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CHATHAM'S SMALL BUSINESS SATURDAY

Retailers look for local '#shopsmall' support

BY JOHN HUNTER
News + Record Staff

Sandwiched between Black Friday – the traditional kickoff to the holiday shopping season – and this week's Cyber Monday, the event known as "Small Business Saturday" may not cause as much buzz for some shoppers.

But for Chatham County's locally-owned small retailers, it scores big at the cash register and can help make or break a business year.

Created in 2010 by American Express, Small Business Saturday was a chance for a business such as Pittsboro's New Horizons West to leverage its strengths against big-box and online retailing behemoths.

"I don't think that shoppers get the customer service at the bigger stores that they get from a local shop," said Michelle Gagliano, the outdoor gear and clothing store's manager, while helping customers Satur-

day. "I've worked here a little over a year and I have customers that I consider friends. You get to know people and they get to know you, and you know what they're looking for. You're buying from people you know and helping the place that you live grow stronger.

"We have people who come in and say that they would much rather shop with us than the big box store because they are proud to shop locally," she said.

The U.S. Small Business Association says 28 million small businesses accounted for 54 percent of retail sales in the United States last year. Some 108 million Americans shopped at small businesses on Small Business Saturday in 2017, spending an estimated \$12.9 billion, according to a Small Business Saturday Consumer Insights Survey.

"Small Business Saturday

is a great opportunity for our local businesses to leverage a national marketing campaign to generate their own buzz,"

said Alyssa Byrd, Interim President of the Chatham Economic Development Corporation.

And spending locally on



Jake Brower, a local artist and barista at Courtyard Coffee at Peppercorn in Siler City serves up customers during Small Business Saturday. (Staff photo by John Hunter)

Small Business Saturday goes beyond just finding unique items; it's an investment in the county.

"When we talk about shopping locally, we often cite the potential sales tax revenue loss for Chatham County, but an even bigger loss is the potential revenue for locally-owned small businesses," Byrd said. "Small businesses create jobs, invest in the local economy and contribute to the character of our communities."

This year, that investment is expected to increase. The National Retail Federation estimated that November and December sales will increase for retailers of all sizes as much as 4.8 percent from last year over last year. Nearly half of all holiday shoppers planned to spend more on Small Business Saturday purchases this year, according to a survey, and nearly two-thirds planned to spend at least \$100. A new Small Business Economic Impact Study from American Express says nearly two-thirds of every dollar spent at a locally-owned small business stays in the community.

Recognizing your customers helps, according to Jake Brower, an artist and barista at Courtyard Coffee at Peppercorn in Siler City.

"I don't know all of the people that come in by name right away," Brower said, "but there is a familiarity there. You get to know people. You remember their faces and they remember yours."

Small businesses give customers "that friendly smile and that personal touch" that you sometimes don't find at larger stores, he said.

"I think you especially find it here in Siler City," Brower said. "People give more of their time and get to know you. That attitude carries over into all of the small businesses here."

Another benefit of shopping locally is the exclusivity of unique items, according to Kitty Mecham, who along

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Carolina Brewery's 'Copperline' turns silver as top beer in U.S.

BY CASEY MANN
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At Pittsboro's Carolina Brewery, beer is more than a beverage. It's a craft.

And an award-winning one at that.

The brewery's "Copperline" beer became the latest in a line of its malt beverages to be recognized in a national competition, winning a silver medal in September's Great American Beer Festival in Colorado.

It's Carolina Brewery's fourth national medal at the prestigious festival, this one coming in a competition that pitted the brewery against more than 2,400 competitors who entered 8,496 beers in 102 categories.

Copperline is actually one of Carolina Brewery's oldest beers, described by brewmaster Nate Williams as an English-style ale. The brew was awarded its medal in the "ordinary and special bitter" category.

The win was the first for Williams, longtime member of the brewery team who took the reins of the brewery after the retirement of John Connelly this summer.

"It's primarily a malty beer but has enough hops to balance the sweet and leave you with a hoppy finish," Williams said.

Carolina Brewery, the fifth oldest brewery in North Carolina, was a vision of Robert Poitras. Poitras is a third generation Tar Heel, coming from small business family in eastern North Carolina. He notes his interest in craft brewer began on a study abroad in Europe while a student at UNC-Chapel Hill.

"I became very intrigued



Carolina Brewery brewmaster Nate Williams holds a glass of 'Copperline' beer, which won a Silver Medal at competition in Colorado. (Staff photo by Jeff Davis)

by the beer, wine, cheese, and food culture," he said.

During the following summer spent in San Diego, Poitras saw similarities in a growing culture there.

"There was better beer," Poitras said. "There was a genuine movement away from homogenized products."

What he saw in Europe and again in California was lacking on the East Coast. So Poitras dropped his honors thesis and decided to write a business plan for what would become, in 1995, the Carolina Brewery instead.

"Chapel Hill in the 90s was, well, is a hip town," Poitras said. "It has art, it has music, and it has culture. It's a sophisticated market with an awareness of finer, higher quality, non-homogenous things."

Poitras set out to create a place that was not an average college bar. He wanted a

"Cheers"-like atmosphere that felt like family. He chose to not have late hours, focus on quality casual dining, and of course, good craft beer.

While the Chapel Hill community was excited to have the new venture, Poitras noted there was a lot of education involved in those early days. The Carolina Brewery has never carried domestic beers. Staff and customers had to be knowledgeable about craft brewing and types of brews in order to find out what they liked.

As the business grew, Poitras began looking for places to expand and build a larger-scale brewery. After searching the area, Poitras became "fascinated with Pittsboro."

"It had good highways, low taxes, it was growing and it would be easy to ship from here," he said.

The location in Pittsboro, on Lowes Drive had the space he wanted to build his brewery. In fact, it had more space than he needed.

"We saw a need for our casual dining, scratch made, local focus foods," Poitras said.

In 2007, Carolina Brewery opened its Pittsboro location. About a month after it opened, Williams joined the brew team.

Williams grew up in Colorado where his love of craft brewing began.

"I've loved beer since I've been able to drink," Williams said. "In Denver, craft brews were growing a lot in the 90s and early 2000s."

He began as a home brewer with his wife while working in admissions in higher education. When his wife, a doctor, was offered a job at UNC, the couple moved to Durham. Williams worked two jobs—one at Duke University admissions and one washing kegs at Carolina Brewery.

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Guild's 26th Chatham Studio Tour kicks off this weekend

Artists ready to show their stuff

BY BILL HORNER III
News + Record Staff

It's spread out over the county for just a few hours and over two weekends, but for the artisans showcasing their works and studios, the

26th Chatham Studio Tour is the culmination of months of labor.

This year's tour, which kicks off with a reception in Siler City Friday evening and the official start of the tour on Saturday morning, showcases 52 of the county's most talented creators and members of the Chatham Arts Guild, the tour's organizer and promoter.

"One of the fun things about this year is that we have 10 new artists, 10 who are new to the tour, and an entirely new set of works," said Beth Bale, the Guild's co-president and a watercolor artist whose studio is on Walter Bright Road in Sanford. "Everybody has new work they've arranged to show on the tour. We all really focus on bringing out new things, new works. There will be a good

supply of brand new things for people to see."

Artists who will showcase on the tour use an array of traditional media and techniques to create their art. Creations on display and for sale include oil, acrylic and watercolor paintings, drawings, glass, fiber, ceramics, jewelry, photography and mixed media works. In addition, organizers say modern-day creative approaches to

create things such as digital artworks and high-voltage-induced wood designs will also be shown.

The self-guided studio tour is free and open to the public from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. the next two Saturdays and noon to 5 p.m. the next two Sundays. To help guide those wishing to take part on the tour, the Chatham Arts

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Chatham County Community Calendar

ON THE AGENDA

· The Siler City Board of Commissioners will hold its regular meeting at 7 p.m. on Dec. 3 at the Town Hall Courtroom in Siler City.

· The Chatham County Board of Commissioners will hold its regular meeting at 6 p.m. on Dec. 3 at the Historic Chatham County Courthouse in Pittsboro.

THURSDAY

· There will be a Ribbon Cutting and Open House at 11 a.m. on Nov. 29 at Gathered Home Décor, 697 Hillsboro Street, Suite 102, Pittsboro. Open house will follow. Refreshments will be available after the Ribbon Cutting.

SATURDAY

· Chatham Cares Community Pharmacy Christmas Tour of Homes will take place from noon until 5 p.m. on Dec. 1 in Pittsboro. Tickets are \$20 per person with all proceeds going to benefit Chatham Cares. To purchase tickets contact Becky Loflin at 919-548-6142.

SUNDAY

· First Sunday Artisan Fair in Pittsboro. From noon-5 p.m. in downtown Pittsboro on Dec. 2. An artisan market featuring crafts, music, and food. Shops, restaurants, and the Historical Association host special events. Part of the 2018 Holly Days, presented by the Pittsboro Business Association.

· See nativity scenes from around the world. More than 175 nativities will be on display at Chatham United Methodist Church, located at 1825 Chatham Church Rd. 2-5 p.m. on Dec. 2.

ALSO HAPPENING

· The IMPAC Substance Abuse Prevention Program for adolescents and young adults will be hosting a fundraiser at Al's Diner from 4-9 p.m. on Dec. 3. Al's is located at 535 West Street in Pittsboro.

· Chatham County Public Libraries will host Blackbeard's Sunken Prize at 1 p.m. on Dec. 1 at the 197 N.C. Hwy 87N location. Open to the public.

HOLIDAY HAPPENINGS

· Santa's Reindeer Roundup Express, December 1, 2, 8, 9 and 15 - the only event in the Triangle where attendees can visit and have their photo taken with Santa Claus while riding a real train. NHVR is located 30 minutes from Raleigh off of Old U.S. 1. Early reservations encouraged.

· Southern Village's Tree Lighting celebration will be held from 5-6:30 p.m. Dec. 3 on the Village Green. This year Smiles with Santa, a free photo opportunity for kids of all ages from 4-6 p.m. in the 410 Market Street Building will be added. The Tree Lighting event, sponsored by Duke Energy, will power up the holiday tree to celebrate the season in Southern Village. Families can enjoy sweet treats and hot beverages while listening to musical stylings of the Mary Scroggs Elementary School Chorus and the Grey Culbreth Middle School Chorus.

· Siler City will be holding its annual Christmas Parade at 7 p.m. on Dec. 6 beginning on Chatham Avenue.

· The Town of Siler City will be hosting a 'Supper With Santa' through the town's Recreation Department during the Christmas Holidays. Before making his big trip around the world, Santa is stopping by Siler City! Residents are encouraged not to miss Supper with Santa, where fun family memories are sure to be made. Included in the event will be a delicious dinner, crafts in Santa's Workshop and picture opportunities with Santa. Santa's Workshop and stations will offer children the chance to make fun crafts and keepsake ornaments. This event will be held from 6-8 p.m. on Dec. 7 at the Earl B. Fitts Community Center located at 111 S. Third Ave. in Siler City. Tickets must be purchased prior to the event at City Hall. Registration deadline is Nov. 30 or until full. The maximum number of participants is 40 and tickets are \$5 for 12 and under and \$10 for adults.

· The Goldston Christmas Parade is set for Dec. 8 on Main Street.

· The Snow Camp 13th annual Christmas Parade and Holiday Market will be held on Dec. 8. Parade lineup begins at noon with parade starting at 1 p.m. on Sylvan School and continuing around Drama Road. The Holiday Market will take place from 10 a.m.-3 p.m. in the Shoffner Bldg, 327 Drama Rd., Snow Camp.

· The Magical Lights of Christmas and Song to benefit the Chatham Cares Community Pharmacy will occur from 3 - 5 p.m. on Dec. 9 at the First United Methodist Church in Siler City. Luminaries can be purchased for \$10 in honor or memory of your loved one. Local church choirs will be performing. This is a free event for everyone. For more information, contact Becky Loflin at 919-548-6142.

· Pittsboro Holiday Parade will begin at 3 p.m. on Dec. 9, with marching bands, dancers, holiday revellers, and Santa Claus parade through downtown in this annual tradition.

· Two shows of Miracle On Hillsboro Street will take place at the Historic Courthouse in Pittsboro. The trial of the century occurs at the historic courthouse, where Santa is on trial. Enjoy audience participation, local actors, and the real Kris Kringle. Performances at 2 p.m. and 4 p.m. on Dec. 15. Admission is a \$5 donation to benefit Jamie's Vision. Children under 5 are free. Seating is limited, so advanced ticket purchase is encouraged. Tickets can be purchased at Chatham Business Services, Pittsboro Toys, Pittsboro Roadhouse, and M2Graphics Store. The event is hosted by the Pittsboro Business Association as part of the 2018 Pittsboro Holly Days.

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Pittsboro board approves letter of support for roadway, but no funds

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The Pittsboro Town Board of Commissioners agreed Monday to offer a letter of support to Chatham Park Investors for a portion of a roadway that would create an eastern bypass around Pittsboro.

But the matter of how an allocation from the North Carolina Department of Transportation will be spent is still in discussion between the town and Chatham Park investors.

Tim Smith, the manager of Chatham Park Investors LLC, contended during multiple meetings with the DOT, that the project structure and funding was agreed upon with NCDOT secretary Jim Trogdon, NCDOT Chief Operating Officer Bobby Lewis and NCDOT Division 8 Engineer Brandon Jones.

The entire project will include creating a new road that will connect U.S. 15-501 north of

Pittsboro to U.S. 15-501 south of town, and thus creating an eastern bypass around the town.

Phase one of the project will be construction of a new road that runs from the northern terminus of the existing portion of the Chatham Park Way at its intersection with U.S. 64 Bypass to U.S. 15-501 north of Pittsboro.

The second phase of the project will be the construction of a new road that runs in southerly direction from the southern terminus of the existing portion of Chatham Park Way, at its intersection with U.S. 64 Business and U.S. 15-501 south of Pittsboro.

As part of the agreement between Chatham Park Investors and NCDOT, Chatham Park will pay \$9 million for the first phase of the project. The funding helped increase the score of the project on the State Transportation Improvement Program, or STIP.

In return, NDOT will reimburse the Town of Pittsboro \$4.5 million. The money will not come in a lump sum, but rather would be an allocation for future road projects. The Town of Pittsboro would have no out of pocket contribution to the project.

According to Smith, the structure agreed upon from Chatham Park Investors and NCDOT officials would see the Town of Pittsboro disbursing the \$4.5 million back to road projects within Chatham Park.

"We've been working on this for years," Smith said.

Pittsboro Planning Director Jeff Jones, however, said that in his meetings with Trogdon, Lewis, and Jones that he was informed that Pittsboro would be able to use the \$4.5 million for NCDOT projects of the town's choosing.

"This was my understanding, too," Pittsboro

Mayor Cindy Perry said.

Ultimately, Pittsboro's town board unanimously agreed to direct town manager Bryan Gruesbeck to write a letter of support, with the understanding the use of the \$4.5 million would be discussed in the future.

"The DOT needs this by November 30, or we don't get any of it," Smith said. "We can discuss the \$4.5 million later. Right now, getting this in is the important thing."

Matt Day, a principal planner with the Triangle J Council of Governments, said that the town could decide later to opt out of supporting the project later. The NCDOT would then flag the project and start a review process.

"They cannot hold you or other boards to future plans," Day said.

RED CROSS: need for blood donations urgent; local opportunities to give set

The American Red Cross has an urgent need for blood and platelet donors to give now to ensure blood is available for medical treatments and emergencies during the holiday season.

Blood and platelet donations often decline during the holidays. Regular donors are busy with holiday activities, and travel and severe winter weather may cause blood drive cancellations. Yet donations remain critical for patients like 4-year-old Wyatt Monacelli who is in the midst of intense chemotherapy treatments for leukemia. He has received a number of transfusions since his diagnosis in June and will likely need more.

"We are fortunate to have had so many donors give the gift of life to our child so far throughout the course of his treatment, and even more so, we are lucky to have had a supply of blood available for him when he needed it," said Julianna Monacelli, Wyatt's mother.

Donors are urged to give now to ensure that families like Wyatt's don't have to worry about the

availability of blood this winter.

Upcoming blood donation opportunities Nov. 26-Dec. 19:

Alamance: Snow Camp

12/8/2018: 8:30 a.m. - 1 p.m., Eli Whitney Community Center, 3917 E Greensboro Chapel Hill Rd

Chatham: Pittsboro

12/5/2018: 12 p.m. - 4:30 p.m., State Employees Credit Union Pittsboro, 35 Industrial Park Dr

12/6/2018: 10 a.m. - 2:30 p.m., Central Carolina Community College - Building 2, 764 West Street

Siler City

12/14/2018: 10:30 a.m. - 3 p.m., State Employees Credit Union, 1131 North Glenn Ave

Lee: Sanford

11/30/2018: 1 p.m. - 5:30 p.m., Jonesboro Presbyterian Church, 2200 Woodland Ave.

12/4/2018: 1:30 p.m. - 6 p.m., First Baptist Church

- Sanford, 202 Summitt Dr.

12/18/2018: 1:30 p.m. - 6 p.m., St. Luke United Methodist Church, 2916 Wicker St.

How to donate

Simply download the American Red Cross Blood Donor App, visit RedCrossBlood.org or call 1-800-RED CROSS (1-800-733-2767) to make an appointment or for more information. All blood types are needed to ensure a reliable supply for patients. A blood donor card or driver's license or two other forms of identification are required at check-in. Individuals who are 17 years of age in most states (16 with parental consent where allowed by state law), weigh at least 110 pounds and are in generally good health may be eligible to donate blood. High school students and other donors 18 years of age and younger also have to meet certain height and weight requirements.

