

## Local GOP leader Ronnie Whetstine welcomes Harnett to the county

Hasan Harnett, the first African American to be elected chairman of the North Carolina Republican Party, was in Shelby Tuesday, Aug. 11, at a meeting of Women Republicans at Cleveland County Library.

J. Ronnie Whetstine, of Kings Mountain, Cleveland County chairman of the GOP, greeted Harnett and introduced him before the women's group.

"The Republican Party needs those who can and will attract like-minded individuals from all walks of life, including minorities, women and youth," said Harnett. He added, "Teamwork makes the dream work. Michele Nix, vice chairman, and I will work together to grow the party to ensure a Republican victory in 216."

"I have made it a priority to reach out to minority communities and share my story and passion for conservative values," said Harnett. He added, "I am best equipped to help expand the Republican Party I know where these communities are coming from and the box the liberal media puts them in. By focusing on expanding our party, we can ensure a permanent majority for North Caro-

lina." Susan and Ronnie Whetstine, Mary Grace Keller and Guy and Lorie Smith attended the recent state GOP convention at which delegates elected Harnett. Other delegates elected from Cleveland County to the convention included Mark Blanton, Jerry Self, Kathy Allen, Pattie Alexander, Ted Alexander, Frank Dashman, and John Poston.

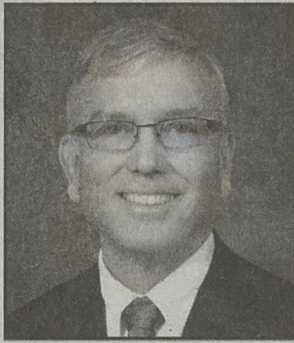
Outgoing GOP chairman Claude Pope said of Harnett, "Under Hasan Harnett's leadership the North Carolina Republican Party will continue forward with new energy united to defeat the Hillary Clinton-Roy Cooper machine in 2016."

Harnett is former campaign manager and outreach director for the North Carolina Republican Party.

Whetstine, Kings Mountain native, was elected county GOP chairman at the Cleveland County GOP convention in March. A Kings Mountain building contractor since 1973, he is the son of Janette Lail and the late Ray Whetstine. He is married to Susan Hill Whetstine and they have a daughter, Misty and son-in-law Mike



HASAN HARNETT



J. RONNIE WHETSTINE

Polk of Memphis, Tennessee and two grandchildren, Kailyn, 13, and John William, 10 months.

## Bethlehem Volunteer Fire Department to build new \$1.7 million facility

Bethlehem Volunteer Fire Department, 907 Bethlehem Road, was issued a master commercial building permit from the city on July 1 to build a new 13,403 square foot fire department valued at \$1,750,000.

Contractor for the construction is D. R. Reynolds Co., Inc. of Star, NC.

Groundbreaking for the new building was held recently. The new station is being built a short distance from the present facility on Bethlehem Road.

Wade Jurney Homes, Greensboro, was issued eight master residential building permits from Tammy Scruggs of the city codes offices for the following single family dwellings:

108 Nora Drive, 1,986 square foot residence, valuation \$142,900.

106 Nora Drive, 1,595 square foot residence, valuation \$127,900.

110 Nora Drive, 1,709 square foot residence, valuation \$131,900.

112 Nora Drive, 1,817 square foot residence, valuation \$136,900.

103 Ann Street, 1,595 square foot residence, valuation \$131,900.

140 Marcella Drive, 1,507 square foot residence, \$130,000.

142 Marcella Drive, 1,817 square foot residence, valuation \$137,000.

144 Marcella Drive, 1,513 square foot residence, valuation \$130,000.

Hall Builders, Inc., 306 Liberty Court, master residential building permit for new 1,530 square foot residence, valuation \$115,209.

Walter Sells, 116 Country Creek Dr., master residential building permit to create handicap bath from

existing bath, screen room on exciting deck, and remove carpet and install hardwood floors, valuation, \$70,465. Joey N. Moss, York, SC, is contractor.

