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EDUCATION EXPANSION

Building for the future: Chatham County Schools' major projects designed for growth

BY ZACHARY HORNER
News + Record Staff

PITTSBORO – An important balance that comes with school construction, according to Chatham County Schools' chief operating officer Chris Blice, is managing the need to increase the amount of available capacity in a fiscally-responsible manner.

For example, Blice said, take a look at Northwood High School. Several years ago, he said, people were clamoring for a new high school as Northwood's population rose. But at the time, the district would have ended up with two high schools with around 450 students each.

That's a really small high school for which you'd need two sets of staff, two principals, two sets of utility bills, Blice says, and it wouldn't have been the right decision financially.

But now, there's no choice. According to Blice, North-wood has grown by more than 40 percent in the last 10 years and is running out of room. Couple that with growth at Perry Harrison School, and a new high school and elementary school couldn't wait.

"You can't build it until the kids are there," he said. "You don't want it to be a crisis, but it has to be, 'The need is here.'"

The district is now in the midst of construction on Chatham Grove Elementary School and Seaforth High School, and beginning design on a new Central Services building. Blice walked the News + Record through those

projects and the thinking behind them.

Chatham Grove Elementary School

The northeastern part of Chatham County is experiencing significant population growth as the Raleigh metro area becomes crowded and residents spread out. The Operations Research and Education Laboratory (OR/Ed) at N.C. State University, which Chatham County Schools

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FOR CAROLINA TIGER RESCUE

Tragic death reinforces need for safety

BY CASEY MANN
News + Record Staff

The death of intern Alex Black, who was killed by a lion Dec. 30 at the Conservators Center in Burlington, made national



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'WE CAN'T DELETE THIS WATER'

Jordan Lake water levels monitored closely during heavy rains, flooding

BY ZACHARY HORNER
News + Record Staff

You'd have to go back to August to find the last time Jordan Lake was at its "normal" water level.

In the five months since, North Carolina, particularly its central area, has experienced a literal deluge of precipitation.

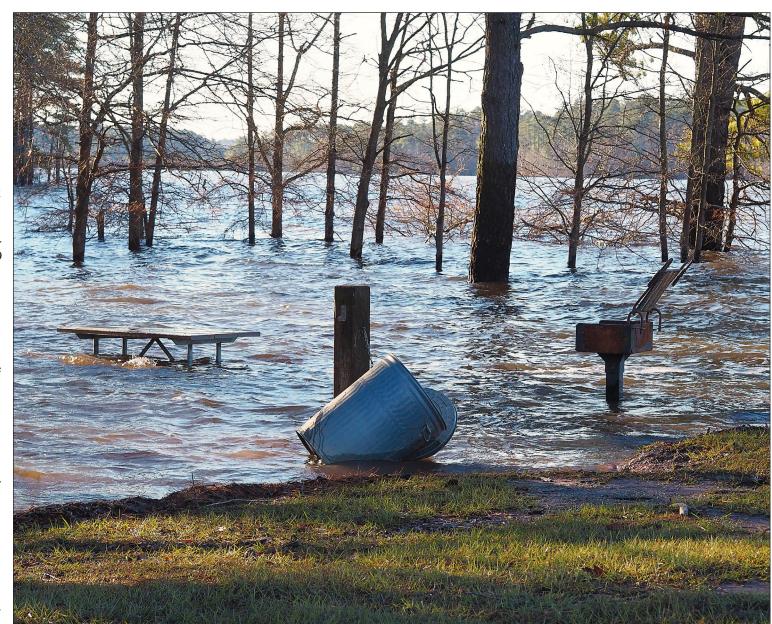
First, Hurricane Florence struck in September. Hurricane Michael followed the next month. Early December brought a heavy snowstorm. And the early days of 2019 brought more rain.

"Our normal lake level is 216 feet above mean sea level," said Dana Matics, assistant operations manager at Jordan Lake with the Army Corps of Engineers (ACE). "We've come close, 216.3, 216.5 in September. But since Florence, I know we haven't hit 216."

The heavy precipitation provides a peek into the daily activities of the ACE — which is responsible for flood management at Jordan Lake and Dam — particularly during a season like this.

Matics said the lake was originally built to reduce flood damage downstream, particularly along the Cape Fear River, by holding water in place and releasing it in small amounts so both

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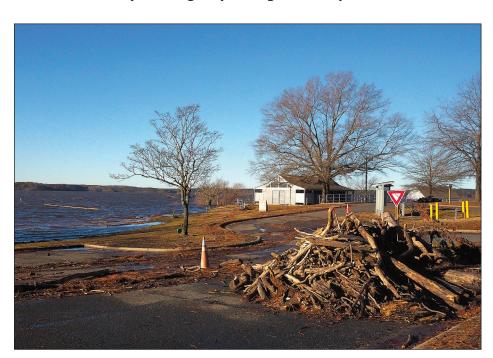
High water at Jordan Lake in Chatham County continues to create flooding conditions in many spots, including at the Ebenezer Church Recreation Area shown here. (Staff photo by Kim Hawks)

"The biggest challenge we've had is just that it's rained so much the last few months. There's no capacity for this rain to be absorbed. Now, any amount of rain is of concern to us."

— STEVE NEWTON

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Chatham County's Emergency Management department's director





The weekend's sun brought a respite from recent rains, but high waters since September at Jordan Lake continued to drive debris ashore at recreation areas at the lake, seen at left. (Staff photo by Kim Hawks)





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Community Calendar

WEDNESDAY

- Register by Jan. 9 to attend the Chatham County Center of North Carolina Cooperative Extension's forestry workshop, Sustainable Forest, Carbon, and Ecosystem Service Management, as part of its Enhancing Sustainability Series on Jan. 14 from 6-8 p.m. at the Chatham County Agriculture & Conference Center in Pittsboro. There is increasing interest in carbon sequestration in an effort to mitigate climate change.
- Drop in to Chatham Community Library's computer lab for one-on-one assistance on the second Wednesday of each month, any time between 4 and 5 p.m. If you have a question about something on your personal laptop or device, please bring it with you.

THURSDAY

- The Chatham County Soil and Water Conservation District will meet Jan. 10 at 7 p.m. in the conference room downstairs in the New Agriculture Building in Pittsboro. This is an open Meeting. To confirm the meeting or for additional information, call the office at 919-542-8240.
- The Annual Meeting of Spreading Hope, Inc., a non-profit organization, will be Jan. 10 at 5:30 p.m. at Holland Chapel Church, 360 Burgess Road, Apex.

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ALSO HAPPENING

- The Council on Aging will host a Health & Wellness Discussion Group on the Third Friday of each month at 2 p.m. at the Eastern Chatham Senior Center in Pittsboro. To sign up for information, contact Alan Russo at 919-542-4512 or alan.russo@chathamcoa.org.
- The following tour date remains for prospective students for Woods Charter School students, a K-12 school in northern Chatham County, open to all school aged children in North Carolina. before a lottery occurs: Wednesday, January 16 at 9:15 a.m. (this tour date is after the application deadline, best to apply before attending the tour if you're interested in the 2019-2020 school year.) Applicants need to apply before January 15. Email admissions coordinator Roz Grant at rgrant@woodscharter. org for more information. Admissions are based on a lottery that will be held February 1.
- Wake Up Wednesday, the local forum for sharing news about your products, services, skills, or non-profit events and programs, is held on the third Wednesday of every month at the Carolina Brewery near Lowes Home Store in Pittsboro. Doors open at 8 a.m. The program starts at 8:30 and ends at 9:30. \$5 gains you entry, a fresh hot breakfast with coffee, and access to approximately 50 people looking for new clients and customers in the community.
- Join Chatham resident and yoga instructor, Tim Keim, for an introduction to the science of Ayruveda on Jan. 12 at Chatham Community Library, Pittsboro. During this 45 minute presentation, Keim will explore the root causes of disease, the basic elements of the human constitution according to Ayurveda, and how to match the qualities of imbalance with the opposite qualities that will create health and harmony in mind and body. This program is free and open to the public.
- The Martin Luther King Jr. Committee will sponsor the M.L.K. Parade in downtown Liberty ing of local meetings. Jan. 21. The parade will begin to line-up at 12 noon in the parking lot behind the SECU. If you would like to be in the parade, call Helen at 336-622-3957 or Kay at 336-674-2415 to register. There is no fee to enter.
- A Martin Luther King Program will be held Sunday, January 13 at 3 p.m. at the Edwards Grove Missionary Baptist Church in the M.P.McCleave Enrichment Center.

- The Chatham County Community Library in Pittsboro will be closed on Jan. 21 in observance of Martin Luther King Jr. Day.
- The Friends of the Chatham Community Library will hold a special one-day sale on Jan. 26 featuring a collection of foreign language books donated from the personal library of a retired university librarian who specialized in Latin American, Iberian, and Classic Romance Languages. More than 1,000 books will be offered. Hard cover books will be \$3 or less; soft cover \$2 or less.
- CORA invites the public to the 9th Annual Chatham Empty Bowls Fundraiser on Sunday, February 24 at Galloway Ridge at Fearrington in Pittsboro. Empty Bowls is an event designed to raise awareness and funds for our battle to end hunger in Chat-ham County. Artists of all ages, skill levels, and mediums will donate hundreds of handmade bowls. The bowl then serves as a reminder that someone's bowl is always empty and that we need to continue our efforts to end hunger in our community. Dinner and bowls will be available for purchase at various levels. Visit www.corafoodpantry.org for more infor-
- Randolph Health Physical Therapy & Sports Medicine is conducting a free shoulder screening. This screening will be conducted on Jan. 29 at 503 N. Fayetteville St., Ashe-boro from 3 - 5 p.m. To register for this screening, call the Community Events Desk at (336) 633-7788. Registration is required and space is limited.
- The Caregiver Support Group meetings are held the third Monday of each month at 6 p.m. at the Pittsboro Senior Center. For more information, contact Susan Hardy at 919-542-4512.
- Interested in becoming a Foster and/or Adoptive Parent in Chatham County. Call 919-642-6956 to learn more about the Foster or Adoption Program.
- For Drug problems in the family, Narcotics Anonymous helps! Call 1-800-721-8225 for list-
- Alcoholics Anonymous, NC District 33, Meeting schedules available at 866-640-0180 for Chatham, Alamance, Caswell and Orange Counties.
- The Motorcycle Association for Chatham, Western Wake, Lee, Orange and Alamance counties meets in Pittsboro and is open to all riders. For information, call 919-392-3939 or visit www.chathamCBA.com.

SENIOR TAR HEEL LEGISLATURE

COA seeking applicants for alternate representative

CN+R Staff Report

The Chatham County Council on Aging is seeking an alternate representative to the NC Senior Tar Heel Legislature (STHL), which provides a voice for older residents on state policy and funding issues.

The deadline to express interest is Jan. 28.

After serving as Chatham County's delegate to the North Carolina Senior Tar Heel Legislature (STHL) for many years, Dr. Anne Kissel, resigned effective January.

"The NC STHL is a valuable organization which serves as a consistent voice for the needs,

rights and interests of our state's older population, particularly its most vulnerable elders," Kissel

Ed Regan, who had been serving as alternate to the STHL, has been appointed as delegate. Regan brings to this volunteer position extensive experience in human services and inter-

governmental relations.

Anyone who would like to be considered for the STHL alternate position may contact Mary Warren, the Area Agency on Aging Director, at 919-558-9398, mwarren@tjcog.org, or Dennis Streets, director of the Chatham County Council on Aging, at 919-542-4512, dennis.streets@ chathamcoa.org.

CCCC, SECU offer scholarship

CN+R Staff Report SANFORD — The

State Employees Credit Union Foundation has established the SECU Bridge to Career Program to help remove financial barriers for students seeking to obtain state-regulated or industry-recognized credentials through the Workforce Continuing Education Division of their local community college that lead to sustainable wage careers within their local communities.

With a focus on getting students the training and skills they need to obtain wage-sustaining employment, Central Carolina Community College has defined career pathways for Health Sciences (Nurse Assistant I, Cardiovascular Monitor Technician, and Phlebotomy) and Advanced Manufacturing Short-term Career Training (Forklift Training with OSHA10, MIG welding & AWS Qualification, and Bioworks Process Technician). Career pathway students are eligible to be awarded up to three scholarships within the program year when taking scholarship eligible courses within the pathway.

To be considered for this scholarship program, a student or prospective student must: Be a U.S. citizen and a North Carolina resident; be enrolled in one of up to three career pathways defined training programs that lead to a sustaining wage

career and register to one of the scholarship eligible courses in that pathway that lead to a state-regulated or industry-recognized credential; be part of one of the following target groups: unemployed or underemployed, members of the NC National Guard, military veterans and spouses, or underserved populations in a specific workforce sector or area; be enrolled in a short-term training course 96-hours or more that leads to a state-regulated or industry-recognized credential aligned to a sustaining wage career and that is offered through Continuing Education; not be a Director, employee, or family member of an employee of the State

Employees' Credit Union

or SECU Foundation. Preference will be given

to those students with limited or no access to financial aid from other programs.

SECU Foundation cohort scholarship funds are to be used for registration fees, books, certification fees, course supplies and other educational expenditures charged to the student's college account. Any remaining funds on the student's account will be disbursed to the student upon successful completion of their selected career pathway course(s).

Application deadline is Jan. 14, 2019. Download the details and application at http://www.cccc.edu/ ecd/scholarships/#.

rea Obituaries

BILLY GAINES ESTES

Billy Gaines Estes, 91, of Goldston, husband of Thelma Rives Estes, died Sunday, January 6, 2019 at UNC Hospitals, Chapel Hill.

Mr. Estes was born in Ware Shoals, South Carolina on August 29, 1927 to the late Henry Gaines Estes and Janie Davis Estes. He graduated from Ware Shoals High School and joined the Navy and was on his way to Japan when the war ended. He



graduated from Clemson University in 1950 with a Masters' Degree in Chemical Engineering. He also had earned his pilot's license. Employed by Milliken as a dye works supervisor in Cheraw, SC, where he met and married Peggy Matheson. They eventually moved to Greenville, SC. There he began working for Crown Chemical Company of Providence. for Crown Chemical Company of Providence, Rhode Island. He retired many years later from Crown Chemical.

Bill is survived by his wife, Thelma Estes of the home; a son Billy Gaines Estes II of Laurens, SC; and eight grandchildren. He is also survived by a brother, George Estes of Ware Shoals, SC.

Bill is preceded in death by his parents; first wife, Peggy M. Estes; daughters, Barbara Padgett, Fran Houghton, and Jane Batson; and brother, David Michael Estes.

Bill, a true believer, remained a member of Augusta Road Baptist Church in Greenville, SC. He attended and was active at Goldson Baptist Church in

The family will receive friends Wednesday, January 9, 2019 from 1 to 2 p.m. at Goldston Baptist Church. Funeral services will be Wednesday January 9, 2019 at 2 p.m. at Goldston Baptist Church with Rev. Mitch Watson officiating. A graveside service will be held at Greenville Memorial Gardens on Friday, January 11, 2019 at 11 a.m. with Rev. Floyd Parker officiating He will be laid to rest beside Peggy and his daughters.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to Goldston Baptist Church, P O Box 100, Goldston, NC 27252 or to Augusta Road Baptist Church. Smith & Buckner Funeral Home is assisting the

Online condolences may be made at www.pugh funeralhome.com.

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JOHNSIE

KIDD BOULDIN

The funeral was held on Thursday, (01-03-2019) at

3 p.m. at Bennett Baptist

Church with the Rev. Tim

February 19, 1931 to Rev. John Curtis Kidd and Lula

Caviness Kidd. She was

a beautician for over 50

where she served as the

sang in the Adult Choir,

the W.M.U. In addition

husband, Daniel Bouldin,

daughters, Lana Boyd and

Amy Dowdy of Bennett;

son, Danny Ray Bouldin of Newport News, VA;

memorials may be made

Mission Trip Fund, P.O.

Box 91, Bennett, NC

Condolences may be

offered online at www.

joycebradychapel.com.

CALVIN FRANKLIN

MARTIN

Calvin Franklin Martin,

2019) at Moses H. Cone

The funeral was held

Monday, (01-07-2019)

Funeral Home Chapel

with Rev. Bob Wachs

Oakwood Cemetery.

at the Smith & Buckner

officiating. Burial was in

Mr. Martin was born

in Chatham County on

January 27, 1949, the son of Richard F. Martin

and Daisy Dell Phillips.

Calvin was self-employed

as the owner/operator of

was preceded in death by

his parents; sisters, Linda

Wilson, Patricia Brooks;

daughters, Kimberly M.

Kay Martin of Burlington

High Point; sister, Elaine

eight grandchildren, and

one great-granddaughter.

Mr. Henry H. Leach, Jr.,

and brother, Donald

He is survived by

Johnson of Seagrove,

and Kelly Martin of

Mowery of Asheboro;

Online condolences

may be made at www.

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Greensboro.

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four brothers, and four

She is survived by

five grandchildren.

In lieu of flowers,

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of Bennett Baptist Church

Johnsie was born on

Johnsie Kidd Bouldin,

87, of Bennett, passed

away Monday, (12-31-

2018) at her home.

Strider presiding.

eronfuneralhome.com.

WAYNE BULLARD

Mr. Wayne Bullard, 82, of Sanford, passed away Sunday, (12-30-2018) at his home.

The funeral service was held at 3 p.m. on Wednesday, (01-02-2019) at Tramway Baptist Church with Dr. John Allen and Travis Corley officiating. Burial followed in Center United Methodist Church Cemetery.

Mr. Bullard was born May 21, 1936 in Lee County, the son of the late Charles Carson and Velma Wicker Bullard. He was preceded in death by an infant son, Michael Wayne Bullard; an infant daughter: siblings, Mary Colleen Bullard, Robert Lee Bullard, Calvin Monroe Bullard, Ruth Bullard Lawrence, and Charles Lester Bullard.

Mr. Bullard was a Veteran of the United States Army. He worked at Saco-Lowell Shops for about 15 years. He also ran Wayne's Grocery, a small country store for

several years. Survivors include his wife of 59 years, Norma Jean Cole Bullard; daughter, Amanda Bullard-Maxwell; daughter, Robin Bullard Mitchell; three grandchildren; siblings, William Alvis "Pat" Bullard, Rachel Bullard Kelly, and Felicia Bullard Overton.

Condolences may be made at www.bridgescam eronfuneralhome.com.

MADGE MARIE HANCOCK COGGINS Madge Marie Hancock Coggins, 83, of Sanford,

passed away on Monday, (12-31-2018) at her home. The funeral service was held Thursday (01-03-2019) at 4 p.m. at Grace Chapel Church with Rev. Joel Murr and Rev. Bob Yandle officiating. Burial followed in the church

cemetery.

She was born on April 23, 1935 to the late Lloyd Dillard and Opal Choplin Hancock. In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by her husband, John William "Buster" Coggins, brother, James Lloyd Hancock; sister, Opal Nell Hanshaw and half-brother, Don Hancock. She worked on

ated an in-home day care. Madge is survived by her son, John W. Coggins, Jr. of Oregon; daughters, Karen McNeill, Tammy Johnson, Angela Cole, and Pamela Blalock, all of Sanford; sister, Shirley Lamm of Sanford; ten grandchildren and eight

the family farm and oper-

pughfuneralhome.com. great-grandchildren. HENRY H. LEACH, JR. Condolences may be

JOYCE W. EMERSON FEBRUARY 4, 1930 - JANUARY 5, 2019

CARY - Joyce Williams Emerson, RN, 88, of Cary, NC died January 5, 2019 at Transitions LifeCare, William M. Dunlap Center for Caring, Raleigh, NC. Joyce was a member

of Western Boulevard Presbyterian Church for 62 years. A memorial service will be held at the church on Saturday, January 12, 2019 at 1:00 pm. A reception and visitation will follow the

memorial service. Interment will be private. Joyce, the daughter of Thomas E. Williams and Cloyce Womble Williams, was born in Chatham County, NC on February 4, 1930.

She was a 1948 graduate of Bells High School and a 1951 graduate of Rex Hospital School of Nursing, Raleigh, NC. She began her nursing career at Rex Hospital in 1953 and then with Dr. Gordon Sinclair. She retired from Wake Surgical Consultants in 1989. Joyce is survived by her husband of 67 years, John Hudson Emerson; daughters, Laura Branch (Doug), Beth Whitacre (Bob Fennel) and Amy McRee (Andy); grandchildren, Michelle Willow (Dustin), Meredith Whitacre, Douglas Branch III (Liz), Ryan Emerson (Jen) and Mitchell McRee; greatgranddaughter, McKinley Willow; sister, Dorothy O'Neal (Buddy); and brother, Harold Williams (Sandy). Joyce was preceded in death by her brother,

Thomas E. Williams (Frances).
The family would like to thank the staff of Transitions LifeCare and Rev. Betty Connette for their loving care and support.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to Western Boulevard Presbyterian Church, 4900 Kaplan Drive, Raleigh, NC 27606 or Transitions Hospice Care, 250 Hospice Circle, Raleigh, NC 27607

Condolences may be sent to the family at www.brownwynnecary.com

64, of Pittsboro passed on Wednesday (01-02-2019) at UNC Hospitals in Chapel HIll.

Funeral service was held Saturday, (01-05-2019) at 11 a.m. at Mt. Sinai AME Church with Interment following at Pittsboro Community Cemetery.

FREDRICK DOUGLAS JOHNSON

Fredrick Douglas Johnson, 77, of Sanford, passed on Monday, (12-24-2018) at his home. Funeral service was held Saturday (01-05-2019) at 3 p.m. at the Dennis A. Wicker Civic Center.

SAMUEL "SARG" HILL Samuel "Sarg" Hill

83, of Sanford passed on Sunday, (12-23-2018) at UNC Hospitals in Chapel Hill.

Funeral service was held Friday, (01-04-2019) at 10 a.m. at Poplar Springs AME Church with burial following at 12 p.m. at Sandhills Veterans Cemetery in Fort Bragg.

JEFFREY EUGENE McAULEY

Mr. Jeffrey Eugene McAuley, 52, of Sanford passed on Friday, (12-28-2019) at UNC Hospital in Chapel Hill. Funeral service was

held Friday, (01-04-2019) at 2 p.m. at Knotts Funeral Home with burial followng in Lee Memory Garden.

DONNA ANN DOWDY Ms. Donna Ann Dowdy, 45, of Broadway, passed on Saturday, (12-29-2018) at UNC Hospital in Chapel Hill. A memorial service was held Thursday, (01-03-

2019) at 5 p.m. at Knotts Funeral Home, Sanford. **EUNICE GERALDINE MORRIS Eunice Geraldine Morris** of Broadway passed on

Friday, (12-21-2018) at her home. Funeral service was held Thursday (01-03-2019) at 2 p.m. at Knotts Funeral Home with burial following in Lee Memory Garden.

> **ROBERTO CHRISTIAN RODRIQUEZ**

Roberto Christian Rodriquez, 66, of Sanford passsed away Thursday (12-27-2018) at his home. Funeral services were held Thursday (01-03-2019) at 11 a.m. ag Gods Promise Church with burial following in Lee Memory Garden.

KEANNA KAELIN GLENN Keanna Kaelin Glenn, 34, of Pittsboro passed on Sunday, (12-23-2018) at

her home. Funeral service was held Wednesday, (01-02-2019) at 6 p.m. at Mt. Sinai

AME Church. In lieu of flowers, the family has request that donations be made payable to Knotts Funeral Home.

BRIANT K. JONES Mr. Briant K. Jones, 49, of Carrboro passed away at his residence on Thursday (12-20-2018). Funeral services were

held at the Knotts Bynum/ Weaver Chapel on Friday, (12-28-2018) at 1 p.m. in Chapel Hill.

MARIA GONZALEZ de BEC0

Maria Gonsalez de Beco, 65 of Sanford, passed on Tuesday, (01-01-2019) at the UNC Hopsice House, Pittsboro. Arrangements by: Knotts

Funeral Home.

CLIFFORD JAY **WRIGHT**

Clifford Jay Wright passed on Sunday, (12-20-2018) at Central Carolina Hospital in Sanford. Arrangements by: Knotts Funeral Home, Sanford.

NEILL HARRINGTON Neill Harrington of Sanford, passed away on Thursday, (01-03-2019). Arrangements are incomplete and will be announced later by Bridges-Cameron Funeral Home.

Condolences may be made at www.bridgescam eronfuneralhome.com.

