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THE NEWS IN BRIEF

BEAUTY(?) CONTEST

The Journalism Staff of Kings Mountain Senior High School will present its annual male beauty contest Thursday at 8 p.m. at B.N. Barnes Auditorium. Admission is \$2 at the door. Advance tickets may be purchased for \$1.50 in the KMHS principal's office. All proceeds will go toward the production of "The Literary Magazine."

SCHOOL BOARD

The regular April meeting of the Kings Mountain Board of Education will be held Mon., April 19 at 7:30 p.m. at the Superintendent's Office. The meeting was postponed from its regular second Monday meeting night because of Easter holidays.

COMMUNITY WATCH

Sgt. Shirley Pruitt of the Cleveland County Sheriff's Department will present a program on Community Watch Thurs., Apr. 1 at the regular meeting of the American Legion Post 155 Women's Auxiliary. The meeting will begin at 7:30 p.m. at the legion building. The public is invited to attend. Myrtle Christenson is unit president and Arlene Barrett is program chairman.

Kindergarten Screening Is Scheduled

A screening team of teachers, school nurse, social worker, speech teachers, psychologists, and principal will be holding pre-school screening programs for all children entering kindergarten in 1982-1983 and orientation for their parents. To be eligible the child must be five years of age on or before October 15, 1982 and must be a resident of the school district. Registration is now taking place at each of the five elementary schools.

The screening sessions are being planned for 15 children at one time. The first 15 are to be screened at 8:30 on the day of screening, the next 15 at 10:30 and the third group of 15 at 1:00 P.M.

The first day of screening at North School will be May 3, at Grover May 4, at East May 6, at Bethware May 10, and at West May 12. If all sessions become filled additional days will be announced to the children and parents to take care of the overflow.

Parents will need to bring child's official birth certificate and his up-to-date "shot" record and a copy of the physical examination by the family doctor or the Health Department.

KMLT MEETING

Kings Mountain Little Theatre will have a meeting Thurs., Apr. 1 at 7:30 p.m. at Parkgrace School. All members are urged to attend.

Sunrise Service Set

Plans for the annual community Easter sunrise service have been completed by members of the Kings Mountain Ministerial Association, the sponsoring group. The special service this year, as in many previous years, will be held in the Veterans Memorial Park of Mountain Rest Cemetery at 6 A.M., April 11.

The Rev. William H. Tyson, pastor of Boyce Memorial A.R.P. Church, will bring the sermon. A special message in song will be presented by the choir of the First Wesleyan Church.

Others participating will be

RUMMAGE SALE

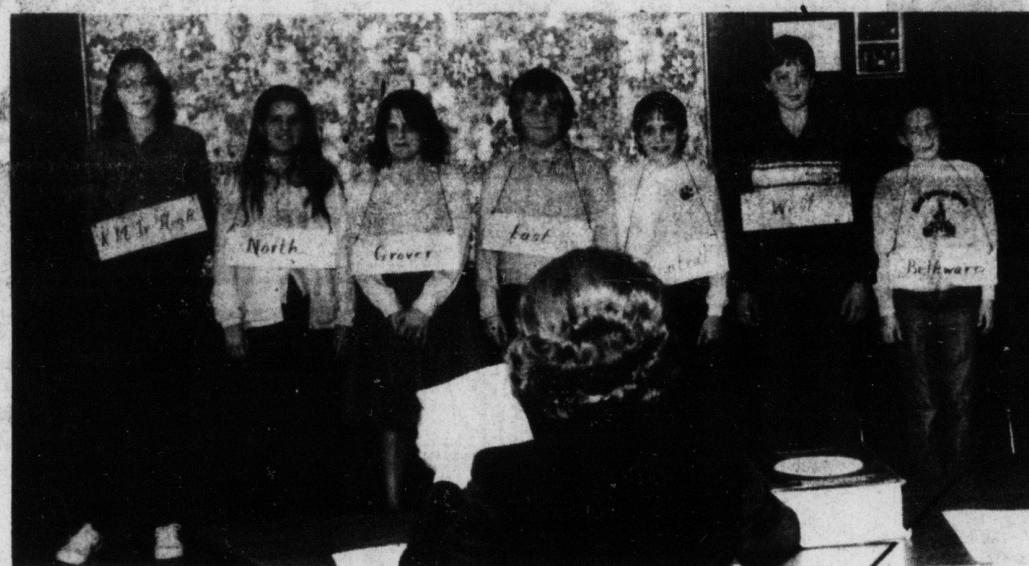
The Kings Mountain Fire Department will have another rummage sale Saturday at the fire station. All clothes will be sold at no more than 50 cents per garment. Many other items will also be available. Anyone wishing to donate items may take them by the fire department or call 739-2552 and a fireman will pick them up. All proceeds will go toward putting a roof on the new Fire Museum.

