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VIA ELECTRONIC FILING

November 3, 2017

M. Lynn Jarvis, Chief Clerk
North Carolina Utilities Commission
Dobbs Building
430 North Salisbury Street
Raleigh, North Carolina 27603

Docket No. E-22, Sub 546

Dear Ms. Jarvis:

Enclosed are Affidavits of Publication for the Public Notice of Fuel and Fuel-Related Costs Adjustments in the above-referenced docket.

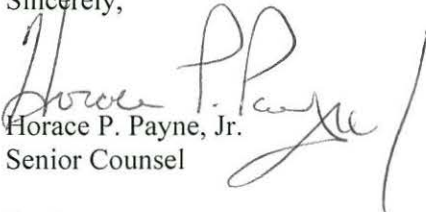
Notices were published in newspapers having general circulation in Dominion Energy North Carolina's service area on one occasion beginning the week of September 18, 2017.

An Amended Public Notice was issued by the Commission on October 3, 2017 after the Company corrected two errors in the original copy. The Amended Notice was published beginning Wednesday, October 11, 2017.

Copies of tear sheets from each of the newspapers in which these public notices ran are also enclosed.

If you have any questions regarding this matter, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,


Horace P. Payne, Jr.
Senior Counsel

Enclosures

cc: Lucy Edmondson, Esq.
Joseph W. Eason, Esq.
Christopher J. Blake, Esq.
Damon E. Xenopoulos, Esq.

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AFFIDAVIT OF PUBLICATION

(Order #17095DD0)

COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA

CITY/COUNTY OF Henrico, to-wit:

I, Diane Spencer, Tearsheet Coordinator, hereby certify that a legal notice for Dominion Energy (Docket No. E-22, SUB 546) (copies attached hereto) was published in the following North Carolina newspapers on the days listed below in the year 2017.

Coastland Times 9/20, 9/27
The Chowan Herald 9/20, 9/27
Elizabeth City Daily Advance 9/18, 9/25
Hertford Perquimans Weekly 9/20, 9/27
Martin Co. Enterprise 9/19, 9/26
Outer Banks Sentinel 9/20, 9/27
Plymouth Roanoke Beacon 9/20, 9/27
Roanoke Chowan News Herald 9/19, 9/26
Roanoke Rapids Daily Herald 9/19, 9/26
Rocky Mt. Telegram 9/18, 9/25
Roxboro, The Courier Times 9/20, 9/27

Diane Spencer
Signature

Subscribed to and sworn before me this 16 day of October, 2017.
My commission expires: 09/30 / 2020



[Signature]
[Notary Public] 7700555

426-5753. - Ocean View Baptist Davis at 252-207-3010 with
- Ladies Auxiliary of the Church bread give away questions.
Salvo Fire Dept., Salvo Fire every Thursday, noon-2 p.m. See CALENDAR, Page 3A

STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA
UTILITIES COMMISSION
RALEIGH

DOCKET NO. E-22, SUB 546

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SCHOOLS

Check it Out: 'To Be Where You Are'

The Friends of the Shepard-Pruden Memorial Library are in full busy stage as fall rolls in. The Amchair Traveler Series continues its adventures in Canada at 5:30 p.m. Monday, Sept. 25.

Robert Eschenauer, landscape architect and instructor, takes us on a ride through Victoria, Vancouver and the Canadian Rockies.

My dad used to grow 15,000 flowers in our basement in the winter so he could have a garden as pretty as The Butchart Gardens in Victoria. Mr. Eschenauer will better explain the art of creating such beautiful gardens than I would — I only know how to weed. Plus the Canadian Rockies are even wilder than their neighbors to the south. Will we finally learn how to pronounce Banff properly? One "f" or many?

CHECK IT OUT
SHEPARD-PRUDEN
MEMORIAL
LIBRARY

Canadian Pop Music of the 1960s will be the topic on Monday, October 2nd. "A Taste of Canada" will finish out the visit. Malcolm King and Leslie Lippincott will combine their magic to bring us Canadian foods and beverages. Images of Heinz Ketchup Potato Chips, Canadian Bacon and Tin Hot Sauce donuts appear when I think of Canadian cuisine but I have a feeling this is not what Leslie will

be whipping up. Tickets are available at the front desk for \$35 for this Friday, October 6th at 6 p.m. event. All monies raised through the Amchair Traveler Series this year will go to Capital-specific materials such as The Murdoch Mysteries DVDs, the complete Inspector Gurnache series by Louise Penny and maybe even a Dudley Do Right cartoon or two.

And it's Fruit & Nut & Candy sale time. Stop by the library to pick up an order form!

Picture Books

■ Fly Guy's Big Family — Ted Arnold

■ In the Middle of Fall — Kevin Henkes & Laura Dronzek

■ The Post-Post Fish and the Bully-Bully Shark — Deborah Diesen & Dan Hanna

Readers

■ Emmet's Pig — Mary Stolz

■ PJ Mask: Wollette & the Giving Owl

■ Pete the Cat and the Lost Tooth

■ Bluebird Bluebird — Attila Locke

■ Cherished Mercy — Tracie Peterson

■ A Column of Fire — Ken Follet

■ The Cuban Affair — Nelson DeMille

■ Haunted — James Patterson

■ I'll See You In Paris — Michelle Gable

■ To Be Where You Are — Jan Karon

■ A Column of Fire (CD) — Ken Follet

■ Haunted (CD) — James Patterson

■ The Romanov Ransom (CD) — Clive Cussler

■ Large Print

■ The Blessing — Wanda E. Brunstetter

■ The Business of Dying — Richard Wheeler

■ Death Rides the Rails — James Griffin

■ Freedom's Price — Christine Johnson

■ Light of Dawn — Vannetta Chapman

■ The Separatists — Lis Wahl

■ Non Fiction

■ Recipes from the Herbalist's Kitchen — Brittany Wood Nickerson

DVDs

■ Miss Fisher's Murder Mysteries — Series 1-3

■ Underground — Season 2

■ Queen Sugar — Season 1

COA pays tribute to 9/11 victims

BY VERONICA DOWNING
Correspondent

More than 20 students gathered outside the Student Resources Building of College of the Albemarle — Edenton/Chowan Campus to pay tribute to the victims of the September 11th terrorist attack which occurred exactly 16 years ago.

The vicious attack spread across the eastern part of the United States, hitting New York City's Twin Tower buildings and grounding planes in Washington DC and Pennsylvania.

Nevertheless, the true strength of our character is best proved when faced with moments of adversity.

Thousands lost their lives, and hundreds more were severely injured from the attack. The event cemented itself in our nation's history.

As the students were briefly called away from their classes, Success Coach and Student Life Coordinator Miss Alicia Stokley, officiated the event. Shirley Blount, Academic

Advisor, had the participants gather around a flag held by Student Government Senator Makeena White, as Blount read a reflection of that tragic day.

A circle of hands and hearts later bowed their heads in silence, no doubt, praying for the safety of those left behind after the incident, and the continued protection of all Americans

during this fragile time.

This nation, amidst a blinding barrage of both national and international disasters in recent months, have had our emotions scrapped raw.

Many of us are doubtful for the future. Nevertheless, the true strength of our character is best proved when faced with moments of adversity.

Former President Franklin D. Roosevelt said it best: "Courage is not the absence of fear, but rather the assessment that something else is more important than fear."



PHOTO BY VERONICA DOWNING
College of the Albemarle students pay tribute to those who lost their lives on 9/11.

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Deweese earns top marks

From staff reports

Michelle Dewees, a third grade teacher at D.F. Walker Elementary School, has been named a finalist in the NC Association of Colleges and Teacher Educators' Student Teacher of the Year program.

As a May 2017 graduate, Dewees represented Elizabeth City State University at the NC-ACCTE Fall Forum held on Sept. 21 where the state finalists will be recognized and an overall winner will be selected.

Deweese completed her student teaching in the spring of 2017 at White Oak Elementary School and accepted her first teaching assignment at D.F. Walker Elementary in August.



MICHELLE DEWEESE

Instructional Assistants of Year named

From staff reports

Needsomehelp? Edenton-Chowan Schools have recognized these four ladies are tops when it comes to helping the students and staff. So, if you see one of these faces in the halls, maybe say a congratulations and thanks.



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PROGRAM

Continued from 1A

lions of dollars in the NFL, or other leagues, he or she should not be allowed to disrespect our Great American Flag (or Country) and should stand for the National Anthem. If not, YOU'RE FIRED. Find something else to do!" Trump tweeted Saturday.

Meanwhile inside an historic courthouse in Edenton, the community gathered to pay tribute to the Constitution. The Rev. Malone Gilliam of St. Paul's Episcopal Church offered remarks about how children were raised during Colonial times in respect authority, the value of hard work and good character — virtues of which contributed to being good citizens. Maybe as a testament to those values, Chowan Middle School's choir joined the Albanian Society, a men's choir, and sang "Star Spangled Banner" and "God Bless America" — a snippet of which can be viewed on the Chowan Herald's Facebook page.

CMS Principal John Lessiter and Carisa Copeland, CMS art teacher, presented art certificates to students who drew posters in honor of Constitution Day. First place went to Reagan Stallings, followed by Jack Holtz in second place, Mya Parks in third and Elena Pacheco as honorable mention. John A. Holmes JROTC posted and would later relieve the Colors when the patriotic ceremony ended.

Saturday was a wonderful blending of our past history and today's world," Edenton Tea Party's regent Gay McClelland Chatham said. "The Constitution guarantees our rights and freedom to everyone of every age. We think it is so



Flanked by Colonials, the John A. Holmes JROTC stands at attention, always with respect and pride, while holding the flags that serve as powerful symbols of the state and nation

important to involve our students in our country's history and make it real to them.

Dressed in Colonial period clothing, Dr. Key Stage discussed his famous ancestor, Francis Scott Key, who wrote the "Star Spangled Banner" that is now in the news again in more ways than one. Two weeks ago, vandals defaced Key's statue by spray-painting the words "Racist Anthem" as well as splashing red paint on the monument in Baltimore where the National Anthem was written following the battle 203 years ago between Sept. 13-14 in that port city.

Steinburg didn't read from prepared remarks, but spoke from the heart when he laid out in no uncertain terms why the Constitution matters in age when high school athletes or maybe even 8-year-old football players in Illinois feel comfortable bending a knee during the National Anthem.

"One of the dangers we face today is ignorance about this particular document," said Steinburg, a three-term legislator. "It is

our life insurance policy, our anchor and our way forward as individuals. This is the modus operandi of the United States of America. This is the document that gives each and every one of us the freedoms and liberties that we possess."

Steinburg, who carries around a pocket-sized copy of the Constitution, addressed the danger the nation faces when folks do not understand or respect the Constitution.

"The danger is, in my view, if we don't understand the Constitution or we relegate it to the ash heap of history — it's just an old document and what do we have to know that for — that's where the real danger begins," he said. "We will forever remain a free nation as long as we understand our rights as given to us in this Constitution. Our rights will be taken away from us and we won't even know it if we are ignorant of what this document provides."

The United States is a nation governed by laws, so knowing the value of 230-



Reverend Malone Gilliam of St. Paul's Episcopal Church talks about how the values instilled upon children during the Colonial era that made this nation great.

See CONSTITUTION, 5A

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Notice of Municipal Election for Town of Edenton

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN PURSUANT TO GENERAL STATUTES 163-33 (8) by the Board of Elections of Chowan County, North Carolina, that:

A Municipal Election will be held on Tuesday, November 7, 2017 for the Town of Edenton, North Carolina. The polls will be open on Election Day from 6:30 a.m. until 7:30 p.m. The polling places and locations are as follows:

East Edenton Polling Place
National Guard Armory William B. Gardner, Sr. Building
702 North Broad Street, Edenton NC

West Edenton Polling Place
Chowan County Agricultural Center
730 North Granville Street, Edenton NC

REGISTRATION: All voters registered in the Town of Edenton are eligible to vote in the Municipal Election and need not re-register. Registration applications must be postmarked or delivered in person by 5:00 p.m. on Friday, October 13, 2017. Same Day Registration is available at Absentee One-stop Voting period.

Seventeen year olds who will be eighteen (18) years of age by November 7, 2017 may register prior to the 2017 Municipal Election and vote in said election. Residents of the Town may register in person at the Board of Elections office, 730 North Granville Street, Suite D, Edenton, NC 27932. Office hours are 8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m., Monday - Friday. Registration applications are also available at the public library, schools and on-line at www.ncbe.gov.

Absentee by Mail voting will begin on Friday October 6, 2017. Request can be made at the elections office.

One-Stop early voting will begin on Thursday, October 19, 2017 at 9:00 a.m. at the Chowan County Board of Elections office - 730 N Granville St Edenton.

For other information or questions contact the Chowan County Board of Elections office at 252-482-4010 or email rebecca.kow@chowan.nc.gov

Nov 03 2017

Michelle Leigh Wimbish, 23, of the 1300 block of Northside Road, Elizabeth City, was arrested Sept. 11 and charged with failure to appear in court on a charge of allowing an animal to create a public nuisance and failure to appear in court for charges of driving while license revoked and speeding. A \$1,500 secured bond was set.

STATE/NATION

SAN JUAN, PUERTO RICO
Maria weakens on northward path

The U.S. National Hurricane Center says Hurricane Maria has weakened slightly as it moves northward, but it's still likely to bring increasing winds and high surf to the Southeastern United States.

Maria, which walloped Puerto Rico as a Category 4 hurricane last week, is now a Category 2 storm with maximum sustained winds of 105 mph.

The Hurricane Center says it was centered about 475 miles south-southeast of Cape Hatteras, North Carolina before noon Sunday.

It said people along the Carolina and Mid-Atlantic coasts should monitor the storm.

From AP reports

WALHALLA, S.C.
3 killed in South Carolina crash

Three people, including one from North Carolina, were killed in a crash in South Carolina.

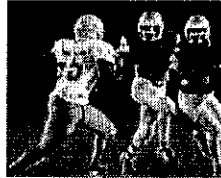
The South Carolina Highway Patrol and Oconee County Coroner's office are investigating the wreck, which happened at around 6 p.m. Saturday near Walhalla High School.

The Highway Patrol says a pickup truck crossed the center line and hit a car head-on.

Troopers say both drivers were killed, as well as a passenger in the car. Another passenger from the car was flown to a hospital for treatment and no identities have been released.

From AP reports

ELIZABETH CITY



See more photos from Friday night's game between Northeastern and John A. Holmes high schools at DailyAdvance.com.

DURHAM

Man drives into crowd, 7 hurt

A man is facing charges after authorities say he drove into a crowd outside a North Carolina nightclub.

Police tell local media the incident happened early Sunday outside La Luna nightclub in Durham.

Authorities say seven people waiting in line for a food truck were injured when a car drove into the crowd, then drove away.

Two people were listed in critical condition.

Twenty-three-year-old Hugo Romero-Rodriguez has been charged with driving while intoxicated and felony hit and run. It wasn't immediately known if he had an attorney.

From AP reports

Republican opposition to GOP health bill grows

Opposition swells to near-fatal numbers

By ALAN FRAM
Associated Press

WASHINGTON

Republican opposition to the GOP health care bill swelled to near-fatal numbers Sunday as Sen. Susan Collins all but closed the door on supporting the last-ditch effort to scrap the Obama health care law and Sen. Ted Cruz said that "right now" he doesn't back it.

White House legislative liaison Marc Short and Sen. Lindsey Graham, R-S.C., one of the measure's sponsors, said Republicans would press ahead with a vote this week. But the comments by Collins and Cruz left the Republican drive to uproot President Barack Obama's Affordable Care Act dangling by an increasingly slender thread.

A showdown must oc-

cur this week for Republicans to prevail with their narrow Senate majority.

Next Sunday, protections expire against a Democratic filibuster, bill-killing delays that Republicans lack the votes to overcome.

Already two GOP senators, Rand Paul of Kentucky and John McCain of Arizona, have said they oppose the legislation. All Democrats will vote against it. "No" votes from three of the 52 GOP senators would kill the party's effort to deliver on its perennial vow to repeal "Obamacare" and would reprise the party's politically jarring failure to accomplish that this summer.

Collins cited the bill's cuts in the Medicaid program for low-income people and the likelihood that it would result in many losing health coverage and paying higher premiums.

The Maine moderate also criticized a provision let-



Senate Judiciary Committee member Sen. Ted Cruz, R-Texas, speaks during the committee's hearing on Capitol Hill, Sept. 6.

ting states make it easier for insurers to raise premiums on people with pre-existing medical conditions.

"It's very difficult for me to envision a scenario where I would end up voting for this bill," said Collins.

The conservative Cruz also voiced opposition, underscoring the bill's problems with both ends of the

GOP spectrum.

"Right now, they don't have my vote," Cruz said at a festival in Austin, Texas. He suggested the measure doesn't do enough to reduce premiums by allowing insurers to sell less comprehensive coverage than Obama's law allows.

Cruz said he doesn't think fellow conservative Sen. Mike Lee, R-Utah,

backs the GOP bill. Lee spokesman Conn Carroll said Lee wants "technical changes" but hasn't finalized his position.

The growing opposition leaves the White House and party leaders desperate to rescue their promise to repeal Obama's law with one immediate option: changing opponents' minds.

Republicans have said they're still reshaping the bill in hopes of winning over skeptics. Collins said sponsors were making last-minute adjustments in the measure's formulas for distributing federal money to states.

"So yes, we're moving forward and we'll see what happens next week," Graham said.

Paul said even though the bill transforms federal health care dollars into block grants states would control, the GOP bill left too much of that spending intact.

"Block granting Obamacare doesn't make it go away," Paul said.

McCauley has complained that Republicans should have worked with Democrats in reshaping the country's \$3 trillion-a-year health care system and cited uncertainty over the bill's impact on consumers.

A chief target of GOP leaders is Sen. Lisa Murkowski, R-Alaska, whose state has unusually high health care costs because of its many remote communities. Collins and Murkowski were the only Republicans who voted "no" on four pivotal votes on earlier versions of the GOP legislation in July.

Murkowski has remained uncommitted, saying she's studying the bill's impact on Alaska. Her state's officials released a report Friday citing "unique challenges" and deep cuts the measure would impose on the state.

Aid begins to flow to hurricane-hit Puerto Rico

Local officials praise Trump admin's response

By CHRISTOPHER GILLETTE
and DANICA COTO
Associated Press

GUAYAMA, Puerto Rico — Large amounts of federal aid have begun moving into Puerto Rico, welcomed by local officials who praised the Trump administration's response but called for the emergency loosening of rules long blamed for condemning the U.S. territory to second-class status.

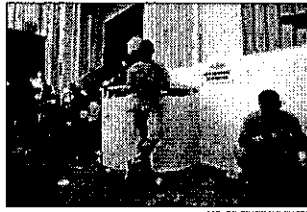
In northwest Puerto Rico, people began returning to their homes Saturday after a spillway eased pressure on a dam that cracked after more than a foot of rain fell in the wake of the hurricane.

The opening of the island's main port in the capital allowed 11 ships to bring in 16 million gallons of water, 23,000 cots, dozens of generators and food. Dozens more shipments are expected in upcoming days.

The federal aid effort is racing to stem a growing humanitarian crisis in towns left without fresh water, fuel, electricity or phone service. Officials with the Federal Emergency Management Agency, which is in charge of the relief effort, said they would take satellite phones to all of Puerto Rico's towns and cities, more than half of which were cut off following Maria's devastating crossing of Puerto Rico on Wednesday.

The island's infrastructure was in sorry shape long before Maria struck. A \$73 billion debt crisis has left agencies like the state power company broke. As a result, the power company abandoned most basic maintenance in recent years, leaving the island subject to regular blackouts.

A federal control board overseeing Puerto Rico's finances authorized up to \$1



People congregate at a Wi-Fi hotspot to communicate in the aftermath of Hurricane Maria in San Juan, Puerto Rico, Sunday.

billion in local funds to be used for hurricane response, but Gov. Ricardo Rossello said he would ask for more.

"We're going to request waivers and other mechanisms so Puerto Rico can respond to this crisis," he said. "Puerto Rico will practically collect no taxes in the next month."

U.S. Rep. Nydia Velázquez of New York said she will request a one-year waiver from the Jones Act, a federal law blamed for driving up prices on Puerto Rico by requiring cargo shipments there to move only on U.S. vessels as a means of supporting the U.S. maritime industry.

"We will use all our resources," Velázquez said. "We need to make Puerto Rico whole again. These are American citizens."

A group of anxious neighbors arrived in the capital to meet with Rossello to present a long list of items

they urgently need. The north coastal town of Manati had run out of fuel and fresh water, Mayor Jose Sanchez Gonzalez said.

"Hysteria is starting to spread. The hospital is about to collapse. It's at capacity," he said, crying. "We need someone to help us immediately."

The death toll from Maria in Puerto Rico was at least 10, including two police officers who drowned in floodwaters in the western town of Aguada. That number was expected to climb as officials from remote towns continued to check in with officials in San Juan.

Authorities in the town of Vega Alta on the north coast said they had been unable to reach an entire neighborhood called Finca, and were particularly worried about residents of a nursing home.

