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## City's Expense Figure For 1981: \$10,246.48

The City of Kings Mountain's expense tab for employees for the calendar year 1981 was \$10,246.48.

The expenses were compiled over the past three weeks after city resident Jan Deaton appeared before the Board of Commissioners on Mon., Jan. 25, requesting that all expense money be made public.

The figures were compiled by the City Treasurer's office.

Her request came after an unsigned flier circulated around town criticizing commissioners Norman King and Jim Childers and former commissioner Bill Grissom for spending \$2,490.44 to attend a five-day meeting of the National League of Cities in Detroit.

Of the total amount of expense money spent during the calendar year, those three commissioners topped the list. In addition to the trip to Detroit Nov.

28-Dec. 2, the trio spent \$2,111.30 to attend a meeting of the National League of Cities in Washington, D.C., Feb. 28-Mar. 4. Their combined total came to \$4,601.74.

Grissom spent \$1,604.75, including \$708.05 on the trip to Washington and \$896.70 on the trip to Detroit. Childers spent \$1,508.74, including \$698.80 on the Washington trip and \$809.94 on the Detroit trip. King spent \$1,488.25, including \$704.45 on the Washington trip and \$783.80 on the Detroit trip.

The second largest chunk of the expense money was used by the Community Development Office. Director Gene White spent \$830 to attend the Chapel Hill Administration School five times. He made three-day trips there Feb. 15-18, Mar. 16-18, Apr. 26-29, June 15-17 and July 13-15. Ray Ross spent \$268.37 to attend a three-day meeting of the Myrtle Beach Carolina Council Apr. 26-29, bringing the Community Development Office's total for the year to \$1,098.37.

City Clerk and Treasurer Joe McDaniel spent \$772.97 to attend various job-related meetings. He spent \$294.74 Apr. 7-9 to attend a City Clerk's meeting in Wrightsville Beach, received \$25.84 in March for reimbursement for travel, spent \$301.90 July 26-30 to attend the Summer Conference Tax Committee meeting at Wrightsville Beach, \$125.24 Nov. 8-9 to attend the N.C. League of Municipalities Convention in Charlotte, and \$25.25 Nov. 9-13 for travel and meals to attend Superior Court in Shelby to testify in the law suits involving the city and Cecil's Inc. of Spartanburg, which built the new city hall.

McDaniel and Codes Director Clyde Whetstone together spent \$152.54 May 4-6 to attend Finance Officer's School and Purchase Agent School in Chapel Hill. Whetstone also spent \$243.26 to attend a June 18-21 Purchase Agent School in Myrtle Beach.

Mayor John Henry Moss spent \$361.96, including \$153.91 to attend a Block Grant meeting Sept. 30-31 in Atlanta, \$25 Oct. 13 for E.D.C. registration, \$49.85 Oct. 27 to attend Community of Excellence Awards presentations in Raleigh, and \$133.20 Nov. 8-9 to attend the N.C. League of Municipalities Convention in Charlotte.

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## Koontz: Crucial Time In America's History

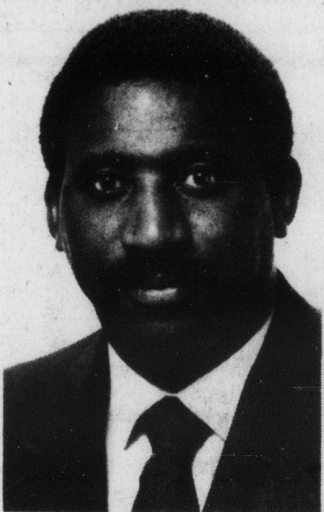
Ken Koontz, community affairs coordinator at WBTV-Channel 3 in Charlotte, was guest speaker at the 22nd annual Founder's Day Observance of Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity's Eta Mu Lambda Chapter Sunday at New Bynum A.M.E. Zion Chapel.

Brother Lemuel Froneberger, president, presided over the program. Special music was presented by the Kings Mountain High School choir under the direction of Eugene Bumgardner, and Carl Bennix. Brother Russell Shipman, chaplain, gave the invocation and Rev. Victor Carson, pastor of Bynum Chapel, pronounced the benediction.

William Hager, program chairman, introduced Koontz.

Koontz told the congregation that "we're at a very crucial time in the history of America and in the history of black America" and urged his listeners to no longer allow themselves to fall into what he called "a sense of false security."

Koontz said great strides were



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made in the areas of civil rights over the past 10 to 15 years, but "much of it has been only superficial."

He said black adult unemployment continues to be over dou-

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## Funeral Services Held For Mrs. Rosalie Suber

Mrs. Rosalie Polk Suber, well-known Kings Mountain resident and former Kings Mountain school teacher, died Monday at Kings Mountain Hospital after several months illness.

She was a resident of 401 Phiffer Street and the wife of S.R. (Bobby) Suber Jr.

A native of Ellerbe, N.C., she was the daughter of J. Claude and Annie Monroe Polk. She was a member of St. Matthew's Lutheran Church.

