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Jordan Lake’s eagles seek sanctuary

Nest in peace: monitors work to protect bald eagle population

BY CASEY MANN
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The sun is just starting to rise on Jordan Dam as “Doc Ellen” Tinsley climbs out of her big pickup truck armed with a camping chair, a camera with an incredibly powerful lens, and a wealth of knowledge on the bald eagles that make their home at Jordan Lake in Chatham County.

Tinsley is one of eight monitors at Jordan Lake, home to one of the largest breeding population of bald eagles in the state.

“Fledgling time is the most critical time for monitoring,” Tinsley said. “It takes about eight weeks for the babies to try to fledge and that time is extremely critical.”

There are at least 16 eagle nests around Jordan Lake the monitors track. Each monitor is sworn to secrecy about the location of the nests in order to help keep them safely protected.

Tinsley has a connection with animals. In 1997, she fulfilled her dream and became a veterinarian, working for some 15 years with horses and their owners. Her career was sidelined by a serious vehicle accident in 2007, which left her unable to work in the field. She discovered wildlife photography while rehabilitating from her injuries and learning to live with new limitations. She says that through photography, she



Photo courtesy of Ellen Tinsley

A 5-year-old bald eagle goes fishing just south of the Jordan Dam in Moncure.

was able to use her vet skills while doing field studies of bald eagles.

Eagle nests

Tinsley monitors three of the 16 nests at Jordan Lake. Soon after she began as a monitor,

Tinsley discovered her first nest, which she aptly named “First Nest.” She named two birds Kate and Petruchio after characters in Shakespeare’s “Taming of the Shrew,” then realized that the two were building the nest — a site rarely

witnessed by humans. The pair have been breeding and currently have eaglets in their nest. Upon arrival at the nest last week, Kate was in the nest tending to at least one eaglet.

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“DOC ELLEN” TINSLEY,
monitor at Jordon Lake

Local shop owners prep for Valentine’s Day

BY ZACHARY HORNER
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Americans are expected to spent a record amount of money this year celebrating Valentine’s Day, according to an annual survey by the National Retail Federation and Proper Insights & Analytics.

The survey predicts those who celebrate Valentine’s Day will spent an average of \$161.96 each to celebrate the annual celebration of love and affection, up 13 percent from last year, with total spending projected to reach \$20.7 billion, a 6 percent increase. The average amount of spending on spouses and significant others has seen an increase too, reaching an average of \$93.24.

Chatham County retailers are among those who will be on the receiving end of some of that spending.

Flowers: The Gift that Lives

Yvonne Petty, co-owner of The Floral Boutique in Bear Creek, says she almost fled from her first Valentine’s Day as a florist.

It was 1992, and she and her husband Bill had just opened the business a couple weeks before.

“I was not aware of what we were getting into,” Yvonne said. “It was just crazy.”

She was working with a friend to load arrangements on a truck and caught a whiff of fresh air out of the back of the shop the Pettys used to own.

But she stayed, and the Pettys are now on their 27th Valentine’s Day providing flowers for celebrants.

Of course, the recommendation is roses. “On Valentine’s Day, flowers, especially roses, evoke romance and love,” Yvonne said. “You care, you care enough to go out and get flowers for me.”

The NRF projected that \$1.9 billion will be spent this year on flowers, which will likely be purchased by 35 percent of consumers who spend.

The Society of American Florists estimates that 250 million roses are produced for Valentine’s Day.

Sixty-three percent of Valentine’s Day purchasers buy them for spouses, while 20 percent buy them for a significant other.

With the sheer number of flowers bought, it takes a lot of preparation. Petty said Valentine’s Day is the “hardest” of the major holidays, which include Mother’s Day, Thanksgiving and Christmas.

“You’ve got to fix the flowers, you’ve got to get them out the door, you’ve got to get them delivered,” she said. “It’s just a wild day.”

The Floral Boutique will begin preparing the arrangements the day before, working into the night. Starting at 7 a.m. on Valentine’s Day, Petty, her husband and a couple of helpers finalize arrangements, schedule deliveries and get the flowers out the door. Even in the busyness of the day, Petty said she tries to take a moment and imagine what each arrangement is for.

“When I’m doing each one of them, I look at the name and I wonder what’s going on with them,” she said. “I like to just think about the person I’m doing it for.”

Gifts: Chocolates, Cards & Jewelry, to Start

According to Liz Mihalik, store manager of New Horizons Downtown in Pittsboro, there are two ways gift-givers can approach Valentine’s Day.

“You can be sweet and romantic or you can be funny and sassy,” Mihalik said. “I like the funny/sassy personally, so anything that’s got a little cheekiness to it.”

Nearly half of American spending for Valentine’s Day this year will come on jewelry (\$3.9 billion), clothing (\$2.1 billion), candy (\$1.8 billion), gift cards (\$1.3 billion) and greeting cards (\$933 million). So it’s likely Americans will make a lot of trips to brick-and-mortar department stores or small, local businesses. In fact, according to the NRF, 14 percent of Valentine’s Day consumers are planning to visit small businesses

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Staff photo by David Bradley

Yvonne Petty keeps the orders flowing as she arranges another couple of orders for Valentine’s Day. Her husband Billy will be delivering several loads of flowers on the big day.

PITTSBORO BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

Chatham Park defends itself regarding tree protection

BY ZACHARY HORNER
News + Record Staff

PITTSBORO — Speakers used rhetoric such as “bird locaust” and “a Chatham Park slum” on Monday to object to Chatham Park’s proposed tree protection element.

In response, the development’s landscape architects pointed to the plan put together

and compared it to current levels of tree protection in downtown Pittsboro.

In the end, there was no consensus, and one Pittsboro Commissioner even said he wasn’t convinced.

Monday’s Pittsboro Board of Commissioners meeting stretched past 10:30 p.m., and while not all of it was due to discussion of the tree element,

many of the 30-plus public attendees stayed until that agenda item came up.

David Brown and Kurt Pfeiffer, landscape architects with WithersRavenel, spoke about Chatham Park’s proposed plan to preserve tree coverage and canopy area within the 7,000-acre development. Brown stressed a difference between “coverage” and “can-

opy.” “Those terms tend to get intertwined and co-mingled,” he said.

“Coverage,” he said, is the percentage of land area or acreage on which the tree and its roots exist. “Canopy” is the amount of land area covered by the tree’s branches and vegetation, which can extend far beyond the coverage. According

to the presentation, canopy can sometimes stretch two or three times more than coverage when trees are full-grown.

“You’ve got a fairly small area of land, and the tree grows as it spreads out,” Brown said.

Pfeiffer said the firm studied coverage and canopy in downtown Pittsboro and came up

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COMMUNITY CALENDAR

ON THE AGENDA

- The Chatham County Board of Commissioners will meet at 6 p.m. on Feb. 18 in the second floor courtroom at the Chatham County Courthouse, 9 Hillsboro St., Pittsboro.
- The Siler City Board of Commissioners will meet at 7 p.m. in the Town Hall Courtroom, 311 N. 2nd Ave., Siler City, on Feb. 18.
- The Town of Pittsboro Commissioners will meet at 7 p.m. at Town Hall, 635 East St., on Feb. 26.
- The Chatham County Board of Education will meet at 5:30 p.m. on March 11 at the Chatham County Courthouse, 9 Hillsboro St., Pittsboro.
- The Triangle Area Rural Planning Organization (TARPO), Rural Transportation Coordinating Committee (RTCC), and Rural Transportation Advisory Committee (RTAC) will hold their regular bi-monthly meetings in the Old Chatham County Agriculture Building, Auditorium, 65 East Chatham Street, Pittsboro on February 14. The agendas include the following decision items: consideration of resolutions of support for Carolina Core and Future Interstate on US 421, consideration of resolution in support of eliminating or reducing the local match requirement for bicycle and pedestrian projects, adoption of the TARPO Title VI Program Plan, and appointment of a Prioritization Subcommittee. In addition to these decision items, there will be discussion of a number of informational/discussion items.

• The Chatham County Soil and Water Conservation District will meet at 7 p.m. on Feb. 14 in the conference room downstairs in the New Agriculture Building in Pittsboro. This is an open meeting. To confirm the meeting or for additional information, call the office at 919-542-8240 for Brenda or 919-542-8228 for Susannah.

THURSDAY

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FRIDAY

- Chatham Community Library and the Career and Employment Training program at Central Carolina Community College (CCCC) are partnering to offer free employment assistance. Timir Cox, a Career and Employment Training instructor at CCCC, will be available to assist with employment skills and related questions from 12:30 to 3:30 p.m. each Friday through March 29. Job seekers can meet one-on-one with Cox to learn how to

search for jobs, research employers, accurately complete applications, create resumes and cover letters, and practice interview strategies.

- Assistance is free to those who are unemployed, underemployed, working and eligible for the federal earned income tax credit, or those who have received notice of a layoff. No appointment is necessary. Participants will be asked to complete brief registration paperwork on their first visit. Sessions take place in the computer lab at Chatham Community Library in Pittsboro, on the campus of Central Carolina Community College.
- The Council on Aging will host a Health & Wellness Discussion Group Feb. 15 at 2 p.m. at the Eastern Chatham Senior Center in Pittsboro. To sign up or for more information, contact In Russo at 919-542-4512 or alan.russo@chathamcoa.org.

- Chatham Community Library, 97 NC Hwy 87 N in Pittsboro hosts a free build LEGO session Feb. 15 from 4 to 5 p.m. Work alone or in a team. For children and teens. Duplo blocks are available for younger builders. For more information, contact Youth Services at (919) 545-8085.

SATURDAY

- The Tick-Borne Illness Support Group will meet from 10:30 - 11:30 am on Feb. 16. Join the group each month at Brown's Chapel United Methodist, 355 Chicken Bridge Road, to discuss issues related to tick-borne illnesses. Chatham County has a high incidence of people affected by tick-borne illnesses. This meeting is for those suffering from illness or supporting people who suffer. For more info, contact Lynn at auriella2@embarqmail.com.

SUNDAY

- *Talking Black in America* , a Documentary Screening - The Chatham County Historical Association invite you to a special screening of *Talking Black in America* about the most misunderstood language variety in the history of American English. It examines the historical roots of African-American language.
- The documentary will be shown at 2 p.m. on Feb.17 in the Historic Chatham County Courthouse in Pittsboro. A question and answer period will follow the 60-minute film. The program is free and all are welcome. More info and directions at chathamhistory.org.
- Local Tables is back in Briar Chapel for 2019 on a new night, with a new time, and in a new location. All are invited on Sunday nights at 5 p.m. for this gathering led by Pastor Brent Levy. Dinner and childcare provided.

- Local Tables are small gatherings of friends, family, neighbors, coworkers, and people who are about to become your friends. At your Local Table, you'll share a meal, talk, listen, be encouraged, and make friends who become like family. No matter where you are on your spiritual journey, Local Tables give you the opportunity to lean in, listen, and know you're not alone. Learn more about what to expect and why we think these matter at <http://thelocalchurchpbo.org/tables>.

MONDAY

- Writing Toward Resilience, a weekly opportunity for all those grieving or current caregivers, meets at noon every Monday at the SECU Jim and Betsy Bryan Hospice Home of UNC. No writing experience necessary. Facilitated by Carol Henderson, a professional writer and workshop leader who has facilitated workshops all over the U.S. and in Europe. No registration needed.
- The UNC Hospice Home is at 100 Roundtree Circle, behind Bojangles in Pittsboro. For further information, contact Ann Ritter, 919-984-2650 or email at ann.ritter@unchealth.unc.edu.

UPCOMING EVENTS

- Take control of your health by attending a free healthy heart event on Feb. 21 at Chatham Hospital. Free screenings for heart disease, a heart to heart discussion with UNC Cardiologist Dr. Prabhat Kumar, and cooking tips for a healthy heart will be offered. For more information or to register call 919-799-4012 or online at chathamhospital.org/heartmonth.
- The Southwest Chatham Community Watch will meet at 7 p.m. on Feb. 21 at Edward Hill Friends Church. All are encouraged to attend.
- The Carolina Mountain Dulcimer Players will meet at 7 p.m. on Feb. 21 at the Seymour Center on Homestead Road in Chapel Hill. Beginners, experts, and all stringed instruments welcome.
- Twice a month join the gathering for the Bluegrass Jam Circle and make music. You can join the fun every second and fourth Saturday throughout the year, at 950 Bynum Rd. The circle forms around 10 a.m. until noon. Singers, new pickers (spoons, washboards) and audience members are all welcome. This is an open circle type jam for all skill levels and ages. If you pick, bring your instrument. If you sing, bring your voice. Come to enjoy great music at the historic Bynum General Store. Pickers are asked to bring acoustic instruments only. The Circle Jam is free and open to the public.

- The Siler City Community Meal will take place from 6-8 p.m. on Feb. 22 at The Peppercorn located at 138 N. Chatham Ave. in Siler City. The Siler City Community Meal is an effort by a handful of Siler City people who are inviting others to share meals with them. This shared dinner will be held once a month. The meal is free. All are welcome. Sharing food, friendship and community is the centerpiece for these dinners.
- The Guardian ad Litem program is looking for volunteers to be the voice of an abused or neglected child in our community. Training begins March 9. Chatham County is in need of volunteers to be an advocate for children who are currently in foster care. For more information, contact Nickie Siler, GAL Program Supervisor, District 15B North Carolina Judicial Branch, at: nickie.siler@nc-courts.org or 919-545-3650 or visit at: www.VolunteerforGAL.org.

- The Spring for Literacy Luncheon to benefit Chatham Literacy will be held from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. on April 10 at Governors Club. Best-selling author Frances Mayes will be keynote speaker. She will share about her adventures in Italy and new book. Registration started February 1. Tickets are \$100; available at chathamliteracy.org or 919-542-6424.

- The Chatham County Local Emergency Planning Committee (LEPC), which meets to discuss county-wide emergency preparedness, has scheduled its 2019 quarterly meetings for May 2, August 1, and Nov. 7. The meeting sites for the year will be the Chatham County Detention Center, the new Mountaire Farms facility in Siler City, and the county's Emergency Operations Center in Pittsboro. Specific details for each meeting will be made known via media notification, county E-Notify, Facebook, and Twitter at least two weeks prior to the respective meeting dates. For information concerning hazardous material facilities in Chatham County or the LEPC in general, contact Emergency Management at 919-545-8163.

ALSO HAPPENING

- Chatham Community Library is offering a series of free computer classes. Find a full description of each class, including topics covered and prerequisites for attending, by visiting www.chathamnc.org/ComputerClasses. Classes take place in the computer lab at the Library, on the campus of CCCC: Genealogy 101: Feb. 20, 3 - 4:30 pm.
- Volunteers Needed - Nonprofit agencies in Chatham seek teen volunteers to help with many projects. Teens can help at food

pantries, in gardens, fund-raising projects, office work, care for animals. Chatham Connecting website lists many volunteer opportunities for youth. See where you are needed to help in the community. www.chathamconnecting.org

• Chatham County Council on Aging presents their VITA PROGRAM (Volunteer Income Tax Assistance Program). Appointments are being taken for persons/families of low to middle income, planning to file a 1040 Form. To schedule an appointment, call the Council on Aging at 919-542-4512. VITA is a service of the IRS, where their volunteers assist with income tax preparation with no charge to you. Locations at: Eastern Chatham Senior Center in Pittsboro and the Western Chatham Senior Center in Siler City.

- Give children a safe place to grow. Interested in becoming a Foster and/or Adoptive Parent in Chatham County? Call 919-642-6956 for more information.

- Alcoholics Anonymous information, call the help line at 866-640-0180 for North Carolina District 33 meeting schedule for Alamance, Caswell, Chatham and Orange Counties.

- The Motorcycle Association for Chatham, Western Wake, Lee, Orange, and Alamance counties meets in Pittsboro and is open to all riders. For information, call 919-392-3939 or visit www.ChathamCBA.com.

- For drug problems in the family, Narcotics Anonymous helps. Call 1-800-721- 8225 for listing of local meetings.

- Pittsboro Serenity Seekers Al-Anon Family Group meets every Monday night at 7 p.m. at Chatham Community Church in the lower level of Chatham Mill on Hillsborough Street.

- The Caregiver Support Group meetings are held on the third Monday of each month at 6 p.m. at the Pittsboro Senior Center. For more information, contact Susan Hardy at 919-542-4512.



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WINTER FLOWERS

Snowdrops or Galanthus are sweet winter-blooming bulbs that give a taste of spring beauty on a chilly day. These lovely blooms are tough as nails and will even sprout through the snow which is how they got their name.

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Constructing a path

Building construction tech program gives CCCC's Chatham students an extra step

BY ZACHARY HORNER
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PITTSBORO — Construction is quite a different field than nursing.

At least that's what former registered nurse Roxanne McDonough thought when she signed up for Central Carolina Community College's Building Construction Technology program.

"I got terribly burnt out, wasn't really enjoying what I was doing," McDonough said. "(So) I chose to do something that I found that I enjoyed doing, which was building stuff."

McDonough's story might be typical of many community college students — adults trying a new career path — but choosing construction might not just fit her desire to build. As Chatham County continues to grow with several residential developments and commercial development expected to follow behind, the college hopes its program will play a role in that future.

"It's a really wonderful opportunity for a lot of people," said Jeff Gannon, the lead instructor of the BCT program, which began on CCCC's Pittsboro campus in the fall of 2016. "You can have a varied background, come into this business and set

yourself up a lifelong, financially-rewarding career right here in Chatham County. You can find plenty of work here in your hometown."

The program is an offshoot of the college's Sustainable Technology major that focuses more on the nuts and bolts — no pun intended — of construction, building codes, electricity, plumbing and more. Gannon said the program attempts to help give students the whole picture of what goes into construction, work that culminates in the Chatham Cottage.

The Cottage is a yearly, 500-square foot residence that students build from scratch and is auctioned off in late July. Lyle Wesner, another student, said it offers a different opportunity that most construction sites, where laborers might just be focusing on one specific task and doing it repeatedly.

"Jeff encouraged everybody to take the opportunity to do something they were uncomfortable with," Wesner said. "So everybody rotated through the different building components that were going on at one time and everybody got their hands on everything."

It's that type of "real world" experience that attracted Wesner to the program. Gannon spent

12 years as a contractor focusing on sustainable technologies, a facet he's incorporated into the program he leads now. He says that construction is among the leading contributors to climate change across the world and that little changes to the construction process can make a big difference.

"We're not just teaching construction skills, we're teaching folks how to build better, how the little differences in how you put two pieces of wood together makes a difference in how the house operates," Gannon said. "With the scale of development we face here in Chatham County, we stand to make a fairly decent impact on the carbon output that of all these construction projects are contributing here in our area."

According to a 2013 report by the United Nations Environment Programme, buildings both commercial and residential account for approximately 40 percent of annual energy consumption and up to 30 percent of all energy-related greenhouse gas emissions around the world. But the report states that "the building sector has also been shown to provide the greatest potential for delivering significant cuts in emissions at low or no-cost, or net savings, to

developed and developing economies."

Wensner has seen that first hand, as he currently works for a renewable energy company. He got the job after completing an internship there and said working in that field requires basic construction tech knowledge.

"People need to be skilled in building to work there, especially for the guys that are in the field," he said.

On a recent Tuesday morning when Wesner was discussing renewable energy construction, the program's students are wiring two light bulbs to four switches. McDonough says it may sound simple, but you have to hook two four-way switches and two three-way switches to two light bulbs, and they all have to turn on. For the constructionally-uneducated, that phrasing might sound foreign.

It's that type of education that McDonough wants, even though she admitted that women don't really have a historic track record of being involved in construction. Gannon said that declining workforces have led to more women pursuing construction jobs and that females make up approximately 30 percent of the CCCC program.

"They're coming in with this openness to learn," he said. "They're bringing assets and an extra skill level to this program."

McDonough said her



Staff photo by Zachary Horner

Jeff Gannon helped establish the building construction technology program at Central Carolina Community College's campus in Pittsboro. Gannon is standing in the in-progress Chatham Cottage, a yearly project that BCT students undertake.

shop at home is better than that of her husband — an instructor in heavy equipment operation at another college — and he hears about it "all the time." She added that she's received more respect from people than questions or doubts, although sometimes when she goes to buy lumber, she's asked if it's for her husband.

"I think the shift, it's starting," she said. "There aren't enough people to do all the work, and women have just as good a work ethic, if not better sometimes, than men do."

And she has brought some of the skills of nursing, such as critical thinking and teamwork, into construction.

According to the National Association of Women in Construction, there were 1.131 million women in the construction industry in 2006, a number that dropped to

802,000 in 2012. But that number has bounced back, with approximately 939,000 women employed in various construction-related jobs at the end of 2016, about 9.1 percent of the field.

