

The Pamlico News Remembers Their Memorial Day Heroes

With Memorial Day fast approaching (May25th), a few members of the staff and family at The Pamlico News have contributed stories and histories of relatives who gave the ultimate sacrifice while serving in the armed forces of the United States of America.

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Happy Nurse's Day!



Pamlico County Primary School is so blessed to have Allison Ormond as our school nurse. She is a dedicated caring young woman that our pups love to visit in her clinic. Here she is helping keep our schools safe by taking temperature for our Pamlico County employees. Thank you for all you do for us! ❤️



UNC School of Law Covid-19 Response Summer Project

Statement of Purpose and Client Eligibility The purpose of the Covid-19 Summer Project (the "Project") is to 1) serve the legal needs of North Carolina charitable nonprofit organizations, including churches and other religious organizations, as they adjust to the Covid-19 pandemic, 2) provide rich practical educational experiences for a cohort of UNC Law students.

The Project will focus on the legal needs of small, under-resourced charitable nonprofit organizations in North Carolina. Although many nonprofit organizations are distressed during this challenging time, the Project's priority will be to serve organizations that could not otherwise afford to pay for legal services and that therefore have nowhere else to turn. The scope of the Project's representation will depend on the volume of requests; however, in order of priority, it will accept matters involving 1) CARES Act loans and loan forgiveness; 2) other legal questions or challenges arising directly or indirectly from the Covid-19 pandemic, including employment law and risk reduction strategies; 3) other matters concerning the law of nonprofit organizations.

Charitable nonprofit organizations seeking assistance should contact Professor Thomas Kelley at takelley@email.unc.edu. The email should include a brief description of the organization, including its size and its mission, along with a summary of the organization's legal challenge(s).

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2020 Memorial Day Ceremony to be Virtual

by: Hiram Lupton



Although the Public Cannot Attend the Annual Memorial Day Ceremony in Person, It Will Still Take Place and Plans Are Being Made to Stream it Live on Facebook. This Photo is From the Ceremony in 2017.

With the COVID19 restrictions still in place limiting the gatherings of large crowds, plans are being made to still honor those who gave the ultimate sacrifice for their country. This Memorial Day will be a little different, in that no crowds will be allowed to gather in front of the courthouse to witness the patriotic songs, the laying of the wreaths, or the firing of the salute by the honor guard. But these rites will still take place. According to Veteran Larry Summers, plans are being made to live stream the ceremonies via Facebook hopefully across multiple pages ("Oriental NC!! and Disabled American Veterans Pamlico County). A video will also be posted to youtube. The event is being sponsored by Pamlico County in conjunction with representatives from the American Legion Posts 200 and 238, the Oriental Dragon Detachment of the Marine Corps League, Pamlico County Chapter #93 of the Disabled American Veterans and the Combined Honor Guard. While it will be hard to match the reverence and emotion of attending the event in person, hopefully this will give viewers a chance to see that our fallen heroes are being remembered and honored.

CarolinaEast's Food & Nutrition

CarolinaEast's Food & Nutrition team has been collecting food, toiletry and other needed items in the CarolinaEast Medical Center Cafeteria for donation to Religious Community Services (RCS) food bank. CarolinaEast employees donated over 150 "Blessing Bags" for RCS shelter residents in addition to many bags and boxes of non-perishables. A group of Food & Nutrition staff usually get together to cook a meal in the RCS kitchen monthly and since COVID-19 has limited that volunteer opportunity, they decided to give back in a different way. It was a blessing to all today as they delivered the items to RCS.



Backyard Birding in Pamlico County

If you have been spending more time at home this spring (for one reason or another), or if you've been working in your backyard lately, you may have realized that this time of year is great for seeing a large variety of birds in our area. Year-round species like the Cardinal, Carolina Chickadee, Blue Jays, Bluebirds and Red Headed Woodpeckers abound and are highly active, building nests, laying eggs, and searching for food for their young as well as themselves. Migratory species also arrive in the spring such as the Purple Martin and the always popular Hummingbirds. If you have vegetation around your yard to provide some cover as well as a food supply, be it natural or in feeders, you can be a backyard birder. As Yogi Berra once said, "You can observe a lot, by just watching." I don't think he was talking about birdwatching, but it definitely applies.



Bayboro man charged following drug sale investigation



by: Fantasia Harvey

PITT COUNTY, N.C. (WNCT) On Wednesday, May 13, detectives with the Pitt County Sheriff's Office Special Operations Unit were conducting surveillance at a shopping center parking lot in Greenville in support of an investigation.

Detectives said they witnessed a hand to hand transaction, consistent with a drug deal.

A traffic stop was conducted on an involved vehicle on NC 43 South near Hollywood Drive.

During their investigation, detectives recovered 45 grams of heroin from the vehicle.

The driver, 31 year old Vincenzo Greco of Bayboro, was arrested and charged with:

- Level III trafficking of heroin by possession
- Level III trafficking of heroin by transport
- Maintaining a vehicle for the sale of a controlled substance
- Possession of drug paraphernalia

Greco was booked into the Pitt County Detention Center, where he is being held under a \$1,000,000 bond.

Pamlico VITA Free Income Tax Preparation to Open Wed May 27,2020

The Pamlico VITA Free Income Tax preparation service will reopen the last week of May at our Pamlico County location, and the first week of June at our New Bern location.

The tax preparation process will be modified to adhere with social distancing and health guidelines in existence at the time.

Taxpayers will drop off their information for preparation by certified volunteers, after completing both an interview and a release form. They will return either later the same day or the following week to review and pick up their completed return.

Taxpayers should bring a copy of photo ID for all taxpayers and copies of Social Security cards for all taxpayers and dependents, along with their previous years tax return and all current year tax documents.

SITE LOCATIONS and HOURS

Pamlico Senior Center 800 Main St. Alliance. 9am-5pm Wednesdays May 27 – July 8

Christ Church's Harrison Center 311 Middle St. New Bern Mon and Tue 9am-3pm June 1 – July 13

Get further updates on dates, times and requirements

Pamlico Senior Center 252-745-7196

New Bern VITA 252-772-5245

or by visiting our website at newbern vita.com

Alice Petree

Site Coordinator

Pamlico VITA

WEEKEND WEATHER

SAT MAY 23 Scattered showers and thunderstorms. High 81F. Winds NW at 5 to 10 mph. Chance of rain 50%. **SAT Night** Clear skies with a few passing clouds. Low 64F. Winds light and variable.

SUN MAY 24 Intervals of clouds and sunshine in the morning with more clouds for later in the day. A stray shower or thunderstorm is possible. High 77F. Winds NNE at 10 to 15 mph. **SUN Night** Mainly cloudy. Low 62F. Winds NE at 5 to 10 mph.



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OBITUARIES

Randy Francis Johnson, infant, passed away Saturday, May 9, 2020, at home. He was preceded in death by maternal grandfather, Randy Heath Sr. He is survived by his parents, Chris & Shannon Johnson; sisters, Sophia, Sabrina and Carol; maternal grandmother, Christi Heath; paternal grandmother, Elizabeth “Liz” Johnson; paternal grandfather, David Hollister; uncles, Randy Heath Jr., Donald Heath and Blake Hollister; and aunt, Grace Heath. His graveside service was held 11:00 a.m. Thursday, May 14th at Paul Cemetery, Silver Hill. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to Bryant Funeral Home, PO Box 99, Alliance, NC 28509. Arrangements by Bryant Funeral Home & Cremations, Alliance.

New Bern- Emily Carol Buck Scoppe (Granny), passed away on Friday, May 8th at Nash UNC General Hospital. Her daughter, Vicki Hacker, grand-daughter, Cindy Hill, and friend, Ed Meinking, were by her side, which followed complications after an injury. She was the daughter of the late Eugene Buck and Mildred Hines Reel Buck. She was preceded in death by her beloved husband, Richard Scoppe; her son, Douglas Woolard; a brother, Eugene Buck, Jr. and a step-grandchild, Mary Henderson. Emily was born August 20, 1940, in New Bern. She was a highly active member of the Pamlico County and Craven County Democratic Party, with a long history in Pamlico thanks to her mother, Mildred Reel Buck. She was also a member of Beta Sigma Phi in Havelock.

