

CHURCH BRIEFS

Breakfast Sept. 5

Central United Methodist Church will sponsor a breakfast Saturday, Sept. 5, from 6:30-10 a.m. The "all you can eat" country-style buffet will include eggs, grits, biscuits, toast, bacon,

sausage, country ham, livermush and gravy with coffee, juice, milk and soft drinks. The \$6 donation, children 6 and under free, will be applied to the fund for mission trips.

Golden Years celebration Saturday

Galilee United Methodist Church will hold a "Golden Years Celebration" Saturday, Aug. 22, from 6-8 p.m. at Bynum Chapel Family Life Center on Cansler Street. The event is semi-formal and tickets are \$20 per person.

Galilee Senior Ministries is host "celebrating the lives of our Elders." Call Priscilla Roseboro, 704-349-0571 and Davis Brown, 704-747-2996 for tickets or email galileumc.km@gmail.com. Pastor is Betty B. Brown.

Musical concert at Peoples Church

Peoples Baptist Church, 1010 Groves St., will host a musical concert by North and South Carolina Unified Worship Choir Sept. 12 at 6 p.m. Any other singers, musicians, choirs who would like to participate contact Rev. John Michael Smith, 704-923-5722. This concert is to bring fellowship back to churches and communities and will also be helping a needy family in the community. Everyone welcome.

Kids Night Out Friday

Kids Night Out will be held Friday, Aug. 21 from 6-9 p.m. at the Family Life Center of East Gold Street Wesleyan Church. All children of the community are invited to attend.

KINGS MOUNTAIN CITY COUNCIL - meets last Tuesday of each month at 6 p.m. at Kings Mountain City Hall, 101 W. Gold St.

KM MAN: charged in rash of break-ins

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larceny; nine counts felony possession stolen goods; and five counts felony attempted breaking and entering.

He is also charged with five counts misdemeanor breaking or entering coin currency machine, one count misdemeanor dam-

age to property and two counts misdemeanor larceny.

Police said these cases are still being actively investigated and anyone with information regarding these incidents is asked to contact Cpl. B. M. Black or Cpl. K. L. Hamrick at the Kings Mountain Police Department, 704-734-0444.

MUSEUM: fundraiser only 3 weeks away

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year to plan. She said the annual grants from the City of Kings Mountain and Cleveland County constitute the bulk of the other half of the Museum's annual budget.

The event is about three weeks away and promises

to be a fun evening with auction prizes from area businesses and industry, a reverse raffle that attracted 300 people.

Get your ticket from any Museum director, at the Museum on East Mountain Street Tuesdays through Saturdays from 10 a.m.-4 p.m.

TEACHERS: We're ready for new year

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that is more in-depth than math, some early geometry and algebra. They'll also dive into math word problems, which she says can be a trouble spot for students at that age.

"Complex word problems ... can be one of the trickier things students face in the fourth grade," said Salvo, who is a 1989 KMHS graduate with degrees from Limestone College and Appalachian State University. "They'll also tackle (young-reader) novels such as 'Because of Winn-Dixie.'"

At the high school, the largest school in the Kings Mountain zone with an enrollment expected to top 1,100 there's a fresh name behind the principal's desk.

Julie Rikard, the assistant principal since 2009, was named to the school's top job by the school board over the summer. She replaces Ronnie Funderburke, who's moving on to be the school district assistant superintendent for administrative services.

"It's a busy time of year," said Rikard, who was named the school's Teacher of the Year in 1994, and said that Funderburke had been helping with her transition into the new job. "We have new enrollees, new staff members. And we're working out student schedules."

Rikard has a B.S. in English from Appalachian State University, an Masters in Educational Media from Winthrop University. She also earned a EdS (education specialist) in Educa-



Workers finish some roof work at the high school last week.



It's clean-up and fix-up time at all the schools this week.

tional Administration from Appalachian in 2009.

Rikard joins a few others in new roles in KM zone schools. Matthew Tipton was named an assistant principal at the high school, while Jacob Wilson is the new assistant principal at Kings Mountain Intermediate School.

