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January 14, 2016

Ms. Gail Mount, Chief Clerk
North Carolina Utilities Commission
430 North Salisbury Street
Dobbs Building
Raleigh, North Carolina 27611

Re: Docket No. E-100, Sub 141

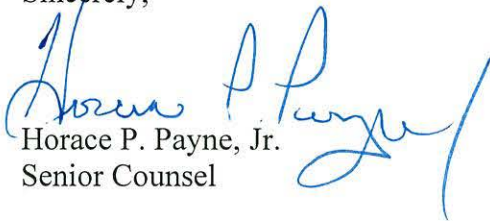
Dear Ms. Mount:

Enclosed is an Affidavit of Publication which will serve as proof of publication of the Public Notice as required in ordering paragraph 2 of the Commission's November 23, 2015, *Order Scheduling Public Hearing on 2015 IRP Update Reports and Related 2015 REPS Compliance Plans* in the above-referenced case.

Pursuant to the instructions in ordering paragraph 2, the notices were published in newspapers having general circulation in Dominion North Carolina Power's service area once a week for two consecutive weeks beginning with the week of December 7, 2015. 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,



Horace P. Payne, Jr.
Senior Counsel

Enclosures

cc: Antoinette Wike, Esq. (w/o enc.)

AFFIDAVIT OF PUBLICATION

(Order #15123DD0)

COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA

CITY/COUNTY OF Henrico, to-wit:

I, Janet Madison, Tearsheet Coordinator, hereby certify that a legal notice for Dominion Resources (Docket No. E-100, Sub 141) (copies attached hereto) was published in the following North Carolina newspapers on the days listed below in the year 2015.

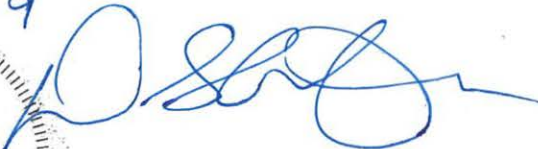
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Plymouth Roanoke Beacon 12/9 and 12/16
Roanoke Chowan News Herald 12/8 and 12/15
Roanoke Rapids Daily Herald 12/9 and 12/16
Rocky Mt. Telegram 12/9 and 12/16
Roxboro, The Courier Times 12/9 and 12/16


Signature

Subscribed to and sworn before me this 9th day of January, 2016.

My commission expires: 9/30/19




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manager, town clerk and attorney to their positions.

Send a letter to the governor, the state senate president

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INSPIRATION

Dance Stars raising funds for special needs troupe

BY REGGIE PONDER
Editor

Last Saturday while local shoppers were hunting for bargains as they shopped for Christmas they had the chance to give back to those who face special challenges.

Members of Edenton Dance Stars were selling angel figurine tree ornaments as well as nutcrackers and other holiday gifts. Proceeds will be donated to Darby's Dancers, a troupe of dancers with special needs who are students at the Chowan County studio owned and operated by Linda Brown.

Brown said there are 10 set up in downtown Edenton again this Saturday and continue the fundraising.

Brown, a former dancer, said the effort was a cause close to her heart.

"We started in October with three children. We have nine children in the Darby's Dancers classes now," Brown said. "I'd like to get that up to 20."

Brown explained that Darby's Dancers is a nonprofit organization that is dedicated to making sure children with special needs are able to take dance classes at no cost to their parents. There are several important benefits attached to their participation, she said.

"Darby's Dancers provides a fun and encouraging activity for children to strengthen

muscles, increase coordination and form lifelong friendships," Brown said.

The 601(C)(3) organization was named for Darby Jones and founded by her parents Patrick and Valerie of Huntsville, Alabama. Darby was born in 1999 with Down Syndrome, a heart defect and leukemia. She died in 2013 but not before learning to love to dance, play music, read and write. Her brief life also inspired her family to make sure other special needs children had the chance to explore their personal creativity.

That concept really appealed to Brown.

"Edenton Dance Stars is a dance studio that is committed to giving all children a dance education in a wholesome, loving environment," Brown said. "When reading about Darby's Dancers, we realized that Edenton Dance Stars could be a part of a program like that."

So the dance studio applied for inclusion and was accepted after completing a process that included an inspection of their facility and an interview, she said.

Brown said that students enrolled in Darby's Dancers need items for their classes including dance shoes, dance bags, dance uniforms that include a leotard, shorts, a jacket and a costume.

"Edenton Dance Stars is providing the studio space,



STAFF PHOTO BY REBECCA BUNCH

Christina Brown, left, and Mary Alice Swanner, right, join their young friend Josie Tripp in helping to raise funds for Darby's Dancers, a new class offered by Dance Stars designed for kids with physical challenges. The trio were selling Christmas ornaments and other items downtown on Small Business Saturday this weekend.

Brown said that her goal is to make sure that the students who are part of Darby's Dancers in her studio are able to perform in a planned June recital along with the other children taking dance classes at Edenton Dance Stars.

Darby's Dancers is a multi-age program open to boys and girls. Besides Brown, others involved with Darby's Dancers

through Brown's studio are local Special Olympics Director Angela Speck and Nicole Smith, a parent who teaches at John A. Holmes High School.

"The special needs dance class has proved to be good

for her studio, Brown said.

"Each child has two buddies," she said. "One's older and one's their age or near

children, they're happy here."

And as Darby's Dancers work toward honing their skills for the spring show, other dancers at the studio are getting ready for Edenton Dance Stars production of "The Nutcracker" that will take place on Friday evening, Dec. 11 at 6 p.m. and again on Saturday afternoon, Dec. 12 at 3 p.m. Both performances will take place at Swain Auditorium in Edenton.

Tickets are \$10 in advance or at the door. They may also be purchased at Vaughan's Fine Jewelry and Gifts in downtown Edenton.

Brown said the dancers at her studio haven't performed the holiday classic since 2008 but that she had heard people talking about going out of town to see it at other venues. She decided it was something that maybe her dancers should try to perform again.

Besides Brown, working with the dancers for the special Christmas show are Joy Fipps and Brown's daughter, Christina. But the majority of the work is being done by former dance instructor Wanda Rossman of Edenton, Linda Brown said.

"Truly, Wanda has done the bulk of it," she said.

Brown said that rehearsals started during the summer for the musical production that involves about 150 students.

Anyone interested in more information about Darby's Dancers or The Nutcracker Ballet to be performed by Edenton Dance Stars is encouraged to call (252) 482-4800 or visit the dance studio located at 820 Yeopim Road.

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INSPIRATION

Community honors veterans in weekend ceremony

BY REGGIE PONDER
Editor

About 100 people gathered at Beaver Hill Cemetery in Edenton Saturday to honor military veterans in the Wreaths Across America ceremony.

The ceremony was followed by the placing of wreaths on the graves of veterans at Beaver Hill, Vine Oak and Providence cemeteries, as well as a number of private cemeteries in Chowan County.

"The wreaths before you represent our commitment as a united America to remember the fallen," said Barbara Graybill, president of Unit 40 American Legion Auxiliary and Chowan location coordinator for Wreaths Across America, in her remarks at the ceremony.

Graybill thanked members of the community for attending the ceremony and helping place wreaths. She also thanked those who purchased wreaths for the occasion.

The presentation of colors was by the Junior ROTC of John A. Holmes High School.

Max Graybill, commander of Post 40 American Legion, led the Pledge of Allegiance.

The Albemarle Sounds presented the National Anthem. Saturday's program began at noon with a moment of silence in remembrance of the fallen.

Brenda Topplin, vice president

of the American Legion Auxiliary for the Department of North Carolina, reminded those in attendance that the sacrifices of veterans had made possible the rights and freedoms that Americans enjoy, including the right to move about freely in the country, the right to vote as you see fit and the right to worship as you see fit.

"The freedoms we enjoy today have not come without a price," Topplin said. "Lying here before us and in cemeteries throughout this nation are men and women who gave their lives so that we can live in freedom and without fear."

Topplin noted there were many veterans among the audience at the ceremony.

"We are here today to say 'Thank you' and we are honored to know you," she said.

She also recognized those currently serving, and their families.

"We honor them and their families for the sacrifices they make each day to keep our country safe from terrorism, hatred and injustice that plague the world community," Topplin said.

The Rev. Randy Browder, pastor of Inmanuel Baptist Church, gave the invocation.

"May we never become careless with the freedoms we have been given," Browder prayed.

Remembrance wreaths were presented in memory of

those who served in the U.S. Army, by Martin Summann, retired from the U.S. Navy; in memory of those who served in the U.S. Marine Corps, by Gerry DiNunzio, U.S. Marine Corps veteran and past commander of Post 40; in memory of those who served in the U.S. Navy, by Fred Morrow, U.S. Navy veteran; in memory of those who served in the U.S. Air Force, by Ron Green, U.S. Air Force veteran and past commander of Post 40; in memory of those who served in the U.S. Coast Guard, by Chief David Waterspoon of the U.S. Coast Guard; in memory of those who served in the Merchant Marines, by Jerry Rohal, U.S. Navy veteran; in honor of the 129 U.S. servicemen from all branches whose last known status was either prisoners of war or missing in action, by E.C. Topplin, U.S. Air Force veteran, American Legion Post 40 adjutant, and past commander for the Department of North Carolina; in memory of the sons and daughters who were serving in the U.S. Armed Forces, by Minnie Hughes, past Department of North Carolina president, and Gold Star Sister; in honor of those currently serving in the U.S. Armed Forces, by Vickie Barrow, Blue Star Mother.

Boy Scout Troop 164 assisted with the marking of graves and the placing of wreaths.



STAFF PHOTO BY REGGIE PONDER

(Top) Brenda Topplin speaks during Saturday's Wreaths Across America ceremony at Beaver Hill Cemetery. (Bottom) Gerry DiNunzio, a Marine Corps veteran, salutes as he places a wreath at the Marine Corps service flag during the Wreaths Across America ceremony.



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Bincombe's cut to voting hours criticized

The Buncombe County Board of Elections wants to reduce early voting hours ahead of the 2016 primary by nearly 40 percent from four years ago, prompting concern by the local branch of the NAACP that problems will result.

The Asheville Citizen-Times reports polling sites will be open for 791 hours in 2016, down from 1,287 in 2012.

The March 15 primary will be the first election in which a new state law requiring voters to have photo identification will be in effect. The Asheville-Buncombe branch of the NAACP says the photo ID requirement and the shorter hours together will cause "unnecessary delays and discourage voter participation."

Some Board of Elections members say the change of hours was inevitable under state law, and that they don't expect problems.

From AP reports

WHITEVILLE

DNA links death-row inmate to crime

Recent DNA tests have linked a North Carolina death row inmate to a crime for which he has long claimed innocence.

The News and Observer reports that lawyers for Norfolk "Fuzzy" Best found six boxes of evidence in 2012 in the attic of Whiteville City Hall that hadn't been shared in Best's 1993 trial. They wrote in court filings that they hoped biological samples could prove Best's innocence.

Best was found guilty of slaying to death Leslie and Gertrude Baldwin in their Whiteville home in 1991.

Recent test results from Sorrenson Forensics in Utah show a vaginal swab taken from Gertrude Baldwin contains sperm that matches Best's DNA.

Best told lawyer Mike Unit that the test results are not accurate and that he is innocent.

