

Pamlico Community College President Dr. Jim Ross has led the college to national recognition for excellence. He has now been recognized for these achievements as one of five North Carolina community college presidents who were finalists for 2019 President of the Year. *Contributed photo*

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On February 2, Punxsutawney Phil comes out of his burrow on Gobbler's Knob in Northwest PA to predict if there will be six more weeks of winter, or an early spring.

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## Governor Cooper Visits Pamlico Primary School



On Tuesday January 22nd, Governor Roy Cooper visited Pamlico Primary School in Bayboro. Governor Cooper wanted to see the conditions we are still dealing with, here in the Pamlico school district after hurricane Florence. The Governor and his Cabinet met with Pamlico County school officials to discuss, where recovery efforts are and how much more the school system has to do. Superintendent Lisa Jackson and Dr. Jeremy Johnson, Principal of Pamlico Middle School conducted the meeting with Governor Cooper. Measures that have been taken were discussed and measures that needed to still take place in the Pamlico Middle School building before students can return. School officials told Cooper that a new school was needed on the present site or at another site, to prevent this kind of damage from happening in the future. School officials said “We are only doing minimal repairs to Pamlico Middle school at this time, just what has to be done to get students back in their own classrooms and school.”

At present all Pamlico County Schools are sharing one functioning gymnasium at Pamlico High school, along with Pamlico Recreation Department. Logistics for getting everyone in and out of one gym each week is a nightmare, to say the least for school officials. Pamlico Middle and Pamlico Primary schools have combined together in the Primary schools building, until repairs are made to the Middle school. Middle schoolers eat lunch in the Primary schools gym, and then tables are picked up and cleared away for PE class each day. School officials stated, “County Commissioners have told us, if money gets tight let us know.” Governor Cooper stated, “Kudos to all of the Pamlico County schools for working so hard and coming together to overcome what Pamlico has been through.” Cooper went on to say “From a state perspective, we want to help the county as much as we can not only with hurricane recovery funds, but with support of public education. With an overall effort to raise educators pay at least the national average.” After meeting with School officials, Cooper toured Pamlico Primary and spoke with classes leaning there from the middle school.

County school officials are hoping for the return of students to Pamlico Middle school at the end of February 2019. At that time they expect to have approximately half of the school repaired. Superintendent Jackson emphasized that, all we have been through, “It’s a great day to be a Hurricane!”

## Impact of Florence Still Being felt By Our Local Fishermen



What is normally the busy time of the season for our shell fishermen along with restaurants and oyster bars around Pamlico County. Pamlico County is still feeling the effects of hurricane Florence by our fishermen, restaurants, and residents alike. Fishermen who do not have oysters to sell, restaurants looking for oysters for their oyster bars, and residents trying to find local oysters to eat at gatherings. Most coastal waters in the area have been closed to oysters being harvested this year, because of fresh water runoff from rain and storm water, which has wreaked havoc on area water quality. With this being done the fishermen cannot harvest any oysters to sell to the buyers.

I have tried myself to find oysters locally since the hurricane with little to no luck. I talked with numerous people around Pamlico and asked. Where can I get oysters? The responses varied from, you cannot find any or you have to go out of state. I spoke with local oyster bar staff that said they have to get oysters from out of state because there are no local ones available to buy. There is nothing wrong with oysters from other states such as, Maryland, Louisiana, and Texas that are brought here regularly. In my search I finally found some oysters that were from out of state. They were salty and delicious.

As coastal residents people get used to getting fresh local seafood and oysters from local fishermen, just like local produce from farmers. Then a hurricane comes through and people see just how devastating it is to land and sea. There are farmers who lost crops from this hurricane and had damage to their farms. But people don’t think about the farmers of the sea. That’s right, farmers of the sea. Oyster farming has been a growing industry over the past few years and here in Pamlico County as well. They were hit hard by the hurricane, in some ways worse than land farmers.

One such place is I&M Oyster Company LLC. They are located at the end of Oyster Creek Rd. in Lowland. Just so happens, this is where I purchased my delicious oysters. I have bought local wild oysters there for years. Because of the damage sustained by hurricane Florence, they were forced to ship in oysters to have any supply of oysters this year. I talked with Ivan Ireland one of the owners of I&M about what they do there and what impact hurricane Florence had on them. He stated that he and his partner Robert Mercer started the oyster farming business 5 years ago.

When I asked Mr. Ireland, what do you do here exactly? He stated, “We grow and process oysters, from seed to market size. We grade oysters, we sort oysters, we bag and cage oysters.” Seed oysters start out as a little black speck on your hand. It takes 12 to 18 months for a seed oyster to grow to size to be sold to restaurants and oyster bars.

There are several ways to grow these seed oysters, most do it in bags and cages, some farms float



the cages and bags in the upper water column and others on the bottom. I&M uses the floating type cages for their crops. Each cage contains 100 oysters, from beginning to end in the growing process. During the 12 to 18 months that the oysters grow, the I&M crew handle the oysters 17 times before they go to markets. Oyster cages are pulled returned to the dock where they are run through a trammel and graded. After graded 100 same size oysters are put back in cages and returned to the water in floating cages throughout their growth.

When I asked Mr. Ireland, what impact did Florence have on them? He stated, “It killed our oysters, we lost a lot of our cages and the oysters we did have left were dying in the cages because of the water conditions. Total damage and losses are estimated at over 1 million dollars.” Mr. Ireland discussed how their company had worked for the past 5 years to get to the point they were before the hurricane. He went on to explain how they had raised the oysters in a way that each year a full crop of mature oysters would be ready for market. This way leaves younger oysters to grow and be ready for the following years.

Mr. Ireland stated, “It will take 2 years to recover from the loss of their oyster crops, before they can sell any oysters in bulk.” He went on to say, it hurts when you work so hard to get where we were, and the beautiful 3” oysters that were left after the storm just dying in your hand.



## Packed house at Pamlico County Commissioners Meeting



Tuesday Jan.22nds County Commissioners meeting had a packed house, for a public hearing. The hearing was about the Pamlico County Health dept., and whether Commissioners should take over the oversight of the Health Dept. As time approached for the meeting to start, residents of Pamlico County started entering the Commissioners room. It didn’t take long for the room to fill to capacity and a line was forming in the hall. After seeing the situation Commissioners decided to move the proceedings to the court room.

Commissioner Paul Delamar, opened the session. Before hearing opened Commissioner Delamar cleared up rumors that were brought to his attention. Delamar stated, he has no property or any vested interest in Windmill Point. Afterwards, Commissioner Missy Baskerville stated that she was also part of that rumor and wanted to state she has no lots or property in Windmill point. After opening the hearing, he stated some ground rules to calm tension over the matter. Delamar stated, there will be no outbursts of any kind during anyone speaking, along with no booing or hissing. Delamar went on to say, “We have never had a problem but, if we do, we will address it at that time.” Residents spoke on both sides of the issue. After residents spoke the floor was closed. The issue was moved to an action, to discuss and vote on the matter by Commissioners. Commissioners spoke on their opinions of the issue and if the issue could be fixed, as the Health Dept. stands now. In closing, Commissioner Delamar stated, “Some people have forgot who they are working for in government. We work for the people of Pamlico County, and it is about time for people to be held accountable for their actions.” The matter was voted on by Commissioners and the verdict was unanimous for the County of Pamlico to take oversight of the Health Department.



Please be aware that there will be more traffic this weekend due to the events at the Silos and around town. Be mindful of your surroundings and aware of the vehicular and pedestrian traffic due to construction, roadside debris, and the recent speed limit change.

Thank you and be safe.  
Officer N. Blayney

### UPCOMING WEEKEND WEATHER

**Saturday, February 2** Partly Sunny. High of 53 degrees during the day and a low of 38 degrees at night. **Sunday, February 3** Sunshine and patchy clouds throughout the day with a high of 58 degrees, and cooling off to just 48 degrees at night.



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# COMMUNITY

## PROBABLE WEATHER

**Wednesday, January 30** Mostly Sunny but cooler. High of 45 degrees and dropping to a low of 26 degrees overnight.

**Thursday, January 31** Continuing cold temperatures with the high being 41 degrees and the low getting down to 26 degrees. Sunny to partly cloudy for most of the day.

**Friday, February 1** Partly Sunny, with warming temperatures moving in. The high being 50 degrees and the low at night getting to just 38 degrees.

**Saturday, February 2** Partly Sunny. High of 53 degrees during the day and a low of 38 degrees at night.

**Sunday, February 3** Sunshine and patchy clouds throughout the day with a high of 58 degrees, and cooling off to just 48 degrees at night.

**Monday, February 4** Rain and drizzles possible, heavy cloud cover. High of 67 degrees and a low of 48 degrees.

**Tuesday, February 5** Low clouds and a similar day temperature wise to Monday without the rain. 66 degrees is the high and 48 degrees is the low

**Wednesday, February 6** is 62 degrees and Partly cloudy. There is 75 percentage chance of rain and 10 mph winds from the South-Southwest..



I want to start out by thanking the Pamlico News for allowing me the opportunity to update the citizens of Pamlico County each week in their newspaper. Each week, I will try to pick a topic that is relevant to an issue that we are seeing in Pamlico County or update you on a case or cases that we are currently investigating. I hope that you will take a minute to read this short brief each week. This week, we would like to thank those that contacted our office about people dumping trash on the side of the road. Since we issued a press release regarding the issue, the reports of people dumping trash on our roadways have reduced considerable. Over the next several weeks county contractors will try to finish up collecting the “hurricane piles” on our roadways in an attempt to get our county looking like it was prior to the hurricane. It is an honor and a privilege to serve as your sheriff. If there is ever anything I can do to help you or your friends and neighbors, please feel free to call me at (252)514-5957. Thank you.

Sheriff Chris Davis

# Looking Back



State Highway Patrol Trooper Ken Hill visited the Arapahoe Kiddie Kampus Thursday, February 4, to explain what the job of a trooper is. The highlight of the visit was investigating the contents of the patrol car.

## 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

**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

**Pamlico County Departments**

**Board of Elections:** 745-4821

**County Manager:** 745-3133

## HOROSCOPES

**ARIES – Mar 21/Apr 20**  
Aries, save up your energy because you might need it for a difficult project on the horizon. This could mean you have to keep socializing to a minimum.