The two join 11 other

new assistant principals as Cleveland County Schools gears up for a new semester.

Jeremy Shields, former assistant principal at KMHS, is going to Crest High School as new assistant principal and Kimberly Kepner, former assistant principal at Kings Mountain Intermediate, is moving to James Love Elementary in

Shelby as assistant principal. Jennifer Blanton is moving from Bethware Elementary to an assistant principal ship at Jefferson Elementary school.

Dr. Brian Hunnell, formerly at West School and Kings Mountain Intermediate School, is the new Superintendent of Curriculum and Instruction.

GIRLS STATE: was 'amazing' for KM's Johana Sellers

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State, which ultimately elected a governor and two representatives to Girls Nation in Washington, DC, where young women from every state are Senators in a mock two-party federal government.

Otis D. Green Unit 155 sponsored Sellers, among the 250 young women at Girls State at Catawba College in Salisbury.

"It's really an outstanding, unique and exciting government-in-action program and we politicked, wrote campaign speeches, made posters and wrote bills and got them passed," said Johana, who loves politics.

At Girls State the mayor presides at all the city sessions until the governor is elected and makes introductions of the many state officials who speak. Girls State citizens don't elect or appoint a mayor pro tem. One morning the mayor was late arriving at the meeting and Sellers had to preside as city manager and make all the introductions.

"I had about five minutes to get ready but my friends told me I was up to the challenge," she said.

Johana said debating bills was the highlight of North Carolina Girls State. A couple of the bills that passed were raising the minimum wage and prohibiting human trafficking. The girls voted down a bill to change the dress code at Girls State.

Some 20,000 rising seniors from schools all over the country participate in ALA Girls State program and operate the same patriotic values through a non-partisan curriculum where they assume the roles of government leaders, campaigning as 'Federalists' and "Nationalists" to become mayors and county and state officials of their ALA Girls State.

"We made lots of posters for our candidates and of course our theme was 'Swat the Nats,'" said Johana who was a member of the Federalist party.

Living in her Girls State city in the dormitory with her roommate, Autumn Self, of Mooresville, she said every day was busy from about 7 a.m. each morning until near midnight each night. They listened to speakers during the day and started making posters for their campaigns

after about 9 p.m. at night.

Karen Burns, Family Service Director, Davidson County, Caroline Farmer, Department of Justice deputy director, Victims and Citizens Section, Secretary of State Elaine Marshall and Janet Black, attorney, were among the speakers. Her parents, Jody and Marilyn Sellers, and sister, Morgan Sellers, a junior student at the NC School of the Arts, attended closing ceremonies along with other parents and friends.

"We were in the Chapel for our flag ceremony at 5 p.m. one day and the lights went out during a storm," said Johana, who said the lightning was really fierce. The storm knocked out the air-conditioning in humid 90 degree weather. Her friends reminded her that she was the city manager, so how long would the power be off?

The power was off until 11 p.m. but the girls made the power outage a fun event.

A parliamentary procedure and civics workshop and flag etiquette were part of the opening day educational event. They enjoyed a reception at the home of College President Brian

Lewis and received materials about the college and other colleges in the state during a college fair during the week of activities.

Sellers is a senior at Kings Mountain High School where she is active in the Beta Club, Interact Club, SPO and yearbook photographer. She was a cheerleader for three years. A volunteer at the Crisis Ministry, she also volunteered at the Triathlon, the Woman's Club Breakfast with Santa as Santa's elf, and has been active in community service. She plans to attend college and major in Business Administration/Finance.

Would she recommend Girls State to other students in Kings Mountain?

"I loved Girls State and I met so many girls who will be my friends for life," she exclaimed.

"We learned a lot but we also have fun."

Sellers and her parents will be guests of the American Legion Auxiliary at the Nov. 19 meeting of the auxiliary at the local Legion Post 155. Sellers will be invited to report on her week at the 76th annual Tar Heel Girls State.

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