

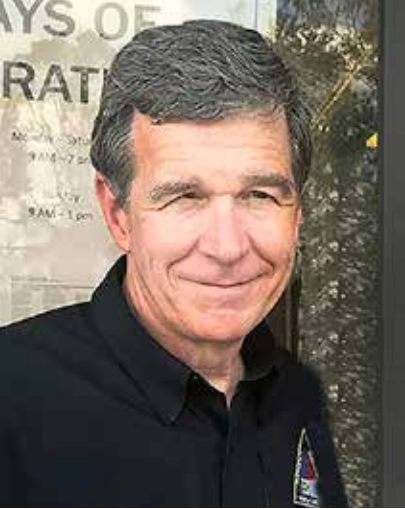
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Governor pays visit to Olympia Fire Dept. and Pamlico County disaster centers



Pamlico County manager, Tim Buck described his meeting the governor as a unique experience, giving him and other local leaders the opportunity to tell him personally what the local needs are. “He appeared to be genuinely sincere about working with the legislature to help us with repairs and mitigation issues. The schools also got to make their points with him. Everyone came away happy about the meeting.”

Hurricane does not halt Oriental’s Ol’ Front Porch Music Festival

Focus shifts to raising funds for storm relief

To be, or not to be? To be was the answer to Shakespeare by The Ol’ Front Porch Music Festival. The event for this weekend, Oct. 5-7, will go on with a smaller schedule of performances but with a major effort to raise money to help those most affected by Hurricane Florence.

The board of the regional music festival now in its fifth year agreed last week to hold the event as a tribute to storm victims and as an example of the resilience of Eastern North Carolinians. Donation centers throughout the festival will collect money that will be given to the Pamlico Partnership for Children, which is partnering with the Pamlico County Disaster Relief Coalition to provide help to families affected by the storm.

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Hurricane Florence damage estimates growing daily... Recovery underway at aggressive pace



Laurie Dana, Small Business Administration public affairs officer from California, records debris pile in Janiero.

\$35 million long term, low interest SBA loans already approved for victims

Once the federal government makes an official declaration of a disaster, FEMA and Small Business Administration officials from all over the nation respond in tandem.

Laurie Dana, who lives near Sacramento, CA, is no stranger to the aftermath of disasters. Though she has responded to communities struck by floods and devastating tornadoes as an SBA Public Affairs Officer for disaster assistance programs, she is also a major hurricane veteran. Her tour of hurricane duty includes South Carolina, Hurricane Matthew, Houston, Hurricane Harvey, Georgia, Hurricane Irma, and the US Virgin Islands, Hurricane Maria.

At the most recent meeting of the county commissioners, after hearing reports of how local fire and rescue teams in The County responded with extreme efficiency, and after having seen how the devastation had marred The County’s landscape, she expressed a deep appreciation for the beauty of the people of Pamlico County. “I already love the people here.”

Her mission here is to expedite assistance to everyone who has suffered major damage from the winds and floods of Florence, primarily by making them aware of the application process for low interest loans.

“My job is to reach out, to inform homeowners, renters, and property owners about the disaster assistance that is available to them.” She said, “Often I hear people say, ‘I’m not a small business. How would I qualify for help from the Small Business Administration?’ The SBA does provide assistance to small business owners, but that service is extended to homeowners and renters in times of a declared disaster. Sometimes, with interest as low as 2%.

Applicants who need SBA assistance must first apply for aid through FEMA. In Pamlico County,



“Every disaster is so heartbreaking. Disasters don’t discriminate; they strike both the rich and the poor alike. “

applicants receive one-on-one assistance with the application process from both FEMA and SBA staff members at the Disaster Relief Center operating at the Grantsboro Town Hall.

FEMA provides grants to qualified applicants to help them have safe, secure, and sanitary living accommodations. When the losses incurred are greater than what FEMA grants, applicants are referred to the SBA for along term, low interest loan.

Dana said, “Applicants who are referred to the SBA by FEMA should complete the entire application process. In some cases, an applicant may be referred back to FEMA for assistance that is not a loan. People who may qualify for help should apply now.”

The financial requirement to receive an SBA disaster loan is relatively simple. Applicants must be able to demonstrate the ability to repay the loans. Loans are capped at \$200,000.

As of Friday, September 28, just 2 weeks after Florence came ashore at Wrightsville Beach, \$35 million dollars in SBA loans had already been approved for the Eastern North Carolina Counties in the declared disaster area. Dana said that applying now will avoid longer processing times as more and more people apply for assistance. Applicants can apply at the Grantsboro DRC or apply Online at the FEMA website.

She added, “People don’t have to wait for insurance to pay claims to begin this process. The sooner they get through the application process, the sooner they can get started on their repairs.”

In review, first apply for assistance with FEMA, either Online or at the Grantsboro Town Hall. SBA low interest loans are available to disaster victims when FEMA assistance is insufficient to cover all of the damages the applicant suffers.

Slinging chainsaws, not 6-guns Texas Baptist Men ride into The County to aid Hurricane Florence victims.

Texas Baptist Men visited Pamlico County and worked alongside Baptist volunteers from Oklahoma and Arkansas helping survivors of Hurricane Florence.

Crews wielding chainsaws and carpentry tools, have been removing trees from rooftops and repairing the damage falling trees and limbs caused. Others operated heavy equipment to rearrange what Florence winds and floods rearranged. Complementing these crews have been West Texas Baptist volunteers manning emergency food-service equipment. Through Sept. 25, Texas Baptist Men, TBM, had donated 2,735 volunteer hours cooking 467 meals, providing access to 130 showers and

See page 6, Texas Baptist

County Manager reports status of recovery efforts

Pamlico County native, Tim Buck, has weathered many hurricanes, both before and after he became The County’s water department supervisor in 1996. He became County Manager in 2006 making him a 22 year veteran county employee. Hurricane Irene was a test he passed with flying colors in 2003, but now after Florence, he proclaims, hopefully, “This is going to be my last one.”



Tim Buck, County Manager

On Friday, September 28, he provided an update on The County’s response to Florence, the storm now compared to Hazel of 1954 and the unnamed storm of 1933. He advised, “Right now, we are still under a state of emergency because we still have about 20 people in the shelter. Social Services and the Red Cross are trying to get housing for those folks.”

When asked about an estimate of property damage totals, he said, “The initial estimate of \$50 to \$60 million has been bumped to \$70 million and is still rising. When it comes to property taxes, if a dwelling or business is still damaged, not repaired on January 1, 2019, the owners can request a lower tax rate for the tax year 2019. That does not apply to 2018 taxes. It’s for property that is still damaged on January 1, 2019.”

Debris is mounting each day along The County’s roadsides. Buck reported, “As of right now, the state plans to take responsibility of all state roads. That is great news, leaving us with just the county roads and streets. If the municipalities want The County to remove debris from municipal streets, they have to enter a Memorandum of Understanding with The County. That means, we will clean up the municipal streets, but we will do that as we get to it. It may take longer for The County to cover all the municipal streets and roads, but we will do that for them if they allow us to do it as we can get to it”

He continued, “We plan to start picking up big time on October 8. We are concerned that if we start too early, we may have to make too many passes over the same roads. We want the residents to get all of their debris to the road as soon as possible. After Hurricane Irene, we picked up storm debris from August 11 in 2011 until June 12 in 2012. We are going to start in the hardest hit areas first.”

Buck said that from all reports, the worse damage is, all the way to the Craven County line. “The communities along the Neuse River seem to have been hit harder than they were in Irene, but for the Bay River

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COMMUNITY

PROBABLE WEATHER

Tuesday: Pamlico forecast for Oct 02 is 79 degrees and Patchy rain possible. There is 68 percentage chance of rain and 2 mph winds from the Southeast. Wednesday:The New Bern forecast for Oct 03 is 79 degrees and Partly cloudy. There is 65 percentage chance of rain and 2 mph winds from the West.

Thursday: Pamlico Bern forecast for Oct 04 is 78 degrees and Partly cloudy. There is 68 percentage chance of rain and 5 mph winds from the West.

Friday: Pamlico forecast for Oct 05 is 83 degrees and Partly cloudy. There is 64 per-centage chance of rain and 2 mph winds from the West-Northwest.

Saturday: Pamlico forecast for Oct 06 is 80 degrees and Partly cloudy. There is 72 percentage chance of rain and 3 mph winds from the East-Northeast.

Sunday: Pamlico forecast for Oct 07 is 79 degrees and Light rain shower. There is 76 percentage chance of rain and 6 mph winds from the East.

Monday: Pamlico forecast for Oct 08 is 76 degrees and Moderate or heavy rain shower. There is 74 percentage chance of rain and 6 mph winds from the East.

Tuesday: Pamlico forecast for Oct 09 is 79 degrees and Sunny. There is 76 percentage chance of rain and 8 mph winds from the East-Southeast.

Wednesday: Pamlico forecast for Oct 10 is 79 degrees and Patchy rain possible. There is 77 percentage chance of rain and 7 mph winds from the Southeast.

Thursday: Pamlico forecast for Oct 11 is 79 degrees and Heavy rain. There is 78 percentage chance of rain and 5 mph winds from the East.

NOTE THE DATE

PC Republican Party
The PC Republican Party meets the 4th Tuesday of the month at their GOP Headquarters at 618 Main Street, Bayboro at 6:30 pm. Contact Chairman Dave Wickersham at 252.269.4101 for further information.

Oriental Farmers’ Market
Open every Saturday from 8:30 to 11:30 a.m. Located on Hodges Street in front of Garland Fulchers Seafood. The market features a wide variety of goodies including locally grown produce, farm fresh eggs, home-baked breads, biscotti, cookies, cakes, pies as well as preserves and chocolates.

County Senior Center the first and third Monday of the month at 2 p.m. For more information call Beth Hardison at 745-7196.

NAACP Monthly Meeting
The NAACP of Pamlico County will hold its regular monthly meeting on the second Monday of each month at 6 p.m. at the Pamlico County Senior Services Center at 800 Main Street in Alliance. All interested persons are invited and welcome to attend.

Gardens of Pamlico
We need volunteers of any age to help with residents and brighten their day! Contact Kelly Lawson, 252-671-8251

Oriental Town Hall
Flu shots are being offered at Oriental Town Hall on Monday, September 24 from 10am to noon in the large board room. Information is attached. If you have any questions, please call Town Hall at 252-249-0555.

Pamlico Community College
PCC’s Fall Birding Class will begin on Tuesday, September 25 with a classroom orientation. Early morning birding trips around The County will take place on Tuesdays, October 2, 9 and 16. Birders are encouraged to mark their calendars now to participate in this enlightening and informative endeavor. To register, contact Denise Myerson, dmeyerson@pamlicocc.ed, 252-249-1851 X 3113. The fee is only \$40.

Driver Education To Be Held In October
Students who are at least 14 years 6 months old, or will be by October 22, 2018, and interested in taking the North Carolina Driver Education 30-hour classroom instruction class should pick up a registration form from the PCHS Main Office. Registration Forms must be returned by 8:00 AM Wednesday, October 17. The classes will be held Oct. 22 -Nov. 8 from 3PM-6PM (there will be no classes on Fridays). Students will meet in the classroom across from the PCHS cafeteria. Students planning to take the class must be passing at least three of the four semester courses according to the most recent reporting of grades. Students without a clean disciplinary record will have their disciplinary record reviewed by the administration for inclusion in the class.