Blood and platelet donors can save time at their next donation by using RapidPass® to complete their pre-donation reading and health history questionnaire online, on the day of their donation, before arriving at the blood drive. To get started, follow the instructions at RedCrossBlood.org/RapidPass or use the Blood Donor App.

Volunteers needed

Another way to support the lifesaving mission of the American Red Cross is to become a volunteer transportation specialist and deliver lifesaving blood products to local area hospitals. Volunteer transportation specialists play an important role in ensuring an ample blood supply for patients in need by transporting blood and blood products. For more information and to apply for a volunteer transportation specialist position, visit rdcrss.org/driver.

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Area Obituaries

BOBBY LEE STOVALL

Bobby Lee Stovall, 82, of Liberty died Sunday, November 25, 2018.

Mr. Stovall was born in Richmond County on April 10, 1936, the son of Sandy J. and Sarah Nina (Frye) Stovall. Bobby was a broker with Action Foods Sales, was the former owner operator of Stovall's Mini Mart and an Army Veteran. He was an out-going, friendly person who loved his work and enjoyed working in his yard, his flowers, golfing and shagging to 1950s music. He was preceded in death by his parents; brothers, J. D. and Henry Stovall; sisters, Vernell Councilman and JoAnn Stovall.

Bobby is survived by his wife of 42 years, Betty (Moore) Stovall; son, Shawn Derrick Stovall (Carol) of Leland, NC; step-sons, Wiley Moore (Alecia) of Oak Ridge, NC and Michael Moore (Amy) of Greensboro, NC; two sisters, Hazel McMath (Wayne) of Goldston, NC, Sarah Daughtery (Fred) of Southern Pines, NC; two brothers, Lewis Stovall (Pearl) of Burlington, NC and William "Bud" Stovall (Brenda) of Siler City, and five grandchildren.

The family will receive friends Saturday, December 1, 2018 from 12 to 2 p.m. at Smith & Buckner Funeral Home, 230 North Second Avenue, Siler City. A Celebration of Life Service will follow on Saturday at 2 p.m. at Smith & Buckner Funeral Home Chapel with Rev. Sam Talley officiating. Inurnment will follow for the immediate family in Oakwood Cemetery, Siler City.

Online condolences may be made at www.pughfuneralhome.com.



MARY MAXINE BLACK BARBEE

Mary Maxine Black Barbee, 93, of Pittsboro, NC passed into her Savior's arms

November 14, 2018. Maxine "Mack" was born July 28, 1925 in Wade, NC of Thomas Ralph Black, Sr. and Foy Beatrice Kluttz Black. She had four siblings, Elizabeth Lane Black, Bobbie Kluttz Black Cagle, Thomas Ralph Black, Jr. (wife Pattie) and is survived by a brother, James Russell Black (wife Carol) of Charlotte, NC. Maxine graduated from Bethel High School in Midland, NC.

Mrs. Barbee was married to the late Tommie Jackson Barbee in 1952 and lived in Concord, NC where they raised two children, Thomas Michael Barbee (wife Kristie) of Houston, Tx. and Karen Barbee Pool (husband Mike) of Pittsboro, NC. Maxine had two grandsons, Tanner Michael Barbee and Wesley Lane Barbee, both of Houston, Tx.

She worked for many companies as a seamstress and retired from Fun Tees, Inc. in 1992. Maxine and Tommie were members of Center United Methodist Church in Concord. She loved all animals and volunteered for Cabarrus Pets Society in Kannapolis taking care of the foster cats and assisting with adoption events.

Mrs. Barbee had been a resident of Pittsboro, NC for the past 15 years where she gardened and took care of her beloved cats, Sammy, Millie, Rosie, Lendsey, and Deckster. She enjoyed birdwatching, visits from her neighbors, and trips to the beach to collect sea shells. When able, she attended Hickory Mountain United Methodist Church in Pittsboro.

Our family would especially like to thank all of Mom's caregivers who have been devoted to her care and happiness.

A Memorial service was held at Hartsell Funeral Home in Concord, November 24th, at 1 p.m. with family visitation to follow. Her final resting place was Carolina Memorial Park in Concord.

In lieu of flowers, since the service is over, Memorial donations can be made in her name to Chatham Animal Rescue and Education, Inc., PO Box 610, Pittsboro, NC 27312 or Cabarrus Pets Society, PO Box 5042, Concord, NC 28027.



JOYCE MERRITT MOTE

Joyce Merritt Mote, age 85, of Siler City passed away Monday, November 19, 2018 at Duke University Medical Center, Durham.

Mrs. Mote was born September 4, 1933 and was a native of Bladen County. She was the daughter of Kerney and Maude Smith Merritt. Joyce was a member of Siler City Pentecostal Holiness Church, the Senior Adult Sunday School Class and the Women's Fellowship. She was employed by Kellwood and Collins and Aikman although her true calling was being a Foster Parent. She loved flowers, cooking, looking after children, shopping and traveling. Joyce loved to fellowship with the ladies at Sheffield Apartments.

She is preceded in death by her parents; husband, Billy Mote; sister, Betty Smith; and son-in-law, Dennis James.

Mrs. Mote is survived by daughters, Brenda M. Johnson and Joyce M. Cole and husband Mike both, of Siler City, Billie Jo James of Goldston, Tina Teague and husband Michael of Snow Camp; sisters, Jackie Robinson and husband Dillard of Siler City, Elnora "Jenny" Langley and husband Johnny of Staley; brothers, Kenneth Merritt and wife Shelia, Robert Merritt and wife Sandy, both of Elizabethtown, NC; grandchildren, Stephen Cole, Philip Cole, Casey Ray James and friend Sienna Courie, Mollie Anne Teague, Scottie Teague, Meghan Teague, Carlie Mote, Crystal Rich and husband Mikel, and Zach Gaines and wife Nicole; foster child: Mandy Valdez; and four great-grandchildren.

The family received friends Friday, November 23, 2018 from 1 to 2 p.m. at Siler City Pentecostal Holiness Church, 17475 US 64 W, Siler City, NC and other times at the home of daughter, Billie Jo James, 4104 Goldston Glendon Road, Goldston, NC. The funeral followed at 2 p.m. with Pastor Mark Richardson and Pastor Jerry Foley officiating. Burial followed in Oakwood Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to the Siler City Pentecostal Holiness Church.

Smith & Bucker Funeral Home is assisting the family.

Online condolences may be made at www.pughfuneralhome.com.



EVELYN SCOTT ROBINSON

Evelyn Scott Robinson, 94, of Siler City died Saturday, November 24, 2018 at UNC Hospitals.

Mrs. Robinson was born in Chatham County on August 17, 1924 the daughter of Rufus and Clara (McLaughlin) Scott. Evelyn was a member of the Siler City Chapel, retired from Hadley Peoples Manufacturing and had also worked for Robbins & Ghant. She began each day with daily devotion and reading her Bible. She was a curious "people person", enjoyed cooking crocheting, and camping.

Evelyn was preceded in death by her husband, Edgar A. Robinson; her parents and sister, Geraldine White.

She is survived by one son, Thomas Alexander Robinson and wife, Jackie of Fayetteville; daughter, Sandra Ridge and husband, Dennis of Asheboro; two sisters, Merrill Jordan of Southern Pines, Dottie Griffin of Pittsboro; grandchildren, Angie Winslow (Bruce), Amy Staton (Jessie), Eddie Robinson (Misty), Alex Hilliard (Jamie), and seven great-grandchildren.

The family will receive friends Thursday, November 29, 2018 from 1 to 2 p.m. prior to funeral service at Siler City Chapel, 116 South Third Avenue, Siler City. The funeral will follow Thursday at 2:00 PM at Siler City Chapel with Rev. Steven Harrell officiating. Burial will follow in Chatham Memorial Park, Siler City.

Memorials may be made to Siler City Chapel, P O Box 431, Siler City, NC 27344.

Smith & Buckner Funeral Home is assisting the family.

Online condolences may be made at www.pughfuneralhome.com.



MARY ALICE GOODMAN SANDERS

Mary Alice Goodman Sanders, age 82, of Chapel Hill, died Sunday, November 25, 2018 at UNC Hospital.

Mary was born in Chatham County on November 26, 1935 to the late Harvey Goodman and Nora Josey Goodman. She was also preceded in death by her husband Clem Sanders; four brothers, Hook, Dave, Frank, Hugh; and one sister, Ova Marie Goodman.

Mary is survived by four sons, Punk Sanders and wife Cindy of Siler City, Haywood Sanders and wife Deanna of Snow Camp, Jeff Sanders of Chapel Hill, Raeford Sanders and wife Janice of Apex; three sisters, Irma Ellis of Pittsboro, Faye Hart of Mebane, Eva Riddle of Mebane; grandchildren, Mark Sanders, wife Erica and children Kinley and Sylvie, Jason Sanders, wife Ashley and son Cohen, Krystal Sanders and Brandon and son Logan, Dusty Sanders and wife Tiffany, Ben Sanders, wife Natasha and children Hunter, Kayley, and Alyssa, Jeremy Sanders, wife Malia and children Lilly, Jackson, and Wyatt, Chris Sanders, wife Kasey and children Reese and Colton, Shawna Gill, husband Britt and children Noah, Shelbie, Zach, and Eli, Mindy Frailey, husband Jody and children Kylee and Luke.

The family received friends Tuesday, November 27, 2018 from 6 to 8 p.m. at Donaldson Funeral Home & Cremation Griffin Chapel. The funeral service was held Wednesday, November 28, 2018 at 12 p.m. at Solid Rock Baptist Church with Pastor Jerry Sanders and Pastor Charles Dudley presiding. Burial followed in the Bynum United Methodist Church cemetery.

Condolences may be made at www.donaldsonfunerals.com

Donaldson Funeral Home & Cremation is honored to serve the Sanders family.

GUY LUTHER DELLINGER, JR.

Guy Luther Dellinger Jr., 93 of Moncure, died Tuesday (11/20/2018) at Central Carolina Hospital in Sanford.

He was born on July 1, 1925, son of the late Guy Luther Dellinger Sr. and Irene Pilson Dellinger. He retired from Southern Railroad and was a member of Haywood Bible Church.

Funeral services were conducted at 2 p.m. Friday at the Haywood Bible Church with Rev. Terry Pleasants officiating. Burial followed in the Haywood Bible Church Cemetery.

Surviving is his wife, Lucille Tilley Dellinger of the home; daughter, Judy Dellinger Thomas of Broadway; one grandson, two great-grandchildren and five Great-great grandchildren.

Online condolences may be made at www.smithfuneralhomebroadway.com.

Burial followed in Moore Union Church Cemetery.

He was born in Lee County, on August 19, 1966, to the late James A. Sloan, Jr and Cora Marie Baker Sloan. He was the owner and operator of Sloan Welding Service.

Surviving relatives include his wife, Linda Doby Sloan of the home; sons, William Clinton, Jr of Sanford and William Cody Sloan of Pinehurst; a daughter Peyton Sloan of Sanford; sisters, Sonya Baker Sloan Rantz of Sanford and Theresa Sloan Sheffield of Burlington; and two grandchildren, Lily Womack and Logan Womack.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to Bridges-Cameron Funeral Home, 600 W. Main St., Sanford, NC 27332.

Condolences may be made at www.bridgescameronfuneralhome.com.

JAMES "JIM" A. OSBORNE

James (Jim) Alexander Osborne, 85, of Sanford, passed away on Monday, (11-26-2018) at Cape Fear Valley Health in Fayetteville.

The family received friends on Wednesday, (11-28-2018) from 6 to 8 p.m. at Bridges-Cameron Funeral Home. The funeral service will be on

Thursday, (11-29-2018) at 3 p.m. at Barbecue Presbyterian Church with Rev. David Sherrod officiating. Burial will follow in the church cemetery.

He was the son of the late Benjamin Adam and Lee Measamer Osborne. He was preceded in death by his wife, Mae Howard Osborne of more than 50 years; brothers, A.J. Dixon, Robert Osborne and Harry Osborne; sisters, Frances Patterson, Nancy Jefferies, Mae Palmer and Alma Lilly. Mr. Osborne served in the Korean War as a member of the Ranger Air Borne Unit. He worked as a Detective with the Harnett County Sheriff Department. He was then the owner of Osborne Detective Agency. He was awarded the Order of the Long Leaf Pine on August 27, 1983 by Governor Jim Hunt.

He was a member of Barbecue Presbyterian Church and was honored Elder Emeritus in 2010.

Survivors include two sons, Ron Osborne of Burlington and Donny Osborne of Mangers; daughter, Joy Osborne Lloyd of Sanford; seven grandchildren and eleven great grandchildren.

In lieu of flowers, consider donations to Barbecue Presbyterian Church, 124 Barbecue Presbyterian Church Road, Sanford, NC 27332 and/or Shriners Hospitals for Children, Att: Office of Development, 2900 N. Rocky Point Drive, Tampa, Florida 33607. Condolences may be made at: www.bridgescameronfuneralhome.com.

ROSA L. TAYLOR

Rosa L. Taylor, 89, of Aberdeen, passed on Wednesday (11-21-2018) at FirstHealth Hospice & Palliative Care, Pinehurst. Arrangements by: Knotts Funeral Home, Sanford.

BOBBIE A. JOHNSON
Bobbie A. Johnson, 61, of Sanford passed on Sunday, (11-25-2018) at his home. Arrangements by: Knotts Funeral Home, Sanford.

CHARMONT FREEMAN KING

Charmont Freeman King, 64, of Sanford, passed away on Sunday, (11-25-2018) at Liberty Commons Nursing & Rehabilitation Center. Arrangements by: Knotts Funeral Home, Sanford.

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Opinion

Shop small means big things for local businesses

When you #shopsmall, it always means big things for Chatham County.

That was the message from a number of local retailers this week in the wake of the after-Thanksgiving "Black Friday," the traditional start of the Christmas shopping season.

In the last decade or so, Black Friday could more appropriately be termed as Black Thursday – with major retailers luring shoppers out on Thanksgiving Day in hopes of making cash registers sing with sales and turning P&L ledgers from red to black with profit. The increasing number of stores open that holiday, and the growth of online buying, pushed web-based retailers to create "Cyber Monday," which, among other things, helped cram our email inboxes with notices of sales and specials long before we digested the turkey and stuffing we ingested late last week.

So where does that leave the "mom and pop" small business retailers who, like the big boxes, need a strong holiday sales season to make their year a good one?

Hopefully not out in the cold.

Small Business Saturday was one way for store owners in Siler City, Pittsboro and around the county to promote the experience and value of shopping locally. Dollars spent locally in locally-owned businesses tend to stay in-county and recirculate, creating the kind of retail "churn" that helps fill our collective coffers and give us all more financial stability (and keeping more of our sales tax revenues inside our county lines). There are certainly times when the selection, price and convenience offered by larger retailers make sense. But there's never a time when it doesn't make sense to cast your eyes close to home when doing your shopping and buying, particularly when it comes to the heavy buying season between Thanksgiving and Christmas. (For thoughts on the subject by local retailers, See story, Page A1.)

As store owners pointed out this week, Small Business Saturday is there to help draw attention to the importance of shopping locally. We encourage anyone with a shopping list to make #shopsmall, and shop local, a priority – not just between now and the end of December, but for any buying decision into the New Year.

Treasures abound in Chatham County. We'll all benefit if we do our best to find them here before looking elsewhere.

Are our taxes fair and our is our spending effective?

Two topics of interest to most people are taxes and public spending. So whenever I find research focusing on these two areas – especially if they're applied to North Carolina – I think it's worthy of mention.

Two new studies recently came across my desk fitting this profile. One looked at the fairness of state and local taxes for all fifty states and the District of Columbia (DC). The second study examined the effectiveness of K-12 school spending, also in all states and DC.

Let's look at the tax study. I first have to define some terms. In measuring the fairness of a tax system, economists look at the portion of a household's income paid in taxes and then define three possibilities. If the percentage of income

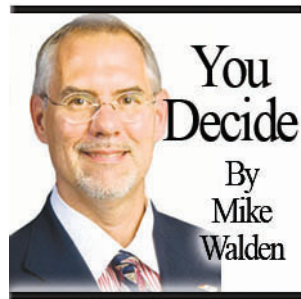
paid in taxes rises as the household's income rises, then this is called a "progressive" tax system. If the income percentage paid in taxes falls as the household's income rises, the tax system is termed "regressive". Finally, if the percentage of income paid in taxes doesn't change with the household's income, a "proportional" tax system is the result.

Let me be clear about the regressive tax system. It does not imply higher income taxpayers pay less dollars in taxes than lower income taxpayers. In reality, higher income folks usually pay more in taxes.

