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**WEATHER**

**Sun** Sunny  
1%  
Hi: 68° Lo: 45°

**Mon** Sunny  
1%  
Hi: 73° Lo: 45°

**Tues** Sunny  
4%  
Hi: 75° Lo: 47°

**Wed** Mostly Sunny  
5%  
Hi: 78° Lo: 50°

**Thurs** Mostly Sunny  
6%  
Hi: 78° Lo: 58°

**Fri** Partly Cloudy  
24%  
Hi: 78° Lo: 56°

## Sampson Ag Day Set for October 30th

*Sampson County*



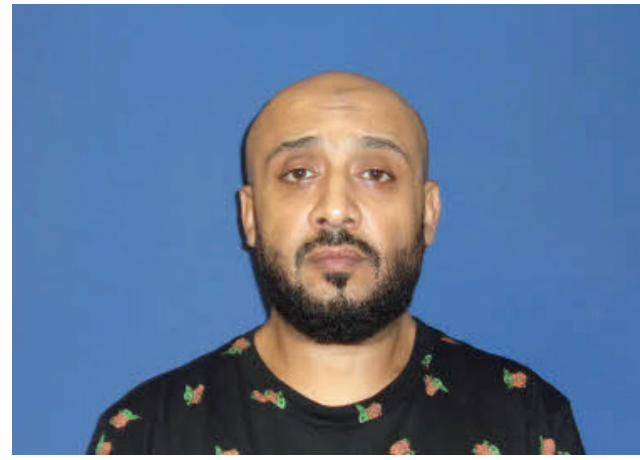
Ag Day 2021  
October 30  
10am - 4pm  
Agri-Expo Center

*Rooted in Agriculture*

Where else can you learn first-hand about harvesting crops, managing a hog or turkey farm, planting a garden, farm safety, and paint a barn quilt, all in one day?

**AG DAY, see P. 3**

## Drug Arrest



Clinton, NC- On October 14, 2021, around 4:30 p.m., the Sampson County Sheriff's Office Criminal Interdiction Team conducted a traffic stop on US 13 for an insurance violation. During the stop, a K9 scan of the vehicle was conducted which resulted in a positive alert to the odor of narcotics. A probable cause search of the vehicle was conducted and approximately 1 pound of marijuana and 2 pounds of Khat were located.

The driver and sole occupant of the vehicle was placed under arrest and charged with; PWISD Marijuana, PWISD Sch I and Maintain a Vehicle Dwelling for the Storage of Controlled Substances. Majed A. Mubariz, 38, of 7100 Ridge BLVD 2A Brooklyn New York transported to the Sampson County Detention Center and placed under a \$10,000 secured bond.

*"The Sheriff's Office will continue to seek out those criminals who distribute poison in our communities, that ultimately ends up in the hands of our children and destroys families."* - Marcus Smith, Lieutenant

## Governor Cooper Encourages Eligible Families in North Carolina to Apply for Child Tax Credit Payments

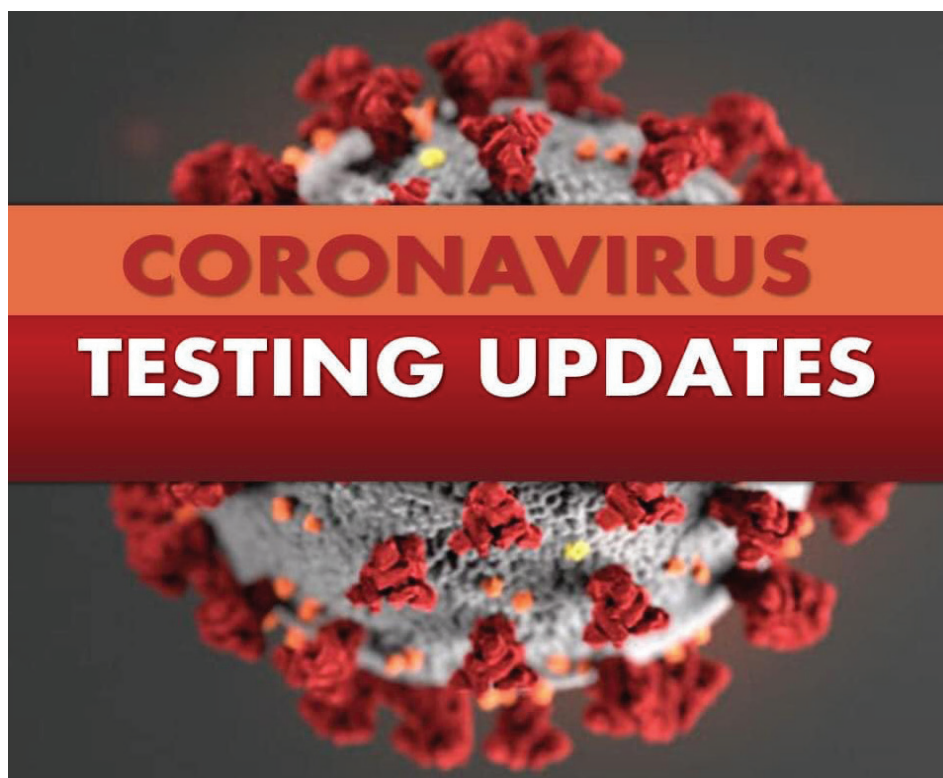


**\* Families should visit [GetCTC.org](http://GetCTC.org) to determine eligibility as soon as possible**

This month many families across North Carolina are receiving an installment of the advance Child Tax

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## WEEKLY COVID-19 TESTING REPORT – Week Ending October 15, 2021



Total Number of Tests Reported to Date: 30,690  
Positive Test Results: 11,335 (172 additional since 10/8)  
Negative Test Results: 19,355  
COVID Reported Deaths to Date: 126 (2 additional since 10/8)

**WEEKLY VERSE**

*"Have I not commanded you? Be strong and courageous. Do not be frightened, and do not be dismayed, for the Lord your God is with you wherever you go"*  
**Joshua 1:9**

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# LOCAL NEWS

## From the Desk of Senator Brent Jackson



Dear Friend of Senate District 10,

The NC State Fair will be in Raleigh from Oct. 14th-24th and will showcase many agricultural products from District 10. I hope you, family and friends can come together to attend.

As always, please do not hesitate to contact me if I can assist you in any way possible.

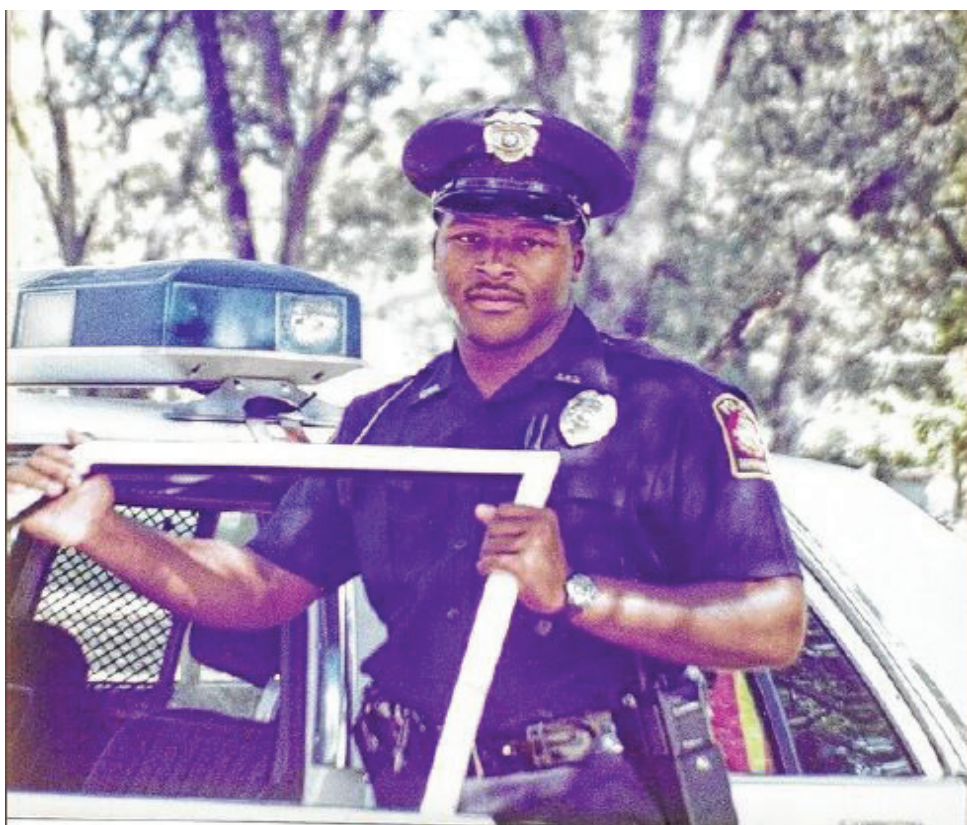
### Legislative Recap

House Bill 951 is an energy bill that has passed both the House and Senate and was signed into law today (10/13) by the Governor. It authorizes the state's Utilities Commission to take reasonable steps to achieve a seventy percent reduction in emissions of carbon dioxide from electric public utility levels from levels seen in 2005 by the year 2030. It also seeks total carbon neutrality by 2050. The bill also makes technical changes and adds authorization for performance-based regulation of electric public utilities.

### From the District

#### Sampson County- Bridge to be named for fallen officer in line of duty

The NC Department of Transportation has officially approved the Clinton City Council's resolution to name the Faircloth Freeway bridge after fallen Clinton City Police Department Officer Donald Tucker. Officer Tucker was ambushed in the line of duty while serving as an undercover officer in a multi-agency drug task force operation in 1991. The naming was backed by local officials and the Clinton City Council voted unanimously for the recommendations of the Fallen Heroes Ad Hoc Committee. The Committee was formed in October in 2020 and is comprised of current and former first responders/law enforcement, as well as other community stakeholders.



The process has now set a clear precedent for bridge naming for the future. The committee recommended naming bridges and roads for individual officers and responders. Mayor Lew Starling said "we [the city] are tickled that DOT honored that and had no reason to expect that they would not" and Councilman Daniel Ruggles added he was excited for the naming of the bridge, and "it's been the right thing to do since the beginning".

#### District Spotlight- Old Sorghum Festival this weekend

The Old Sorghum Festival at McDaniel's Crossroads will be held on October 16, 2021, starting at 9:00 am. This festival gives everyone a chance to experience a part of the past and the tradition of sorghum cooking. Each year they work hard to produce gallons of Sorghum syrup for attendees to taste. The Old Sorghum Festival is fun all day with craft and food vendors such as barbeque sandwiches, hot dogs, funnel cakes, authentic Mexican food, and shaved ice. Visitors can also go to the old country store or the Old McDaniel School. The Old Sorghum Festival is sure to make you feel like you are in the 1900's.



#### Portion of NC-11 in Duplin to close until fall 2022

A section of North Carolina Highway 11 will be closed for around a year as Department of Transportation workers and engineers replace the bridge over Little Rockfish Creek. The current bridge was built in 1922 and is in need of a modern replacement. Traffic will be detoured onto US-117, South Norwood Street, and NC 41.

#### Did You Know? - NC History and Fun Fact The Worlds Largest Frying Pan is in Rose Hill?

In 1963, the Queensboro Steel Corporation built the largest frying pan in the world to pay tribute to the town's thriving poultry industry. The frying pan measures over 15 feet in diameter and weighs nearly two tons, with a 6 foot long handle. The pan can hold around 200 gallons of cooking oil and cook 365 chickens at a time. The pan is housed in a large gazebo at 102 S Sycamore St in downtown Rose Hill. The pan is used for fundraisers and charitable organizations, and for the North Carolina Poultry Jubilee every fall.



Thank you for allowing me to serve as your representative in the North Carolina Senate. I read every email that comes to my legislative account and I encourage you to reach out to me with your thoughts and concerns. If you would like to stay informed of my actions in the legislature, I encourage you to friend me on Facebook and/or follow me on Twitter.



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**AG DAY, cont from Pg 1**

Sampson County Ag Day will be held at the Sampson County Agri-Exposition Center, at 414 Warsaw Road, Clinton, October 30, 2021, rescheduled from March 2020 due to COVID-19. The Cooperative Extension Staff, Convention & Visitors Bureau and many volunteers have worked hard to put together a fun filled, educational day to learn all about the #1 industry in and around Sampson County...you got it, agriculture. Activities are being coordinated to provide a well-rounded experience for all, learning how our local farmers harvest field crops, raise livestock and poultry, utilize and manage nutrients in soil, and best of all: provide the food and fiber to feed and clothe us all. Come see a drone demonstration, harvest crops in the Agri-Pride Simulator, or play 9 holes of mini golf.

For the first time ever at Ag Day, we will have a stage with live entertainment, featuring Charles Carlisle & the Grandpas, Tim Hair and the Indian Outlaw Band, Captain Jim is Magic, and Jerry Carroll - Ag Comedian! A wide variety of food trucks will be on site all day, along with NCSU Howling Cow ice cream to enjoy!

Be sure to mark your calendars to celebrate harvest season in the county that provides \$1.25 billion to our state economy through agriculture. For more information

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Credit federal payment, which provides them with up to half of their total credit and bolsters their income to meet immediate needs for children’s health and well-being. These dollars can immediately improve the food and financial security of families with children at a critical time as they work to recover from the pandemic.

“These funds will make a huge difference in supporting North Carolina families and helping them care for their children,” said Governor Roy Cooper. “Millions of eligible families don’t know they qualify to get this credit. We encourage all North Carolina families who have not yet received payments to check right away to see if they qualify.”

The Governor’s Office in collaboration with state agencies is raising awareness of this important federal policy change for the well-being of children and families by sharing information with North Carolinians across the state through emails, flyers, direct links to sign up for the payments, and resources for assistance with signing up.