Students should check the class roster on Friday, October 19 outside the Main Office or call PCHS at 745-3151 to see if they have been accepted into the class. All questions should be directed to Joshua Gaskill via email joshuagaskill@pamlicoschools.org

QUICK REFERENCE

Emergency: Dial 911 for police, sheriff, fire departments, rescue squads, ambulance
Animal Poison Control Center: 1-888-426-4435
Carteret General Hospital: 808-6000
Coastal Carolina Regional Airport: 638-8591
Emergency Pet Care: 444-1399
Highway Patrol: 1-800-441-6127
Medical Assistance –
(CarolinaEast Medical Center): 633-8111
Nova Urgent Care: 745-7440

Pamlico County Departments
Board of Elections: 745-4821
County Manager: 745-3133
Emergency Management: 745-4131
Health Dept.: 745-5111
Recycling Center: 745-3283
Senior Services: 745-7196
Sheriff’s Dept. (non-emergency) – 745-3101
Social Services: 745-4086
Tax Collector: 745-4125
Water Dept.: 745-5453
Poison Control Center: 1-800-222-1222
US Coast Guard (Hobucken): 745-3131

HOROSCOPES

ARIES – Mar 21/Apr 20
Keep track of your week, Aries. Review your schedule frequently. You never know which learning experiences will come your way. Think about how they make you feel.

TAURUS – Apr 21/May 21
Taurus, your mind is buzzing like a bee and it can be challenging to find some time to relax. Do not worry, your thoughts will soon put you on the path you need to take.

GEMINI – May 22/Jun 21
Gemini, some hectic mornings may be on the horizon. Schedule meetings in the afternoon when you are ready and have full brain power in effect.

CANCER – Jun 22/Jul 22
Things may seem tight and rigid this week, Cancer. That just means it is up to you to lighten things up. Consider a few jokes to put coworkers in a good mood.

LEO – Jul 23/Aug 23
Leo, you need to look at your emotions intellectually this week; otherwise, your feelings may be hard to discern. Think through actions before you put them in motion.

VIRGO – Aug 24/Sept 22
Prepare for some surprises this week, Virgo. Processes will be introduced either by you or someone close to you, with interesting results. This is your time to excel.

LIBRA – Sept 23/Oct 23
Life is going well for you in most respects, Libra. But there is always room for a little improvement. Now is a great time to take advantage of good fortune and push ahead.

SCORPIO – Oct 24/Nov 22
Scorpio, this week you are likely working out something important in your mind that can

help clarify your emotions. The answer you get may be different from what you expected.

SAGITTARIUS – Nov 23/Dec 21
Be careful not to overdo things this week, Sagittarius. You may want to jump right in to a gym workout or financial project. It’s good to be exuberant, but exercise caution, too.

CAPRICORN – Dec 22/Jan 20
It is challenging to prevent your temper from getting the best of you sometimes, Capricorn. But hostility is not the way to handle a sticky situation.

AQUARIUS – Jan 21/Feb 18
Aquarius, don’t be surprised if one day this week you wake up with inspiration that wasn’t there the night before. Keep an eye out for strokes of genius.

PISCES – Feb 19/Mar 20
Sometimes you are prone to acting on impulse, Pisces. This week you need to align your head and heart on the same plane to forge ahead.

FAMOUS BIRTHDAYS
SEPTEMBER 30
Olivier Giroud, Athlete (32)
OCTOBER 1
Matthew Daddario, Actor (31)
OCTOBER 2
Sting, Singer (67)
OCTOBER 3
Gwen Stefani, Singer (49)
OCTOBER 4
Melissa Benoist, Actress (30)
OCTOBER 5
Kate Winslet, Actress (43)

OBITUARIES

David Herrin Batchelor, Jr, 77, passed away on Thursday, Sept. 13 after a courageous battle with cancer. He was born in Wilson, North Carolina, to the late David Herrin Batchelor, Sr and Virginia Smith Batchelor. David graduated from Atlantic Christian College, where he met Ann Brinson, daughter of the late Alton and Rosa Blanche Brinson, and they were happily married for 54-years. After graduation, they settled in Cary, NC where he began his long career as a research chemist at Chemstrand (now Monsanto). It was the Neuse River where he first took an interest in sailing. In the late 1960’s David bought his first sailboat, which was a Sunfish and he was officially hooked. In due time, he joined the Carolina Sailing Club and developed a deep love for racing Flying Scots. Sailing in Oriental was one of his great joys and he was active in planning and racing in the “Oriental Sailing Social” and promoting one-design sailing there. In retirement, David continued sailing and devoted his time and knowledge of sailing with others. He not only contributed his vast knowledge and endless enthusiasm of sailing to the Carolina Sailing Club, he also wrote articles for sailing publications and created videos on sailing tactics. He was affectionately known as Sailor Dave to his sailing friends. In every circumstance, there were some small or large moments for teaching, coaching, mentorship or encouragement that he offered. Sailing was a great joy in his life and he cherished those friendships he found along the way. A Celebration of Life service is at Cary Presbyterian Church on Sunday, September 30th at 2:00 pm, with a reception following in the fellowship hall. The family burial will take place later this fall at Amity Christian Church cemetery, in his beloved Pamlico County.

David is survived by his wife of 54 years, Ann Brinson Batchelor, daughters Katherine Ann Wofford (Will) & Tricia Batchelor Stagner (Jubal), both of Raleigh; grandchildren Carleigh Ann Wofford, Sarah Grimes Stagner & John Charles Stagner; sisters Anne Batchelor Mercer (Henry) of Wilson & Brenda Batchelor Stocks (Stuart)

of Winterville; sister-in-law Jean Brinson Finch (Dan) of Oxford and several nieces and nephews. David was preceded in death by his nephew, Jason Stocks. The family has requested that in lieu of flowers and in keeping with his lifetime devotion to the sport of sailing, contributions be made in Dave’s memory to Carolina Sailing Foundation, 6004 Bunchberry Ct., Raleigh, NC 27616.

Mrs. Norma Spruill Smith, age 94, of Oriental, NC died Wednesday, September 26, 2018, at Springbrook Nursing and Rehab in Clayton, NC after a long and arduous battle against Alzheimer’s. In addition to her parents, Mr. Preston Carroll Spruill and Mrs. Mattie Hardison Spruill, she was predeceased by a brother, Mr. Alston Spruill, Sr., a sister, Mrs. Helen Spruill Benton, husband, Mr. Hubert H. Smith and infant son, Hubert Hearn Smith Jr. She is survived by a sister, Mrs. Dorothy Tingle, of Oriental, a son, James A. Smith of Clayton, NC, and 4 nieces and 3 nephews and their families. Miss Norma, as she was affectionately called by those who knew her, was a member of the Oriental Women’s Club for 50 years, as well as a member of Oriental United Methodist Church for most of her life. Miss Norma is often remembered as a teacher of first grade, for 17 years all told, at Alliance and Oriental Elementary Schools. She was an avid bridge player, enjoyed golfing at Minnesott Beach as well as fishing in the Neuse River aboard the Neuse Queen, captained by Mrs. Betsy Thompson and mate, Helen Eubanks. The funeral will be held at the First Baptist Church in Oriental at 2:00 PM Saturday afternoon with visitation at 1:00 PM prior to the service. Interment will be in Oriental Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, contributions can be made to a charity, church, or medical research group of your choice. Arrangements by Bryant Funeral Home & Crematory, Alliance.

The path to hurricane recovery is ?

By Dr. Mike Walden

NCSU

Hurricane Florence will likely go down as one of the most damaging storms to ever hit North Carolina. One estimate pegs the total cost at near \$50 billion, which would place Florence as the sixth most expensive hurricane in the 21st century.

The recovery efforts will take a long time. As the rebuilding takes place, and homes and businesses are put back together several important economic questions arise. Are there different kinds of costs and damages from a hurricane? Can we expect a surge in unemployment, and if so, how long will it take to bring jobs back? Could Florence’s devastation plunge the state into an economic recession? Will the areas most hurt from Florence have their economies permanently harmed?

There are two kinds of measurable costs from hurricanes. One is from lost production because people can’t get to work or because their workplace was damaged. A good example is restaurants. Meals not sold because the storm keeps both workers and customers away, or because the roof blew off the restaurant, is lost production that can’t be made up. Research suggests lost production accounts for about one-fourth of the total financial costs of hurricanes.

The biggest cost is property damage. Damage to homes,

rental units, farms and business structures comprise three-fourths of aggregate hurricane costs. Of course, the extent of property damage will vary. Some structures only require replacement of shingles and siding. Others may be total losses.

In many cases, the production losses will be short-lived as businesses and workers get back to some degree of normalcy. Already tourists have been returning to our coasts, and as time goes on more stores, factories and farms will be up and running.

Property damage – especially if it is severe – takes more time to recover. Sometimes the rebuilding takes months, even years.

What will a hurricane do to the local and state economies, and particularly the job market? Should we expect to see the North Carolina unemployment rate, which has dropped one-half percentage point in the last year, reverse and head upward in coming months?

Research on past hurricanes reveals the broader economic impacts are likely to remain local, and we won’t see any major changes in the long term trends at the state level. But an analysis of the local economic impacts of U.S. hurricanes from 1970 to 2005 show those areas hit by a hurricane could see their economic growth rate cut by almost one percentage point. This means a region with a pre-hurricane growth rate of 3.5 percent would see

the post-hurricane growth rate would drop to 2.5 percent. There would be a corresponding increase in local unemployment.

But here’s some good news. The large decrease in local economic growth and increase in local unemployment are temporary, lasting two to three months. Afterward there begins a partial recovery led by reconstruction efforts that reduce the growth and job losses by between one-quarter and one-half. The storm-impacted local economy reaches pre-hurricane economic conditions in about a year.

Now recognize these results are based on the average storm, and if Florence was worse than the average hurricane, the local economic impact could be more negative and the length of time to full recovery could be longer.

Which brings us to the final question. Will Florence irreparably harm the local economies of those regions of our state most impacted by the storm? As long as sufficient recovery funds from private and public sources are expeditiously deployed and used, the answer should be “no.” This is why it is vitally important that credible damage assessments be collected as soon as possible after the storm has passed, and that rebuilding work be monitored by both public and private entities.

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FEMA is the first port of call for disaster victims

Following the devastation left by Hurricane Florence, 27 counties in Eastern North Carolina have been declared a disaster area. There are 7 Disaster Relief Centers (DRC) serving these counties. One of those centers is located here in Pamlico County at the Grantsboro Town Hall.

When a disaster is declared, FEMA dispatches specialists from all across the nation who are available to respond. The local center, managed by Paul Ferris from Maryland, is staffed by FEMA specialists from more than a dozen states plus Puerto Rico. Relief work is coordinated through a combined effort of state, federal, and local agencies.

Prior to declaring a disaster, a PDA, or Preliminary Damage Assessment, is done to determine if there is sufficient damage for the declaration. In this process, the total dollar amount of damage is secondary to the nature of the damage to the living accommodations of victims.

At a DRC, victims of the disaster can meet face to face with a specialist for help in completing the paper work in the process of determining eligibility for funding. Once an individual registers with FEMA, the damages are inspected with a report downloaded to the applicant's file. Ferris said, "We assist owners and renters to have housing accommodations that are safe, secure, habitable, and sanitary. We are not insurance that can restore a victim's property to being whole again. For example, if the basement in a home is damaged and the basement is not part of the living quarters, but the living space above the basement is safe, secure, habitable, and sanitary, then we can not provide assistance. If the living quarters are not habitable, we don't ask the value of the furniture and appliances that were damaged; we have a standard allotment for the necessities that will make the home livable. The maximum grant is \$34,000.00. If a homeowner or renter has damages beyond the



Paul Ferris, from Maryland, is the manager of the DRC in Pamlico County.

maximum grant, then they are referred to the Small Business Administration for a low interest, long term disaster loan up to \$200,000.00."

Ferris continued, "On the FEMA side of assistance, there is no income tests for home repairs. In other words, anyone with damage to their primary residence, regardless of income, if they have no insurance, they can receive to \$34,000.00 to make that residence safe, secure, and sanitary. When victims need more than the FEMA grant, they can call 800-621-3362 to seek a loan, or they can visit a SBA loan specialist here at the Grantsboro DRC. We understand the regulations can be hard to understand. That's one reason we are here at the DRC to personally explain to victims how they can receive aid and to help them through the paper work."

