

## Construction To Begin On New Sub-Division

Mills Construction Company of Shelby will begin construction on 10 homes in the redevelopment area off Cansler Street by the end of this week.

Mills has acquired option on all 39 lots in the area and will be conveyed more lots upon successful progress of the current project.

All 39 lots are designed for single-family dwelling and a 10.78 acre greenway has been set aside to serve as a park, according to Mayor John Moss and Community Development Coordinator Gene White.

Fred Mills, owner of the Mills firm, said the homes would average 1100 square feet with a price range from \$35,000 to \$39,500. Three of the homes will have passive solar heat included into the heating design system. Financing can be arranged through conventional sources and the Farmers Home Administration through Mills' office in Shelby, and, depending on a person's income, size of family, and other factors, monthly payments may be as low as \$105.

Mills was awarded the bid on the project only two months ago, and he credited Moss, White and the City Board of Commissioners for their help in getting the project off the ground so quickly.

"They have been very helpful," he said. "They handled this program very speedily. They

want to see housing developed as soon as possible."

But Moss and White said the project included years of study, and all builders interested in the project were carefully screened and their housing quality extensively evaluated.

"The original idea came about 1965, when Mayor Moss first went into office," said White. "The city really started thinking of it as a very long-range picture."

White entered the pictured several years later, when he came to Kings Mountain as Director of the Redevelopment Commission. That commission oversaw the acquisition of the property and demolition of the old homes in the area.

"As far as the redevelopment process, this will be the culmination of the re-cycling of property back into the hands of the private citizens," said Mills. "The property will again produce taxes for the city and county."

Of the first 10 homes constructed, one will be on Watterson Street and nine on Campbell Circle. All are within a block of the Kings Mountain Schools Administrative Office.

Mills said all homes will be equipped with heat pumps, will be three bedroom and one bath homes. Some will have kitchen-den combinations and living rooms and others will have kitchen-den combinations and a

great room. All will be brick-veneer homes and all will have concrete drives.

"We will custom build on some of the lots," Mills said. "We want to try to be as flexible as possible."

Mills also said he will use as many local sub-contractors and suppliers as possible.

Mills hopes to have some of the homes completed by mid-August and anticipates the entire 39-home sub-division's completion in 24 to 30 months.

"We've built and developed sub-divisions in several counties," Mills said, "and as far as the physical typography is concerned, I'm as excited about building here as I've been in some time. For homes in this price range, the demand is definitely here."

Mills said any interested buyers may contact his office in Shelby, and it will take loan applications and process them. Qualified applicants may receive Farmers Home Administration loans at interest rates ranging from one to 13.4 percent, and Mills also predicts that conventional interest rates will be coming down by the end of the year.

"If anyone wants to apply, the only thing it will cost them is about 30 or 45 minutes of their time," he said.

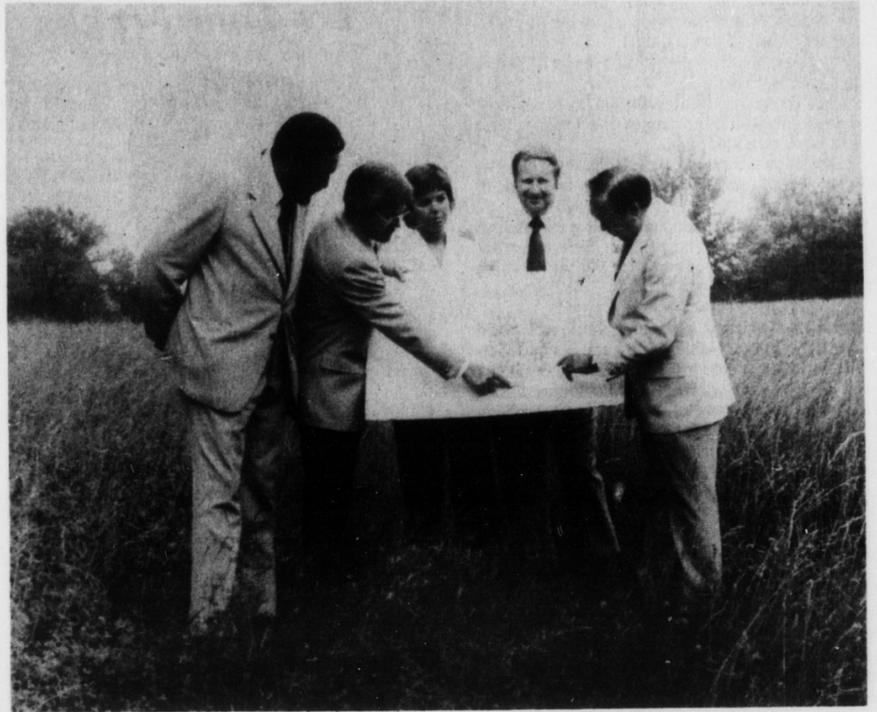


Photo by Gary Stewart

**LOOK OVER PLANS**-Fred Mills, second from left, of Mills Construction Co. of Shelby, points to the drawing of the planned sub-division in the Cansler Street REdevelopment area. Construction will begin this week. Looking