From AP reports

EDENTON

Chowan County Board of Elections Director Rebecca Lowe goes over necessary filing forms with state Rep. Bob Steinburg, R-Chowan, at her office. Steinburg filed last week for reelection to his seat in the N.C. House of Representatives.



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PASQUOTANK

Winstow, Perry re-elected to new terms

The Pasquotank County Board of Commissioners has re-elected its chairman and vice chairman for another year.

Re-taking the gavel during commissioners' meeting Monday night, Chairman Joe Winstow thanked the board for granting him his second year as chairman of the seven-member board and anticipated 2016 would be a productive year for the county. Serving as chairman means Winstow leads commissioners' meetings and often represents the county at various public events and ceremonies.

Commissioner Cecil Perry was also re-elected for another year as vice chairman. He also thanked the board in short remarks. He carries out the chairman's duties in Winstow's absence.

State law requires county boards of commissioners to elect officers annually.

From staff reports

FAA OK near, Honda's biz jet about to hit market

■ HondaJet to manufacture planes at Greensboro plant
BY EMERY P. DALESIO
AP Business Writer



AP FILE PHOTO

RALEIGH — Nearly 30 years after Honda's founder started developing the product and after more than a dozen years of testing, the company best known for its cars and motorcycles is about to start delivering its first jet.

The Japan-based company this week is expected to receive a crucial Federal Aviation Administration certification of its first HondaJet, the last step before launching full production from its manufacturing hub and headquarters in Greensboro, North Carolina, where it employs more than 1,000. A company announcement is expected Wednesday.

The business jet, which can seat up to seven and lists for about \$4.5 million, will be

reaching customers at least five years behind schedule. Honda says it has received more than 100 orders, primarily from customers in North America and Europe.

Michael Widen, a hospitality industry executive, says he placed a deposit for a HondaJet in 2007 to replace his slower, propeller-driven King Air. Widen is founder and CEO of a company that runs hotels and restaurants in a half dozen Midwestern states from Moline, Illinois, a city with few direct flights.

Now his Heart of America Group is expanding into Wyoming, Colorado and Texas.

"In the last year or so it certainly would have been coming in handy, so I've been inquiring quite regularly as to when they thought it was coming," said Widen, who now expects delivery in March.

HondaJet's model HA-420 is expected to be the first in a line of Honda aircraft. That could make the quality-conscious, price-competitive company a player in aviation since, "anywhere Honda gets into, they tend to grab a significant market share fairly quickly," said Wayne Plucker, who heads aerospace industry research at the consulting firm Frost & Sullivan. Honda touts its plane as lighter, faster and more fuel-efficient than competitors that include U.S.-based Cessna and Embraer of Brazil.

Just as Honda did when it introduced its cars into North America decades ago, its aircraft subsidiary has stayed low-key, careful and methodical for an industry that tends toward hoopla and splashy sales announcements at air shows, Plucker said.

The HondaJet reaches the market after sales of similar light jets have struggled to rebound from the global financial crisis. Alud Davies, who covers the business aviation industry for the London-based online publication CorporateJet Investor, wrote in an email:

Up to 9,200 new business jets worth \$270 billion will be delivered worldwide in the next decade, according to Honeywell International, which produces aerospace components and an annual industry forecast. About a quarter of those sales will be small-cabin aircraft like the HondaJet, and about 60 percent of the demand in the next five years will be in North America, the report said.

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NO SMOKING

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the ban will intrude on her freedom. She feels that what a public housing resident does in the comfort of her own home is her business.

"You're paying money — your own money — (for housing) like everybody else, so you should be able to do as you please," Jordan said, adding "It ain't cheap to live in (public) housing."

Jordan believes there are other ways to address HUD's health and safety concerns. For example, air fresheners can block the smell of smoke inside a housing unit, she said. Also, smoke detectors help protect against fires, she said.

If HUD imposes the new rules banning smoking in public housing, the three complexes in Elizabeth City — Harriet Heights, Harney Park and DeBruy Courts — will be affected by the change.

Like Jordan, a resident of the Harney Park complex

said he's worried about residents losing a measure of freedom if the smoking ban is imposed.

"I don't think it's right for the government to tell you what to do when you're paying your rent in your house," the man, who asked not to be identified, said. "You can't take all the privileges from the residents."

Another Harriet Heights resident, who also asked not to be identified, said the ban is an example of a too-nasty federal government.

"Tell them to go find some murderers," she said as she shut her door.

A resident of DeBruy Court said she could live with a ban on smoking inside a public housing unit if the federal government would compromise and allow smoking on the front porch. As long as residents who smoke aren't bothering non-smoking residents, they should be allowed to light up on their porch, she said.

"Just think each individual has a choice," she said.

The woman also said she's bothered by what she sees as a double standard — the federal government moving to ban smoking in one type of public housing — the units of the nation's poorest residents — but looking the other way when the smoker is the nation's commander in chief.

President Obama said in interviews in 2009 that he was "95 percent" cured of his addiction to cigarettes, acknowledging that he still lights up on occasion.

Sandra Perry, director of the Elizabeth City Housing Authority, emphasized in an interview that the smoking ban is still just a proposal. If HUD does make public housing smoke-free, the housing authority will meet with residents and inform them of the change, she said.

If smoking is banned from public housing, Perry believes the policy will take about a year and a half to implement.

Asked if housing authority officials have received any feedback yet from residents about the proposed ban, Perry said, "No one

"You're paying money — your own money — (for housing) like everybody else, so you should be able to do as you please,"

Shakera Janae Jordan
Resident, Elizabeth City public housing complex

has spoken about it."

She had no estimate of how many public housing residents in Elizabeth City are smokers. A person's smoking habits is not information the housing authority currently asks prospective residents, she said.

As for how a smoking ban would be enforced, that's currently unknown, Perry said.

"We'll follow the guidelines that HUD puts out for us — and we'll take it from there," she said.

Connie Harris, chairwoman of the Housing Authority Board, said the board hasn't discussed the proposed ban yet. But

given that smoking has been banned in other federal buildings, she believes HUD will proceed with the rule change.

A pack-a-day smoker herself until quitting about four years ago, Harris said she knows getting residents to not smoke at home will be challenging. But with the help of Sentara Albemarle Medical Center and College of The Albemarle, she believes the Housing Authority could start a smoking-cessation program that could help residents to kick the smoking habit.

Brian Sullivan, a spokesman for HUD, said implementation of the rule as well as the timeline for implementation will be up to HUD.

Secretary Julian Castro.

HUD announced the proposed smoking ban may do so at www.regulations.gov. Comments may also be submitted by mail to the Regulations Division, Office of General Counsel, Department of Housing and Urban Development, 451 7th Street SW, Room 10270, Washington, D.C. 20410.

As for how the ban would

be enforced, Sullivan said that's also part of the feedback process, noting it's among the questions HUD is asking as it seeks public input.

What HUD has found, Sullivan said, is that those housing authorities voluntarily implementing smoking bans have been successful by using "the carrot, much more than the stick" in their approach.

Wherever bans have worked well, "there has been a very aggressive public education and smoking cessation protocol put in place," Sullivan said.

"You just don't post a rule on the bulletin board and expect people to follow it," he said.

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NOT RUNNING

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Currituck County and he wanted to give someone else the chance to run for the board.

So far, Mary Etheridge, former Currituck County Board of Elections director, is the only candidate to file for O'Neal's seat. Asked Tuesday about O'Neal's decision not to seek re-election, Etheridge said, "I have no response."

For his part, O'Neal is not endorsing Etheridge's candidacy. He said he did not want to back one candidate now when another GOV candidate may come forward and file for the primary in March. The filing period for the primary ends on Monday.

"I will look to see how the primary turns out," O'Neal said.

Currituck County Republican Party Chairman Cameron Tabor said he is aware of one person planning to file for the party's nomination for the at-large seat. He declined to name the person.

Tabor said O'Neal will be missed. He said he hopes the local GOP can

elect someone who will lead the county as well as O'Neal has.

Asked about the county's accomplishments during his long tenure on the commission board, O'Neal cited development of the YMCA facility, recreation program, public parks and restoration of the Whalehead Club in Corolla.

He stressed that the board's achievements were always a group effort.

O'Neal also said he doesn't consider county commissioner as a partisan position. He said he enjoyed working with all his colleagues on the board, both Democratic and Republican. "I just see myself as an average guy who tried to do things working with good people," O'Neal said. "We all had a common goal and vision — there were Democrats and Republicans working to make the county better."

Griggs, who also announced Tuesday he won't be seeking re-election, said O'Neal always strove to communicate with other commissioners and build consensus to get things done.

"I just see myself as an average guy who tried to do things working with good people. We all had a common goal and vision — there were Democrats and Republicans."

Paul O'Neal
Currituck commissioner

"Paul will be missed. He has been and will continue to be an effective leader," Griggs said.

Of his own decision not to seek re-election, Griggs said he knew after winning election in 2012 that he would only serve one term as the board's representative for District 2.

"It was my attempt to give back to my family and community," he said of his initial decision to run the first time.

Griggs said he is looking at other pursuits, but he declined to say what they are.

Thus far, Republican Bobby Hanig is the only candidate to file to run

for Griggs' seat in District 2.

Griggs said he doesn't have an opinion on whether Etheridge should have an opponent in the March primary.

"Elected office is open to anyone who wants to run," Griggs said.

Commission Vice Chairman Vance Aydtlett's District 1 seat is also up

for grabs in the March primary. Aydtlett has yet to say whether he will seek another term.

So far, Bob White is the only candidate who's filed to run for Aydtlett's seat in the Republican primary.

Incumbent Paul Beaumont is the only incumbent Currituck commissioner to file for re-election. He filed dur-

ing the first week of December to run in the Republican primary for his District 4 seat. So far, he's running unopposed.

Currituck Democratic Chairwoman Becky Howard could not be reached for comment Tuesday on whether any Democrat plans to file for any of the four commissioner seats up for grabs in 2016.

DUCKWALL

Continued from 1A

Duckwall's seat, Mike Andrews, a former Camden commissioner, became the latest, filing his candidacy on Thursday. He joins first-time candidate Ross Marino in the Republican Party primary scheduled for March 16.

Andrews previously

"I always felt there were numerous things we could do to bring more business to the county."

Mike Andrews
Candidate for Camden Board of Commissioners

served one term as commissioner before losing his re-election bid to then Democrat Gary Meigs in 2008. Meigs, who holds the board's South Mills Township seat, is now a registered Republican.

Andrews said he filed because he wants to help the county bring jobs to Camden.

"I always felt there were numerous things we could do to bring more business to the county," Andrews said.

Andrews said he wants to create an environment where Camden has enough businesses so that local college graduates can return

home to work.

He also said he's a believer in term limits. He said no elected official should serve more than two or three terms in one position.

Andrews said when he previously served on the board he promoted transparency, and would continue to do so if elected in 2016.

Andrews said with the help of local businessman Sean Robey, he got the board meetings to be broadcast on

television during his previous tenure as commissioner. Marino said he not be reached for comment.

Two other Camden commission board seats are up for election next year. Meigs has yet to file for re-election to his seat, while a rare has developed for the Currituck Township seat between incumbent Commissioner Michael McLean and challenger Randy Krainiak, a former commissioner.