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UTILITIES COMMISSION
RALEIGH

DOCKET NO. E-22, SUB 546

BEFORE THE NORTH CAROLINA UTILITIES COMMISSION

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Application by Virginia Electric and Power Company, d/b/a Dominion Energy North Carolina Pursuant to G.S. 62-133.2 and Commission Rule R4-65 Regarding Fuel and Fuel-Related Costs Adjustments for Electric Utilities

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NORTH CAROLINA UTILITIES COMMISSION

Perquimans High sees graduation rate increase

From Staff Reports

While high school four-year graduation rates rose statewide in 2016-17, the Perquimans County Schools was the only area school district to see its rate go up.

According to a report released by the N.C. Department of Public Instruction last week, the statewide four-year cohort graduation rate — essentially the percentage of students who graduate from high school within four years of starting ninth-grade — rose from 85.9 percent in 2015-16 to 86.6 percent in 2016-17.

Across the Albemarle, the Perquimans County Schools, which reported a 90.8 percent four-year graduation rate, and the Currituck County Schools, which reported a 90.2 percent in 2016-17.

County Schools, which reported a 90.2 percent rate, exceeded the state rate.

Trailing the state rate were the Camden County Schools, which reported an 85.4 percent rate; the Elizabeth City-Pasquotank Public Schools, which reported an 86.3 percent rate; and the Edenton-Chowan Schools, whose four-year rate was 81.1 percent.

The four-year graduation rates represented decreases from the previous year for all area districts except Perquimans, which saw its rate rise slightly from 88.6 percent in 2015-16 to 89.8 last year.

The five-year cohort graduation rate, meanwhile, rose sharply in the Edenton-Chowan Schools, from 82.7 percent in the 2015-16

school year to 91.2 percent in 2016-17.

Five-year rates were also ahead of the state rate in Camden, which reported a 90.2 percent rate; Currituck, which reported a 93.1 percent rate; and Perquimans, which reported a 91.2 percent rate.

Elizabeth City-Pasquotank Public Schools reported an 87.3 percent rate, barely trailed the state's five-year rate.

Elizabeth City-Pasquotank Public Schools spokeswoman Thurny Sawyer said the district is working to have all students graduate within four years.

"The ECPS's graduation rate for 2016-17 was 88.3 percent, which was consistent with the 2015-2016 rate of 88.4 percent, as well as

consistent with the state four-year graduation rate of 86.6 percent," Sawyer said. "The ECPS's graduation rate for 2014-15 was 81.9 percent so we are pleased to see the increase within the past two years and will continue our work to have all students graduate within four years."

Currituck Superintendent Mark Stefank said he was pleased with the rates in Currituck, even as district officials work toward a 100 percent graduation rate.

"We are pleased that our four-year and five-year graduation rates exceed 100 percent," Stefank said. "We will continue our work in an effort to achieve 100-percent graduation rates, so that all of our students are career or college ready."

Edenton-Chowan Superintendent Rob Jackson also said a 100-percent graduation rate is the goal.

"Our goal is to have 100 percent of our students graduate within four years," Jackson said. "Although the four-year cohort graduation rate dipped slightly, we continue to emphasize the importance of graduating from high school and encourage students by continuing to work toward providing important academic opportunities, support, and resources that will help our students graduate on time."

DPI released its statewide education achievement report, which included the graduation rates, Thursday before a meeting of the State Board of Education.

GRANDPARENTS DAY



Kindergarten students at Perquimans Central School enjoy lunch with their grandparents during National Grandparents Day on Sept. 10.

COA to hold 'Pork and Pearls'

From Staff Reports

College of The Albemarle will welcome Pappa the Pig back at the Foundation's "Pork and Pearls" Pig Pickin' and Oyster Roast on Oct. 7 in Perquimans County.

Seven community members are ready to take their chances at kissing a pig, and raising funds for the college. The event will be held from 4-9 p.m. at the Crawfish Shack, 355 Swing Gate Road.

Pappa the Pig is a resident of Right Way Rescue, Inc., in Elizabeth City. It's a 501(c)(3) charitable hammyard animal rescue organization serving all local North Carolina counties along with Hampton Roads.

Those participating in the Kiss A Pig event are Larry Overman, deputy chief of operations for the Elizabeth City Fire Department; Gary Hobbes, a Realtor with Long and Foster Real Estate; Sally Francis Kelsays, a Chowan resident and former COA board of trustee; Amy Tillett, the chief academic officer for Dare County Schools; Josh Bass, president of the Currituck County Chamber; Dwayne Stallings, former superintendent of Perquimans County Public Schools and Dr. Wynne, President of College of The Albemarle.

The Foundation's "Kiss A Pig" event began at convocation held in August.



SUBMITTED PHOTO

Tim Sweeney, the dean of COA's Dare County campus says hello to Pappa the Pig at a recent event. Pappa will be at a Kiss A Pig event at Pork and Pearls on Oct. 7 from 4-9 p.m. at the Crawfish Shack on Swing Gate Road.

Tickets for the event in October are \$76 per person or \$125 per couple. Admission includes whole pigs on the smoker plus roasted oysters and other food by Currituck BBQ plus beer and wine, a silent auction, 50/50 raffle and dancing. The event will be casual dress. The money goes to the in support of the Foundation.

To purchase Pork and Pearls event tickets, visit www.albemarle.edu/pig

SHERIFF'S REPORT

PERQUIMANS COUNTY SHERIFF

■ 825 Any Day, Webb Street, failure to appear, \$250 secured bond.

■ 820 Nathan Zachary, Woodland Church Road, fraud-worthless checks, written promise to appear.

■ 800 Travis Leary, Pine Ridge Mobile Home Park, failure to appear, \$2,000 secured bond.

■ 93 Willie Story, Four Mile Desert Road, failure to appear, \$2,000 secured bond.

■ 96 Marcus Wiggins, Wayne Fork Court, larceny, \$500 unsecured bond.

■ 96 Yakeus Kees, Old Hertford Road, Edenton, two counts failure to appear, \$1,500 secured bond.

■ 97 Yarela Stratikis, Winfall Boulevard, discharge weapon in occupied property, \$100,000 unsecured bond.

■ 97 Charles Bartfield, Maurice Street, Roanoke Rapids, possession of marijuana, probation violation out of county, \$2,000 secured bond.

■ 99 Edward Gilbert, Belvidere Road, communicating threats, second-degree trespass, \$1,000 unsecured bond.

■ 910 Rashed Wood, Bruce Avenue, injury to personal property, assault on a female, \$6,000 secured bond.

■ 910 Karen Shuman, Hemlock Street, dangerous dog unrestrained beyond owner's property.

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■ 911 Lynn Perry, Hunt Mill Road, unauthorized use of a motor vehicle, driving while intoxicated, \$5,000 secured bond.

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SCHOOL MENUS

PERQUIMANS COUNTY SCHOOLS

■ TODAY: BREAKFAST: Warm sweet breads, fruit, juice, milk. LUNCH: Baked spaghetti, hot dog high school only, Texas toast, glazed carrots, green beans, mixed fruit, peaches, milk, Cobb salad.

■ SEPT. 21: BREAKFAST: Griddle sandwich, fruit, juice, milk. LUNCH: Hot ham and cheese, hamburger high school only, potato roasters, seasoned collards, apple slices, pears, milk, grilled chicken salad.

■ SEPT. 22: BREAKFAST: Eggs waffles, fruit, juice, milk. LUNCH: Chicken nuggets and roll, bacon cheeseburger high school only, sweet potato fries, garden peas, fresh melon, applesauce, milk, Caesar salad.

■ SEPT. 25: BREAKFAST: Cinnamon roll, fruit, juice, milk. LUNCH: Meatball sub, (chicken fillet sandwich high school only), fresh broccoli with dip, corn, applesauce cups, peach cups, milk, Chef salad.

■ SEPT. 26: BREAKFAST: Sausage biscuit, fruit, juice, milk. LUNCH: All beef hot dogs, (pork chop sandwich high school only), Cajun pinto beans, seasoned greens, (pumpkin high school only), fresh melon, milk, Cobb salad.

■ SEPT. 27: BREAKFAST: Muffin and cheese stick, fruit, juice, milk. LUNCH: Roasted chicken with roll (hot ham and cheese high school only), mashed potatoes/gravy, seasoned greens, (pumpkin high school only), fresh melon, milk, Cobb salad.

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NORMAN

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Fork Court. He was found guilty on that charge earlier this year by District Court Judge Eula Reid and Norman appealed the conviction. Norman said a court date on his appeal was set but the first time his attorney wasn't there but he was, so the date was rescheduled to Sept. 18.

Norman recalls what happened with the original arrest last year. He saw law

enforcement officers were doing routine traffic stops along Wynne Fork Road and they pulled one car into the Wynne Fork housing development because they said they could smell marijuana. That was just outside Norman's house, he said.

Norman said at one point four or five law enforcement vehicles were there and he stood on the curb outside of the house watching what was going on. At one point he said 30 to 50 people also were

there watching.

He said a Trooper told him to step back. Norman said he was at least 20 or 25 feet away, and he did step back. He was then told to step back further. Norman doesn't remember the Trooper's name.

"He (the Trooper) singled me out," saying the Trooper said Norman's proximity made him uncomfortable. Norman, who is active with the Perquimans Chapter of the NAACP, said he tried to abide by the offi-

cer's wishes but was ultimately arrested because he wouldn't go back in his apartment.

"I stuck my hands out and was cuffed," he said. He said the Trooper searched his pockets and removed items that were ultimately returned, including Norman's phone.

When he failed to appear in court last week, Norman said he went to the Perquimans County Sheriff's Office. Norman praised the professional attitude deputies took when they

arrested him for the failure to appear charge.

Norman said he was transferred to Albemarle District Jail about 5:30 p.m. that Tuesday. He wasn't released until about 4:30 p.m. that Friday.

Norman said the \$3,000 bond was excessive and his attorney, Johnnie Finch, tried to get it reduced because Norman was not a flight risk. Superior Court Judge J.C. Cole set the bond.

Norman said the court appearance this month

wouldn't have been needed at all if he had not appealed the original district court ruling.

"If I hadn't chosen to appeal, it would just have been probation."

Again, Norman praised the Perquimans Sheriff's Office.

"I have no qualms with what they did. They handled the situation in a very professional manner."

Norman said he's unsure what the status is of his appeal, or when his next court date might be.

POLLING

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days, but with an election the traffic situation gets worse, especially about 3 p.m. when students are let out of school.

That should not be a problem with Louise's Event Center, a private venue. It also more accommodating for voters who are in a wheelchair, Banks said. In order to enter HGS to vote,

they'll have to go through the main entrance and then back through halls to get to the voting machine. Non-handicapped voters could enter to vote at HGS through another door but there are steps involved.

"Louise's has no steps," Banks said.

Matthew Chessman, the superintendent of the school system, said he did not suggest the change, but he understands why it might be better for voters.

"I totally understand the decision and should they ever want to come back, we would welcome them."

There are about 900 voters registered in the West Hertford precinct and about 400 voted in the last election.

One stop voting for Perquimans County's municipal elections will start Oct. 19 and run through Nov. 5. The hours are Oct. 19-Nov. 5 from 8 a.m. until 5 p.m.; Nov. 5-8 from 8 a.m. until 7 p.m.; and Nov. 4 from 9 a.m. until 1 p.m. A canvass will be held Nov. 17 at 11 a.m.

The deadline for voters to register is Oct. 13. Voters who are not registered in the county by that deadline may register to vote during one-stop voting only and will be required to provide documentation of their identity and residency.

Photo ID is not required to vote, but first-time voters are required to show some kind of identification that has their name on it and their current address. Banks said some people do that by using their vehicle registration.

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MAYDAY

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at exhibits will be available from 10 a.m. until 4 p.m.

She doesn't expect those who are suffering addiction to attend, but she hopes their friends and loved ones do.

"We're trying to get people to unite together. If they know of somebody who is struggling, they can show them where they can get help."

She's painfully realistic about what Saturday's Mayday won't do. "Nothing we can do in one

day is going to change the problem," she said. "It's not what we're trying to do."

Speakers for the event include:

■ 10:00 a.m. Luke Marcus, Elizabeth City Police Dept.

■ 10:15 a.m. Amy Underwood, Alcoholic Overdose Prevention Coalition

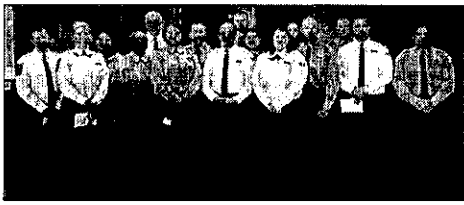
■ 10:30 a.m. Cynthia NABANON Speaker

■ 10:45 a.m. Michael Bojan, MD and Saou Onis, LCSW

■ 11:15 a.m. Michael FNA Speaker

■ 11:45 a.m. Vickie J. ALANON/NAL-ANON Speaker

MEMORIAL SERVICE



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Sixteen Perquimans County Emergency Services staff including telecommunicators, EMS and Emergency Management personnel attended the memorial service in Durham for the four people killed in a Duke Hospital helicopter crash in Belvidere.

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DOCKET NO. E-22, SUB 546

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der the old rules, there was no limit on how big a solar project could be.

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The county will also require decommissioning of the solar project within six months if it quits generating electricity. A cash bond will be required to cover the decommissioning cost and a decommissioning study will be required. The study will have to be updated every five years to make sure the numbers are accurate.

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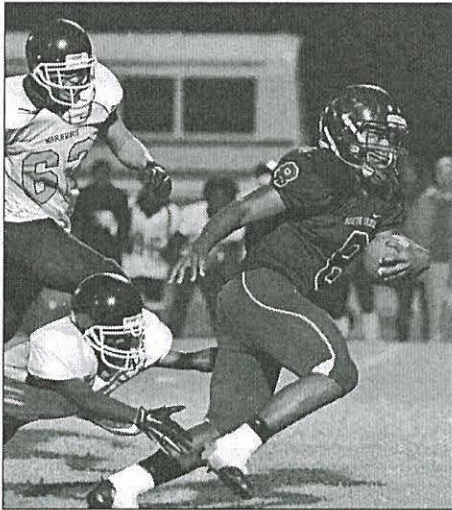
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COUGARS TOP WARRIORS



South Creek's football team earned its second win of the season Friday night with a 22-6 triumph over former Two Rivers 1A Conference foe North Edgecombe at Nolan Ragsdale Stadium. Darius Smith (No. 8, above) led off a big run that led to a late touchdown; Zikayai Cherry (No. 2, right) celebrates after recovering a late fumble by the Warriors.

JIM GREEN/Enterprise & Weekly Herald



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NORTH CAROLINA UTILITIES COMMISSION

Knights

From B1

The first turnover came on Camden's first drive. The Bruins were able to pick up a first down after a Riverside penalty, but Aashaan Belcher picked off Sam Guild's pass and returned it 49 yards for a TD with 5:11 left in the quarter. Nakwon Burns added the two-point conversion run to make it 15-0.

Dervon Belcher's two-yard run on the Knights' next drive made it 22-0 after Buck's extra point with 4:17 left in the quarter.

That score was set up by a fumble recovery by Zyjuan Exum on the kickoff.

Less than three minutes later, Burns went 34 yards for a TD and Buck kicked the PAT for a 29-0 advantage with 1:53 left in the first stanza.

A bad snap on the

Bruins' next possession resulted in a fumble recovery by Jake Raynor. Riverside promptly made it 36-0 when quarterback Brandon Beach found Bonds for a 42-yard TD reception and Buck booted the extra point with 39.8 seconds remaining in the quarter.

Riverside tacked on two more touchdowns in the 50-point first half. Beach hit Bonds for a 90-yard strike, followed by Buck's PAT, which made it 43-0 with 5:13 left in the half.

Camden's best drive came next, as the Bruins used a long pass to move inside the Knights' 20-yard line. Riverside held, however, and the visitors missed a field goal.

The home team then drove down the field again, with Brandon Beach hooking up with Ben Beach on a 20-yard

TD pass with 2:03 left in the first half. Buck was true on the extra point.

The contest featured one more score, as the clock ran continuously in the second half due to the 40-plus point margin.

Javion Griffin reached the end zone on a 17-yard run with 3:09 left in the third quarter.

Riverside finished with a 367-106 edge in total yards. The Knights ran just 35 plays while Camden ran 51.

Burns led Riverside with 67 yards on the ground, while Brandon Beach threw for 167 yards and Bonds hauled in 147 receiving yards.

The Knights were 3-for-3 on fourth-down plays. Camden was 3-for-13 on third down.

Riverside returns to action Friday for Homecoming as the Knights play host to Northside at 7 p.m.

Fourth

From B1

When you watched guys like Michael Jordan, Allen Iverson, Michael Vick or Vince Carter you jumped and yelled and pointed and pretended to pass out because what you saw was so exciting.

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and cut down your radio so you can focus on driving backwards. You know what I'm talking about. Bo made you pay attention like that.

If you don't know Bo, go to YouTube right now.

David Friedman is a long time sports writer and columnist. A Bertie High School graduate, he and his family currently reside in Wilmington. David can be reached via e-mail at fourthandlongcolumn@gmail.com.

RHS netters fall to Lawrence

From Staff Reports

WINDSOR - Riverside High School's girls tennis team dropped a 9-0 decision to Lawrence Academy Thursday.

The Warriors won all six singles matches in straight sets and took the three doubles events, as well as two exhibition matches.

In singles, No. 1 Stephanie Moore fell 6-2, 6-0 to Emma Cobb; No. 2 Tara Leggett lost 6-0, 6-2 to Chloe Walston; No. 3 Caroline Reason

was defeated by Hailey Gardner 6-0, 6-4; No. 4 Rachel Harris fell 6-1, 6-0 to Savannah Stevens; No. 5 Jennifer German was defeated by Beatrice Mordecai 6-1, 6-0 and No. 6 Sadie Tice lost 6-1, 6-1 to Isabella Spruill.

Indoubles, Lawrence's No. 1 duo of Cobb and Gardner defeated Moore and Reason 8-2; the No. 2 team of Walston and Stevens held off Leggett and Harris 8-3 and the No. 3 pairing of Mordecai and Spruill defeated

German and Kushboo Patel 8-1.

In exhibition doubles matches, the Warriors' teams of Ann Gilliam and Annie Hayes Trowell and Perris Clayton and Spruill were victorious.

Gilliam and Trowell defeated Jessica Simmons and Danielle Herling 8-1, while Clayton and Spruill stopped Kahdejah Washington and Logan MacDonald 8-0.

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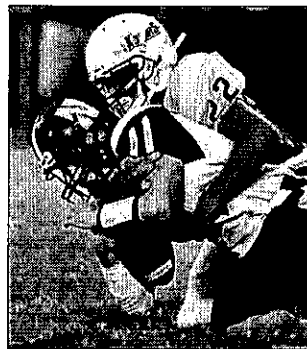
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Knights

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Dervon Belcher.
With Burns carrying much of the load (four rushes, 32 yards) - which included the go-ahead TD on a three-yard run - Riverside grabbed a 41-38 advantage after Buck's PAT clanged off the left upright and bounced in with 4:46 left.
Still, the Knights - who

allowed 348 rushing yards on 62 carries to the Panthers - needed a defensive stand in order to win.
Freeman picked up two straight first downs, and Clark rushed for 12 yards to the Riverside 30-yard line as time ticked away.
On third-and-7, Tyree Blount got eight yards for a first down at the RHS 19 with 1:17 remaining.

Three plays later, the Panthers recovered their own fumble, bringing up fourth down. Freeman then went six yards for the first down at the 7 with 14.7 seconds left.
On the next play, officials gave Northside a five-yard penalty instead of a fumbled snap, which moved the ball back to the RHS 12.



Riverside defender Daonte Thomas brings down Northside quarterback Matthew Marslander during Friday's game.

Notice of Nonpartisan Municipal Election Town of Everett, North Carolina

A Nonpartisan Municipal Election will be held on Tuesday - November 7, 2017, in the Town of Everett, North Carolina, for the purpose of electing one Mayor and three Town Commissioners for a term of 2 years. Polls will be open from 6:30 AM until 7:30 PM. The polling place will be located at the Everett Ruritan Club Building - 205 Ayers Street, Everett.

Absentee ballots are allowed. Requests for an absentee ballot must be made on the State Absentee Ballot Request Form and received in the Martin County Board of Elections office by 4:00 PM on Tuesday - October 31, 2017. The Board of Elections will meet on October 17, October 24, October 31, and November 6 at 5:00 PM; on November 17 at 10:00 AM; and other times as may be necessary for the purpose of approving absentee ballot applications.

One-stop absentee voting will be held at the Martin County Governmental Center in the Commissioners' Boardroom (Room #121), located at 205 East Main Street, Williamston, NC. One-stop voting begins Thursday - October 19, 2017, and ends Saturday - November 4, 2017. One-stop voting hours are Monday through Friday 8:00 AM - 5:00 PM, and Saturday - November 4 from 8:00 AM - 1:00 PM. Canvass will be held at 11:00 AM in the Martin County Board of Elections Office in Williamston on Friday - November 17, 2017.

All residents of the Town of Everett who are registered to vote with the Martin County Board of Elections may vote in this election. Voters who are previously registered need not re-register for this election. Those residents of the Town of Everett who are not registered to vote must register on or before Friday - October 27, 2017, in order to be eligible to vote on Election Day. Voters who are not registered by that deadline may register and vote during one stop early voting only, and will be required to provide documentation of their identity and residence. Voters who fail to timely make a change in name or address in the county must update their information when presenting to vote, and may be required to vote a provisional ballot.

