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VIA ELECTRONIC FILING

October 25, 2017

Ms. M. Lynn Jarvis, Chief Clerk
North Carolina Utilities Commission
430 North Salisbury Street
Dobbs Building
Raleigh, North Carolina 27611

Re: Docket No. E-22, Sub 545
Dominion Energy North Carolina 2017 DSM/EE Cost Recovery

Dear Ms. Jarvis:

Enclosed is an Affidavit of Publication which will serve as proof of publication of the Public Notice as required in ordering paragraph 5 of the Commission's August 30, 2017 *Order Scheduling Hearing, Requiring Filing of Testimony, Establishing Discovery Guidelines, and Requiring Public Notice* ("Order") in the above-referenced docket.

Pursuant to the instructions in ordering paragraph 5 of the Order, notices were published in newspapers having general circulation in Dominion Energy North Carolina's service area once a week for two consecutive weeks beginning with the week of September 11, 2017 (at least 45 days prior to the hearing). Copies of tear sheets from each of the newspapers in which the public notice ran are also enclosed.

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

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Horace P. Payne, Jr.' with a stylized flourish at the end.

Horace P. Payne, Jr.
Senior Counsel

Enclosures

cc: Tim Dodge, Esq.
Robert Josey, Esq.

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AFFIDAVIT OF PUBLICATION

(Order #17094DD2)

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 545) (copies attached hereto) was published in the following North Carolina newspapers on the days listed below in the year 2017.

Coastland Times 9/13, 9/20
The Chowan Herald 9/13, 9/20
Elizabeth City Daily Advance 9/11, 9/18
Hertford Perquimans Weekly 9/13, 9/20
Martin Co. Enterprise 9/12, 9/19
Outer Banks Sentinel 9/13, 9/20
Plymouth Roanoke Beacon 9/13, 9/20
Roanoke Chowan News Herald 9/12, 9/19
Roanoke Rapids Daily Herald 9/12, 9/19
Rocky Mt. Telegram 9/11, 9/18
Roxboro, The Courier Times 9/13, 9/20

Diane Spencer
Signature

Subscribed to and sworn before me this 14 day of October, 2017.
My commission expires: 09/30/2020



[Signature]
[Notary Public] 7700555

STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA
UTILITIES COMMISSION
RALEIGH

DOCKET NO. E-22, SUB 545

BEFORE THE NORTH CAROLINA UTILITIES COMMISSION

In the Matter of
Application by Virginia Electric and Power Company, d/b/a Dominion Energy North Carolina, for Approval of Demand Side Management and Energy Efficiency Cost Recovery Rider Pursuant to G.S. 62-133.9 and Commission Rule R8-69)
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- GEM Care Givers Support Group, Unitarian Church, Kitty Hawk, 3-6 p.m., every third Thursday.
- Albemarle Commission Board of Directors, Manteo, call Ruth Mengel at (252) 426-5753.
- Ladies Auxiliary of the Salvo Fire Dept., Salvo Fire call Hunter Nelson at 441-6628.)
- Independent Order of Odd Fellows, Virginia Dare Lodge #3, Odd Fellows/Rebekah lodge hall north of Manteo, 8 p.m.
- Ocean View Baptist Church bread give away every Thursday, noon-2 p.m.
planes and drone meets third Thursday month at 7 p.m. in ing room of the Dai Library in Kill De Entrance is around of building. Con Davis at 252-207-3 questions.
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STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA
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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

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, 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 decrease effective for service on and after December 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; 0.346 cents per kWh for Rate Schedule NS customers; and 0.351 cents per kWh for rate schedule 6VP 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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WEDNESDAY, SEPT. 13

■ StoryTime at Library

If you have a toddler 3-5 years of age at home, come join us upstairs at the Shepard-Pruden Memorial Library in downtown Edenton for StoryTime from 11-11:30 a.m. each Wednesday morning. Enjoy books, music and a simple craft with your child. It's free. Questions, call the library at 482-4112.

■ Overeaters Anonymous

Overeaters Anonymous meets every Wednesday at 5:30 p.m. at Brandon Chapel, 200 Brandon Road, Arrowhead Beach in Edenton. Contact Jeri at 221-3076 for details.

SATURDAY, SEPT. 16

■ Edenton Farmers Market

Shop the Edenton Farmers Market from 8 a.m. until noon for many great items such as seasonal veggies, locally raised lamb and pork, NC seafood, homemade desserts, NC

cheeses, homemade soap, original crafts and more. You can find us at 730 North Greenville Street. We accept debit cards. EBT/SNAP benefits are doubled so you can get the most out of your benefits.

■ Overeaters Anonymous

Overeaters Anonymous meets every Saturday at 10 a.m. at Vidant Chowan Hospital, 211 Virginia Road, West Hicks Street entrance in the Chowan Room. Call Virnie at (252) 377-7704 for details.

SUNDAY, SEPT. 17

■ Monument Dedication

The Town of Edenton will host a dedication ceremony honoring Hugh Williamson and the monument commemorating his signing of the Constitution of the United States of America. The ceremony will take place at 2 p.m. in the Elizabeth Vann Moore Park on East Water Street adjacent to the Hayes Bridge. The event is free and open to the public. Williamson was a citizen of Edenton from 1777 to 1783. He served as

Surgeon General of North Carolina troops during the American Revolution. He was an original trustee of the University of North Carolina (1789-1801). Questions, call 482-7332, ext. 104 or email tammy.woodley@edentonnc.gov.

■ Music By the Bay

The Righteous Brothers II will be the featured performer at this month's Music By the Bay concert on the downtown Edenton waterfront. Everyone is welcome to join us today from 4-6 p.m. for this free performance. Bring your own chairs and favorite picnic foods and get a "first-come, first-serve" spot so you can enjoy a relaxing afternoon with friends and neighbors. Questions, call the Penelope Barker House Welcome Center at 482-7880, email info@ehcnc.org or visit www.ehcnc.org.

MONDAY, SEPT. 18

■ Armchair Traveler Series

The Friends of the Shepard-Pruden Mo-

norial Library in Edenton are pleased to announce that Canada will be the focus of their 11th annual Armchair Traveler Series. Today's program starts at 5:30 p.m. and is titled "The Enemy to the North". Dennis Caraway, a retired U.S. Army officer and amateur historian is back by popular demand. He will provide a talk on the "what ifs" of the French and Indian War and other times when Americans and Canadians squared off on opposite sides of battlefields. How often this has happened and what did or could have transpired might surprise you. All of the programs in the series will be held on the second floor of the library. All proceeds from this series will be used to purchase books for the library. Questions, call 482-4112.

■ Legion Bingo

Come enjoy playing Bingo every Monday night at American Legion Post 40 in Edenton. Doors open at 6:30 p.m. Early Bird Games begin at 7 p.m.; Regular games start at 7:30 p.m. Concessions served. No smoking.

HELICOPTER

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searching for bodies of the victims as of late Friday afternoon, according to Penquins emergency of-

fields.

One person who made it to the crash site and spoke on the condition of anonymity called the site "pretty much just a blackened pile of rubble."

"The only thing left of

the helicopter was the rotor blades and part of the tail," the person said.

The area around the crash site was covered in tall switchgrass. He said he saw one body.

"The assumption is the

others were under the rubble or in the switchgrass," he said.

The area where the helicopter went down is near the Amazon Wind Farm US East wind complex, a Penquins law enforcement

official said.

Paul Copelman, a spokesman for Avangrid Renewables, the firm that owns the wind farm, said the helicopter did not make contact with any of its equipment.

Knox said authorities have no idea what caused the crash.

He said the Federal Aviation Administration has been notified and state troopers are on the scene to secure the site.

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In the Matter of)
Application of Virginia Electric and Power)
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Carolina for Approval of Renewable Energy) PUBLIC NOTICE
and Energy Efficiency Portfolio Standard Cost)
Rider Pursuant to G.S. 62-133.8 and)
Commission Rule R8-67)

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the North Carolina Utilities Commission has scheduled a public hearing in the annual Renewable Energy and Energy Efficiency Portfolio Standard (REPS) cost recovery application and compliance report filed by Virginia Electric and Power Company, d/b/a Dominion Energy North Carolina (DENC), in the above-captioned docket. The public hearing has been scheduled to begin immediately following the hearings in Docket Nos. E-22, Subs 545 and 546, which are scheduled to begin at 1:30 p.m., on Monday, November 6, 2017, in Commission Hearing Room 2115, Dobbs Building, 430 North Salisbury Street, Raleigh, North Carolina. This proceeding is being held pursuant to G.S. 62-133.8 and Commission Rule R8-67 to consider DENC's application for approval of REPS cost recovery and compliance with the REPS requirements during the 2016 calendar year. Public witness testimony will be received in accordance with Commission Rule R1-21(g).

On August 23, 2017, DENC filed direct testimony and exhibits in support of its application for REPS cost recovery and 2016 REPS compliance report. By its application, DENC proposes to implement the following total REPS rates, including regulatory fee, effective for service rendered on and after January 1, 2018: a \$0.49 charge per month for residential customers; a \$2.71 charge per month for commercial customers; and an \$18.12 charge per month for industrial customers.

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COA SGA enlisting community in relief effort

BY VERONICA DOWNING
Correspondent

College of the Albemarle is doing its part to bring much needed relief to the victims of the two biggest hurricanes to hit the United States in our nation's history: Hurricanes Harvey and Irma.

If you've been following the news reports, Hurricane Harvey destroyed six major cities in Texas (Houston, Galveston, Orange, Rockport, Victoria County, and Port Arthur to name a few), and Hurricane Irma, which devastated the Florida Keys, Cuba, the Virgin Islands, as well as Jacksonville, Miami and Key Largo.

Estimations of damage reach into the hundred-billion-dollar range, with deaths nearing the double digits, and fuel, supplies and food at dangerous shortages in both states.

In the Student Lounge of your local campus, you will find a donation box, as well as helpful information about how to survive the next natural disaster.

Preparedness kits were provided to all students at each of the four campuses just last week in lieu of Hurricane Irma's arrival up the coast.

SGA is ready to answer any questions you may have



DOWNING

and will be standing by to receive your donations during our food drive this month.

What we need from you:

1. All canned and non-perishable items — must be bagged (if donating Baby Formula, please make sure it is canned, no powdered milk-please check the expiration dates);

2. Boxed pre-ready foods (or microwavable foods);

3. Bottled water by the case.

Important: Students should bring their donations to the school on the day that they attend classes at their per-

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Student body president

spective campuses.

Donations will not be accepted on the weekends, unless specified by your campus.

Please bring all donations to the Student Lounge for loading.

If the parents of each student wish to donate, they are more than welcome to

do so. Every little bit helps bring comfort to those in need.

However, the donation must be sent by a student attending the COA.

The deadline to submit donations to all campuses is Sept. 27.

Christopher McFarlane, residing student body president of the Student Government Association, reemphasized the importance of extending ourselves to those in need.

"It's really important, especially when we are hurting, to help our community and lend a helping hand," she said.

Weston Smith, SGA Senator for the Elizabeth City Campus, added, "It's also

important to be aware of the proper procedures to take in the event of a hurricane or similar disaster. The most essential needs for anyone in a storm are a working flashlight, food and water. You know, just the basics."

Kyle Nixon, SGA Treasurer for Elizabeth City, reflected, "My brother at one time was living in Texas, but he moved years before Hurricane Harvey hit. We've started a box for donations to send to Texas, but it's important to help both Texas and Florida."

Dolphins!!! It's time to show real school spirit, and build a bridge of love and compassion when our nation needs it most.

FAIR

Continued from 1A

6 p.m.

Entries must be com-

pleted after Sept. 30. There's only one entry per person per category to be eligible for judging.

Pre-entering your exhibit will save time.

In the Youth and Adult Division, the categories are: Art, Photography, Decorative Art, Crafts, Needlework, Sewing, Canning, Cakes, Candies, Breads,

Pies, Dried Foods, Decorative Plants and Flowers, Herbs, Field Crops, Horticulture, Sheep, Poultry, Rabbits, Pigs, and Cows. For the Senior Citizens

Division (age 65 and up): Seniors may enter the same categories as the Adult Division.

In the Youth Contest, the categories are: Little Miss

Pageant, Miss Chowan County Regional Fair Pageant, Coloring Contest and Scavenger Hunt.