McDonough posits that women may be bringing their maternal instincts into the job and that makes them better. Gannon's not totally sure, but he does want all of his students, male or female, to walk away from the program with a desire to see construction as helping others.

"My hope is that people walk away from this program with the awareness that the work we do is important," he said. "If it's not important, you make it important. By importance, I mean that it serves a purpose greater than the individual. You build quality work that's going to function well and is going to serve the community."

VALENTINES: 78 percent of shoppers buy a week or less in advance

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like New Horizons.

As far as what to actually purchase, it depends on who you're giving to. Along with reflecting the nature of the relationship or the gift recipient's personality, Mihalik suggested finding products made nearby.

"Local stuff is always appreciated in today's shopping community," she said. "So anything locally made is nice."

New Horizons Downtown, due to its central location, is usually ready by mid-January with a Valentine's Day-related spread. There are greeting cards, candies and some jewelry, placed in the shop window and near the front door. Mihalik said the set-up is about making the store "top of mind" for people "when the panic sets in." A 2013 survey said that 78 percent of people who celebrate Valentine's Day plan to shop for it a week or less before the holiday.

"It's kind of a last-minute holiday," Mihalik said. "We won't know what's good until the day before because everybody comes in the day before."

Valentine's Day is the beginning of the yearly pattern of holidays that stores like New Horizons tackle. Next is Easter, then Mother's Day, graduation season, Father's Day, 4th of July, Halloween and Thanksgiving, capped by Christmas. Then repeat the cycle. Mihalik said the store has items already ordered for Easter. "We love this time of year," she said.



Staff photo by David Bradley

Yvonne Petty, co-owner of The Floral Boutique in Bear Creek, relies on the internet for more than 75 percent of her business, but she enjoys the personal contact when her customers come out to her remote location.

Siler City's sweethearts: John and Cecilia Grimes

Siler City Mayor John Grimes and his wife Cecilia have been married for nearly 54 years. They first met on campus when they were both attending college at Wake Forest University.

"I first saw John from the stands at the North Carolina East-West All-Star football game at Greensboro the summer before we entered college," Cecilia said. "He was playing for the West, and I came to pull for a high school star from Jordan-Matthews playing for the East. I first laid eyes on him when he kicked off at the start of the game for the West."

They both have the sense they were meant to be.

"When I was being recruited to play college football, I often was invited to visit UNC, Duke, and N.C. State," John said. "When I drove by the Siler City town limits signs on Highway 64, I'd always think, 'Wonder why that Siler City sign always catches my eye?' Now I know."

"I've told this true story for decades, so here it goes again," Cecilia said. "I was seated with my college roommate at one of the front tables in the school cafeteria at Wake Forest when John walked by. I asked my roommate, 'Who is THAT?' and she answered that was John Grimes and he was a freshmen football player. I replied, 'Well, if he talks as good as he looks, then I'm in trouble because that's exactly what I want my sons to

look like.'"

The two have had a long, supportive working relationship both as parents and partners.

"It has always been supportive: we try to help each other in whatever the enterprise," Cecilia said. "Actually most of my working life, I have taught school, beginning in Germany, in the early years of our marriage when John served in the U.S. Army and I taught soldiers on base. Later I taught at Central Carolina Community College for 22 years, and then another eight in high schools."

Cecilia said John "found his calling" after military service and enjoyed decades of work at her father's business, Cecil Bud Tires in downtown Siler City.

"I joined him for a few years when he needed me before his retirement," she said. "The best thing about our working relationship was having a front row seat over the decades, as I watched him help others — in his business, professional, and political endeavors. It's pretty inspiring to watch him 'do his thing.'"

They sum up the secret to a long marriage in two words: steadfast commitment

So what will this happy couple do to celebrate Valentine's Day this year?

"This Valentine's Day John will be at a budget meeting for the town, and I am going to our



Staff photo by David Bradley

Cecilia Grimes and her husband John, mayor of Siler City, have been married for 53 years. Their 54th anniversary is July 17.

granddaughter's basketball tournament," Cecilia said. "He always gives me chocolate — a sack of Heath candy bars — because he knows they were my daddy's favorite candy and eating them reminds me of my daddy and makes me happy."

"My wife is a loving mate who has been by my side and stuck with me through thick and thin," John said.

"He is the most fascinating person I have ever met, and he inspires me to be better," Cecilia said.

PROTECTION: Chatham Park's tree coverage, canopy debated

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with just 14 percent coverage, a number which lowered to just three percent when taking out trees planted during construction of some of those sites.

That compared to the 20 percent that Chatham Park is proposing for residential lots, 10 percent for non-residential or mixed use lots and three percent for residential urban centers. Non-residential urban centers would not require any tree coverage.

During the WithersRavenel presentation, Pittsboro Commissioner John Bonitz interjected, saying, "That illustration doesn't persuade me in any way because I don't see anything in Chatham Park's plan that resembles the density of a downtown

Pittsboro."

Pfeiffer and Brown didn't respond to the comment, and there was no further discussion on it.

Pfeiffer also said that residential land, which has the 20 percent tree coverage area minimum, would make up 80 percent of Chatham Park's acreage, and that land only requiring no coverage or three percent coverage would be "much less" of the land.

The board made no decisions and had no discussion on the presentation, but several members of the public made their voices heard earlier in the evening.

Elaine Chiosso, executive director of the Haw River Assembly, said Chatham Park's proposal would "affect thousands of people and maybe hundreds of thousands of people" due to the Park's vicinity to the river.

"Chatham Park has not shown itself to be very concerned about the protection of our environment," Chiosso said. "I think we know why Chatham Park is not willing to do more."

She did not say why. John Wagner said cutting trees would risk "destroying the unique character of this entire area."

"This development, if they continue in this pattern, will get to be known as a vast Chatham Park slum, because that's where you usually find this type of tree coverage," Wagner said. "(It would be) a habitat not fit for humans or animals."

Liz Cullington of Pittsboro expressed concerns about what she said were areas in the element that would give Chatham Park leeway.

"Chatham Park is

proposing rules so filled with loopholes and trapdoors that they could end up with tree coverage way, way, way less than 10 percent," Cullington said. "I fear Chatham Park will be a bird holocaust."

A couple public speakers made reference to New York City having a 24 percent tree coverage area requirement.

However, according to a September 2018 report by the U.S. Forest Service, the city currently has a tree canopy, not coverage, that covers 21 percent of the city, Manhattan has just 20 percent canopy, while Queens as 18 and Brooklyn has 16.

Kirk Bradley — a co-owner of the Chatham News + Record and developer of the Mosaic at Chatham Park — defended the park and his development.

"I've had to apply all the rules you've cooperatively developed with Chatham Park," Bradley said to the board. "I can tell you that I don't find these numbers that people are quoting about the tree coverage factually accurate."

Bradley said his development, which he argued was "one of the densest projects in the region," is only going to develop 20 of the 65 acres and leave just 35 percent of the land impervious, which means water cannot pass through. Tree canopy on Mosaic, he said, would end up being around "50 percent or more."

"I appreciate everybody's passion and why they're for it," Bradley said. "You can't preserve all the trees because you won't be able to grade all the projects

to be ADA-accessible, but you can go back and re-foliate, which our plan requires us to do and which we plan to do. What I am hearing people think they say and what they practically do when you develop the property is different."

David Delvecchio of Pittsboro said he was "all for" private land owners doing what they wanted, as long as it doesn't "start affecting the people around me in an adverse way."

"I'm glad to stand here with other folks for (the trees)," he said. "There's nothing unique about (Chatham Park's) plan. They don't walk their talk. What they do walk is what they're forced to do as they push against the good people of the county, the state, you all, and what they can get away with."

VIEWPOINTS

I lost my passport but did my best not to lose my mind

I was less than 24 hours away from an overnight, overseas flight from JFK in New York to Ukraine when I discovered my passport was lost.



FROM THE PUBLISHER'S DESK
Bill Horner III

If you've ever lost anything — who among us hasn't — and you reflect on it long enough, you realize what a misnomer the word "lost" is. It really means one of two things: gone *forever* or gone *temporarily*. The former means that for all practical purposes, it doesn't exist anymore, so it's not really lost. It's just permanently gone.

The latter indicates it may eventually be found, so it's not really lost, either — it's just hidden for right now.

Anyway, you know the feeling. When you're searching desperately for something, panic chases reason out the window.

The occasion surrounding

my passport search was an annual mission trip my wife Lee Ann and I take each fall to the former Soviet country in Europe. Our church in Sanford has been involved in the work — through a ministry called International Partnerships Ukraine — for a decade or so, and last October's trip was Lee Ann's fourth and my third.

Packing the night before our flight, Lee Ann removed her passport from the drawer in which we've stored them safely for years. Mine, surprisingly, wasn't there. Three hours of searching — ending at about midnight with utter exhaustion — yielded nothing. We'd used the passports just a few months before on a trip to Alaska, so the absence was baffling.

As I tried to sleep that night, my options narrowed as I was consumed with two lines of thinking. First, my passport had either been placed or had fallen into some odd location that I couldn't possibly imagine, meaning that I could turn the house upside down and

might never find it. Already, I'd looked in dozens of places I couldn't imagine that it'd be, all to no avail. Looking in the garage or in our bonus room, for example, just didn't make sense — but in reality, it *could* possibly be there.

Second, my passport could have been mistakenly thrown away when I cleaned out my backpack after the Alaska trip. A remote possibility, but a possibility nonetheless. If that were indeed the case, I'd never, ever find it no matter how many hours were devoted to the search.

What I failed to take into consideration before going to bed was a third possibility — one that that occurred to me when I woke up at 3 a.m. and began searching again, in vain: that is, that the dang thing was in a known, logical location that I simply hadn't yet considered. Someplace that, when I found it, I'd say: "Oh, of COURSE!"

But where? My window for finding it was closing quickly. I couldn't make the trip without my passport, and I couldn't get a replace-

ment passport if I didn't act immediately.

Exhausted, confused, frustrated, and armed with two opposing axioms — that, 1) things always have a way of working out, and 2) some problems don't solve themselves — I ditched my search and committed to the new plan of getting a replacement passport.

Surely I wasn't the first person in history to lose a passport less than 24 hours before and overseas trip, so there had to be a solution. Turns out there was. At about 5:30 a.m., I hopped on the State Department's website and grabbed the only in-person appointment I saw — for 2:30 p.m. that same day in New York City. Showing up in-person at one of the handful of State Department offices around the country that do same-day emergency passports was my only option. And because the airline ticket I was holding was for a 7:30 p.m. flight to JFK, I had to figure out a way to get to midtown NYC by lunchtime in order to make that 2:30 appointment.

I did — through a series of

pretty wild, harrowing events that began with me driving to Raleigh-Durham Airport to catch a 10 a.m. flight for which I had no ticket — and by 5 p.m. I was holding my brand new passport and had hailed an Uber for the return trip back to JFK.

My wife and our other traveling companion arrived at JFK shortly before 10 and just after midnight, we each flashed our passports as we boarded a Ukrainian Airlines flight for Kiev. Some 24 hours later, after a good night's sleep, we re-packed our bags for our road trip to Chernivtsi and the Carpathian mountains to begin our retreat with a group of more than two dozen young Ukraine professionals.

It was during that re-packing process in the hotel that morning I picked up a small, expandable black shoulder bag to place into one of our suitcases. As soon as I picked it up — Lee Ann had packed it earlier back at home — I knew it: my "lost" passport was inside.

Oh, of COURSE. I knew I'd find it. Eventually.

Complex problem requires candor

More power to anyone who can get through high school and college without doing something stupid.



RANDALL REFLECTS
Randall Rigsbee

That's because high school students are young people with additional growth and maturity in their future. Teenagers — whom we sometimes call "young adults" — don't always make the most informed, adult decisions.

This is true of college students, too. It's inevitable they will do something an older, more mature version of themselves wouldn't do.

I say this from a perspective informed by my own past youthful ignorance/arrogance. The adult me wouldn't, for instance, circumvent barbed wire fences and other protective measures in order to gain access to, and climb to the topmost point of, a water tower; but the college sophomore me did, once, and it remains, though I did live to tell the story, among the stupidest things I've ever done.

Likewise, I don't think embattled Virginia Gov. Ralph Northam, at his present age of 59, would apply shoe polish to his face today, as he now says he did back in the day to portray Michael Jackson.

Northam's troubles, which find him struggling to keep his post, began when an image from his old college yearbook surfaced, one photo in particular showing a person in blackface and another in a Ku Klux Klan-style outfit. Neither, of course, is acceptable.

Northam, of course, eventually denied either offender was him, though he did own up to the Michael Jackson impersonation, saying he once dabbed a small bit of shoe polish on a portion of his face.

Denial, as the old joke goes, isn't just a river in Egypt. It is also a handy tool for politicians.

Bill Clinton admitted to smoking pot as a young person, though famously added, in the obligatory denial portion of his mea culpa, that he "didn't inhale."

We often hear excuses, or hedging. We rarely hear full ownership of past misdeeds.

How refreshing it would be, I think, for a public figure to honestly own something uncomfortable.

In Northam's case, it might have been enough for him — as soon as the old incriminating photo resurfaced — to say, "Yes, that was me. I was young and stupid in my early 20s and it sickens me to see it today from the perspective of an older, wiser man. I know better now, of course, and I fully apologize for my offensive actions as an immature student."

He might have avoided the problems he faces today had he been straightforward.

But he wasn't and his apparent lack of backbone has resulted in a domino effect of past misdeeds coming to light among the top leaders of the state of Virginia.

I say it would be refreshing to hear honest ownership of our own past stupidity, instead of denying or lying about it, but the also fresh example of actor Liam Neeson may explain why Northam and others caught up in embarrassing behaviors from their past being exposed in the present choose to hedge instead of honestly addressing them.

Neeson's recent remarks about race got him in some hot water; too, even though he seemed, unlike the Virginia governor, to be owning his past and trying to demonstrate how one can grow and change, even atone for past wrongs.

Neeson caught a lot of flack for his remarks.

To address societal problems like racism — symptoms of which include the application of blackface (Northam) and holding one person of color's crime against all people of color (Neeson) — it would seem that we have to be honest and open-minded and actually talk about it.

But these aren't easy discussions.

As Neeson's example has shown us, being candid isn't painless. And as Northam has shown us, being confusing isn't helpful.

Deep, complex matters such as racism require candor and open-minded discussion.



Finding special place good thing for soul

A voice from my past called to my soul the other day as I listened to some of the news accounts about all the folks across the political and social spectrum



MOVIN' AROUND
Bob Wachs

who have been found or admitted to wearing "blackface" at some point in their lives.

While the jury is still out — and always will be — on the full implications of what's behind those actions, including who did it and when and where and why, it seems to me any clear-thinking human has got to believe it's wrong to exhibit mean-spirited behavior to any other individual or group of people. And maybe that's the key — the difference between things done with evil intent and those done either in jest or juvenile foolishness.

I say that to say that, to me, it's just as bad to see Ted Danson dressed in blackface speaking from a podium while Whoopi Goldberg, seated to his left, laughs and smiles at the whole thing as are any of the incidents shown and reshown recently. Is it OK that he did that while

the two of them were a couple? If it's OK, does that mean there's a double standard? And if it's not OK, where's the moral outrage over this incident?

Maybe there isn't any outrage because Ted did his in jest. I know I don't register any offense when folks tell Polish jokes around me. Someone asked me once if I knew how many Polacks it took to change a light bulb in a lamp. When I said I didn't, my friend told me it took six — one to hold the bulb and five to turn the lamp. Should I be offended at that, considering my father's father got off the boat at Ellis Island sometime around 1890 after living his life up to that point in Warsaw, Poland?

It's hard — nay, impossible — to legislate behavior and morality. Those things come from the heart. A verse in the Old Testament book of Proverbs tells us plainly that we should "guard your heart, for everything you do flows from it."

With that truth in mind and with it being accompanied by all the publicity about blackface, I heightened back to that time in my past when Uncle Remus was my hero. I don't know for sure how old I was; I just remember watching Joel Chandler Harris' "Song of the South" and wishing Uncle Remus, a central character in it, was my

If we're ever, as a people, going to learn to talk and not shout, we need a place physically — and in our hearts. A Bible verse found in Matthew 6:6 tells us that when we pray, we should go into our closet or room and shut the door.

grandpa.

Before you read any further and think me uninformed, let me hasten to say I know that movie was an idealized version of a terrible time in our nation's history. There's another side to the story, one worth noting that can be seen in such productions as "Roots" or "Amistad." But here's why Uncle Remus and his stories and characters came to mind.

As he was telling stories to a little boy, he spoke of such woodland creatures as Brer (Brother) Rabbit and Brer Bear and Brer Fox. These three exhibited human characteristics, which was the purpose Harris had in mind as he wrote down many of those stories he had first heard in oral black literature.

You see, it was Brer Rabbit who convinced Brer Fox and Brer Bear to let him show them his "laughing place," saving him from being the main course for dinner. His laughing place was a special place where he went when he wanted to improve his mood and while the bees that at-

tacked Brer Bear and Brer Fox and saved Brer Rabbit came from a patch of woods, for Brer Rabbit the laughing place was more a state of mind.

Today, while I don't have a particular laughing place, I do have a special place I can go for a moment of meditation. My desk sits in a corner of my study and looks out on the western sky. From there, I can see the sunset or watch the cows come and go, grazing or drinking from the pond. Last Christmas, I noticed the reflection of the lights on the tree in the window as I looked out it. It's a quiet place, most of the time, and it brings me moments of thought and reflection.

If we're ever, as a people, going to learn to talk and not shout, we need a place physically — and in our hearts. A Bible verse found in Matthew 6:6 tells us that when we pray, we should go into our closet or room and shut the door. Find your own special place — laughing or praying or meditating or otherwise...and go there often.

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VIEWPOINTS

Journalism has long history and important future

Working in the news business can be difficult.



THIS IS A MANN'S WORLD

Casey Mann

For every reporter, it truly is a labor of love. We work weird, long hours, and often for little pay. Our jobs are tough and our futures are often uncertain. We seek out the facts, search for context, and report on what we've learned in hopes that the communities we serve

will be better informed and grow. Newspapers have had a place in society since the 1600s with varying degrees of censorship, but in 18th century in the United States, newspapers became a political force in the campaign for American independence. Its value was so ingrained in our culture that press freedoms were protected in the First Amendment of the U.S. Constitution. However, since the 1940s, newspapers have declined significantly. According to a study conducted by the University of North Carolina, 20 percent of community papers across the U.S.

have closed their doors since 2004 alone.

And its not just the small community news outlets feeling the pinch. Last month, three major companies, which include BuzzFeed, HuffPost, and Gannett, which is one of the last big newspaper chains that has properties in markets of all size, all announced major cuts in staff.

Adding insult to injury, the day reporters at Buzzfeed and HuffPost learned they lost their jobs, they were the victims of a coordinated flood of online attacks which appear to be orchestrated by 4chan, a far-right messenger board, whose members

often espouse far-right extremism, white supremacy and white nationalism.

As soon as the journalists learned they were laid off, threatening memes, racial slurs, and direct threats to their social media feeds, their email addresses, and even their PayPal accounts. According to reports, Talia Lavin, a freelance writer for HuffPost before she was laid off, found 4chan threads with users bragging about taunting the journalists and urging other members to join in the effort.

While this type of troll attack is disheartening, there is something even more troublesome that

these workers were attacked for their job which is to report truth.

To be fair, not everyone who works in the media is a arbiter of truth — there are commentators, muckrakers, and outright propagandists — but I don't consider those folks reporters. Most reporters are just doing their jobs, working their beats, doing their best to get the facts out to the people they serve — the public they serve.

Even here in Chatham County, we are not immune. I personally have been threatened in a variety of ways for both reporting facts and refusing to report falsehoods

or innuendo. But none of that has stopped us from producing the best news we can with the resources we have.

I am a journalist. I believe in investigating and reporting the truth. And I believe in the importance of the community newspaper, often the one source for truly local news. This is especially true in rural areas where community news has been hit the hardest by declines.

In spite of the challenges, or maybe even because of them, I will continue to work hard to produce journalism that serves the Chatham County community.

Can a simple column change someone's political view?

RALEIGH — I have written a syndicated column on politics and public policy for North Carolina newspapers since 1986. Have I influenced how readers think about the issues I discuss?



JOHN LOCKE FOUNDATION

John Hood

I certainly hope so. But there are plenty of smart people, scholars of public opinion and political behavior, who question whether editorials, columns, and op-eds matter. Some argue that political attitudes are so deeply felt, so bound up with partisan affiliation and personal experience, that they rarely change in response to what people read. This is especially true, the argument goes, for the insiders who wield a disproportionate influence on policy.

As with most questions of human behavior, the evidence here is mixed. Partisan preference is a powerful

force that limits how much people are willing to stray from their team's consensus. Lots of people do "follow the crowd" when it comes to political attitudes, conforming their views on issues beyond their personal experience to those of their leaders or groups.