Applicants who visit the DRC in Grantsboro should have the following information with them when they register. The address where the damage occurred,

a description of the disaster-caused damage, current mailing address and telephone number, insurance information, total household income, and the routing and account number for checking and savings account to allow for direct transfer of funds into a bank account.

It is best for homeowners, renters, and businesses to register for disaster assistance before visiting a recovery center by doing one of the following: Homeowners, renters and businesses should register for disaster assistance before visiting a recovery center by: Visiting DisasterAssistance.gov, calling 800-621-3362 (TTY: 800-462-7585), using the FEMA app, or texting DRC and a zip code to 43362 (4FEMA).

The address of Pamlico County's DRC is, Grantsboro Town Hall
10628 NC Hwy. 55 East
Grantsboro, NC 28529
Hours: Monday through Saturday, 9 a.m. to 7 p.m.
Sunday 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Ol' Front Porch Music Festival from page 1

"The feeling of the board was unanimous that the show must go on," said Dottie Osmun, co-founder of the festival and chair of its board of directors. "Music lifts the spirit, and we need that now more than ever." Though a few performing groups have canceled, 25 groups have confirmed that they will be here. The

performances have been rescheduled on 10 stages, including the porches of six homeowners. The Friday evening concert at The Red Rooster, 1111 Broad St. Ext., and Riverfront Stage main acts will go on! The footprint of the festival has been reduced to a several block area around Lou Mac Park on South Avenue at Freemason Street. Volunteers will be

assisting Oriental employees clean-up debris around the festival site. For more information about the revised schedule, go to www.olfrontporchmusicfestival.org. Festival headliner, Chatham County Line, has committed to perform as scheduled. Formed in the 1990s, the group has produced 7 studio albums and now tours in the US and abroad.



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Agent of the Week

Allen Propst
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Here's what one of Allen's customers had to say...

Our experience with Allen has always been positive and we endorse him to anyone who is interested in buying or selling in Eastern North Carolina. He has been a successful realtor and developer for many years and we highly recommend him for his local knowledge, expertise, responsiveness and negotiation skills.

Mr. Sordill, Oriental



ORIENTAL – Like-new **3BR/2BA** in the Village, in quiet, established neighborhood called The Landings. Spacious living room, modern kitchen with a breakfast area & adjoining laundry room. Master suite, walk-in closet & master bath with soaking tub/shower. Only 6 years old, no HOA dues.

OFFERED AT \$197,900



ORIENTAL – Waterfront **2BR/2BA** condo with deep-water boat slip in heart of Oriental. Top-of-the-line kitchen appliances and a tiled floor that is a work of art. Exotic hardwood flooring in the living & dining areas. Screened covered deck offers best waterfront views and has removable clear panels that turn this deck into a sunroom.

OFFERED AT \$235,000



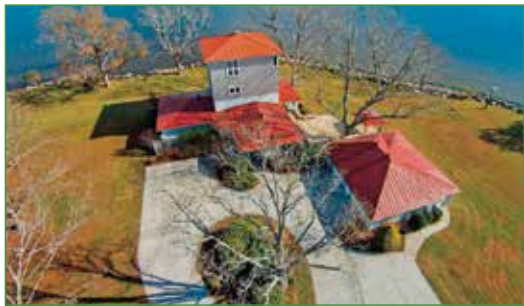
ORIENTAL – Oriental West Condos top-floor, end unit facing Smith Creek with open waterfront views. **2BR/2BA** comes w/ deep-water boat slip 50 steps away. Screened covered deck facing Smith Creek. Exquisite kitchen with Crystal self-closing cabinets & drawers, granite counters, top-shelf appliances.

OFFERED AT \$ 249,500



ORIENTAL – Waterfront **3BR/2.5BA** w/concrete dock features stunning interior including cook's kitchen, geothermal zoned HVAC, Rinnai water heater, whole-house water treatment system w/ RO at the kitchen, 2-car garage, detached RV garage, and no flooding issues.

OFFERED AT \$465,000



ORIENTAL – Panoramic water views from **3BR/6.5BA** on unrestricted 1.73 acre peninsula just outside the village. Historic 1920 solid-brick home was renovated in 2012 w/ 3 stories of living eight feet above base flood elevation. Dock w/ 2 lifts & wet slip, 3-car garage.

OFFERED AT \$739,500

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EDITORIALS

Not a Job Interview

Merritt Watson, Jr.

We have been through a torturous time the last few weeks. Here in the Eastern part of our State we have endured the fury of Florence and now suffer the terrible task of clearing out, cleaning up, replacing, and rebuilding. For many it has been a time of tears and summoning up courage to go on through the muck and mire to restore what was lost. It has been a tragedy that has brought out the best in a great many people. Some have come from far off places to restore our power and our spirits. They have brought food and supplies. They have waded with us into the nasty places left by the storm waters to rip our sheet rock and pile soggy belongings on the street to be picked up. There was no job interview asking if these people were qualified or had our best interests in mind when they volunteered to help. No job interview was needed, only the desire to help.

While all of this was going on in our part of the world another “job interview” of sorts was taking place in our capital. That too has been a torturous time not only for the nominee put forward for the Supreme Court, but for our nation, and especially for those intimately involved in the process. While the hearings

before the Senate Committee clearly are a “job interview”, I think it has been rightly said by some on the committee that “this is not a job interview.” That is, as they see it, the process is not really about discovering qualifications and looking at the credentials of an individual. It is about political power, who holds it and who can advance their power through the process. I agree with that assessment.

Now let me be quick to say that one party is not more guilty than the other about this miscarriage of justice. If the power grid in Washington were arranged slightly different with Democrats holding a majority and Republicans a minority and the same candidate were put forward, the same thing would happen. Republicans would be arguing as Democrats now are and Democrats would be arguing as Republicans now are. We have seen it happen before. It is not about who would be the best person for the job. It is about power and who can hold on to it. Power is a corrupting disease in Washington.

It is too bad, but perhaps inevitable that some ugly dirt was dug up in Brett Kavanaugh’s background. Who can stand such

scrutiny and still not have some soiled behavior revealed? It all makes the arguments more heated and the process more unclear. But even if the dirt had not been found the grab for power would still be the same. Both Kavanaugh and Dr. Ford gave believable, creditable testimony about what may or may not have happened some thirty years ago. I listened to both and I do not know who is telling the real truth. I am glad I do not have to decide on the basis of what I have heard the fate of the accused person. I am also glad that a little more time was given to investigate what happened. That is only fair to both Dr. Ford and Judge Kavanaugh and to the American people. Maybe we will know after all.

We can look forward to another “pay back” time in the future when some other candidate is put forward to become a member of our Supreme Court. Republicans will remember as Democrats will remember what has happened before and try to get even. Should you be nominated for the position, just know when you travel to Washington you are not going there for a job interview.

COMMENTARY

May, 1969, forty-nine years ago, the cub editor of The Pamlico News was days away from graduating with an undergraduate degree preparing him to teach high school mathematics. He had become enamored with journalism working as a freelance photographer for the Wilson Daily Times his junior and senior years in college.

He approached his photojournalism mentor, the late Milton Rogerson, a Little Washington native and veteran combat paratrooper in WWII, about a new tension in his life. Though he had been accepted for graduate school and had nailed down a teaching job in the city where the university was located he wanted to attend, he was pulled by a desire to be a professional journalist. Rogerson advised him to discuss this with John Scott, the then managing editor of the Times. Scott had spent decades at an editor’s desk and had passed retirement age.

After explaining his dilemma , Scott squared off face to face with him. In a painstakingly slow but very deliberate voice, he told this cub editor of The Pamlico News in 1969. “Ben, the newspaper is one percent inspiration and ninety-nine percent manure. In my whole life, I have run across to that press room next door only one time and yelled, ‘Stop the press. That was when President Kennedy was shot.”

Not sure if Mr. Scott ever covered a hurricane.

I am sure the ratio of inspiration to manure is not that lopsided at The Pamlico News. Our cub editor went on to graduate school, taught math to high school students, simply postponing his jaunt into journalism.

Inspiration in this small weekly paper comes in how we serve people. My very good friend, Joe Miller, the graphics genius in the composing room of The Pamlico News, has expressed his desire to me many times for the paper to have a distinctive professional style. And what’s remarkable about that, he always adds, “The people of this county deserve a good newspaper.”

Reporting on the trauma in the aftermath of a major disaster that has impacted people you know and love has had a sobering impact on all of us trying to produce a good newspaper for our readers. We are not a big-city newspaper reporting on nameless faces. We are not detached from the subjects of our stories.

Our coverage in this issue is not to dramatize the drama in the lives of our readers. Instead, we have focused on agencies, organizations, and individuals who are reaching out to help while also explaining how Florence victims can receive needed assistance during this recovery.

Incidentally, Joe quipped that he and his wife, Carla, had been planning to redecorate anyway. He said he hadn’t thought that would mean tearing out dry wall and ripping out insulation just to rearrange the pictures in the living room.

We’re all in this together.



Part of our coastal heritage is caring for one another in times of need. It’s one thing to see vegetation along the roadside along with mounds of insulation, sheet rock, and construction debris. These images take on a much sharper perspective when one rides past a stack of bedding that a friend or relative once slept on. Scenes of an antique piece of furniture, a family heirloom, drives the point home to even greater depths.

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The Write Angle

Susan Hardison Bissette & Mac Harris

Take comfort in knowing all endings lead to new beginnings. As one's daughter embarks on a major life change, a parents' role has changed and expanded, too. One is now the parent of a US service member.

Emilie Caroline Metts of New Bern, the daughter of Carlie and Dawn Metts, arrived September 5 at Naval Station Great Lakes to pursue her lifelong dream. Her mother, Dawn, is the pianist at Bethany Christian Church in Arapahoe. She, her husband Carlie, Emilie, and Emilie's sister, Hannah, transferred their church membership to Bethany August 26 before Emilie left for boot camp at Great Lakes.

Dawn also works as Activity Director at Courtyards at Bern Village Senior Living Community. Carlie is a center supervisor for New Bern Parks and Recreation Department. Last year Emilie graduated from high school where she was in the Reserve Officer Training Corps (ROTC). Her dream is to become a psychiatrist and open a practice working with mentally disabled people. Explaining why she chose to join the Navy, Emilie said, confidently, "If you know what you want in life, you have to find a way to do it."

Emilie found her way to do it. Because the expense of college and post-secondary education is so high, joining the navy



provides a way to obtain the education she wants, while serving her country. She will enter training as an E-3 and become an E-4 upon completion of training.

Upon completion of training around the end of October she will go directly to Pensacola Naval Air Station for further training. Asked what her dream posting is upon beginning her first assignment, Emile responded, "Anywhere warm." While awaiting boot camp, Emilie worked at Chick-fil-A, right up to time to be sworn into the Navy. At church August 26, nine days before departing, Emilie said, "I am not anxious or nervous, but reality is setting in." She was not worried about the physical training aspect of boot camp, because of her ROTC training. Her job in the Navy will be in information technology.

That day, in addition to transferring her membership,

Emilie went forward to rededicate her life to Jesus Christ. The members of the congregation drew close and touched the elders as they laid hands on Emilie, the purpose of which was to pray for her in her physical absence.

Emilie left September 5 from Military Entrance Processing Station (MEPS) in Raleigh, where she was sworn into the U.S. Navy. Dawn said of the swearing-in ceremony, "Emilie was so 'at home,' she looked like she belonged there. It was if God was telling me that she is doing what she wants to do. Since then, I have been at perfect peace."

Emilie's father, Carlie, because of recent surgery, could not go to the swearing-in ceremony to see Emilie off. "It's hard for me, because I feel like I didn't get to say 'goodbye' to her", he sadly stated.

Later that day, Dawn reported, "Just got our call (from Emilie)! She's there, safe, and will be sending her belongings to us tomorrow. It really was just a 10-second call! I didn't get a chance to say "I love you!" One of Dawn's friends posted on Facebook, "To raise a child, who is comfortable enough to leave you means you've done your job. They are not ours to keep, but to teach how to soar on their own."