**TAURUS – Apr 21/May 21**  
Taurus, you have been on a stable path, and this is a good thing. Wasting time floundering will get you nowhere fast. Keep up the good work and momentum.

**GEMINI – May 22/Jun 21**  
A rough patch or string of bad luck will soon pass, Gemini. Focus on the positives in your life and give them all of your energy for the time being. Gray skies will clear up.

**CANCER – Jun 22/Jul 22**  
Cancer, a great opportunity is coming your way and you are eager to dive right in. Write down the pluses and minuses of this endeavor before getting too deep.

**LEO – Jul 23/Aug 23**  
Leo, ensure that your voice is heard on a particular matter; otherwise, you may regret not speaking up. Wait until others are quiet to get your point across.

**VIRGO – Aug 24/Sept 22**  
Virgo, if you’ve been looking for a new career, you may be pleasantly surprised with the news coming your way. Opportunity knocks, but you must be paying attention.

**LIBRA – Sept 23/Oct 23**  
Extra spending on essentials may have you reevaluating your budget this week, Libra. You might need to cut corners to make everything work, or find new income.

**SCORPIO – Oct 24/Nov 22**  
Scorpio, it seems the bumpy stretch in your life has been long, but you’re finally able to see that pot of gold at the end of the rainbow. Keep your head high.

**SAGITTARIUS – Nov 23/Dec 21**  
A relationship may be blossoming and you won’t be sure which direction it will go for a little longer. If you trust your instincts on this and be yourself, things will work out.

**CAPRICORN – Dec 22/Jan 20**  
Capricorn, you will prove your mettle and show everyone just how tough you can be with a surprising announcement this week. Be prepared for some applause.

**AQUARIUS – Jan 21/Feb 18**  
Aquarius, even though many things are changing in your life right now, you’ll probably find that you welcome change whole-heartedly. It’s time to shake things up.

**PISCES – Feb 19/Mar 20**  
Moving in a new direction can mean many things to you, Pisces. A change of address, a vacation, a new career, or even a new style fit the bill.

**FAMOUS BIRTHDAYS**  
JANUARY 27  
Patton Oswalt, Actor (50)  
JANUARY 28  
Sarah McLachlan, Singer (51)  
JANUARY 29  
Justin Hartley, Actor (42)  
JANUARY 30  
Brooke Hyland, Dancer (21)

## NOTE THE DATE

**Pamlico county Public Library**  
Jan. 25th Preschool Storytime 10 am, Book to Film 6:15 pm; Jan. 28th Book Worm 1 pm, Girl Scouts 6 pm; Jan. 29th Knitting 1 pm, Basket weaving 5:30 pm; Jan. 30th ESL Class 6 pm; Feb. 7th Meet the Author 1:30 pm

**Town of Oriental**  
There is a very special trash can at the Public Restroom at Town Dock #2- it is for collecting oyster shells- please no garbage included for the creekside restoration of Whittaker Pointe. Feel free to drop off your empty oyster shells there. Thanks!

**Debris Pick-up**  
Reminder that the final pass for debris pick-up will begin after Tuesday, January 1st. Please have your debris to the right of way. There are three categories of debris: Construction/Household Debris (Please note that any insulation needs to be in clear plastic bags), Appliances, and Vegetative. Please remember to separate your debris into these three categories.

**State Employees’ Credit Union(SECU)**  
Tax season is quickly approaching and State Employees’ Credit Union(SECU) is ready to help! Mark your calendars-starting January 23rd, SECU tax preparers in all 265 offices statewide will be able to complete and electronically file federal and North Carolina income tax returns for members who are eligible to participate in the Credit Union’s Low Cost

**PC Republican Party**  
The PC Republican Party meets the 4th Tuesday of the month at Bayboro Courthouse Annex 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 good-ies including locally grown produce, farm fresh eggs, home-baked breads, biscotti, cookies, cakes, pies as well as pre-serves 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

**PCC Small Business center Seminars**  
Starting a Business Series(SA) Jan 12, 19, 26, Feb 2, 16, Mar 2 9:00 am-12:00 pm  
If you are serious about starting a small business or expanding a business in North Carolina, this training will help you get started. The topics each week will be (1) How to Start a Small Business; (2) Financing your Small Business; (3) How to write a Business Plan; (4) How to Find your Customers; (5) Basics of Bookkeeping; (6) Your Small Business Taxes; (7) Marketing your Small Business. Pre-registration is strongly suggested. Presenter: Mike Marsh

How to Start a nonprofit Business(-FR) Feb 8 5:30-8:30  
There is a tremendous interest coming from our communities of wanting to know how to form a nonprofit business. If you are considering stating a non-profit business, please plan to attend this very informative seminar. Presenter: Sam Gore

How to Do The 501(c)(3) Thing (completing your 1023 form)(SA) Feb 9 9:00 am-12:00 pm  
This seminar will carefully guide individuals through the 1023 form and provide vital information concerning how to respond to statements and questions needed to satisfy IRS reviewers. Presenter: Sam Gore

How to Restore or Develop a Board that’s On Board(SA) Feb 9 1:00-4:00 pm  
Board meetings are not just about information, but also “transformation.” Organizations will rise or fall as a direct result of a functional or dysfunctional Board. This seminar is focused primarily on some practical tips and tools, rather than the latest research that can bring about “transformational change,” in Boards. Government agencies, Foundations, and individual donors and other potential supporters and funders want information concerning Boards. What they discover might make the difference between receiving their support and/or funds, or not. Presenter: Sam Gore

Visual Social Media Marketing Series  
Creating Visual Content for Social Media Marketing(FR) Feb 22 3:00-5:00 pm  
Learn what types of content your social media are looking for. Plan your Social Strategy, what do you want to create and post? Learn tools, websites, and apps that you can use to create videos, photos, gif’s, and so much more. Presenter: Christina Williams

Canva - create all types of Visuals for Social Media Marketing(FR) Feb 22 6:00-8:00 pm  
Canva is a free online graphics program that allows you to create, design, download, and print images for your social media marketing. Learn to use this website to create materials for your marketing such as business cards, flyers, posters, social media graphics, and so much more. Presenter: Christina Williams

YouTube: Learn to create social videos and market on YouTube(SA) Feb 23 10:00 am-12:00 pm  
Plan your video social media marketing, get ideas on what types of videos you should create for your business, get free apps/sites for creating videos, and then learn how to create your business YouTube Channel and how to upload videos and promote your small business on the fastest growing Social Media Network! Presenter: Christina Williams

Online Slideshows: Create presentations and convert to videos for your Social Media Marketing(SA) Feb 23 1:00-3:00 pm  
Learn about free online slide-show software to create pre-sentations that you can convert to videos for your social media marketing. Learn where and how to share these with the right audience on Social Media. You’ll learn how to use Slidshare.net, which allows you to create a free account and post your presentations. What could your business gain from this? Presenter: Christina Willias

Never Meet a Stranger: Guerrilla Marketing for Networking Events, Trade Shows, and Expos (TU) Mar 5 6:00-9:00 pm  
Trade shows, expos and net-working events can be excellent ways to attract business...if you understand that they are networking events. They are not net-eating, net-visiting, net-standing-around-waiting-for-someone-to-talk-to-you-events. These events can establish your credibility, help you meet new prospects, network with current customers and allies, and even practice new sales techniques. Take advantage of this event before the Business Expo and Job Fair on March 30. Presenter: Mike Collins

Blogging for your Small Business Series(MO) Mar 4, 11, 18, 25 6:00 pm-8:00 pm  
Ms. Stones is a local blogger who will discuss how blogging can help your business, how to personalize your site, and build and market your blog. This four-part series will cover the following topics: Mar 4 Is Blogging Right for your Business?; Mar 11 The Operations of your Site; Mar 18 Personalizing your Site; Mar 25 Building your Blog Presenter: Tracey Stones

Customer Service(TU) Apr 2 6:00-8:00 pm  
Customer Service is crucial in businesses today. Almost every company seems to understand just how important customer service is and many have started to find ways to improve and measure customer service. In this seminar, we are going to look at what customer service is, and isn’t, and identify how you can understand and provide good customer service. Presenter: Mindy Moore

How to Create Business documents using Microsoft Word~~Hands-on Workshop(tu) Apr 9 and 16 6:00-8:00 pm  
The advantages of MS Word extend beyond its ability to create a letter and compose a memo. Business owners can use Microsoft Word to create content and design marketing pieces that integrate with other programs. Presenter: Mindy Moore

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Disposal of Formerly Live Christmas trees has begun. You can drop your tree, without any remaining decoration, into the large Waste Industries bins in front of the Water Treatment Plant on Gilgo Rd. If you need assistance in disposing of your tree, please call Town Hall at 252-249-0555.

# Pamlico News Hires News Editor

Pamlico News has hired a new News Editor, Jim White. While Jim was raised in Craven County, he spent much of his time here in Pamlico County because his mother grew up here and his grandmother, Lucy Gilgo., and most of his uncles and aunts lived here. “This has always been home,” Jim said when asked about his relationship with the county. In addition, he spent the first seven years of his teaching career teaching here in the county, first at Pamlico Junior High School and Araphoe Elementary School. He also married Nancy Brinson from Reelsboro, so he still has major connections with the County.

Jim has an extensive experience in writing and journalism. He was layout editor of the college paper his freshman year in college and then editor in chief his sophomore year. More recently he has served as editor of the Doctor’s Creek Journal, which is the official journal of the Friends of Portsmouth Island. In addition to his work in journalism, he has published a number of books in the area of history. He has written books on Portsmouth Island, Masonic Lodges in New Bern, and New Bern and the Civil War. He is currently working on his first novel.

Jim has won numerous awards presented by the North Carolina Society of historians for is writing, the most recent the President’s Award for outstanding writing. Jim lives in New Bern with his wife of 45 years, Nancy Brinson White from Reelsboro. They have three sons and five grandchildren.