David Brinkley, 413 Country Club Acres, master residential building permit, to remodel 375 foot kitchen. Contractor is Griffin Contractors, Morganton, NC., valuation \$62,973.

Frank Meeker, 131 E. Debbie Drive, Shelby, Moss Lake residential building permit to repair footing at seawall, valuation \$2500. The homeowner will be contractor.

Bruce Cox, 171 Appian Way, Shelby, Moss Lake residential building permit to extend seawall, valuation \$6,000. Homeowner will be contractor.

Bradley Gregg, 159 Crown Court, fence residential permit, 200 feet of a 5 foot chain link fence, valuation \$2000, Stafford Fence Builders, 167 Crown Court, will be contractor.

Scott Ledford, 605 Jackson St., fence residential permit, to place a 180 feet chain link fence along the front yard and one side of the house, valuation \$1100. Homeowner is contractor.

Phillip Martin, 18 Bennett Drive, fence residential permit, to install 35 feet of chain link fence, valuation \$1100. Contractor is Stafford Fence Builders, 167 Crown Court.

Carol Ruiz, 105 Palace Pt., fence residential permit, to install 130 feet of 5 feet chain link fence, valuation \$1400. Stafford Fence Builders is contractor.

Titus Hopper, 226 Landry Drive, fence residential permit, to install 60 feet of black chain link fence. Homeowner is con-

tractor, valuation \$1,362.

Tony Davidson, 109 Kimberly Lane, pool residential permit, to install new in ground pool, valuation \$22,500. Superior Pools, 614 Canterbury Road, contractor.

Angela Young Hall, 419 Cherokee St., pool residential permit to install a 22 foot diameter 52 inch deep pool in back yard. Homeowner is contractor, valuation \$869.

Michael Kidder, 708 Williams St., residential building permit, to extend existing deck to the edge of the house and construct on the deck an 8x8 screened enclosure, valuation \$5,000. Homeowner is contractor.

Jody Deaton, 513 W. Mountain St., residential building permit, to place a 12x30 building in back yard, valuation \$2500. Contractor is the lessee.

STI, 515 Marie St., commercial building permit to remove existing roof down to the deck and install insulation, valuation, \$132,000. Centimark Roofing, Charlotte, is contractor.

Michael E. Brown, PO Box 1132, residential building permit to build a 20 feet entry ramp to the front porch at 26 Bennett Dr., valuation \$500. The lessee is contractor.

Chris Clifton, 804 Woodside Dr., a residential building permit to put a new deck on the back of the house, valuation \$2500. Homeowner is contractor.

Campers Inn of Kings Mountain, 615 Broadview Dr., residential demolition permit to demolish a building at Campers Inn. Josh Bennett, Lincolnton, is contractor.

## MOUNTIES: Tennis, volleyball and soccer begin their season this week

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day, Aug. 24. All matches begin at 4 p.m.

The Mountaineers' boys soccer team was scheduled to go to Shelby for a scrimmage Monday night and will scrimmage at South Point Thursday. JV action begins at 6 p.m. and varsity

at 8.

Veteran coach Dan Potter is working with 41 players - the largest group he's ever had at Kings Mountain. The players worked out 25 days during the summer with an average of 26 players per day, and Potter sees them improving on last year's 10-10-1 record.

"It is really very rewarding to see them keep developing," he said. "It's really impressive that they would dedicate that much of their time in the summer. Every day, they went through strength and conditioning for one hour and kicked for an hour. They've improved a lot."

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## Clothing Giveaway

New Way Missionary Baptist Church, 105 Waco Road, is sponsoring a clothing give away every second Saturday from 7 a.m.-11 a.m. Infant, youth and adult clothing. For more information contact Rev. Frank Robbs, 704-689-4967.

## Luke Bible study

Jeanine Fisher is leading a Bible study on the Book of Luke on Thursday evenings each week at Grace United Methodist Church at 6:30 p.m. The program is free and open to the public.

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