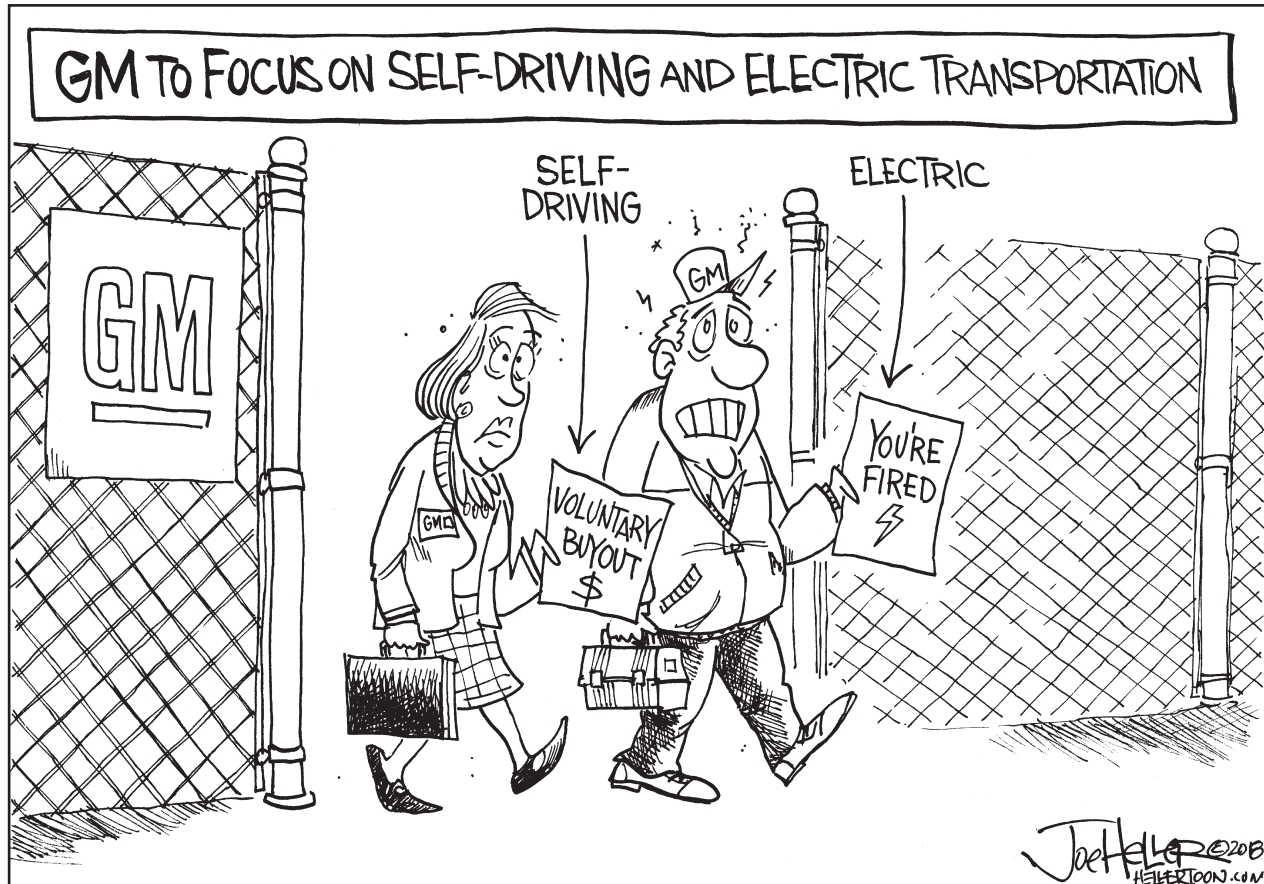
Instead, as a percent of their income, a regressive system means the percent is higher for lower income taxpayers than for higher income taxpayers.

Now on to the new study. The focus was on state and local taxes, so

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You Decide
By Mike Walden



Has Black Friday event run out of steam?

I've never understood the appeal of Black Friday.

I understand the desire to save money, certainly, and I suppose broken down to its basics that's what Black Friday – American consumers' chance to snag deals on televisions or cookware or whatever else people are buying for holiday gift-giving -- is about.

But since my awareness of Black Friday as a phenomenon a few years ago, I've had trouble processing what I'll call effort versus reward.

Is fighting crowds (sometimes literally) worth the savings reaped?

Two years ago, compelled by my wife's interest in a set of Pioneer Woman pots and pans, she and I braved, for the first time ever, the thick Black Friday crowd at one of the big box stores. The packed parking lot itself was a marvel.

To only further add to the

mystique of Black Friday, this particular Black Friday event actually occurred Thursday evening.

The experience, in spite of my reluctance, was fun, especially when I executed what I considered a classic Black Friday shopping maneuver, using my height advantage to reach in over the crowd and seize the desired item from the shorter folks clamoring below.

At the time, I felt a little guilty for my behavior, and whenever I see stock footage on television of a Black Friday door-busting rush, I feel another pang of guilt mixed with a dose of shame. While I enjoyed the experience, I found myself asking the question I posed above: was it worth it?

This year, after emerging

from a food coma, I was talked into giving Black Friday another try, though this time we had no goal, no Pioneer Woman needs we needed to meet. This time, we decided to attend Black Friday events just for the spectacle.

While my wife and I were resolved to stay above the fray, we didn't exactly come away from the experience empty-handed.

We bought a few things that seemed too good to pass up, but spending less than \$40 on our goods, I knew we weren't exactly the kind of Black Friday shoppers retailers are looking for.

In fact, the crowd Thursday night was impressive, but nobody seemed to be buying very much and, more pointedly, nobody seemed to be having much

fun. By early Thursday evening, we'd checked off both Thanksgiving and Black Friday and were safe and warm back home.

On Saturday, we drove to Wake County to check out a couple of stores there boasting Black Friday deals.

In Target, we noticed a Blender (normal price \$24.99) with a red sale tag offering it for \$25.99. Obviously this was a humorous mistake, but shoppers seemed disinclined to grab up the item.

In fact, we noticed that there weren't many people grabbing many deals at all.

Are folks just shopping a bit more carefully this year? Or maybe they were waiting for Small Business Saturday or Cyber Monday?

Or maybe Black Friday, as a cultural phenomenon, has run its course.

Randall Reflects

BY RANDALL RIGSBEE



You can't call time out as you play the game of life

Sometimes, life is a funny thing.

Not "ha ha" funny, but "interesting" funny.

We live in the present, reminisce about the past and look forward to the future – sometimes, seemingly, simultaneously. And we do it about all manner of things in life – people, places, events and such and at different levels depending on their importance.

Case in point...and this example means absolutely nothing if you don't care anything about sports in general, college football more particularly and UNC football specifically.

A few days ago, the university's administration fired its football coach. Too many losses, especially to rivals, and too many empty seats in Chapel Hill on Saturdays, which translated to too much lost revenue opportunity, spelled Larry Fedora's doom. That incident reinforced to me my oft-stated sentiment that I would not want to be a football coach and have my success depend on what a group of 18- to 20-year-olds might or might not do on any given Saturday.

However, in the days when I wore a younger man's clothes – and they were smaller sizes than what I wear now – I lived and died by the success of the football team at said university. A loss on Saturday sent me into a week-long funk. I've sat outside in Kenan Stadium in a driving rainstorm to watch a bunch of guys run up and down a field

kicking and throwing the pigskin.

It was life.

Then. In time, however, I realized, at least for me, that while sports and games are fine, there's more to life than the final score on Saturday or on Tuesday night for the basketball team.

There is the Final Score. Of life.

I say all that to say that the next day after the coach was fired his replacement was named and it turned out to be a fellow who had been there some years before... sort of a "back to the future."

When I heard the news about Mack Brown's return, my mind went back to some of the days when the just-hired coach was there, as well as when some of his predecessors roamed the sidelines, and when I did live and die by those games.

Some of them were glory days and some were gory days.

But then it didn't take long for my mind to wander to thoughts of people and places and events and things of the past much bigger than a football coach or game and to think of them in the light of life in today's world.

Obviously, many of them aren't here, gone on,

passed away, torn down, replaced – old friends, family members, stores and buildings, my high school, the Mustang I bought as my first car. It dawned on me that there are thousands of people alive today who have never dialed a rotary phone or used a manual typewriter, just like I've never plowed with a mule or read by a kerosene lamp.

What's it all mean? Maybe that nothing stays the same, that change is the only thing that's constant, that there's only so much time and we should use it wisely.

The past is gone; the future isn't promised; all we have is today. It is God's gift to us; that's why it's called the "present." May we make good use of it.

Movin' Around

WITH BOB WACHS



Will there be a 'closed' sign leading into rural counties?

After more than a year dangling the carrot to Raleigh and other communities Amazon finally announced their choices for their HQ2 project.

Once again Raleigh didn't win the proposed 50,000 jobs and \$5 billion investment. Curiously, we can't find many really upset about it.

We've been in these beauty contests many times and haven't even won "Miss Congeniality." We're told that Washington and New York, the joint winners,

collectively offered somewhere between \$2 and \$4



My Spin
By Tom Campbell

billion in economic incentives. Unofficial buzz is that North Carolina offered better than \$1 billion, Wake County almost \$200 million, our community colleges threw

in free job training and who knows what else was added.

But using the \$2 billion figure to win the reported 50,000 jobs we would have paid \$40,000 per job, a pretty steep price; it would probably require 20 years before this investment paid off.

And look at who is getting this largess. Jeff Bezos, majority owner of Amazon is worth an estimated \$80 billion. It's inherently wrong to subsidi-

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no federal taxes were included. Households were divided into five groups of 20 percent by their income level, that is, the 20 percent of households with the lowest income, the 20 percent of households with the next lowest income, and up to the 20 percent of households with the highest income. Since the focus was on working households, elderly (65 and older) households were omitted. The study developed an index of how the percentage of taxes paid changed through the five groups.

Here are the key findings. The vast majority of states – 45 to be exact – have a regressive tax system. This is mainly because two of the mainstays for localities and states – local property taxes and state and local sales taxes – have the same rates for everyone, regardless of income. Also for the sales tax, lower income households tend to spend a relatively larger portion of their income on products and services subject to a sales tax than do higher income households.

Using the study's index, the state of Washington has the most regressive tax system among the 50 states and DC. One reason is Washington has no state income tax, so more of the state's taxes must come from property and sales taxes, where lower income households often pay a higher percentage of their income. California, DC, Vermont, Delaware, Minnesota and New Jersey have mildly progressive tax systems.

And what about North Carolina? Among the 45 states with a regressive tax system, North Carolina's is the 15th least regressive. Stated another way, 30 states have a more regressive tax system than North Carolina.

The second study on the effectiveness of K-12 school spending was actually done by a former colleague of mine at N.C. State who has since moved on to another university. While there are many studies of education looking at inputs by states – like spending per

pupil – and outputs – such as test scores – my former colleague could find few, if any, that put outputs and inputs together to measure effectiveness.

For the output measure, he developed a measure of educational achievement based on data from the National Assessment of Educational Progress, an annual test administered by the federal government and widely considered to be one of the best available.

He then divided this measure for each state and DC by the state's (and DC) spending per pupil. Prior to this calculation, he adjusted each state's (and DC) spending per pupil by cost-of-living differences between the areas.

The results are very interesting. Using the measure of effectiveness, Florida has the most effective schools and West Virginia has the least effective schools. And – do I hear a drum roll – North Carolina has the 6th most effective K-12 schools using the methodology of my former colleague's study.

Please be clear, these findings are not arguments for or against either more school spending or less school spending. They're simply a report of what current K-12 spending seems to be getting each state (and DC) in effectiveness of the spending.

We should constantly evaluate North Carolina on our state's progress in many areas compared to other states. These comparisons give us one reading of "how we're doing". The two new studies I've reviewed give us comparisons on both sides of the public sector – taxes and spending. You decide what they mean for future public policy.

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dize the richest man in the world just so he and his company can get richer at the expense of the taxpayers.

Factor in inevitable problems like greater highway congestion, higher housing prices, greater demands on public infrastructure (like schools, water and sewer systems, recreation and adjacent properties) and the resulting higher taxes and it's no wonder folks aren't upset.

Sure, it would be a boost to our morale, but we've said for more than a year the negatives outweigh the benefits with HQ2. Like the laments of the ancient Psalmists' we cry "When, oh when, public officials, will you stop chasing big corporations and really address how to help our state, especially rural areas?"

Every day the problems grow. 33 of the 40 Tier 1 counties, the most economically distressed, lost population between 2010 and 2017.

Supporting schools, health departments, water and sewer systems and public infrastructure becomes increasingly problematic, resulting in higher tax rates than paid in more prosperous counties.

The lack of jobs forces many, especially young people, to leave to find work in more urban counties, leaving the populations of many rural counties older, less healthy, less wealthy and less educated.

Those left suffer from increased depression and disengagement. Leslie Boney, Director of the Institute for Emerging Issues recently cited the upheaval experienced in too many communities, especially the declines in

civic engagement. I

n an interview with the James G. Martin Center for Academic Renewal, Boney noted a 58 percent decline in people involved with civic clubs, a 43 percent decline in people talking to their neighbors and a huge decline in participation in government or organizations working to find solutions for problems.

Instead, people retreat from front porches to their air conditioning and television. Churches are losing members and civic participation in voting is diminishing.

All the things that made our small towns welcoming to families and a kinder, more neighborly place to live have given way to increased family dysfunction, drug and alcohol abuse and depression.

We refuse to believe these are unsolvable problems, but ask will we continue our insufficient, ineffective efforts until somebody sticks a "closed" sign on roads leading into and out of these counties? If we've got \$2 billion we're willing to give Amazon we ought to be able to find the money.

But first we must stop chasing these big corporations. Remember: charity begins at home.

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As hurricane recovery continues, governor urges FEMA registration

RALEIGH -- North Carolina continues to make progress recovering from Hurricane Florence, with more than \$895 million in state and federal resources already approved, Governor Roy Cooper said Wednesday.

He urged anyone who sustained damaged from the storm to apply for help if they haven't already.

"Across North Carolina, many people's lives were turned upside down by Hurricane Florence and we must keep pushing to get them the help they need and deserve," Gov. Cooper said. "Registering with FEMA is the first step to getting access to critical help to recover and rebuild."

Cooper continues to push for more federal and state resources to help communities and families hit hard by the storm. Last week, he traveled to Washington to meet with the state's Congressional delegation and key federal officials.

Hurricane Florence made landfall at Wrightsville Beach on Friday, September 14 and brought historic rainfall, damaging flooding, and 10-foot storm surge to the state. The storm caused an estimated \$17 billion in damages statewide.

Florence is now blamed for the loss of 42 North Carolina lives. The most recent death attributed to the storm by public health officials involved a 76-year-old man who died in a motor vehicle crash in Jones County while returning home from a shelter on September 23.

"Some storm losses can never be repaired or replaced," Gov. Cooper said. "We continue to mourn the lives lost to Hurricane Florence as we face the task of recovery with determination and compassion."

Individuals and Households Program To date, North Carolina homeowners and renters have been approved for more than \$115 million in assistance from the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) with \$95.5 million of that money already on the ground to more than 33,300 households.

People in 34 counties are eligible to apply for Individual Assistance: Anson, Beaufort, Bladen, Brunswick, Carteret, Chatham, Columbus, Craven, Cumberland, Duplin, Durham, Greene, Guilford, Harnett, Hoke, Hyde, Johnston, Jones, Lee, Lenoir, Moore, New Hanover, Onslow, Orange, Pamlico, Pender, Pitt, Richmond, Robeson, Sampson, Scotland, Union, Wayne and Wilson.

At Governor Cooper's request, the application deadline was extended by one month. The deadline to apply for FEMA assistance is now December 13, 2018.

To register for help from FEMA:

Visit DisasterAssistance.gov or DisasterAssistance.gov/es for Spanish.

Call 800-621-3362 or 800-462-7585 (TTY) anytime from 7 a.m. to 11 p.m. local time seven days a week until further notice. Multilingual operators are available.

Visit a disaster recovery center. To find center locations and current hours, download the FEMA mobile app in English or Spanish, use the ReadyNC app, or visit FEMA.gov/DRC. Center hours and operations are adjusted based on visitor demand.

In-person American Sign Language (ASL) interpreters are available by calling or texting 202-655-8824. Go online to watch a video on how to request an American Sign Language interpreter.

Across North Carolina, 51 counties are also getting help from FEMA with things like storm debris removal and repairing critical public infrastructure through the Public Assistance program.

Housing Help

As of November 20, FEMA has approved \$95.8 million in housing help for 32,476 North Carolina households. This includes temporary housing in hotels, apartments, travel trailers and manufactured housing.

A total of 398 North Carolina families with 1,118 household members are currently staying in hotels through the Transitional Sheltering Assistance Program with FEMA.

A total of 118 North Carolina families now have temporary housing through travel trailers and manufactured homes provided by FEMA, with hundreds more temporary homes on the way. Direct Temporary Housing Assistance is available to survivors in certain counties whose homes are likely to be able to be repaired within six months. FEMA has currently approved these housing units for 13 counties – Bladen, Brunswick, Carteret, Columbus, Craven, Duplin, Jones, Lenoir, Onslow, Pamlico, Pender, New Hanover and Robeson. Temporary housing units are typically placed on the damaged home's property or located in a commercial park.

People must first register with FEMA to be considered for either the Transitional Sheltering Assistance or travel trailer/manufactured housing programs.

Back@Home North Carolina is working to help families transition to longer-term housing if they are not eligible for FEMA assistance. Launched by the North Carolina Department of Health and Human Services, Back@Home NC to date has helped more than 80 qualified families move into permanent

housing. Services include housing navigation, rental assistance and case management. Affected families can call 2-1-1 to learn more about the program.

Low Interest Loans

In addition to help through FEMA, the U.S. Small Business Administration (SBA) offers low interest loans to homeowners and renters who suffered storm damage. So far, \$264.8 million in loans have been approved for 6,917 North Carolina homeowners and renters and another \$34 million in loans are approved for 574 North Carolina business owners. The deadline for filing an SBA application is Dec. 13, 2018.

