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11-15 BOE Meeting Commissioners Choose Redistricting Option A6

by: Hiram Lupton

At the regular mid-month meeting of the Pamlico County Board of Commissioners (BOC) Monday night, County redistricting was once again as the major topic of discussion and the subject of a public hearing on the issue. This has been an ongoing matter with the Board since August when the Local Redistricting Service and the firm of Poyner Spruill were contracted to give the County options for adjusting township lines which met the criteria set forth by state law and the BOC. The guidelines



included balancing the population in the districts to within 5% of each other, having no two current commissioners in the same district, and maintaining as close to at least one majority/minority district as possible. The districts also had to be contiguous, but a body of water could be used as a connecting point. The BOC had received 4 initial proposals and had asked that some modifications be made to original option A. At their last meeting on November 1, the BOC had whittled those down to two, A5 and A6. The public on hand for the meeting had several questions concerning the redistricting, several which concerned how this would affect the School Board representation. That board may choose to go with the County townships or draw their own. After discussion, the BOC voted unanimously to adopt option A6. As Chairman Doug Brinson stated, "None of the options are perfect, but A6 seems to be the closest to it we will get." The options and the accompanying statistical information for them can be seen on Pamlico County's website.

There were other items on the BOC's agenda Monday. Mrs. Patricia Bragg was recognized for her 30 years of outstanding service as an employee of Pamlico County and she received congratulations on her impending retirement next month. The other topic which received the most discussion was the possibility that Pamlico County, with 160 employees, may fall under a federal mandate for COVID vaccinations. County attorney David Baxter expressed concern that although the federal vaccination policy is currently on hold by court order, the county should have a plan in place should that court order be suddenly lifted. A motion was made and accepted to have the county attorney craft a policy that creates a choice for county employees so that they may be ready in the event a mandate is forced upon them.

Education website ranks Pamlico Community College No. 1 in North Carolina

Pamlico Community College has received another prestigious honor to add to the growing list of state and national recognitions it has received in recent years.

BestValueSchools.org, a Utah-based education website, recently ranked PCC No. 1 on its list of Top 15 Best Community Colleges in North Carolina for 2021.

In its ranking, BestValueSchools.org noted the college's recent state and national rankings for excellence.

"Pamlico Community College has been recognized as one of the top community colleges in North Carolina and the nation for many reasons," the website states. "With small class sizes and high graduation and transfer rates, students of Pamlico succeed first in their studies and their careers."

The website continued, "With academic programs, continuing education programs, and public safety and emergency management programs, Pamlico Community College offers a wide array of degrees and certifications to meet the needs of its diverse students. Students can either use their education at Pamlico to begin their career upon graduation or use it as a springboard to transfer to a larger university to pursue a bachelor's degree."

PCC President Dr. Jim Ross welcomed the BestValueSchools.org ranking, stating it demonstrates the college's commitment to serving its community and helping residents improve their lives.

"As always, credit for this honor goes to the wonderful faculty and staff here at Pamlico Community College," he said. "These extraordinary employees care deeply about making lives better. That is why we are enjoying such an incredible level of success that puts us at or near the top in national and state rankings."

The BestValueSchools.org ranking comes shortly after an annual survey of college employees found a remarkable 95 percent of PCC faculty members and staffers expressing high morale. The significant rise in PCC employees' morale has corresponded with the college's recent spate of state and national awards.

In recent years, PCC has received a number of recognitions for excellence, most notably its recent rating by WalletHub as America's No. 1 community college in Educational Outcomes for students.

The top ranking, which was announced in August 2020, was based on an evaluation of federal data on: first-year retention rate; graduation rate; transfer-out rate; degree and certificates awarded per 100 full-time-equivalent students;



Pamlico Community College President Dr. Jim Ross, left, presents Kendyl Gray with her Cosmetology diploma at a previous year's Commencement ceremony. Contributed image

student-faculty ratio; share of full-time faculty; presence of special learning opportunities such as dual enrollment or distance education programs; and credit for life experiences.

Earlier this year, PCC was ranked No. 2 community college in the United States for 2021 by SmartAsset, a New York-based personal finance technology company. The ranking was based on U.S. Department of Education data on cost, graduation/transfer rates and student-instructor ratio.

In June 2020, the college was rated North Carolina's best community college in providing online instruction by Affordable Colleges Online (AC Online).

"We are honored and humbled by these recognitions," Ross said. "We take seriously our commitment to improving people's lives through higher education."

In its rankings, BestValueSchools.org noted the advantages of attending community college in North Carolina, including affordability, locations close to home and flexible program offerings. The organization also said the state's community colleges offer programs specifically tailored to the workforce demands of their respective service areas, which can help graduates find good-paying jobs.

"It is a credit to North Carolina that community colleges in our state have a strong reputation for excellence," Ross said. "I believe that North Carolina citizens receive an outstanding education at any community college in our state."

The website's rankings can be found here: <https://www.bestvalueschools.org/community-colleges-in-north-carolina/>.



North Carolina Trailblazer

The story of Carroll V. Dashiell, Jr.

Sunday, November 21 at noon on WITN

Carroll V. Dashiell, Jr. Bassist, Composer/Arranger, Educator

Carroll V. Dashiell, Jr. has been a music professor and the director of the jazz ensemble at East Carolina University since August 1989. He was named Down Beat Magazine's Jazz Educator of the Year in 2002. Carroll has continued on the road with many world-class musicians that included Ray Charles, Maurice Hines, Stephanie Mills, Jennifer Holiday, Maceo Parker, and more. A fascinating musical journey as told by this musical innovator, educator and performer.

Arapahoe Charter School Awarded Walmart Grant

The Walmart Community Grants Team and Walmart Store located in Grantsboro are pleased to announce that Arapahoe Charter School has been selected to receive a \$1,500 grant.

"By receiving this grant, ACS becomes part of a long history of Walmart's commitment to giving back to the communities where we operate," said Grantsboro Store Manager Angela Ross. "It is our on-going mission to give back to our community."



(L-R) ACS P.E. Teacher Jessica Coleman and Angela Ross, Walmart Grantsboro store manager.

In fact, Mrs. Helen Walton used to say "It's not what you gather, but what you scatter that tells what kind of life you have lived."

The grant was applied for by Jessica Coleman, ACS Teacher of Health and Physical Education. Ms. Coleman plans to use the grant funds to purchase a class set of pedometers from Gopher Sport.

"This will be a great tool to track students participation and fitness level during PE. It will allow me to collect data on our students to objectively grade during each class as well as upload their steps for their time during PE class," said Ms. Coleman.

ACS Executive Director Chris Watson is grateful for the award which will enrich the school's Physical Education program.

"This gift is very much appreciated, especially in these financially-challenging times," said Mr. Watson. "Expanding and improving school programs is a key element to motivating our students."

Ms. Coleman plans to begin implementing the pedometers in 6th grade and 9th grade at the start of the spring semester in January. Eventually, having stu-

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Solid waste management organization plans to clear-cut, sell timber from 35-acre tract in Peletier

Brad Rich - Nov 13, 2021

BAYBORO — The board that governs Carteret County's regional landfill and solid waste disposal system voted Nov. 4 to seek bids to cut trees and sell timber on a 35-acre tract it owns off Highway 58 in Peletier.

Bobby Darden, executive director of the Coastal Environmental Partnership, formerly Coastal Regional Solid Waste Authority, said the board of directors met in Bayboro and voted to ask consultant Premier Forestry of Jacksonville to handle the bidding process.

"We purchased the property in 2007 and at the time we thought use it for a waste transfer station," said Mr. Darden, whose organization manages landfills and transfer stations in Carteret, Pamlico and Craven counties. "We haven't done that, and we



Coastal Environmental Partnership, the organization that handles solid waste disposal in Carteret, Craven and Pamlico counties, plans to seek bids for removal and sale of timber on a 35-acre tract it owns off Highway 58 in Peletier. (Brad Rich photo)

don't have any immediate intent to do it. So it made sense to try to make some money by selling the timber."

The land, near the intersection of Highway 58 and Croatan Road, is covered with mature trees, many of them pines, and will be clear-cut by the winning bidder. There will be at least some replanting by a different company after the trees are removed and sold.

Mr. Darden said he doesn't know how much the trees are worth, but will know more when the bids come in, probably within about 90 days.

The winning bidder would probably get about a year to remove and haul off the timber, he added.

Money from the sale of the timber would go back into CRSWMA's operating budget.

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PROBABLE WEEKEND WEATHER

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Sunday, November 21st **67°Hi** Clear through the day.



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Leo Luca Ruggiero passed away peacefully on November 2, 2021. His family's many remembrances of Leo include his love of life and music and his unfailing support for the dreams of his children and grandchildren. His grandchildren described him best: "He always had a smile on his face and a song in his heart. Papa was a man who knew what he wanted out of life and set about making that happen. He wanted to drive fast cars, fly planes, launch rockets, and raise a wonderful family. He did all of those and more, living, laughing, and loving life. Always an encourager, he raised daughters who are smart, diversely talented, and ambitious. Papa loved aerospace, but was always grounded, fostering a good sense of humor. A veteran, a pilot, an engineer, a father, a musician and many more. What wasn't Papa? He will be missed by many and will always watch over us. He was a hero and a role model. Fly higher than you have ever flown Papa. Godspeed."

Leo was born on July 20, 1933, to Mercurio and Rosalie Ruggiero of Queens, New York. He grew up in Queens, served in the U.S. Army, and graduated from City College of New York in 1961 with a bachelor's degree in Electrical Engineering. His first engineering job was with Bendix Corporation in support of the Pershing Missile, which was implemented by the Army Ballistic Program Agency under the direction of Dr. Werner Von Braun and his team. Shortly after beginning work for Bendix, Leo was transferred to Cape Canaveral, and became an inertial guidance and control engineer supporting the Pershing Research and Development Flight Control Program.

Leo was a talented musician, playing the guitar and piano by ear and was a private pilot. While

playing his guitar on the beach in Florida, Leo drew the attention of Gail Mason, his future wife, who grew up in Oriental, N.C. Leo married Gail on May 25, 1963, and she traveled with him throughout the Southwest, eventually blessing him with four daughters. When he wasn't working or spending time with his family, Leo enjoyed driving his 1959 corvette, flying, and dancing to Latin and Jazz music.

After Pershing, Leo was test manager on the Skylab Orbital Workshop's Apollo Telescope Mount (America's first space station) which flew in 1973. He continued working on aerospace programs like the Hubble Space Telescope and Shuttle Rocket Booster in Huntsville Alabama. In December 1989 he joined The Boeing Corporation's International Space Station team (ISS) as Systems Staff Engineer. He supported the development, design, manufacturing, integration, and test program phases of the ISS. He provided technical Mission Support at the Huntsville Operation Support Center to the ISS subsystems and retired from Boeing in January of 2001 after the USS Orbital Laboratory was docked and verified as operational. Leo spent his last work years mentoring young engineers and imparting his wisdom, work ethic, and love of science and spaceflight.