Voters voting in person are entitled to assistance by an election official, or, if assistance is needed due to disability or illiteracy, by a qualified person of their choice. Registration facilities and voting sites are accessible to all voters. Curbside voting is available for voters who are not physically able to enter voting sites.

For additional information contact the Martin County Board of Elections at 252-783-4317.

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Fourth

From B1
est public university declines an opportunity to meet the president and visit the White House.
That was clearly what I was going to have to write about and then Sunday happened. It seems President Trump sent out a strong message to NFL owners, its players and his citizens and they responded.
I saw NFL owners stand in solidarity with

players, entire position groups and almost entire football teams take knees during the national anthem. I saw sports fans "take a knee with Kaepernick," including an elderly Caucasian World War II veteran, and I saw Major League Baseball finally get involved when Oakland Athletics catcher Bruce Maxwell knelt and covered his heart prior to the weekend's opening pitch.
So what do you do when you have to write about everything but only have so much space?
You do this. You write a little about all of it and a lot about none of it.
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CADA Received Funding for the 2017 Urgent Repair Program

Cherokee Area Development Association of NC, Inc. (CADA) has been approved to receive \$200,000 in Urgent Repair Funding (URP 2017) from the North Carolina Housing Finance (NCHFA) to assist very low-income homeowners with special needs or with a full-time housebound member(s) who have special needs in Berrie, Halifax, Hertford, Martin and Northampton Counties.

Funds will benefit households with incomes below 50% of the area median income. URP 2017 Funds are from the State appropriated North Carolina Housing Trust Fund. Applications will be ranked by need on a county-by-county basis. Applications with the highest scores in each county will be served first.

URP funds are provided in the form of a loan for the hard and soft costs used to repair/modify the house. Homeowners will receive an unsecured, deferred, interest-free loan, forgiven at a rate of \$1,000 per year until the principal balance is zero. Maximum URP assistance is \$8,000. CADA reserves the right to deny repairs to a house that is not cost effective or a wise investment of URP funds.

CADA will take applications from October 2, 2017 - November 2, 2017. Contact your local CADA office to schedule an appointment to apply. Proof of ownership and income is required. Those who have applied for URP assistance in the past must update applications. For a copy of the Assistance Policy, visit the CADA Website at www.nc-cada.org or contact your local county CADA Community Service Center to schedule an appointment to apply.

Berrie: phone: 252-794-3107, TDD: 1 (800) 735-2692, Attention: Brett Hignite
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OBX Jewish Community announces High Holiday services

The Jewish Community of the Outer Banks announced its High Holiday service schedule. As always, there is no charge for any of the services.

Rosh Hashanah, Thursday, Sept. 21, 9:30 a.m. service, followed by a JCOB-sponsored

luncheon, 3 p.m. Tashlich service at the Gazebo Pier, located at the corner of West Hayman Boulevard and Bay Drive in Kill Devil Hills. Yom Kippur, Kol Nidre: Friday, Sept. 22 at 7 p.m. Yom Kippur and Yizkor: Saturday, Sept. 30 from 9:30 a.m. to noon.

Ne'elah and Break-the-Fast: Saturday, Sept. 30 at 4:15 p.m. All services are held in the Unitarian Universalist Congregation of the Outer Banks building located at the corner of Kitty Hawk and Herbert Perry Roads. For more information, call 252-1866 or visit www.jcobx.com.

David Wales Masters

September 11, 1936 – September 13, 2017

Nags Head, NC

David Wales Masters, 81, of Nags Head, NC died Wednesday, September 13, 2017, at Sentara Hospice House in Virginia Beach, VA. Born in Wilmington, NC on September 11, 1936, he was the son of the late Katherine Madison Masters and Larry W. Masters. David retired from Johnson Electric Power Company as Senior Vice President Electric Systems. David is survived by two sons, David Wales Masters, Jr. and wife Paula of Nags Head, NC and Mark Sheldon Masters and wife Michele of Clifton, VA; and three grandchildren, Maria, Gina and Luke.

Along with his parents, David was preceded in death by his wife, Rebecca Ann Bayne Masters; and a brother, William Masters.

David was a devoted husband, father and grandfather who loved his family deeply. David grew up in Greenville, SC. He enjoyed spending time with his family, people and working in the community. He became an Eagle Scout and later in life served as Troop Leader. He was President of his high school class. David was a proud graduate of Clemson University and later earned his Masters of Business from Loyola University, while working at F&WCO. He married "Becky" in 1957 and they moved to Alexandria, VA in 1959. They raised their sons there and then retired to Nags Head in 1990. David was involved with many local organizations and loved the Outer Banks. He was a life member of the Nags Head Surf Fishing Club, served as the Tournament Director and on the board for many years. He was also a life member of the North Carolina Beach Buggy Association and served as a director, too. He volunteered at the Wright Brothers Memorial for years and thoroughly enjoyed the years of preparation and the Centennial celebration in 2003. Later he worked at the Outer Banks Visitor Center where he enjoyed welcoming visitors, helping them to enjoy their visit. David attended many Nags Head Town meetings, he was passionate about local issues. He enjoyed helping others better themselves. David enjoyed golf, surf fishing, big game fishing and most of all a good poker game.

A celebration of David's life will be held Friday, September 22, 2017, at 2 p.m. at his home, 210 W. Topcon Court, Nags Head, NC. Following, at sunset a memorial service for David and Becky will be held.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to Outer Banks Community Foundation, 13 Skyline Rd., Southern Shores, NC 27949 or Nags Head Surf Fishing Club, PO Box 181 Nags Head, NC 27959.

Twiford Funeral Home, Manteo is assisting the family with arrangements. Condolences may be expressed at www.twifordfunerals.com.

Fair Haven United Methodist Homecoming Sunday



Fair Haven United Methodist Church will have a Homecoming Service on Sunday, Sept. 24 at 11 a.m. Following the service there will be a catered luncheon at the Rodanthe-Waves-Salvo Community Building on Highway 12 in Rodanthe. The church is located at 24340 Trade Winds Drive, Rodanthe. All are welcome for this special service. There will also be two Revival Services, on Monday, Sept. 25 and Tuesday, Sept. 26, beginning at 7 p.m. each evening.

OBITUARIES

RONALD MORRIS FOREMAN

Ronald Morris Foreman, 72, of Manns Harbor, died on Sept. 14 in Brookgreen Gardens, Myrtle Beach on his 51st wedding anniversary. He was born in Elizabeth City on May 13, 1945 to the late James Wesley Foreman, Jr. and Martha Spruill Foreman.

He was the owner of Nature's Harmony Nursery, he was survived by his wife, Sherry Twiddy Foreman; a daughter, D'Andrea Hinkle and husband Stefan; two granddaughters; a sister, Marianne Doherty of Raleigh; a brother, Brian Foreman of Virginia Beach; and many nieces, nephews and cousins. Besides his parents, he was preceded in death by his son, Ronald Foreman, II, and a brother, James Foreman, III.

A celebration of life will be held at Mt. Carmel Methodist Church in Manns Harbor at 2 p.m. on Thursday, Sept. 21. Twiford Funeral Home, Manteo is assisting the family with arrangements.

LILLIAN LEE MEEKINS

Lillian Lee Meekins, 69, of Manteo died Sept. 13 in Norfolk, VA. Lillian was the daughter of the late Theodore Robinson Meekins Sr. and Amanda Lee Meekins, and a Dare County native.

She joined the Job Corps after graduating from Manteo High School. While participating in the program in Kansas City, MO, she pursued a career in the medical field. After attending the program, she worked in central North Carolina for many years. She later returned home to Manteo, where she raised her son and worked at the Dunes and Ship's Wheel restaurants. She was a devoted member of the Disciples of Christ Church for many years. She later joined the Manteo Community Choir and traveled to locations around the state, as well as many areas of Virginia.

A service of remembrance will be held at Gallop Funeral Services Chapel in Nags Head on Thursday, Sept. 21 at 2 p.m. with a visitation

two hours prior. Burial at Haven Creek Cemetery on Burside Road in Manteo will follow the service. Gallop Funeral Services Inc. was entrusted with arrangements.

WILLIAM JOSEPH PERRY, JR.

William Joseph Perry, Jr., 70, of Kill Devil Hills, died Sept. 15 at his home. Born in Norfolk, VA on July 22, 1947, he was the son of Lucy Snowden Perry of Florida and the late William Joseph Perry.

William served his country honorably as an Engineman Second Class in the United States Coast Guard. He then captained a tugboat, fished commercially and became a Cub Master for the Boy Scouts of America. He loved to hunt and sponsored the National Turkey Federation. He was a member of Powells Point Baptist Church, where he was baptized.

Along with his mother, William is survived by his daughter, Alisa Perry of Wilmington; a son, Walter Perry of Kill Devil Hills; the mother of his children, Miranda Owens Perry of Kill Devil Hills; numerous nieces and nephews; and five siblings, Helen Phillips of Virginia, Martha DeGarry of Minnesota, Peggy Demast of Florida, Cathy Bernard of Minnesota and Janet Reed of Florida.

A funeral will be held at 2 p.m. on Wednesday, Sept. 20 at Twiford Colony Chapel, Manteo with Rev. Steve Siegrist officiating. The family will receive friends and relatives one hour prior to the service. Twiford Funeral Home, Manteo is assisting the family with arrangements.

Responding to need in Houston

The community responded with donations when the Southern Shores Police Department decided to assist their fellow police officers and families in Houston following Hurricane Harvey. "I was so humbled by the tremendous support and donations from our community here on the Outer Banks," said Police Chief David Kote. "In less than two weeks we filled our police department trailer and a Chevrolet Tahoe with the overflow." Thanks went out to Hardy Moving and Storage for the donation of packing materials. On Sept. 14, the donations were delivered to a drop-off point in Rocky Mount, then shipped to Texas in five fully loaded tractor trailers, coordinated by the HLC Association of Chiefs of Police.

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BLUEGRASS: Festival expands its reach

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Gibson Brothers, Billy Strings and Love Canon.

One new wrinkle this year is an additional day tacked on before the main event. Set to be held outside the Bluegrass Island Shop on the Manteo waterfront on Oct. 3, the daylong free concert starts at 2 p.m. The headliners that night at 7 p.m. will be Country Current, the U.S. Navy's official country-bluegrass band.

"There's really something for everyone," Hemilright explained, "from traditional to contemporary bluegrass, country, gospel... to music that's not bluegrass, but it's done bluegrass style. We'll even have bluegrass music for people who don't like bluegrass. And we try to have that mix each day so literally everybody will find something to love."

Back once again are festival staples Doyle Lawson and Rhonda Vincent. "They've both been at every one of our festivals," Hemilright said, "and people love seeing them come back every year." Lawson will kick off the Wednesday night performances, followed by newcomers and Grand Ole Opry favorites Joe Mullins & the Radio Ramblers.

International Bluegrass Music Association (IBMA) Entertainer of the Year nominees, the Gibson Brothers, will open Thursday night and Rhonda Vincent — AKA "the Queen of Bluegrass" — will open Friday night, followed by "a bluegrass band for people who don't like bluegrass," Hemilright noted. "They're called Love Canon and they are definitely something different. They play hits of the '60s bluegrass style." Saturday, the festival's



The annual Outer Banks Bluegrass Festival is beginning to attract more visitors from around the world.

final night, is "just packed with a little bit of everything," Hemilright said. The lineup that night will feature the Isaacs (nominated this year for the Best Roots Gospel Album Grammy), Jimmy Fortune of the legendary Statler Brothers and Rolling Stone's guitar virtuoso Billy Strings.

Explaining that the festival regulars — people who come back every year — buy the next season's tickets before they leave the current festival, Hemilright announced a big scheduling change down the road. In 2019, he'll be moving the festival to May.

The reason, he said, is pretty simple: "We wanted to get this thing out of hurricane season and make it a spring event."

Noting the growing numbers of people (travelling great distances to attend each year, Hemilright "learned the hard way" two years ago when he was forced to cancel the festival's final two days because of a tropical storm. "We don't want to go through that

again if we can avoid it. So May looks like a good time," he said.

Sponsored once again by CPA, Bollie Lee Jarrett, Jr. and the Jolly Roger Restaurant, the cost for the full four-day event is \$155, and single-day passes are \$45. Tickets are available by calling the Bluegrass Island Shop at 252-423-3039 and online at www.bluegrassland.com.

Regulars, Hemilright said, book their hotel rooms for the next year before they leave and also buy their tickets for next year, taking advantage of the Early Bird prices: a four-day pass for 2018 for \$99 at this year's festival.

Parking is again provided at the Fort Raleigh Historic Site, with shuttles running to Festival Park throughout the day. Gates open daily at 11 a.m., and the music starts at noon and runs until 11 p.m.

"It's a long day, with lots of different music," Hemilright noted. "I've heard it called the 'Woodstock of Bluegrass.' And I like that."

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BAG BAN: restored by Governor's veto

FROM PAGE A1

Ingram said that, "Dare County citizens and local leaders have been very vocal about supporting the current ban in place and, while the legislature ignored us, it's nice to be heard in Raleigh."

Given the Republican control of the General Assembly, Cooper's veto could be overridden. Senator Bill Cook and Representative Beverly Boswell, Dare County's representatives in Raleigh and two key movers behind the bag ban repeal, have voiced opposition to the governor's veto.

The bag ban repeal was inserted into HB 56 with a laundry list of other environmental regulations, particularly one that would provide further funding for studies on the situation regarding GenX, the unregulated chemical found in the Cape Fear River and Wilmington water systems.

In explaining his veto, Cooper argued that HB 56 failed to adequately address drinking water safety, adding that "it provides no resources to the state agencies charged with protecting drinking water and preventing illegal chemicals from being discharged into our rivers." He also addressed the bag issue, saying that HB 56 "repeals a local plastic bag ban supported by local governments and businesses that was passed to protect the environment."

In their responses to the Sentinel in which they criticized Cooper's veto, Cook and Boswell focused on other components of HB 56, but said nothing about the bag ban repeal.

Boswell said she was "extremely disappointed" with the veto, noting that the legislation "provides nearly a half-million dollars to begin dealing with the pollutant GenX, which was discharged earlier this year in the Cape Fear River." She also said the bill establishes a Coastal Storm Damage Mitigation Fund, and accused the governor of "placing politics ahead of public safety."

Cook said, "Gov. Cooper needs to focus less on growing the government bureaucracy that has thus far failed to resolve this crisis — and move towards seeking solutions that ensure clean, safe drinking water. Without hesitation, I encourage my Senate colleagues to override his veto."

In Dare County the bag ban repeal debate has pitted many local elected officials and residents against Cook and Boswell, who have argued the ban was not effective, and that the bigger problem of littering is what needs to be addressed.

At the Sept. 5 Dare County Board of Commissioners meeting, for example, a parade of citizens used the public comment period to denounce the repeal of the bag ban. One common theme was that the county's legislators at the State House had

ignored the community's views on the issue. "It's a shame that our representatives in Raleigh, specifically Beverly Boswell and Bill Cook, ignored the wishes of their constituency here in Dare County and instead deferred to corporate lobbyists," Kitty Hawk resident Bob Healy said, echoing the sentiments of others at that meeting.

But if the repeal opponents were heartened by Cooper's veto, the possibility of an override looms large. Bob Edwards, for one, said he thinks an override is likely.

"We recognize the NC Legislature may override the veto," added Ingram of the Surfrider Foundation. "And we're working to contact any legislators who may be on the fence or have only heard the side of the lobbyists who have been working in Raleigh on behalf of some of the big box stores in the area to overturn the ban."

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Airport project to enhance safety, promote growth

By DALE HERRING
Staff Reporter

Construction could begin next summer on a \$2 million Plymouth Municipal Airport project to enhance safety and improve efficiency. Airport Manager Krupp Brabble says the project will also help position the area for potential economic growth in the future.

The proposed action calls for construction of a new 5,500-foot-long parallel taxiway to the east of the existing single runway, along with several connector taxiways to connect the taxiway to the existing runway. The project also includes:

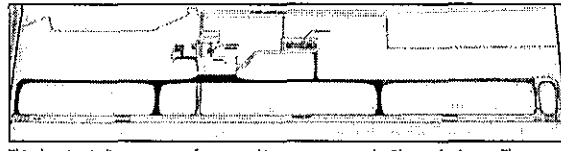
- Construction of a new Taxiway E to provide access to the new parallel taxiway from the lunger

- Taxiway F to provide access to existing hangars, and
- 24,165 square feet of apron expansion.

The goal is to satisfy Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) standards and to improve efficiency and safety at the airport, located just off Airport Road two miles south of Plymouth.

The current proposal is part of phase three of an original seven-year vision that has run overtime. In the first phase, runway and apron surfaces were rehabilitated and drainage of the 400-acre location was improved.

Phase two included lengthening the runway from 3,700 feet to 5,500 feet to facilitate personal, business/corporate and small freight jets. Fuel storage facilities were relocated and upgraded as part of phase three.



This drawing indicates areas of proposed improvements at the Plymouth airport. The current runway is near the bottom, with improvement areas indicated by darker colors.

Two components of phase three — enhancement of security lighting and fencing, construction of additional hangars — have been moved to the next five-year plan.

Brabble says the Plymouth Airport — one of 72 general aviation airports in the state — can now accommodate any type of aircraft from an ultra light to a jet, but the weight is a limiting factor. The runway construction limits aircraft gross weight to 100,000 pounds.

He says current improvements could make Washington County a more attractive destination for commerce or industry.

"A major thing companies look for today is air transport facilities, along with highway and rail," Brabble says, "but you have to go out and find it (expansion), it doesn't just fall into your lap."

He says the proposed taxiway is crucial since it provides additional staging area for takeoffs and after more convenient access to hangars and aircraft parking.

Brabble says the airport averaged 23 takeoffs/landings daily in the most recent 12 months, including farm-related flights, corporate flights, private transit and beach traffic.

Transit and beach traffic is enhanced because Plymouth Airport offers refueling, a benefit absent from Kitty Hawk, Hatteras and Ocracoke airports.

A draft Environmental Assessment (EA) has been prepared to evaluate the impacts associated with the proposed parallel and connector taxiway construction, taxiway connector improvements and apron expansion.

Anyone interested in the proposed actions and its environmental effects are encouraged to review the draft EA by visiting www.washconec.org. Written comments pertaining to the project should be directed to the N.C. State Environmental Review Clearinghouse at 1301 Mail Service Center, Raleigh, North Carolina 27699-1301. Only written comments will be accepted. Please reference State Clearinghouse Project #18-E-0000-0058.

Plymouth adopts payback policy for new police officers

By DALE HERRING
Staff Reporter

A new policy adopted last week calls for new hire police officers in Plymouth to pay \$2,000 reimbursement to the town if they remain in their job less than two years.

Police Chief Willie Williams — who worked on the policy development with Town Manager Sam Syons and attorney Brant-

ley Peck — told council members the policy should help defray the cost of hiring inexperienced officers who remain with the department long enough to complete a one-year probationary period, then leave to take jobs elsewhere.

"Many (rookie police officers) work one year to get through the probationary period, then leave," Williams said. "Other de-

partments snatch them up since there is no training cost then. This has happened on more than one occasion here."

That scenario imposes significant financial cost on the town and generates little benefit.

Syons says the policy could have positive impact beyond the initial two-year period for officers.

"We've upped our initial salary, even for officers with no experience," he said, "if we can keep officers for two years, they may decide to stay, because, by that time, our salary increases put them much closer to what other departments pay."

Syons said that many municipal police departments will not hire rookie officers with Basic Law Enforcement Training (BLET) certificates, making a police agency such as Plymouth's a fertile training ground. With the newly-adopted policy in place, many of those departments that shun rookie officers

are willing to pay the reimbursement fee to hire officers that have completed a probationary period. He said most neighboring police departments have policies like Plymouth's new reimbursement policy.

The newly-approved reimbursement policy comes with an attachment that outlines some of the start-up costs for a new officer. Those costs include:

- Mandatory psychological testing for \$375
- Physical examinations for \$125
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- One hundred rounds of ammunition for firearms

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- Uniforms, including short-sleeve and long-sleeve shirts and trousers, for \$235
- Boots for \$145
- A bulletproof vest for \$550
- High-visibility rain jacket for \$275

The list does not include recruitment and training costs, the cost of recruiting and training replacements and overtime costs in paying officers to cover shifts created by departed officers.

The reimbursement policy does not apply to existing Plymouth PD officers.

Manager seeks energy, input at Plymouth meeting

By DALE HERRING
Staff Reporter

Sam Syons issued a call to Plymouth Town Council last week for "high energy, ideas and participation" in upcoming special meetings aimed at creating a tangible five-year strategy for visual development downtown.

Meetings set for 6 p.m., Monday and Tuesday, September 25 and 26, have been scheduled for about six weeks as follow-up to discussions over the past two years about a downtown strategy.

"What we want to come out of this week is a road map for the next 60 months," Syons said during council's regular meeting Monday, September 11. "I need (council's) participation, high energy and ideas for staff to work with."

In a series of informal

committee meetings focused on potential downtown visual initiatives since 2016, Syons and Mayor Brian Roth have done much of the talking, even though neither the manager or the mayor have a vote when it comes to setting policy and appropriating money.

While the public is welcome to attend the upcoming meetings at the police department meeting room, public comment will not be entertained. Town residents can, of course, speak with their representatives prior to the meetings.