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BASKETBALL TEAMS IN ACTION

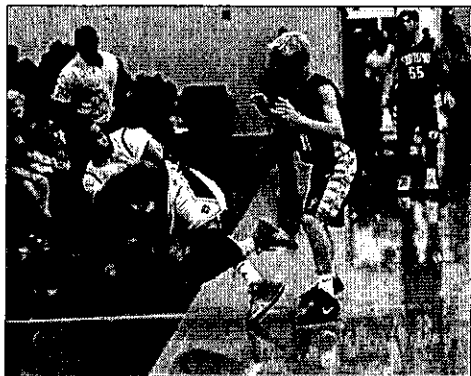


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Dwuan Williams keeps the ball from going out of bounds in Perquimans County's game against First Flight last month.



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Sophomore McCrae Knapp gets a shot off under pressure in the season opener against First Flight. The Pirates fell 39-26.

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Dallas Hall tries to keep his balance while shooting a basket against First Flight. Including the win over Perquimans, First Flight went undefeated in their first four games, beating opponents by a combined score of 346-185.

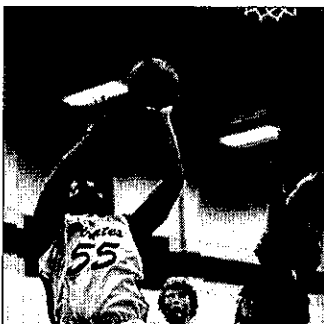


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Darius Mallory goes up for a basket last week in the season opener against First Flight. The Pirates lost 101-71. Perquimans is scheduled to host Currituck on Thursday.

Mr. Grumbles will be missed

It's been a little bit of a depressing time for me. While others have been showing ducks and bucks, as well as catching rockfish. I've been under my house fixing the duct work. A word to young people, make lots of money so you can hire stuff done.

I did have a duck hunt with my buddy Chris on Thanksgiving Day. I killed a Gadwall with one shot and that was it. After the hunt I ate like a pig at Mom's and later, again at Willy's Mom's. The next day I crawled under the house and got to work, hoping to finish and get to go hunting or fishing on Saturday. How'd that go "not too good" as they say on the John Boy and Billy Show? Saturday found me right back at it. On Sunday I could have, maybe, done something outdoors but I was just too tired. I had sore muscles all over my body. It felt like someone had kicked me in my stomach. I ain't as young as I used to be.

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We outdoorsy type people love to get outdoor paraphernalia for Christmas and I'm not just talking wool socks. I'm talking guns, ammo, fishing rods, knives, gun cleaning kits and binoculars. Don't forget knives, multi tools, gear bags, backpacks, tackle boxes, tackle bags.....the list goes on and on. Thinking about Christmas and all the hunting and fishing during the holiday time and in the New Year has put me in a better mood.

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Grill recipe works well with ducks

We finally killed enough ducks for a meal, as in one, Christ had been telling me about grilled Gadwall for a few years and I finally decided to give it a try. It was by far the best duck I've ever cooked.

Compared to other ducks Gadwall are drab in appearance. A drake Wood Duck is probably the prettiest duck we have around here. A drake Gadwall pales in comparison. Pintails are fine looking birds with their long tail feathers and colorful plumage. All female ducks are less colorful than the males,

nature designed them that way so they would be more camouflaged while sitting on the nest. Gadwall hens and drakes are both nondescript. In flight Gadwalls appear to me to be skinny hen Mallards. They eat mostly green plants, preferring milfoil and duckweed to corn and acorns. That might be why they taste so good. One thing for sure they make up for their lack of prettiness, on the supper table.

When shotgun pellets pass through a bird they take with them some dirt and feathers. Care should be taken to remove all shot

and thoroughly wash game birds, taking extra care with any holes where the bird was shot. Especially with steel shot hitting into a pellet can cause tooth damage. It's also important to wash away any coagulated blood. Alternatively you could just shoot birds in the head, eliminating any damage to meat or the person doing the eating.

Start filleting the breast meat by paring the skin at

Do It Outdoors



Wade Betts

any breast meat on the carcass.

After cleaning, sprinkle the breast fillets with salt, pepper and sage on both sides, then place a slice of

the breast bone and then cutting on each side of the bone with a sharp knife. Continue the cut upwards and around the wish-bone on each side. Finish by cutting the meat from the flat bone behind the breast taking care not to leave breast meat on the carcass. After cleaning, sprinkle the breast fillets with salt, pepper and sage on both sides, then place a slice of

nickled jalapeno pepper on the inside side of each breast half. Fold the meat in half and wrap with a strip of bacon. Secure the bacon and the fold with a toothpick. I'm a charcoal man, but a gas grill will work. Grill on medium coals or burner setting for about seven minutes on each side. Some say that you should cook all birds to at least medium well to kill any germs, viruses or whatever. I say wild game has a less chance of having salmonella than pen raised birds and they are much more tender and flavorful if cooked to medium rare.

This recipe works for any wild duck. Variations include marinating in Italian dressing for several hours before wrapping with bacon and using banana pepper slices instead of jalapeno. Cooking wild game on the grill is a great way to do it outdoors.

PHOTO BY CHUCK PAGELS
Brandy Downing moves to the basket in a game against Ocracoke. The Dolphins won 59-47.



PHOTO BY CHUCK PAGELS
Shontasia Lee fights for the ball in a basketball game against Ocracoke.

PCHS BASKETBALL IN ACTION



PHOTO BY CHUCK PAGELS
Dwuan Williams drives down the court in a basketball game against Ocracoke this month.

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Pictured first row (from left): Elizabeth Gurkin Simmons, Judy Gurganus Peele, Judy Lathworth Wabbelton, Sandra Diggs Pierce, Cheryl Arnold Key, Linda Gurkin Harrison and Becki Griffin Lilley. Second row (from left): Vera Stevenson Bradford, Carol Harris Harrison, Judy Jones Robinson, Cheryl Wynne Miles, Jill Edmondson Pierce, Sally Crockett Quinn, Vel Harrison Johnson, Dianna Cowan, Suzanne Jones Smith, Betsy Baker Beach, Emily Rider Timar and Barbara Harris. Third row (from left): Joe Parvin, Ronald Mobley, Fred Harrison, Larry Speller, Elanor Wynne Cook, Donald Mizell, Scott White, Richard Cook, Jimmy Lee Mobley, Travis Brown and Joe Spurrill. Fourth row (from left): Randy Harrison, Jimmy Daniels, Jerry Markins, Roy Long, Dewitt Harrison, Billy Griffin, Edward Casper, Tony Cowdin and Rev. Kenneth Stalls.

Reunion held for Williamston High class of 1965

WILLIAMSTON - The 1965 WES Class of Williamston High School held their 50th class reunion on Sept. 25-27. The event was held at three different venues during the three days.

On Friday Sept. 25 the group held a meet-

and-greet at the Hitch'n Post. On Saturday, Sept. 26 the class had dinner and dancing at the Roanoke Country Club, and on Sunday, Sept. 27, they had breakfast at the Shamrock.

Three teachers attended: Lucy Raper, Jenny

Peele and William Barnacel and his wife. There were 63 in attendance including spouses. Several of the classmates had not been to a reunion in 45 years and one in 50 years. A wonderful time was had by all.

The memorabilia table

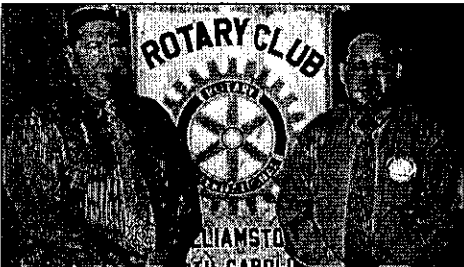
had a lot of precious memories. Joe Spurrill brought some band uniforms, and some classmates could still wear them. The class had a remembrance and prayer for the 23 deceased classmates.

BGHS CLASS OF 65 HOLDS REUNION



The Bear Grass High School Class of 1965 celebrated their 50th year class reunion on Oct. 3 at Ribeyes. Classmates that attended were front row (from left): Judy Mizelle Woolard, Alice Bencham Harris, Marie Taylor Bailey, Mike Willie, Brenda Cratt Hamilton, Linda Mobley Taylor and Sue Brillon Jones. Second row (from left): Lindsey Copeland, Charlie Copeland, Kenneth Beach, Jerry Rogersen, Herbert Ward, Donald Clark, Mitchell Knox, Billy Taylor, Wayne Peele, Odell Harrison, Gary Taylor and Bobby Savage. The next class reunion will be held in the fall of 2017.

WAGNER SPEAKS TO NOON ROTARY CLUB



Clay Wagner (left) of the Martin County Schools met with the Williamston Noon Rotary Club at their Dec. 8 meeting to discuss his work with "Toys for Tots". He is heading up this effort for Martin County attempting to get enough toys to give to the children in Martin County identified as being in need. Wagner stressed one important point, every toy donated to the Martin County collection effort will stay in Martin County and help a Martin County child. There are many Toys for Tots boxes located throughout the county for collection of toys. Wagner is very passionate in this cause and hopes to continue to grow this Martin County effort in the future. Pictured with Wagner is Martin County Superintendent and Rotary Member Chris Mansfield.

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South Creek boys steamroll Plymouth

By JIM GREEN
Enterprise & Weekly Herald

ROBERSONVILLE - Darryl Pittman knows the position Plymouth was in Wednesday night - a basketball team with several football players, who just came off a fantastic run in the state playoffs who are not quite in "basketball shape" yet.

"I have been in that same situation many times," the South Creek varsity boys' coach said. "I figured they would come out a little flat, but I never thought the lead we had would be that big by halftime."

South Creek led 40-11 at halftime and cruised to a 71-35 non-conference victory over Plymouth to end a three-game losing streak.

Pittman was hoping for a big lead at some point. "I was hoping we could throw a lot of bodies at them and we could wear them down," he said.

The Cougars' boss was surprised at the halftime score, so much so that he didn't have much to say in the locker room at the break.

"I knew that Plymouth wasn't going to give up, so I told them that the third quarter has been one of our downfalls this season," he said. "We had to make sure we came out strong in the third quarter."

"I liked our intensity and team unity. We had two really good days of practice, and we are stepping up our defense," Pittman continued. "We knew the offense is going to come, because we were a little rusty from football ourselves, but I told them that it's been two weeks now and we can't use that as an excuse. We have to scrap it up and play."

The Vikings, who have several football players that still have to be on an emotional high after claiming the state 1A title last weekend, never held the lead in their season opener.

South Creek (2-3 overall) scored the first seven points before Plymouth got on the board with 3:32 left in the first period. James Moore, Roman Frayer and Raquan Little closed the quarter on a 6-0 run as the Cougars led 13-2.

The home team tripped the Vikings' offensive output in the second quarter. Aaron Little (three-pointer) and Cole Smith (two 3s) found the range from outside to make it 26-7 with five minutes remaining in the first half.

Malik Brooks' dunk was one of the rare highlights for Plymouth, but Moore's dunk on an alley-

oop pass from Raquan Little gave the Cougars a 32-9 advantage.

Moore, Frayer and Raquan Little added offense in the final 3:11 to put South Creek ahead by 29 at the break.

The Cougars didn't take their collective feet off the gas pedal in the third quarter. John Speller's bucket made it 46-15, and after a free throw from Smith and a basket by Raquan Little, the lead had ballooned to 57 (57-20) - only three more points would necessitate the continuous clock. But the Vikings finished the quarter with a 9-2 run that cut the deficit to 50.