Leo was preceded in death by his parents and his beloved daughter Nicole Ruggiero. He is survived by his wife Gail Mason Ruggiero; siblings Francis Cappuccio and Ciro Michael Ruggiero; daughters Michele Banish, Maria Lademann, Dara Rickles; and grandchildren, Kathryn Banish, Brittany Lademann, Victoria Lademann, Alec Lademann, Luca Rickles, and Zanne Rickles. Private celebrations of Leo's life will be held in a few cities he called home. In lieu of flowers, the family asks for donations to be made to science programs for children or plant a tree at local community gardens, for Leo recited "Woodman Spare That Tree" to his children all of their lives.

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Solid waste management organization plans to clear-cut

Peletier Mayor Dale Sowers said he is aware of the partnership's plans.

The authority formed in 1990 as a partnership between the three counties, and members of the board of directors come from all each county. The name of the organization was shortened in 2008 to the Coastal Environmental Partnership, or CEP. Carteret County's representatives on the board are County Commissioner Jimmy Farrington of Emerald Isle and assistant county manager Gene Foxworth.

Mr. Foxworth, also the county's planning director, said officials don't have any immediate plans with CEP to use the property once it's clear-cut, but might at some point in the future

seek to use it as a site for vegetative storm debris after hurricanes.

According to CEP's website, its purpose is to provide an environmentally sound, cost-effective system of solid waste disposal for residents of the three member counties. CEP's office is at the Tuscarora landfill it operates on Highway 70. The partnership also has solid waste transfer stations on Hibbs Road in Newport and near Grantsboro in Pamlico County. The transfer stations accept municipal solid waste, yard waste, construction and demolition debris and scrap tires.

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Arapahoe Charter School Awarded Walmart Grant

dents 2nd - 9th grade using them on a daily basis.

"I am grateful to our local Walmart for this opportunity to expand our fitness program," said Ms. Coleman. "This award will definitely be put to good use."

According to Ms. Ross, the results are undoubtedly the most important aspect of the grants program.

"I am honored to be part of giving back to our community," said Ms. Ross. "I look forward to it every year."

Horoscopes



ARIES – Mar 21/Apr 20
Aries, you may not jump out of bed excited to work, but things may change in the next few days. Pleasant interactions at the workplace play a factor into your good mood.



TAURUS – Apr 21/May 21
Stop and smell the roses as much as possible, Taurus. Cherish the good things you encounter, whether they are big or small. Take advantage of an opportunity to indulge.



GEMINI – May 22/Jun 21
Gemini, don't let trivial things distract you from the bigger picture. Even if a small opportunity does not initially seem like a big deal, it could grow in the days to come.



CANCER – Jun 22/Jul 22
Cancer, people are interested in what you have to say, even if you're normally inclined to keep things under wraps. Start practicing what you are going to talk about.



LEO – Jul 23/Aug 23
Leo, you may experience a burst of productivity in the days to come. Harness this energy and get as much done as possible. Expect a helping hand from others.



VIRGO – Aug 24/Sept 22
This week will be a lesson in putting yourself first, Virgo. Even if you don't crave the limelight, people will be shining a spotlight on you for the time being. Prove your worth.



LIBRA – Sept 23/Oct 23
Libra, progress you make in the next several days could be beneficial to you in the long run, even if doesn't seem like it right now. Keep plodding on.



SCORPIO – Oct 24/Nov 22
A surprising energy may compel you to eschew responsibilities and seek out some new horizons, Scorpio. Don't shy away from exploring wherever you see fit.



SAGITTARIUS – Nov 23/Dec 21
Don't be surprised if things get a little stressful at work this week, Sagittarius. Instead of feeling overwhelmed, think of it as an opportunity to find success.



CAPRICORN – Dec 22/Jan 20
Figure out how to strike a balance in your life, Capricorn. This may mean sharing work with other people to free up more opportunities to spend time with family.



AQUARIUS – Jan 21/Feb 18
Aquarius, you will be presented with various opportunities in the days to come. Some may be more worthy of your attention than others. Vet the options that come your way.



PISCES – Feb 19/Mar 20
Pisces, uncertainty may hang over your love life. You may need to find a way to sum up how you feel. Then you can take action.

SCORPIO Traits & Overview

Scorpios In Love & Romance
Scorpio's romantic traits make them passionate lovers, with an exciting side of danger. They tend to be on the defensive side when it comes to falling for someone, and it takes a lot to earn their trust. But once that happens, Scorpios are devoted partners who bring intimate connections and great passion to a relationship. That said, Scorpios require deep and unwavering loyalty from their partner, as

any breach of trust could cause irreparable damage. If a Scorpio feels that their heart is being threatened, they'll immediately whip out their poison-filled stinger to protect themselves. The signs most compatible with Scorpio are fellow water signs Cancer and Pisces, as well as earth signs Virgo and Capricorn. If you want to impress a Scorpio, be authentic. For this sign, posturing is a huge turn-off, so don't try to hide who you are if you want their attention.

FOR ENTERTAINMENT PURPOSES ONLY

THIS WEEK IN HISTORY

November 17th – 1973, Then U.S. President Richard Nixon announces to the country "I am not a crook." Moments later his pants catch on fire proving his earlier statement to be untrue.

November 18th – Today is National Princess Day. My favorite Princess has to be Snow White. If she can keep 7 dwarfs happy, imagine what she could do for me.

November 19th – 1805, The Lewis and Clark expedition reaches the Pacific Ocean.

November 20th – 1984, The SETI Institute (Search for Extra Terrestrial Intelligence) is formed. I'm beginning to think we need to start a search for intelligence right here on Earth.

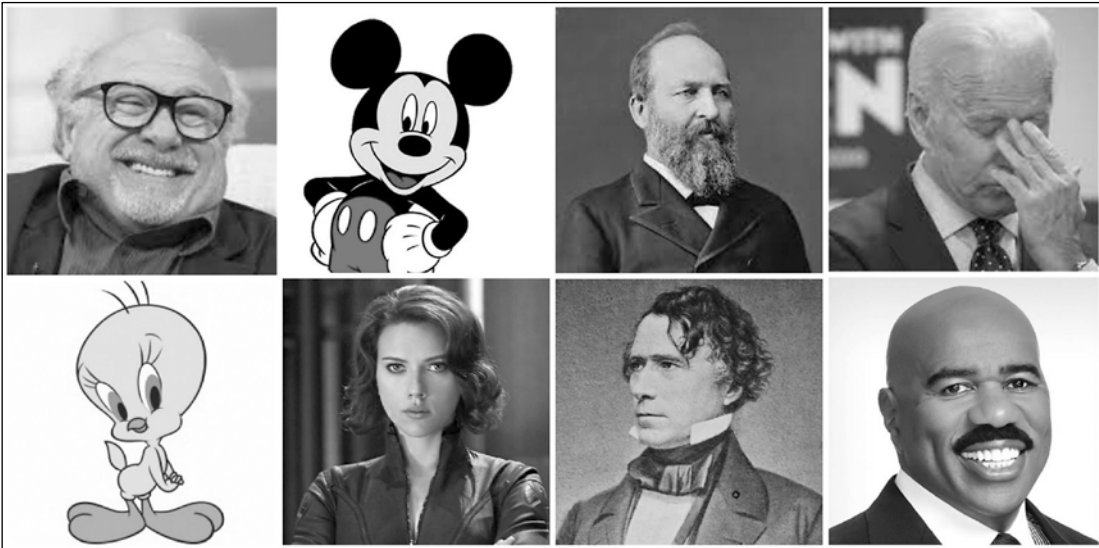
November 21st – 1789, North Carolina becomes the 12th state to ratify the U. S. Constitution.

November 22nd – 1718, Blackbeard the pirate lost his head near Ocracoke Island.

November 23rd – Today is National Cashew Nut Day. My favorite non-human nut.

BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK

November 17th – 1944, Short actor, Danny DeVito
November 18th – 1928, Famous rodent, Mickey Mouse
November 19th – 1831, The 20th President of The United States, James A. Garfield
November 20th – 1942, The 46th President of The United States, Joe Biden
November 21st – 1942, Famous canary, Tweety Bird (aka Tweety Pie)
November 22nd – 1984, Actress Scarlett Johansson
November 23rd – 1804, The 14th President of The United States, Franklin Pierce
1956, TV and radio host, Steve Harvey



Pamlico County Fishes and Loaves Outreach Food Pantry

(PCFLO) will be sponsoring it's monthly mobile food truck on the first Wednesday of each month at St. Peter the Fisherman Catholic Church parking lot at 1149 White Farm Road, Oriental. Anyone residing in Pamlico County needing food assistance is welcome. The only requirement is a valid ID showing residence in Pamlico County. Lineup begins at 9am. All are welcome.

Hope Clinic's New Beginnings

Using principals from NA, AA, and Smart Recovery, recovery group support meetings are hosted by Hope Clinic and open to ANYONE in recovery and are free. Meetings are currently online via Zoom on Fridays at 7pm and Saturdays at 11am.

The Zoom meeting link is <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85777976172> and the meeting ID is 857 7797 6172. Any cancellations are posted on our Facebook page at <https://www.facebook.com/NewBeginningsatHopeClinic>

Concerned about your drinking? You are not alone, there is help available! Come join others who have found a solution. Alcoholics Anonymous: New Bern Hotline (252) 633-3716

Meetings in Pamlico County: (If you think you may have a problem, you are welcome.)
Tuesday 8pm - Oriental Tuesday Night Group - Meeting at the Free Will Baptist Church 600 Ragan Rd. in Oriental, NC (2nd brick building on left)
Thursday **7:30pm** - Recovery and Beyond (a great meeting for new members) - Meeting at Alliance United Methodist Church, 687 Main Street in Bayboro, NC
Friday 8pm - Oriental Friday Night Group - Meeting behind Brantley's Village Restaurant, 900 Broad Street (Hwy 55) in Oriental, NC
Sunday **7pm** - Oriental Sunday Night Group - Meeting at St. Thomas Episcopal Church, 402 Freemason St. in Oriental, NC (2nd brick church on left)
Al-Anon (Members are people, just like you, who are worried about someone with a drinking problem).
Tuesday **7pm** - Meeting at 403 Mildred Street in Oriental, NC
Narcotics Anonymous (A group atmosphere which provides help from peers and offers an ongoing support network for addicts who wish to pursue and maintain a drug-free lifestyle).
Wednesday **7pm** - Never Alone @ 7 - Meeting at Alliance United Methodist Church, 687 Main Street in Bayboro, NC

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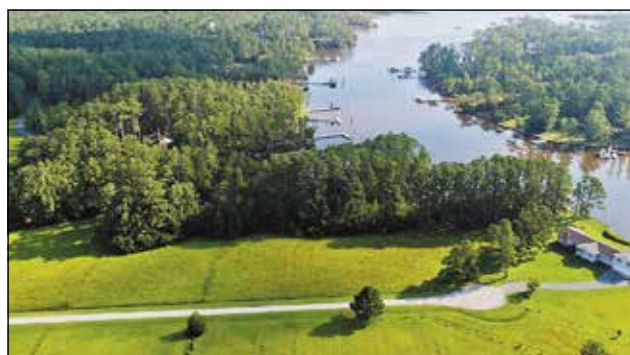


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Pamlico Community College

Ideal weather, hungry crowd highlight PCC Foundation's 11th Annual Great Oyster Revival & Chili Cookoff

By Sandy Wall



Seafood lovers enjoy all the oysters they can eat at last Saturday's 11th Annual Great Oyster Revival & Chili Cookoff at Pamlico Community College. Roughly 170 people attended the popular fundraiser. Contributed photo

A hungry, early-arriving crowd of around 170 people enjoyed 21 bushels of oysters, several crockpots of delicious chili and near-perfect autumn weather at the 11th Annual Great Oyster Revival & Chili Cookoff last Saturday at Pamlico Community College.

