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KM Receives Award

Kings Mountain was officially honored as a Governor's Community of Excellence by Governor James B. Hunt, Jr., in Raleigh Wednesday during the Governor's Second Annual Conference on Economic Development.

Governor Hunt presented the award to Mayor John Henry Moss, Jerry King, Director of the Kings Mountain Office of Economic Development, and his assistant Connie Putnam, also attended the ceremonies.

"I am proud of the progress which communities like Kings Mountain have made during the past year," Governor Hunt said. "It is an achievement which they can look upon with great pride. But more importantly, the work which has been done in qualifying for this honor also represents a big step toward better job opportunities."

To qualify for the award, Kings Mountain had to meet the basic criteria required by new industry. Among other things this included establishing an organization to maintain information on the town's story,

labor, industrial sites, financing and access to markets.

A total of 100 communities, all with populations of 15,000 or less, received Community of Excellence Awards. Thirty-five of the recipients are first time winners this year.

Highway signs noting the honor have been provided.

Jerry King, of the sponsoring organization, the KM Economic Development Office, said that without community support the award would not have been possible. He stated appreciation to the following citizens who headed up various steps on the program leading to the citation: Connie Putnam, community journal; Charles Hamilton and Dan Honeycutt, research, client identification; Darrell Austin, promotion materials; Jerry King, marketing; Humes Houston and Corky Fulton, downtown revitalization; Josh Hinnant, sites and buildings; David Bain

and Robert Raiteri, transportation; Franklin Ware and Gerald Grigg, labor availability; Mayor Moss and Joe McDaniel, taxes and government; Ted Huffman and Walt Ollis, utilities; Tom Tate, finance; Bill Davis, education and training; Norman King, livability; Ruby Alexander, community profile; Mayor Moss, community planning; John Major, who served on the development team and gave them a tour of Eaton Corporation; Gary Stewart, who made the slides for a slide presentation narrated by Jonas Bridges and took pictures for brochures distributed, and Garland Atkins, Publisher of The Herald, and Darrell Austin, who assisted in preparation of the brochures presented to the development team which visited Kings Mountain. Larry Smith, a member of the city fire department, served as a chauffeur for the group on its site tour of the city.



GOVERNOR'S AWARD - Mayor John Henry Moss receives Kings Mountain Community of Excellence Award from Governor James B. Hunt, Jr. Kings Mountain was one of 100 North Carolina communities to get the coveted award during the Second Annual Governor's Conference on Economic Development in Raleigh on October 29th.

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KINGS MOUNTAIN, NORTH CAROLINA

Area Citizens Will Help Elect Leaders

Kings Mountain area citizens go to the polls Tuesday (today) to help name a president, a vice-president, a governor, and other state, district, county and local officials.

Polls throughout North Carolina open at 6:30 a.m. this morning and close at 7:30 p.m. tonight.

Gaining considerable attention is the Cleveland Association of Taxpayer's efforts to elect three write-in candidates to replace the three incumbent Democrats in the race for Cleveland County Commissioner. Bruce Scism, chairman of the Association organized as a tax revolt, has purchased newspaper space in area newspapers alerting No. 4

Township and Cleveland County citizens how to write in the names of John Caveny Jr., who opposes Jack Palmer Jr., Bobby Crawford who is opposing Coleman Goforth and Duran Johnson who opposes Hugh Dover.

Grover citizens will also be voting on whether or not the town will approve the off premises sale of unfortified wine and beer and receive this ballot, along with other ballots, at Grover Rescue Squad Building. A total of 288 Grover citizens are registered to vote in the beer and wine referendum.

A total of 7,083 No. 4 Township citizens are registered to vote at the Township's four boxes - West Kings Mountain at

the National Guard Armory, East Kings Mountain at Kings Mountain Community Center, Bethware at Bethware School and Grover at Grover Rescue Squad.

Indication of a heavy vote in Cleveland County derives from the fact that 3,000 more names have been added to the county registration books and Gay Champion, County Board of Elections Supervisor, said that 35,051 Clevelanders are registered today to vote in the

RIDE TO POLLS

Kings Mountain Kiwanis Club will provide a free ride to the polls on Tuesday by calling Jerry Ledford at 739-6385 or Kings Mountain Hospital at 739-3601.

general elections. Mrs. Champion said that 2,000 last minute registrations came in during the final weeks of the registration period.

East and West Kings Mountain precinct voters can look forward to spending little if any time in long waits to vote this year - thanks to the new electronic voting machines which are in use in the city's two biggest boxes. Voters are asked to carefully mark their ballots and remember to turn them over and vote on both sides.

East and West precinct voters will receive three ballots and Grover and Bethware voters will receive six with Grover citizens getting an additional special referendum ballot to vote

preferences in the beer and wine referendum.

Outside of the presidential contest, which pits President Jimmy Carter against Governor Ronald Reagan, Republican and John Anderson, Independent, top interest also accrues in the race for governor where Governor Jim Hunt is seeking his second four-year term and if re-elected, will be the first North Carolina governor elected to succeed himself. Heavy interest in this area also attends the 10th Congressional race where Rep. Jim Broyhill, seeking a 10th term in the Congress, is challenged by Democrat Jim Icenhour of Hickory.

Senator J. Ollie Harris of

Kings Mountain seeks another term in the N.C. Senate and he, along with Incumbents Helen Marvin Rhyme and Marshall Rauch, face Republican opposition from E. LaVerne Elliott. Unopposed for re-election in the 40th District House race are Representatives Edith Lutz, Jack Hunt and Robert A. Jones.