Dawn responded, "Is it bad that, while I am excited for her to chase her dreams, my heart is hurting to see her go?"

County Manager reports

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communities, it looks about the same as Irene." Buck said both the Kennels Beach and Dawson's Creek areas were hit really hard. "The cooperation from the state and from our representatives in Raleigh has been excellent. Senator Sanderson was in my office when I had to leave for a department head meeting and he asked to go along. He was impressed with the cohesive way we were doing things and promised that he would try to get all the help from the state that he could" Hurricanes in the fall make life miserable beyond the structural damage to homes and businesses. The storms create breeding grounds for mosquitoes. Buck said, "Right now, we are hitting them on the ground with our trucks. It would take \$150,000 to do an aerial spraying. The state

set aside 4 million dollars for mosquito spraying for the 27 counties in the disaster area, but due to our size, we only got \$12,000." But he added, "We are going to be asking for more. We always get requests for spraying from the northern part of The County, Hobucken, Lowland, and on around through Whortonsville and Florence. This time we are getting requests for spraying from communities all the way to the Craven County line. " "We have to show evidence to the state that the mosquito count went way up after the storm. The vector count, or the threat from diseases, is what we can use to justify funding for spraying. The health department will draft a plan for more spraying, but we are on the ground with trucks now. We will work our way around from Goose

Creek Island, and all the communities on highway 304, but we are getting complaints as far west as Olympia." With a little chuckle, Buck said, "I'm praying for a cold snap." In other comments, he reminded people that if food stamp recipients had lost their stamps during the storm, they could apply to the Social Services Department to have them replaced. He cautioned people to look for water leaks in their homes and to inform the Water Department if they found any. If the storm caused water leaks, residents can apply to the Water Department for an adjustment in their water bill. The County is currently not under any advisories to boil water or to be in a conservation mode.



THANK YOU!



Thanks to all those individuals and groups who provided much-needed services during Hurricane Florence both in preparation and aftermath. We are truly thankful for these organizations and their members in our community who prepared meals, helped cleanup storm damage, offered shelter and housing to those who had none. Among them are Fire Departments, EMS, Law Enforcement, Health Department, Salvation Army, Pamlico Community College, Food Pantry, Churches, as well as numerous groups both local and from various counties and states.

A special THANK YOU to Keith of TownDock.net who handled the website as much as possible to keep residents who chose to stay instead of evacuate well informed of the storm progression and rising water level situations. It was a tremendous comfort to know he was there serving our Pamlico County families before, during, and after the storm.

Pamlico County Republican Party

FOR YOUR INFORMATION

Financial Focus

Understanding Risk Tolerance Is Essential for Investment Success



Dan M. Roberts

To succeed as an investor, you might think you need to know about the economy, interest rates and the fundamentals of companies in which you'd like to invest. And all these things are indeed important. But it's most essential to know yourself. Specifically, you need to know how much risk you are willing to tolerate to achieve your goals.

Of course, you've lived with yourself your entire life, so you probably have a pretty good idea of your likes and dislikes and what makes you comfortable or uncomfortable. But investing can be a different story.

Initially, you may believe you have a high tolerance for risk, but if the financial markets drop sharply, and you see that you've sustained some sizable losses (at least on paper – you haven't really "lost" anything until you sell investments for less than what you paid for them), how will you feel? If you find yourself constantly fretting over these losses, perhaps even losing sleep over them, you might realize your risk tolerance is not as high as you

thought. In this case, you may need to scale back the part of your portfolio devoted to growth in favor of a more balanced approach.

On the other hand, if you believe yourself to have a low risk tolerance, and you start off investing in a conservative manner, you may indeed minimize short-term losses – but you also might find yourself frustrated over the slow growth of your portfolio. So you may decide that being highly risk-averse carries its own risk – the risk of not making enough progress to achieve your long-term financial goals. To reduce this risk, you may need to tilt your portfolio somewhat toward more growth opportunities.

In short, you may have to invest for a while before you truly understand your response to risk. But even then, don't get too locked in to one approach – because your risk tolerance may evolve over time.

When you are first starting out in your career, and for many years after, you are probably investing primarily to accumulate assets for retirement. Consequently, you may need to include a relatively high proportion of growth-oriented vehicles,

such as stocks, in your portfolio. While stock prices will always fluctuate, you will have many years, perhaps decades, to overcome short-term losses, so you can possibly afford to take on a greater risk level in exchange for the potentially higher returns offered by stocks and stock-based investments.

However, things can change once you reach retirement. At this stage of your life, your overall investment focus may shift from accumulation to income. This means you will need to start selling some investments to boost your cash flow – and you won't want to sell when prices are down. (Remember the first rule of investing: "Buy low and sell high.") To help avoid these "fire sales," you may want to adjust your investment mix by adding more income-producing vehicles and reducing your holdings in growth-oriented ones. By doing so, you will be lowering your overall risk level. Keep in mind, though, that even in retirement, you will need some exposure to growth investments to help you stay ahead of inflation.

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State programs approved by USDA will increase federally funded payments for people in Pamlico and other counties hit hard by Florence

In the North Carolina counties hit hardest by Hurricane Florence, people who already get help buying food will be given more, and those not on a state or federal food program can receive assistance going forward, federal and state officials said Thursday.

The announcement follows by a few days a visit to the state by U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) Secretary Sonny Perdue, who arrived Monday to hear more about Florence's devastation from Gov. Roy Cooper, Commissioner of Agriculture Steve Troxler and Secretary

of Environmental Quality Michael Regan. Torrential rains from the storm brought destruction and weeks of flooding to some counties that hadn't completely recovered from Hurricane Matthew's 2016 destructive visit.

Help is on the way for people who qualify for the federal Disaster Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (D-SNAP). Families will have a one-time deposit placed on a special debit card, with the amount based on the size of the household.

"We want to do everything we can to

help families recover from Hurricane Florence," state NC Department of Health and Human Services Secretary Dr. Mandy Cohen said in a statement. "This program will help people who have suffered losses buy food for their families as they begin the long process of rebuilding their lives."

As an example, DHHS said, a family of one would receive \$192, a family of four would get \$640 and bigger families would get more.

Pamlico County is included in the list of counties eligible for this assistance.

Proposed permit for living shorelines can help prevent waterfront erosion caused by hurricanes

The North Carolina Coastal Federation has asked the United States Army Corps of Engineers to act quickly to adopt a new general permit for living shorelines to help waterfront property owners recover from Hurricane Florence.

"Living shorelines are an effective and more natural erosion control strategy that use plants and small structures to help stabilize estuarine shorelines," said Todd Miller, executive director of the federation. "Many people with eroded shorelines and destroyed bulkheads can now benefit from the issuance of this permit."

Earlier in the month before Hurricane Florence was even formed, the Wilmington District of the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers began soliciting public comments regarding a general permit for living shorelines. The comment period is set to close on Oct. 4. The federation is now urging the Corps to adopt this permit immediately after the close of the comment period in order to help property owners address erosion issues caused by Hurricane Florence. The permit will

provide a more streamlined regulatory process for installing living shorelines.

Many bulkheads and other hard erosion control structures typically used as shoreline stabilization methods around coastal sounds, creeks and rivers were severely damaged during the hurricane. Based upon a preliminary evaluation conducted by the federation, dozens of the federation's living shoreline projects installed over the past two decades are still intact and functioning well in areas heavily impacted by the hurricane.

"It's important that the Corps approve the general permit, now more than ever, so that property owners are able to install living shorelines more efficiently and help protect their properties from future storm damages," said Miller.

In addition to living shorelines outperforming hardened structures during storms, this erosion control method is often cheaper and more cost-efficient and it provides habitat for marine life and filters pollutants from stormwater runoff.

"In locations where a living shoreline is the best practical erosion control method, waterfront property owners need to ask their marine contractors for them rather than replacing or building new bulkheads," said Miller.

Upon request, the federation will provide property owners with detailed information about living shorelines, and it has a list of marine contractors with past experience installing these types of shorelines.

The North Carolina Coastal Federation is a nonprofit membership organization that works to keep the coast of North Carolina a great place to live, work and play. Through a variety of programs and partnerships, the federation provides for clean coastal waters and habitats, advocates to protect the coast and teaches and informs people about the coast and what they can do to protect it.

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her husband who was hospitalized recovering from a heart attack and pneumonia. A neighbor called to tell her about the tree that had fallen on the roof of their home.

"I was so stressed out," she said. "I was spending my days and nights at

the hospital, not knowing what to do, thinking it would be forever before we could get back into the house."

Setzer's mother contacted Scott Fitzgerald, pastor of Bayboro Baptist Church in Bayboro, N.C. His congregation housed the TBM disaster relief volunteers and

served as their base of operations. The TBM crew successfully removed the tree from the Setzers' home, and the utilities were scheduled to be reinstalled.

"Honestly, it's been a lifesaver," Setzer said.

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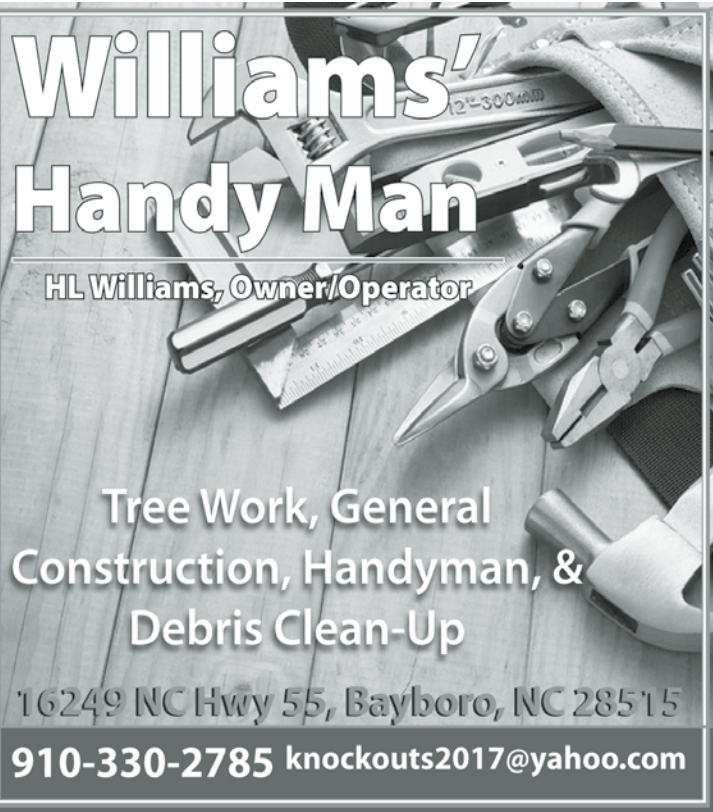
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Aurora



The county is going to be spraying for mosquitos soon. I can't remember if they come down our little road which is not 'state maintained' or not. I must admit, there are a lot of them out there now. Back in the day growing up in the Sandhills of SC, the town would tow the 'mosquito machine' around our neighborhood and I can recall kids on bikes chasing it! It's October and I cannot remember a warmer time of the year than this one.

The Distinguished Men of Purpose came out to Aurora for a Clean Up Day on the 25th and helped clean up over 25 homes from trees and debris. This is a youth group based at Southside High School, and they are quite a dedicated group of students.

There has been an outpouring of support for our little town from Mayor Williams

who coordinated supply handouts from the Grantsboro Walmart, The Salvation Army (Richmond, VA) and (Kentucky-Tennessee Division) who showed up a couple days following the storm and passed out wonderful meals, snacks, water and drinks, Discover Life Church in Clarksville, TN and Aurora's own Anthony Hill who provided a grilled dinner plate one evening. Carryout by Chrislyn delivered meals to Aurora on 9/22 and there probably are more that I'm negligent in including here. It is a testament of the resolve of both us and others from all over who continue to persevere in the face of disaster. We were so fortunate with the glancing blow that we got from Florence, and many of us are already helping out our neighbor counties who got more damage.