The popular PCC Foundation event, which took place in and around the college's Delamar Center, raised around \$3,000 for student scholarships and support.

In his remarks at the event, PCC President Dr. Jim Ross thanked the crowd for its generosity, saying the money raised would be used to support PCC students who plan to go on to four-year universities as well as those who are interested in hands-on skilled trades, health care and other career fields.

"Thank you for making this a great community college and a great community," he said.

This year's event featured some changes. For starters, it took place in November rather than the traditional fourth Saturday in February. Secondly, the event was held outside of the college's Delamar Center rather than in the courtyard outside the Student Lounge at the Johnson Building.

Organizers say the date change was prompted by the COVID-19 pandemic last winter, which had taken hold in the United States in March not long after the 2020 Oyster Revival & Chili Cookoff in February. The location shift was necessary because of ongoing renovations to the Johnson Building.

As usual, oyster aficionados stood shoulder-to-shoulder at outdoor tables to shuck and eat all the oysters they could hold. The oysters came from local supplier Garland Fulcher Seafood. Nearby, a team stayed busy cooking the briny delights while local band Brant Island Strings provided the music.

Inside the Delamar Center, event participants sampled about a dozen pots of chili entered in the cookoff. Tables and chairs that had been spaced apart indoors gave participants places to sit and eat.

Some visitors brought their own chairs so they could sit outdoors, enjoy the music and visit with their neighbors.

Christina Moore won first place for her "Taste of Keystown Chili" while Tina Lynch took home second place for her "Kitchen Sink Chili". Both women received customized trophies and prize packs including mugs and aprons.

Don Lane won the 50-50 raffle, taking home \$290. Door prize winners included James Baluss and Kenan Lynch, who each won a PCC sweatshirt donated by Mary Kirk on behalf of the Goose Creek Island Volunteer Fire Department, and Cynthia Delamar, who won 5 pounds of shrimp.

"We are extremely pleased with how the event went this year," said PCC Foundation Executive Director Michelle Noever. "The oysters were salty, the chili was satisfying, the weather was beautiful and Brant Island Strings was phenomenal. Most importantly, the roughly \$3,000 raised will help deserving students achieve their academic goals."

She explained the roughly \$3,000 raised was the equivalent of one semester of tuition and fees for two curriculum students, or it was the comparable amount of money needed to pay for the allied health course fee (\$180) for 16 Continuing Education students.

Noever thanked event sponsors Gail Johnson, Michelle and Jim Krauss, Dr. Sherri Hicks of Oriental Village Veterinary Hospital, Bojangles', Tideland EMC, Blair and Becca Lang of Arlington Place, Axelson Chiropractic, Brantley's Village Restaurant, Ray and Gail Cox of Cox Family Restaurant, Violet and Carl Ollison, Zimmerman Marine, and Jeff Styron of Garland Fulcher Seafood.

"Huge thanks also to our hardworking volunteers and our attendees," Noever said. "These fundraising events are not possible without you!"

For more information about the PCC Foundation, call 252-249-1851, ext. 3084.

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Smart food choices for kids

Nutritious foods are a valuable commodity in the fight against childhood obesity. Obesity is a serious medical condition that affects people of all ages — children and adolescents included. Children who gain extra pounds may develop health issues like high blood pressure, diabetes and high cholesterol later in life. The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention says obesity affects about 14.4 million children and adolescents in the United States.

Combatting obesity may come down to helping children make smarter food choices through the years. These strategies can inspire kids to choose healthy foods.

- Offer items that are colorful. People tend to eat with their eyes and noses, and a colorful meal that looks good may encourage kids to dive in.
- Parents can set a positive example by choosing healthy foods as well.
- Involve kids in cooking meals, as they might be more inclined to eat healthy dishes they helped to prepare.
- Make "junk food" at home so you can control the ingredients and portion sizes.
- Tie foods to desired results. Let children know that eating lean proteins may improve sports performance or that certain fruits and vegetables can make their hair and skin look good.
- Praise children when they choose healthy foods.

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Work with life partner to achieve mutual goals



Dan M. Roberts

When you and your life partner work together to achieve your important long-term goals, such as a comfortable retirement lifestyle, the experience can be greatly rewarding. However, your success will require commitment and discipline. So, what steps should you take along the way?

One key move is to decide early in your relationship how you will handle money. Many couples merge their finances and make joint decisions on major purchases. But some couples like to keep at least part of their finances distinct, perhaps by maintaining separate checking or savings accounts. There's really no one correct solution for everyone, but whatever you decide, you'll want to be assured that all the bills will be paid and that neither one of you feels the pressure of an unfair financial burden.

Here's another suggestion: Try to avoid keeping financial secrets from your partner. That means disclosing your debts, hidden funds or uncommon investments. These types of surprises can lead to difficulties and mistrust. Even if you're entering the relationship carrying something like a heavy student loan, it's best to get it out in the open right away so, together, you can strive to gradually eliminate it.

Of course, there's also a practical side to not keeping secrets. Your large student loan could affect your credit rating – an issue that may arise when you and your partner are seeking a mortgage or some other type of loan. Clearly, you both should be aware of this potential stumbling block before you begin the application process.

Now, let's consider your investments. You each may have your own IRA and 401(k) or similar employer-sponsored retirement plan, but you might also share a joint investment account.

However, you might not share the same risk tolerance – perhaps one of you tends to be more aggressive, willing to take more risks in exchange for potentially higher returns, while the other is more conservative, preferring to keep down the risk level of a portfolio, even if it means lesser capacity for growth.

Again, neither you nor your partner is necessarily “right” or “wrong” in your views on investing – and nobody's feelings about risk should be ignored. But once you've clearly identified your retirement goals and estimated their cost, you may find that compromise is possible. In other words, perhaps the conservative partner will realize that a too-cautious approach could hinder progress toward the desired retirement goal, while the partner who focuses on maximum growth will learn that a somewhat less aggressive approach can still yield the desired results. This type of compromise may affect the investment choices you make in your individual accounts as well as your joint accounts. And the way you choose your investments may even change over time, especially if your financial goals evolve.

Ultimately, communication is the key. As long as you're talking to each other and openly expressing your wishes and concerns, you and your partner can find a way to keep moving toward your mutual goals.

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What it Limiting My Soil?

Daniel Simpson, County Extension Director, Agriculture Agent



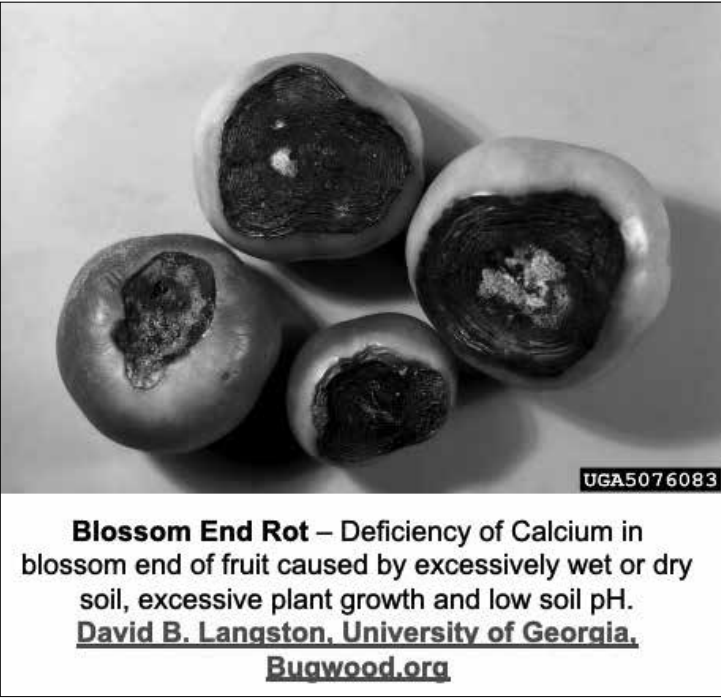
Over the past several weeks the Extension office has assisted several clients with evaluating and diagnosing soil related issues that hinder plant growth. Homeowners may not be aware of the role soil plays in plant health and how small adjustments can create long term impacts. Let us discuss one of the most common soil related issues and how it can be addressed to improve plant performance.

Plant health and productivity is directly related to the ability of its roots to find nutrients and water to sustain cellular function. Soil pH is an essential component of this process which can affect root growth and the availability of soil nutrients and the fertilizer you apply. With pH values near 6.0-6.5, nutrients become more accessible to plants. As pH values become excessively low or high outside of this range, nutrients can become less available and others can become toxic.



Plants may express their dislike for current pH levels by exhibiting symptoms of nutrient deficiencies. This includes stunting, changes in color, and dieback of plant tissue. A common symptom homeowners might see is yellowing of centipedegrass in spring when pH values are too high and iron becomes deficient. These high pH values will result in the decline of centipede turf and can be avoided by monitoring pH levels and avoiding over liming.

Soil pH can be raised with lime or lowered with elemental sulfur. Homeowners should only apply these products if a soil test indicates the need to adjust soil pH. Soil testing is available through the North Carolina Department of Agriculture Soil Testing Lab. These testing services are free of charge between April and November, but peak season testing fees of \$4.00 per sample is required November through March. Soil sample supplies needed to complete a NCDA soil test are available through your local Cooperative Extension office. To learn more about soil testing visit this NC State Extension fact sheet titled 'A Gardener's Guide to Soil Testing' at <https://content.ces.ncsu.edu/a-gardeners-guide-to-soil-testing>.