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NATION

Irma roars into Florida with 130 mph winds

Gov. Scott: 'Pray, pray for everybody in Florida'

By JENNIFER KAY
and FREIDA FRISARO
Associated Press

MIAMI — A monster Hurricane Irma roared into Florida with 130 mph winds Sunday for what could be a sustained assault on nearly the entire Sunshine State, submerging streets, knocking out power to millions and supplying massive construction cranes over the Miami skyline.

The 400-mile-wide storm blew ashore in the morning in the mostly cleared-out Florida Keys and then began a slow march up the state's west coast. Forecasters said it could hit the heavily populated Tampa-St. Petersburg area early Monday.

"Pray, pray for everybody in Florida," Gov. Rick Scott said on "Fox News Sunday" as more than 160,000 people statewide waited it out in shelters.

Irma struck as a Category 4 but by late afternoon had weakened to a Category 2 with 110 mph winds that whipped Florida's palm trees with drenching squalls. A storm surge of over 10 feet was recorded

in the Keys, and forecasters warned some places on the mainland could get up to 15 feet of water.

There were no immediate confirmed reports of any deaths in Florida, on top of the 24 people killed during Irma's destructive trek across the Caribbean.

Many streets were flooded in downtown Miami and other cities. In the low-lying Keys, boats were reported sunk and appliances and furniture were seen floating away, but the full extent of Irma's fury there was not clear.

A Miami woman who went into labor was guided through delivery by phone when ambulance couldn't reach her in high winds and street flooding. Firefighters later took her to the hospital.

An apparent tornado spun off by Irma destroyed six mobile homes in Palm Bay, hundreds of miles away along the state's Atlantic coast. Flooding was reported along Interstate 4, which cuts across Florida's midsection.

In downtown Miami, two of the two dozen construction cranes looting over the skyline collapsed in the wind. No injuries were reported. City officials said it



Waves crash over a seawall at Biscayne Bay as Hurricane Irma passes, in Miami, Sunday.

would have taken about two weeks to move the massive equipment.

Curfews were imposed in Miami, Tampa, Fort Lauderdale and much of the rest of South Florida, and some arrests of violators were reported. Miami Beach barred outsiders from the island.

Fort Lauderdale police arrested nine people they said were caught on TV

cameras looting sneakers and other items from a sporting goods store and a pawn shop during the hurricane.

More than 2.7 million homes and businesses across the state lost power, and utility officials said it will take weeks to restore electricity to everyone.

While the projected track showed Irma riding the state's Gulf Coast, fore-

casters warned that the entire state — including the Miami metropolitan area of 6 million people — was in danger because of the sheer size of the storm.

Nearly 7 million people in the Southeast were warned to evacuate, including 6.4 million in Florida alone.

About 30,000 people heeded orders to leave the Keys as the storm closed in, but an untold number refused, in part because to many storm-hardened residents, staying behind in the face of danger is a point of pride.

John Huston, who stayed in his Key Largo home, watched his yard flood even before the arrival of high tide.

"Small boats floating down the street next to furniture and refrigerators. Very noisy," he said by text message. "Singles are coming off."

Irma made landfall just after 9 a.m. at Cudjoe Key, about 20 miles outside Key West, forecasters said. During the afternoon, it rounded Florida's southwestern corner and lugged the coast closely as it pushed toward Naples, Sanibel, Fort Myers and, beyond that, Sarasota, at 14 mph.

Hurricane-force winds extended 80 miles from its center.

Meteorologist Ryan Maue of WeatherBell Analytics said the entire Florida peninsula will be raked by Irma's right front quadrant — the part of a hurricane that usually brings the strongest winds, storm surge, rain and tornadoes.

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RECORDS, ETC.

OBITUARIES

Mary Annette MacAteer Long

Mary Long was born on January 24, 1944, and entered into eternal rest on Saturday, September 9, 2017, at Mayo Clinic in Jacksonville, Florida.

Celebration of life will take place on Saturday, September 30, 2017, at St. Stephens Missionary Baptist Church in Elizabeth City, NC at 1:00 pm. The repass will commence immediately after the funeral service at St. Stephen's Community Hall, adjacent to the church.

Mary is survived by her daughter, Michell J. Long, United States Air Force, Retired Captain, of Morrisville, NC; three sons: Elton C. Long (Melissa (deceased)) of Jacksonville, Florida; Donald M. Long (Sarah) of Jacksonville, Florida; and Anthony R. Long of Jacksonville, Florida; and one grandson, Kenna M. Long of Jacksonville, Florida. She also leaves to cherish her memories, two sisters-in-law, Joyce E. Long and Justina M. Long of Elizabeth City and one brother-in-law, Donald M. Long (Auntie) of Durham, NC; and a host of nieces and nephews.



Beatrice Smith Wolford

GATES-Beatrice Smith Wolford, age 79 of 27 Crystal Lane, Gates, NC died Friday, September 15, 2017 at her residence surrounded by her family.

An entombment service will be conducted at the Nansmond-Suffolk Cemetery, Suffolk, VA on Tuesday, September 19, 2017 at 2:00 PM with Pastor Kyle Truman delivering the Eulogy. Family will receive friends at the home of the deceased, Dennis J. Stallings Memorial Funeral Home, Gatesville, NC is in charge of the arrangements.

Mrs. Wolford was the daughter of the late Bea Smith, Myrtle Smith Norman and Henry Norman; the widow of Cain Wolford, Jr.

Beatrice survivors include: one daughter- Inga W. Ruth (Wayne) of Tennessee; four sons- Henry C. Wolford (Sheila) of Gates, NC; Thomas Norman Wolford of Corapeake, NC; Samuel David Wolford of Gatesville, NC and James E. Wolford (Wendy) of Gates, NC; one sister- Gail DeFrederie of Bluefield West Virginia; twelve grandchildren and ten great grandchildren.

Ernest Cole

Ernest Cole of Elizabeth City, NC entered into eternal rest on Saturday, September 16, 2017.

Celebration of life will take place on Tuesday, September 19, 2017 at 2:00 pm at Rivers Community Funeral Home. He will lie in state from 12:00 noon to time of service.

Rivers Community Funeral Home is expressing sympathy through sincere service to the Cole family.

POLICE BLOTTER

Pasquotank Sheriff

A report of injury-real property, reckless use of a firearm, and weapon seizure

was turned in August 25 in the 100 block of Cherokee Park Road, Elizabeth City, investigating officer: W. T. Harris.

BAND

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School has seen remarkable growth in the band program in recent years. With that growth has come extensive needs for equipment to keep up with the program's expansion.

"We have doubled in size in the past eight years," Whitehurst said, noting there are now 74 students in the marching band and 91 in the school's overall band program.

The local school district funds the band program to the best of its ability, Whitehurst said, and the band boosters organization does a good job of helping with the costs of traveling to band competitions and sending students to All-State Band tryouts.

But as the Camden Middle School band program continues to grow under the leadership of Rose Lee, the band director at CMS, the high school band is beginning to face a shortage of basic items such as uniforms and instruments.

Ray Brandt found out about the need for uniforms for the high school band from Joe Musico at Weeksville Secure Self Storage. Musico is an active volunteer with the

Camden bands and Brandt said it was Musico's commitment of time to the band program that first caught his attention.

Brandt last year donated a boat to the Wounded Warriors organization and was interested in donating another boat. Musico encouraged him to consider donating the boat to the high school band program and introduced Brandt to Whitehurst.

"I just felt that the kids were in need over there," Brandt said.

Brandt said he met a lot of really great people with the Camden Band organization and that convinced him even more that he wanted to support the Camden bands.

Whitehurst, a Camden native and 1983 graduate of Camden High, eagerly accepted the position when asked to come home and revitalize the band program at his alma mater.

The revitalization has happened, too, with the band earning Best Band of the Day honors at last year's Peanut Festival Battle of the Bands in Edenton. The band regularly competes in four other band competitions in eastern North Carolina and marches in the South Mills and Elizabeth City Christmas parades.

FORUM

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Theater. Council approved special rules for the meeting that will allow conversation with city councilors, subject to

a 4-minute time limit per speaker.

Though challengers for city council seats are allowed to make public comments at tonight's meeting, they are not guaranteed equal time to answer questions.

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Hunters wondering where did the doves go?

For the first time in something like 40 years I didn't go dove hunting Labor Day weekend and it bothers me that it doesn't bother me. Am I losing my edge, drive, desire or just getting older? Maybe it's depression?

My farmer buddy said corn was going to be early this year, most of the time that makes for a good opening day. Not his year, best I can tell "there just ain't no doves."

I haven't asked a biologist but I'm thinking the rainy summer has affected the dove hatch. The hunters I talked to before season said things like "they were here but they left" or "I'm just not seeing any." If anybody killed a limit over the weekend I've not heard about it.

On top of the lack of doves, Bob the

black lab is being treated for heartworms, despite being on preventative. The vet said to keep him calm, ever tried to keep 85 pounds of spring steel, raw hide and black fur, calm?

Taking my 'triever dog hunting was definitely out of the question. Add in that I don't have Captain Berle or C.W. as hunting companions anymore and it's easy to see why this guy wasn't hyped up over opening day.

On the positive side I worked on and learned about another firearm in preparation for dove season.

My Uncle Joe bought a shotgun at an auction sometime back. The Savage 775A is a clone of the famous Browning Auto 5.

Do It Outdoors



Wade Betts

The Savage model lacks the classic humpback profile but on the inside the guns are almost identical. These guns use the long recoil system to cycle the shells. Uncle Joe's shot a few times and then jammed. Luckily it was empty, unjamming a loaded gun is not something I look forward to. The part called the cartridge stop was interfering with a part called the lifter. The cartridge stop keeps the shell in the magazine until the rest of the action is ready for them. The lifter lifts the shells and places them in position to be placed into the chamber. After taking out a bunch of screws and more than a few parts I determined that the screw that holds the

cartridge stop in place was loose, which is strange because it has another screw that holds it in place. I guess over the years the end of the screw wore down and a half turn was all that was needed to make it do what it is supposed to do. He did take the gun hunting over the weekend and although there were only a few doves, the 60-year-old shotgun did its part.

Even more positive is that, I'm pumped up about archery season. My broadheads are so sharp I'm a little scared to have them in my pickup much less in my tree stand and I have trail camera pictures of deer under my stand during shooting hours. The trophy buck of my dreams hasn't had his picture taken yet, but I'm confident he'll show up soon. Maybe I'll be okay after all.

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PIRATES FALL TO CURRITUCK

PHOTO BY TOM TURNER

Perquimans' Mason Votava runs the ball during the game against Currituck, Friday. The Pirates lost the away game 46-0.

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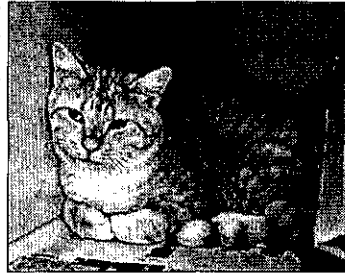
PETS OF THE WEEK



Pattie is a 3-year-old female Lab/Setter mix at the Tri-County Animal Shelter. She has a silky black coat with feathering much like a setter or spaniel. Pattie is housebroken, walks well on a leash, and knows the sit command. As perfect as Pattie is she does not care for small dogs.

SUBMITTED PHOTO

Fireball is a quiet, friendly large male Orange Tabby mix at the Tri-County Animal Shelter in Tyrner. Fireball is content to bask in the sunshine and taking long relaxing naps. For information, call 221-8514.

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Lady Pirates avenge loss to Lady Knights

From Staff Reports

With arguably the two best volleyball teams in the area meeting on the court, a highly-competitive, action-packed match is expected.

Wednesday evening's match between Currituck (10-3, 1-0 NCC) and Perquimans (11-1, 4-0 AAC) in Hertford was that and much more.

In what felt more like a playoff match than a mid-season non-conference match, the Lady Pirates defeated the Lady Knights in five sets, 25-22, 22-25, 25-20, 22-25, 15-13.

Perquimans head coach Kristie Thach told her team before the match to expect a playoff atmosphere and her team delivered a playoff-like performance.

"It was back and forth, they would get a point, then we would get a point, but we never stopped fighting and we had some big plays at the net, some big serves," Thach said.

The match was the second between the two teams this season, as Currituck won the first meeting in five sets in Hatteras on Aug. 23, resulting in Perquimans' only loss this season.

In what was anticipated to be a tightly-contested match, the first set certainly did not start off that way, as the Lady Pirates came out to a 13-3 lead in front of a large crowd.