In August, Syons suggested the meetings could be a "little controversial," and said reorganization of the management of the town's two museums — the Port O Plymouth and the Maritime Museum — were an objective.

There was no mention of the museums in last week's conversation, but Syons cited several other potential subjects for consideration — including the condemned structure at 101-103 East Water Street that remains barricaded nine months after it was determined by an engineer's inspection to be a threat to public safety.

Other possible initiatives mentioned last week were streetscape projects like trees or flowers and decorative or stylized sidewalks, a downtown convention center, waterfront enhancements, and pocket parks.

Syons cited multi-million-dollar underground infrastructure improvements underway on sewer and water systems, but said, "We want to do some serious planning on above-ground activities."

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of his knowledge and experience. "He will be a team player, and I was very impressed with his being able to utilize the resources around him

to make effective changes," McGlone noted. Less than a year on the job, Dr. Hill submitted his resignation as Bertie Schools Superintendent

during a special called meeting of the Board of Education on Aug. 28. It was noted he was leaving to accept a similar position in Pender County.

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tion's most significant growth. Including his prior service at another university, his presidential career will have spanned 32 years.

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Dr. White's tenure as

president ushered in a new era of growth and prosperity. When he arrived in July 2003 the school was in dire financial straits. Under his leadership, Chowan emerged with financial strength, completing every fiscal year comfortably in the black. Both the enrollment and the endowment more than doubled, with enrollment currently exceeding 1,500 students for the third consecutive year. For a period of eight years a new enrollment record was set each year, earning Chowan recognition by a

national survey as one of the fastest-growing universities in the nation. The size of the campus almost doubled and every existing building was completely renovated. Twelve new buildings were constructed, including the nine-building student apartment complex named Whites Crossing by the trustees in honor of Dr. and Mrs. White and their families. The academic program was upgraded to University status and the current facility is arguably the best

prepared in the institution's history. The intercollegiate athletic program was upgraded to NCAA II and competes successfully in the CIAA and Conference Carolinas. Dr. White is convinced that a significant part of Chowan's resurgence has been an emphasis on the University's Christian values. In that vein, the recruiting slogan Faith in your Future embodies the spirit and essence of Chowan University. "I look forward this new phase in my career and an-

tiptate continued growth and transformation," Dr. White said. "My focused attention on fundraising efforts will be absolutely necessary as Chowan embarks on the next 170 years." Rose is enthusiastic about the recent growth of Chowan University and also the prospects for the future. "We are delighted that Dr. and Mrs. White will continue to be part of the Chowan family," he said. "He is not retiring, he will merely transition from

one role to another." As Chancellor, Dr. White will advise the president, work closely with the Development Office in securing major gifts, and continue to be a goodwill ambassador for the University in the region. Work will begin immediately to select the next president of Chowan University. Dr. White will remain as President until the new leader is identified and will assist the Board of Trustees as requested throughout the transition process.

ORDINANCE:

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a residence on Roundtree Lane near Gateville. That dog's death sparked outrage on social media across the United States and prompted questions about what was termed as "loopholes" in the county's ordinance.

On Aug. 2, local citizens and one official from PBTA pleaded with the Commissioners to strengthen a county ordinance dealing with animal welfare. More specifically, the group wants to end the use of allowing dog owners to use a tethered chain on dogs in areas as well as exact more stringent regulations dealing with providing proper shelter, water and food to

animals. The issue was addressed by the Commissioners last week.

"At our last meeting there were a number of speakers who came forward concerning an incident that occurred in our county and we were also presented a petition (one calling for the ordinance changes)," stated Linda Hoffer, Chair of the Commissioners.

"We read the petition and we've gone back over the ordinance," Hoffer continued. "We've done some research and at this time I would like to propose we hold a work session to go over this ordinance. I think there are areas (in the ordinance) that we need to update, or revise, or tweak. We need to make sure that ordinance

is doing what it's supposed to do. Certainly we do not want any animal abused or neglected."

Hoffer put a motion on the floor to hold the work session. Commissioner Ray Freeman offered a second. "If we do this, we need to make sure it's well advised," said Jack Owens, Commission Vice Chairman.

Hoffer further suggested having animal experts offer their opinions on the matter.

"We need to get the ball rolling on this and get this ordinance finalized," Hoffer said.

Her motion to hold a special work session was approved without objection.

Following the meeting, two animal welfare advo-

cates thanked the Commissioners for their willingness to address the ordinance.

"Thank you for understanding the importance of animal welfare," said Carol Whitt. "I want to ask you, the Commissioners, to please contact folks outside the community that are very animal savvy."

Whitt suggested seeking advice from the Dogs Deserve Better group, an organization based in Smithfield, VA that on its website lists part of its mission as "to provide a better life for abused, neglected and abandoned canines; especially those which are chained or penned without human companionship." She also suggested the Pitt County Humane Society as a source of good information.

"There are also two amazing Animal Control officers in Hertford County that you can reach out to," Whitt added. "They can give you some great information."

"Again, I think this board for sharing the passion. I hope we can move forward and become a very humane county when it comes to our pets," she said.

Whitt said a strong ordinance will hold individuals responsible for their irresponsible, cruel, neglectful actions and not giving them any loopholes in the ordinance. Tracey Lubowski, Facilities Manager for Dogs Deserve Better, said she felt a need to speak about the county's Animal Control Ordinance. "We are a national res-

cue for chained and penned dogs and I personally work with Animal Control officers throughout the United States each day," Lubowski stated. "I've learned that a chained dog is three times more likely to bite a person. I've also learned that the pit bull breed is a money-maker for its owner."

She said it all boils down to how a dog is treated. "Are they treated as lawn ornaments that you don't want inside your home, or are they treated as a family pet," she asked. "Dogs just want to be loved. Anything we can do to help, please just ask."

Hoffer said any action taken to change the ordinance, after the work session, will require a public hearing.

SOLARFARM:

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even though it falls outside the town limits. Cyprus Creek Renewables, who have built a multitude of solar farm projects all over North Carolina and in several other states, is the company that will construct and maintain the solar farm.

Attorney Mike Fox appeared before the Council on behalf of Cyprus Creek to explain their position. In his introductory summary he mentioned several points in favor, solar farms are permitted under the property's current zoning, there shouldn't be negative impact on property values based on studies conducted by a certified appraiser, it's near already existing electrical infrastructure, and it doesn't produce odors or noise.

"These types of solar farms don't have any kind of storage on them," he continued. "There's no batteries or anything like that that could potentially leak anything toxic. All the energy that's produced from these solar farms go right into the main grid that the electric company uses and is distributed primarily locally."

Council member Hal Thomas had a number of questions for both Mike Fox and Steve Evans, one of the managers of the solar project also in attendance at the meeting. Thomas' first question was regarding the map distributed to the Council members. Both he and Councilman Bill Theodorakis were concerned that it looked like the solar farm perimeter infringed on the neighboring property line.

"I can assure you we're not building on anybody else's property," Fox answered, citing an error with superimposing the outline onto the map to make it appear closer than it actually will be.

Fox also verified that all equipment structures are required to be at least 50 feet from all other property owners and 100 feet from any residence.

"We don't want to create a problem for anybody," Fox said. "Our experience doing a lot of these across the state, it's very possible to be good neighbors."

Thomas also asked about the vegetative buffer that is supposed to surround the farm and block it from view.

Additionally, Theodorakis wanted to know whether the buffer would encompass the entire perimeter.

"We come in and we use plants and trees that are native to the area that have the best chance of living and growing," Fox answered while adding an alternative yes to Theodorakis' concern.

Evans added later in regards to the same subject that the vegetative buffer is supposed to be 20 feet high, and they will also erect a six-foot fence with barbed wire for security purposes.

Continuing his line of questioning, Thomas asked about the need for additional poles or lines to connect to the grid and how big they might be. Evans answered they should not require additional pole lines outside of the few they need to connect breakers to, and those poles would be standard size. "We will not be bringing in three-or five lines outside of what is currently already on the property," Evans confirmed.

Evans also answered yes to whether the solar farm would connect to the local grid or not.

Mayor John Hinton continued to facilitate discussion by asking if anyone in the audience wanted to speak in favor of the proposed solar farm. The property owner and her daughter both briefly spoke about why they would like their request granted, and said they appreciated Council's consideration.

Hinton then asked for comments from people opposed to the project. The neighbor whose house is closest to the proposed solar farm went before the Council to share her concerns.

"The map shows the project coming right to my property line. I am very pleased to hear that is not the case. I am also pleased to hear that they do not expect to have three-tier transmission lines because that was one of my big concerns as well," she acknowledged at the beginning of her remarks before continuing with the points she was still concerned about.

Water drainage was a main concern, which has been a problem on Coffin Road for years, she said. According to her, runoff from the property in question goes directly to the road, so she was concerned that the installation of the solar farm

might exacerbate the issue. Another concern she had was about maintenance of the vegetative buffer.

"If you'll look at some of the [solar] farms around that are visible from the road, they are not maintained. How can we depend on that," she asked. "What do they consider proper maintenance? It would like more information on that."

She continued by asking what would happen to the solar farm project if the company (Cyprus Creek Renewables) went out of business.

She also spoke on behalf of another neighbor who was unable to attend the meeting, citing concerns about property values and the condition of the ground if the solar farm is removed at a later date.

"I am opposed as probably anyone in here would be if it was coming up in your backyard. But I also understand that business is business. These are my concerns," she concluded.

Hinton allowed Fox the opportunity to address these concerns. The attorney explained that, in regards to the drainage issue, they were required by law to not cause additional drainage issues outside of ones that already exist. He also suggested that the solar farm may even improve drainage because grass underneath the panels should provide more ground cover than previous crops on the land.

Fox's answer to the maintenance issue was simply to remind everyone that with the conditional use permit, they're required to keep the buffer maintained or the permit will be revoked.

He also addressed the concern about the company staying in business by explaining that they're a "thriving industry and business." And if Cyprus Creek somehow did fold, he said any other company would be happy to come in and take over, and that the scrap value for the material is quite high.

A few citizens in attendance also spoke in opposition to the solar farm, citing concerns about the growing amount of these solar projects surrounding the town.

The mayor also asked for the town's Planning Board recommendation. The Board said they were leaving it in the hands of the Council, but that they did not vote in favor of the proposed project.

Patricia Harris, the new member of the Planning Board, spoke briefly about why she was opposed, explaining she didn't believe the solar farm would bring revenue to the town. There was a bit of discussion between Harris and Councilman Theodorakis on that point. Theodorakis argued

that the people constructing and maintaining the solar farms spend money within the town, and therefore is beneficial to overall economic development.

Once both sides had finished presenting their positions, it was up to the Council to decide whether to grant the permit or not.

Councilman Thomas motioned to allow the permit on the condition that the solar farm would not create any additional water flow onto adjoining properties and that the vegetative buffer will be maintained. Theodorakis seconded the motion.

The vote was unanimously in favor of approval.

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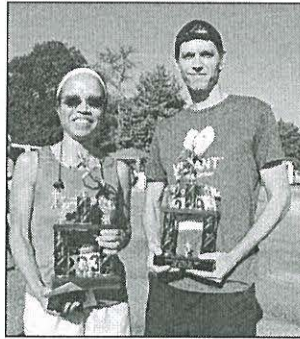
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LOCAL NEWS

Ahoskie hosts 14th annual Heritage Day festivities



LEFT: Capturing the top overall female and male titles at the Ahoskie Heritage Day 5K Run on Saturday were Eula Beasley of Edenton (with a time of 27 minutes and 39 seconds) and James Shafer of Ahoskie (19:49). RIGHT: Local performers took to the Ahoskie Amphitheater stage to perform during the Gospel Explosion show at Heritage Day.



LEFT: Members of the Ahoskie Police Department staged a demonstration that involved its K-9 unit.

RIGHT: An entry in the Heritage Day parade and an onlooker standing on the curb off Main Street exchange waves on Saturday morning.



Members of the local Meherrin Indian Tribe invited the public to join with them in performing a traditional Native American dance routine.



The horn section of Steve Owens and Summertime fills the Saturday night air with the sound of music. The popular group closed out the 2017 Ahoskie Heritage Day with a three-hour show.

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Making Saturday school fun

• **ANNUAL KIPP Fall Festival** held Saturday
• **COMMUNITY** sponsors helped fund attractions
• **ATTRACTIONS** included dunk tank, face painting

BY JOHN DIXON
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School on a Saturday may sound like a child's worst nightmare, but KIPP Gaston College Preparatory provided an antidote to the blues with its annual fall festival.

Since 2011, KIPP has held the festival during

one of its two Saturday school sessions.

"It's for parents and students and teachers and the whole community," said Michelle Smithman, director of special projects for KIPP ENC. "Anyone can come."

This year, the event boasted bounce houses, face painting and, for the first time, a rock climbing wall.

There was also a dunk tank staffed by a rotating slate of KIPP staff members. The attractions were

made possible through partnerships with local sponsors including Daughtridge Gas, Redwine's Garage, New Dixie Oil and Rightmeyer Construction, among others. Tammy Sutton, founder of KIPP Eastern North Carolina and co-founder of KIPP Gaston College Prep, extended thanks to the sponsors and volunteers for making the festival a possible each year, adding the purpose of the festival is to help build a community among

students, parents and staff.

Students attending the event had uniformly positive thoughts to share.

"It's awesome," said 5th grader Ehlana Pittard. "I love it, it's the best."

5th grader Brenna Swindells said she was particularly fond of the dunk tank.

"It's great, we get to see our teachers fall in the water."

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More than 50 museums to receive grants

RALEIGH (AP)—More than 50 science centers across the state will soon be receiving grant awards as part of the second year of the North Carolina Science Museums Grant Program.

The program, which awards \$2.39 million in grants, is one of the ways that the state of North Carolina invests in sustaining and advancing the nationwide network of science museums.

Grants were awarded based on criteria that promote the priorities of state government, with a primary goal of enhancing science, technology, engineering and mathematics education opportunities for the public, particularly in low resource communities.

Awards ranging from \$15,000 to \$75,000 will be applied to the 2017-2018 fiscal year budgets of these science centers. Of the state's 100 counties, the 40 most economically distressed counties received the largest awards.

Auto bliss with White Motors drawing

• **READY.** Set. Win! Muscle Car Raffle drawings held Saturday
• **THREE** top prizes went to out of area ticket buyers
• **PROCEEDS** go to local chambers of commerce

BY JOHN DIXON
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One lucky ticket buyer was up to their eyeballs in automotive bliss as the Ready, Set, Win! Muscle Car Raffle came to a close Saturday afternoon.

Since February tickets have been on sale for the raffle, which had a top prize of a 2017 Dodge Challenger Hellcat, 2017 Ford Mustang GT350 Shelby and 2017 Chevrolet Corvette. Second prize was \$20,000, and third was \$5,000 and free oil changes for a year. Halifax County Sheriff Wes Tripp made

the drawings for the three top prizes.

All three prizes went to buyers from outside the Roanoke Valley, with third prize going to Charlotte, second to Arizona and the grand prize of the three vehicles to Indiana.

The raffle drawing was initially planned for several weeks earlier but was delayed to facilitate the sale of all 3,000 available tickets. Lawrence White of White's Motors said roughly 2,200 tickets were sold outside the Roanoke Valley.

"We're going to make it an annual fundraiser event for a local 501(c)(3)," White said.

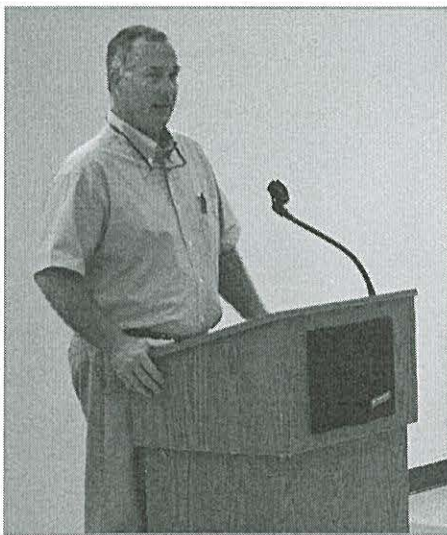
This year, proceeds from the tickets sales went to the three area chambers of commerce, Roanoke Valley, Northampton and Lake Gaston. Jim Trzinski, Roanoke Valley Chamber of

Commerce president, extended thanks to the organizers of the raffle for the hard work and encouraged residents to stop in and say thank you even if they did not purchase a ticket.

"It's really important businesses come together to support the local chambers," he said. Judy Collier, executive director of the Northampton County Chamber of Commerce called the fundraiser "extraordinary" and said she did not think anything like it had been done before.

"We could not have done it without teamwork," she said. Proceeds from the event will be split evenly among the three chambers after expenses and prizes are deducted.

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Paul Heaton of Heaton Construction Inc. of Roanoke Rapids on Monday morning reveals it will take eight to 10 months to complete the regional office, which begins construction Q2 of 2018. Heaton said he learned his company won the bid about 10 days ago.

PIPELINE: Work can start in the spring

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tage to us."

Heaton said construction may take eight to 10 months, and with the window of time before construction work begins, his company can conduct preliminary work. And though his company is in Roanoke Rapids and he lives in Halifax County, McKay doesn't live far.

"They say that I'm in Halifax County not Northampton, but where I live, I can hit a golf ball into Northampton County across the river," he said.

As for the actual compressor station, McKay said they will announce who will be working on it in about a week. McKay said he expects

the site to be operational by the end of 2019.

Members of the Northampton County Board of Commissioners expressed their gratitude for the project at the event.

The ACP—a project costing about \$5 billion and spanning 600 miles—will provide lower energy costs, energy security and new jobs in the area once it's completed, officials say. The ACP, which is made possible through a collaboration between Dominion, Duke Energy, Piedmont Natural Gas and Southern Gas Company, will generate \$762,500 and \$1.6 million in annual tax payments to Halifax and Northampton counties, respectively.

officials report.

The underground pipeline will take gas from West Virginia, Eastern Ohio, Western Pennsylvania and bring it down through North Carolina, almost reaching South Carolina.

McKay said there will be about 20 new jobs between the compressor station and regional office. He said the company is excited to begin.

"We're nearing the time where you do what you've been talking about doing for several years," McKay said. "It's an important project, and will have a lot of benefits, and we're looking forward to it."

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BUSINESS

REGIONAL STOCK REPORT Stocks mostly up

Name (symbol)	Friday Close	Week Change
Abbott (ABB)	51.76	-0.59
BBT (BBT)	44.14	-0.35
Cummins (CMI)	105.24	+3.66
CSX (CSX)	52.48	+1.02
Caterpillar (CTL)	18.96	+0.38
Duke Energy (DUK)	87.28	-0.36
Lowe's (LOW)	77.99	+0.05
Merck (MRK)	66.19	+1.22
Pfizer Inc. (PFE)	35.36	+1.27
PNC Bank (PNC)	128.19	+5.19
RBC (RY)	75.50	+0.50
Wells Fargo (WFC)	51.66	+1.66

COURTESY: WES STRANDBERG, EDWARD JONES
WALLMART (WMT)

SAN FRANCISCO SoFi CEO is out immediately amid sexual harassment

Social Finance, a privately held online lender and technology startup, said Friday that Mike Cagney would step down immediately as chief executive, accelerating a departure announced this week amid a sexual harassment scandal.

The board of the company, which is based in San Francisco and known as SoFi, said that Tom Hutton, the executive chairman, would be the interim chief executive and would take over day-to-day management responsibilities. Hutton, an initial SoFi investor, has been on the SoFi board since 2012.

"The business is strong, stable and well-positioned," Hutton said in a statement. "For now, there is no more important work than paving the way for future success by building a transparent, respectful and accountable culture."

Cagney, 46, said in a letter on Monday that he would leave his position at the end of the year amid a sexual harassment lawsuit, accusations that he had inappropriate relationships with company employees and questions about whether he had skirted risk around compliance controls.

He did not respond to a request for comment.

SoFi was founded in 2011 and bundles money from Wall Street investors into loans for students, homebuyers and others.

ROCKY MOUNT Tobias hired at Nash UNC Health Care

Nash UNC Health Care has hired Rocky Mount native Dorsey Tobias as director of marketing and communications to replace long-time director Jeff Hedgepeth, who recently announced his retirement.



TOBIAS

Tobias most recently managed national public relations for PNC Bank's asset management group.

Tobias holds a bachelor's degree in journalism and mass communication from the University of North Carolina-Chapel Hill.

She is actively involved in the local community, including leadership of the Twin Counties regional marketing and communications campaign.

Businesses away from storms feel impact

BY JOYCE M. ROSENBERG
Associated Press

NEW YORK—Texas and Florida are usually the biggest markets for ReelSonar's fishing devices and apps. But recreation is not a priority right now—and may not be for a while—in the states amid the devastation left by Hurricane Harvey and Hurricane Irma.

Though ReelSonar is based in Seattle, thousands of miles from the damage, it is feeling an impact from the storms. It is the same for many small businesses with lots of customers or suppliers in disaster areas. Sales drop off as people and businesses prepared for the hurricanes, and are likely to stay down as everyone assesses and deals with



Alex Lebedev, right, owner of ReelSonar, holds one of his company's products as he poses for a photo with co-workers at ReelSonar's headquarters in Seattle, Wednesday.

the damage. "When you're trying to put your life back together, fishing becomes secondary," said ReelSonar owner Alex Lebedev.