With these soil test results, homeowners will be provided with a suggested pH growing range for their crop and recommendations for adjusting pH, if required. Not every plant requires the same pH range and it is important to consider this factor when making plant choices for your landscape. Naturally high pH soils often contain shell material which is a lime source. Homeowners will have great difficulty lowering pH values in this situation and should avoid planting acidic loving plants like blueberries or azaleas. If you would like to learn more about different plant species and their soil requirements, you can visit the NC State Extension Plant Toolbox website at <https://plants.ces.ncsu.edu/>. From this website you can examine thousands of plants, learn about their soil requirements, and select plants that meet your landscape needs.

Homeowners should consider monitoring soil pH levels if you plan to maximize plant health in your landscape. A soil test every 2-3 years is a recommended practice. Soil pH levels should be adjusted slowly with small amounts of recommended materials, which may take several months to affect a pH change. However, if you follow these simple steps, you can help ensure your plants are provided with the best conditions for growth. If you have additional questions about soil pH or soil testing, please contact Daniel Simpson at 252-745-4121 or daniel_simpson@ncsu.edu.

Happy Gardening!

Giving Back Without Getting Scammed

Attorney General Josh Stein



At the end of the year and during the holidays, people are at their most generous. We spend time with loved ones, buy gifts for each other, and give back to our communities through charitable donations. Unfortunately, scammers know this and they come out of the woodwork to try to take advantage of people's generosity. To make sure your donations go to the purpose you want and not to line some scammer's pocket, take these precautions.

Before you give anything, make sure to do your research on the charity or organization. It's a good idea to donate to charities that you are personally familiar with or that operate visibly in your community. If researching online, double-check that the charity's URL is legitimate by looking for a lock icon and an “https:” in the address bar. Copycat websites and apps will resemble a business's brand name closely or have a URL that is similar to the real thing.

Don't respond to unsolicited emails and text messages asking you to give. Although the cause may sound worthy of your hard-earned money, taking the time to verify an organization's legitimacy is worth it.

Be careful of calls from charity fundraisers. Some telemarketers

keep up to 90 percent of the money they collect for charities. Your money will go further if you give directly to the real charity, not to hired fundraisers. Also, scammers will often try to pressure you into donating. Remember that legitimate fundraisers will not push you to make a donation immediately.

If you are unsure whether a charity is the real deal, you can call my office's Consumer Protection Division at 1-877-5-NO-SCAM to check whether the charity has complaints against it or you can check its license with the Secretary of State. You can also research a charity's ratings and history using resources including the Better Business Bureau's (BBB) Wise Giving Alliance, Charity Navigator, Charity Watch, or GuideStar.

Once you have chosen and verified a charity, it is best to pay by credit card for security and tax purposes. If you decide to pay by check, always make it out to the charity and not an individual.

For more information on common charity scams and how to avoid them, visit ncdoj.gov/charity. And if you think you or someone you know has been the victim of a scam, file a complaint with my office's Consumer Protection Division at <https://ncdoj.gov/file-a-complaint/> or by phone at 1-877-5-NO-SCAM. The holiday season is a special time of year, and I hope this season brings joy to you and your loved ones.

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The Pamlico County Christmas Parade will be held on **December 18, 2021 at 4:00 P.M.** with a rain date of December 19, 2021 at 4:00 P.M. The parade will be judged based on the following categories: Religious, Youth, Commercial, Walking, Government, Non-Profit, and Emergency Vehicle. This year's parade theme will be: *Christmas Characters!*

Requirements for Judging: Participants wanting to enter the judging for the 2021 Pamlico County Christmas Parade must indicate on this form the category you would like to be judged in and decorate your float based on the theme, *Christmas Characters*. Participants will be contacted the week of the parade with a line up number, which will also be your judging number. Please put your number on the left side of your float on an 8 ½" x 11" sign. If there is not a number present or the judges cannot read the number, your float will be disqualified for judging.

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“Let not your heart be troubled: ye believe in God believe also in me”

-John 14:1

“The Virtuous Woman and Prayer Warrior,” Mother Daisy Lee Marshall Miller was born April 15, 1929 to George H. Marshall I and Addie Midgett Marshall as the first child of this marital union. On October 29, 2021, she gained her heavenly wings, uniting with her parents, George and Addie, and siblings, Rosetta, Bodine, George, her husband, John “Buster” Miller, and her son, Ronnie Miller. Mother Miller was the oldest resident of the Maribel community.

Mother Miller gained her pioneer skills at a very young age. During her childhood, her family moved from Vandemere waterfront to the historically named, “Boomersneck” in Maribel. She often talked about how the land was plentiful with all kinds of fruit trees. Her mom taught her how to make jelly, jams, and canned vegetables early in life and was making biscuits by the age of nine years old. Mother Miller (Big Soe) and her younger sister (Lil Soe), Rosetta helped their mom cook, do laundry in a huge outdoor wash pot, and collect eggs from the henhouse. They walked to school on the “O” road with the neighborhood children in the community five days a week. She completed the tenth grade and began her career in babysitting and working on the farm picking cotton.

Mother Miller joined St. Galilee M.B. Church and was baptized at the age of twelve. She was active in the choir, an usher, taught Sunday School, and was a consecrated as a Mother in 1975. Over the years, she has trained the newly elected Mothers while being the Senior Mother at St. Galilee. Every quarter, she met with the Mothers to set up the sacraments for Holy Communion. For several years, she opened her home to feed Pastor L.A. Dillahunt for Sunday dinner after church. She also participated faithfully in the Missionary Circle of the New Bern Eastern Missionary Baptist Association. In the community, Mother Miller enjoyed teaching Vacation Bible School during the summer days at Antioch Christian Church. She was the founder of The Marshall Family Gospel Singers, who sang on many programs and donated to the church for twenty-four years.

Daisy and John (Buster) were joined in holy matrimony on December 14, 1949 and God gifted them with four children, one son preceding her in death. They raised their children in a Christian home with work ethic, loyalty, honesty, and the value of striving for independence. She was a housewife for numerous years. When their younger children began school, Mother Miller ventured out with her mom to work as a maid on Cherry Point base. Later years, having a desire to work closer to home, she became a nanny in Pamlico County. Mother Miller worked as a custodian for nineteen years at First Citizen’s Bank, seven years at North State Bank, and for several years at Rose and Rose Dentistry. After retirement, she enjoyed traveling and visiting family and friends until her health failed. Just a few distinct testimonials include Mother Miller and her siblings escaping from a house fire as a child by jumping from a window and being a Cancer Survivor in both 1999 and 2007...what a Blessing!!! Mother Miller also fared through four major hurricanes with over four feet of water in her home from the storms. Surviving to cherish her memories are her daughters, Prophetess Tanna Cannon (Reverend Dr. Gary Cannon, Sr.) of Fayetteville, NC and Bertha Smith (Sherman Smith) of the Maribel community, her son John Miller Jr. (Syvette Miller) of New Bern, NC, seven grandchildren, fourteen great grandchildren and a host of relatives and friends.

ACKNOWLEDGMENTS

The family of Mother Daisy Lee Marshall Miller would like to thank each and every one of you for your condolences, love, and support during this time. Please continue to keep us in prayer as we cherish the memories of our Matriarch.

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How small businesses can capitalize on Black Friday



Millions of small businesses have had a difficult year in 2020. As the novel coronavirus COVID-19 spread across the globe, governments all over the world took unprecedented measures to prevent the virus from claiming more lives. Public health measures like social distancing undoubtedly saved lives, but small businesses bore the brunt of the economic impact of such measures. According to the National Bureau of Economic Research, the number of active business owners decreased by 22 percent from February to April 2020. In the wake of such challenges, many small businesses have been forced to shutter. For those that have managed to stay afloat, the upcoming holiday season could prove vital to their survival.

Black Friday is the day after Thanksgiving and marks the unofficial beginning of the holiday shopping season. It is a day when consumer spending annually reaches into the billions of dollars. For example, Adobe Analytics reported that Black Friday shoppers spent a record \$7.4 billion in 2019. Capitalizing on Black Friday in 2020 can help small businesses generate a substantial amount of revenue in a year that has been chock full of financial challenges. The following are some strategies small businesses can employ to make this Black Friday as lucrative as possible.

Connect with the locals. In recognition of the economic challenges faced by small businesses in 2020, local chambers of commerce have gone to great lengths to encourage residents to shop local as economies have slowly reopened. Residents have responded to such efforts, and small businesses can do their part by making concerted efforts to connect with locals in advance of Black Friday. Advertise

Black Friday sales in local newspapers and join your local chamber of commerce in encouraging shop local efforts on Black Friday.

Open early. In an effort to promote social distancing, some big box retailers have announced changes to their Black Friday strategies. Those changes may include more limited store hours and later openings. Local small business owners can capitalize on such strategic shifts by opening their stores early on Black Friday without compromising social distancing guidelines. Place a sign outside your store that highlights your early opening but also reminds customers of your mask and social distancing policy. Thank customers in advance for adhering to your policy and for bringing much-needed revenue to your business.

Optimize your mobile site. Lines are the norm on a typical Black Friday, but they might be even longer this year as small businesses minimize the number of people they allow in their store at one time. By optimizing their mobile sites in advance of Black Friday, small business owners can ensure shoppers waiting online have access to what is inside the store even before they enter. That can make it easier to wait online and ease customers' concerns about spending too much time inside the store.

Emphasize your status as a small business. The pandemic will no doubt compel many Black Friday shoppers to avoid crowded malls and big box stores in 2020. Small business owners can use their status as small businesses to their advantage by reminding customers their showrooms are small and easily controlled.

Small businesses may be struggling in 2020. But Black Friday is a golden opportunity for small businesses to recoup some of the revenue they've lost in a challenging year.

Several North Carolina based organizations sign letter calling on Walmart to Go Solar



"The data clearly show the amazing potential of on-site solar generation at North Carolina's big box stores,"

Groups join more than 140 other environmental organizations from across America encouraging the retail giant to commit to on-site solar energy generation

Raleigh, NC– Environmental organizations from North Carolina are calling on Walmart to commit to installing solar panels on all its viable roofs and parking lots by 2035 in a letter released Friday. NC Interfaith Power and Light, Environment North Carolina Research and Policy Center, NC WARN, Appalachian Voices, Clean Cape Fear, and NC League of Conservation Voters were among those that signed a letter sent to the retail giant Friday pushing for this action.

“Walmart became the world’s largest retailer by making strategic and innovative investments,” said Environment North Carolina Research and Policy Center Advocate Krista Early. “A commitment to go big on solar would be right in line with that track record. With its big roofs and big sustainability goals, Walmart could set a shining example to the rest of the retail sector by committing to generate solar energy on all of its U.S. locations.”

The letter, addressed to CEO Doug McMillon, identifies that big box stores can and should play a key role in reducing global warming pollution by transitioning to 100% renewable

energy. It celebrates Walmart’s environmental accomplishments as a good start, but calls on the company to fully utilize its ample roofs and parking lots to produce solar energy.