Currituck head coach Dough Towle called a timeout to attempt to regroup his team and the Lady Knights responded by fighting back to tie the first set at 18.

Perquimans never surrendered the lead late in the opening set, as Abby Todd came in with an ace to seal the first set win for the Lady Pirates.

Todd was one of six Lady Pirates to record an ace, led by McCrae Knapp with seven, Knapp also finished with 10 digs and 32 assists in the match.

Jensen Hunter added 13 assists for the Lady Pirates. The second set was arguably the most intense of the match, as the two sides went back-and-forth throughout the whole set until the Lady Pirates found themselves with a 22-21 lead.

That is when Currituck junior Kanyon Johnson stepped up and delivered four straight service points to give the Lady Knights the second set win.

Johnson finished the night with an impressive stat line, as the junior recorded a team-high eight aces, 89 digs, 18 service points and 22 kills, as well as adding five blocks.

After Perquimans gained a 6-5 lead to start the third set, they held on to the lead for the remainder of the set, sealed by an ace from Megan Denson to give the Lady Pirates a 2-1 set advantage.

Denson finished the match with three aces and a team-high 22 digs.

The Knights responded by holding the lead throughout most of the fourth set, as an ace from Kayleigh



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Smith just inside the back line sent the match to a decisive fifth set.

The ace was one of three for Smith on the night, as the junior also finished with 12 service points, 27 digs and 16 kills.

Bethany Forehand led the Lady Knights with 39 assists, while Isabella Hampton finished with 14 digs and three aces.

The fifth set was full of momentum swings, as Perquimans jumped out to a 6-0 lead, but Currituck fought back and tied the set at 11, as each team was just two points away from winning the match.

Denson stepped up for the Lady Pirates, delivering a pair of kills to give Perquimans the 16-13 set win and 3-2 match victory.

Thach was pleased to see her team fight from start to finish against a very talented Currituck team.

"It says a lot about what kind of team we are, that we are going to play hard and we are not going to give up," Thach said.

Denson was one of several key performers at the net for Perquimans, as she finished with nine kills, while Samantha Midgett recorded 10 kills and Cayce Copley added a team-high 27 kills.

After the match, Towle said "lets off to Perquimans, they attack the ball very well and they made us earn our points, they don't give you a lot of points, we had to earn every one," Towle said.

Towle also said he was impressed with the play of freshman Merrill Woolson, who finished with eight kills, seven blocks and two aces for the Lady Pirates.

Perquimans returned to action Monday when they traveled to Plymouth for an Albemarle Athletic Conference match.

Perquimans-Camden

On Sept. 7, the Lady Pirates beat rival Camden in five sets.

A 7-0 start to the fifth set paired the Lady Pirates to a 25-23, 22-25, 23-25, 25-15, 16-0 victory in an Albemarle Athletic Conference match-up.

"They fought hard even when their backs were against the wall," Thach said. "We had to win that fourth set."

The coach added that the Lady Pirates came out in the fourth set and played their best set of the contest.

Perquimans jumped out to a 4-0 lead in the fourth set against and cruised to the set win.

"Going into the fifth, I hoped that the momentum would stay on our side and it did," Thach said.

In the fifth set, the Lady Pirates jumped out to the early lead.

Key to their success in the set was the serving of McCrae Knapp.

Camden rallied to trim the deficit to 12-0, but the Lady Pirates closed out the match with a point by Samantha Midgett.

Cayce Copley led the Lady Pirates with 24 kills, eight digs, seven service points and three aces, while Midgett followed with 16 service points, 13 kills nine aces and two blocks.

Knapp had 25 assists with 20 service points and seven aces.

Megan Denson posted 12 digs, nine service points, nine kills, with an ace. Cala Robertson had 15 digs, Abby Todd posted seven service points and Jensen Hunter had 14 assists.

"It meant a lot," Copley said about the win.

Copley, a junior, noted that since her freshman year, Perquimans had not won a game at Camden.

"They are a really good team," she said. "It was good to come here as a team and just win."

Serving was one of the key decisions in the contest as Knapp and Midgett had high outputs in the category.

"We had some girls that were able to get multiple points in a row," Thach said.

The coach added that the team was very aggressive at the net.

After Camden lost the first set, the Lady Pirates earned two tough wins in the second and third sets.

"When we had an aggressive swing, we scored points," Camden coach Sumner Sawyer said of the team's success in the two sets. "Any time we had a good, strong swing at the net, we were scoring."

The Camden coach noted that the team had to adjust to Perquimans' serves.

Camden struggled in the match to serve receive.

Earlier Perquimans beat Manteo 25-5, 25-6, 25-11; McCrae Knapp led Perquimans (8-1, 2-0 AAC) with 20 service points with 16 assists and six aces in the win at Perquimans.

Cayce Copley had 13 kills with four digs and three service points, Samantha Midgett added nine service points with six kills and three aces.

Megan Denson had 12 kills, while Jensen Hunter had 13 assists and four service points.

Boys Soccer

Perquimans 3, Hertford County 1; Perquimans (4-2) earned the non-conference home win on Sept. 5.

Dylan Cox and Cameron Gilbert each scored a goal, while Seth Craiglow had a goal with an assist. Seth Norman and Calvin Moore had an assist each.

Jayvees improve record to 9-1

From Staff Reports

The Perquimans County High School Jayvee volleyball team picked up four more wins before a loss to Camden in three sets.

The Jayvee Lady Pirates have compiled a overall record of nine wins and one loss, and a 2-1 conference record in the first 10 games.

Perquimans beat North-eastern 25-8, 25-11 on Aug. 24, Currituck 25-9, 25-16 on Aug. 28, Gates 25-9, 25-9 on Aug. 31, and Manteo 25-11, 25-3 on Sept. 5.

On Sept. 7 the Pirates fell



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in three sets to Camden. Perquimans lost 20-25 in the first set, but came back to win 25-23 in the second set. In the third and final set, they lost 25-25.

In the next five games Lizzin Story has had 67 service points, Kayli Knapp 44

service points, Natalie Corprew 31 service points, Maci Denson 18 service points, Katelyn Sturber 16 service points, and Carly Elliott 10 service points.

Coach Kristie Thach said Fantasia Corprew has had great play from the back row.

Riverside girls golf off to strong start

From Staff Reports

WILLIAMSTON - The Riverside High School girls golf team is already off to a strong start this season.

The Knights are 3-1,

with the only loss resulting in a second-place finish during a five-team match in Ayden in late August.

On Thursday, Riverside shot a collective 147 over nine holes in a

four-team match at Roanoke Country Club to defeat D.H. Conley 147-151. South Central was third with a team score of 172, while Washington carded a 181.

In Thursday's match,

Riverside's Kylie Jones earned medalist honors with a nine-hole total of 44.

She was followed in the Knights lineup by Avery Parham (51), Abby Pippin (52), Mad-

son Barber (57), Onghia Purvis (65) and Daisy Edmondson (68).

Two days before, Jones was again Riverside's top scorer with an 18-hole round of 93 as the Knights defeated

Washington 311-368.

So far, Riverside already has four players post regional-qualifying scores: Jones, Parham, Pippin and Barber. Riverside played Currituck Monday.

Winning streak ends for Knight netters

From Staff Reports

EDENTON - The three-match win streak for the Riverside High School girls' tennis team is over.

John A. Holmes handed the Knights an 8-1

loss on Thursday, dropping Riverside to 3-2 overall on the season.

The lone win for the Knights came at No. 3 doubles, where the team of Jennifer German and Kushboo Patel

edged Sydney Morris and Lilly Boyce 10-7.

The Aces swept the six singles matches. No. 1 Jessica Copeland defeated Tara Leggett 6-0, 6-2; No. 2 Anna Bass defeated Step-

hanie Moore 7-5, 6-0; No. 3 Emily Cross stopped Caroline Reason 6-2, 6-0; No. 4 Sydney Morris won over Rachel Harris 6-0, 6-1; Boyce defeated German 6-2, 6-3; and White defeated Sadie

Tice 6-1, 6-0. Holmes was also win at No. 1 doubles (Bass and Cross 10-1 over Harris and Leggett) and at No. 2 doubles (Copeland and White 10-5 over Moore and Reason).

Riverside is scheduled to entertain Holmes today (Sept. 12) and will play host to Ayden-Grifton Thursday. Both matches start at 4 p.m. at West End Courts in Williamston.

Soccer

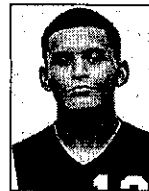
from B1 to have a good year," Farmer said. "We did not get all of our starters back from last year, but the new members have more than made up for it. Our returning starters that did come

back have done a spectacular job working with the younger classmen." Farmer continued: "Some of their success is because they are following coaching instructions so much better and are buying into what the coaches are

trying to teach. I guess being more experienced in the program, they have accepted teaching so much better, and the new players have followed them. It has been fun to watch them grow. They are really working well together and seem

to really enjoy being a team. Every aspect of their game has improved." Riverside started the week with a 5-1 triumph over John A. Holmes at "The Swamp" on Sept. 4.

Castaneda recorded a hat trick (three goals) for the Knights, while Fabian Morales and Jordan Taylor also had goals. Jacob Tyson recorded 14 saves as the goalkeeper, and Riverside's aggressive offense produced 18 shots.



Luis Castaneda

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VOLLEYBALL ROUNDUP

Cougars win 2 of 3

From Staff Reports

South Creek High School's volleyball teams earned wins in two of three matches played last week.

The Cougars (6-6 overall) fell to Coastal Plains 1A Conference co-leader Pamlico County 25-14, 25-7, 25-15.

Britney Wagner and Mya Toler provided four and three service points, respectively. Raigan Evans added three kills and one block, while McKenzie Pierce provided three kills.

South Creek defeated former Two Rivers Conference foe North Edgecombe in a non-conference sweep, taking the match 25-8, 25-11, 25-7.

Pierce served 16 points with six aces and had a pair of kills for the Cougars, while Hannah Summerlin added 12 service points.

Evans had 12 points (five aces) with five kills; Chloe Matthews had nine points (two aces) and one kill; Toler added three points with two aces and a team-leading seven kills; and Tess Keel served three points and collected one kill.

The Cougars closed the week with a 25-15, 25-8, 25-16 triumph in CPC play against Jones Senior.

Summerlin led the scorers with 19 points (five aces), while Toler added 10 points (three aces) and seven kills.

Wagner provided



JON GREEN / Enterprise & Weekly Herald
South Creek's Hannah Summerlin served 19 points in the Cougars' conference win over Jones Senior last week.

points), Green (three points) and Jones (two points) were the statistical leaders for South Creek.

OTHER RESULTS

Bear Grass sweeps Tigers

Bear Grass Charter School swept Creswell in Atlantic-6 action on Sept. 12.

The Bears varsity won 25-9, 25-13, 13-25, 25-8, while the junior varsity squad won 25-6, 25-12.

Knights sweep Tarboro in CPC

Riverside High School swept its Coastal Plains Conference matches against Tarboro on Thursday.

The Knights varsity eased past the Vikings 25-9, 25-9, 25-9 to stay unbeaten in the CPC and improve to 12-1 overall.

The JV Knights emerged 10-3 overall with a 25-7, 25-7 win. JoGray Thomas had seven service points,

Lakelyn Cooke added six service points and Makayla Cooke provided three kills.

SPORTS BRIEFS

Rotary tourney set for Sept. 21

WILLIAMSTON - The 19th annual Williamston Rotary Club Golf Tournament will be held at 1 p.m. on Thursday, Sept. 21 at Roanoke Country Club.

The format will be Super Ball (Captain's Choice). Four-person teams will be assigned a team handicap, which will be determined by a golf pro and based on handicaps submitted.

Registration begins at noon, with a shotgun start scheduled for 1 p.m.

Drinks and snacks are available on the course, and dinner will follow the tournament.

Corporate and tee sponsors are also available.

For more information, call Roy Lilley at 799-7185 or Brent Glover at 792-3963.

Tackle football teams suffer losses

WASHINGTON — Riverside's recreation tackle football teams suffered losses to teams from Washington Saturday at Kugler Field.

The 12-U squad fell

16-8 to the Washington Vikings. The only score for Riverside came on a 35-yard run by Jeremiah Speller and a two-point conversion run by Kumas Hines.

The 10-U team lost 22-18 to the Washington Saints.