Families can visit GetCTC.org to find out if they are eligible for the payments and sign up to get them. Eligible families who filed a 2019 or 2020 tax return will automatically get the payments. The Center on Budget & Policy Priorities estimates more than 100,000 North Carolina children, including newborns, live in families who are likely to need assistance in claiming the Child Tax Credit and making sure those families receive the full amount that they are eligible for will provide \$337 million to families in North Carolina.

“The expansion of the child tax credit is life changing for so many North Carolina families,” said NCDHHS Secretary Mandy K. Cohen, M.D. “This historic federal increase is expected to cut child poverty by more than half, improving the financial well-being and health of families and the state.”

As a result of the American Rescue Plan, more families with children will now qualify and receive money from the child tax credit. The law expanded eligibility, increased the amount of the tax credit, and made it fully refundable. This means even families that don’t file taxes or have no or very low income in 2021 can re-

ceive the full credit amount. Anyone who has a child with a Social Security number in their household can receive the credit, even if the child’s parent or parents who are living in the household do not have a Social Security number. Families that were not required to file taxes this year can visit GetCTC.org to get their tax credit and start receiving payments.

**ABOUT N.C. COOPERATIVE EXTENSION**

N.C. Cooperative Extension is a strategic partnership of NC State Extension, The Cooperative Extension Program at N.C. A&T State University, USDA’s National Institute of Food and Agriculture (USDA-NIFA), and local governments statewide.

Extension professionals in all 100 counties and with the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians connect millions of North Carolinians with research-based information and technology from NC State and N.C. A&T. Educational programs specialize in agriculture, food and nutrition, 4-H youth development, community development and the environment.

Find your local center at [www.ces.ncsu.edu/local-county-center](http://www.ces.ncsu.edu/local-county-center).

“As evidenced by the Extra Credit Grant legislation signed by Governor Cooper in 2019, programs like the Child Tax Credit are critical to helping the most vulnerable North Carolina families maintain financial stability during these challenging times,” said North Carolina Department of Revenue Secretary Ron Penny.

Between July and December 2021, eligible families will receive half of their Child Tax Credit payments in 2021 through monthly payments of up to \$300 per child 5 years old or younger and up to \$250 per child between 6 and 17 years old. These payments can come in the form of direct deposit or paper checks. The second half will be received in 2022 once a family files a tax return.

Families of nearly all incomes benefit from the Child Tax Credit, especially low-income families. These funds help those experiencing housing insecurity become more financially stable, making it possible to pay past-due rent, put dinner on the table, or move into safe, affordable housing.

“The Child Tax Credit is a game-changer for the many families in NC that struggle to pay for basic needs like housing, food, healthcare and childcare, even more so due to the pandemic,” said Heidi Norwick, President of United Way of Alamance County. “VITA (Volunteer Income Tax Assistance) sites and United Ways are working hard to identify families who qualify and may not be aware of tax credit, especially those who are not required to file income tax returns because their income is so low.”

The IRS together with Code for America has created a simplified sign-up tool for families with low incomes who have not filed 2021 income taxes to sign up to receive the credit. Alternatively, families can file a full 2021 income tax return in order to receive additional benefits they may be eligible for, including all three federal stimulus checks and the Earned Income Tax Credit.



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LOCAL

# GREAT DAY at the 2021 SORGHUM FESTIVAL



## NOTICE OF MUNICIPAL ELECTION SAMPSON COUNTY, NORTH CAROLINA

A municipal general election will be held on Tuesday, November 2, 2021, in Sampson County to vote in the following contest: The Town of Autryville to elect a Mayor and two Commissioners. The Town of Garland to elect a Mayor and three Commissioners. The Town of Harrells to elect two Aldermen. The Town of Roseboro to elect two Commissioners and one Commissioner for an unexpired term ending in 2023. The Town of Newton Grove to elect a Mayor and three Commissioners. The Town of Salemburg to elect three Commissioners. The Town of Turkey to elect two Commissioners. Photo ID is not required in any election in 2021.

Polls will be open from 6:30 a.m. to 7:30 p.m. on the day of the election, Tuesday, November 2, 2021. One-stop early voting will be held at the Sampson Board of Elections office. One-stop early voting will be open from Thursday, October 14, 2021, and ends Saturday, October 30, 2021. Hours are Monday – Friday 8:00 am to 5:00 pm. On the last Saturday, October 30, 2021, One-stop voting will be open 8:00am – 3:00 pm. Canvass will be held in the Sampson County Board of Elections office at 11:00 a.m. on Tuesday, November 9, 2021.

Absentee voting by-mail available on Sunday, October 3, 2021. Requests for an absentee ballot must be made on an absentee request form (available on the State Board of Elections website and at the county board of elections office) and must be received in the Sampson County Board of Elections office by 5:00 p.m. on Tuesday prior to the date of the election. Absentee voting requires the voter to complete an application on the return envelope that must be witnessed by two qualified persons or a notary public. Completed absentee ballots must be returned to the Sampson County Board of Elections by Tuesday, November 2, 2021, 5:00 p.m. on Election Day (ballots received by mail after this time will be timely if received within three business days and postmarked by Election Day). Voters may receive assistance voting a mail-in absentee ballot from a qualified person of their choice. If the voter lives in a facility such as a nursing home, and the voter's near relative or legal guardian is not available, the voter or the facility can arrange to have the county board of elections schedule a visit by a Multipartisan Assistance Team to provide assistance and witnesses.

Voters voting in person are entitled to assistance by an election official, or, if assistance is needed due to disability or illiteracy, by a qualified person of their choice. Voting sites are accessible to all voters. Curbside voting is available for voters who are not able to enter voting sites.

All persons who live in eligible municipal districts and who are registered to vote with the Sampson County Board of Elections may vote in this election. Persons who are not already registered to vote in the county must register by Friday, October 8, 2021, 5:00 p.m. to be eligible to vote in this election. Voters who are not registered in the county by that deadline may register and vote during one stop early voting only and will be required to provide documentation of their residence. Voters who wish to change party affiliation or who have changed name or address must do so by the registration deadline. Voters who fail to timely make a change in name or address in the county must update the information when presenting to vote and may be required to vote a provisional ballot.

Persons with questions about registration, polling places, early voting, absentee ballots, a Multipartisan Assistance Team visit to a facility, or other election matters may call the Sampson County Board of Elections Office at 910-592-5796.

Sherri White-Williamson,  
Chairman Sampson County Board of Elections



## ARREST REPORTS

10-02 Terry Lee Barefoot, 33, Dunn. Fail to Appear. Bond \$2000. Trial Date 10-29-21

10-02 William Henry Moore, Jr, 54, Clinton. DWI. Bond \$1000. Trial Date 11-08-21

10-02 Bobby Ray Copeland, 51, Clinton. Possess Marijuana. Bond \$500. Trial Date 10-27-21

10-03 Quentin Dashawn Murphy, 25, Clinton. Domestic Assault on a Female, DWI, Possess Marijuana, DWLR, Resist Delay Obstruct, DWLR, Operate Veh No Insurance, Drive/Allow MV No Registration. Trial Date 10-25-21

10-03 Robert Charles Menter Jr, 37, Dunn. Possess Meth, Possess Cocaine, Possess Marijuana, Possess Drug Paraphernalia. Bond \$25000. Trial Date 10-15-21

10-03 Johnny Dean Bullard, 48, Dunn. Possess Drug Paraphernalia, Open Container in Passenger Area. Bond \$25000. Trial Date 11-22-21

10-03 David Vincent McArthur, 53, Clinton. Order for Arrest, Resisting Public Officer. Bond \$1500. Trial Date 10-25-21

10-03 John Troy Moore, 32, Clinton. DWISD Meth, Carrying Concealed Weapon, Possess Drug Paraphernalia, Fict/Alt Title, Second Degree Trespass. Bond \$7500. Trial Date 10-29-21

10-04 Kathie Dehoyos, 43, Clinton. OFA Financial Card Theft, OFA Financial Card Fraud. Bond \$15000. Trial Date 11-12-21

10-04 Mildred Michelle Suggs, 40, Clinton. OFA Felony Probation Violation, WFA Injury to Personal Property. Bond \$50500. Trial Date 11-10-21

10-05 Manuel Jose Francisco, 58, Lake Worth FL. Fail to Wear Seatbelt FTA, Drive/Allow MV No Registration -FTA, Improper Loading/Covering vehicle - FTA, Operate Vehicle No Insurance. Bond \$1000. Trial Date 11-05-21

10-06 Kimberly Lee Johnson, 49, Clinton. DWI, Fail to Stop Sign/Flash Red Light. Trial Date 11-10-21

10-05 Tilisha Nicole Oliver, 34, Wallace. Order for Arrest FTA. Trial Date 11-30-21

10-05 Erick Rene Thompson, 53, Clinton. Interfere Emergency Communication, Communicating Threats, Assault on a Female. Trial Date 11-01-21

10-05 Ashlie Marie Lewis, 36, Clinton. Failure to Appear- Citation. Bond \$25500. Trial Date 10-29-21

10-06 Rachel Nicole Price, 28, Faison. Larceny from Person. Bond \$5000. Trial Date 10-29-21

10-06 Jennifer Renee King, 26, Clinton. FTA Order for Arrest. Bond \$50000. Trial Date 11-08-21

10-06 Ormon Rashaan Carroll, 35, Clinton. Order for Arrest. Bond \$4000. Trial Date 11-15-21

10-06 TJ Williams, 29, Clinton. OFA FTC Child Support. Bond \$1600. Trial Date 10-12-21

10-06 Lavonya Banks, 48, Clinton. Trespass of Real Property. Trial Date 11-18-21

10-06 Maurice Dwayne Williams, 39, Godwin. Trespass of Real Property.

10-06 Tyra Mallory, 36, Clinton. Simple Assault. Trial Date 10-26-21

10-06 Chastida Odom Gonzales, 42, Newton Grove. Order for Arrest, Order for Arrest- Child

Support. Bond \$500. Trial Date 11-17-21

10-06 Erik Jason Davis, 36, Clinton. Order for Arrest. Bond \$1000. Trial Date 10-25-21

10-06 Austin Dean Gray, 23, Roseboro. Order for Arrest. Bond \$3000. Trial Date 11-19-21

10-07 Tyrek Dashawn Henry, 20, Salemburg. Resist Delay Obstruct, Consume Alcohol by 10/20. Trial Date 11-08-21

10-07 Zion Jyrell Smith, 22, Clinton. Order for Arrest. Bond \$1000. Trial Date 11-08-21

10-07 Anthony Joseph Phillips, 40, Clinton. Fail to Appear. Bond \$500. Trial Date 10-28-21

10-07 Craig Alan Bass, 40, Laurel Hill. Order for Arrest.

10-07 Charles Burton Womer, 55, Roseboro. Second Degree Trespass. Bond \$1000. Trial Date 11-16-21

10-07 Glenda Faye Phillips, 46, Clarkton. Warrant Service for Other Agency. Bond \$1000. Trial Date 11-19-21

10-07 Anya Marie James, 41, Clinton. Order for Arrest. Bond \$500. Trial Date 10-29-21

10-07 James Scott Richmond, 27, Roseboro. Trespass. Bond \$500. Trial Date 10-25-21

10-07 Telsa Rose Arter, 30, Garland. Order for Arrest. Bond \$5000. Trial Date 10-11-21

10-08 Stephen Christopher Lee, 37, Homeless. DWI, NOL, Poss Open Container MV. Bond \$5000. Trial Date 10-27-21

10-08 Jaquan Unike Jackson, 20, Fayetteville. Possess Marijuana, DWLR, Expired Tags, Littering. Trial Date 11-10-21

10-08 Johnny Edward Lucas, 29, Clinton. FTA Order for Arrest. Bond \$273. Trial Date 11-03-21

10-08 Derrick Jamal Whitfield, 33, Beulaville. Possession Firearm by Felon, Carrying Concealed Weapon, Simple Poss Sch VI CS, Window Tinting Violation, Breaking or Entering, Injury to real Property, Second Degree Trespass, Misdemeanor Probation Violation. Bond \$6000. Trial Date 10-15-21

10-08 Carlos Raikem Faison, 31, Clinton. Possess Marijuana, Possess a Concealed Gun. Bond \$1000. Trial Date 12-08-21

10-08 Rosalina Juarez, 36, Godwin. Possession of Cocaine. Bond \$2000. Trial Date 10-29-21

10-08 Montressa Shawnte Garner, 39, Clinton. Simple Assault. Trial Date 10-29-21

10-08 Joseph Larry Edwards, 33, Dunn. Order for Arrest. Bond \$500. Trial Date 10-29-21

10-08 Stephen Christopher Lee, 37, Homeless. DWI, NOL, MV. Bond \$5000. Trial Date 10-27-21

10-09 Darric Lamonte Myers, 49, Fayetteville. Counterfeit Trademark Violation. Bond \$7500. Trial Date 10-15-21

10-09 Jesus Serrano, 29, Newton Grove. Resisting Public Officer. Bond \$1000. Trial Date 11-02-21

10-09 Christopher Richard Oates, 31, Newton Grove. Robbery. Bond \$75000. Trial Date 01-29-21

10-09 Chrystal Yvette McLamb, 27, Turkey. DWLR. Bond \$500. Trial Date 10-29-21

10-09 Randy Lane Locklear, 39, Fayetteville. MO Assault on a Female, MO Interfere Emergency Communications. Trial Date 12-09-21

10-09 Benjamin Jonathan Rackley, 39, Clinton. Shoplifting. Trial Date 11-15-21

10-09 David Christopher Price,

52, Homeless. Unauthorized Use of Motor Vehicle, Communicating Threats. Trial Date 10-26-21

10-10 Darius Lee Howard, 33, Harrells. Probation Violation, Failure to Appear- Release Order. Bond \$20000. Trial Date 10-26-21

10-10 Juan Alexander Meza Colman, 45, Clinton. Magistrate's Order, Fail to Comply Post Separation Support. Bond \$2400. Trial Date 11-15-21

10-10 Joshua Lentrell Pigford, 28, Willard. Trespass. Bond \$10000. Trial Date 11-24-21

10-10 Daniel Renteria Rios, 19, Pikeville. OFA Speeding. Bond \$1000. Trial Date 11-01-21

10-10 Jason Pigford III, 22, Clinton. OFA No Operators License. Bond \$500. Trial Date 10-25-21

10-10 Daniel Tajh Moore, 24, Clinton. OFA Fictitious Info to Officer. Bond \$1000. Trial Date 10-25-21

10-10 Amos Richardson, 65, Clinton. Communicating Threats. Trial Date 10-26-21

10-10 Anthony Joe Hall, 44, Roseboro. Assault by Pointing a Gun. Bond \$500. Trial Date 11-17-21

10-11 Tabria Frederick, 19, Warsaw. Financial Card Fraud. Trial Date 11-16-21

10-11 Jaylin Keavon Avery, 20, Clinton. Order for Arrest. Bond \$20000. Trial Date 10-27-21

10-11 Brian Seal, 51, Elizabethtown. Warrant Service for Other Agency. Trial Date 10-15-21

10-11 Evan Arthur Stanton, 33, Magnolia. Order for Arrest. Bond \$4500. Trial Date 11-01-21

10-11 Jorge Navarrete Delarosa, 34, Faison. Communicating Threats. Bond \$1500. Trial Date 10-12-21

10-12 Jack Lee Jones, 30, Clinton. Order for Arrest- Fail to Comply. Bond \$593.