She retired after many years working at Cherry Point. She was a member of the Reelsboro United Methodist Church. She is survived by her sister, Linda Buck Walker and brother-in-law, James Howard Walker, of Vancouver, Washington; daughter, Vicki Hacker and Ed Meinking; step-daughter, Lisa Scoppe Lewis and husband, Willie, of Cove City; step-son, Richard Joseph Scoppe, Jr. of Jacksonville; step-daughter, Shannon Potter and husband, John, of New Bern; three grandchildren, Cynthia Woolard Hill, Daniel Hacker, and Ashley Woolard, six step-grandchildren, Charles Doyle, Thomas Doyle, Morgan Potter, Willie Lewis, and Jonathan Lewis; three great-grandchildren, Ayden Hill, Naomi Hill and Tinley Synclare Hacker; nine step-great grandchildren, Brantley Lewis, Sarah Lewis, Mallorie Lewis, Violet Lewis, Willie Lewis V, Charles Doyle II, Richard Doyle, Samuel Doyle and Willow Henderson; and many special nieces and nephews. The greatest of her legacies was her tremendous love of her family and friends. She was a dear friend to many and never saw a stranger. She would make you feel valued and took the time to get to know everyone. She was the definition of southern hospitality and class and will be deeply missed by everyone that knew her. A true Southern Belle. A private graveside service at Sandhill Cemetery in Reelsboro is scheduled for Saturday, May 16, 2020, at 11:00 am with Rev. Michael Roach officiating. The family will host a Celebration of Life for Emily when the COVID-19 gathering ban is lifted so that everyone can attend and fellowship to remember the amazing lady she was. Emily’s family requests that in lieu of flowers, memorial donations be made to the Celiac Disease Foundation at this link: <https://celiac.org/donate/>. Arrangements by Bryant Funeral Home & Cremations, Alliance.

Jeffrey John Tomczak, 65 of Oriental passed away Saturday, May 16, 2020, at his step-daughter’s home. He owned and operated The Oriental Steamer. He was preceded in death by his mother, Alice Tomczak and sisters, Colleen Tomczak and Anna Lee Geno. He is survived by his father, Daniel Tomczak; daughter, Jordane Tomczak; stepdaughter, Tiffany Davidson; brothers, Daniel and James Tomczak; sister, Rebecca Tomczak; and three grandchildren, Taysia George, Kendall Davidson and Keira Mattocks. A memorial service will be held at a later date. In lieu of flowers the family suggested memorial contributions be made to Pamlico Presbyterian Church, 1085 Kershaw Rd., Oriental, NC 28571. Arrangements by Bryant Funeral Home & Cremations, Alliance.

Addiction Recovery Support Group

Recovery support group meetings, using principles from NA, AA, Smart Recovery, and Celebrate Recovery – hosted by **Hope Clinic’s New Beginnings** program. Every evening at 7pm inside the Pamlico County Health Dept. The entrance is the middle door on the courthouse side of the building. If the door is locked, please knock, if group is already in session. There are no requirements to attend, and meetings are free. For more information, please call Caitlin at (252) 745-5760 or email her at caitlin@hopeclinic.net

Horoscopes



ARIES – Mar 21/Apr 20
After a misunderstanding with someone close, you may be licking your wounds, Aries. Don’t let one or two arguments derail your friendship. Find a way to remedy things.



TAURUS – Apr 21/May 21
If you are tired of taking one for the team, you may need to be more assertive in your work and social circles, Taurus. Set your limits and then stick with them.



GEMINI – May 22/Jun 21
Try not to commit to anything out of a sense of guilt, Gemini. Rather, commit to things for the right reasons, which might make you more likely to see them through to completion.



CANCER – Jun 22/Jul 22
Cancer, as you step out of your comfort zone, think about figuring out some thrill-seeking ideas. Now is the time to push the envelope and really see the wild side.



LEO – Jul 23/Aug 23
You are often a force to be reckoned with, Leo. This week will be no different. You can direct your focus in any direction. So think clearly on what you want to do.



VIRGO – Aug 24/Sept 22
Virgo, are your aspirations in tune with your actions? Long-term goals come into focus, and you now have to set the course to realize all of your goals.

Taurus Zodiac Sign

Smart, ambitious, and trustworthy, Taurus is the anchor of the Zodiac. Amazing friends, colleagues, and partners, Taureans value honesty above all else and are proud that their personal relationships tend to be drama free. Bulls get the reputation of being stubborn, but they’re not always stuck in their ways. This searching sign is willing to see another point of view, but they won’t flip-flop on an opinion just to make someone else happy. They will shift their thinking only if they truly have a change of heart. With a rep as one of the hardest-working signs in the Zodiac, a Bull is never afraid to roll up those sleeves and get to work, and won’t blink an eye at pulling an all-nighter to get the job done. But it’s not all work for Taurus. Anchored by the earth, this passionate sign is all about sensuality, and is always seeking out pleasure. Whether they’re indulging in luxurious massages, spending hours in bed with their lover, or going on a long run, Taureans love feeling present in their body and frequently need to get in touch with their physical self. When it comes to love, Taureans are all about honesty, which is why a first date with a Bull may resemble a job interview. They’re not being rude—they’re built for partnerships and are simply trying to see if you’re a good



LIBRA – Sept 23/Oct 23
Honest and diplomatic communication may be needed at the office or your place of employment, Libra. Others may turn to you to be a mediator. Put those skills to use.



SCORPIO – Oct 24/Nov 22
Scorpio, are you spreading yourself too thin? You probably have too many irons in the fire and will have to prioritize and pull back; otherwise, you may feel overwhelmed.



SAGITTARIUS – Nov 23/Dec 21
Check all of the balances in your accounts, Sagittarius. You may have to make very important financial decisions as they pertain to your family’s future.



CAPRICORN – Dec 22/Jan 20
Capricorn, family dynamics may be a little strained lately. It may be time for family members to redefine their roles and boundaries. Things may be sorted soon.



AQUARIUS – Jan 21/Feb 18
Aquarius, you will support the people you feel closest to and be their ultimate champion. However, sometimes you need to step back and let others fight their own battles.



PISCES – Feb 19/Mar 20
Pisces, normally you are a relatively friendly, easygoing person who is apt to reconcile quickly. But this week you could be out of sorts.

fit at the start. And once you begin dating a Taurus, forget about white lies. A Taurus would much rather hear that an outfit is unflattering than endure hollow compliments. Taurus will hold a grudge against someone who lies, even if it’s a lie just to make them feel happy. In bed, Taurus is a giving lover—as long as their partner steps it up and makes sure to give as well as receive pleasure! Detail-oriented Taurus may seem nitpicky (even in the bedroom, a mid-romp critique may not be unusual), but that’s not because they want to offend! They simply demand the best, and they expect the people in their life to deliver. While Taurus has an intense internal drive, they sometimes have trouble respecting authority, especially if asked to do something they think is pointless or should be done differently. Learning to be flexible and go with the flow can be an advantage to Taurus. And while Taureans have a rich internal life, they value external attributes and may overlook someone who doesn’t have the perfect outfit, car, or resume. Learning the benefits of getting to know someone before writing them off can be a lifelong lesson to a Taurus, especially in love, where they might be too hasty to write off a perfect match.

Marlene Kuhn Miller, age 73, of Oriental, NC passed away on May 13, 2020 at home. Marlene was a caring person who loved life and lived it to the fullest. She was born in Butler, Pennsylvania and earned BS and MS degrees in Exceptional Education. Her long career was dedicated to education programs focused on children and adults with disabilities. She retired in 2002 as Disabilities Coordinator for Mid-State Technical College in Wisconsin. After 29 years in Wisconsin Marlene and husband, Bob, moved to Oriental. Marlene served as a volunteer Guardian ad Litum for Pamlico County, member of the Oriental Theater Board, SCOO, and President of Oriental Woman’s Club. In retirement Marlene became an accomplished acrylic artist with a focus on local marshes, shorebirds and other wildlife. She was a founding member of Oriental’s Village Gallery. Marlene loved her family, art, music, dancing, and playing her dulcimer and ukulele. She also loved to sail, kayak, fish, garden, and being outdoors. Marlene was preceded in death by her parents, William and Pauline Kuhn. She is survived by husband, Robert; son, Casey; daughter-in-law, Jessica; grandson, Jack; and granddaughter, Riley. There will be a memorial celebrating her life when it is safe for groups to gather. Arrangements by Bryant Funeral Home and Cremations, Alliance, NC.