He does not know yet how much his revenue will be hurt, but had an

inkling from Amazon.com, where sales are down 70 percent from a year ago. His products are also sold in hundreds of sporting goods and camping stores in Texas and Florida. One saving grace is that the fishing season

is not at its peak, and Lebedev is hoping to make back his lost sales during the holiday shopping season.

Companies that suffer losses because of a far-off disaster are not eligible for federal disaster aid the way businesses nearby might be. And most small businesses are unlikely to have the expensive and specific kind of business insurance that would cover them in such cases.

Many small businesses whose suppliers have been hurt by the storms are in limbo while they wait to hear how long it will take vendors to be able to send out merchandise or parts. Some companies may have to find alternative vendors.

The Critter Depot, based in Lancaster, Pa., sells live

creatures like crickets and worms to feed reptile pets and has as a main supplier a farm in Oklawaha, Fla. The farm shut down operations as Irma approached, and suffered extensive damage.

Critter Depot owner Jeff Neal has had to tell some customers that they could not get their shipments. Reptile owners tend to buy 100 crickets at a time, and feed their pets about 20 crickets a day, supplementing their diet with worms.

"They still have to feed their pets, so they're going to look elsewhere," Neal said.

Though he knew before the storm he would lose some sales, he is offering customers a 50 percent discount to encourage them not to abandon his com-

pany permanently. And even though other suppliers do not give him as good a deal, he is turning to backup sources until his Florida vendor is up and running again. He expects the storm to cost him as much as \$6,000.

Harvey and Irma have sent sales at Promos On Time down as much as 40 percent since Labor Day, compared to 2016 business. The company, which sells pens, mugs, baseball hats and other giveaways and knick-knacks, has lost orders as customers along the Gulf Coast and in Florida canceled events.

"Texas and Florida combined probably account for 10 to 15 percent of our revenue," said Michael Lerner, owner of the Mineola, N.Y.-based company.

Execs leaving following breach

By KEN SWEET
Associated Press

NEW YORK—Equifax announced late Friday that its chief information officer and chief security officer would leave the company immediately, following the enormous breach of 143 million Americans' personal information. It also presented a litany of secu-

rity efforts it made after noticing suspicious network traffic in July.

The credit data company said that Susan Mauldin, who had been the top security officer, and David Webb, the chief technology officer, are retiring from Equifax. Mauldin, a college music major, had come under media scrutiny for her qualifications in security.

Equifax did not say in its statement what retirement packages the executives would receive.

Mauldin is being replaced by Russ Ayers, an information technology executive inside Equifax. Webb is being replaced by Mark Rotwasser, who most recently was in charge of Equifax's international technology operations.

PUBLIC RECORDS

INSPECTIONS

The Nash County Health Department conducted sanitation inspections at the following sites from Sept. 5-11. Letter grades are based on points: 90 to 100 A; 80 to 89.5 B; and 70 to 79.5 C.

Church Street Grill, 121 W. Church St., Nashville; 95.

Golden Great Wall, 1936 Stone Rose Drive, Rocky Mount; 98.

Kentucky Fried Chicken, 2108 Stone Rose Drive, Rocky Mount; 99.

Mucho Mexico Sizzlin', 910 Eastern Ave., Nashville; 98.

Speedy Wok, 4312 Hathaway Blvd., Sharpsburg; 97.5.

Emily's Butcher Shop, 4578 Sunset Ave., Rocky Mount; 94.5.

Walmart deli, 1205 Eastern Ave., Nashville; 100.

Winstead Avenue Elementary School cafeteria; 99.1.

Winstead Ave., Rocky Mount; 100.

The Edgecombe County Health Department conducted sanitation inspections at the following sites from Sept. 6-12. Letter grades are based on points: 90 to 100 A; 80 to 89.5 B; and 70 to 79.5 C.

Abram's, 201 Hamlet St., Pine-top; 95.5.

Abram's, 609 Wilson St., Tarboro; 95.

China Eight, 1600 Howard Ave., Tarboro; 94.5.

Golden China, 135 Fairview Road, Rocky Mount; 93.

Jin Jin, 402 Main St., Tarboro; 92.5.

La Fiesta, 130 River Oak Drive, Tarboro; 97.5.

La Ranchita, 1600 W. Howard Ave., Tarboro; 99.5.

Lin's Super Buffet, 1406-F Western Blvd., Tarboro; 95.

The Prime Smokehouse, 207 E. Thomas St., Rocky Mount; 96.

Bulluck School cafeteria; 3050 Bulluck School Road, Rocky Mount; 98.5.

Princeton Elementary School cafeteria; 701 Panola St., Tarboro; 100.

INCORPORATIONS

The following entities were incorporated by the N.C. Department of State from Sept. 6-12. Listed are the company's name, the principal's address (unless otherwise indicated) and the type and date of incorporation.

B.E.R. Trading Company LLC; 2021 Cottage Way, Rocky Mount 27803 (registered agent); limited liability corporation; Sept. 6.

Magolia Counseling Center Inc.; 7161 Windy Court East, Bailey 27807; nonprofit agency; Sept. 6.

Matthews Family Mortgage LLC; 3240 Zebulon Road, Rocky Mount 27804 (registered agent); limited liability corporation; Sept. 7.

Saw Nutrition LLC; 6556 Howard Ave. Ext., Rocky Mount 27801 (registered agent); limited liability corporation; Sept. 7.

Services Labra Inc.; 1600 Howard Ave., Tarboro 27886 (registered agent); business corporation; Sept. 7.

ALU Trucking LLC; 1041 Kinchen Drive, Rocky Mount 27803; limited liability corporation; Sept. 8.

J.S. Bell Inc.; 1312 N. N.C. 58, Nashville 27856; business corporation; Sept. 8.

J.S. Properties LLC; 1313 N. N.C. 58, Nashville 27856; limited liability corporation; Sept. 11.

BUILDING PERMITS

The Nash County Inspections Department issued the following building permits from Sept. 4-8. Estimated value listed is that of the finished project.

Dieter Webb; 10460 Nade Road; single-family home; \$160,000.

Felicia Manning; 3422 Buffalo Ridge Court; single-family home; \$200,000.

Frank Brown; 149 N. Wilson St.; modular; \$136,415.

Jeff Benson; 11310 Camp Charles Road; single-family home; \$140,000.

Josh Garbisch; 9052 Driver Road; swimming pool; \$51,350.25.

Randall Howard; 5269 Daniel Drive; detached accessory; \$25,000.

Tara Rabitz; 808 Thornberry Court; single-family home; \$58,450.16.

Tara Rabitz; 804 Thornberry Court; single-family home; \$65,071.19.

Tara Rabitz; 809 Thornberry Court; single-family home; \$66,438.53.

Tara Rabitz; 801 Thornberry Court; single-family home; \$51,073.64.

Tara Rabitz; 800 Thornberry Court; single-family home; \$52,107.72.

Tara Rabitz; 812 Thornberry Court; single-family home; \$1,841.

Wesley Layton; 5563 Monmeyer Way; modular; \$159,894.

The Edgecombe County Inspections Department issued the following building permits from Sept. 7-13. Estimated value listed is that of the finished project.

Mikred Hines; 11976 N.C. 43 N.; Dollar General; \$331,900.

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This the 30th day of August, 2017.

NORTH CAROLINA UTILITIES COMMISSION

COMMUNITY

SHOWCASE

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what not to do as they prepare for the competitions.

Southern Nash Director Matthew Ray agreed, saying he felt the showcase was important because it was a chance for the bands to show the importance of the arts in school.

"For me, it's exciting to see everyone together here," Ray said. "It is awesome seeing the camaraderie between the bands. This event really promotes the power of the arts. I think it will really prepare us."

The gates did not open for Saturday's showcase until 6:30 p.m., but that didn't stop some people from showing up early. People waited almost an hour before gates opened in anticipation of the program.

Tammy Randle, band showcase chairwoman, hoped at least 500 people would attend Saturday's event.

Randle said that hope was surpassed as 800 people were recorded in attendance.

The bands' music echoing through the hushed,



TELEGRAM PHOTO / SARAH LOUVA
Northern Nash's Anna Tamiela, 14, plays the keyboard on Saturday at the Nash County Marching Band Showcase at Northern Nash High School.

late afternoon air was met with plenty of applause from the stands.

Nash Central, which opened the showcase, followed a group of soloists caught in a storm created by Poseidon and his daughter, Kymopoleia. Southern Nash presented a medley of hits from the Beatles and John Lennon in a show titled "Come Together."

Rocky Mount had its own intriguing steam punk showcase titled "Tick Tock." Northern Nash rounded out the afternoon with "The Promise of Spring."

The showcase featured music from Igor Stravinsky's "Rite of Spring," Aaron Copeland's "Appalachian Spring" and Antonio Vivaldi's "Four Seasons." It also included a modern composition from pop stars Justin Timberlake and Anna Kendrick.

While Saturday's event was not a competition, Randle recently said that consideration for a possible future competition has been discussed.



TELEGRAM PHOTO / SARAH LOUVA
Southern Nash's Takayla Blackmon, 15, sets up the drum set on Saturday at the Nash County Marching Band Showcase at Northern Nash High School.



TELEGRAM PHOTO / SARAH LOUVA
Rocky Mount High's Lochlyn Gamble, 27, practices playing the marimba before taking the field for the Nash County Marching Band Showcase on Saturday at Northern Nash High School.

DATA

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to co-develop pilots and programs that will address specific needs for parents and children ages pre-natal to four."

The two-part study also will examine how the recent flooding in Edgecombe County affected students and their out-

comes, Swanson said.

"There has been research on how natural disasters like Hurricane Katrina affected students, but it would be useful to understand how smaller scale natural disasters, especially in rural communities, impact students in schools," Swanson said.

"This could potentially be used as evidence for lobbying for funds or help better

understand and interpretations of accountability measures collected over the relevant time span."

Swanson said the study also will benefit the school district through access to Stanford researchers.

"Lack of us through federal funding, Stanford is able to provide data analysis services at no cost to the communities they work with. So our hope is

to connect these resources from Stanford to Edgecombe County and benefit our ability to support young children ages pre-natal to four before they enter kindergarten," Swanson said.

School board member Raymond Privott said he already has attended some meetings about the study and is excited to see the results.

"They do some intricate studies of kids from birth to age five and the trauma that happens in homes and the baggage that kids bring. And sometimes they don't get over those things and don't get any help for it," Privott said. "The trauma can be that of the child or the parent. Sometimes the parent's trauma has a lot to do with how they treat or would be unresponsive to the researchers."

lot to do with kids' cognitive development and learning styles. So it's pretty good." The researchers will study data from the 2011 school year and through the current year and will end in August 2019. Though most student data will be studied, Swanson stressed that the data do with how they treat or would be unresponsive to the researchers.

CLEANUP

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Park has to suffer."

Dates for the walk are set for Oct. 7, Nov. 4 and Dec. 2.

Environmentally-minded folks can show up early Oct. 7 and participate in the Two Counties Big Sweep Challenge.

The 8 a.m. event is a way for participants to clean up or improve sites at Battle Park, said Cor-

nelia McGee, coordinator for Keep America Beautiful of Nash and Edgecombe Counties.

Organizers will provide the necessary supplies for volunteers who should meet at the Battle Park boat ramp, located at the end of Battle Park Lane.

"When everybody gets involved, a few hours can make a big difference," McGee said.

To register for the Big Sweep Challenge or the Big Sweep, call McGee at

252-167-1900.

The nature walk is free and open to the public.

Anyone interested in the walk should meet in the Battle Park boat ramp parking lot.

In the event of rain, attendees should meet at Battle Park Shelter C. Battle Park is located at 1308 Falls Rd. The boat ramp parking lot and shelter C are located on Battle Park Drive.

For more information, call 252-972-1367.

MONK

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Theatre. Author Robin D.G. Kelley will have a book signing of his 2009 published book called "Thelonious Monk: The Life and Times of an American Original."

People also will be able to watch the 30-minute 1988 documentary of the life of the bebop pianist and composer called "Straight, No Chaser" that features live performances by Monk and his group and posthumous interviews with friends and family. Pamela Monk Kelley is scheduled to speak about the life and career of Thelonious Monk.

Kelley's parents were the last owners of the house where Thelonious Monk was born. Kelley's father was Thelonious Monk's cousin, Kelly and several of her relatives in the past have boarded a train from New Haven, Conn., to Rocky Mount to celebrate the family ancestry.

The day will continue with a Monk celebration from 6 to 8 p.m. at the Rocky Mount Mills, which will feature live entertainment by pianist Ernest Turner of Durham. It will conclude with the Monk 100th birthday jazz celebration from 7 to 10 p.m. at Thelonious Monk Plaza on the Douglas Block.

The IMPCDC's goal is to implement a cultural tourism economic development strategy that will

grow into an international festival because Thelonious Monk was known all around the world," Dickens said.

Bobby Monk, a cousin of Thelonious Monk, also will have a separate 100th year birthday celebration for Monk and a fundraiser event for his Monk statue project from 4 to 10 p.m. Oct. 6 at the DoubleTree hotel. The event will be presented by the Monk US Memorial Foundation.

There will be music by the Eddie Anderson Project and also other live musical performances. Eddie Roy, operations director and vice chairman of the N.C. Music Hall of Fame Museum, will be the guest speaker. Tickets for the

event are \$25.

For the past few years, Bobby Monk has been looking to raise funding to help erect a \$255,000 life-sized bronze statue of Thelonious Monk, and his original goal was to have the project done for Monk's 100th birthday and placed in front of the Rocky Mount Train Station. He also has aspirations of starting a cultural center and museum featuring the work of Thelonious Monk in Rocky Mount.

"Those projects are going to benefit the city from a revenue standpoint and also be a tourism attraction to the city," Bobby Monk said. "I'm going to continue to push forward in making these projects happen."

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This is an addiction recovery program open for men and women.

The meetings are held at two locations:

The first and third Tuesday evenings of each month we meet at Oakdale Baptist Church's Family Life Center located at 1307 S.E. 64th Ave. W. Hwy in Rocky Mount.

The second and fourth Tuesday evenings we are at "The Peacemaker's Building" located at 1725 Davis Street in Rocky Mount. Every meeting begins at 6:30 PM with a free meal. We conclude by 8:00 PM each night.

This is free of cost!

For more information please call the church office at 252-442-6587. Come hear how others have been delivered and healed from addictions and find out what God says about your struggle! There is hope! There is L.I.F.E

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WEDDINGS

Fuller-Johnson

April Leigh Fuller became the bride of Dwight Wellons Johnson III of Cary on Saturday, April 22, 2017 in Apex.

The Rev. Jeanne Neal performed the double ring, 5 p.m. ceremony at The Oaks at Salem.

The bride is the daughter of Jim and Sylvia Fuller of Hurdle Mills. She is the granddaughter of the late Clarence and Christine Hurdle and Chizuko Francis.

The bridegroom is the son of Robert and Kar-Lynn Johnson of Leasburg. He is the grandson of the late Dwight Wellons Jr. and Wynona Johnson and Karr Winslow and Cynthia Farrell.

The bride, given in marriage by her father, Jim Fuller, wore a light gold tulle fit and flare gown with ivory lace appliques, frosted beading, a sweetheart bodice with embellished sheer straps, a scooped sheer lace back and a button back enclosure.

Her headpiece was a finger-ring illusion veil.

The bride carried a hand-tied bouquet of cream roses, blue and white hydrangeas and seeded eucalyptus.

The matron of honor was the sister of the bride, Leslie O'Brian of Apex.

Bridesmaids were sister of the bridegroom Frances-Kate Johnson of Greenville, Allison Grove, Hannah Standish and Thanh Tran, all of Raleigh and Ashley Hopchak of Seaside, California.

Attendants were Kaitlin Carpenter of West Jefferson and Sherrie Jumper of Leesville, South Carolina.



Mr. and Mrs. Dwight Wellons Johnson III (April Leigh Fuller)

The bridesmaids wore cornflower blue floor-length chiffon gowns and carried bouquets of white hydrangeas.

Also in the wedding was the couple's English bulldog Humphrey as ring bearer escorted by brother-in-law of the bride, Michael O'Brian.

Best man was father of the bridegroom, Robert Johnson of Leasburg.

Groomsmen were Cory Puryear of Cary, Christopher Hall of Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, Kenneth Hamlin of Wilmington and Ian Sanders and Andrew Steinhauer, both of Raleigh.

Cellist Scott Laird and

keyboardist Kyle Farrell provided music for the ceremony.

A reception was held immediately following the ceremony at The Oaks at Salem in Apex.

The honeymoon destination was Ochos Rios, Jamaica.

The bride is a graduate of Person High School and North Carolina State University. She is employed at Rho, Inc. in Chapel Hill.

The bridegroom is a graduate of Person High School and the University of North Carolina. He is employed with Piedmont Service Group in Raleigh.

The couple will reside in Cary.

SHOWERS AND PARTIES

Bride-elect honored with bridal shower

A bridal shower was held in honor of Caroline Jillian Strickland, bride-elect of Randall Kenneth Carver II, on Sunday, Sept. 3 at The Gathering Place in Uptown Roxboro.

Janet and Mackenzie Clayton hosted the event.

The bride-elect was presented a corsage of pink roses.

Among the approximately 50 guests were the parents of the bride-elect, Charles and Jill Strickland; mother of the prospective bridegroom, Lynette Carver; and grandparents of the bride-elect,

Arthur and Gloria Oakley and Lucia Strickland, all of Roxboro.

The couple plans to marry in a 3:30 p.m. ceremony on Oct. 14 in the chapel of Long Memorial United Methodist Church in Roxboro.

Couple honored with shower, luncheon

A bridal shower was held for bride-elect Whitney White Rogers and prospective bridegroom J. Taylor Malpass on Sunday, Aug. 13 in Roxboro at the home Jan Holtsclaw, who hosted the event along with Andrea Malpass and Linda Malpass.

The bride-elect was presented a corsage of sweetheart roses.

Among the approximately 30 guests were the mother of the bride-elect, Wendy Yarboro of

Roxboro; parents of the prospective bridegroom, Ann and Chris Malpass of Goldsboro and grandmother of the prospective bridegroom, Jan Holtsclaw of Roxboro.

The couple was honored with a luncheon held at the Homestead Steakhouse on Sunday, Sept. 10.

Tommy and Ann Lawrence and Jay and Nancy Neville hosted the luncheon.

The bride-elect was presented a corsage consisting of a white rose with baby's breath.

Among the 10 guests were Wendy Yarboro, Ann and Chris Malpass and Jan Holtsclaw.

Also, on Sept. 8, after school, a get-together by staff was held at Northern Middle School.

The couple plans to marry on Saturday, Sept. 30 in a 5:30 p.m. ceremony to be held at Concord United Methodist Church in Roxboro.

Horseback riding trip planned

The Recreation, Arts, and Parks Department will sponsor a horseback riding trip on Saturday, Oct. 7 to Reba Farm Inn located in Bedford, Virginia in the Blue Ridge Mountains.

The ride will last approximately two hours following trails at the location.

Participants will be matched with a horse ap-

propriate to riding skills and will take a short riding lesson.

This trip is open to youth ages 10 and up and adults.

The van will depart the Recreation Department at 7 a.m. on the morning of Oct. 7 and will arrive at approximately 9:30 a.m. and should return by 5 p.m.

The cost of the trip is

\$55 and includes transportation and the trail ride.

Participants will need to bring their own lunch; coolers will be provided.

Those interested must register at 303 S. Morgan St. Monday through Friday from 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. The registration deadline is Sept. 29.

For more information, call 597-1755.

PCC to offer Advanced Microsoft Word 2016

Piedmont Community College (PCC) will offer an Advanced Microsoft Word 2016 course on Sept. 30 - Oct. 28. The class will meet on Saturdays from 8 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. on PCC's Person County campus.

This advanced level course will enable participants to maximize the features and uses of Microsoft Word while learning about sharing and securing documents, working with macros, and integrating Word with Excel, PowerPoint, and the web.

Join the class if you

are interested in being engaged with hands-on learning as you apply concepts to create relevant document examples.

The Advanced Microsoft Word 2016 course registration fee is \$70, along with the estimated cost of the textbook of \$54 (available for purchase at the PCC Bookstore).

In order to save your seat, the registration fees must be paid by Thursday, Sept. 28. Register by calling PCC's Workforce Development Team at (336) 322-2156.

Defensive Driving Course offered

Qualified drivers may earn the opportunity to receive a reduction on a traffic infraction by completing the National Safety Council's Defensive Driving course offered by Piedmont Community College (PCC). The next defensive driving class will be held on Tuesday, Oct. 3, 6 to 10 p.m. at PCC's Caswell County campus located at 831 Piedmont Drive in Yanceyville.

The registration cost is \$99 and payment is required to reserve a space in the class. Register by Sept. 28 by calling (336) 599-0032.

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DOCKET NO. E-22, SUB 646

BEFORE THE NORTH CAROLINA UTILITIES COMMISSION

In the Matter of
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NORTH CAROLINA UTILITIES COMMISSION

EDC considers shifting meetings

BY BILL WILLCOX
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The Person County Economic Development Commission will consider meeting fewer times a year, and changing its meeting location.

Person County Economic Development Director Stuart Gilbert brought up the idea of meeting fewer times annually, but the board did not take any action. It will be on the agenda for discussion and a possible vote at the November meeting.