NANCY HELEN LLOYD GARDNER

Nancy Helen Lloyd Gardner, 77, of Lillington, passed away on Wednesday, (01-02-2019) at her home.

The funeral was held in the chapel at Bridges-Cameron Funeral Home on Sunday, (01-06-2019) at 2 p.m. with Rev. Robert Thomas officiating. Burial followed in Jonesboro Cemetery. She was born June 27, 1941 to the late John Martin Lloyd and Oner Page Lloyd. In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by her husband, Obie Gardner, Jr. and a brother, Henry Lloyd. Nancy was retired from BB&T Bank where she worked as a loan

officer. Nancy is survived by sons, Kevin Gardner of Lillington, Ronnie Gardner of Deep River; daughter, Rhonda Hamel of Lillington; brother, Robert Lloyd of Tucson, Arizona; sister, Cathy Servie of Kill Devil Hills; four grandchildren and three great-grandchildren. Condolences may be made at www.bridgescam eronfuneralhome.com.

MARY LOU

LITTLETON Mary Lou Littleton of Pittsboro, passed on FriVIRGIL CECIL BARKER

Virgil Cecil Barker, 74, of Siler City died Tuesday, January 1, 2019 at Chatham Hospital.

Mr. Barker was born in Chatham County on February 3, 1944, the son of Johnie Barker, Sr. and Dena (Hicks) Barker. Virgil had worked for Boling Chair as a saw operator. He enjoyed woodworking, being outside,

hunting and gardening.

Virgil was preceded in death by his parents; sisters,
Allene Hart, Rachel Phillips, Christine Harris, Virginia Justice; and brother, David Barker.

He is survived by wife, Beulah Caviness; chil-

dren, Kenneth Barker (Missy) and Lora Caviness; grandchildren, Justin Riddle, Ashley Gunter, Haley Riddle, Cory Barker, Luke Barker, brothers, Johnie Barker, Jr. and Earl Barker (Cynthia); sisters, Juanita Richardson (Ronnie) and Frances Gilmore
The family received friends Sunday, January 6,
2019 from 12 to 2 p.m. at Smith & Buckner Funeral

Home. The funeral followed at 2 p.m. at Smith & Buckner Funeral Home Chapel, 230 North Second Avenue, Siler City with Rev. Michael Poindexter officiating. Burial followed in Brush Creek Baptist Church Cemetery, Bear Creek. Online condolences may be made at www.pugh

funeralhome.com.

day, (12-14-2018) at her home.

A service to honor her life and memory will be held Friday, (01-11-2019) from 2 to 5 p.m.at Donaldson Funeral Home in Pittsboro. A Memorial Service will be held at Lowery's Funeral Home in Athens, PA on Thursday, (06-20-2019) from 3 to 5 p.m.

Mary Lou was born in Waverly, NY in July, 1939, the daughter of Ralph and Mary Louise Goble of Athens, PA. She worked at the Robert Packer Hospital in Sayre, PA for 16 years, moving from Staff X-ray Technologist to Chief Technologist. She was a Certified Radiologic Technologist and had an Associate in Science Degree from Mansfield University, Mansfield, PA. She then worked for 18 years at the University of South Alabama, Dept. of Radiology, College of Medicine, first as an X-ray Technologist and Radiologic Research Assistant. After earning a Bachelor Degree and a Master of Business Administration Degree there, she was appointed to Assistant Professor of Radiology. She moved to North

Carolina in 2011 to be near her family. Mary Lou was prede-

ceased by her parents and husband, Dr. Jesse Talbot Littleton III; her daughter, Terry Ann Durizch and sister, Georgia Kay Alteri. She is survived by her siblings, John Goble of Painted Post, NY and Jean Durrand of Pensacola, FL; her son, John Durizch of Pittsboro; six grandchildren, and two great-grandchildren; five stepchildren. Christine Littleton Ilgen, Joanne Littleton, James Littleton, Robert Littleton, and Denise Littleton; and several

step-grandchildren. In lieu of flowers, the family asks to please donate to the Willow Oak Montessori Foundation. Online condolences may be made at www.donald

TIMOTHY JAMES WILLETT

sonfunerals.com.

Timothy James Willett, 32, of Sanford, passed away on Tuesday, (01-01-2019) at his home. A memorial service was

held at 4:30 p.m. Sunday, (01-06-2019) at Grace Chapel with Rev. Joel Murr, Rev. Bob Yandle and Evangelist Chance Walters officiating. Tim was born in Lee

County on August 14, 1986 to Gary and Ramona Coggins Willett. He was preceded in death by his paternal grandfather, James Louis Willett. Tim graduated from Lee County High School in 2005 and completed his associate degree in business from Wake Technical Community College. Tim is survived by his

daughter, Briella Lynne Willett; his parents, Gary and Ramona Willett of Sanford; brothers, Jeremy Willett of Greenville, Stephen Willett of Sanford; sister, Kasey Willett of Sanford; grandparents, Jimmie and Peggy Coggin of Sanford, and Annie Doris Willett.

In lieu of flowers, please consider donations to be placed in a trust fund for Briella Willett (contact Gary, Ramona or Kasey for more information) and/or The Gideons International, P.O. Box 1032, Sanford, NC 27331 Condolences may be made at www.bridgescam eronfuneralhome.com.

JUDITH "JUDY"
CAGLE HILL
Judith "Judy" Cagle Hill,

79, of Bennett, passed away on Saturday, (01-05-2019) at First Health Hospice in Pinehurst. The funeral was held on

Wednesday, (01-09-2019) at 2 p.m. at Fall Creek Baptist Church with the Rev. Edwin Moore presid-

Judy was born on November 27, 1939 to David Herbert and Dorothy Maness Cagle. She was a member of Fall Creek Baptist Church and was retired from MCATS, where she was a driver. In addition to her parents, Judy was preceded in death by her husband, Wayne Ross Hill and son,

Tommy Tucker. She is survived by daughters, Tanya Meggs of Carthage, Suzette Davis of Mississippi, Kimberly Hill of White Lake; sister, JoAnn Ward of Badin Lake; seven grandchildren, and ten great-grandchildren.

Condolences may be offered online at www. joycebradychapel.com.

MRS. MARGIE DARK Mrs. Margie Dark, 74, of Siler City passed on Friday, (01-04-2019) at UNC Hospital in Chapel

Arrangements by: Knotts and Son Funeral Home.

> ANTHONY T. **PAGANO**

Mr. Anthony T. Pagano, 93, of Carrboro passsed on Saturday, (01-05-2019) at his residence. Arrangements by: Knotts Funeral Home, Chapel Hill.

JAMES McCORMICK James McCormick, 88, of Sanford passed on Saturday, (12-29-2018) at The Laurels of Chatham in Pittsboro.

Funeral services were held Sunday, (01-06-2019) at 3 p.m. at Greater Zion Holy Temple. Burial followed Monday, (01-07-2019) at 12 p.m. at Sandhills Veterans

Cemetery at Fort Bragg.

HAMP BECK, JR. Hamp Beck, Jr., 67, of Raleigh passed on Friday, (1202102018) at his

A memorial service was held Tuesday, (01-08-2019) at Knotts Funeral Home, Sanford.

> **DALLIN JAMES** BAILEY, JR.

Dallin James Bailey, Jr., 71, of Sanford passed on Friday, (01-04-2019) at his residence. Arrangements by: Knotts

Funeral Home.

DONNIE LEVON BUIE

Donnie Levon Buie, 48, of Sanford passed away. Arrangements by: Knotts Funeral Home.

LAURENCIO MENENDEZ ESTE-VEZ

Laurencio Menendez Estevez, 51, of Siler City passed on Sunday, (01-

06-2019). Arrangements by: Knotts Funeral Home, Pittsboro.

Viewpoints

FROM THE PUBLISHER'S DESK

On not losing any sleep over something I kinda stole

Some might consider it highway robbery to be asked to pay eight bucks for a small vial of tiny white pellets that are supposed to magically help you fall asleep.

So I figured I'd just steal them instead.

Twice.

And I got away with it. OK, not really. Well, sort of "not really." The true story is that not once, but on two occasions recently I actually did walk out of a Whole Foods store with a tube of Coffea Cruda – a ChapSticksized container of 80 pellets advertising treatment for "sleeplessness with mental hyperactivity" –

without paying for them. I confess to you that it was an inadvertent theft. Which is to say that I realized I'd stolen them only after I'd gotten to my car with the rest of my purchases. But I must further confess that not once, but on both occasions, at my point of realization, I drove away without going back into the store to pay for them.

And it all ended up somehow being OK.

In case you're not familiar with it, Coffea Cruda is a dilution of a type of green coffee bean. A company called Bioron markets and sells it as a homeopathic solution to sleeplessness, something I've struggled with from time to time. Having tried all manner of "natural" remedies after weaning myself off the sleep-medicine prescription I took for many years, I gave Coffea Cruda a shot after seeing it at Whole Foods. For many months now, I simply put three of the pellets under my tongue at night and usually sleep deeply and uninterrupted for at least six or seven hours - a significant victory for anyone who regularly experiences sleep interruption.

So why did I resort to stealing it?

Here's how it happened: the first time I took them from the store without

the bottom of my cart as I was unloading my groceries in my car. "Crap," I thought, realizing I hadn't seen them there while checking out. But being an honest bloke, as well as a regular Whole Foods customer, I knew I'd be back there again, and I knew I'd remember to offer to pay for them.

The next time I was at the store, I was strategic: instead of putting the pellets in the cart, I CARRIED THEM in my hand – all the way through the checkout line and to my car. Yes: even as I was moving items from my cart to the conveyor at checkout, the pellets were still in my hand. I'd been carrying them so long around the store I'd forgotten about them.

As I was unloading groceries in my car, I realized, again, I hadn't paid.

Double-crap.

Fast-forward to my next visit to Whole Foods: I picked up a tube of the pellets and placed them in a green plastic produce bag, guaranteeing I'd see them. At checkout, I explained to the cashier: hey here's one vial of Coffea Cruda, but I owe you for THREE of them, since I accidentally "stole" two on previous visits.

He laughed. "It's OK," he said. "No," I insisted. "Please charge me for three."

"Really," he said, "it's OK. If I do that it'll really mess with our inventory system. Don't worry about it. I just appreciate your honesty."

My pleas to him fell on deaf ears.

We went back and forth on the subject of my stolen sleeping pellets for a bit before I relented.

"Don't lose any sleep over it," he joked.

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ing (919) 663-3250. paying, I found the tube in

smaller districts

Get ready for

BY JOHN HOOD RALEIGH — The average public-school district in the United States enrolls about 3,700 students, according to a recent Governing magazine analysis. In North Carolina, the average school district enrolls more than 12,500 students. Only six other states in the nation exceed North Carolina in this regard (including Hawaii, where all 187,000

students are in a single district).

Although North Carolina politicos and activists normally exhibit a great deal of interest in state education comparisons, most either ignore the fact that we stick out like a sore thumb on school governance or attempt, rather awkwardly, to label it virtue rather

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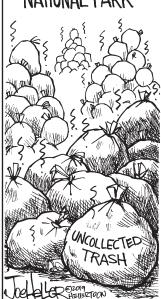
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Looking both ways not same as two-faced

Around this time of year, many folks go to great lengths to make resolutions about things they will do or say or not do or say in the new year. For most of them, that change in behavior lasts somewhere around 10 or 15 minutes.

Obviously, there's nothing wrong with trying to improve ourselves. Rather, it's that it can be really hard to change. Take, for instance, the popular resolution "I'm going to lose weight." I've made that promise many times. And on occasion I've been successful – a pound or two here, four ounces there. And then all of a sudden, I'll run across a dozen doughnuts with my name on them and there goes the resolution.

There is, however, another obstacle in keeping resolutions. And that is that often they can be too general in scope. Take the weight loss one, for instance How much

weight? Over what period of time? And so on. It's been said we need a formula for success. One I've found is called SPAM, which is also a meat product my mother-in-law used to put on toast with lettuce and tomato and invite me to eat two or three of them.

and stands for Specific, Personal, Achievable and Measurable. Were I to

adopt the aforementioned lose weight the SPAM would be "Bob (P) will lose 14 pounds (S) because he'll never weigh 175 again (A) and he'll do it within three months by eating less, exercising more and weighing every

week (M). While all that talk and activity is a part of the

about January that can and should - drive us forward. That's its name. All the months of the year have some origin and background to what they're called. March, for

new year or New Years,

instance, is named after

there's another tidbit

the Roman Here, SPAM refers Movin' Around god Mars, the god of war. god of war. October at WITH one time was BOB the eighth month on the WACHS

so it's stuck with "OCT," which being translated means "eight."

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So, here's January, named for the Roman god Janus, the god of beginnings. The old boy throughout history was pictured as a man with two faces, back to back, one looking forward and the other backward. The idea behind that was that

he could see both ways at what had happened and what would happen.

While that may have been easy for him, it can be pretty hard for us humans. Some people have trouble looking forward with hope because they keep looking back and moping over mistakes of the past. But crying over spilled milk isn't a good recipe for life. Nothing is gained by continually grieving over the past.

So, here's a good resolution you might want to try on. Stop looking back and brooding over past failures. Try the forward look; move ahead with hope and joy. Make your life right with the Creator and your fellow human. Look for ways to be of help to one another.

And if you see a jelly doughnut that has your name on it, go ahead. And if you see one with my name on it, please call me. I can adjust my SPAM.

Critics aren't the final word on worth of movies

BY RANDALL

RIGSBEE

In the late 1980s, while I was a reporter at a small daily newspaper in the Sandhills, the sports editor (a man improbably named Lance Spear) and I hatched a plan to break

into the movies. We didn't want to act or write or direct or produce.

We wanted, instead, to write about movies. We wanted to be movie crit-

We pitched our simple plan for a column we called "The Screening Room" to the editor, who agreed to the idea so long as it didn't take us away from our actual, important duties, and so between 1989 and 1993, I was a movie critic.

Without harboring any fantasies of being the next Pauline Kael or Roger Ebert, I nevertheless took the task seriously and enjoyed the experience.

I saw scores of movies and wrote lots of copy about them and was rewarded with several North Carolina Press Association awards for my time and effort.

But "The Screening Room" enjoyed a relatively short life.

After a while, Lance moved away to teach journalism at a university in the Midwest and I soldiered on by myself a bit longer as the paper's sole critic before, just after the release of "Jurassic Park" in 1993, which was one of the last movies I reviewed, I retired from the task.

I didn't miss it because

what had started off as a fun and diverting sideline had, over many months and many movies, become less fun and more of an obligation. A few times, facing tight deadlines, I even altered the format

to include movie rental reviews. It was then I knew the enthusiastic plan pitched in 1989 had grown long in the tooth.

But every once in a while, I miss the soapbox from which I had once stood sermonizing on cinema.

I would have liked, for example, to review "Wonder Woman," the 2017 release starring Gal Gadot as the title super-

The movie, popular with audiences and critics, has a 93 percent approval rat-

But I didn't care much

for it, giving up entirely on the 2 hour, 26 minutelong film about a third of the way through.

ing on Rotten Tomatoes.

Where, I wondered as I remembered the glow-Randall Reflects ing critiques

of this stale movie, were the naysayers? I wanted to fill that void.

I had a similar feeling a couple of weeks ago, wishing I could write about the new Will Ferrell comedy, "Holmes & Watson," which had a dismal Christmas Day opening and was slaughtered by professional critics, achieving a very low 8 approval score on Rotten Tomatoes.

When my wife and I saw "Holmes & Watson" – and no, we were not coerced; and yes, we

voluntarily paid \$18 for two matinee-priced adult tickets – we were literally the only two people in the theater, so tainted is the film's reputation.

But is "Holmes & Watson" as bad as critics

In my no-longer-professional opinion: No.

"Holmes & Watson" was no gem, but we that is, the entire theater - laughed a lot, enjoyed silly performances from Ferrell and his sidekick, John C. Reilly, and most important, had a good

It's possible, being long absent from the movie critic scene, I just don't understand how these things work anymore. But after my experiences with critically-lauded "Wonder Woman" and profession-ally-panned "Holmes & Watson," I think maybe the best, most trustworthy critics are ourselves.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

More on climate change

To the editor:

I read Philip Johnson's letter (12/20/18) with interest as he responded to two letters of the previous week, mine and Keith McLaurin's, announcing

the news that a bipartisan group had just introduced market-driven climate change legislation into Congress. From the start I knew Johnson would have a different perspective than mine, but, with that spirit of bipartisanship in mind, I read on to learn what he would bring to this important conversa-

Johnson, to my great pleasure, called on global leaders and governments

to address climate change realistically. But I was disappointed

to see that the premise of his argument, only to adapt to a climate apparently changing out of our control, while containing some accurate points, lacked a complete understanding of both the science of climate change and the economics of the bill, H.R. 7173, intro-

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duced to address it.

As to the science, it is certainly true that the planet's climate has gone through many cycles of cooling and warming. However, the world's scientific community is telling us that were it not for the influence of human activity we would currently be in a natural period of global cooling, not the unprecedented rapid warming we are witnessing. This is a matter of science not opinion. Temperatures and sea levels and extreme weather are all measurable. The natural carbon cycle of the planet does dwarf the carbon emissions of humans, but it is that measurable human contribution that is most assuredly tipping the balance towards a world that may not remain habitable for us.

Given the grim science of climate change it is tempting to portray we humans as culprits. But I find it is more useful to understand that we are a brilliant species able to create both giant messes and terrific achievements. Of course our ancestors discovered carbon fuel sources! And of course we figured out how to best harness them. We want to prosper in this world using all the bounty that was given to us. But it is clear now that a continued reliance on fossil fuels will

lead to our downfall. We need to move smartly to a clean energy economy.

That brings us to the economics of H.R. 7173, the Carbon Dividends Act. Mr. Johnson, as well as John Hood in his letter of 12/27/18, equates this bill with other carbon taxes, including the attempt in France that has been so effectively put down by unhappy citizens in the yellow vest demonstrations. But the Carbon Dividends Act is most definitely not another attempt by big government to squeeze the people of their hard earned money and waste it on ill conceived green energy schemes. The Carbon Dividend Act simply requires that fossil fuel companies pay a fee for bringing their products, which carry a heavy cost to society, to market. All of the revenue generated will be given to us, the citizenry, to be used as we see fit. Yes, prices of goods generated with fossil fuels will increase slightly, but the majority of people will come out ahead as we receive our monthly dividend checks and a rapid shift will occur as consumers and big businesses alike begin to invest in the emerging clean energy economy.

Holmes Graybeal Pittsboro

What to expect this year

No self-respecting columnist passes up the obligatory prediction column the first week of the year. So here goes mine.

The first test will set the tone for 2019. It's the lingering 9th Congressional district election. This story reminds me of the old black and white westerns, where the townsfolk vow to "give the prisoner a fair trial, then take him out back and hang him.' You already know the outcome. Those who don't believe there will be a new election could fit in a phone booth. We just need to settle the new State Board of Elections, hear the evidence and get on with it. New Republican candidacies will surface for the primary, even though Mark Harris won last time. Dan McCready will be the Democrats' nominee and will likely ultimately win the seat.

The Legislature comes back to Raleigh January 9th. Will we see the same partisan agenda of recent years or is it too much to dream of the lion lying down with the lamb? Republicans no longer have veto-proof majorities in either the Senate or House, so they will be forced to work with Governor Cooper. Maybe it's a personality thing or perhaps just historic tensions between the legislative and executive branches, but Cooper and the Republicans don't get along well.

One sure action item is the redrawing of Congressional and legislative districts

to conform to court orders. Since moving the 2020 primary election date to March, new districts must be passed, court tested. and candi-

dates must have ample time to file to run. If we are ever going to see an impartial redistricting commission established 2019 is the year. But deciding what is "impartial" will likely end up in court.

2019 will see the emergence of candidates for the 2020 elections. North Carolina will see many presidential hopefuls, owning to our early primaries and because we are considered a swing state. We will watch to see if Lt. Governor Dan Forest gets a serious challenger for the Republican nomination for Governor. Governor Cooper will seek re-election and, buoyed by wins in 2018 Democrats will again field a competitive slate of candidates for legislative and congressional seats.

House Speaker Tim Moore wants to put a \$2 billion public school bond referendum to voters, but others will insist that transportation, clean water and other infrastructure be wrapped in the package.

The effort will likely fail to reach a public vote.

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the picture for 2019

is cloudy.

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Tom Campbell

trade agreements and the volatile markets will impact North Carolina. We are pretty far along the traditional 10-year economic cycle, prompting some to predict a slowing down in growth, even a downturn

in coming months.

Governor Cooper will push for Medicaid expansion and some Republican legislators support the effort, but uncertainty over Obamacare and the economy will prevent it from passing. Legislators will place a strong emphasis on restoring our rainy-day surplus funds depleted from storm recovery ef-

Silent Sam has become a symbol, like HB2. Sadly, all the players in this drama have backed themselves into corners and finding a middle ground is difficult. Count on whatever solution is reached to become a 2020 election

Education will again be contentious. Governor Cooper will be urging another large pay increase for teachers and

more education funding. The tension between the Superintendent of Public Instruction and a newly re-formed State Board of Education will continue. The UNC Board of Governors will continue attempts to intrude into management and will remove the "interim" from Dr. Bill Roper's title as UNC President.

Good prognosticators always add a couple of surefire predictions to improve their win-loss records, so here are mine. North Carolina drivers won't get any better. Slower drivers will continue to refuse to move right so faster ones can pass, too many will fail to observe the traditional "9 miles per hour" over the posted speed limit and race dangerously back and forth between lanes, and an increasing number will either refuse to use or can't find their turn signal indicators.

Let's hope good climes and good times await us in 2019. Happy New Year.

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Columnist Hood is wrong when it comes to carbon fees

To the editor:

John Hood is wrong when he says people won't accept carbon fees to avoid disastrous climate change ("Public won't accept green taxes" 12/27/18).

He points to a carbon tax proposal that failed in the state of Washington but he ignores the millions of dollars poured into the state by Big Oil and the Koch brothers to defeat it.

Hood characterizes the "yellow vest" movement in France as a revolt against carbon taxes but the French protest is about earlier tax cuts for the wealthy at the expense of the poor. Protesters instead call for a fairer climate transition and some of their demands are for even more ambitious

climate action. Finally, Hood did not mention public opinion polls showing most Americans would back carbon fee proposals that return ALL carbon fees in the form of equal dividends to each taxpayer. Under this proposal the vast majority of taxpayers would receive more than they pay in fees. Only wasteful energy users would receive less back than they pay in. Such market-based plans would lead to increased competition and innovation among energy suppliers - something that free market advocates should appreciate. Janet Yellen, economist and former Fed chair says that taxing carbon dioxide emissions to reduce energy use is "absolutely standard textbook economics."

One need look no farther than the front page of the same Chatham News + Record ("Flooding roads have residents needing boats") to see what we can expect as climate change causes rain events to become ever more frequent and intense and as storms hold more moisture. The time for questioning is over. A carbon fee that returns 100% of receipts as dividends to taxpayers is an important part of the solution.

Vickie Atkinson **Chapel Hill** than an oddity.

For example, when it comes to the gargantuan districts in Wake (enrolling 159,000 students this school year) and Mecklenburg (146,000), increasing numbers of parents — many residing in suburban communities or hailing from other states where multiple districts per county are the norm — seem skeptical that countywide school governance serves the interests of their children and neighborhoods.

Some are explicitly demanding the creation of smaller, more manageable districts. Others aren't waiting for policymakers to catch up with their preferences, opting instead for chartered public schools (each of which has its own governance board) or private alternatives if they can swing them.

In the face of these developments, the education establishment offers two defenses: cost and race. Countywide school districts reduce the cost per student for delivering education, the argument goes, while combating resegregation. Neither argument can withstand close

scrutiny, which is why the powers-that-be keep trying to change the subject as quickly as they can.

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This strategy isn't going to work in the long run. It would be wiser to prepare for a future in which North Carolina public schools are organized differently, with multiple districts coexisting in at least a dozen or so of our counties. I believe this future is inevitable.

The efficiency argument for big districts just doesn't comport with the available evidence. While consolidating sparsely populated rural districts into larger entities probably did exploit economies of scale to reduce operating cost per pupil, there is very little evidence of such benefits when school districts run into the tens of thousands of students.