Completing the SBA loan application is also key to receiving certain FEMA grants, so people should apply even if they do not plan to use an SBA loan.

Help for Businesses

The Small Business Administration (SBA) also provides loans to businesses that suffered physical and/or economic damage from the storm. The SBA operates 10 Business Recovery Centers to assist business owners affected by Florence. They are located in Bladen, Carteret, Columbus, Craven, Cumberland, Johnston, New Hanover, Onslow,

Pitt, and Robeson counties. To find the nearest Business Recovery Center, call 800-659-2955 (800-877-8339 for the deaf and hard-of-hearing) or by sending an email to disastercustomerservice@sba.gov.

More help for North Carolina businesses recovering from Florence is available through the NC Department of Commerce and the Small Business Technology Development Center, available at sbtdc.org/hurricaneflorence/.

Insurance

The first line of defense against any disaster damage to homes and property is always insurance. To date, the National Flood Insurance Program has paid almost 15,000 claims totaling more than \$480 million to North Carolinians who suffered damage from Florence.

Emergency Food Help

More than 720,000 North Carolinians in the 34 federally-declared disaster counties received disaster food assistance in the weeks immediately following Hurricane Florence. This help was provided through the Disaster Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program, or D-SNAP. DHHS also took other steps to make emergency food help available to those in need after the storm.

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Guild published 20,000 copies of a brochure featuring brief profiles of participating artists and a map showing the 37 different studio locations throughout the county – which include new and renovated barns, custom designed home studios and even an airplane hangar.

Ten of the participating artists are first-timers on the tour, which begins with an opening reception and exhibit at the N.C. Arts Incubator in downtown Siler City from 7-9 p.m. Friday. The reception includes samples from all participating artisans, a student show and food, and is open to the public with no admission fee.

In addition, the guild has put together an information center and Artist Exhibition at the Chatham Arts Council, located 118 West St., near the courthouse in Pittsboro. It will be open from 10 a.m. – 2 p.m. Saturdays and noon – 3 p.m. Sundays through Dec. 9. A tour preview and exhibit will be open weekdays and Saturdays through Dec. 29 at the N.C. Arts Incubator and will include a selection of smaller-budget works by guild artists. Finally, a student show will be held through Dec. 9 at The Peppercorn at 128 N. Chatham Ave. in Siler City.

Bale acknowledges that tour-goers will find it difficult to “take in everything.” Instead, she suggests people start with artists whose works they like from the brochure (also found on the guild’s website; see infobox).

“Pick a few of the artists you’re drawn to from the photos and descriptions in the brochure and try to catch as many as you can,” she said. “Start in the morning, stop in town for lunch, and keep going for the day if you can.”

Bale says she’s been “pretty prolific” this year in creating watercolor paintings of animals and nature for the show. Her fellow guild co-president Lani Chavez, whose studio is on Wintersage in Pittsboro, is also a watercolor artist. This year will be Chavez’ first as a studio stop on the tour – she says she’s created “tiny paintings” as small gifts as part of her display – but she’s taken part before as a visitor.

“One of my favorite things is driving on country roads and seeing the neat studios and homes,” she said. “People will have four days to do that. I think they should look at the brochure and see what they’re drawn to, and just follow their hearts and instincts and just enjoy it.” Last year, Chavez said entered the addresses of several studios into her GPS, which “mapped out a tour for me. I just followed the map and had a wonderful time.”

She described taking the tour as “educational,” since she and other artists will take time to answer questions about their works. But it also helps for tour-goers to spend money as well.

“We always encourage people to spend local,” she said. “If you have a budget, just follow your heart... We hope everyone who participates has an awesome time.”

IF YOU'RE GOING

26th Chatham Studio Tour

WHAT: a free, self-guided tour of studios of members of the Chatham Arts Guild, featuring more than four dozen artisans and their locally-created works, including paintings, sculpture, pottery, jewelry, photography and more. Studios on the tour can be identified by a large red triangle on the map and signs near and at each studio.

WHEN: This weekend and next. Hours: 10 a.m. – 5 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 1, and Saturday, Dec. 8; noon – 5 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 2, and Sunday, Dec. 9. Interactive map available at the Chatham Artists Guild website.

OPENING RECEPTION: 7-9 p.m. Friday at the N.C. Arts Incubator, 223 N. Chatham Ave., Siler City. The reception includes samples from all participating artisans, a student show and food. Free and open to the public.

FOR MORE INFORMATION: visit the Guild’s Information Center and Artist Exhibition at the Chatham Arts Council, 118 West Street, near the courthouse in Pittsboro; open 10 a.m. – 2 p.m. Saturdays and noon – 3 p.m. Sundays through Dec. 9.

OTHER EVENTS: Tour preview and exhibit open weekdays and Saturdays through Dec. 29 at the N.C. Arts Incubator in Siler City. The exhibit will include a selection of smaller-budget works by Guild artists.

A Student Show will be held through Dec. 9 at The Peppercorn, 128 N. Chatham Ave., Siler City. Call 919-533-9022 for more information.

ONLINE: www.chathamartistsguild.org

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with her husband John, own Liquidambar Gallery and Gifts in downtown Pittsboro.

Those tempted to shop online or search for similar items at big box stores will be out of luck, she added.

“Shoppers can’t just go to a big box store and buy what we have,” Mecham said. “We have one-of-a-kind, handmade items.”

“What we sell is unique,” said Mariah Wheeler, owner of Pittsboro’s The Joyful Jewel. “You’re not going to be able to walk into just any store and buy what we sell.”

Sue Szary, owner of Twin Birch & Teasel, described many small business owners as “makers.”

“We are makers in Siler City,” she said. “All through the downtown area, we have artists that make their original items and sell them right here. Their storefronts are unlike any other store in the world.”

But Szary hasn’t limited herself to just walk-in traffic. Twin Birch has utilized the internet to help expand her brand of handcrafted birch wood fiber tools, eclectic selection of yarns, roving, spinning wheels and accessories, fiber-related jewelry, fair trade African baskets and bowls, and work by local craftspeople and artisans.

“We sell our products all over the world,” she said. “We have a fairly strong internet presence.” Still, Small Business Saturday still remains vital for Chatham’s “mom and pop” retailers.

“(It’s) a big day for us,” Mecham said. “We wouldn’t be here without our loyal customers. But we also have a really strong support from the Pittsboro Business Association and the Main Street Program.”

For the last several years, the Pittsboro Business Association has sponsored the Pittsboro Holly Days as a way to encourage shopping in downtown; Small Business Saturday was featured as part of the celebration this past weekend. Retailers in downtown Siler City are also promoting holiday shopping through the Holiday Sip & Shop on Sunday afternoons.

The holiday season is in full swing but Byrd wants customers to continue their patronage all year.

“Small Business Saturday is a fun way to celebrate small businesses, but it’s important for us to support them year-round,” Byrd said.



The Siler City Fire Department responded to this fire Monday, shortly after lunch, where a hay bale on the back of a truck caught fire. The driver of the vehicle removed the bale in the parking lot at Auto Zone, on Highway 64, after it was noticed that the bale had caught fire. The bed on the pickup truck had been removed and the bale was being transported near an open area on the body frame, where it apparently ignited. (Staff photo by Jeff Davis)

Neighbors, Hindu temple square off over ordinance

BY CASEY MANN
News + Record Staff

A dispute between neighbors and a Hindu temple in the northeastern part of Chatham County could result in new regulations on where churches and religious institutions could locate in the county.

The Chatham County Board of Commissioners heard a request last week for a change to the county’s zoning ordinance which, if approved, would require churches and religious institutions to seek board approval before locating in residential areas.

The request was filed by Jim Cassese, a resident in the northeastern portion of the county, triggering last week’s public hearing. More than two dozen people signed up to speak at the hearing, which took place during the commissioners’ regular meeting at the Chatham County Courthouse.

Cassese and other neighbors came to the public hearing to support the request for additional oversight for religious institutions in residential areas due to concerns of traffic, safety and pollution.

“This is not about religion, it’s about privacy and public safety,” Cassese said during the hearing.

Concerns included exterior lighting, music from events, and cars “overburdening” the kind of private gravel road on which Cassese lives. Residents argued that a church is a public entity and should be considered as such during the permitting process.

“I am requesting the wording change in the zoning rules because in the past year the temple that has been opened has severely altered the entrance to our road and made it completely impossible to get in or out when they hold their large events,” Cassese said.

“When I talked to the county about it they informed me that no public hearing was needed in order to open a religious institution,” he said. “In other words, one could open wherever they wanted and the residents that live in the area had absolutely no say in it. That is the rule right now.”

At the public hearing, temple members who signed up to speak allocated their time to attorney Paul Messick, who also serves as attorney

for the Town of Pittsboro, to speak on their behalf.

Messick argued that the Religious Land Use and Institutionalized Persons Act, passed in 2000, protects religious institutions in these kinds of situations. He also raised concerns about the legality of the proposed ordinance amendment.

“I think this proposed amendment violates that law,” Messick cautioned commissioners. “And I think it subjects the county to substantial liability. This is not a public organization. This is a private religious organization that uses private land.”

Messick noted that non-profit clubs, public parks and recreation areas, and schools are all permitted in residential areas. He said those public uses of private lands do not require a conditional use permit as was suggested for a religious organization.

The Radha Krishna Temple of N.C. sits on land purchased by Neeta Chokshi in 2017 and is located near Cassese’s property off Hollands Chapel Road. After purchasing the land, the temple completed a process with the county to allow a converted basement in an existing home on the property to be a temporary worship area while they prepare to construct a permanent temple.

Previously, the proposed temple went through pre-approval meetings with the county. The county has standards and requirements for the temple’s construction including minimum acreage required, setbacks, lighting and signage.

The temple’s use of a basement of an existing home had to show parking equivalent for the space currently used for worship. The issue seems to hinge on when the temple hosts special events, based on complaints from nearby residents.

Cassese’s road, Hogan’s Farm Road, and the temple’s road, Radhika Way,

meet at a single point at Hollands Chapel Road. Both roads are private, gravel covered, single-laned roads.

The Radha Krishna Temple of N.C. holds religious services each weekend with about 40 attendees. The temple has held two large-scale events—a grand opening in April and a ceremonial event in September.

According to Chokshi, members of the temple informed neighbors in advance of the events to address concerns.

“I met all the owners in good spirit at our temple and addressed their questions with kindness and love,” Chokshi said. “Whenever I could I addressed their requests.”

Per the neighbors’ requests, Chokshi hired a Chatham Sheriff’s Deputy to direct traffic during large events, cleaned any debris, and turned off decorative lighting used for a New Year’s event.

Chokshi also stated that the temple responded to requests by neighbors to fix the entrance of the two roads.

“They asked to fix the entrance – they thought that our event wore it out, but the contractor said it was because of Florence – [and] we fixed it,” Chokshi said. “They were not happy; the contractor was again hired to fix it.”

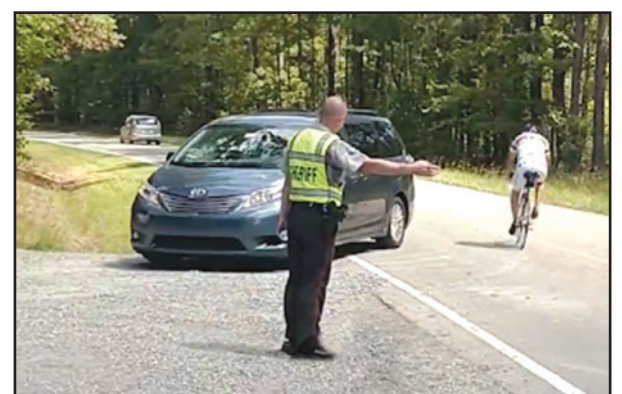
In Chatham County, churches are permitted by right in residential areas. In Sanford, churches are permitted in residential areas except downtown. Churches are also per-

mitted within the town limits of Siler City and Pittsboro. In Wake County, churches are permitted in residential areas except in specific watersheds which require additional approvals.

Regardless of what the Board of Commissioners decides, the Radha Krishna Temple of N.C. will not be affected. Even if the text amendment passes, as the structure and property have already been approved as a religious institution, the temple won’t be subject to any revisions, according to Chatham County Planning Director Jason Sullivan. Commissioners are awaiting guidance from the county’s Planning Board before acting.

Chokshi hopes that an agreement between the temple and the neighbors can be reached.

“We are simple people of simple faith and devotion who are open to discussing concerns and issues as they arise without the unnecessary attention they are hoping to garner by including the media and county officials,” Chokshi said. “We have gone through all the legal requirements of setting up a place of worship in this area. However, we understand that the close proximity of their personal lands with the place of worship lands can contribute to some tension. We hope that we can develop open lines of communication and hope that they will welcome the diversity and beauty of a serene temple that we envision.”



Neighbors of a Hindu Temple in northeastern Chatham requested additional restrictions be added to the zoning ordinance for churches locating to the area. Above are photos of traffic during a special event hosted by the The Radha Krishna Temple of N.C. (Photos courtesy Jim Cassese)

Rusher provides perspective on November's mid-term election

This week, we speak with Mike Rusher, who's been analyzing elections data since 2010, about a statewide perspective on November's mid-terms. Rusher is the vice president for public affairs at The Results Company, a communications and strategic consulting firm in Raleigh. During his career he's worked with nonprofit organizations and political campaigns and state government and governmental affairs. Rusher began packaging election data tracking and analysis to his clients in 2010. He earned a degree in political science and concentration in state government from the University of North Carolina at Greensboro

This year's mid-term elections featured high voter turnout and quite a few extremely close races around North Carolina. What were your overall impressions about this election?

North Carolina missed the message about 2018 being a low turnout mid-term with 52 percent turnout, blasting past 2014's turnout of 44 percent and 2010's turnout of 43.6 percent. We had a record number of candidates running for state house and senate seats as nearly each of the 170 contests featured both a Republican and a Democratic candidate.

However, on election night the urban-rural divide was easy to see. Wake and Mecklenburg counties paved the way for smaller Republican majorities in the North Carolina General Assembly. Only a duo of Republican lawmakers were chosen on election day in the state's most populous counties, Wake (Raleigh) and Mecklenburg (Charlotte). No State House Republicans made it through election day there, and Senator John Alexander was the

last Senate Republican standing. In Mecklenburg, Senator Dan Bishop was the last Republican standing in the Senate.

Overall, Democrats picked up 10 seats in the State House and six seats in the State Senate. In the Senate chamber, Democrats will hold 21 Senate seats to Republicans' 29 when the new legislative session begins next year. In the House chamber, Democrats will have 55 seats in the House to Republicans' 65.

Though North Carolina also played host to three battleground U.S. Congressional races this year, in the end they yielded no surprises. By tracking early voting results and comparing to past elections, there were clear trends developing in late October, well before election day. Most importantly, the "blue wave" didn't happen as advertised. Halfway through the expanded early voting calendar, the results showed not only were Republicans ahead of expectations in the 9th and 2nd district battlegrounds, but that they were far ahead in the 13th. These trends were solidified by the 18th day of early voting in 2018, a year in which 55 percent of the total 3.71 million ballots were cast before election day.

In lieu of the congressional results, gerrymandering will inevitably become a focal point in our state's politics. Yes, Republicans won 77 percent of the state's congressional seats Tuesday night on the strength of 51 percent of the votes cast – but is this anything but an accurate measure of what our state's congressional delegation should look like politically. In the months leading up to the election, polling indicated these districts were up for grabs, and leads changed hands multiple times in the battleground districts of the 2nd, 9th and 13th. Further, each district, campaign, and candidate message were unique enough to pierce



Mike Rusher of The Results Company

this blanket measurement of applying a popular vote percentage across individual districts. Lastly, North Carolina's current governor and latest elected State Supreme Court Justice both won their elections without clearing the 50 percent threshold, yet they now represent 100 percent of the state. I believe we should frame this debate better than special interest groups who cherry pick statistics to fit their rhetoric.

What role did young voters play?

Year after year a large portion of election coverage tends to drift towards the elusive block of young voters. Though we don't yet have 2018's election day statistics, we know through early voting that 18- to 30-year-olds continue to be the smallest block of voters compared to 31-44, 45-65, and 65 and above groups. In fact, in 2018 just 9.5 percent of all votes cast in the early vote period were from the 18- to 30-year-old voting bloc. This is well below that group's 2016 levels and slightly above 2014 levels.

Voter ID passed, but... what's next?

Lawmakers return to Raleigh to work out the

voters increased by 8.3 percent. That was the largest increase in Democrat turnout of any state in the country. By comparison, neighboring Illinois has no photo ID requirement and had an increase in Democratic turnout of only 4.4 percentage points – nearly half Indiana's increase.

Let's look ahead to 2019 and the N.C. General Assembly... how will the smaller Republican majority impact the governor's veto power?

While Republican majority slimmed in the State House by 10 seats and the State Senate by six seats, they hold majorities – but is the Democrat Governor's veto really stronger? That's difficult to answer when we examine this history of Governor Roy Cooper's vetoes. Republicans have been willing to reach across the aisle for veto-overrides and some Democrats have been willing participants. In all, Governor Cooper has used his veto stamp 25 times. Out of those 25, 20 have been overridden. And out of those 20, only four were overridden on party lines. That means 16 veto-overrides garnered bi-partisan support of at least one or more Democrats.