Currently the board meets once a month, but Gilbert suggested the board meet only in January, March, May, June, August and November, with special meetings scheduled as needed.

Gilbert said the reduced schedule would make it easier for all members of the board to be present, and provide the opportunity for board members to focus more on each meeting. Also, the schedule would reduce the workload for staff.

There was also discussion on possible alternative meeting sites for the EDC. Currently the board meets in the Person County Tax Office. EDC Chairman David Newell said after the meeting he would like to continue to meet there, but also expressed openness to meeting at Piedmont Community Col-

lege in the future, after PCC President, and ex-officio board member, Pamela Senegal, offered the site.

"PCC is glad to host the meetings," she said. "We will provide the technology, the data projector and the computer. Whenever you want to come to the campus you are welcome to."

Newell accepted the offer.

"We are going to meet there next month and if we like it, we might do it on a regular basis," Newell said.

The Oct. 24 meeting, 4 p.m. at Piedmont Community College, Room S-100 is a special meeting where more space is required for additional city and county staff and the public. The November meeting has been scheduled for 4 p.m., Nov. 28, at the Person County Tax Office. The December meeting is not yet set, because according to the regular schedule of meeting the fourth Tuesday of the month, that date would fall on Dec. 26, which is a city and county holiday. The meeting may be canceled or rescheduled.

Sherry Wilborn, an administrative assistant for the county's Economic Development Department, discussed new places where the EDC board could meet.

"I have looked at other locations in the four years I have been here," she said. "There are a lot of com-

ponents that go into an adequate space for those meetings."

The meeting room needs adequate size, (it must) have access to staff and the public, confidentiality and a certain level of support from the hosting location.

Considering county facilities only, she had looked at the county auditorium, the cooperative extension kitchen, the commissioners' room, the FEMA room, the library, the Senior Center, the Kirby upstairs conference space, the courthouse, the health department classroom and the Roxboro Police Department training room.

She narrowed the list down to three but each had issues. The police department training room was used for the Citizen's Police Academy for 12 weeks, which, because the EDC meetings were moved to Tuesdays, could displace the EDC for up to three months. The Health Department classroom had an unusual configuration of space, no additional seating for the public, and because the department closes at 4:30 p.m., no support from staff after that.

Continuing at the Person County Tax Office requires a lot of support from Tax Administrator Russell Jones and his staff, which is a lot to ask from someone who is not participating in the meetings, she said.

MEIGGS: Roxboro competition winner

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Jenna Clayton. Madison Satterfield was named second runner up. The third runner up was Emmey Cobb and Payton Krause was named fourth runner up.

The contestants took part in preliminary competitions prior to Saturday night's pageant. The following contestants were among the top finishers.

In fitness, the finalists were Meiggs, Clayton, Bailey Furrow, Hayley Smith and Cobb.

In the self-expression category, finalists were Clayton, Lexi Bowen, Meiggs, Cobb and Madison Satterfield.

Finalists in the talent portion of the competition were Krause, Clayton, Meiggs, Marshae Bowie and Smith.

Judges interview finalists were Clayton, Bowen, Carrie Suttle, Madalynn Bailey and Meiggs.

Scholastic achievement finalists were Cobb, Carlee Hawkins, Bailey, Bowen and Clayton.

The overall scholastic competition went to Satterfield, while Jalen Blanks won the Young Entrepreneur Award. Furrow was named winner of the Young Leadership Award and Cobb and Hawkins were named

winners of the Be Your Best Self Award. Bowen won the Sarah Elizabeth Morton Spirit Award.

As the overall winner, Meiggs received \$4,200 in cash scholarships during the event, which was held at the Kirby Theater.

Meiggs, the daughter of John and Christie Meiggs, will travel to Greensboro in January to take part in personal development activities and community service projects. She will also compete in the Distinguished Young Woman of North Carolina competition, in which she could

win additional scholarships. That event takes place Jan. 26-27, 2018.

Program chairs, Li-anna Slaughter and Allison Thomas, along with the rest of the DYW committee and the Roxboro Jaycees thanked the 23 participants of this year's program.

"It has been a pleasure working and getting to know each and everyone of them. We hope that this has been a positive experience for each of (them), building memories and friendships to last a lifetime," Slaughter said.

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HELENA: Grant prospects looking brighter

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chance to learn how the systems work.

"I've learned about how the solar panels get certain amounts of voltage depending on how much sunlight energy they're getting," said Bright Woody, a fifth-grader who has been in the environmental club since it formed in January 2016.

As the students shared their interest in solar energy with dinner guests, they got to practice environmentally-friendly methods.

"We got to recycle everything from the dinner," said Annie Adcock, a fifth-grade member of the club. "A lot of the stuff that we used was recyclable. We re-used cans and put flowers in them. I thought that was a good idea."

Along with reusing and recycling, the students also practiced the third of

the "Three R's of the Environment": reducing waste.

"We had a compost bin and put everything in there so basically nothing was wasted," added Davis Garrett, another fifth-grade club member.

Earth-conscious actions like these, the children believe, will be beneficial in the long run. "We need to use the environment

instead of polluting the earth," said Adcock. "We need to start using it for good things."

To support the club in its campaign, visit <https://my.ncgreenpower.org/groups/helena-elementary-school-913/campaigns/helena-elementary-school-is-fundraising-209> and click the "Donate Now" button.

CLOSING

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under the Lowes Foods and JustSave banners in North and South Carolina and Virginia.

The store fixtures and equipment are set to be auctioned off at 10:30 a.m. on Tuesday, Oct. 3.

Remaining tenants in the shopping center are Spaw Pet Grooming, Woody Village Barber Shop, GG Fashions, Wireless Express Communications, a Subway restaurant and Laundry Land laundromat.

CORRECTION

In Saturday's edition of The Courier-Times, a story about candidates in next month's municipal election incorrectly identified one of the candidates. Reggie Horton is a candidate for city council.

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Diane Spencer
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Subscribed to and sworn before me this 1 day of November, 2017.
My commission expires: 09/30/2020



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SOCIETY

Eye doctor has a vision for better vision

BY FRANCES JORDAN
For the Chowan Herald

The Rocky Hook Lions Club hosted Dr. Stephen Benkusky, O.D., on Thursday at their regular meeting at Noshley's Fanny Café. The Rocky Hook Lions Club's mission is helping the blind and visually impaired in Chowan County. Dr. Benkusky helped with that mission by providing more information about eyes and why it is so important to have annual eye exams. By getting an eye exam, it not only helps to get your vision checked and corrected, it also can determine other

diseases.

The retina is the only place in the body where blood vessels can be seen directly. This means that in addition to eye conditions, signs of other diseases (for example, strokes, heart disease, hypertension, and diabetes) can be seen in the retina. Early detection is essential so that successful treatments can be administered. Diabetes, Retinopathy, Diabetes affects the eyes and the kidneys and is a leading cause of blindness. Macular Degeneration (Increased Eye Pressure). The center of the retina can become diseased as a person

ages. Glaucoma: Causing damage to the optic nerve, glaucoma almost always develops without symptoms. Hypertension (High Blood Pressure): Increased pressure can result in changes to blood vessels in the eye, increasing the risk of cardiovascular disease (stroke or heart disease).

Another problem that can be detected with an eye examination is CATARACTS. A cataract is a clouding of the eye's natural lens that will occur with aging and other diseases. The only treatment is surgical removal of the cataractous lens and replacement with

an artificial lens implant. This surgery is performed in a hospital as outpatient surgery.

Benkusky stated that 1 in 20 preschool-aged children and 1 in 4 school-aged children have a vision problem. If not corrected, these problems may lead to permanent vision loss.

Some of these problems can be detected by the NC Lions Mobile Screening Van. The Rocky Hook Lions sponsors the FREE Screening Van annually and the next date will be May 30th from 10 a.m. until 4 p.m. at Roscoe's Parking Lot. In addition to sight screening, hear-

ing screening will also be available. The younger children can also be screened by the Vision Spot Screener. All children under 18 must be accompanied by a parent. The Vision Spot Screening Van should be available to test for Diabetes, Hypertension, etc. Dr. Benkusky will also be at the Van Screening. For the low income, help is available thru the LIONS CLUBS.

Benkusky was presented with a Certificate of Appreciation and a Rocky Hook Lions Club Pin.

Frances Jordan is secretary of the Rocky Hook Lions Club.



DR. STEPHEN BENKUSKY

Cinderella joins the military

BY GAY CHATHAM-MCCLELLAND
For the Chowan Herald

Princess Cinderella, cocktail dresses, formal, semi-formal, evening gowns, spangled with sequins, bows, lace, glittering buttons, in satins, silks, polka dots, stripes, solids, and sheer materials. They come in floor length, tea length, knee length, and even Oh My! length. They all are Cinderella dresses headed for

enlistment at the Seymour Johnson Air Force Base in Goldsboro, NC.

Edenton Tea Party Chapter, NSDAR member Elaine DeHart, Project Patriot

Chairman, is the Fairy Godmother behind these gorgeous Cinderella dresses. All these dresses were gathered and delivered as part of the DAR's Project Cinderella. This program gathers gently worn formal dresses and sends them to military wives. Once enlisted in the military they serve active duty as free dresses for military wives who need formal dresses for military balls and officer celebrations.

"Many young soldier's wives do not have the funds for retail shops," Project Patriot Coordinator, Member Georgiana Nelson said. "There are a lot of single soldiers that have daughters

that they can't buy a dress for, there are young wives who are enlisted wives who don't have money for special occasion dresses."

Edenton Tea Party chapter members brought 38 beautiful dresses to their October meeting. The Queen of Bling, member Shelby Strober brought an incredible 20 dresses, each prettier than the one before. Laughing Shelby confesses she has a LOT more closet space now!

Member after member carried armfuls of dresses to DeHart's car. Awe in high-heeled, midnight blue, navy, purple, yellow, black, and white. Harriet drove off

in a blizzard of feathers and rhinestones on her way to deliver the dresses to Katrina Balboa for the Seymour Johnson Air Force Base in Goldsboro, North Carolina.

Arriving at Balboa's home, Prince Charming was waiting. This particular Prince Charming is named Henry, the three-year-old son of Balboa. DeHart discovered that not only does Balboa have 2 sons but stores all the dresses in her spare bedroom!

But not for long. Balboa has hopes and dreams of finding a suitable building or store front where she can house these dresses and "job interview" clothes for military wives. Balboa explained that some of the women feel shy about coming in her house, so they stay at home. If she had a separate space, she feels more women would come. Balboa dreams of more than just racks and racks of glamorous gowns,



SUBMITTED PHOTO

Katrina Balboa and son Henry, aka Prince Charming, make the world a better place by providing formal dresses to military wives.

she envisions a shopping day complete with vendors and spa services: manicures, pedicures and hair stylists.

Cinderella Gowns, Fairy God Mothers, and Prince Charming everything you

need to create a Happy Ending for military wives, daughters and girlfriends everywhere.

Gay Chatham-McClelland is report for the Edenton Tea Party Chapter, NSDAR.

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may turn their heads when someone with a different skin color passes them on the street or in the grocery store.

"Though our nation has made great strides to reducing prejudice, there still exists for minorities that feeling best described as taking that deep breath, long sigh maybe, so as to be better able to mentally brace oneself when dealing with folks in the majority who may not necessarily share the same perspective.

Does anyone ever get annoyed when someone says, 'I have black friends,' as if that inoculates them from being racist. I always think about responding, 'Yeah, well...I've got white friends.' A better answer — 'I've got friends.' But that's the world we live in.

Anyway, minority or majority — people are always going to have different ways of navigating life's channels. However, it's the things that unite us naturally that makes for a better community. Aces' sports, Halloween candy.

The Ferabee twins said they felt at home while walking down a crowded street within African city. Moreover, the twins said they were treated as tourists, not judged by the color of their skin. That's something.

The twins talked about how their perceptions of Africa had changed. Growing up, they were taught about slavery, but not so much prehistory and modern history as to Africa. In essence, the twins learned from their research and travels that there is a lot more to the African experience than slavery, a whole gamut of culture and his-



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Shacons and Sherana Ferabee

lory that rarely makes the rounds either in the classroom or popular culture.

More or less, the twins said they were taught to think of Africa as a place of landscapes and tribes because that's how the media portrays the continent. Both ladies agreed that while these elements are a part of Africa, there is much, much more. They talked about cities teeming with life. Affluence. Men cars. Fast food. KFC. Signposts instead of huts. The sights and sounds of civilization — a far cry from common media portrayals. And that's something too.

When the Ferabee twins returned stateside, they shared their experiences via 'Africa Day' at the local Boys and Girls club. Their first-hand experiences most likely shaped some kids' perspective about Africa more than he/she would ever get

from television or movies. All in all, the Ferabee twins have made a difference on the lives of others by their willingness to pursue those questions about who am I and where do I come from? Much thanks for the interview.



African currency

FROM PAGE ONE

ELIZABETH CITY MUNICIPAL ELECTIONS, OCT. 10, 2017										
Candidate	PRECINCT/VOTES RECEIVED						Total votes cast	Percentage of total votes cast		
MAYOR	Candler	North	South	East	West	MA				
Sam Davis III	10	160	177	187	121	87	8	722		32%
Bette Parker	7	215	424	438	311	63	9	1,467		67%
Write-In (Miss)	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	5		1%
FIRST WARD										
Frank Caruso Jr.	4	3	14	116				137		11%
Billy Caudle	30	11	39	163				575		37%
Bridget Colbert	2	3	22	112				142		11%
Alice Redding	0	1	16	112				129		8%
Jessie Young	16	10	36	426				490		32%
Write-In (Miss)	0	0	1	2				3		1%
SECOND WARD										
Gabriel Adkins		104		17	16	31		258		28%
Paul Riggs		142		19	15	39		197		21%
Arnell Hummer II		183		25	35	25		231		25%
Tary Silvestri (I)		161		23	31	22		239		26%
Write-In (Miss)		1		0	0	0		1		1%
THIRD WARD										
Rickey King (I)				15	102	30		197		30%
Sam Spence				16	296	27		329		50%
Linwood Gallop				0	36	2		39		12%
Write-In (Miss)				1	129	9		139		20%
FOURTH WARD										
Jessie Young (I)				372				372		47%
Darius Hatten (I)				235				235		30%
Jason Gibbs				170				170		22%
Write-In (Miss)				11				11		1%
TOTALS INCLUDE ABSENTEE/ONE-STOP MAIL-IN VOTES (IN = INCUMBENT)										

PARKER

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School to vote, Zach Commander, a 1991 graduate of Northeastern High School, said he was going to vote for Parker because he knew her when she taught there.

"She has provided her dedication to the city and the community for years," he said.

Over at the Knobbs Creek Recreation Center, Second Ward voter Patrick Detwiler, 49, a marketing director, said he voted for Parker because he knew her from her prior service on the Albemarle Hospital Board of Commissioners, adding that he respects her experience as a teacher.

Pacing a classroom of unruly children is good preparation for maintaining order and decorum at council meetings, according to Detwiler.

"I think her experience in teaching children will help with City Council," Detwiler said.

A voter at Mt. Hermon precinct said he voted for Parker because he recalled her as "an awesome teacher" and described her as "a pillar of the community."

The voter also believes Parker was the best candidate to bring in often-divided council together.

"I think it'll be a change for the better" if she's elected, he said.

Another voter, Rebecca McKee, said she voted for Parker because they shared similar views.

"I'm a teacher myself, so I feel a lot of my ideals line up with hers," McKee said.

McKee also said she agreed with Parker's support for relocating Pasquotank County's Confederate monument; Davis has said the public should decide that issue.

Over at Pasquotank Elementary School, Third Ward voters Leslie and Carolyn Williams said they, too, voted for Parker.

A 60-year-old woman who voted in the 3rd Ward said she voted for Parker because of her experience as a teacher.

"She has been in the school system already," she said. "And plus I remember her from when I was growing up."

Voters who cast ballots for Davis said they did so because they knew him through personal connections. Others said they liked his generosity to others. Still other voters thought he'd be the best candidate to replace Peel, whom Davis lost to in the 2015 mayoral election.

Dot Lane, a First Ward voter and lifelong Elizabeth City resident, said she had voted for Davis, saying she's known him

since he was a young man working in his father's business, and she trusted his character and work ethic.

"He takes after his father," she commented.

First Ward voter Alvin Boone, a pastor at Melton Grove Baptist Church in Winfall, said he, too, voted for Davis. He recalled Davis coming to his church last year and, without making fanfare, donating to help a family buried out of their house.

Another voter said she voted for Davis for similar reasons, explaining she had seen him act selflessly on behalf of others numerous times.

"He's giving, thoughtful man," she said.

Second Ward voter

Pam Flowers backed Davis for mayor, saying "Peel has done a great job as mayor so I want to see the great job keep going."

Peel endorsed Parker for mayor but Flowers decided it was Davis who was best suited to continue Peel's legacy.

"I think he has a lot of the same beliefs that Joe Peel has and I think that's the way to move forward," she said.

One First Ward voter, who asked not to be named, said she planned to vote for Davis, whom she's known for many years.

A 50-year-old man who voted in the 3rd Ward said he was concerned about the local economy. He also voted for Davis.

SEATS

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final order of Stitzel's and Hummer's finishes in the race. Those votes could also determine whether one of them is eligible to call for a runoff election.

Returned to council for new terms were Fourth Ward incumbent Councilors Jolande Walton and David Horton winning 387 and 320 votes, respectively. Challenger Jason Gillis came in third with 185 votes.

Also returning are Third Ward incumbent Councilor Bickley King and Kom Spence, a former councilor who won election. Spence won 243 votes, followed by 197 for King. A late write-in effort for incumbent Councilor Michael Brooks appears to have failed, though write-ins won 129 votes, more than the 99 that challenger Linwood Gallop received.

Joining the council will be two new councilors in the First Ward, Camille Young and Billy Caudle, who defeated three other candidates to claim the two seats being vacated by Jean Baker and Ray Donnelly, both of whom chose not to seek re-election.

Young won 570 votes, followed by Young with 490. Challengers Bridget Colbert, Frank Caruso and Alice Redding each won less than half as many votes as Young. Both Caudle and Young had commanding leads among early voters; he collected 451 early votes while she garnered 308.

Total turnout for Tuesday's election was 18.2 percent. That's less than the



THOMAS J. TURNER/THE DAILY ADVANCE
Billy Caudle, who finished first in the race for two city council seats in the First Ward in Tuesday's municipal election, is shown campaigning outside the East precinct at River Road Middle School.

turnout two years ago when turnout was just under 20 percent.

Voters interviewed outside polling stations across the city on Tuesday gave a range of reasons for their choices. Most said they voted for candidates because they either knew them or believed they would move the city forward on a range of issues, including crime and drugs, utilities and youth activities.

Dot Lane, a First Ward voter and lifelong Elizabeth City resident, said the "biggest thing" the next council needs to work on is fighting drugs. She sees the problem every day, she explained after voting at River Road Middle School.

To handle that problem, Lane said she voted for Young for city council, explaining she knew Young well but not the other four candidates who ran. Lane said she knew and supported Young after helping her with the popular "Fright Nights" event hosted by the Fraternal Order of Police and the Po-

lice Athletic League.

Another First Ward voter, Beverly Powell, said she chose Colbert for council, though she also said she wasn't very familiar with the candidates. Whenever the voters elected, Powell said she wanted the next council to focus on lowering utility costs. Though electrical rates have gone down since a debt-purchasing deal with Duke Energy Progress, she just hasn't seen much savings in her bills, she said.

One First Ward voter, who asked not to be named, said she planned to vote for Caudle and Caruso for council. Both are active in the community, she said, adding Caudle's plans to be a neighbor of hers.

Rebecca McKee said she planned to vote for Caudle and was still deciding between Caudle or Young as her second choice. Citing Caudle's work at Arts of The Albemarle, McKee said she hoped he could help grow the city's downtown.

STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA UTILITIES COMMISSION RALEIGH DOCKET NO. E-22, SUB 546

BEFORE THE NORTH CAROLINA UTILITIES COMMISSION

In the Matter of
Application by Virginia Electric and Power Company, d/b/a Dominion Energy North Carolina Pursuant to G.S. 62-133.2 and Commission Rule R8-55 Regarding Fuel and Fuel-Related Costs Adjustments for Electric Utilities }
AMENDED PUBLIC NOTICE }

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the North Carolina Utilities Commission has scheduled a public hearing on an annual fuel and fuel-related charge adjustment proceeding for Virginia Electric and Power Company, d/b/a Dominion Energy North Carolina (DENC). The public hearing has been scheduled to begin Monday, November 6, 2017, at 1:30 p.m., in Commission Hearing Room 2115, Dobbs Building, 4300 North Salisbury Street, Raleigh, North Carolina. The proceeding is being held pursuant to the provisions of G.S. 62-133.2 and Commission Rule R8-55 for the purpose of determining whether an increment or decrement rider is required in order to reflect changes in the cost of fuel and fuel-related costs over or under the base fuel rate established for DENC in its last general rate case. Public witness testimony will be received in accordance with Commission Rule R1-21(g).

DENC filed an application and testimony relative to the subject matter of this proceeding on August 23, 2017. According to its application, DENC is requesting a total annual fuel revenue increase of \$15.2 million from the fuel and fuel-related costs currently in effect. Further, DENC proposes to make the fuel revenue increase effective for service on and after January 1, 2018.