Walter Glenwood Popperwill, III, of Lowland passed away Monday, May 11, 2020 in New Bedford, Massachusetts. He was a commercial fisherman. He was preceded in death by his father, Walter “Nook Jr.” Popperwill. He is survived by his mother, Linda O’Brien; paternal grandmother, Audrey Lupton; sisters, Pam Popperwill Ireland and Misol Alfonso; brother, Juvenal Alfonso; and many aunts, uncles, nieces and nephews. A memorial service may be held at a later date. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to Bryant Funeral Home, PO Box 99, Alliance, NC 28509. Arrangements by Bryant Funeral Home & Cremations, Alliance.

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“I believe our flag is more than just cloth and ink. It is a universally recognized symbol that stands for liberty, and freedom. It is the history of our nation, and it’s marked by the blood of those who died defending it.”

This Week in History

- May 20th – 1775**, North Carolina becomes the first colony to declare it’s independence from Great Britain.
- May 21st – 1927**, Aviator Charles Lindberg completed the first solo non-stop flight across the Atlantic Ocean.
- May 22nd –2010**, Jordan Romero of the United States becomes the youngest person at age 13 to successfully climb Mount Everest.
- May 23rd – 1934**, Bank robbers Clyde Barrow and Bonnie Parker were shot to death by police in Bienville Parish, Louisiana
- May 24th – 1738**, The Methodist Church was established in Aldersgate, England.
- May 25th – 1977**, The first Star Wars movie, “A New Hope” premiered
- May 26th –1959**, The word “Frisbee” became a registered trademark of Wham-O.



Monday May 25th is Memorial Day 2020. Memorial Day became an official federal holiday in 1971 when the “Uniform Monday Holiday Act” established it on the final Monday in May. Versions of Memorial have been celebrated for much longer than that however, with the first community observances occurring just after the American Civil War and at that time were known as Decoration Day because it was celebrated by “decorating” the graves of fallen soldiers with flowers and flags. In 1868 the holiday became somewhat official when May 30th was designated as a day of remembrance of those who had given their lives in defense of their country.

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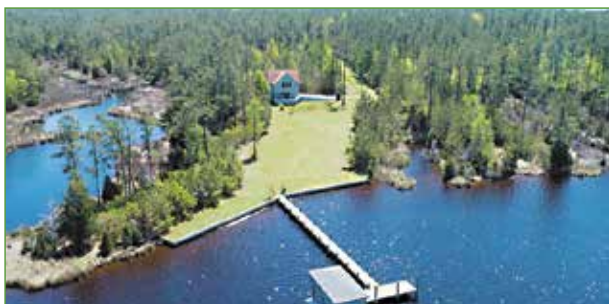
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Pamlico Community College

There's still time to register for the Summer Term at Pamlico Community College

By Sandy Wall

Students still have time to register for Summer Term curriculum courses at Pamlico Community College, but they need to move fast.

The college is offering the largest slate of Summer Term curriculum courses in its history so students can get ahead, get caught up or pick up a much-needed class they have been unable to take.

Most of the courses will be offered online and will be open to new and current PCC students as well as students who are enrolled in college elsewhere.

Face-to-face courses are planned in Welding, although those classes must have 10 or fewer students and everyone enrolled must adhere to social distancing requirements.

Curriculum classes begin next Tuesday, May 26, with full-term courses running through Aug. 3. The college will be closed Monday, May 25, for Memorial Day, so students should act now to sign up.

"Summer can be a great time for students to get ahead in their curriculum studies or to pick up a class they have not been able to find, either at PCC or another institution," said PCC President Dr. Jim Ross. "Students who are enrolled elsewhere and now are home from school might be looking for an opportunity to take a course or two that they need. We can help you, but you need to contact the college this week."

Transferable course options will include web-based curriculum classes in Art, Biology, Business Administration, Chemistry, Computer Information Systems, Economics, English, Geology, History, Math, Music Appreciation, Psychology, Spanish, Sociology and more.

In addition, the college also will be offering online courses in career programs such as Criminal Justice Technology, Dental Laboratory Technology, Electrical Systems Technology, Electroneurodiagnostic Technology and Human Services Technology.

"Everyone at PCC wants to help students stay on track so they can achieve their academic goals and improve their lives," Ross said earlier. "We did that when we converted all of our curriculum courses to an online format this semester, and we plan to do our best to make our Summer Term course offerings as robust, convenient and accessible as possible."

For information about enrolling for the Summer Term, please contact Student Services at studentservices@pamlicocc.edu or by phone at 252-249-1851, ext. 3002.

For men and women who are looking for short-term job-training courses, PCC will be offering a series of face-to-face Continuing Education courses beginning next week.

Classes must follow safety protocols and social distancing requirements, PCC leaders say.

There's still time to register for Summer Term courses at Pamlico Community College. PCC will be offering the largest slate of Summer Term curriculum courses in its history. It also has added a slate of face-to-face Continuing Education classes. Contributed photo

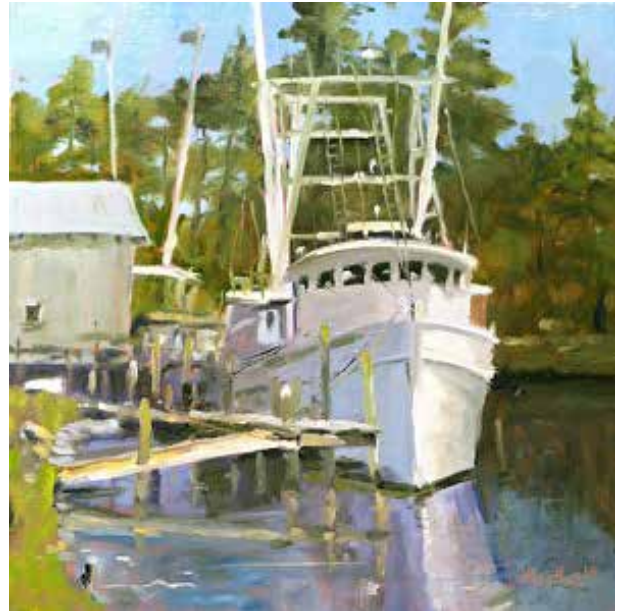
PAINTINGS by STEVE HESSLER at The VILLAGE GALLERY in ORIENTAL, NC



The Village Gallery in Oriental is honored to have Steve Hessler as the guest artist for the months of June and July. He calls this exhibition "Heading East." For over 25 years, Hessler has been capturing Eastern North Carolina landscapes, beach scenes and fishing villages in oils on canvas.

He is a member of The American Society of Marine Artists, North Carolina Plein Air Painters, and The Salmagundi Club of New York, and has been featured in Our State magazine.

An artist's reception with refreshments will be held on Saturday, July 4 from 2 to 5 PM at The Village Gallery at 300 Hodges Street, Oriental. The gallery is open from 10 AM to 5 PM Wednesday through Saturday beginning in June. For additional information, call the gallery at 252-249-0300. You may also visit our website at villagegallerync.com.





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Pamlico County Memorial Day Service

A modified Pamlico County Memorial Day Service will be held at 10 AM on 25 May 2020 in front of the County Courthouse. Due to safety restrictions related to the Covid-19 virus the public is not invited to participate in the ceremony. The ceremony will be live cast on at least two Facebook pages, "Oriental, NC!!" and "Disabled American Veterans Pamlico County." In addition a video will be posted to YouTube. The event is sponsored by Pamlico County in conjunction with representatives from American Legion Posts 200 and 238; the Oriental Dragon Detachment of the Marine Corps League; Pamlico County Chapter #93 of the Disabled American Veterans; and the Combined Honor Guard. For more information contact Larry Summers Commander Pamlico County Disabled American veterans **252-675-0467**

FINANCIAL FOCUS

Proper Diversification Can Ease Retirement Income Worries



Dan M. Roberts

During your retirement, you will likely need to withdraw from your investment portfolio to help pay for your living expenses. So, naturally, you'd rather not see the value of that portfolio decline. Yet, if you spend two or three decades in retirement, you might experience several steep market declines – in fact, drops of at least 20 percent have typically occurred about every four years. So when a decline occurs, how concerned should you be?

Actually, maybe not all that much – if you've prepared your portfolio for all circumstances.

