



GRADUATES FROM NAVAL WAR COLLEGE – Thomas Keith Morrow II (Tommy) graduated from the Naval War College in Newport, Rhode Island on Nov. 18 with a Master of Arts in National Security and Strategic Studies. He and his wife, Liz, and daughters Lyla and Caroline now reside in Alexandria, Va. and Morrow is now working at the Pentagon in Washington, DC. A 1996 graduate of Kings Mountain High School and a 2000 USMA/West Point graduate, he is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Keith Morrow of Kings Mountain. Morrow is pictured receiving his diploma in ceremonies at the Naval War College.

Storyteller Randell Jones to lecture at Museum

Award-winning author Randell Jones will be the guest speaker at 6 p.m. Wednesday (today) at the Kings Mountain Historical Museum as part of National Women's History Month.

Jones, a storyteller and North Carolina Humanities Council Road Scholar, is the author of "Famous and Infamous Women in North Carolina." He has also authored several books on North Carolina history, including "Before They Were Heroes at King's Mountain." In the Footsteps of Daniel Boone,

In the Footsteps of Davy Crockett; and "A Guide to the Overmountain Victory National Historical Trail."

This is the second program in the Kings Mountain Historical Museum's History Lecture Series in conjunction with their new Pioneering Women of Cleveland County exhibit open from 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Tuesdays through Saturdays.

"We invite everyone to hear Mr. Jones Wednesday and enjoy visiting our exhibit," said Curator and Museum Director Adria Focht.

Johnson completes Army basic training

Army Pvt. Mitchell P. Johnson has graduated from basic combat training at Fort Jackson, Columbia, SC.

During the nine weeks of training, the soldier studied the Army mission, history, tradition and core values, physical fitness, and received instruction and practice in basic combat skills, military weapons, chemical warfare, bayonet training,

drill and ceremony, marching, rifle marksmanship, armed and unarmed combat, basic first aid, foot marches and field training exercises.

Johnson is the son of Kristina Johnson of Dallas and ward of Jeff and Sarah Davis of Corning, New York.

He is a 2014 graduate of Kings Mountain High School.

BRIEFS

Inman to speak Sunday in Shelby

Bob Inman, who wrote the new dramatic play "Liberty Mountain," will be guest speaker Sunday at 3 p.m. at Neal Senior Cen-

ter in Shelby. The program is sponsored by the Broad River Genealogical Society. The public is invited.

Commodities distribution Wednesday, March 11

Shelby Lions Club will be distributing USDA commodities on Wednesday, March 11, at the Cleveland County Fairgrounds, Highway 74 west. The distribution is based on the number in the family and the income of household. Take ID to

fill out an application. If a person is unable to come in person, he/she may send a note stating the number in the family, their address and their entire family income, signed by them. You must live in Cleveland County to participate.

Auditions for 'Liberty Mountain'

Local auditions for "Liberty Mountain" will be held on Saturday, March 14, with registration at 9 a.m. and auditions at 10 a.m.

Auditions will also be held at 3 p.m. with registration at 2 p.m. on March 14 by the Kings Mountain Little Theatre at Joy Theatre.

Eagles Among Us

by JIM FEREBEE
8th in a series

Roger K. Miller was born in Shelby in 1955 and grew up in Belwood, NC. He joined troop 413 in 1966. His troop was very short lived lasting from just before he joined until just after he earned his Eagle Award. Because of the nature and tenure of his troop Roger served as its Senior Patrol Leader (SPL) during all of its existence. In addition to being SPL, he served as Scribe and Bugler.

Roger attended scout camp at the old Bud Schielde Scout Reservation in Tryon. At that period in scouting, troops could attend camp with only boy leaders present. Roger remembers having to disarm a scout who had cut one of his fellow scouts with a machete and having the offender sent home. In addition to summer camp he attended a week of SPL training in Statesville.

Roger earned and was awarded his Eagle in 1971. In this effort he earned 21 merit badges.

After finishing high school Roger attended UNC Chapel Hill earning a BA in Chemistry in 1977 and a Doctorate of Dental Science in 1982. He has practiced Dentistry in Kings Mountain for the past 30 year.

He is married and has two children, Kristen and Daniel. Daniel also has earned his Eagle Scout award. While Daniel was in the troop, Roger was involved as a Troop Committee member doing Boards of Review and serving as an outing leader occasionally. He got to participate as an adult leader on a 10 day trek at Philmont Scout Ranch in Cimarron, New Mexico.

Roger accepted Christ as his savior at 10 years of age at Carpenter's Grove Baptist Church. His membership is at First Baptist Church, Kings Mountain. He has served a deacon, a SS teacher, served on various committees and sang in choir.