10-12 Steven Heath Johnsey, 46, Mount Olive. Trespass. Trial Date 11-29-21

10-12 Howard lee Carroll, 41, Garland. Order for Arrest. Bond \$25000. Trial Date 10-15-21

10-12 Lawanda Michelle Ashley, 45, Clinton. Violation of Court Order, Communicating Threats. Bond \$5000. Trial Date 11-30-21

10-12 Stormie Michele Williford, 24, Roseboro. Order for Arrest. Bond \$500. Trial Date 10-28-21

10-13 Deavion Williams, 22, Newton Grove. Order for Arrest. Bond \$250. Trial Date 11-10-21

10-13 Ray Darnell Smith, 28, Dunn. Attempted Breaking & Entering. Bond \$15000. Trial Date 11-12-21

10-13 Ashley Hicks, 31, Dunn. Possession of Meth, Order for Arrest. Bond \$55000. Trial Date 11-12-21

10-13 Erika Jimenez, 25, Elizabethtown. Failure to Appear- Citation. Bond \$1000. Trial Date 10-27-21

10-13 Junie Martin Ammons, 41, Clinton. Communicating Threats. Bond \$500. Trial Date 11-16-21

10-13 Paris Isiah Armwood, 31, Clinton. Possess of Drug Paraphernalia. Trial Date 12-10-21

10-14 Kimberly Ann Byrd, 44, Clinton. Order for Arrest. Bond \$500. Trial Date 10-29-21

10-14 Majed A Mubariz, 38, Brooklyn. PWISD Marijuana, PWISD Khat, Maintain A Dwelling. Bond \$10000. Trial Date 10-29-21

10-14 Monica Hood Spencer, 45, Dunn. Order for Arrest- FTA Child Support. Bond \$265.16

10-14 Patrick Wayne Moore, 23, Clinton. Order for Arrest. Bond \$500. Trial Date 11-10-21

## INCIDENT REPORTS

10-04 Janita Petree reported Theft of

Catalytic Converter.

10-04 Robert Tew reported All Other Larceny.

10-05 Ennis Construction reported Larceny from a Construction Site.

10-05 Josephine Buchanan reported a Theft from Motor Vehicle.

10-05 Robbie Whittington reported a Larceny of a Package.

10-06 Westbrook Garage reported Larceny of Motor Vehicle Parts.

10-08 Tyree Otero reported Robbery- money \$300.

10-08 Heather Moore reported a Burglary/Breaking & Entering- laptop \$400, jewelry \$1085, Samsung tablet \$300, tools \$50.

10-08 Anthelina Armwood reported a Breaking & Entering, Destruction/Damage/Vandalism of Property- camera \$50, damage to dwelling \$3000.

10-08 Donald Hobbs reported Larceny of Property- money \$450.

10-09 Cassandra Claybrook reported Damage to Property- structure \$1500.

10-09 Walmart reported Shoplifting- assorted goods \$105.38.

10-09 55 Fast Stop Inc reported a Robbery, Destruction/Damage/Vandalism of Property- money \$1000, glass display \$800.

10-09 Wilson Farms reported Destruction/Damage/Vandalism of Property- crops and plastic \$800.

10-10 James Warren reported a Breaking & Entering, Larceny- chainsaw \$300, law garden equipment \$200, airtank \$100, grill \$350, equipment \$1000, water fountain \$300, bird bath \$100, concrete lions \$250, generator \$800.

10-11 Chaunte Peterson reported a Larceny of Firearm- 9 mm \$300, black guns \$600

10-11 Connor OBryan reported Larceny of Firearm- pistol \$650.

10-11 Harley Wheeler reported Damage to Property- 3 tires and vehicle window \$320.

10-11 Charles Jacob reported a Burglary/Breaking & Entering- rifle \$300, rifle \$300, coin container \$100.

10-11 Dollar General Store reported Shoplifting- 20 packs cigarettes \$100.

10-11 Gregory Poole reported Motor Vehicle Theft- truck \$30000.

10-11 Barbara Jackson reported Damage to Property- automobile \$1500.

10-12 Strickland Auto Sales reported Motor Vehicle Theft- 2004 Ford Escape \$4295.

10-12 James Jackson reported a Breaking and Entering, Larceny of Firearm- pistol \$379.

10-13 Neisha Williams reported Destruction/Damage/Vandalism of Property- tire \$200.

10-12 LLC Burch Farms reported All Other Offenses- stolen sweet potato box \$75.

10-13 Timothy Maready reported Larceny- weed eater \$375.

10-14 Taye Olan Auto Sales reported Theft of Motor Vehicle Parts- catalytic converters \$2400.

\* *The Crime Report is provided by the Sampson County Sheriff's Office and the Clinton City Police Department.*



# AGRICULTURE

## From the Vine

### -Alternatives for Cleaning Leaves out of Landscapes



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a number of toxic and or irritating particles and gases that can be harmful to humans. Tiny particles found in smoke can be lodged in the lungs and stay there for years increasing the risk of respiratory infections. Leaf smoke also releases chemicals called hydrocarbons which irritate the eyes, nose, throat, and lungs. Some of these hydrocarbons are known to be carcinogenic. Burning also releases carbon monoxide gas into the atmosphere which can contribute to climate change.

If you live in town, there is usually a service that will pick up leaves on the curb. Many of these leaves are sent to landfills. When these leaves decompose in the landfill, it creates methane gas which can also contribute to climate change. These leaves also take up valuable space for other items that need to be disposed of in the landfill.

Instead of burning or piling your leaves on the curb for disposal, there are 3 alternatives for cleaning leaves out of your landscape: The first is to simply mow the leaves into the lawn to recycle their nutrients. Leaves contain a wonderful blend of nutrients that a tree needs to grow. These nutrients can be recycled to help increase soil health and organic matter of your landscape. You may have to mow the leaves 2-3 times to break them down into small enough pieces to sink down into the lawn, but that is much easier than raking leaves all day. The second option is to rake or blow the leaves into your landscape beds and use them as a natural mulch. This option will also increase nutrients and soil health of your landscape beds while providing a weed barrier for the spring. The last option is to compost the leaves. Composting leaves takes more commitment and time than mulching, but it creates a nutrient-rich mix that can be mixed with soil to help plants thrive.

It's hard to believe that we are already halfway through the month of October. October brings with its cooler temperatures, shorter days, crop harvests, and the spectacular colors of fall leaves. Many people from our area make an annual trek to the mountains to see these changing leaf colors which are on full display.

When you return from your trip, you find that your lawn has been covered by leaves, and you will have to spend the next weekend raking or blowing leaves and cleaning your landscape. Most people in the county rake their leaves into the ditch or pile them up and burn them. This isn't the best option. Not only does this trap sediments into the ditch which can slow water movement, but the smoke can be dangerous. According to researchers at Purdue University, smoke from burning leaves contains

# Rooted in Agriculture

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 Sampson County Center



Fall is here and thankfully this year in spite of COVID-19, fairs and festivals are back! The dangerous, deadly virus has caused us frustration, fear, sadness, and stress, while each of us navigates our new lifestyles, with whatever personalized comfort level works for us. Thankfully, one thing has remained strong: our need for, and appreciation of agriculture. Which is a good thing in the great state of North Carolina, and the vastly agriculturally diversified Sampson County! Across the 604+ thousand acres in Sampson, which makes us the 2nd largest county in North Carolina, there is something ag related going on everywhere you look.

Did you know that Sampson County is North Carolina's top producer of sweet potatoes and that North Carolina leads the US in sweet potato production, providing 60% of the US supply? Did you know that Sampson County is also the top turkey producing county in North Carolina, raising over 7 million turkeys per year?

Sampson County is additionally a top producer of pork, soybeans, corn, cotton, hay, beef, chicken, eggs, peanuts, peppers, melons, blueberries, and turfgrass! According to the last USDA Census of Agriculture (2017), just under 50% of the county is farmed. There are 960 farms across the county, and the average farm size is documented to be 314 acres. Sampson ranks second in the state in total cash receipts of agricultural products, at over \$973 million.

We can all be proud to call Sampson County home, and we have an excellent opportunity to celebrate agriculture together this fall at Sampson County Ag Day. Join us at the Agri-Expo Center on Saturday, October 30th to pay tribute to our #1 industry and thank our many hardworking farm families, farm workers, and industry professionals that keep tractors in the field, trucks on the road, and food on our tables!

A safe, fun day of learning and celebrating is planned and you'll want to be a part of it! Check out all the details by visiting [go.ncsu.edu/sampsonagday](http://go.ncsu.edu/sampsonagday) or call us at 910-592-7161 for more information.

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# My Most Awesome Thought



Quite unexpectedly, a few years ago, a concept that had never even occurred to me entered my mind. It was simply this:

## “What is the most awesome thought I have ever had?”

I am so very thankful for my wonderful Christian heritage. At age ten I understood the truth of John 3:16, and I accepted Jesus as my personal Savior. Thankfully I have been blessed to live my life in the nurture and admonition of the Lord: a life full of ups and downs, victories and failures, but firmly grounded in the Word of God, and He has never let me down.

And then as I said, one day I became aware of a concept that was entirely new to me. My mind was consumed as I contemplated the question: **“What is the most awesome thought I have ever had?”** I prayed for God’s guidance as I pondered that question for many days. And then, the answer came, I’ll make it personal:

There on the balcony of darkest space, before God ever said, “Let there be light”, I, Martha Moore Pierce, was on His mind, and in His plan. The fact that God, in His great love orchestrated the lives of my parents and my ancestral heritage, and in His Divine order I was born on March 14, 1940, is absolutely amazing to me.

To this day, I am still in awe of the fact that I was chosen to live in this world, that I am

allowed to be a participant, and that I will spend all of eternity in Heaven with my Lord. Now that is an overwhelmingly awesome thought indeed!

Psalm 139:16: *“Your eyes saw my unformed body. All the days ordained for me were written in Your Book before one of them came to be.”*

Ephesians 1:4 *“...He chose us in Him before the foundation of the world.”*

I believe those scriptures as they apply to my life, I claim them!  
Yes, the most awesome thought I have ever had is this:  
He Chose Me, and He Redeemed Me!

## Praise His Holy Name!

Now, let’s take it a step further: as I live more of these precious years, now in my eighties, I have come to realize as never before that with that privilege, comes responsibility.

Jesus was once asked, “Teacher, which is the most important commandment in the law of Moses?” Jesus replied, **“You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your mind and with all your strength. And, you shall love your neighbor as yourself.”** Matthew 22:36-40.

Friends, that truth is so simple, not necessarily easy, but entirely possible. We are to love God first and foremost, give Him our complete devotion, and then allow Him to help us love those around us. Sum it all up in one word: LOVE. GOD IS LOVE, thus as His children we are to be reflectors of that love. Pray, ask Him to show you those with whom you can share resources, instigate caring ministry, impact people with visits, cards, phone calls, hugs, and smiles. It is a promise, as you live in such a way that you are winning others through the Love of God, He will guide you. He will enable you. He will bless you!

Ponder this thought by George MacDonald: “I would rather be what God chose to make me than the most glorious creature ever; for to have been thought about, born in God’s thought, and then made by God, is the dearest, grandest, and most amazingly precious thing in all thinking.”

## And to that I add a hearty, AMEN!

Have you accomplished the reason for which you were born?  
If not, why not?  
If not now, when?

Our choices and decisions are easy once we make the ultimate choice-asking Jesus to let you be His person, in His world, to His people!  
Perhaps you would like to prayerfully consider  
Your Most Awesome Thought.  
Will you accept my challenge?