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**3 PCMS Students Earn Chairs in the All District Band**



Connor Daniels, Jamie Durham, and Abby Harwick, all 8th Grade Pamlico County Middle School Band Students, earned chairs in the Middle School All District Symphonic Band for the North Carolina Bandmasters Association (NCBA), Eastern District. There are 6 band districts in North Carolina. The NCBA Eastern District covers the area from 195 to the coast, and on Saturday, January 12th middle school band students from all over the district gathered at E.B. Aycock Middle School in Greenville, NC to audition for the honor to be a part of one of the Middle School All Eastern District Bands.

The Eastern District has two different bands at the middle school level. They are called the Concert Band and the Symphonic Band. There are limited seats in each band. It is very difficult and an honor to earn a seat in either band, but the students that score the highest during the audition are placed in the Symphonic Band. Abby Harwick auditioned on Clarinet and earned a seat in the Concert Band. Connor Daniels auditioned on Tenor Saxophone and earned 2nd Chair in the Symphonic Band. Jamie Durham also auditioned on Tenor Saxophone and earned 1st Chair in the Symphonic Band.



The Junior BETA club members at Pamlico Middle School are partnering with Ms. Caitlynn Quarshie and Mrs. Katie Hardison of Pamlico Primary School to provide students with one-on-one reading support. Middle school students enjoy giving back to their host school while earning volunteer credit hours and primary students receive individual attention and a chance to share their literary skills.

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**Middle School**

As a part of the Middle School All District Bands for the NCBA Eastern District, Connor, Jamie and Abby get to play with the best scoring middle school band students in our district at the All District Band Concert at East Carolina University's Wright Auditorium in Greenville, NC. The students who made it into the bands were given their concert music after the auditions were over. Those students are now practicing individually before the whole band comes together at C.M. Eppes Middle School in Greenville, NC to practice all day on Friday, February 1st, and Saturday, February 2nd. Their concert will then be at Wright Auditorium that Saturday evening.

Since Connor earned 2nd Chair Tenor Saxophone and Jamie earned 1st Chair Tenor Saxophone in the Symphonic Band, they also earned the honor of auditioning for one of the two tenor saxophone chairs in the Middle School All State Honor Band. Each NCBA district will send their top two tenor saxophonists to audition to be a part of the North Carolina Middle School All State Honor Band. That

means that only 12 middle school tenor saxophonists in the state get the honor of auditioning. Those auditions are scheduled for March 2nd at Central Davidson Middle School in Lexington, NC. Last year Jamie Durham was the first student from Pamlico County Schools to earn a seat in an All District band (1st Chair) in at least 11 years, and last year he was also the first student from Pamlico County Schools to ever earn a seat in the All State Honor Band (1st Chair). Jamie said "Last year, after having those experiences, I hoped a lot more Pamlico band students would get to do this too, and now it looks like that is beginning to happen." The Pamlico County Middle School Band Director, Mr. Dave Falardeau, said "I am very proud of all of the students. This is a great year for Pamlico Bands!" Mr. Jim Durham, the Band Director of Pamlico County High School who has worked very closely with all of these students said "They are all great students who work very hard. I am so glad to see their success, and hope they have an awesome time and learn a lot from their clinicians."

**Seventh Grade Students Receive Study Skill Instruction**



On January 16 & 17, Mrs. Nancy P. Potter provided a hands-on workshop to help students improve their study skills. Students learned a variety of methods to assist them in recognizing and recording important information. Mrs. Potter also offered numerous ways for students to study that accommodate their learning styles. In addition to study aides that students could create, she directed them to websites that could be utilized as well. Teachers, Mr. Norman, Mrs. Harper, & Mrs. Tingle recognized their students were lacking in this skill and their need for this ability would increase as they progressed in their education.

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# Pamlico Community College

## President shares prestigious state finalist honor with Pamlico Community College ‘family’

By Sandy Wall  
Pamlico Community College

PCC President Dr. Jim Ross responded humbly to the prestigious honor of being selected recently as one of five finalists for North Carolina Community College President of the Year. He gave credit to PCC faculty and staff, board members, and community leaders who have joined together in “extraordinary teamwork” to build a “special community college”.

That team emphasis is Pamlico Community College President Dr. Jim Ross’s style.

He expressed elation to have been selected as one of five finalists for the N.C. State Board of Community Colleges 2019 President of the Year Award because it brings further rightful recognition as a “team win” for all college employees and for the entire Pamlico County community.

“It was a great honor for me to be selected as a finalist,” said Ross, who has served for nearly three years as the college’s president. “The greatest honor for me, however, is to be working with such great human beings as we do our best to do God’s work here on Earth to make other lives better.”

Ross thanked PCC Board Chair Bob Lyon for nominating him, community leaders who wrote supportive letters, and the State Board members and other committee members who generously gave their time in a very extensive selection process.

While Ross has been president, PCC has implemented numerous innovative changes to better serve students and the community and also received elite national recognition for excellence from SmartAsset, which has ranked the college in its Top 3 in America for two years running based on U.S. Department of Education data, and from the Aspen Institute, which included Pamlico in its prestigious Aspen Prize Top 150 list.



WalletHub also has honored the college.

Over the last three years, PCC has undertaken a vigorous community outreach program that has resulted in more attention from media organizations, a huge increase in community groups utilizing campus facilities and more than 70 new partnerships with non-profit organizations. One of the highlights Ross is especially excited about is dramatically opening the Delamar Center to community use by his offer of free rental to it for all Pamlico non-profit organizations.

“There has been a 300% increase in our community residents using our campus in recent years,” Ross said, “and that is very rewarding because our college exists to serve the members of our community in every way we can.”

Enrollment has surged, including a robust 15 percent boost in overall student Full-Time Equivalents (FTE) enrollment in 2018. This is despite a nationwide decline in enrollment the past several consecutive years. Retention also has improved, thanks in large part to a student-focused outreach program led by Ross. PCC’s graduation/transfer rate is now 50% higher than the national average.

During Ross’s tenure, PCC has added several academic and vocational programs, including a unique recidivism reduction program at Pamlico Correctional Institution. Through the program, offenders are taught important life skills. Offenders who complete the program can earn an associate’s degree, which will equip them for success after their release. Ross credited Senator Norman Sanderson with his determined legislative leadership to secure funding for it, Pamlico Correctional Institution and statewide Department of Public Safety leaders for outstanding cooperation, and PCC employees for remarkable dedication in making what was considered an impossible dream come true.

The nominators of Ross described him repeatedly as an “extraordinary visionary” and his leadership style as “innovative and passionate” to make these visions reality.

State officials on January 18 announced this year’s President of the Year honor will go to Dr. Carol Spalding, president of Rowan-Cabarrus Community College in Salisbury.

“She is very deserving,” Ross said. “She is an elite professional and a wonderful person. It was an incredible honor for me to be selected as a finalist in such a great system with 58 colleges and so many outstanding presidents. The most rewarding part of the interview process was having an opportunity to discuss all of the wonderful things being accomplished at Pamlico Community College by so many caring professionals.”

“I have one of the best jobs in the world,” Ross said. “What really excites me about each new day is the opportunity for us to work together to make lives better in this wonderful community. “

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## Pamlico Chamber Of Commerce Hires Interim Executive Director

Bayboro, N.C. - The Pamlico County Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors is pleased to announce the hire of a leader who is familiar with Pamlico County, the region and the Pamlico Chamber of Commerce.

Tina Foreman Beacham began her first day as Interim Executive Director on January 21, 2019. Beacham takes over the position left vacant when the previous Director, Joyce Swimm took a new position at Pamlico Christian Academy.

Beacham, who grew up on Goose Creek Island Pamlico County and a is 1988 graduate of Pamlico County High School, is excited to return to Pamlico County. “I believe in the Pamlico County spirit. Promoting our county to visitors and building connections with businesses in our communities is key to our economic success”, said Beacham. “I have strong roots in this County and love being here. We have the freshest seafood, the most beautiful waters for sailing, hidden gems along our shores for the best fishing and hunting, and an abundance of agricultural resources; why not encourage folks to visit, play, work and stay here. With a positive insight, its going to be awesome to assist Pamlico County to riseup.

The potential here is just endless.”

Beacham has many years of operations and administration management with an emphasis in marketing. She has worked as Marketing Coordinator for the Morehead City based Budget Blinds franchise, which recently was ranked the #5 franchise in the nation, and as a Regional Manager for Robert High Properties and Development in Wilmington. She also worked with the Roanoke Island Commission in Manteo and handled membership for the commission’s non-profit.

Beacham has a history of volunteerism throughout Eastern NC, including the Core Sound Waterfowl Museum, Saltwater Connections, NC Fisheries Association and Wanchese Community Development.

The Chamber has a number of important initiatives underway that support Members, our communities, help improve our local economy, as well as, our civic and social structures. A few of these include the annual production of our Visitor’s Guide that is distributed throughout the State and is available as a free digital link. Planning is underway for a special business and tourism event to be held in cooperation with Pamlico County Economic Development, Pamlico Community College, Small Business



and Career Centers. Beacham will coordinating a number of Chamber networking opportunities and marketing programs that are key to helping our Chamber members and communities to prosper.

President, Paul Slobodian, commented, “We see continued strength in our local business economy. Tina has already demonstrated as a Chamber volunteer, an impressive marketing skill set and commitment to strengthening our vibrant community of business and non-profit members.”

The Pamlico Chamber of Commerce is an independent organization dedicated to the support and advancement of its’ business and non-profit members as well as the civic, social and educational wellbeing of our communities. We provide statewide, regional, national and international visibility for individuals, and organizations considering a visit or a business or personal relocation to our area. We also recognize local leaders through our annual Citizen, Non-Profit and Volunteer of the Year Awards Banquet.

The Pamlico Chamber of Office is located at 10642 Hwy. 55, Grantsboro, NC. For more information about the Chamber, contact us at 252-745-3008 or [pamlicochamber@gmail.com](mailto:pamlicochamber@gmail.com).