Moreover, even if construction costs and other expenses are lower at large enrollment scales. the purpose of public schools is to educate students, not merely to house them. While the empirical literature is mixed on the subject of optimal district size, there is a compelling body of evidence suggesting that competition is good for school quality that the more options families have within a given geographic area, the better those options tend

Debates about competition in education tend to focus on alternatives to public schools, but in this case I'm just talking about having multiple school districts within a metropolitan area rather than just one. One recent study found that, everything else being equal, pupils score the number of districts, an effect that "makes school districts less efficient.

As for race, browbeating recent arrivals from highscoring states such as Massachusetts (averaging 3,300 students per district) and New Jersey (2,300) for not understanding the need to combat educational disparities by race and income isn't going to cut it. Disadvantaged students in those states perform very highly by national standards, thank you very much. And even among Southern states, North Carolina's districts are significantly larger than those in Virginia

(9,700), Georgia (9,400), South Carolina (8,800), and Tennessee (7,400). Here's a fundamental

reality progressives have yet to accept: regardless of how big the district may be, the days of busing larger numbers of kids around according to race- or income-based school assignments are over. Most parents, of all backgrounds, do not support it.

A more constructive approach would be to get anead of the trend. Subdivide the largest districts thoughtfully, minimizing any disparities, while ensuring that state and local funding formulas send more money to districts with higher rates of poverty or special

Still, I am under no illusions. Prudence is both praiseworthy and rare.

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Chatham Charter School

Chatham Charter School is now accepting applications for openings in kindergarten and limited openings in first through twelfth grade for the 2019-2020 school year. Kindergarten applicants must be five years of age on or before August 31, 2019. The application period ends on January 25, 2019. Applications may be obtained online (www.chathamcharter.org) under the "Admissions" link, at the school (2200 Hamp Stone Road, Siler City) or by calling (919) 742-4550.

Chatham Charter School is a nonprofit, nondenominational public school providing quality education for children of all races, creeds, handicaps, and national origins.

La Escuela de Chatham Charter

La Escuela de Chatham Charter ahora está tomando aplicaciones para espacios del primer grado hasta el grado doce para el año escolar 2019-2020. Los niños que asistan al kinder deben tener cinco años de edad ántes del 31 de agosto, 2019. El periodo de aplicación termina el 31 de enero, 2019. Puede obtener una aplicación al Internet (www.chathamcharter.org) al enlace admissions,

a la escuela (2200 Hamp Stone Road, Siler City) o por una llamada (919.742.4550).

La Escuela de Chatham Charter es una escuela pública, multidenominacional, y no lucrative que provide una educación de la calidad para los niños de todos las razas, los credos, una condición de discapacidad, y los origines nacionales.

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Expansion

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consults with regularly, says both North Chatham Elementary and Perry Harrison are expected to exceed student capacity in the next five years and that's not factoring in any potential population boom at Chatham Park.

The district already built a school to lower population at those institutions — Margaret B. Pollard Middle School in 2010. Prior to that, both North Chatham and Perry Harrison were K-8s, become K-5s when Pollard Middle opened.

North Chatham's population has stayed more or less steady since the 2010-2011 school year, but Perry Harrison's has risen from 473 in May 2011 to 801 students at the beginning of this year - a 51.4 percent increase.

That population increase warranted the district's attention alone, but the N.C. General Assembly's 2017 mandate to lower class sizes in the kindergarten through third grade level made capacity even tighter at North Chatham and Perry Harrison, Blice said.

Chatham Grove, currently under construction at 1301 Andrews Store Rd. in Pittsboro, is designed to handle that. It is expected to hold 750 students in pre-kindergarten through fifth grade, taking some of the student load from Perry Harrison and North Chatham and possibly Pittsboro Elementary.

The \$33 million-plus school is expected to open in the fall of 2020, and even though hurricanes and snowfall have hit the county, it's on time.

"Despite the weather, the project has been progressing and remains on schedule," Chatham County Schools Director of Maintenance and Construction Randy Drumheller said in a mid-December press release. "Retaining walls are complete. Storm drainage, foundations and masonry are in progress, as well as the underground installation of



electrical and plumbing. In addition, 80 of the 150 geothermal wells have been drilled.'

Seaforth High School

Seaforth High came out of a need at the high school level, specifically the aforementioned growth at Northwood, located right across the street from the beginning phase of Chatham Park.

The district considered making an addition at Northwood, Blice said, but it was going to cost the district \$30-40 million, and would only be a short-term fix. Then the residential neighborhood Briar Chapel and Chatham Park came about.

Without Chatham Park, Blice said, the district projected that Northwood's student population would reach more than 1,700 in 10 years; it was at 1,399 at the beginning of this year. Assuming Chatham Park grows at its expected rate, and Northwood would be facing a student population of 2,300 a decade from now.

"Even without Chatham Park, the growth is coming," Blice said. "As a district, we're growing, period."

Seaforth – located at 444 Seaforth Road in Pittsboro, on the western side of Jordan Lake - is slated

to hold 1,200 students initially, but there's space on the site to add capacity for an additional 200 students. The 209,000-square foot school, projected to cost upwards of \$74 million, is should open in August 2021.

Central Services Building

The current Central Services building has already exceeded its capacity, requiring the creation of three satellite offices at various schools in the county. Horton Middle, one of those schools, is going to be full soon, even without Chatham Park, Blice said.

"We've got to get out of there, and if you add Chatham Park to it, we've got to get out of there, pretty quick, because we need the space for classrooms, and there's not a whole lot of space to put modular units because they built it on a hill," he said. "You can put some in, but you can only put so many."

When Blice took on the COO mantle in 2013, he said, he wanted to focus on three things related to infrastructure – transportation, maintenance and Central Services. Upgrades and renovations have already been made to the transportation building in Pittsboro, allowing it to

service both school district and county vehicles, and the maintenance department has been moved to a renovated site.

Central Services is next. The current building has passed its intended lifespan, according to a 2014 facility conditions assessment, and is in need of costly repairs, which wouldn't address the space issue.

The new facility, likely to be located on the same site as the current building, is currently in the design phase. It's projected to be a two-story, 34,000-square-foot building designed to house "all departments in one location," according to Chatham County's Capital Improvements Program. It's projected to cost more than \$11 million.

Remaking the District Blice admits that the transportation, maintenance and Central Services upgrades aren't the most appealing to the public. But he assures

that it's worth it.

"Nobody goes over to transportation and says, 'I just can't believe that we own this," he said. "We had to fix the infrastructure first, and then we had to start building new schools. When people say we're spending a lot of money – and we are - they're for a good reason."

Discussions were had about making renovations or additions to the Central Services building, but it became more about planning for the coming years.

"You reach a point where you've got to make a decision: do you keep on doing that, or do you want to knock it down and build what you need and build for the future?" Blice said. "It's building for the future. It's building capacity for the future."

The county is slated to pay for the \$119,082,824 total of these three projects with debt proceeds, in addition to funds from the sale of the district's

old bus garage to the county, according to Chatham's CIP. The county's official financial policy is to not be over-reliant on debt, but to save it for "the construction of capital facilities and the purchase of capital assets."

According to the CIP, 7.7 cents of the annual property tax rate is dedicated toward capital projects and debt payment. With no growth projected for lottery proceeds, usually dedicated toward school capital improvements, an additional contribution of 1.5 cents will be needed to cover debt-funded projects in FY 2020, the CIP states.

Whether or not that means a property tax rate increase remains to be seen, Chatham County Interim Manager Dan LaMontagne told the News + Record last month. That decision will likely be made during the upcoming county budget process.



An artist's rendering of Seaforth High School, a \$74.8 million project. Under construction on Seaforth Road in Pittsboro, it'll be 209,000 square



A rendering of Chatham Grove Elementary School, a \$33 million project. It'll be located on Andrews Store Road in Pittsboro and will be about 97,000 square feet. Completion date is estimated for August 2020.

headlines and sparked

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conversations about big cat and exotic animal centers and safety. Black, who had been at the Conservators Center for ten days, was

attacked while cleaning the animal's enclosure. Law enforcement officers killed the animal firing eight shots from their weapons which included a shotgun.

The state's Occupational Safety and Health Division is investigating the incident. In a statement released by the Conservators Center, the "specifics of what happened are still under investigation" as to how the animal was able to free itself from its locked enclosure.

Chatham County hosts one of the oldest big cat preservation centers in the state, Carolina Tiger Rescue, formally the Carnivore Preservation Trust. Following a cougar attack on a volunteer in 1998, the organization went through a major overhaul to improve safety and conditions at the sanctuary.

"Working with dangerous animals is very dangerous," Carolina Tiger Rescue's Assistant Director Kathryn Bertok said. "We've been here around 45 years and

"Anytime something like this happens, whether locally or nationally, we take a step back and look at the policies and procedures to see if we can make it stronger."

- KATHRYN BERTOK, **Carolina Tiger** Rescue's assistant director

we work really hard to make sure it's safe for our visitors, staff, and volunteers."

The facility now uses a four-level enclosure labeling system. Enclosures with large cats are never entered when an animal is present. The enclosures also feature shiftable enclosures to relocate animals when employees need to enter the animals' areas.

"We are looking at our policies and procedures all the time," Bertok said. "Anytime something like this happens, whether locally or nationally, we take a step back and look at the policies and procedures to see if we can



Roman, one of the lions at Carolina Tiger Rescue in Pittsboro. The local big cat preserve takes many safeguards to ensure visitors, employees and volunteers are safe while at the preserve. (Submitted photo)

make it stronger.

"We have to be pro-active and humble enough to know you can learn," she said.

The Carolina Tiger Rescue currently hosts 28 big cats as well as other exotic animals. None of the cats at the Carolina Tiger Rescue have been involved in this type of incident.

The organization has a strict value system that exotic animals should not be used for entertainment, as pets, nor bred in captivity. These animals, ideally, need to be in the wild.

To that end, the Carolina Tiger Rescue accepts big cats from individuals and facilities that can no longer maintain them. The organization requires any former owner complete a contract stating they will no longer own a similar animal as a pet. The hope is to discourage owners from eliminating one problem animal only to purchase another.

'We don't want to be part of the problem," Bertok said. "We want to be part of the solution." North Carolina hosts numerous exotic animal facilities. Some allow visitors, others do not. The facilities range from sanctuaries to educational centers to perhaps the most dangerous facilities,

the roadside attraction. According to World Wildlife Federation, there are there are more captive tigers in the U.S. than tigers in the wild. The group estimates that at least 5,000 tigers are in captivity in the U.S., but notes that those numbers could be as high as 10,000.

North Carolina is one of four states that do not have any law prohibiting



Sebastian (left), a neutered male lion, and female Sheba rest together at Carolina Tiger Rescue in Pittsboro. CTR does not believe in breeding animals in captivity. (Submitted photo)

the private ownership of big cats.

Advocates for stricter laws made progress on a bill that would prohibit individual ownership of big cats in North Carolina in 2014. The bill passed the N.C. House of Representatives, but the bill languished in the N.C. Senate.

The attack has renewed the call from the Humane Society of the U.S. to institute stricter laws with regard to big cats. The organization is hopeful that the Big Cat Public Safety Act will be introduced during the incoming Congressional session.

The bill seeks to create a "framework for regulating the private possession of dangerous wild animals," according to the group's website. The bill would also "address

the thousands of animals being kept as pets or in grossly substandard conditions at unaccredited zoos, and end future ownership of big cats by unqualified individuals."

While the changes will benefit the cats and the safety of those near them, it will likely result in a greater need for organizations such as Carolina Tiger Rescue.

"All big cats raised in captivity have been habituated to humans and would not be able to go to the wild," Bertok said. "In the wild, the animals are taught by their mothers and their pride to hunt and kill."

"They have the instincts but have not been trained. They would approach humans for food putting both the animal and the humans at risk," she said.

DANIEL SIMMONS

This week, we speak with Daniel Simmons, the CEO of the Boys & Girls Clubs of Central Carolina, which serves Chatham and Lee counties. Simmons joined the Boys & Girls Clubs of Sanford/Lee County as the executive director in July 2015. Upon the merger of the Boys & Girls Clubs of As of April 2018, plans

Sanford/Lee County and the Boys & Girls Clubs of Eastern Piedmont, Daniel became the CEO of the Boys & Girls Clubs of Central Carolina in October 2016. The organization currently serves more than 1,000 children per year in Lee and Chatham Counties.

are under way to open a Boys & Girls Club program in Harnett County. Simmons has a master of science degree in Human Resources Management from Indiana Wesleyan University and a bachelor of arts degree in Music & Business Administration from Winthrop University

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Boys & Girls Clubs of Central Carolina are bustling with activity, making positive difference for Chatham kids until they pick them up.

You just marked a milestone of two years since bringing the Wren Family Center Boys & Girls Club into the Boys & Girls Clubs of Central Carolina family...so start off by talking about how you've settled in and give us "the state of the club," so to speak...

Yes, October 2018 marked two years since we merged the Boys & Girls Clubs of Eastern Piedmont and the Boys & Girls Clubs of Sanford/ Lee County together, creating the Boys & Girls Clubs of Central Carolina. The Board of Directors and I are on a mission to ensure that Chatham and Lee County's kids are cared for and prepared for tomorrow in the best way possible.

When it comes to youth issues in our communities, I want our organization to always earn a seat at the table and be a part of the team. We haven't had the chance to meet everyone yet, but we want the community to know that we're serious about collaboration and being a part of the ecosystem that our kids need to be successful.

The state of the Clubs? Our two clubs are full. They are BUSTLING with kids.

Our organization had over 900 registered Boys & Girls Clubs members in 2018 and I project that number to be the same or higher for 2019. We have a waiting list of kids who want to be members of a Club. I'm having conversations with our Corporate Board, our advisory boards in both counties, and with school administrators about how we can serve more kids, preferably sooner than later.

Of course we just finished Phase I of our expansion of the Wren Family Center. We now have the basics of the building done and we have begun the process of raising money to furnish things like a full kitchen and dining room, a technology lab, program areas for our teenagers, and more. Our kids need us

now more than ever. It's time for us to increase our answer to that call.

You have a fundraising campaign beginning in the spring of 2019. The clubs have always done fundraising in the past – what makes this particular campaign different, and why is it so important?

The board of directors and I decided three years ago to take a step back from a funding plan that is heavily event-focused. I've really encouraged them to rethink the overall funding strategy and consider going "all in" on a giving campaign, as well as a structured planned giving program, and they have run with it! Each year, we hold the Great Futures Annual Campaign: The Campaign for Chatham and Lee County's Kids." In short, this is a board-driven effort to secure unrestricted operating funds from individuals, including board members and staff members.

Unrestricted gifts from the local community are the life-blood of the organization. We cannot continue to transform lives without a staff of youth professionals, the buses we use each day to transport from school to the Clubs, utilities, and all the other operational costs that you can imagine. Local, unrestricted gifts from individuals are how we cover these costs.

We receive government and non-government grants, but these funding sources don't provide our entire budget, and, in many cases, they are funders expect operational costs to be supported by the local community. restricted from use for opthe local community.

The "gold standard" is for financial gifts from individuals to make up 60-70 percent of the organization's budget. Historically, ours has hovered around the 15-20 percent mark, with grants making up most of the rest. Our board members have worked incredibly

hard over the past two years to bring our support from local sources up to around 50 percent of our operating budget. That is an impressive improvement. As we embark on this campaign, and as our friends in the community consider their contribu-

as I can remember, my mom always worked two jobs. She sewed toes on hosiery all day and then worked a second job until 9 p.m. doing hosiery for a smaller mill in town. In the mid-90s, she attended Randolph Community College and completed



Daniel Simmons, CEO of the Boys & Girls Clubs of Central Carolina, which serves Chatham and Lee counties. The organization currently serves more than 1,000 children per year in Lee and Chatham Counties and plans are under way to open a Boys & Girls Club program in Harnett County.

tions to our work, I feel like our mandate is clear: Build upon the success to reach out and serve more kids more often.

Almost half of the vouths involved in the clubs here come from lenges and opportunities does it present for you?

I don't have children of my own, but I do have first-hand experience as a child in a single parent home. I remember my mom having to get assistance with food from The Salvation Army when I was 5 years old. As far

the GED. This was in the 1980s and 1990s. What's troubling is that it has gotten even more difficult since then to make ends meet. Costs for everything from healthcare to food to childcare continue to increase at a steady rate.

According to the NC Budget and Tax Center, It costs a sm with two kids \$25.59 per hour to make ends meet in Chatham County, and the hourly median wage falls short of what's needed by 56 percent. How many single parents do you know in Chatham County who make \$25.59 per hour?

Our Wren Family Center in Siler City is open after school until 6 p.m. and all day during the summer. This allows parents to work a full day while knowing their children are in a safe environment

In fact, a recent survey showed 36 percent of parents of Club kids strongly agreed that Clubs allowed them to keep their job. A parent can work a full day and still have time to do routine chores, such as grocery shopping, before collecting their children from the Club. It's difficult as a single parent to find time do these things when you're the sole provider and caretaker in the home. Secondly, Club parents know that their kids have time set aside in the Club schedule for homework help. I believe there's a lot of peace of mind in that for the par-

Those familiar with the Clubs' operation know the cost of membership - basically a dollar a week (\$52) for the entire school year. Can you address cost? No children are turned away for not being able to pay, yet no doubt many could afford more than \$1 per

Yes, we charge \$1 per week during the academic year. This subject has been discussed across the Boys & Girls Clubs movement for years. I've seen Clubs charge \$5 per week. I've seen Clubs that only charge \$1 for the entire year. I've also seen Clubs that decided to increase their fee, say from \$1 per week to \$5 per week, only for Club membership and participation to drastically plummet. \$5 per week probably isn't a lot to me or to you, but to many families, it forces a decision between Club membership for their kids and putting gas in the car to get to work. I know, because I lived it as a child. the discretion of the local board in each community, which I believe is good. Who better to assess the financial ability of local families than local board members who know the community? As far as our national office goes, they technically have no say in the matter because all Clubs are locally owned and operated, but they ask that we charge a fee that doesn't prohibit membership of the kids who truly

need us. We have an opportunity to help kids who are victims of situational and generational poverty, so they don't repeat the cycle. Still, we make it a point to be open to ALL children who need us. We don't judge kids by the cars their parents drive. Kids from the middle class have needs, too.

Can you speak to the academic performance of your club members, and how that's emphasized as a part of what the club instills?

Put simply: The expectation for academic success is built into the culture at the Boys & Girls Clubs. Good grades, on-time grade progression, graduation from high school, and having a solid post-high school education and career plan is the bedrock of everything we do every

single day.
Every day, one of the first things the kids do when they arrive at the Club is "Power Hour." This is a national program, with support from Ross Stores and from the NC Department of Health & Human Services, which facilitates homework help and tutoring each day after school. During this time, our staff do their absolute best to get to every child who needs assistance with schoolwork. People often ask us what our most significant volunteer needs are, and this is probably it. We desperately need volunteers who can assist our staff in helping students with their homework or allow a child to read to them. The reading element is so important. If a child isn't on their reading level by grade 2 or 3, it is incredibly difficult to catch up. In fact, most students reading in 3rd grade still won't be on grade level in high school. This presents so many problems and is one of the key reasons for underemployment, incarceration, and poverty today.

If you are interested in volunteering to help our kids, please call Joy Roberts at 919-663-6159 or email us at communitysupport@centralcarolinaclubs.org. Thank you!





Lee County, the City of Sanford, CC Enterprise Park LLC and Samet Corporation cordially invite you to save the date for the

SHELL BUILDING CELEBRATION

of Spec Building #1 in Central Carolina Enterprise Park 6074 Enterprise Park Drive Sanford, NC 27330

THURSDAY, JANUARY 17TH, 2019 AT 2 PM









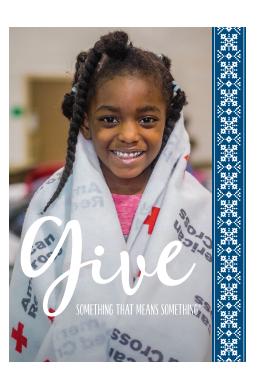
Resolve to give blood with the Red Cross

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— The American Red Cross encourages people to help meet the urgent need for blood and platelets by resolving to give blood this January – National Blood Donor Month.

Donating blood or platelets is a way to make a lifesaving impact in the new year. Upcoming blood donation opportunities through Jan. 31 include:

- Pittsboro: 11 a.m. to 3:30 p.m., Jan. 25, Lowe's Home Improvement 2448, 121 Lowes Dr.
- Siler City: 9 a.m. to 1:30 p.m., Jan. 26, Siler City Presbyterian Church, 720 W. Third St.
- Goldston: 2 to 7 p.m., Jan. 29, Goldston Baptist Church, 190 N Church St.



This holiday season, give the gift of comfort and hope with a donation to the American Red Cross. Every 8 minutes, we respond to disasters big and small. Your gift provides shelter, meals and financial support to families with nowhere else to turn.

> **Donate today** at redcross.org





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CHATHAM COUNTY ELEMENTARY and K-8 SCHOOLS and **HIGH SCHOOL MENUS**

Served at Elementary and K-8 Schools only
** Middle and High School Menus Monday, January 14

Breakfast: Breakfast Round, Pineapples (**Chicken

Biscuit & Fresh Fruit)

Lunch: Big Daddy's Pepperoni Pizza, Macaroni & Cheese w/Roll, PB&J w/Smoothie Combo, Seasoned Green Beans, Baked Potato, Chilled Fruit Cocktail (+Fresh Fruit)

Tuesday, January 15 Breakfast: Berry Parfait w/Fr. Tst Sticks, Fruit Cocktail, Hashbrowns (**Breakfast Griddle Sandwich, Fresh Fruit)

Lunch: Chicken & Waffles, BBQ Pork w/Corn Muffin, Chicken Caesar Salad, Oven Baked Fries, Broccoli w/Cheese, Fresh Fruit (** Chicken & Waffles, BBQ Pork w/Corn Muffin, Ham & Cheese Combo, Chicken Caesar Salad, Oven Baked Fries, Broccoli w/Cheese, Chilled Applesauce, Fresh Fruit)

Wednesday, January 16 Breakfast: Sausage Biscuit, Fresh Fruit (**Bacon, Egg, & Cheese Biscuit, Fresh Fruit) Lunch: Popcorn Chicken w/Roll, Zesty Garlic French Bread, Ham & Cheese Combo, Carrot Souffle, Celery & Cucumbers w/Dip, Rainbow Fruit Dessert Cup (**Popcorn Chicken w/Roll, Zesty Garlic French Bread, Chicken Tender Wrap Combo, Carrot Souffle, Celery & Cucumbers w/Dip, Rainbow Fruit Dessert Cup, Fresh Fruit)

Thursday, January 17
Breakfast: Breakfast Griddle Sandwich, Peaches,
Hashbrowns (**Berry Parfait w/Fr Tst Sticks, Fresh

TexMex Beef w/Chips & Cheese, Rotini Lunch: w/Meatballs & Breadstick, Chicken Tender Chef Salad, Seasoned Pinto Beans, Seasoned Corn, Chilled Pears (**TexMex Beef w/Chips & Cheese, Rotini w/Meatballs & Breadstick, Deli Club Wrap Combo, Chicken Tender Chef Salad, Seasoned Pinto Beans, Seasoned Corn, Chilled Pears, Fresh Fruit)

Friday, January 18
Breakfast: Mini Pancakes, Fresh Fruit (**Sausage Biscuit, Fresh Fruit)

Lunch: Crispy Chicken Sandwich, Baked Beans, Baby Carrots w/Dip, Chilled Applesauce (**Crispy Chicken Sandwich, Baked Beans, Baby Carrots w/Dip, Chilled Peaches, Fresh Fruit, Lettuce & Tomato)

Breakfast: Offered Daily at Breakfast - Choice of Cereal w/Grahams, Yogurt Smoothie w/Muffin, 100% Fruit Juice, Choice of Milk Lunch: Offered Daily at Lunch - Choice of 1% or Skim Milk



The Young at Heart Senior Citizens' Club held its monthly meeting and dinner on January 7 with Harbert and Shelby Dean Resthome Ministry (above) providing the program for the meeting. For more information about the club, call 919-898-4492. The club meets the first Monday of each month at 5:30 p.m. at Asbury United Methodist Church, Asbury Church Road, Sanford. (Photo contributed)

Siler City student on Bob Jones U. Dean's List

CN+R Staff Report

GREENVILLE, SC -- Bob Jones University named approximately 900 students to the Dean's List for high academic achievement during the Fall 2018 semester.

To qualify for the

Dean's List, students must earn a 3.0-3.74 grade point average for the semester.