Anthony Killbrew scored all three Riverside touchdowns, spanning runs of 20, 70 and 30 yards.

Elijah Anderson caught a pass from Naten Gurganus, while Jaquavion Sheppard had some nice runs for the Knights.

Bears

From B1

Needing 18 plays, the Bears reached the end zone on a three-yard run by Dylan Whicker. Lelon Stotesberry added the two-point conversion run, bringing the tally to 32-8, where it remained until halftime.

Shane Craddock amassed 41 yards on six carries in the drive for the Bears, while Dylan Whicker added a 20-yard run and Joseph Perry added 15 yards on four carries.

The Nighthawks weren't done, however.

They added three more touchdowns in the second half - a 14-yard TD pass, a 40-yard punt return and a 33-yard run for another score. The

first and third touchdowns were on the first play of each series.

Bear Grass Charter finished with 105 total yards, 103 of that on the ground.

Shane Craddock was the top rusher with 44 yards on eight carries, while Whicker added 35 yards on 12 attempts.

First Flight finished with 301 total yards

while running just 25 plays on offense.

The Nighthawks compiled 96 yards rushing and 205 yards through the air.

Bear Grass returns to action Friday with a game at 7 p.m. against Atlantic-6 Conference foe Mattamuskeet. The Bears defeated the Lakers 54-22 earlier this season.

'Battle of Badges' is Oct. 7

WILLIAMSTON - The Battle of the Badges Softball Tournament will be held at 9 a.m. on Saturday, Oct. 7 at Godwin-Coppage Park.

Proceeds from the event will benefit Martin County Special Olympics.

The fee is \$10 per player. Admission will be \$2 for adults and \$1 for ages 12 and under.

For more information, call Regina Smith at 252-809-2538, or email regina.griffin.smith@gmail.com.

Longtime NCHSAA executive director Charlie Adams passes away at age 81

CHAPEL HILL - Legendary and long-time Executive Director of the NCHSAA, Charlie Adams, has passed away at the age of 81. He passed away peacefully this morning at his home in Chapel Hill, surrounded by his family and loved-ones.

Adams led the Association through huge transitions and great expansions during his tenure as Executive Director from 1984 until he retired in 2010.

He was the fifth Executive Director in the history of the Association. Prior to becoming executive director, Adams served as assistant executive director and supervisor of officials for the Association for some 17 years.

He conducted rules clinics in various sports across the state during that time in addition to supervising a number of interscholastic programs.

He was a visionary leader of the NCHSAA, contributing to a number of innovations dur-

ing his time with the Association. One of Adams' legacies is the NCHSAA Endowment, which was conceived, discussed and implemented under his leadership. It will help ensure that certain athletic opportunities for student-athletes will always be available.

Other important contributions during Adams tenure include implementing a corporate sponsorship program, greatly expanding the state awards program, including the creation of Scholar-Athlete and Hall of Fame programs. He is also credited with developing more classified state championships and moving many to neutral sites. Under his guidance, the Student Services program was conceived, which includes a strong alcohol and other drug education-prevention component.

Adams NCHSAA roots run deep, as he was a member of a State Championship winning basketball team at Cary High School, where he later became a Championship coach and member of the school's Hall of Fame. He left Cary to join the NCHSAA staff in 1967.

The NCHSAA's Distinguished Service Award bears his name, presented annually at regional meetings.

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Dare Teachers of the Year

Eleven educators have been recognized as Teachers of the Year for 2017-18. From top left, they are Ashley Gilreath, Manteo Elementary; Rebecca Farish, Dare County Alternative; Lea Dixon, Manteo High; center, Karen Lewis, First Flight Middle; Christine Van Atta, Cape Hatteras Secondary; Cindy Mansfield, Manteo Middle; Nicole Farrell, Kitty Hawk Elementary; lower, Erin Basileone, First Flight High; Katie Blanchard, Nags Head Elementary; Shauna Leggat, Cape Hatteras Elementary; and Jen Smith, First Flight Elementary. Blanchard was named District Teacher of the Year. She was selected by committee to represent Dare County among school districts in the Northeast Region. Each school's Teacher of the Year was selected in late spring at the conclusion of the school year. Teachers were given the summer months to write a portfolio for consideration by the nominating committee. In the statewide recognition program, each of North Carolina's eight regions and one teacher from the state's charter school network contend for the title of North Carolina Teacher of the Year.

ADDICTIONS: Overdose awareness

FROM PAGE A1

Is Breathing – Noisy? Shallow? Slow? Stopped? Strange snoring? (can signify blocked airway)

Color – For fair-skinned people, blue or pale lips or fingertips? For darker-skinned people, grayish or ashen lips and skin color [sic].

WHAT YOU SHOULD DO If you believe the person has overdosed:

You should immediately move to activate the response plan for opioid overdose.

• Before you act, check for dangers such as needles

• Seek medical attention

• Try to get a response from the person by calling their name and/or giving a sternal rub

• If you can't get a response, put them in the recovery position

If you have access to Narcan/Naloxone, follow the directions for administration immediately AND Call 911. If you do NOT have Narcan/Naloxone, CALL 911 IMMEDIATELY.

If person is not breathing, apply rescue breathing (1 breath every 5 seconds) and continue until:

• The person starts to breathe on their own

• Medical attention arrives/is available

• Someone else can take over for you.

Sources: www.overdoseday.com/wp-content/uploads/Fact-sheet_010ids_v5.pdf, www.nchr.org/assets/NCHRC-OD-Prevention-and-Survival-Pamphlet-Updated-11052015.pdf and www.overdoseday.com

Jo Ann Hummer, EdD, is a Licensed Clinical Addictions Specialist, with a private practice at the Nags Head Professional Center. Her work includes assessments and treatment for DWIs and other drug offenses, smoking cessation sessions, and treatment for gambling and other addictions.

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and Energy Efficiency Portfolio Standard Cost)
Rider Pursuant to G.S. 62-133.8 and)
Commission Rule R8-67)

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VISAS: Is the summer student program in peril?

FROM PAGE A1

enables our businesses to stay open longer and at greater scale," Outer Banks International Student Outreach Program (ISOP) Chair Jamie Bond told the Sentinel. "I have talked to countless business owners in the Outer Banks who tell me they cannot operate their businesses without the J-1 exchange visitors who come here."

Rev. David Daniels, who provides hundreds of free bicycles and weekly dinners to the international students, suggested it's time to "rally the troops" to save the program. "Maybe have a delegation go up [to Washington] and let them know what a blessing these students are to our community."

The Summer Work Travel Program was created in 1961 by the Mutual Educational and Cultural Exchange Act. It is operated by the State Department, which supervises and coordinates overseas recruiting organizations, U.S.-based sponsor organizations and U.S. employers in placing foreign students who want to learn more about U.S. culture while working here during summer vacation.

After President Trump signed the "Buy American, Hire American" executive order in April

—targeting the H-1B visa program, which brings foreign workers to the U.S. to fill high-skill jobs—the Wall Street Journal reported that a White House-led working group was examining employment-based programs that are part of the J-1 Visa Summer Work Travel Program.

The State Department did not respond to a Sentinel request for comment. But a number of advocates for cultural exchange programs confirmed that the administration is looking at the Summer Work Travel Program. They say the White House could soon make a decision that could cut back or virtually eliminate it.

Ilir Zherka is executive director of the Alliance for International Exchange, an association of more than 90 non-governmental organizations that works to promote the growth and impact of exchange programs. He told the Sentinel that, "The threat [to the J-1 Program] is real. It is being actively considered by a group of folks in the administration, led by senior people in the White House, and it is a potential threat to communities across the United States, including the Outer Banks."

Not everyone on the Outer Banks enthusiastically lauds the program. There have been complaints that

the international students sometimes work at multiple jobs simultaneously, resulting in some unreliability when it comes to fulfilling the functions of their primary job. Some critics say that students who don't speak English well can be difficult to work with when ordering food.

But local supporters for the program argue that curtailing or cutting it would have negative consequences for local businesses.

Outer Banks Chamber of Commerce President Karen Brown warned that, "If they did away with the J-1 Visa program, that would certainly have a big impact on our summer workforce. We're already having trouble filling the jobs. It was a challenging summer...Imagine how much worse it would have been without having all those students here."

Nags Head Food Lion Manager Rick Chance stated that, "We haven't had American students come and work for us in the summer for years. The international students staff us and keep us going in the summer."

Added Rev. Daniels: "The students are not taking the high-wage, high-skill jobs they were specifically concerned about. These are students who are earning minimum wage and taking jobs Americans don't want."



Lost Colony Wine and Culinary Fest kicks off Sept. 30

The Lost Colony Wine and Culinary Festival's Grand Tasting debuts on Saturday, Sept. 30 on the grounds of The Lost Colony on Roanoke Island. Presented by the Roanoke Island Historical Association (RIHA), the Grand Tasting event opens at 1 p.m. and runs until 5 p.m. General Admission tickets are \$50. Participants will be able to sample over 120 wines in the Tasting Room, enjoy a Beer Garden, listen to live music from BJ Griffin and the Rare Mix Band, and taste local fare. They may also purchase a \$25 Seminar ticket. Seminars offered include Wine Tasting Made Easy, Uncovering the Mystery of Sparkling Wine, Starting or Expanding Your Own Affordable Wine Cellar at Home, and the History of Virginia Dare Wine Making. RIHA is a 501(c)(3) Non-Profit. Proceeds from this event will help sustain the production of The Lost Colony, the longest running outdoor symphonic drama in the United States. For more information, call 252-473-2127.

Aside from the economic issues, Zherka said the program was "designed to advance U.S. national security interests. Part of the benefit of having people come to the United States is that, once they're here, they develop a real appreciation for our country and our people." He asserted that millions of people in 200 countries have been positively affected by the program in the 50 years it has been in effect.

While noting that the U.S. State Department has the authority to operate, change, regulate or further restrict the J-1 visa program "at its own discretion," Zherka said this does not include the authority

to completely eliminate the program since that would violate a law passed by Congress.

But one possibility is that the State Department could use its regulatory authority to impose new requirements on employers, requiring, for example, that they submit proof that Americans could not be found to take the jobs they are filling with international students.

Zherka and other observers fear regulations like those could effectively terminate the program. On Sept. 7, 2017, the Senate Appropriations Committee weighed in by passing an amendment to the 1961 law that created the program requiring the adminis-

tration to consult with the committee and present information on "how any proposed modification would affect the public diplomacy goals of, and the estimated economic impact on, the United States."

Hailing it as an indication of the "strong support of Congress for continuing the program," Zherka called the amendment "a directive to the administration...to have a transparent and open process for the public to understand what the proposals are, to comment on those proposals and then go through a deliberative process before any changes are made."

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Tech classes set at the Washington County Center

The following classes are available at the Washington County Center in Roper through the Continuing Education Department at BCCC.

To register, call 252-940-6375 or email continuingeducation@beaforcc.edu.

If participants need transportation to class, they can schedule a ride with Riverlight Transit by contacting Shonia Gibson, Transportation Coordinator, at (252) 793-4041, extension 255 or by email at ShoniaG@wccchs.org.

Bullet Journaling – The Analog System for the Digital Age
The Bullet Journal is a customizable and forgiving organization and time management tool. It can be your to-do list, sketchbook, notebook, and diary, but most likely, it will be all of the

above. This course introduces the bullet journaling time and task management system. Combine your planner, task list and time management program in to one powerful system that will blast you through your day without breaking a sweat. The class will provide materials for students to use in class, and they will leave with their own new Bullet Journal. This \$15 class will take place from 6 to 9 p.m. Tuesday, October 3.

Microsoft Office
This four-week course will teach students about the software of Microsoft Office. Microsoft Word will be taught during the first week. Students will practice creating, editing and saving MS Word documents. The second session will show students how to create dynamic slide presentations in PowerPoint. They will learn how to include animation, narration and images in a presentation. The third session will provide tips on how to store, organize and analyze information in Microsoft Excel. Get help organizing and calculating data. Microsoft Access will be taught in the final class. It is a database creation and management program, and students will become familiar with the differences between data management in Microsoft Access and Microsoft Excel. This \$75 class will take place on Thursdays between 6 and 8 p.m. starting October 5.

iPhone/iPad Workshop
Kisha Norman will provide the basics and more in this popular Apple devices workshop. Bring your own iPhone or iPad so you can learn on your own device.