But there is also good evidence for the proposition that ideas matter — that powerful messages conveyed in compelling ways can change the course of political debates, movements, and elections.

A fascinating study published last year in the Quarterly Journal of Political Science used online surveys to gauge the political views of respondents before and after they read op-eds published in The New York Times, The Wall Street Journal, USA Today, and Newsweek. In samples of both general readers and political "elites," those who read an op-ed became more favorably disposed to its thesis than those who did not, although the effect was weaker for political insiders (as might be

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Using reasonable estimates of the number of readers exposed to these op-eds in the "real world," the authors calculated the cost-per-mind-changed ranged from 50 cents to \$3 — which compares favorably with other means of political communication.

Even if the skeptics are right to cast doubt on the persuasion effect, opinion pieces can serve other rhetorical goals. If the writer is a trusted leader, readers may shift their views based on the byline rather than the content. A strongly argued op-ed may also convince political actors who disagree with the writer that they might lose the debate, pushing them towards compromise.

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print or online. I have considered it a privilege to write a regular column for North Carolina papers, and to contribute occasionally to national ones. And I consider it an opportunity not just to express myself but to inform, challenge, provoke, and, yes, persuade readers to see things as I do.

It's a two-way street, of course. While my core philosophy has remained the same, my views have shifted on some issues in response to writing, responding to critics, and reading editorial content from other writers.

Today, I had a more limited goal: to persuade you to keep reading editorial pages and opinion sections. Did I succeed?

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Sometimes a teacher, often a student

The request was for me to talk to an audience about how to conduct



NC SPIN

Tom Campbell

week.

The group was Congregations for Social Justice, and I must admit to not knowing much about them. My host had told me there would be a multicultural group of people from different faiths, people searching for solutions to social ills, people wanting better tools to achieve those goals. I confess to spending more time preparing for this speech than most, wanting to have the proper tone and a helpful message.

From the minute I entered the hall it was obvious this was going to be an interesting evening. I encountered not only a diversity of age, race and sex, but clearly of different faith traditions. Over introductions and table talk I learned some of the various issues in which members of the group were interested ranging from affordable housing to immigration, hunger, homelessness and discrimination in many forms.

This group does not appear to be an advocate for any single issue but instead a clearinghouse for many, a group of kindred souls longing for justice and peace. And it struck me that while they might have invited me, hoping I could instruct them how to have more fruitful discussions, it was really I who was the student, not the teacher.

Here was what this evening taught me. People of goodwill, who genuinely desire to find common ground, can come together, share food, discuss ideas and hear others' concerns without animosity, name calling, accusations and disagreement. Looking around the crowd there were some dressed in business attire, others in workers' clothes. I wouldn't hazard a guess as to how many different faiths

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were present, however what really struck me was the obvious lack of political discussion. Instead there was a yearning for mutual understanding, respect and genuine concern for others.

I am not sure I imparted anything of value to them, but I came away knowing I had been taken to school. I had witnessed a living example of how we are supposed to treat one another, a more gentle and loving way to live.

This evening reminded me of the ideals attributed to Francis of Assisi:

"Lord, make me an instrument of your peace; where there is hatred, let me sow love; where there is injury, pardon; where there is discord, union; where there is doubt, faith; where there is despair, hope; where there is darkness, light; and where there is sadness, joy.

"O Divine Master, grant that I may not so much seek to be consoled, as to console; to be understood, as to understand; to be loved, as to love; for it is in giving that we receive, it is in pardoning that we are pardoned, and it is in dying that we are born to eternal life."

In these uncertain times, with events hurling at us so fast we don't have time to process them, this is a prayer worth repeating and ideals worth following, regardless of our faith, our politics or circumstances.

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OBITUARIES

NANCY LEE DODSON ALLEN

Nancy Lee Dodson Allen, 79, of Snow Camp died on Monday, February 11, 2019 at Randolph Hospice House.



Mrs. Allen was born in Randolph County on August 7, 1939, the daughter of Luther William and Ruby Reid Dodson. Throughout her life she worked in the office of Mid-State Farms in Staley and retired as a teacher assistant with Chatham County Schools, working primarily at Siler City Elementary School. Nancy attended Rocky River Baptist Church and was a member of the Friendship Class after retiring from children's Sunday School. Mrs. Allen graduated in 1957 from Liberty High School and 1958 from Elon College.

Nancy lived a vibrant life, enjoying art classes, pets and gardening. She enjoyed spending time with her grandchildren and great-grandgirls. Nancy was a generous, giving person who did her utmost to help others in need. The family will receive friends on Tuesday evening, February 12 from 6 to 8 p.m. at Loflin Funeral Home in Liberty. A funeral service will be held on Wednesday, February 13 at 11 a.m. at Rocky River Baptist Church with Dr. Greg Burriss officiating. Burial will follow at Dr. Clyde M. Gilmore Memorial Park in Julian.

Along with her parents, Nancy was preceded in death by her husband, Lynn Howell Allen, and her sister, Lou Anice Dodson Bagby.

She is survived by her daughter, Debbie Allen Teague and husband, Pete of Salisbury; son, David L. Allen and wife, Sharon of Liberty; grandchildren, Cameron Teague and wife, Zerlinna of Moncks Corner, SC, Jordan Teague of Arlington, VA and Laura Allen and fiancé, Daniel Serratos of Apex; two great-granddaughters, Lucy and Ginny Teague of Moncks Corner, SC.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to Rocky River Baptist Church Building Fund, 4436 Siler City-Snow Camp Road, Siler City, NC 27344.

Please share your thoughts and memories with the family at www.LoflinFH.com.

Loflin Funeral Home of Liberty is honored to serve the Allen family.

CAROLYN E. BERGSTROM-MACINTYRE

Carolyn Elise Bergstrom-MacIntyre, 88, passed away on January 24, 2019 at her "Caring home" of Pittsboro Christian Village.

Carolyn was predeceased by her husband, Richard T. MacIntyre from Leominster MA, in 2005. She leaves two daughters, JoEllen Kellenbeck of Portsmouth, NH and Lisa MacIntyre-Janson of Pittsboro, NC; seven grandchildren: Casey, Erin and Brianna; and Kyle, Elise, Kaleb and Makayla and two great-grandchildren: Randy and Alexia.

Carolyn will now join her husband in Leominster, MA. She did not want any ceremonies or memorials. In remembrance, a floral arrangement will be placed at her church.

In lieu of flowers, contributions in Carolyn's memory may be made to the Paralyzed Veterans of America, CORA Food Pantry of Pittsboro, NC, or the Girl Scouts in Rochester NY. Condolences may be made at www.donaldsonfunerals.com

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

MARGARET 'MAGGIE' MENNEAR

Margaret "Maggie" Mennear, 88, died on Sunday, February 3, 2019, in Pittsboro, NC. Born in Motherwell, Scotland, to the late Thomas and Mary Connelly, Margaret raised her family in Wantagh, NY before moving to North Carolina after the death of her husband, Hurley M. Mennear, Jr., and retiring from her career as an executive assistant to the heads of such notable companies as British Travel Authority, Avis, Norton Simon, and Warnaco.



A consummate hostess, Maggie was renowned throughout Fearington Village for her festive Robert Burns parties, her love of corgis, her recipe for vodka gimlets, and her lilting Scottish brogue. A stylish and classy lady, Margaret was a world traveler and avid reader who often volunteered in literacy programs at local schools.

In addition to her parents and husband, Margaret was predeceased by her sister Bonnie ("Bunt") Devereaux and her great-grandson Ben Zettler.

She is survived by her daughters, Susan Mennear and Shona Trimboli (Bud); seven beloved grandchildren, and eight great-grandchildren. She will be dearly missed by us all.

A small gathering of remembrance will be held at Gal-loway Ridge on Saturday, February 16. Her ashes will be interred at a later date in the family grave in Motherwell.

In lieu of flowers, the family asks that contributions be made in her memory to Reading Is Fundamental (www.rif.org). Condolences may be made at www.donaldsonfunerals.com.

DONALD 'DON' WILSON STUBBS

Donald "Don" Wilson Stubbs, age 80, of Pittsboro, died Friday, February 8, 2019 at his home.

Don was born in Chatham County on May 2, 1938 to the late Donald Rufus Stubbs and Lucille Tickle Stubbs. He was also preceded in death by one brother Bill Stubbs.

Surviving relatives include his wife, Jean Mann Stubbs; two sons, Danny Stubbs and wife Betsy of Apex, Herbie Stubbs and wife Sherri of Pittsboro; four brothers, Joe Stubbs and wife Margaret of Durham, Roger Stubbs and wife Martha of Pittsboro, Tommy Stubbs and wife Carolyn of Oxford, Lewis Stubbs and wife Mary Ruth of Lexington; three grandchildren Brianna, Chandler, and Savanna.

The funeral service was held Sunday, February 10, 2018 at 3 p.m. at Brown's Chapel United Methodist Church with Rev. Ray Gooch presiding. Burial followed in the Church cemetery with Military Rites. The family received friends in the fellowship hall following the committal service.

In lieu of flowers the family asks that memorial contributions be made in Don's memory to Brown's Chapel United Methodist Church Cemetery Fund, c/o Teresa Farrell, P.O. Box 1048, Pittsboro, NC 27312.

Condolences may be made at www.donaldsonfunerals.com. Donaldson Funeral Home & Cremation is honored to serve the Stubbs family.

PAULINE KING GREEN

Pauline King Green, of Seagrove, passed away Sunday, February 10, 2019 at Sandy Ridge Assisted Living.

Services will be private. Pauline was born on July 14, 1929 to Susie Green and Ervin Nixon King. She was a member of Asbury Baptist Church and retired from Clayson Knitting in Star.

In addition to her parents, Pauline was preceded in death by sons, Robert Hare, Kenneth Hare; sisters, Ruby Williamson, Beulah Phillips; brothers, Morris, Jimmy, Paul (twin), Clyde King; and four grandchildren.

She is survived by daughters, Mable R. Hare of Asheboro, Joan T. Glosson of Randleman; son, Bill Brown of Seagrove; five grandchildren, twelve great-grandchildren, and six great-great-grandchildren.

Memorials may be made to FirstHealth Hospice, 251 Campground Road, West End, NC 27376 or Alzheimer's Association, 5171 Glenwood Avenue, Suite 101, Raleigh, NC 27612.

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MICAH MCLAUGHLIN

Micah McLaughlin, 29, of Lil-

lington passed on Wednesday, February 6, 2019 at Concordia Care/Rose Manor in Durham. Arrangements by: Knotts Funeral Home, Sanford.

DARRELL VINCENT DOWDY

Darrell Vincent Dowdy, 44, of Sanford passed on Wednesday, February 6, 2019 at his home. Arrangements by: Knotts Funeral Home, Sanford.

PAUL DAVID JOHNSON

Paul David Johnson, 47, of Cameron passed on Sunday, February 3, 2019 at Duke University Hospital. Funeral services were held Saturday, February 9, 2019 at 12 p.m. at First Calvary Baptist Church in Sanford with burial following at Minter Cemetery.

JESSICA ANNETTE RANDALL

Jessica Annette Randall, 45, of Fayetteville passed on Wednesday, January 23, 2019 at Cape Fear Valley Medical Center.

Funeral services were held Saturday, February 9, 2019 at 3 p.m. at Try Jesus Ministries in Sanford.

SEQUANNA WAYNETTE MONROE

Sequanna Waynette Monroe, 25, of Lillington passed on Monday, February 4, 2019 at her residence.

Services were held Tuesday, February 12, 2019 at 1 p.m. at Love, Faith & Power Christian Ministries in Sanford.

DARIUS TREMAYNE BARRETT

Darius Tremayne Barrett, 41, of Sanford, passed on Friday, February 8, 2019 at Central Carolina Hospital. Arrangements by: Knotts Funeral Home, Sanford.

JANICE LOUISE (DOUGLAS) HILL

Mrs. Janet D. Hill, 67, of Sanford, passed on Sunday, February 10, 2019 at the home of her son.

Arrangements by: Knotts Funeral Home, Sanford.

BERNARD EVANS

Bernard Evans, 53, of Fuquay-Varina passed on Thursday, February 7, 2019. Arrangements by: Knotts Funeral Home, Sanford.

NEWS BRIEFS

Chatham County earns national recognition for advancing solar energy

Applications being accepted for Florence Reforestation Fund

RALEIGH — Woodland owners in 52 counties, including Chatham County, impacted by Hurricane Florence and recognized as federally-declared disaster areas can now apply for cost-share funding for reforestation efforts. The North Carolina General Assembly approved \$2.5 million in time-limited funding for reforestation efforts that will be administered by the N.C. Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services and the N.C. Forest Service.

Requests considered on a first-come, first-served basis. Get the full details about this program on Cooperative Extension's Growing Small Farms website at <https://golinks.ncsu.edu/reforestation-funds>

Horton Middle teacher wins state award

Horton Middle School took to Twitter Feb. 7 to announce one of its own had won a state award.

Michael McMillan, a seventh-grade science teacher at Horton Middle, was a recipient of the 2019 North Carolina Association for Supervision and Curriculum Development Teaching Excellence Award. McMillan received

PITTSBORO — Chatham County has received a Gold Award from the national SolSmart Program for its use and the accessibility of solar energy throughout the county.

Chatham joins Asheville and Carrboro as the only local governments d student musicians and raises money for JMArts, the Jordan-Matthews Arts Foundation, a nonprofit organization created to provide what student artists need to excel.

Eighteen musical acts selected during auditions will perform in separate elementary, middle and high school competitions.

Elementary contestants are Brianna Balderas of Siler City Elementary, Jack and Jillian Dixon of Silk Hope School, Destiny Lyna Lowery of Chatham Charter, Hanna Mikolajec of Perry Harrison Elementary School, Zoe Murphy of Virginia Cross Elementary and Adrian Willett of Perry Harrison Elementary School.

Middle school contestants are Carolyn England of J.S. Waters School, Ian McMillan of Chatham Middle School, Zuzanna Mikolajec of Margaret B. Pollard Middle School, Cameron Parker of Praise Homeschool, Buck and Maggie Thornton of Chatham Middle

School, and Marcella Willett of Margaret B. Pollard Middle School.

The showcase will conclude with six high school performances. Courtney Shackelford, Jennifer Trejo Benitez, Jackie Vasquez and Amari Yarborough compete from Jordan-Matthews High School. Duan Bowen and Faith Tysor represent Chatham Central High School.

"We're so glad to see even more students in our auditions this year!" said Greg Burriss, who directs the competition and selected contestants with his fellow judge, Joseph Walden. "There's lots of talent and enthusiasm. It's a tough job to choose the final contestants, but we're excited about this opportunity for these young people."

"Sing and Play" is open to both instrumental and vocal acts, with students competing for a \$50 prize in each age division. Winners will be selected by audience vote during the showcase concert at 6:30 p.m. on Feb. 21.

General admission is \$5 per person and includes one vote in each age-based competition.

"We are thrilled to continue bringing great family entertainment highlighting talented stu-

dents from all over our area," said JMArts president Rose Pate. "'Sing and Play' is a fun-filled celebration of music along with a little friendly rivalry, as everyone cheers on and votes for their favorite performers."

All money raised by the competition will be used by JMArts for educational projects, including its New York Arts Adventure. That trip scheduled over spring break gives upperclass musicians, actors and visual artists an opportunity to explore one of the world's great cities, experience the very best in the arts and gain new perspectives and experiences that will influence their lives and work.

Not only will travelers attend performances at the Metropolitan Opera, Jazz at Lincoln Center and on Broadway, but they will learn from world-class professionals. That includes discussing theater over lunch with The Washington Post chief theater critic Peter Marks; seeing the new Broadway musical "Tootsie" and learning about the show afterward from actor Andy Grotelueschen, who plays the role of Jeff Slater; and exploring street art on Manhattan's Lower East Side and learning graffiti technique in a hands-on workshop with noted artist JCORP.

tion for Supervision and Curriculum Development Teaching Excellence Award. McMillan received

the award during the NCASCD's annual conference Feb. 6-8 in Pinehurst. Horton Middle's Twitter

account posted a photo of McMillan with the certificate and wrote that it was "a well deserved award for a hard-

working teacher who always puts his students first."

The NCASCD is the state chapter of the As-

sociation for Supervision and Curriculum Development, a nonprofit educational organization made up of educators around the world that, according to its website, "is dedicated to excellence in learning, teaching and leading so that every child is healthy, safe, engaged, supported and challenged."

Historical museum hosting exhibit on Siler City family

The Chatham Historical Museum is in the midst of celebrating Black History Month by hosting an exhibit honoring an African-American family from Siler City.

First opening in January, the "Crossing Racial Lines" exhibit on the Tod R. Edwards family will stay at the museum until March. The Edwards family operated a successful jewelry store from 1905 to 1961.

According to the museum, friends and members of the family have loaned artifacts to help tell the story.

The museum is in the historic Chatham County Courthouse in downtown Pittsboro and is open from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. every Wednesday, Thursday and Friday. For more info, visit chathamhistory.org.

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CHATHAM CHAT | JOHN SHELTON REED

For Chatham’s Reed, barbecue is more than a good-tasting passion

John Shelton Reed is more than simply an expert on “the South” and the author or editor of nearly 20 books on the subject — he’s an avowed lover of barbecue and has spent much of his post-academic career studying the art of fine slow-roasted pork. This week, we speak to Reed about the appeal of barbecue, how North Carolina barbecue stacks up against that made elsewhere and the notion of “true ‘cue.”

What’s the appeal of barbecue for you?

Well, for starters, of course, it tastes good. At least if it’s cooked right. For the record, I grew up in east Tennessee, which doesn’t really have a barbecue tradition. But I was introduced to North Carolina barbecue about 1960, at Turnage’s in Durham, when I visited my girlfriend, who was at Duke, and I liked it from the very first bite. (Kind of like cigarettes, but I had to give those up.) I reckon I’ve eaten three or four hundred pounds of it since then. There’s more, though. Barbecue has a long and complex and fascinating history, and it’s tied up with political campaigns, church homecomings, drive-in restaurants, harvest celebrations, the Fourth of July...all sorts of things. It’s good to eat and fun to study.

You spent most of your career at UNC studying and writing about the South more generally. How did you come to focus on barbecue?

Some people can write about the South without mentioning barbecue, but I’m not one of them. Over the years I wrote about it occasionally: I was a judge at the Memphis in May competition and I wrote about that. I reviewed a couple of books about it. The Southern Foodways Alliance asked me to talk about it at one of their meetings. But I only got serious after I retired, especially when my wife and I agreed to write a book for the UNC Press called “Holy Smoke: The Big Book of North Carolina Barbecue.” That was such fun

that since it was published I haven’t written about much else. (The tax deductions are great, too.)

My latest is a cookbook in the UNC Press “Savor the South” series. The world didn’t need another barbecue cookbook, but that series needed one.

As you’ve traveled around the region and the country, how does North Carolina’s barbecue compare to local barbecue elsewhere?

We North Carolinians argue endlessly about Eastern versus Piedmont barbecue, but the two are so much alike that we can talk about “North Carolina barbecue” compared to what they serve in Texas, Memphis or Kansas City. My buddy Jim says we ought to put “The Vinegar State” on our license plates. I’ve eaten just about everybody’s barbecue, and I like almost any kind in its native habitat: brisket in Texas, ribs in Memphis, stuff with thick red sauce on it in Kansas City, even mustard-sauced pork in South Carolina, and mayonnaise-sauced chicken in Alabama. It’s when they crop up as invasive species — like brisket in North Carolina — that I get annoyed, because one of the things I like about barbecue is its link to place. I said I like almost any kind of barbecue. The one exception may be the mutton that they cook in Owensboro, Kentucky. I’m still thinking about that.

A French journalist asked me recently where I’d send a visiting tourist to eat American barbecue, if I had to pick one place. That’s an interesting question, and a different one from whose I like best. I had to suggest two places. First, the vinegar- and pepper-sauced whole hog barbecue at any of several places in the Carolinas (the Skylight Inn in Ayden is a classic). This is what barbecue was everywhere in the US until the late 1800s. At the other end, this hypothetical French visitor might try somewhere in Kansas City — let’s say Joe’s Kansas City — which may be the shape of things to come. I



Photo courtesy of John Shelton Reed

Chatham County’s John Shelton Reed enjoys eating — as well as preparing and writing about — barbecue.

usually say “International House of Barbecue” disparagingly, to denote places that cook all kinds of meats and serve them with an array of sauces. Usually that’s undermining some local barbecue tradition. But in Kansas City, that is the local barbecue tradition, and Joe’s does it as well as it can be done.

You’re involved with something called the Campaign for Real Barbecue. What is that all about?

