troop 857 in the Baltimore Area Council. He served his troop as a Patrol leader and as a Senior Patrol leader and was elected to the Order of the Arrow, Scouting's honor/service society.

Over his scouting career he attended Leadership Camp at Broadcreek Scout Reservation. He earned 26 merit badges and was awarded his bronze palm.

His Eagle Scout rank was awarded to him in 1962 at the age of 13. It is very unusual for a scout to reach this level at this young age. While he never attended Scout Summer camp he was active in his troop in their camping and hiking outings.

Some of his memories of scouting activities are hiking trips being accompanied by a goat that belonged to a fellow scout and the competition among his fellow scouts to achieve the Eagle rank. Five scouts in his troop received this award at the same time.



JAY RHODES

After finishing high school Jay earned a BA in Business Admin from Towson State College, an MBA from Winthrop College and graduated from the Banking School of the South at Louisiana State University.

Basketball and sports in general, have been a big part of Jay's life. He played high school basketball at Glen Burnie High school, and collegiately at Towson State College. After graduating from college he had a 12 year basketball coaching stint serving as the head coach at Charlotte Latin School, Montreat-Anderson Jr. College, and started the intercollegiate athletic program at Limestone College.

Following his coaching experience he worked extensively in the banking industry to include The Bank

of Gaffney, Gaffney, South Carolina, Lincoln Bank, Lincolnton, North Carolina, Carolina State Bank in Kings Mountain and IMPACT Financial Services.

Jay is blessed with a wife, Sandy, of 42 years, 2 sons and 3 grandchildren.

He accepted Christ in September of 1973. Jay was elected as a deacon in 1st Baptist Church Lincolnton and serves in the same position at 1st Baptist Church Kings Mountain. He has served also as a SS teacher, SS Director, and has had the opportunity to go on 2 mission trips to Haiti and 3 mission trips to Honduras.

In addition to his vocational and church work Jay has served his community as a past president of Cleveland County Hospice, Chaired the Capital Campaign for KM Hospice House, Advisory Board of Life Enrichment Center, Advisory Council of Cleveland County Healthcare system, and KM United Way.

While looking back on his scouting experience Jay commented that Scouting gave him the opportunity to develop leadership skills and made him more competitive. It fostered his enjoyment of hiking, walking and jogging.

Three CNA's honored for service by BAYDA



Kimberly Russell

Kings Mountain resident Kimberly Russell and Shelby residents Thomas Rabon and Tracey Read were all recognized last year as BAYDA Home Health Care Certified Assistant (CNA) Heroes.



Thomas Rabon

This national honor is awarded quarterly to CNAs who demonstrate the company's core values of compassion, excellence and reliability. They were chosen from more than 19,000 employees in 22 states and will be competing for National Hero of the Year in Philadelphia in May.

"I am so thrilled that three of the National Heroes all came from our local office in Shelby, but I am certainly not surprised," said



Tracey Read

BAYDA Director Melissa Beale. "Tom Tracey and Kimberly had built strong relationships with their clients, showed them love and compassion, and helped to improve their quality of life. All three of them are so deserving of this recognition."

CNAs provide personal care assistance such as bathing, grooming, light housekeeping, meal preparation and companionship care is available up to 24 hours a day, seven days a week.

Pioneering women of Cleveland County

by Adria L. Focht
Curator, Director

Kings Mountain Historical Museum is presenting a new exhibit, "Pioneering Women of Cleveland County February 7-May 23, 2015.

This exhibit celebrates women's history in Cleveland County and the surrounding region from the Revolutionary War to the present day. The exhibit focuses a spotlight on the women whose courageous acts helped to turn the tide of the revolution, as well as on our "founding mothers" - the women who helped establish and maintain our area's



(Photo courtesy of Jacob S. Mauney Memorial Library)

infrastructure, industries, hospitals, schools, churches, and civic organizations. The display will also showcase local women who were groundbreakers and leaders in their professions, and reflect on how our unique local

history fits into the broader narrative of women's history throughout the nation.

Learn about Kings Mountain's own "Rosie the Riveters" at the Pioneering Women of Cleveland County exhibit!

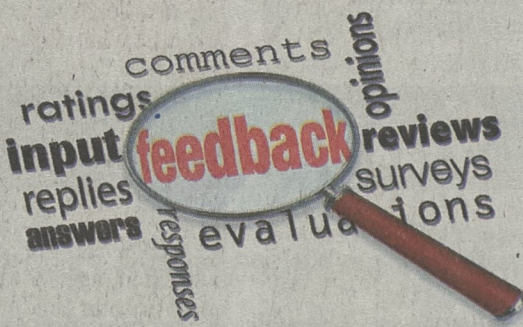
YOUR OPINION MATTERS

Let your voice be heard by completing the 2015 Cleveland County Community Health Assessment

The data collected from this survey will be used to plan for programs and services to meet the needs of residents of the county for the next few years.

All of the data is confidential; your responses go directly to the Survey Monkey site and no one in Cleveland County will be able to access any specific individual.

At the close of the survey, you will be offered the opportunity to participate in an incentive program



Survey Available:

February 2, 2015 - February 28, 2015

Electronic Survey Link:

<http://www.surveymonkey.com/s/2015ClevelandCountyCommunityHealthAssessment>

Paper Surveys Available:

Cleveland County DSS, Cleveland County Health Department, Cleveland County Manger's Office, Hospitals - front desk (Shelby & Kings Mtn.), Public Libraries, Senior Centers and YMCAs.

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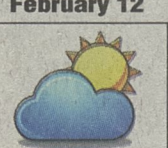
Ellen Fullenwider and her famous puppet "Rufus" will be the featured guest at Black History Month at Grover Elementary School Friday, Feb. 20, at 1:30 p.m. in the school gymnasium. Mrs. Fullenwider is a member of Mt. Calvary Church in Shelby. The public is invited.

Backyard Poultry workshop

Laura Worden, area Extension agent for the N.C. Cooperative Extension will conduct a free two-hour workshop on "Raising Backyard Chickens" on Tuesday, March 19, from 7-9 p.m. at the James Warren Citizens Center, 115 W. Main Street, Lincolnton. The public is invited.

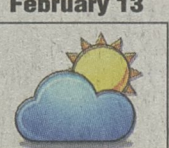
Kings Mountain Weekend Weather

Thursday
February 12



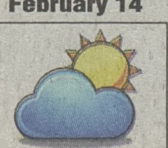
Sunny/Windy - 51°
0% Chance of precipitation
Night time Low 18°

Friday
February 13



Mostly Sunny - 41°
0% Chance of precipitation
Night time Low 21°

Saturday
February 14



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