Other survivors include two sons, S.R. Suber III and William Claude Suber, both of Kings Mountain; three sisters, Mrs.

Mary Gordon of Greensboro, Mrs. Anne Corpening of Chapel Hill and Mrs. Claudia Barrow of Rockingham; and two grandchildren.

Funeral services were conducted at 11 a.m. Wednesday at St. Matthew's Lutheran Church by the Rev. Harwood Smith. Burial was in Mountain Rest Cemetery.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be sent to the Cleveland County Unit of the American Cancer Society, attention Mrs. Charles Sperling, Memorials Chairman, 807 Forrest Hill Drive, Shelby, N.C.

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## Vocational Ed Future Not So Gloomy—Davis

By GARY STEWART  
Editor

The future of vocational education in North Carolina schools isn't as gloomy as some may think, Kings Mountain Supt. Bill Davis said Monday night.

Speaking during a vocational education forum at the School Administration Building, Davis said many people have painted a pessimistic picture of the future because of President Reagan's proposed budget cuts.

"But," he said, "between now and the time the funding is actually made, there will be a lot of give and take, and I predict we will be minimally hurt."

The President proposes to cut the program nationwide from the current year's appropriation of \$681,639,000 to \$653,266,000 for school year 1982-83.

"That's not significantly lower," Davis said. "When you think of it spread out over the nation, the reductions are not that drastic."

Local funding for vocational

program has increased steadily over the past years, Davis said, rising from \$138,000 in 1979-80 to over \$160,000 this year. He said \$180,735 in local funds is expected next year.

"I can't be too pessimistic about what the future holds," Davis said. "If the economy continues in its downward spiral, of course, the funding will be hurt. But I hope the downward trend stops in the spring."

Davis also spoke in support of the additional one-cent sales tax which is being proposed by State Treasurer Harlan Boyles to finance school construction projects over the next three to four years.

Davis said Boyles' proposal has not yet received any support from Governor Jim Hunt, Lt. Governor Jimmy Green or any of the powerful legislators.

"We've been wrestling with the idea of a statewide bond referendum for sometime," he said. "We need facilities desperately. But it seems the idea of a bond issue just won't fly right now because people are

concerned about taxes going up. The state could supply the funds over a period of three to four years by the approval of an additional one-cent sales tax."

Schools would receive \$100 million a year from the additional tax, county commissioners would receive \$100 million per year to administer as they see fit, and \$50 million per year would go toward clean water programs.

"This way, we would not be borrowing any money," Davis said. "It would be a pay as you go type thing. It seems to be the best option."

Also taking part in Monday's forum, planned by vocational director Betty Gamble, were Kyle Smith, a school board member and personnel manager of Wales Manufacturing, who spoke on schools responsibilities in training students for the work force; R. Howard Bryant, assistant superintendent, who spoke on the performance of public education; and Carolyn S.

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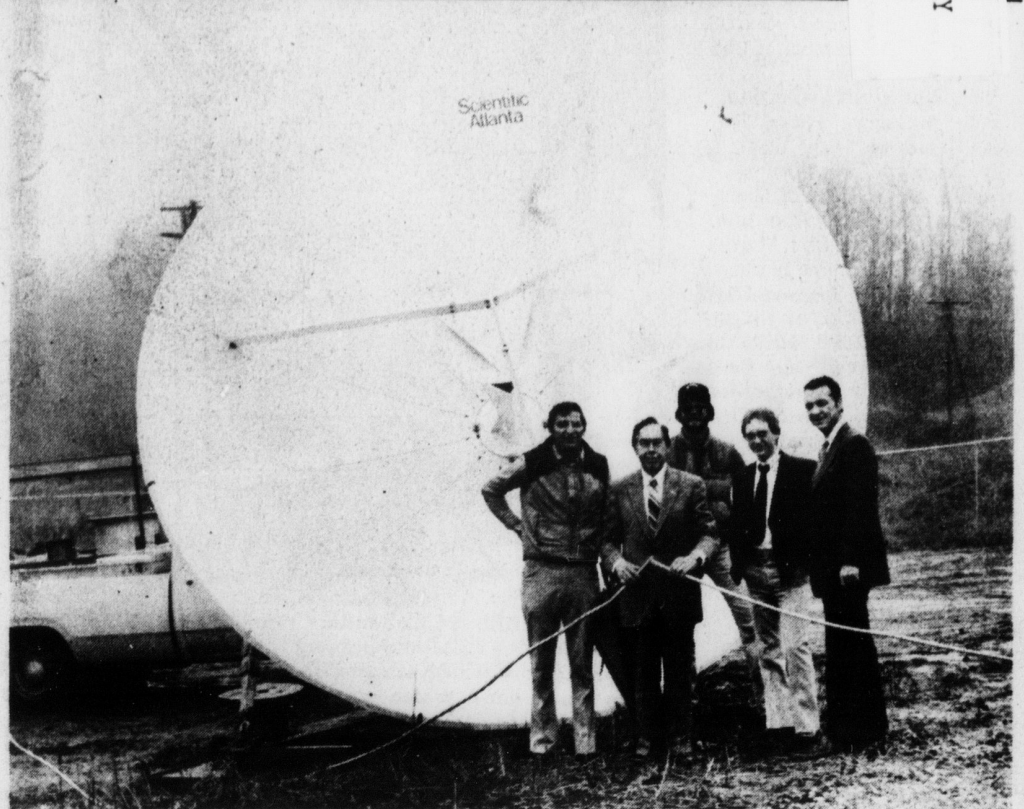


