

200th Anniversary Events Are Scheduled

A two-week series of events involving five states is being planned for the 200th anniversary of the Revolutionary War Battle of Kings Mountain. One of the events could be an appearance by a major political figure.

Beginning Sept. 23 and concluding Oct. 7, the anniversary date of the battle many historians believe was the turning point of the Revolution, there will be a daily list of happenings of those who wish to celebrate the American victory of two centuries ago.

And that daily list seems to be growing almost daily, according to John Henry Moss, Mayor of the City of Kings Mountain and General Chairman of the committee planning the celebration of the battle and the events leading to it.

"It seems that more and more groups and individuals are becoming interested in the 200th anniversary events and are expressing a wish to become involved. We welcome this interest, for it shows a growing awareness of the significance of the battle," said Mayor Moss.

The battle took place on the afternoon of Oct. 7, 1780, on a small mountain in South Carolina, only a few miles south of this North Carolina community with the same name.

Frontiersmen from the mountains of what today are Western North Carolina, Eastern Tennessee and Southwestern Virginia, with strong support from troops from South

Carolina, Georgia and Piedmont North Carolina, surrounded and soundly defeated a British force that had made a stand on the mountain top.

The triumph lifted sagging American spirits and, say many authorities on the Revolution, led to the surrender at Yorktown, Va., of the major British force in American almost exactly one year later.

The battle site today is in public ownership and is part of Kings Mountain National Military Park, managed by the National Park Service.

One of the major events of the 200th anniversary celebration will be a reenactment of the march made by the "Overmountain Men," as they were known to the British, from Abingdon, Va., to Kings Mountain.

The exact route and timing of the march will be followed by Grand Marshal Dennis "Stump" Kiline of Rogersville, Tenn., and others in period dress and paraphernalia. Judging from expressions of early interest, as many as 1,000 can be expected to participate in some segments of the 219-mile march, Mayor Moss said.

The committee chairman revealed that President Jimmy Carter has been invited to attend the celebration and to speak during festivities on Oct. 7.

"I believe there is a good chance that President Carter, or possibly Vice President Walter Mondale, will be here," the mayor said.

Aside from the possibility of

some political excitement, those interested in participating in the celebration will have plenty from which to choose.

Major events involving the Overmountain Men will be held at Abingdon, Va., on Sept. 24; at Wycamore Shoals near Elizabethton Tenn., on Sept. 26; at Quaker Meadows near Morganton, N.C., on Sept. 30; and at Cowpens National Battlefield near Chesnee, S.C. on Oct. 6.

Former U.S. Senator Sam Ervin of North Carolina is scheduled to speak to those who gather at Quaker Meadows on Sept. 30.

"Then Conquer We Must," a drama about the battle written by the late Robert Osborne of Kings Mountain, will be presented, on the evening of Sept. 26-28 and Oct. 3-7. All performances will be at the 500-seat amphitheater at Kings Mountain National Military Park.

On Oct. 4, the Kings Mountain Rotary Club will sponsor a "Bicentennial Run" with graduated distance categories in order to give more participants - male and female - an opportunity to win awards.

Displays and demonstrations of military life during the Revolution and more recently will take place adjacent to the Kings Mountain Governmental Services Facilities Center from Oct. 4 through Oct. 7, while a "Patriots Ball" has been scheduled for the evening of Oct. 6 at the National Guard Armory in Kings Mountain.

The Oct. 7 anniversary date of the battle features a full slate of activities. Following a "Prayer Breakfast," the governors of North Carolina and South Carolina have been invited to meet at the state line near Kings Mountain National Military Park to exchange handshakes and greetings. From there, the governors would join other dignitaries at B.N. Barnes Auditorium at Kings Mountain Senior High School for first-day cancellation ceremonies of a postcard commemorating the battle.

A "Bicentennial Luncheon" will be held at noon at Kings Mountain Senior High School and at 1 p.m., there will be a 200-unit parade, including a number of Revolutionary and modern military units, high school bands and others. The Overmountain Men will arrive at Kings Mountain National Military Park at 3 p.m. with appropriate ceremonies, including, possibly, an address by

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Portraits To Be Made At School

Portraits for Kings Mountain High School seniors will be made on Wed., Aug. 20 and Thurs., Aug. 21 at B.N. Barnes Auditorium.