We will address security features, apps, upgrades and basic skills to help you get the most from your personal technology. Norman will make sure no student leaves with unanswered questions. The class size is limited to ensure plenty of individual attention. This \$20 class will take place on Tuesday, October 10, from 6 to 9 p.m.

Android Workshop
This class has been expanded to include more instruction and more individualized guidance. The class size is limited to make sure that everyone gets the information they need. Students should bring their own Android phone or tablet and enjoy learning the best features to employ. Kisha Norman will teach about apps, security settings, set-up options, photo sharing and enter-

tainment features. She will have plenty of time to address your needs, and students will leave feeling more confident with their Android device. This \$20 class will take place on Tuesday, October 17, from 6 to 9 p.m.

Holiday Party Foods
There will be a party at the Washington County Center. Students in this class will enjoy tasting and learning to make five do-ahead party dishes. They will go home with recipes and ideas to make their holiday events delicious, fun and easier to plan. The menu features: fig and blue cheese spread, fancy grilled cheese appetizers, burrata and pesto, curried mayo and crudites, tiramisu dip and chocolate truffles. This class will take place on Monday, November 6, from 6 to 9 p.m.

New residency questions will affect college application process

Students across the state will soon have an additional step in signing up for classes or applying for college. The College Foundation, Inc. (CFI) is rolling out the Residency Determination Service, and all students will have to go through it before applying.

At Beaufort County Community College, this process will begin on September 11. Staff and faculty will work with students before they sign up for spring classes to ease the process.

In 2013, the NC General Assembly took authority to deter-

mine residency away from individual educational institutions and tasked CFI with creating and administering a centralized process for determining which students will pay out-of-state tuition and which will pay in-state. CFI was selected to create the Residency Determination Service (RDS) because of its experience with North Carolina college and university admissions applications.

RDS will consist of an electronic interview process that students will have to successfully

complete prior to applying to the college. When a student successfully completes the process, they will be given a Residency Certification Number (RCN), which will then be imported into their college application. The RCN will follow the student to any North Carolina institution. Students who experience a change in circumstances can request a reconsideration from RDS. Students who believe their residency classification is incorrect may request an appeal.

BCCC admissions staff want

to ensure students' admissions process. "Students are encouraged to take their time and make sure all information is initially entered correctly on the RDS interview. We won't be able to go in and correct students' RDS interviews, so if they make errors in the process, they will have to appeal directly to CFI," said Michele Mayo, Director of Admissions and Recruitment. "If a student enters information that does not match with other public records, they will be classified as out-of-state until they can clear

up the error."

In the past, admissions staff were able to allow a student to apply for admission, have their application processed, and then register for classes all in the same day. Now, students who have not received an RCN will not be able to apply until they complete the RDS process which, in some cases, may take two to three days.

A student's RCN will be valid as long as they remain continuously enrolled in any North Carolina four-year college, university or community college.

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Creswell seeks funds to repair water treatment plant

By ARTHUR HOWELL
Staff Writer

With more than 40 years in operation, Creswell's water treatment plant is long overdue for upgrades that cost more than the town can afford.

Council hopes that funds in the Connect NC Bond grant can be acquired to get the plant running optimally once more.

The estimated cost of the project is \$755,000, which includes replacing all of Creswell's meters with a radio read system, replacing the filter media and replacing the existing filter and piping and buying an emergency generator.

Without the proper filters, potentially harmful substances such as iron and manganese will pose a serious danger to the public.

Aiding council in their grant pursuit is Mark Bacon, who has been in contact with the town's Wastewater Superintendent Ryan Swain for nearly two years to fund the upgrades. According to Bacon, only recently has a solid opportunity arisen to get the money to complete the renovations.

Ryan and our company owner Todd Steele came down with one of vendors and looked at the treatment plant... If I remember correctly you only

have one filter that is functioning properly... This is the last of the bond money and if anybody is going to apply this round there is a strong chance of getting funded. After this there won't be any money left, other than federal programs... there'll be approximately \$86 million available in loan funding, \$24.8 million available in grant funding for a total of 110.8 million.

According to Bacon, there are five major criteria that the town will be judged on for consideration. They are its current poverty rate, unemployment rate, population growth, median

household income and tax evaluation per capita. Bacon says that funding also depends on the town's current sewer and water rates as well.

"Based on the calculator that they have, ya'll would qualify for 50 percent grant and 50 percent loan. The loans can be 20 or 30 years depending on if you meet the economic criteria... and anywhere from 0 percent to the current rate of 1.9 percent. So, since we're rehabbing an existing facility that's in the excess of 40 years old you qualify for the 0 percent interest," he told council.

"You may end up with 100

percent loan at 0 percent interest. But hopefully there's enough grant funding with almost 19 million in the bond money being earmarked for grants that your point total will be high enough... I never guarantee funding but we'll (Engineering Services, PA) put in an aggressive application. I know from talking with Ryan in our discussions that this absolutely needs to be done."

Council voted to move forward with the grant applications, which are due by September 29. Funding decisions are not expected to be made until February 2018.

Jamesville talks image, safety

Jamesville's Board of Commissioners and Mayor continue to be concerned about the appearance of their town as well as a couple of potential safety issues.

One commissioner said the weeds at NERSBA are over a foot tall and are growing over the curb into the road. The Mayor agreed to contact the school principal to discuss the matter.

Relative to potential safety issues, there was continued concern about the railroad crossing on Hwy. 171 and the bed rails popping up when vehicles crosses the track and even hitting vehicles.

A complaint has been made to the CSX Company.

Commissioner Willis Williams shared a concern from a school bus driver relative to students bouncing out of their seats as the bus crossed the track. After discussion the consensus was to pursue whatever means are available by contacting the CSX company again first and then if issue is not resolved, contacting the State Highway Patrol and the Martin County School Board and Martin County Commissioners.

Another potential safety issue is the manhole cover on Washington Street

in front of the old fire department. The Board voted unanimously to purchase asphalt to repair this area and some other areas around town.

Maintenance Supervisor Eric Martin will supervise this effort.

In other business, the Board voted to approve a contract with NC DOT to make repairs to Stewart Street with funds from FEMA related to the storm, Matthew. The Board voted to enforce water/sewer services cutoff to citizens in arrears, per their policy, with the exception of citizen who appeared and requested an extension.



April Stolesbury, Vice President of Southern Bank, presents a check for \$2,000 to Lora Apley, the Youth Program Manager of Northeastern Workforce Development Board (NWDB) on Friday, September 8. The money will be used to facilitate the bank's support of youth education and career and skill building opportunities. (Staff photo by Arthur Howell)

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EDDIE EARLS

AHOSKIE, NC - Eddie "Dale" Earls, 74, of Ahoskie, NC, passed away on September 6, 2017 after a brief but courageous battle with cancer.

He was born on August 27, 1943 in Arkansas where he grew up and later moved to Greensboro, NC.

It was there he entered the Air Force in 1962 and proudly served his country for 8 years, including a year in Vietnam.

After an honorable discharge, he entered the automobile business for over 25 years where he started in sales, later as business manager and last as 13 years as a sales manager for Williams Honda in Hampton, VA. He and his family later moved to NC where he worked until he died as a correctional officer for River's Correction Facility in Winton, NC.

Dale enjoyed golf, hunting and fishing, but most importantly the family he and Cathie made and loved. He will be greatly missed by so many.

He leaves to cherish his memory, his wife and best friend of nearly 31 years, Catherine D. Earls of Ahoskie, their children: William Miller of Newport News, VA, Madison Earls of Naples, FL, Ashton Earls of the home, and a very special daughter, Avery Earls of the home who he adored more than life. He also leaves three older children: Patti Banks of Slidell, LA, Ken Earls of Seaford, VA, and Polly Bradsher of Williamsburg, VA; and several grandchildren and great grandchildren, along with three sisters, and a brother; a very special lady, his Aunt Elenora of Greensboro, NC; his mother in law, Dianne S. Johnson of Aulander, brother in law, Bo Miller of Aulander, brother in law Coleman Johnson Jr. of Hopewell, VA; and many cousins, nieces and nephews all over.

He was preceded in death by his mother, a brother, and an infant sister, as well as his special uncle, Mearle Earles.

Thanks to all of Vidant care hospitals and hospice care from Vidant, and thanks to all at RIVERS for the help and care you have all expressed to the family recently.

A celebration of life will be held at a later date. Wilder's Funeral Home Inc., 816 S. Commerce Street, Aulander, NC is handling the arrangements.

JOHN W. PERRY

AHOSKIE, NC - John Willard Perry, age 82, passed away on September 8, 2017 at Vidant Roanoke-Chowan Hospital of Ahoskie, NC.

Mr. Perry was born in Hertford County on January 5, 1935, a son of the late Willie and Maris Tinkham Perry. Johnny enlisted in the Army on April 21, 1953 and received his GED through the Army. He trained at Fort Campbell, KY and in Jump School at Fort Benning, GA. Perry served with the 11th Airborne, 101st Airborne, and 4th and 9th Infantry divisions. In 1955, Johnny was deployed to Germany. He was awarded the AOM, the NDSM, the Good Conduct, and other medals and ribbons. His 22 years (11 active and 11 National Guard) in service to his country were all memorable. He was discharged as SFC at Ahoskie, NC.

Johnny worked as a shift clerk foreman in the sheet finishing department for Union Camp in Franklin, VA until his retirement in 1995. After retirement, John worked for Piggy Wiggly in Ahoskie. John married his soul mate, Rose Nell Dilday, in October of 1973.

Besides his wife, John is survived by his three daughters, Ina Perry Bell and husband, Jeff of Jarrett, VA, Linda Aswell Chambliss and husband, Davidson of Ahoskie, NC, and Ruth Aswell Davidson and husband, Ernie of Colerain, NC; ten grandchildren, Dawson Dunlow, Jon Williamson, Blake Bell, Cody Bell, Steven Williamson, Jack Chambliss, Will Davidson, Kylene Williamson, Wanda Phillips, and Lee Ann Lloyd; seven great-grandchildren, Cole Phillips, Harper Lloyd, Allie Phillips, Kaley Chambliss, Sadie Davidson, Jones Chambliss, and Lucas Lloyd; and three special nephews, David Harrell of Arden, NC, Lee Harrell of Fletcher, NC, and Kevin Dilday of N. Myrtle Beach, SC.

A celebration of life memorial service will be held on Tuesday, September 12, 2017 at 11:00 am at Hickory Chapel Original Free Will Baptist Church, Ahoskie, NC, with the Rev. Mike Williams and Rev. Jim Skipper officiating. Burial will follow in Ahoskie Cemetery with Military Honors.

The family will receive friends at the home. In lieu of flowers, the family asks that memorial contributions be made directly to Cragmont Assembly, Inc. 1233 North Fork Road, Black Mountain, NC 28711; or to the Free Will Baptist Children's Home, P.O. Box 249, Middlesex, NC, 27557-9900; or you may donate online by visiting www.tnecfunding.com, search, then type John Perry.

Garrett-Sykes Funeral Service - Ahoskie Chapel is handling the arrangements for the Perry family and online condolences can be directed to the family by visiting www.garrettsykesfs.com.

R.B. AUSTIN JR.

SUFFOLK, VA - Ruben Bradley "R.B." Austin, Jr., 89, passed away September 10, 2017. He was born in Cross Hill, SC to the late Jamie and R.B. Austin, Sr. He is also predeceased by his wife of 59 years, Tullie Crumpler Austin, and brother, Samuel Madison Austin.

R.B. is survived by his son, Ruben Bradley "Brad" Austin, III. A graveside service will be held Wednesday, September 13, 2017 at 11 a.m. at Holly Lawn Cemetery, Suffolk, VA with Pastor Derik Davis officiating.

Condolences may be registered online at www.parrfuneralhome.com.

JIMMIE D. THOMAS

WINDSOR - Jimmie Donald Thomas, 82, of Bakertown Road, Windsor, died Friday, September 8, 2017 at Vidant Medical Center, Greenville. Funeral services were held on Monday, September 11, 2017 at the Walker Funeral Home Chapel, Windsor, who handled the arrangements. Burial followed in Edgewood Cemetery, Windsor.

JO M. WINN

AULANDER - Jo Sharon Mitchell Winn, 68, of Millennium Road, Aulander, died Friday, September 8, 2017 at Vidant Roanoke-Chowan Hospital, Ahoskie. Funeral services will be held at 11 a.m. on Friday, September 15, 2017 at St. John Baptist Church. A private burial will follow in the Ahoskie Cemetery. Miller Funeral Home, Gatesville, is handling

the arrangements.