### The Great Father heard them...


"Not so long ago in a village very close, a little boy wandered away from his Grandmother. It was cold and he was lost and alone. All of the people of the village looked for the little boy. People from other tribes came to help. The people were of different colors and they had different beliefs, but they all came together to search for the little boy. They put their differences aside and the leaders of the other tribes worked together, but they could not find the little boy. The spiritual leaders came to comfort the family of the little boy. Others came to feed the people from the other tribes. All the people prayed to the Great

Father. The Great Father heard them and sent a message in the sky for them to see and he sent a great purple bear to keep the little boy safe. He told the Sacred Dog of one of the women of the tribe where to find the little boy. The Sacred Dog told the woman who told one of the braves who was searching for the boy. The little boy was found safe and was given back to his family. Then all the people went their way back into their own world and their own villages. If you believe this story then you understand how God works his miracles. The wonders of the Great Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen" *from Ed Terry*



# Financial Focus

## What Can Investors Learn From “Big Game” Teams?

  
Dan M. Roberts

In February, TV stations the world over will broadcast the most-watched U.S. football game of the year. But sports fans aren't the only ones viewing this “big game,” held in Atlanta this year. The two teams competing are watched closely by the teams that *didn't* qualify. That's because these teams can learn a lot from the contenders. In fact, “big game” teams can teach some valuable lessons to many groups and individuals – including investors.

What investment insights can you gain from observing these teams? Here are a few to consider:

- *A good “offense” is important.* “Big game” teams usually have the ability to score a lot of points. They can run the ball, pass the ball and move up the field quickly. As an investor, you also need to constantly seek gains – in other words, you need an “offense” in the form of an investment portfolio capable of producing long-term growth. Consequently, you will need a reasonable percentage of

growth-oriented vehicles, such as stocks and stock-based mutual funds, in your holdings. Yes, these types of investments carry risk, including the potential loss of principal. But you can help reduce your risk level by holding investments for the long term – giving them time to possibly overcome the short-term drops that will inevitably occur – and by diversifying your overall portfolio with other types of investments, such as bonds and government securities, that will likely not fluctuate in value as much as stocks.

- *A strong “defense” is essential.* In addition to having good offenses, “big game” teams are also typically strong on defense. They may give up yardage, and going against a strong offense, they will also give up points, but they still often stop their opponents from making the big, game-breaking plays. As someone with financial goals, such as protecting your family's lifestyle and helping send your children to college, you, too, have much to defend – and one of the best defensive moves you can make is to maintain adequate life insurance. Also, to protect your own financial independence – and to defend against the possibility

of becoming a burden to your adult children – you may want to explore some type of long-term care insurance, which can help pay for the extraordinarily high costs of an extended nursing home stay.

- *The ability to adjust a strategy is essential.* If a “big game” team is trailing, it very well might decide to switch its game strategy – perhaps they tried to keep the ball on the ground but fell behind, requiring them to throw more passes to catch up. You also will need to evaluate your progress toward your goals to determine if you may need to adjust your strategy. To illustrate: If your current portfolio is not providing you with the returns you need to retire comfortably, you may well need to adjust your investment mix to provide more growth potential, but within the context of your risk tolerance and time horizon.

The “big game” is the culmination of a season of hard work by two teams that have achieved the highest level of success. And by applying the lessons you've learned from these teams, you can help contribute to your own success.



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## The Write Angle

# Breaking Chains

“I'm addicted to drugs I want to be saved I am never in peace. I need help. Save me, Lord Jesus.” “I am finally leaving my abuser to God give me the strength I need in the name of your son Jesus.” All of us in the county are in chains in some way, whether it is from hurricane damage, drug or alcohol addiction, domestic abuse, poverty, health, race, the needs of children, the abused or endangered, social integration from prison, or something else. “Then they cried to the Lord in their trouble, and he saved them from their distress. He brought them out of darkness, the utter darkness, and broke away their chains.” –Psalm 107:13 and 14.

“Though the needs are many, we are convinced that the people and resources that are available and those that could be available in response to those needs can be identified and organized. Together and united, we can become more and more effective to meet those needs.” –The Pamlico News, March 7, 2018. That was a story in the paper about the Break Every

Chain event in 2018.

The second “Break Every Chain” conference will occur March 23. “Break Every Chain (BEC)”, organized by Unified Christian Network (UCN), is an event designed to network humanitarian organizations. The event will be held, as it was last year, at Camp Caroline.

We wanted to know what UCN is, and what is its purpose. Eric Dammeyer, the head of UCN, and minister at The Sound, a Christian activist ministry, told us that UCN is a different entity this year; it was part of Operation Veggie Box since 2013, but now is a separate not-for-profit entity that is part of The Sound ministry, run by a board that includes Dammeyer and his wife, Deborah. He said, “the purpose of UCN is to provide networking among churches; churches can more effectively meet humanitarian needs in the community if they work together.”


Susan and I both were part of the conference last year, and we were especially moved by one of the speakers, Matt

Knight, a supervisor with NC Alcohol Law Enforcement, who told about his experience as a substance abuser who quit, while a friend and fellow substance abuser died of a drug overdose. Now he works with youth and children in an effort to prevent substance abuse. He has presented his program, “No Empty Chair,” around the state.

Dammeyer said Break Every Chain is an event structured to bring organizations together, in the way that UCN's goal is to bring churches together to “present to the county the love of the Christian community, glorifying God in that way.”

Dammeyer chose the name of the conference, Break Every Chain, from a line in the Hillsong song, Break Every Chain, “There is power in the name of Jesus to break every chain!”

The forum is open to the public. Those wanting to exhibit or present, may call Eric Dammeyer at (252) 671-2330. In a later column, we hope to provide more information to our readers about the Break Every Chain event.



## Pamlico County Democratic Party

### Oriental Precinct Meeting


**Thursday, Feb 7th, 6:00pm - 7:30pm (??)**  
**Oriental Town Hall**

The Democratic Party announces their annual precinct meeting for 2019.  
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## Former presidential chef to use \$250,000 lottery prize to feed the homeless



RALEIGH – Chef Roberto Mendoza of Charlotte said he's had a lot of winning moments in his life. He's cooked for President Trump and for former President Obama. He's even catered the Oscars. But for Mendoza, winning a \$250,000 lottery prize is an experience he never imagined.

“I have never won anything in my whole life,” Mendoza said. “This is an incredible feeling. I just can't believe it.”

Mendoza said his good luck happened when he followed his mother's intuition and bought a Hit \$500 ticket from the 7-Eleven on Nations Ford Road in Charlotte. “My mom

was up visiting,” Mendoza said. “She told me she had a lucky feeling and knew I was going to win the lottery, so I bought a ticket.” He took the \$5 ticket home and started scratching. “My hands started shaking when I saw the numbers,” Mendoza said. “I've been shaking ever since.” Mendoza claimed his prize Wednesday at lottery headquarters in Raleigh. After required state and federal tax withholdings, he took home \$176,876. He plans to use the money to finish building a cafeteria in the Dominican Republic to feed the hungry. “We feed more than 300 children through my foundation,” Mendoza said. “I know what it's like to be hungry. I told myself when I was a teen that, if I'm ever in a position to give back, I'd do everything I can to make sure no one else has to go hungry.” Hit \$500 launched in July 2018 with six top prizes of \$250,000. One top prize remains. Ticket sales from games like Hit \$500 make it possible for the lottery to raise more than \$650 million a year for education. For details on how \$61.9 million in lottery funds made a difference in Mecklenburg County last year, click on the “Impact” section of the lottery's website.

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## Kitchen Chatter

Nancy Winfrey

### Taco Bake



- 1 pound ground beef
- 1/2 bottle taco sauce
- 1 cup frozen corn
- Doritos, coarsely crushed
- 2 cups cooked shell macaroni (1 cup uncooked)
- 2 cups grated Cheddar cheese

In a large skillet, cook the ground beef, stirring to crumble, until browned. Drain off the fat and then add the taco sauce, corn and cooked macaroni. Cook for 10 minutes and then place in casserole, cover with grated cheese and top with crushed Doritos. Bake in 350 degree oven for 30 minutes.

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## Aurora

Sometimes when the wind is right I can hear the town alarm go off in Aurora. When that happens I may also hear the coyotes howl. I heard what sounded like a large pack across the way on the old mine site. Occasionally I see one within a mile of the house. I really don't like having them around. I saw my ‘Three Sisters’ coming in the other day. For about 4 years we’ve had a herd of three does in the same area and this was the first deer I’d seen in many months. It was so cold the other morning that the ducks in the cove were bunched up in their flotilla looking like a floating pile of raisins. The trees now on my favourite routes remind me of those kind of flower arrangements that many folks have with those huge floor vases and leafless limbs. And they particularly look stunning in the swamps, especially when there’s a blue sky out. These fronts that go through nowadays are such a yo yo. After going through so many storms here, any wind makes me uneasy. There’s always the welcoming south wind that warms things up, the blowing rain that frustrates the cats on the porch, the turn of the wind after the rain from the north west and then the inevi-

Joy McCracken, Correspondent

table cold air. Yet we seem to be in a ‘sweet spot’ here as most of the troubled weather goes either south or north of us. Even in the height of thunderstorm season we rarely get a direct hit from a severe storm. They just tend to bounce around us. As I write this there’s been a driving rain for two hours, the kind you see in old movies and think about the special effects guys who stand outside the window with a hose or something. And it was impossible, but I heard duck hunters in this craziness. I hate this kind of rain. It makes one afraid to do wash or run the dishwasher being on a septic tank. Mr. Jesse Bynum, Sr. passed away on January 21st. He was a dear and familiar face the Aurora community. His service will be on February 2nd at Moore’s Chapel at 11 am in Bonnerston. Hazel W. Guilford Memorial Library’s Annual Patron Appreciation Day will occur on 1/30 from 11-2 pm. Delicious soups and sandwiches will be served. The Annual Back Yard Bird Count is coming up February 15-18 which is sponsored by the Cornel Lab of Ornithology and the National Audubon Society. Please visit gbbs.birdcount.org for more information.