Here's the key thing to remember: While the financial markets may drop sharply at any time, it doesn't mean your portfolio will fall as precipitously. For example, the S&P 500, an index that tracks the stocks of 500 large U.S. companies, might fall 20 percent, but does your own portfolio only consist of these stocks? Most likely, it doesn't. In fact, it's generally a good idea to maintain a portfolio balanced between stocks and bonds, with the percentages of each based on your goals, risk tolerance and time horizon. While diversification cannot guarantee a profit or protect against a drop, it certainly can reduce the impact of a decline.

In fact, during a significant market downturn, the difference in performance between an all-stock portfolio and one containing a mix of stocks, bonds and other investments can be dramatic. Consider this: From January 1 through March 31 of this year, the period covering the initial market decline caused by the coronavirus pandemic, the S&P 500 fell almost 20%, but a more balanced portfolio (containing 45% in U.S. stocks, 20% in international stocks, and 35% in investment-grade

bonds) declined about 12% – a sizable drop, to be sure, but far smaller than the tumble of the S&P 500. *

Clearly, owning a mix of investments can help reduce the effects of market volatility on your portfolio. But it's also important to diversify with a purpose in mind. Your stocks and stock-based mutual funds are designed to provide long-term growth potential – which you'll still need during your retirement to help you stay ahead of inflation. But as a retiree, you should also be able to rely on your cash and short-term, fixed-income investments – such as bonds with short maturities, Treasury bills and certificates of deposit – for your income needs over the next three to five years. Also, it's a good idea to have about a year's worth of your living expenses in cash and cash equivalent vehicles.

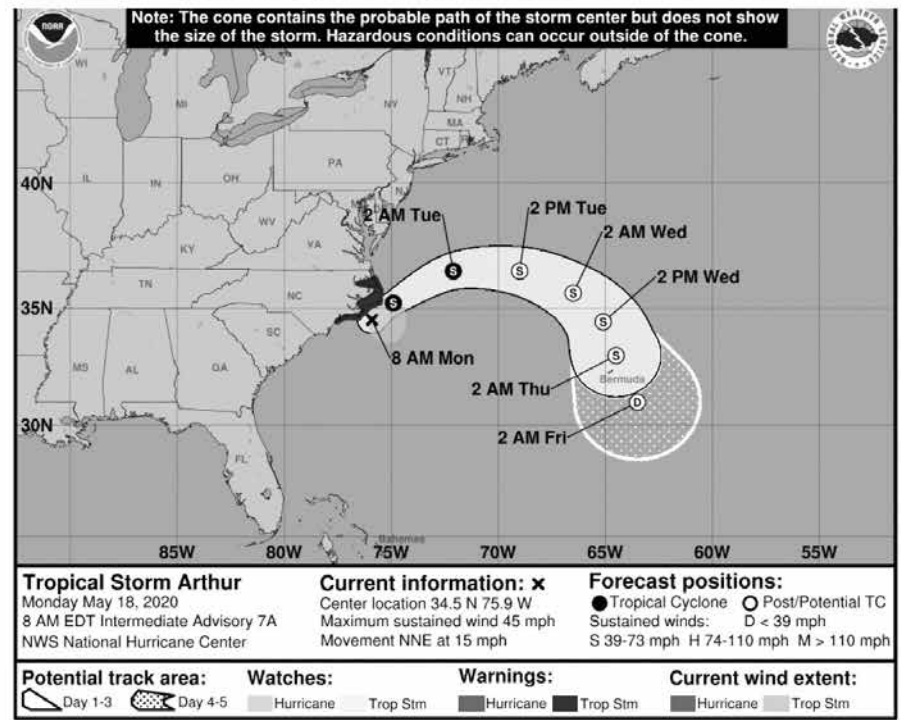
Cash instruments and short-term, fixed-income investments offer you two key advantages. First, they're highly liquid, so you typically will have no trouble accessing them when you choose. Second, by having sufficient amounts in these cash and short-term instruments, you will have some protection against having to tap into your longer-term, variable investments when the financial markets are down.

With sufficient cash and the right short-term investments in place, you can reduce your worries about what's happening in the stock market during your retirement years. And the fewer concerns you have, the more you can enjoy this time in your life.

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by: Hiram Lupton

The first named storm of the 2020 Hurricane season, tropical storm Arthur, skirted by our coast on Monday leaving a legacy more like the children's TV cartoon character than the Excalibur wielding king of England. An occasional gusty breeze, but mostly just a lot of rain. By 8:30 Monday morning, The National Weather Service in Newport had reported 3.47

inches in Oriental, with a small amount expected to be added to that total. While Arthur was relatively tame as it passed by, this late May storm gets the season off to an early start, as the official start to hurricane season is not until June 1st. Stay alert and keep informed. If there is only one hurricane in a season, and it strikes you, then its been a bad season.



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L'Tanya Bailey, President, NC Dental Society

As dentists reopen their practices across the state, our number one priority is patient safety. When your dentist is ready to open, you can be confident they are following protocols from the CDC, ADA and OSHA to keep you safe.

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When you go back for your regular dentist appointment, you might notice some changes. For example:

- Your car is now the waiting room. This will help limit surfaces that are touched by you and others.
- The staff will ask you some questions and take your temperature to make sure you haven't been exposed to COVID-19 or aren't currently sick to reduce risk to the office, staff, and other patients.
- Everyone will be wearing more PPE to protect themselves and you from risk of exposure.
- These are all precautions that will help protect you and everyone you interact with from any potential risk of exposure. You can and should feel safe going back to the dentist for your regular dental appointment. Oral health is directly related to your overall health, so it's just as important as ever to continue going to your regular preventive appointments.
- As dentists, we are all navigating this new normal as a society together. But rest assured, your dentist is here for you and is working hard to make sure you have the cleanest, safest environment to get your dental care.



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PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE

The Town of Oriental will hold a Public Hearing on June 2, 2020 at 7PM or as soon thereafter as can be reached, at the Oriental, 507 Church St.

The Purpose of this Public Hearing is to take comment on the proposed budget for the 2020-2021 Fiscal Year, beginning July 1, 2020.

The proposed Budget (General Fund and Water Fund) will have been presented to the Mayor and Commissioners by June 1, and will be available for inspection at Town Hall M-Th 8AM-4PM, F 8AM-3PM. It can also be viewed at www.TownofOriental.com

Substantial changes may be made to the Budget following the Public Hearing.

We will maintain the limits of public gathering according to the Governor's Order in place at the time of the meeting, ensuring the right to be physically present to address the Board. The Public may also comment by email PRIOR to the meeting by emailing Manager@TownofOriental.com or by text DURING the meeting to 252-671-2821. The Public may watch the meeting remotely by ZOOM by registering prior to the meeting- instructions at the website www.townoforiental.com.

Diane H. Miller, Manager/Clerk, Town of Oriental

**Town of Grantsboro
Notice of Public Hearing
Proposed Budget for 2019-20**

The proposed budget for the Town of Grantsboro for fiscal year 2020-21 has been presented to the Town Council and is available for public inspection at the Town Hall. There will be a public hearing on Tuesday, June 2, 2020 at 7:00pm at the Grantsboro Town Hall to discuss the proposed budget, with a Council meeting following for adoption of the budget.

For questions or further info, please call 252-745-6511.
Ray Lewis, Clerk

**Arapahoe Charter School
PUBLIC NOTICE**

The Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA-Part B, Public Law 108.446) Project is presently being amended. The Project describes the special education programs that Arapahoe Charter School proposes for Federal funding for the 2020-2021 School Year. Interested persons are encouraged to review amendments to the Project and make comments concerning the implementation of special education under this Federal Program. All comments will be considered prior to submission of the amended Project to the North Carolina Department of Public Instruction in Raleigh, North Carolina. The IDEA-Part B Project is open to the public for review and comments during the week of May 27 – June 3, 2020 in the office of Cody Edwards, located at 9005 Hwy 306 South, Arapahoe, NC 29510.