The simplest answer is to refer your readers to our website, TrueCue.org. The Campaign was conceived when I was talking one day with Dan Levine, a Chapel Hill boy and an inspired barbecue blogger, and we shared our dismay that so many North Carolina barbecue places have stopped cooking with wood and switched entirely to gas or electricity. We agreed that barbecue is not just any slow-roasted pork: It needs smoke from a hardwood fire or coals. The principal purpose of the Campaign

is to recognize and to encourage folks who do it the old way — do it right.

We seem to have identified a real problem, and not just in North Carolina. We have branches now in South Carolina, Georgia, and Kentucky, and we’re about to get one in Virginia. (Texas doesn’t need us: a Texan who cooked meat with gas and called it barbecue would be shot, or at least mocked. I say, good for Texas.)

Another thing Dan and I are doing is we’re trying to get the state to designate the last Monday in February as “Wilmington Barbecue Day.” In 1766 the Royal Governor of North Carolina, William Tryon, tried to win the good will of the New Hanover militia by treating them to a barbecue, but the locals, upset about the Stamp Act, threw the barbecued ox in the river and poured out the beer. This was a full seven years before the Boston Tea Party, which gets all the publicity.

What is the “True ‘Cue Pledge”?

About John Shelton Reed

Chatham County’s John Shelton Reed grew up in Kingsport, Tennessee, studied at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, and received his Ph.D. from Columbia University. Most of the 22 books he has written or edited are about the South. His articles have appeared in periodicals ranging from Science to Victorian Studies to Southern Living, and his country song “My Tears Spoiled My Aim” has been recorded by Tommy Edwards.

He has been a Guggenheim Fellow, a Fellow of the National Humanities Center, and twice a Fellow of the Center for Advanced Study in the Behavioral Sciences. He has lectured at over 300 colleges and universities in the U.S. and abroad, including a number of universities in India as a Fulbright Distinguished Lecturer, and has held visiting positions at many institutions, including the Hebrew University of Jerusalem, the Institute of United States Studies at the University of London, and All Souls College, Oxford University. For some years Reed taught at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, retiring in 2000 as William Rand Kenan Jr. Professor of sociology and director of the Howard Odum Institute for Research in Social Science. He helped to found the university’s Center for the Study of the American South and the quarterly Southern Cultures.

Reed has been a consultant for Southern Living, Quaker Grits, and the Turner South cable network; dramaturg for the musical comedy Kudzu; and a judge at the Memphis in May World Championship Barbecue Cooking Contest. He is co-founder and Eminence Grease of the Campaign for Real Barbecue (TrueCue.org) and a lieutenant colonel in the Unorganized Militia of South Carolina.

Visitors to TrueCue.org are invited to sign a pledge that they will keep the True ‘Cue faith and promote the cause — by patronizing places that cook with wood, for instance, especially celebrating those that cook only with wood, and by not eating meat cooked entirely with gas or electricity, even if it’s called barbecue, “except when courtesy requires it” (we are a Southern organization, after all). I invite your readers to have a look at our website and to sign up, if they agree with us. The pledge:

- I will proclaim the difference between Real Barbecue and faux ‘cue, the former being sublime and the latter merely roasted meat.
- I will remember and remind others that the making of Real Barbecue requires taste, tradition, and a sense of place.
- I will patronize purveyors of Real Barbecue, slow-cooked with smoke from wood or wood coals,

and I will encourage others to do the same.

- I will especially seek out and celebrate those old-school pitmasters who cook solely with wood or wood coals.

- I will keep the Faith. I will not eat meat cooked only with gas or electricity and mislabeled “barbecue,” except when courtesy requires it.

- If compelled by circumstance to eat at an establishment serving such faux ‘cue, I will politely call attention to the lack of holy smoke by issuing an online review, letter to the editor, tweet, telegram, Facebook status update, smoke signal, or other ancient or modern form of communication.

- I will educate friends and strangers alike about TrueCue.org, and tell them about the Campaign for Real Barbecue.

- Even in the face of ignorance, indifference, and bland meat, I will not despair; confident that Real Barbecue shall not perish from the earth.

Fire damages home of well-known local doctor

BY RANDALL RIGSBEE
News + Record Staff

SILER CITY — Fire destroyed a large portion of retired Siler City doctor John Dykers’ home Monday.

Believed to have started in a garage area near the home’s water heater system, the fire claimed 60 to 70 percent of the more than 100-year-old residence, according to Siler City Fire Chief Scott Murphy.

Neither Dykers, a physician who practiced in Siler City for many years before retiring several years ago, nor any of the nearly 50 firefighters on scene all day battling the blaze were injured, Murphy said.

A caretaker arrived at Dykers’ home, at 1783 Alston Bridge Road, Monday morning to look after cows on the property when he discovered the fire, calling authorities.

Firefighters had to contend with numerous “void spaces,” including additions built on the home since its original construction and two or three layers of roofing material. They were able to save the oldest portion of the home, Murphy said.

While the badly-damaged residence isn’t habitable now, a number of Dykers’ personal items including books and clothing were salvageable, said Murphy.

Firefighters from the Siler City Fire Department responded, with assistance from Bonlee, Staley, Silk Hope, Pittsboro and Bennett fire departments.

Goldston Volunteer Fire Department was on stand-by in Bonlee’s district while Bonlee firefighters assisted in Siler



Staff photo by Randall Riggsbee

A fire Monday damaged most of the Alston Bridge Road residence of retired Dr. John Dykers.



Staff photo by Randall Riggsbee

Firefighters from Siler City and several neighboring fire departments battled a blaze Monday at the home of retired Siler City physician Dr. John Dykers.

City, Murphy said.

“It’s notable that of the 45 to 50 firefighters there, 30 were volunteers who stayed all day,” Murphy said. “To have so many volunteers be able to do that in this day and age is unusual.”

Murphy noted those volunteers had permission to be away from their jobs to conduct their

volunteer duties.

Wet weather complicated firefighters’ efforts, Murphy said. Had ground surrounding the property not been saturated from rain, firefighters could have accessed water from a nearby pond. Instead, tanker trucks from Silk Hope and Pittsboro supplied water to fight the blaze.

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The Ranger family from 2018 is as shown, Ranger dad brings in a fish while Mom is hollering for Dad to hurry up and get the food into the nest.

EAGLES: Most active during winter, the species’ breeding season

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Tinsley’s second nest includes resident birds Hershey and Govida. The pair are still “courting,” according to Tinsley, a ritual which can last . Bald eagle courtship often includes high flying aerial maneuvers including the “death spiral” where the pair soars in the sky and interlocks talons in a dive while doing somersaults. This is a move that can sometimes be fatal for the animals because they may not release in time to survive.

Because female bald eagles are larger than males, Tinsley notes that “you gotta be one heck of a male to take on a female.” Courtship acrobatics are a skill young eagles can be seen practicing before finding a mate.

Tinsley’s final nest is Ranger Nest, named as it was found by a ranger who called her up saying, “Hey, Doc, we got a new nest.” Ranger Nest is unusual in terms of bald eagle nests. It rests in a swampy area and is devoid of the canopy that usually accompanies a nest. The tree is also precarious as it often swings in the wind when the parent birds are not there to weigh it down. Tinsley approaches this nest quietly to avoid disturbing the other waterfowl that inhabits the area near the nest.

Tinsley monitors each of the nests to see if the pairs are still at the nest and if breeding is successful. Bald eagle breeding season is typically between December and June. Because the birds have a long reproduction cycle, typically 10 years from birth to successive offspring, the breeding period is especially important to monitor.

According to Tinsley, half of all eaglets die in the first year. Of those, only about 40 percent survive the second year. So at Jordan Lake, if the 16 pairs produce two eggs, and if all those eggs hatch, by the first year typically only 16 will be left. The next year, only about nine or 10 will survive.

“As a scientist, I would love to have them banded so we could see where our offspring is,” Tinsley said.

Following the two hurricanes which struck North Carolina last fall, monitors have had difficulty accessing all the nests because of Jordan Lake’s high water levels. Many of the nests are best accessed by water and hiking near the nests will disturb the birds. With the lake being closed for such a long time, monitors have only been able to confirm six of the 16 nests as of last week.



Photo courtesy of Ellen Tinsley

Ranger Mom is sunning and on guard while Ranger Dad incubates the eggs.



Photo courtesy of Ellen Tinsley

All mated bald eagles “renew” their relationship each year with all kinds of daring displays and the death spiral.

“Our bald eagles out here need us to protect them. It’s our national symbol.”

‘DOC ELLEN’ TINSLEY

Nesting in peace

Bald eagles are federally protected in the United State. According to the U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service, the birds were in danger of extinction 40 years ago because of habitat destruction, illegal shooting, and contaminated food sources largely due to DDT, a pesticide that has since been banned. Federal law mandates that humans must stay at least 660 feet away from a bald eagle and its nest. Violations can bring fines from \$5,000 to \$50,000 and even jail time.

“Our bald eagles out here need us to protect them,” Tinsley said. “It’s our national symbol.”

During the past couple of weeks, Tinsley has twice witnessed intrusions by humans on eagle nests. The first occurred when was a man was observed walking under an eagle nest with a camera trying to capture a picture. The birds, disturbed that their personal space was violated, flew away from the nest. The eaglets at the nest were still within the first two weeks after hatching, a period before the birds are able to regulate their own temperature.

Tinsley and park rang-

ers were concerned the intrusion may lead to the birds abandoning their nest. Also, since temperatures had been low at the time and the young birds unable to maintain their temperature, there was concern that the amount of time the parents spent away from the nest may cause the eaglets’ death.

The man was apparently unaware of the rules or the implications of his actions. After being provided an education by Tinsley, the man penitently provided the memory card of his camera to her and promised to not encroach on the nest again.

A second intrusion was discovered by a ranger. A man was found using a drone, flying devices that are banned at Jordan Lake. The man was flying his drone over an eagle nest in an attempt to photograph it and its residents.

Drones are particularly disruptive to eagles, more so than the helicopters that often fly over Jordan Lake, according to Tinsley. Drones are similar in size as other predators and are therefore particularly troublesome to eagle monitors. That’s why they are prohibited at the lake. Because of the drone’s



Staff photo by Kim Hawks

Doc Ellen Tinsley sits in her chair with her trusty camera as she studies the bald eagles of Jordan Lake.

flight, Tinsley said the parents flew away during the very sensitive first two weeks of the eaglets’ lives.

Both intruders were caught and educated on the potential damage they may have caused. But that’s not always the case. Fortunately, monitors found that the parents at both nests returned to their eaglets. The damage to the eaglets and their viability of these actions is still not known.

“As it got out that we have bald eagles, people started coming out and they don’t know how to interact,” Tinsley said. “We are still trying to figure out to get the eagles, the people, and the lake to coexist.”

How to see eagles at Jordan

Bald eagle habitats are inextricably linked to large bodies of fresh water. The large birds require a steady diet of fish to sustain themselves and are often found near large lakes and the mouths of large rivers. In the 1980s,

when the Army Corps of Engineers created Jordan Lake to control flooding downstream in the Cape Fear River, efforts were made to introduce bald eagles at the lake.

“The dam is the reason we have bald eagles,” Tinsley said. “We didn’t have a water system big enough to support them until Jordan Lake and Falls Lake.”

According to Tinsley, the first attempts were not successful, with most or all of the eaglets dying. It took nearly a decade for there to be evidence of a burgeoning bald eagle population in the area. Young eagles will build their nests close to where they fledged from their parents’ nest, usually between one and five miles from where they hatched.

Though the nests are off-limits to would-be observers, there are actually ample opportunities to watch bald eagles at Jordan Lake. In fact, it’s likely that visitors have seen many of them but had no idea what they were seeing. Bald eagles go through color varia-

tions as they mature, only gaining their brilliant white heads at five years of age.

Winter time is the best time to view eagles. They are particularly active as its the breeding season, but at the same time, the lack of foliage on the trees provides little camouflage for them. Though they exist at Jordan Lake year-round, once trees bud the bald eagles can be impossible to see on the branches.

Visitors can go to the Jordan Dam in Moncure and sit in the recreation area early in the morning or later in the evening. Tinsley suggests bringing a chair and sitting quietly looking downstream on the Haw River. Patience is the best way to view a bald eagle because they’ll often fly up toward the recreation area while feeding if they do not feel encroached upon. As Tinsley sat there last week, she and her group observed no fewer than a dozen bald eagles feed-

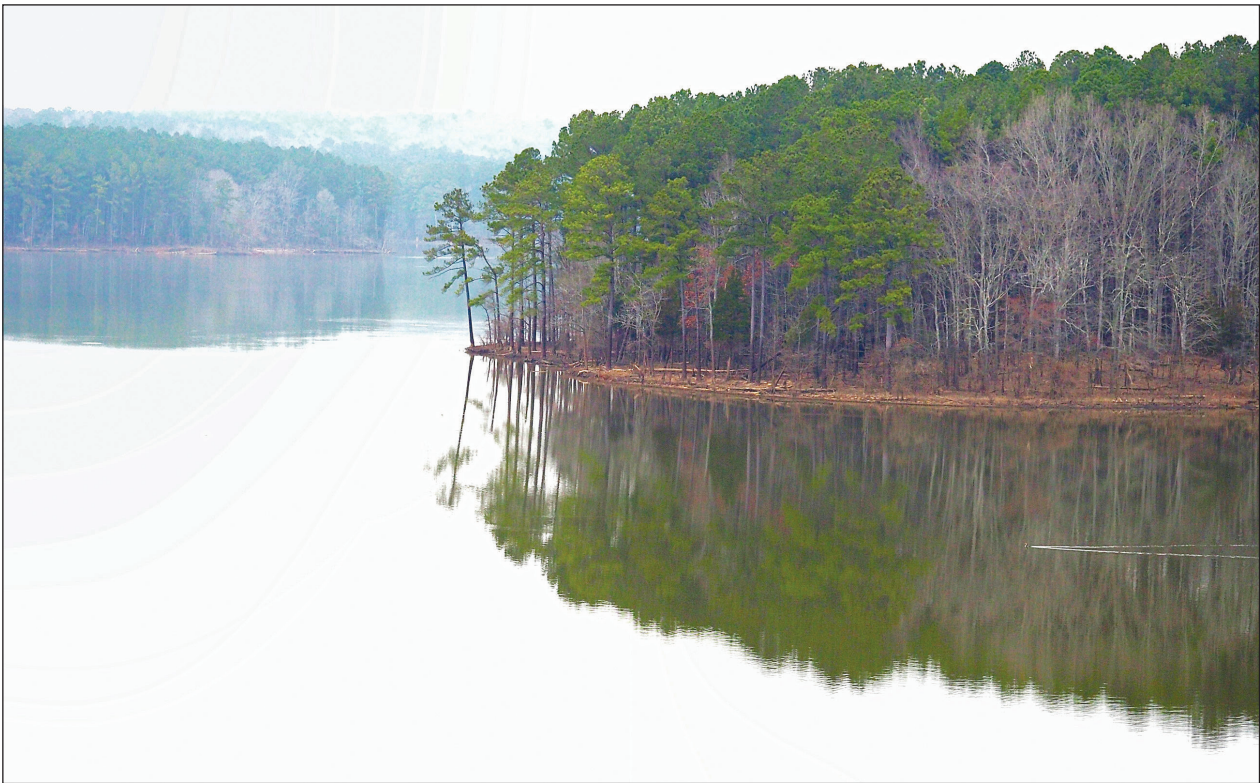
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JORDAN LAKE: A PLACE FOR EAGLES TO NEST IN PEACE



Staff photo by Kim Hawks

Jordan Lake Dam is shown at sunrise.



Staff photo by Kim Hawks

Jordan Lake Dam is shown in the morning



Staff photo by Kim Hawks

A sign banning drones is posted at Jordan Dam.



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Doc Ellen Tinsley sits in her chair with her trusty camera as she studies the bald eagles of Jordan Lake.



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Kate of First Nest brings a fish to the nest.

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ing on the river.
“I want people to have the very best chance to take an eagle photo without disturbing the eagles,” Tinsley said. “Just sit here, be quiet, and wait.”

Learning more

The Jordan Lake Visitors Center is hosting “Doc Ellen” Tinsley this weekend to discuss bald eagles and provide an opportunity to observe bald eagles. The Feb. 16 event runs from 10 a.m. to noon at the Visitors Center located on State Park Drive just off of U.S. 64. All are welcome and no registration is required. For more information email steve.mcmurray@ncparks.gov.

There is also an extensive exhibit on Jordan Lake’s bald eagle population located in the Jordan Lake Visitors Center. In addition to Tinsley’s eagle photographs, the exhibit also hosts a mock eagle nest which allows visitors to fully understand the size of the birds.

“It is wonderful,” Tinsley said. “Take your children, take your groups, it’s museum quality.”

CHATHAM@WORK | SHARON GLOVER

About: Sharon Glover was born in Siler City and graduated from Jordan-Matthews High School. She has undergraduate and graduate degrees in psychology, as well as an associate of applied science degree in business computer programming. The oldest daughter of the late Joseph and Clara Glover, she has what she describes as “three wonderful and supportive sisters.” Her late son Jody, she says, “is very much alive in my heart.”

Occupation: Membership Manager at the Boys & Girls Clubs of Central Carolina.

What’s unique about what you do for a living? The unique thing about what I do for a living is the opportunities provided to help members to be prepared for life’s challenges and rewards.

What’s the most difficult

job you’ve ever had? Working as a spooler at Hadley Peoples Cotton Mill.

What was your most embarrassing moment at work? I fell asleep on one job just to awake to my boss standing over me and calling my name.

What advice would you give someone considering doing the same line of work as you? If someone were considering the same line of work as me, my advice would be please, do it out of love for the children and not for a paycheck.

Who is your personal hero? God

Coke or Pepsi? Pepsi

Which do you like better, starting or finishing? Starting

Stay up late or get up early? Stay up late

Does the early bird really get the worm? I don’t know about the bird and the worm, but I do know getting up early has its rewards. Black Friday shopping, for example, arriving early to stand in line for concert or sports event tickets, or arriving early to get you a good parking space I think are all good examples of the proverbial early bird getting the worm.

Dogs or cats? Dogs

What is the most significant of your life’s goals that you haven’t yet accomplished? I would still love to pursue my PhD in psychology.

The trait you most deplore in yourself: My straightforwardness.



Staff photo by David Bradley

Sharon Glover really likes this tree, made of brown paper bags. The students who come to the Boys and Girls Club in Siler City have their roots in town, but, like the tree, they can adapt themselves according to the seasons of life.

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School bond faces uncertain future in state legislature

Chatham reps speak on competing Senate, House plans

BY ZACHARY HORNER
News + Record Staff

A push to put a public school construction bond on the 2018 voting ballot failed. Now, backed by House Speaker Tim Moore (R-Cleveland), the push has begun again.

But according to Chatham County’s representatives in the N.C. General Assembly, that push faces a significant roadblock.

State Sen. Valerie Foushee and Rep. Robert Reives II (both D-Chatham) told the News + Record that competing plans from Senate and House leadership may not even reach Gov. Roy Cooper’s desk.

“I believe a school bond plan will pass (the House),” Reives said during a breakfast event Friday where Chatham County, Siler City, Pittsboro and other local officials discussed legislative priorities. “Frankly, I don’t know that we’re going to get to a point that we worry about distribution.”

The school construction bond was listed as the county’s top legislative priority for the 2019-2020 legislative session, which kicked off earlier this year. Foushee and Reives were re-elected to their respective seats, Foushee representing Senate District 23 and Reives representing House District 54.

Chatham County Interim Manager Dan LaMontagne expressed some optimism at the start of the discussion, citing activity already taking place at the legislature.

In December 2018, Moore announced that he would be going on a tour of the state in 2019 to gather support for a \$1.9 billion school construction bond, \$1.3 billion of which would

go to aid local public school districts in capital costs. In that press release, Moore said a bond would help the education system keep up with “our state’s explosive growth over the past decade.”

“Education is what matters most to families and businesses — to the private and public sectors alike — and North Carolina is poised to build on historic commitments to our schools with another long-term investment in capital construction for our rapidly growing student population,” Moore said. “(That growth) brings opportunities and challenges for our school systems. The state General Assembly must continue to meet those needs with investments in our future.”

The phrase “rapidly growing student population” will ring familiar in the ears of Chatham County Schools administrators. With increasing development already in the area and Chatham Park just around the corner, the district’s student population is expected to grow by more than 14 percent over the next 10 years, according to projections by the Operations Research and Education Laboratory at N.C. State University. Chatham Park on its own is expected to add 700 students over 10 years and 6,000 students by the time the development is built out.

The district is already in the process of constructing a new high school and elementary school, which will cost a estimated combined total of \$107,940,769.

The House’s plan, which has been publicly supported by Cooper, has not received endorsement from Senate leadership.