With the comfortable margin, Pittman emptied his bench and several contributed - Jaquan Council-Bullock had six points in the fourth, while JaVeon Wiggins added a basket.

Raquan Little (18), Moore (14), Aaron Little (10) and Smith (nine) led South Creek.

VARSITY GIRLS

Plymouth 56,
South Creek 12

It took South Creek nearly seven minutes to score its first points, and the Lady Cougars had trouble with turnovers in a non-conference defeat to the Vikings.

Ralston Evans' basket with 1:38 left in the first quarter got SC (2-4 overall) on the board, but by that time, Plymouth had built a 10-2 lead.

The Cougars struggled with Plymouth's traps out of its zone defense, and even when shots were available, they were usually contested by Vikings' 6-foot-3 cen-

ter Brittany Franklin. Evans' second basket at 6:05 of the second stanza proved to be the only points for South Creek in the quarter.

A bucket by Brianna Taylor at 7:57 of the third was the lone points for the home team. Franklin's basket with 3:38 left in the quarter prompted the continuous clock.

Evans scored twice in the final minutes while Ja'Niya Mathewson added a free throw for the Cougars.

South Creek 40,
Granville Central 28
ROBERSONVILLE - After a slow start in which it fell behind 16-7, South Creek held Granville Central scoreless in the second quarter and outscored the visitors 33-12 in the final 21 minutes to secure the victory at home on Monday.

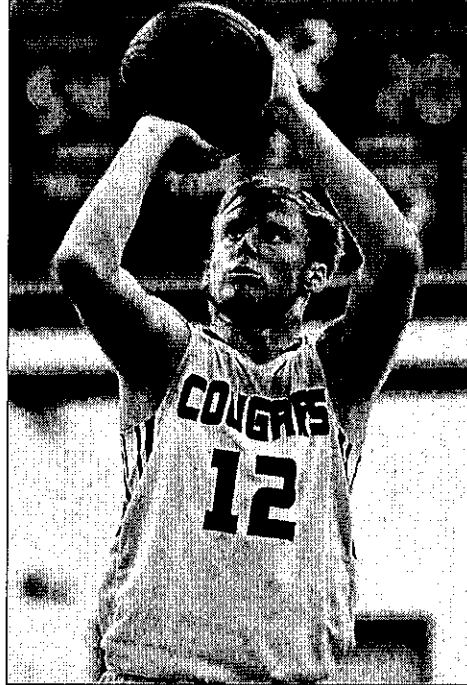
Ralston Evans led the Cougars with 15 points, while Hannah Summerlin scored all eight of her points in the second half. Brianna Taylor and Michaela Rossamondo added seven and six points, respectively.

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Wednesday's Game
South Creek 57,
Plymouth 56 (OT)

ROBERSONVILLE - South Creek's junior varsity boys improved to 3-3 overall, outscoring Plymouth 6-5 in the overtime session to emerge with the victory on Wednesday.

Cornell Brown paced South Creek with 15 points. Rayshawn Morris and Jayron Purvis added eight points apiece, while Aaron Sitterson chipped in six.



Cole Smith hit two big three-pointers in the first half of South Creek's victory over Plymouth.

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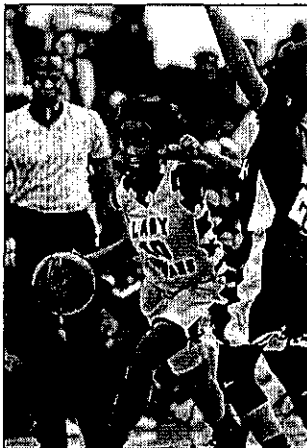
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South Creek's Brianna Taylor (10) looks for a way around a Plymouth defender during Wednesday night's loss.

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NHES Bus Riders of the Month

Nags Head Elementary School students selected as October Bus Riders of the Month by their bus drivers are, front row, from left, Avah Akers, Lily McAvoy, Finley McLean, Jaylen Lindsey, Lori Jones, Leo Galeana and Jason Bean; and, back row, Lea Styons, Christopher Estrada Zuniga, Scout Simmons, Sophia Yacobi, Maya Rider, Abigail Medina-Silvestre and Juliet Sanchez, with Assistant Principal Denise Stone.

ADRIENNE PALMA

BURRUS: Decision not to run shakes up races

FROM PAGE A1

commissioner for nine years and a board of education member for twelve years." In a brief interview with the Sentinel, Burrus explained that a recent heart-related medical issue had precipitated his decision.

There will also be another open seat on the Dare Board of Commissioners. Democrat Warren Judge — who had served on the board for 15 years — will instead seek the District 6 N.C. House seat being vacated by incumbent Paul Thie. Judge and another Dare County Democrat, Judy Justice, have filed to run for Thie's post with the Dare County Board of Elections. At least one other candidate — Republican Ashley Woodard, a Beaufort County resident — has also filed for the District 6 seat.

A vacancy on the board of education was created when David Oaksmith, who had served on that body for 17 years, died on Nov. 7. His seat will also be contested in the 2016 election, and at a meeting this week the board of education is slated to discuss temporarily filling that slot for the remainder of

Oaksmith's term.

While other candidates could still toss their hats in the ring, there are already clear battles emerging for the four Dare County commissioner seats to be contested in 2016. That represents a majority of the seven seats on that body. Incumbent Republicans Jack Shice, Beverly Roswell and Margaret Umphlett will not be up for re-election until 2018.

In next year's races, Republican Board Chairman and District 2 Commissioner Bob Woodard faces a challenge from Democrat John Towler, a lieutenant with the Kill Devil Hills Police Department. Board Vice Chairman and District 1 representative Wally Overman, also a Republican, will square off against Democrat and re-elector Rosemarie Doshier.

At the Dec. 7 commissioners meeting, both Woodard and Overman were unanimously re-elected to their posts as chair and vice chair of the board.

Judge's departure to seek an N.C. House seat leaves a wide-open race for the District 3 seat on the board. On the Democratic side, Monica Thibodeau, a member of the Duck Town Council

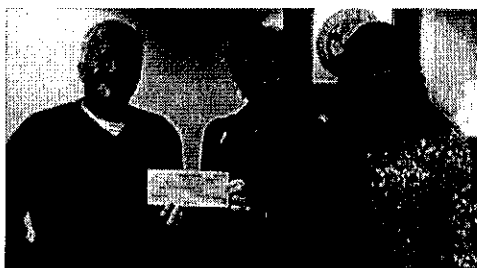
for 12 years, has filed to run. Also battling for that seat will be Republican Jimmy Ray Watts, a 30-year law enforcement veteran in Dare County.

And two candidates have already surfaced for the District 4 seat that Burrus is vacating. Aside from Couch on the Democratic side, White, the Republican, has also filed to run in that race.

As is the case with the board of commissioners, four of the seven seats on the board of education will be in play in 2016. As of the deadline for this story, two incumbents and one newcomer have signaled their intention to run.

Ben Sproul, the District 2 representative and chairman of the board of education, has filed to run for re-election in 2016. That is also the case with the board's vice chairman, District 1 representative Bea Basnight. The one political newcomer to sign up so far is District 5 resident David Twiddy, who retired on Dec. 4 as the Dare Schools Transportation Director after spending 28 years working for the county schools.

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CORRIE RAJES

Supporting March for Babies

Manteo High School students raised more than \$600 for the Outer Banks March of Dimes March for Babies. The students filled plastic water bottles that were placed in their home-rooms with dimes and other spare change during the months of October and November. Stephanie Baker, community director for the March of Dimes Foundation, said, "I am thrilled with and grateful for the enthusiasm of the faculty and students at Manteo High School." From left are MHS MOD Adviser Matt Campton, Baker and Exceptional Children's teacher MOD Adviser Susan Kyger.

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SO. SHORES: Big changes and big houses

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sphere, the three town council incumbents seeking re-election to the five-member board were defeated.

The three ousted incumbents with a combined 24 years of service on the five member board — Joel Hess, David Sanders and Larry Lawhon — each received a parting gift and some kind words from Mayor Donnell thanking them for their service.

The three council newcomers — Gary McDonald, Chris Nason and Fred Nowhorry — were then sworn in to replace them. After being sworn in, Nowhorry briefly tried to sit back down in the audience, eliciting laughter and shouts of "campaign's over!"

The newly constituted board then listened during the public comment period when the 16-bedroom house, complete with a 1,000 square foot deck and a 2,500 square foot ballroom, became the latest subject for a discussion about the fundamental character of Southern Shores.

In his comments, Ike Sherlock said, "We were attracted and decided to buy in Southern Shores [in 1978] because of your covenants and land use planning." He then quoted from the town ordinances from the '70s and '80s, stating that the concept for the town was, "A low density, family and residential community with a slow, carefully planned growth."

He followed that by

declaring, "The proposed structure by Saga Construction, with sixteen bedrooms and an occupancy of thirty-two persons is not, I repeat, not, low density. It is not single family."

Acknowledging that the town did not have the authority to restrict these projects by the number of bedrooms, resident Andy Ward added that, "Looking over our municipal code and zoning ordinances, in section 36-202, when you scratch out seven bedrooms we still have the capability as a town [to enforce the rule] that you may not have a septic system capacity for more than fourteen people. Pursue that."

Town Attorney Gallop offered an overview of his thoughts on the matter, acknowledging that, while many of the ideas raised by the public comments were good ones, most of them, including putting a limit on the number of bedrooms, were things the town no longer has the power to do.

"In North Carolina, towns are limited by the authority granted to them by the legislature," he said. "They

don't have the authority to do anything that the legislature doesn't give them the authority to do. So the bedroom question is out." Gallop did acknowledge that Ward's idea of enforcing the limit on septic capacity may be possible.

Gallop then called for a closed session of the council to discuss the matter, acknowledging the irony of having a public meeting in the aftermath of a campaign based in large measure on the issue of government transparency.

"I know that there's an issue of transparency that people want to keep in mind, and I'm very cognizant of that," he said. "But the fact is that if litigation does arise with any of the parties involved with this, the town doesn't want to spend money on a lawsuit."

After the closed session, the council asked Gallop, Town Manager Peter Rascoe and Town Planner Wes Haskett to draft a proposal for changes to the Town Code concerning large houses. That proposal will be presented to the council at a subsequent meeting.

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 Thursday: Showers likely and possibly a thunderstorm. Cloudy, with a high near 69. South wind 13 to 18 mph. Chance of precipitation is 70%.
 Thursday Night: Showers. Low around 56. Chance of precipitation is 80%.
 Friday: A chance of showers. Mostly cloudy, with a high near 59. Chance of precipitation is 50%.
 Friday Night: Mostly clear, with a low around 40. Breezy. Chance of precipitation is 40%.
 Saturday: Sunny, with a high near 47. Windy.
 Saturday Night: Clear, with a low around 40. Breezy.
 Sunday: Sunny, with a high near 53.
 Sunday Night: Mostly clear, with a low around 45.
 Monday: Mostly sunny, with a high near 58.

OCEAN TEMPERATURES

Ocean Water Temperatures Tuesday
 Duck Research Pier 64° Oregon Inlet 63°

TIDES (nc.usharbors.com)

For the difference in tides use the following conversions:
 Cape Hatteras Fishing Pier High Low
 Kitty Hawk (Ocean) -4 +16
 Oregon Inlet +41 +58
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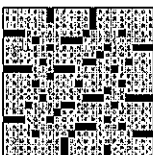
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 Gustafson.
 Residential
 addition \$112,000/ 124 Marlin
 Drive; Timea Harsova.
 New pool, pergola \$68,500/
 100 Lala Court; Susan Maret.
 Residential
 expansion \$60,000/ 104 Ocean
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 Sound Sea Avenue; OBH/OA LLC.