## Goose Creek Island

Goose Creek Island 55 Plus Club met Thursday at the Community Center with President Rosanne Rowe presiding. Chaplain Bob Johnson brought the devotions Romans 8:38-39. “Is Jesus still here?” Nothing will ever separate us from the love of God demonstrated by Jesus Christ when he died for us. Guest Speaker, Sen. Norman W. Sanderson was introduced by Elder Gene Lupton. Ray E. Lupton who celebrated his 99th birthday Aug 23, 2018 received Special Recognition. Sen Sanderson presented Ray with a framed “North Carolina Certificate of Acknowledgement and Congratulations” and a NC State Flag which has been in the Senator’s office for the past eight years. Ray is a veteran, serving in several branches of the military, retired businessman, civic leader and friend to all, honoring his country and community. Special guests were his wife, Audrey Lupton, daughter Carolyn Phillips and step-daughter Gail Hodges. Senator Sanderson spoke to club members concerning state government and emphasizing the power of prayer. He asked for prayer for the 2019-

Annette Jones, 55 Plus Club Correspondent

20 General Assembly as they convene on Jan 30 to represent the citizens of North Carolina and for our leaders in Washington DC that political posturing will diminish. Also, prayer for Congressman Walter Jones and President Donald Trump. Many thanks to Norman for coming to our meeting and for all he does for NC. Prayer List: Please continue prayer for Camden Popperwill. Mike Potter was added to the prayer list. Gene Lupton is doing well after back surgery. Nancy Jean Dixon Cayton Somerset of Hasting Fla. passed away Jan.19. It was a blessing that daughter, Penny and grandson, Kyle were able to visit her before she passed. Leroy Lupton, one of our Lupton cousins passed away recently. Leroy faithfully attended the family reunions and will surely be missed. Please remember the Cayton and Lupton families. Happy Birthday: Lisa Flowers Santimaw and Zool Ireland - Feb 1, Alberta Jenkins Potter, Linda Carawan and Merry Sadler - Feb 2, Patricia Olson Osmer - Feb 3, Elmo Murray Gilgo and Kevin De Oliverio - Feb 4, Bruce Wayne Morris- Feb 5, Julius Elmo Flowers and Darrow Hopkins Paul - Feb 6.

## Pamlico

The roadsides in Pamlico are looking better since debris has been removed again. It appears DOT has reseeded at the intersection of Highway 55 and Florence Road. They have also removed debris from a demolished home in Stonewall. Highway 55 from Stonewall to Oriental is being paved and the west bound lane is already paved. Speaking of Stonewall, Mr. Leroy Lupton, Sr. went home to be with the Lord last Saturday. His funeral was held on Thursday morning at Bryant Funeral Home with the Reverend Carol Grantham officiating. He will be missed by many. If you read my column last week, you know he was in hopes of going home and Praise the Lord, he is home now. Pamlico Correctional Institute hosted its first Kairos weekend PCI #1 January 24-27. A lot of planning and preparation goes into making this a successful spiritual retreat for participating inmates. Thanks go out to so many who helped make this such a success. First, I want to thank Reverend Scott Fitzgerald and the Bayboro Baptist Church for allowing us to use their fellowship hall all week as well as for the trainings leading up to the weekend. Many volunteers came from all over North Carolina and even some from Virginia. Several pastors from Pamlico County including Reverend Carnell Barrow, Reverend Thelmond Cooper, Reverend Joshua Eom and his wife Herena, and Reverend Batty Jo Rodgers assisted on the outside team. There were laity volunteers from Oriental UMC and Arapahoe UMC as well as many from Brice’s Creek Bible Church and Centenary UMC in New Bern. Many businesses like Piggly Wiggly and BoJangles

Betty Jo Rodgers, Correspondent

in Grantsboro also gave donations to help make this a successful event. So many people prayed all over the world for this event and I want to thank each and every one who had a part in making PCI #1 a big success. Due to participation in Kairos, I was not at the Garber UMC celebration where Bishop Hope Morgan Ward of the Sound District of the United Methodist Church presented monetary support for each school system in the Sound District. Celebrating her birthday in January is Shari Roberts Hale (1/31). Bruce Morris (2/5) and Darrow Hopkins (2/6) are celebrating birthdays in February. Have a blessed week. Empty? Take Spiritual Vitamin E. “Enter into his gates with thanksgiving, and into his courts with praise: be thankful unto him, and bless his name.” (Psalms 100:4)

## Whortonsville

It is very early on Thursday morning and I am sitting here listening to the wind and rain outside. I thought today would be a warm one and I could get Weeks out for a ride, but there is a change of plans. The wind must be awfully strong because the flap on my stove exhaust is banging away! Much sadness since I last wrote. Leroy Lupton passed away and the service is today. Leroy and his wife ran the store in Stonewall and they were members of the 60+ Club. Leroy continued in the club after his wife died, and was also active in the Woodmen of the World. Speaking of Woodmen, there will be no more winter meetings at the lodge on Florence road because of failure to get the room warm. Being a block building with no insulation it is very hard to get the heat up on cold days. Members will be con-

Reba Tiller, Correspondent

tacted before the next meeting. Amanda Godwin’s boat burned two nights ago but she and the dog were able to get out. She was unable to save anything. Our prayers are with her in this difficult time, and we will try to help her get back on her feet again. Another former member of the 60+ Club was living at the Gardens of Pamlico, and we were planning to celebrate her 100th birthday, but she passed away and her service was yesterday in New Bern. We are all praying that the little three year old child that is missing in the Ernul area is still alive. Elizabeth and MattieCuthrell and Joan Ford are recovering from three different kinds of “bugs.” Missed them at our Sunday luncheon last week. Thought for the week--Evening news is where they begin with “Good Evening,” and then proceed to tell why it isn’t!

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## Pamlico Partnership for Children receives large grant from Duke Endowment

Pamlico Partnership for Children has received a large grant from The Duke Endowment to fund the Child Care grant to implement The Strengthening Families Program of Pamlico County. Pamlico Partnership for Children (PPFC) is a non-profit organization serving Pamlico County. They provide early childhood education services as well as family and community support programs. PPFC has been serving Pamlico County since 1997 investing in early learning; recently the partnership has intensified its focus to supporting the whole family, aiding long term in a child's well-being and development.

The Endowment grant will be used to implement the Strengthening Families Program of Pamlico (SFPP) for the next three years. The SFPP is designed to build and strengthen relationships within a family unit. The program is for all families who have a child between the ages of 3 to 11. The program has proven to significantly improve parenting skills and family relationships, reduce problem behaviors, delinquency, alcohol and drug abuse in children and to improve social competencies and school performance.

Katelyn Girard the SFPP Site Coordinator is off to a great start. The first cycle of classes is finishing up Feb. 7th and Graduating 7 families from the program. The next cycle will begin Feb. 21st with 10 families at Bayboro Baptist Church. Each night of the program, families arrive and sit down together for a family style dinner. The family meals are being graciously prepared and served by many local churches and organizations; this also provides encouragement to the families attending SFPP. During the family meal fun and interactive conversation is encouraged among family members with topics such as; traditions, animals, memories, and favorite things. Following dinner, the children and their caregivers go to their respective sessions where they delve into the topic of the night and learn skills through fun and interaction.

Pamlico Partnership for Children receives large grant from Duke Endowment

After the individual groups the children and adults come back together for the family session in which together they practice what they learned in their individual sessions, with the support of our group leaders. Families take their learned skills home to work on throughout the week. Skills continue to build week after week until families graduate from the Strengthening Families Program on week 14. The Endowment provides funding to further support the families after they graduate from the program, this is done through SFPP staff, providing families and children with individual outreach, support sessions, support groups, and a annual retreat.

Susan Bridgman, Executive Director for Pamlico Partnership and the Program Manager for SFPP began implementation of the SFPP program over a year ago with limited funding, successfully graduating twelve families in one year. Susan is thrilled to have the funding and support from The Duke Endowment to continue the work on a larger scale, the program will bring families together and over time it will make a difference in the Pamlico community. The next 14-week cycle of Strengthening Families will begin in February 21st, 2019 we are signing up the next group of families now. The program is for all families, no restrictions other than at least one child between the ages of 3-11. Families' graduating will receive a completion incentive.

More information about the program can be found on [www.pamlicopartnership.org](http://www.pamlicopartnership.org). If you know a family or if your family would like to participate, please contact Strengthening Families

Program Site Coordinator, Katelyn Girard at Pamlico Partnership for Children, 252-745-7850 or [katelyn@pamlicopartnership.org](mailto:katelyn@pamlicopartnership.org)

Based in Charlotte and established in 1924 by industrialist and philanthropist James B. Duke,

The Duke Endowment is a private foundation that strengthens communities in North Carolina and South Carolina by nurturing children, promoting health, educating minds and enriching spirits. Since its founding, it has distributed more than \$3.6 billion in grants. The Endowment shares a name with Duke University and Duke Energy, but all are separate organizations.

## 10 Wrestlers Bring Home Medals at Conference Tournament



Javon Armstrong who received the Most Outstanding Wrestler

Pamlico Hurricanes travelled to Tarboro to compete in the conference tournament last Saturday. It was a good day for the Hurricanes. By the end of the day 10 wrestlers were bringing home medals. Javon Armstrong, Abraham Hernandez, and Trevor Wood captured 1st place, Macy Tyson, Walker Filipovich, Julian Roberson, Wyatt Tribby, took 2nd place, and Caleb Duval, Douglas Robinson, and Devin Tutii clinched 3rd place medals. Pamlico finished the conference tournament in 2nd place behind Rosewood High School. Javon Armstrong was voted the Most Outstanding Wrestler for the conference. The previous weekend they were also at Tarboro for an individual tournament that included 10 teams and 5 wrestlers brought home medals. Javon Armstrong placed 1st, Trevor Wood, 2nd, Julian Roberson, Edwin Ramos, and Abraham Hernandez placed 3rd.

Coach Knox said, "We have had a good but challenging wrestling season this year. We are a determined team having to overcome some obstacles this year. Due to the flooding of Pamlico Middle School and the wrestling room, the middle and high school team lost 3 mats. We have been blessed by neighboring New Bern High School for lending us portions of practice mats for us to use and then letting us borrow a mat so we could have at least one home match to recognize our senior wrestler Devin Tutii and allow Canes fans to come out and watch a match. However, we are currently working on securing funds to purchase two competition mats that we lost due to flooding."

If you would like to help raise money to purchase wrestling mats Coach Knox has been approved through [donorschoose.org](http://donorschoose.org). Search Bayboro, NC and school down until you see "Let the Hurricanes Storm Into Victory!" All donations are being matched by Dicks Sporting Good and they are tax deductible "I would like thank all that have already donated. We have until March 22, 2019 and now that we have the matching funds in place I feel we can achieve our goal and secure a new mat for next years wrestling season!"