on, left to right, are Bill Hager of the City's Housing Committee, Linda Neal of Mill's company, Community Development Coordinator Gene White and Mayor John Moss.

## Fishermen Drown During Storm

A 33-year-old former Kings Mountain man, David Ray Mullinax, and his 18-year-old nephew, John Alexander Hearold, both of Gastonia, drowned about 10:30 p.m. May 30th after their 12 foot fishing boat capsized during a thunderstorm.

Their bodies surfaced on Lake Wateree in Camden, S. C. June 3rd, ending four days of searching.

Double funeral services were held Friday afternoon at 2 p.m. from the Chapel of Harris Funeral Home in Kings Mountain. Rev. Homer Wilson officiated at the rites, and interment was in Mountain Rest Cemetery.

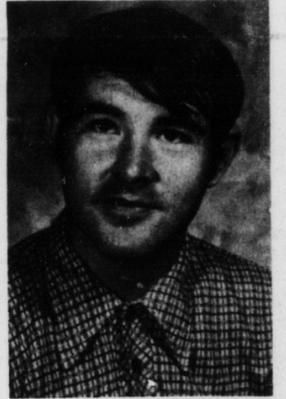
Hearold, son of Mrs. Nancy Mullinax Hearold and grandson of Mrs. Easter Mullinax, both of Gastonia, was scheduled to graduate last Friday night from Bessemer City High School.

Mullinax, son of Easter Sutton Mullinax and Stacy



JOHN HEAROLD

Mullinax of Gastonia, was vice-president, secretary and treasurer of Mullinax Construction Company. Also surviving are three brothers, Don Mullinax and Alexander Mullinax, both of Gastonia, and Edward Mullinax of Kings



DAVID RAY MULLINAX

Mountain, and five sisters, Mrs. Nancy Hearold and Mrs. Patsy McMillan, both of Gastonia, Mrs. Mildred Bridges of Kings Mountain, Mrs. Novella Barnes of Chattanooga, Tenn. and Mrs. Dorothy Brown of Manassas, Va.

## Watch Program

Citizens of Canterbury Road will organize a Community Watch Wednesday (tomorrow) night at 7:30 p.m. and will gather in the yard of the home of Mrs. Don W. Blanton. In event of rain, the meeting will be moved to the home of Mr. and Mrs. John Piper.

Lt. King of the Crime Prevention Unit of the Gaston County Rural Police will lead the organizational meeting.

"We invite all citizens of the Canterbury Road area to attend," said Mrs. Blanton.

## Firearms Course Set

A Firearms course for women begins Saturday, June 13th and continues on Saturdays from 8 a.m. until noon at the Kings Mountain Firing Range.

The 12-hour class will be instructed by Chief of Police Jackie D. Barrett. The class ends June 27 and registration is \$5. There is no registration fee for senior citizens.

The class is co-sponsored by Cleveland Tech and the Kings Mountain Community Schools Program.

## Juanita Goforth Retires As KMHS English Teacher

The Sophomore Class of Kings Mountain Senior High School paid tribute to retiring English teacher Juanita McSwain Goforth on the closing day of school Friday.

Mrs. Goforth, wife of Ben T. Goforth, completed her 32nd year in the classroom on her retirement from the system this week. A Kings Mountain native, she joined the KM schools as an eighth grade teacher after graduation from Appalachian State University. She has been teaching for many years at Kings Mountain Senior High.

"It is the opinion of the students that the school will suffer a great loss when Mrs. Goforth retires," said the Tenth graders.

Representing the KMSHS Sophomores were Lynn Bolin, Joan Finger, Karen Ledford, Clayton Ollis, Dean Sarvis, Kevin Dixon, Laura Hendrixson, Hamilton McGill, Tim Plonk and Jay Scronce.