With the 2018 elections behind us, the 2020 elections start now. What can we learn from 2018 to preview 2020?

Like it or not, the 2020 campaign season has already begun, and the early advantage goes to North Carolina Republicans, who will help launch President Trump's 2020 bid by hosting the Republican National Committee's Convention in Charlotte. North Carolina's voting

electorate is historically complex, and to better understand implications for 2020, we must start with the data from 2018.

On the surface, Democratic gains are easy to spot. But dig a little deeper, and you'll find the foundation of undeniable Republican leanings. Though North Carolina featured no traditional statewide "top of ticket" federal race in 2018, statewide data has produced very relevant results that political parties ignore at their own risk.

The two most highly voted contests, in order, were to add Voter ID into the state's constitution (3.65 million votes cast), and the race for North Carolina Supreme Court (3.61 million votes cast).

Voter ID, a staple of the Republican Party platform, passed with 55.55 percent support. On the Supreme Court, Democrat Anita Earls cruised to an easy election with 49.45 percent over two Republicans who split the vote. But what's unique about the Supreme Court race is that more voters chose to support a Republican candidate than the Democratic candidate.

Heading into 2020, the Democrat Party's concern should be over its last two statewide "top of ticket" winners failing to receive a mandate. This time, Anita Earls received just 49.5 percent of the vote. Remarkably, this total is higher than the 2016 top of ticket winner, Governor Roy Cooper, who received just 49.02 percent of the vote. The last time an elected governor in North Carolina failed to clear 50 percent was in 1896, when Representative Daniel L. Russell received 46.5 percent in a five-man race.

Edwards, Davis team up to hold 'Country Bluegrass Christmas' at Asheboro Library

ASHEBORO – The bluegrass/old time music team of Tommy Edwards and LaNelle Davis will present a selection of original and seasonal tunes in "A Country Bluegrass Christmas" at 7 p.m. Tuesday, December 4, at the Asheboro Public Library.

The pair will be joined by a Stan Brown on banjo and Gerald Hampton on mandolin for the performance, which is sponsored by the Friends of the Library. It's free and the public is invited.

Edwards, from Pittsboro, is lead singer and guitarist for The Bluegrass Experience, and host of Life 103.1's "Bluegrass Saturday Night."

A professional performer for over 35 years, Edwards has twice been named World Champion Bluegrass Guitarist. He also served for 30 years in the Randolph and Chatham county schools as a teacher, coach and administrator.

Davis, from eastern North Carolina, initially was drawn to clogging, touring and performing extensively as a dancer and caller. She took up the bass when a friend moved and left one at her house, and since has performed with numerous nationally-known old-time bands and individuals.

The library is at 201 Worth Street. For more information, call 336-318-6803.



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Living in Chatham

Kitchen Kapers

(or Good Grief, It's suppertime again')

By Mary John and Alan Resch

By Mary John Resch

My daughter Mary Alice brought this for the column when she was home last week.

Snickerdoodles have been one of Caroline's favorite cookies since our neighbor on Whidbey Island introduced them to her. When I found this recipe, I liked the idea that it combined those yummy cookies with muffins. The results were delicious and were a big hit when I took them to work so I wouldn't eat them all myself!

SNICKERDOODLE DOUGHNUT HOLE MUFFINS

Active time: 25 Min., Total time: 37 Min. Makes 2 dozen mini-muffins

Muffins:

1/2 cup sour cream; 1/4 cup vegetable oil; 1 large egg, at room temperature; 1 tsp vanilla extract; 1/2 cup granulated sugar; 1 cup all-purpose flour; 1/2 tsp baking soda; 1/4 tsp kosher salt; 1/2 tsp ground cinnamon; 1/4 tsp grated nutmeg; Coating: 1/2 cup salted butter, melted; 1 cup granulated sugar; 1/2 tsp ground cinnamon; 1/2 tsp grated nutmeg

Prepare the muffins: Preheat oven to 350 degrees. Lightly grease a 24-muffin miniature muffin pan with cooking spray. Stir together sour cream, oil, egg, vanilla and 1/2 cup sugar in a small bowl.

Whisk together flour, baking soda, salt, 1/2 tsp cinnamon and 1/4 tsp nutmeg in a medium bowl. Whisk sour cream mixture into flour mixture. The batter will be very thick. Spoon 1 Tbsp of batter into each prepared muffin cup, keeping batter rounded on top.

Bake in preheated oven until golden and springy when touched gently on top, 10-12 minutes. Cool in pan 5 minutes. Remove from pan to a wire rack; cool completely, about 15 minutes.

Prepare coating: Place melted butter in a small bowl. In another small bowl, whisk together 1 cup sugar, 1 1/2 tps cinnamon and 1/4 tsp nutmeg. Dip 1 muffin in butter; immediately dredge in sugar mixture and place on a serving platter. Repeat with remaining muffins, butter and sugar mixture.

CARD of THANKS!

The family of Elder Cora Lee McIver would like to express their sincere appreciation for all the love, encouraging words, food, flowers, cards and visits that were extended to us during the time of our bereavement.

Special thanks to Chatham Hospital, UNC Healthcare, Chatham Primary, Dr. James Davis, Dr. Crites and the staff at Liberty Home Health and Hospice. Also thanks to Gwen, Aunt Hattie, Tera, Tracy, Tiffany, Melanie, Annie Jean and Dwaine that were always there when we needed them.

Thanks to my church family, community and friends for your outpouring of love and support. God bless each of you.

The Family of Elder Cora Lee McIver

Mahershala Ali won an Oscar for his supporting performance in "Moonlight," a layered, complex film traversing the intersection of race and sexuality from the perspective of the African-American experience. Two years later, Ali revisits those themes in "Green Book," but in a far more elemental, reductive fashion.

Ali portrays real-life piano virtuoso Don Shirley, a man of letters and musical acclaim who, in the early 1960s, embarked on a series of concert tours. His bodyguard for a trek through the Deep South is Tony "Lip" Vallelonga (Viggo Mortensen), a bouncer at the Copacabana who licks into a gig driving Don around, equipped with the eponymous "The Negro Motorist Green Book," a mid-20th century guidebook for African-American travelers to find black-friendly hotel, restaurants, and other establishments during the Jim Crow era.

This buddy road trip movie is built around Don and Tony's odd couple pairing. Don chafes at Tony's impertinent manner, while Tony is, well, a racist who drops drinking glasses used by a couple of black repairmen in the trash bin rather than let them touch his lips again. Along their odyssey, Tony comes to admire Don and how he nobly suffers racial prejudice. Meanwhile, Tony helps Don appreciate Little Richard and Kentucky Fried Chicken. Fair trade, right?

Directed by Peter Farrelly (yep, one-half of the (in)famous Farrelly Brothers), "Green Book"



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is not as patronizing as "Driving Miss Daisy," "The Help," and "The Blind Side," other crowd-pleasing race-based films directed with TV movie simplicity – but it's also a step below "Hidden Figures." There's an easy, enjoyable chemistry between the two leads, even if Mortensen's broad mamaluke schtick quickly grows tiresome (in real life, Tony Lip became a bit actor with roles in "Goodfellas," "Donnie Brasco," and "The Sopranos").

The screenplay, co-written by Tony's son Nick (who also has a supporting role), primarily focuses on Tony's redemption story in lieu of an exhaustive examination of either Don's life or the cultural and institutional origins of the Green Book itself. This narrative choice has opened the film up to criticism as being another "white savior" movie, a critique that's not quite fair. Still, the plot is rendered from Tony's perspective, which comes with its virtues and faults.

One casualty is the cursory manner the script

Green Book

Grade: B –
Director: Peter Farrelly
Starring: Viggo Mortensen, Mahershala Ali, and Linda Cardellini
MCAA Rating: PG-13
Running Time: 2 hr. 10 min.

handles Don's backstory, one more intriguing and instructive than Tony's. In real-life, Don was born in Florida to Jamaican parents, played piano from age two, studied abroad at age nine, and could speak eight languages. He composed music, recorded albums, and was friends with Duke Ellington. These aspects are barely mentioned in the film, if at all. The same goes for Don's failed marriage and his estrangement from his brother, sidelights which are introduced and never explicated. We're repeatedly informed it was Don's courageous decision to embark on this Southern swing, but we never hear his personal motivations. We see Tony rescue Don from some rednecks at a Louisville bar, but we don't witness the origins of the melancholy that motivated Don to depart from the strictures of the Green Book and make a late-night detour to this dangerous dive.

We also see Tony rescue Don from arrest at a Macon, Georgia YMCA, where a naked Don apparently rendezvous with a male stranger. Indeed,

the film's most egregious misstep regarding Don is the cursory manner it addresses his homosexuality, which isn't mentioned prior to the episode at the YMCA and is quickly waved away one scene later when Tony says he knows that life is "complicated."

But "Green Book's" biggest flaw isn't framing its story around Tony's racial reclamation. It's whether the film actually accomplishes this purpose. Tony clearly comes to respect Don, a man he spends the better part of two months traveling with, a man who speaks with the diction of a white person, who plays piano as well as the black musicians Tony hears on the radio, and, perhaps most importantly, pays well. But while Tony ultimately invites Don to his family's Christmas table, it's not altogether obvious by film's end whether Tony would now drink after those African-American repairs. The film asks us to assume as much without any clarifying moments or objective indicia. Tony becomes woke because he accepts Don, and that lesson is the embodiment of "some of my best friends are black."

In one fleeting standout moment, Don laments that he feels like a person without a race or gender. It's this level of complexity that "Green Book" could have explored. Instead, the film is enjoyable, even thought-provoking in parts. But it doesn't merit the prestige that comes with its awards-season release.

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Church News

SANDY BRANCH BAPTIST
Children, you are invited to Sandy Branch Baptist Church on December 1 from 1 until 3 p.m. for some Christmas fun!
We will talk about Jesus, Who is the reason for the season, decorate Christmas cookies and have a time for crafts.
Come join us at 715 Sandy Branch Church Road, Bear Creek for Cookies, Candy Canes and Cocoa.

CHATHAM UMC
Chatham UMC invites you and your family to our third annual Nativity Display on Sunday, December 2 from 2 to 5 p.m. This is a drop-in open house event with over 175 nativities on display plus a special "hands on" area

for the smaller children. Light refreshments and music of the season will be provided plus a live nativity at 3:30 p.m. led by the church of Chatham UMC. We are located at 1826 Chatham Church Road, Moncure, which is about 10 minutes south of Pittsboro off NC-87 South.

MERONEY UMC
The Meroney UMC Choir will present "Still the Greatest Story Ever Told" on Sunday, December 2, at 11 a.m. and 7 p.m.
Everyone is welcome to attend, and there will be light refreshments provided after the 7 p.m. performance. The church is located at 10568 NC Hwy 902, Bear Creek.

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The public is invited for an afternoon of gospel singing.

RIVER of LIFE C.O.G.O.P.
River of Life C.O.G.O.P. will host an after Thanksgiving Giveaway on Saturday, December 1 from 2 to 5 p.m. at Boling Lane Park in Siler City, across from the Piggly Wiggly. There will be Hats, gloves, blankets, etc.



CRIME REPORTS

SILER CITY POLICE DEPARTMENT

On November 23, Fernando Sesar Canales, 19, of Siler City, was arrested for felony possession of marijuana and possession of marijuana paraphernalia. He was released on a written promise and is scheduled to appear in court on December 10.

SHERIFF'S OFFICE

On November 16 by Deputy Grant Carter for failure to appear, possession drug paraphernalia. He was jailed under a \$1,000 secured bond and is scheduled to appear in Chatham County District Court in Pittsboro on November 28.

SHERIFF'S OFFICE

William Kidd, 28, of 340 Kidd Rd, Bennett, was arrested on November 20 by Deputy Israel Foxx for burglary/break and enter, possession of stolen goods, felony larceny. He was jailed under a \$1,000 secured bond and is scheduled to appear in Chatham County District Court in Pittsboro on December 3.

SHERIFF'S OFFICE

On November 13, Steven Fields, 39, of 104 Walnut Lane, Goldston, was arrested by Deputy Grant Carter for possession methamphetamine, possession drug paraphernalia. He was jailed under a \$400,000 secured bond and is scheduled to appear in Randolph County District Court in Asheboro on November 19.

Joseph Grantham, 49, of 4462 Woodfern Rd, Seagrave, was arrested on November 14 by Deputy Greg Barrett for true bill of indictment/possession firearm by felon. He was released under a written promise and is scheduled to appear in Randolph County District Court in Asheboro on November 26.

On November 14, David Tapia, 20, of 521 Pleasant Ridge Rd, Franklinville, was arrested by Deputy Justin Brown for assault inflict serious injury. He was released under a written promise and is scheduled to appear in Chatham County District Court in Pittsboro on December 5.

Katherine Neal, 36, of 96 Pondsides Dr, Bear Creek, was arrested on November 14 by Deputy Veronica Campbell for communicating threats. She was released under a written promise and is scheduled to appear in Chatham County District Court in Pittsboro on December 12.

On November 18, Jessica Canar Quito, 22, of 21 Coleman MHP, Siler City, was arrested by Deputy David Nixon for assault with a deadly weapon. She was jailed under a no bond and is scheduled to appear in Chatham County District Court in Pittsboro on December 5.

Jose Lopez-Garcia, 22, of 21 Coleman MHP, Siler City, was arrested on November 18 by Deputy David Nixon for damage to property. He was released under a written promise and is scheduled to appear in Chatham County District Court in Pittsboro on December 5.

On November 18, Robert Kellogg, 35, of 704 Pepperstone Ct, Fuquay-Varina, was arrested by Corporal Robert Pelkey for flee/elude arrest w/motor vehicle, unsafe passing yellow line, fail to maintain lane control, exceed posted speed limit, fail stop/stop sign flash red light, reckless driving to endanger, expired registration, fail to heed light or siren, He was jailed under a \$5,000 secured bond and is scheduled to appear in Chatham County District Court in Pittsboro on December 3.

Eric Kelly, 25, of 7428 Sheriff Watson Rd, Sanford, was arrested on November 19 by Deputy Alexis Bonilla for violation of pre trial release. He was jailed under a \$30,000 secured bond and is scheduled to appear in Chatham County District Court in Pittsboro on December 3.

On November 19, Amanda Tillman, 37, of 1905 Bonlee Carbonton Rd, Goldston, was arrested by Investigator Brent Fonville for possession of methamphetamine. She was jailed under a \$5,000 secured bond and is scheduled to appear in Chatham County District Court in Pittsboro on December 3.

Christopher Stout, 46, of 219 Ray Blanton Rd, Moncure, was arrested on November 19 by Deputy Justin Brown for felony larceny. He was jailed under a \$10,000 secured bond and is scheduled to appear in Wake County District Court in Raleigh on November 28.

On November 20, Travis Gentry, 20, of 198 Railroad Dr, New Hill, was arrested by Deputy Israel Foxx for

On November 21, Sara Burns, 34, of 59 Dusty Rd, Goldston, was arrested by Deputy Grant Carter for Possession of stolen motor vehicle. She was released under a \$2,500 unsecured bond and is scheduled to appear in Chatham County District court in Pittsboro on December 3.

Shawn Taylor, 40, of 3217 McLaurin Rd, Goldston, was arrested on November 22 by Sergeant Stephen Renn for flee to elude arrest with motor vehicle, reckless driving to endanger, no operators license, resist/delay/obstruct, fail to stop at stop sign/flash red light, fail to heed light/siren, unsafe passing yellow line, speeding. He was jailed under a \$10,000 secured bond and is scheduled to appear in Chatham County District Court in Pittsboro on December 3.

On November 23, Steven Stephenson, 25, of 3111 Siler City Glendon Rd, Siler City, was arrested by Deputy Caleb Phillips for assault physical injury law enforcement, assault on government official, resist public officer, injury to real property, indecent exposure. He was jailed under a \$5,000 secured bond and is scheduled to appear in Chatham County District Court in Pittsboro on December 3.

Edwin Zetino, 28, of 1215 Airport Rd, Siler City, was arrested on November 25 by Sergeant Brian Inman for driving while impaired, failure to appear. He was jailed under a \$500 secured bond and is scheduled to appear in Chatham County District Court in Pittsboro on January 3.

NORTH CAROLINA HWY PATROL

On November 20, German Gonzalez of Old Liberty Rd, Asheboro was traveling east on US 64. Gonzalez ran off the right side of the roadway, overcorrected and came back onto the roadway out of control. His vehicle ran off the roadway to the right again. His vehicle then traveled up an embankment and then down a second embankment before striking a culvert. Gonzalez's vehicle came to rest against the culvert. He was cited for failure to maintain lane control.

Marilyn Tucker of NC 902, Bear Creek and Thomas Beam of Pine Gardens Ln, Fuquay Varina were traveling west on US 64 on November 21. Tucker made an unsafe lane change and struck Beam's vehicle. Tucker was cited for driving with a revoked license and failure to maintain lane control.

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Christopher Gilliland, 43, of 7550 Old 421 South, Bear Creek, was arrested

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speeding, driving while license revoked. He was jailed under a \$300 secured bond and is scheduled to appear in Chatham County District Court in Pittsboro on November 21.

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Brewery (Continued from page A1)

"I was like 'Oh, I've done this forever, I can do this and hey I can wash kegs too,'" Williams said. "I'm going to learn to wash kegs so I can do it really well and watch what these guys are doing over here. I tried to make sure that if things changed, then I was the guy they were looking at."