In its stead, several Republican Senators filed Senate Bill 5 late

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STATE SEN. VALERIE FOUSHEE, D-Chatham

last week. The bill would instead create the State Capital and Infrastructure Fund, money from which one-third would be distributed annually to local school districts for “new facilities to meet the needs of a growing population.” The Fund would be filled with one-fourth of any fund balance left over at the end of a fiscal year and 4.5 percent of “net State tax revenues” from that year.

Monies from the fund cannot be used to pay off existing debt, and the funds “shall first be used to meet the debt service obligations of the State.”

Foushee said Senate leadership claims the plan will bring in \$2 billion for school construction, but that would only happen if there was a surplus in state funds.

“It’s always going to be contingent on what the state takes in,” she said. “In those years that the state does not take in surplus, or the surplus is low or inadequate, that means that 4 percent will not be sufficient for what school systems need to be done.”

Both Foushee and Reives said the competing plans would likely be part of the upcoming budget negotiations between the House and Senate. Reives said Chatham’s legislators are firmly in favor of the bond proposal, but see tough sledding ahead for it.

“I’d be really, really surprised if that bill gets heard in the Senate,” he said.

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Knights stun Northwood to spoil Senior Night

BY DUCK DUCKSON
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PITTSBORO — Northern Durham grabbed its first lead with 4.5 seconds to go before halftime and never trailed again except for one brief moment midway through the third period while the Knights managed to hold off Northwood down the stretch to spoil the Chargers' Senior Night by collecting a 56-45 Big Eight 3A Conference triumph Friday evening in Lewis Norwood Gymnasium.

Gaining a split of the season series while beating its host for the seventh time in eight meetings, Northern Durham improved to 6-6 in the league

standings and 8-14 for the year, whereas Northwood stumbled to 8-4 in the conference and 16-6 overall.

X'zavier McFadden notched a game-high 21 points, including a 15-of-20 effort at the charity stripe, while Treyvion Goodwin added a dozen points for the Knights, who shot 56 percent (18-of-32) from the floor to help overcome 16 turnovers.

The Chargers were led by 13 points from Aaron Ross as Northwood connected on 35 percent (14-of-40) of its field goal attempts while turning the ball over 13 times.

"Defense was the key tonight, as it was the best we've played all year," said Northern

Durham mentor Ronnie Russell following the outcome.

"Our defense set up a lot of points and was steady every quarter," Russell said, "while I thought we did a good job keeping our composure matching Northwood's patience on offense."

Chargers' coach Matt Brown noted his team was playing its third game in four days and was coming off a big emotional win against Durham Hillside one night earlier, but refused to offer up those factors as excuses for his squad's performance.

"Give Northern Durham credit, they played a great game and took it to us," Brown said.

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Staff photo by Lee Moody

NW's Alex Snively (center) takes control of the ball and heads up court on Thursday night in Pittsboro in the Chargers' key 3A Big Eight Conference win over Hillside.

Bears outlast Knights in triple overtime thriller

BY DUCK DUCKSON
News + Record Staff

BEAR CREEK — Jamieon Degraffenreidt's two free throws with 7.6 seconds left in the third overtime period broke the 14th and final tie of the evening as Chatham Central managed to ease past Chatham Charter 66-64 in a key match-up of Central Tar Heel 1A Conference front-runners Tuesday night in Gerald L. Binkley Gymnasium.

The outcome left both teams at 9-2 in the league standings and in a three-way tie for first place with Research Triangle with one week to go in the regular season.

Winning their fifth game in a row, the Bears improved to 10-7 overall and now lead the all-time series with their county rival 8-4, while the Knights had their nine-game win streak snapped in losing for just the second time in 24 outings.

Michael Moore poured in a game-high 27 points for the victors while Degraffenreidt chipped in 17 points along with 10 of his team's 34 rebounds.

Chatham Charter's Jordan Hamilton also notched a double-double with 18 points and 10 of the Knights' 29 boards. A.J. Alston and Connor Murphy finished with 15 points each for the visitors while Cole Milholen added 10.

While both teams shot 43 percent from the field, Chatham Central sank six-of-23 attempts from behind the bonus arc and was 14-of-20 from the charity stripe, whereas Chatham Charter hit three-of-eight tries from three-point range but converted just 11-of-30 attempts from the foul line.

Degraffenreidt's conventional three-point play with 2:33 to go in the opening stanza put Chatham Central up 10-5 before Alston's trey from the right corner and two free throws pulled the Knights even a minute later.

After the Bears regained the lead on a Lucas Skertich three-pointer from the right wing with 32 seconds remaining in the initial frame, Chatham Charter reeled off seven unanswered points to seize a 17-13 advantage with 6:07 left in the first half.

Then after Chatham Central reclaimed the lead at 24-22 on Degraffen-



Staff photo by Lee Moody

Chatham Central's Hayden Nall (bottom) draws a charge from Chatham Charter's Cole Milholen on Tuesday night in Bear Creek. Chatham Central captured the crucial 1A Central Tar Heel Conference game 66-64 in a triple-overtime thriller.

Armstrong, Steele advance to state wrestling championships

BY DON BEANE
News + Record Staff

GOLDSBORO — A pair of local wrestlers will carry the Chatham County torch to the annual North Carolina High School Athletic Association (NCHSAA) Wrestling Individual State Championships set for Thursday, February 16 through Saturday, February 18 at the Greensboro Coliseum.

Chandler Steele of Chatham Charter and Cole Armstrong of Chatham Central advanced to the states with strong showings at Goldsboro Rosewood High School over the weekend in the 1A East Regional.

Steele captured second overall in the 113 pound division with a 3-1 record at the event. Steele pinned Brady Peeletier of Neuse Charter at the 1:22 mark in the opening round before taking an 11-2 major decision over Ronan Carletta of East Carteret in the quarterfinals.

In the semifinals, Steele took an impressive 15-3 major decision over Josh Poteat of Uwaharrie Charter, but was stopped short of the regional crown in the finals when Christian Decatur of Rosewood took a fall win in :57 seconds over Steele.

Also for Chatham Charter, Sam Blandon went 1-2 at 120 after losing to Timothy Freeze of South Davidson in a :23 second fall in round one, before receiving a bye

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Ennis heave results in copper medal in the shot put

BY DON BEANE
News + Record Staff

WINSTON-SALEM — Samantha Ennis didn't capture the gold as she had hoped, but the Northwood senior did manage a Copper Medal with a fourth place finish at the 2019 NCHSAA 3A Indoor Track and Field State Championships in Winston Salem on Friday afternoon.

Ennis tossed the shot put for a mark of 36-01.00 to nab the fourth place finish in the event which was won by junior Makayla Watkins of Western Guilford with a throw of 38-07.2.

Sophia Smith added a 10th place mark of 9-06.00 in the Pole Vault for the Lady Charger senior. Laninie Baumgardner of Cuthbertson won the event with a leap of 11-00.00.

Closing out the Northwood representatives on Friday was Caroline Murrell, a freshman, who took 14th overall in the 3200 Meter Run with a time of 11:56.36. Jonna Strange of North Iredell won the event with a mark of 10:53.15.

The Northwood girl's team closed in 25th overall with five points while Cuthbertson won the state championship with 102 points.

Weddington brought home the 3A boys team title with 99 points.

Lady Chargers medal at NCHSAA State Championships

BY DON BEANE
Chatham News + Record

CARY — It was a loaded field in Cary Friday at the North Carolina High School Athletic Association (NCHSAA) 3A Swimming and Diving State Championships held at the Cary Aquatics Center.

But despite all the talent from around the state in the 3A ranks, the Northwood 400 Free Relay team captured fourth place overall to bring a Copper Medal back to Pittsboro.

"I'm so proud of these girls. They've worked so hard this season and have improved every day," said NW coach Sara Graham. "Maddie (Posse) is the lone senior of the relay team and closed her career with a medal. Suzanne (Earnshaw) is only a sophomore, and Julia (Earnshaw)

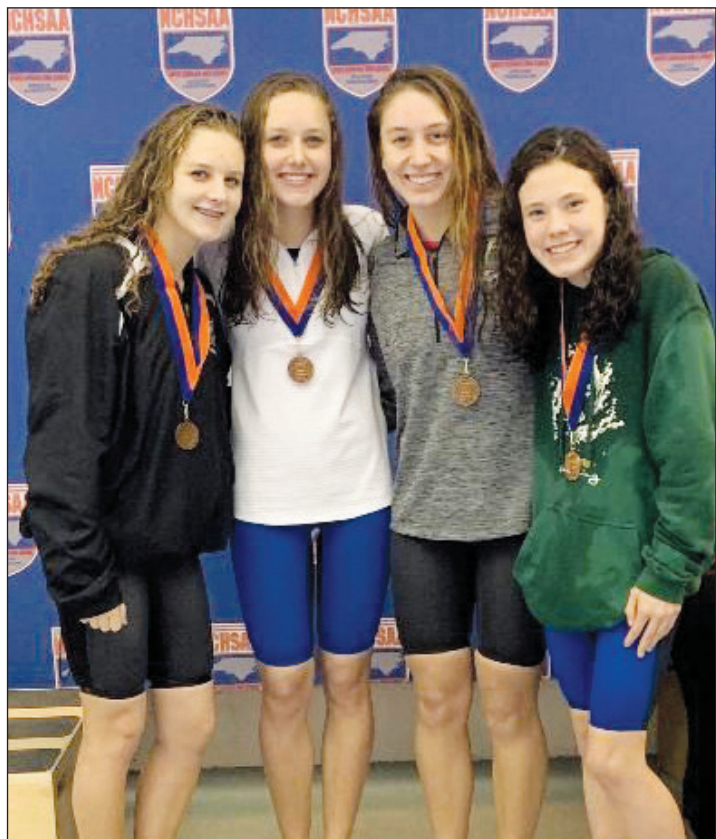
and Mia (Corrado) are just freshmen. So they have a real opportunity to do some more great things in their careers here at Northwood."

In the 400 Free Relay finals on Friday night, the Chargers competed in what is considered the most grueling relay event due to distance in 3:36.68.

Weddington won the Gold Medal with a time of 3:27.56 while Charlotte Catholic took the Silver with a 3:29.63, and Marvin Ridge the Bronze with a 3:34.32.

The Lady Charger four-some also took 7th in the 200 Medley while Corrado took 15th in the 500 Free and 12th in the 100 Backstroke, while Suzanne Earnshaw notched 13th in the 200 Intermediate and 12th in the 100 Breast Stroke.

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Submitted photo

The Northwood 400 free relay team captured a copper medal at the 2019 NCHSAA 3A State Championships on Friday in Cary. Pictured left to right are Suzanne Earnshaw, Julia Earnshaw, Maddie Posse, and Mia Corrado.

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Wednesday February 13	Thursday February 14	Friday February 15		Saturday February 16	Monday February 18	Tuesday February 19
No events scheduled	WRESTLING	BASKETBALL	WRESTLING	WRESTLING	BASKETBALL	BASKETBALL
	Jordan-Matthews NCHSAA 2A Individual State Championships First Round BOYS: 6 pm in Greensboro Coliseum Northwood NCHSAA 3A Individual State Championships First Round BOYS: 8 pm in Greensboro Coliseum	Cornerstone vs Chatham Charter BOYS: 7:30 pm in Siler City GIRLS: 6 pm in Siler City Northwood vs Hillside BOYS: 7:30 pm in Durham GIRLS: 6 pm in Durham Providence Grove vs Jordan- Matthews BOYS: 7:30 pm in Siler City GIRLS: 6 pm in Siler City Chatham Central vs Research Triangle BOYS: 7:30 pm in Durham GIRLS: 6 pm in Durham Raleigh Charter vs Woods Charter BOYS: 6 pm in Pittsboro	Jordan-Matthews, Northwood NCHSAA 2A/3A Individual State Championships First Consolations, Quarterfinals BOYS: 9 am in Greensboro Coliseum Chatham Charter, Chatham Central NCHSAA 1A Individual State Championships Quarterfinals, Second Consolations BOYS: 2 pm in Greensboro Coliseum	Chatham Charter, Chatham Central, Jordan-Matthews, Northwood NCHSAA 1A/2A/3A State Championships Consolation, Third Place and Fifth Place Rounds BOYS: 9 am in Greensboro Coliseum Chatham Charter, Chatham Central, Jordan-Matthews, Northwood NCHSAA 1A/2A/3A State Championships Parade of Champions and Championship Finals Boys: 4:30 pm in Greensboro Coliseum	1A Central Tar Heel Conference, 2A PAC 7 Conference, 3A Big Eight Conference Boy’s and Girl’s Tournament First Round Pairings, Sites and Times TBD	1A Central Tar Heel Conference, 2A PAC 7 Conference, 3A Big Eight Conference Boy’s and Girl’s Tournament Second Round Pairings, Sites and Times TBD

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“We took some ill-advised shots with an early lead, then ran into foul trouble which got them to the line early and they did a good job executing their free throws.”

“They also did a fantastic job guarding us to disrupt what we wanted to do offensively.”

With Jalen McAfee and Ross combining for all of Northwood’s first-quarter points, the Chargers forged a 9-3 advantage by the conclusion of the initial stanza before McFadden did his part to turn the tables, recording all but two of the Knights’ 11 points in the second period, including a pair of free throws with barely four seconds on the clock that put the winners ahead 14-12 at the break.

Northwood retook a 19-18 lead following McAfee’s three-pointer from the right wing with 4:16 remaining in the third quarter prior to Travis Jones’ jumper in the lane 11 seconds later that gave the advantage back to Northern Durham for good.

After Goodwin’s trey from the left wing increased the Knights’ lead to 29-22 at the start of the fourth stanza, the Chargers reduced the difference to two a minute later following Alex Snively’s three-pointer from the right wing plus his midcourt steal and layup.

But Northern Durham answered the challenge by putting together an 11-4 run over the next three minutes to boost its advantage to 40-31 and Northwood never crept closer than six in the time remaining.

Vernon collects 200th win as Lady Chargers roll Knights

BY DUCK DUCKSON
News + Record Staff

PITTSBORO — Northwood outscored Northern Durham 11-3 in the first quarter to open up a comfortable lead and never let the Lady Knights get closer than four points the remainder of the game as the Lady Chargers celebrated Senior Night by presenting coach Cameron Vernon with his 200th career win, cruising to a 55-43 Big Eight 3A Conference victory Friday evening in Lewis Norwood Gymnasium.

The triumph allowed Northwood to even its league record at 6-6 and raise its overall ledger to 12-9 as the Lady Chargers improved to 11-0 lifetime against cellar-dwelling Northern Durham, which lost its 18th consecutive contest while plummeting to 0-12 in the conference and 1-20 for the season.

Chandler Adams and Caitlyn Bailey tallied 10 points apiece to pace the winners, who placed a total of 10 players in the scoring column. Lady Knights’ freshman Maya Hood tossed in 23 points to top all scorers while teammate Malika Pierce finished with 11.

Following Hood’s layup 32 seconds into the game that gave Northern Durham its only lead, Adams accounted for eight straight points as Northwood used a 9-0 run to seize the early momentum.

After McKenna Snively’s bank shot in the lane expanded the Lady Chargers’ advantage to 16-6 with 5:02 left in the second period, Hood’s put-back in the paint and four consecutive points from Pierce narrowed the gap to four with 3:29 remaining in the first half.

But Natalie Bell’s conventional three-point play half a minute later then ignited an 11-3 quarter-ending run by Northwood that stretched the winners’ lead to 27-15 at intermission.

With seven different players contributing points in the third stanza, the Lady Chargers’ advantage grew to 41-21 following Jillian McKnaught’s rebound bucket in the lane with 1:14 to go in the third period prior to layups by Hood and Pierce over the last 50 seconds of the frame that sliced the margin to 16 heading into the last quarter.

After Northwood rebuilt its lead to 20 on back-to-back Bailey and Myla Marve layups to begin fourth stanza, Hood and Pierce would combine for a dozen points as the Lady Knights closed out the game with an 18-10 burst to make the final score more respectable.

“While I thought this was a gritty win against a Northern Durham team that gave us a good fight, we were able to play a lot of kids tonight who don’t normally get a lot of minutes on the court,” noted Lady Chargers’ coach Cameron Vernon.

“As a result of executing our sets on offense and taking high-percentage shots, we got off to a fast start and stayed in control the rest of the way.”

Regarding his milestone career victory in his ninth year at Northwood, Vernon stated, “This win is a testament to the hard work and dedication put in by all the girls (past and present) who have come through our program. It would not have been possible without their effort along with all the support I’ve received from my staff members over the years.”



Staff photo by Lee Moody

McKenna Snively of Northwood floats up a short jumper last week in area high school basketball action. Snively made the shot, but Northwood lost to highly touted Hillside in Pittsboro 59-42.

Knights remain tied for first with 88-74 thumping of Jags

BY DON BEANE
News + Record Staff

GRAHAM — Chatham Charter needed a win here Friday night to remain tied for the league in the 1A Central Tar Heel Conference standings with Chatham Central and Research Triangle.

The Knights were up to the challenge.

Behind a monster game of 34 points and 13 rebounds from junior forward Jordan Hamilton, Chatham Charter distanced themselves in the middle quarters before pulling away for a high-scoring 88-74 victory over a determined River Mill squad.

With the win, Chatham Charter improved to 10-2 in the league and to 23-2 overall heading into the final week of the regular season. The Knights hope to clinch at least a tie for the CTH title, and to do so they will have to pull out a tough game at Raleigh Charter in a game set for Tuesday, before hosting Cornerstone Academy in Siler City Friday evening on Senior Night.

Chatham Charter coach Jason Messier was excited about how his club performed, especially on the offensive end.

“We moved the ball around well tonight, were unselfish, and really

attacked the basket,” Messier said. “Our plan coming in was to feed the ball down to Jordan on the low post and to get him as many looks as possible. We were successful in that and he had a huge game.”

Hamilton was 11-of-14 from the floor while also going 12-of-16 from the charity stripe.

Messier said the success by Hamilton down low opened things up for others.

“They had to try and double team Jordan, and that created some lanes and kickouts for his teammates,” Messier continued. “We made 3-of-6 from behind the arc tonight, and Connor Murphy had a great game driving the lane and scoring the ball.”

Murphy chipped in 23 points in the win for the Knights while Cole Milholen added 12 points, including a trey, and A.J. Alston 11 more. Alston was 2-for-4 from behind the arc while dishing out an assist while Milholen added three rebounds, five assists, and three steals, and Murphy four boards, two assists and a steal.

River Mill traded blow for blow with the favored Chatham Charter bunch in the opening period and led 22-21 after one. Chris Cannon had 11 points in the stanza, including a trey, and Antonio Bowden added five and another three-pointer, and

Justin Lutterloh four points.

Hamilton kept the Knights in the game with nine opening quarter points while Milholen added four, including a trey, Murphy three, and Alston a three-pointer.

In the second, Hamilton pumped in 11 as Chatham Charter used a 17-11 run to take a 38-33 lead at the intermission. Murphy chipped in four points for the Knights in the second while the Jaguars were led by six from Chase Mebane, including a trey, and Lutterloh a trey.

Chatham Charter erupted for 30 points in the third as Murphy collected 10 points, Hamilton and Alston eight apiece, and Milholen four more to send the Knights up 68-53.

Bowden had seven, including a trey, Mebane six, and Lutterloh five but it was far from enough as the Jaguars simply lost pace.

Lutterloh would can a pair of treys in the fourth on the way to 15 points for River Mill in the stanza but it was far from enough as Chatham Charter went on to claim the 88-74 win.

Hamilton had six points for the Knights in the final period while Murphy added five, and Ryan White four.

Lutterloh closed with 27 points to lead River Mill offensively while Cannon added 15, Mebane 14, and Bowden 12.

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readt’s trey from the right wing with 1:29 to go until intermission, the Knights went ahead 27-25 on Hamilton’s layup 22 seconds prior to halftime before a Skertich layup eight seconds later sent the teams into the break tied at 27-all.

A nip-and-tuck third quarter ended with Chatham Charter up 37-35, and following Baggio Rodriguez’s layup that gave the Knights a 47-41 advantage with 4:25 remaining in regulation play, the Bears rallied to send the contest into overtime when Moore’s

turnaround jumper in the lane with six seconds to go forged a 52-all standoff.

After Hamilton’s drive off the right baseline with 1:59 left in the first extra session extended the game tied at 56-all, Moore’s two free throws with 24 seconds to go in the second OT knotted the count at 62-apiece to force a third overtime.

Milholen and Hamilton then both hit one-of-two free throw attempts to give the Knights a 64-62 lead midway through the third extra period, but Moore’s turnaround bucket in the paint with 1:53 left would set the stage for Degraffen-readt’s game-winning charity tosses.

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preliminaries in the 200 Free Relay with a time of 1:36.49.

“Our boys relay actually defied all odds and made it to the states,” Graham noted. “They ended up dropping two seconds off their time and made alternate. They put in the work each day and even went to the pool on their own to work on starts and turns. I’m very proud of them.”