Seniors with last names A through Ford should report Wednesday morning and students with last names beginning Fort-Le should report on Wednesday afternoon. Students with last names beginning Leo-Se should report on Thursday morning and students with last names beginning Sh-W should report Thursday afternoon.

If there is a conflict, students should report at the earliest convenience. A participation fee of \$3 will be charged to help defray the cost of proofs, film and mailing.

Ladies are encouraged to wear a Sunday dress. All young men wishing to use tuxedos that will be furnished must bring a white shirt. All other men are requested to wear a coat and tie.



Photo by Gary Stewart

RECEIVES AWARD - John Gamble, center, is pictured here receiving an award of recognition from Ray Hurley of the City Parks and Recreation Department for his work with the

internship work experience program this summer. Looking on at left is Mike Nappi, Supervisor of the recreation department.

Gamble Receives Award For Summer Internship

Johnny Gamble was honored with a certificate Friday for his participation this summer in the internship work experience program sponsored by the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill and the Kings Mountain Parks and Recreation Department.

The award was presented by Ray Hurley, acting director of the Kings Mountain Neighborhood Facilities Center, and Mike Nappi, Supervisor of the Parks and Recreation Department.

Gamble, a rising senior and recreation major at UNCC, coordinated the recently renovated games room program at the Neighborhood Center

under the leadership of Hurley.

Gamble also coordinated various athletic events during the summer to balance out his summer curriculum of work experience.

The internship program is designed to give the student a realistic experience of working in his chosen field of professional endeavor.

"As directors of the Parks and Recreation Department, Mr. Hurley and myself sincerely appreciate UNC and its Recreation Curriculum Department on the effective preparation being taught their future recreation professionals," Nappi said. "John Gamble is a prime example of his learning experience.

We wish him the very best in educational experience and can truly say he will benefit the recreation profession wherever he settles."

Nappi said this was the first year the Recreation Department had participated in an intern program.

"It's greatly needed in recreation," he said. "It not only gives the student the opportunity for practical experience and a realistic approach to problems and the real world of recreation, but also gives the recreation department a knowledgeable, energetic individual who is 95 percent of the time going to improve a summer program.

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Hospital Seeks Additional Funds

Grady K. Howard, Administrator of Kings Mountain Hospital, filed notice last week of intent to incur a capital expenditure for the purpose of to seek approval for a cost overrun on a previously approved project to renovate and modernize the existing Kings Mountain Hospital facility.

The project proposal has been submitted to the Certificate of Need Section, Division of Facility Services, North Carolina Department of Human Resources, for review by planning agencies under provisions of the Social Security Amendments of 1972 and Chapter 131, Article 18, of the General Statutes of North Carolina.

The planning agencies, in examining the proposal, will seek to determine whether the project is needed, if it can be adequately staffed and operated, whether it is economically feasible within prevailing rate structures, and if

it proposes specific cost-containment features.

A copy of the proposal has been referred to the Western North Carolina Health Systems Agency, Inc. for review as required by federal and state law.

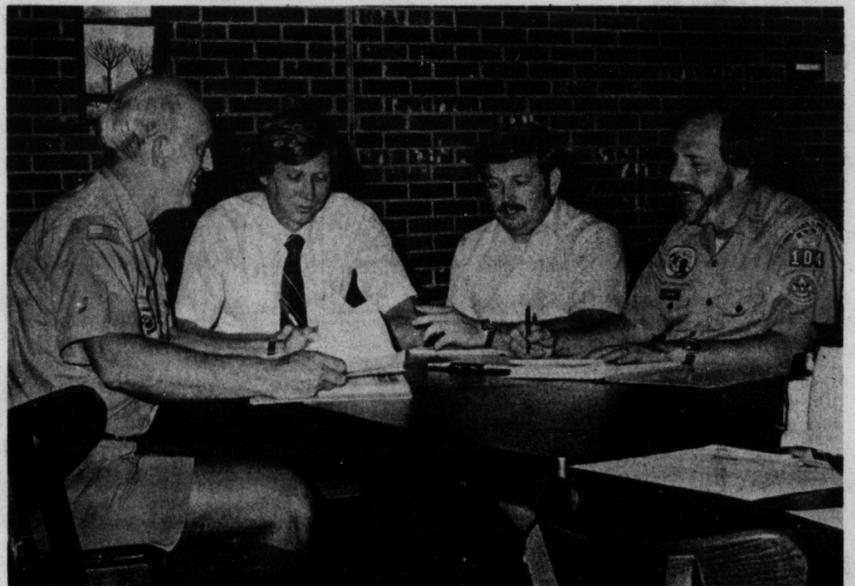
In its role as coordinator of project reviews under Section 1122 of the Social Security Act and the Certificate of Need Program, the Certificate of Need Section will receive the advice of the regional agency about the conformity of the project to their standards and criteria.