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 New residence \$230,000/
 403 N. Memorial Blvd; R and P
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 New residence \$260,000/
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 New residence \$150,000/ 704
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 Bottom Homes.
 New residence \$211,000/
 1516 Bailey's Bay; Florida OBX
 LLC.
 New residence \$145,000/ 406
 Clamshell Drive; William Jones.
 Residential addition \$39,477/
 302 Wallace Street; Catherine
 Harrell.

Nags Head
 Commercial
 remodel \$209,000/ 7100 S.
 Croatan Hwy; Tanger Properties.
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 8123 Old Oregon Inlet Rd;
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Staying safe for the holidays

Kill Devil Hills Fire Marshal John Rasold shared the 12 Days of Safety from the National Safety Council to help keep Outer Banks residents safe during the Christmas and New Year holiday season and beyond. See <http://www.ncsc.org/act/events/Pages/12-Days-of-Safety.aspx> for a better view.

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NORTH CAROLINA UTILITIES COMMISSION
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Beast of the East heads back to the West

Beat Seahawks in 17-12 thriller

By Amy Coyle
Special to The Beacon

The Plymouth Vikings shot down the Southeast Seahawks 17-12 in a thriller, taking the Eastern regional crown for the fourth consecutive year.

Racking up over 100 yards in penalties compared to the Seahawks' 20 yards and coughing up two fumbles, our Vikings almost shot themselves in their own foot.

Speaking of a foot, the difference in the score was Jose Castenado's golden foot. He had two extra points and a field goal. Also, our Vikings have a second golden foot belonging to Chris Kelly who punted three times with over 60 yards a punt.

The 1A battle for the

crown began with the Hawks attacking on their first possession.

With the help of two fags for 25 yards, a Seahawks flew 49 yards to the one-yard line. Another Hawk flew over the pile for the score, getting on the board, 6-0 with a failed two-point conversion.

Our Vikes fumbled on their first possession, which was recovered by the Seahawks.

Both defenses played tough not allowing any more points to go up on the board, with the first quarter ending 6-0.

The second quarter began with our dynamic defense holding the Hawks on the 3-yard line.

With 5:49 left in the half, our offensive machine put the gears in motion with Chad Dance splitting a seam and boogying 35 yards as he high stepped in

the score. Jose Castenado nailed the uprights, putting our Vikes in the lead 7-6.

The second half began with another questionable Viking fumble giving the Seahawks the ball on their 35-yard line. Not wasting any time, the Hawks punched in another score regaining the lead 12-7, with another failed two-point conversion.

Our Vikings' next possession ended with a 27-yard field goal by Castenado, upping our score 12-10.

Our awesome offense took the lead at the beginning of the last quarter. Quarterback Samyr Cooper threw a missile to Taquan White who out jumped two defenders to come down with the trophy. Castenado split the uprights again, upping our score 17-12.

The Hawks would not

full easily but our dynamic defense prevailed, holding them on the 20 yard line. With 57 seconds left in the battle, our Vikings took three knees as the Seahawks kept swooping in trying to dislodge the ball. With 18 seconds to go in the Eastern Regional Championship, our mighty Vikings took one last knee, sending us back to the State Championship game, as another one bites the dust!

Golden Play Makers
Clad Dance ran for 74 yards and 1 TD.
Chris Kelly ran for 82 yards.

Savior Hudson ran for 44 yards.
Taquan White caught a 14-yard touchdown pass from Samyr Cooper.

Jose Castenado kicked 2 extra points and 1 field goal.

Rahem Nixon made game winning tackle.
Offensive Line Grades - Colon Cherry 85, Aveon Braxton 85, Tre Smith 85, Darrel Andrews 85, Herbert Freeman 85, and Raquan Purvis 85.

Defense - Marlik Brooks 3 Tackles/2 Assists, Chris Kelly 1 Tackle/1 Assist, Rahem Nixon 10 Tackles/3 Assists, Jamazo Armstrong 27, Rickie Young 37/3 Assists, Jamir Smallwood 17/1 PD, Taquan White 17/2A, Dieder Whitehead 37/3A, Ja'velon Spmull 37/4A/1 Sack, Dion Mc-

Donald 27/3A, Raquan Purvis 97/3A, Wayne Johnson 57/4A/1 Sack, Jose Castenado 1 Tackle, Ronald Wilkins 1 Tackle, and Kevin Swain 1 T.

"I knew all week long that it was going to be a tough one," said Coach Cody after the game. "It was a total team effort from the starters to the Gold team."

"Our Vikings would like to thank the Shiloh Baptist Church for providing pizza for us before the game."

Next week The Beast of

the East, our mighty Vikings (13-2) will set sail for Winston Salem to fight The Beast of the West, the Black Knights of Robinsville (13-2) in the 1A NCHSAA State Championship game.

Last year, our Vikings played this team in Raleigh with the final score in favor of the Knights 21-18.

The game will be on Saturday, December 12, at the BB&T Stadium. Game time is 4:05.

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For the first time, Creswell High School's Rifle Team competed against JROC programs that consisted of Air Force, Coast Guard and other Army teams. The team came short of winning a trophy by 20 points. "This year's team has six new prime firs, and I expect the team to fire with more precision as they continue to compete the remainder of the school year," said SGM Arnold the rifle team coach. Pictured cadets are, Cody Grems, Christopher Phelps, Keshawn Combs, Benjamin Hudgins, Adrien Bird, Pedro Cruz-Castaneda, Amber Garrett, Savion Skinner, Z'Halvione Jones, Anagebi Romero-Lopez, Emonnie Norman and Karina Brichkova. The team's next postal match is today, December 9. (Courtesy photo)

Church Directory



BAPTIST

PINEY GROVE FREE WILL BAPTIST CHURCH, Pastor, Reverend Edgar M. Moseley, Call 217-8248, 1435 Pine Ridge Road, Raleigh, Sunday School, 10 a.m., morning worship, 11 a.m.

OAK GROVE BAPTIST CHURCH, Pastor, Reverend J.N. Wootley, Call (252) 217-5805. Located on Highway 52 North, Raleigh, Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Wednesday Prayer Meeting and Bible Study 7 p.m.

CHURCH OF CHRIST
CHRISTIAN HOPE CHURCH OF CHRIST, Ragsdale Arnold, Minister, Call (252) 943-4444 or visit the church website: christchurch.com. Located at 6727 Long Ridge Road, Plymouth, Sunday School, 9:45 a.m.; Sunday Worship, 11 a.m. and 5 p.m.; Wednesday service, 7:30 p.m.

HOLLY NICK CHURCH OF CHRIST, Pastor David Wiers, 252-330-5140, Located at 2100 Holly Nick Road, Raleigh, Sunday School at 10 a.m.; worship at 11 a.m. and 5 p.m.

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Reports and Related 2015 REPS	RELATED 2015 REPS COMPLIANCE
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This the 23rd day of November, 2015.

NORTH CAROLINA UTILITIES COMMISSION
Paige J. Morris, Deputy Clerk

FINE PRINT: News from Washington County's public records

Communications log
(The following is a sampling of calls received by the communications division of the Washington County sheriff's office.)

December 7

10:03 a.m. Breaching and entering reported in Plymouth.
11:09 a.m. Careless and reckless reported in Creswell.
1:51 p.m. Domestic disturbance reported in Plymouth.

December 8

2:45 a.m. Communicating threats reported in Plymouth.
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December 9

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December 10

8:28 a.m. Stranded motorist reported in Creswell.
12:13 p.m. Ambulance needed in Plymouth.
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December 11

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December 13

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December 14

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5:30 p.m. 4-wheelers reported in Roper.

December 16

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December 17

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Thomas Fred Johnson, driving while license revoked, not impaired revocation; possessa or display an altered, fictitious or revoked driver's license, texting violation in motor vehicle.
Darwood Brandon Bunch, driving while impaired, speeding 73/55.
Shagillee Burnett, driving while license revoked, not impaired revocation.
Chastity Lyn Coburn, expired registration card tag, two counts of driving while license revoked, not impaired revocation; expired registration card tag, possessa open container or consume alcohol in the passenger area.
Ismael Davenport, drive left of center, unsafe tires.
Alvin Ray Davis II, speeding 75/55, expired registration card tag.
Mister James Davis, possessa up to 1/2 ounce of marijuana, resisting public officer, speeding.
Anthony Edwards, possessa up to 1/2 ounce of marijuana.
Leon Henderson Norman, driving while impaired, failure to maintain lane control.
Alfred Pacheco-Castro, no operator's license.
Toby Lee Palmer, driving while license revoked, not impaired revocation.
Benjamin Dale Perrod, no operator's license.
James Perkins, operates a vehicle with no insurance.
Torrey Earl Pivott, speeding 83/55.
Mark Daniel Schnapp, speeding 81/55.
Antion Daron Sharpe, driving while license revoked, not impaired revocation.
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OAK GROVE BAPTIST CHURCH, Pastor, Reverend J.N. Worsley, Call (252) 217-3865. Located on Highway 32 North, Roper. Sunday School 10 a.m.; Worship Service 11 a.m.; Wednesday Prayer Meeting and Bible Study 7 p.m.

CHURCH OF CHRIST CHRISTIAN HOPE CHURCH OF CHRIST, Reggie Brazier, Minister. Call (252) 943-6444 or visit the church's website: christianhopechurch.com. Located at 6727 Long Ridge Road, Plymouth. Sunday School, 9:45 a.m.; Sunday Worship, 11 a.m. and 5 p.m.; Wednesday service, 7:30 p.m.

HOLLY NECK CHURCH OF CHRIST, Pastor David Watts, 252-339-5140. Located at 2100 Holly Neck Road, Roper. Sunday School at 10 a.m.; worship at 11 a.m. and 5 p.m.

POPLAR CHAPEL CHURCH OF CHRIST, Pastor, David K. Jones, Call 252-792-6947 or e-mail: dkj7272@gmail.com. Located at 2451 Jerden Thicket Road, Jamesville. Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Sunday Worship 11 a.m. and 6 p.m., Wednesday Prayer Service, 6:30 p.m.

ZION'S CHAPEL CHURCH OF CHRIST, Minister Mark Wilmoth. Contact 252-793-2760; email: office@zionschapel.com. Located at 6001 NC Hwy 32 N, Roper. Sunday School at 9:45 a.m., Worship at 10:45 a.m., Bible study and youth at 6 p.m., and Wednesday Bible study and youth at 7 p.m.

CHURCH OF GOD PLYMOUTH CHURCH OF GOD, Pastor William (Bill) Braswell. Contact 252-793-2622 or billmerrill@bellsouth.net. Located at 107 Truman Avenue, Plymouth. Sunday School at 10 a.m., Sunday morning worship at 11 a.m., and Sunday night worship at 6 p.m. Prayer Tuesday nights at 7 p.m. and Family Training Hour (class for all ages) Wednesday at 7:30 p.m.

DISCIPLES OF CHRIST FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH, Pastor Rev. V. Tom Banks. Contact 252-793-4713 or find us on Facebook. Located at 509 East Main Street, Plymouth. Sunday school, 9:45 a.m.; Worship, 11 a.m.