Chatham Charter hoops teams sweep middle school titles



The Chatham Charter middle school boys basketball team captured the regular season and league tournament titles.

The Chatham Charter middle school girls basketball team captured the regular-season and tournament titles to go undefeated.



Submitted photos

Chatham Charter's Tamaya Walden displays the middle school regular season and tournament title trophies. Walden scored 21 of her team's 27 points in a 27-23 tournament finals win over Clover Garden on Friday evening in Graham.

Orange puts squeeze on Lady Chargers

BY DON BEANE
Chatham News + Record Staff

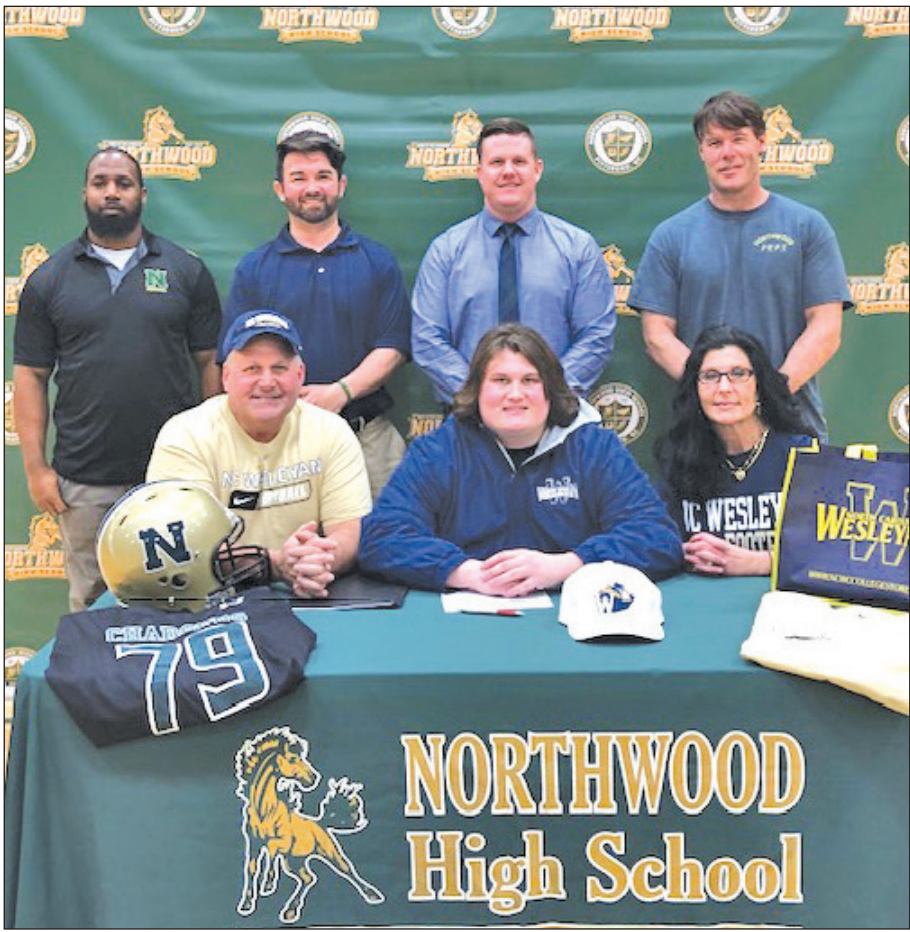
HILLSBOROUGH — Lauren Cates pumped in 17 points and Mary Moss Wirt added 12 more as Orange pulled away from Northwood in the fourth quarter for a 52-46 victory in 3A Big Eight Conference girl's basketball action on Tuesday night in Hillsbor-

ough. Northwood dropped to 5-5 in the league with the loss and to 11-9 overall while Orange improved to 7-3 in the Big Eight and to 15-5 overall. "Much like the first game with them, we had a shot and couldn't make the plays down the stretch," said NW coach Cameron Vernon. "It was a tough loss, we are right on the bubble of making

the playoffs, and every game is important now." Orange grabbed an early 16-11 lead behind a pair of three pointers from Wirt and another from Cates in the first quarter. Northwood methodically began to rally, using four points from the paint from Chandler Adams in the second to take a 13-8 advantage in the period and tie the

game at 24-all at the half. Adams would score four more in a low scoring third as the two teams collected eight points apiece to enter the fourth tied at 32-32. Cates would score two quick buckets to begin the fourth on the way to eight in the stanza, and Wirt chipped in a trey and a field goal to pull away for the win.

Northwood's Vogel, Goins make collegiate picks



Northwood's Brendan Vogel (bottom-center) will be attending North Carolina Wesleyan this fall to continue his football career at the Division III level.



Northwood's Cameron Goins (bottom-center) will be attending UNC-Pembroke this fall to continue his collegiate football career at the Division II level.

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in ground two, and later dropping a fall decision to William Kimball of Rosewood in 3:26. Armstrong, meanwhile, went 3-1 in the 126 pound division to take second place. The Bear grappler opened with a bye, pinned Michael Gabbard of South Stanly in 3:01 in the quarterfinals, took a 15-2 major decision over Brice Browning of Tarboro in the semifinals, and was defeated 7-0 in the finals by Chris Hill of Rosewood. James Amador-Jaimes and Abad de la Sancha both went 3-2 for Chatham Central at the regional. Amador-Jaimes, in the 145 division, opened with a pin of Kamari Brooks of Manteo in :43 seconds before falling to Keegan McDonough of Lejunee in the second round via a 7-2 decision. In the consolation second round, Amador-Jaimes captured a 10-5 decision over Edgar Hernandez of South Davidson before dropping Michael Sawyer of Pender at the 1:54 mark in a fall in the next round. The run by Amador-Jaimes came to an end in the consolation semifinals, however, when Caleb Bryant of Uwharrie Charter took a 14-7 decision. Sancha, meanwhile, opened action at 170 with a pin win in :45 over Wes Layton of North Stanly before falling to Isaiah Deck of Neuse Charter in a fall at 1:28 in the quarterfinals. Sancha would follow with a pin of Tristan Zurcher of Pender in 2:34, and a fall win over Elijah Joyner of Rosewood in 3:37 before dropping a fall decision to Jathan Parker of East Carteret in 3:28. Also for the Bears, Brantly Hart (113) and Noah Rinell (138) both went 2-2, with Hart pinning Ashton Defries of Granville Central in 1:18 in the opening round and Connor Curlee of South Stanly in 2:14 of the Consolation round two. Rinell bested Jose

Rinell bested Jose Garcia of Tarboro with a fall in 1:41 in the opening round while also taking a pin win over Braeden Reiss of Rosewood in 2:24 of consolation round two.

Garcia of Tarboro with a fall in 1:41 in the opening round while also taking a pin win over Braeden Reiss of Rosewood in 2:24 of consolation round two. Kyle Garner (152) and Wesley Buie (285) each went 1-2 for the Bears while Jarrett Mashburn (182) went 0-2. In 3A Mideast Regional action over in Forest Oaks at Southeast Guilford High School, Northwood failed to send any wrestlers to the state despite some solid showings against a very competitive field. Evan Boggess was the most successful Charger with a 2-2 mark at 132 that included a 3-0 decision over Erick Islas-Hernandez of Chapel Hill, and a victory over Tyrone Montgomery of Harnett Central. Jamison Davis (138), Grant Ray (145), William Lake (170) and Harrison Knapp (182) all went 1-2 at the regional. Davis picked up a 10-1 major decision over Diana Pritchard while Ray decisioned Grayson Crea of Southern Alamance 7-2, and Lake pinned Colby Metz of Southeast Guilford in 2:00.

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DONATION TO WREN FAMILY CENTER

Representatives of the Knights of Columbus of St. Julia Catholic Church presented a check for \$4,500 to Joy Roberts, unit director of Wren Family Center Boys and Girls Club in Siler City. Shown, from left to right, are Roberts, Al Musson, Tony Carapella and Jim Schwankl.

CHURCH NEWS

SILER CITY FIRST WESLEYAN CHURCH

The Good Samaritans Breakfast Ministry of the First Wesleyan Church will serve breakfast from 7 to 10:30 a.m. on Feb. 21 in their Fellowship Hall, located beside the church on East Sixth Street. Breakfast is for the homeless, all first responders, Veterans or anyone in need of a hot breakfast. Breakfast is free but donations are accepted.

CENTER UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

There will be a country breakfast with all the trimmings from 6:30 to 9:30 a.m. on Feb. 23 sponsored by Center United Methodist Church. Free with donations. Breakfast includes sausage, bacon, country ham, homemade biscuits, country gravy, grits, eggs, stewed apples, coffee and drinks. Everyone is welcome and we thank you for your support and for visiting with us. We are located on Green Hill Road, off Highway 87.

HOLY TRINITY CHURCH

The Ushers Ministry of Holy Trinity Church will celebrate its anniversary at 3 p.m. on Feb. 17. The guest speaker will be Elder Jesse Goldston, along with his choir and congregation from Mack's Chapel United Holy Church, Altamahaw. The public is invited. The church is located at 309 Trinity Street, Siler City.



Staff photo by David Bradley

HEALTHY HEART AND BODY EXPO

Verna Fields, left, gets a hand massage from Dee Tarantino during the cardio event sponsored by the Council on Aging at the Agricultural Center Thursday. The massage felt really good and will help keep her limber, Fields said.



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HEALTHY HEART AND BODY EXPO

Melissa Micca, left, checks the blood pressure of Marilyn Bender during the annual cardio event for senior citizens at the Agricultural Center. Bender's BP at 145/85 is a bit high, but she had smoked a cigarette just before the test. Smoking contributes to high blood pressure, Micca said.

CHATHAM COUNTY ELEMENTARY AND K-8 SCHOOLS AND HIGH SCHOOL MENUS

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Monday, February 18
BREAKFAST: No School
LUNCH: Teacher Work-day
Tuesday, February 19
BREAKFAST: Scrambled Eggs & Toast, Mandarin Oranges, Hashbrowns (**Scrambled Eggs & Toast, Fresh Fruit)
LUNCH: Breakfast for Lunch: Sausage Biscuit, Mini Waffles w/Cheese Stick, Chicken Caesar Salad, Oven Baked Tater Tots, Gold Rush 100% Juice Box, Chilled Pears (**Sausage Biscuit w/ Eggs, French Toast Sticks w/Egg & Sausage, Ham & Cheese Combo, Chicken Caesar Salad, Oven Baked Tater Tots, Gold Rush 100% Juice Box, Chilled

Pears, Fresh Fruit)
Wednesday, February 20
BREAKFAST: Sausage Biscuit, Fresh Fruit (**Bacon, Egg, & Cheese Biscuit, Fresh Fruit)
LUNCH: Chicken Nuggets w/Roll, Beef & Broccoli Rice Bowl, Ham & Cheese Combo, Gazed Carrots, Seasoned Peas, Chilled Applesauce (**Chicken Nuggets w/Roll, Beef & Broccoli Rice Bowl, Chicken Tender Wrap Combo, Glazed Carrots, Seasoned Peas, Chilled Applesauce, Fresh Fruit)
Thursday, February 21
BREAKFAST: Breakfast Pizza, Applesauce, Hashbrowns (**Breakfast Pizza, Fresh Fruit)

LUNCH: Oven-Fried Chicken Drumsticks w/ Roll, Corn Dog Nuggets, Chicken Tender Chef Salad, Baked Beans, Tossed Salad w/Dressing, Fresh Fruit (**Oven Fried Chicken Drumsticks w/ Roll, Corn Dog Nuggets, Deli Club Wrap Combo, Chicken Tender Chef Salad, Baked Beans, Tossed Salad w/Dressing, Fruit Cocktail, Fresh Fruit)
Friday, February 22
BREAKFAST: Chicken Biscuit, Fresh Fruit (**Sausage Biscuit, Fresh Fruit)
LUNCH: Cheeseburger on Bun, Fruit & Yogurt Combo, PB&J w/ Cheese Stick Combo, Baby Carrots w/Dip, Seasoned Broccoli, Fresh

Apple (**Crispy Chicken Sandwich, Zesty Garlic French Bread, PB&J w/ Cheese Stick Combo, Baby Carrots w/Dip, Seasoned Broccoli, Fresh Apple, Chilled Peaches, Lettuce & Tomato)

CORZINE NAMED TO DEAN'S LIST

Giles Corzine from Pittsboro was recently named to the Dean's List at the College of William & Mary for the fall 2018 semester. In order to achieve Dean's List status, a full-time degree seeking undergraduate student must

take at least 12 credit hours and earn a 3.6 Quality Point Average during the semester. William & Mary is the second oldest institution of higher learning in the United States.

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The family of Eldress Listeen Mitchell would like to say thank you for every act of kindness shown us at the passing of our loved one, our mother. Your prayers, calls, texts, food, flowers

and presence will always be cherished. We may not get to each individual, but be assured that you are appreciated and in our hearts for standing by us. A special thank you to Katherine Solo-

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Meandering slasher sequel feels mundane

Radiating a fetching charisma and sassy demeanor, Jessica Rothe was the best reason to watch 2017's modest hit "Happy Death Day," a kooky, if derivative Blumhouse slasher — think "Scream" meets "Groundhog Day." (Un)fortunately, Rothe is the only reason to watch "Happy Death Day 2U," a meandering sequel that wants to have its cupcake and eat it, too.

When we last left Rothe's Tree Gelbman, she and accidental new boyfriend Carter (Israel Broussard) had finally foiled Tree's masked killer, thus closing a mysterious birthday time loop that reset every time Tree died. "Happy Death Day 2U" picks up immediately

Happy Death Day 2U
GRADE: C+
DIRECTOR: Christopher Landon
STARRING: Jessica Rothe, Israel Broussard, Phi Vu, Suraj Sharma, Sarah Yarkin, Ruby Modine, and Rachel Matthews
MPAA RATING: PG-13
RUNNING TIME: 1 hr. 40 min.

where the original left off, with Carter's ever-intrusive college roommate Ryan (Phi Vu) again bursting into their dorm room. However, now Ryan finds himself trapped in the same fatal time loop as Tree, both the apparent consequence of a quantum physics gizmo that Ryan and his science buddies have been constructing in the school's lab. Ryan's impulsive solution to this quandary catapults Tree back into her erstwhile Groundhog Day, except this time in an alternate dimension filled with the same cast of characters, but with

several essential alterations. Tree is no longer carrying on with her married biology instructor, Carter is dating Tree's catty sorority sister Danielle (Rachel Matthews), and, most notably, Tree's deceased mother is very much alive. As Ryan and friends battle both hard math and the school's dean in order to reset their flux capacitor (yes, someone makes an obvious "Back to the Future" reference), Tree must decide whether to remain in this new timeline or return to her home dimension. Writer-director Chris-



Photo courtesy of Universal Pictures

Jessica Rothe stars in Happy Death Day 2U

topher Landon pads the plot with enough forced detours to reach a baseline 100-minute running time. In the process, he takes the straightforward charm of "Happy Death Day" and bloats it with excessive exposition. The pseudo-science blather quickly grows wearisome, while the narrative is little

more than an exercise in revisiting scenes from the first film and discovering the differences (viewing the original movie is a necessary prerequisite). And yes, there's still a baby-masked murderer on the loose, although this time it's a superfluous and rather nonsensical subplot, turning the already PG-13 gore even

less frightful. Landon tries to marry the spunk of the first film with an increasingly twisty storyline, but the former feels redundant while the latter is mundane and inconsequential. A closing credits sequence teases a third "Happy Death Day," but the lesson of this sequel is that some things are better off dead.

Chatham County revamps non-profit funding

BY CASEY MANN
News + Record Staff

Chatham County approved changes last month to the way the county considers and appropriates funds to non-profit organizations, adding specific outcome requirements and measures of progress which were developed through an assessment identifying additional community needs that go beyond services that are supplied by the county. Previously, the process was similar to a grant approval process where a non-profit would request funding for a specific program or capital improvement. However, the county has moved toward a re-

quest for proposal process where each non-profit's request for program funding must fit into a matrix of desired outcomes. While the process to change the non-profit funding process has been going on for three years, the process picked up steam following the enactment of the county's Comprehensive Plan. In order for the county to fully implement the comprehensive plan, collective impact teams were created to address different aspects of the plan. Each team has staff members from different departments that come together to create recommendations for the board of commissioners to consider. For the change to the non-profit

policy, the human services collective impact team met regularly to offer its recommendations on the new policy. The team includes members of department of human services, the health department, among others. According to Chatham County Budget Director Lisa West, who introduced the changes to the commissioners, there were two major changes in the new policy. First, the human services collective met to define outcome strategies and services that will address the board's goal to seek to provide social services that impact those that live in poverty that would stabilize families and individuals in the community.

The services are those that the group felt were gaps in services that the county provides. These outcomes include safe, affordable and stable housing, individuals and families having opportunities for social connectedness, equitable access to services that enhance quality of life, low and moderate income adults can move towards self-sufficiency and financial stability, improved outcomes for children/youth living in poverty, improved access to health care, preventive care and follow up care, and easy and affordable access to nutritious food/meals for food insecure residents. These outcomes were then accompanied by

examples of services that may work toward these goals such as mentoring, educational programs, mental health and substance abuse services, free or low cost prescription programs, free or affordable meals or groceries, and summer feeding programs for children. The committees outcomes matrix also included examples of desired measures to measure the progress of each of these programs. The second change is how organizations apply for funding. Organizations will now submit proposals for the health services collective impact team to review. The group will discuss each proposal and score them based on the

new outcome criteria. After the team's review, it will make recommendations to the board of commissioners as it proceeds through the budget process. The board voted unanimously to approve the work that the health services collective impact team produced specific to the outcomes, services, and scoring. The board also voted unanimously to approve the changes in the non-profit policy. Commissioners were also asked to consider appropriating \$233,000 for the non-profits during the 2019-2020 budget process, which would keep non-profit funding at the same level it has been since 2006.



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POLICE REPORTS

Arrest made after residential break-in

On December 28, the Chatham County Sheriff's Office received a report of breaking and entering off of Bill Lambert Road, Bear Creek. Investigators linked the crime to Justin Stovall, 33, of 590 Johnny Lindley Road, Siler City.

Stovall is charged with felony breaking and entering and felony larceny. He was arrested by the Cary Police Department on Feb. 7 and jailed under



Stovall

a \$10,000 secured bond. Stovall is scheduled to appear in Chatham County District Court in Pittsboro on March 4.

Siler City man charged in vehicle theft

In November, the Chatham County Sheriff's Office received a report of a stolen pickup truck taken from an address in Goldston. Further investigation led deputies to Trevor Felts

Felts, 24, of 691 Stage Coach Road, Siler City, who is accused of stealing



Felts

the vehicle and selling items contained therein.

Felts is charged with felony larceny of a motor vehicle, felony larceny, and injury to real property. He was assigned a \$5,000 secured bond and is scheduled to appear in Chatham County District Court in Pittsboro on March 4.

Woman arrested in theft of laptop, change jar

Tina Smith, 30, of 53 Major Lee Farrar Road, Siler City. Smith is accused of stealing a laptop and change jar from the victim's residence. Smith is charged with felony breaking and entering and felony larceny as well as injury to real property. She was arrested and jailed under a \$5,000 secured bond and is scheduled to appear in Chatham County District Court in Pittsboro on March 4.



Smith

— CN+R Staff Reports

SHERIFF'S OFFICE

Deanna Paschal, 26, of Hurdle Mills, was charged Feb. 4 with child abuse. She was released under written promise with a Feb. 13 court date in Pittsboro.

Christopher Matthews, 47, of Siler City, was charged Feb. 4 with failure to appear on child support. He was held under a \$1,000 bond with a Feb. 18 court date in Durham.

Walter Robertson, 66, of Chapel Hill, was charged Feb. 4 with possession of a firearm by a felon. He was released under a written promise with a March 4 court date in Durham.

Andrew Allison, 34, of Bennett, was charged Feb. 4 with assault inflicting serious injury, assault on a female, injury to personal property and interfering with emergency communications. He was jailed until bond to be set later with a March 4 court date in Pittsboro.

Julie Mannian, 38, of Chapel Hill, was charged Feb. 5 with communicating threats and injury to personal property. She was released under a written promise with a Feb. 27 court date in Pittsboro.

Kentric McKoy, 26, of Pittsboro, was charged Feb. 6 with assault and battery, injury to personal property and communicating threats. He was released under a written promise with a Feb. 19 court date in Pittsboro.

Hampton Price, 28, of Siler City, was charged Feb. 6 for assault on a female. He was held under no bond with a March 12 court date in Siler City.

Ashley Boroughs, 27, of Bear Creek, was charged Feb. 6 with failure to appear. She was held under a \$10,000 bond with a March 4 court date in

Pittsboro.