DENC's proposed fuel revenue increase, including regulatory fee, would result in an increase of 0.360 cents per kilowatt-hour (kWh) for residential, outdoor lighting and traffic lighting customers; 0.358 cents per kWh for small general service and public authority customers; 0.354 for large general service customers; 0.348 cents per kWh for Rate Schedule NS customers; and 0.351 cents per kWh for rate schedule GVP customers. The net effect of this request would increase the monthly bill of a residential customer using 1,000 kWh of electricity by \$3.60. Specific information may be obtained from the Office of the Chief Clerk, North Carolina Utilities Commission, Raleigh, North Carolina, where a copy of DENC's application is available for review by the public, and on the Commission's website at www.ncuc.net.

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ISSUED BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION.

This is the 3rd day of October, 2017.

NORTH CAROLINA UTILITIES COMMISSION

The United Assembly of Christ

will be celebrating its 33rd Annual Holy Convocation. The Convocation will open

Sunday Oct. 15th at 3pm. at The Assembly of the Children of God Church, 310 Market St. Hertford, N.C. Services will convene nightly at 7:30p.m., Monday-Friday. Women's Day services will be Friday Oct. 20th at 11:00 a.m. and 7:30p.m. Sat. & Sunday services will be at 11 a.m. Host Pastor, Bishop McKinley Gilliam. All are welcome.

Thank You!

We would like to thank everyone who donated, worked, or helped in any way with our Jim "Catfish" Hunter ALS Walk on September 30th and the Jim "Catfish" Hunter ALS Softball Tournament on September 29 - October 1st, 2017.

Thanks to the Sheriff's Department and Sheriff Shelby White and the Police Department for lending and giving us police through the walk. Thanks to the Rescue Squad also. We want to thank the Pasquotank County Board of Education, Superintendent Matthew Chisenham of Pasquotank County Schools, and Wayne Price, Principal of Pasquotank High School for letting us use the school facilities. Thanks to Donald and Gina Hurdle and Ashley and Brad Stoop for all their hard work for the walk and breakfast. Our breakfast Sausage links are donated by Hickory Cross Poultry and are so delicious.

We had approximately 220 walkers and raised over \$26,000.00 this year. Thank you Team Captains for getting your walkers on your team and being there for ALS each year. Many thanks to all of our walkers and ALS patients who turned out for the walk. A special thanks goes to all of our T-Shirt Sponsors, Planters Ridge for donating the flowers for the walk, Stan Winslow for the Sunflowers and the Penguins Weekly for their coverage of the walk.

Thanks to everyone who baked, played, helped or donated to the ALS Softball Tournament. Captain Rob's did a great job with this lunch meal on Friday.

The Umpires deserve many thanks for volunteering their time. Joan Hunter, Gay Webb, and Keith Rountree did a great job. Thanks to all the ball teams and their sponsors for playing ball.

We could not have raised the money for our Walk without such a caring, sharing group of people in our area, and all over the United States.

Our money we raise from the Walk and The Softball Tournament will help support the ALS Clinic in Greenville, help with ALS patients' needs, wheel chairs, RIs and help with Research.

We are thankful that Jim Olson, Billy Baker, James Hall, Lynn Burnham and Jimmy Baker, who are battling ALS were there to cut the ribbon for our walk. Our prayers go out to all ALS Patients and their caregivers.

My family and I feel so blessed to be living in such a great area with such caring and loving people. Let us all pray for a Cause and Cure to be found for this terrible disease.

God Bless Each Of You!
The Jim "Catfish" Hunter ALS Foundation
and the Hunter Family

COURT REPORTS

Judge Edgar L. Barnes
Aug. 9

JUDGMENTS

■ Omar Brickhouse, disorderly conduct, 30 days suspended, 12 months supervised probation, pay \$200 fine and cost of court.

■ Inured Coleman, injury to personal property and assault on a female, 100 days active time.

■ Jack Dayle Gray, Jr., assault on a female, 75 days active time.

DISMISSALS

■ James Edward Barnes IV, possession of marijuana up to one half ounce.

■ David Stanley Mason, two counts assault on a female, possession of a weapon of mass destruction.

■ Michael Gary Mizmili, cyberstalking.

■ Terrill Tillet, disorderly conduct-school.

NOT GUILTY

■ Jack Dayle Gray, Jr., assault with a deadly weapon.

■ Diml Delmon Jones, attempted breaking/entering motor vehicle.

■ Clayton Rockwell, III, assault on a female.

Judge Robert Trivette
Aug. 16

JUDGMENTS

■ Eric Bruce Hewitt, misdemeanor larceny, 30 days suspended, 12 months supervised probation, pay \$100 fine and cost of court, and perform 36 hours of community service.

■ Ervin Javon Jones, six counts second-degree trespass, 16 days active time.

■ Thomas Aaron Williams, carrying concealed weapon, 45 days suspended, 12 months supervised probation, pay \$100 fine and cost of court, perform 36 hours of community service.

■ Jennifer Wilmouth, assault and battery, 30 days suspended, 12 months supervised probation, pay \$50 fine and cost of court.

■ William Thomas Wright, simple possession of Schedule VI controlled substance and possession of marijuana paraphernalia, pay \$25 fine and cost of court.

■ Lisa O'Quinn, possession of marijuana paraphernalia, pay \$25 fine and cost of court.

■ James Nathan Gatewood, four counts of assault on a female.

■ Artis Christopher Hinton, communicating threats.

■ Ervin Javon Jones, 25 counts of second-degree trespass, and resisting public officer.

■ Raheim Kee, unauthorized use of motor vehicle.

■ David Kretzer, possession of marijuana up to one half ounce and possession of marijuana paraphernalia.

■ Ronald Nicholas Morgan, assault on a female.

■ Lisa O'Quinn, simple possession of Schedule VI controlled substance.

■ Delene Judy Reed, simple assault.

Judge Amber Davis
Aug. 23

JUDGMENTS

■ Edward Seelino, possession of marijuana up to one half ounce, pay \$25 fine and cost of court.

■ Sonja Winstead, simple assault, 30 days suspended, 12 months supervised probation, pay \$50 fine and cost of court.

■ Angela Mattison, misdemeanor larceny.

■ Tavis Rakes Morgan, possession of marijuana paraphernalia.

paraphernalia.

Judge Eula E. Reid
Sept. 6

JUDGMENTS

■ Judith Arnold, carrying concealed gun, 30 days suspended, 12 months supervised probation, pay \$100 fine and cost of court.

■ Christy Pearce, simple assault, 60 days suspended, 12 months supervised probation, pay cost of court.

DISMISSALS

■ Kaniell Barnes, simple assault.

■ Christopher Reel, breaking and entering and injury to real property.

■ Shayla Nicole Small, possession of drug paraphernalia.

Judge Edgar L. Barnes
Sept. 13

JUDGMENTS

■ Michael Allen, domestic violence-protective order violations, 45 days active time.

■ Tonia Lynn Hassell, communicating threats, 45 days suspended, 12 months supervised probation, pay \$100 fine and cost of court.

■ Marcus Outland, unauthorized use of motor vehicle, 30 days suspended, 12 months supervised probation, pay restitution of \$1,200, remit cost of court.

■ Kristin Barcliff, misdemeanor larceny.

■ Able Leon Copeland, breaking or entering.

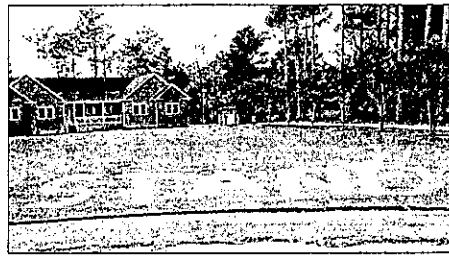
■ Nicholas Caston, communicating threats.

■ Milton Leach, possession of marijuana up to one half ounce, possession of marijuana paraphernalia.

■ McKinley Leroy, possession of marijuana with intent to sell/deliver.

■ Colby Reynolds, second-degree trespass.

GRASS ROOTS MESSAGE



Last fall during the Presidential campaign John Sunato carved a "grass roots" message into his lawn on Mariners Court in support of Donald Trump. A new message says the word "Stand."



Edenton man wins \$150,000

From Staff Reports

Maurice Fleming of Edenton said a lucky feeling led him to a \$150,000 lottery prize.

"Something just told me to play," Fleming said. "I figured why not take a chance?"

He did, and on Thursday afternoon he stopped by the Broad Street Mart on North Broad Street in Edenton and bought a \$500 Cash scratch-off ticket.

"That was also because of a feeling," Fleming said. "I don't normally play the older tickets."

He took the \$5 ticket home, sat down, and started scratching.

"I couldn't believe it when I saw it," Fleming said. "I almost fell out of my

chair."

Fleming claimed his prize Friday at lottery headquarters in Raleigh. After required state and federal tax withholdings, he took home \$154,251. He plans to use some of the money to get a new pair of jeans and tennis shoes. He plans to use the rest of the money to help his family.

Since Fleming won the last top prize, the lottery will begin steps to end the game.

Ticket sales from instant games like \$500 Cash make it possible for the lottery to raise more than \$600 million a year for education. For details on how

lottery funds have made a difference in all of North Carolina's 100 counties, click on the "For Education" section of the lottery's website.

STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA
UTILITIES COMMISSION
RALEIGH
DOCKET NO. E-22, SUB 546

BEFORE THE NORTH CAROLINA UTILITIES COMMISSION

In the Matter of
Application by Virginia Electric and Power
Company, et al. for Approval of Rate
Adjustments Pursuant to G.S. 62-133.2 and
Commission Rule R-57 Regarding Fuel
and Fuel-Related Costs Adjustments for
Electric Utilities

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Farmers could get assistance

From Staff Reports

Washington County farmers and those in seven adjacent counties are eligible for disaster assistance for losses caused by excessive rain that occurred between Oct. 1, 2016 and July 31, 2017.

Perquimans and six additional North Carolina counties were named as contiguous counties. Eligible family farmers may qualify for FSA EMI loan assistance. The other counties are: Beaufort, Bertie, Chowan, Hyde, Martin, and Tyrrell.

Farmers can apply for loans for production losses. The deadline to file is June 18, 2018.

For more information contact Michelle Hardie Winslow at 408-5892, Ext. 2 or visit the Farm Service Agency at 512 S. Church St. in Hertford.

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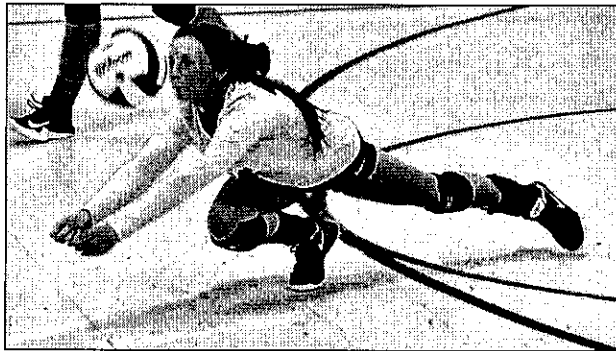
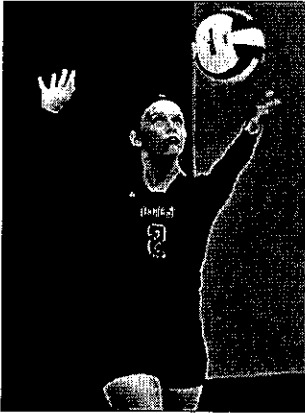
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Sports

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Left: Bear Grass Charter School's Taylor Roberson (No. 2) prepares to serve during the Bears' Atlantic-6 Conference match Tuesday against Cape Hatteras. At right, Lady Bears' libero Kaley Silverthorne dives on the floor for a dig against the Hurricanes. Bear Grass wrapped up its first-ever conference championship in volleyball with a three-set sweep.

Bears

From B1

After Harper called timeout to settle the Bears down, Hatteras failed to get its serve in but still led 14-10.

Up stepped senior libero Kaley Silverthorne, who reeled off eight points in a row to put Bear Grass ahead 18-14.

In that run, the Bears showed solid court coverage and used plays from Lauren Walters, Rachel Hardison and Taylor Roberson to grab the lead.

A missed kill by the Hurricanes, and three

points from Roberson (Brandle Coltraine had a kill and Hope Corey had several nice sets), made it 22-15.

After a Hatteras timeout, Roberson finished off the visitors with the final three points — the last one on a top from junior outside hitter Sarah Lilley.

Buoyed by their comeback, the Bears had little trouble in the second set.

Roberson served the first three points, and Lilley killed a Hatteras scoring chance.

Keagan Wilkerson followed with three

points, the Hurricanes couldn't score on their next serve, and Hardison served the next seven points to keep Bear Grass in control.

Wilkerson and Ana Wrenn added kills in the flurry.

While the Hurricanes continued to struggle at the service line, missing on their next three chances, the Bears extended their lead and won the set behind Modlin (three points) and Silverthorne (two points).

Walters and Kristen Hardison made plays for points, and Lilley punctuated the second set with a kill

after a set from Hardison.

In the final set, the Bears started out slowly, trailing 7-3.

Hardison, a senior, served six straight at the line to give Bear Grass the lead, 9-7.

Hatteras was able to rally to take a 13-10 lead on the strength of a block by Morgan Fairbanks.

Silverthorne gave Bear Grass a 14-13 advantage with four straight points.

A missed kill by Hatteras put the Bears ahead for good, 15-14, and Roberson served six in a row — helped by kills from Hardison and Lilley — to take a 21-14 lead.

Damitlo's two points cut the deficit to 22-19, but the next serves from both teams were out. Lilley's kill produced the 24th point, and Hardison collected the final point from the service line to complete the sweep.

The rise to the top of the Atlantic-6 was preceded by four years in the middle half of the competitive Coastal

Plains 1A Conference. Harper was named the new head coach in the spring, and he immediately began taking steps to have an opportunity for a good season.

One of the steps was holding workouts one or two days per week throughout the summer. They were attended by between 14-20 girls (varsity and JV combined).

"The girls showed they wanted to do their best this season by putting in time over their summer break," Harper said.

Harper installed a college-style offense and setter system (three hitters with two setters), but it took a while for the defense to come around.

"I had a problem installing a defense to go with the offense," Harper said.

With help from Vickie Leggett, a former high school and college volleyball player and a co-worker of Harper's

at Dominion Energy, helped install a defense that would complement the team's new offensive style.

"After her help at several practices, the team was able to better understand how to run the system, which in turn helped them function as a more cohesive unit," Harper said. "This allowed me to utilize all players in a way that they were best able to help the team."

Bear Grass started 0-2 after losses to South Creek and Class 2A Washington, then won four straight before losing to 2A First Flight.

Then came five wins in a row before Washington beat the Bears again.

Bear Grass entered the regular-season finale Thursday on a three-match win streak and has won 12 of its last 15 matches.

The Bears will be the top seed in the A-6 Tournament next week.

Bear Grass will play the winner of No. 4/5 matchup (Columbia vs. Mattamuskeet) Tuesday at 6 p.m.

If the Bears win, Bear Grass would be the host site for the tournament finals Wednesday at 6 p.m.

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This is the 3rd day of October, 2017.

NORTH CAROLINA UTILITIES COMMISSION

Knights

From B1

that you never know in volleyball. A team gets momentum and the next thing you know, you lose. Even though we are conference champions, there are always things we need to work on to make us the best team we can be."

Riverside's boss said now the goal is to finish the regular season as strong as possible.

"What we are trying to do now is finish with the best record we can in order to get the highest seed we can for the state playoffs," he said. "We are going to Pamlico knowing that they want

to beat us pretty bad after we beat them at our place. We don't want to give them any momentum — their gym is a pretty tough place to play."

Playoff seeding is compiled through each team's record in 22 matches. Conference losses can not be dropped, but one non-conference loss can, for seeding purposes.

Riverside, with wins over Pamlico and Jones Senior, could take a 22-1 record into the postseason (22-0 for seeding).

However, three other teams could also have undefeated records for the playoffs: Perquimans, Roxboro Commu-

nity and Louisburg.

"We want the best record we can have, so we get as many home matches as we can," Rogers said.

The Knights coach said one of his team's goals this season was to win the CPC in their first year.

"Going into a new conference, you never know how things will go," he said. "I wanted the girls to show up at every practice and every match wanting to get better. We still have some work to do, however. They've worked real hard to get where they are, and I am proud of them."

JV

From B1

A sophomore outside hitter, Hester stepped to the line and served five straight points to give the home team a 24-14 advantage.

The Hurricanes staved off one set point before a long return on Evan Auguston's serve gave the Bears the win.

In the second set, it was tied at 1-all when



Kerrie Coltraine

Elissa Todd gave Bear Grass a boost with seven straight points to

make it 8-1. Included in that run was a kill from Kerrie Coltraine.

Hatteras never was able to get closer than eight points the remainder of the set.

Two points from Hester made it 15-6, and Coltraine added two more for a 17-4 lead.

It was 19-9 when Todd served the final six points to complete the sweep for Bear Grass.

OBITUARIES

BOBBY R. CASPER

MURFREESBORO - Bobby Ray Casper, 72, of Murfreesboro, NC, passed away on Thursday, October 5, 2017.

A native of Bertie County, Bobby was the son of the late George Lee and Willie Mae Clark Casper. He was preceded in death by his wife, Joyce Grifith Casper; his son, Bobby Darrell Casper; and his brother, George Lee Casper, Jr. Bobby is survived by his son, Kenneth Casper of Charlotte, NC; his two daughters, Debra Casper of Charlotte, NC and Tamara Johnson of Greenville, NC; his brothers, Richard Earl Casper of Ahoskie, NC and Jerry Wayne Casper of Hopewell, VA; his sister, Shirley Campbell of Greenville, NC; his two granddaughters, his two nieces; and his four nephews.

The family will have a private service at a later date.

Online condolences may be made to the family at www.harold-masseyfuneralhome.com.

MARGARET E. SPRINGFIELD

AHOSKIE, NC - Margaret Earley Springfield, age 100, passed away on October 9, 2017 at the Accordus Health at Creekside Care of Ahoskie, NC.

Mrs. Springfield was born in Bertie County on October 23, 1916, a daughter of the late Joseph and Ivy Harrington Earley. She was a member of First Baptist Church of Ahoskie where she served as Sunday School teacher, deacon, choir member and WMU member.

Besides her parents, Margaret was preceded in death by her loving husband, William M. Springfield; her son, Douglas Earley Springfield; sisters, Christine Pike, and Ella Morris; and brothers, Joseph "Buck" Earley, and James M. "Sug" Earley. Left to cherish her memory is her daughter, Peggy Springfield of Ahoskie, NC; and several nieces and nephews. Also surviving are two special girls, Lynda

Womack of Tyler, TX, and Vickie Craig of Lubbock, TX.

The family received friends on Wednesday, October 11, 2017 at Garrett-Sykes Funeral Service, Ahoskie, NC, and other times at the home.

A celebration of life memorial service will be held on Thursday, October 12, 2017, at 2:00 p.m. at the First Baptist Church of Ahoskie, with Rev. Dr. Trey Gilliam, Rev. Dr. Jesse J. Croom, Rev. Dr. Daniel Glaza, Rev. Dr. Jim Earley, and Rev. Billy Presley officiating. Memorial contributions may be made directly to The Benevolence Fund at First Baptist Church, Ahoskie, NC, P.O. Box 649, Ahoskie, NC, 27910 or you may donate online by visiting www.tmcfund.com/search; then type Margaret Springfield.

Garrett-Sykes Funeral Service, Ahoskie Chapel is handling the arrangements for the Springfield family and online condolences can be directed to the family by visiting www.garrettsykes.com.

TRENT O. SEXTON

BRONX, NY - Trent Omax Sexton, 85, of Bronx, NY, formerly of Rich Square, died Saturday, October 7, 2017 at Calvary Hospice Hospital, Bronx, NY. Funeral services will be held at 11 a.m. on Friday, October 13, 2017 at Branches Chapel Baptist Church, Rich Square. Burial will be in the Sexton Family Cemetery, Rich Square. Wilder's Funeral Home, Rich Square, is handling the arrangements.

JAY B. WATFORD JR.

BALTIMORE, MD - Jay Bruce Watford Jr., 67, of Baltimore, MD, formerly of Colmar, died October 3, 2017 at Northwest Hospital, Randallstown, MD. Funeral services will be held at 2 p.m. on Sunday, October 15, 2017 at New Holley Grove Baptist Church, Colmar. Burial will be held at 11 a.m. on Monday, October 16, 2017 in the Albert G. Horton Jr. Veteran Memorial Cemetery, Suffolk, VA. Wilder's Funeral Home, Aulander, is handling the arrangements.

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CHURCH & FAITH

OCTOBER 12

► FALL REVIVAL

MURFREESBORO - New Beginnings Baptist Church, located at 500 E. Main Street, Murfreesboro, will hold its Fall Revival at 7 p.m. nightly through Thursday, October 12. The guest speaker will be Pastor Timothy Edwards of Piney Grove Baptist Church, Littleton and Jackson.

OCTOBER 14

► EVENING PRAYER

ROXBELL - Evening Prayer will be observed at 5 p.m. Saturday, October 14 at St. Mark's Episcopal Church. Light refreshments will be served following the service. The church is located at 206 West Church Street, Roxobel.