Flatland just set out their special sweet onions. It's hard to believe they can withstand the next 9 months before being

Joy McCracken, Correspondent

mature. I've still got some in the fridge and will mourn the day I use them up. I know I can freeze them, but I just love them fresh.

Greg Dudley and his dad came out here and did such a great job with the yard, it looks pre-Florence! I am so blessed to have them take such good care of me. I highly recommend contracting with them for any of your yard needs.

I still have a few Hummingbirds around and have seen several eagles. The Kingfishers are back patrolling the cove.

In the last several days I've seen about three or four fishing boats on the creek. I'm amazed at that but not really surprised with South Creek being off the beaten path from the Pamlico and perhaps not as compromised as the Neuse.

A reminder that the National Fossil Day Celebration will be on October 6th from 10-4 pm at the Aurora Fossil Museum.

Goose Creek Island



The Goose Creek Island 55 Plus Club was cancelled Thursday. Folks are busy cleaning up following the Hurricane. Thanks again to those who are pitching in to help friends, neighbors and relatives We plan to meet next week.

Prayer List: Pastor Wanda Atkinson drove to Duke Eye Center in Durham for a checkup. Richard Henries continues to have problems with his foot which was broken several weeks ago. Sherry Rice, mother of William Rowe has suffered with a hiatal hernia but is doing much better. Billy Potter, son of the late Joy Mae & Hubert Potter of Everglades, Florida recently suffered a stroke but is now doing better.

Happy Birthday: Amber Lynn Mayo, Ryan Jones and George Wallace Flowers - Sept 28, Jacqueline Marlene Potter - Sept 29, Trevor Gray, Cathy Lewis Lupton - Sept 30, Kyla Michelle Lupton Elmore, Angie

Broussard Young and Joan Spain Leary - Oct 1, Doris Goodwin Sawyer and Tammy Ireland - Oct 3, Teal Sadler and Savannah Lupton - Oct 4, Sheila Henries Martin and Jerry B. Ireland - Oct 5, Connor David O'Neal, Noah Robert Sadler and William Odell Spain - Oct 7. Nancy Lewis Ross, Betty Stephenson, Loretta Rice Hacker, Ponce Ham, Jr. Ponce Ham III, Roland Leary, Kelly Brigman Balance and Doran Sadler - Oct 8, Brenda Watson Lewis - Oct 9. Paula Annette Walker, Judy Ireland Carawan and Amanda Ruth Gritz Carey - Oct 10.

Happy Anniversary Dan & Anita Dowdy Owens - Sept 28, Bud & Zoe Bennett, Langston & Rosanne Rowe, Clyde & Judy Rice Styron - Oct 2, Jeremy & Ashley Cahoon - Oct 3, Ernest & Wendy Mayo - Oct 5, Eric & Wendy Ireland Morris - Oct 7.

Gloria Lupton Ireland is presently living with her sister, Margaret Bowen in Swansboro until repairs can be made to her home in Lowland.

Annette Jones, 55 Plus Club Correspondent

Franklin and Rhonda Luckey have purchased the former Ronnie and Rita Gray home in Hobucken. They are currently making repairs and will move in as soon as possible.

Laura Love Mayo Warren of Chapel Hill visited with Carol Potter and the staff at R.E. Mayo Company before the hurricane. Laura is the daughter of the late Ralph and Ruth Mayo. Laura has very fond memories of the company as well as her days at Hobucken High School.

Mark and Jennie Jones & Jenna visited with son, Mark Edwin and family in Ayden Saturday afternoon and enjoyed a family cookout.

I was delighted to have Sandra O'Neal and Joan Leary visit Sunday afternoon. They also visited with Ila and Roland Leary. Also, my daughter Rhonda and granddaughter Amber come to see me. It was a good day!

Pamlico



Most of Pamlico left during Hurricane Florence. The Stackhouse family and Carlton Muse remained on Mills Road and Carlton had water in his home. We stayed in West Pamlico and it looks like a war zone. In downtown Pamlico the water was not quite as high as in Hurricane Irene. Joan Ford reported water did not get in her home; however, she had two trees fall on it causing minor damage. For us the water level was higher than Irene but it still did not come into our house or garage; however a couple of inches get into our shed. We lost boards off of our pier, but it there was a lot of damage to the pier at The Preserve and the sailboat there is on its side in the water. We had about 40 trees come down but Praise the Lord none were on our structures or vehicles. We were blessed and Pamlico Tree Care cleared our driveway on Saturday so we could get out in an emergency.

We saw a beautiful mature bald eagle hunting our fields and a not so beautiful cotton mouth on our pier. Needless to say, Mr. King Cotton met the "judge." We saw other non-poisonous snakes while clearing debris. We were blessed to have our son Kevin and his wife here from Africa to assist us with the clean-up.

Pamlico has been blessed to have the NYPD, the NC National Guard, the Salvation Army, and the Texas Baptist men here to assist in recovery. there were other groups here, but I did not see them personally. Reverend Elizabeth Green of the Outreach Ministry in New Bern asked me to announce that she had sheets, towels, curtains and other items for free for those who needed them. You can contact her at 252-617-2547.

Mavis Harper and James Swindell of the Pamlico County High School Class of 1955 asked me to report that the class reunion scheduled for October 20, 2018 has been canceled due to weather related

Betty Jo Rodgers, Correspondent

events. They look forward to seeing their classmates in October 2019.

The Ol' Front Porch Music Festival is on go for October 5-7 in Oriental. On Sunday morning at 8:30 am on the Riverfront stage, Oriental UMC is hosting a gospel sing service featuring Jimmy Weaver's band Laurel Creek and the Moseley Family Singers (Charles, Peggy, Anna and Jonathan).

Celebrating birthdays in October are Pearl Ford Smith (10/5), Kim Potter (10/6), Joannis Rodgers (10/10), John Deaton (10/15), Polly Taylor (10/27), Jeanette Miske (10/28), Jeremy Freeman (10/29), and Linda Gail Lupton (10/31). If I missed your birthday, call 249-7214.

Have a blessed week. Tired? Take Spiritual Vitamin T. "But they that wait upon the LORD shall renew their strength; they shall mount up with wings as eagles; they shall run, and not be weary; and they shall walk, and not faint." (Isaiah 40:31)

Whortonsville



Several years ago there was a resident of Whortonsville named Florence, a kind and loving lady, nothing like the Florence we just experienced.

We spent almost two weeks in our home in Durham before coming back home here to some destruction under our house, nothing in the house, and so much better off than many people around us. After Weeks was in the hospital for eight days before the storm, Hospice came in to help when we returned home. Many of our neighbors have more damage than us, so we feel very blessed.

As we watched Channel 5 in Raleigh during the storm, I just could not believe the pictures in Oriental and New Bern and the height of the water. Former neighbors, John and Linda Hanners called in from Duluth, Minnesota, Don and Nancy Pakkala called from New York, Kay Fairly called from

Pennsylvania, Gayle Fohner called from South Carolina and the Marshes called from California to find out how everyone made out.

Most of us here lost our central heat and air under the house so I decided three times is enough so I am not putting anything under my house again! There was quite a bit of damage to Nick and Jeannette's docks, so son-in-law Julian is here from Providence, Rhode Island to supervise the repairs. Neighbor Pat had many trees down. Over the weekend I heard there are still 1500 people still in shelters. Middle School here is still closed as they clean up.

The weather is always gorgeous after the storm passes, and today the weather is cool and breezy feeling like fall. Water got into the Woodmen Lodge and there was a clean-up on Saturday.

Congratulations to Pamlico Newspaper on their big anniversary.

Reba Tiller, Correspondent

Pamlico Chorale began rehearsals on Monday and I still miss being there and seeing everyone. Music is therapy so after everyone gets their place back in order. I hope they will sing, sing, sing! Ladies Auxiliary meets tonight at Bethel.

Remember in prayer Mrs Essie Caton who broke her arm twice recently, which may delay her heart surgery.

Weeks and I have the greatest support group in our neighborhood and I want to thank all of them for the work they do for us. I will hear a lawn mower and know that Melydia from next door is mowing our yard, or Sylvia Nickerson will be in the yard planting flowers, or Elizabeth Ford, Joan Ford, and Sylvia will be working in the house, and Bill Nickerson and James Cuthrell will be working in the yard or under the house. God has truly blessed Weeks and me with the kind of friends and neighbors we have! Thought for the week--Pray for the sick and those who have lost everything in the storm.

Pamlico Primary School



NEW FACES AT PCPS

Front row: Allison Ormond (School nurse), Jennifer Lackey (library assistant), Sharon Row (Pre-K assistant), Emily Richardson (2nd grade teacher) Back row: Kara Cayton (1st grade teacher), Caitlynn Quarshie (Exceptional Children teacher), Kimberly Dunn (Kindergarten assistant)

Not pictured: Lorrie Franklin (Physical Education teacher)



BACK TO SCHOOL TIMES TWO!



On January 1st, 2015 Taylor Swift tweeted, “This is a new year. A new beginning. And things will change.” This is so accurate for this school year! We started off our school year on a high note, with bright shining

faces and new book bags, laughter and a few tears from our students and some of their parents. On the first day of school, Sheriff Chris Davis helped our students out of their cars and even tied a shoelace, along with our Finance Director, Steve Curtis

and principal, Crystal Dixon. The PCHS football players opened the front doors of the school and greeted our families. Mrs. Olga and Frankie, the Reading Dog helped to soften the first day jitters. Our Kindergarten and Pre-K students then staggered in on different days and are now all together. We had settled into a routine, then we received word that Hurricane Florence was coming. Preparations were made to secure the schools. Then, we went home and waited for the hurricane to arrive. Thankfully Florence did not come in as a Category 4 or 5 storm as projected, but the sheer magnitude of the storm caused extensive flooding in Pamlico County as well as throughout North and South Carolina. Unfortunately, Pamlico County Middle School flooded again, but because

the school flooded seven years ago during Hurricane Irene, they were able to take precautions like moving the library books up which saved lots of school property. The building will need extensive repairs and at this time we are not sure how long it will take to restore the school. As this article is being written, 7th and 8th grade PCMS teachers are busily moving into Pamlico County Primary School to prepare to teach their students when they return. Our Pre-K – 2nd grade students as well as our 8th and 9th grade students return to school on Thursday, September 25th, which makes it BACK TO SCHOOL TIMES TWO! We welcome PCMS teachers, students and their families to PCPS as work is being done to restore their school. #Pamlico Strong!!!



Fred A. Anderson Elementary



This year at FAA, we are encouraging our students, staff, parents and community members to be #allstarstrong. What does it mean to be “All Star Strong”? We challenge all of our All-Stars to build each other up daily, to be a leader, and to think before you speak. These guiding principles are posted around the school and in every room.



Fred Anderson Elementary partners with several organizations to meet the needs of our students. Communities in Schools is one of the many partnerships that we have. If you’d like to learn more about our partnerships and services that we have available for our families at FAA, please contact the school.



At the beginning of the year, we are learning processes, expectations and kicking-off the learning at FAA. Students are busy setting personal goals as well as our faculty and staff. Ask your child what their goals are for this school year and try to help them keep track of their progress.



Did you know that reading just 20 minutes per day can increase your child’s reading scores and expose them to over 1,800,000 words per year? The best way to help your child succeed in reading is to have them read each day for at least 20 minutes. All students at FAA have at least one book checked out. Ask your child what they are reading. The public library is a great place to check out books as well.



At PCS’s Welcome Back ceremony, Ms. Charmaine Clay, custodian and bus driver was named this year’s Unsung Hero for Pamlico County Schools. Ms. Clay works hard every single day to make sure that the needs of our students and staff are met. She goes above and beyond her call of duty and is a shining example of what it means to be #allstarstrong. If you see her around FAA, please make sure to congratulate Ms. Clay on a job well done.