Until Christ takes us home,  
may this one sentence serve as a constant reminder:

## “The Visible Presence of Christ in This World is YOU!”



Martha Pierce

# The Disease We All Have

**Psalm 103:2-4,** *“My soul, praise the Lord, and do not forget all His benefits. He forgives all your sin; He heals all your diseases. He redeems your life from the Pit; He crowns you with faithful love and compassion.”*

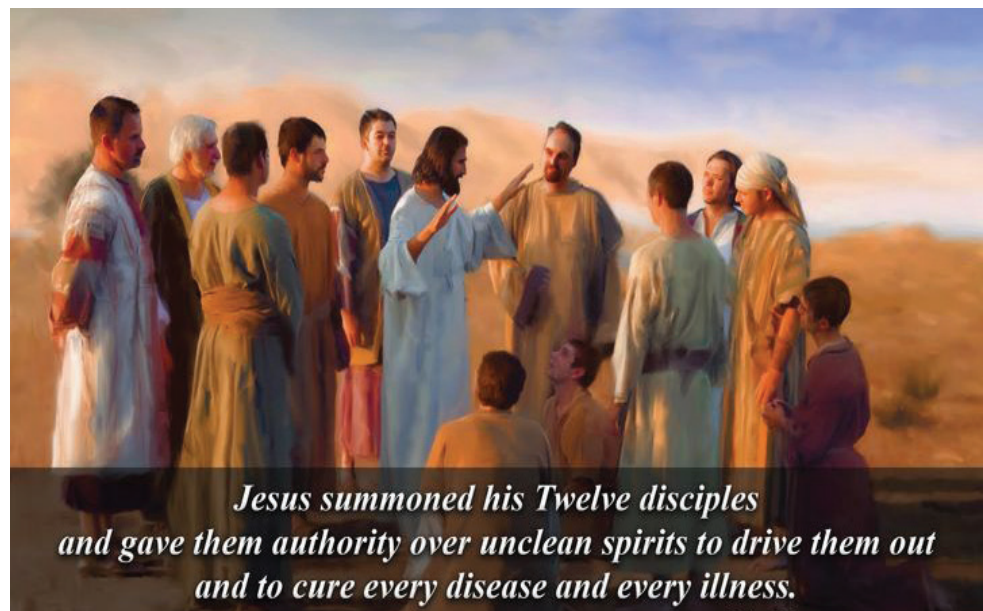
With all the talk of Covid many individuals are afraid of being around anyone that might be sneezing or coughing because of fear of getting sick themselves. Families, friends and even some Christians have lost relationships over the topic of masks, vaccines and the role of government during a pandemic. I recently had a friend tell me that if he got Covid he wouldn’t tell anyone because of the stigma that comes with the disease.

The sad reality is that Covid is not the worst thing that a person can be diagnosed with. In fact, we are all born with a disease and many will never do anything about it. The disease that plagues each person is sin. Romans 5:12, “Therefore, just as sin came into the world through one man, and death through sin, and so death spread to all men because all sinned.” Regardless of your skin color, nationality or even the amount of money you currently have in your bank account, we are all born sinners.

However, I know that many will think they lack the disease of sin because they are a good person. Maybe you haven’t robbed the local bank, committed murder or cheated on your spouse, but does that really make you a good person? If you seek to define how good you are compared to someone else then I promise you will always come out looking like the hero. 1 John 1:8, “If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.” On the scales of life, it will not be our neighbor we will be measured by, but the perfectness of God’s Son.

Sin is a spiritual contamination, one that we cannot treat ourselves. Jesus Christ’s sacrifice on the cross provides forgiveness for our terminal sin. When we put our faith in Jesus, the Holy Spirit provides a healing process in us. He is the medicine for our spiritual infection. 1 Peter 2:24, “Who his own self bare our sins in his own body on the tree, that we, being dead to sins, should live unto righteousness: by whose stripes ye were healed.” The healing coming not from a hospital or the bottom of a pill bottle, but from Jesus Christ Himself. He desires to heal the entire world of their sins, but refuses to force the treatment of sin upon anyone.

The confidence of living in Christ means that there is no space in us that can’t be touched by God’s healing power. We lack the strength to cure ourselves from the effects of our own sin, but God can heal us if we are in Christ. That is why it is crucial for each of us to put our faith in Christ individually, and to become a part of His spiritual body. All that is needed to be healed of your sin is to call on Jesus. Adrian Rogers, founder of Love Worth Finding Ministries proclaimed, “Satan can’t keep God from answering our prayers, but he will keep us from asking.” I challenge you to never allow Satan to convince you that your sins cannot be forgiven. The blood of Jesus can cure only those with an intimate and inseparable connection to him,



*Jesus summoned his Twelve disciples and gave them authority over unclean spirits to drive them out and to cure every disease and every illness.*

through pure faith.

This week I encourage you ponder the words of Christian author, Philip Yancey, “Jesus never met a disease he could not cure, a birth defect he could not reverse, a demon he could not exorcise. But he did meet skeptics he could not convince and sinners he could not convert. Forgiveness of sins requires an act of will on the receiver’s part, and some who heard Jesus’ strongest words about grace and forgiveness turned away unrepentant.”



Rev. Ken Smith  
Atkinson Baptist Church

For God so loved the world, that He gave His only begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him should not perish, but have everlasting life.

John 3:16





# Quick, Nutritious Recipes to Make Family Meals Easy

Enjoy dairy dishes without the discomfort



## Chicken Cordon Bleu Kebabs

Recipe courtesy of Rachel Gurk of "Rachel Cooks" on behalf of Milk Means More  
Prep time: 15 minutes  
Cook time: 10 minutes  
Servings: 3

- Skewers:**
- Nonstick cooking spray
  - 2 chicken breasts (6 ounces each), cubed
  - 1 ham steak (6 ounces), cubed
  - 6 bamboo skewers (8 inches)
  - 1 tablespoon Dijon mustard
  - 1 teaspoon pure maple syrup
  - 1/4 teaspoon ground black pepper
  - 1/4 teaspoon paprika
  - 1 teaspoon extra-virgin olive oil

- Sauce:**
- 2 tablespoons butter
  - 2 tablespoons flour
  - 1 cup lactose-free 2% milk
  - 1 teaspoon Dijon mustard
  - 1 cup shredded Swiss cheese salt, to taste (optional)
  - pepper, to taste (optional)

To make skewers: Preheat broiler to 500 F. Line broiler pan with foil and spray with nonstick cooking spray. Thread cubed chicken pieces and cubed ham pieces onto skewers.

In small bowl, combine Dijon mustard, maple syrup, black pepper, paprika and oil.

Brush mustard mixture on skewers. Broil about 5 minutes, flip and cook 5 minutes, or until chicken is cooked through.

To make sauce: In small saucepan over medium heat, melt butter. Whisk in flour and cook 1 minute, whisking constantly. Gradually add milk, whisking constantly. Add Dijon mustard. Continue cooking 5 minutes, or until thick. Reduce heat to low and stir in cheese, whisking until melted.

Add salt and pepper, to taste, if desired.

Serve chicken and ham kebabs with sauce.

### FAMILY FEATURES

Dinnertime dishes loaded with nutrients help keep loved ones connected while refueling after busy days spent at work and school. Dairy foods – key ingredients in many at-home meals – provide nutrients for people of all ages to grow and maintain stronger bodies and minds.

However, some bodies are unable to break down the sugar found in milk, known as lactose, which causes an upset stomach and a heavy, bloated feeling. Rather than avoiding dairy and missing out on beneficial nutrients, people with lactose intolerance can enjoy real dairy products that are naturally low in or don't contain lactose without the stomachache with foods like:

- Lactose-free milk, which is real milk with the same 13 essential nutrients as regular milk
- Hard and aged cheeses, such as cheddar, colby, Monterey Jack, Parmesan and Swiss
- Yogurt with live and active cultures, which help break down lactose, making it easier to digest

These easy-to-make meals offer lactose intolerance-friendly options for families seeking to keep milk on the menu. Because they all require an hour or less in the kitchen, they provide quick solutions for those hectic schedules without sacrificing taste or nutrition.

Visit [MilkMeansMore.org](http://MilkMeansMore.org) to find more delicious dishes that fit a lactose intolerant meal plan.

Chicken Cordon Bleu Kebabs



Chicken, Spinach and Feta Casserole

## Chicken, Spinach and Feta Casserole

Recipe courtesy of Marcia Stanley, MS, RDN, on behalf of Milk Means More  
Prep time: 15 minutes  
Cook time: 45 minutes

Servings: 4

- 1 package (10 ounces) frozen chopped spinach, thawed
- 3 eggs, slightly beaten
- 2 cups cottage cheese
- 1 1/2 cups chopped cooked chicken
- 3/4 cup crumbled feta cheese
- 3 tablespoons all-purpose flour
- 2 tablespoons butter, melted
- 2 teaspoons dried minced onion

- 1 teaspoon dried oregano leaves
- 1/4 teaspoon salt
- 1/4 teaspoon pepper

Preheat oven to 350 F. Place spinach in colander. Use back of large spoon or rubber spatula to press moisture from spinach.

In large bowl, combine spinach, eggs, cottage cheese, chicken, feta cheese, flour, butter, onion, oregano, salt and pepper.

Spoon into greased 1 1/2-quart casserole dish. Bake, uncovered, 45-50 minutes, or until set near center (160 F). Let stand 5 minutes before serving.

## One Pan Mac and Cheese

Recipe courtesy of Sheila Johnson of "Eat 2 Gather" on behalf of Milk Means More  
Prep time: 5 minutes  
Cook time: 12 minutes

- Water
- 2 teaspoons salt
- 2 cups dry macaroni noodles
- 2 cups lactose-free whole milk
- 2 eggs
- 2 tablespoons butter, clarified or ghee
- 1 1/2 cups shredded sharp white cheddar cheese
- 1 cup shredded Parmesan cheese salt, to taste
- fresh cracked pepper, to taste

Add water and salt to 3-quart saucepan; cook noodles according to package directions. Drain and add noodles back to pan.

Measure milk into large measuring cup. Add eggs and whisk.

Toss noodles with clarified butter, turn heat to medium and pour in milk-egg mixture. Add cheeses and stir until melted. Bring to low boil about 3 minutes; sauce will thicken and become creamy. Add salt and fresh cracked pepper, to taste.



One Pan Mac and Cheese



Parmesan-Swiss Fish

## Parmesan-Swiss Fish

Recipe courtesy of Marcia Stanley, MS, RDN, on behalf of Milk Means More  
Prep time: 15 minutes  
Cook time: 15 minutes  
Servings: 4

- 1 1/4 pounds skinless halibut, salmon or tilapia fillets (fresh or frozen)
- 3/4 cup shredded Swiss cheese
- 1/4 cup plain Greek yogurt
- 1/4 cup mayonnaise
- 2 tablespoons sliced green onion
- 1/4 teaspoon salt
- 1/8 teaspoon pepper
- 2 tablespoons grated Parmesan cheese
- 1/4 teaspoon paprika

Preheat oven to 450 F.

Thaw fish, if frozen. Cut into four serving-size pieces, if necessary. Pat fish dry with paper towels. Arrange in single layer on greased 15-by-10-by-1-inch baking pan, tucking under any thin edges.

In small bowl, toss Swiss cheese, yogurt, mayonnaise, green onion, salt and pepper. Spread over fish fillets. Sprinkle with Parmesan cheese and paprika. Bake, uncovered, until fish flakes easily with fork. Allow 6-8 minutes baking time per 1/2-inch thickness of fish.

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# Longtime Directors Bid Farewell to SCC Foundation



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*Holden DuBose*



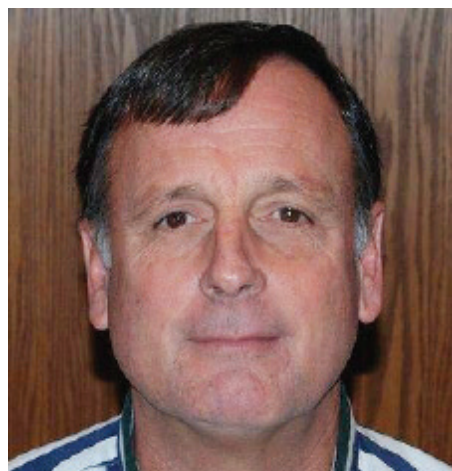
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*Pat Green*



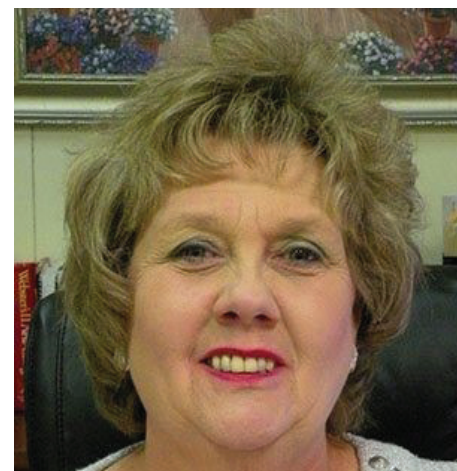
*Justin Lockamy*



*John Prestage*



*Mary Brown*



*Sherry Matthews*

The turn of a new fiscal year signals the time to bid farewell to several devoted directors of the Sampson Community College Foundation Board. Several of these departures come as a result of the SCC Foundation Board's decision to adopt new policies in 2020 which instituted term limits for directors. The directors ending their terms this summer are Mary Brown, Pat Green, Paul Viser, Sherry Matthews, John Prestage, Holden Dubose, Frank Butler, Hugh Caison, and Justin Lockamy.

The exiting directors' board service terms range from four years to thirty-five years, but their absences will be felt, nonetheless.

Anne Faircloth, SCC Foundation President, says that the departing directors will be dearly missed, but she expects their guidance and years of knowledge will continue to be called upon.

"We are profoundly grateful to the directors who are rotating off the board this year. Many of these folks were involved when I first joined the Foundation Board and have served as mentors and role models to me. We will continue to tap into their wisdom and rely on their counsel and advice," Faircloth remarked.

Mary Brown, former Director of Nursing Programs at SCC, served on the board for over 15 years. Her dedication to the college extends beyond her time teaching and her board service – with classrooms named in her honor and the establishment of the Boykin Family Endowment in honor of her family. Brown's lifelong dedication is evident even in her previous years of service on the Sampson County Schools Board of Education.