Medalists from Tarboro Invitational Tournament  
Abraham Hernandez, Trevor Wood, Javon Armstrong, Julian Roberson, Edwin Ramos



Pamlico Hurricane Wrestling Team and medalist at the Conference Tournament.



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## Florence-Whortonsville Firefighter of the Year



Each year the members of the Florence-Whortonsville Fire Department elect a Firefighter of the Year. This person has made significant contributions to the department that year. This year, Assistant Chief Harry Fluharty received the award. Last years recipient Eric Lind presents the award to Harry.

## Oriental Tree Board



As our lives return to normal following Florence's visit, it's time to take a close look at your trees. There were a lot of trees lost or damaged by Florence, both town trees and trees on private property. Many down trees have been removed but there are still many standing damaged trees throughout town. Most broadleaf trees shed their leaves in the winter and this provides an opportunity to see if there was any significant damage to your trees that may pose a risk to people or property. Branches that break during a storm may not fall because they either become hung up on living branches or are still partially attached to the tree. Healthy branches shed their leaves in the fall by forming specialized cells between the leaf and twig, but branches that break before they shed their leaves will retain them. Now that we are in mid-winter look for branches that have an abundance of dead leaves as these branches are likely broken. They will fall eventually, and when that happens there is the risk of injury or property damage. If you have broken branches contact a professional tree service to have them removed. Even small branches falling from high in the crown can cause injury or damage. Do not attempt to remove dead or broken branches yourself. Tree work is dangerous and should only be done by professional arborists.

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Pamlico County Arts Council "Dragon Burn" Feb 2

Pamlico County Arts Council holds the 1st Annual Dragon Burn Saturday Feb 2 at The Red Rooster (behind The Silos.) What's a Dragon Burn? Think the *Burning Man Festival* held in the Black Rock Desert in Nevada, brought to Oriental by dragon.

The dragon is being constructed of wood (and other stuff) headed by Chris Daniels and this year's dragon construction team. It's about 20 foot tall and really, we're gonna light it up! And because it's The Chinese Year of the Pig, bacon is on tap. It's a Dragon Burn wrapped in Bacon. Actually, Bacon wrapped everything. If it's edible, it's gettin' wrapped, from bacon wrapped shrimp, kabobs, bacon wrapped corn on the cob, and even bacon wrapped chocolate. To top off this event, Saltwater Gold will be playing tunes to burn by.

Gates open at 2p and runs until dark – at dusk the dragon burns. Attendance is the cost of a Pamlico County Arts Council membership, \$25, Pamlico County Arts Council Members get in free. Food and drinks will be sold separately. Your membership helps support the Arts in Pamlico County. Fear not – the Oriental Fire Dept. will be attending as collaborative partners in this event promoting fire safety.

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## Youth: Soft and Hard Skills

Every year that passes it seems harder and harder to prepare our teenagers and young adults to enter the workforce. Between new emerging markets and the robotizing of positions, there is a constant need for the acquisition of new hard skills. However, even life-long dedication to learning isn't always enough to make people competitive in the labor market. According to the USAID Office of Education workers also need to be fluent in several soft skills.

What are Soft Skills? For that matter what are Hard Skills? Hard Skills are the cumulation of all formal education and technical training with an emphasis on Science, Technology, Engineering, Math (STEM). Soft Skills, however, are knowledge of and ability to utilize relation skills and emotional intelligence. All of these soft skills are integral to a person's ability to collaborate with coworkers and to provide superior understanding to clients. Many employers rate the importance of Soft Skills equal to a prospective employee's skill and training with Hard Skills. Soft Skills that were deemed especially important were high-order thinking skills (or critical thinking/analysis), self-control, social skills or emotional intelligence, and communication are necessary.

While all of these skills are important and valued across fields, communication is most often given extremely high importance. Employers find the ability for their employees to clearly and concisely articulate information to both coworkers and clients, through written and oral means integral to their institution's success. Further, effective communication often indicates good social and relational skills, increasing their effectiveness in teamwork. Most employers actively seek employees who cannot only succeed in a team environment but thrive in it.

Can these Soft Skills be acquired through traditional formal education? What else can be done to expand our young people's Soft Skills? Soft Skills can be learned, to an extent, through school, however, there can never be

## The Village Gallery

The Village Gallery welcomes watercolor artist CoraMae Zimmerman Pitkin as its guest artist for the month of February. A reception will be held on Saturday, February 1st from 2:00 until 5:00 PM at the Gallery located at 300 Hodges Street in Oriental. The reception is open to the public.

National award-winning artist, CoraMae Zimmerman Pipkin employs a wide variety of methods, materials, and techniques in her artistic journey to generate interesting and unusual art. Her colorful art ranges from the wildly abstract to semi-realistic; from pure watercolor to batiks and mixed media. She has always loved art, but after an injury, art became her therapy. Most every piece of her art has its genesis in a strong emotional connection which underlies her creative drive. Not only does she draw from an abundance of materials, but also from a rich enthusiasm for life. Her works have a story to tell and a story that created them. The goal of CoraMae's work is to allow others to

relate to her art and bring warmth, humor, and/or memories to their hearts.

A retired teacher of elementary and special education, CoraMae is a believer in perpetual learning and experimentation. She enjoys her position as Chairperson for Art in Education with the Watercolor Society of North Carolina as it allows her to keep working with educators to inspire our next generation of artists. She has studied with many internationally known artists to keep her mind and art fresh. CoraMae stays open to new ideas which she uses to share her insatiable desire to create meaningful art depicting life experiences, love of nature, and gift of creativity.

The Village Gallery is a cooperative gallery staffed by volunteer member artists. The Gallery displays 2 and 3 dimensional works of more than 30 local and regional artists. Hours of operation are from 10:00 AM until 5:00 PM Wednesdays through Sundays. For more information about the Gallery please visit or call the Gallery (252 249 2827) during normal hours of operation, call Judy Wayland at 252 259 1505, or visit our website at [villagegallerync.com](http://villagegallerync.com).

Grantsboro Silverhills Volunteer Fire Departments 2019 Line Officers.

Chief Daniel Suggs, Assistant Chief Amanda Heath, Captain Mark Prescott, 1st Lieutenant Justin Andrews and 2nd Lieutenant Todd McFadden

Assistant Chief Amanda Heath had 241 hours. We put a lot on her the last couple years by training so much she keeps up with everyone in the departments training hours. That is a lot to keep up with when people get as many hours as our members get. She received "Officer of the Year".

Every year the membership votes for who they think deserves the Title of Firefighter of the Year. This member comes to the department anytime he can, offers to do things and help with anything we do, he shows pride in HIS fire station and in his self for being a member here. He received "Firefighter of the Year".

This member has been in the department for a year, in that year he has managed to get most of the Firefighter Certification classes and still be at the station twice a week for training. He put in 303 hours Todd McFadden received the "Master of Ladder Bail Outs".



# LEGALS

## AMENDED NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE

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Under and by virtue of the power of sale contained in a certain Deed of Trust made by Christopher L. Burris and Linda Burris to PRLAP, Inc., Trustee(s), dated the 12th day of January, 2007, and recorded in Book 487, Page 452, in Pamlico County Registry, North Carolina, default having been made in the payment of the note thereby secured by the said Deed of Trust and the undersigned, Substitute Trustee Services, Inc. having been substituted as Trustee in said Deed of Trust by an instrument duly recorded in the Office of the Register of Deeds of Pamlico County, North Carolina and the holder of the note evidencing said indebtedness having directed that the Deed of Trust be foreclosed, the undersigned Substitute Trustee will offer for sale at the courthouse door in the City of Bayboro, Pamlico County, North Carolina, or the customary location designated for foreclosure sales, at 12:00 PM on February 4, 2019 and will sell to the highest bidder for cash the following real estate situated in the Township of 5, in the County of Pamlico, North Carolina, and being more particularly described as follows:

Being Lot No. 147, Phase 1, of the subdivision known as Arlington Place as shown on that certain plat or map entitled "Arlington Place, Phase 1, Township 5, Minnesott Beach, Pamlico County, North Carolina", prepared by Herbert J. Nobles, Jr., Professional Land Surveyor, dated October 2, 2006 and duly recorded in Plat Cabinet A, Slide 153, Pages 17 through 20 and Slide 154, Pages 1 through 8, of the Public Registry of Pamlico County, North Carolina. Together with improvements located thereon; said property being located at 128 West Burton Farm Drive, Arapahoe, North Carolina.

Trustee may, in the Trustee's sole discretion, delay the sale for up to one hour as provided in NCGS §45-21.23. Should the property be purchased by a third party, that party must pay the excise tax, as well as the court costs of Forty-Five Cents (\$0.45) per One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00) required by NCGS §7A-308(a)(1).

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

A deposit of five percent (5%) of the purchase price, or seven hundred fifty dollars (\$750.00), whichever is greater, is required and must be tendered in the form of certified funds at the time of the sale. If the trustee is unable to convey title to this property for any reason, the sole remedy of the purchaser is the return of the deposit. Reasons of such inability to convey include, but are not limited

to, the filing of a bankruptcy petition prior to the confirmation of the sale and reinstatement of the loan without the knowledge of the trustee. If the validity of the sale is challenged by any party, the trustee, in their sole discretion, if they believe the challenge to have merit, may request the court to declare the sale to be void and return the deposit. The purchaser will have no further remedy. Additional Notice for Residential Property with Less than 15 rental units, including Single-Family Residential Real Property An order for possession of the property may be issued pursuant to N.C.G.S. § 45-21.29 in favor of the purchaser and against the party or parties in possession by the clerk of superior court of the county in which the property is sold. Any person who occupies the property pursuant to a rental agreement entered into or renewed on or after October 1, 2007, may after receiving the notice of foreclosure sale, terminate the rental agreement by providing written notice of termination to the landlord, to be effective on a date stated in the notice that is at least 10 days but not more than 90 days, after the sale date contained in this notice of sale, provided that the mortgagor has not cured the default at the time the tenant provides the notice of termination. Upon termination of a rental agreement, the tenant is liable for rent due under the rental agreement prorated to the effective date of the termination. SUBSTITUTE TRUSTEE SERVICES, INC. SUBSTITUTE TRUSTEE c/o Hutchens Law Firm P.O. Box 1028 4317 Ramsey Street Fayetteville, North Carolina 28311 Phone No: (910) 864-3068 https://sales.hutchenslawfirm.com Case No: 1240409 (FC.FAY)

## NORTH CAROLINA IN THE GENERAL COURT OF JUSTICE PAMLICO COUNTY SUPERIOR COURT DIVISION NOTICE TO CREDITORS AND DEBTORS OF CAMERON LEE GIFFEN

File No.: 18 E 172

All persons, firms and corporations having claims against CAMERON LEE GIFFEN deceased, are notified to exhibit them to MARCIA A. ROBINSON Executor of the Estate, on or before April 16TH 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 Executor. This 16TH day of January, 2019.