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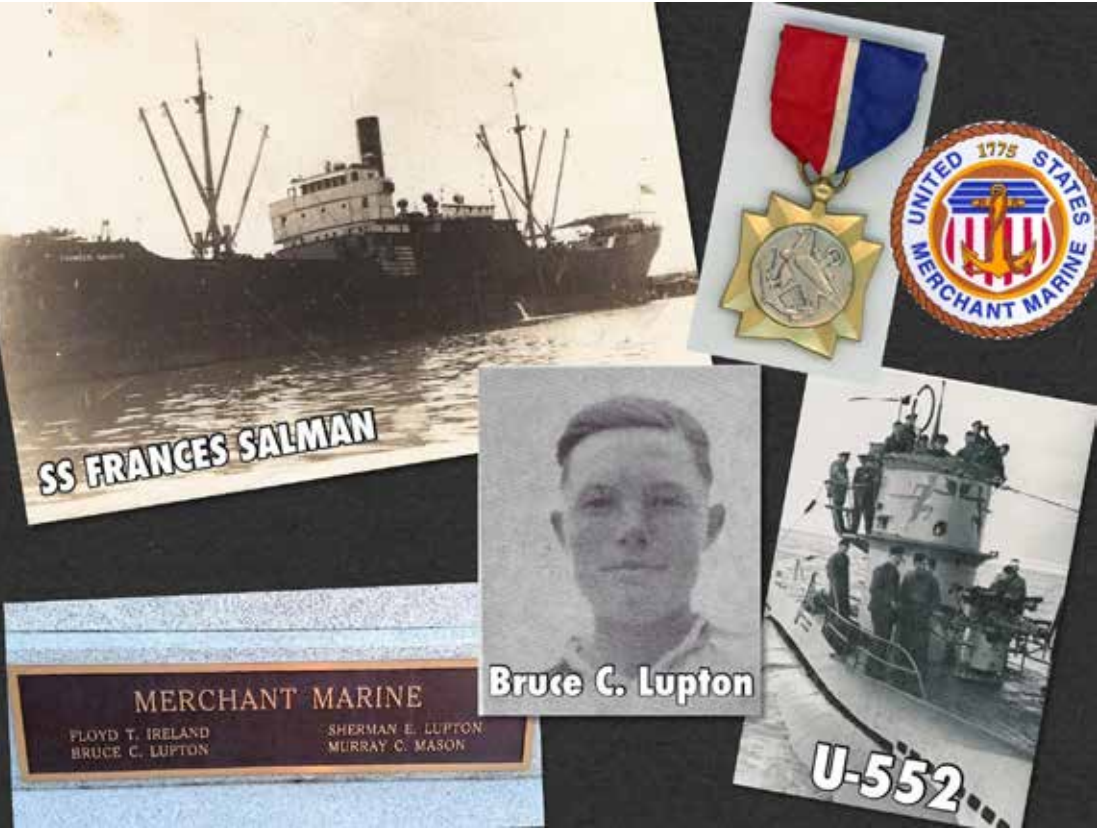
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Lowland Native, Bruce Lupton

The SS Frances Salman was a steam-powered freighter built in 1919 in Duluth Minnesota by the McDougal-Duluth Company. It was 251 feet long and had a gross tonnage of 2,609. At the outbreak of World War II, she was owned by the Canadian-Gulf Company of Houston, Texas and was captained by Master Rasmus Wathne. Among the crew of 28 officers and men was Bruce C. Lupton of Lowland, North Carolina who was sailing as an O/S (Ordinary Seaman). Mr. Lupton was only 17 years old and had joined the Merchant Marine in the port of Norfolk, Virginia shortly after graduating high school. The Frances Salman was the first and only ship he sailed on.

The Frances Salman left New York City on January 5th, 1942 and arrived in St. John's, Newfoundland on January 9th. She departed St. John's on January 17th bound for Corner Brook, Newfoundland with a load of ballast. On January 18th she was torpedoed and sunk by the German submarine U-552 at 2:14 AM local time. The U-boat had made four unsuccessful attacks on the freighter and the Salman attempted to escape and the radio operator sent several distress messages. The fifth torpedo fired from 500 yards, struck the aft of the ship. The Salman sank quickly but a few officers and crewmen managed to launch a boat in rough seas. The Salman sank by the stern within ten minutes, but the bow remained above the water for about twenty-five minutes before disappearing. Due to the roughness of the seas, none of the men in the boat survived. Until the end of World War II, the Frances Salman's exact fate remained unknown. Only after the war, when access was gained to official German Naval records and U-boat ship logs, was the sinking confirmed.

~ Bruce C. Lupton was the Uncle of Staff Photographer Hiram Lupton



William Gordon Russo, US Navy



Richard Russo, of Alliance, is holding a photo of his uncle, William Gordon Russo, who served in the US Navy during World War II. The family had always known he was killed in action, but until very recently did not know any of the details surrounding his death.

On August 19, 1943, he was serving on the Liberty ship, SS J. Pinckney Henderson, when it collided with the J.H. Senior, a Panamanian tanker off the coast of Nova Scotia in heavy fog. The tanker was carrying high octane aviation gas and both ships immediately became blazing infernos leaving only nine survivors between them, three on the Pinckney Henderson.

In September of 1943, the bodies of the men recovered were buried in a mass grave in Harwood Hill Cemetery in Sydney, Nova Scotia. A granite marker was erected in their honor. In 1949, the remains were returned to the United States and buried in a mass grave at the Jefferson Barracks National Cemetery in St. Louis, MO.

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Brandy Popp
Manager, Public Relations and Outreach
CarolinaEast Health System



A Tribute to Our Soldiers on Memorial Day



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James Lester Taylor
Second Lieutenant, US Army Air Corps

My uncle Lester was killed in WWII when he was only 23 years old, long before I was born. My father loved his brother and made it possible for me to know him through his stories. Lester is my personal hero to honor this Memorial Day.

James Lester Taylor was born December 12, 1919, to James Mike and Nora Kornegay Taylor, my grandparents. He was a poor country boy with only one thing on his mind, one single goal in life. That was to fly. He loved all things in flight from birds to airplanes. He read all that he could about aeronautics and airplanes and dreamed that one day he would be a pilot. He applied to the US Army Air Corps at 16 and was denied. Years later, he applied again and failed the math exam. He did not give up. After Japan bombed Pearl Harbor, the armed forces relaxed their entrance requirements. He finally passed his qualifying exam and joined the Army Air Corps. His dream came true as he trained to become a pilot.

On July 10, 1943, Lester was co-piloting an Army Air Corps bomber over the French Alps when his plane crashed into a mountain and the entire crew was killed. They were returning from a bombing mission when the navigation instruments on their plane malfunctioned causing the plane to crash. For his “military merit and wounds received in action resulting in his death,” my uncle Lester was awarded the Purple Heart.

On August 17, 1943, my grandparents were presented the Medal of Honor at a ceremony honoring his sacrifice during war efforts to keep America safe. They were so proud of their oldest of four children who had dreamed of becoming a pilot, but they were also heartbroken for the young man who was just beginning his life and service for a country that he so loved. My uncle is an American hero today in our hearts and in our memories.

Mary Frances Taylor
Advertising Executive

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Health & Wellness

How to implement infection prevention measures in the workplace

(Editor's Note: Please consult your local laws and regulations before publishing this story to confirm its content aligns with mandates currently in place in your city.)

Protecting workers has long been a priority for business owners, but that responsibility took on new meaning in the wake of the outbreak of the COVID-19 virus in late-winter 2020. Business owners accustomed to traditional workplace safety protocols designed primarily to prevent accidents and injuries were now tasked with protecting workers from a deadly virus.



Though many businesses were forced to close their doors in an effort to prevent the spread of the virus, many others remained fully or partially operational. The Occupational Safety and Health Administration recommends employers implement the following hygiene and infection control practices in an effort to prevent workers from infection.