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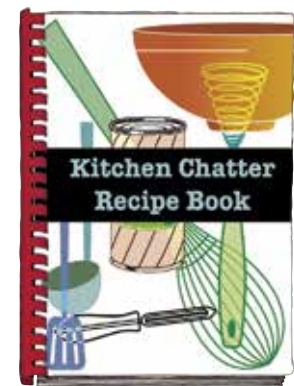
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Disaster Food Benefits Offered through Oct. 6 in Pamlico County

BAYBORO, N.C. - Pamlico County has been declared a disaster county by the U.S. Department of Agriculture and the N.C. Department of Health and Human Services. These declarations authorize the Department of Social Services to administer the Disaster Food and Nutrition benefits program.

This program is designed to authorize food stamp benefits for eligible households that are not currently receiving food and nutrition benefits and have experienced a loss as a result of Hurricane Florence. Residents may qualify for assistance for a one-month period if their home was damaged or destroyed or they have disaster related expenses, or if they lost income or had food loss because of a power outage or household flooding resulting from Hurricane Florence. Eligibility is based on available income and resources.

Residents currently receiving food stamp benefits, including those requesting replacement benefits, are not eligible for this disaster program.

Applications for Disaster Food and Nutrition benefits will be taken at Pamlico County Human Services Center located at 828 Main St. in Alliance Monday, Oct. 1, through Saturday, Oct. 6. Applications will be taken from 7:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m., Monday through Friday and on Saturdays from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. We will not be open on Sunday, Sept. 30th.

Individuals making application will be asked to provide verification of identity. This does not have to be picture identification; any document that shows their name, such as a utility or other bill, will be accepted.

Because we anticipate long lines and wait times, individuals are encouraged to bring medications and other necessary items. Due to limited space, individuals are encouraged to limit the number of people accompanying them and to consider arranging child care if possible. Residents should come prepared for inclement weather while waiting outdoors as no outdoor shelter is available for those waiting in line.

They are coming from all over the US to help The County.

The Oklahoma Chainsaw Team, a group of retired Baptist men from Southeastern Oklahoma arrived on Tuesday, September 25 for a week of work in Pamlico County. It will be well to remember them should they be struck with disasters typical to their part of the country, tornadoes.



If Duplin County residents see this, it's not Willie Nelson's bus**

It's a FEMA MCOV

Federal Emergency Management Administration
Mobile Communications Office Vehicle



John Geruso, Disaster Emergency Communications Director, left, and Joseph Daffuer, IT Specialist, on duty at the Grantsboro Disaster Relief Center

**Duplin county ATF agents once considered Willie Nelson's bus a suspicious vehicle.



Path to recovery? From page 2

None of what I have said should be interpreted as suggesting we should just accept hurricanes will happen because everything will eventually return to normal. First, everything won't necessarily return to normal for everyone, everywhere. Plus, even if it did, the physical and psychological pain of going through a hurricane and its recovery (which my wife and I did with Fran) is no picnic – and is something we would want to avoid.

So while Florence is fresh in our minds, all of us – individuals, organizations and government – should be evaluating ideas to make the next hurricane less costly. The Walden's did this after Fran when we installed a drainage system and sump pump for the lower level of our home. When the original track of Florence

took the storm directly over Raleigh, we were glad we were ready.

The country has had enough experience with hurricanes to observe a pattern in the economic impacts. The finding that most areas make a full recovery from the storm's destruction is no solace for the pain and suffering of the victims. This raises perhaps the most important question – what can we do now to make the impacts of the next storm less costly to both people and property? You decide.

Walden is a William Neal Reynolds Distinguished Professor and Extension Economist in the Department of Agricultural and Resource Economics at North Carolina State University who teaches and writes on personal finance, economic outlook and public policy.

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References are: Just to name a few.
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Sandy Winfrey -Winfrey Builders
Keith Bruno - Endurance Seafood

Thank you.
Josh Plank

SPORTS

Lady Canes Defeat Tarboro in Straight Sets, Improve to 4-0 in Conference Play

By: Cooper Metts

Due to complications caused by Hurricane Florence, the Lady Canes only played one volleyball game this week. They dominated conference opponent Tarboro in start sets.

"The girls played above the competition," said Head Coach John Ashley. "They didn't just play to beat the team; they played to improve."

Ashley and Assistant Head Coach, Eric Hardison, named sophomore Lindsey Potter as one of the players that stood out the most this week. "I'd say travel volleyball made a big difference in the development of my game from my freshman to sophomore year," said Potter. Currently, Potter leads the team in kills with 38 on the season. Annie Anderson closely trails Potter in total kills with 36 on the season. Together, they account for just over half of the team's total kills.

This week, the Canes travel to Southside High School, South Creek High School, and host Tarboro High School. Ashley tabs teamwork and communication as crucial components to the Canes success this week. "We need to keep working on team building," said Ashley. "It's about the team, not the individual."

The Canes look to remain undefeated in conference play this week against a team South Creek team that upset them last year. " We lost that game last year. We really want to go in there and prove it was a fluke," said Hardison.

All three varsity games will start at 6 p.m.

Canes Continue Conference Domination at Riverside

By: Cooper Metts

The male Hurricanes cross country team defeated all Coastal Plains Conference teams in their regular season meet at Riverside. The Lady Canes lost to South Creek for the second straight time this season.

Despite having home-field advantage on a challenging and confusing course, the Canes were able to defeat the Knights of Riverside. Cooper Metts and Jahmere Miller led the way for the Hurricanes by placing first and second overall in the meet. Sophomores Phillip Pipkin and Ramon Martinez followed in shortly behind Miller and Metts to put four of the Cane's top five ahead of any other runner in the conference. Senior, Wesley Altman, rounded out the Canes top five by placing eighth overall in the meet.

The Lady Canes, led by the junior duo of Cameron Lee and Macy Tyson, fell 12 points shy of defeating South Creek. However, Head Coach Paul Delamar believes the Canes can catch up to the Cougars. "We've gained seven points on South Creek each race," said Delamar. "We have two regular-season conference meets left. If we continue to improve at this rate, we will catch them."

This week, the Canes will travel to Northside-Pinetown on Wednesday and Saturday. On Wednesday, the male Hurricanes will look to remain undefeated in the conference while the Lady Canes seek to gain an advantage on South Creek. The Canes will face some larger competition on Saturday against 2A, 3A and 4A opponents such as Granville Central, Southwest Onslow, and Northside-Jacksonville.



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Hurricane Florence was a historic storm, leaving behind life-altering damage and catastrophic flooding. Those of you affected aren't just our customers. You're our neighbors, friends and co-workers.

That's why we're determined to stand by you as you rebuild and recover. We appreciate your patience and support. And we salute the first responders, out-of-state crews and support service providers who worked with us to restore service as quickly and safely as possible.

We're in this together, and we'll get through it together.



LEGALS

NOTICE OF SERVICE BY PROCESS BY PUBLICATION IN THE GENERAL COURT OF JUSTICE DISTRICT COURT DIVISION FILE NO. 18 Cvd 150 NORTH CAROLINA PAMLICO COUNTY

Pamlico County, A Body Politic and Corporate vs. Unknown Heirs at Law of Maple Pearl Northern, Reggie Miller, Unknown Spouse of Reggie Miller, Unknown Heirs at Law of Reggie Miller, Donald W. Northern, Unknown Spouse of Donald W. Northern, Unknown Heirs at Law of Donald W. Northern, Edna Faye Wine, Unknown Spouse of Edna Faye Wine, Rosella Northern, Unknown Spouse of Rosella Northern, Unknown Heirs at Law of Rosella Northern TO: Unknown Heirs at Law of Maple Pearl Northern, Reggie Miller, Unknown Spouse of Reggie Miller, Unknown Heirs at Law of Reggie Miller, Donald W. Northern, Unknown Spouse of Donald W. Northern, Unknown Heirs at Law of Donald W. Northern, Edna Faye Wine, Rosella Northern, Unknown Spouse of Rosella Northern, Unknown Heirs at Law of Rosella Northern
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Foreclosure sale to satisfy unpaid property taxes owing to Pamlico County on your interest in the property described as follows:
On the northwest side of Jones Road BEGINNING in the northwestern edge of said road at a point which is the following two courses and distances from the intersection of the centerline of said road with the centerline of Pennsylvania Avenue (N. C. Highway 307): South 30° West with the centerline of Jones Road 375.54 feet; thence North 60 degrees West 20 feet to the beginning point; thence from said beginning point as so located South 30° West with the northwestern edge of Jones Road 110 feet to the center-line of an intersecting ditch; thence North 60° West with the centerline of said ditch 197.31 feet to the center of an intersecting ditch; thence North 29° 00' 56" East with a ditch centerline 110.02 feet; thence South 60° East 199.20 feet to the point of BEGINNING, containing one-half acre according to a Survey map by A. Hugh Harris, Jr., PE-RLS, dated January 13, 1987.
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Also being identified as Parcel ID# J032-9, Pamlico County Tax Office. Address: 80 Jones Road, Vandemere, NC
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<?>property, to have a commissioner appointed to sell the Property and to deliver to the purchaser a deed to said real estate in fee simple, free and clear of all encumbrances, and that the interests and equities of redemption of the Defendants in the property be forever barred and foreclosed.
You are required to make defense to such pleading not later than October 17, 2018 and upon your failure to do so the party seeking service against you will apply to the court for the relief sought.
This day of August 22, 2018.
Richard J. Kania
Attorney for Plaintiff
600-A Centrepark Drive
Asheville, North Carolina 28805 (828) 252-8010
Publish on September 6, 2018, September 26 and October 3,, 2018

NOTICE OF SERVICE BY PROCESS BY PUBLICATION IN THE GENERAL COURT OF JUSTICE DISTRICT COURT DIVISION FILE NO. 18 Cvd 143 NORTH CAROLINA PAMLICO COUNTY

Pamlico County, A Body Politic and Corporate vs. Unknown Heirs at Law of Grace Anne Brinson Nelson, James L. Nelson, Jr., Unknown Spouse of James L. Nelson, Jr., William B. Nelson, Unknown Spouse of William B. Nelson, Martha A. Nelson, Unknown Spouse Martha A. Nelson, Mary Gilbert Hill, Unknown Spouse of Mary Gilbert Hill, Unknown heirs at law of James L. Nelson Jr., Unknown heirs at law of John G. Nelson, Unknown heirs at law of Martha A. Nelson, Unknown heirs at law of William B. Nelson
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Foreclosure sale to satisfy unpaid property taxes owing to Pamlico County on your interest in the property described as follows:
Being described as Lot Number 2 of the Subdivision on the West side of N.C. Highway 306 just north of Grantsboro, according to the subdivision map by A. Hugh Harris, Jr., dated June 28, 1985, recorded in Plat Cabinet A, Slide 16-8 in the Office of the Register of Deeds of Pamlico County, known as the W. G. Brinson Subdivision.
Subject to easements, restrictions and rights of way of record, and matters of survey.
Also being identified as Parcel IDE041-50-2, Pamlico County Tax Office. Address: 567 NC 306 Highway North, New Bern, NC
Plaintiff seeks to extinguish any and all claims and interests that you may have in the property, to have a commissioner appointed to sell the Property and to deliver to the purchaser a deed to said real estate in fee simple, free and clear of all encumbrances, and that the interests and equities of redemption of the Defendants in the property be forever barred and foreclosed.
<?>You are required to make defense to such pleading not later than October 17, 2018 and upon your failure to do so the party seeking service against you will apply to the court for the relief sought.
This day of August 21, 2018.
Richard J. Kania
Attorney for Plaintiff
600-A Centrepark Drive
Asheville, North Carolina 28805 (828) 252-8010
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NOTICE OF INTENT TO LEASE SHELLFISH BOTTOM/WATER COLUMN NO. 1946706/1946722 IN PUBLIC WATER OF PAMLICO COUNTY

Notice is hereby given that Pamlico Packing Company, Inc., Douglas Cross (Agent), has filed an application to lease approximately 6.65 acres, located near Bay River in Pamlico County. The areas will be marked at each corner as a Proposed Shellfish Lease and Water Column with the above numbers. The Director of the Division of Marine Fisheries for the State of North Carolina has notified the applicant that he will consider the proposed shellfish bottom/ water column leases at a public hearing to be held on Tuesday, October 16, 2018 at 6:00 PM at the: Pamlico County Courthouse, 202 Main Street, Bayboro, NC 28515.
Notes:
1. Any member of the public will be given an opportunity to comment on the proposed shellfish lease and water column amendment applications. Comments may be made orally at the meeting or sworn written comments may be submitted to the Division of Marine Fisheries, P.O. Box 769, Morehead City, NC 28557 until October 15, 2018 at 5 P.M.
2. The Division of Marine Fisheries has determined that these applications are substantially consistent with the requirements of G.S. 113-202 and applicable Marine Fisheries Rules. The application file and biologist report for these proposed leases are available for inspection at the DMF office in Morehead City.
This notice is pursuant to G.S. 113-202(f) this the 5th day of September 2018. By authority of the Secretary of the Department of Environmental Quality.