McKayla Brown, a Junior Science Education major from Siler City, was named to the Fall 2018 Dean's List.

CARD of THANKS

The family of Mr. Alphonso Craven, Jr., would like to thank everyone for your expression of sympathy during our time of grief. It was deeply appreciated and gratefully acknowledged.

Mary Alice, Angela, Rodney, Lynn, and Trina



LYSTRA BAPTIST

The Take and Wear Clothes Closet, Lystra Church, will be open on Saturday, Jan. 12 from 9-10:30

Anyone needing clothes is welcome to come and shop. Everything is free. There is no advantage in arriving before 8:45. The church is located 686 Lystra Road, off 15-501, past Chatham Downs

For more information, call 919-933-6812.

UNITY POWERHOUSE **CHURCH**

Sunday, January 13, at 3 p.m., the Unity Powerhouse Church Usher Board will celebrate their anniversary.

The speaker will be Pastor Belinda Mckoy who will be joined by the choir and congregation of Mt. Sinai Church of Siler City.

STAUNTON MEMORIAL **CME CHURCH**

There will be an Usher's Anniversary service on Sunday, January 13 at 2:30 p.m. at Staunton Memorial CME Church. Guest groups will be Pittsboro United Methodist Church Chancel Ringers and Hal and the Tenors Quartet from Emmaus Baptist Church.

The church is located at 230 Credle Street. All are welcome.

Betts fiction contest taking submissions

CN+R Staff Report

The 2019 Doris Betts Fiction Prize is now open for submissions.

The competition is for previously unpublished short stories up to 6,000 words and is open to any writer who is a legal resident of North Carolina or a member of the North Carolina Writers Network.

The winner receives \$250 and publication in North Carolina Literary *Review*. The postmark deadline is February 15.

This year's final judge

is Ben Fountain, a former attorney and author of Brief Encounters with Che Guevara, which won the PEN/Hemingway Award and the Barnes & Noble Discover Award for Fiction.

The late Doris Betts, of Pittsboro, was the author of three short story collections and six novels. She won three Sir Walter Raleigh awards, the Southern Book Award, the North Carolina Award for Literature, the John Dos Passos Prize, and the American Academy of Arts and Letters Medal for the short story, among others. Beloved by her students, she was named the University of North Carolina Alumni Distinguished Professor of English in 1980. She was a 2004 inductee of the North Carolina Literary Hall of Fame.

The winner and finalists will be announced by May 1. The winning story and select finalists will be published in the next year's issue of the North Carolina Literary Review.

Questions may be directed to Margaret Bauer, Editor of the *North* Carolina Literary Review, at BauerM@ecu.edu.

For additional information, visit www.ncwriters.

Hearing set on wildlife changes

CN+R Staff Report

GRAHAM - The N.C. Wildlife Resources Commission will conduct a public hearing in Graham on Jan. 9 at 7 p.m. to take comments on proposed changes to agency regulations related to enforcement, wildlife management, inland fisheries and game lands for the 2019-2020 seasons.

The public hearing will be held at the Old Alamance County Courthouse, 1 S.E. Court

The comment period for the proposed regulations will run through Feb. 1. More information on all of the proposed regulations for the 2019-20 seasons can be found in the 2019-2020 Public Hearing Booklet. Comments on the proposed changes may be submitted online, at the public hearing, emailed (including full name and address) to regulations@ncwildlife.org or mailed to: Rules Coordinator, N.C. Wildlife Resources Commission, 1701 Mail Service Center Raleigh, N.C. 27699-

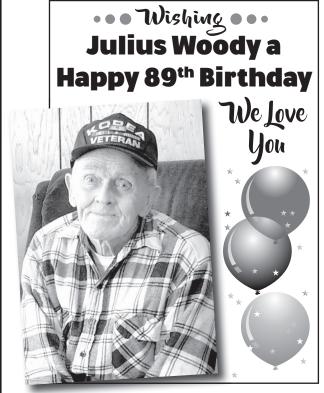
CENTRAL PIEDMONT COMMUNITY ACTION, INC.

Notice of Public Hearing and Intent to Apply for **Community Services Block Grant Funds**

Central Piedmont Community Action, Inc. (CPCA) intends to apply for federal Community Services Block Grant funds in the amount of \$1,035,987. Community Services Block Grant is administered by the Department of Health and Human Services Office of Economic Opportunity. CPCA plans to use the funds to provide comprehensive case management services to 150 low-income families in Chatham, Durham, Orange and Randolph counties towards the goal of poverty eradication and self-sufficiency attainment. Services include job training assistance, employment placement and support, housing assistance, emergency assistance, guidance and counseling, and assistance with other basic needs.

The CPCA Board will meet on January 24, 2019 at 4 pm at the CPCA Central Office located at 1401 Ross Avenue, Siler City, NC 27344 to approve submission of the 2019-2020 Community Services Block Grant **Anti-Poverty Application.**

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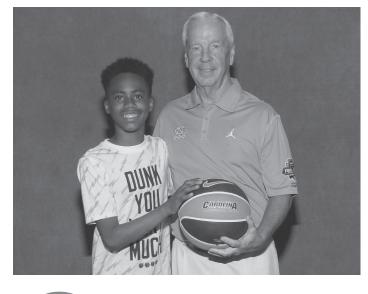
TOUCHSTONE ENERGY SPORTS CAMP

Central Electric awards two Touchstone Energy Sports Camp Scholarships annually to local students in Chatham, Harnett, Lee, Moore, or Randolph counties. A young man will be selected to attend the Roy Williams Basketball Camp at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill and a young woman will be selected to attend the Wolfpack Women's Basketball Camp at N.C. State University in Raleigh.

To be eligible to apply, the student must be in the sixth, seventh or eighth grade during the upcoming school year, have permission from a parent or guardian to attend the overnight camp and must provide their own transportation if selected to attend.

The deadline for all applications is March 31.

Visit CEMCPower.com to apply, or to find out more information on the scholarships.







CRIME REPORTS





SILER CITY POLICE DEPARTMENT

On December 29, Edith Gabriel Ayala-Jimenez, 20, of Siler City, was arrested for felony probation violation. She was held under \$5,000 bond and is scheduled to appear in court on January 17.

On December 31, Linda Kay Bogan, 48, of Sanford, was arrested for felony cocaine possession, driving under the influence and assault and battery. She was held under no bond with a trial date for January 7.

On January 3, Cortez Isaiah Waden, 18, of Staley, was arrested for misdemeanor marijuana possession from 1/2 ounce to 1 1/2 ounces and possession of marijuana paraphernalia. He was released under a written promise and is scheduled to appear in court on January 22.

PITTSBORO POLICE DEPARTMENT

On December 28, Marsalis Armani McQueen, 21, of Pittsboro, was arrested for possession of an open container of alcohol in the passenger compartment of a vehicle, driving while license revoked and speeding. He is scheduled to appear in court on February 7.

On January 5, Latisha Nicole Minter, 27, of Pittsboro, was arrested on a warrant for injury to personal property in Richmond County. She is scheduled to appear in Richmond County court on January 25.

North Carolina Hwy Patrol

On December 31, Pedro Gonzalez-Rodriguez of Clinton was traveling south on N.C. Highway 87. Gonzalez-Rodriguez ran off the right side of the roadway and struck a pine tree. The vehicle continued straight and struck a guy wire and a cedar tree. The vehicle came to rest in the driveway of 424 N.C. Highway 87 North. Gonzalez-Rodriguez was cited for failure to maintain lane control.

On December 31, Sandra Pearce of Siler City was traveling east on U.S. Highway 64, and Richard Bogart of Siler City was traveling north on the offramp from U.S. Highway 421 to U.S. 64. Their vehicles struck each other in the intersection of U.S. 64 and U.S. 421. Both vehicles came to rest in the intersection. Both parties claimed to have had a green light in their direction of travel. No witnesses to the collision were present.

On January 1, Brittani Howard of Siler City was traveling east on N.C. Highway 902. Howard travelled off the roadway to the right down an embankment striking a tree. The vehicle came to rest against the tree. Howard fled the scene prior to the arrival of highway patrol and later came back to the scene. Howard was cited for failure to notify DMV of an accident/DWI.

On January 2, Dylan McIntosh of Sanford was traveling south on Christian Chapel Church Road. McIntosh traveled off the road to the right, overcorrected, crossed the centerline and traveled of the road to the left, striking a ditch and a fence post. The vehicle came to rest against the fence post facing west. McIntosh was cited for failing to maintain his lane and driving left of center.

On January 2, George Whitaker of Sanford was traveling south on U.S. Highway 15 when a deer ran directly into the travel path of the vehicle. The vehicle struck the deer in the roadway and pulled to the shoulder of the roadway to report the crash.

On January 2, Carter Willett of Bear Creek was traveling east on Glosson Road in Siler City. Willett swerved to miss a deer and ran off the roadway to the left. The vehicle overcorrected and lost control, running off the roadway to the right and striking an embankment. The vehicle overturned and came to rest on its top off the roadway.

On January 2, Padgett Harrington of Apex was traveling west on Marthas Chapel Road in Pittsboro. A deer travelled across the road and collided with Harrington. The vehicle came to a controlled rest on the shoulder of the road.

PSSI - SILER CITY, NC HIRING EVENTS:

JANUARY 2, 2019: 1909 LEE AVE. SANFORD, NC • **9AM-12PM**

JANUARY 4, 11, & 18, 2019: 400 PROGRESS BLVD., SILER CITY, NC 9AM-2PM

JANUARY 7 &10, 2019: 764 WEST ST., PITTSBORO, NC 9AM-12PM

SHERIFF'S OFFICE

On December 31, William Deshazo, 36, of 410 Liberty St, Durham was arrested by Deputy Justin Brown for Felony Stalking. He was jailed under a no bond and is scheduled to appear in Chatham County District Court in Pittsboro on January 7.

On December 31, Amanda Baldwin, 28, of 1316 Fairfax St, Siler City was arrested by Deputy Dominique York for Possess Marijuana up to ½ oz, Possess Marijuana Paraphernalia, Driving While License Revoked. She was released under a written promise and is scheduled to appear in Chatham County District Court in Siler City on January 8.

On January 1, Jake Tillotson, 44, of 209 A S Gurney St, Burlington was arrested by Deputy William Cameron for Assault on Female, Larceny from the Person. He was jailed under a no bond and is scheduled to appear in Alamance County District Court in Graham on January 14.

On January 2, William Deshazo, 36, of 410 Liberty St, Durham was arrested by Deputy Devin Smith for Possession of Firearm by Felon. He was jailed under a \$10,000.00 secured bond and is scheduled to appear in Chatham County District Court in Pittsboro on January 7.

On January 2, Thomas Baldwin, 29, of 327 Rosser Rd, Bear Creek was arrested by Sergeant Feliciano Jimenez for Resisting Public Officer. He was jailed under a \$1000.00 secured bond and is scheduled to appear in Chatham County District Court in Pittsboro on January 7.

On January 2, Allison Lindley, 23, of 1156 Moon Lindley Rd, Snow Camp was arrested by Deputy Grant Carter for Damage to Property, Resisting Public Officer. She was jailed under a \$300.00 secured bond and is scheduled to appear in Chatham County District Court in Pittsboro on January 9.

SHERIFF'S OFFICE

On January 2, Samuel White, 80, of 1848 Hwy 64 East, Pittsboro was arrested by Deputy Caleb Phillips for Second Degree Trespass. He was jailed under a \$500.00 secured bond and is scheduled to appear in Chatham County District Court in Pittsboro on January 16.

On January 3, Michael Snipes, 20, of 635 E. 5th St, Siler City was arrested by Deputy Dominique York for Robbery with Dangerous Weapon, Assault by Pointing a gun, Assault with Deadly Weapon. He was jailed under a \$50,000.00 secured bond and is scheduled to appear in Chatham County District Court in Pittsboro on February 4.

On January 3, Ernesto Asher, 22, of 683 S. Fayetteville St, Liberty was arrested by Deputy Dominique York for Robbery with Dangerous Weapon, Assault by Pointing a gun, Assault with Deadly Weapon, Resist Public Officer. He was jailed under a \$100,000.00 secured bond and is scheduled to appear in Chatham County District Court in Pittsboro on February 4.

On January 7, Danual Alston, 35, of 706 Roberts Chapel Rd, Goldston was arrested by Deputy Noah Frazier for Burglary/Breaking & Entering, Larceny after Breaking/Entering, Injury to Real Property, Probation Violation, Failure to Appear. He was jailed under a \$5000.00 secured bond and is scheduled to appear in Chatham County District Court in Pittsboro on February 4.

On January 7, Lori Mirrell, 36, of 2361 Farrington Point Rd, Chapel Hill was arrested by Deputy Dexter Jarmon for Assault on Law Enforcement Officer, Resist Public Officer. He was jailed under a \$6000.00 secured bond and is scheduled to appear in Chatham County District Court in Pittsboro on February 4.



The late Al Craven, a Siler City law enforcement officer for decades, was honored Jan. 3 by the Chatham County Law Enforcement Officer's Association. From left are Mike Koszulinski, president of the association; Siler City Mayor John Grimes, Craven's wife, Alice, and his daughters Lynn Craven, Renee Craven and Angela Cones.

Craven Honored at CCLEO Association meeting

CN+R Staff Report

The late Al Craven, a longtime law enforcement officer with the Siler City Police Department, was honored the Chatham County Law Enforcement Officer's Association on Jan. 3 when the group presented a plaque to Alice Craven in memory of her husband's service.

Siler City Mayor John Grimes read the plaque to Alice and her family members during the ceremony.

It read: "In Memory of Major Alphonso Craven, Jr. for his more than 40 Years of Service and Leadership with Honor and Distinction to the Chatham County Law Enforcement Officer's Association."

Also, as a tribute to Craven; the Association's President, Mike Koszulinski, dedicated a "Memory Wall" inside its building, on Rives Chapel Church Road.

The wall -- painted white with a blue line through it – sports an identical plaque in honor of Craven as the inaugural plaque on the wall.

Tractor Supply, FFA join forces for school agriculture grants

CN+R Staff Report

SILER CITY – For the fourth consecutive year, Tractor Supply Company and FFA are partnering for the Grants for Growing campaign, a competitive grant program that provides funding to FFA chapters across the country for the development or improvement of a pro-

The application period is open and extends through sustain project.

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Agriculture educators are invited to submit a detailed proposal for a new or existing project that benefits both the larger community as well as future FFA members. Applicants must outline how the chapter will start,

posed agricultural project. sustain or expand on the

Following the application period, Tractor Supply will host a fundraiser from February 13-24, inviting customers to make donations in-store or online with purchase to support the future projects.

Grants ranging from \$500 to \$5,000 will be funded in the spring based on the amount of funds raised. Donations will fund grants in the same state they were donated.

"Since the program's inception, Grants for Growing has raised more than \$2.2 million and funded close to 1,000 grants for agriculture projects across the country," said Christi Korzekwa, senior vice president of marketing at Tractor Supply Company. "We look forward to inspiring future leaders and positively impacting the agricultural industry with our 2019 program."

Randolph authorities charge three from Siler City with drugs

CN+R Staff Report

After conducting a search of a Siler City residence on Dec. 29, the Randolph County Sheriff's Office's Vice Narcotics Unit arrested three people on various charges.

With the assistance of North Carolina Probation/ Parole, Randolph County authorities searched the residence at 3045 Old Coleridge Rd., Siler City, and during the search found Stephen Everwine Jr. hiding inside a closet, authorities said.



Stephen Everwine Jr.

Law enforcement authorities ordered Everwine to come out but he refused, according to authorities

Detectives entered the closet and Everwine attempted to fight, sustaining minor injuries for which he was treated at Randolph Hospital and released.

Items of drug paraphernalia and a small amount of marijuana were located during the search, authorities said.

Everwine was charged and placed in Randolph County Jail under a \$15,000 secured bond. For a probation/parole violation, Everwine also received no bond.

Two other people who were present in the house at the time the police search was conducted were also charged.

Damien Vonshely Mitchell, 21, of 3045 Old Coleridge Rd., Siler City, was written a citation for possession of drug paraphernalia and Mark Anthony Stanley, 56, of 3045 Old Coleridge Rd. was written a citation for simple possession of marijuana.



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Fitness goals for the new year? Here's how to crush them.

BY CASEY MANN
News + Record Staff

The arrival of a new year means that about half of all adults have make resolutions – many of them fitness-related – but only about 10 percent will actually keep them.

Christina Fisher, owner of Zone Fitness and Tan in Siler City, notes a key element for maintaining your fitness goals is to understand your motivation level.

"If you're a highly motivated person, you're going to go a get that membership to a gym, develop a workout schedule, and stick to it," Fisher said. "You don't need to work out with a partner or a personal trainer."

One published survey

showed that the three most common resolutions were health-related: dieting or eat healthier (71 percent), exercising more (65 percent), and losing weight.

Fisher said not everyone creates a major fitness goal when the calendar turns to January. Some motivated folks may just want to feel better, have more energy, and maybe drop 15 or 20 pounds.

"In that case, exercise classes would help improve your motivation because you are with people," she said. "You should come when the gym is busy—typically weekday evening, early in the week."

Fisher also suggests a somewhat motivated person may want to bring a friend to come with you to the gym. For Fisher, the energy of others with common goals will often help a somewhat motivated person maintain their motivation.

Then, she said, there are those who have low to no motivation. It may be someone who has been to the doctor several times this year and is told they needed to make major changes for the sake of their physical health. Maybe they have to walk 30 minutes a day, maybe they are on several medications, but still really don't want to do it.

Fisher notes that low or no motivation folks tend to have the biggest complaints about the gym atmosphere – the people, the smells, the time.

"This person would

need to get a personal trainer, to get that one-on-one help," she said. "Identifying your motivation, your core motivation, what is at the center of yourself, is the key. For me, I'm a mom, I have a kid, I live in the country, I own a gym, and I want to be around for as long as I can."

Sarah Wright, Wellness Director with the Chatham County YMCA, suggests starting small.

"Set a small achievable goal and develop a well-rounded fitness routine," Wright said. "A lot of time people will focus on one big aspect of wellness and it can be really tough to achieve. Sometimes this can lead to injury, less weight loss, or even boredom with your

workout, which makes is less likely to stick to your workout."

The YMCA provides group fitness classes, small group training and personal training. The YMCA also encourages total family involvement.

"Not only do we have options for adults but rising sixth graders can enjoy working out at the Y with their families," Wright said. "We want our members in rising grades sixth through eighth to make the most of their time at the Y and a middle school orientation is a great way to connect and learn how to properly use our fitness

equipment."

To help their members
maintain their fitness routine to meet their goals,
the YMCA has a program

called "Eight weeks to a better you." The program allows members to earn rewards for coming to the YMCA at least twice a week.

"We know it's hard to develop healthy habits," Fisher said. "In fact studies show it takes eight weeks to develop a great routine that sticks."

Whether it's joining a gym, programs at the Chatham YMCA, or simply walking and enjoying Chatham County's natural areas, parks, and small towns, Chathamites can achieve their health goals for 2019. Understanding your motivation, setting reasonable goals, and reinforcing positive steps will all help you keep your New Year's fitness resolution.

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the lake and the river are at safe levels.

But Mother Nature doesn't always cooperate with man's best plans.

"It's all a balancing act," Matics said. "Until the rain really falls and we get an idea of how much rain we get in our basin, then we can make a prediction. From there, we start looking downstream, watch the river crest and start to fall off. Once the river falls off, we can start releasing some of the water."

The ACE folks at Jordan Dam are, in effect, responsible for two bodies of water. If the Haw and Cape Fear rivers downstream are both high and nearing or breaching flood level.

or breaching flood level, releasing water from Jordan Lake would simply add to those problems.

"If we release water into the Cape Fear, and (a) hurricane draws east, then we have given downstream extra water and it's going to (rise)," Matics said.

The lake peaked at 232.39 feet on Sept. 24. The area has received 32.89 inches of rain from the beginning of August 2018 through January 4.

ACE staff normally checks lake levels once or twice daily, but with the increase in rain, that frequency has increased.

Chatham County's Emergency Management department also regularly checks the lake level,



The Army Corps of Engineers, a part of the U.S. military, releases water from the dam at Jordan Lake, located at the Haw and New Hope rivers. Normal release flow is between 500 and 1,000 cubic feet per second. This release last week shows around 8,900 cubic feet per second, the equivalent of more than 66,576 gallons of water per second. (Staff photo by Zachary Horner)

even on days when it's just raining, according to Director Steve Newton.

"That's one of the few things we do two or three times a day," Newton said. "During the dry periods, we don't have to track it but once a week. On days like today, we're looking at not only what's the level but what's the outflow coming out the dam."

Emergency Management's first priority, Newton said, is the Jeremiah Drive community, which has experienced flooding on and off over the last few months. When the lake level reaches and breaches 227.5 feet — which has happened three separate times since August — residents face flooding.

Newton said Jeremiah Drive's situation is not uncommon; there's a neighborhood in Wake County near Falls Lake Dam that gets flooded due to flood control operations.

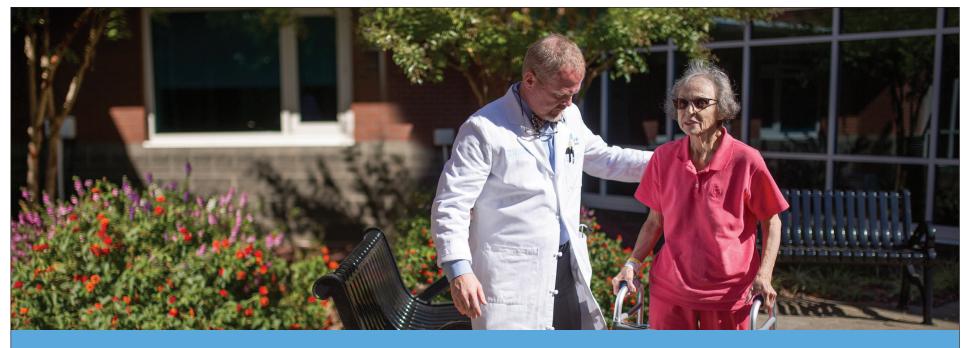
But the amount of rain in recent weeks has been notable for Newton.

"The biggest challenge we've had is just that it's rained so much the last few months," he said. There's no capacity for this rain to be absorbed. Now, any amount of rain is of concern to us."

Newton added that Chatham County residents won't see the affect from the rain on Friday — around 0.7 inches — "for days."

Matics said she and the rest of the ACE staff on site are happy to speak to citizens about their concerns and questions about flood management and the lake.

"We live in an age where I can hit a key in my computer and delete anything. We can't delete this water," she said. "It's got to go somewhere. Our job is to get the lake to 216 and hopefully keep it there, and floods and or droughts make that challenging."



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Chargers stampede out of gates in rout of Jets



Alex Snively of Northwood drives to the hoop on Saturday night in the Chargers 57-35 victory over Jordan-Matthews in Siler City. (Staff photo by Lee Moody)

BY DUCK DUCKSON News + Record Staff

Northwood bolted to a quick 8-0 advantage at the outset and was never seriously challenged as the Chargers opened up as much as a 19-point second-quarter spread and stampeded to an easy 57-35 win over Jordan-Matthews Saturday night on John Phillips Court.

Completing a sweep of its annual non-conference series with J-M for the third year in a row, Northwood lifted its record to 8-4 for the season while the Jets dropped to 4-10 overall.

Jalen McAfee registered 15 points to spearhead an effective

Chargers' offense that distributed the scoring amongst 10 different players.

Deuce Powell and Alex Snively chipped in eight points apiece whereas Aaron Ross and Justin Brower each finished with six as Northwood shot 24-of-43 (56 percent) from the floor while only committing seven turnovers.

Caleel Waden was the lone Jordan-Matthews player in double figures with 11 points as J-M connected on 13-of-32 (41 percent) of its field goal attempts and commanded a 26-23 advantage on the glass while turning the ball over 19 times.

With McAfee and Powell combining for eight points,

the Chargers built a 12-2 lead five-and-a-half minutes into the contest before a layup by the Jets' Tucker Moore sliced the margin to eight by the end of the initial stanza.

Northwood forged its biggest advantage of the first half at 26-7 following McAfee's trey from behind the top of the key with 2:34 left until intermission prior to back-to-back three-pointers by Waden and Camden Fuquay that sparked a 10-6 quarter-ending spurt by Jordan-Matthews that trimmed the difference to 32-17 at the break.