- Promote frequent and thorough handwashing. Workers, customers and worksite visitors should be routinely reminded of the importance of washing their hands. The OSHA advises employers, in instances where soap and running water are not immediately available, to provide their employees with alcohol-based hand rubs that contain at least 60 percent alcohol. The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention urges people to employ the following techniques when washing their hands:

When washing with soap and water:

- Lather the hands by rubbing them together with the soap, making sure to scrub all surfaces of the hands, including palms, backs, fingers, between fingers, and under the nails
- Scrub for at least 20 seconds
- Rinse hands clean under running water
- Dry hands with a clean towel or air dry them

When washing with alcohol-based sanitizers:

- Cover all surfaces of the hands with the product before rubbing hands together
- Rub hands together until they feel dry, about 20 seconds

- Encourage workers to stay home if they are sick. Employers should emphasize to workers the importance of staying home if they feel sick. Even people who feel ill but are not showing any signs of COVID-19 infection, which the CDC notes include shortness of breath, fever and cough, should stay home. That's because any illness can weaken a person's immune system, which makes them more vulnerable to viruses like COVID-19. Staying home when they feel sick is a great way for employees to protect not only themselves, but also their coworkers.
- Encourage respiratory etiquette. The OSHA and the CDC say covering your mouth and nose when you cough or sneeze, putting used tissues in the waste basket and coughing or sneezing into an upper sleeve when no tissues are available can help prevent the spread of germs.
- Discourage sharing. Workers should be discouraged from sharing phones, desks, offices, and tools or equipment whenever possible. This can help prevent the spread of germs.
- Choose the appropriate cleaning chemicals. The OSHA advises employers to use chemical cleaners approved by the Environmental Protection Agency. The OSHA notes that products with EPA-approved emerging viral pathogens are expected to be effective against SARS-CoV-2 based on data for harder to kill viruses. Protecting their employees from COVID-19 is of the utmost importance for employers across the globe. Safety measures can be implemented rather easily and ultimately save lives.

CarolinaEast Medical Center Updates on COVID-19 Status, Preparedness and Precautions

(New Bern, NC) – **CarolinaEast Health System** is entering Phase Two of reintroducing elective procedures. CarolinaEast leadership has developed a plan to incrementally resume these procedures with patient and staff safety remaining the highest priority.

In late March, CarolinaEast postponed non-essential surgeries upon the recommendations of state and federal officials to allow for the unknown impacts of COVID-19. Since that time, CarolinaEast has been making preparations to resume elective surgeries and procedures and to reopen outpatient services in a phased, safe and strategic manner. Phase One began with diagnostic screenings on Monday, May 4th, followed by limited non-emergent surgical services the following week. Patients undergoing elective surgeries and most procedures are required to be COVID-19 tested several days prior to their surgery or procedure. Special areas have been identified to perform the pre-procedure testing on a scheduled basis while maintaining safety measures for patients and staff. CarolinaEast appreciates everyone's cooperation, patience and understanding during these extraordinary times.

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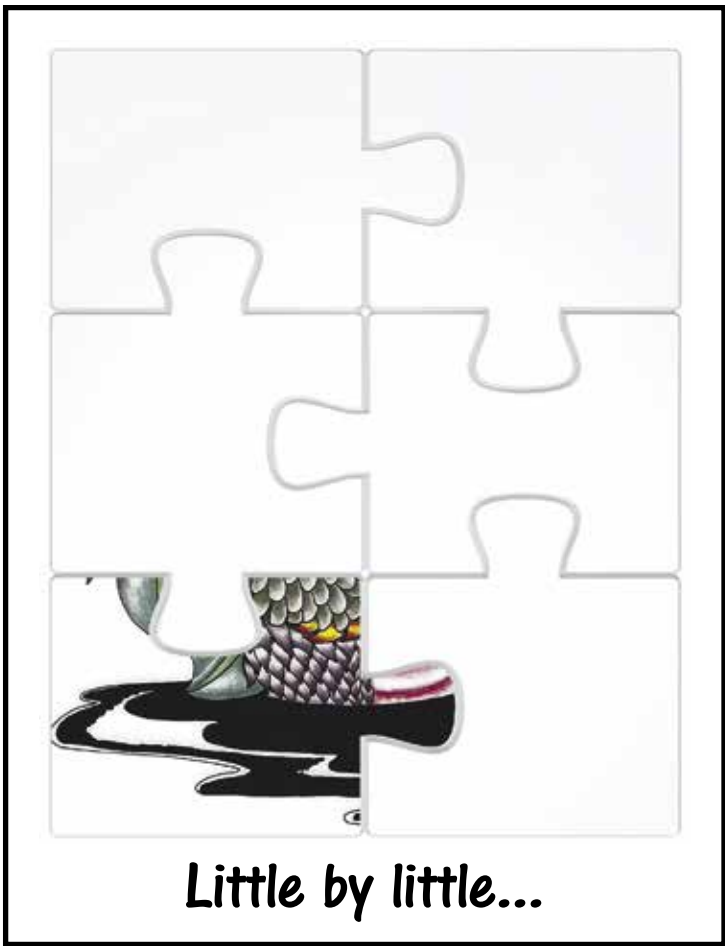


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We Miss Our Pups And Their Families

Debby Hollowell
Media Coordinator | Pamlico County Primary School



Words can't express how much we miss our pups and their families! Who would have guessed that when we loaded our students up on March 13th that we wouldn't see them again for the remainder of the school year! In fact, this picture of Alannah with her planet project is the last picture taken this school year at school. Several of our students completed their presentations virtually. Pictured is Carter doing his presentation online.

While being out of school two of our students reached out with sweet messages of what they missed about school. Rhylee remembered using Flipgrid during her class time in the media center. Flipgrid is a platform for sharing a topic that students can comment on in a video. Rhylee shared the sweetest message on all the things that she missed about school, even sharing that when you are in school that you can't wait to get home, but now that she is home she truly realizes how much she loves school and can't wait to return. Another student, Tristann stated how much he misses his school lunches and spending time with his friends. You can check out their videos on our school youtube channel: bit.ly/whatwemissaboutschoo



We are so thankful for our teachers who hit the ground running making packets and learning how to Zoom with our students. Having virtual staff meetings and online book readings and meetings with our students and their parents. We so appreciate all the hard work our parents and grandparents have put in stepping up to the plate to help teach our students. This is an unprecedented time and we so appreciate everyone who has helped keep our students learning.

Our teacher assistants and cafeteria staff, as well as Heartworks and Pamlico Partnership for Children have made sure our students have been well fed. Pictured is Will enjoying an amazing lunch provided by our school system.

We have stayed connected through Facebook, Class Dojo, Zoom meetings, gmail, Virtual spirit weeks, a Community Bear hunt and Easter Egg hunt. We will get through this and come out stronger! We love you all and can't wait to give you a big hug and smile in person! #pawsup #PamlicoStrong! #pcpsisthebest!



The Story of Pamlico Christian Academy 10th Year Anniversary



The seeds of a dream were planted over 15 years ago when two moms, Kim Alcock Peed and Tina Cowell, desired to see a Christian school form in Pamlico County. What would it be like, they asked each other, if faith and academia merged together to shape the minds of the next generation? In just a few short years those seeds germinated, and a small but determined group of faith-filled people joined together as the founding board to form Pamlico Christian Academy. How exciting that children in Pamlico and surrounding counties would have the opportunity to receive a Kingdom Education whose foundation was the Word of God! The Academy was unique in that it embraced all Christian denominations. The board was grateful that New Life Praise and Worship Ministries in Grantsboro, NC opened its doors to the school to become its first home.

Pamlico Christian Academy welcomed its first group of young students in August 2010. Tina Cowell was founding principal



of the school. Soon after, the Academy would begin its pre-school program. Passionate teachers who invested time and energy into building the school's academic and spirit-filled program taught students who were eager to learn. The leadership team worked to create an environment that nurtured both the spirit and mind of its students. They knew that an education that has the liberty to address the whole child - social, intellectual, emotional, physical and spiritual - is one that can achieve true excellence.

In subsequent years, the Academy flourished! Pastor Dale Belvin became the school's second principal. Under his leadership, the Academy's sports program grew to include cross country and basketball. In 2016, the school's first high school senior graduated. The school formed key partnerships with Pamlico Community College to offer college courses to high school students. In 2017, Jennifer Sanderson Alcock was named Head of School. The school continued to grow and included partnerships with Pamlico County Schools, Community Bible Study, and Fellowship of Christian Athletes. A community service component called #ServeENC began.

Pamlico Christian Academy continues a reputation of academic excellence in a safe, nurturing, and family-oriented environment. In 2019, the school grew by over 60%. Girls volleyball and lower school basketball were added. The faculty and staff at PCA embody a spirit of excellence and love that is second to none. The Lord has truly blessed Pamlico Christian Academy, and the future is exciting indeed!



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AROUND THE COUNTY

Aurora Joy McCracken, *Correspondent*



There is a pair of Bald Eagles who have settled in the trees in the cove and they can be seen flying over, fishing and calling every day now. I'm up to three Hummingbirds and have deployed my new grape nectar which they seem to love. We regularly hear Red-bellied and Pileated Woodpeckers around the area.