The North Carolina groups joined 144 other organizations from 41 unique states and the District of Columbia.

“It’s encouraging to see such a broad coalition of groups calling for commonsense clean energy solutions,” said Wade Wilson, Go Solar associate with Environment America. “Installing solar on superstores like Walmart would be a win for the environment, a win for consumers, and a win for businesses.”

According to a 2016 report from Environment America Research and Policy Center, the roofs of North Carolina’s big box stores can generate 2,286 megawatts of solar photovoltaic capacity, enough to power 258 thousand average homes and offset 2,225 metric tons of global warming pollution.

“The data clearly show the amazing potential of on-site solar generation at North Carolina’s big box stores,” said Early. “Walmart has been a leader in sustainability under McMillon’s management. By installing solar panels on its roofs and parking lots, Walmart would cement its status as an environmental champion and make North Carolina an even better place to live.”

Simple safety protocols that can protect hunters



Hunting is big business in North America. In 2017, more than 15 million people hunted in the United States. The National Shooting Sports Foundation reports that sportsmen and women contribute nearly \$9.4 million to the economy every day.

Millions of hunters take to forests and fields every year. Seasoned hunters and novices alike can benefit from revisiting some safety procedures before their first outing this season.

Weather

Weather should be a consideration whenever people spend a significant amount of time outdoors. Hunters typically leave before dawn and arrive home after dusk. Hypothermia is a very real risk for hunters who may be out in snow or wet conditions. It's possible to get hypothermia by overdressing as well. Sweating and then being exposed to dropping temperatures puts people at risk for hypothermia. Hunters should dress in layers with moisture-wicking materials and a water-repellant outer layer. In addition, check the weather forecast before heading out as a last second precautionary measure.

Firearm safety

Firearm safety is a critical component of safe hunting. Hunters use rifles, shotguns and other firearms. Each gun is different, so hunters need to familiarize themselves with new firearms before using them. The following are some additional firearm safety tips, courtesy of State Farm Insurance and Southern Land Exchange.

- Always treat a firearm as if it is loaded.
- Keep your finger off the trigger until ready to shoot.
- Only point at what you plan to shoot.
- Clearly identify your target and what is beyond it.
- Fire within the zone-of-fire, which is the 45-degree area directly in front of each hunter.
- Firearm chambers should be emptied when guns are not in use.
- Use appropriate ammunition.
- Never modify or alter the gun.
- Never cross a fence, jump a ditch or climb a tree with a loaded gun.
- Never rely on a gun's safety.

Additional safety tips

Hunters should always let others know where they will be when leaving in the morning. If something should happen, people back home can alert authorities if something goes awry. Always check equipment and maintain it properly. Equipment should include gear colored in hunter's orange. That extends to dogs if they are accompanying hunters on a trip. This makes hunters more visible to other hunters. Also, carry a first aid kit, a charged mobile phone or a satellite phone to maintain contact with others in case of emergencies.

These are just some of the safety protocols that should be followed when hunting. Non-hunters should exercise caution during hunting seasons, particularly when entering forests and areas that hunters frequent.

Spirit of Christmas 2021 Participation Form

Business Name: _____

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Hours you want listed, Date(s), & brief event description: _____

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_____ Friday December 10 at 3:30 pm: Loading the now-ready-for-prime-time luminarias on to trailers at the Fire Station so they can be placed along the streets.

_____ Saturday, December 11 at 8:30 am, four volunteers needed with truck and trailer to pick up luminarias - Contact Marsha (252) 675-5142

_____ Kayak & Paddle Board Parade - contact Larry Summers (252) 675-0467

_____ Decorated Boats, at the Town Dock

_____ Sunday, December 12 at 1 pm-ish - Until, Gathering at the Red Rooster - Bonfire, holiday refreshments for luminaria clean up, contact Marsha (252) 675-5142 ~Many Hands Make Light Work~

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Shredding Saturday Event To Be Held On December 4th In Two Locations

Mark your calendars to Saturday, December 4, 2021, the next Shredding Saturday event sponsored by the New Bern Breakfast Rotary Club. Collect all those papers, reports, receipts, and other confidential information to be safely shredded onsite. From 10:00 am to 12:00 noon, collection and shredding will take place at the Fairfield Harbour Community Center, and from 1:00 to 3:00 pm, the event will move to the Cotton Funeral Home on Neuse Blvd.

This bi-annual fundraiser supports the Breakfast Rotary’s scholarships and charitable activities both locally and around the world. The first bankers-box of papers is free, with additional boxes charged at \$10 each, which is about one third of the cost for commercial shredding. Businesses bringing confidential records are asked to donate \$20 per box.



Barbara Belon & Mitch Khoury

Don’t Let Your Coverage Go to Waste

The New Year is right around the corner, so head into the new year as healthy as possible. Your dental benefits might expire at the end of the year; don’t let them go to waste. If you haven’t had your six-month dental checkup this year, it’s the perfect time to get one on your calendar. One of the easiest ways to stay healthy is maintaining optimal oral care. Since oral health reflects overall wellness, visiting the dentist regularly can reduce the risk of disease. Most dental plans typically include preventive care so don’t let your dental dollars go to waste.

Delaying dental appointments can negatively impact your oral health and sometimes cause problems or diseases to worsen,” said Dr. Daniel Duffy of Live Oak Dental in Wilmington, N.C. “Dentists are following infection control protocols and taking precautions to ensure patients have the safest environment, so you can be confident it’s safe to visit the dentist even during the pandemic.”

The North Carolina Dental Society recommends three ways to make the most out of your coverage:

- **Consult with your dentist:** Talk with your dentist about ways to help maintain your oral hygiene. During your appointment, ask your dentist if you need to have any procedures completed. Look over your coverage and make a treatment plan with your dentist.
- **Obtain a list of eligible expenses:** Find out which services and products are covered under your plan and your deadline to submit expenses. Many FSA’s include a grace period of up to 2.5 months after the deadline to use your benefits. Note that most Flexible Spending Accounts (FSA) cannot be used for cosmetic such as teeth whitening, veneers, or cosmetic braces.
- **Book appointments as soon as possible:** Be sure to make your dental appointments as soon as possible. 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.



Award-Winning CarolinaEast Medical Center Performs 6,000th Open Heart Surgery

(New Bern, NC) – On Friday, November 5, 2021, CarolinaEast Medical Center performed its 6,000th open heart surgery. Dr. Piotr Dumicz, a Cardiac Surgeon at CarolinaEast, performed a quadruple bypass on Friday morning, which marked the remarkable milestone.

“I started at CarolinaEast 15 years ago and I think at that time we were around 1,400 open heart surgeries. I’m very happy we got to 6,000 and I think it is a credit to the institution,” said Dr. Dumicz. “We have seen a lot of hearts, but this one is definitely special.” In celebrating the 6,000th open heart surgery, CarolinaEast is recognizing all employees for their contributions.

“We started thinking about all of the hands throughout CarolinaEast that touch these surgeries. You have our Environment Services staff that clean the rooms. There are nurses, respiratory therapists, cardiopulmonary staff, physical therapists, occupational therapists, and more,” said Ashley Mares, Clinical Manager of CarolinaEast’s cardiovascular units. “When you start looking at all of the people that have played a role in these surgeries, it’s almost every department and they all deserve to be recognized.”



The cardiac achievements at CarolinaEast Medical Center extend beyond 6,000 open heart surgeries. CarolinaEast has been recognized by the American College of Cardiology (ACC) for outstanding achievement and outcomes in its comprehensive array of cardiac services. The American College of Cardiology (ACC) has recognized CarolinaEast Medical Center for its demonstrated commitment to comprehensive, high-quality culture and cardiovascular care. CarolinaEast was awarded the HeartCare Center National Distinction of Excellence based on meeting accreditation criteria, and through their ongoing performance registry reporting.



Dr. Dumicz

Hospitals and health systems that have earned an ACC HeartCARE Center designation have met a set of criteria, including participating in at least two ACC Accreditation Services programs, NCDR registries and targeted quality improvement campaigns. CarolinaEast was also awarded Cardiac Cath Lab Accreditation with PCI based on rigorous onsite evaluation of the staff’s ability to evaluate, diagnose and treat patients who come to the cardiac cath lab.

“CarolinaEast Medical Center has demonstrated its commitment to providing New Bern and Coastal North Carolina with excellent heart care,” said Deepak L. Bhatt, MD, MPH, FACC, chair of the ACC Accreditation Management Board. “ACC Accreditation Services is proud to award CarolinaEast with the HeartCARE Center designation and Cardiac Cath Lab Accreditation with PCI.”



6,000 Hearts Team

Hospitals receiving the HeartCARE Center designation from the ACC have demonstrated their commitment to consistent, high-quality cardiovascular care through comprehensive process improvement, disease and procedure-specific accreditation, professional excellence, and community engagement. CarolinaEast has proven to be a forward-thinking institution with goals to advance the cause of sustainable quality improvement.

CarolinaEast Medical Center has also been recognized as a Certified Cardiovascular and Pulmonary Rehabilitation by the American Association of Cardiovascular and Pulmonary Rehab Association, an Accredited Echocardiography Lab and an Accredited Vascular Lab by the Intersocietal Accreditation Commission, and an Accredited Nuclear Cardiology Lab by the American College of Radiology. The American Heart Association has awarded CarolinaEast with the Chest Pain-MI Registry Platinum Performance Award, Mission Lifeline Silver Receiving Award, and Mission Lifeline EMS Gold Plus Award.

About CarolinaEast Health System

CarolinaEast Health System has been serving the growing needs of the coastal North Carolina community since 1963. In addition to the system’s flagship, 350 bed CarolinaEast Medical Center, CarolinaEast includes a rehabilitation hospital, free- standing surgery center, the SECU Comprehensive Cancer Center, and numerous CarolinaEast Physician practices providing primary and specialty care for all phases of life from offices in four counties.

Pamlico Veterans Honored with Drive-Thru Lunch

by: Hiram Lupton

For the second year in a row, Pamlico County Veterans were given a drive thru-lunch as a way to show appreciation for their service to our country. The event began at noon last Saturday at the Fred A. Anderson Elementary School parking lot and the line began forming well in advance of distribution. The volunteers helping with the distribution and the Vets waiting in line were entertained by live music performed by the always awesome Pamlico Schools Band under the direction of Mr. James Durham. According to Gail Vergato, Pamlico County Veterans Service Officer, 125 fried chicken plates were prepared and nearly all were distributed. Veterans also received gift bags and raffle prize tickets. Thanks are extended to Mary Kirk of the Goose Creek Volunteer Fire Department for donating mugs and t-shirts, and to the Pamlico County Register of Deeds, Lynn Lewis, for gift bags and raffle prizes. A special thank you also goes out to the veteran volunteers who came to help distribute the lunches and of course the biggest thanks go out to the Veterans of Pamlico County who served our Country. Just a small way to say how much we appreciate your service.