VFW ELECTION

VFW nomination and election of officers for 1982-83 will be held Mon., Apr. 5 at Frank B. Glass Post 9811 at 7 p.m. All current membes are urged to attend so a good representation can be made of available candidates. Many important matters will be discussed.

LEGION ELECTION

Nomination for a slate of new post officers for 1982-83 will be held at Otis D. Green Post 155 American Legion Tues., Apr. 6 at 7 p.m. All current members are urged to attend so a good representation can be made of available candidates. The election of officers will be held on May 4.



TOP SPELLERS - Kings Mountain District Schools' top spellers are pictured above in Spelling Bee competition Monday. Left to right are Jennifer Bradley of Kings Mountain Junior High, who was the winner, Candi Black

of North, Tracy Morrison of Grover, Dale Greene of East, Kenney Potter of Central, Shan Conner of West and Ashley Champion of Bethware.

Jennifer Bradley Wins District Spelling Bee

Jennifer Bradley, eighth grader at Kings Mountain Junior High School, correctly spelled "module" and "facsimile" to win the annual Kings Mountain District Schools Spelling Bee Monday at the Superintendent's Office.

Miss Bradley, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert L. Bradley of 503 Garrison Drive, will represent the school system in the

regional Spelling Bee, sponsored by the Charlotte Observer, April 23 at the Observer Auditorium.

The winner of the Observer Bee will advance to the National Spelling Bee in June in Washington, D.C.

Miss Bradley survived six rounds of spelling with Central Middle School student Kenney Potter after students from the five elementary schools in the

district dropped out.

Potter, a sixth grader and the son of Mr. and Mrs. Jim Potter of 308 West Mountain Street, missed "module". According to the rules, Miss Bradley then had to spell that word, and one additional word, which was "facsimile".

Lynne Mauney served as pronouncer. Judges were Sara Griffin, librarian at Kings Mountain High School, Jackie Lavender, assistant principal at Kings Mountain High School, and C.A. Allison, principal at North Elementary School.

Representing the elementary schools were Floyd O'Dale "Dale" Greene, East; Candi Black, North; Tracy Morrison, Grover; Ashley Champion, Bethware; and Michel Shan Conner, West.

KIWANIS CLUB

Rick Sloan, an employee of Sulzer Brothers, will be guest speaker at the meeting of the Kiwanis Club Thursday night. Next week's speaker will be Mary Carbo, librarian at Mauney Memorial Library.

tee of the ministerial association, which planned the program, is composed of the Rev. Ivan Stephens of Central United Methodist Church, the Rev. Leroy Cox of East Gold Wesleyan Church, the Rev. Kenneth R. Looney of the Kings Mountain Church of God, and the Rev. J.C. Goare of Kings Mountain Baptist Church.

These and the other ministers of the association are hoping to see a large attendance at the service which they believe will be an inspiring way to celebrate the resurrection of Jesus Christ. They extend a cordial invitation to everyone in of the area.

The special services commit-

KM Youths Killed In Saturday Wreck

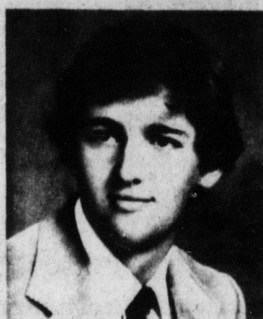
Two Kings Mountain youths were killed early Saturday morning in an automobile accident on I-85 near the Gaston-Cleveland County line.

Dead on arrival at Gaston Memorial Hospital were Roy McArthur Lewis Jr., 18, of 320 Amherst Drive, and David Bryan "Toasty" Hardin, 19, of Route 5, Kings Mountain.

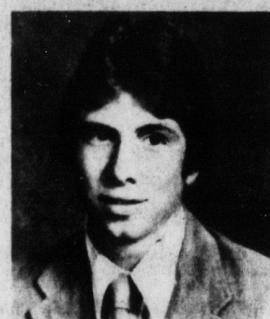
They were passengers in a car driven by Kevin Shawn Bumgardner, 19, of Kings Mountain.

Bumgardner was admitted to Kings Mountain Hospital. He has since been released.

The accident occurred about 3:15 a.m. According to the wreck report filed by Trooper Don Lee of the N.C. Highway Patrol, the car driven by Bumgardner was traveling south at a high rate of speed when it came upon a tractor trailer driven by Walter Johnson Griffin, 36, of Monroe. Bumgardner moved into the right lane and the truck began to move over into the right lane. Bumgardner then ran into the crash cushion and then into a construction barrier. His car came off the con-



ROY LEWIS



TOASTY HARDIN

struction barrier into the path of the truck, which knocked the car back into the construction barrier.