ANNIE R. BAZEMORE

AHOSKIE - Funeral services for Annie Richardson Bazemore will be held at 3 p.m. on Wednesday, September 13, 2017 at First Baptist Church Kelford. Burial will be in Hillcrest Cemetery, Ahoskie. Reynolds Funeral Home, Ahoskie, is handling the arrangements.

DAVID M. SESSOMS COLERAIN - David Merle Sessoms, 74, of Hwy 45 North, Colerain, died Thursday, September 7, 2017 at Vidant Roanoke-Chowan Hospital, Ahoskie. Funeral services will be held at 2 p.m. on Saturday, September 16, 2017 at Zion Hill Missionary Baptist Church, Colerain. Burial will be in the church cemetery. Wilder's Funeral Home, Aulander, is handling the arrangements.

MATTIE R. CHERRY AULANDER - Funeral services for Mattie Ruth Cherry will be held at 1 p.m. on Saturday, September 16, 2017 at Mt. Herman Baptist Church, Aulander. Burial will be in the church cemetery. Reynolds Funeral Home, Ahoskie, is handling the arrangements.

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RALEIGH

DOCKET NO. E-22, SUB 545

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In the Matter of:

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And Commission Rule R8-69)

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CHURCH & FAITH

SEPTEMBER 12

► REVIVAL

COMO - Oak Grove AME Church, located at 1104 Boone's Bridge Road, Como, will have revival services at 7:30 p.m. nightly beginning on Tuesday, September 12.

► FALL REVIVAL

HARRLESVILLE - Mt. Pleasant Missionary Baptist Church will host Fall Revival at 7 p.m. nightly beginning Tuesday, September 12 through Thursday, September 14. The guest speaker will be Rev. David Moore of Indian Woods Baptist Church.

► FALL REVIVAL

UNION - Fall Revival Services will be held at Second Baptist Union Church at 7:30 p.m. nightly beginning Tuesday, September 12 through Friday, September 15. The revivalist for the week will be Pastor M. Bryan Pierce. Music will be rendered

by Roundtree Temple Male Chorus (Tuesday) at 1104 Boone's Bridge Road, Como, will have revival services at 7:30 p.m. nightly beginning Tuesday, September 12 through Thursday, September 14. The revivalist will be Rev. Robert Ashe, pastor of Pleasant Plains Baptist Church.

► FALL REVIVAL

COFIELD - Philippi Baptist Church in Cofield will hold their Fall Revival at 7:30 p.m. nightly beginning Tuesday, September 12 through Thursday, September 14. The revivalist will be Rev. Robert Ashe, pastor of Pleasant Plains Baptist Church.

► FALL REVIVAL

WINDSOR - St. Luke Missionary Baptist Church will host its annual Fall Revival services at 7:30 p.m. nightly through Thursday, September 14. The guest speaker will be Rev. Dr. Ricky Banks of St. Stephens Missionary Baptist Church of Elizabeth City.

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► BIBLE STUDY

AULANDER - Elm Grove Baptist Church (1324 Highway 11 S, Aulander) has Noon Day Bible Study from 12 noon to 1 p.m. each Tuesday.

► PRAYER MEETING/ BIBLE STUDY

HARRELLSVILLE - United Full Gospel Church in Harrellsville has city-wide prayer meeting/Bible Study at 7 p.m. each Tuesday night.

► SICK AND SHUT-INS

MURFREESBORO - Pastor Arlene Robinson and members of United Full Gospel Revival Center International Ministries, Inc. invite you to make us aware of yourself or those that concern you. If there is sickness, cases of being home-bound or incarcerated you are encouraged to write us at: P.O. Box 586, Murfreesboro, NC 27855 (e-mail: dandylw888@hottmail.com) or you may choose to leave your message for prayer at 252-396-0111.

► SEPTEMBER 20**► FALL REVEL**

AHOSKIE - Greater Faith Non-Denominational Church, located

at 907 Catherine Creek Road, South, Ahoskie, will hold its Fall Revival at 7 p.m. nightly beginning Wednesday, September 20 through Friday, September 22. The guest revivalist will be Rev. Alton Bazemore of New Holy Grove Baptist Church.

► WOMEN REVIVAL

RICH SQUARE - Chapel Hill Missionary Baptist Church will host Women Revival at 7:30 p.m. nightly beginning Wednesday, September 20 through Friday, September 22.

The guest evangelist will be Pastor Tina Watson of Zoar Missionary Baptist Church, Pendleton. Music will be provided by a guest choir, night.

► WORDS & WINGS

AHOSKIE - The Grace Fellowship Worship Center in Ahoskie invites the public to Quinton's Restaurant & Lounge in downtown Ahoskie at 7:30 p.m. each Wednesday for "Word & Wings."

► YOUTH EXPLOSION

AHOSKIE - Youth Explosion for children, youth and teens is

held every Wednesday from 6:30 p.m. at New Ahoskie Baptist Church. Supper and snacks are served. Call Lady Renee at 332-4367 if you need transportation.

► NOON BIBLE STUDY

AHOSKIE - Bible study will be held at 12 noon on Wednesdays at New Ahoskie Baptist Church. Senior citizens are encouraged to come out and share in the study of the Bible as well as a healthy meal. Pastor Stackhouse is the facilitator.

► SEPTEMBER 23**► PASTOR APPRECIATION SERVICE**

WINTON - Faith, Hope, & Deliverance Ministries, located at 103 West Joyner Street, Winton, will host a Pastor Appreciation Service at 4 p.m. on Saturday, September 23. Refreshments will be served immediately following

the service. If planning to attend, please contact Evangelist Angelica Beasley at 252-370-5357 as soon as possible.

► HOMECOMING CELEBRATION

AULANDER - Conocanary Missionary Baptist Church will celebrate its 150th Church Anniversary with two services at 10 a.m. on Saturday, September 23 and at 11 a.m. on Sunday, September 24.

► SEPTEMBER 24**► USHER ANNIVERSARY**

WOODLAND - Menola First Baptist Church will be celebrating its Ushers' 83rd Anniversary at 11 a.m. on Sunday, September 24.

Rev. Wynne Edward of Beautiful Zion Baptist Church will deliver the message.



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Rider Pursuant to G.S. 62-133.8 and)
Commission Rule R8-67)

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On August 23, 2017, DENC filed direct testimony and exhibits in support of its application for REPS cost recovery and 2016 REPS compliance report. By its application, DENC proposes to implement the following total REPS rates, including regulatory fee, effective for service rendered on and after January 1, 2018: a \$0.49 charge per month for residential customers; a \$2.71 charge per month for commercial customers; and an \$18.12 charge per month for industrial customers.

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AROUND THE STATE

3 female doctors sue hospital network for gender pay gap

CHARLOTTE (AP) — Three female doctors say they were paid less than male counterparts on account of their gender in a federal lawsuit filed against Carolinas HealthCare System.

The Charlotte Observer reports the lawsuit filed Monday says a male coworker at Charlotte-Mecklenburg Hospital Authority was paid substantially more than the three female doctors for doing the same job. All four are hospital pediatricians. The lawsuit did not disclose salaries, but plaintiffs' attorney Chris Strianese says the women plan to resign this year because of the pay gap.

The three plaintiffs have equal or more experience as a hospital pediatrician than the male coworker, and one, Dr. Amy Morgan, is his supervisor. The lawsuit says the women repeatedly complained to superiors about unlawful pay practices.

Carolinas HealthCare issued a statement calling the claims invalid.

Convicted sex offender arrested on child sex charges

WILMINGTON (AP) — A convicted sex offender in North Carolina faces multiple child sex charges. The StarNews of Wilmington reports that New Hanover County jail records show 46-year-old John Anthony Massengale was arrested Monday and charged on six counts, including two counts of statutory rape/sexual offense involving a victim who was six years of age or older and two counts of indecent liberties with a child.

His bail was set at \$1.5 million. No further details were available. It's unclear if he has a lawyer.

Sex offender registry records show Massengale was required to register as a sex offender for at least 10 years following a 2012 conviction after he was arrested in December 2010 for recording an underage teen girl in a bathroom.

Loaded gun confiscated at airport security checkpoint

ASHEVILLE (AP) — Transportation Security Administration officers have detected the 10th firearm at a North Carolina regional airport this year.

News outlets report that a TSA officer detected a loaded .40 caliber handgun in a passenger's carry-on bag at Asheville Regional Airport on Monday morning. TSA says the firearm passed along the conveyor belt of an X-ray machine at a security checkpoint.

The passenger was questioned, and local law enforcement took possession of the firearm. The passenger has not been identified. No further details were available.

The agency says it has detected 10 firearms as Asheville Regional Airport checkpoints so far this year.

UNC performing arts receives largest art donation with \$12M

CHAPEL HILL (AP) — The University of North Carolina at Chapel

Hill has received its largest single donation for the performing arts, with a \$12 million endowment to the university's PlayMakers Repertory Company and Department of Dramatic Art.

News outlets report the university announced the gift from Chapel Hill philanthropist Joan H. Gillings on Monday. The donation will be evenly split between PlayMakers and the department, and the Center for Dramatic Art will honor Gillings' name.

Gillings is the chair of the PlayMakers Advisory Council and says the donation was born out of love for the PlayMakers, rather than naming rights.

The money will be paid in three installments. Department of Dramatic Art chair Adam Verseniyi says the funding will help build sustainable programs and launch programs to increase community outreach and diversity.

North Carolina House panel revisiting judicial redistricting

RALEIGH (AP) — House Republicans are still interested in redrawing districts for North Carolina trial court judge and local prosecutor elections that supporters say would make boundaries more uniform but critics contend would swing some positions to the GOP.

A special House committee examining judicial districts planned to meet Tuesday in Raleigh, where the agenda is expected to include experts describing the evolution of the boundaries over the years. It's possible the full House could debate proposed maps when the General Assembly reconvenes in early October.

The Senate would still have to approve alterations, but GOP leaders there haven't been enthusiastic about the idea. Any district changes also would be subject to Democratic Gov. Roy Cooper's veto.

Judicial maps first surfaced in late June but got pulled before legislators took a summer break.

3 robberies reported during Letgo transactions this month

DURHAM (AP) — Three visitors to a North Carolina city have reported robberies during scheduled sales after using the Letgo marketplace app this month.

News outlets report Durham police are investigating three armed robberies stemming from Letgo transactions on the nights of Sept. 3, Sept. 8 and Sept. 10. Police spokeswoman Kammie Michael says all the incidents took place at different locations on the same block.

No injuries were reported. Police say out-of-townners looking to purchase either phones or game equipment were robbed of cash at gunpoint. Two incidents featured two male robbers, while one incident featured three.

Letgo is a free, person-to-person, mobile classifieds app that allows users to buy from, sell to and chat with others locally. Police urge caution in using such apps.

Senate GOP looking for budget deal to open way to tax redo

WASHINGTON (AP) — Pushing toward the Republicans' prime goal of tax legislation, the GOP Senate leader and members of the Budget Committee are scrambling to come up with a budget deal to clear the way for the first tax overhaul in three decades.

Senate Majority Leader Mitch McConnell and GOP members of the Budget Committee are meeting Tuesday with two top Trump administration officials to plot breaking the budget stalemate.

Lack of a budget plan for the 2018 fiscal year starting Oct. 1 is a roadblock to the must-do legislation overhauling the tax system that Republicans and President Donald Trump have made their highest priority. Trump's top economic adviser, Gary Cohn, and Treasury Secretary Steven Mnuchin are meeting with McConnell and budget panel members.

Undercutting the president's desire for tax legislation, Trump was hosting a bipartisan group of senators for dinner at the White House on Tuesday, including a trio of moderate Democrats from states Trump won last November and whose votes he'd like to have on a tax bill.

Democratic Sens. Joe Manchin of West Virginia, Heidi Heitkamp of North Dakota and Joe Donnelly of

Indiana are to be joined at dinner by Republican Sens. John Thune of North Dakota, Pat Toomey of Pennsylvania and Orrin Hatch of Utah, the White House said.

Manchin, Heitkamp and Donnelly are the only Democratic senators who did not sign a letter addressed to Republican leaders and Trump that said the Democratic caucus would not support a tax overhaul that cuts taxes for the "top 1 percent" or adds to the government's \$20 trillion debt.