MISSIONARY BAPTIST ST. JOHN MISSIONARY BAPTIST CHURCH, Pastor Elder Tyrone Harrison, Associate Ministers: Wayne Rodgers, Ann Stella Drickhouse, Angela Jones, Robert Page and Sandra Faye Arnold. Contact 252-797-4052 or saintjohnsbaptist06@gmail.com. Located at 601 West Main St., Creswell. Sunday School at 9:30 a.m., Sunday morning worship service at 11 a.m., and Wednesday night Bible study at 7 p.m.

PENTECOSTAL HOLINESS PENTECOSTAL HOLINESS CHURCH, Ministers: Rev. David Bryan and Christy Bryan. Contact 252-793-3597, www.facebook.com/RoperPentecostalHolinessChurch, or pastordavidbryan@yahoo.com. Located at 311 E. Boncombe Street, Roper. Sunday School at 10 a.m., Sunday morning worship at 11 a.m., Sunday evening worship at 6 p.m., Wednesday "Deeper in the Kingdom Night" at 7 p.m.

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SCHOOL NEWS

HCPS honors students for academics

Hertford County Public Schools announces its Honor Roll students for the first, nine-week grading period of the 2015-16 academic year.

BEARFIELD
PRIMARY SCHOOL

► A HONOR ROLL

Candice Alfaro
Jayla Barnes
Donovan Bowers
Gavla Britt
Elijah Brown
Jaxon Davis
Amiyah Harrell
Za'Nayla Harrell
Gabriella Hayes
Noah Horton
Demari Lassiter
Nacir Lewis
Madison Morris
Ashlin Odum
Kyra Parker
Camara Rogers
Darrin Sanders
Ja'Niyah Tann
Kameron Vann
Amiyah Vinson
Jeremiah Wiggins
Jalin Williams
Mason Williams
Caden Woods

► A-B HONOR ROLL

Ahmari Anthony
Austin Baker
Jaden Barnes
Keyleigh Begley
Jalen Brown
Karmyn Burden
Kayla Carter
Nicholas Clark
Tjona'e Copeland
Gabrielle Daughtry
Trent Davis
Ziyah Dickens
Bryson Dillard
La'Nyah Early
Nalkeira Edwards
Nadia Fennell
Jazmin Flores
Alex'Zandria Freeman
Ronta Freeman
Jewel Hall
Cameron Hewitt
Ty Horton
Alyanna Hutchinson
Bronia Jenkins
Omega Jenkins
Armando Jaime
Devin Johnson
Shakiera Lassiter
Kameron Liverman
Darnisha Melton
Amiya Mitchell
Ennis Mitchell
Ar'Marion Moore
Santana Norman
Kialisha Parker
Janiyah Powell
Shuntasia Powell
Ez'Zayvon Rankins
Ar'Yonah Reynolds
Sydney Smith
Seth Taylor
Landon Thompson
Ky'Montae Valentine

RIVERVIEW
ELEMENTARY
SCHOOL

► A HONOR ROLL

Danielle Ashe
Rontevous Beale
Diondra Drew
Dariauna Everette
Anaysha Greene
Hunter Hill
Rhif'Yanna Lassiter
Tenzaiyah Morris
Isela Olguin
MaKayla Parker
Alexa Radford
Tamara Rahlm
Eniyah Williams

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Karae' Alfred
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Travilus Beale
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Zykira Boone
Ray'chelle Bradley
Arianna Brawner
Zahkleyah Brinkley
Acela Bryant
D'Maurion Butler
Nyesha Clements
Ashlyn Everett
Jamaron Everett

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Kaydance Gibbs
Angel Granados Ayala
Patricia Grunados-Ayala

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Amcer Hayes
Nandi Hedgepeth
Elizabeth Herrera
Devon Hill
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Blanca Jones
Da'Marquis Jordan

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Lucy Kunstler
Deshya Lassiter
Davlon Lassiter
Daye' Quantarius Lassiter
India Lassiter
Taylor Lassiter
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Adam Mobley
Zavier Moody
Nayshonna Moore
Christian Morris
Amirah Muhammad
Joshua Murphy
Kendall Myrick
Justin Olds
Jontasha Outlaw
Nash Parker
Jacey Parker
Jaden Peale
Mariah Ramsey
Sean Ramsey
Joseph Reed
Nathan Reed
Justin Resendiz
Latayshlah Ridley
Anah Rizo
Jeyon Rodgers
James Schwartz
La'Montez Shoulars
Jabria Simmons
Christian Smith
Hiliani Smith
Ariel Solomon
Quincy Spiers
Jordan Steton
Madiyn Strickland
Eriyannah Taylor
Adairielle Townsell
Blair Tumpalan
Eden Valentine
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Alana Watford
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Ja'Miya Williams
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County attorneys ask court to dismiss school lawsuit

Judge grants permission to hire one out-of-state lawyer

BY JENNY GRAY
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Attorneys representing Halifax County will ask a judge to dismiss a lawsuit alleging the county commissioners have the power to combine three public school districts, according to County Attorney Glynn Rollins. The court date with Superior Court Judge Wilton Russell Duke Jr. is 10 a.m. Dec. 22 at the Halifax County Courthouse, Courtroom 1, according to Rollins.

When the lawsuit was filed in August, John Espenshade, political action chair for the Halifax County NAACP and secretary for the Coalition for Education and Economic Security, said, "Commissioners have the responsibility to ensure that children get a solid basic education."

The Commissioners have the power to consolidate the schools."

The lawsuit concerns Halifax County Schools, Weldon City Schools and Roanoke Rapids Graded School District. According to the county attorneys' motion to dismiss, the lawsuit fails to join "necessary parties" that include the State of North Carolina, the state Board of Education, and boards of education for the three school districts. It further states the three public school districts were created by the North Carolina General Assembly.

The lawsuit was filed against the Halifax County Board of Commissioners by the Halifax County Branch #4501 of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, the Coalition for Education and Economic Security and three parents/guardians of students in the Halifax County Schools district.

The lawsuit, dated Aug. 24, may be viewed online at: <http://bit.ly/1PPK0RQ>.

Halifax County commissioners hired Fayetteville attorney Garrie Neil Yarbrough to assist in their defense. The plaintiffs are presently being represented by Mark Dorosin and Elizabeth Haddis, attorneys at the UNC Center for Civil Rights in Chapel Hill.

On Oct. 2, Judge Duke heard arguments from the plaintiffs asking for the court's permission to hire nine out-of-state attorneys who are not admitted to practice law in North Carolina.

On Dec. 1, Duke's answer was filed. He denied the motions to hire eight of the requested attorneys, but granted permission to hire Maara Eileen O'Connor of the Lawyers' Committee for Civil Rights Under Law, to practice in the General Court of Justice of North Carolina for the purpose of this court case.

In his answer, the judge did not provide a reason for hiring O'Connor and denying the hiring of the other eight attorneys.

Fire call prompts investigation, search

BY KHAI HOANG
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The Roanoke Rapids Fire Department is investigating a house fire that made at about 6:30 a.m. on Oak Street.

Battalion Chief Kevin Hawkins said there wasn't actually a house fire, however, there was a fire within the home, Hawkins

said the cause of the fire was a cigarette left burning tangled up in carpeting, which caught flame, along with a couch and rug. He added the fire died due to a lack of oxygen in the home. Fire Chief Stacy Cogins said the person who they believe lives in the home was seen walking away from the house as firefighters arrived on scene.

Cogins added the Roanoke Rapids Police Department is seeking this man, though noted he doesn't believe the fire was intentional. The chief said until his firefighters discover more details, no further information would be available.

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Littleton man killed in car accident

THE DAILY HERALD
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LITTLETON — A Littleton man died in a one-vehicle accident reported at 10:19 a.m. Tuesday, according to

a State Highway Patrol spokeswoman.

John Kenn Jr., 70, was driving east on Weavers Chapel Road (State Road 1407) when his car ran off the side of the road and struck a tree,

overturning. He was not wearing a seatbelt, the spokeswoman said. Road conditions were not noted on the police report; however, it was foggy earlier that morning.

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City honors retired police officer

BY KHAI HOANG
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Roanoke Rapids dignitaries and residents alike recognized Capt. Ozzie Morgan on Tuesday evening for his decades of service for the City's Police Department.

Morgan, who retired from the force Dec. 1, received an award from those at the meeting after RRPD Chief

Chuck Hasty presented him with an award, as well as Morgan's service star and hat.

"It gives me great pleasure to present Capt. Osborne L. Morgan Jr., in recognition of your distinguished and dedicated service to the City of Roanoke Rapids for 30 years of service. Sept. 5, 1985, to Nov. 30, 2015, presented this 15th day of December 2015, from the Roanoke City Council and the City of Roanoke Rapids. Thank you for your service," Hasty said.

Morgan thanked the City Council and the police department for his career throughout the years.

"I do miss it. I miss the guys," he said. "I was just talking to Councilman (Ernest) Bobbitt. When I went to work, he was my lieutenant. Seems like yesterday, and 30 years have gone."

Morgan said the appreciation he felt after his years of work with the force was hard to explain. Looking back, he said he's gotten a better appreciation of the help he's given to those in the community such as assisting youth who have drug abuse issues.

"What you do it every day. It kind of becomes second nature, but when you sit back and you look at your overall picture, you really understand more from a citizen's standpoint, you know," Morgan said. "Now I'm looking for that same police protection and that stuff from the guys I used to provide. Now I'm depending on them, you know, for myself."

The retired captain said he misses the camaraderie of the other officers on the force, adding law enforcement is similar to one big family



Roanoke Rapids Police Chief Chuck Hasty, left, and Deputy Police Chief Andy Jackson, center, honor retired Capt. Ozzie Morgan on Tuesday during a City Council meeting at Lloyd Andrews City Meeting Hall.

Bobbitt, who also used to be Morgan's assistant chief and chief at the police department, recalled Morgan was always a hard worker. He added the retired captain also knew many people from the local community, which made him a great source of information.

"It was a pleasure to work with him," Bobbitt said. "The guy could always make you laugh. I don't know, just something about his personality. He was going to sit around like a mouse, afraid to say anything, because he was at home. It's his hometown. He learned fast, he got into drug enforcement some

and the detective division, and he was just a good man to have."

Morgan said when he hears sirens from vehicles driving by on the streets, he sometimes gets a lump in his throat because of how he remembers working with RRPD. In addition, he said his career has been worth it, nothing he's worked with many children in the area to help them down a better path.

"Just that feeling that you're helping somebody; making a difference," he said. "Just like when I worked narcotics. If you turn one kid away from that lifestyle,

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BALTIMORE

Defense gets turn in Gray case

Prosecutors in the manslaughter trial of a Baltimore police officer rested their case Tuesday in the same way they began — with testimony that Officer William Porter failed in his duty to ensure the safety of Freddie Gray.

Defense attorneys will start their presentation Wednesday, aiming to expand on the damage they have already done to the state's case.

Perhaps most notably, there was an audible stir in the courtroom Monday when the state's star witness, Assistant Medical Examiner Dr. Carol Allan, conceded under aggressive cross-examination that she would not have ruled Gray's death a homicide had the driver of a police transport van followed Porter's instructions and taken Gray to a hospital.

SAN BERNARDINO, Calif.