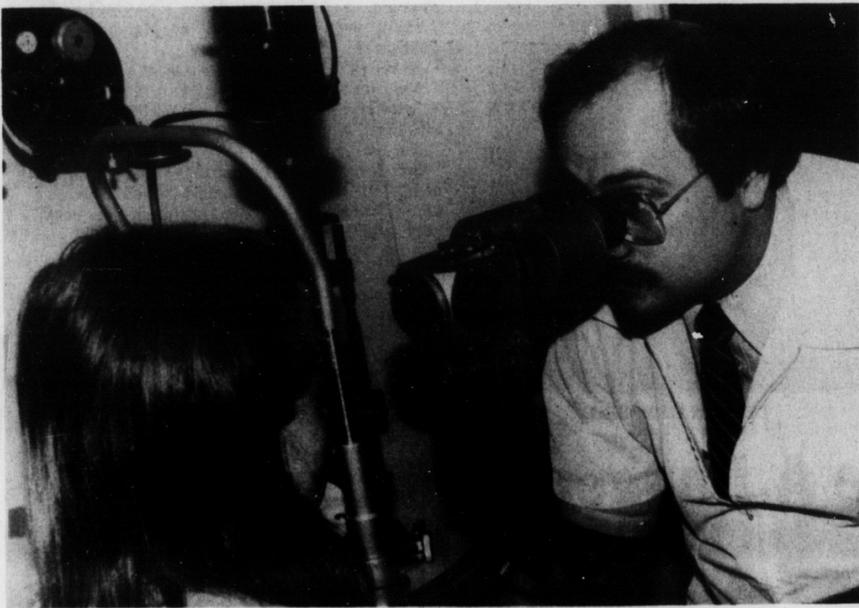
The students wrote The Herald: "The Sophomore AT English Class would like the opportunity to publicly thank Mrs. Goforth for all her help in the past year. She has been an outstanding teacher and equally importantly a wonderful friend



MRS. JUANITA GOFORTH

to all of us. The Class would like to thank her for making learning enjoyable and interesting, for finding a way to eliminate the monotony of reading, writing and research."

"Now the year is coming to an end and we must all move forward. We would like to make the following dedication to a superb teacher: The time has come that we must part, and go our separate ways, but you'll be always in our hearts through all the coming days."



**NEWCOMER**-Dr. David McDaniel is pictured with a patient, Mrs. John Brooks, in his new offices at Kings Mountain Eye Clinic which opened recently in Professional Park on King Street.

Photo by Lib Stewart

## A New Man In Town

Dr. David R. McDaniel, newcomer to Kings Mountain, got in the contact lens and optometry business in Maiden in a family practice operated by his older brother, Dr. J. O. McDaniel, Jr.

Son of former residents Mr. and Mrs. J. O. McDaniel, Sr., David McDaniel opened Kings Mountain Eye Clinic on May 5th in Professional Park and specializes in contact lens and primary eye care together with treatment of exterior eye disorders.

The Clinic is designed especially for Dr. McDaniel and features a pre-testing room where patients are tested for glaucoma via a computerized tonometer and a retinal camera quickly diagnoses eye problems. Two examination rooms are stocked with a bio microscope which is used to remove foreign bodies in the eye and to fit contact lens and a frame dispensary has mirrors on

both walls lined with a large variety of glass frames for all ages of patients.

With advanced trends in contact lens, Dr. McDaniel said that patients can now be fitted with extended wear lens which do not have to be removed for as long as two weeks and all soft lens which correct astigmatism. A gas permeable semi-soft contact lens is also popular and the Federal Drug Administration has just recently approved the extended wear lens. The Clinic features more sophisticated instrumentation which photographs and measures the eye. An Autoplot measures the visual field of a patient and with the biomicroscope and automatic chart projector the optometrist can detect blood pressure, diabetic and other conditions and can compare the patient's progress by referring to the charts. In laboratory Dr. McDaniel tints lens and works on contact lens. His mother-in-

law, Mrs. Joan Belton, is receptionist and a reception area and business office are carpeted and decorated.

The McDaniels are moving this month to Kings Mountain. Mrs. McDaniel, the former Paula Belton, is a kindergarten teacher at Startown Elementary School and will receive her master's in early childhood education in August. The McDaniels are Baptist and Mr. McDaniel enjoys photography, sports, and music as hobbies.

A native of Gastonia, Dr. McDaniel is a graduate of the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill and Southern California College of Optometry in Fullerton, California. Before moving to Kings Mountain he practiced in Maiden.

"We appreciate the welcome that Kings Mountain citizens have given us and invite the public to visit our new facility on King Street," said Dr. McDaniel.