Estate of CAMERON LEE GIFFEN c/o Marcia A. Robinson P. O. Box 38 Bayboro, NC 28515

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## NOTICE TO CREDITORS ESTATE OF LELA HARDISON BELANGIA

File No. 19E7

Having qualified as Co-Executors of the Estate of Lela Hardison Belangia late of 8605 NC Hwy 306 South, Arapahoe, Pamlico County, NC 28510, 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 16th day of April, 2019, 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 16th day of January, 2019.

Grantsboro, all other larceny Jan. 20, Chair Road, New Bern, larceny Jan. 21, Hart Drive, Oriental, death investigation Jan. 22, Olympia Road, New Bern, failure to appear in court Jan. 22, NC Hwy 55, Grantsboro, identity theft Jan. 22, Silverbrook Road, Oriental, hit/run leave scene property damage Jan. 22, Olympia Road, New Bern, OFA Jan. 22, Main Street, Bayboro, 2nd degree trespass, cyberstalking, and harassing phone calls Jan. 23, Chinchilla Drive, Bayboro, harassment complaint Jan. 24, South Street, Bayboro, fraud/scam

Elmo Belangia, Jr. and Barbara Javaras, Co-Executors Estate of Lela Hardison Brinson Paul J. Delamar Delamar & Delamar, PLLC 408 Main Street P.O. Box 411 Bayboro, N.C. 28515

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## NOTICE TO CREDITORS ESTATE OF RITA L. LAUGHINGHOUSE

File No. 19E7

Having qualified as Executrix of the Estate of Rita L. Laughinghouse, late of 681 Lee Landing Road, Reelsboro, Pamlico County, NC 28560, 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 16th day of April, 2019, 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 16th day of January, 2019.

Sebrina Ogelsby, Executrix Estate of Rita L. Laughinghouse Sara L. Delamar Delamar & Delamar, PLLC 408 Main Street P.O. Box 411 Bayboro, N.C. 28515

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## NORTH CAROLINA IN THE GENERAL COURT OF JUSTICE CRAVEN COUNTY SUPERIOR COURT DIVISION NOTICE TO CREDITORS AND DEBTORS OF BERNARD B. HOLLOWELL

Having qualified as Administrator of the Estate of Bernard B. Hollowell, late of Bayboro, Pamlico County, North Carolina, the undersigned does hereby notify all persons, firms and corporations having claims against the estate of said decedent to exhibit them to the undersigned at Post Office Box 218, Bayboro, North Carolina 28515, on or before the 19th day of April, 2019 or this notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery. All persons, firms and corporations indebted to the said estate will please make immediate payment to the undersigned. This 16th day of January, 2019

Bernard B. Hollowell, Jr. HOLLOWELL & HOLLOWELL P.O. Box 218 Bayboro, NC 28515

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## NORTH CAROLINA IN THE GENERAL COURT OF JUSTICE PAMLICO COUNTY SUPERIOR COURT DIVISION NOTICE TO CREDITORS AND DEBTORS OF MARTHAAN MILLER FENTON

Having qualified as Executor of the Estate of Marthaan Miller Fenton, late of Oriental, Pamlico County, North Carolina, the undersigned does hereby notify all persons, firms and corporations having claims against the estate of said decedent to exhibit them to the undersigned at 805 Third Street, Oriental, NC 28571, on or before the 19th day of April, 2019, or this notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery. All persons, firms and corporations indebted to the

said estate will please make immediate payment to the undersigned. This 16th day of January, 2019

Rebekkah G. Hilgraves 805 Third Street Oriental, NC 28571

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## NOTICE OF SERVICE BY PROCESS BY PUBLICATION IN THE GENERAL COURT OF JUSTICE DISTRICT COURT DIVISION FILE NO. 18 CvD 122 NORTH CAROLINA PAMLICO COUNTY

Pamlico County, A Body Politic and Corporate vs. Unknown Heirs at Law of Kay H. Radford, a/k/a Catherine Radford TO: Unknown Heirs at Law of Kay H. Radford, a/k/a Catherine Radford 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: BEGINNING on the south side of Highway 304 at an old ditch way which is now filled up for a distance of approximately 100 feet. This beginning if approximately 300 feet from the east of where the old Campbells Creek Road intersected this Highway 304 highway; thence running a southward course with the old ditch to a road known as the old Fred Spain road; thence a west-wardly course across the road to a large ditch; thence with the said ditch a northwardly course to Highway 304; thence with said Highway 304 to the BEGINNING, containing one acre, more or less. Subject to easements, restrictions and rights of way of record, and matters of survey. Also being identified as Parcel ID# M031-88, Pamlico County Tax Office. Address: 14758 North Carolina 304/33 Highway, Hobucken, 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 March 5, 2019 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 January 16, 2019. <?>Richard J. Kania Attorney for Plaintiff 600-A Centrepark Drive Asheville, North Carolina 28805 (828) 252-8010 Publish on January 23, 2019 January 30, 2019 February 6, 2019

## NOTICE OF SERVICE BY PROCESS BY PUBLICATION IN THE GENERAL COURT OF JUSTICE DISTRICT COURT DIVISION FILE NO. 18 CvD 124 NORTH CAROLINA PAMLICO COUNTY

Pamlico County, A Body Politic and Corporate vs. Frank Mackenzie, Unknown Heirs at Law of Frank Mackenzie, Ruby M. T. Mackenzie, Unknown Heirs at Law of Ruby M. T. Mackenzie, Unknown Heirs at Law of Anthony E. Mackenzie TO: Frank Mackenzie, Unknown Heirs at Law of Frank Mackenzie, Ruby M. T. Mackenzie, Unknown Heirs at Law of Ruby M. T. Mackenzie, Unknown Heirs at

Law of Anthony E. Mackenzie 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:

Adjoining the lands of W. B. Brinson, Jane Taylor, John Hall and others, BEGINNING at a gum on side of old field landing road, and running North 39 degrees West 65 poles to a pine in the John Hall line; thence with said Hall line North 58 degrees East 34 poles to a stake; thence South 39 degrees East 76 poles to the road; thence with said road South 76 degrees West 35 poles to the BEGINNING, containing 16 acres, more or less. EXCEPTING, however, from said tract the following three portions thereof: FIRST EXCEPTION: BEGINNING at a point on the North aide of Old Field Landing Road 150 yards from the beginning corner of deed by William Sutton et als to Shepard Taylor dated March 26, 1942, recorded in Book 108 Page 411, running thence parallel with the first line described in said deed 70 yards, thence Eastwardly parallel with the Old Field Landing Road 70 yards, thence Southwardly parallel the first line to Old Field Lending Road, thence westwardly with said road to the beginning containing one acre. SECOND EXCEPTION: On the north side of the Taylor Neck or Old Field Landing Road (Secondary Road 1306), BEGINNING in the northern edge of said road at a point which may be located by beginning at the intersection of the centerlines of the Dawson Creek Road (Secondary Road 1301) and said Taylor Neck Road and running North 77 degrees East with the centerline of the Taylor Neck Road 1308 feet; thence North 11 degrees West 30 feet to said beginning point; thence from said beginning point North 11 degrees West 200 feet; thence North 79 degrees East 100 feet; thence. South 11 degrees East 200 feet to the northern edge of the Taylor Neck Road; thence South 79 degrees West with the road edge 100 feet to the point of BEGINNING, containing one-half (1/2) acre, more or less. THIRD EXCEPTION: BEGINNING at a stake in Leo Brinson's line running thence South 38 degrees East 334 feet to a post; thence South 6 degrees 92 feet to Old Field Landing Road; thence West with said Road South 77 degrees West 112 feet to a ditch; thence North 15 degrees West with said ditch 397 feet to the beginning, containing seven tenths of an acre. As shown by plat by R. C. Holton, Surveyor, Sept. 22, 1956. Subject to easements, restrictions and rights of way of record, and matters of survey. Also being identified as Parcel ID# G091-46, Pamlico County Tax Office. Address: (G091-46) Taylor Neck Road, Arapahoe, 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 March 5, 2019 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 January 16, 2019.

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## NORTH CAROLINA IN THE GENERAL COURT OF JUSTICE PAMLICO COUNTY SUPERIOR COURT DIVISION NOTICE TO CREDITORS AND DEBTORS OF LISA E. BERNETT

File No.: 19 E 14

All persons, firms and corporations having claims against LISA E. BERNETT deceased, are notified to exhibit them to ROBERT E. BERNETT Executor of the Estate, on or before April 23rd 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 Executor. This 23rd day of January, 2019.

Estate of LISA E. BERNETT c/o Robert E. Burnett 588 Creek Place Rd Arapahoe, NC 28510

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## NORTH CAROLINA IN THE GENERAL COURT OF JUSTICE PAMLICO COUNTY SUPERIOR COURT DIVISION NOTICE TO CREDITORS AND DEBTORS OF HELEN M. HARRIS

File No.: 19 E 12

All persons, firms and corporations having claims against HELEN M. HARRIS deceased, are notified to exhibit them to J. KEVIN HARRIS Executor of the Estate, on or before April 23rd 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 Executor. This 23rd day of January, 2019.