Couple practiced at shooting ranges

Days before killing 14 people at a holiday party, Syed Ferook practiced with a rifle during one of several recent visits to a Southern California shooting range, authorities said. Sometimes he was joined by his wife, his partner in the attack.

Ferook visited Riverside Magnum Range on Nov. 29 and 30, according to an instructor at the range about 20 miles from the Inland Regional Center, where the couple opened fire on Ferook's coworkers Dec. 2.

John Galletta said that nothing was out of the ordinary about Ferook's behavior but that Ferook asked a range employee why his rifle might be smoking. He was told it was most likely because it was new.

The FBI said Ferook and his wife, Tashfeen Malik, had embraced violent Islamist ideology.

HALEIWA, Hawaii



Lifeguards and volunteers help rescue professional surfer Evan Gelseman Sunday at the North Shore Oahu surfing spot known as Pipeline, near Haleiwa, Hawaii. Bodyboarder Andre Botha rescued Gelseman after the surfer fell while riding a wave.

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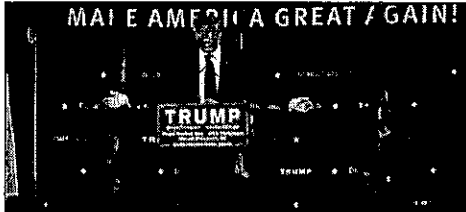
House set to tighten controls

The House is preparing to tighten controls on visa-free travel to the United States following the Paris terror attacks. Legislation heading for a vote Tuesday would bar anyone who has been in Iraq or Syria in the previous five years from coming to the United States under the visa waiver program.

The program allows citizens of 38 countries to travel to the United States without first obtaining a visa. Belgium and France are among the countries that participate. These two countries were home to most of the perpetrators of the Paris attacks.

The legislation has overwhelming bipartisan support and White House backing. It may end up attached to a sweeping year-end spending bill.

— From wire reports



Republican presidential candidate, businessman Donald Trump, speaks Monday during a rally coinciding with Pearl Harbor Day at Patriots Point aboard the aircraft carrier USS Yorktown in Mt. Pleasant, S.C.

Trump shrugs off outrage

MOUNT PLEASANT, S.C. (AP) — Republican presidential candidate Donald Trump's call to block Muslims from entering the United States is being met with a chorus of non-universal condemnation from across the country and around the globe.

From the halls of Congress to 10 Downing Street, Trump's statement Monday advancing a "total and complete shutdown of Muslims entering the United States"

was blasted as bigoted, unconstitutional and potentially dangerous for American interests abroad.

British Prime Minister David Cameron, breaking the custom of British leaders not commenting on U.S. presidential contenders, slammed it as "divisive, unhelpful and quite simply wrong." U.N. spokesman Farhan Haq said Secretary-General Ban Ki-moon denounced "any kind of rhetoric that relies on Islamophobia, xenophobia,

any other appeal to hate any groups."

Even Harry Potter author J.K. Rowling weighed in, decriing Trump on Twitter as worse than her fictional villain Lord Voldemort.

"This is not conservatism," Republican House Speaker Paul Ryan told reporters after a closed-door GOP caucus meeting. "What was proposed yesterday is not what this party stands for, and more importantly it's not what this country stands for."

Lawmakers want companies reporting terrorists

WASHINGTON (AP) — Responding to the San Bernardino shootings, lawmakers introduced legislation Tuesday to require social media companies to report any online terrorist activity they become aware of to law enforcement.

The bill by Sen. Dianne Feinstein, D-Calif., and Sen. Richard Durbin, R-Ill., matches language that was dropped from the Senate's annual intelligence authorization bill earlier this year.

Companies would be required to report to law enforcement if they became aware of terrorist activity such as attack planning, recruiting or distribution of terrorist material.

"This bill doesn't require companies to take any ad-

ditional actions to discover terrorist activity, it merely requires them to report such activity to law enforcement when they come across it," Feinstein said in a statement.

Last week, 28-year-old Syed Ferook and his wife, 29-year-old Tashfeen Malik, went on a shooting attack in

San Bernardino, Calif., that killed 14 people and left 21 injured. A Facebook post on Malik's page around the time of the attack included a pledge of allegiance to the leader of the Islamic State group, and the FBI is investigating the shooting as an act of terrorism.

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Police misconduct frays relations

CHICAGO (AP) — A South Side police commander and his officers tortured black suspects into confessing to crimes they did not commit. Another rogue unit shook down drug dealers on the West Side for drugs and money. A different group of officers accepted payments from drug dealers to warn them of police raids.

And for years, whenever Chicago officers did something wrong, their colleagues covered for them. The city's longstanding reputation for police misconduct and brutality shattered relations with

the black community long before the federal government announced this week that it was launching a wide-ranging civil-rights investigation of the Chicago Police Department. The probe was prompted by a video showing a white officer shooting a black teen 16 times and revelations that other officers filed false reports about what happened.

"There is a deep mistrust, and it really becomes a cancer here in Chicago because it eats away at respect for authority and respect for the law ... that becomes toxic," the Rev. Marshall Hatch of New Mt. Pilgrim Missionary Baptist Church said. He said some communities feel like they are being occupied by police rather than protected by them.

Craig Futterman is an attorney who helped win the release of video showing the fatal shooting of 17-year-old Laquan McDonald. He said the footage underscored two things: A pervasive code of silence at all levels of the department has allowed misconduct and brutality to fester, and previous reform efforts have done little to solve the problem.

STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA UTILITIES COMMISSION RALEIGH

DOCKET NO. E-100, SUB 141

BEFORE THE NORTH CAROLINA UTILITIES COMMISSION

In the Matter of 2015 Integrated Resource Plan Update Reports and Related 2015 REPS Compliance Plans

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING ON 2015 IRP UPDATE REPORTS AND RELATED 2015 REPS COMPLIANCE PLANS

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During the public hearing to be held in this docket, the Commission will receive testimony from nonexpert public witnesses with respect to the most current update IRP reports and REPS compliance plans filed in 2015 by Duke Energy Progress, LLC; Duke Energy Carolinas, LLC; and Virginia Electric and Power Company, d/b/a Dominion North Carolina Power.

A night hearing for the convenience of public witnesses and solely for the purpose of taking nonexpert public witness testimony is hereby scheduled as follows:

Raleigh: 7:00 p.m., on Monday, February 8, 2016, in Commission Hearing Room 2115, Dobbs Building, 430 North Salisbury Street, Raleigh, North Carolina.

Anyone wishing to review the 2015 IRP update reports and REPS compliance plans filed by the utilities may do so either at the Commission's website, www.ncuc.gov, by selecting the Docket tab and entering Docket No. E-100 Sub 141, or at the Office of the Chief Clerk of the Commission, Dobbs Building, 430 North Salisbury Street, Raleigh, North Carolina. Upon request, the Chief Clerk will place copies of the IRPs, compliance plans and any other documents filed in this proceeding in centrally-located public libraries where they may be copied without prohibition. Such a request may be made by writing to the Chief Clerk, North Carolina Utilities Commission, 4325 Mail Service Center, Raleigh, North Carolina 27699-4302, and providing the name and address of the library to which the information is to be mailed.

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NORTH CAROLINA UTILITIES COMMISSION
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Another loss will officially eliminate the coach Jason Garrett and the Dallas Cowboys from playoffs contention. The 4-9 Cowboys must win each of their remaining games and hope to fall into a tie with any of the NFC East teams ahead of them at the end of the regular season. In that scenario only would Dallas win the NFC East.

Garrett: Season not lost

BY SCHUYLER DIXON
Associated Press

IRVING, Texas — Matt Cassel is still the starting quarterback for the last-place Dallas Cowboys, who for the moment are still not planning to put Tony Romo on season-ending injured reserve with his broken left collarbone.

This is Jason Garrett's way of backing his message: The season is not yet lost, despite the guarantee of his first losing record as coach, and a two-game deficit in the NFC East with three games remaining.

"Our eyes are going to be forward," said Garrett, whose team's 28-7 loss to Green Bay again exposed an ineffective offense and a defense that can't make a game-changing play. "We're going to be focused on this next challenge, not pulling back and saying, 'OK, let's look at all this right now.' That's not the time. The time right now is to prepare and play our best football on Saturday night."

The Cowboys (4-9) have their season slough start week to get ready for the New York Jets (6-5), who are in position for an AFC wild-card spot.

Just as he did immediately after the loss to the Packers, Garrett backed Cassel despite his third worst passing game in seven starts filling in for Romo. While there

was talk about the weather — All-Pro receiver Dez Bryant admitted the rain bothered him — it wasn't the first time the Cowboys haven't been able to make plays downfield without Romo. Dallas' backup is Kellen Moore, who has never played in a regular-season game in his four seasons.

"I think the evaluation is who gives us the best chance to win on Saturday night," Garrett said. "We still feel like Matt Cassel is that guy. He's done some good things for our team over time that he's started for us this year. Has he played perfectly? Absolutely not and no one knows that more than he does. No one knows that more than we do."

The Cowboys converted just 1 of 11 on third downs against Green Bay, and had another failure on third-and-1 after coming into the game with the NFL's worst conversion rate in those situations. Dallas was all but automatic in short yardage with NFL rushing champion DeMarco Murray on the way to winning the NFC East last season.

But Murray is gone to Philadelphia, and the Dallas defense isn't creating turnovers the way it did in 2014. The Cowboys were among the league leaders with 31 takeaways last season. They're last with eight this season — the only team remaining in single digits.

"I think one of the most

disappointing things for our team this year is our inability to take the ball away, particularly after we had the success we had in doing that last year, and how much that contributed to us winning a lot of ballgames," Garrett said. "The DPs need to make plays on the football, the linebackers do and the guys up front do, and we have to do a better job of that."

The Cowboys had something to play in December and January in Garrett's first four full seasons. And that was after Dallas went 6-3 under him following the firing of Wade Phillips with the Cowboys at 1-7 in 2010.

Even if they start winning, the Cowboys will need help to catch Washington, Philadelphia and the New York Giants.

"I still think there's a lot of football to play and I really believe this team's had that mindset for a few weeks now where we've just got to go play well and win and see what happens," tight end Jason Witten said. "Our focus is not who wins and who loses and try to figure out that circus of the other three teams in our division."

Garrett said that message will carry over to other players. "The football character is outstanding," he said. "They come to work. They practice hard. They play hard. So I don't expect anything different."

Prayer leads to a coach's suspension

BY GENE JOHNSON
Associated Press

SEATTLE — A Washington state high school assistant football coach who was suspended for praying at midfield after games filed a discrimination complaint against the district Tuesday, claiming among other things that the district did not punish the team's offensive coordinator for similarly performing post-game Buddhist chants, his lawyers said.

The Liberty Institute, a Texas-based, nonprofit law firm that's representing coach Joe Kennedy, said he filed the complaint with the U.S. Equal Employment Opportunity Commission. It alleges the Bremerton School District discriminated against him when it suspended him Oct. 28.

"BSD violated my rights to free exercise of religion and free speech by prohibiting my private religious expression and taking adverse employment action against me on the basis of my religion, notwithstanding my request for a reasonable accommodation that would allow me to practice my sincerely held religious beliefs," Kennedy wrote. "Moreover, BSD does not uniformly or consistently



Bremerton (Wash.) High assistant football coach Joe Kennedy who was suspended for praying at midfield after games, has filed a discrimination complaint with the U.S. Equal Employment Opportunity Commission.

enforce its discriminatory policy. I have observed other BSD employees engage in visible religious expression without adverse consequences."