From an early age music has been an important part of his life. In addition to being a trumpeter he is a very accomplished pianist. At



ROGER MILLER

many BSA Courts of Honor he has played preludes and offertories. Recently Roger has used his talent playing at senior centers and nursing homes.

Roger fondly recalls his time as a scout and as a

leader. The skills he learned have stood him in good stead. He feels that the values he embraced as a boy from the Scout Oath and Law have been guiding principles in his life.

Medicine Drop March 19 & 21

Kings Mountain Police want to repeat its highly successful 2014 Operation Medicine Drop again this March during National Poison Prevention Week.

Det. Sgt. Lisa Proctor, project chairman, said that Operation Medicine Drop is scheduled for Thursday, March 19, from 8:30 a.m.-3:30 p.m. at the H. Lawrence Patrick Senior Life & Conference Center. Drop off old or unused over-the-counter or prescription medicines by pulling up out front of the main doors and a Kings Mountain Police Officer will walk out and take your medication. "You don't have to get out of your vehicle at all," said Proctor.

The second date for Operation Medicine Drop will be Saturday, March 21, at the Kings Mountain Police Department from 8:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. Individuals wishing to get rid of their old medication or medication they no longer need can pull up in front of the Police Department and an officer will take the medicine.

"This is done yearly as a community outreach to assist



MEDICINE DROP – Last year's Operation Medicine Drop was highly successful. The dates this March are Thursday, March 19, from 8:30 a.m.-3:30 p.m. at the Patrick Center and Saturday, March 21, from 8:30 a.m.-12:30 at the Police Department.

the citizens of Kings Mountain," says Proctor. She continued, "It also allows citizens to meet some of our local police officers face to face at the same time allowing citizens to get rid of unwanted medications. Our community

is important to us and we at the Kings Mountain Police Department want to do what we can to assist our community. We want to remove unwanted medication in a proper way to help prevent accidental overdose or acci-

dental poisoning," she added. Medicines should never be disposed of by flushing them down the drain. Operation Medicine Drop is the proper and safest way to rid your home of unwanted medicine.

City building permits issued

Building permits issued by the City of Kings Mountain in February included a number from Moss Lake area residents.

Karen Hollenberger, 403 Brice St., permit to build a storage building, \$3,000 valuation.

Kevin James, 143 Lakemont Dr., permit to install a modular block seawall, valuation \$25,000, Michael Harden contractor.

Abdul Elkout, 213 E. King St., permit to demolish a storage building in the rear of the lot behind Italian Garden Restaurant.

David Seercy, 105 Cardinal Drive, permit to install a new 2015 28x64 double-wide, \$95,000 valuation, contractor T&W Mobile Home Movers.

Betty Davis, 315 Ellis St., permit to build new 8x12 accessory building, \$1050 valuation.

The Pointe at Moss Lake, Shelby, permit to remove existing concrete associated with existing ramp and dock and reinstall per plans with Spake Landscaping the contractor for the property at 107 Lake Field Court, valuation \$8,240.

Annie Hord, 314 Old Stubbs Rd., Cherryville, permit for a new dock seawall, \$20,000 valuation, Thomas Hord contractor.

Jason Lowery, 1226 New Crest Lane, Shelby, permit to repair existing rip rap as needed along the shoreline, \$5,000 valuation, Spake Landscaping, contractor Gary Whitaker, 156 North

Shore Dr., Cherryville, permit for a seawall, addition to dock, \$2,000 valuation, contractor homeowner.

David Brinkley, 413 Country Club Acres, permit to build a new bath, floor covering, paint, update electric, 413 Country Club Acres, valuation \$37,000, Hagans Construction, 923 York Road.

Robert Hall, 113 Lake Point Dr., Cherryville, permit to repair rip rap and add to dock, \$5,000 valuation, homeowner contractor.

Sarah Jane Murray, 1117 Bethlehem Road, permit to build a 10x16 barn style accessory building, valuation \$3,666, 312 N. Dilling Street.

Robert Bolin, 136 Candlewood Drive, permit to build a wall behind a pizza oven at

238 Cherokee Street, valuation \$1500.

Thomas Keith Morrow, 112 Robinson Dr., permit to build a 16x24 utility building and deck, valuation \$10,000, homeowner contractor.

Wayne Fieler, 119 Windy Hill Dr., Shelby, permit for a new dock with covered boat slip, repair existing rip rap and natural rock, valuation \$4,000, Thomas Wilkinson, contractor.

Thomas Fargas, 108 N. Oakwood Dr., permit to replace metal pier with dock and covered boat slip, \$15,000 valuation, Thomas Wilkinson contractor.

Beverly Bradshaw, Shelby, permit to build a new dock and boat slip, valuation \$15,000, Thomas Wilson of Ranlo, contractor.



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