The crabbers were out in force the other day seeing three at the same time in the cove. One day I saw four Pelicans following in the wake of one boat, the first time I've seen that or Pelicans so late in the season.

The chickens continue to do well and have some good friends visiting who are building me nest boxes for them. I expect to start seeing eggs in August. Zinnia the Cat has adopted them and helps me put them up in the evenings. Normally she is shy and reclusive, very rarely venturing outside, but she even hangs out with them under the breezeway.

Lily the Dog has been under the weather, which is to be expected seeing she is 14. My vet at Chocowinity has fixed her up with new meds and she is doing better.

We heard our first Cicada the other day and saw the first Cow Ray on 5/16. We've seen a lone Lightning Bug a couple of nights. We heard dolphins late one night and saw the same pod probably two days straight afterwards.

The peppers and tomatoes in the raised beds are flourishing and I'm pinching off early blooms.

I've been tempted to turn on the air conditioner since the heat has set in, but I'm trying to fight that urge.

Other than that, it's been pretty quiet around here except for the neighborhood continuing to work on their projects. Phil and Mindy have helped me with one of my own. My houseguests have enjoyed their visit here. They are dear old friends from my high school days in South Carolina. I'm so glad the weather cooperated for their stay. Every time they are here they are just so impressed with the place. I'm so glad I can share this little slice of paradise with people who appreciate it as much as I do.



Goose Creek Island Annette Jones, *55 Plus Club Correspondent*



Everything is very quiet here on the corner in Hobucken. I guess folks are following the guidelines and staying home as much as possible. Churches are having drive-in worship services or using ZOOM via the internet. Gary & Rhonda Mayo, Mark, Jennie & Jenna Jones have been gathering at my house for "Sunday School" Rhonda is our leader and we have all been blessed!

Seems like before you can get one thing taken care of, something else happens. Mark mowed my yard this week. I couldn't start the car and Gary charged the battery (which I ran down by leaving the lights on). Nick came over to help out. Kevin DeOliveria repaired a bad leak in the roof. I give thanks for my children and always for the many ways Nick Tetterton helps me.

Prayer List: Our prayers go out to those suffering from Covid-19 and their families all over the world. Locally our prayers are with Mrs. Audrey Lupton and the Popperwill family. Walter Glenwood Popperwill III passed away May 21 in Bedford,

Mass. Glenn was born and raised in Lowland. A memorial service will be held at a later date. Love and condolences to family & friends.

Happy Birthday Rita Voliva Lupton - May 16, Amber Barnett Wheeler, Larry Proctor Jones and Olaf Verlon Rose - May 17, Nelvin Gilbert Bateman and Brook Bernard - May 18, Theresa Potter Hopkins, Laura Lozica Persky and Sharon Carawan Anderson - May19, Tracy Caroon and Joyce Ann Lupton Toler - May 20. Happy Anniversary - Jeremy & Emily Brothers - May 15, Jesse & Patricia Voliva - May 16, Kevin & Kathy Lewis - May 19.

Alexis and Jeffery Sanders have purchased the former home of Hubert and Nona Walker Potter in Hobucken. We wish them well.

I called my dear friend Edna McKinney this morning. Grandson Jeremy Cahoon and wife drove her to Jacksonville to buy a new washing machine. She was very pleased about that! However, she is still suffering from Shingles, so continue to keep her in your prayers.

Pamlico Betty Jo Rodgers, *Correspondent*



I rode down Mills Road this week and there is a new house being built beside Paul Brady. The owner is smartly putting it high up off the ground. I also saw that someone appears to be putting in a road between Mills Road and Gideon Creek. Perhaps there will be another house going up in this area.

Greg Jones celebrated his birthday this week. On the corner of Trent Road and Straight Road there was a sign in the yard that said "Honk to wish Greg a happy birthday." I blew my horn, but my horn is so weak, I am not sure if he heard it or not. It seems to me that newer model vehicles do not have horns as loud as the older models did.

I saw on Facebook that several people in Oriental were having yard sales on May 23rd. They ask you to wear masks and practice socially distancing.

On May 8th we began phase 1 of returning to normal. Phase 2 should begin on Friday May 22nd, so Vandemere UMC is planning to have communal worship again the Sunday of Memorial Day weekend. They plan to practice social distancing for this service. I have not heard about other churches in the county and their plans. Several have been having virtual

services and may continue with them for a while.

I traded puzzles with Jenny Lupton from Pamlico and I finally finished her 2000 piece puzzle. I will pass it along to Reba Tiller if she wants it or the Hospice Store when they reopen. Puzzles help me to pass the time while I am home practicing social distancing.

On Saturday I drove my sister Mildred to Vidant Greenville to have a Covid-19 test. She is scheduled for an ablation surgery on Tuesday and must be tested at least 48 hours prior to surgery. They did it right in the car, and then she had to self-isolate until her surgery would take place. By the time you read this article, the surgery will be over, but please keep her in your prayers for a speedy recovery.

Celebrating birthdays in May are Zachary Rodgers and Shannon Lee Wing (5/20), Dennis Stokes (5/25), Johnny Bishop and Lakisha H. Smith (5/26), Mike Roach (5/27), and Suzie Rodgers (5/30). Celebrating Anniversaries in May are Timothy and Veronica Jones (5/30).

Have a blessed week. Perplexed or puzzled? Take Spiritual Vitamin P. "Peace I leave with you, my peace I give unto you: not as the world giveth, give I unto you. Let not your heart be troubled, neither let it be afraid." (John 14:27)

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What's Growing in Pamlico?

Daniel Simpson, County Extension Director, Agriculture Agent



The last couple of months have been challenging, but as the saying goes "life must go on". In the case of local farmers, that means planting several different crops including corn, soybeans, and tobacco. While many home gardeners have been planting a few square feet of garden space, farmers in Pamlico County have been working tirelessly to cover thousands of acres.

Planting of field corn started in early April when soil temperatures rose above 50 degrees Fahrenheit. It's been a slow start because of cooler weather, but residents should notice many corn fields reaching 6-12" high near roadways. You may see farmers in these fields currently applying nitrogen fertilizer and weed control products. Corn is primarily used as feed for livestock in North Carolina. Pamlico County is ranked #19 in the state in corn production, producing over 1.7 million bushels (1 bu. = 56 lb.) in 2018. Over the next couple of months, look for this crop to grow quickly, producing the male flower (tassel) and female flower (silk), and eventually the ear of corn (grain). If you are interested in learning more about North Carolina corn production, visit the N.C. State Extension Corn Portal at <https://corn.ces.ncsu.edu/>.



Currently, residents may be seeing tractors and equipment crossing fields planting soybeans. Soybeans are another important crop for livestock feed, as this is one of the few plant-based feedstocks that can provide the essential protein that livestock need to grow. Soybeans are typically planted May through July, with earlier planted soybeans having a little more growth potential. Soybeans are a unique crop that flower based upon day/night length, which breeders have classified into 13 maturity groups (000 – X, Roman numerals). These maturity groups have generalized optimum growth ranges that progress from North (000-IV) to South (V-IX). Soybean maturity groups grown in Pamlico County include groups IV-VIII, with group V being the most common. Soybeans have a compound leaf called a trifoliolate, which means it has three leaflets that make up the leaf. Pamlico County is ranked #40 in soybean production in North Carolina, producing over 440,000 bushels (1 bu. = 60 lb.) in 2018. Over the next few months, watch this crop as it quickly grows to blanket a field, producing plants 3-4 feet tall. If you are interested in learning more about North Carolina soybean production, visit the N.C. State Extension Soybean Portal at <https://soybean.ces.ncsu.edu/>.



