

## Roamin' Around Town



With

Darrell Austin

(Ingredients: There will be bits of news, very little wisdom, some humor and comments, some views from other editors. Directions: Take weekly, if possible, but please avoid an overdose.)

The annual Rotary Club pancake and sausage supper will be held from 5:15 to 7:45 p.m. Friday at the Kings Mountain High School cafeteria. Tickets are on sale by any Rotarian or you may purchase one at the door for only \$2.25. Let's all go out and support the Rotary Club and then attend the Kings Mountain - Shelby football game.

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If you attend the football game you will be in for a real treat as you watch the Kings Mountain High School Band perform. Under the direction of Donald Deal and Chris Cole the band has had superior performances at every game this year. It takes a lot of practice and dedication on the part of his students to achieve the top and in my book that is where they are.

"D"

"Skeet" Morrow was telling me about the Halloween party that he and his partner recently attended. Seems they went dressed as Adam and Eve with a few leaves in the proper places. He said they were the hit of the party, especially when the band starting playing "Autumn Leaves."

"D"

A man went to a local minister and asked if he would hold a funeral service for his dog that recently died. The minister didn't know exactly what to do so he told the man that he had a conference to attend and wouldn't be able to do so. The man asked the minister if he thought that Rev. Gary Bryant of the Presbyterian Church would perform the service since he only had \$100 to pay. "Hold it a minute sir," was the minister's reply. "Why didn't you tell me it was a Methodist dog?"

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(To comment in this column, write Roamin' Around Town, P.O. Box 752, or give me a call at 739-7496.)

## Century III Contest

### Haigler Local Winner



DELK HAIGLER

Delk Haigler, KMSHS senior student and son of Mr. and Mrs. Wyman Haigler, is the local winner of the Century III Leadership Contest conducted recently at Kings Mountain Senior High School.

Approximately 12 students enter the competition, which featured a competitive examination of current events. The contest is sponsored annually by the Association of Secondary Schools Principals and judges were a representative of the Junior class, a teacher, a member of the administrative staff and a representative of the community.

Basis of the award was also on extra-curricular participation on campus, community activities, work experience and recognition and awards.

Haigler now advances to district competition.



BRIDGES CHILDREN—The three children of Mr. and Mrs. David Bridges were a picture of good health when this photo was made. But now, six-year-old Tracy, left, is fighting a tough battle with cancer. His twin, Stacy, right, and two-year-old sister, Tammy, center, are in good health.

## Six-Year-Old Tracy Bridges Battling Cancer

By GARY STEWART  
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When the photo at left was taken of the children of David and Joann Bridges four weeks ago, six-year-old twin Tracy (left) was still a fairly active child, although for the most part of his six years he had battled cancer.

Now, Tracy spends all of his time lying in bed and when he moves at all it's by being picked up and carried by one of his parents or another member of the family.

Tracy's twin brother, Stacy, and his two-year-old sister Tammy are healthy, and his parents are thankful for that. But they realize the time they have left with Tracy is short. The only thing they can do for him now is keep him comfortable.

Though Tracy and Stacy were born prematurely and stayed in the hospital seven weeks before coming home for the first time, the Bridges family had no idea Tracy was not a healthy child until he was 18 months old.

"He got real sick," recalled his father, "and we took him to the doctor and his blood was real low. When the doctors couldn't get it to normal, we took him to the Children's Clinic in Shelby and it was discovered."

Small tumors were discovered behind his ear and in his stomach and he was taken to Duke Hospital where surgery was performed and treatment began.

Doctors told the family Tracy wouldn't recover, but the surgery seemed to remove the stomach cancer and chemotherapy appeared

to dissolve the tumor behind the ear. "There were a lot of prayers prayed for him," said David's mother, Nora Bridges, "and even the doctors said it was a miracle that he pulled through it. But he's been a pretty good fighter."

Tracy returned to an active life and had no further sign of cancer until two years later when he had a re-occurrence and had to go back to Duke for further surgery and treatment. A year later, he appeared cured again.

But last November, he had another re-occurrence. The longest period he's been away from Duke since was six weeks and now he's going every two weeks for treatment. Malignant tumors are all over his body and the cancer has worked into his bones.

"He's still alert," said David, "but it's in his joints and he just can't get up and move around anymore. The past two and a half months he's become less and less active and now has gotten to a point where he can't move without it hurting. He's in constant pain."

The family was told last Wednesday by doctors at Duke that no more could be done. Tracy had taken so many chemotherapy treatments that it's damaged his kidneys and bladder.

Dora Bridges, fighting back tears, says it's hard to accept.

"Maybe you can stand to see an adult hurting," she said, "But this is more than I can take almost. It might have brought the family closer together. I think David and

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## ★ This Is Election Day ★

No. 4 Township voters will participate in two elections Tuesday.

1) They will decide the race for a six-year term on the Kings Mountain District Board of Education between Paul Hord, Jr., Harold Lineberger and Bill Moss.

2) Grover citizens will elect a mayor and five commissioners to serve a two-year term from a field of 12 candidates.

There will be no run-off in either the school race or the Grover city municipal race where the top vote-getter will win. Grover will be choosing five commissioners from 11 candidates, upping membership on the council from three to five commissioners. Mayor W.W. (Bill) McCarter, who has served on the board for 20 plus years, is uncontested for another term as mayor. Running for commission seats are incumbents Martha Byers and Harold Herndon, Ronald Queen, Edward Philbeck, Philip Harry,

Juanita Pruette, Joe Boheler, Quay Moss, Martha Scruggs and Gene Atkins, all political newcomers. A total of 248 Grover citizens are registered to vote.