Estate of HELEN M. HARRIS c/o J. Kevin Harris 9216 Adalee Court Columbia, MD 21045

Publish January 23, 30 and February 6 & 13, 2019

## NORTH CAROLINA IN THE GENERAL COURT OF JUSTICE PAMLICO COUNTY SUPERIOR COURT DIVISION NOTICE TO CREDITORS AND DEBTORS OF NELLIE L. CLAGON

File No.: 19 E 16

All persons, firms and corporations having claims against NELLIE L. CLAGON deceased, are notified to exhibit them to THOMAS CLAGON Executor of the Estate, on or before April 30, 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 Executor. This 30TH day of January, 2019.

Estate of NELLIE L. CLAGON c/o Thomas Clagon 23 Live Oak Rd Grantsboro, NC 28529

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Lot: 17 Section VI, from Alfred Cardillo and Theresa M. Cardillo to Roy F. Rice Jr and Kimberly C. Rice, \$460 Jan. 25, Dawson Creek Lot: 206 Phase 1, Sections 1&2, from Barbara M. Hoffman, B. Hoffman, Terry L. Visconti, and John Visconti to Jacquin Kirkman and Tammara Kirkman, \$18 Jan. 25, Oriental Plantation Lot: 20 Section I; Boat Slip 18, Oriental Marina, Condo Book 1/72-74; Oriental Plantation Lot: 14 Section III; Oriental Plantation Lot: 15 Section III, from Bettina Fabrizio Cowell, Betinna F. Styron, Rickie Dwayne Cowell, and Rickie D. Cowell to Stephen E. Mercier and Brenda F. Harris, \$50

# FISHING REPORT

The weather has been crazy but the fish are hungry. Plenty of trout being caught with limits of legal size picked out. Yu have to be mobile to locate them but when you do its game on. Soft plastics under rattle float (DOA Deadly Combo) or just slowly twitched along bottom will hook you up. Hard suspending baits worked SLOWWW also produce well.

The rock are somewhat making move up river with still a lot of fish scattered to the mouth if the Neuse. Fish deep ledges with jerk shad or larger shad tails (DOA) on 1/4 to 5/8 ounce jig head to get to bottom of the ledges in current. A good bottom machine (Hummingbird Mega Image) can be your best friend!

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Punxsutawney Groundhog Day Celebration

In 1723, the Delaware Indians settled Punxsutawney, Pennsylvania as a campsite halfway between the Allegheny and the Susquehanna Rivers. The town is 90 miles northeast of Pittsburgh, at the intersection of Route 36 and Route 119. The Delawares considered groundhogs honorable ancestors. According to the original creation beliefs of the Delaware Indians, their forebears began life as animals in "Mother Earth" and emerged centuries later to hunt and live as men.

The name Punxsutawney comes from the Indian name for the location "ponksad-uteney" which means "the town of the sandflies."  
The name woodchuck comes from the Indian legend of "Wojak, the groundhog" considered by them to be their ancestral grandfather.

When German settlers arrived in the 1700s, they brought a tradition known as Candlemas Day, which has an early origin in the pagan celebration of Imbolc. It came at the mid-point between the Winter Solstice and the Spring Equinox. Superstition held that if the weather was fair, the second half of Winter would be stormy and cold. For the early Christians in Europe, it was the custom on Candlemas Day for clergy to bless candles and distribute them to the people in the dark of Winter. A lighted candle was placed in each window of the home. The day's weather continued to be important. If the sun came out February 2, halfway between Winter and Spring, it meant six more weeks of wintry weather.

The earliest American reference to Groundhog Day can be found at the Pennsylvania Dutch Folklore Center at Franklin and Marshall College:

February 4, 1841 - from Morgantown, Berks County (Pennsylvania) storekeeper James Morris' diary..."Last Tuesday, the 2nd, was Candlemas day, the day on which, according to the Germans, the Groundhog peeps out of his winter quarters and if he sees his shadow he pops back for another six weeks nap, but if the day be cloudy he remains out, as the weather is to be moderate."

According to the old English saying: If Candlemas

be fair and bright, Winter has another flight. If Candlemas brings clouds and rain, Winter will not come again.

**From Scotland:** If Candlemas Day is bright and clear, There'll be two winters in the year.

**From Germany:** For as the sun shines on Candlemas Day, So far will the snow swirl until May.

For as the snow blows on Candlemas Day, So far will the sun shine before May.

**And from America:** If the sun shines on Groundhog Day; Half the fuel and half the hay.

If the sun made an appearance on Candlemas Day, an animal would cast a shadow, thus predicting six more weeks of Winter. Germans watched a badger for the shadow. In Pennsylvania, the groundhog, upon waking from mid-Winter hibernation, was selected as the replacement.

Pennsylvania's official celebration of Groundhog Day began on February 2nd, 1886 with a proclamation in The Punxsutawney Spirit by the newspaper's editor, Clymer Freas: "Today is groundhog day and up to the time of going to press the beast has not seen its shadow." The groundhog was given the name "Punxsutawney Phil, Seer of Seers, Sage of Sages, Prognosticator of Prognosticators, and Weather Prophet Extraordinary" and his hometown thus called the "Weather Capital of the World." His debut performance: no shadow - early Spring.

The legendary first trip to Gobbler's Knob was made the following year.

The groundhog, also known as a woodchuck (Marmota monax), is a member of the squirrel family. Groundhogs in the wild eat succulent green plants, such as dandelion, clover, and grasses.

According to handlers John Griffiths and Ben Hughes, Phil weighs 15 pounds and thrives on dog food and ice cream in his climate-controlled home at the Punxsutawney Library.

Up on Gobbler's Knob, Phil is placed in a heated burrow underneath a simulated tree stump on stage before being pulled out at 7:25 a.m. to make his prediction.

The Tuscarora War’s dirty secret

by D.G. Martin

There is a secret about North Carolina’s early colonial days, something even more disturbing and horrifying than traditional slavery.

I learned about it reading UNC-Wilmington professor David La Vere’s “The Tuscarora War: Indians, Settlers, and the Fight for the Carolina Colonies.” That book interested me because I want to learn more about the 18th-century explorer, John Lawson, one of the “The Tuscarora War’s” main characters. I am studying Lawson to get ready for the upcoming publication of another book about him, “A Delicious Country: Rediscovering the Carolinas along the Route of John Lawson’s 1700 Expedition” by Scott Huler, senior staff writer at Duke Magazine.

What does all this have to do with this dark secret? Keep reading to the end.

La Vere sets out in detail the background for the Tuscarora War that began in 1711. In the late 1600s and early 1700s, North Carolina was sparsely settled, mainly by Virginians moving south onto the lands around the Albemarle Sound. They encountered small groups of Indians and were generally able to subdue them.

However, to the south and west, the mighty Tuscarora Indian strongholds stood as a barrier. They were, writes Le Vere, like a “cork” that capped settler expansion.

Meanwhile Lawson’s glowing descriptions about his travels in the colony sparked the interest of the Lords Proprietors, who owned the colony and were looking for ways to encourage settlement. Lawson met a minor Swiss noble, Christopher de Graffenried. They worked out a plan with the Lords Proprietors in England to transport groups of poor German refugees and Swiss paupers to lands along the Neuse River near today’s New Bern.

La Vere writes that after overcoming great odds, “De Graffenried’s colony of Swiss and German Palatines at the mouth of the Neuse River was thriving, expansion up the Neuse seemed a real possibility.”

Therefore, Lawson and Graffenried made a trip up the Neuse, through Tuscarora lands to scout sites for future settlements.

“All the while, the Indians grew more worried and angry as the abuses against them escalated and their complaints fell on deaf ears. That spark came in mid-September 1711,” according to La Vere, with this trip up the Neuse.

The local Tuscarora king or chief, offended and threatened that his territory had been invaded, captured Lawson and Graffenried and put them on trial for their lives. When one of the more radical Indian leaders berated him, Lawson lost his temper. “He argued back, his anger and sarcasm apparent to all.”

Lawson was doomed and shortly executed. Graffenried remained in custody while the Indians planned and carried out their first attacks on September 22, 1711, appearing at



first as friendly visitors to the settlers’ farms and then striking suddenly from ambush when the defenses were down.

North Carolina’s efforts to beat back the Tuscaroras were unsuccessful. The colony had not enough manpower, firepower, or money. Help finally came from the wealthy sister colony to the south. South Carolina sent two expeditions to relieve its northern neighbor.

Hold on, we are close to the dark secret.

The first expedition led by John Barnwell set out with a force of about 700 men. Only 35 were regular militia. The rest were Indians. The results were mixed, and the Tuscaroras remained a threat. The second expedition led by James Moore, made up of 113 militia and 760 Indians, wiped out the Tuscarora at their stronghold at Neoheroka, near present day Snow Hill in Greene County, and unplugged the Tuscarora “cork” on settlement in the interior of North Carolina.

Why did South Carolina so enthusiastically aid its neighbor? Why did South Carolina Indians provide the critical manpower?

Writes La Vere, “Above all, it was a chance to enrich oneself by looting the Tuscarora towns and taking slaves, which they could sell to waiting South Carolina traders for guns and merchandise.”

North Carolina’s early colonists secured their colony by facilitating and participating in the enslavement and sale of captured Tuscaroras by South Carolina Indians.

That is history’s dirty secret.

D.G. Martin hosts “North Carolina Bookwatch,” Sunday 11:00 am and Tuesday at 5:00 pm on UNC-TV. The program also airs on the North Carolina Channel Tuesday at 8:00 pm and other times.

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Thursday, February 7th

At The Following Locations & Times



Alliance Precinct - Bayboro Courthouse, Board of Elections Room, 6:00 PM

Arapahoe Precinct - Arapahoe Fire Station, 5:00 PM

Bayboro - Bayboro Courthouse, Board of Elections Room, 6:00 PM

Grantsboro Precinct - Grantsboro Town Hall, 7:00 PM

Hobucken Precinct - Goose Creek Island Community Center, 6:00 PM

Mesic Precinct - Mesic Town Hall, 7:00 PM

Reelsboro Precinct - Reelsboro Fire Station, 7:00 PM

Oriental Precinct - Oriental Town Hall, 6:00 PM

Stonewall Precinct - Bayboro Courthouse, Board of Elections Room, 6:00 PM

Vandemere Precinct - Vandemere Town Hall, 5:00 PM

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