At the same time, Williams studied through the Siebel Institute in Chicago, an historic brewing institution. Williams quickly moved to a position as brewer and then head brewer, keeping the brewery running as Connolly managed the operations.

"He taught me all the good stuff of the brew-house and the recipes," Williams said.

Under Connolly, Carolina Brewery had previously received three medals at the Great American Beer Festival. This year's win was the first for Williams as the brewmaster.

"It feels great," Williams said. "Growing up in Denver, where the Great American Beer Festival is held, where I used to volunteer, it's something that had been on my mind from the beginning. It's one reason I applied here."

Carolina Brewery is now

entering a new chapter, according to Poitras.

"It's kind of chapter three or maybe four into the book," Poitras said with a laugh. "Or I don't know what chapter, but were definitely into the book."

With the recent addition of Becky Hammond, a veteran brewmaster from Nashville, the team hopes to implement new and high tech quality control measures to improve quality and shelf life stability.

"I've worked with a lot of brewers over the years," Hammond said. "And without a doubt, Carolina Brewery has some of the best folks in the biz."

Poitras brought Hammond aboard to assist with blending high tech science and art to increase quality control. That includes a new on-site lab, new computerized spreadsheets, and a dissolved oxygen meter.

"It's all done to improve existing great quality to ensure better shelf-life stability," Poitras said. "We want people who see our brews at a Harris Teeter in Charleston or Raleigh or wherever to know they are receiving a quality product."

Hammond brings a new expertise to Carolina Brewery. Similar to Poitras, a trip to Europe sparked her passion for craft beverages.

She worked with numerous

breweries, including Craftworks, which is a parent company for several restaurants and breweries. She later became the brewmaster for Mill Creek Brewing, assisting them in an expansion.

"Chris Going, the owner of Mill Creek Brewing, was a home brewer," Hammond said. "And so I took his home-brew recipes and 'tweaked' them, if you will, to be able to produce them on gross scale and volume."

"Basically at all the breweries, I have been holistically involved in everything from brewing, cellaring, packing to raw materials, laboratory techniques and implementation, inventory/accounting, distributor relationships/sales," she said. "I have also instructed and trained folks over the years in the brewery setting."

"It's exciting. These are big brewery quality control measures," Poitras said. "It's an anomaly for a brewery of our size. We are excited about her addition and confident in her ability to improve quality."

"It is an honor to be a part of a team that not only love what they do, but will do whatever it takes to get the job done, and done the right way," Hammond said.



(Staff photo by Jeff Davis)

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- brewmaster Nate Williams, pictured above

As the business grew, Poitras began looking for places to expand and build a larger-scale brewery. After searching the area, Poitras became 'fascinated with Pittsboro. It had good highways, low taxes, it was growing and it would be easy to ship from here,' he said.

- Carolina Brewery owner Robert Poitras (Staff photo by John Hunter)



About Carolina Brewery

Year-Round Beers

Carolina Brewery generally keeps five or six year-round brews. They typically have four varieties that change with the season. In any given year, the Carolina Brewery will produce 15 to 16 unique styles of beer. Below are the Carolina Brewery's descriptions of its year-round beers. Call the brewery to find out about the current seasonal selection.

Sky Blue Golden Ale ABV: 4.8% | IBUs: 20 | Hops: Hallertauer

For those desiring a lighter beer that still has handcrafted integrity, this beer is a Kölsch-style ale made famous in its namesake city of Cologne, Germany. This thirst-quenching brew is spritzy, not too malty, with the pleasing aroma of imported Hallertauer hops. While fermented warm like all ales, Kölsch beer undergoes a cold aging period like a lager, which results in a brew that is complex yet easy to drink. **Winner of the Bronze medal at the 2012 Great American Beer Festival for German-Style Kölsch.**

Pamlico Pale Ale ABV: 5.2% | IBUs: 45 | Hops: Ahtanum, Galena, Cascade

The Pamlico Sound in Eastern North Carolina is a true sportsman's paradise. Our clean, crisp Pamlico Pale Ale is brewed using simple, American-grown ingredients with a freshness rivaled only by the great outdoors.

Flagship IPA ABV: 5.9% | IBUs: 66 | Hops: Chinook and Cascade

Originally, this intensely hopped ale was brewed in the 18th century to survive the long sea journey from the cooler breweries in England, around the Cape of Africa, to India where the temperatures were too warm to brew. This beer has a unique floral aroma from the generous addition of Cascade hops to the fermenter in a procedure known as dry hopping. **Winner of the Gold medal at the 2006 Great American Beer Festival for English-Style IPA.**

Copperline Amber Ale ABV: 5.2% | IBUs: 33 | Hops: Kent Golding

This brilliant red ale brewed with caramel and pale malts is a best seller at Carolina Brewery. Using traditional brewing methods, the ale yeast provides a touch of fruit and works in tandem with the malt to make for a very drinkable ale. Kent Golding hops lend just enough bitterness and aroma to round out the flavor. **Winner of the Gold medal at the 2002 World Beer Championships for American-Style Amber Ale and the Silver medal at the 2018 Great American Beer Festival for Ordinary and Special Bitter.**

Carolina Honey Brown ABV: 5.3% | IBUs: 10 | Hops: Fuggle

Brewed using fresh honey from Busy Bee Farm in Chatham County, this medium bodied light brown ale has an aroma of wildflower followed by rich notes of caramel and chocolate. The flavor of the sweet honey compliments the roasted malts and is finished with a touch of herbal Fuggle hops for a smooth easy going finish to this delicious brew.

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A Silver Medal rests beside a glass of 'Copperline' at Pittsboro's Carolina Brewery. (Staff photo by Jeff Davis)



SPORTS

Thursday, November 29, 2018



Walden scores 28 in Jet win over Bears

Jets win season opener in OT

By DUCK DUCKSON
News + Record Staff

Caleel Walden came off the bench to pour in 28 points – including 10 during a four-minute extra session – as Jordan-Matthews held off a determined challenge by arch-rival Chatham Central in the season-opener for both teams to claim a foul-plagued 77-71



Walden

overtime triumph in non-conference hoops action Monday night on John Phillips Court.

Playing in front of a raucous overflow crowd, J-M beat the Bears for the 20th time in their last 23 meetings, with a total of 52 infractions whistled in the contest. Chatham Central lost three starters to fouls, while the Jets concluded the game with five players having four fouls apiece.

Camden Fuquay contributed 19 points and Xavier Woods notched 15 for the victors, who shot 24-of-53 (45%) from the floor while turning the ball over 16 times.

Michael Moore pumped in 28 points, Jamicon Degraffenreidt added 10 while Lucas Skertich and Lofton Dodson finished with nine each for the Bears. Chatham Central connected on 24-of-57 (42%) of its field goal attempts and commanded a 43-27 rebounding advantage while committing 22 turnovers.

Led by five points from Degraffenreidt, the Bears raced out to a 10-2 lead in the first three minutes of play before Jordan-Matthews rallied to pull within 13-11 by the end of the initial period.

After Chatham Central rebuilt its advantage to 19-13 following a Nik Wilson free throw with 5:24 left in the second quarter, J-M

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Panther Creek's Khery Cohea, 12, takes an elbow to the chin as Lady Charger Caitlyn Bailey breaks through to get to the ball. The Lady Chargers pulled away from Panther Creek and won their match up 47-42. (Staff photo by Jeff Davis)

Pivotal fourth quarter key in Lady Charger win

NW women squeeze by Panther Creek 47-42

By DUCK DUCKSON
News + Record Staff

McKenna Snively's jumper off the left baseline with 7:26 to play gave Northwood the lead for good as the Lady Chargers outscored Panther Creek 17-11 in a pivotal fourth quarter to register a

hard-fought 47-42 win in the non-conference season-opener for both teams Tuesday night in Lewis Norwood Gymnasium.

Jyrea Smith topped Northwood with 15 points while Myla Marve chipped in eight. Snively and Chandler Adams contributed seven points apiece, with Adams grabbing a game-high 11 caroms, as the Lady Chargers connected on 37% (16-of-43) of their field goal attempts while turning the ball over 18 times.

Rosemary Pierson notched a double-double for the Lady Catamounts, tallying 15 points besides snaring 10 rebounds, while Errika Reid added nine points. Panther Creek shot 38% (17-of-45) from the floor and held a 31-26 advantage on the boards while committing 25 turnovers.

"I couldn't be happier with the way we played this evening, considering we have a lot of new faces on this year's team," remarked Northwood coach Cameron Vernon after his squad improved to 2-4 all-time against the Lady Catamounts.

"We took good shots tonight yet couldn't get a lot of them to fall. But McKenna Snively and Myla Marve, a pair of freshmen, managed to hit some big-time baskets in the final period and brought good defensive intensity to the court."

"I thought the pace of the game wore on Panther Creek down the stretch, and our conditioning paid off at the end."

"We did a good job forcing them to take tough

shots, and when they put us on the foul line we executed."

Lady Catamounts' coach Danielle Sullivan stated she felt her team's youth

'McKenna Snively and Myla Marve, a pair of freshmen, managed to hit some big-time baskets in the final period and brought good defensive intensity to the court.'

-Coach Cameron Vernon

and Northwood's defense were the key factors that decided the outcome.

"While we were extremely young on the floor tonight, starting three sophomores and a freshman, I saw some growth this evening," said Sullivan.

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Jet Seth Moore scoops up a shot in the middle of Chatham Central's defense in county basketball action in Siler City. JM used an overtime period to beat the Bears 77-71. (Staff photo by Jeff Davis)

Wildcats scratch a win over Bears

By DUCK DUCKSON
News + Record Staff

Zach Manley's fast break layup at the start of the second quarter gave Eastern Randolph the lead for good and the Wildcats held off a third-period comeback attempt by Chatham Central before outscoring the Bears 22-16 in the final frame while clawing their way to a 56-46 non-conference triumph Monday night on the winners' court.

Manley notched 15 points and Landon Collins fired in four three-pointers to finish with 12 as Eastern Randolph won its season-opener after connecting on 22-of-59 (37%) of its field goal attempts and outrebounding the Bears 37-26 while turning the ball over 11 times.

Michael Moore topped Chatham Central, which slipped to 0-2 overall, with 15 points and Jamicon Degraffenreidt added 11 as the Bears shot 19-of-57 (33%) from the floor while committing a dozen turnovers.

After the Wildcats snapped an early 6-6 stalemate on Kaemen Marley's lob dunk with 3:34 left in the initial stanza, a Lucas Skertich trey from beyond the top of the key a minute later triggered a 5-2 quarter-ending Chatham Central burst that gave the visitors from Bear Creek an 11-10 advantage.

But Manley's basket at the 7:02 mark of the second period then kindled a 10-0 Eastern Randolph run highlighted by back-to-back Collins three-pointers as the Wildcats opened up a nine-point lead with 4:40 left in the second quarter and maintained that advantage (26-17) at halftime.

The Bears fought back to creep within 32-30 on Degraffenreidt's trey from

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Over Eastern Randolph

Off the bench spark propels Lady Bears

By DUCK DUCKSON
News + Record Staff

Maddy Elkins came off the bench to tally six straight points at the start of the fourth quarter to spark a 10-0 Chatham Central run as the Lady Bears pulled away from Eastern Randolph down the stretch to nab a 68-54 non-conference victory on the road Monday evening in Ramseur.

Defeating the Lady Wildcats for the second time in their last five meetings, Chatham Central lifted its record to 2-0 for the year while dealing Eastern Randolph a setback in its season-opener.

Mary Grace Murchison led the winners with 16 points and Taylor Hughes added a dozen, while Cami Hughes and Abby Elkins collected nine points apiece. The Lady Bears shot 38% (26-of-68) from the floor while turning the ball over 16 times.

Tehya Jordan poured in a game-high 20 points while Ellen Moore chipped in nine for the Lady Wildcats, who connected on 39% (23-of-59) of their field goal attempts and held a 38-34 advantage on the boards but committed 28 turnovers.

With Murchison and Taylor Hughes both canning a pair of free throws in the opening 29 seconds of play, Chatham Central seized a quick 4-0 lead before back-to-back rebound buckets in the lane by Jordan forged

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Chatham Central Lady Bear Cami Hughes, right, tries to tie up Lady Jet Ellia Wright in a county rival basketball game last week. Central won their game over J-M, then beat Eastern Randolph Monday night in Ramseur. (Staff photo by Jeff Davis)



Team members include Braylin Alston, Carter Alston, Jalen Barbee, Ca'Mari Benjamin, Carter Crowell, Everett Eberle, Henley Ellis, ; Mavrex Flowers, Wyatt Flowers, Jackson Flynn, Eli Martinez, KJ McKinney, Dajon Rhone, Hank Ritchey, Kobe Scott, and Zimeen Smith. Coaches include Head Coach Lee Flowers, John Michael Crowell, Defensive Coordinator, John Eberle, Defensive Line Coach, Brica Scott, Offensive Coordinator and Trent Ritchey, Offensive Line Coach.

East Chatham Chargers flag team wins championship

BY DON BEANE
News + Record Staff

The East Chatham Chargers defeated the previously unbeaten the Asheboro Lions 18-6 in the 2018 Quad County Recreation Flag Football League Championship held at Providence Grove High School in Lineberry.

East Chatham, the No. 2 seeds, closed the season at 6-2 overall while top-seeded Asheboro ended at 7-1.

"All year these boys worked hard day in and day out to get better," said EC head coach Lee Flowers after the championship victory. "It is truly impressive to watch 5 and 6-year-old boys come together as a complete disciplined unit."

Asheboro, which won the regular season match up 18-13, downed No. 4 seeded Randleman in the semi-finals while East Chatham disposed of Liberty on the other side of the bracket.

The Chargers started out slow with a quick four and out but turned up the heat with a fake hand-off sweep around the right side.

On the ensuing drive, the East Chatham defense brought heavy pressure on Asheboro's quarterback, forcing a short pass which was tipped, intercepted and ran back for a Chargers touchdown.

The Chargers added a late score in the fourth quarter and its defense did the rest in capping off the QCRFL championship with an 18-6 win.

Beats previously undefeated Asheboro 18-6

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the night's only tie with 6:36 left in the initial period.

An Abby Elkins layup 18 seconds later put the Lady Bears ahead for good and ignited a 17-6 burst that gave Chatham Central a 21-10 advantage after one quarter.

Eliana Phillips' bank shot from the right wing with 4:13 to go in the second stanza allowed the Lady Bears to equal their biggest lead of the first half at 28-12 prior to Moore sandwiching a pair of hoops around two Courtnee Carter foul shots as Eastern Randolph trimmed the margin to 10 with 2:15 remaining in the frame.

Following Olivia Hudson's charity toss two minutes later that capped a 5-0 Chatham Central spurt, Carter buried a three-pointer from the right wing with 8.7 seconds to go until intermission as the Lady Wildcats drew within 33-21 at the break.

The Lady Bears expanded their advantage to as many as 17 points (44-27) on Abby Elkins' inbounds layup with 4:37 left in the third period before Eastern Randolph put together a 17-7 quarter-ending run, culminating with Jordan's trey from the left wing with 25.8 seconds showing on the clock, to pull the Lady Wildcats within seven entering the last eight minutes.

But after two Cami Hughes free throws three minutes into the fourth

stanza helped Chatham Central rebuild a 17-point cushion at 61-44, the Lady Bears then proceeded to fashion their biggest lead of the contest at 66-45 following Murchison's fast break layup with 3:25 remaining to play prior to Eastern Randolph closing out the game with a 9-2 run to account for the final spread.

Bears 68, Wildcats 54

CC 21 12 18 17 - 68

ER 10 11 23 10 - 54

Chatham Central (2-0) - Collins 0 0-2 0 CHughes 3 3-6 9 AElkins 4 1-3 9 THughes 5 2-2 12 Murchison 5 3-4 16 Hudson 3 1-2 7 Oldham 1 0-2 2 Phillips 2 1-2 5 Fields 0 0-0 0 Nava 0 0-1 0 MELkins 3 2-2 8. **Totals 26 13-26 68.**

Eastern Randolph (0-1) - Rush 1 0-0 2 Snider 2 0-0 4 Jordan 9 0-1 20 Carter 2 3-4 8 Whitaker 2 0-0 5 Faulkner 0 0-0 0 Moore 4 1-2 9 Christian 3 0-0 6 Abrams 0 0-0 0 Lineberry 0 0-0 0. **Totals 23 4-7 54.**

Halftime-Chatham Central, 33-21. **Three-point goals**-Chatham Central 3-7 (Murchison 3-5, MELkins 0-1, THughes 0-1); Eastern Randolph 4-8 (Jordan 2-4, Carter 1-2, Whitaker 1-2). **Fouled out**-Carter. **Rebounds**-Chatham Central 34 (Phillips 6); Eastern 38 (Jordan 9). **Turnovers**-Chatham Central 16; Eastern Randolph 28. **Total fouls**-Chatham Central 11; Eastern Randolph 17.

Scores

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sliced the gap to 19-18 when Woods was awarded a basket on a goaltending call with 2:02 to go in the first half.

Back-to-back baseline jumpers by Skertich and Moore plus a conventional three-point play by Wilson sandwiched around a fast break layup by the Jets' Caleb Campbell then allowed the Bears to expand their lead to 26-20 at intermission.

Chatham Central managed to stretch its advantage to 32-24 on Dodson's three-pointer from beyond the top of the key with 5:45 remaining in the third stanza before Jordan-Matthews battled back to seize its first lead of the evening at 37-36 following a pair of Fuquay foul shots with 2:09 left in the period.