Following Waden's trey from the left wing that drew J-M

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Jordan-Matthews' Camden Fuquay lays in a left-handed shot on Saturday night versus county-rival Northwood in Siler City. (Staff photo by Lee Moody)



Jordan-Matthews' Makayla Glover (30) and Northwood's Chandler Adams (23) battle for a rebound on Saturday night in Siler City. Northwood pulled out an exciting 38-35 victory. (Staff photo by Lee Moody)

Snively trey lifts NW girls past Jordan-Matthews

BY DUCK DUCKSON News + Record Staff

McKenna Snively's three-pointer from the left corner with 31.4 seconds to play snapped the fourth tie of the contest before Northwood managed to hold off Jordan-Matthews in the closing seconds to capture a 38-35 non-conference victory over its cross-county rival Saturday evening in Frank N. Justice Gymnasium.

Sweeping the season series with the Lady Jets for the sixth consecutive time, the Lady Chargers raised their overall record to 7-3, whereas J-M sank to 4-10 for the year.

Chandler Adams led the way for Northwood with a dozen points, while Ellia Wright collected 14 points and Jocelyn Mitchell tossed in 10 for Jordan-Matthews.

On a night when baskets were hard to come by, the Lady Chargers only connected on 29% (11-of-38) of their field goal attempts, while the Lady Jets shot just 24% (11-of-45) from the floor.

Barely a minute later Snively swished her game-winning trey, but the action was far from over. In a scramble for a loose ball under Jordan-Matthews' basket with just seconds left, a brief skirmish ensued which resulted in the ejection of three players – J-M's

Scotton along with Northwood's Hill and Jyreah Smith.

Ironically, both squads fared much better from the foul line. Northwood converted 15-of-22 (68%) of its free throw attempts, while J-M was successful on 12-of-18 (67%) of its tries from the charity stripe.

Each team experienced a rash of missed opportunities in the first quarter, which

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Buccaneers ante up, pursue native Edwards

BY DON BEANE News + Record Staff

Siler City native George Edwards has a hat in the ring for the current Tampa Bay Buccaneer head coaching vacancy.

The former Jordan-Matthews star and Duke University graduate traveled down to Tampa Bay on Friday to meet with Buccaneers General Manager Jason Licht, who is searching for the 12th head coach in the history of the NFL franchise.

Edwards, 51, is the current defensive coordinator for the Minnesota Vikings, a position



George Edwards

he's held since 2014, and one he held for the Buffalo Bills from 2010-2011, and with the Washington Redskins in

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within 36-22 with 6:21 to go in the third period, the Chargers proceeded to close out the frame with a 12-2 run that boosted their lead to 24 after three quarters.

Brower's turnaround jumper off the right baseline to begin the fourth stanza allowed Northwood to equal its largest advantage of the evening, and despite the Jets' Huston Causey pouring in a trio of three-pointers over the remainder of the period Jordan-Matthews could never get its deficit under 20 points the rest of the game.

NOR 12 20 16 9-57 J-M 4 13 7 11 – 35

Northwood (8-3) – Powell 4 0-0 8 Thompson 2 0-0 4 McAfee 6 2-2 15 Ross 3 0-2 6 Snively 3 1-2 8 Brower 3 0-0 6 Omar 0 0-0 0 Arnold 1 0-0 3 Mehringer 0 2-2 2 Shadoan 1 0-0 3 Ocariza 0 0-0 0 Levitt 0 0-0 0 Raines 1 0-0 2. Totals 24 5-8 57.

Jordan-Matthews (4-10) - Campbell 1 0-0 2 Fuquay 3 0-0 7 Woods 0 0-2 0 Causey 3 0-1 9 Waden 4 1-2 11 TMoore 1 2-2 4 Matthews 0 0-0 0 SMoore 0 0-0 0 Johnson 1 0-1 2 Teague 0 0-0 0 Murchison 0 0-0 0. Totals 13 3-8 35.

Halftime-Northwood, 32-17. Three-point goals-Northwood 4-9 (Arnold 1-1, McAfee 1-1, Snively 1-2, Shadoan 1-2,



Jordan-Matthews' Camden Fuquay (left) looks to pass into the paint against Northwood's Aaron Ross (right) on Saturday night in Siler City. (Staff photo by Lee Moody)

Powell 0-1, Ocariza 0-2); Jordan-Matthews 6-15 (Causey 3-5, Waden 2-4, Fuquay

1-1, Campbell 0-1, SMoore 0-1, Matthews 0-3). Fouled out-None. Rebounds-Northwood 20 (Ross, McAfee 5); Jordan-Matthews 16 (Waden 6). **Turnovers**-Northwood 7; Jordan-Matthews 19. Total fouls-Northwood 11; Jordan-Matthews 7.



Northwood coach Cameron Vernon (center) takes control of a heated moment when emotions ran high between rivals Jordan-Matthews and Northwood on Saturday night in Siler City. (Staff photo by Lee Moody)

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ended with Jordan-Matthews clinging to a 7-5 lead. Both clubs made just one-of-10 of their field goal attempts in the period while combining to commit 15 turn-overs.

Following a Jaela Harris layup that gave the Lady Chargers an 11-10 advantage with 3:17 left in the second stanza, the lead changed hands six times prior to Wright's trey from the left wing at the horn which put the Lady Jets up 19-17 at halftime.

J-M fashioned the biggest lead by either team at 29-21 on Jasmine Scotton's inbounds layup with 3:46 to go in the third quarter before Northwood rallied with a pair of Adams free throws

plus Rae McClarty's two foul shots and lane drive to whittle the margin to two entering the final eight minutes.

Following ties at 29 and 31-all, the Lady Chargers opened up a four-point advantage on two more Adams charity tosses and Kaya Hill's rebound bucket in the lane with 5:28 remaining to play, but the Lady Jets battled back to forge a 35-all standoff on back-to-back Wright hoops with 1:33 left.

Barely a minute later Snively swished her game-winning trey, but the action was far from over. In a scramble for a loose ball under Jordan-Matthews' basket with just seconds left, a brief skirmish ensued which resulted in

the ejection of three players – J-M's Scotton along with Northwood's Hill and Jyreah Smith.

When play was resumed with one second on the clock, the Lady Jets inbounded the ball to Wright out on the left wing, but her hurried three-point attempt was wide of the mark as the horn sounded.

5 12 10 11 - 38 **NOR** 7 12 10 6 - 35 J-M **Northwood** (7-3) – Harris 1 0-0 2 Smith 0 1-2 1 Adams 3 6-10 12 Marve 0 0-0 0 McClarty 1 4-4 6 Snively 1 0-0 3 Hill 4 0-2 8 Bell 0 0-0 0 Bailey 0 2-2 2 Forbes 1 2-2 4 Kanapkey 0 0-0 0. **Totals** 11

15-22 38. Jordan-Matthews

(4-10) – Mitchell 3 4-4 10 Ray 0 0-0 0 Scotton 4 0-1 8 Headen 0 1-2 1 Wright 4 5-7 14 Wiley 0 1-2 1 Glover 0 1-2 1 Artis 0 0-0 0 Brooks 0 0-0 0 Payne 0 0-0 0.

Totals 11 12-18 35. Halftime-Jordan-Matthews, 19-17. Three-point goals-Northwood 1-9 (Snively 1-1, Adams 0-1, McClarty 0-2, Bell 0-2, Smith 0-3); Jordan-Matthews 1-5 (Wright 1-3, Brooks 0-1, Mitchell 0-1). **Fouled out-**None. Ejected-Scotton, Hill, Smith. **Rebounds-**Northwood 23 (Adams, Harris 4); Jordan-Matthews 26 (Scotton 7). **Turnovers-**Northwood 27; Jordan-Matthews 24. Total fouls-Northwood 18; Jordan-Matthews 16.

Edwards

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In Minnesota, Edwards has led a defense that ranked first in both points and yards allowed in 2017, and in the top 10 in those categories in each of the past three seasons while compiling a 47-32-1 record and playoff berths in 2015 and 2017.

Edwards played collegiately for Duke University under Steve Spurrier and led the Blue Devils to the 1990 Atlantic Coast Conference title.

After a stint as a graduate assistant at Florida in 1991, Edwards coached at the collegiate level at Appalachian State (1992-95), Duke (1996) and Georgia (1997).

The local product then was hired as linebackers coach for Chan Gailey with the Dallas Cowboys in 1998 before moving on to the Washington Redskins, who had hired Spurrier. in 2002.

After a year with the Cleveland Browns in 2004, Edwards spent the 2005-2009 seasons with the Miami Dolphins, including a year under Nick Saban in 2005.

Edwards then was hired by Gailey as the defensive coordinator of the Buffalo Bills in 2010-2012 before going back to Miami in 2013-2014, and then heading to Minnesota the next season.

Last season, Edwards interviewed for the then vacant Chicago Bears head coaching position.

Edwards has stiff competition for the Tampa Bay Buccaneers job, including former Arizona Cardinals head coach Bruce Arians, and former Baltimore Ravens head coach John Harbaugh. Arians appears to have the inside track on the Buccaneers job according to sources coming out of Tampa Bay.

A decision is expected to be finalized on the vacancy by midweek.

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OL Larry Dowdy - South

Point HS

OL Jacob Monk - Corinth Holders HS

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DL Savion Jackson - Clayton

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DL C.J. Clark – North Stanly LB Lee Kpogba – Parkland

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DB Khalid Martin - East Forsyth HS

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ATH Donavon Greene -

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ATH Will Shipley - Weddington HS

ATH Jaylon Scott - Shelby

K Ian Williams - Weddington

P Jared Wheatley - Porter

Ridge HS LS- Drew Little - North

Stanly HS

KR/PR Mizell Hall - East Forsyth HS

Area Sports Calendar | Week of Jan. 9-16 Friday Saturday Wednesday Thursday Monday Tuesday Jan. Jan. Jan. Jan. Jan. Jan. 9 10 11 12 15 16 **Basketball** Basketball Wrestling **Swimming Basketball Basketball** Northwood at Orange at North-East Chapel Hill at Northwood at Dur-Raleigh Charter at Southern Alamance wood- Girls, 6 Northern Durham Northwood- 9 a.m. ham Hillside-4:30 Chatham Charter at Chatham Cen-Girls 6pm Boys p.m., Boys 7:30 girls, 6:30- Boys-Jordan-Matthews tral-6:30 p.m., 7:30 p.m. at Burlington 7:30 p.m. girls. River Mill at Cha-Chatham Central at Williams- 9 a.m. Wrestling Wrestling tham Charter Girls Chatham Charter Chatham Charter at East Chapel Hill at Northern Durham 6pm Boys 7:30 girls-6 p.m., Boys East Montgomery-Northwood- 6 p.m. at Northwood- 6 7:30 p.m. 7:30 p.m. East Chapel Hill at p.m. Chatham Central Northwood- 6 p.m. at Woods Charter Chatham Central Boys 6 p.m. Tri-Meet 6 p.m.

Orange puts big squeeze on NW

BY DON BEANE News + Record Staff

Perennial wrestling power Orange High had little trouble with Northwood on Wednesday night in Hillsborough as the host Panthers dominated the middle and heavy weight classes enroute to a decisive 51-25 victory over the Chargers in 3A Big Eight Conference action.

Joe Sipper picked up the initial win for Northwood on Tuesday evening with a pin of Matthew Smith-Breeden at the 3:27 mark of the 120 pound match.

The Chargers also received a victory via the pin from William Lake at 182 as Lake conquered Jacob Wrenn with 3:45 showing on the clock.

At 220, Northwood's Matt Briggs pinned Jack McBroom at the 3:10

Capping the scoring for the Chargers in the match was Jamison Davis in the 132 pound bout. Davis was impressive in a 9-0 Major Decision over Henry Jobert-Stenzel.

It wouldn't be enough, however, as Orange won

seven of its nine matches on the night with pin victories to take the 51-25 Big Eight Conference win.

Orange 51 Northwood 25 Score

138 Tayton Alvis O pinned Grant Ray NW 3:59 145 Levi Anderson O pinned Nathan Davis NW 0:36 152 Caleb Brimmer O pinned Grant Leonard NW 1:56 160 Nathan Hecht O pinned Montgomery Allgood NW

170 Avery Jenkins O pinned Nolan Ellis NW 1:31 182 William Lake NW pinned Jacob Wrenn O 3:45 195 Donald Hicks O pinned Harrison Knapp NW 3:14 220 Matt Briggs NW pinned Jake McBroom O 3:10 285 Juan Navarro O decisioned Abraham Pena NW 6-2

106 Joshua Dunn O received forfeit113 Kessel Summers O

pinned Zion Verinder NW 0:45

120 Joe Sipper NW pinned Mathew Smith-Breeden O 3:27

126 Ian Katz NW decisioned Daniel Dunn O 4-2 132 Jamison Davis NW major dec Henry Jobert-Stenzel



Northwood's Chandler Adams (right) powers in a shot over Jordan-Matthews Jasmine Scotton in area high school basketball action in Siler City on Saturday evening. Adams led the Lady Chargers in scoring with 12 points. (Staff photo by Lee Moody)

White game-winner propels Knights past Grizzlies 48-47

BY DON BEANE News + Record Staff

While Alabama and Clemson were just teeing it up in the national title game almost 3,000 miles away in San Francisco, the Chatham Charter and Clover Garden boy's basketball teams were closing out an exciting Monday night contest up in Alta-

mahaw. With key 1A Central Tar Heel Conference implications on the line, Chatham Charter escaped with a trilling 48-47 triumph in the waning seconds.

Chatham Charter improved to 1-1 in league play with the win and to 14-1 overall, while Clover Garden dropped to 1-1 in the Central Tar

Heel and to 6-8 overall.

The contest was tightly contested the entire way with neither team managing a double-digit lead

in the game.

"We knew it was a tough place to play here (Clover Garden) going into the game," said CC coach Jason Messier after the big win. "Clover Garden has improved a great deal in the past few years and joining the conference has given them an even bigger boost. It was a close game the entire night."

game the entire night."
Trailing 46-45 with

time winding down, the host Grizzlies looked poised and ready to seize the win from the Knights when guard Heath Worsham sank a 12-footer with just :16.2 ticks left on the clock to put Clover Garden in front 47-46.

Messier pointed out to his clubs credit, they did not panic and answered with a well executed response.

"Our guys have been in a lot of big games over the past few seasons, and I think that showed at the end," noted Messier. "We didn't panic, worked the ball down the floor and attacked the basket."

Specifically senior guard A.J. Alston attacked the lane, and drew a pair of Grizzly defenders to him. Alston then calmly sent a bounce pass to a cutting Ryan White who laid the ball in with :5.4 seconds remaining to send the Knights up 48-47.

Clover Garden forced a hurried shot well off the mark at the buzzer to allow Chatham Charter to survive with the one-point road victory.

Jordan Hamilton had a big game in the pain for the Knights on Monday evening, collecting a game-high 18 points and 10 rebounds to pace the local club.

Hamilton had four of his team's six points in the opening period as Clover Garden slugged its way to a 9-6 lead after one behind five points from Matt Hall, including a deep wing trey in the closing minute.

Chatham Charter heated up offensively in the second period, using a quick 6-2 spurt and four points from Cole Milholen to send the Knights up 12-11 with 4:07 left in the half.

Hamilton would connect with four foul shots attempts, and Connor Murphy and Tyler Detmer added a basket each as Chatham Charter took a narrow 20-18 advantage into the intermission.

Isaac Worsham had five points, including a three-pointer, to lead the Grizzlies in the second quarter.

uarter.
The contest went back

and forth in the third as Hamilton took over in the paint, pumping in six points, while Baggio Rodriguez added four points for the Knights which outscored the Grizzlies 16-12 in the frame to go up 36-30 entering the fourth.

Caleb Cobb canned a trey and Ethan Jones added a conventional three-point play to keep Clover Garden within striking distance.

"We knew that Clover Garden would make a run in the fourth and they did," added Messier. "The Worsham brothers really sparked them and we had to withstand the run."

Isaac Worsham had nine points in the final period, including a trey which cut the Chatham Charter lead to 42-40 with 1:47 remaining.

Earlier in the quarter, Hall and Lawson Pope had connected on a trey each to spark the Grizzlies rally.

Hamilton had four points for the Knights in the fourth and Dettmer,

Alston and Murphy a basket apiece to keep Chatham Charter in the lead, albeit a precarious one, as the waning moments approached.

In the end the composure of the veteran Chatham Charter club paid off with White sinking the game-winner in the 48-47

In addition to the 18 points by Hamilton, Chatham Charter also received six points from Dettmer, Murphy and Rodriguez, while Milholen chipped in five more.

Isaac Worsham led Clover Garden with 16 points while Hall added 10, Noah Tickle six, and Pope five.

Chatham Charter was scheduled to open a four-game conference home stand last night (Tuesday) with a showdown against Woods Charter.

The Knights then entertain Chatham Central on Friday evening in Siler City before hosting Raleigh Charter next Tuesday.

Lady Tigers pounce on Jets

BY DON BEANE News + Record Staff

Randleman placed three starters in double figures and led from start to finish while maintaining a double-digit lead the entire second half as the Lady Tigers romped to a 50-35 PAC 7 2A Conference triumph over Jordan-Matthews Friday evening in Frank N. Justice Gymnasium.

Taylor Gantt notched 14 points while Taylor Deaton and Hannah Hinshaw contributed 11 apiece for the winners, who climbed to 5-6 overall and 2-1 in the league

standings.
Defeating the Lady
Jets for the fifth time in
their last seven meetings,
Randleman connected
on 48% (22-of-46) of its
field goal attempts while

committing 13 turnovers. J-M's Jocelyn Mitchell fired in a game-high 18 points as Jordan-Matthews tumbled to 4-9 for the season and 0-3 in the conference. The Lady Jets shot 30% (14-of-46) from the floor but held a 28-25 advantage on the boards while turning the ball over 14 times.

Gantt's three-pointer from the right wing capped a 9-2 game-opening burst by the Lady Tigers before they expanded their lead to 14-4 on Deaton's trey from the right corner with 24.7 seconds remaining in the first period.

Following Mitchell's jumper in the lane with 6.5 seconds left in the initial frame that cut the

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Jordan-Matthews' Avery Headen signals for a timeout in an attempt to save possession for the Lady Jets on Saturday night in Siler City. (Staff photo by Lee Moody)







Northwood's Aaron Ross (top) skies above Jordan-Matthews defenders Tucker Moore (left) and Xavier Woods (right) for a basket (Staff photo by Lee Moody)

Raptors hand Knights initial loss of season

BY DON BEANE News + Record Staff

A cold second quarter spelled doom for the Chatham Charter boy's basketball team on Friday night as the Knights suffered their first defeat of the season 53-47 at Research Triangle Park in Raleigh in a 1A Central Tar Heel Conference affair.

Chatham Charter fell to 0-1 in the league and to 13-1 with the loss while Research Triangle Park

improved to 2-0 in the CTH and to 9-1 overall. Trailing 12-10 after one quarter of play, Chatham Charter managed just four points in the second.

Research Triangle Park only scratched for eight in the stanza as well, but it gave the Raptors a 20-14 advantage at the half, and a six-point margin which would be the difference in the game after the clubs battle to 11-point and 22-point

standstills in the third and fourth quarters respectively.

Connor Murphy and Jordan Hamilton combined for 38 of the 47 points for the Knights in the loss.

Murphy had a tremendous game as the junior forward struck for 21 points on 10-of-16 shooting from the field while also collecting five rebounds and four steals.

Hamilton, meanwhile, pumped in 17 points while connecting on 8-of-18 shot attempts from the floor. The 6'4 Hamilton was a monster on the boards, pulling down 17 rebounds, 11 on the of-fensive end, and adding an assist and a steal.

Beau Bryant tallied 21 points to go with five rebounds and four steals, and Elliot Clappenbach added 13 points, 12 rebounds, and six steals for RTP. Keevan Itejere added nine points in the win for the Raptors.

Torrid fourth sends Randleman past Jordan-Matthews, 50-43

BY DUCK DUCKSON News + Record Staff

After trailing since the final minute of the first half, Randleman rallied to take the lead for good on Nate Cassidy's threepointer from the right wing with 3:19 to play before converting sevenof-10 free throws down the stretch to hold off Jordan-Matthews and escape John Phillips Court with a hard-earned 50-43 PAC 7 2A Conference victory Friday night.

With their fifth straight win over J-M, the Tigers improved to 7-4 for the year and 2-1 in the league standings, while the Jets fell to 4-9 overall and 0-3 in the confer-

Jaquan Snipes tallied

17 points, Cassidy finished with 16 and Kaleb Mitchell added 11 for Randleman, which shot 35% (16-of-46) from the floor, including just 27% (seven-of-26) from behind the bonus arc, but outrebounded Jordan-Matthews 25-22 while only turning the ball over 10 times.

Camden Fuquay topped J-M with 15 points and Caleel Waden chipped in 10 off the bench as the Jets connected on 42% (16-of-38) of their field goal attempts while committing 14 turnovers.

A Snipes free throw and drive off the right baseline sandwiched around Cassidy's trey from the right wing gave the Tigers a 6-0 lead in the first

two-and-a-half minutes of with 1:55 to go in the play before Seth Moore's three-pointer from the left wing ignited a 10-1 Jordan-Matthews quarterending run, culminating with Fuquay's trey from the left side with 40.8 second to go in the initial stanza, as J-M seized a three-point advantage after one period.

Randleman reclaimed the lead at 18-16 on Snipes' conventional three-point play with 4:24 remaining in the second frame prior to the Jets overcoming a 24-21 deficit in the last 1:56 of the half on back-toback Waden layups and a Fuquay layup to forge a three-point advantage at the break.

Jordan-Matthews took its biggest lead of the contest at 31-26 on Fuquay's jumper in the lane with 5:45 left in the third stanza before the Tigers narrowed the difference to 34-32 entering the final eight minutes.

Following Cassidy's trey that put Randleman ahead to stay, the Tigers completed an 8-0 run with Cassidy's conventional three-point play that put the visitors from Randolph County up 44-38

game.

After J-M trimmed the margin to 44-41 on a Fuquay foul shot with 56.2 seconds showing on the clock, Randleman proceeded to sink six charity tosses in the time remaining to determine the outcome.

RAN 7 17 8 18 - 50 J-M 10 17 7 9 - 43 Randleman (7-4, 2-1) - Cassidy 5 3-3 16 KMitchell 3 3-4 11 York 1 1-2 4 Green 0 2-4 2 Snipes 7 2-4 17 Rich 0 0-0 0 Sterling 0 0-0 0 JMitchell 0 0-0 0 Lilly 0 0-0 0. Totals 16 11-17 50. Jordan-Matthews (4-9, 0-3) – Fuquay 5 4-6 15 Woods 4 0-2 8 TMoore 1 0-0 2 Causey

1 0-0 3 Campbell 0 0-0 0 SMoore 1 0-0 3 Matthews 0 0-0 0 Waden 4 2-2 10 Johnson 0 2-4 2 Murchison 0 0-0 0. Totals 16 8-14 43. Halftime-Jordan-Matthews, 27-24. Three-point goals-Randleman 7-26 (Cassidy 3-10, KMitchell 2-7, Snipes 1-2, York 1-2, Lilly 0-1, Sterling 0-1, Rich 0-3); Jordan-Matthews 3-9 (SMoore 1-1, Fuquay 1-2, Causey 1-5, Campbell 0-1). Fouled out-None. Rebounds-Randleman 25 (KMitchell, Snipes, York 5); Jordan-Matthews 22 (Woods 5). Turnovers-Randleman 10; Jordan-Matthews 14. Total fouls-Randleman 13;



Tucker Moore (25) of Jordan-Matthews blocks

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margin to eight, Gantt drained a three-pointer from midcourt at the horn to put Randleman up by 11 after one quarter.

Mitchell's inbounds layup with exactly two minutes to go in the second stanza got J-M within 23-14 prior to the Lady Tigers closing out the half with Hinshaw's inbounds layup and a Gantt trey from behind the top of the key to take a 14-point advantage into intermission.

Hannah Dove's floater off the right baseline with 5:16 remaining in the third period extended Randfeman's lead to 32-16 before Jordan-Matthews closed the gap to 37-25 on Mitchell's turnaround bucket in the paint with 2.3 seconds left in the stanza.

Deaton's three-pointer from the left wing with 5:28 to go in the game allowed the Lady Tigers to equal their biggest advantage of the night at 46-29 and the Lady Jets never drew closer than 14 the rest of the way.

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Jordan-Matthews (4-9.