► WOMEN'S MINISTRY MEETING

AHOSKIE - The Shepherd's Heart Women's Ministry will hold its monthly ministry meeting at 9:30 a.m. on Saturday, October 14 at the Ahoskie Inn on Hwy 561, Ahoskie. A light breakfast will be served.

► GOSPEL PROGRAM

AHOSKIE - The Calvary Food Pantry for the Elderly is sponsoring a Gospel Program at 3 p.m. on Saturday, October 14. The program includes area churches. Calvary Missionary Baptist Church is located at 600 Alton/Catherine Street, Ahoskie.

► OUTREACH

MINISTRY FESTIVAL

WINDSOR - The second Annual Outreach Ministry Festival, hosted by Eveninglight Church of God in Christ Jesus, will be held from 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. on Saturday, October 14 at 505 NC Hwy 305, Windsor. There will be free food, gospel music, games, prizes, free health screenings, special presentations by local government agencies, information booths, job opportunities, and more. Everyone is asked to bring two or more canned goods or non-perishable items to the Good Shepherd Food Pantry.

OCTOBER 15

► TEDDY BEARS' MEET

AULANDER - "Teddy Bears" (Today's Energetic Youth Being Enthusiastic And Ready Servants) meet at 4 p.m. on the third Sunday of each month at All God's Children UMC, located at 302 S. Commerce Street in Aulander. Children and youth from age 5 on up are welcome to join.

Call 252-345-1141 or check out All God's Children Facebook page for more information.

► HOMECOMING

AHOSKIE - Liberty Free Will Baptist Church will celebrate Homecoming at 11 a.m. on Sunday, October

15. The speaker will be Rev. Matthew Jones. Thread of Hope Puppet Ministry with Josie Joyner will be in Children's Church during the Homecoming service as well.

► MUSICIAN

APPRECIATION SERVICE

HARRELLSVILLE - New Harrellsville Chapel Missionary Baptist Church will be having an appreciation service for their musicians (Bro. William Bland and Bro. Keshan Moore) at 4 p.m. on Sunday, October 15. The Golden Harmonizers will be performing a concert at the service.

► GUEST SPEAKER

GATES - Mission of Hope Church in Gates will have an afternoon service at 2:30 p.m. on Sunday, October 15. The guest speaker will be Pastor Kerry Johnson of Raleigh.

► USHER ANNIVERSARY

JACKSON - Allen Chapel AME Church will observe its annual Usher Anniversary at 4 p.m. on Sunday, October 15. The service will feature a musical program, and the music will be rendered by The Mighty Bells of Joy from Murfreesboro.

► USHER ANNIVERSARY

HARRELLSVILLE - The Ushers of New Bethany Baptist Church will be celebrating their Ushers Anniversary at 4 p.m. on

Sunday, October 15. The guest speaker will be Rev. James Shearn of Jordan Grove Missionary Baptist Church, Winston. He will be accompanied by his choir and ushers.

► MEN'S DAY

AULANDER - Elm Grove Missionary Baptist Church of Aulander will host their Men's Day Celebration at 11 a.m. and 4 p.m. on Sunday, October 15. The

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THE CARPENTERS' TOOLS

Are you in transition?

What are they? Well, according to the Google search, "transition" is defined as "the process of moving from one state or condition to another." One might say, "I transitioned from the elementary school to the middle school." Or, it could be said, "I transitioned from being a single-parent Mom to being married."

We all understand transitions. We have all been through them. Sometimes they can be rewarding. Sometimes they can be rough. Sometimes we welcome

them. Sometimes we dread them.

Right now, I'm in the middle of one of those rewarding transitions. I'm a Pastor! And I love being a Pastor. I feel like the opening words of Jeremiah, Chapter 1 are truly applicable to me - Verse 5 says, "Before I formed you in the womb, I knew you; before you were born I set you apart; I appointed you as a prophet to the nations."

I truly believe that God divinely called me into the ministry. More specifically, He called me to be a Pastor. And in the last several months, He has opened doors for me to pastor Pastors. I had been doing so for some time and then, I was selected by our N.C. Superintendent of our denomination to serve as an Executive Presbyter. It's

not something I aspired to be, but I can truly say that God is teaching me so much; every day that passes.

It's a transition. It's a new place. It's a process of moving from one state or condition to another. I'm no less the Pastor of my local church. In fact, it has helped me to become an even better pastor locally.

God has been so good to me. I trusted Him before the transition. I trust Him in the transition. He is faithful to give us all that we need. Are you in one? If you are, place your faith and trust in Him who called you to do what He called you to do. He is faithful!

Dr. Wallace Phillips
Senior Pastor
at Carpenter's Shop
International Church
located on South Catherine
Creek Road in Ahoskie.



**DR. WALLACE
PHILLIPS**

New programs at the farmers market

■ RV Farmers Market offering fresh and healthy specials to entice customer support

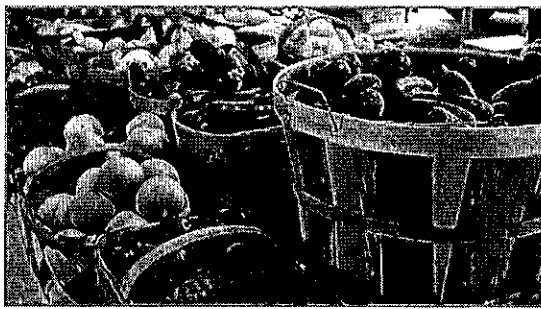
BY KIM HOANG
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The Roanoke Valley Farmers Market has begun offering new ways to make healthy choices.

Visitors to the market on Saturday will be able to purchase fresh ocean fish from Eastern North Carolina, said Erin Carson, who works to spark interest for healthy eating and active living through the Foundation for Health Leadership and Innovation.

In addition, those who use the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program and electronic benefits transfer cards, SNAP/EBT's, will get double the value. This applies to the second Saturday of each month until the market closes for the season, which will at least go through the end of November.

"If they spend \$5, they get \$10. If they spend \$10, they get \$20. In an effort to make trying out the market and



All farmers at the Roanoke Valley Farmers Market have begun accepting payments from those using the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program and electronic benefits transfer cards.

shopping local easier," Carson said.

The U.S. Census Bureau reported in 2015 that 27.9 percent and 26.8 percent of people are in poverty in Halifax and Northampton counties, respectively. Those who aren't as financially stable as others will be able to use this opportunity to obtain and purchase fresh food grown locally.

"We researched models that have worked in other areas to make shopping at local markets for fresh food easier for people who have limited food budgets, and this is one that has gotten traction because it allows people to try something new without the fear they may waste needed resources," Carson said. "It gives people a reason to check out the market."

The goal is to make healthy choices easier, Carson said. "All of us that do this work believe everyone should have access to the things they need to live a good life: fresh healthy foods, safe community spaces where people can gather and be active and have fun together and all of the things that tie into that," she said. "We know there are systems, policies, and gener-

ational inequities that make that difficult; and we do what we can to change those systems, fix those policies, and dismantle those inequities."

Since introducing the SNAP/EBT program to the market in April, both the farmers and the community members have been responsive, Carson said. The market has built a better relationship with the farmers, she said, and added the farmers are the reason the market is able to try new programs.

One such program this Saturday is Pumpkin Day, Carson said, and second Saturdays will also feature free samples and easy recipes when volunteers are present. "Everyone should have access to fresh healthy foods," Carson said. "It shouldn't be a privilege. And local foods can help sustain local economies. People like being able to get local food and know where it's coming from and not have their food system so industrialized. It's also better for the environment when food doesn't have to travel as far to get to people's plates."

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Two suspects sought in counterfeit money case

BY ROGER BELL
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The Roanoke Rapids Police Department is seeking the public's help to identify two suspects in a fraud case.

Lt. Charles Vaught said at approximately 6:08 p.m. on Oct. 2, two female suspects attempted to pass coun-

terfeit money at the U.S. Malls on East 10th Street.

"The females obtained nail services in the amount of \$65 and tried to pay with a counterfeit bill," Vaught said.

The salon did not accept the counterfeit currency, Vaught said. Anyone with information on this case is

asked to call Detective Gorton Williams at 252-533-2821 or Halifax County Crime Stoppers at 252-583-4444.

Man arrested after items stolen from car

A Potomac man is facing charges after it was reported he stole items from an occupied car.

Roanoke Rapids police Chief Chuck Hasty said Officer J. Shelburne spoke with a female victim at police headquarters on Roanoke Avenue about 7:15 p.m. Tuesday. The report, Hasty said, concerned a disturbance earlier in the day. ("The female victim" reported the incident

happened at the corner of Marshall and 7th Streets and afterward she drove to the PD to report it.")

Hasty said the victim told Shelburne the suspect, identified as Bryan Christopher Buffaloe, 26, of Potomac, took items from the victim while she was parked at a stoplight.

Hasty alleges the items taken included a cell phone, keys and a debit card.

Buffaloe was arrested and charged with felony from a person. He was jailed on \$2,000 bond and is due in court Nov. 1.

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Notice of Public Hearing to Consider the Amendment of the Garysburg Ordinance for the Addition of a Solar Facility Use Classification

A meeting and public hearing of the Garysburg Town Council will be held at the Garysburg Town Hall, at 504 Old Highway Road, Garysburg, North Carolina 27831, on Monday, October 23, 2017, at 6:00 p.m., in order to consider the adoption of an amendment to the Town of Garysburg Zoning Ordinance that would create a new Solar Facility use classification that would allow the Garysburg Town Council to approve special use permits for such Solar Facility use on any property, regardless of existing zoning, located in the Town of Garysburg or within its extra-territorial jurisdiction. The full text of the proposed amendment is set forth below.

The public is invited to attend this hearing and to present their views regarding the proposed amendment. Further information regarding this matter is available, prior to the hearing, through the Garysburg Town Hall at 252-536-2167.

Proposed Amendment:

Definition of Commonly Used Terms and Words

The following definition is added to Section 2-20 of the Ordinance:

Solar Facility: A facility that generates electrical energy from the sun, primarily by using photovoltaic panels, to be distributed to the power grid, together with ancillary facilities and uses thereof, including, without limitation, offices, operations and maintenance facilities, and a utility substation for connection to the power grid.

Zoning District Uses

The Transportation, Warehousing & Utilities portion of Table 3-1: Zoning District Uses is deleted in its entirety and replaced with the following to only add the bold Solar Facility information below.

Types of Use	Districts	RA	RLS	R10	R17	RNP	RSB	NSU	TC	IC	LA	BU
Transportation, Warehousing & Utilities												
Communication or broadcast facility												
Public Utility Facility												
Railroad Station and Yard												
Solar Facility												
Telecommunication Tower/Structure												
Support Structure												
Truck/Terminal												
Warehousing - Self Storage												
Warehousing												

Development Standards for Special and Conditional Uses

The following is added to Section 8-30 of the Ordinance:

Solar Facility

Any Solar Facility shall be developed in a manner consistent with the following restrictions:

1. All structures and security fencing must meet a 100 foot front setback measured from the edge of the right of way and a 50 foot side and rear setback;
2. A landscape buffer screen along all exterior sides of the security fence must consist of a double row or off-set evergreen, absent mature vegetation, installed at a height of 5 feet achieving opacity and a minimum height of 10 feet in 5 years;
3. All solar panels must be constructed to minimize glare or reflection onto adjacent properties and adjacent roadways and must not interfere with traffic or create a safety hazard;
4. The applicant must provide written authorization from local utility company acknowledging and approving connection to the utility company's grid;
5. Power transmission lines must be located underground to the extent practical;
6. A security fence equipped with a gate and a locking mechanism must be installed at a minimum height of six (6) feet topped with one foot of barbed wire along all exterior sides of the solar farm;
7. Landscape buffer / screens, ground cover, security fences, gates and warning signs must be maintained in good condition until the solar farm is dismantled and removed from the site; and
8. The zoning permit is subject to revocation if the Town is not notified when the solar farm company holding the permit sells or otherwise transfers its interest to another entity or individual.

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SPORTS

NFL might change policy

By SCHUYLER DIXON
Associated Press

NFL owners will meet next week to consider changes to a game manual that says players "should" stand during the national anthem, a guideline the league has left to the discretion of players who kneel in large numbers after criticism from President Donald Trump.

Commissioner Roger Goodell told club executives Tuesday in a memo obtained that the anthem issue is dividing the league from its fans. He said the NFL needs "to move past this controversy."

NFL spokesman Joe Lockhart said the guidance will be "front and center on the agenda" when owners meet in New York next Tuesday and Wednesday.

The movement started by former San Francisco 49ers quarterback Colin Kaepernick last season over his view of police mistreatment of black men had mostly subsided when Trump told a rally in Alabama last month that owners should get rid of players who kneel during the anthem.

In his memo, Goodell reiterated the league's belief that everyone should stand for the anthem and outlined plans to highlight efforts of players trying to bring attention to the social issues behind the game-day protests. Goodell said those plans would be presented to owners next week.

"The controversy over the anthem is a barrier to having honest conversa-



President Donald Trump, right, and NFL commissioner Roger Goodell are both in the midst of controversy surrounding players kneeling for the national anthem.

tions and making real progress on the underlying issue," Goodell wrote. "We need to move past this controversy, and we want to do that together with our players."

Lockhart said he wasn't sure if players would be held in discussions during the league meetings. Most teams practice on one or both of those days. Houston and Detroit are the only teams with bye next week. The NFL Players Association didn't immediately respond to a request for comment.

The game manual says that during the anthem "players on the field and bench area should stand at attention, face the flag, hold helmets in their hands, and refrain from talking." It is the NFL's only known guidance on the subject.

The manual also says anyone not on the field by the start of the anthem can be fined or suspended. Lockhart said the league so far has chosen not to discipline any players. He sidestepped a question of whether "should" would be changed to "must" next

Nats-Cubs rained out

The Associated Press

CHICAGO — Game 4 of the NL Division Series was washed away by rain on Tuesday, postponing Jake Arrieta's return for the Chicago Cubs and leading to a decision by Washington Nationals manager Dusty Baker

sure to be debated inside the Beltway.

The Cubs and Nationals took batting practice and the grounds crew got the field ready before bringing out the tarp.

The rain started to fall about a half-hour after the game was supposed to start at Wrigley Field.

With more showers in the forecast, Major League Baseball then called it off.

Chicago, which won the World Series in 2016, leads 2-1 in the best-of-five series going into Game 4, now scheduled for Wednesday at 4:08 p.m. There is rain in the forecast early in the day.

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Indians, who are chasing their first World Series title since 1918, have another chance to advance on Wednesday night — and a date with Houston in the ALCS — against a New York team riding momentum into the finale of this AL Division Series.

Cleveland's 2-0 series lead seemed to vanish in a New York minute.

Backed by a raucous crowd that rocked Yankee Stadium on every pitch, the wild-card winners edged the Indians 1-0 in Game 3, and then took advantage of four errors by one of baseball's best defensive teams in Game 4 to win 7-0 on Monday night.

After the Yankees blew a five-run lead and lost Game 2 in 13 innings on Friday night, it appeared their days were numbered.

Instead, they fought back. CC Sabathia knew they would.

"This is a team that I felt like every time, whether it's in a game or coming up through the season, we

had tough times or backs against the wall, I felt like we responded really well," said Sabathia, who will face Kluber in Game 5. "So I didn't see why we couldn't go home and play well and end up back here."

And here they are, these Yankees, who have survived off elimination three times in the past week.

They battled back from a 3-0 deficit in the first inning against Minnesota in the wild card, shook off a punch-in-the-gut loss and a controversy in Game 2, and are poised to possibly dethrone the defending AL champions.

For Yankees manager Joe Girardi, redemption is within reach.

His decision not to ask for a replay review in Game 2 turned New Yorkers against their manager, who was booed at home and had to fight back tears following Monday's win.

Girardi dismissed any personal satisfaction in his team's comeback, putting the pluses above all.

"It's really important for the guys, the organization, the ownership, management, fan base," he said.

"You really want to move on. We got back to this spot by bottling and fighting, and we're going to need to do it again."

Kluber, too, has a chance to redeem himself. The right-hander only lasted 2 2/3 innings in Game 2, a performance nearly as stunning as one of his gems.

The likely Cy Young winner was candid when asked what he needs to do better in Game 6.

"Everything," he said. "Although they've lost five straight, eliminating games dating to last year's World Series, the Indians like their chances with Kluber on the mound. He's 15-2 with a 1.82 ERA since June 1 and hasn't had consecutive poor starts since June 11."

Fraust was criticized for not starting Kluber in Game 1, but he had his reasons.

"We tried to be prepared for just about every scenario that could be thrown at us, and I think we feel real comfortable with how we went about everything and we wanted Kluber if we got to this game," he said. "We got to this game."

HORNETS

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protector and elite shot blocker."

Clifford said the Hornets have been working hard in training camp on reestablishing a defensive toughness, something that was noticeably absent last year. "We have to be our defensive ego back where guys are more determined to keep the ball in front of them," Clifford said. "... We weren't as disciplined and I didn't guard the ball as much as we need to last year."

REPLACING BATUM: Nic Batum will not need surgery to repair torn ligaments in his left elbow, but will still miss six to eight weeks to start the season while rehabbing. That's a huge blow for the Hornets because Batum was expected to play a pivotal

role in the pick and roll game with Howard. Charlotte will turn to Jeremy Lamb as its starting shooting guard.

ZELLER'S NEW ROLE: Center Cody Zeller said it doesn't bother him going from two-year starter to a bench role if it means the Hornets will be a better team. "I have always been a team guy and I think Dwight is going to help our team," Zeller said. "... If they want me to will hand out water bottles, I will." Clifford is excited about what Zeller can accomplish working with the second team. "So you are not only getting a front-line strutter," the coach said, "but you are taking a position where we struggled (at second team center) and it should be a position of great strength."

WALKER'S INCORP:

Kendia Walker averaged a career-high 23.2 points per game and established personal best in field goal percentage (44.3 percent) and 3-point shooting (38.8 percent). For an encore, Walker said, "The biggest thing for me and all my guys is making the playoffs, really. That's what we're playing for."

MONK A STEAL: With Lamb having to step into a starting role, rookie Malik Monk's learning curve could be accelerated as the No. 2 shooting guard. Walker said the Hornets expected Monk with the 11th overall pick is a steal.

CARTER-WILLIAMS INJURY: The Hornets brought in Michael Carter-Williams to backup Walker at point guard, but he won't be ready in time for the regular season opener in Washington. Carter-Williams' use of a lingering knee issue.

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BEFORE THE NORTH CAROLINA UTILITIES COMMISSION

In the Matter of
Application by Virginia Electric and Power Company, d/b/a Dominion Energy North Carolina Pursuant to G.S. 62-133.2 and Commission Rule R8-55 Regarding Fuel and Fuel-Related Costs Adjustments for Electric Utilities }
AMENDED PUBLIC NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the North Carolina Utilities Commission has scheduled a public hearing on an annual fuel and fuel-related cost adjustment proceeding for Virginia Electric and Power Company, d/b/a Dominion Energy North Carolina (DENC). The public hearing has been scheduled to begin Monday, November 6, 2017, at 1:00 p.m., in Commission Hearing Room 2115, Dobbs Building, 430 North Salisbury Street, Raleigh, North Carolina. The proceeding is being held pursuant to the provisions of G.S. 62-133.2 and Commission Rule R8-55 for the purpose of determining whether an increment or decrement rider is required in order to reflect changes in the cost of fuel and fuel-related costs over or under the base fuel rate established for DENC in its last general rate case. Public witness testimony will be received in accordance with Commission Rule R1-21(g).

DENC filed an application and testimony relative to the subject matter of this proceeding on August 23, 2017. According to its application, DENC is requesting a total annual fuel revenue increase of \$15.2 million from the fuel and fuel-related costs currently in effect. Further, DENC proposes to make the fuel revenue increase effective for service on and after January 1, 2018.

DENC's proposed fuel revenue increase, including regulatory fee, would result in an increase of 0.360 cents per kilowatt-hour (kWh) for residential, outdoor lighting and traffic lighting customers; 0.359 cents per kWh for small general service and public authority customers; 0.354 for large general service customers; 0.348 cents per kWh for Rate Schedule N5 customers; and 0.351 cents per kWh for rate schedule 8VP customers. The net effect of this request would increase the monthly bill of a residential customer using 1,000 kWh of electricity by \$3.60. Specific information may be obtained from the Office of the Chief Clerk, North Carolina Utilities Commission, Raleigh, North Carolina, where a copy of DENC's application is available for review by the public, and on the Commission's website at www.ncuc.net.

The Public Staff is authorized by statute to represent consumers in proceedings before the Commission. Correspondence concerning the fuel adjustment proceeding and the hearing scheduled thereon should be directed to the Public Staff. Written statements to the Public Staff should include any information which the writers wish to be considered by the Public Staff in its investigation of the matter. Such statements should be addressed to Mr. Christopher J. Ayers, Executive Director, Public Staff, 4326 Mail Service Center, Raleigh, North Carolina 27699-4300.

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yards wide converting 47 percent of their third downs over the previous two seasons.

The struggles have been particularly glaring in the past two losses to Georgia Tech and Notre Dame. First, UNC managed just 247 yards and barely avoided the first shutout loss of the Foster era in a 33-7 loss at Georgia Tech. Then UNC opened with five straight three-and-outs and finished with 265 yards in a 33-10 home loss to Notre Dame.

"I don't know that that will be the answer, but it's something that I feel like that's where I can help the most," Fedora said, "so that's where I'm going to be."

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