Heitkamp traveled with Trump aboard Air Force One to an event in her home state last week where he spoke broadly about the tax plan. Trump pitched the senator on the overhaul, calling her a "good woman."

Under Washington's complicated ways, passing a budget blueprint is the only way to set in motion a special rewriting of the tax code. If Congress can pass a budget, Republicans controlling the Senate don't need to worry about a Democratic filibuster blocking any tax bill.

House action has been held up by a battle between moderates and conservatives over whether to pair spending cuts with the filibuster-proof tax measure. Senate action has been on hold while the House struggles.

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TROOPERS: Changes made after audit

FROM PAGE A1

agencies, the report's authors wrote.

Patrol management "created an environment where subordinate troopers were able to rationalize noncompliance or completely disregard the policy," says the report, which also recommended GPS devices on patrol cruisers and other vehicles to ensure their proper use.

Public Safety Secretary Erik Hooks, whose department oversees the 1,600 troopers, agreed with the audit findings and pointed out changes under new

patrol commander Col. Glenn McNeill, appointed by Gov. Roy Cooper.

In a written response attached to the audit, Hooks said there's a new commuting policy that focuses on response time rather than mileage and allows McNeill to make exceptions "to prevent a hardship or when in the best interest of the patrol." Hooks said each of the patrol employees cited in the report is complying with the policy.

Highway Patrol command staff "has communicated a clear message that the residency

policy is to be strictly and evenly enforced," Hooks wrote, and those who fail to comply with the policy or adequately enforce it "will be dealt with appropriately."

The report said a majority of the troopers cited initially told auditors they were not commuting to and from their primary residences — defined where their families live. But auditors reviewed records they say showed the eight were refueling near their primary homes during the week. The troopers ultimately acknowledged driving to those residences.

STORMS: Better at emergency response

FROM PAGE A1

Last year, Hurricane Matthew spread more deaths, flooding and blackouts across Florida, Georgia and the Carolinas. Ryan 2016, major hurricanes and tropical storms are blamed for more than 280 deaths and \$100 billion in damages, according to data from the federal National Centers for Environmental Information.

Nationally, coastline counties grow an average of 1.6 percent since 2010, while inland counties gained just 4 percent. This recent trend tracks with decades of development along U.S. coasts. Between 1960 and 2006, the national coastline population rose by 84 percent, compared with 64 percent inland, according to the Census Bureau.

In Horry County, South Carolina, where 19 percent growth has led all of the state's coastline counties, Irma caused only minor coastal flooding. The county's low property taxes are made possible by rapid development and tourism fees, allowing retirees

from the North and Midwest to live more cheaply. Ironically, punishing hurricanes farther south in recent years pushed some Northerners known locally as "half-backs" to return halfway home from Florida and to resettle in coastal South Carolina.

Add the area's moderate weather, appealing golf courses, and long white strands — the county is home to Myrtle Beach — and maybe no one can slow development there. "I don't see how you do it," said Johnny Vaught, vice chairman of the county council. "The only thing you can do is modulate it, so developments are well designed."

Strong building codes with elevation and drainage requirements, careful emergency preparations, and a good network of roads for evacuation help make the area more resilient to big storms, said the council chairman, Mark Lazarus.

Such measures give people "a sense of peace," said Laura Crowther, CEO of the local Coastal Carolina Association of Realtors

in Horry County.

Risk researchers say more is needed. "We're getting better at emergency response," said Tobin at the University of South Florida. "We're not so good at long-term control of urban development in hazardous areas."

The Federal Emergency Management Agency helps recovery efforts with community relief and flood insurance payments. The agency did not immediately respond to a request for comment. It provides community grants for projects aimed at avoiding future losses. Some projects elevate properties, build flood barriers, or strengthen roofs and windows against high winds. Others purchase properties subject to repeated damage and allow owners to move.

But coastline communities face more storm threats in the future.

Global warming from human-generated greenhouse gases is melting polar ice and elevating sea levels at an increasing pace, according to the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration. That amplifies



Boarding up windows and sandbagging doors for coastal resorts, businesses and homes is becoming an even more regular occurrence as people decide to continue building along the coast despite the increasing number of strong storms and hurricanes, the Associated Press reports.

storm surges and other flooding.

"There will be some real challenges for coastal towns," predicted Jamie Kruse, director of the Center for Natural Hazards Research at East Carolina University in Greenville. "We'll see some of these homes that are part of their tax base becoming unlivable," Hazard researchers

said they see nothing in the near term to reverse the trend toward bigger storm losses. As a stopgap, communities should cease building new high-rises on the oceanfront, said Robert Young, director of the Program for the Study of Developed Shorelines at Western Carolina University in Cullowhee, North Carolina.

He said big changes probably will not happen unless multiple giant storms overwhelm federal and state budgets.

"The reason why this development still continues is that people are making money doing it," he said. "Communities are still increasing their tax base — and that's what politicians like."

STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA UTILITIES COMMISSION RALEIGH

DOCKET NO. E-22, SUB 544

BEFORE THE NORTH CAROLINA UTILITIES COMMISSION

In the Matter of)
Application of Virginia Electric and Power)
Company, d/b/a Dominion Energy North)
Carolina for Approval of Renewable Energy) PUBLIC NOTICE
and Energy Efficiency Portfolio Standard Cost)
Rider Pursuant to G.S. 62-133.8 and)
Commission Rule R8-67)

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On August 23, 2017, DENC filed direct testimony and exhibits in support of its application for REPS cost recovery and 2016 REPS compliance report. By its application, DENC proposes to implement the following total REPS rates, including regulatory fee, effective for service rendered on and after January 1, 2018: a \$0.49 charge per month for residential customers; a \$2.71 charge per month for commercial customers; and an \$18.12 charge per month for industrial customers.

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LOCAL & STATE

OBITUARIES

Alvin Wayne Batchelor Jr.

Alvin Wayne Batchelor Jr., 40, received his heavenly wings on Friday, September 8, 2017. He was born on May 15, 1977 in Nash County, NC.

Wayne Jr. was a dedicated, devoted and loving family man and friend. He was an excellent and professional heavy equipment mechanic and manager. He was a true HERO, willing to help anyone with anything at anytime. He was an active member of Coopers Fire and Rescue Department for 11 years and then an honorary member. He was Rookie of the Year 1997 and Fireman of the Year 2002. He was an amazing and outstanding husband and father. He will always remain in our hearts, be deeply and dearly missed, and will never be forgotten.

He was preceded in death by his father, Alvin Wayne Batchelor Sr.; his grandparents, W.T. & Eunice Batchelor and John & Gertrude Short; his mother-in-law, Gail Moore; his uncles, Ralph & Albert Batchelor, and Joe Short.

He leaves to adore and cherish his memory, his forever loving wife, Tracy Batchelor; his children that he was extremely proud of, Laken Batchelor, Amber Hunter and Doug Hunter; his mother, Martha Batchelor; his brother, Craig (Gretchen) Batchelor; his father-in-law, Paul Moore; numerous uncles, aunts, nephews, nieces, cousins and friends.

A visitation will be held on Monday, September 11, 2017 from 6:00pm - 8:00pm at Cornerstone Funeral Home. A service will be held on Tuesday, September 12, 2017 at 2:00pm at the funeral home with Rev. Daniel Moss officiating. Immediately following the service will be a final ride conducted by Coopers Fire & Rescue Department to his final resting place.

Cornerstone Funeral Home is honored to be caring for the Batchelor family and words of comfort may be shared at www.cornerstonefuneralhomeandcremations.com. Cornerstone Funeral Home 1052 South First Street, Nashville, NC 27856.

William "At" Irvin Rhodes

William "At" Irvin Rhodes, 89, passed away Saturday, September 9, 2017. He was born August 29, 1928 in Wake County to the late Cecil and Hattie Denton Rhodes. In addition to his parents he is preceded in death by his wife Joann Rhondell Rhodes; sister Jane Price and husband Tom; brother Bobby Rhodes; and a great granddaughter Taylor Hinton.

He was known as "Bubba" to his family and "At" to his customers and made many friends over the years. He was an avid baseball player in his time. At was well known for his honesty, integrity and his work ethics. He was a 1947 graduate of West Edgecombe High School and a member of Oakdale Baptist Church. At retired from the Navy and the National Guard and worked for Meadowbrook Dairy delivering milk Westside of Rocky Mount where he made lifelong friends.

He opened Talbot Drive Shell where all of his friends traded with him. He then opened R&R Union with his friend Harold Rowland until retirement. He loved cooking at the service station for his friends and family. After retirement he worked at Bowling Funeral Home, Wheeler Woodlief Funeral Home and then Cornerstone Funeral Home. He loved watching his children, grandchildren and great grandchildren play sports. At loved playing golf and cards with his friends at Birchwood Country Club. He is now with the best wife a man can have, Joann Rhodes.

He leaves to cherish his memory his daughters Gail Rhodes Hinton (Jimmy), Debbie Rhodes (Sara Beth) and Bruce Rhodes (Christy); sister Gwen Rhodes Harvey; brother Mike Rhodes (Yon); sister-in-law Ann Rhodes; thirteen grandchildren and 23 great grandchildren.

A visitation will be held 6pm-8pm on Tuesday, September 12, 2017 at Cornerstone Funeral Home and other times at 3752 Lobbly Dr. Rocky Mount, NC. The service will be held at 2pm on Wednesday, September 13, 2017 at the funeral home with Rev. Joe Price and Bruce Rhodes officiating.

Burial will follow the service in Rocky Mount Memorial Park. In lieu of flowers donations may be made to Nash Hospice 2460 Curtis Ellis Dr Rocky Mount, NC 27854 or to Oakdale Baptist Church 13037 US 64 At W. Rocky Mount, NC 27881.

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DEATHS

SHARPSBURG — **Melvin Eugene Manning**, 68, died Saturday, Sept. 9, 2017. A life celebration will be 2 p.m. Tuesday in the Chapel of Carlisle Funeral Home with visitation one hour before the service. Arrangements by Carlisle Funeral Home in Tarboro.

Willie Vines, 71, died Wednesday, Sept. 6, 2017. **Emma Grant**, 88, died Saturday, Sept. 9, 2017. Ar-



BY JIMMY TOMLIN
Associated Press

RANDLEMAN — It is hard not to feel sorry for poor Grady Ferguson, a bank robber who was forced into crime by an unexpected tragedy.

By all accounts, the 27-year-old Ferguson came from a respectable family in Randleman, where he grew up.

He was not wealthy, but he had earned what money he had, having worked off and on at a local cotton mill before opening up a cold-drink stand in town. And he must have been on top of the world in November 1920, when he married his sweetheart, young Cornelia Ivey, shortly after her 18th birthday.

Only a year later, though — on Dec. 10, 1921 — Ferguson's blissful world fell apart when Cornelia severely was burned in an accident at the couple's home. As she was washing clothes, she got too close to the fire beneath the washpot, and it ignited her dress. She was rushed to Guilford General Hospital in High Point with life-threatening burns over much of her body.

For several months, Cornelia lay in the hospital as doctors treated her burns and did their best to keep her alive. Ferguson dutifully visited his wife often and, according to hospital officials, paid his medical bills on time, without fail. Doctors said the young man visited Cornelia on May 23, 1922, and nothing seemed amiss about his demeanor.

The next day, though, Ferguson snatched the pulling off a daylight heist that one newspaper described as one of the boldest bank robberies in North Carolina history. Despite being well-known in Randleman, Ferguson did not even try to disguise himself.

Shortly before noon, he strolled into the Peoples Bank of Randleman, where he apparently was a customer, and asked for a cancelled check. When the two tellers behind the counter turned their backs to look for the check, Ferguson quickly hopped on the counter and clambered over the lattice frame of the cage. As the tellers turned to see what was making so much racket, Ferguson pointed a revolver at their heads as he scooped up wads of cash.

"Don't say a word," he snarled.

"I need this money for my sick wife, who is in a hospital in High Point."

With those words — and with nearly \$500 in his pocket — Ferguson cautiously backed out of the bank, still aiming his gun at the tellers. Once out the door, he turned and fled on foot, and the tellers sounded the alarm. By the time police arrived, though, Ferguson was nowhere to be found.

"The young man's spectacular holdup hit the little town like a bolt of lightning from a clear sky," wrote the Western Sen-

tinel, a Winston-Salem publication. "The citizens are stupefied; they cannot begin to explain the act of Ferguson, who has lived here all his life and has never before been guilty of any unlawful conduct."