U.S. Senator Robert Morgan (D) is opposed by Republican John East and F.W. Pasotto, Libertarian, and Rebecca Finch, Social Workers Party.

There is also interest in the state races in which veteran Secretary Thad Eure, 80, and Insurance Commissioner John Ingram are strongly challenged in their bids for re-election.

Former Grocer

Grady McCarter Dies

Funeral services for Grady Samuel McCarter, 75, of 162 N. Oakwood Dr., will be conducted Wednesday at 3:30 p.m. from Boyce Memorial ARP Church of which he was a member, interment following in Mountain Rest Cemetery.

Rev. William Tyson and Rev. Charles Edwards will officiate at the rites.

The family will receive friends

Tuesday night from 7 until 9 p.m. at Harris Funeral Home.

Mr. McCarter died Sunday morning at 11:30 in Gaston Memorial Hospital. He was a native of York County, S.C., son of the late Mr. and Mrs. Meek McCarter. He was married to the former Harrie Lee Womack McCarter and had been employed as a salesman at B&B Food Stores and for the former

Margrace Store for many years.

Surviving are one son, Samuel McCarter of St. Augustine, Fla.; one daughter, Mrs. Gene (Jeri) Patterson of Kings Mountain; four sisters, Mrs. I.B. Goforth of Kings Mountain, Mrs. Quay Whiteside, Mrs. Brice Smith and Mrs. Ev McDaniel, all of Clover, S.C.

Harris Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

Mrs. Ledford Steps In

Mrs. Payne Resigns

Mrs. Sue Payne, Administratrix of Kings Mountain Convalescent Center since the 124-bed facility opened in August 1973, is resigning, effective Friday, to assume new duties of North Carolina Director of Operations For Health Care Management, Inc. for all facilities of 1,754 beds in this state.

She will commute from her home in Gastonia to offices in Charlotte.

A native of Cleveland County, Mrs. Payne is wife of Rev. Flay Payne, pastor of Fairview Baptist Church of Gastonia and a former Kings Mountain minister. She is currently serving as state president of the N.C. Health Care Facilities Association.

The Paynes are parents of two children, Wanda P. Briggs, vice president of Facilities Services for Guardian Care Facility of Rocky Mount and Walter Payne, a regional director for



MRS. SUE PAYNE

Cablevision of Gastonia. They have one grandchild.

The state association, with home offices at Virginia Beach, Va., operates nursing homes in North Carolina, Virginia and

Kentucky.

"My years at Kings Mountain Convalescent Center have been truly good and a rewarding experience," said Mrs. Payne, who expressed appreciation for the tremendous support given by the community to the residents of the facility.

Succeeding Mrs. Payne as Administratrix of the local nursing home will be Mrs. Vickie Waterson Ledford, wife of Charles Thomas Ledford, and a native of Kings Mountain who received her license as an administrator in July. Mrs. Ledford joined the local facility four years ago as a social worker and was subsequently promoted to assistant administratrix. She is a graduate of Kings Mountain High School and the University of North Carolina at Charlotte. She is daughter of Erskine Watterson of Kings Mountain and the late Jessie Watterson.

Methodists Plan Annual Pony Express

A Chuck Wagon dinner featuring "Old West Grub" will kickoff the annual "Pony Express" stewardship program by members of Central United Methodist Church.

A western menu of barbecued pork and chicken, slaw, baked beans and potato salad will be served at 6:30 p.m. Sunday in the Church Fellowship Hall.

Special entertainment will precede a presentation of the church's planned program and budget for the next year and Jim Potter, finance chairman, will preside.

The stewardship appeal will feature a one day Pony Express Run of which Bill Russell will be general manager. Trail bosses and other key workers will be introduced at the kickoff meeting. Under the Pony Express Plan, each church family becomes a route rider, relaying a Stewardship saddlebag to one other family. Instead of making pledges, the members will be filling in cards on which they estimate their giving to the church for the coming year.

This year's Stewardship program will be conducted in one day, a departure from the past several "runs."

POSTPONED

Thursday's regularly scheduled meeting of the American Legion Auxiliary has been postponed until Thursday, Nov. 13th, when a covered dish supper will be served at 6:30 p.m. in the American Legion Dining Hall honoring Gold Star Mothers, Fathers, Wives, Sisters and Daughters.



HEADS KIWANIANS - Jerry Ledford, right, was installed recently as the new president of the Kings Mountain Kiwanis Club. Left is outgoing president Lyn Cheshire. Photo by John Cheshire

Underwood Will Lead Christmas Parade Nov. 30

C.J. Underwood, WBTV personality and director of the popular "Carolina Camera" feature, will be grand marshal of the Kings Mountain Christmas Parade.

The parade is scheduled for the first time on a Sunday and will be held on Sun., Nov. 30th, beginning at 3 p.m.

The annual holiday parade will be sponsored by Kings Mountain Merchants Association and Kings Mountain Fire Department.

Fire Chief Gene Tignor said that all parade entries should be directed to the Fire Department

and he is inviting floats, beauty queens, marching bands and other units to participate in what is expected to be a large parade officially opening the 1980 Christmas shopping season in the city.

Santa Claus will, of course, will be the star of the show.

TOYS FOR TOTS

Kings Mountain Fire Department will again sponsor the Toys for Tots Christmas project. Any persons with good toys to donate to needy children should call the fire department at 739-2552 or drop the toys by the department on the ground level of the new Governmental Services Facilities Center.