The Pamlico Schools Band performed for Veterans and Volunteers during the Drive-Thru Appreciation Lunch.

STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA
UTILITIES COMMISSION
RALEIGH

DOCKET NO. E-22, SUB 605

BEFORE THE NORTH CAROLINA UTILITIES COMMISSION

In the Matter of
Application of Virginia Electric and Power)
Company d/b/a Dominion Energy North)
Carolina Pursuant to N.C.G.S. § 62-133.2)
and Commission Rule R8-55 Regarding)
Fuel and Fuel-Related Cost Adjustments)
for Electric Utilities)

PUBLIC NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the North Carolina Utilities Commission has scheduled an additional public hearing in the annual fuel charge adjustment cost recovery proceeding for Virginia Electric and Power Company d/b/a Dominion Energy North Carolina (DENC). The additional public witness hearing is scheduled to begin at 10:00 a.m. on Thursday, December 16, 2021, in Commission Hearing Room 2115, Dobbs Building, 430 North Salisbury Street, Raleigh, North Carolina. This proceeding is being held pursuant to the provisions of N.C. Gen. Stat. § 62-133.2 and Commission Rule R8-55 for the purpose of determining whether an increment or decrement rider is required to allow DENC to recover all reasonable and prudently incurred fuel and fuel related costs. The Commission is conducting an initial public witness hearing in this proceeding immediately following the public witness portions of the hearings in Docket Nos. E-22, Subs 603 and 604, which are scheduled to begin on Tuesday, November 16, 2021, at 10:00 a.m., in Commission Hearing Room 2115, Dobbs Building, 430 North Salisbury Street, Raleigh, North Carolina, as well as an expert witness hearing to receive the testimony and exhibits of expert witnesses immediately following the expert witness portions of the hearings in Docket Nos. E-22, Subs 603 and 604, which are scheduled to begin on Tuesday, November 22, 2021, at 1:30 p.m., in Commission Hearing Room 2115, Dobbs Building, 430 North Salisbury Street, Raleigh, North Carolina. The additional public hearing is being held to allow the opportunity for public comment and testimony on DENC’s revised proposed total fuel rates in this proceeding.

On August 10, 2021, DENC filed an application and testimony relative to the subject matter of the proceeding. By its application DENC requested a total annual fuel revenue increase of approximately \$22 million, effective February 1, 2022, from the fuel and fuel-related costs currently in effect. This proposed fuel revenue increase, including regulatory fee, would result in the following increases for DENC’s customers: 0.5118 cents per kilowatt-hour (kWh) for residential, outdoor lighting and traffic lighting customers; 0.5102 cents per kWh for small general service and public authority customers; 0.5059 cents per kWh for large general service customers; 0.4907 cents per kWh for rate schedule NS customers; and 0.4989 cents per kWh for rate schedule 6VP customers. The net effect of this request would increase the monthly bill of a residential customer using 1,000 kWh of electricity by \$5.12.

Through a Petition to Modify Test Period (Petition) and supplemental testimony filed on October 29, 2021, DENC revised its request to a larger, approximately \$26 million increase, by including the deferral balance of the months of July, August, and September 2021. Accordingly, DENC’s proposed fuel revenue increase, including regulatory fee, would result in the following increases for DENC’s customers: 0.6094 cents per kWh for residential, outdoor lighting and traffic lighting customers; 0.6077 cents per kWh for small general service and public authority customers; 0.6026 cents per kWh for large general service customers; 0.5845 cents per kWh for rate schedule NS customers; and 0.5941 cents per kWh for rate schedule 6VP customers. The net effect of this request would increase the monthly bill of a residential customer using 1,000 kWh of electricity by \$6.09.

Specific information may be obtained from the Office of the Chief Clerk, North Carolina Utilities Commission, Raleigh, North Carolina, where copies of DENC’s application and Petition are available for review by the public, and on the Commission’s website at www.ncuc.net.

The Public Staff is authorized by statute to represent consumers in proceedings before the Commission. Written statements to the Public Staff should include any information that the writers wish to be considered by the Public Staff in its investigation of the matter. Such statements should be addressed to Christopher J. Ayers, Executive Director, Public Staff 4326 Mail Service Center, Raleigh, North Carolina 27699-4300.

The Attorney General is also authorized by statute to represent consumers in proceedings before the Commission. Statements to the Attorney General should be addressed to The Honorable Josh Stein, Attorney General, c/o Consumer Protection Utilities, 9001 Mail Service Center, Raleigh, North Carolina, 27699-9001. Written statements may be emailed to utility AGO@ncdoj.gov.

Written statements are not evidence unless the writers appear at a public hearing and testify concerning the information contained in their written statements.

ISSUED BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION.

This the 8th day of November, 2021.

NORTH CAROLINA UTILITIES COMMISSION

A. Shonta Dunston, Chief Clerk

COASTAL LIVING

Thank You, Veterans!

November is a month to reflect on what we are thankful and grateful for. At Triton Yachts we are both thankful and grateful to have these two veterans as valued employees: Danny Jones and Steve Price.

Danny served in the Marines from 1994-2014. He was stationed for a time at Camp Pendleton in California and bravely served tours of duty in Kuwait (03), Iraq (08), and Afghanistan (12). Danny continues to live the Marine slogan, “Semper Fi” in his daily life and with his hard work and commitment to owner, Blair Cooper, as our yacht transport driver, always going above and beyond.

Steve served in the Air Force from 1966-1969, narrowly missing a tour in Vietnam, instead being stationed for most of his enlistment in South Korea. Steve learned his craft of electrical engineering in the



Air Force, maintaining communications equipment for his base. Steve used these skills working in the television production field, then started a manufacturing company in the television equipment business. Today, Steve is responsible for the electrical wiring repairs, instrument installations, and mast rewiring. Both men exemplify the traits of our valued veterans. They are dedicated, hardworking employees, and we are truly grateful for their service to our country and to Triton Yachts.

Triton Yachts works with many veterans in the boating industry, and we are thankful for their service to our country.

Seafood Stew Cook-off Benefits Expectant Mothers

Some of the area’s best cooks and their seafood stews were on hand Saturday at the first annual Pamlico County Seafood Stew Cook-off held at the Pamlico County Heritage Center. The event was designed to assist local non-profit, 1st Choice Pregnancy Resources of Pamlico, in the provision of free pregnancy related services and resources to women and families in need throughout Pamlico County. Nine teams of accomplished cooks used their own closely guarded recipes to prepare the most succulent seafood stews known to man. The delicious concoctions were judged by the ticket holders who tasted them and by a team of distinguished judges who represented the best of both sides of the plate so to speak, cooking and eating. Those worthy judges; Jerry Schill, Pat Prescott, Chef Keith Reese, Sr., Barry Monk, and Pamlico Sheriff Chris Davis, had a most difficult task in picking a winner, but chose the “Stewards of Stew” captained by Lizzy Doban as winner. Second place went to Tidewater Grain and third went to Freefish7. The all-important People’s Choice award went to Team Bubba captained by Bubba Truesdale. 1st Choice Pregnancy Resources thanks all who came out to cook, taste, and judge, as well as the live musical entertainment which performed. For more information about 1st Choice Pregnancy Resources, the services they provide or to volunteer, visit their website at www.1stchoicepamlico.com or stop by. They are located in Alliance, at 13808 NC Hwy 55 and can be reached by phone at (252) 745-5683.



What Was It Like? Living History Display Open to the Public Nov. 20

NEW BERN, NC, Have you ever wondered what life was like in your great-grandfather’s time? Here is an opportunity to find out. Re-enactors from the 5th and 7th NC Infantry Regiments will set up a full period camp at New Bern Battlefield Park Saturday, Nov. 20 and it will be open to the public at no charge, from 8am to 4pm. Both Union and Confederate soldiers will be in camp and visitors will be able to view several demonstrations and displays including a Civil War surgeon’s display, weapons display, and a Union vivandière’s presentation on women spies. Two special scenarios will be presented. In one, spectators will witness a trial of a deserter, and in the second they’ll observe a surgeon evaluating a wounded soldier. The public is welcome to New Bern Battlefield Park at 300 Battlefield Trail on Saturday, November 20 from 8am to 4pm. Activities will begin with 8:30am Morning Roll



Call and Inspection followed at 9am by Infantry Drill. At 10am you’ll see the Deserter Scenario and at 11am a Weapons and Gear Presentation. Afternoon activities will begin with a 1pm Medical Demonstration, followed at 2pm with a Payroll Scenario. The final presentation of the day at 3pm will be a Union Vivandiere (Sutler) with a discussion of women spies. For information call the New Bern Historical Society at 252-638-8558. The New Bern Historical Society owns and maintains Battlefield Park. It is open to the public from sunrise to sunset daily. The mission of the New Bern Historical Society is to celebrate and promote New Bern and its heritage through events and education. Offices are located in the historic Attmore-Oliver House at 511 Broad Street in New Bern. For more information, call 252-638-8558 or go www.NewBernHistorical.org or www.facebook.com/NewBernHistoricalSociety.



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OUR SCHOOLS

PAMLICO COUNTY HIGH SCHOOL

Your PCHS Hurricanes have been busy so far this year! We have seen the return of school athletics, field trips, competitions and even spirit day activities! One of our most exciting developments this year is the return of the Hurricanes letterman jacket for our Varsity athletes. They are a little different than the nylon ones from the days of old that you may remember but it will be fun to see students wearing Hurricanes jackets again. If you see a student out and about wearing one ask them about their sport! It shows years of dedication and hard work and your acknowledgment of them means a lot!

Keep a lookout for some more great news on our Facebook page @PamlicoHigh or on Instagram!



We wanted to do a special shout out to our Hurricanes Cheerleaders and their coach Alison Bennett! Ms. Bennett says, “Super proud of my team! They were so nervous to cheer in this big arena (Dorton Arena in Raleigh, NC) with hundreds of people in the crowd but they still put on a great performance and are bringing home another Triangle Regional win! They even raised their score to 8 points higher than last competition! Still work to do before States but getting better all the time. Competitions are about more than just the trophies, it is about the sisterhood, team bonds, and memories made!



Our new principal, Ms. Brandolyn Holton, and our new assistant principal Mr. Josh Gaskill have been vital in supporting our staff and students as we have celebrated the beginning of our new school year and being all together again.



The NC HOSA Southeast Regional Leadership Conference was held on Saturday, November 13, 2021 at Dixon High School in Holly Ridge, NC. The following PCHS HOSA students competed: Emma Altman - Nutrition- 3rd place, Stephanie Harris - Medical Spelling - 1st place, Sarah Henries - Medical Terminology- Top 10 (10th), Kaitlynn Leaming - Medical Terminology - Top 10 (7th), Mariah Stowe - CPR/FA -5th place, DeYana Thomas - CPR/FA - 5th place, Summer Sawyer - Healthcare Photography- 2nd place. We are very proud of these fantastic students and their amazing teacher and mentor, Lynn Hardison.