Lisa Turlington, Dean of Advancement & Executive Director of the Foundation, called Brown a friend of all. "Mary is one of the biggest cheerleaders for the College, and she is a friend to everyone she meets. It has been a great pleasure working with her on the Foundation Board," Turlington shared.

Pat Green is a founding member of the SCC Foundation Board and has served on the board since its founding in 1986. Green is the board's longest-serving director and has held various positions on the board, including President, and chaired the Appropriations Board for the last decade.

"Pat was a trailblazer as a female leader in Sampson County, and she has been a strong voice on the Foundation Board for over thirty-five years. She always took her stewardship seriously, asking tough questions and treating charitable gifts carefully as if they were her own," Turlington remarked.

Included among departing directors is Paul Viser. Viser joined the board in 2011 and has served as President and co-chair of Annual Giving. He served an important role on the Board Development and Investment Committees. Viser has also served on the SCC Board of Trustees since 2018. Dr. Viser will continue to maintain relationships with donors, students, and Foundation Directors.

"Paul's tenure on the Foundation Board reflects his dedication to providing opportunities for affordable education, workforce training, and lifelong learning to everyone in this community. He brought his signature enthusiasm for service to the board and contributed valuable experience and thoughtful consideration to the Foundation work. I know he will continue to advise and advocate for the Foundation, and the scholarships his family and Sampson Partners established will help students and elevate families for years to come," Turlington commented.

Sherry Matthews served on the board for 19 years, where she showed a commitment to promoting the Foundation and the College. Turlington commended Matthews on her professionalism.

"Sherry is an advocate for the College and all of Sampson County. I appreciate her friendship and professionalism and I know she will continue to be a friend of the Foundation."

John Prestage joined the SCC Foundation Board in 1997. His father, Bill, helped establish the Foundation. Prestage has served as President and Finance Committee Chair during his tenure on the board. Prestage and his family and business have helped launch and support many important training programs at the college including truck driver training and agriculture education.

"John's service has had a big impact on the Foundation and how we manage the stewardship of gifts. I appreciate his dedication to the College and look forward to his continued work with the Finance Committee," Turlington said.

Holden Dubose joined the Foundation Board in 2010 where he immediately began serving on the Develop the East steering committee. Dubose followed in the footsteps of his father, Charles, who was a Foundation Director.

"Holden has followed his business and family's long history of generous support and enthusiasm of the College. It has been a pleasure working with Holden and his wife, Mandy, who have graciously hosted events and advocated for the Foundation," Turlington commented.

Frank Butler has served in every leadership role since joining the SCC Foundation Board in 1997, including President. His father, Mossette, was a founding director.

"Frank and his family have truly shaped the character and direction of the Foundation since its founding. I have heavily relied on his counsel and friendship in my role at the College and will continue to appreciate his dedication to education in Sampson County," Turlington remarked.

Hugh Caison has served on the Foundation Board since 2013 and has been a major supporter of all events and campaigns since joining.

"Hugh's generosity to so many organizations in Sampson and Duplin Counties was widely known and greatly appreciated. He never denied a request for support and made fundraising fun. I will miss working with him on the Foundation Board," Turlington recalled.

Justin Lockamy has served since 2017.

"I am sad to see Justin leave the Foundation Board, but I know he will continue to advocate for the College and education in eastern NC," Turlington stated.

SCC President, Dr. Bill Starling, shared his appreciation for the departing directors for the scholarships, gifts, united fundraising, and hours of support of College activities given in their service to SCC.

"Our entire college family recognizes that so much of SCC's progress is a result of their expressions of support within the community for the opportunities we work to make available. These directors have worked to provide hundreds of students access to programs and training opportunities that have improved the lives of families," Starling remarked. "SCC is certainly a better institution because of their service, and I believe that Sampson County is as well."

Each member will be a loss for the SCC Foundation Board as they each brought unique experiences and expertise to their roles as directors. However, the board is excited to welcome seven new members in their departures, including a returning director. New directors include Robin Palmer, Chris Brown, Brandon Warren, Steve Stefanovich, Jason Walters, and Jonathan Williams. For more information about the SCC Foundation, visit [www.sampsoncc.edu/foundation/](http://www.sampsoncc.edu/foundation/).

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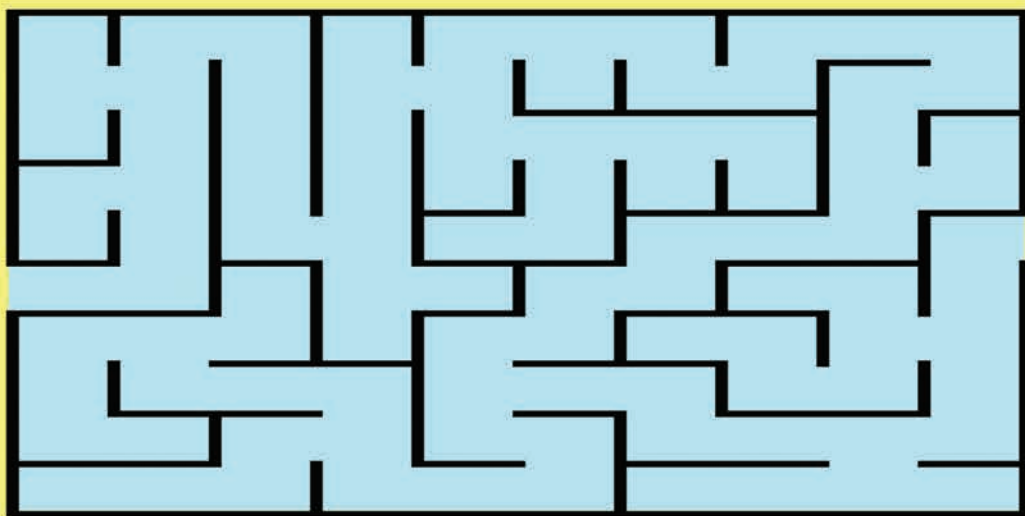
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Help Looner reach his friend!

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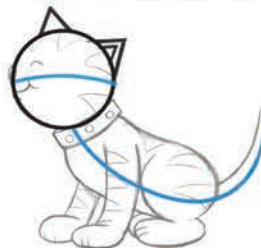
Let's Draw a cute Cat!



Here is what our finished drawing will look like.

We can use our basic shapes: Circle Square Triangle

Start with your pencil, crayon or marker. Sketch lightly and have fun. Let's start!



1. Start with a **CIRCLE** shape for the Cat's head. Then add Action Line that will sweep along and help create the tail. Use basic shape **TRIANGLES** to start the ears.

Add a foundation line on the head to help line up everything on the Cat's face.



2. Now draw the Cat's nose. The bottom of the nose touches the foundation line which also touches the end of the Cat's ear on the right. Finish drawing rest of face.

4. Add some foundation and structure for the Cat's "elbows": Use circles to create the volume of the Cat's arm. This way, we know how wide the arms will be and understand where the joints of the animal will be.



Use ovals to make the paws.

3. Draw the basic shape circles for the body. Then link them up with just two lines. This creates the shape of our Cat friend.



5. Tubes and ovals help create the legs and paws.

6. Add spots for fun. In the end, the basic shapes used as your foundation lines will be erased. (like on Cat's back leg). Yet they're still there invisibly, giving your drawing a good solid "foundation". Then use simple lines to draw the background. Make up your own background if you want. Create adventures with your character!



Have fun, take your time and keep practicing!

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Add the face detail and use triangles & ovals to make the ears look floppy



Tubes and ovals help create the legs and paws!



Use these shapes to make any kind of dog you'd like. Keep practicing and having fun!



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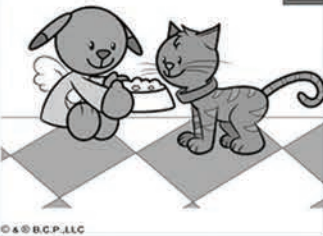
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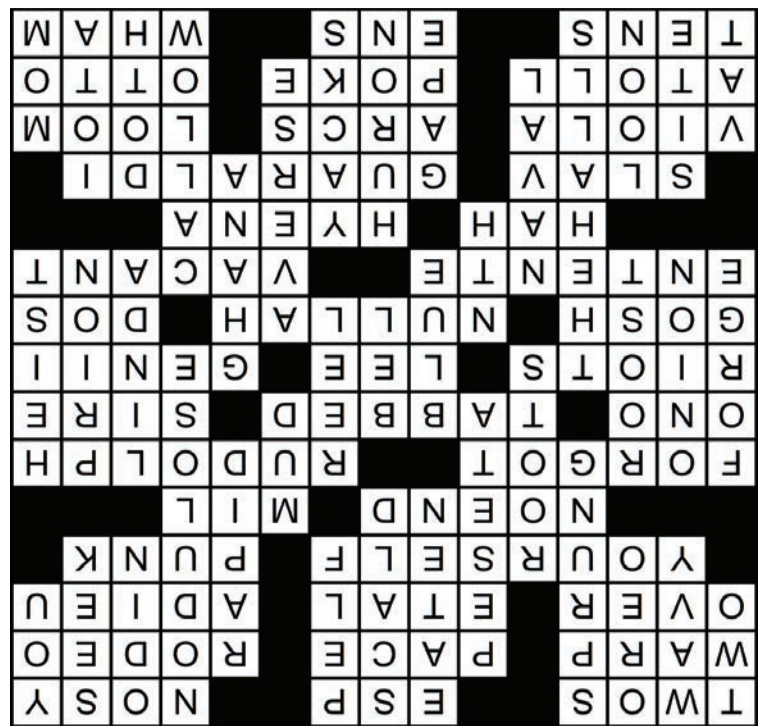
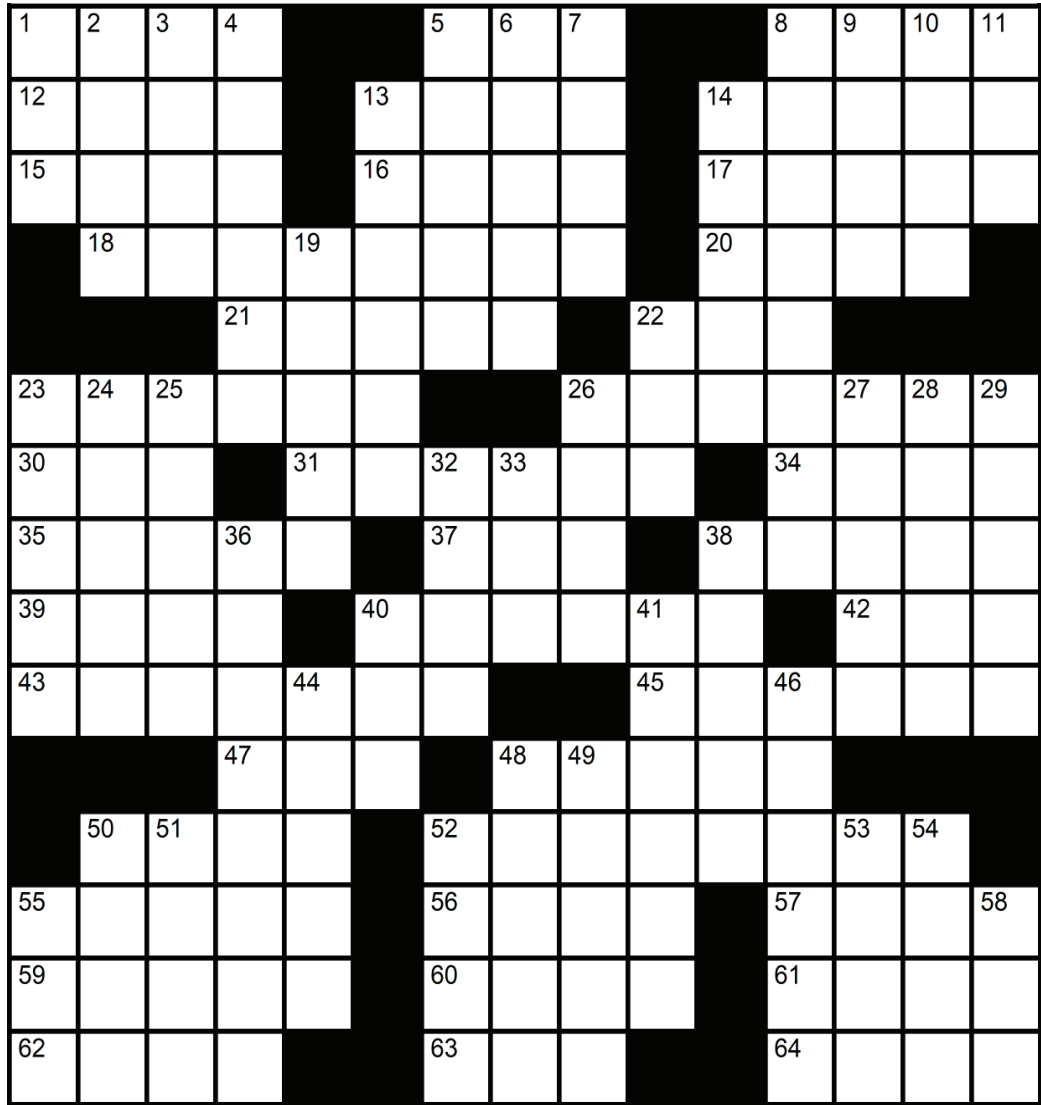
**HOLIDAY SONGS**