0-3) – Mitchell 8 1-2 18 Wiley 0 0-0 0 Scotton 2 0-2 4 Headen 3 0-0 6 Ray 0 0-0 0 Wright 0 5-7 5 Glover 1 0-0 2 Brooks 0 0-0 0 Artis 0 0-0 0. Totals 14 6-11 35. Halftime-Randleman, 28-14. Three-point goals-Randleman 5-13 (Deaton 3-4, Gantt 2-5, Johnson 0-4); Jordan-Matthews 1-12 (Mitchell 1-3, Brooks 0-2, Headen 0-3, Wright 0-4). Fouled out-None. Rebounds-Randleman 25 (Hinshaw 6); Jordan-Matthews 28 (Scotton 8). Turnovers-Randleman 13; Jordan-Matthews 14. Total fouls-Randleman 13; Jordan-Matthews 9.

out Northwood's Justin Brower on Saturday night in area high school hoops action in Siler City. (Staff photo by Lee Moody)



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For former county official, kicking smoking habit was hard - but worth it

BY RANDALL RIGSBEE News + Record Staff

MONCURE – Kicking the habit – a perennial goal of many smokers, especially around New Year's – is indisputably a healthy choice, but for many who try, success can be elusive.

No greater authority on the subject than beloved American author Mark Twain, a lifelong tobacco smoker from a young age, quipped that giving up the highly addictive habit was "the easiest thing in the world. I know because I've done it thousands of times."

Former Chatham County commissioner Mike Cross, 75, is a non-smoker now. But like Twain and scores of other people, he made multiple attempts to quit before he succeeded.

He was raised around tobacco. Cross, whose family grew and processed the cash crop in Chatham and Harnett counties, started smoking as a youngster.

"At about 10 years old, my brother and I visited my granddad and found some warm beers and cigars in his wood box under the car shelter," he said. "We of course retrieved one of each and proceeded behind the tobacco barn for a new experience."

The beer, he recalled, was warm and foamy and the cigars turned both young boys "green."

"One would think that would have cured us both," he said. "It didn't, unfortunately."

Cross thinks his attachment to smoking may have actually started even earlier

"I think I may have been addicted by second-hand smoke before I started smoking," he said. "My mother and my older brother were smokers."

There were also cultural influences, including seeing movie stars smoking on screen, the high profile of the "Marlboro Man" on billboards and television commercials, and many of his friends smoked.

"Smoking wasn't openly frowned upon by everyone," Cross recalled. "Apparently it was quite the social thing to do in some circles."

Despite that, Cross made the first of many "lame efforts" to quit smoking, beginning when he was a high school student.



'Apparently my desire to quit wasn't as strong as my addiction. Stress took over. Nicotine is not only very addictive, it can be calming.'

-Mike Cross, former Chatham County Commissioner

His first serious attempt to give up cigarettes was while he was a college student. "I quit for 18 months while I was in college and started up again during senior exam week in 1967," Cross said.

In the early 80s, he abstained for a period of time, but Cross, now a U.S. Navy Commander, was still fighting the urge.

"I was actually teaching a class in smoking cessation in the Navy and could hardly wait for class to end, so I could go out the back door and have a cigarette," he said.

He quit again in 2014 while he was a county commissioner. The board of commissioners was preparing at the time to enact a "no smoking" policy for all county property.

"I couldn't bring myself to force other staff to not smoke if I wasn't going to stop with them," Cross said.

For 18 months, Cross was a non-smoker until he picked the habit back up during a stressful primary election in 2016.

"Apparently my desire to quit wasn't as strong as my addiction," he said. "Stress took over. Nicotine is not only very addictive, it can be calming."

Cross – whose greatest motivation to stop smoking was his health – quit again, this time on New Year's Day 2017.

He has remained a nonsmoker since.

Like many other smokers looking to ease the discomfort of quitting, Cross tried nicotine patches, but had skin reactions.

He also chewed nicotine gum, starting with the stronger (4 mg) pieces and later using the 2 mg

BENEFITS OF KICKING THE HABIT

Immediately after quitting smoking, your body begins to repair damage caused by the habit. Here are some of the health benefits you'll experience 20 minutes after quitting and 15 years after putting cigarettes in your past.

- 20 Minutes After Quitting: Heart rate drops to a normal level.12 Hours After Quitting: Carbon monoxide level in your blood drops to normal.
- 2 Weeks to 3 Months After Quitting: Risk of having a heart attack begins to drop. Lung function begins to improve.
- 1 Year After Quitting: Added risk of coronary heart disease is half that of a smoker's.
- 5 to 15 Years After Quitting: Risk of having a stroke is reduced to that of a nonsmoker's. Risk of getting cancer of the mouth, throat, or esophagus is half that of a smoker's.
- 10 Years After Quitting: Risk of dying from lung cancer, getting bladder cancer is about half that of a smoker's.
 Risk of getting cervical cancer or cancer of the larynx, kidney or pancreas decreases.
- 15 Years After Quitting: Risk of coronary heart disease is same as that of a nonsmoker.

Source: American Lung Association, U.S. Department of Health and Human Services. The Health Consequences of Smoking: A Report of the Surgeon General. Atlanta, GA: U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, National Center for Chronic Disease Prevention and Health Promotion, Office on Smoking and Health, 2004.

pieces until continuing, as he does today, to chew sugar free gum.

Cross's experiences with trying and failing to quit tobacco use before succeeding gives him some insight into what works and what doesn't.

He said understanding all the pros and cons of the habit are important to help a smoker "finalize your commitment."

He also says avoiding other smokers, at least when they're smoking, is important to success.

"Avoid stress when possible," he said. "Take breaks. Relax. Take your

mind to another subject. The urge will pass in a few minutes."

Since quitting, Cross said he has experienced many positive changes.

He and his wife, Nancy, both quit and both now "enjoy our new social norm. And the saved money is nice, too."

And his health has improved. He gives partial credit for that to some adjustment in his diet and switching to decaffeinated coffee, but stopping smoking played a big role, too, he said.

Numerous resources to help smokers quit are available, including QuitlineNC, a free service for adults and teens who may call the Quitline number (1-800 QUITNOW) to be paired with a trained professional to assist with the quit process (all tobacco products, including cigarettes, smokeless tobacco, and e-cigarettes).

The American
Lung Association
(1-800-LUNG-USA) also
offers a free online program for adults. The site
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Rosy socio-political 'On the Basis of Sex' is a feel-good drama, and not much else

It's a rare film that both emphatically validates the worthiness of its reallife subject while also squandering the telling of their story. "On the Basis of Sex." fits that mold, effectively ensconcing legal pioneer and eventual Supreme Court Justice Ruth Bader Ginsburg as the Thurgood Marshall of gender discrimination law. Unfortunately, director Mimi Leder packages her protagonist into a pedestrian case file, an easily digestible hagiogra-phy with the precedential pedigree of a made-for-TV movie.

The film runs from Ginsberg's days as a first-year law student at Harvard University in 1956 through her victory in the seminal Charles Moritz sex discrimination lawsuit in 1970. Accompanied by her husband and fellow law student Marty (Armie Hammer, the patron prince of vanilla), Ginsburg encounters an inhospitable environment in Harvard Yard, led by Dean Erwin Griswold (Sam Waterston), who believes opening the student body to women merely takes spots away from deserving men. [In fairness, Griswold was a leader in liberal and civil rights law who, in the mid-1980s, analogized Ginsburg's work with Marshall's.] After Marty falls ill to cancer, Ginsburg supports his studies, then later transfers to Columbia University to finish law school.

Unable to secure a highprofile attorney job com-mensurate with her Ivy League degree, Ginsburg becomes a law professor at Rutgers University. It's there that Marty informs her about the plight of Mr. Moritz, a man look-



Felicity Jones stars as Ruth Bader Ginsburg in 'On the Basis of Sex.' The film is based on the life and early career of the Supreme Court Justice. (Photo courtesy of Focus Features)

that it flattens her portrait.

sanding away any poten-

tial rough edges or narra-

tive tension. Ginsburg's

relationship with her late

husband is free from any

ing after his infirm mother so far to sanctify Ginsburg religion in her life. Nary yet legally prohibited from taking advantage of a caregiver tax deduction exclusively available to women. Ginsburg takes the case, sensing it as a legal Trojan Horse that could be leveraged

BY NEIL MORRIS

to eventually overturn

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criminatory laws against

The script by Daniel

Ginsburg's nephew, goes

Stiepleman, a first-

time screenwriter and

rancor, her daughter Jane (Cailee Spaeny) is a du-

On the Basis of Sex Grade: B -

Director: Mimi Leder Starring: Felicity Jones, Armie Hammer, Justin Theroux, Kathy Bates, and Sam Waterston MPAA Rating: PG-13 Running Time: 2 hr.

tiful partner and social warrior, and all her law students and assistants are idealistic admirers. While much is made of Ginsburg's gender, there's little mention of being

Jewish and the role of

a like-minded naysayer, from ACLU head Mel Wulf (Justin Theroux) to early feminist attorney Dorothy Kenyon (Kathy Bates), isn't eventually persuaded by Ginsburg's pluck and guile. The villains are easy to spot, usually opposing attorneys cast as single-note chauvinist pigs. Jones's placid portrayal of the Brooklynborn Ginsburg is serviceable, despite not being blessed with any dramatic highlights and an impersonation that essentially amounts to dropping her Rs ("fweedom," "genda," and so forth). This rosy socio-political

celebration is akin to other feel-good dramas like "Hidden Figures." You'll come away from "On the Basis of Sex" with either a newfound or renewed sense of admiration for Ruth Bader Ginsburg. You just won't feel like you learned anything really

AREA BRIEFS

Online Community for Survivors of Childhood Sexual Abuse launched in Chapel Hill

CN+R Staff Report

CHAPEL HILL - Gravity-Network.org launched in 2018 as an online community for adult survivors of childhood sexual abuse and trauma.

The non-profit organization aims to provide a safe space for survivors to tell their story, access resources for healing and connect with others who have had similar experiences.

Gravity Network's founder, Dr. Bharathi Zvara, is an Assistant Professor in the Department of Maternal & Child Health at the Gillings School of Global Public Health at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill.

Since its launch in early 2018, the online community has grown rapidly. With thousands of people visiting the website and more than 700 people responding to the initial needs assessment survey.

This year, Gravity Network will be developing a free cognitive behavioral therapy program online and as an app. This will allow survivors in the community and around the world to access therapy and support.

Gas prices drop 19 cents in past month across NC

CN+R Staff Report

Gasoline prices in North Carolina have fallen 4 cents per gallon in the past week, averaging \$2.09/g on Sunday, according to GasBuddy's daily survey of 6,092 stations in North Carolina.

This compares with the national average that has fallen 3.0 cents per gallon versus last week to \$2.22/g, according to GasBuddy.

Including the change locally during the past week, prices on Sunday were 26.8 cents per gallon lower than a year ago and are 19.8 cents per gallon lower than a month ago.

The national average has dropped 19.9 cents per gallon during the last month and stands 26.0 cents per gallon lower than a year ago.

Areas nearby and their current gas price climate: Fayetteville- \$1.98/g, down 3.4 cents per gallon from last week's \$2.01/g.

Charlotte-\$1.99/g, down 2.4 cents per gallon from last week's \$2.01/g.

Greensboro- 2.08/g, down 2.7 cents per gallon from last week's 2.10/g.

"After a brief hiccup that saw the nation's average gas price rise for two days last week, the overall trend remains in favor of lower gas prices, even as oil prices have rallied. The window for cheap gas prices continues to close, however, and by mid-February will likely be completely closed- so do take advantage of the low prices while they last," said Patrick DeHaan, head of petroleum analysis for



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An up and down year for Chatham's economic development

BY ZACHARY HORNER **News + Record Staff**

Utter the words "Toyota-Mazda," and Alyssa Byrd assures you it's been enough time that it doesn't hurt.

Byrd, the interim president of the Chatham Economic Development Corporation, was in on the discussions about bringing the Japanese auto makers to the Chatham County area. The manufacturing plant would have provided thousands of jobs and millions of dollars of investment into the local economy and lead to more manufacturers landing

nearby to supply the plant. But alas, in March, the announcement came that the plant landed in Huntsville, Alabama. The plant will employ up to 4,000 people and build 300,000 cars a year; the companies' combined investment into the project is a whopping \$1.6 bil-

Byrd joked that if you'd asked her in the immediate months after the Huntsville announcement, she wouldn't exactly be amenable to the question. But now, with hindsight and perspective, she said, it's different.

"Losing a project isn't as much losing as it is learning and being ready for the next one," she said.
"That's what happened with (Tourts Mondo) with (Toyota-Mazda). We've implemented some different changes in strategies to respond to that.'

The biggest need the county faces for economic development, Byrd said, is infrastructure, both in available buildings and site development. For the most part, that means wastewater and water line development, and the county is on track for improvements that, with most of the help coming from its neighbor to the south, the City of Sanford. Sanford already treats Goldston's wastewater headed and picked up Pittsboro's in May of last year. Bid have already been awarded for construction of sewer exten-

sions to the Moncure

Megasite, with Sanford

picking up more than \$3

million on the tab plus a \$4 million grant.

"The key is we keep an open dialogue and realize the world doesn't all revolve around Sanford," Sanford City Manager Hal
Hegwer told The Sanford
Herald in 2016. "We do

Herald in 2016 before a good job."

And Lee County, he pointed out, has done its Hegwer told The Sanford Herald in 2016. "We do benefit from things that happen in other places, whether it's exactly in our city limits or not. Our job is to be out there, scanning the horizon, looking for anything that could be

an opportunity."
Byrd emphasized the power of that regional collaboration. In November 2018, Chatham County and Sanford agreed to help share the tax burden on the wastewater line to the megasite in what Diana Hales, then-chairman/current vice chairman of the Chatham County Board of Commissioners called "an exciting regional partner-

ship."
"Everybody benefits from this arrangement,"
Hales said. "Water and wastewater infrastructure are the drivers for attracting large scale development. This puts Moncure in that game.'

Bob Joyce, executive director of economic development for the Sanford Area Growth Alliance, Lee County's economic development engine, told the News + Record that multiple entities agreeing to share the load is a "relatively new phenomenon" in economic development, but it has "proven to be a good model.

"The agreement between the City of Sanford and Chatham County on the sharing of revenue from the sewer line allowed that whole deal to work," Joyce said. "Economies are regional, and we can't afford to duplicate these things.'

Joyce said he has been in regular contact in recent years first with Kyle Touchstone, Byrd's pre-decessor at the Chatham EDC, and then Byrd. He pointed to the types of companies, particularly pharmaceutical manufacturers and life science projects, that have considered the area.

"Those things are more regional, especially in some of the industries where wage rates are higher," he said. "People will commute longer disfair share of investment as well. Lee, along with

marketing funding for the Moncure Megasite. "I think that shows the spirit of cooperation,'

contributed \$120,000 each

Chatham and Harnett,

a couple years ago for

Joyce said.

Cindy Poindexter, executive director of the Chatham Chamber of Commerce, is a member of the Chatham EDC's board. She stressed the importance of bringing larger companies to the

"Industry pays for it-self and for everything else for other people," Poindexter said. "I love the rural community, and I think we still need that, but I think that we need to bring these biggest businesses too. You can't just have residents. You've got to have industry here."

Poindexter said she was encouraged by the progress the county made — Chatham finished third in the running, she said for Toyota-Mazda.

"I think there is probably more that can be done, but I think it's huge that we ended up third," she said. "That says, I lot, I think for the county, even though we didn't get it.

Now months removed and able to talk about it without frustration, she reinforced — Byrd said the discussions were ultimately encouraging. It showed, she said, that Chatham County can play with the big boys.

"We know we have a real, marketable product," she said. "These teams are doing research well in advance of their visit here, so they know we have the workforce, they know how much we're growing, they have all the statistical points. Going through this process multiple times with different teams, it showed that this was real.'



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CHATHAM COUNTY - Revaluation Coordinator - This position is responsible for overseeing the process of revaluing all real property within the county to its current market value as of an established date, obtaining, developing, analyzing, and maintaining records necessary for the appraisal associated with real property within the jurisdiction of the County ac-cording to the State of North General Statutes Carolina Work involves overseeing and managing the County revaluation process while also serving as a commercial real property appraiser. Minimum Qualifications: Bachelor's degree in Business or Accounting and three (3) years of experience in tax assessment/appraisal. Experience must include a leadership role in a successfully completed revaluation cycle for a County. Must also be certified by the North Carolina Department of Revenue as prescribed in the Machinery Act of North Carolina as a North Carolina County Real Property Appraiser. Salary: Grade 65: \$49,927 - \$63,657. Position_closes January 21, 2019 at 5:00pm For more information including the website for state application and full job requirements visit www.chathamnc.org. EOE.

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LEGAL NOTICES

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

NORTH CAROLINA CHATHAM COUNTY Having qualified as Executor of the Estate of ROBERT GLENN LEWIS, late of Chatham County, this is to notify all persons having claims against said Estate to present them to the undersigned before March 20. 2019, or this Notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery. Anvone indebted to said Estaté. please make immediate payment to the undersigned.

This 13th day of December, Marcia Lynn Howell,

Executor of the Estate of Robert Glenn Lewis 2467 Huntington Park Drive NW Acworth, GA 30101

George N. Hamrick, Resident Process Agent Hamrick & Galanis, PĽLC 7048 Knightdale Blvd, Suite 200 Knightdale, North Carolina 27545 D20,D27,J3,J10,4tc

NOTICE TO CREDITORS 18 E 571

NORTH CAROLINA CHATHAM COUNTY Having qualified as Administrator of the Estate of RICHARD SCURLOCK of Chatham County, North Carolina, the undersigned does hereby notify all persons, firms, and corpo-rations having claims against the estate of said decedent to exhibit them to the undersigned on or before March 20, 2019 or



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Marcine Scurlock, Administrator 1726 Davidson Ave, Apt 2G Bronx, NY 10453

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CREDITOR'S NOTICE

NORTH CAROLINA

CHATHAM COUNTY
Having qualified on the 12th
day of December, 2018, as
Administrator of the Estate of SHIRLEY JACKSON GOOD-WIN, deceased, late of Chatham County, North Carolina, this is to notify all persons, firms and corporations having claims against the decedent to exhibit the same to the undersigned on or before the 20th day of March, 2019, or this notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery. All persons, firms and corporations indebted to the estate should make immediate payment.

his the 18th day of December,

Sheryl Goodwin Dupont, Administrator of the Estate of Shirley Jackson Goodwin 296 Log Barn Road Pittsboro, NC 27312 Attorneys: Law Offices of

W. Woods Doster, P.A. 115 Chatham Street, Suite 302 Sanford, NC 27330 D20,D27,J3,J10,4tc

NOTICE TO CREDITORS 18 E 378

CHATHAM COUNTY
ALL PERSONS, firms and cor-ALL FERSONS, limits and corporations having claims against ANTHONY DUAN BLEVINS, 18E378, deceased, of Chatham County, N.C., are notified

to exhibit the same to the un-dersigned on or before March 27, 2019, or this notice will be pleaded in bar of recovery. Debtors of the decedent are asked to make immediate pay-

This the 27th day of December,

Egerton Law, P.A., P.O. Box 1920, Greensboro, NC 27402 D27,J3,J10,J17,4tc

NOTICE TO CREDITORS 18 E 627

NORTH CAROLINA **CHATHAM COUNTY** Having qualified as Executrix of the Estate of JAMES H.

JAMES H. HOLLAND aka JAMES H. HOLLAND JR. of Chatham County, North Carolina, the undersigned does hereby notify all persons, firms, and corpo-rations having claims against the estate of said decedent to exhibit them to the undersigned on or before March 27, 2019 or this notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery. All persons, firms and corporations indebted to the said estate will please make immediate payment to the undersigned.
This the 27th day of December,

Frances K. Holland, Executrix 527 Vickers Rd Chapel Hill, NC 27517

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NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE 18 SP 161

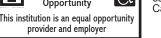
Under and by virtue of the power of sale contained in a certain Deed of Trust made by Ondrea K. Goins and Bobby G. Goins to Michael Lyon, Trustee(s), to Michael Lyon, Trustee(s), dated the 29th day of Septem-ber, 2015, and recorded in Book 01820, Page 1099, in Chatham County Registry, North Carolina, default having been made in the payment of the note thereby secured by the said Deed of Trust and the undersigned, Substitute Trustee Services, Inc. having been substituted as Trustee in said Deed of Trust by an instrument duly recorded in the Office of the Register of Deeds of Chatham County, North Carolina and the holder of the note evidencing said indebtedness having directed that the

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scribed as follows: Tax Id Number(s): 0072770 Land Situated in the Township of Albright in the County of Chatham in the State of NC
Being all of Lot 35, containing

1.25 acres, more or less, as shown on a plat entitled "Survey for Betty S. Lindley and Richard H. Vanderford," dated May 7, 1996, and prepared by Rufus L. Johnson, RLS, and recorded in Plat Slide 96-232, Chatham County Registry, to which plat reference is hereby made for a more accurate description. Together with improvements located thereon; said property being located at 2716 Moon Lindley Road, Snow Camp, North Cárolina.

Trustee may, in the Trustee's sole discretion, delay the sale for up to one hour as provided in NCGS §45-21.23.

Should the property be purchased by a third party, that party must pay the excise tax, as well as the court costs of Forty-Five Cents (\$0.45) per One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00) required by NCGS §7A-308(a)

The property to be offered pursuant to this notice of sale is being offered for sale, transfer and
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A deposit of five percent (5%) of the purchase price, or seven hundred fifty dollars (\$750.00), whichever is greater, is required and must be tendered in the form of certified funds at the time of the sale.

If the trustee is unable to convey title to this property for any reason, the sole remedy of the purchaser is the return of the deposit. Reasons of such inability to convey include, but are not limited to, the filing of a bankruptcy petition prior to the confirmation of the sale and reinstatement of the loan without the knowledge of the trustee. If the validity of the sale is challenged by any party, the trustee, in their sole discretion, if they believe the challenge to have merit, may request the court to declare the sale to be void and return the deposit. The purchaser will have no further remedy. Additional Notice for Residential Property with Less than 15 rental units, including Single-Family Residential Real Property

An order for possession of the property may be issued pursuant to N.C.G.S. § 45-21.29 in favor of the purchaser and against the party or parties in possession by the clerk of superior court of the county in which the property is sold. Any person who occupies the

property pursuant to a rental agreement entered into or renewed on or after October 1, 2007, may after receiving the notice of foreclosure sale, terminate the rental agreement by providing written notice of termination to the landlord, to be effective on a date stated in the notice that is at least 10 days but not more than 90 days. after the sale date contained in this notice of sale, provided that the mortgagor has not cured the default at the time the tenant provides the notice of termination. Upon termination of a rental agreement, the tenant is liable for rent due under the rental agreement prorated to the effective date of the termi-

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LEGAL NOTICES

IN THE GENERAL COURT OF JUSTICE
OF NORTH CAROLINA
SUPERIOR COURT DIVISION CHATHAM COUNTY 18SP36

IN THE MATTER OF THE FORECLOSURE OF A DEED OF TRUST EXECUTED BY ELIZABETH P KENNIHAN DATED MARCH 22, 2013 AND RECORDED IN BOOK 1675 AT PAGE 632 IN THE CHATHAM PAGE 633 IN THE CHATHAM COUNTY PUBLIC REGISTRY, NORTH CAROLINA NOTICE OF SALE

Under and by virtue of the power and authority contained in the above-referenced deed of trust and because of default in the payment of the secured indebtedness and failure to perform the stipulation and agreements therein contained and, pursuant to demand of the owner and holder of the secured debt, the undersigned substitute trustee will expose for sale at public auction to the highest bidder for cash at the usual place of sale at the county courthouse of said county at 10:00AM on January 18, 2019 the following described real estate and any other improvements which may be situated thereon, in Chatham County, North Carolina, and being more particularly described

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And Being more commonly known as: 70 Dark Forest Dr, Chapel Hill, NC 27516
The record owner(s) of the

property, as reflected on the records of the Register of Deeds, is/are Elizabeth P. Kennihan.