Stephen W. Murphey
Director of Marine Fisheries
Publish Sept 26 & Oct 3, 2018

NORTH CAROLINA IN THE GENERAL COURT OF JUSTICE PAMLICO COUNTY SUPERIOR COURT DIVISION NOTICE TO CREDITORS AND DEBTORS OF HANS E. BUSSINK File No.: 18 E 123
All persons, firms and corporations

having claims against HANS E. BUSSINK deceased, are notified to exhibit them to SHIRLEY T. BONDURANT, Executor of the Estate, on or before November 27, 2018, at the address listed below or be barred from their recovery. Debtors of the decedent are asked to make immediate payment to the above-named Executor. This 29nd day of August, 2018.

Estate of Hans E. Bussink
Shirley T. Bondurant
81 Driftwood Court
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Publish Sept. 26, and Oct. 3, 10, & 17, 2018.

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All persons, firms and corporations having claims against CHARLES H. FETZER deceased, are notified to exhibit them to ELLEN E. KRAUS, Co-Administrator or CHRISTOPHER W.K.FETZER Co-Administrator of the Estate, on or before November 27, 2018, at the address listed below or be barred from their recovery. Debtors of the decedent are asked to make immediate payment to the above-named Administrators. This 29nd day of August, 2018.

Estate of Charles H. Fetzer
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Christopher W.K. Fetzer, Co-Administrator
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NORTH CAROLINA IN THE GENERAL COURT OF JUSTICE PAMLICO COUNTY SUPERIOR COURT DIVISION NOTICE TO CREDITORS AND DEBTORS OF WILEY WAYNE WHORTON File No.: 18 E 111

All persons, firms and corporations having claims against WILEY WAYNE WHORTON deceased, are notified to exhibit them to JACKSON BUNN, Executor of the Estate, on or before November 27, 2018, at the address listed below or be barred from their recovery. Debtors of the decedent are asked to make immediate payment to the above-named Executor. This 29nd day of August, 2018.

Jackson Bunn
Estate of Wiley Wayne Whorton
7650 Vancouver Court
Wilmington, NC 28412
Publish Sept. 26, and Oct. 3, 10, & 17, 2018.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS: ESTATE OF JOSEPH A. LAU File No. 18E126

Having qualified as Executor of the Estate of Joseph A. Lau, late of 42 Ward Street, Floral Park, NY, 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 408 Main Street, P.O. Box 411, Bayboro, North Carolina 28515, on or before the 12th day of December, 2018, or this notice will be pleaded in bar of recovery. All persons, firms and corporations indebted to the said estate will please make immediate payment to the undersigned. This the 12th day of September, 2018.

John Pike, Executor
Estate of Joseph A. Lau
Sara L. Delamar
Delamar & Delamar, PLLC
408 Main Street
P.O. Box 411
Bayboro, N.C. 28515
(For Publication: 09/26/2018;10/03/2018; 10/10/2018;10/17/2018)

NOTICE OF SERVICE BY PROCESS BY PUBLICATION IN THE GENERAL COURT OF JUSTICE DISTRICT COURT DIVISION FILE NO. 18 Cvd 174 NORTH CAROLINA PAMLICO COUNTY

Pamlico County, A Body Politic and Corporate vs. Unknown Heirs at Law of Julia Horton, Unknown Heirs at

Law of Charles S. Staten, Mary W. Richardson, a/k/a Mary Richardson Gooding, Unknown Spouse of Mary W. Richardson, Unknown Heirs at Law of Mary W. Richardson, Fidelity National Title Insurance Company, Lienholder TO: Unknown Heirs at Law of Julia Horton, Unknown Heirs at Law of Charles S. Staten, Mary W. Richardson, a/k/a Mary Richardson Gooding, Unknown Spouse of Mary W. Richardson, Unknown Heirs at Law of Mary W. Richardson, Fidelity National Title Insurance Company, Lienholder
Take notice that a pleading seeking relief against you has been filed in the above-entitled action. The nature of the relief being sought is as follows:
Foreclosure sale to satisfy unpaid property taxes owing to Pamlico County on your interest in the property described as follows:
In the Reelsboro Community, on the north side of the Norfolk-Southern Railroad, about nine-tenths mile eastwardly from the Bennett Farm Road (Secondary Road 1124), BEGINNING in the northern edge of the railroad right of way in the west line of Weyerhaeuser Company's land, and running westwardly with the railroad right of way line 209 feet; thence northwardly at right angles to the railroad 200 feet; thence eastwardly parallel with the railroad to the Weyerhaeuser line; thence southwardly with said line to the point of BEGINNING, containing one acre, more or less.
Less and except that portion conveyed to the Department of Transportation by deed recorded in Book 454, Page 1. Subject to easements, restrictions and rights of way of record, and matters of survey.
Also being identified as Parcel ID# E051-39, Pamlico County Tax Office. Address: (E051-39) NC 55 Highway, Grantsboro, NC
Plaintiff seeks to extinguish any and all claims and interests that you may have in the property, to have a commissioner appointed to sell the Property and to deliver to the purchaser a deed to said real estate in fee simple, free and clear of all encumbrances, and that the interests and equities of redemption of the Defendants in the property be forever barred and foreclosed.
<?>You are required to make defense to such pleading not later than November 14, 2018 and upon your failure to do so the party seeking service against you will apply to the court for the relief sought.
This day of September 18, 2018.
Richard J. Kania
Attorney for Plaintiff
600-A Centrepark Drive
Asheville, North Carolina 28805 (828) 252-8010
Publish on October 4, 2018, October 11, 2018, October 18, 2018

IN THE GENERAL COURT OF JUSTICE OF NORTH CAROLINA SUPERIOR COURT DIVISION PAMLICO COUNTY 18SP48
IN THE MATTER OF THE FORECLOSURE OF A DEED OF TRUST EXECUTED BY NICOLE A. DELKER DATED JANUARY 30, 2009 AND RECORDED IN BOOK 526 AT PAGE 172 IN THE PAMLICO COUNTY PUBLIC REGISTRY, NORTH CAROLINA NOTICE OF SALE
Under and by virtue of the power and authority contained in the above-referenced deed of trust and because of default in the payment of the secured indebtedness and failure to perform the stipulation and agreements therein contained and, pursuant to demand of the owner and holder of the secured debt, the undersigned substitute trustee will expose for sale at public auction to the highest bidder for cash at the usual place of sale at the county courthouse of said county at 10:00AM on October 17, 2018 the following described real estate and any other improvements which may be situated thereon, in Pamlico County, North Carolina, and being more particularly described as follows:
All that certain lot or parcel of land lying situate and being in Number One Township, Pamlico County, North Carolina, and more particularly described as follows:
Being all of Lot Number Twenty-Nine (29) Shingle Brook Subdivision, Phase 3, as shown on the map of same by Herbert J. Nobles, Jr., R.L.S., dated April 6, 1998, and recorded in Plat Cabinet A at Slide 109-8 of the Pamlico County Registry.
This conveyance is subject to the Declaration of Restrictions and Covenants recorded in Book 337 at

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Page 546, Pamlico County Registry. This conveyance is also made subject to Street Disclosures Statement recorded in Book 337 at Page 543, Pamlico County Registry.

This conveyance is also made subject to the following restriction:
No more than 6510 square feet of Lots 1-17, 20 and 21, 23-48, 52-67, or 15,000 square feet of Lot 18 or 13,500 square feet of Lot 19, or 11,500 square feet of Lot 22, or 12,500 square feet of Lot 49, or 27,000 square feet of Lot 50, or 17,000 square feet of Lot 51, including that portion of the right-of-way between the edge of pavement and the lot lines, shall be covered by impervious structures including asphalt, gravel, concrete, brick, stone, slate or similar material but not including wood decking or the surface of swimming pools. This covenant is intended to insure continued compliance with the stormwater permit issued by the State of North Carolina. This covenant may not be changed or deleted without the consent of the State. No one may fill in, pipe, or alter any roadside swale except as necessary to provide a minimum driveway crossing. And Being more commonly known as: 242 Shingle Brook Rd, New Bern, NC 28560

The record owner(s) of the property, as reflected on the records of the Register of Deeds, is/are Nicole A. Delker. The property to be offered pursuant to this notice of sale is being offered for sale, transfer and conveyance "AS IS, WHERE IS." Neither the Trustee nor the holder of the note secured by the deed of trust, being foreclosed, nor the officers, directors, attorneys, employees, agents or authorized representative of either Trustee or the holder of the note make any representation or warranty relating to the title or any physical, environmental, health or safety conditions existing in, on, at or relating to the property being offered for sale. Any and all responsibilities or liabilities arising out of or in any way relating to any such condition expressly are disclaimed. This sale is made subject to all prior liens and encumbrances, and unpaid taxes and assessments including but not limited to any transfer tax associated with the foreclosure. A deposit of five percent (5%) of the amount of the bid or seven hundred fifty dollars (\$750.00), whichever is greater, is required and must be tendered in the form of certified funds at the time of the sale. This sale will be held open ten days for upset bids as required by law. Following the expiration of the statutory upset period, all remaining amounts are IMMEDIATELY DUE AND OWING. Failure to remit funds in a timely manner will result in a Declaration of Default and any deposit will be frozen pending the outcome of any re-sale. If the sale is set aside for any reason, the Purchaser at the sale shall be entitled only to a return of the deposit paid. The Purchaser shall have no further recourse against the Mortgagee, the Mortgagee, the Substitute Trustee or the attorney of any of the foregoing. SPECIAL NOTICE FOR LEASEHOLD TENANTS: If you are a tenant residing in the property, be advised that an Order for Possession of the property may be issued in favor of the purchaser. Also, if your lease began or was renewed on or after October 1, 2007, be advised that you may terminate the rental agreement upon written notice to the landlord, to be effective on a date stated in the notice that is at least 10 days, but no more than 90 days, after the sale date contained in the notice of sale, provided that the mortgagor has not cured the default at the time notice of termination is provided. You may be liable for rent due under the agreement prorated to the effective date of the termination. The date of this Notice is September 13, 2018.

Publish Oct. 3, & 10, 2018

IN THE GENERAL COURT OF JUSTICE OF NORTH CAROLINA SUPERIOR COURT DIVISION PAMLICO COUNTY 18sp43
IN THE MATTER OF THE FORECLOSURE OF A DEED OF TRUST EXECUTED BY BILLIE S MASON DATED NOVEMBER 5, 2010 AND RECORDED IN BOOK 549 AT PAGE 333 IN THE PAMLICO COUNTY PUBLIC REGISTRY, NORTH CAROLINA NOTICE OF SALE

Under and by virtue of the power and authority contained in the above-referenced deed of trust and because of default in the payment of the secured

indebtedness and failure to perform the stipulation and agreements therein contained and, pursuant to demand of the owner and holder of the secured debt, the undersigned substitute trustee will expose for sale at public auction to the highest bidder for cash at the usual place of sale at the county courthouse of said county at 10:00AM on October 17, 2018 the following described real estate and any other improvements which may be situated thereon, in Pamlico County, North Carolina, and being more particularly described as follows:
Lot Numbered Thirty-One (31) of the subdivision just north of the Town of Oriental which is shown on the map prepared by G. Jerome Norman, RLS, dated August 10, 1971 and recorded in Map Book Six at Page 5, Pamlico County Registry, entitled "SUBDIVISION FOR GARLAND FULCHER".