**ACROSS**

1. Rare bills
5. Clairvoyant's gift
8. Snoopy
12. Time distortion
13. Show worry
14. Wyoming's official sport
15. \*John Lennon's "Happy Xmas (War is \_\_\_\_)"
16. And elsewhere
17. Opposite of bonjour
18. \*\*"Have \_\_\_\_ a Merry Little Christmas"
20. MTV's "\_\_\_\_'d"
21. Incessantly
22. A cool \_\_\_\_, as in money
23. \*\*"Should auld acquaintance be \_\_\_\_"
26. \*\*"Run \_\_\_\_ Run" sung by Chuck Berry
30. \*Co-writer of #15 Across
31. Used tabulator key
34. Your majesty
35. 1965 Watts events
37. \*\*"Rockin' Around the Christmas Tree," sung by Brenda \_\_\_\_
38. Mozart and Einstein, e.g.
39. Golly!
40. Dry ravine, in Asia
42. Not don'ts
43. Diplomatic alliance
45. Like empty hotel room
47. "Fat chance!"
48. Shenzi of "The Lion King"
50. Eastern European
52. \*Vince \_\_\_\_ Trio of "Linus and Lucy" fame
55. Between violin and cello
56. Rainbows and such
57. Rumpelstiltskin's weaver
59. Coral reef island
60. Facebook's "psst"
61. \_\_\_\_ Mann of "The Simpsons"
62. Decades
63. Lt.'s inferior, in the Navy
64. \*\*"Last Christmas" duo

**DOWN**

1. \* \_\_\_\_ Turtle Doves
2. Not straight
3. Post-meal sandwich
4. Spring action, past tense
5. Like yesterday's meal
6. Coffee burn, e.g.
7. Bread or cabbage
8. Having small nodules
9. Scandinavian war god
10. Radio button
11. \*\*"All I want for Christmas is \_\_\_\_"
13. Bygone Spanish money
14. R in R.E.M.
19. Alex Haley saga
22. \_\_\_\_ pie in a sand box
23. Blacksmith's hearth
24. Gibson garnish
25. Fowl perch
26. Film roll
27. Ronstadt, e.g.
28. Infectious protein particle
29. Bank job
32. \*Like Elvis' Christmas?
33. 10 decibels
36. \*Deck'em
38. Ivory Coast neighbor
40. Utmost degree
41. Not sympathetic
44. Maryland Academy
46. Young and inexperienced
48. Second-largest Great Lake
49. Talks and talks and talks
50. It houses web content
51. "On Golden Pond" bird
52. Open-mouthed astonishment
53. Shakespearean "does"
54. Tiny bit
55. Port vessel
58. Mrs. Goldberg, e.g.

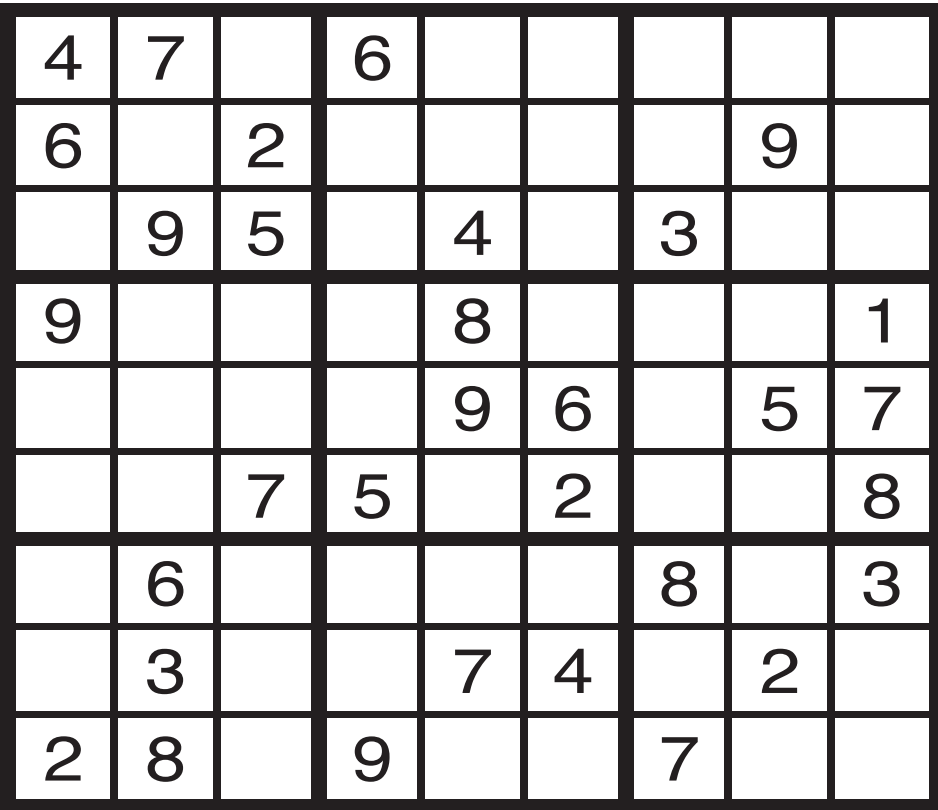


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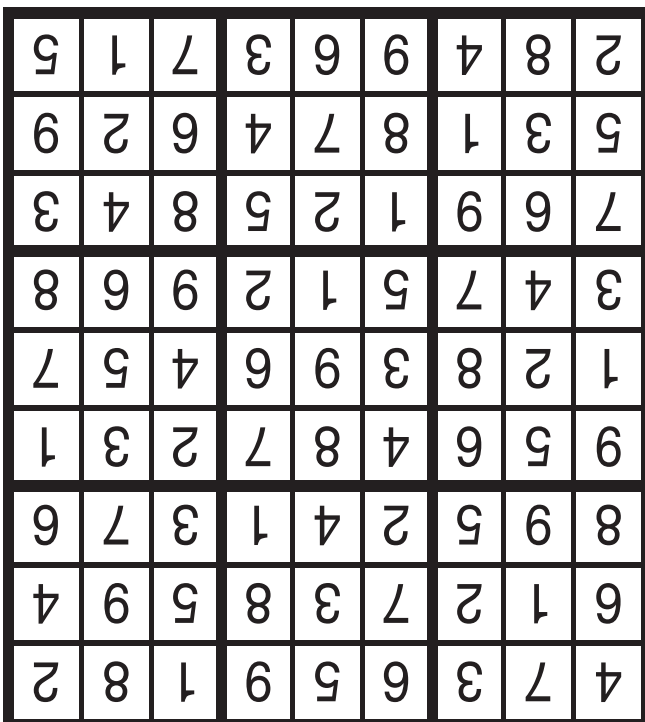
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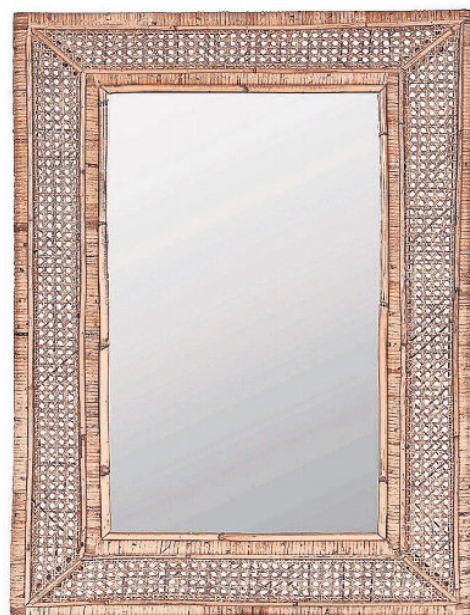
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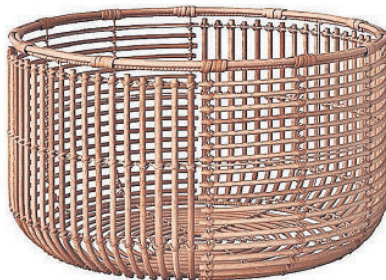
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## HOME HELP

### GARDENING Rain gardens may help waterlogged lawns

If your yard doesn't drain well (or at all) and frequently becomes waterlogged, a rain garden can help beautify it. Here's the breakdown from BobVila.com:

"If the waterlogging is the result of excessive runoff onto a relatively flat area, installing a rain garden could help alleviate the issue. A rain garden is essentially a small, boggy plot. Create a depression with a berm on the low side to intentionally collect rainwater. Plant the garden with an assortment of attractive water-loving plants, such as sedges, cardinal flower, bluestar, swamp hibiscus and many others. A rain garden in the right location reduces flooding, filters pollutants from the water, and provides habitat for birds and pollinators."

### HOME SAFETY Don't burn these in the fireplace

Although spring is fast approaching, it's still cold out there. A fireplace can be a warm and cozy sanctuary from the bitter weather outside. If you own a wood-burning fireplace, here are three things you should never burn:

**1. Treated wood.** Burning pressure-treated or coated wood can release toxic chemicals into the air. Wood treated



to withstand insects or rot may contain a form of arsenic, for example. Wood that is painted, stained or varnished can contain other chemicals capable of producing toxic fumes, according to BobVila.com. Avoid burning plywood as well, as the adhesives used to make it can also release toxic fumes.

**2. Cardboard.** Even though cardboard catches and burns quickly and can be a fast way to get a fire roaring, you should not use it as a fire starter (or use a fire to dispose of excess cardboard). Cardboard is often treated with chemicals that may release toxins into the air. If you want a quick and safe way to start a fire indoors, use approved fire starters or small splinters of wood from your normal firewood.

**3. Lighter fluid.** Speaking of fire starters, you should not use chemical lighter fluid or similar accelerant in your indoor fire place. These products often contain methanol and petroleum-based chemicals that produce toxic fumes. These accelerants also create very hot-burning fires, which can damage your chimney liner.

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## Is a DIY major remodel a good idea?



Richard Montgomery

**Reader question:** Is a do-it-yourself remodel a good idea? We have outgrown our home as our children are growing up and need more room. We want to add about a 1,200-square-foot addition and a full bath, plus update the kitchen and bathrooms with cabinets, plumbing and flooring. My husband worked construction in college and feels like he can handle it. There is limited inventory for buying a different home, and the prices are very high. We think we can save money. Do you have any tips or advice?

**Monty's answer:** The answer depends on several factors.

How much time do the two of you have to commit to taking on a project this size?

What was your husband's work experience when he was in the industry?

Do you have a plan laid out that includes a timeline?

Will your materials be financed? Do you have a detailed estimate, including labor, as to the project costs? How will remodeling and the addition impact family life?

## DEAR MONTY

### Questions

- Will the hours it takes for sweat equity and the money we save be worth my time?

- Will all the construction and demolition disruption stress out the family?

- Do I have the skills already, or will I learn on the job?

- What tools will I have to buy or rent, and if I purchase tools, will I ever use them again?

- Will the current HVAC system have the capacity to heat and cool an entire home properly?

- Will I know with my technical expertise if my subcontractors properly finished their work?

### Easy tasks to overlook

Borrowing money for a home addition will likely require extra time to satisfy lenders. They have made these loans before and know how things can go wrong.

Overruns, accurate house plans and specifications, documented bid costs, interest rate increases when you miss deadlines, and more, can add time and money.

**Here are some typical considerations in construction management:** book-keeping, job delivery slips and invoices, 1099 forms, lien waivers, builders risk insurance, workman's comp, bidding expertise, material lists, posting

OSHA standards, building permits, and finally, a legal opinion as to which of these apply in your state.

### A one-off job

Remember, these subcontractors have other jobs in progress other than yours.

Their loyalty will be toward the customers that provide them with work during the year. Will they be available to you when you need them?

For example, do you have the toilet installed before or after the flooring? One sub cannot do their work until another has completed theirs.

If the flooring sub has to choose between two customers who need the job finished, you will likely have to put the plumber off. Then, will you go to the back of the line with the plumber's jobs?

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# OBITUARIES



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**Mrs. Juanita Honeycutt Shipp Crisp, 92**, of 244 Simmons Rd., passed away at home, Wednesday, October 13, 2021, surrounded by her family. Funeral Services will be held Tuesday, October 19 at 10:00 AM at Brown Baptist Church with Rev. James Croom, Rev. Tyler Jernigan, and Rev. Chubby Reiber officiating.

Burial will follow at the Honeycutt Family Cemetery on the family farm, 244 Simmons Rd. Visitation for family and friends will be held Monday evening, October 18th from 6:30-8:30pm at Royal-Hall Funeral Home and other times at her home. Born on March 7, 1929 in Sampson County, Juanita was the daughter of the late William Rice Honeycutt and Rossie Honeycutt and the widow of Johnnie Wilton "Snoogie" Shipp and Robert E. "Bob" Crisp. Juanita loved and supported her husband, "Snoogie", as they farmed and raised a family until his death at the age of thirty-four. She worked hard in her home and on the farm to rear and teach her family. She never lost faith in her purpose as a very young mother and was devoted to rearing her three children, Kay, "Bud" and Debbie. She was our family's rock and the tie that binds. She went to work at Acme Dry Cleaners as a seamstress and employee to provide for her family. In 1971 she lost her only son, "Bud", in a car accident which tore at her heart strings the rest of her life. Several years later she met and married "Bob" and they had a enjoyable life together. Her love and compassion led her to take care of her mom during her later years as well as her sister, "Katie Mae". When she could no longer take care of her at home, she visited her daily for seven years at Mary Gran Nursing Home. She was a lifelong, devoted member of Brown Baptist Church having served in the women's auxiliary and a member of the church choir, always willing to do what was needed for her church family and community. She often was found hemming and doing alterations for many people in her home for the past thirty years, where she also made Easter dresses, pajamas for her family, bridesmaid dresses for her grandchildren's wedding, and many more "Handmade by Juanita" creations. When she wasn't in her sewing room she enjoyed working in her flowers, tending a garden, and bringing those vegetables to the table for her family to enjoy. To say she was a good cook was an understatement. She took pride in her yardwork. She loved sharing her variety of flowers and their sweet fragrances with friends and family who stopped by for a welcomed visit. She had a passion for service and often shared a bowl of chicken and rice, peas, or other vegetables with her friends and neighbors. She was known to her family as Grandma, MaMa, and Grandma Great. Her contagious smile won the hearts of many. Juanita was a true friend who loved unconditionally, and to know her was to love her. Mrs. Juanita leaves behind, two daughters: Kay Shipp West and husband, Lee, and Debbie Shipp Martin and husband, Gary, both of Clinton; nine grandchildren: Traci Martin Barefoot and husband, Scott, Leslie Martin and special friend, Jeremy Lee, Lisa West Bush and Fiancé, Matthew Burnett, Beth West Borup and husband, Paul, Walt West and wife, Heleena, John West and wife, Amanda, Ashley West Pratt and husband, Dr. Jason Pratt, Nick West and Tiffani West Stranski and husband, Eric; twenty great-grandchildren: Taylor, Caden, Andrew and Cole Bush, Kaylee and Roice Borup, Ethan Nippert, Elissa and Easton West, Brilynn, Maycie, Preslee and Payge West, Annecy, Livia and Emory Pratt, Lennon Goodwin, Kayde Martin, Graci and Wil Barefoot. She also leaves behind a dear sister-in-law, Edna Grey Shipp Mitchell, a special brother-in-law, Ray Shipp, and many cousins, nieces and nephews. In addition to her parents and husbands, she was preceded in death by her son, Billy Wilton "Bud" Shipp, and three sisters: Mollie Honeycutt Wallis and husband, C.W., Kate "Katie Mae" Honeycutt, Louise "Pert" Honeycutt Baicy and husband, Al, and a sister-in-law, Aileen Shipp Cobb. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made in memory of Juanita to Brown Baptist Church C/O Marie Pope, 124 Boykin Dr., Clinton, NC. 28328. The family would like to thank 3HC for their compassionate love, care, and service during this past year. Royal-Hall is honored to serve the family.