The property to be offered pursuant to this notice of sale is being offered for sale, transfer and conveyance "AS IS, WHERE IS." Neither the Trustee nor the holder of the note secured by the deed of trust, being foreclosed, nor the officers, directors, attorneys, employees, agents or authorized representative of either Trustee or the holder of the note make any representation or warranty relating to the title or any physienvironmental, health or safety conditions existing in, on, at or relating to the property being offered for sale. Any and all responsibilities or liabilities arising out of or in any way relating to any such condition expressly are disclaimed. This

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sale is made subject to all prior

LEASEHOLD TENANTS: you are a tenant residing in the property, be advised that an Order for Possession of the property may be issued in favor of the purchaser. Also, if your lease began or was renewed on or after October 1, 2007, be advised that you may terminate the rental agreement upon written notice to the landlord, to be effective on a date stated in the notice that is at least 10 days, but no more than 90 days, af-ter the sale date contained in the notice of sale, provided that the mortgagor has not cured the default at the time notice of termination is provided. You may be liable for rent due under the agreement prorated to the effective date of the termination.

The date of this Notice is De- North Carolina, and being more cember 18, 2018.

Grady I. Ingle or Elizabeth B. Ells Substitute Trustee 10130 Perimeter Parkway, Suite 400 Charlotte, NC 28216 (704) 333-8107 http://shapiroattorneys.com/nc/

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NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE 18 SP 152

Under and by virtue of the pow-

er of sale contained in a certain Deed of Trust made by William R. Atkins and Carlis J. Atkins to Judy H. Woody, Trustee(s), dated the 27th day of September, 2004, and recorded in Book 1134, Page 64, and Judgment in Book 1971, Page 373, in Chatham County Registry, North Carolina, default having been made in the payment of the note thereby secured by the said Deed of Trust and the un-dersigned, Substitute Trustee Services, Inc. having been substituted as Trustee in said Deed of Trust by an instrument duly recorded in the Office of the Register of Deeds of Chatham County, North Carolina and the holder of the note evidencing said indebtedness having directed that the Deed of Trust be foreclosed, the undersigned Substitute Trustee will offer for sale at the courthouse door in the City of Pittsboro, Chatham County, North Carolina or the customary location designated for fore-closure sales, at 1:30 PM on January 17, 2019 and will sell to the highest bidder for cash the following real estate situated in the County of Chatham,

BEING all of Tract B containing 2.82 acres, more or less, according to plat entitled "William cording to plat entitled "William Atkins & Carlis Atkins" prepared by Dowell G. Eakes, PLS, dated February 5, 2013, and recorded on February 21, 2013 in Plat Slide 2013-35, Chatham County Registry. Together with improvements located thereon; said property being located said property being located at 978 Walter Bright Road,

Sanford, North Carolina. Trustee may, in the Trustee's sole discretion, delay the sale for up to one hour as provided in NCGS §45-21.23.

Should the property be purchased by a third party, that party must pay the excise tax, as well as the court costs of Forty-Five Cents (\$0.45) per One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00) required by NCGS §7A-308(a)

The property to be offered pursuant to this notice of sale is being offered for sale, transfer and conveyance "AS IS, WHERE IS." Neither the Trustee nor the holder of the note secured by the deed of trust/security agreement, or both, being foreclosed, nor the officers, directors, attorneys, employees, agents or authorized representative of either the Trustee or the holder of the note make any representation or warranty relating to the title or any physical, environmental, health or safety conditions existing in, on, at or relating to the property being offered for sale, and any and all responsibilities or liabilities arising out of or in any way relating to any such condition expressly are disclaimed. Also, this property is being sold subject to all taxes, special assessments, and prior liens or prior encumbrances of record and any recorded releases. Said property is also being sold subject to applicable Federal and State laws.

A deposit of five percent (5%) of the purchase price, or seven hundred fifty dollars (\$750.00), whichever is greater, is required and must be tendered in the form of certified funds at the

time of the sale.
If the trustee is unable to convey title to this property for any reason, the sole remedy of the purchaser is the return of the deposit. Reasons of such inability to convey include, but are not limited to, the filing of a bankruptcy petition prior to the confirmation of the sale and reinstatement of the loan without the knowledge of the trustee. If

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er will have no further remedy.

Additional Notice for Residential Property with Less than 15 rental units, including Single-Family Residential Real Property - An order for possession of the property may be issued pursuant to N.C.G.S. § 45-21.29 in favor of the purchaser and against the party or parties in possession by the clerk of superior court of the county in which the property is sold.

Any person who occupies the property pursuant to a rental agreement entered into or renewed on or after October 1, 2007, may after receiving the notice of foreclosure sale, terminate the rental agreement by providing written notice of termination to the landlord, to be effective on a date stated in the notice that is at least 10 days but not more than 90 days after the sale date contained in this notice of sale, provided that the mortgagor has not cured the default at the time the tenant provides the notice of termination. Upon termination of a rental agreement, the tenant is liable for rent due under the rental agreement prorated to the effective date of the termi-

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NOTICE TO CREDITORS

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NORTH CAROLINA CHATHAM COUNTY Having qualified as Executrix of the Estate of OLGA B. THUER of Chatham County, North Carolina, the undersigned does hereby notify all persons, firms, and corporations having claims against the estate of said decedent to exhibit them to the undersigned on or before April 3, 2019 or this notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery. All persons, firms and corporations indebted to the said estate



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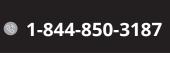


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NOTICE OF SERVICE BY PROCESS OF PUBLICATION State of North Carolina Chatham County GENERAL COURT OF JUSTICE - DISTRICT COURT **DIVISION 17 JT 3**

IN THE MATTER OF: CURTIS HOOTEN, a minor juvenile, TO: CHARLES E. HOOTEN, re-

TAKE NOTICE that a Petition for Termination of Parental Rights seeking relief against you has been filed in the above entitled action. The nature of the relief sought is as follows:

Petitioner. Christine Maness seeks to Terminate your Parental Rights to the minor child Curtis Hooten who was born August 17, 2012 in Lee County, North Carolina.

You are required to make defense to such pleading not later than forty (40) days from January 3, 2019 exclusive of that date. You are entitled to that date. You are entitled to attend any hearing affecting your rights. You are entitled to appointed counsel if you cannot afford to hire one, provided you contact the Clerk immediately to request counsel. Upon your failure to so answer, the Petitioner will apply to the court for the relief requested.

This is the December 28, 2018 Alexander French, Attorney for the Petitioner,

Averett Family Law 50101 Governors Dr. Suite 150 Chapel Hill NC 27517

J3,J10,J17,3tp

NOTICE OF TAX **FORECLOSURE SALE** 16-CVD-479

Under and by virtue of an order of the District Court of Chatham County, North Carolina, made and entered in the action entitled COUNTY OF CHATHAM CAROLYN WRIGHT and spouse, if any, and all possible eirs and assignees of CARO-LYN WRIGHT and spouse, if any, or any other person or entity claiming thereunder, KIM ROUISSE and spouse, if any, and all possible heirs and assignees of KIM ROUISSE and spouse, if any, or any other person or entity claiming thereunder, et al, 16-CVD-479, the undersigned Commissioner will on the 23rd day of January, 2019, offer for sale and sell for cash, to the last and highest bidder at public auction at the courthouse door in Chatham County, North Carolina, Pittsboro, North Carolina at 12:00 o'clock, noon, the following described real property, lying and being in Matthews Township, State and County aforesaid, and more particularly described as follows:

BEGINNING at a point located in the center of SR #1006, in Robert J. Murray's new corner and being located South 19 degrees 32 East 305.83 feet from a point in the center of said road in the southern line of H. H. Elder's Estate and being Point 12 as per Plat hereafter referenced; and running thence with the center of SR #1006, South 19 degrees 32' East 200 feet to a point located in Murray's new corner; thence with Murray's new line, the following courses and distances: South 70 degrees 28' West 200 feet to an iron stake; thence North 19 degrees 32' West 205.12 feet to an iron stake; thence North 71 degrees 53' East 200.06 feet to a point located in the center of SR #1006 and being the point and place of BEGINNING, and containing 0.930 acres, and having located thereon a store

building.
The above description was taken from a Plat entitled "POR-TION OF ROBERT J. MURRAY LAND", dated July 5, 1979, by James D. Hunter, and recorded in Plat Book 26, Page 4, Chatham County Registry, to which plat is hereby made for greater certainty of description. Subject to restrictive covenants

and easements of record.

Parcel Identification Num-

ber: 0014007 The undersigned Commissioner makes no warranties in

connection with this property and specifically disclaims any warranties as to title and habitability. This property is being sold as is, without opinion as to title or any other matter. This sale will be made subject to all outstanding city and county taxes and all local improve-

ment assessments against the above described property not included in the judgment in the above-entitled cause. A cash deposit of 20 percent of the successful bid will be required. In addition, the successful bidder will be required, at the time the Deed is recorded to pay for recording fees and revenue stamps assessed by the Chatham County Register of Deeds. This sale is subject to upset bid

as set forth in N.C.G.S. Section Mark D. Bardill, Commissioner

P.O. Box 25 Trenton, NC 28585 J10,J17,2tc

NOTICE OF TAX FORECLOSURE SALE 10-CVD-934

Under and by virtue of an order of the District Court of Chatham County, North Carolina, made and entered in the action entitled COUNTY OF CHATHAM vs. The HEIRS, ASSIGNS and DEVISEES of SWANIE N. CRISTLE a/k/a SWAINE N. CRYSTAL and spouse, if any, which may include CONNIE C. BUTTERFIELD and spouse, if any, BRONA N. CHEEK-SMITH a/k/a BRONA C. TYSON and spouse, if any, The HEIRS, ASSIGNS and DEVISEES of RALPH E. CHEEK and spouse, if any, or any other person or entity claiming thereunder, et al, 10-CVD-934, the under-signed Commissioner will

on the 23rd day of January,

2019, offer for sale and sell for cash, to the last and highest bidder at public auction at the courthouse door in Chatham County, North Carolina, Pittsboro, North Carolina at 12:00 o'clock, noon, the following described real property, lying and being in Bear Creek Township, State and County aforesaid, and more particularly described as follows:

All that certain tract or parcel of land in Bear Creek Town-ship, Chatham County, North Carolina, and more particularly described as follows: Adjoining the lands of John Hall, Highway 421, and others, and BE-GINNING at the center of the Southern Railroad, John Hall's corner; and running thence East with John Hall's line 183 feet to the West margin of Highway Number 421; thence North with Highway Number 421 a distance of 515 feet to Vestal's line; thence southwest with Vestal's line 310 feet to the center of said Railroad; thence South with the center of said Railroad 275 feet to the BEGIN-NING corner, containing approximately 1-1/2 acres, more Subject to restrictive covenants

and easements of record. Parcel Identification Num-

ber: 0005046

The undersigned Commissioner makes no warranties in connection with this property and specifically disclaims any warranties as to title and habitability. This property is being sold as is, without opinion as to title or any other matter.

This sale will be made subject to all outstanding city and county taxes and all local improvement assessments against the above described property not included in the judgment in the above-entitled cause. A cash deposit of 20 percent of the successful bid will be required. In addition, the successful bidder will be required, at the time the Deed is recorded to pay for recording fees and revenue stamps assessed by the Chatham County Register of Deeds. This sale is subject to upset bid as set forth in N.C.G.S. Section

Mark D. Bardill, Commissioner P.O. Box 25 Trenton, NC 28585

J10,J17,2tc

NOTICE OF TAX

FORECLOSURE SALE

17-CVD-729

Under and by virtue of an order of the District Court of Chatham County, North Carolina, made and entered in the action entitled COUNTY OF CHATHAM vs. MICKLE WOFFORD and spouse, if any, and all possible heirs and assignees of MICKLE WOFFORD and spouse, if any, or any other person or entity claiming thereunder, et al, 17-CVD-729, the undersigned Commissioner will on the 23rd day of January, 2019, offer for sale and sell for cash, to the last and highest bidder at public auction at the courthouse door in Chatham County, North Carolina, Pitts-boro, North Carolina at 12:00 o'clock, noon, the following described real property, lying and being in Hickory mountain Township, State and County aforesaid, and more particularly

described as follows:
BEGINNING at an iron pin the Southerly line of Cora Guthrie 7 ½ acre tract also a common line of Florence Peoples, said beginning iron pin being located North 81 degrees East 100 feet from the Southwest corner of Cora Guthrie lands, runs thence from the said point of beginning, North 81 degrees East 100 feet to an iron pin; thence North 19 degrees West 372 feet to a point in the center of a public road thence with the center of said road, South 29 degrees 30 minutes West 100 feet; thence South 14 degrees 30 minutes East 287 feet to the point of BEGINNING, containing .61 acres, more or less. This being

a portion of the 7 1/2 acre tract of land conveyed to Cora Guthrie by Easter Headen by Deed recorded in Deed Book J-E, Page 265, Chatham County Registry. For chain of title see Deed Book 569, Page 514, Chatham County Registry.
Subject to restrictive cove-

nants and easements of record.

Parcel Identification Number: 0061095

The undersigned Commissioner makes no warranties in connection with this property and specifically disclaims any warranties as to title and habitability. This property is being sold as is, without opinion as to title or any other matter.

This sale will be made subject to all outstanding city and county taxes and all local improvement assessments against the above described property not included in the judgment in the above-entitled cause. A cash deposit of 20 percent of the successful bid will be required. In addition, the successful bidder will be required, at the time the Deed is recorded to pay for recording fees and revenue stamps assessed by the Chatham County Register of Deeds. This sale is subject to upset bid as set forth in N.C.G.S. Section

1-339 25 Mark D. Bardill, Commissioner P.O. Box 25 Trenton, NC 28585 J10,J17,2tc

NOTICE OF TAX FORECLOSURE SALE 17-CVD-313

Under and by virtue of an order of the District Court of Chatham County, North Carolina, made and entered in the action entitled COUNTY OF CHATHAM vs. EVANDER WOMBLE and spouse, if any, and all possible heirs and assignees of EVANDER WOMBLE and spouse, if any, or any other person or entity claiming thereunder, et al, 17-CVD-313, the undersigned Commissioner will on the 23rd day of January, 2019, offer for sale and sell for cash, to the last and highest bidder at public auction at the courthouse door in Chatham County, North Carolina, Pittsboro, North Carolina at 12:00 o'clock, noon, the following described real property, lying and being in Gulf Township, State and County aforesaid, and more particularly described as follows

BEING ALL OF LOT 9, containing 3.686 acres, more or less, as shown on a Plat entitled "Final Plat for owners Theodis Womble et ux Rosa Womble Heirs", prepared by Rufus L. Johnson, PLS, dated May 22, 2009 and recorded in Plat Slide Chatham County 2009-118 Registry, to which plat reference is hereby made for a more complete description

Subject to restrictive covenants and easements of record. Parcel Identification Num-

ber: 0087860

The undersigned Commissioner makes no warranties in connection with this property and specifically disclaims any warranties as to title and habitability. This property is being sold as is, without opinion as to title or any other matter.

This sale will be made subject to all outstanding city and county taxes and all local improvement assessments against the above described property not included in the judgment in the above-entitled cause. A cash deposit of 20 percent of the successful bid will be required. In addition, the successful bidder will be required, at the time the Deed is recorded to pay for recording fees and revenue stamps assessed by the Chatham County Register of Deeds This sale is subject to upset bid as set forth in N.C.G.S. Section 1-339.25.

Mark D. Bardill, Commissioner P.O. Box 25 Trenton, NC 28585 J10,J17,2tc

NOTICE OF TAX FORECLOSURE SALE 16-CVD-645

Under and by virtue of an order of the District Court of Chatham County, North Caro-lina, made and entered in the action entitled COUNTY OF CHATHAM vs. FRANC ALBERTO HERRERA **FRANCISCO** spouse, if any, and all possible heirs and assignees of FRAN-CISCO ALBERTO HERRERA and spouse, if any, or any other person or entity claiming there-under, et al, 16-CVD-645, the undersigned Commissioner will on the 23rd day of January, 2019, offer for sale and sell for cash, to the last and highest bidder at public auction at the courthouse door in Chatham County, North Carolina, Pittsboro, North Carolina at 12:00 o'clock, noon, the following described real property, lying and being in Albright Township, State and County aforesaid, and more particularly described as follows

A certain parcel of land located in Albright Township, Chatham County, North Carolina and being more particularly described as being all of Lot Number 4 of Harvest End Subdivision as shown on plat recorded in Plat Slide 96-11, Chatham County Registry.

Subject to the Road Maintenance Agreement recorded in Deed Book 718, Page 378, Chatham County Registry.
Subject to restrictive covenants

and easements of record. Parcel Identification Num-

ber: 0072184 The undersigned Commissioner makes no warranties in connection with this property and specifically disclaims any warranties as to title and habitability. This property is being sold as is, without opinion as to title or any other matter.

This sale will be made subject to all outstanding city and county taxes and all local improvement assessments against the above described property not included in the judgment in the above-entitled cause. A cash deposit of 20 percent of the successful bid will be required. In addition, the successful bidder will be required, at the time the Deed is recorded to pay for recording fees and revenue stamps assessed by the Chatham County Register of Deeds. The sale is subject to upset bid as set forth in N.C.G.S. Section 1-339.25.

Mark D. Bardill, Commissioner P.O. Box 25 Trenton, NC 28585

J10,J17,2tc

NOTICE OF TAX FORECLOSURE SALE 16-CVD-46

Under and by virtue of an order of the District Court of Chatham County, North Carolina, made and entered in the action entitled COUNTY OF CHATHAM vs. CHARLES R. PALMER and spouse, if any, and all possible heirs and assignees of CHARLES R. PALMER and spouse, if any, or any other person or entity claiming thereunder, et al, 16-CVD-46, the undersigned Commissioner will on the 23rd day of January 2019, offer for sale and sell for cash, to the last and highest bidder at public auction at the courthouse door in Chatham County, North Carolina, Pittsboro, North Carolina at 12:00 o'clock, noon, the following described real property, lying and being in Oakland Township, State and County aforesaid, and more particularly described as follows: described as follows:

All that certain lot or parcel of land lying and being in Oakland Township, Chatham County, North Carolina, lying on the north side of SR #2154, and BE-GINNING at a point in or near the center line of said road, said beginning point being South 79 deg. 24' 42" West from Winfred Taylor's southwest corner, and running from said begin-ning point North 05 deg. 27' 19" West, a distance of 210 feet to an iron pipe; thence South 79 deg. 24' 42" West 420.00 feet to another iron pipe, near the power line; thence South 05 deg. 27' 19" East 210 feet to a point in or near the center line of said SR #2154; thence North 79 deg. 24' 42" East 420 feet to the Beginning and containing 2 acres. Reference is hereby made to a deed recorded in Book J-Z at page 598, Chatham

County Registry. Subject to restrictive covenants and easements of record. Parcel Identification Num-

ber: 0060230 The undersigned Commissioner makes no warranties in connection with this property and specifically disclaims any warranties as to title and hab itability. This property is being

sold as is, without opinion as to title or any other matter.

This sale will be made subject to all outstanding city and county taxes and all local improvement assessments against the above described property not included in the judgment in the above-entitled cause. A cash deposit of 20 percent of the successful bid will be required. In addition, the successful bidder will be required, at the time the Deed is recorded to pay for recording fees and revenue stamps assessed by the Cha-tham County Register of Deeds. This sale is subject to upset bid as set forth in N.C.G.S. Section

Mark D. Bardill, Commissioner P.O. Box 25 Trenton, NC 28585 J10,J17,2tc

NOTICE OF TAX FORECLOSURE SALE 17-CVD-589

Under and by virtue of an order of the District Court of Chatham County, North Carolina, made and entered in the action en-titled COUNTY OF CHATHAM vs. THOMAS W. BALDWIN and spouse, if any, and all possible heirs and assignees of THOM-AS W. BALDWIN and spouse, if any, or any other person or entity claiming thereunder, MABLE BARBEE WINSTON and spouse, if any, and all possible heirs and assignees of MABLE BARBEE WINSTON and spouse, if any, or any other person or entity claiming there-under, JUANITA BARBEE DA-VIS and spouse, if any, and all possible heirs and assignees of JUANITA BARBEE DAVIS and spouse, if any, or any other person or entity claiming there-under, BETTY LOU BARBEE COLE and spouse, if any, and all possible heirs and assignees of BETTY LOU BARBEE COLE and spouse, if any, or any other person or entity claiming thereunder, et al, 17-CVD-589, the undersigned Commissioner will on the 23rd day of January, 2019, offer for sale and sell for cash, to the last and highest bidder at public auction at the courthouse door in Chatham County, North Carolina, Pittsboro, North Carolina at 12:00 o'clock, noon, the following described real property, lying and being in Williams Township, State and County aforesaid, and more particularly described as follows

BEGINNING at a found iron pipe, the southeast corner of Parcel "A" and the southwest corner of Parcel "B" according to the plat hereinafter referred to, said pipe being located South 11 degrees 10 minutes 09 seconds East 210.03 feet from a found axle in the southern right of way line of SR 1733, and running thence from said Beginning point South 70 de-grees 00 minutes 01 seconds grees 00 minutes 01 seconds West 18.91 feet to a set iron pipe; thence South 57 degrees minutes 47 seconds East 528.52 feet to a set iron pipe; thence South 57 degrees 30 minutes 47 seconds East 46.85 feet to a set iron in the line of Lot 2; thence North 16 degrees minutes 30 seconds 15.63 feet to a set iron: thence North 16 degrees 11 minutes 30 seconds East 132.63 feet to a set iron in the line of Norman Davis et ux; thence along the line of Davis, North 46 de grees 51 minutes 21 seconds West 411.85 feet to a set iron, the southeast corner of Private Access Easement B; thence North 46 degrees 51 minutes 21 seconds West 51.64 feet to an existing iron rod; thence South 11 degrees 20 minutes 31 seconds East 23.73 feet to a set iron pipe; thence South 55 degrees 29 minutes 51 seconds West 212.83 feet to the point or place of Beginning, containing 2.139 gross acres, more or less, according to a plat entitled, "Boundary Survey Subdivision/Recombination of the Henderson Barbee Lands for Henderson Barbee prepared by Absolute Heirs", Land Surveying and Mapping, P.C., dated September 7, 1999, reference to which is hereby made for a more particular description.

SAVE AND EXCEPT 30' Private Access Easement along the western boundary and de-

picted upon aforesaid plat. There is also granted herewith the perpetual non-exclusive aceasements denominated as Private Access Easements A & B on the plat herein above

referred to LESS AND EXCEPT: So much of the above described parcel conveyed to Ervin Monroe Hunter and wife, Mary A. Hunter in Deed Book 447, Page 245, that overlaps our parcel, Chatham County Register of Deeds. Subject to restrictive covenants

and easements of record. Parcel Identification Number: 0084012

The undersigned Commissioner makes no warranties in connection with this property and specifically disclaims any warranties as to title and habitability. This property is being sold as is, without opinion as to title or any other matter.

This sale will be made subject to all outstanding city and county taxes and all local improvement assessments against the above described property not included in the judgment in the above-entitled cause. A cash deposit of 20 percent of the successful bid will be required. In addition, the successful bidder will be required, at the time the Deed is recorded to pay for recording fees and revenue stamps assessed by the Chatham County Register of Deeds. This sale is subject to upset bid as set forth in N.C.G.S. Section

Mark D. Bardill, Commissioner P.O. Box 25 Trenton, NC 28585 J10,J17,2tc

NOTICE OF TAX FORECLOSURE SALE 13-CVD-215

Under and by virtue of an order of the District Court of Chatham County, North Carolina, made and entered in the action entitled COUNTY OF CHA-THAM vs. ROSA MAE SUT-TON BROWN A/K/A ROSA M. SUTTON A/K/A ROSA SUTTON LOCKETT and spouse, if any, and all possible heirs and assignees of ROSA MAE SUT-

TON BROWN A/K/A ROSA M UTTON A/K/A ROSA SUT-FON LOCKETT and spouse, if any, or an v other person or entity claiming thereunder, et al, 13-CVD-215, the undersigned Commissioner will the 23rd day of January, 2019, offer for sale and sell for cash, to the last and highest bidder at public auction at the courthouse door in Chatham County, North Carolina, Pittsboro, North Carolina at 12:00 o'clock, noon, the following described real property, ying and being in Matthews Township, State and County aforesaid, and more particularly described as follows:

BEING Lot 31, 32, 33, 34 and the Easternmost 10 feet of Lot 30. as designated by a Plat entitled "R.H. Dixon Sub-Division of Jas. Gilliland Tract or Land" and recorded in Book E-N, Page 25, Chatham County Registry. Subject to restrictive covenants and easements of record.