Lee estimated damages to the car, truck and highway structures at \$10,000.

Lee said Lewis and Hardin were pinned in the vehicle for 20 to 30 minutes. The wreck blocked southbound traffic for about an hour.

Charges are pending further investigation.

The tragedy was the second in less than a year for the family of Roy Lewis. His younger brother, Rod, was one of three youths

who died in a barn fire near Kings Mountain Junior High School on April 6, 1981.

Hardin was the son of John Webster and Jackie Dixon Hardin of Bell Road. He was a 1981 graduate of Kings Mountain Senior High School and was employed by Wade Ford.

Surviving, in addition to his parents, are one brother, John Scott Hardin of Charleston, S.C.; one sister, Jacquelyn Rene "Beanie" Hardin of Kings Mountain; his paternal grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Hardin of Kings Mountain; and

his maternal grandmother, Mrs. E.D. Dixon of Kings Mountain.

Funeral services were conducted Monday at 4 p.m. at Masters Funeral Home Chapel by the Rev. Eugene Land. Burial was in Mountain Rest Cemetery.

Funeral services for Lewis were conducted Monday morning at Masters Funeral Home Chapel by the Rev. Allen McKinney.

Graveside services were held at 2 p.m. at the Old Nebo Cemetery in Marion.

He was a 1981 graduate of Kings Mountain High School and was employed by Allied Plastics of Gastonia.

Survivors include his father, Roy Lewis Sr. of Marion; his mother Iris Pyatt McMahan of Kings Mountain; stepfather, Gerald McMahan of Kings Mountain; one brother, Grant McMahan of Kings Mountain; one sister, Sherry Lewis of Kings Mountain; and paternal grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Pink Lewis of Marion.

Funeral Service Today For Clyde Ervin Conner

Clyde Ervin Conner, 56, of 703 West King Street, co-founder of C&C Scrap Iron and Metal of Kings Mountain, died at 5:30 a.m. Tuesday at Kings Mountain Hospital.

A Kings Mountain native, he was the son of Mr. and Mrs. James Ervin Conner of Kings Mountain. He was a member of First Baptist Church.

Funeral services will be conducted Thursday at 3 p.m. at First Baptist Church by the Rev. Richard Plyler and the Rev.

Allen Jolly. Burial will be in Mountain Rest Cemetery.

Surviving, in addition to his parents, are his wife, Virl Allen Conner; one son, Dennis Ervin Conner of Kings Mountain; one daughter, Mrs. Kenneth (Vickie) Kuenzli of Greenville, S.C.; one brother, John W. Conner of Grover; two sisters, Mrs. Donald (Garnell) Bryant of Bessemer City and Mrs. Robert (Betty) Payne of Kings Mountain; and four grandsons.

Funeral Service Held For Freno Kennedy, 59

Freno Kennedy, 59, of 114 Benfield Road, a well-known Kings Mountain businessman, died Monday at 1:30 p.m. at Kings Mountain Hospital after several weeks illness.

A native of Gaston County, he was the son of the late Henry James and Bobbie Lee Long Kennedy.

For many years, he was a partner with James Leigh in the Union 76 station on King Street, and in more recent years was a partner with Leigh in Leigh and Kennedy Auto Service.

He was a member and deacon

at Piedmont Baptist Church and was a veteran of World War II.

Survivors include his wife, Ruby Hollifield Kennedy; one daughter, Mrs. Danny (Luann) Bryant of Kings Mountain; one brother, Bill Kennedy of Kings Mountain; and three sisters, Mrs. R.N. (Martha) Guthrie of Shelby, Mrs. Harold (Iva) Belk of Charlotte and Mrs. Sadie Splawn of Spartanburg.

Funeral services were conducted at 4 p.m. Wednesday at Piedmont Baptist Church by the Rev. James Green. Burial was in Mountain Rest Cemetery.

Pam Hatch Finalist In Scholars Program

The U.S. Department of Education and the Commission on Presidential Scholars announced today the names of the 1982 Finalists in the Presidential Scholars Program, which annually identifies the most distinguished and accomplished graduating high school seniors in the nation.

Pamela Hatch, daughter of George L. Hatch, who lives at 311 W. Mtn. St., Kings Mountain, is one of the 1,000 outstanding young American students to become a finalist in this program from among more than three million seniors to graduate this year.

She has been awarded a certificate by the President's Commission on Presidential Scholars. Pamela is a graduating senior at Kings Mountain High School. The selection of those Finalists



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who will become Presidential Scholars will be made in April by

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