## AUTRYVILLE

**Mr. Lattie B. Faircloth, 81** of Autryville passed away on Saturday, October 9, 2021 at his home surrounded by his family. The funeral service will be held at 2:00 PM Wednesday, Oct. 13 at Autryville Baptist Church with Dr. Randy Wright and Minister Michael A. Jones officiating. Burial will follow in the Sandy Horne Cemetery.

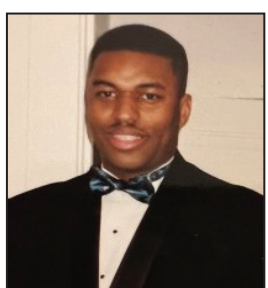
There will be a walkthrough viewing from 1:00 - 1:50 PM on Wednesday at the church prior to the service. Mr. Faircloth was a native of Sampson County, the son of Clarence Raeford and Rainey Gibb Autry Faircloth. He was preceded in death by his parents, his wife, Flora Pearl Faircloth and son, Ronald Glen Faircloth. He was a retired maintenance supervisor for the Fayetteville Observer and also owner and operator of Faircloth's Lawn Care. He is survived by his daughter, Betty Pearl Faircloth of Autryville and granddaughter, Elizabeth Faircloth of Autryville and several nieces and nephews. Services entrusted to Butler Funeral Home, 401 W. Roseboro Street, Roseboro, NC.



## FAISON

**Jennifer (Jen) Dawn Holland**, born on January 20, 1977, in Pascagoula, Mississippi passed away on October 10, 2021. After graduating from North Duplin High School, Jennifer received a Bachelor of Science in History from East Carolina University. Jennifer was a passionate teacher for twenty-two years at various schools including Hobbton High, James Kenan High, Wakefield High, and South Mecklenburg High. Jennifer was a National Board Certified teacher and was working on completing a Master's Degree in History. Over the years, she influenced countless students and enjoyed sharing her love of history. She was an avid ECU Pirate fan and regularly cheered them on. In addition, she was a devoted "cat mom." Her beloved Alexander the Great, Angelo, and Bruce Wayne were spoiled rotten companions. Jennifer took great pride and experienced much joy in being an aunt to niece, Annabel, and nephew, Henry. Jennifer was preceded in death by her mother, Lynn Tew Roberts. She is survived by her father, J.B. Holland of Faison, her brother, Kevin Holland and wife, Susan, of Carolina Shores, her niece, Annabel Holland, and her nephew, Henry Holland. In lieu of flowers, and because of Jennifer's love of animals, please donate to an animal charity of your choice.

join and serve in the United States Air Force. Following his stint in the Air Force, Charles attended and graduated from SUNY Buffalo State College with a bachelor's degree in Journalism. With his passion for education reignited, Charles went on to earn a master's degree in Education-



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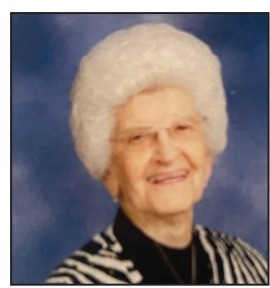
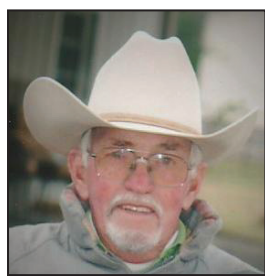
**Charles Howard Sr., 62**, son of the late Queen & Lewis Howard, Charles Anthony Howard, Sr. was born on March 16, 1959. Growing up in Newburgh, NY, Charles quickly found a passion for basketball, music, writing, and fashion. Charles attended Newburgh public schools, graduating from Newburgh Free Academy in 1977. Charles went on to

al Leadership from SUNY New Paltz University located in New Paltz, NY. Charles also earned a Master's in Public Administration from American Public University in 2013. While serving as an Educator, Charles answered the call to the ministry of Jesus Christ. Charles served as an associate minister at Holy Temple United Holiness Church located in Newburgh, NY, in response to this call. Charles was ordained an Elder and later became the Assistant Pastor at Hope Chapel Church of God in Christ. As Charles continued to serve, grow and develop, he felt called to the role of Senior Pastor. This call sparked the inception of Higher Calling Ministries. The Higher Calling ministry blossomed and grew, touching the lives of many so much that a radio broadcast was birthed to reach the masses. Charles relocated to Clinton, North Carolina, and joined Unity Christian Center, where he served as an associate minister and praise team member. In addition to service to the church, Charles spent years leading to his retirement as director of a Group Home and an instructor at Fayetteville Technical Community College. Charles Anthony Howard, Sr. departed this life on October 10, 2021, at Sampson Regional Medical Center. Preceded in death by one brother (Vasco) and his parents, Charles leaves behind many that will cherish his memory. Mourning is his greatest gift; his son Charles Anthony Howard Jr. along with his mother Valerie Howard both of Lawrenceville, Ga. his Sisters Marion D. Pope of Clinton, NC, Marie A. Amos (Creg) of Columbus, Georgia, Jackie Turner of Loganville, Ga, and Andrea White (John) also of Lawrenceville, Ga. Mourning equally is longtime companion Octavia Smith along with her daughters Michelle and Shantavia and grandson Avery. Others left with cherished memories include a host of aunts, uncles, nephews, nieces, cousins, and loving friends. Interment will be Wednesday, October 20, 2021 at 12 Noon at Sandhill VA Cemetery, Spring Lake, NC with military honors. Butler & Son Funeral Services Clinton, NC.

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## CLINTON

**John Fox Hutchins, 88** of Clinton (formerly of Raleigh) died peacefully at home August 17, 2021. Graveside service will be held at 11 AM, Friday, October 15, 2021 at Rowan Baptist Church Cemetery with Rev. Clay Carter officiating. John was born on March 20, 1933 to the late Charles Spurgeon and Healy Baker Hutchins. He followed his heavenly wife, Alice Quick Hutchins, a Clinton native. They shared sixty years of marriage together. He is survived by his daughter, Wendy Hutchins Dorman and "adopted" son, Victor Cervantes Rodriguez all of Clinton. He is also survived by a sister, Nancy Glenn of Raleigh, brothers Frank Hutchins of Johnson City, TN, James Hutchins (twin) of Raleigh and Robert Hutchins of Temple, TX. In addition to his parents, sisters, Elizabeth Champion and Mary Jo Hull, and brothers, Charles Hutchins and Bill Hutchins preceded him in death. John was a veteran of the US Army, a 32nd degree Mason, a member and Past Master of James B Green Lodge No 735 in Raleigh, NC, a past member of Amran Shrine Club of Raleigh, NC and a former member and past President and Treasurer of the Wake County Lions Club. John was known for his happy life attitude, always eager to be the first at the breakfast table. He had an adventuresome spirit, a non-stop work ethic and was a loving individual to his family and friends. The family is thankful for John's caregiver team with guided assistance from 3HC Home, Health and Hospice Care, Inc. A processional will advance from the residence, 155 Reedsford Road to inter for a graveside celebration of life service on October 15th at 11:00 am at Rowan Baptist Church with Clay Carter officiating. The family will receive friends and family at the residence after the service. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to Rowan Baptist Church, 701 Rowan Road, Clinton NC 28328, or to 3HC Home Health and Hospice Care, Incorporated, 1023 Beaman Street, Clinton NC 28328. "Let's Ride!"



## CLINTON

On Sunday, October 10, Florence **Marie Burns Latimer, 93**, passed away peacefully in her home surrounded by family. She was the last child born to the late Frank and Adeline Wooster Burns in Rescue, Virginia on May 6, 1928. In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by her husband of 53 years, Linwood "Buck" Latimer, along with eight brothers and sisters. Florence lived a fulfilling life as a devoted and loving wife, mother, grandmother, great-grandmother and friend. She proudly retired from the Department of Social Services after dedicating 25 years of service to Sampson County. She was a faithful member of First Baptist Church in Clinton and instilled the importance of faith in her family. She enjoyed traveling, cooking, reading, and attending dance recitals and ball games. Being "Mee Mee" to her three great-grandsons, however, was her greatest joy. She leaves behind to cherish her memory her three daughters: Denise Mitchell and husband John of New Bern; Nancy Butler and husband Joe of Clinton; Penny Horne and husband Lyman of Clinton; grandchildren: Bradley Quick, Matt Butler, Ashley Montgomery (Robbie), Sara Hunter (Patrick), Katie Butler (Eric); great-grandchildren: Lake, Drew, and Gray Montgomery; and special friend, Shari Parker. The family respectfully requests no visitors in the home due to the current COVID-19 pandemic. Family and friends are invited to attend a graveside service Wednesday, October 13 at 11 a.m. at the Clinton Cemetery with Dr. Ray Ammons officiating. In lieu of flowers, the family asks that memorials be made in her name to First Baptist Church, 408 College Street in Clinton or Community Home Care & Hospice, 126 E Elizabeth Street, Suite B in Clinton.

Cory Nelson before he moved to New York. Cleveland resided in Clinton, NC with the love of his life Rosa Wortham (deceased) and to this union they had five kids, Tachona Nelson, Ray Nelson, Frank Nelson (deceased), Lazsheen Nelson (deceased), Jeremy Nelson (deceased). And a special niece/daughter Caren Hines. Cleveland was also a widow to Shelia Sturivandant (deceased) and in that union they had three kids, Antoinette Nelson Kennedy, Cleveland Nelson Jr., Donelle Nelson. Cleveland had a host of grandkids total of 17 with.. 7 grandson, Unquie, Ramel, Dayquan, Zayshaun, Rico, Frank, and Zaymone and 9 granddaughters... Cleaia, Ray Ray, Donella, Raisha, Quanye, Tyashia, Akira, Jamira, Iva, and Rayhanna. A Walk Thru will be held Wednesday, October 13, 2021 from 10:00 am - 6:00 pm, family present from 5:00 - 6:00 pm at Hope Valley Hawkins Funeral Chapel 1246 Hobbton Hwy Clinton, NC 28328. Cleveland Nelson was an awesome man he was a provider for his families, he has taken care of many people in the community in

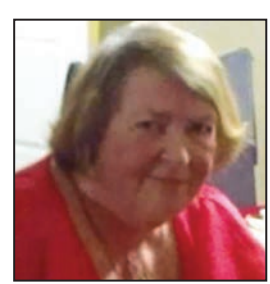


## CLINTON

**Cleveland "Heavy D" Nelson 70**, was born in Sampson county on October 21, 1950 to Clarence and Jessie Moore. He is the baby boy of ten kids. Cleveland (Heavy D) transitioned to eternal rest on Friday October 8, 2021 at his place of resident. Cleveland attend the Sampson /Clinton schools in his youth and move to New York after school. Cleveland had a son name

his lifetime, he supported all the members of his family. He was there for all of us. Dad was a construction worker/carpenter. He loved to ride his motorcycles; he would ride with his motorcycle group at night they would ride in Brooklyn just sightseeing. Dad love to fish he could fish for hours, he would grow his own produce, and he decide to try it this past year, and he grew something. Lol..lol..lol. Cleveland loved his family and his kids, He would called them daily just to check on them, He would say just checking on you and wanted to hear your voice, He didn't want anything but to say Hi what you Doing?. WE ARE GONNA MISS THOSE PHONE CALLS!!!! Cleveland survived his finance Blonnie Owens, and his children Tachona Bell, Antoinette Kennedy (Country), Clevalnd Nelson Jr (Shalonda), Ray Nelson, Donelle Nelson (Wife), Frank Nelson, Jeremy Nelson, and host of great grandkids from North Carolina and New York. He also survived his sibling one brother Simon Nelson, Clinton, NC and five sisters All from Brooklyn NY Ida Dennis, Grace, Shirley Corbett Brenda (Amani), Patricia Simmons. Dad we LOVE YOU and we will MISS YOU!!!