Parcel Identification Number: 0014951

The undersigned Commissioner makes no warranties in connection with this property and specifically disclaims any warranties as to title and habitability. This property is being sold as is, without opinion as to

title or any other matter.
This sale will be made subject to all outstanding city and county taxes and all local improvement assessments against the above described property not included in the judgment in the above-entitled cause. deposit of 20 percent of the successful bid will be required. In addition, the successful bidder will be required, at the time the Deed is recorded to pay for recording fees and revenue stamps assessed by the Chatham County Register of Deeds. This sale is subject to upset bid as set forth in N.C.G.S. Section 1-339.25.

Mark D. Bardill, Commissioner P.O. Box 25 Trenton, NC 28585 J10,J17,2tc

NOTICE OF TAX FORECLOSURE SALE 17-CVD-723

Under and by virtue of an order of the District Court of Chatham County, North Carolina, made and entered in the action entitled COUNTY OF CHATHAM vs. NICHOLAS E. MURRAY and spouse, if any, and all possible heirs and assignees of NICHOLAS E. MURRAY and spouse, if any, or any other person or entity claiming there-under, et al, 17-CVD-723, the undersigned Commissioner will on the 23rd day of January, 2019, offer for sale and sell for cash, to the last and highest bidder at public auction at the courthouse door in Chatham County, North Carolina, Pittsboro, North Carolina at 12:00 o'clock, noon, the following described real property, lying and being in State and County aforesaid, and more particularly described

as follows: Beginning at an existing iron pipe in the Western right-ofway line of North dogwood Avenue (SR 1180), said existing iron pipe being 90 feet from the Southern right-of-way of West Third Street (SR 1107) and 264.12 feet from the North-ern right-of-way line of West Second Street, and being the Southeast corner of S. Clay Garvin (Deed Book L-Q, page 445); thence from said beginning point along the Western right-of-way line of North Dogwood Avenue, South 16 degrees 38' 59" East 84.12 feet to an existing iron pipe, the Northeast corner of Jimmy Cranford (Deed Book 347, Page 491); thence with the Cranford line, South 73 degrees 00' 51" West 195.12 feet to an existing iron pipe, the Northwest corner of Cranford and the Northeast corner of W. Ernest Brown (Deed Book 278, Page 133); thence with Brown, South 73 degrees 07' 03" West 11.27 feet to an existing iron pipe, the Southeast corner of Swannie Cockman Deed Book 756, Page 61), in Browns line; thence with the Eastern line of Cockman, North 16 degrees 31' 21" West 87.00 feet to a new iron pipe, said new iron pipe, said new iron pipe being South 16 degrees 31' 21" East 3.17 feet from an existing iron pipe which is the South-east corner of Christy C. Meeks (Deed Book 373, Page 156);

thence from said new iron pipe, North 73 degrees 49 ' 15 " East along the lines of Jack This sale will be made subject to all outstanding city and county taxes and all local improvement assessments against the above described property not included in the judgment in the above-entitled cause. A cash deposit of 20 percent of the successful bid will be required. In addition, the successful bidder will be required, at the time the Deed is recorded to pay for recording fees and revenue stamps assessed by the Chatham County Register of Deeds. This sale is subject to upset bid as set forth in N.C.G.S. Section 1-339.25.

Mark D. Bardill, Commissioner P.O. Box 25 Trenton, NC 28585 J10,J17,2tc

NOTICE OF TAX FORECLOSURE SALE 17-CVD-679

Under and by virtue of an order of the District Court of Chatham County, North Carolina, made and entered in the action entitled COUNTY OF CHATHAM VS EVELYN MCSWAIN KEN-NETH ALONZO MCSWAIN and spouse, if any, and all possible heirs and assignees of KEN-NETH ALONZO MCSWAIN and spouse, if any, or any other person or entity claiming there-under, et al, 17-CVD-679, the undersigned Commissioner will on the 23rd day of Janu-ary, 2019, offer for sale and sell for cash, to the last and highest bidder at public auction at the courthouse door in Chatham County, North Carolina, Pittsboro, North Carolina at 12:00 o'clock, noon, the following described real property, lying and being in State and County aforesaid, and more particularly described

as follows: Beginning at an iron stake lo-cated North 50 degrees East 27

feet from the center of the well and running thence South 89 degrees West 330 feet to the center of State Road #2170; thence with the center of said road South 8 degrees East 55 feet; thence on with the center of the road South 11 degrees and 45 minutes East 55 feet; thence North 89 degrees and 15 minutes East 330 feet to an iron stake; thence North 10 degrees West 110 feet to the beginning, and containing .83 acres, more or less. Subject to restrictive covenants

and easements of record. Parcel Identification Number: 0011808

The undersigned Commissioner makes no warranties in connection with this property and specifically disclaims any warranties as to title and habitability. This property is being sold as is, without opinion as to title or any other matter.

This sale will be made subject to all outstanding city and county taxes and all local improvement assessments against the above described property not included in the judgment in the above-entitled cause. A cash deposit of 20 percent of the successful bid will be required. In addition, the successful bidder will be required, at the time the Deed is recorded to pay for recording fees and revenue stamps assessed by the Chatham County Register of Deeds This sale is subject to upset bid as set forth in N.C.G.S. Section 1 - 339.25

Mark D. Bardill, Commissioner P.O. Box 25 Trenton, NC 28585 J10,J17,2tc

NOTICE OF TAX FORECLOSURE SALE 14-CVD-399

Under and by virtue of an order of the District Court of Chatham County, North Carolina, made and entered in the action entitled COUNTY OF CHATHAM vs. SAUL RAFAEL AGUILA CARRILLO and spouse, if any, and all possible heirs and as signees of SAUL RAFAEL AGU-ILA CARRILLO and spouse, if any, or any other person or entity claiming thereunder, et al, 14-CVD-399, the undersigned Commissioner will on the 23rd day of January, 2019, offer for sale and sell for cash, to the last and highest bidder at public auction at the courthouse door in Cha the courthouse door in Cha-tham County, North Carolina, Pittsboro, North Carolina at **12:00 o'clock, noon**, the following described real property, lying and being in Matthews Township, State and County aforesaid, and more particularly described as follows:

TRACT ONE: Being Lot No. 2 and beginning at a stake on the northeast corner of Lot 1 on Boling Avenue (now West Third Street) and running thence South with the line of Lot No. 1 about 132.5 feet to the corner of Lot No. 7; thence Eastward with the line of Lot No. 7 about 68.5 feet to the Northeast corner of Lot No. 7; thence North and parallel with the first line 125 feet to West Third Street; thence West with West Third Street 68.5 feet to the beginning, and being Lot No. 2 in Block C as shown by a map of West Siler City, North

TRACT TWO: Beginning at a stake on the South side of West Third Street (formerly Boling Avenue) and running thence about South with Crotts line 235 feet to Old Stage Road; thence about East with said road about 70 feet to the Justice corner; thence about North, parallel with the first line 235 feet to a stake on the South side of West Third Street; thence about West with the line of West Third Street 70 feet to the beginning. Subject to restrictive covenants

and easements of record. Parcel Identification Number: 0061419

The undersigned Commissioner makes no warranties in connection with this property and specifically disclaims any warranties as to title and habitability. This property is being sold as is, without opinion as to title or any other matter.

This sale will be made subject to all outstanding city and county taxes and all local improvement assessments against the above described property not included in the judgment in the above-entitled cause. A cash deposit of 20 percent of the successful bid will be required. In addition, the successful bidder will be required, at the time the Deed is recorded to pay for recording fees and revenue stamps assessed by the Chatham County Register of Deeds. This sale is subject to upset bid as set forth in N.C.G.S. Section

Mark D. Bardill, Commissioner P.O. Box 25 Trenton, NC 28585 J10,J17,2tc

NOTICE OF TAX FORECLOSURE SALE 17-CVD-97

Under and by virtue of an order of the District Court of Chatham County, North Carolina, made and entered in the action entitled COUNTY OF CHATHAM vs. PHILLIP GRIFFITH and spouse, if any, and all possible heirs and assignees of PHIL-LIP GRIFFITH and spouse, if any, or any other person or entity claiming thereunder, et al, 17-CVD-97, the undersigned Commissioner will on the 23rd day of January, 2019, offer for sale and sell for cash, to the last and highest bid-der at public auction at the courthouse door in Chatham County, North Carolina, Pitts-boro, North Carolina at 12:00 o'clock, noon, the following described real property, lying and being in State and County aforesaid, and more particularly described as follows: All that certain lot or parcel of

land situated in Chatham County, North Carolina and more particularly described as follows: Being all of Lot 17, containing 1.966 acres, more or less, and survey entitled

Lot 17A, and all improvements thereon, as shown on plat of survey entitled "Seminole or survey entitled Seminole Point," as surveyed by Van R. Finch Land Surveys, PA and dated February 17, 2001 and recorded in Plat Book 2001-206, Chatham County Registry, which plat reference is herein incorporated.

Subject to Road Maintenance Agreement recorded in Book 1014, Chatham Page

County Registry.
Subject to restrictive covenants

and easements of record.

Parcel Identification Number: 0078338

The undersigned Commissioner makes no warranties in connection with this property and specifically disclaims any warranties as to title and habitability. This property is being sold as is, without opinion as to title or any other matter.

This sale will be made subject to all outstanding city and coun-ty taxes and all local improvement assessments against the above described property not included in the judgment in the above-entitled cause. A cash deposit of 20 percent of the successful bid will be required. In addition, the successful bidder will be required, at the time the Deed is recorded to pay for recording fees and revenue stamps assessed by the Chatham County Register of Deeds. This sale is subject to upset bid as set forth in N.C.G.S. Section

1-339.25. Mark D. Bardill, Commissioner P.O. Box 25 Trenton, NC 28585 J10,J17,2tc

IN THE GENERAL COURT OF JUSTICE OF NORTH CAROLINA SUPERIOR COURT DIVISION CHATHAM COUNTY 18SP116

IN THE MATTER OF THE FORECLOSURE OF A DEED OF TRUST EXECUTED BY TONITA SHERELLE FEAR-RINGTON-CHEEK AND MI-CHAEL CHEEK DATED MAY 23, 2007 AND RECORDED IN BOOK 1337 AT PAGE 613 AND
MODIFIED BY AGREEMENT
RECORDED OCTOBER 15,
2009 IN BOOK 1484 PAGE 357
AND FURTHER MODIFIED BY AGREEMENT RECORDED MAY 16, 2014 IN BOOK 1742 PAGE 1148 IN THE CHATHAM COUNTY PUBLIC REGISTRY, NORTH CAROLINA NOTICE OF SALE

Under and by virtue of the power and authority contained in the above-referenced deed of trust and because of default in the payment of the secured indebtedness and failure to perform the stipulation and agreements therein contained and, pursuant to demand of the owner and holder of the secured debt, the undersigned substitute trustee will expose for sale at public auction to the highest bidder for cash at the usual place of sale at the county courthouse of said county at 1:00PM on January 25, 2019 the following described real estate and any other improvements which may be situated thereon, in Chatham County, North Carolina, and being more particularly described as follows:

Beginning at a point in the center of S.R. 1563, in the line of Wilbur, Carl and Harvey Bryant, and running thence about East 387 feet to an iron stake in the line of Elvis Scurlock; thence along the line of Scurlock South 2 degrees West 184 feet to an iron stake in the line of Luther Fearrington; thence along the line of Fearrington North 84 degrees West 401 feet to a point in the center of S.R. 1563; thence said road about North 176 feet to the point or place of Beginning

And Being more commonly known as: 211 Kinston Scurlock Rd, Pittsboro, NC 27312

The record owner(s) of the property, as reflected on the records of the Register of Deeds, is/are Tonita Sherelle Fearington and Michael Cheek.

The property to be offered pursuant to this notice of sale is being offered for sale, transfer and conveyance "AS IS, WHERE IS." Neither the Trustee nor the holder of the note secured by the deed of trust, being foreclosed, nor the offi-cers, directors, attorneys, employees, agents or authorized representative of either Trustee or the holder of the note make any representation or warranty relating to the title or any physical, environmental, health or safety conditions existing in, on, at or relating to the property being offered for sale. Any and all responsibilities or liabilities arising out of or in any way relating to any such condition expressly are disclaimed. This sale is made subject to all prior liens and encumbrances, and unpaid taxes and assessments including but not limited to any transfer tax associated with the foreclosure. A deposit of five percent (5%) of the amount of the bid or seven hundred fifty dollars (\$750.00), whichever is greater, is required and must be tendered in the form of certified funds at the time of the sale. This sale will be held open ten days for upset bids as required by law. Following the expiration of the statutory upset period, all remaining amounts are IM-MEDIATELY DUE AND OW-ING. Failure to remit funds in a timely manner will result in a Declaration of Default and any deposit will be frozen pending the outcome of any re-sale. If the sale is set aside for any reason, the Purchaser at the sale shall be entitled only to a

return of the deposit paid. The

Purchaser shall have no further recourse against the Mortgagor, the Mortgagee, the Substitute Trustee or the attorney of any of the foregoing.

SPECIAL

NOTICE

LEASEHOLD TENANTS: you are a tenant residing in the property, be advised that an Order for Possession of the property may be issued in favor of the purchaser. Also, if your lease began or was renewed on or after October 1, 2007, be advised that you may terminate the rental agreement upon writ-ten notice to the landlord, to be effective on a date stated in the notice that is at least 10 days, but no more than 90 days, after the sale date contained in the notice of sale, provided that the mortgagor has not cured the default at the time notice of termination is provided. You may be liable for rent due under the agreement prorated to the effective date of the termination.

The date of this Notice is November 1, 2018. Grady I. Ingle or Elizabeth B. Ells, Substitute Trustee 10130 Perimeter Parkway,

Suite 400 Charlotte, NC 28216 (704) 333-8107 http://shapiroattorneys.com/nc/ 15-070939

J10,J17,2tc PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE

A public hearing will be held by the Chatham County Board of Commissioners on Tuesday, January 22, 2019, beginning at 6:00 p.m. The hearing will be held in the courtroom of

the Historic Courthouse in Pittsboro, North Carolina at 9 Hillsboro Street. Additional information is available at the Chatham County Planning Department office. Planning Department office. Speakers are requested to sign up at the meeting prior to the hearing. You may also sign up on the county website prior to the meeting at www. chathamnc.org by selecting the heading County Government, then Commissioner Meetings, then Public Input/Hearing Sign then Public Input/Hearing Sign

Commissioners. The purpose of the Public Hearing is to receive input, both written and oral, on the issues listed below:

Up. The public hearing may be continued to another date at the discretion of the Board of

Legislative Request:

1. A Legislative public hearing for general use rezoning request by Roy Brooks to rezone a portion (3.4 acres out of 19.9 acres treat) of Parcel No. 76559 acre tract) of Parcel No. 76558 from R-1 Residential to IL Light Industrial, located at 6814 Beaver Creek Road, Cape Fear

2. A Legislative public hearing for a general use rezoning request by Michael and Amanda Gress to rezone Parcel No. 5537 being 30.41 acres, from R-1 Residential to IL Light Industrial, located off Old US 1 and US 1, Cape Fear Township.

Testimony is required to be given under oath during the evi-dentiary hearing for the follow-Quasi-Judicial Request:

Quasi-Judicial public hearing request by Richard Veno on behalf of Robert Kapp and Brian Maginnis dba American Self Storagefor a conditional use permit revision to add additional storage units, located on Parcel No. 17454, 30 Mt. Gilead Church Rd., New Hope

Substantial changes may be made following the public hearing due to verbal or written com-ments received or based on the

Board's discussions.

Notice to people with special needs: If you have an audio or visual impairment, unique accessibility requirements or need language assistance, please call the number listed below prior to the hearing and assistance may be provided.

If you have any questions or comments concerning these is-sues, please call the Chatham County Planning Department at 542-8204 or write to P.O. Box 54, Pittsboro N.C. 27312. J10,J17,2tc

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

NORTH CAROLINA

CHATHAM COUNTY The undersigned, having qualified as Executor of the Estate of MARY LOU LITTLETON, Deceased, late of Chatham County, North Carolina, does hereby notify all persons, firms and corporations beginned by the county. and corporations having claims against the estate to exhibit them to the undersigned at the offices of Tillman, Whichard & Cagle, PLLC, 501 Eastowne Drive, Suite 130, Chapel Hill, NC 27514, on or before the 10th day of April, 2019, or this notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery. All persons indebted to the estate will please

make immediate payment.
This 10th day of January, 2019.
JOHN ALEX DURIZCH,
EXECUTOR of the ESTATE OF
MARY LOU LITTLETON

Tillman, Whichard & Cagle, PLLC 501 Eastowne Drive, Suite 130 Chapel Hill, NC 27514 J10,J17,J24,J31,4tc

TOWN of SILER CITY **PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE**

The Board of Commissioners will conduct a public hearing

on Jan. 22, 2019 at 7 pm in the City Hall Courtroom located at 311 N. 2nd Ave. Public hearing and Board discussion will be conducted on the followina reauests:

Town of Siler City proposes text amendments to §136 Definitions (temporary emergency, construction, or repair residence), §139 Permissible Uses and Specific Exclusions (travel trailer), §147 Table of Permissible Uses (temporary emergency, construction, or repair residence), & §150 Temporary Emergency, Construction, or Repair Residence (density, design, dimensional, location, and minimum housing standards) of

The proposed items are available for review in the Planning office. All persons interested in the outcome of the application are invited to attend the public hearings and present com-ments, testimony, and exhibits on the above referenced items. The Planning Board will meet on Jan. 14 @ 6:30 pm to consider a recommendation to the Town Board.

The Town of Siler City as an Equal Opportunity Employer, invites the submission of proposals from minority and women-owned firms and certified Section 3 business concerns it the contract is over \$100,000 for non-construction contracts. The Town of Siler City will make appropriate arrangements to ensure that disabled persons are provided other accommodations, such arrangements may include, but are not limited to, providing interpreters for the deaf, providing taped cassettes of materials for the blind, or assuring a barrier-free location for the proceedings. This informa-tion is available in Spanish or any other language upon request. Please contact Nancy Hannah at 919-742-4731, 311 North Second Avenue, Siler City, North Carolina 27344, or nhannah@silercity.org for ac commodations for this request. Esta información está disponible en español o en cualquier otro idioma baio petición. Por favor, póngase en contacto con Nancy Hannah al nhan-nah@silercity.org o 919-742-4731 o en 311 North Second Avenue, Siler City, North

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Avenue, Siler City, North Carolina 27344 de alojamiento

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NORTH CAROLINA CHATHAM COUNTY

para esta solicitud.

Having qualified as Administrator of the Estate of ANNABEL TEAGUE POWERS of Chatham County, North Carolina, the undersigned does hereby notify all persons, firms, and corporations having claims against the estate of said decedent to exhibit them to the undersigned on or before April 10, 2019 or this notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery. All persons, firms and corporations indebted to the said estate will please make immediate

This the 10th day of January, 2019. Elaine Powers Partin, Administrator 9836 Archdale Rd

payment to the undersigned.

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TOWN OF SILER CITY NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

The Town of Siler City will conduct a public hearing on January 22, 2019 at 7:00 PM at the Siler City Town Hall **311 N. Second Avenue**, relative to the intention of the Town of Siler City to apply for CDBG-Economic Development fund-

The Town of Siler City intends to submit an application for a grant of up to \$3,000,000 in CDBG Economic Development to upgrade Wastewater Treatment Plant. The total project will be approximately \$21,000,000. A draft application will be made available for review at the public hearing.

The proposed project is intended to provide benefits to local residents, at least 51% of whom are low and moderate income individuals based on American Community Survey statistics. No individuals are anticipated to be displaced or require temporary relocation assistance as a result of the proposed project. Citizens will be given the op-portunity to provide oral and written comment on the Town's past and proposed use of CDBG funds at the public hearing. All interested citizens are

encouraged to attend. If additional information is needed, please contact Grant Administrator Nancy Hannah at 919-726-8625 or nhannah@ silercity.org. Formal written silercity.org. Formal written complaints or comments concerning the application process that are submitted to the Town of Siler City prior to or following the public hearing will be responded to within ten working days by the Town. A copy of the completed project application will be available for public review after January 23, 2018, at

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Gregory Flood, Joe Wagner Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 7313 Quartermaster presents the post's Teacher of the Year award to Toni Maples, who teaches in Richmond County.

VFW Post in Pittsboro names Youth and Education contest winners

CN+R Staff Report

PITTSBORO - Joe Wagner Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 7313 in Pittsboro announced the winners of its 2018-19 Youth and Education award contests.

Established in 1947, the Voice of Democracy audio-essay program provides high school students with the opportunity to express themselves in a democratic and patriotic-themed recorded essay.

This year the winners at the Post level were Chase Miller - First Place, \$100 and Abbey Bullock -Second Place, \$75. Chase, the first place winner, was sponsored by the Post to the VFW North Carolina District 9 level of the competition. His winning essay was based on this year's theme, "Why My Vote Matters."

Established in 1995, the Patriot's Pen youth essay competition for grades 6, 7 and 8 was enacted as a way to encourage young people to examine America's history, along with their own experiences in modern American society while improving their writing skills.

This year the winners at the Post level were Elizabeth Dupree - First Place, \$100; Nathaniel Hull - Second Place, \$75 and Isabella Segnere -Third Place, \$50. Dupree and Hull, the first and second place winners, were

sponsored by the Post to the VFW North Carolina District 9 level of the competition. Their winning essays were based on this year's theme, "Why I Honor the American Flag.

Each year the VFW recognizes exceptional teachers for their outstanding commitment to teach patriotism to their students and to promote America's history, traditions and citizenship education effectively. This year the winner of the Teacher of the Year award at the Post level with an award of \$100 was Ms Toni Maples, a CTE Business Teacher at Cordova Middle School in Richmond County.

She was sponsored by the Post to the VFW North Carolina District 9 level of the competition.

Twenty-one Chatham County students participated in the Post level competition this year. Winners at the Post level have the opportunity to move through the District and Department (State) levels to compete at the national level for individual awards ranging from \$500 to \$30,000.

The essay winners and their families were hosted for dinner and the award presentation at the Post's regular monthly meeting on Nov. 27. Maples received her award at a ceremony at her school on



Pictured above, from left, are Abbey Bulbrook, Chase Miller, Elizabeth Dupree, Isabella Segnere and Nathaniel Hull, winners of the awards presented by Joe Wagner Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 7313 in Pittsboro.

Carolina Farm Credit opens photo contest entry period

CN+R Staff Report

STATESVILLE -The Carolina Farm Credit Calendar Photo Contest is underway at CarolinaFarmCredit.com.

Members, employees, and friends of Carolina Farm Credit can submit photos via the website until May 31, 2019.

Participants are encouraged to submit up to three photos that are taken within the Carolina Farm Credit 54 county territory, including Chatham County.

The top photos will be chosen as finalists and will be displayed for voting on the Carolina Farm Credit website later this

The top three winners will receive cash prizes and will be featured in the 2020 Carolina Farm Credit photo calendar. See the Carolina Farm Credit website - www.carolinafarmcredit.com -- for a complete list of contest rules.

Students may apply for tour

N+R Staff Report

ASHEBORO Randolph Electric Membership Corporation encourages students to apply for the 2019 Rural Electric Youth Tour before are expected to particithe January 15 deadline.

One rising junior or senior high school student will be awarded an all-expense paid trip to Washington, D.C., June 5-21, 2019.

Sponsored by Randolph EMC and North Carolina's Electric Cooperatives, the, weeklong Tour is a tradition of electric cooperatives across the country that is more than 50 years strong.

About 1,800 students from more than 40 states pate in 2019, and North Carolina's electric cooperatives will send a delegation of nearly 45 students.

The Youth Tour allows students to experience the nation's capital like they never have before. Tourists will take part in adventures like paying their respects

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at Arlington National Cemetery, visiting the Washington Monument, meeting federal elected officials and touring Smithsonian museums, all while building connections with peers and future leaders from across the nation.

If you will be a high school junior or senior in Fall 2019 and wish to apply, completed applications are due by Jan. 15.

To download an application, visit RandolphEMC. com/YouthTour. For more details, contact Kathleen
Duckworth at 336-625-

8187 or at Kathleen. Duckworth@

RandolphEMC.com. Details for applying will also be shared via REMC's website,

Facebook and Twitter pages. Randolph Electric

Membership Corporation maintains more than 4,200 miles of electric distribution lines to serve nearly 32,000 members in areas of Randolph, Moore, Montgomery, Chatham and Alamance counties

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Square, Siler City, NC 27344 CALL Barbara Berry @ 919.742.1040

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