And Being more commonly known as: 104 Pittman Cir, Oriental, NC 28571
The record owner(s) of the property, as reflected on the records of the Register of Deeds, is/are The Heirs of Billie S. Mason.
The property to be offered pursuant to this notice of sale is being offered for sale, transfer and conveyance "AS IS, WHERE IS." Neither the Trustee nor the holder of the note secured by the deed of trust, being foreclosed, nor the officers, directors, attorneys, employees, agents or authorized representative of either Trustee or the holder of the note make any representation or warranty relating to the title or any physical, environmental, health or safety conditions existing in, on, at or relating to the property being offered for sale. Any and all responsibilities or liabilities arising out of or in any way relating to any such condition expressly are disclaimed. This sale is made subject to all prior liens and encumbrances, and unpaid taxes and assessments including but not limited to any transfer tax associated with the foreclosure. A deposit of five percent (5%) of the amount of the bid or seven hundred fifty dollars (\$750.00), whichever is greater, is required and must be tendered in the form of certified funds at the time of the sale. This sale will be held open ten days for upset bids as required by law. Following the expiration of the statutory upset period, all remaining amounts are IMMEDIATELY DUE AND OWING. Failure to remit funds in a timely manner will result in a Declaration of Default and any deposit will be frozen pending the outcome of any re-sale. If the sale is set aside for any reason, the Purchaser at the sale shall be entitled only to a return of the deposit paid. The Purchaser shall have no further recourse against the Mortgagee, the Mortgagee, the Substitute Trustee or the attorney of any of the foregoing. SPECIAL NOTICE FOR LEASEHOLD TENANTS: If you are a tenant residing in the property, be advised that an Order for Possession of the property may be issued in favor of the purchaser. Also, if your lease began or was renewed on or after October 1, 2007, be advised that you may terminate the rental agreement upon written notice to the landlord, to be effective on a date stated in the notice that is at least 10 days, but no more than 90 days, after the sale date contained in the notice of sale, provided that the mortgagor has not cured the default at the time notice of termination is provided. You may be liable for rent due under the agreement prorated to the effective date of the termination. The date of this Notice is September 13, 2018.

Publish Oct. 3, & 10, 2018

NORTH CAROLINA IN THE GENERAL COURT OF JUSTICE PAMLICO COUNTY SUPERIOR COURT DIVISION NOTICE TO CREDITORS AND DEBTORS OF LETHA S. PAUL File No.: 18 E 133
All persons, firms and corporations having claims against LETHA S. PAUL deceased, are notified to exhibit them to BELINDA P. STOWE, Administrator of the Estate, on or before January 2, 2019, at the address listed below or be barred from their recovery. Debtors of the decedent are asked to make immediate payment to the above-named Administrator. This 28thday of September, 2018.

Estate of Letha S. Paul
Belinda P. Stowe, Administrator
203 Campen Road
Bayboro, NC 28515

Publish October 3, 10, 17 and 24, 2018.


Incidents

Sept. 7, Gilgo Road, Oriental, intimidation
Sept. 8, Longleaf Drive, New Bern, rape
Sept. 8, Weaver Camp Road, Merritt, accidental GSW
Sept. 9, NC Hwy 55, Grantsboro, driving under the influence, exceeding posted speed limit, and no motorcycle endorsement
Sept. 10, Main Street, Bayboro, DWLR
Sept. 10, Country Club Drive, Arapahoe, theft from building
Sept. 10, Straight Road, Oriental, larceny of household goods
Sept. 10, Upper Neck Road, Mesic, common law robbery, no operators license, unauthorized use of a motor vehicle

Sept. 11, Main Street, Bayboro, WFA-no operators license, simple assault, and common law robbery
Sept. 11, NC Hwy 55, Merritt, unauthorized use of a motor vehicle
Sept. 12, Smokey Drive, New Bern, AWDWISI-assault with a deadly weapon inflicting serious injury and AISI
Sept. 15, NC Hwy 55, Merritt, motor vehicle theft
Sept. 15, Debbie Street, Bayboro, larceny of personal property
Sept. 15, Lori Lane, Oriental, domestic
Sept. 15, NC Hwy 306 South, Grantsboro, death investigation
Sept. 16, NC Hwy 55, Grantsboro,
Sept. 16, Orchard Creek Road,

Oriental, burglary/breaking & entering and theft from building
Sept. 17, South Street, Bayboro, injury to personal property
Sept. 17, Water Street, Bayboro, breaking & entering and all other larceny
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Sept. 17, Old Lupton Road, Merritt, burglary/breaking & entering
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Sept. 18, NC Hwy 307, Vandemere, overdose
Sept. 19, Jeff Road, Arapahoe, aggravated assault
Sept. 21, NC Hwy 55, New Bern, residential complaint

Sept. 21, Cowell Lane, Bayboro, larceny of medication
Sept. 22, Hickory Street, Oriental, burglary/breaking & entering and damage/destruction/vandalism of property
Sept. 22, Kershaw Road, Oriental, burglary/breaking & entering
Sept. 22, Ragan Road, Oriental, simple assault
Sept. 24, Pennsylvania Ave, Vandemere, breaking & entering, larceny, and injury to real property
Sept. 25, Deerhaven Road, New Bern, credit card/automatic teller machine fraud
Sept. 26, Hill Drive, Grantsboro, communicating threats
Sept. 27, NC Hwy 55, New Bern, theft from motor vehicle



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Property Transfers Sep. 10– Oct. 3, 2018)

Sept. 10, River Dunes Lot: 32F Marina Village - Harbor Village III-B, from River Dunes Development LLC to Wayne A. Cline Jr. and Christine D. Cline, \$550
Sept. 10, Oriental Plantation Lot: 5 and Oriental Plantation Lot: 5A, from Oriental Plantation Owners Association Inc. to Gordon Thomas Pickett, Jessica Dammann Pickett, Richard Hunter Morgan, and Sue King Morgan, \$6
Sept. 10, 40,820 Square Foot Tract, Tracts A and B, from Alston W. Spruill Jr. TR, Karen H. Spruill TR, Alston W. Spruill Jr. Living Trust, Alston W. Spruill Jr., Karen H. Spruill, and Spruill Family Farms LLC to Alston W. Spruill Jr. TR, Karen H. Spruill TR, Alston W. Spruill Jr. Living Trust, Alston W. Spruill Jr., Karen H. Spruill

Living Trust, and Karen H. Spruill, \$0
Sept. 10, 2.68 Acres, Tract A, from Spruill Family Farms LLC to Alston W. Spruill Jr. and Karen Spruill, \$0
Sept. 11, 0.56 Acres, from A.C. Woodie Woodruff TR, Albert C. Woodruff TR, Albert Cook Woodruff III TR, Barbara H. Woodruff TR, Barbara Hall Woodruff TR, and Woodruff Family Trust to A.C. Woodie Woodruff, Albert Cook Woodruff III, and Barbara Hall Woodruff, \$0
Sept. 11, 601 Broad Street, from Kent F. Carter and Elizabeth S. Carter to Kent F. Carter, \$0
Sept. 11, Oriental Harbor Village Marina Boat Slip 39; Dock B; Condo Book 1/78-79, 1/101-102, 1/104-105 & 1/135-137 and Oriental Harbor Village Marina Boat Slip 43; Dock B; Con-

do Book 1/78-79, 1/101-102, 1/104-105 & 1/135-137, from Ronald Q. Ruffer Jr., Jacqueline S. Ruffer, and Jacqueline S. Ruffer to David Rose Jennings III, \$36
Sept. 24, Off NC Hwy 55; Metes & Bounds, from Willie Cannon, Sophie Cannon, and Sophia Cannon to Olinda C. Green, \$0
Sept. 24, NCSR 1324 Florence Road & NCSR 1325 Whortonsville Road (Spring Creek Road); Metes & Bounds, from George Marshall to Joshua Ryon Sanders and Larissa Marie Sanders, \$10
Sept. 25, N/S Main Street; 12,352 Square Feet, from Patterson L. McCotter and Harriette B. McCotter to Gregory L. Simeon and Anna V. Simeon, \$0
Sept. 25, Metes & Bounds, from Chester L. Scott and Francine G.

Scott to Noris Willis, \$1
Sept. 25, Piney Narrows Lot: 1 10.24 AC; Off Straight Road (SR 1321), from Spanish Oaks Properties LLC to Thomas Scott Crossfield, \$240
Sept. 26, 1.026 AC; Metes & Bounds, from IHS 2 LLC to Finally Home, \$42
Sept. 26, 1.026 AC; Metes & Bounds, from Finally Home to Rebuilt Holdings LLC, \$0
Sept. 27, N/S Lowland Road, NCSR 1230; Tract Two, from Steven Alton McCullum and Tammy D. McCullum to Jon Michael McCullum, \$0
Sept. 27, Four Tracts, Ruby S. Huggins to T.R.R.L. LLC, \$0
Sept. 27, Dolphin Point Lot: 52 Section II, from William F. Michne and Elizabeth A. Michne to Ahmet H. Erkan and Winsome Erkan, \$479
Sept. 28, Bairds Shores Lot:

2 Section 1, from Christopher Scot and Tammy Scot to Preston S. McMillan and Barbara P. McMillan, \$770
Sept. 28, Broad View Lot: 1, from William H. McFadden and Edrae M. McFadden to Jean P. Clarkson, \$570
Sept. 28, Lake Minnesott Estates Lot: 17 Section II; Metes & Bounds, from The Bank of New York Melon TR, The Bank of New York TR, Nationstar Mortgage LLC AIF, First Horizon Alternative Mortgage Securities Trust 2005-AA10 to Acrey Edward Nicholson III, \$164
October 1, from Puryear & Gower Investment LLC to Michael Speed Meginnis and Vicki Lynn Meginnis, \$28
October 1, from Helen M. Witkowski to Michael Speed Meginnis and Vicki Lynn Meginnis, \$13

FISHING REPORT



Well, Florence has come and gone but left a major path of destruction for all of us. Hope are doing as well as can be during recovery mode and get the help you need.

The flood waters and rain has really messed up our waters with

debris and pollutants. First off, be extra safe if getting on the waters for the partially submerged stuff that can make a fun day go south fast. The waters out to the sound are nasty with some dead fish around but the Big Drum are still chewing. This being a catch and release fishery makes to decisions easy as you cant eat even if you want to. With that, I know I will not eat anything out of river system for a while. There are no state warnings out as I know of but having seen nates and black flies way off the

bank tells me its bad.

Reports of some small trout have shown up after storm is good news. Hopefully we will get a far fall fishery in this year.

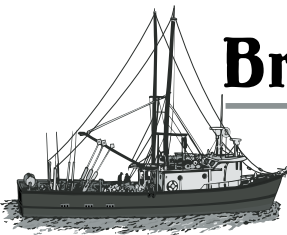
The rock season opened but am still unsure of where they went. In taking with wildlife it is guessed that they may have moved downriver to get away from nasty flood waters up river. Sure hope it takes off - love some exploding rock on top water.

Do be safe and careful through our recovery process - wet a line and chill taking a lot of your mind!

Capt Dave Stewart

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Picture is Ali Blake out with me post storm look around other is just some good nature shots we see on water same day way off shore wher bugs were terrible



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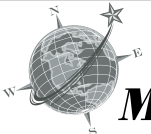
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