After the Bears went back up 41-39 with 1:01 to go in the third quarter, Chandler Matthews and Seth Moore sank consecutive treys over the final 43 seconds of the frame to send J-M in front by four heading into the fourth period.

The Jets proceeded to increase their advantage to 59-50 following Waden's bank shot in the lane with 3:43 remaining in regulation play prior to Chatham Central mounting a furious comeback that concluded with Michael Moore draining a three-pointer from the left wing with 10.4 seconds showing on the clock to pull the Bears even at 63-all.

After a Jordan-Matthews turnover seconds later, the visitors from Bear Creek had one last opportunity to pull out a win in regulation, but Michael Moore's three-point heave from beyond half-court rimmed out of the basket at the buzzer, forcing the extra four-minute session.

Following a Phillip Gaines charity toss that gave Chatham Central its last lead at 66-65 with 2:56 left in overtime, Waden swished a pair of free throws six seconds later to put J-M in front for good before the Jets secured the victory from the foul line over the final two minutes.

Jets 77, Bears 71 (OT)

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J-M 11 9 25 18 14 - 77

Chatham Central (0-1) - Degraffenreaidt 4 1-2 10 Wilson 3 2-3 8 Skeert 1 3-4 5 MMoore 9 7-12 28 Skertich 4 1-2 9 Dodson 3 1-2 9 CarFuquay 0 0-0 0 Gaines 0 1-2 1 Lagenor 0 1-2 1. **Totals 24 17-29 71.**

Jordan-Matthews (1-0) - CamFuquay 4 10-15 19 Matthews 2 0-0 6 Teague 0 0-2 0 Campbell 2 0-4 5 Moore 1 0-1 3 Waden 9 10-15 28 TMoore 0 0-0 0 Woods 6 3-6 15 Causey 0 2-2 2. **Totals 24 25-41 77.**

Halftime-Chatham Central, 26-20. **Three-point goals**-Chatham Central 6-19 (MMoore 3-7, Dodson 2-4, Degraffenreaidt 1-5, CarFuquay 0-1, Skertich 0-2); Jordan-Matthews 4-24 (Matthews 2-6, CamFuquay 1-2, SMOore 1-5, Woods 0-1, Campbell 0-1, Teague 0-1, Waden 0-2, Causey 0-6). **Fouled out**-Wilson, Degraffenreaidt, Cheek. **Rebounds**-Chatham Central 43 (Dodson 11); Jordan-Matthews 27 (Woods 7). **Turnovers**-Chatham Central 22; Jordan-Matthews 16. **Total fouls**-Chatham Central 28; Jordan-Matthews 24.



Chatham Central's Mary Grace Murchison, 24, catches some contact from Lady Jet Jocelyn Mitchell during second half action at J-M. Murchison was fouled on the play and went to the free throw line. Murchison scored 26 points in the 66-55 win over the Jets. (Staff photo by Jeff Davis)

Pivotal

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"Any time you have 20-plus turnovers you're hurting your chances to pick up a victory, but we played Northwood even for three quarters before our youth showed down the stretch when they were able to convert our mistakes into points."

"I was really pleased with the effort we got from (point guard) Errika Reid, who made good decisions leading our offense and kept us under control for most of the game."

Kelli Cain's inbounds layup with 5:45 left in the first quarter staked Panther Creek to an early 6-0 advantage before the Lady Chargers rallied to pull even at 6-all on Smith's frontcourt steal and layup with 3:34 to go in the initial stanza.

Following offsetting baskets, the Lady Catamounts forged a 10-8 lead on Reid's pull-up jumper in the lane with six seconds remaining in the opening frame.

Back-to-back three-pointers by Snively and Smith to begin the second period provided Northwood with a 14-10 advantage prior to consecutive Pierson treys igniting an 8-0 Panther Creek run that put the visitors from Cary up by four with 2:26 to go the second quarter.

After Smith's three-

pointer from the left wing and a Jaela Harris fast break layup gave the Lady Chargers a 19-18 lead with 40.3 seconds left in the first half, Kherry Cohea's backcourt steal and subsequent layup with six-tenths of a second showing on the clock elevated the Lady Catamounts into a one-point advantage at intermission.

Following Caroline Robinson's layup with 6:15 remaining in the third stanza that extended Panther Creek's lead to 26-21, two Rae McClarty foul shots with 1:22 left in the quarter snapped a 28-all standoff and regained a brief advantage for the Lady Chargers before Reid's trey from the right corner with 1.4 seconds to go put the Lady Catamounts ahead by one after three periods.

But Snively's bucket 34 seconds into the fourth frame then sparked a 13-3 Northwood run to give the winners a 43-34 lead - the biggest margin by either team all evening - with 1:55 to play, and Panther Creek could never narrow the gap to less than four in the time remaining.

Chargers 47, Catamounts 42

PC 10 10 11 11 - 42

NOR 8 11 11 17 - 47

Panther Creek (0-1) - Cain 1 2-2 4 Pierson 5 2-6 15 Robinson 3 0-0 6 Cohea 3 0-0 6 Reid 4 0-0 9 Stanford 1 0-0 2 Shannon 0 0-0 0. **Totals 17 4-8 42.**

Northwood (1-0) - Harris 3 0-2 6 Snively 3 0-0 7 Adams 2 3-6 7 McClarty 0 2-4 2 Smith 5 2-4 15 Bailey 1 0-1 2 Marve 2 3-4 8 Forbes 0 0-0 0. **Totals 16 10-21 47.**

Halftime-Panther Creek, 20-19. **Three-point goals**-Panther Creek 4-23 (Pierson 3-10, Reid 1-7, Cain 0-1, Stanford 0-2, Cohea 0-3); Northwood 5-13 (Smith 3-5, Marve 1-3, Snively 1-3, McClarty 0-2). **Fouled out**-McClarty, Cohea, Reid. **Rebounds**-Panther Creek 31 (Pierson 10); Northwood 26 (Adams 11). **Turnovers**-Panther Creek 25; Northwood 18. **Total fouls**-Panther Creek 20; Northwood 15.

Scratch

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behind the top of the key with 42.1 seconds remaining in the third quarter before Zion Warner's put-back in the lane 22 seconds later gave Eastern Randolph a four-point lead heading into the final frame.

Chatham Central still only trailed by four (37-33) following Nik Wilson's layup with 6:36 to go in the contest prior to consecutive treys by Manley and that ignited a 14-2 Wildcats' run over the next four minutes to give Eastern Randolph an insurmountable 51-35 advantage.

The Bears managed to trim the difference to 53-43 on Degraffenreaidt's three-pointer from the left wing with 37.3 seconds to play before another Degraffenreaidt trey was offset by J.B. Farrish's three-pointer from the right wing in the time remaining to seal the Wildcats' victory.

Wildcats 56, Bears 46

CC 11 6 13 16 - 46

ER 10 16 8 22 - 56

Chatham Central (0-2) - Cheek 2 1-2 5 MMoore 7 0-0 15 Wilson 2 0-0 4 Degraffenreaidt 4 0-0 11 Skertich 3 0-0 8 Dodson 1 0-0 3 Fuquay 0 0-0 0 Lagenor 0 0-0 0 Gray 0 0-0 0 Gaines 0 0-0 0 Gurley 0 0-0 0. **Totals 19 1-2 46.**

Eastern Randolph (1-0) - JJones 2 0-0 6 CMoore 0 0-0 0 Marley 2 3-6 7 Luther 2 1-2 5 Manley 7 0-0 15 Warner 4 0-0 8 Snootherly 0 0-0 0 Collins 4 0-0 12 AJones 0 0-0 0 Farrish 1 0-0 3 IKidd 0 0-0 0 Stevens 0 0-0 0. **Totals 22 4-8 56.**

Halftime-Eastern Randolph, 26-17. **Three-point goals**-Chatham Central 7-26 (Degraffenreaidt 3-7, Skertich 2-5, MMoore 1-7, Dodson 1-7); Eastern Randolph 8-25 (Collins 4-6, JJones 2-9, Manley 1-1, Farrish 1-2, IKidd 0-1, Luther 0-2, Snootherly 0-4). **Fouled out**-None. **Rebounds**-Chatham Central 26 (MMoore 7); Eastern Randolph 37 (Marley 7); Eastern Randolph 37 (Marley 7). **Turnovers**-Chatham Central 12; Eastern Randolph 11. **Total fouls**-Chatham Central 6; Eastern Randolph 7.

Panther Creek's Khery Cohea, 12, swipes at the ball as Northwood's Jaela Harris, 12, leans in for a shot. The Lady Chargers ouled away in the fourth quarter to win the game 47-42. (Staff photo By Jeff Davis)



Area Sports Calendar | Week of Nov. 28 - Dec. 4

Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Monday	Tuesday
Nov. 28	Nov. 29	Nov. 30	Dec. 1	Dec. 3	Dec. 4
Wrestling Union Pines, So. Lee at NW 6 p.m. CC at HP Central 6 p.m. Basketball JM at Lee County Girls 6 p.m. Boys 7:30 p.m.	Wrestling Andrews at JM 6 p.m. Basketball Providence Grove at CC Girls 6 p.m. Boys 7:30 p.m. Chatham Charter at Lee Christian Girls 6 p.m. Boys 7:30 p.m.	Basketball Cedar Ridge at JM Girls 6 p.m. Boys 7:30 p.m. North Moore at CC Girls 6 p.m. Boys 7:30 p.m.	Wrestling JM at Thomasville 9 a.m. Basketball NW at J-M Girls 5 p.m. Boys 6:30 p.m.	Basketball JM at Carrboro Girls 6 p.m. Boys 7:30 p.m. Eastern Randolph at CC Girls 6 p.m. Boys 7:30 p.m. N. Moore at Chatham Charter Girls 6 p.m. Boys 7:30 p.m.	Basketball W. Harnett at NW Girls 6 p.m. Boys 7:30 p.m. Faith Christian at Chatham Charter Girls 6 p.m. Boys 7:30 p.m. Wrestling N. Moore, Thomasville at CC 6 p.m. Swimming NW at E. Chapel Hill 4:30 p.m.

East Chatham 10U captures QCRFL crown

BY DON BEANE
News + Record Staff

It was a grinder of a championship game with fundamental football on full display here at Providence Grove in Lineberry as the 10U East Chatham Chargers completed a perfect 8-0 season with a 15-6 triumph over the Siler City Jets in the 2018 finals of the Quad County Recreation Football League. "Hats off to a spirited Siler City team on a fine season and an exciting championship game," said EC head coach Jim Dillon. "They are a very good team and opponent."

East Chatham gained a lot of momentum early with an interception at midfield.

The Chargers later capitalized with a big sweep running play left followed with a run up the middle for a 12-yard score. The Jets stopped the point conversion attempt to keep the score 6-0.

East Chatham pulled out an inside kick at midfield and the Chargers recovered before marching down the field to the Siler City 2-yard line.

The Jets showed a lot of strength and stopped the Chargers short of the goal line, however, and took over possession deep in SC territory.

In the shadow of its own goal, Siler City needed a big play but were tackled in their own end zone for a safety to take an 8-0 advantage into the inter-

mission. The Jets edged out a defensive struggle in the 3rd quarter with a 1-yard touchdown plunge on a QB keeper up the middle. The Chargers made a stop on the point after attempt to keep the score at 8-6 in favor of the EC going into the 4th quarter.

East Chatham was able to drive deep into Siler City territory late in the contest but some penalties and staunch defensive play by the Jets kept the score 8-6 with 4 minutes remaining.

The Jets got the ball back on downs in their own territory but were stuffed by a swarming Chargers defense including a couple of tackles for loss.

East Chatham took over the ball with two minutes and on first down the Chargers ran the ball up the middle untouched for 30 yards into the end zone. That was followed with a sweep left for the extra point and a 15-6 Charger lead and win.

"Our team put forth an incredible effort this season," added Dillon. "The players were motivated and fired up to the very end. All the coaches were gracious and positive with their time, energy, and knowledge. Players had great support getting to practices and great team parents organizing events. We are all lucky and thankful to see our hard work and commitment get rewarded with an undefeated season, championship, and lifetime friendships."



Jet Seth Moore (4) leaps to knock a pass away from Chatham Central's Jamieon Degraffreid in both teams season opener last week. The Jets won the game after an overtime period 77-71. (Staff photo by Jeff Davis)

Lady Bears topple rival Jets

BY DUCK DUCKSON
News + Record Staff

Mary Grace Murchison and Abby Elkins combined for 46 points while Chatham Central eased out to a six-point halftime advantage and never trailed after intermission en route

to defeating arch-rival Jordan-Matthews for the seventh straight time by capturing a 66-55 non-conference victory before a full house in the season-opener for both squads Monday evening in Frank N. Justice Gymnasium.

Murchison collected a game-high 26 points, Elkins chipped in 20 and Taylor Hughes added 11 for the Lady Bears, who connected on 47% (22-of-47) of their field goal attempts and held a 30-25 edge on the boards while committing 17 turnovers.

Jocelyn Mitchell tossed in 21 points to lead the Lady Jets, while Avery Headen and Ellia Wright registered seven three-pointers between them to finish with 16 and 13 points, re-respectively. J-M shot 41% (21-of-51) from the floor while turning the ball over 18 times.

Neither team held more than a three-point advantage in the opening period, which featured two lead changes and three ties prior to Jasmine Scotton's free throw with 15.9 seconds left in the frame that put Jordan-Matthews up 10-9 after one

Back-to-back treys by Headen and Wright to begin the second stanza elevated the Lady Jets' advantage to seven with 6:29 remaining in the period before a pair of Hughes jumpers sparked a 9-2 Chatham Central run that pulled the Lady Bears even at 18-all with 1:40 to go until the break.

Following Headen's pull-up jumper from the right wing 25 seconds later that gave J-M its final lead, Murchison tallied six points during an 8-0 quarter-ending burst that thrust the winners ahead 26-20 at the half.

After Murchison's fast break layup extended Chatham Central's advantage to 34-23 with 4:09 left in the third stanza, a Headen three-pointer

from the right corner with 2:54 to go in the period trimmed the gap to 36-32.

However, an Elkins turnaround jumper in the lane a minute later triggered an 11-2 Lady Bears' spurt as they proceeded to fashion their biggest lead of the night at 47-34 with 6:57 left in the contest.

With Mitchell and Wright combining for 11 points, the Lady Jets rallied once again to narrow the difference to 50-47 with 3:37 to play, but Elkins and Murchison would then team together for 13 points in the time

remaining to help seal the win.

- CC 9 17 16 24 - 66
- J-M 10 10 14 21 - 55
- Chatham Central (1-0)** - Collins 1 0-0 2 CHughes 1 2-4 4 AElkins 8 4-4 20 THughes 4 3-4 11 Murchison 8 7-11 26 Phillips 0 0-0 0 Oldham 0 3-4 3 Hudson 0 0-0 0 Fields 0 0-0 0. **Totals 22 19-27 66.**
- Jordan-Matthews (0-1)** - Artis 0 0-0 0 Glover 1 0-0 2 Mitchell 8 5-8 21 Headen 6 0-0 16 Wright 5 0-1 13 Siler 0 0-0 0 Wiley 0 0-2 0 Ray 0 0-0 0 Scotton 1 1-2 3 Brooks 0 0-0 0. **Totals 21 6-13 55.**

See 'Topple' B4



Lady Charger Jaela Harris (12) takes a pass under the basket against Panther Creek in non-conference action. The Chargers pulled away to win the game 47-42. (Staff photo by Jeff Davis)



10U East Chatham Chargers

Chatham Charter eases past East Wake Academy 57-40

BY DON BEANE
News + Record Staff

The Chatham Charter boys' basketball team celebrated the Thanksgiving Holiday early on Tuesday night as the Knights cruised by East Wake Academy 57-40 at Julia Brent Milholen Gymnasium to remain unbeaten at 6-0 on the season.

Jordan Hamilton continued a torrid junior campaign with a game-high 22 points to lead a Chatham Charter scoring attack which saw nine players scratch.

"Defensively, we were aggressive against a physically bigger team," Knights coach Jason Messier said after the victory. "We set the tone early with our defense, holding them scoreless in the opening quarter."

That allowed Chatham

Charter to forge its way to an 8-0 advantage after one period in the books as the locals struggled offensively as well, receiving a trey and four points from A.J. Alston, a bucket from Baggio Rodriguez, and two charity tosses from Hamilton.

East Wake Academy didn't go away, and behind a pair of three-pointers from Harrison Heats, and four more points from Isac Phillips, outscored Chatham Charter 14-11 in the stanza to draw within 19-14 at the break.

Hamilton had six points and Connor Murphy four for the Knights in the second quarter.

After the break, it was clear that the Knights were intent on working the ball inside out, repeatedly pounding it down low to the 6'4 Hamilton

who began dominating in the paint. Hamilton had 10 points in the third period, Rodriguez chipped in four more, and Cole Milholen three as the locals used a 19-15 advantage to pull ahead 38-29 entering the fourth.