Citizens of the Kings Mountain School District, where a total of 6,512 are registered to vote in Kings Mountain, Grover, Bethware and Waco, will determine the board of education contest. Voting places are: East Kings Mountain, Community Center; West Kings Mountain, National Guard Armory; Bethware, at Bethware School; Grover, at Grover Rescue Squad; and Waco, at Waco Volunteer Fire Department.

The polls open at 6:30 a.m. today and close at 7:30 p.m.

School district voters will receive only one ballot. Grover citizens will receive two.

Paul Hord, Jr., 43, owner and operator of Paul's Seafood, Harold Lineberger, 45, farmer and fruitgrower, and Robert W. (Bill) Moss, 51, electrician, seek the outside district trustee seat on the board now held by Alex Owens, Kings Mountain farmer who did not seek re-election. Mr. Owens has served as board chairman.

Hord, a Kings Mountain native, was educated in the KM schools. His wife, Joyce, is manager of the KMSHS cafeteria and they are parents of three children, Randy Hord, Mrs. Kenny Falls and Kim Hord, fourth grader at East School. He is a deacon, Sunday School teacher and RA counselor at Oakview Baptist Church and a volunteer parent teacher's aide at West School.

Lineberger, who harvests peaches, grapes and strawberries on Cherryville Rd., is a former assistant publications editor for Agricultural Information Office at N.C. State University and was formerly an assistant agricultural extension agent in Wadesboro. His family was cited in 1978 as first runnerup in the N.C. Soil and Water Conservation District Farm Family of the Year. His wife is a Cherryville Junior High teacher and they are parents of three children, Barry, a freshman at N.C. State University,

Jeff, a junior at KMSHS and Lee-Ann, an eighth grader at KMJH. He is a graduate of NCSU and active in Resurrection Lutheran Church.

Moss, a Kings Mountain native, is field supervisor for Bryant Electric Co. of High Point and formerly owned and operated Moss Electric Co. in Kings Mountain. He is a graduate of Kings Mountain High School, attended N.C. State University, Kings Business College and Murray Vocational School of Charleston, S.C. He holds an unlimited electrical contractor's license for the two Carolinas. Mrs. Moss is the former Betty Hayes of Kings Mountain and they are parents of five children, R.W. Moss, Jr., sergeant in the USAF in Denver, Col., Mike Moss of Summerville, S.C., Scott Moss, student at Bowman Gray School of Medicine in Winston Salem, Jeff Moss, student at Central Piedmont College in Charlotte and Kim Moss, junior student at KMSHS.

Moss is an elder, Sunday School teacher and chairman of the pulpit committee at Boyce Memorial ARP Church and is a Mason.

All the candidates, both here and in Grover, were predicting victory at the polls today and completing last-minute politicking.

### Two Share \$75 Football Prize

Two contestants hit the tie-breaker on the nose to share the \$75 prize in last week's Herald football contest.

Richard Gillespie of P.O. Box 421, and Mrs. Eugene Nelson of 805 Groves Street both missed two of the 20 games and hit the tie-breaker of 31 points (Maryland 17, UNC 14) on the nose. Tommy Leach of 207 Fulton Street also missed just two games but he predicted only 20 points in the tie-breaker.

The co-winners may pick up their checks for \$37.50 each Thursday morning at the Herald office at 431 North Piedmont.

The final football contest is inside today's paper. If you haven't won yet, give it one more shot.

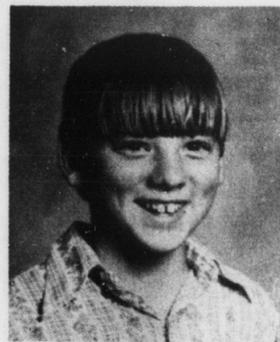
## Hunting Mishap Fatal To Frankie Patrick, 16

An Indian Summer day of fun for two longtime friends turned into disaster Saturday afternoon in the woods off Grover Rd.

Franklin Gene Patrick, 16, of 1315 Grover Road, and Gerald Dwight Cooper, 17, of Foote Mineral Rd., made plans to spend the afternoon hunting in the woods. They were in a jovial mood when they picked up refreshments and snacks at Blalock Grocery, jumped in Cooper's car and headed for the fields. Gerry had a 20 gauge double barrel shotgun and Frankie had a 22 automatic rifle.

At 5:45 p.m. Patrick was dead of an accidental gunshot wound to the head.

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FRANKIE PATRICK

## Building Dedicated

The Aubrey Mauney Building for Campus Ministry and Christian Education, a new addition to Holy Trinity Lutheran Church in Chapel Hill, was dedicated during the 11 a.m. worship service last Sunday morning. An open house for church members and the community was held Sunday afternoon.

The building is named in honor of Aubrey Mauney of Kings Mountain, who was instrumental in the establishment of the Chapel Hill congregation in the 1940's.

Mauney became concerned about the lack of a Lutheran church in Chapel Hill while a student there in the early 1940's. In 1943, he became chairman of a committee of the North Carolina Lutheran Synod to construct and develop a Lutheran congregation near the University of North Carolina.

Since that time, Mauney has maintained an active interest in the congregation and by his encouragement and generosity helped the present 8,500 square foot building become a reality.

Mauney has served as president of the N.C. Lutheran Brotherhood, vice president of the N.C. Council of



AUBREY MAUNEY

Churches and as a member of the Board of Trustees of the Protestant Radio and Television Center in Atlanta.

He was secretary-treasurer and general manager of Kings Mountain Manufacturing Company from 1940 until his retirement in 1965. He is married to the former Katharine E. Shenk. They have two children and five grandchildren.

The Mauneys are members of St. Matthew's Lutheran Church.