Tobacco is another crop grown in Pamlico County that has been a cash crop for many years. Fewer acres are planted in Pamlico County currently, but you may still notice a few fields near roadways. Tobacco is started in greenhouses as transplants between mid-February to mid-March. With warming soils in April and May, growers mechanically set these transplants into fields. Tobacco plants have a long growing season and require additional labor and management to produce a crop that is acceptable for market. You may notice that once these plants produce a flower, the flowers are removed either by machine or hand labor. This helps to redirect growth into the leaves, which is important to produce the size and quality of the harvestable leaf. If you are interested in learning more about North Carolina tobacco production, visit the N.C. State Extension Tobacco Portal at <https://tobacco.ces.ncsu.edu/>



The final crop you may notice currently growing in Pamlico County is Potatoes (Irish). Most of the potatoes grown in Pamlico County will reach a fryer a near you in the form of potato chips. Potatoes are usually planted from February through March and harvested June through July. Potatoes are a fun crop to grow at home, but they prefer cooler weather. When temperatures begin to warm in late spring, potatoes are planning their exit. Potatoes are planted with seed pieces produced from potatoes of a previous crop. These seed pieces sprout roots and stems (technically a potato tuber is a modified stem), with new potatoes produced in the soil above the seed piece. Therefore, potatoes are hilled or rowed so more soil can cover the seed piece to produce more tubers (and keep the sun off them). Potatoes can range in skin and flesh color from red, white, blue, and purple. Some potato varieties are better for frying, while others are better for baking. If you would like to learn more about how N.C. State University supports potato production in North Carolina visit <https://potatoes.ncsu.edu/>.

If you would like to learn more about the different crops grown in North Carolina, there are many Crop Profile notes available through the N.C. State Extension Integrated Pest Management Portal <https://ipm.ces.ncsu.edu/ipm-crop-profiles/>. These crop profiles provide a summary of the crops grown in North Carolina with details about specific production practices.

For more information on this topic or other lawn and gardening questions, please contact Daniel Simpson with the N.C. Cooperative Extension office at 252-745-4121 or daniel_simpson@ncsu.edu.



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INCIDENTS

May 8, Broad St. Ext, Oriental, larceny
May 8, South St., Bayboro, harassment
May 9, NC Hwy 55, New Bern, larceny of a firearm
May 9, NC Hwy 304, Bayboro, suspicious activity
May 9, NC Hwy 55, Alliance, order for arrest for misdemeanor probation violation
May 10, Smokey Dr., New Bern, assault on a female (by male at least 18 years of age)
May 10, Peele Dr., Arapahoe, simple assault
May 10, Silverthorne Rd., Merritt, missing person (juvenile)
May 11, Creek Pointe Rd., New Bern, simple assault
May 11, NC Hwy 306 N., Grantsboro, undisciplined juvenile
May 12, John Pollock Rd., Grantsboro, break or enter any building - intent commit felony/larceny; larceny (felony)
May 13, Chair Rd., New Bern, theft from motor vehicle
May 13, Foxwood Trail Rd., New Bern, injury to real property; second degree trespass; neighbor disputing property line
May 13, Neuse Rd., Int., New Bern, domestic
May 13, Seafarer Rd. & Log Cabin Rd., Arapahoe, arson, drunkenness
May 14, NC Hwy 55, Alliance, driving while license revoked; possess fictitious/altered title/registration card/plate; while displaying an expired registration plate; larceny (misdemeanor/felony)
May 14, NC Hwy 55, Alliance, found property
May 14, NC Hwy 55, New Bern, simple assault
May 15, NC Hwy 55, Grantsboro, larceny (misdemeanor)

PROPERTY TRANSFERS

May 11, Tract 2; PCA 130-6, Quitclaim Deed, from Kristila J. Ward, Kris Ward to Roland Johnny Ward, III, \$0
May 11, Lake Minnesott Estates Lot: 3, Section I; map book 5/5 from Rodger Winston Durham Trust, Lucilla Ann Boyd Durham Trust, Lucilla Ann Boyd Durham/TR, Lucilla Ann Boyd Durham, Rodger Winston Durham to Michael P. Callahan, Michele M. Callahan, 435
May 11, 5,180.1 sq. ft; Lot 2, map attached DB 619/445 from Lucy M. Athey to Louis B. Athey, \$0
May 11, 0.34 AC; map attached, from John Gary Hardison to John Gary Hardison, \$0
May 12, Six Tracts; see instrument, PIN: F08-6, F08-9, F08-12, G08-3, F07-17, F08-13; 20-E-30 from G. Douglas Cahoon, Erbol Garland Cahoon/Est to Cynthia C. Jackson, \$0
May 12, Seven Tracts; see instrument, PIN: F08-15, F08-14, F08-5, G08-22, F07-3, F08-1, E09-18; 20-E-30 from G. Douglas Cahoon/Exr, Erbol Garland Cahoon/Est to G. Douglas Cahoon, \$0
May 12, Tract 1; N.J. Daw’s Canal on Neuse Road; metes and bounds, PIN: F08-51; 20-E-30 from G. Douglas Cahoon/Exr, Erbol Garland Cahoon/Est to G. Douglas Cahoon, Cynthia C. Jackson, \$0
May 12, One-Half Acre; W/S Browns Creek Road (SR 1325); metes and bounds; DB 136/77, 83E99 from William E. Spencer, Connie P. Spencer, Sam Jones Spencer, III/AIF to Michael E. North, Brandy A. A. North, \$18
May 12, Sea Vista, Pierce Creek Area Block: A, Lot: 47, Addition III; map book 10/2, PIN: J083-33-47 from Darrell Payne, Brent Caton Payne to Thomas Azzara, Marie Azzara, \$9

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

The Town of Oriental Board of Commissioners will hold a Public Hearing on a Tuesday, June 2, 2020 at 7:00 PM, or as soon thereafter as can be reached, at Town Hall, 507 Church Street, Oriental, NC 28571.

The purpose of this Public Hearing is to hear a request for allowing a short term rental at 401 Vandemere St.

The Planning Board will discuss this request at their May 20, 3PM meeting, also at Town Hall, from which a recommendation will be made to the Board of Commissioners on the request.

BOTH meetings are open to the Public and interested parties are welcome to speak to both Boards.

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Diane H. Miller, Land Use Administrator



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File No.: 19 E 109**

All persons, firms and corporations having claims against JOHN G. BURRITT deceased, are notified to exhibit them to JAMES B. BURRITT, Executor of the Estate, on or before August 4, 2020 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 6th day of May ,2020

Estate of John G. Burritt
c/o James B. Burritt
259 Avenida Victoria Unit B
San Clemente, CA 92672

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**NORTH CAROLINA
IN THE GENERAL COURT OF
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PAMLICO COUNTY
SUPERIOR COURT DIVISION
NOTICE TO CREDITORS AND
DEBTORS
OF KENNETH W. IRELAND
File No.: 20 E 20**

All persons, firms and corporations having claims against KENNETH W. IRELAND deceased, are notified to exhibit them to JEFFREY IRELAND, Executor of the Estate, on or before August 4, 2020 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 6th day of May ,2020

Estate of Kenneth W. Ireland
c/o Jeffrey Ireland
38 Karissa Ct.
New Bern, NC 2856

Publish May 6, 13, 20, 27

**NORTH CAROLINA IN
THE GENERAL COURT
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PAMLICO COUNTY
SUPERIOR COURT
DIVISION
NOTICE TO CREDITORS
AND DEBTORS OF GLENN
CLARENCE WOODARD, JR
File No.: 20 E 73**

All persons, firms and corporations having claims against GLENN CLARENCE WOODARD, JR deceased, are notified to exhibit them to RENAE ROBERTS WOODARD, Executor of the Estate, on or before August 18, 2020 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.

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LEWIS**

File No.: 20 E 69

All persons, firms and corporations having claims against GARY DAVIS LEWIS deceased, are notified to exhibit them to KIMBERLY HOPKINS, Administrator of the Estate, on or before August 11, 2020 at the address listed below or be barred from their recovery. Debtors of the decedent are asked to make immediate payment to the above-named Administrator.

This 13th day of May, 2020

Estate of Gary Davis Lewis
c/o Kimberly Hopkins
2063 Tunstall Swamp Rd
Aurora, NC 27806

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**NOTICE OF SERVICE OF
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ERNEST LEE GRANT, II,
Petitioner**

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This the 13th day of May, 2020.

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Attorney for Plaintiff
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**NORTH CAROLINA
IN THE GENERAL COURT
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NOTICE TO CREDITORS
AND DEBTORS OF
LELAND H. BLACK
File No.: 20 E 78**

All persons, firms and corporations having claims against LELAND H. BLACK deceased, are notified to exhibit them to Tammy L. Ferebee, Administrator of the Estate, on or before August 13, 2020, at the address listed below or be barred from their recovery. Debtors of the decedent are asked to make immediate payment to the above-named Administrator.

This 20th day of May, 2020.

Tammy L. Ferebee,
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