Our NJROTC program has been busy with activities that include community service activities, JLAB Leadership and Academic Bowl competitions, Rifle competitions, Drill Team competitions and Orienteering events. If you see a group of cheerful, polite and busy students in bright yellow Navy shirts you, you'll know that you have found our NJROTC cadets!

Our Agriculture Dept hosted the Mobile Dairy last week. The Mobile Dairy allows trained instructors to demonstrate how to milk a cow, describe how milk goes from the farm to the consumer, and then answer questions from the audience. This is an innovative program that brings the dairy experience directly to students. Students from animal science, culinary, child development, Ms. Miller's adaptive curriculum self-contained class, and the horticulture students were all able to see this presentation.

AROUND THE COUNTY

Aurora Joy McCracken, *Correspondent*



If I was an insect this time of the year, I'd be mad up. First, with the warm temperatures, I'm encouraged to hatch, fly around, check things out, and then at night freeze my tail off. Apparently, it's Ladybug convention time.


I went to my first committee meeting of The Aurora Leadership Council: Civic Organizations. It was heartening to find out how much we already do to meet the needs of folks. We will focus on communication and collaboration in the future. One keen item that came up is the interest in starting a town VFW.

I'm pretty sure I saw some Lesser Scaups on the creek the other day. According to eBird, there have been sightings in New Bern and Washington. I saw my first Brown Pelican of the season on 11/13. For a brief moment I saw a couple of Otters in the creek and a few diving Cormorants. A lone crab boat is still working the area.

I love the clouds this time of the year: thin blankets of stratus without any purpose except to filter sunlight on the water.

The Fossil Museum had a clean up on a property recently but still need your help on future projects for 12/12 and 1/15. St. Peter's will have a Thanksgiving Outreach at the Piggly Wiggly

parking lot on 11/20 at 10 am. Veterans are asked to participate in this year's Christmas Parade by contacting Ms. Nancy Hooker at 252-943-4563 or nhooker57@gmail.com.



This week's photo is of Lily the Dog and Anneke the Cat cohabitating on one of these cold mornings. Lap real estate is becoming especially prized.

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



Goose Creek Island 55 Plus Club met Thursday, November 11, 2021 at the Community Center with Donna Jones, president officiating. Karen Ireland gave the devotions, Matthew 9:22. She also read from "A Gentle Spirit", citing Beauty in Blunders and closed with prayer. Members names were drawn and Rita Lupton was the winner of a box of aluminum foil. Next week she will provide a gift for the drawing.

Members planned the Thanksgiving luncheon menu, which will be held Thursday, the 18th. Everyone volunteered to bring a food for the meal.

Prayer List: Names added this week were Randy Watson, Cynthia Nobles has been suffering with back problems, and Allen Olson is at home recuperating from his recent surgery.

Tillman Ireland Jr went to the heart institute at Vidant in Greenville for his 2 year checkup and received a good report! Donna Spain Walker and Roy and Jackie Buck are currently patients at Grantsbrook Nursing Home.

Happy Birthday: Lena B Rice - November 18th; Billy J Golden - November 19th; Kara M Sawyer, Frances P Hill, Albin Henriess, Janis C Edwards, and Norwood Walker Jr - November 20th;

Pamlico Betty Jo Rodgers, *Correspondent*



The big excitement in Pamlico this week was when a combine caught fire in the soybean field on Straight Road. The combine was a total loss. The fire Department lit up the field with their flashing lights. I was impressed that they also had a lighted sign that said SLOW for traffic on the highway. The leaves are beginning to turn red and yellow, and the fall colors are showing off on Straight Road and around Oriental. The crepe myrtles are especially beautiful.

Broad Creek United Church of Christ had a special drive in or online service today. There was a good turnout for the service.

Stonewall United Methodist Church began their service with a thankful tree. Each member of the congregation wrote what they were most thankful for on a leaf. Then they hung the leaves on the tree and decorated it showing the many blessings showing their thanks.

I pray all our Veterans had a very Happy Veterans Day on Thursday. Thank you for your service. Stonewall UMC recognized its veterans on Sunday with special gifts from the children and the church. Craig Cooper sang a military prayer and Lee Greenwood's "I'm proud to be an American." It was a very touching service.

Advent begins the last Sunday in November. Stonewall UMC will present it's Christmas Cantata on December 5th at 6:00 pm. Vandemere UMC will be featuring Eric Horner in concert the second Sunday in December at 5:00 pm. Everyone is invited. Be sure to mark your calendars.

Stonewall UMC Wednesday night Bible study in the fellowship hall will continue through November 17th, then it will resume in January. There will be an Advent Book Study in December. The time and dates will be announced later.

There will be a TEAM GREEN BIBLE BOOK STORE Black Friday Super Sale on November 26, 2021. All items half price. The doors open at 8:00 am sharp. Support this Christian Bookstore at 1118 Glenburnie Rd, New Bern.

Celebrating birthdays in November are Kevin Rodgers (11/23), Kari Hudgins and Jerry Harper (11/28), and Thelmond Cooper (11/29). John and Penny \$ Farmer will celebrate 35 years of marriage on November 16. Please keep them both in your prayers as they deal with health issues.

Have a blessed week. Scared? Take Spiritual Vitamin S. "Abide thou with me, fear not: for he that seeks my life seeks thy life: but with me thou shalt be in safeguard." (1 Samuel 22:23)

Whortonsville Reba Tiller, *Correspondent*

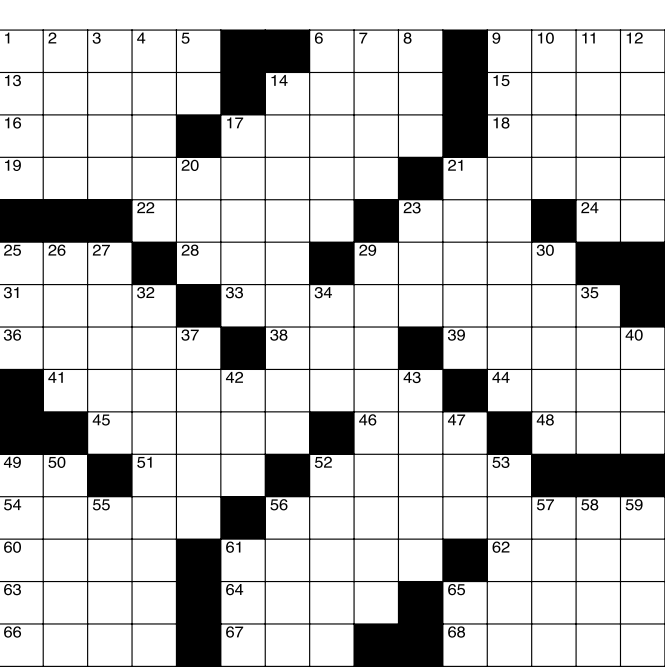


This is the second time I have written the news today. I dislike a computer a great deal because I will be writing and all of a sudden I look up and it has disappeared and it isn't in a draft so I don't know where it goes. I have checked and this one is going to draft because I am not doing this a third time. Last week Thursday was Veterans Day and we are indebted to our men and women in service today and to the veterans that served in the past for making this the greatest country in the world and protecting us from our many enemies who are really jealous. If they could only realize that Capitalism works and if a person works hard they can achieve the American dream! This is the reason that a million and a half of people are streaming illegally into our country escaping socialism and dictators. Let us pray that never happens to our country. Changing the subject, there were 17 at Bethel today and the service dog with Reverend Caton in the pulpit although he is still having a lot of pain. He brought several slices of Hoop

Cheese to share with us and it reminded me of my Father bringing home a big Hoop Cheese which is a little stronger than most cheddar cheese. We had a nice surprise at our luncheon today when Rita Voreiter came with the Bryans. It is nice when out former neighbors come back to visit. Spoke with to the Hinnars last week and their grandson that gave them a health scare is doing well now. Pamlico Chorale is having great rehearsals on Mondays as we prepare for the Thanksgiving Service at St. Peter's Catholic Church. We miss Miss Julia and hope she is doing well, but Claudia stepped in and is doing a wonderful job accompanying the Chorale. Claudia is having quite a bit of work done on her house. I arrived late at the Seafood Chowder cookoff in Grantsboro on Saturday, but got to sample two different chowders that were delicious.

Thought for the week-- Are you getting a little weary of the so called experts saying when the world is going to end? God created this beautiful world and He will be the one to end it and we know not when that will be!!

CROSSWORD



- CLUES ACROSS
1. German philosopher

6. A type of stock trading (abbr.)

9. Cincinnati ballplayers

13. Deerlike water buffaloes

14. Island

15. Jewish calendar month

16. Round Dutch cheese

17. Unstressed syllable of a metrical foot

18. A restaurant needs one

19. Decent behaviors

21. Groans

22. Works hard

23. Upset

24. A sound made in speech

25. One point east of due south

28. Boxing's GOAT

29. Whittles

31. Tailless amphibian

33. Surrounded

36. Doesn't stay still

38. Copycat

39. Four-door car

41. Morally correct behavior

44. Something that is owed

45. Pasta needs it

46. Ant-Man's last name

48. Bravo! Bravo! Bravo!

49. Small period of time (abbr.)

51. Woman (French)

52. On or around

54. Fencing swords

56. Fonts

60. A command in the name of the court

61. Sprays with an irritant

62. Georgetown athlete

63. Dry or withered

64. Sign of injury

65. Tracts of land (abbr.)

66. 365 days

67. Physique

68. Icelandic poems

- CLUES DOWN
1. Bodily substance

2. Internal

3. Provoke or annoy

4. Type of lounge chair

5. Losses

6. Makes less severe

7. Identifies a thing close at hand

8. Group of blood disorders (abbr.)

9. Rebuilt

10. Ancient Greek City

11. American investigative journalist

12. Partially melted snow

14. Take shape

17. Mexican beverage

20. Patti Hearst's captors

21. Jacobs and Summers are two

23. Disfigure

25. Scientists' tool (abbr.)

26. Ill-mannered person

27. Overhang

29. Famed rat catcher

30. Passover feast and ceremony

32. Equal to 10 meters

34. Central processing unit

35. Chinese native religion

37. Unfermented juices

40. "To the __ degree"

42. Frozen water

43. Medieval circuit courts

47. 1,000 cubic feet (abbr.)

49. Gossipy

50. Shopping is one type

52. Palmlike plant

53. Partner to "oohed"

55. Welsh name meaning "snow"

56. Popular Mexican dish

57. It helps power devices

58. Reddish-brown wildcat

59. Impertinence

61. Legal financial term (abbr.)

65. Atomic #52



Guess Who?