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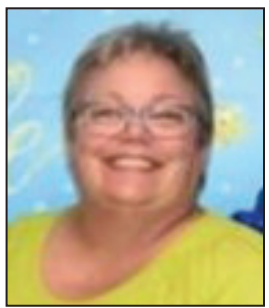
## SALEMBURG

**Mrs. Juanita Karol Pearsall, 71** of Salemburg passed away on Sunday, October 10, 2021 in Martinsville, Virginia. The funeral service will be held at 2:00 PM Thursday, October 14 at Peniel Pentecostal Holiness Church with Rev. George Terry and Rev. Jeff Bartlett officiating. Burial will follow in the Sunrise Memorial Gardens in Salemburg. The family will receive friends from 1:00 - 1:50 PM on Thursday at the church prior to the service. Mrs. Pearsall was a native of San Bernardino, California. She was the daughter of Charles Chapman and Irma Bogle McKean. She was preceded in death by her parents. She was a homemaker She is survived by her husband, James F. Pearsall of the home; two daughters, Robin Sasser and Cheyenne Boyer; five grandchildren, Tiffany Bullard, Savannah Sasser, Madison Sasser, Ashton Sasser and Kristina Boyer. Services entrusted to Butler Funeral Home, 401 W. Roseboro Street, Roseboro, NC 28382.

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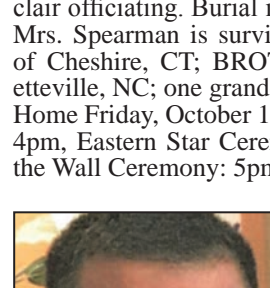
## TURKEY

**Johnnie Anne Colwell Powell 54** of 3535 Needmore Road Turkey died Saturday October 9, 2021, at Duke Hospital surrounded by her family. Born in 1967 to the late Johnnie Edward and Anne Overton King Colwell, Johnnie Anne worked in accounting. She enjoyed working and playing candy crush but most of all Johnnie loved spending time with her family. Johnnie Anne will truly be missed by each and every one. In addition to her parents Johnnie Anne is also preceded in death by her nephew Jackson Braswell and mother-in-law Peggy Powell. Funeral Services will be held at 11:00 am on Wednesday, October 13, 2021 at New Hope Baptist Church, 4246 New Hope Church Road, burial will follow in Cook Cemetery on Myers Lane in Turkey, NC. Johnnie Anne leaves to cherish her memories: her husband of 30 years: Jerry Powell, Jr. of the home, children: Jasmie Powell and Jeremy Powell both of the home, sister: Kathy Colwell and husband Jeff of Turkey, father-in-law: Jerry Powell, Sr. of Warsaw, sisters-in-law: Angela Taylor and husband Frankie of Mt. Olive and Heather Braswell and husband David of Turkey, a host of nieces and nephews. A Visitation will be held from 6:00 pm - 8:00 pm on Tuesday, October 12, 2021 at Hope Valley Hawkins Funeral Service & Cremation, 1246 Hobbton Hwy. Clinton, NC.



## MAGNOLIA

**Mrs. Gretha Mae (Fairley) Spearman, 87**, of 2719 Trinity Church Road, Magnolia, NC passed away Wednesday, October 6, 2021 at home. The funeral service will be held at 1pm, Saturday, October 16, 2021 at the New Bethel AME Church, Magnolia (Waycross Community), NC with Rev. James Sinclair officiating. Burial in the Spearman Family Cemetery. Mrs. Spearman is survived by her SON-Livie Spearman of Cheshire, CT; BROTHER-Connie B Boykin of Fayetteville, NC; one grandchild. Visitation at Worley Funeral Home Friday, October 15, 2021 Public: 3pm-6pm, Family: 4pm, Eastern Star Ceremony: 4:30pm, AKA Ivy Beyond the Wall Ceremony: 5pm.



## CLINTON

**Mr. Ranulfo Perez Vazquez, 57**, of 112 Vazquez Lane, Clinton, passed away Tuesday, October 12, 2021, at Mercy One Hospital in Iowa. Ranulfo was born May 27, 1965 in Cerro Alto, C.d. Valles, San Luis Potosi to Marco Perez Vidalez and Maria Eloisa Alonso Vazquez. Ranulfo earned his Bachelor's Degree in Mexico. He was a Pastor who served

the Clinton Community. He is preceded in death by his father: Marcos Perez Vidalez. Funeral Services are incomplete and this time and will be announced by Carter Funeral Home. Ranulfo leaves to cherish his memory his wife: Maria Elena Perez of the home, three daughters: Jacqueline Cristobal and husband Edgar A. Cristobal of Red Springs, NC; Elizabeth Perez of Des Moines, Iowa; Jennifer Gomez-Perez and husband Leivin David Gomez Inestroza of Zion, Illinois, mother: Maria Eloisa Alonso Vazquez of Mexico, one sister: Lucrecia Perez Vazquez of Mexico, six brothers: Marcos Perez Vazquez of Houston, TX; Liboria Perez Vazquez of Charlotte, NC; Romualdo Perez Vazquez of Charlotte, NC; Pioquinto Perez Vazquez of Charlotte, NC; Bernardo Perez Vazquez of Charlotte, NC; Gloria Perez Vazquez of Charlotte, NC, and three grandsons: Alexander Caleb Cristobal; Leivin Gomez Jr.; and Rene Gomez. Services provided by Carter Funeral Home, Garland. www.carterfh.com.



## CLINTON

**Franklin "Frank" D. Weeks, 87**, of Gordon Rd. passed away on Friday, October 15, 2021 at Sampson Regional Medical Center. Funeral services will be held Monday, October 18, 2021 at 3:00 pm at Plain View Pentecostal Free Will Baptist Church with Rev. Chubby Reiber officiating. Burial will follow in the Church Cemetery. Visitation with family and friends will be held prior to the service in the church sanctuary, from 1:30 pm until 3:00 pm; and other times at his home. Born on June 12, 1934 in Duplin County, Frank was the son of the late Katie Rose Odum and Gib Lee Weeks, and the widower of Myrna Thornton

the Clinton Community. He is preceded in death by his father: Marcos Perez Vidalez. Funeral Services are incomplete and this time and will be announced by Carter Funeral Home. Ranulfo leaves to cherish his memory his wife: Maria Elena Perez of the home, three daughters: Jacqueline Cristobal and husband Edgar A. Cristobal of Red Springs, NC; Elizabeth Perez of Des Moines, Iowa; Jennifer Gomez-Perez and husband Leivin David Gomez Inestroza of Zion, Illinois, mother: Maria Eloisa Alonso Vazquez of Mexico, one sister: Lucrecia Perez Vazquez of Mexico, six brothers: Marcos Perez Vazquez of Houston, TX; Liboria Perez Vazquez of Charlotte, NC; Romualdo Perez Vazquez of Charlotte, NC; Pioquinto Perez Vazquez of Charlotte, NC; Bernardo Perez Vazquez of Charlotte, NC; Gloria Perez Vazquez of Charlotte, NC, and three grandsons: Alexander Caleb Cristobal; Leivin Gomez Jr.; and Rene Gomez. Services provided by Carter Funeral Home, Garland. www.carterfh.com.



# OBITUARIES

Weeks. He was a member of Plain View Pentecostal Free Will Baptist Church and a retired truck driver, driving for Lundy's thirty years. He was a good-hearted, hard working man and always had a story to share or hug to give. Frank loved to fish on watch New York Yankees baseball games. More than anything, he loved spending time with his children and grandchildren. He will definitely be missed. Frank leaves behind to cherish his memory - two daughters, Sharon W. Sawyer (Daniel) of Houston, Texas; Linda W. Greene of Roseboro; three sisters: Aleen Southerland of Clinton, Coleen Westbrook of Dunn, Rose Gainey of Clinton; and one brother, Tom Weeks of Virginia. He was also blessed with three grandchildren: Brandi Wallace (Nick), Chelsea Brewington (Daniel) and Amber Edge (Dustin); and six great-grandchildren: Skylar Wallace, Jaxon Wallace, Levi Harrell, Reid Hall, Peyton Edge and Landon Edge. In addition to his parents and wife, he was preceded in death by two sons: Tony Weeks and Craig Weeks; one grandson, Chad Sawyer; great-granddaughter, Addyson Edge; son-in-law, Thomas Greene; three sisters: Edna Jackson, Loreen Bradshaw, Claire Brock; and three brothers: Woodrow Weeks, Roland Weeks and William Weeks. Royal-Hall is honored to serve the Weeks family.

**DUNN**  
**Elmond "Ray" West, 64** of Dunn passed away October 12, 2021. He was born October 6, 1957, to Jane and the late Elmond C. West. Ray was the oldest grandson of the late Carson and Betty West. Ray was 1975 graduate of Midway High School. He was a life-long farmer and loved tending the farm with his father and then working with Jackson Farming Company. A funeral service for Mr. West will be



held 11 a.m., Saturday October 16, 2021, at Mingo Baptist Church with Rev. Louis Strickland officiating. Burial will follow in the church cemetery. The family request that mask be worn during all services. Ray is survived by his wife of 42 years, Mary C. West of the home; a son Carson West (Megan) of Dunn; a granddaughter Mallie B West; a sister Rebecca Beasley (Dwayne) of Leavenworth, KS; two nephews Jonathan W. Beasley of Leavenworth, KS, and Joshua M. Beasley of Seattle, WA. The family will receive friends at 10 a.m., one hour prior to the service.

**HARRELLS**  
**Mr. Jessie Waldo Cheek, 79**, formerly of Harrells, NC passed away on Monday, October 11, 2021, at Wake Assisted Living Memory Care, in Raleigh, NC. A graveside service will be held at 1:00 PM, Wednesday, October 20, 2021, at Cheek Cemetery, 4064 NC Hwy 210 East, Harrells. A viewing will be held on Tuesday, October 19, 2021, from 1:00-6:00 PM at Carter Funeral Home in Garland. Services provided by Carter Funeral Home www.carterfh.com.

**AUTRYVILLE**  
**Mickey Allen Cox, 52** passed away on Monday, October 11, 2021. A graveside service will be held at 2:00 PM Thursday, October 14, 2021 at Magnolia Baptist Church, officiating will be Rev. Ben Smith. The family will receive friends from 1:00 PM to 1:45 PM at Butler Funeral Home in Stedman. He

leaves to cherish his memory his parents, Homer Cox, Jr. and Anna Dell Cox of Stedman; uncle, Robert Mosley of SC; uncle and aunt, Ronald Mosley and Linda Mosley of Fayetteville. Services entrusted to Butler Funeral Home, 6535 Clinton Road, Stedman, NC 28391.

**NEWTON GROVE**  
**Ms. Geraldine McCullen, age 82**, passed away on Friday, October 15, 2021. Arrangements are incomplete and will be announced by West & Dunn Funeral Home, Newton Grove. Online condolences may be at www.westanddunn.com.

**AUTRYVILLE**  
**Mrs. Lottie Jane New Sessoms, 77** of Autryville passed away on Friday, October 15, 2021 at the Kitty Askins Hospice Center in Goldsboro. The funeral service will be held at 3:00 PM Sunday, Oct. 17 at Pleasant Union Baptist Church with Rev. Joey Dockery and Rev. Hampton Faircloth officiating. Burial will follow in the church cemetery. The family will receive friends from 2:00 - 2:50 PM at the church prior to the service. Mrs. Sessoms was a native of Sampson County, the daughter of Willie C. and Katie Sessoms New. She was preceded in death by her parents; husband, Dixon Sessoms; brother, L. C. New and sister, Mildred Faircloth. She was the co-owner and operator of Dixie Telephone. She is survived by her daughter, Dixie Lynn Sessoms of Autryville; son, Johnny Linwood Sessoms and wife, Brandy of Autryville; brother, Evander New and wife, Melinda of Dunn and three grandchildren, J. J. Sessoms, Tucker Sessoms and Savannah Sessoms. Services entrusted to Butler Funeral Home, 401 W. Roseboro Street,

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## ...by God's Grace

By God's Grace, Tim's Gift Inc. held their first fund raising event at Coharie Country Club in 2010 and will host the 11th Hope Project Golf Tournament on October 22, 2021. The Hope Project aligns with the vision of Tim's Gift by giving financial help and hope to those in need throughout our city, county, and beyond. We are grateful for community support and brotherly love that enables us to 'keep on keeping on' sharing the love of our Lord in places we never imagined possible (two foreign countries)...but especially here at home!

Showing appreciation and sending 'thank you cards' to each person who helps make an event - like a golf tournament - possible is important. Jesus taught the importance of showing respect, appreciation, and kindness...even to little children who loved His attention and tugged at His heartstrings.

When I was a little girl, my mother modeled showing appreciation to people by sending notes, calling (on our --7 family- party line phone), and sharing a short visit with a gift of appreciation. When she made her huge pots of homemade soup, I could hardly wait for supertime and the visits we would make delivering soup to people in our community. Each new season, she insisted I ride with her to two cemeteries where we cleaned, placed new flowers, and prayed at family members' graves. What I did not appreciate or understand the impact of then, I

do today! Mother's legacy of showing appreciation and respect - for those living here and in heaven - lives on through her children. My joy to serve the Lord and love His children is new every morning. Nothing could be finer than helping those in need or sending a card, making a call, and showing appreciation to people God puts in place to color our world with love and support!

Sam Gore, who went to be with Jesus this year, served alongside Jennifer and myself for two years. His gifts included preaching God's Word and teaching essentials that helped non-profit organizations be successful. Sam stressed sending cards to people who support (in any way) within 24 hours of their contribution. Mother and Sam's lessons live on as we humbly go forth in faith and give God the glory for growth and gusto to give help and hope.

At Tim's Gift, we believe in the power of the written and spoken word that extends heartfelt appreciation and sincere sentiments of love. We might miss the 24 hour window, but make it a top priority to tell people who plant seed gifts, pray for, or powerfully support Tim's Gift in any way..." thank you for giving and helping grow a hometown ministry that strives to share God's Word and Jesus' ways, give help and hope, and teach the world to sing in loving unity in these dismal days'!

By God's Grace...let us all seek ye the kingdom of God and show loving kindness wherever He leads, 'for such a time as this'!

*In His love, Becky*