

## Eagle Award Recipients



Two Boy Scouts of Troop 93 sponsored by the Bethware Progressive Club received the Eagle Scout Award at a banquet on December 20th. Here, Thomas Hinton, with parents Rev. and Mrs. Russell Hinton, receives the award. Rev. Hinton is pastor of Oak Grove Baptist Church.



Charles L. Baird, Jr., stands proudly as his mother, Mrs. Charles L. Baird pins scouting's highest award, the Eagle, on his uniform. At left is his father. Charlie's brother was a recipient of the Eagle last year.

## Gaston College Offers Ski Course

Gaston College, in cooperation with French-Swiss Ski College, located at Appalachian Ski Mountain, near Blowing Rock North Carolina, will offer a five-week session in skiing this winter.

An orientation meeting has been scheduled for the college library on January 5, 1972 at 7:00 p.m.

The cost of the course has been set at \$48.00, payable to French-Swiss Ski College at the January 5, 1972 meeting. The cost of bus transportation will vary according to enrollment, but will be approximately \$3.00 per person per trip. The classes are scheduled for Tuesday evenings beginning on January 11, 1972 and ending on February 8, 1972.

The French-Swiss Ski College, the largest ski school in the Southeast, offers a revolutionary new approach to skiing that makes our students more effective skiers in a shorter period of time. The motto of the French Swiss Ski College is "Your

Lesson Is Never Over." You are guaranteed to learn to ski. The short ski method of instruction results in increased confidence, less frustration and practically complete lack of serious injuries. The short skis and small classes combined with the finest teaching area in the country allow the beginner to learn to ski the first day on skis. French-Swiss students are under constant supervision, instructors help students with their equipment, and the instruction is enthusiastic and professional.

The instructional program is also enriched with movies, slides demonstration, video tapes, and competitive programs and visits from Jean Claude Killy (triple Gold Medal winner in the 1968 Olympics) and the United States Ski Team.

For further information contact the office of Continuing Education, Gaston College, 922-3136.

## Two Injured In Truck Wreck

Two truck drivers were injured Wednesday morning at 11:30 when their rig ran off I-85 about 5 miles south of Kings Mountain, and overturned down an embankment.

The driver, Robert Reeves, 20, and a passenger, Randy Chastine, 25, were admitted to Kings Mountain Hospital and later released.

The truck, loaded with candy, was owned by David Beneux Produce and Trucking Co. of Mulberry, Ark.

Both men were pinned inside the truck for about 30 minutes, and released by Grover Rescue Squad members.

The trailer portion of the rig was torn away during the wreck, scattering candy bars over the scene.

## City Board Sets Thursday Meet

The meeting of the City Board of Commissioners has been postponed this week until Thursday night.

On the agenda for Thursday is the acceptance of bids on the fire truck chassis, and a public hearing on the rezoning of property owned by Bill Stinette and Donald Carpenter on the Bessemer City Road. Request is to rezone from R-20 to Industrial.

## Stores Will Close On New Year's

In keeping with the New Year's holiday, members of the Kings Mountain Merchants Association will be closed Saturday.

Remaining open will be the supermarkets, drug stores, oil companies, 5 & 10 stores, Bridges Auto, and Taylor's Upholstery.

With these member exceptions, stores will be closed all day Saturday, opening as usual for business on Monday morning.

## Downtown Park Near Completion

Work is progressing on the downtown park on Mountain Street, a part of the plan for the Redevelopment of downtown Kings Mountain.

The finishing touches were put on the wall this week, and Redevelopment Director Joe Laney anticipates 2-3 more weeks work before the park is finished, providing the weather remains favorable.

When completed, the park will have a masonry fountain, a large planter, seats, and decorative lights.

Laney says he is appreciative of Dean Spears, brickmason, for taking the job which he described as relatively small and difficult.

The project was scheduled to have been completed by Christmas, but was hampered by some bad weather and other problems.

## New Clinic Hours Are Announced

The Cleveland County Health Department has issued a new clinic schedule, revising clinic hours.

The major change is that a general clinic is now conducted from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. daily except for Wednesday p.m.

The Kings Mountain Clinic at the new Recreation Center is open on Fridays from 9 a.m. to 11 a.m.

Two new pieces of legislation were passed by the North Carolina General Assembly in its last session, a revision of G.S. 130, Article 9, Immunization Law of North Carolina, and House Bill 163.

(1) This immunization law has three basic changes:

(a) Measles (Rubeola) Vaccine is now mandatory before a child becomes two years of age.

(b) A new provision permits the local health director, or his authorized representatives, to inspect certificates of immunization at any time. This will permit enforcement of immunization requirements at the day care and kindergarten level.

(c) Polio vaccine is now required before one year of age, as opposed to six years of age as stated in the old law.

(2) House Bill 163 gives minors authority to give effective consent for medical services to determine the presence of, or to treat, venereal diseases.



This was the scene Wednesday when a tractor-trailer rig ran down an embankment off I-85 south of here. The trailer was torn open, scattering the cargo of candy over the wreckage.

## Accident Friday Involves Train - Two Cars

An accident at 9:41 a.m. on Friday, Christmas Eve, at West Gold and South Battleground involved a Southern Railway train and two cars.

A car driven by Ronald Leon Barnhill, 18, of 207 Bevedere Circle, Shelby collided with the train.

The driver reported to police that he did not see any flashing red lights or hear a train whistle.

He pulled across the tracks, and the car was struck in the right rear.

The car knocked the RR crossarms into a parked car - a '67 Dodge, belonging to

Maron Loy Williams of Kings Mountain. Damage to the Barnhill car was listed at \$800. Damage to the Williams car, \$625.

The train suffered no damage and no one was injured.

## New Year's Eve Celebration Planned

A New Year's Eve Celebration will be held by Oak Grove Baptist Church, beginning at 7 p.m. Friday with a Drama "I Dreamed I searched heaven for you."

At 9 p.m., Paul and Betty Bell will present slides and films taken during the past year at vacation bible school, ball-games, and socials.

At 10 p.m., The Price Family, a quartet, will sing, and two brief dramas will be presented by the First Baptist Church of Kings Mountain.

At 11:00, Willard Boyles will conduct a patriotic program of songs, pledges, and meditations.

Preparation of a Caravan and Parade through the community, under the direction of Wayne Self, is scheduled for 11:30. At 12:00, it's time to ring out the old-year in the new.

At 12:00, New Year's Resolutions and Benediction will be held in the basement of Fellowship Hall.

The public is cordially invited for all or part of the celebration.



Mr. and Mrs. David Smith of Route 2, Kings Mountain, receive airline tickets to Hawaii from Nial Deems, of Deems Travel Center of Shelby.

The tickets were special fare tickets obtained through the agency, and the first special tickets issued the Shelby agency. Deems owns another travel service in Statesville, through which all previous tickets were issued. The Smith's have already returned from Hawaii where they visited their son - in - law.



Approximately 80 children would not have had Christmas this year had it not been for the efforts of the Kings Mountain Ministerial Association. Here Rev. Mitchell Pruitt, and Rev. Eugene Land stand with a display of toys at the Community Center before Christmas.

Bridges Hardware, Clark's Goodyear Store, Western Auto, and Phifer Hardware, plus individuals, contributed toys to the "toys for children" program. Rev. Harry D. Vance, Chairman of the Committee, reports that the drive will begin soon to collect toys for next Christmas.



John Cain, Assistant Scoutmaster of American Legion Troop 415, and son Terry, 11, Senior Patrol Leader, are selling Mayor

Moss an automotive travel kit. The Troop has 500 of the useful kits to sell at \$2.00 each.