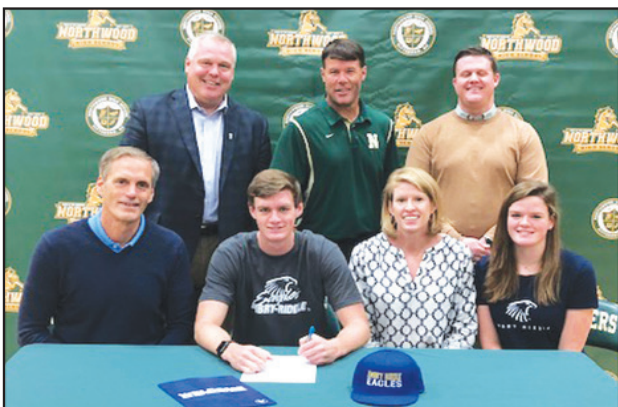
In the final frame the Knights 17 free throws to ice the game as Tyler Detmer canned 5-of-6, and Murphy and Hamilton added four points apiece.

Phillips had a pair of treys and eight points for the Eagles but it wasn't enough as the Knights put the 57-40 win.

Murphy chipped in 10 points for Chatham Charter while Rodriguez added seven points and five rebounds.

Heats paced the East Wake Academy scoring with 14 points while Phillips added 13.

Five from NW sign letters of intent



Fall National Signing Day was an exciting time at Northwood High School as five Charger student-athletes inked letters-of-intent to colleges. In the top row (from left) Hannah Weigl signs with Meredith College in softball, Sophia Smith inks with Gardner-Webb University in track and field, and Samantha Ennis signs an LOI to Campbell University in track and field. In the bottom row (from left) Cera Powell inks with Virginia Tech University in volleyball and Lars Hoeg signs with Embry Riddle Aeronautical University in lacrosse.

NCHSAA Football Pairings

1A Football Playoff Third Round Pairings (13-0)

East
#4 Rosewood (8-2) at #1 Northampton County (11-1)
#3 Gates County (10-2) at #2 Pamlico County (11-1)

West
#4 Robbinsville (10-2) at #1 Thomas Jefferson (12-0)
#3 Murphy (10-1) at #2 Mitchell (10-2)

1AA Football Playoff Third Round Pairings

East
#5 North Stanly (11-2) at #1 Tarboro (12-0)
#7 Riverside-Martin (10-3) at #3 John A. Holmes (11-1)

West
#4 East Surry (9-3) at #1 Mount Airy (12-0)
#11 Polk County (5-8) at #2 Starmount (6-6)

2A Football Playoff Third Round Pairings

East
#4 Kinston (12-0) at #1 North-eastern (12-0)
#7 Wallace Rose Hill (9-3) at #6 Southwest Onslow (11-2)

West
#8 Brevard (10-3) at #4 Wheatmore (12-1)
#3 Mountain Heritage (11-1) at #2 Reidsville (13-0)

2AA Football Playoff Third Round Pairings

East
#5 Hertford County (7-5) at #1 Ledford (12-1)
#3 North Davidson (11-2) at #2 SouthWest Edgecombe (11-2)

West
#8 North Lincoln (10-3) at #4 Shelby (10-3)
#3 Bandys (11-1) at #2 Hibriten

3A Football Playoff Third Round Pairings

East
#4 Terry Sanford (10-3) at #1 Havelock (12-0)
#7 Eastern Alamance (10-3) at #6 Jacksonville (9-1)

West
#5 Kings Mountain (11-2) at #1 Northwest Cabarrus (13-0)
#3 Charlotte Catholic (12-1) at #2 Hunter Huss (13-0)

3AA Football Playoff Third Round Pairings

East
#9 Hillside (10-3) at #4 Cleveland (11-2)
#14 Dudley (10-3) at #2 Southeast Guilford (12-1)

West
#5 Weddington (12-1) at #1 Watauga (13-0)
#3 Mount Tabor (9-4) at #2 A.C. Reynolds (12-1)

Knights pluck Eagles 62-49

BY DON BEANE
News + Record Staff

Connor Murphy pumped in a career-high 27 points and Jordan Hamilton added 21 more as Chatham Charter methodically pulled away from Faith Christian on Monday night in Ramseur en route to a 62-49 victory in area boy's high school basketball action.

Chatham Charter improved to a perfect 5-0 on the season with the win while saddling host Faith Christian with its first loss of the winter campaign to drop the Eagles to 3-1.

"We started out slow but our defense kept us in the game," Knights head coach Jason

Messier said after the win. "Offensively we moved the ball around well and got a lot of good shots around the rim."

It was the Murphy and Hamilton show in the opening period for the Knights as the junior tandem struck for all 13 Chatham Charter points with Murphy canning eight, and Hamilton five. The Eagles used eight points from Jacob Cassell and a trey from Colby Smith to battle the Knights evenly as the period closed tied at 13-all.

Methodically, Chatham Charter began to pull away, using six more points from Murphy, and a bucket each from Hamilton, Baggio Rodriguez, and A.J. Alsto go on a

12-5 run and a 25-18 lead. Murphy would close with nine points in the period, and 17 in the half, to give the Knights a 31-27 lead at the break.

Trevor Brunson had seven points, including a trey in the second for the Eagles, while Justin Edmisten chipped in six more. "I think our defense really picked it up in the second half," added Messier.

That included a 17-12 run in the third quarter which saw Murphy and Hamilton net six points each, and Alston a three-pointer to send the Knights up 48-39 heading into the fourth. Cassell had five points for the Eagles in the third

to keep the hosts within striking distance.

Chatham Charter would finish Faith Christian off in the fourth behind a 14-7 spurt which saw Hamilton strike for six points, and Rodriguez and Murphy four apiece to make the final 62-49.

Murphy added seven rebounds in the win while Hamilton chipped in seven boards, five assists and four blocks. The victors also received a great effort from Rodriguez who had eight points, four rebounds, and three assists while Cole Milholen added seven assists.

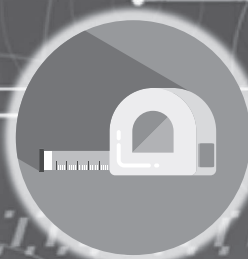
Cassell paced Faith Christian in scoring with 17 points while Brunson added 11, and Edmisten nine.

Topple

Continued from B3

Halftime-Chatham Central, 26-20. Three-point goals-Chatham Central 3-9 (Murchison 3-7, THughes 0-1, Collins 0-1); Jordan-Matthews 7-16 (Headen 4-6, Wright 3-8, Mitchell 0-2). Fouled out-None. Rebounds-Chatham Central 30 (AElkins 9); Jordan-Matthews 25 (Mitchell 13). Turnovers-Chatham Central 17 Jordan-Matthews 18. Total fouls-Chatham Central 11; Jordan-Matthews 18.

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Fall is the time of year when most of the wildlife searches and packs away a food source for the winter. This squirrel must have gotten hungry while working to keep his energy up, perching up on top of a roof, while snacking on an acorn. A late afternoon light added to the scene, silhouetting the squirrel as it ate. (Staff photo by Jeff Davis)

Help for heating available to low-income households

RALEIGH — Low-income households with a person 60 or older or someone receiving disability benefits and services through the Division of Aging and Adult Services that need help covering the cost of heating their home this winter can apply for assistance starting Dec. 3.

Application period for one-time help with heating bills opens Dec. 3

The assistance is available to eligible households through the Low-Income Energy Assistance Program from Dec. 3 through Dec. 31. Beginning Jan. 2, all other low-income households may apply for assistance through March 29 or until funds are exhausted.

“This funding can help assist eligible individuals and families with their heating expenses during the winter months,” said David Locklear, Deputy Director of Economic and Family Services in the Division of Social Services. “We want to ensure families are healthy and safe during some of the most difficult times of the year.”

The federally funded program helps low-income households with a one-time payment directly to their heating vendor to offset the high cost of warming their homes during the cold weather months. Depending on the household’s primary heating source, the payment will be \$200, \$300 or \$400.

Last year, the program provided approximately \$32 million to help more than 128,000 households pay their heating bills from December 2017 through March 2018.

To be eligible, a household must:

- Have at least one U.S. citizen or non-citizen who meets eligibility criteria
- Have income equal to or less than 130 percent of the federal poverty limit, such as:

- For a household of one, an income of \$15,782 or less
- For a family of four, an income of \$32,630 or less

- Have resources, such as saving and checking accounts, cash on hand, at or below \$2,250
- Be responsible for their heating cost.

To apply, individuals should contact the county department of social services.

Applications will be accepted until funds are exhausted. For more information on the program and eligibility, visit www.ncdhhs.gov/assistance/low-income-services/low-income-energy-assistance.

Business Administration degree being offered at Pittsboro CCCC Campus

PITTSBORO — Central Carolina Community College’s spring 2019 classes offer students the chance to earn an Associate Degree in Business Administration in just two years at CCCC’s Chatham Main Campus in Pittsboro.

Business is a dynamic and growing field that offers graduates a variety of opportunities for career success. Students in the Business

Administration program at CCCC will take classes in management, marketing, economics, accounting, finance, and law. The wide range of business classes helps students prepare to become well-rounded business professionals with the skills necessary to succeed in the ever changing business environment.

The Business Administration program at the CCCC Chatham Main Campus in Pittsboro

offers the following highlights:

- * Daytime schedule allows afternoon and evening flexibility for work and family.

- * Many Business Administration program classes are transferable to four-year schools.

- * Online and video options for business classes are available for increased flexibility.

- * Faculty members have real world business experience and are committed to student success.

“Chatham County residents have been a part of our Business programs for many years now, whether they took online or video classes or drove to another campus,” said Drew M. Goodson, CCCC Dean of Career and Technical Education. “We are very excited to offer the entire Business Administration program in a seated format in Pittsboro and believe the program will be

a strong edition to our degree, diploma, and certificate offerings in Chatham County.”

To learn more about this program or to register for classes, contact the CCCC Student Services office at 919-718-7300. For more information on Central Carolina Community College and its programs, visit www.cccc.edu.

Author to speak at Community Library

Pittsboro author Linda F. Carnes-McNaughton will discuss her book, “Blackbeard’s Sunken Prize” at 1 p.m. Saturday at Chatham Community Library in Pittsboro.

In 1717, the notorious

To discuss Blackbeard’s sunken ship

pirate Blackbeard captured a French slaving vessel off the coast of Martinique and made it his flagship, renaming it Queen Anne’s Revenge.

Over the next six months, the heavily armed ship and its crew captured all manner of riches from merchant ships sailing the Caribbean to the Carolinas.

But in June 1718, with British authorities closing in, Blackbeard reportedly ran Queen Anne’s Revenge aground just off the coast of North Carolina’s Fort Macon State Park.

What went down with the ship remained hidden for centuries.

Now the story of the ship and its campaign is revealed in Carnes-McNaughton’s book. Having played a vital role in the shipwreck’s recovery, the author will discuss the circumstances of the ship’s sinking and more based on a wealth of artifacts now raised from the ocean floor.

COA joins up with Meals on Wheels in sharing the love

PITTSBORO — The Chatham County Council on Aging will be participating in the 2018 Subaru Share the Love Event as a member of Meals on Wheels America, one of four national Share the Love charitable partners supported through the promotion.

Now through January 2, 2019, Subaru of America will donate \$250 for every new Subaru vehicle sold or leased to the customer’s choice of participating charities.

“We are so thankful to be a part of this campaign again,” said Dennis W. Streets, director of the Council on Aging. “Subaru’s support of our Meals on Wheels program truly makes an important

difference in the lives of Chatham seniors and their families. For some seniors receiving a hot lunch from one of our volunteers, it may be their main meal and only daily contact.”

offering Subaru owners a free basic car wash on December 29th from 2 to 4 p.m. at the Cruizers Convenience Marketplace at Powell Place in Pittsboro.

Subaru will donate \$250 for every new vehicle leased or sold to customer’s choice of participating charity

Participating Meals on Wheels America members, like the Council, will receive a share of the donation raised by Subaru in their state.

The Council has partnered with Johnson Subaru in Cary.

In addition, Cruizers is

Vice President for Holmes Oil Company, parent company of Cruizers in Pittsboro.

In addition, Cruizers will donate \$6 for every car, Subaru or not, that uses their car wash on December 29th from 2 to 4 p.m.

Over the last 10 years, Subaru of America and its participating retailers have donated more than \$118 million to its charity partners. This year’s Subaru Share the Love Event is on track to bring that total to over \$140 million, proving there’s no limit to the amount of love we can all share.

For more information, visit www.mealsonwheelsamerica.org/sharethelove.

First Bank named 2018 Community Bank of the Year

RALEIGH - Southern Pines-based First Bank, which operates a branch in Bennett, was honored as the 2018 Community Bank of the Year at this year’s North Carolina Rural Assembly, held in Raleigh on November 15 and 16.

Hosted annually by the NC Rural Center, the Rural Assembly is the state’s premier event focused on the big issues facing North Carolina’s rural communities.

The award recognizes First Bank’s successful participation in the Rural Center’s Loan Participation Program, a program that reduces loan risk by partnering with private lenders to fund small business startup and expansion throughout the state.

The Community Bank of the Year award is given to a partner financial institution that is a leader in providing loan capital and delivering excellent customer service to small businesses in North Carolina.

First Bank was recognized during the Rural Center’s annual two-day convening, one of the state’s most highly anticipated events. Bank representatives accepted the award in front of a crowd of more than 400 attendees.



The staff of the Dennis A. Wicker Civic and Conference Center in Sanford recently presented former N.C. Lt. Gov. Dennis A. Wicker (right) with the original mounted letters from the original road entry sign of the Dennis A. Wicker Civic Center, located at the corner of Kelly Drive and Nash Street in Sanford. At left is David Foster, director of the Civic Center. Rebranded in 2018, the Dennis A. Wicker Civic and Conference Center new lettering will appear on the entry sign. The staff made the presentation as a token of appreciation for Lt. Gov. Wicker’s support.



Siler City Lions Club member Mark Phillips shows his trophy fish to club president Juanita Brown. Phillips won the trophy at the N.C. Lions’ Visually Impaired – aka VIP – Fishing Tournament, held at the Outer Banks on Oct. 23. Phillips, who is visually impaired, won 3rd place in the competition held on Avalon Pier.



Get ready for Chatham’s annual Christmas parades!

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Gas prices averaging \$2.43 across North Carolina

Gasoline prices in North Carolina have fallen 6.6 cents per gallon in the past week, averaging \$2.43/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 7.8 cents per gallon versus last week to \$2.53/g, according to GasBuddy.

Average gasoline prices on November 26 in North Carolina have ranged widely over the last five years: \$2.35/g in 2017, \$2.07/g in 2016, \$2.02/g in 2015, \$2.73/g in 2014 and \$3.32/g in 2013.

Including the change locally during the past week, prices Sunday were 7.9 cents per gallon higher than a year ago and are 23.8 cents per gallon lower than a month ago.

The national average has dropped 29.4 cents per gallon during the last month and stands 3.4 cents per gallon higher than a year ago.

Areas nearby and their

current gas price climate:

Fayetteville- \$2.32/g, down 8.8 cents per gallon from last week's \$2.41/g.

Charlotte- \$2.36/g, down 5.9 cents per gallon from last week's \$2.42/g.

Greensboro- \$2.41/g, down 7.2 cents per gallon from last week's \$2.48/g.

"The \$1.99 club has seen its membership swell in the last week with the number of states with stations priced at that

level or lower spiking to 18. Texas, New York, Missouri, Louisiana, Ohio, Oklahoma, South Carolina, Alabama, Mississippi, Michigan, Virginia, Arkansas, Kansas, Kentucky, New Mexico, Ohio, Tennessee and Illinois all have at least one station at \$1.99 or less, and the good news is it won't end there," said Patrick DeHaan, head of petroleum analysis for GasBuddy.



Mountaire distributed about 1,500 meals for families in need in the Siler City area for the Thanksgiving holiday. The program, Thanksgiving for Thousands, is an annual event. Each meal served about five people. Mountaire worked with area churches to identify families and distribute the meals. "It fits with our Mountaire creed that says we are to be good community neighbors and good stewards of all that God has blessed us with," Mountaire Farms Community Relations Manager Mark Reif said. (Staff photos by Jeff Davis)

Festivities planned on Sanford CCCC Campus with lighting of Christmas tree

SANFORD — Santa Claus will be at Central Carolina Community College Nov. 29, enjoying the CCCC Foundation's Annual Christmas Tree Lighting. He invites everyone to join him there.

The free event takes place from 5:30 to 6:30 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 29, in the Lee County Campus Plaza, 1105 Kelly Drive, Sanford.

The Lee County High School Marching Band kicks off the festivities as the band parades through campus, accompanying Santa to the plaza.

The jolly old elf will greet children of all ages and be available to take Christmas wishes back to the North Pole. Santa is ready and eager to meet all of the children and have his picture taken with them. The CCCC Foundation will post the photos on its website, www.cccc.edu/foundation, the following day, where they can be downloaded for free.

The holiday classic, "Twas the Night Before Christmas," will be read. Hot cocoa and cookies will be served. Charlee Cougar, the college's mascot, will be greeting visitors and sharing his fun antics. The Temple Teens will perform Christmas Carols.

"Following the story, a countdown will begin and the CCCC Christmas tree will be officially lit for the holiday season," said Dr. Emily Hare, CCCC Foundation Executive Director.



Chatham Charter second grade students celebrated Thanksgiving early last week, taking in a trip to Bestfood Cafeteria to have a tradition holiday meal before their break. Left, Zoey Scheidt and Trinity Rudd smile before their meal. In top right photo, Eathan Hinkle wears his head-dress at Bestfood last week. In the next photo Emma Wikie, left and Emmalin Whitley wait for their Thanksgiving meal. Taniya Snipes sits quietly while waiting for a traditional Thanksgiving meal. (Staff photos by Jeff Davis)



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