He referenced one employee who "regularly engages in a Buddhist chant near the 50-yard line at the conclusion of BHS football games." A school district spokeswoman declined to answer questions about the allegation, saying the district had not been officially notified of Kennedy's complaint.

The Liberty Institute released a version of Kennedy's complaint that redacted the employee's name, but it identified him as the varsity team's offensive coordinator.

The offensive coordinator, Dave Boynton, declined an interview request from the Associated Press.

"With all due respect, this is something that's going to be resolved down the road, and I have not been deposited by either side yet," he said.

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Rare recording about first hoops game

The Associated Press

LAWRENCE, Kan. — A University of Kansas researcher has discovered what is believed to be the only audio recording of basketball inventor James Naismith, during which he describes the first game he organized 124 years ago this month as a bit of a disaster.

Michael J. Zogry, an associate professor of religious studies, obtained the nearly 3-minute audio in November from the Library of Congress.

It was part of a radio show from New York station WOL-AM called, "We the People." During the Jan. 31, 1939, program, Naismith explained how he set up the game with two peach baskets at the International YMCA Training School in Springfield, Massachusetts, in December 1891.

Naismith said he had been given two weeks to devise a new indoor activity for his gym class. The work was hurried along by what he described as a "real New England blizzard" that had the youngsters sitting near the walls with little to do.

"We tried everything to keep them quiet," Naismith said on the recording, but the students were bored with a "modified" form of



An old recording of Dr. James Naismith paints a rough picture of the first basketball game played.

football tried in the gym. Naismith figured it was time to try his new idea using an "old soccer ball" and two teams of nine players each.

"I told them the idea was to throw the ball into the opposing team's peach basket," he said. "I blew a whistle and the first game of basketball began."

It didn't go smoothly. Naismith said the players almost immediately started tackling each other — and worse. Two young men suffered black eyes while another was knocked out, and he had to pull players apart, he said.

"I didn't have enough (rules), and that's where I made my big mistake," Naismith said.

Naismith's description of that first game helps shed light on the process that led him to draft the 13 original rules of the game, Zogry told The Associated Press on Tuesday.

It appears that he wrote the new rules shortly after the first game, although the exact timeline isn't clear, he said.

Zogry intends to research his findings with other researchers on that topic.

"What we know is there was the first game, then there was a second game with the full complement of rules," Zogry said. "He said the players were ragging him about (the new rules) so it sounds like it happened in pretty quick fashion."

Naismith's grandson, Jim Naismith, first heard his grandfather's voice once Zogry obtained the audio. He said the recording "changes just about everything that's been written about that first game."

"When he turned those 18 guys loose, obviously they were having a good time, but obviously this was kind of try number one. He commented and said he didn't write enough rules. It came out of that experience," Jim Naismith said in a university news release. "That makes a lot of sense."

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Ronnie Dunevant speaker at Nov. 23 Kiwanis Club meeting

At the Nov. 23, meeting of the Roxboro Kiwanis Club held at Clarksville Station restaurant, Ronnie Dunevant with Roots and Wings spoke about his opportunity to work with court-involved youth.

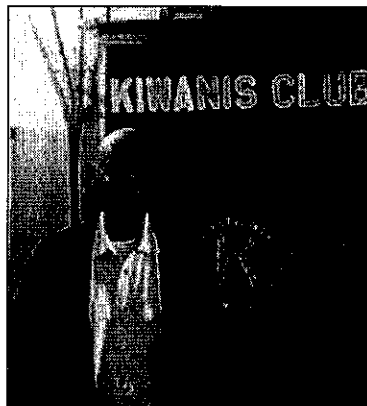
Dunevant attended a Safe Neighborhoods conference in Fayetteville last May. He learned that there was a problem in that community with flash parties where kids forwarded texts about a gathering, resulting in large numbers of attendees and often spawning violence or other anti-social behavior.

Fayetteville police successfully submitted a grant application, which allowed production of a video designed to demonstrate the dangers of thoughtless action. At a conference in August on gang activity, the producer of this video received an award for its anti-gang message.

Dunevant said that he was so impressed by the potential of this visual tool that he requested the Fayetteville Police Department to allow the Roots and Wings program to use it.

He is now authorized to bring this to students in Person County and has been approved by the Person County Schools superintendent to present it during the next year.

The presentation also includes an initial survey, a writing assignment and a post-survey, following



Ronnie Dunevant

viewing of the video by seventh and ninth grade students.

Dunevant hopes to involve local law enforcement, including school resource officers, in the process.

He noted that typically kids don't make a single bad decision, but a series of smaller poor decisions.

The message of this program is that contrary to popular belief, the street is not a cool place to be and it does not have your back.

The film is entitled "Decision Points" and the

message is presented in clear and graphic terms that small decisions can ultimately result in large consequences.

Dunevant presented the video to the Kiwanis Club and advised that Fayetteville police are giving each successful participant a 1gb USB bracelet with a website and 800 number for an anonymous reporting organization that kids can call to report problems.

He proposes to do that locally, with middle school graduates.

The Person County School Board has agreed

to pay for half and Roots and Wings can pay for 25 percent. Dunevant is seeking contributions for the remainder of the cost. The devices are \$3.50 each,

meaning that contributions totaling \$750 will be required to fully fund the cost.

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USDA begins 49th enrollment period for the Conservation Reserve Program

WASHINGTON - Agriculture Secretary Tom Vilsack reminds farmers and ranchers that the current general enrollment period for the Conservation Reserve Program (CRP) began Tuesday and ends on Feb. 26, 2016.

December 2015 also marks the 30th anniversary of CRP, a federally funded program that assists agricultural producers with the cost of restoring, enhancing and protecting certain grasses, shrubs and trees to improve water quality, prevent soil erosion and reduce loss of wildlife habitat.

As of September, 24.2 million acres were enrolled in CRP. CRP also is protecting more than 170,000 stream miles with riparian forest and grass buffers, enough to go around the world seven times.

For an interactive tour of CRP success stories from across the United States, visit www.fsa.usda.gov/CRP150, or follow on Twitter at #CRP150.

"Over the past 30 years, farmers, ranchers, conservationists, hunters, fishermen and other outdoor enthusiasts have made CRP one of the most successful conservation programs in the history of the country," said Vilsack. "Today, CRP continues to make major environmental improvements to water and air quality. This is another longstanding example of how agricultural production can work hand in hand with efforts to improve the

environment and increase wildlife habitat."

Participants in CRP establish long-term, resource-conserving plant species, such as approved grasses or trees (known as "covers") to control soil erosion, improve water quality and develop wildlife habitat on marginally productive agricultural lands. In return, FSA provides participants with rental payments and cost-share assistance. At times when commodity prices are low, enrolling sensitive lands in CRP can be especially attractive to farmers and ranchers, as it softens the economic hardship for landowners at the same time that it provides ecological benefits. Contract duration is between 10 and 15 years. The long-term goal of the program is to re-establish native plant species on marginal agricultural lands for the primary purpose of preventing soil erosion and improving water quality and related benefits of reducing loss of wildlife habitat.

Contracts on 1.64 million acres of CRP are set to expire on Sept. 30, 2016. Producers with expiring contracts or producers with environmentally sensitive land are encouraged to evaluate their options under CRP.

Since it was established on Dec. 23, 1985, CRP has:

Prevented more than nine billion tons of soil from eroding, enough soil to fill 600 million dump

Reduced nitrogen and phosphorus runoff relative to annually tilled cropland by 95 and 85 percent respectively;

Sequestered an annual average of 49 million tons of greenhouse gases, equal to taking nine million cars off the road.

Since 1996, CRP has created nearly 2.7 million acres of restored wetlands. For more information about FSA conservation programs, visit a local FSA office or www.fsa.usda.gov/conservation. To find your local FSA office, visit <http://offices.usda.gov>.

The Conservation Reserve Program was re-authorized by the 2014 Farm Bill, which builds on historic economic gains in rural America over the past six years, while achieving meaningful reform and billions of dollars in savings for taxpayers. Since enactment, USDA has made progress to implement each provision of this legislation, including providing disaster relief to farmers and ranchers; strengthening risk management tools; expanding access to rural credit; funding critical research; establishing innovative public-private conservation partnerships; developing new markets for rural-made products; and investing in infrastructure, housing, and community facilities to help improve quality of life in rural America.

For more information, visit www.usda.gov/farm-bill.

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Activists oppose free speech

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However complicated you want to try to make it, the concept of free speech does not contain the right to shut other people up.

Unfortunately, there is an entire movement of political activists right now who would not only disagree with my assertion but would seek to keep me from saying it, in a variety of contexts.

For example, say I was not arguing this in a column but was instead attending a public forum at a University of North Carolina campus.

If I was standing in line at the microphone, waiting my turn with other participants to say my piece to the audience, there are plenty of students and professors who would feel entitled to shout me down.

Don't believe me? I have evidence.

A couple of weeks ago, a small group of students disrupted a public forum at UNC-Chapel Hill and, ignoring the moderator and other students waiting their turn to speak, issued a list of absurd demands.

Something similar happened last week at a meeting of the UNC Board of Governors, where a group of professors began shouting demands that included the ouster of incoming system president Margaret Spellings.

There's another setting in which political activists might seek to limit



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my freedom of speech. Say that, instead of attending a public forum, I sought to express myself by creating a company to publish a book or produce a documentary on the First Amendment.

Let's further say that my work included criticism of a politician for his or her stance on the First Amendment.

If I sought to release my work while the politician was seeking election, many activists would think it proper for the federal government to prevent me from doing so. This is not really a hypothetical, either.

It's the very subject of the *Citizens United* case. During the 2008 Democratic primaries, a conservative group named Citizens United wanted to release a film critical of Hillary Clinton and advertise its release on television.

A federal law said it couldn't.

After the fact, the U.S. Supreme Court struck down that law. Ever since, liberal politicians and activists have fumed about the decision.

They promise to amend the free speech clause of the First Amendment to reinstate the original restriction.

Finally, let's say that instead of starting my own company to produce print and broadcast content about free speech, I decided to contribute money to a preexisting group planning to do the same, including content to be released during election campaigns.

While I would not be directly speaking myself in this scenario, the free speech clause of the constitution does not specify how political expression may be conducted.

We are entirely free to band together with other like-minded individuals and pool our resources to reach a larger audience with a common message.

Again, however, there are plenty of activists who think there is no such right — that the individual right to speak, publish, or broadcast disappears when individuals join together in corporations or other groups.

They are quite uninged on the subject, in my experience, as they insist that because corporations are inanimate relationships, they have no constitutional rights.

Even my seven-year-old stepdaughter understands when I say that her school put on a wonderful

Christmas play. I don't mean the building itself stood up on mechanical legs and began singing *Away in a Manger*.

I obviously mean that the teachers and students in the school have put on the play.

To say Citizens United, the NAACP or the Catholic Church exercises free-speech rights is obviously to say that the human beings who form, sustain, and operate these organizations are exercising these rights.

Interestingly, few of these zealots have tried to argue that media outlets such as newspapers lack freedom of expression.

They don't deny that editors have the authority to choose which letters or columns to run on editorial pages, or that the First Amendment applies to newspapers owned by corporations.

I suppose I should stop speaking now. I don't want to give them any ideas.

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