The Department will then decide on the recommendation to be made to the United States Department of Health and Human Services concerning Section 1122. The Department of Human Resources is the final authority with respect to decisions made under Chapter 131, Article 18, of the General Statutes of North Carolina.

School Calendar For 1980-81

KINGS MOUNTAIN SCHOOL CALENDAR 1980-81

Annual leave for Teachers	Aug. 13-14
Teacher Work Days	Aug. 15-22
First Day For Students	(Full Day) Aug. 25
Labor Day	Sept. 1
District NCAE Meeting/Teacher Work Day	Sept. 16
End of First Nine Weeks	Oct. 28
Teacher Work Days	Oct. 30-31
Teacher Work Day/Veterans Day	Nov. 11
Thanksgiving	Nov. 27-28
Christmas Vacation, begin end of day Dec. 19 classes resume	Jan. 5
End of Second Nine Weeks	Jan. 20
Teacher Work Days Mid-Term	Jan. 22-23
Spring Break	Mar. 27
End of Third Nine Weeks	Mar. 30
Easter	Apr. 17-21
179th Day for Students	June 3
Teacher Work Day	June 4
Last Day for Students	June 5
Teacher Work Day	June 8
1/2 Work Day for Teachers, 1/2 Day Annual Leave	June 9
Annual Leave and Holidays for Teachers	June 10-12



SCOUT LEADERS - Area scout leaders gather to discuss plans to take 90 Boy Scouts to the 1981 National Scout Jamboree in Virginia. Left to right are Roland Kunkel of Denver, Gary Gragg of Shelby, Tommy King of Kings Mountain and Bob Jenkins of Shelby.

King Selected Leader For Scout Jamboree

Three Cleveland County Scouters have been selected to serve as troop leaders for the 1981 National Scout Jamboree.

Tommy King of Kings Mountain, and Bob Jenkins and Gary Gragg, both of Shelby, will help lead the 90-boy contingent from the Piedmont Council, BSA.

The Boy Scouts from the Piedmont Council will join over 20,000 other Scouts at Fort A.P. Hill, near Fredericksburg, Virginia in the summer of 1981, according to Roland Kunkel, Council High Adventure Chairman. National Jamborees occur every four years, the last one being in 1977.

The Piedmont Council contingent will leave Gastonia on

the morning of July 27, 1981 and return to Gastonia on the night of August 5, 1981. A pre-Jamboree training weekend is set for June, 1981.

A total fee for the 1981 National Scout Jamboree is \$495. This fee includes all registration fees, transportation, tents, equipment, training weekend, food and insurance.

To register a Scout should send a \$10 "Hold-A-Space" reservation to the Piedmont Council, P.O. Box 1059, Gastonia, N.C. 28052. The reservation fee is non-refundable and holds a Scout's place until the first part of the total fee is due. The deadline for registering is October 1, 1980.

King will be the Scoutmaster of Troop 2 of the Piedmont Council's two and one-half troops. He currently is the Scoutmaster of Troop 91 chartered to St. Matthews Lutheran Church in Kings Mountain. He is employed by Fiber Industries.

Jenkins was selected to be the first assistant Scoutmaster of Troop 2. He now serves as Scoutmaster of Troop 104 at Central United Methodist Church in Shelby. He works for the State Highway Commission.

Gragg will be the second assistant Scoutmaster for Troop 2. Currently he serves as Scoutmaster of Troop 118 at Zion Baptist Church in Shelby. He is a CPA.