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**HOOKING UP CABLE TV** - Mayor John Henry Moss hooks up cable TV service at the earth station at Cable Systems of Kings Mountain yesterday as officials of Cable Systems look

on. Left to right are Lowry Trull, Moss, Loren Evans, Robbie Bridges and Richard Maxey. Some portions of the city will begin receiving service as early as next week.

## Cable TV Should Be In Service Next Week

The long-awaited cable television service will be a reality for many Kings Mountain citizens by the end of February.

Officials of Cable Systems Inc. of Kings Mountain, who are enjoying cable TV themselves at their office on City Street, said residents in some areas of town should receive service as early as next week.

Sales representatives will be in all areas of town in the coming weeks to call on all citizens. The sales reps will visit each neighborhood prior to hookup of service in that area.

Kings Mountain will be offered 20 viewing channels, including two movie stations, 24-hour sports, public affairs network, children's viewing and Christian broadcasting.

The popular Home Box Office (HBO) will be in operation 24 hours a day, featuring uncut and commercial free movies. Coming up in March are such movies as "Any Which Way You Can" starring Clint Eastwood, and "Bustin Loose" starring Richard Pryor.

HBO also brings exclusive Walt Disney features, dazzling night club acts from around the world and concert specials with such stars as Liza Minelli, Diana

Ross, Sammy Davis Jr., Willie Nelson, Barry Manilow, Steve Martin, Paul Simon, Stevie Nicks and others.

For the sports lover, HBO features live championship boxing, major league baseball, NFL highlights, Wimbledon tennis and championship gymnastics competition.

HBO will not show any X-rated movies before 8 p.m.

Ted Turner's much-talked-about Cable News Network (CNN) will also be offered. It is the nation's only 24-hour television news service and has been tagged "the wave of the future for TV news." CNN changes the face of TV news as it brings news when the viewer wants it and in a careful but totally unbiased fashion. Critics say CNN offers the best news and commentaries of any news service.

For the person whose life revolves around sports, the popular Entertainment Sports Programming Network (ESPN) will be available. It features 24-hour-a-day sports from all over the world, including racing, NCAA and NFL football, wrestling, hockey, soccer, Davis Cup tennis and continuous updates specials of all sports. It takes in-depth looks at the

players at home and on the field. For the third straight year, ESPN will dedicate the month of March to coverage of the NCAA basketball championships.

ESPN brings 12 different NCAA championships plus the national championship game live from the Louisiana Superdome.

WGN from Chicago will come to Kings Mountain via satellite, featuring favorite movies from the past. The station is also a leader in children's shows with such favorites as Bozo the Clown and Ray Rayner and Friends. It also features all of Chicago's sports.

Via satellite, Kings Mountain subscribers will also receive WTBS from Atlanta, billed as Ted Turner's 'super station.' It is also billed as Atlanta's 'space age TV station.' It is a 24 hour a day station featuring movie classics, favorite family TV shows, and Atlanta professional sports.

The Christian Broadcasting Network (CBN) will feature 24 hours of documentaries, gospel music, inspirational and children's programming, the PTL Club, 700 Club and others.

The U.S.A. Network will feature sports from Madison Square Garden and 38 premiere ACC basketball games. It also has Monday Night Hockey, Thursday night baseball and NBA basketball. U.S.A. also features the "English Channel" with documentaries, drama, travel and culture; and "Calliope", which shows outstanding children's films.

Also for children, Nickelodean will be offered as "The Young People's Channel." It is geared strictly for children in the learning state. Young viewers find a complete day of programming designed to interest and entertain them, as well as educate them seven days a week.

The Cable Satellite Public Affairs Network (C-SPAN) is live from Washington, D.C., and broadcasts gavel-to-gavel coverage of the U.S. House of Representatives and political debates and procedures.

From VIA Satcom comes the "nation's station", WOR, New York, a 24-hour entertainment channel. It brings news from New York, 62 hours of movies a week, new movies, old movies and all-night movies. It also telecasts over 350 live college and professional sporting events annually.

Kings Mountain subscribers will also receive Cinemax, which is owned by HBO. It features all

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**CHECKOUT MACHINE** - Anita Campbell, Youth Opportunity Specialist at Kings Mountain High School, explains the function of the new COIN computer to Mary Dilling during Monday night's vocational education forum at the Kings Mountain Schools Administration office. The machine is used to help students choose jobs related to their particular interests.