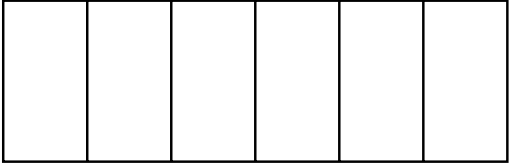
I am an actor born in New Jersey on November 17, 1944. I worked as a cosmetician after college. Over my long career, I have won an Emmy and a Golden Globe.

Answer: *Danny DeVito*

WORD SCRAMBLE

Rearrange the letters to spell something pertaining to autumn.

S H N K T A



Answer: *Thanks*

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Thursday, Friday and Saturday, November 18, 19 and 20, 10:00 AM -5:00 PM
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Saturday, November 20, 9:45 AM- 10:30 AM
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Saturday, November 20, 11:00 AM until...
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Saturday, November 20, 3:00 PM
Aurora Woman's Club
Town Library

Monday, November 22, 10:00 AM- 11:00 AM and 2:00 PM- 3:00 PM
Medicare Questions
Aurora Richlands Chamber

Tuesday, November 23, 4:00 PM
Snowden vs. Pamlico
Home Basketball Game

Tuesday, November 23, 6:30 PM-8:30 PM
Aurora Leadership
Education Development
Committee
The Venue at the Chamber

Tuesday, November 30, 6:30 PM-8:30 PM
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VIRGINIA:

**IN THE WISE COUNTY
CIRCUIT COURT**

PETITIONERS
MICHELLE MCPHERON
ROGER D. MCPHERON
v.
CASE NUMBER: CA21-29
AARON TODD ABSHER
RESPONDENT

**IN RE: ADOPTION OF A CHILD
KNOWN AS**
ABBIGAIL GRACE ABSHER,
DOB: JANUARY 20, 2014

ORDER OF PUBLICATION

Now comes your Petitioners, Michelle McPheron and Roger D. McPheron, and moves this honorable court for an order of publication in the above referenced matter. This suit is for the adoption of a child known as Abigail Grace Absher.

“Adoption is the method provided by law to establish the legal relationship of parent and child between persons who are not so related by birth, with the same mutual rights and obligations that exist between children and their birth parents.”

It appearing by affidavit filed according to law that the location and whereabouts of Aaron Todd Absher, the father of Abigail Grace Absher, are unknown. And it further appearing by affidavit that the last known address of Aaron Todd Absher was City of Bayboro, County of Pamlico, State of North Carolina. It is therefore ORDERED that Aaron Todd Absher, the father of Abigail Grace Absher, or anyone else with an interest in the adoption of Abigail Grace Absher appear on or before the 10th day of January, 2022 at 1:00 p.m. in the Clerk’s Office of this Court and do what is necessary to protect his/her interests.

And, it is further ORDERED that this order be published once a week for four successive weeks in The Pamlico News, a newspaper of general circulation in the County of Pamlico, North Carolina; that The Pamlico News return a certification to counsel for the Petitioners that this ORDER OF PUBLICATION has in fact been run once a week for four successive weeks; and that a copy of this ORDER be posted at the front door of the Courthouse wherein this Court is held.

Clerk

I ask for this:

D. SUE BAKER, ESQ.

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**NORTH CAROLINA IN THE
GENERAL COURT OF JUSTICE
PAMLICO COUNTY
SUPERIOR COURT DIVISION
NOTICE TO CREDITORS
AND DEBTORS OF
OLLAN JOHNSON COOK**
File No.: 21 E 207

All persons, firms and corporations having claims against deceased, are notified to exhibit it them to ADAM C. COOK, ADMINISTRATOR of the Estate, on or before FEBRUARY 1, 2022 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 3rd day of November,2021.
ESTATE OF OLLAN JOHNSON COOK
C/O ADAM C. COOK
2305SOUTHWEST
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TOPEKA, KS 66614

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**NORTH CAROLINA IN THE
GENERAL COURT OF JUSTICE
PAMLICO COUNTY
SUPERIOR COURT DIVISION
NOTICE TO CREDITORS
AND DEBTORS OF
DAN A. LYNCH**
File No.: 21 E 209

All persons, firms and corporations having claims against deceased, are notified to exhibit them to DANIEL A. LYNCH, III, ADMINISTRATOR of the Estate, on or before FEBRUARY 8, 2022 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 10TH day of November,2021.
ESTATE OF DAN A. LYNCH
C/O DANIEL A. LYNCH III
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MIRIAM TAYLOR HALL
File No.: 21 E 212

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This 10TH day of November,2021.
ESTATE OF MIRIAM TAYLOR HALL
C/O MICHELLE NOEVERE
6784 FLORENCE RD
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**NORTH CAROLINA
PAMLICO COUNTY**
File No. 21 SP 30, 31,32

**NOTICE OF
FORECLOSURE SALE
SPECIAL PROCEEDING No. 21
SP 30, 31, 32**
Trustee Robert Weigand

Date of Sale: 12/1/2021
Time of Sale: 10:00 a.m.
Place of Sale: Main Entrance
Pamlico County Courthouse
Description of Property: See
attached description
Record Owners :BRENDA
HARRIS and STEPHEN
MERCIER
Address of Property: Lots 14, 15,
and 20; being sold separately
Claim of Lien Pamlico County
Clerk of Court Office
Dated May 5, 2021

CONDITIONS OF SALE

This sale is made subject to all unpaid taxes or encumbrances of record and assessments, if any, against the said property and any recorded leases. This sale is also subject to any applicable county land transfer tax, and the successful third party shall be required to make payment for any such county land transfer tax.

A cash deposit of 5% of the purchase price will be required at the time of sale. Any successful bidder shall be required to tender the full balance of the purchase price so bid in cash or certified check the time the Trustee tenders to him a deed for the property or attempts to tender such deed, and should successful bidder fail to pay the full balance purchase price so bid at that time, he shall remain liable on his bid as provided for in North Carolina General Statutes Section 45-21.30(d) and (e). This sale will be held open

ten (10) day for upset bids as required by law

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Robert Weigand, Trustee

EXHIBIT A.

ALL THOSE CERTAIN TRACTS OR PARCELS OF LAND BEING SITUATED IN NUMBER TWO TOWNSHIP, PAMLICO COUNTY, NORTH CAROLINA AND BEING MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS; BEING ALL OF LOTS 14, 15, and 20 ORIENTAL PLANTATION SUBDIVISION, SECTION 1, AS SAID LOT IS SHOWN ON A MAP OR PLAT RECORDED IN CABINET A, SLIDES 76, 3-5, PAMLICO COUNTY REGISTRY, SAID MAP BEING INCORPORATED HEREIN BY REFERENCE FOR A MORE COMPLETE DESCRIPTION OF SAID LOTS No. 14,15,.and 20,

THE ABOVE LOTS ARE CONVEYED SUBJECT TO THOSE CERTAIN RESTRICTIVE COVENANTS APPEARING IN THAT CERTAIN INSTRUMENT RECORDED IN BOOK 269 AT PAGE 191.OF THE PAMLICO COUNTY REGISTRY.

THESE BEING THE SAME PROPERTIES CONVEYED TO BRENDA HARRIS AND STEPHEN MERCIER DATED DECEMBER 31, 2018 AND RECORDED ON JANUARY 25, 2019 IN BOOK 644 AT PAGE 630-632.IN THE PAMLICO COUNTY RECORDERS OFFICE.

November 9, 2021

INCIDENTS

Oct. 17, Goose Creek Rd., Grantsboro, injury to personal property
Oct. 17, John Pollock Rd., Grantsboro, injury to personal property
Oct. 18, Broad St., Oriental, breaking and entering
Oct. 18, NC Hwy 306 N., Grantsboro, attended death
Oct. 18, NC Hwy 55, New Bern, assault with a deadly weapon
Oct. 18, Goose Creek Rd., Grantsboro, larceny of property or goods <= \$1,000
Oct. 20, Jo Jane Rd., Arapahoe, order for arrest probation violation, order for arrest obtain property by false pretenses
Oct. 20, Midyette St., Oriental, lost firearm
Oct. 20, Janiero Rd., Arapahoe, obtain property by false pretenses. wire fraud
Oct. 20, NC Hwy 304, Bayboro, dependent/elder abuse
Oct. 21, N. Third St., assault employee of state/local detention center cause physical injury
Oct. 21, Sandy Lane, Bayboro, theft from motor vehicle
Oct. 21, NC Hwy 55, Grantsboro, worthless check
Oct. 21, NC Hwy 306 N., Grantsboro, abandoned property
Oct. 22, N. Third St., Bayboro, simple assault
Oct. 23, NC Hwy 55, Grantsboro, lost/ found property
Oct. 23, NC Hwy 55, Grantsboro, larceny of property or goods <= \$1,000, larceny from merchant, remove/destroy/deactivate antitheft device, footage collected
Oct. 23, Pennsylvania Ave., Vandemere,

warrant for arrest for cyberstalking
Oct. 24, NC Hwy 306 N., Grantsboro, order for arrest/failure to appear for misdemeanor larceny
Oct. 24, McCotter Rd., Stonewall, dispute, simple assault
Oct. 24, NC Hwy 304, Bayboro, involuntary commitment
Oct. 25, NC Hwy 55, Alliance, runaway juvenile
Oct. 26, Orchard Creek Rd., Oriental, failure to appear no insurance
Oct. 26, Pennsylvania Ave., Vandemere, driving while license revoked
Oct. 27, Main St., Bayboro, order for arrest felony probation violation
Oct. 27, North St., Bayboro, hit/run accident, leave scene of property damage
Oct. 27, NC Hwy 306 S., Grantsboro, death investigation
Oct. 27, Sandy Trail Rd., New Bern, order for arrest communicating threats
Oct. 28, McCotter Rd., Stonewall, death investigation
Oct. 28, Main St., Bayboro, warrant for arrest/felony probation violation out of county, warrant for arrest felony failure to report new address - sex offender
Oct. 29, Van Dr., Grantsboro, failure to appear - driving while license revoked
Oct. 29, Main St., Bayboro, possession of firearm by convicted felon
Oct. 29, Main St., Vandemere, break or enter building (misdemeanor)
Oct. 29, NC Hwy 55, Merritt, communicating threats
Oct. 29, NC Hwy 304, Vandemere, attended death
Oct. 30, NC Hwy 55, Alliance, driving while license revoked

Pamlico County Register of Deeds Veteran’s Appreciation Day



The Pamlico County Register of Deeds office hosted a Veteran’s Appreciation Day on November 10, 2021 in honor of our veterans. Light refreshments were served, and veterans received a free gift sponsored by Local Government Federal Credit Union, Pamlico Home Builders and Supplies, Mary Kirk, and Register of Deeds, Lynn Lewis.



How do you cook a turkey? Kids tell us how

Katie
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