Pedro Beltran, 58, of Siler City, was charged Feb. 6 with failure to appear. He was held under a \$500 bond with a March 12 court date in Siler City.

Theodore Page, 72, of Pittsboro, was charged Feb. 7 with assault with a deadly weapon inflicting serious injury. He was released under a written promise with a March 4 court date in Pittsboro.

Malique Carter, 25, of Florence, was charged Feb. 7 with possession of a stolen motor vehicle and burning of personal property. He was held under a \$10,000 bond with a March 4 court date in Pittsboro.

Tammy Alexander, 48, of Siler City, was charged Feb. 7 with unauthorized use of a motor vehicle. She was released on a written promise for this charge, but remains jailed on other charges, with a Feb. 20 court date in Pittsboro.

Daniel Everwine III, 51, of Siler City, was charged Feb. 7 with trafficking methamphetamine, possession with the intent to sell/manufacture/deliver methamphetamine, possession of methamphetamine and possession of drug paraphernalia. He was held under a \$144,000 bond with a March 4 court date in Pittsboro.

Cayinhahia Cotton, 23, of Pittsboro, was charged Feb. 8 with driving while impaired and failure to maintain lane control. She was released under a written promise with a March 6 court date in Pittsboro.

Jody Riddle, 34, of Bear Creek, was charged Feb. 9 with failure to comply. He was held under a \$320 bond with a March 12 court date in Siler City.

Cara Burchette, 50, of Siler City, was charged Feb. 9 with simple assault.

She was held under no bond with a March 6 court date in Pittsboro.

Luis Herrera-Santiago, 19, of Siler City, was charged Feb. 10 with failure to appear. He was released under a written promise with a March 8 court date in Asheboro.

Millard Castevens, 51, of Bear Creek, was charged Feb. 10 with failure to appear. He was held under a \$25,000 bond with a Feb. 25 court date in Asheboro.

Brittani Howard, 23, of Siler City, was charged Feb. 10 with failure to appear. She was held under a \$1,000 bond with a Feb. 25 court date in Asheboro.

SILER CITY

Christopher Burns, 50, of Siler City, was charged Monday with violation of a release order. He was held under a \$1,000 bond.

Nathan Baker, 23, of Staley, was cited Feb. 6 for a safe movement violation.

Gaby Mejia, 19, of Siler City, was cited Feb. 6 for no operator's license and hit and fun and leaving the scene of property damage.

Tomas Cesaro, 38, of Siler City, was cited Feb. 6 for no operator's license.

HIGHWAY PATROL

On Feb. 4, Donald Shelton of Bennett and Lauren Brewer of Liberty were traveling east on U.S. 64. Shelton slowed to turn right onto a private drive. Brewer failed to reduce speed, ran off the road to the right and struck Shelton. Both vehicles came to rest on the side of the road. Brewer was cited for failure to reduce speed.

On Feb. 6, Alexis Stevens of Raeford was traveling north on U.S. 15 and struck a deer in the road. Stevens ran off the road to the right before coming to rest on the shoulder.

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Chatham sheriff's office awarded

The Chatham County Sheriff's Office received two awards last week for its work on Special Olympics. According to a press release, Chatham deputies were honored with a 2018 Top Ten Award as the fourth-highest grossing law enforcement fundraiser in the state for Special Olympics events. The department has raised more than \$46,000 for the Special Olympics since 2016. "These awards do not belong to the sheriff's office, they belong to the community and represent the great things we can achieve by working together," said Sheriff Mike Roberson. Pictured are Capt. Chris Cooper, Lt. Sara Pack, Roberson and Sgt. Robert Smith, the department's Special Olympics leadership team.

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NOTICE to CREDITORS

NORTH CAROLINA CHATHAM COUNTY HAVING QUALIFIED as Executrix of the Estate of PHILIP ARMSTRONG NOZNESKY late of Chatham County, North Carolina, this is to notify all persons, firms and corporations having claims against

the estate of said deceased to present them to the undersigned on or before the 24th day of April, 2019, or this notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery. This the 17th day of January, 2019.

Sheila Ann Noznesky, Executrix, The Estate of Philip Armstrong Noznesky Post Office Box 1806 Pittsboro, North Carolina 27312 MOODY, WILLIAMS, ROPER & LEE, LLP ATTORNEYS AT LAW BOX 1806 PITTSBORO, NORTH CAROLINA 27312 (919) 542-5605 J24,J31,F7,F14,4tc

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

NORTH CAROLINA CHATHAM COUNTY All persons having claims against HALLIE MCLEAN PARKER aka HALLIE STEWART PARKER of Chatham County, North Carolina, who died on the 28th day of November, 2018, are notified to present them to David M. Parker, Executor of the Estate of Hallie McLean Parker aka Hallie Stewart Parker in c/o David R. Frankstone, Attorney for the Estate, at Higgins, Frankstone, Graves & Morris, P. A., 1414, Raleigh Road, Suite 320, Exchange West at Meadowmont, Chapel Hill, NC 27517-8834 on or before May 9th, 2019. Failure to present a claim in timely fashion will result in this Notice being pleaded in bar of recovery against the estate, the Executor, and the devisees of Hallie McLean Parker aka Hallie Stewart Parker. Those indebted to Hallie McLean Parker aka Hallie Stewart Parker are asked to make prompt payment to the Estate. David R. Frankstone Higgins, Frankstone, Graves & Morris, P.A. 1414 Raleigh Road, Suite 320 Exchange West at Meadowmont Chapel Hill, NC27517-8834 J31,F7,F14,F21,4tc

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

19 E 23 NORTH CAROLINA CHATHAM COUNTY Having qualified as Co-Executors of the Estate of CLYDE H. MARTIN of Chatham County, North Carolina, the undersigned does hereby notify all creditors that they should present their claims to the Co-Executors c/o Kratt Dedmond & Associates, PLLC, 5623-111 Duralleigh Road, Raleigh, NC 27612 on or before May 1, 2019 or this notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery. All persons, firms and corporations indebted to the said estate will please make immediate payment to the undersigned. This the 24th day of January, 2019. Katherine D. Duncan, Co-Executrix 437 Lena Circle Chapel Hill, NC 27516 Walter P. Newcomb, Executor 8208 Marcy Ave Springfield, VA 22152 C/O Kratt Dedmond & Associates, PLLC 5623-111 Duralleigh Road Raleigh, NC 27612 J31,F7,F14,F21,4tp

STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA

COUNTY OF CHATHAM IN THE GENERAL COURT OF JUSTICE SUPERIOR COURT DIVISION FILE NO. 18 SP 45 RONALD P. COLLINS, Administrator of the Estate of COLENE F. JOHNSON, Deceased, Petitioner, vs. NANCY F. ALSTON, and spouse, if any Respondents.

NOTICE OF SERVICE BY PROCESS OF PUBLICATION TO: NANCY F. ALSTON, AND SPOUSE, IF ANY, AND THE HEIRS, DEVISEES, AND ALL CREDITORS AND LIEN HOLDERS REGARDLESS OF HOW OR THROUGH WHOM THEY CLAIM AND ANY AND ALL OTHER PERSONS CLAIMING AN INTEREST IN THE ESTATE OF COLENE F. JOHNSON, DECEASED Take notice that a Petition has been filed in the above entitled action. The nature of the relief being sought is a public or private sale of certain real property in Chatham County, North Carolina described in the Petition in order to make assets to pay claims and costs of administration of the Estate of Colene F. Johnson, deceased. You are required to file a response to the Petition not later than the 12th day of March, 2019, said date being 40 days from the first publication of this notice in order to participate in and receive further notice of the proceeding, including notice of the time and place of any hearing, and upon your failure to do so the party seeking service against you will apply to the Court for the relief sought. This the 24th day of January, 2019. /s/ Paul S. Messick, Jr. GUNN & MESSICK, LLP, Attor-

ney for Petitioner P.O. Box 880 Pittsboro, N.C. 27312 (919) 542-3253 J31,F7,F14,3tc

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

19 E 19 NORTH CAROLINA CHATHAM COUNTY Having qualified as Co-Executor of the Estate of EVELYN SCOTT ROBINSON aka EVELYN S. ROBINSON of Chatham County, North Carolina, the undersigned does hereby notify all persons, firms, and corporations having claims against the estate of said decedent to exhibit them to the undersigned on or before May 1, 2019 or this notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery. All persons, firms and corporations indebted to the said estate will please make immediate payment to the undersigned. This the 24th day of January, 2019 Sandra R Ridge, Co-Executor 906 Mt. Shepherd Rd Asheboro, NC 27205 Thomas Alexander Robinson, Co-Executor 2090 Loganberry Drive Fayetteville, NC 28307 J31,F7,F14,F21,4tp

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

19 E 45 NORTH CAROLINA CHATHAM COUNTY Having qualified as Executor of the Estate of BARBARA ANN ANDREW AKA BARBARA BURKE ANDREW of Chatham County, North Carolina, the undersigned does hereby notify all persons, firms, and corporations having claims against the estate of said decedent to exhibit them to the undersigned on or before May 1, 2019 or this notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery. All persons, firms and corporations indebted to the said estate will please make immediate payment to the undersigned. This the 31st day of January, 2019. STEVEN M. ANDREW, EXECUTOR 409 Northwood Drive Raleigh, NC 27609 J31,F7,F14,F21,4tp

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Estate of Diane Miles Kudla Having qualified as Administrator of the Estate of Diane Miles Kudla, late of 356 Carolina Meadows Villa Chatham County, North Carolina, the undersigned does hereby notify all persons, firms, and corporations having claims against the estate of said decedent to exhibit them to the undersigned at 100 Europa Drive, Suite 271, Chapel Hill, North Carolina 27517, on or before the 8th day of May, 2019, or this notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery. All persons, firms, corporations indebted to the said estate will please make immediate payment to the undersigned. This is the 7th day of February, 2019. Ronald Mamert Kudla, Administrator of the Estate of Diane Miles Kudla Dorri J. Dixon Schell Bray PLLC Attorney for the Estate 100 Europa Drive, Suite 271 Chapel Hill, North Carolina, 27517 F7,F14,F21,F28,4tc

PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE

A public hearing will be held by the Chatham County Board of Commissioners on Monday, February 18, 2019, beginning at 6:00 p.m. The hearing will be held in the courtroom of the Historic Courthouse in Pittsboro, North Carolina at 9 Hillsboro Street. Additional information is available at the Chatham County Planning Department office. Speakers are requested to sign up at the meeting prior to the hearing. You may also sign up on the county website prior to the meeting at www.chathamnc.org by selecting the heading County Government, then Commissioner Meetings, then Public Input/Hearing Sign Up. The public hearing may be continued to another date at the discretion of the Board of Commissioners. The purpose of the Public Hearing is to receive input, both written and oral, on the issues listed below: Legislative Request: 1. A Legislative public hearing request for general use rezoning from CU-Ind Heavy to R-1 Residential by Jim Saputo on property located at 148 Rush Rd. New Hill, Parcel No. 5545, being approx. 51.6 acres. 2. A Legislative public hearing request by Charles Walker for conditional district rezoning from R-1 Residential to CD-RB Conditional District Regional Business on property located off Hillside Dairy Rd., Parcel No. 12236, being approx. 29.594 acres, for grounds and facilities for open air games or sports specifically for regulation size cricket fields.

CLASSIFIED INFORMATION

Line ad deadline Tuesday — Noon
Display ad deadline Monday — 5 p.m.
Rates and payment Minimum charge of \$5 for each classified advertisement of 25 words or less per week. For each additional word, no matter how many insertions, add 20¢ per word. Payable in advance.
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Errors In advertisements that run more than one week, we are responsible for errors appearing in the first week only. If you find an error in your ad, report it immediately.

ALL PERSONS, firms and corporations having claims against JOHN M. BOYD, deceased, of Chatham County, NC, are notified to exhibit the same to the undersigned on or before May 8th, 2019, or this notice will be pleaded in bar of recovery. Debtors of the decedent are asked to make immediate payment. This 7th day of February,

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John M. Boyd, Jr., Executor
Estate of John M. Boyd
c/o Roberson Law Firm
1829 E. Franklin St., Ste. 800C
Chapel Hill, NC 27514
F7,F14,F21,F28,4tc

NOTICE TO CREDITORS
19 E 16
NORTH CAROLINA
CHATHAM COUNTY
Having qualified as Execu-
tor of the Estate of ROBERT
REYMERS, Deceased, late
of Chatham County, North
Carolina, the undersigned
does hereby notify all persons,
firms, and corporations having
claims against the estate of
said decedent to exhibit them
to the undersigned on or be-
fore May 8, 2019 or this notice
will be pleaded in bar of their
recovery. All persons, firms and
corporations indebted to the
said estate will please make
immediate payment to the
undersigned.
This the 7th day of February,
2019
Nancy Suriani, Executor
204 Elverson Place
Cary, NC 27519
John P. Paschal, Atty at Law,
PLLC
1110 Navaho Drive, Suite 103
Raleigh, NC 27609
'F7,F14,F21,F28,4tp

NOTICE TO CREDITORS
The undersigned, having
qualified at Executor of the
Estate of E. RALPH HEINZ,
Deceased, late of Chatham
County, North Carolina, does
hereby notify all persons, firms
and corporations having claims
against the estate to exhibit
them to the undersigned at the
offices of Tillman, Whichard
& Cagle, PLLC, 501 Eastowne
Drive, Suite 130, Chapel Hill,
NC 27514, on or before the 8th
day of May, 2019, or this notice
will be pleaded in bar of their
recovery. All persons indebted
to the estate will please make
immediate payment.
This 7th day of February, 2019.
Christopher Heinz, Executor
Estate of E. Ralph Heinz
Tillman, Whichard & Cagle,
PLLC
501 Eastowne Drive, Suite 130
Chapel Hill, NC 27514
F7,F14,F21,F28,4tc

NOTICE TO CREDITORS
19 E 51
NORTH CAROLINA
CHATHAM COUNTY
Having qualified as Co-Execu-
tors of the Estate of VIRGINIA
PEACE RIVES of Chatham
County, North Carolina, the
undersigned does hereby
notify all persons, firms, and
corporations having claims
against the estate of said
decedent to exhibit them to
the undersigned on or before
May 8, 2019 or this notice
will be pleaded in bar of their
recovery. All persons, firms and
corporations indebted to the
said estate will please make
immediate payment to the
undersigned.
This the 7th day of February,
2019.
Jackie Monroe Rives, Co-Ex-
ecutor
5284 Pittsboro-Goldston Rd.
Bear Creek, NC 27207
Charles Larry Rives, Co-Exec-
utor
786 Bailey Thomas Rd
Sanford, NC 27332
F7,F14,F21,F28,4tp

NOTICE TO CREDITORS
19 E 27
NORTH CAROLINA
CHATHAM COUNTY
Having qualified as Adminis-
trator of the Estate of CHRIS-
TOPHER BRANDON MASSEY
of Chatham County, North
Carolina, the undersigned
does hereby notify all persons,
firms, and corporations having
claims against the estate of
said decedent to exhibit them
to the undersigned on or before
May 8, 2019 or this notice will
be pleaded in bar of their recovery.
All persons, firms and corpora-
tions indebted to the said estate
will please make immediate pay-
ment to the undersigned.
This the 7th day of February,
2019.
Pamela McCurry, Administrator
40 Ray Hollar Rd
Weaverville, NC 28787
F7,F14,F21,F28,4tp

NOTICE TO CREDITORS
19 E 49
NORTH CAROLINA
CHATHAM COUNTY
Having qualified as Administra-
tor of the Estate of LINDA KAY
SENTELLE of Chatham County,
North Carolina, the under-
signed does hereby notify all
persons, firms, and corpora-
tions having claims against the
estate of said decedent to ex-
hibit them to the undersigned
on or before May 8, 2019 or this
notice will be pleaded in bar of
their recovery. All persons,
firms and corporations indebt-
ed to the said estate will please
make immediate payment to
the undersigned.
This the 7th day of February,
2019.
Walter Elliott Gettier, Jr., Ad-
ministrator
19 Tamarack Circle
Chapel Hill, NC 27517
F7,F14,F21,F28,4tp

NOTICE TO CREDITORS
19 E 3
NORTH CAROLINA
CHATHAM COUNTY
Having qualified as Executor
of the Estate of MICHAEL RAY
VAUGHAN of Chatham County,
North Carolina, the under-
signed does hereby notify all
persons, firms, and corpora-
tions having claims against the
estate of said decedent to ex-
hibit them to the undersigned
on or before May 8, 2019 or this
notice will be pleaded in bar of
their recovery. All persons,
firms and corporations indebt-
ed to the said estate will please

make immediate payment to
the undersigned.
This the 7th day of February,
2019.
Lillian Wolfe Vaughan, Executor
404 Burce Burns Road
Moncure NC 27559
F7,F14,F21,F28,4tp

NOTICE TO CREDITORS
All persons having claims
against Carol J. Tomason
deceased, late of Chatham
County, North Carolina, are
notified to exhibit the same to
the undersigned on or before
the 8th day of May, 2019, or
this notice will be pleaded in
bar of recovery. Debtors of the
decedent are asked to make
immediate payment.
This the 7th day of February,
2019.
Bruce A. Tomason, Executor
Estate of Carol J. Tomason
90005 Hoey
Chapel Hill, NC 27517
Young Moore and Henderson,
PA
PO Box 31627
Raleigh, NC 27622
F7,F14,F21,F28,4tc

NOTICE TO CREDITORS
The undersigned, having
qualified as Executrix of the
Estate of HUBERT MAX PRESTON,
Deceased, late of Chatham
County, North Carolina, does
hereby notify all persons, firms
and corporations having claims
against the estate to exhibit
them to the undersigned at the
offices of Tillman, Whichard
& Cagle, PLLC, 501 Eastowne
Drive, Suite 130, Chapel Hill,
NC 27514, on or before the 7th
day of May, 2019, or this notice
will be pleaded in bar of their
recovery. All persons indebted
to the estate will please make
immediate payment.
This 7th day of February, 2019.
PATRICIA S. MERRIMAN, EXEC-
UTRIX
ESTATE OF HUBERT MAX
PRESTON
Tillman, Whichard & Cagle,
PLLC
501 Eastowne Drive, Suite 130
Chapel Hill, NC 27514
F7,F14,F21,F28,4tc

**NOTICE OF SERVICE OF PRO-
CESS BY PUBLICATION**
STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA
LEE COUNTY
In the District Court
Amy and Marty Cole
v. Lindsî Godfrey and Michael
Burnette
Juvenile(s): G.B. (DOB:
07/05/2014)
Lee County, NC File No.: 18 CVD
1047
TO: Michael Wayne Burnette
Take notice that a pleading
seeking relief against you has
been filed in the above refer-
enced action. The nature of
the relief being sought is Child
Custody. You are required to
make a defense to such plead-
ing not later than 40 days after
the 1st date of publication and
upon your failure to do so the
party seeking service against
you will apply to the court for
the relief sought.
This the 14th day of February,
2019.
Amber D. Ellis, Attorney for
Plaintiff
Ellis Law Office, P.A.
1405 Woodland Ave.
Sanford, NC 27330
(919) 842-3937
F14,F21,F28,3tc

NOTICE TO CREDITORS
The undersigned, having
qualified as Executrix of the
Estate of WILLIAM KENDRICK
SCHWAB, JR., Deceased, late
of Chatham County, North
Carolina, does hereby notify all
persons, firms and corpora-
tions having claims against
the estate to exhibit them to
the undersigned at the offices
of Tillman, Whichard & Cagle,
PLLC, 501 Eastowne Drive,
Suite 130, Chapel Hill, NC
27514, on or before the 14th
day of May, 2019, or this notice
will be pleaded in bar of their
recovery. All persons indebted
to the estate will please make
immediate payment.
This 14th day of February, 2019.
JANE S. BYSTRZYCKI, EXECU-
TRIX
ESTATE OF WILLIAM KENDRICK
SCHWAB, JR.
Tillman, Whichard & Cagle,
PLLC
501 Eastowne Drive, Suite 130
Chapel Hill, NC 27514
F14,F21,F28,M7,4tc

NOTICE TO CREDITORS
North Carolina
Chatham County
Having qualified as Limited
Personal Representative of the
Estate of CHASTITY VANHOOK,
deceased of Chatham County,
North Carolina, on the 14th day
of February, 2019, the under-
signed does hereby notify all
persons, firms, and corpora-
tions having claims against
said estate to exhibit them to
the undersigned at the office of
the attorney for the estate on
or before the 15th day of May,
2019, or this Notice will be pled
in bar of their recovery. All
persons indebted to said estate
will please make immediate
payment to the undersigned.
This 14th day of February, 2019.
Gail M Solomon, Limited Per-
sonal Representative
c/o Larry H. Rocamora, Attor-
ney for the Estate
McPherson, Rocamora, Nichol-
son, Wilson, & Hinkle, PLLC
3211 Shannon Road, Suite 620
Durham, NC 27707.
F14,F21,F28,M7,4tc

**PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE'S
NOTICE**
NORTH CAROLINA
CHATHAM COUNTY
All persons, firms and corpo-
rations having claims against
ERIC D. JOHNSON, deceased,
of Chatham County, North
Carolina are notified to present
their claims to be below-named
Personal Representative on
or before May 15, 2019 or this

Notice will be pleaded in bar of
recovery. Debtors of decedent
are requested to make immedi-
ate payment.
This the 14th day of February,
2019.
Margaret M. Johnson, Executor
Estate of Eric D. Johnson
204 Serenity Hill Circle
Chapel Hill, N.C. 27516
Worth Law, Randy Worth
P.O. Box 20825
Raleigh, NC 27619-0825
F14,F21,F28,M7,4tc

NOTICE TO CREDITORS
18 E 638
NORTH CAROLINA
CHATHAM COUNTY
Having qualified as Executor
of the Estate of JOHN WILLIAM
MOFFITT of Chatham County,
North Carolina, the under-
signed does hereby notify all
persons, firms, and corpora-
tions having claims against the
estate of said decedent to ex-
hibit them to the undersigned
on or before May 15, 2019 or
this notice will be pleaded in
bar of their recovery. All per-
sons, firms and corporations
indebted to the said estate will
please make immediate pay-
ment to the undersigned.
This the 14th day of February,
2019.
Matthew Ripley-Moffitt,
Executor
799 Old Mill Rd
Chapel Hill, NC 27514
F14,F21,F28,M7,4tp

NOTICE TO CREDITORS
19 E 62
NORTH CAROLINA
CHATHAM COUNTY
Having qualified as Executrix
of the Estate of JUDITH CAGLE
HILL of Chatham County, North
Carolina, the undersigned
does hereby notify all persons,
firms, and corporations having
claims against the estate of
said decedent to exhibit them
to the undersigned on or be-
fore May 15, 2019 or this notice
will be pleaded in bar of their
recovery. All persons, firms and
corporations indebted to the
said estate will please make
immediate payment to the
undersigned.
This the 14th day of February,
2019.
KIMBERY DAWN HILL, Executrix
20 Clarkland Village St
Elizabethtown, NC 28337
F14,F21,F28,M7,4tp

CREDITOR'S NOTICE
NORTH CAROLINA
CHATHAM COUNTY
Having qualified on the 6th day
of January, 2019, as Admin-
istrator CTA of the Estate of
WILLIAM RONALD BROWN,
deceased, late of Chatham
County, North Carolina, this is
to notify all persons, firms and
corporations having claims
against the decedent to exhibit
the same to the undersigned
on or before the 15th day of
May, 2019, or this notice will
be pleaded in bar of their
recovery. All persons, firms and
corporations indebted to the
estate should make immediate
payment.
This the 6th day of February,
2019.
W. Woods Doster, Administra-
tor CTA
of the Estate of William Ronald
Brown
115 Chatham Street, Suite 302
Sanford, NC 27330
Attorneys: Law Offices
of W. Woods Doster, P.A.,
115 Chatham Street, Suite 302
Sanford, NC 27330
F14,F21,F28,M7,4tc

NORTH CAROLINA
CHATHAM COUNTY
IN THE GENERAL
COURT OF JUSTICE
DISTRICT COURT DIVISION
18 CVD 817
Charles Jason Elon Pace
Plaintiff
vs.
Hillary Kaye Rahe Pace
Defendant
**NOTICE OF SERVICE OF
PROCESS BY PUBLICATION**
TO: Hillary Kaye Rahe Pace
748 Martha's Chapel Road
Apex, NC 27523
TAKE NOTICE that a pleading
seeking relief against you has
been filed in the above entitled
action. The nature of relief
being sought is as follows: **AN
ABSOLUTE DIVORCE.** You are
required to make a defense to
such pleading no later than the
16th day of March, 2019, and
upon your failure to do so the
party seeking service against
you will apply to the court for
the relief sought.
This the 14th day of February,
2019.
Charles Jason Elon Pace,
Plaintiff
150 J. Roy Dr
Apex, NC 27523
F14,F21,F28,3tp

CREDITOR'S NOTICE
NORTH CAROLINA
CHATHAM COUNTY
Having qualified on the 6th day
of January, 2019, as Executor
of the Estate of JOHNNIE DEAN
HALL Dean, deceased, late of

Chatham County, North Caroli-
na, this is to notify all persons,
firms and corporations having
claims against the decedent to
exhibit the same to the under-
signed on or before the 16th
day of May, 2019, or this notice
will be pleaded in bar of their
recovery. All persons, firms and
corporations indebted to the
estate should make immediate
payment.
This the 6th day of February,
2019.
Bunni Hall, Executor of
the Estate Johnnie Dean Hall
2450 Everette Dowdy Road
Sanford, NC 27330
Attorneys:
Law Offices of W. Woods
Doster, P.A.
115 Chatham Street, Suite 302
Sanford, NC 27330
F14,F21,F28,M7,4tc

**EXECUTOR'S NOTICE TO CRED-
ITORS"**
NORTH CAROLINA
CHATHAM COUNTY
All persons having claims
against the estate of DALE
VOLBERG REED, of Chatham
County, NC, who died on
October 19, 2019, are notified to
present them on or before May
23, 2019 to John S. Reed, Jr.,
Executor, c/o Alexander, Miller
& Schupp, L.L.P.,
P.O. Box 3200, Chapel Hill, NC
27515-3200, or this Notice will
be pleaded in bar of recovery.
Camilla C. Schupp
Alexander, Miller & Schupp,
L.L.P.
1526 E. Franklin Street, Suite
202
Post Office Box 3200
Chapel Hill, NC 27515-3200
Attorney for the Estate
F14,F21,F28,M7,4tc

**CHATHAM COUNTY- REQUEST
FOR QUALIFICATIONS**
Engineering Design Services
for Chatham County EMS Sta-
tion - North
Chatham County is requesting
statements of qualifications for
Engineering Design services
for site design and construc-
tion of a pre-engineered metal
building to be used as an EMS
Station in Pittsboro, NC. The
project will consist of site
design (including utilities),
meeting permitting, easement,
and right-of-way requirements,
and oversight of site clearing
and grading operations. In
addition, the selected Engineer
Firm will be used for project
management in the processes
of competitively bidding and
managing the procurement/
installation/construction of a
turn-key pre-engineered metal
building package to function
as an Emergency Medical
Services base. The existing site
is located in the northern part
of the county near the Briar
Chapel community (Parcel
62221; 9251 US 15-501 N, Pitts-
boro, NC 27312) and contains
a relatively large slope that
will require a fair amount of
excavation to accommodate a
workable building site. County
water service is available, but
sewer may either be via Briar
Chapel/Newland Communities
or a septic system.
This announcement and
attachments can be found on
the County's "Bid Opportuni-
ty" webpage at <http://www.chathamnc.org/business/current-bid-proposal-opportunities>. Any addendum issued will be posted here as well.
Architects must submit four (4)
written bound responses and
one electronic copy by 5:00 pm
EST on Thursday, March 14,
2019. Written responses must
be delivered to Purchasing,
Attn: Robin S. James, Chatham
County Finance Office, 12 East
Street, P.O. Box 608, Pittsboro,
NC 27312. The electronic copy
should be submitted in PDF
format included in the submittal
on electronic media or e-mailed
to purchasing@chathamnc.org.
Both the written and electronic
copies must be received by the
deadline above. Responses
received after this time will not
be accepted. Questions regard-
ing the RFQ must be submitted
in writing either via e-mail to
Robin James, Chatham County
Procurement Manager, at
purchasing@chathamnc.org
or by fax to 919-545-2417. All ques-
tions requiring additional infor-
mation will be responded to in
an addendum. The deadline for
questions is Thursday, March 7,
2019 at 12:00 PM NOON.
Local, minority, female owned,
and small businesses are en-
couraged and invited to submit
proposals. Chatham County
reserves the right to accept or
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NEWS BRIEFS

Siler City requests NCDOT input on Third Street closure

SILER CITY — Siler City Mayor John Grimes, on behalf of the Siler City Board of Commissioners, has sent a letter to the N.C. Dept. of Transportation seeking assistance as the town moves forward with a review of Mountaire's request to permanently close E. Third Street.

The street had been closed for most of last year to facilitate the construction of Mountaire's \$170 million 255,000 square foot poultry processing facility. Late last year, Mountaire requested the permanent closure of the street, citing safety and traffic flow concerns.

"While I believe the request to close this portion of East Third Street is made by Mountaire in an effort to enhance efficiency and productivity of its operations, we have concerns over the adverse impacts that this closure would to to existing businesses in the area," the letter read.

The Board of Commissioners decided late last year to wait to consider Mountaire's request until the plant is up and running. The board determined it felt it best to study the traffic patterns and impacts over a period of several months once the plant is moving at full steam. According to Grimes, that review period would be no less than 90 days.

"Through my communications with members of the Siler City Board of Commissioners, we are convinced that the request for a partial closure...will be unsuccessful and unsupported on the local level unless it connectivity to US Hwy 64 is preserved," the letter read, noting the substantive project the NCDOT is planning for the Hwy. 64 corridor.

The letter notes that assistance from NCDOT would be "advantageous to all parties concerned."

Chatham Community Library to host author event with Andrew Reynolds

Chatham Community Library will host a local author event featuring Andrew Reynolds, author of "The Children of Harvey Milk: How LGBTQ Politicians Changed the World," from 1-3 p.m. on March 2.

Reynolds is a professor, writer, and activist, originally from London. He has been a professor of political science at UNC-Chapel Hill since 2001. He founded and directs the UNC LGBTQ Representation and Rights Research Initiative, the leading global think tank focused on LGBTQ politics. His work has been featured in the New York Times, Washington Post, Guardian, New Statesman, and widely online. His 12 non-fiction books range from African politics to the Arab Spring, elections to the future of democracy. For 25 years he has been an advisor on democratic design in the world's most dangerous places, including South Africa, Somalia, Afghanistan, Libya, Burma, Ukraine and many others.

Part political thriller, part meditation on social change, part love story, "The Children of Harvey Milk" tells the epic

‘Scene X Scene’ announces students in JM’s first-ever acting intensive

SILER CITY — "Scene X Scene," the first acting intensive ever offered at Jordan-Matthews High School, has accepted 21 students to participate in a series of after-school workshops culminating in a free community performance.

Applicants admitted to "Scene X Scene" are Gisselle Aleman Moreno, Lindley Andrew, Laci Burt, Jackie Carrillo, Ivanol Chay-Perez, Corrine Collison, Litzy Garcia Santos, David Gonzalez, Andrea Lopez, Mia Lopez-Calvo, Zy'kiuh Marsh, Alana May, Kayli McIntosh, July Ramos Corona, Hannah Redding, Natalie Santiago, Conrad Suits, Sydney Suits, Jennifer Trejo Benitez, Jackie Vasquez and Samantha Zarate.

"Scene X Scene" is offered by JMArts, the Jordan-Matthews Arts Foundation, to help aspiring actors build their skills by working on dramatic scenes in two-hour, weekly workshops. The focus on working "scene by scene" gives the acting intensive its name.

Participants will offer a free showcase performance on May 2 at 7 p.m. in the Jordan-Matthews High School Auditorium, followed by a reception for the actors and audience in the JM Media Center.

Jessica Nunn, founder and director of The Phoenix Theatre Company, is leading the acting intensive as workshop clinician and director of the showcase performance. She believes this focus on acting is a great opportunity for all of the students. "Each student has an opportunity to improve their skills set, beyond just character choices for the musical," Nunn said. "Also, it's a great chance for each student to be a lead character!"

"Scene X Scene" is offered free to students thanks to support from the North Carolina Arts Council, a division of the Department of Natural and Cultural Resources, through the Chatham Arts Council.

general hemp production. The workshop will feature presentations as well as a panel of hemp stakeholders.

Advance registration by Feb. 22 is required. For more details and to register, visit the Cooperative Extension website at go.ncsu.edu/2019-chatham-hemp. Call the Chatham County Center of NC Cooperative Extension at 919-542-8244 if you have any questions.

DHHS receives \$10M grant to promote integration of primary, behavioral health care

RALEIGH — The North Carolina Department of Health and Human Services recently received a five-year, \$10-million federal grant to improve the health and well-being of adults and children with challenging mental health issues who live in high need communities.

The grant, from the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA), will fund an integrated approach to primary and behavioral health care to improve the overall wellness and physical and behavioral health of adults with serious mental illness (SMI), children with serious emotional disturbance (SED), adults and children with substance use disorders (SUD) and/or co-occurring disorders (COD).

The grant will be administered by DHHS and will serve an estimated 2,150 individuals, with an initial focus on families and individuals in two sites in the southeast coastal and western regions. Plans call for future expansion to communities in the state's Piedmont and Sandhills areas.

123 Art Studios' March event features Emma Skurnick and students

PITTSBORO — 123 Art Studios is featuring the original paintings and drawings of North Carolina artist, Emma Skurnick, along with her students of The Open Studios Group.

Skurnick will join artistic forces with her dozen plus students, featuring works in a diversity of styles and media. She received her undergraduate degree in Fine Art from Binghamton University in New York and her graduate certification in Science Illustration from the University of California, Santa Cruz. Her paintings have been exhibited nationally and published internationally.

Those who visit can ride the creative waves of more than 20 local artists, wondrously varied in media, personality, and artistic process. This bi-annual show features painters, sculptors, wood workers, and a few media in between. Meet these artists and delight in their works from 11 a.m.-5 p.m. on March 23 and 24 at 123 Beech Forest Way in Pittsboro. Light refreshments will be served.

— CN+R Staff Reports

Program has been extended to Feb. 14. Additional information and instructions are provided at www.farmers.gov/mfp.

Chatham County farm producers may be eligible for payments for 2018 cotton, corn, dairy, hog, sorghum, soybean, and wheat production that have been significantly impacted by actions of foreign governments resulting in the loss of traditional exports. The MFP is established under the statutory authority of the Commodity Credit Corporation CCC Charter Act and is under the administration of Farm Service Agency. Applicants must have an average adjusted gross income for tax years 2014, 2015, and 2016 of less than \$900,000. Applicants must also comply with the provisions of the Highly Erodible Land and Wetland Conservation regulations and have a timely filed crop acreage report for 2018. If the crop acreage report has not been filed timely by July 15, 2018, a \$46/farm late fee must be paid. Applications may be completed at the Chatham County FSA office or submitted electronically either by scanning, emailing, or faxing. Producers of the listed crops should call the Chatham County FSA Office at 919-542-2244, ext. 2, to schedule an appointment to apply for the MFP program or for any questions they may have.

The Farm Service Agency says the crop report date for all fall planted crops (barley, oats, rye, and wheat), has been extended to Feb. 14.

If the crop has not been planted by Feb. 14, then the acreage must be reported no later than 15 calendar days after planting is completed, according to FSA officials. Producers should also report crop acreage they intended to plant, but due to adverse weather conditions, were prevented from planting. Contact the county office at 919-542-2244, ext. 2, to schedule an appointment to report crop acreages.

Halal Meats voluntarily recalls product produced without the benefit of inspection

RALEIGH — High Point Halal Meats in High Point is voluntarily recalling all production lots of chicken, lamb and beef products because they were produced without benefit of required inspections.

"Inspectors with the N.C. Dept. of Agriculture and Consumer Services' Meat and Poultry Inspection Division discovered uninspected meat and poultry products in commerce," said Dr. Beth Yongue, director of the Meat and Poultry Inspection Division. "This is a Class I recall where there is a reasonable probability that the use of the product will cause serious, adverse health consequences or death. Customers who purchased these products are urged not to consume them."

Subject to recall were all chicken, lamb and beef products bearing a "High Point Halal Meats" label

These items were shipped to retail stores within North Carolina. These products bear an NCDA inspection legend with the establishment number P-318. Throw away these products or return them to the place of purchase. Consumers with questions about High Point Halal Meats products can call the facility at 336-802-0620 during business hours.

Extension offers industrial hemp workshop

PITTSBORO — The Chatham County Center of N.C. Cooperative Extension will offer an Industrial Hemp Workshop as part of its Enhancing Sustainability Series from 4-9 p.m. on Feb. 28 at the Chatham County Agriculture & Conference Center in Pittsboro.

North Carolina State University Hemp Specialists and Researchers will be joined by hemp growers and other stakeholders for an evening of education, networking, and fellowship.

The workshop will include exhibitors and a locally sourced dinner catered by Angelina's Kitchen.

Topics include rules and regulations of hemp production, CBD production, hemp diseases, research updates, and

PRIMER HELD IN CHATHAM COUNTY

Connecting with LGBTQ+ youth

BY CASEY MANN
News + Record Staff

A program called the Family Acceptance Project aims to help ethnically and religiously diverse families support their Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, Queer (LGBTQ+) children in the context of their family, culture and faith communities.

The program, which is the first of its kind in North Carolina, is made possible by a grant given by Cardinal Innovations, a managed care organization in North Carolina, to North Carolina Families United, a non-profit that focuses on the mental health of children.

The program will culminate in a two-day event in Alamance County on May 7-8. Leading up to the conference, professionals from Cardinal Innovations and NC Families United have been holding primers in three counties, including one held at the Chatham County Community Library last week, to introduce school system, non-profit, and health professionals to the program and provide a basic knowledge of how to engage and interact with LGBTQ+ youth.

"This type of programming is important because it works to create a safe

and open space for dialogue to occur regarding ways to improve the health and wellbeing of all of our youth — not just LGBTQ+ youth," said Erich Priest, social worker at Freedom House Recovery in Chapel Hill and a presenter at the Chatham County event. "If any one group is left out of these conversations then they all suffer as a result. For me the aim is to provide research, resources, and opportunities for communities to discuss how to grow and support each other regardless of sexual orientation, gender identity, and/or gender expression."

"A lot of times, people don't know how to approach the LGBTQ+ community," said Chandrika Brown of NC Families United. "It's an opportunity to be educated by a trainer that knows the community so that they can better connect you the youth can feel acknowledged." LGBTQ+ youth who do not feel accepted by their family or caregivers have a greater instance of negative health outcomes such as higher risks of HIV/AIDS, substance abuse, sexual assault, and homelessness, according to research.

"Gay and transgender teens who were highly

rejected by their parents and caregivers were at very high risk for health and mental health problems when they become young adults (ages 21-25)," Researcher and Project Director for Family Acceptance Project Caitlin Ryan wrote. "Highly rejected young people were: More than eight times as likely to have attempted suicide, nearly six times as likely to report high levels of depression, more than three times as likely to use illegal drugs, and more than three times as likely to be at high risk for HIV and sexually transmitted diseases compared with gay and transgender young adults who were not at all or only rejected a little by their parents and caregivers — because of their gay or transgender identity."

"Our main goal is to educate the community on the LGBTQ community and how to better interact with our youth," Brown said. "To educate our families on engagement and acceptance. Our goal is not to change a persons thoughts or feelings on the subject but to teach on acceptance and respect."

The Family Acceptance Project's May event will bring together not only providers, families, youth, and school staff, but also pastors, youth pastors, youth leaders



Staff photo by David Bradley

Teachers in the audience have to deal with the changing ideas in the classroom, and how to communicate with LGTBQ youth as they grow and mature.

to focus on engagement. "We have heard from parents, youth and caregivers on how difficult this is once the youth come out openly about their LGBTQ status," Brown said. "There are other initiatives around the state I'm sure but what we have developed for our area is unique to what our community say they need."

Attendees to the Chatham County event recognized the importance of the project and appreciated the opportunity to learn about engaging LGBTQ+ youth

and educating their peers on the same.

"When working with any population (but especially with kids) it is always important to stay current, refresh one's knowledge base," said Erika Guy, a lifelong educator who currently volunteers in the counseling department at Chatham Middle School and with Chatham County Communities In Schools. "I am glad to see that efforts are being made to connect with this most vulnerable segment of the adolescent population."

"I thought it was a

great opportunity to reach more students/better serve a population that I am already working with," Lorin Robison, school counseling intern in Chatham, said. "As a community I think there is always room for improvement on how we can better support the many needs that we see, especially within the school system. The event was informative and I hope to be able to go to the following events."

"All youth should have the right to feel safe in their community and anything that we can do as community leaders/youth service agents to further that is important," George Greger-Holt, Community Outreach Coordinator for Chatham Drug Free said. "I am concerned about the increased risk that LGBTQ+ youth have for substance use. By creating a safe community, LGBTQ+ youth will be less likely to turn to alcohol and other drugs for relief."

"I was happy to see such a good turnout for the event and hopefully it will begin a dialog among youth serving agencies to develop a coordinated approach to supporting LGBTQ+ youth," Greger-Holt said.