Law enforcement in Randleman and surrounding municipalities set up a dragnet to nab the daring young bandit, but Ferguson proved too elusive for them.

A few nights after the holdup, nurses at Guilford General called city police and reported seeing a man lurking on the grounds outside the hospital — they guessed it was Ferguson, trying to get in to see his wife — but he vanished before police got there.

A few days later, a man resembling Ferguson pulled off a similar heist at a bank in Summerfield, making off with about \$1,500, and then the fugitive sightings ceased. The lack of reports caused family members to speculate Ferguson may have killed himself, distraught over his wife's deteriorating health and over his own rash actions.

They were wrong.

On June 4, Ferguson resurfaced — in New Orleans, of all places — a broke and broken man. He walked into a police station — with only two pennies to his name, according to one newspaper account — and identified himself as William Grady Ferguson of Randleman. He confessed to the bank

robbery, explaining he needed the money to pay his wife's hospital bills.

"My wife is sick," he told New Orleans police. "I want to see her and am ready to face the music."

Ferguson vehemently denied any involvement in the Summerfield heist, claiming he had been on the lam in Georgia when that holdup took place.

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STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA
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DOCKET NO. E-22, SUB 545

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Application by Virginia Electric and Power Company, d/b/a Dominion Energy North Carolina, for Approval of Demand Side Management and Energy Efficiency Cost Recovery Rider Pursuant to G.S. 62-133.9 and Commission Rule R8-69)
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Kiwanians donate to organizations during June 26 meeting

At the June 26, meeting of the Roxboro Kiwanis Club held at La Piazza restaurant, Elaine Penny with the Person County Girl Scouts was presented a check in support of the program.

The North Carolina Coastal Pines Council, of which Person County is a part, includes 40 counties, from here to the coast.

A day camp is scheduled in Orange County this summer. There are also three resident camping programs, the closest one being in Vance County.

The Girl Scouts program covers ages kindergarten through 12th grade.

There are bronze, silver and gold awards for the girls to achieve, the latter being the equivalent of the Boy Scouts Eagle award.

There are between 40-50 girls involved in Person County, with six active troops, many of which are multi-level age-wise.

Kevin Crabtree with the Person County Sheriff's Department received a check in support of the GREAT (Gang Resistance Education and Training) program. This began in Person County in 2006 and

a summer camp began in 2007.

Over 2,200 kids have been served since that time.

Four different five-day camps are held each summer, without charge.

An educational session is held in the morning, and an escape room exercise has been added this year to encourage team building.

In the afternoon, there are recreational activities such as swimming, boating and fishing.

A Palace Pointe session is included as well.

Rising sixth to ninth-graders are the age ranges.

United Way and Person County Schools have been partners of the program.

A local group has also gone to El Salvador to present the program in that country.

Daniel Collins, executive director with Person County Habitat for Humanity, was presented with a contribution from the club. He emphasized that Habitat helps people who are trying to improve themselves.

Habitat is a Christian ministry that began in Americus, Georgia.

Habitat's vision is a world where everyone has a decent place to live, and it seeks to put God's love into action in the process.

Collins informed that about 30 percent of Person County families are cost burdened, meaning that they pay more than 30 percent of their total income for housing.

There are three requirements of the program; being in need of better housing, being willing to provide 300 hours of sweat equity to Habitat, not just on their own home, and the ability to pay for a mortgage, which is a zero interest home loan from Habitat.

Carla Johnson, coordinator with Parents As Teachers (PAT), received a contribution from the club in support of the program.

Parents As Teachers works with children birth to five years of age. PAT collaborates with Person County Schools and has worked with 187 participants this year.

PAT makes home visits, during which a free book for the child is presented.

PAT partners with the library and the housing



Pictured, from left, are Daniel Collins, Kevin Crabtree, Elaine Penny, April Stone and Carla Johnson.

authority on literacy issues as well.

A playroom has been added to its facilities at the Person County Office Building.

April Stone with Reading is Fundamental indicated that there are 160 three and four year olds served at Earl Bradsher Preschool. Three times per year a free book is pro-

vided to each child, and read to the students by volunteers from the Kiwanis Club and the Key Club. This is a project in which the club has been involved for a number of years.

Friends of library fall Book Sale to be held Oct. 5-7

The Friends of the Person County Public Library will hold the Fall Book Sale, Oct. 5-7.

The book sale will be open to Friends of the Library members only on Thursday, Oct. 5 from 4 to

7 p.m.

Memberships will be sold at the door. Individual memberships are \$15.

The public sale will begin on Friday, Oct. 6 from 9 to 5 p.m., and will continue on Saturday, Oct. 7 from 10

to 1 p.m.

The Person County Public Library is located at 319 South Main Street.

For more information, contact the library at 597-7881 or visit library.personcountynet.

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DOCKET NO. E-22, SUB 545

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Compared to the current DSM/EE rates, the result of DENC's request would be an increase of 0.058 cents per kWh for residential customers, which would increase the monthly bill of a residential customer using 1,000 kWh of electricity by \$0.58. Small general service and public authority customers would see a DSM/EE rider increase of 0.094 cents per kWh, and large general service customers would see a DSM/EE rider increase of 0.064 cents per kWh.

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Paige J. Morris, Deputy Clerk

Sports writer addresses Kiwanis Club; discusses local college teams

At the June 19, meeting of the Roxboro Kiwanis Club, Ann Garrard, executive director of the Person County Partnership for Children, spoke about the Dolly Parton Imagination Library.

The Dolly Parton Imagination Library provides an age appropriate book each month to 1,647 local children ages birth through five years old, resulting in the distribution of 15,395 books.

For each local dollar, the Parton Foundation matches it with \$3.

Garrard was presented with a check for the club's annual support for the program.

Andrew Carter, sports writer covering UNC athletics for the *Raleigh News and Observer*, also addressed the club.

When asked to name the favorite team he has covered, Carter's answer was the 2016 basketball team, due to the presence of Marcus Paige. After more thought, he said the last two years have really been notable.

He bemoaned the plight of those who cover some of the one-and-done programs, since they never really get to know the players who stay, like Paige and Bryce Johnson and Justin Jackson.

He thinks this phenomenon is, said, and indicated



Andrew Carter

that he grew up as a Duke fan in the Christian Lattin era.

Carter noted that there was much talk about "redemption" with this year's basketball team. He considered that odd, since the University of North Carolina had nothing about which to be ashamed based on last year's performance.

He mused that perhaps "mission accomplished" would have been a better slogan. Some of last year's players had an opportunity to leave, but did not do so, including Justin Jackson, Kennedy Meeks and Isaiah Hicks.

This set the tone for the mission of this year's team.

Carter asked C. B. McGrath, a UNC assistant coach, what the difference between the two teams was. McGrath's response

was toughness. This was particularly true with regard to Joel Berry.

After UNC beat Kentucky, Berry's ankles were swollen and he was in tremendous pain, such that he did not even want to talk to the media, but he came through when it counted.

Several years ago, UNC had trouble closing out games and Williams talked repeatedly about toughness; not letting leads slip away.

This past season UNC won all of those close games.

Hicks did not perform well throughout the tournament, yet in the championship game his runner with 30 seconds left was the difference.

Carter contends that sports are a good metaphor for life — learning from mistakes and building resiliency from adversity.

Carter travels to all the road games, which is not all that common presently. None of the other papers, except Raleigh and Charlotte, do this any more.

He recalled a boy from Goldsboro with a brain tumor who was sent to the Maul Invitational tournament by the Make-A-Wish Foundation. Carter attended a practice with the team and the family and he enjoyed seeing the interaction.

The Indiana loss this

season produced a classic Roy Williams moment. Williams said he wished we could play in an environment like that. There was also a great "time-out" rant from Williams which lasted nine and one-half minutes.

The Kentucky game in Las Vegas was a coming out party for Luke May and showed what UNC could do offensively.

The worst game he covered was the Georgia Tech game in Atlanta, a UNC loss.

The coach and some of the players were sick.

The Sun Bowl was the day before in El Paso, Texas, so Carter had to leave El Paso at 5:30 a.m. in order to get to Atlanta in time to make the basketball game.

The two NC State games this year were record setting. This included the 51 point win in Chapel Hill, which marked the end of the Mark Gottfried era.

His favorite game all year was the Kentucky game in the NCAA tournament, and he described the emotional intensity at court-side as dramatic.

He spoke about Stillman White, a 24 year old senior.

White told Carter that he was looking for a job, knowing that basketball was not in his future. Yet he took a future NBA first round draft pick to the rim and scored on a reverse lay-up in the Kentucky game.

He sees next season as rebuilding in football. UNC lost almost all of

its offense.

A transfer from LSU may win the quarterback job, but there will be others competing for that job.

This will be the first time in Fedora's tenure where the team may be better defensively than offensively, since there are so many offensive unknowns. Regarding the NCAA investigation, the bogus courses don't fit the definition of academic fraud that the NCAA uses, which is basically the athlete cheating.

Carter thinks that some of the UNC arguments are sound, but the result is still uncertain. If UNC receives sanctions it regards as unacceptable, the matter could wind up in federal court.

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EXTENSION NOTES

FIVE COUNTY BEEF TOUR

The Five County Beef Tour will be held in Granville County on Sept. 26.

The tour schedule is:
• 6:30 – 8 a.m. - Registration at the Butler Beef Cattle Field Lab. Biosecurity will be practiced via foot bath for participants. Anyone who has been outside the United States in the previous three days should not participate.
• 9 – 10 a.m. - Tour Butler Beef Cattle Field Lab - The focus of this stop is to learn about the grazing research being conducted with the beef herd and the beef bull testing program.
• 10 – 10:30 a.m. - Travel to Hollister Farm
• 10:30 - 11:30 a.m. - Tour Hollister Farm - The Hollister's have angus/cross cattle and utilize a grazing system. They are relatively new to the beef industry and have been asked to share their experiences in purchasing a working farm that was in need of some repairs and upgrades.
• 11:30 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. - Travel to Boone's Farm
• 12 p.m. – 12:30 p.m. - Lunch
• 12:30 – 1:30 p.m. - Tour Boone's Farm - Boone's Farm is a former tobacco farm that is now pastures and hay fields, along with beef cattle. The farm has dealt with a serious weed problem this summer caused by an unusual amount of Hemp Dogbane showing up in the pastures. We will discuss weed control issues and poisonous plants as part of the tour stop.
• 1:30 – 2 p.m. - Travel to Little Grassy Creek - Tour Little Grassy Creek Farm - We will be using some NCDA&CS people-movers to transport tour participants to the back side of the farm to see a solar-powered watering system that was installed to make it possible for cows to graze these pastures that are farm from water sources and power lines. The front side of the farm has a good grazing system installed, and this solar-powered pump system has made it possible to expand the grazing acreage.
• 3 p.m. - Wrap Up and Adjourn
This is a "drive-it-yourself" tour, but we do encourage people to car pool where possible. There is adequate parking at each of the tour stops.
RSVP to 919-603-1350 by Monday, Sept. 25 so we can get a lunch count.
Persons with disabilities and person with limited English proficiency may request accommodations to participate by contacting NC Cooperative Extension, Granville County, by phone at 919-603-1350, by fax to 919-603-0268 via email to paul_westfall@ncsu.edu or in person at the Granville County Extension Center at least three weeks prior to the event.
The tour is sponsored by NC Cooperative Extension, Granville County, the Granville County Cattleman's Association and Granville County Farm Bureau.

PESTICIDE COLLECTION DAY SCHEDULED

A Pesticide Collection Day will be held on Tuesday, Sept. 26, from 10 a.m. until 2 p.m.

The location will be the Hyco Warehouse located at 1965 Durham Road, Roxboro. This is a rain or shine event.

Farmers and homeowners who have herbicides, insecticides, or fungicides that need to be disposed of are asked to bring those

in their original containers and with legible labels to the Pesticide Disposal Day. There is no charge for disposal. Anyone with containers larger than five gallons should contact the NCDA&CS Pesticides Division to make arrangements for disposal.

This collection day is for pesticides only. Paint, solvents, petroleum products, or other non-pesticides will not be accepted.

This Pesticide Collection Day is sponsored by the North Carolina Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services, Hyco Warehouse, and North Carolina Cooperative Extension, Person County Center.

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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

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Sept. 26 - Pesticide Collection Day
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Nov. 1-2 - Working Arts