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WEATHER

Mon Cloudy
2%

Hi: 73° Lo: 62°

Tues Partly Cloudy
11%

Hi: 79° Lo: 60°

Wed Partly Cloudy
9%

Hi: 83° Lo: 62°

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Hi: 86° Lo: 61°

Fri Sunny
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Hi: 87° Lo: 65°

Sat Mostly Sunny
48%

Hi: 85° Lo: 60°

WEEKLY VERSE

*"Because thy
loving kindness
is better than
life, my lips
shall praise
thee."*

Psalms 63:3

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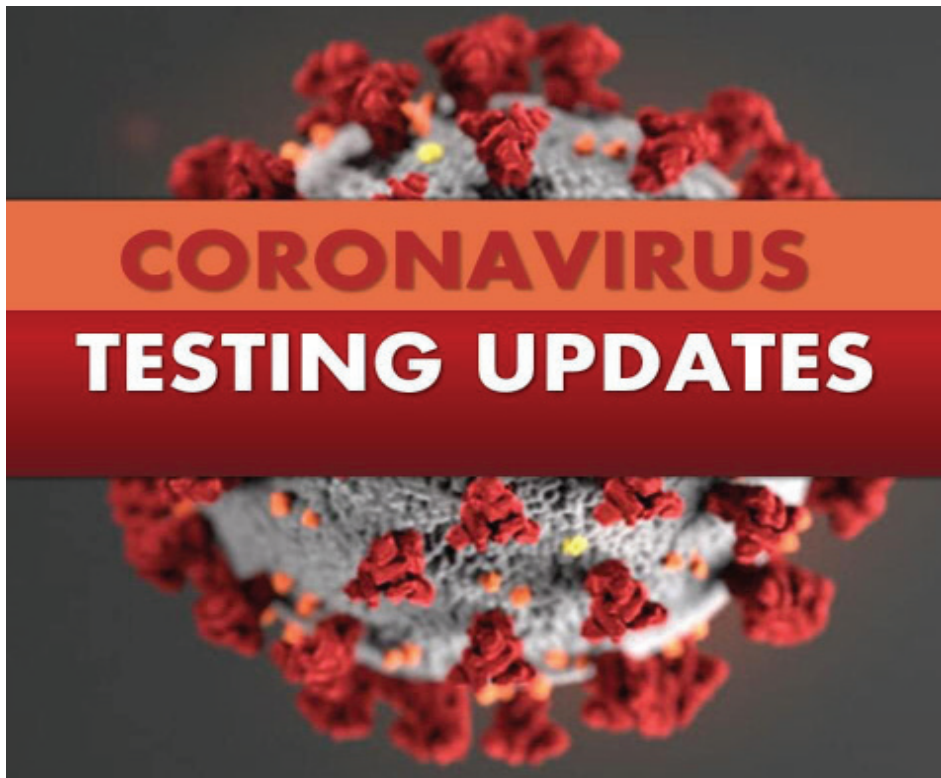
The Sorghum Festival- Remembering Our Sampson County Heritage



The sweet smell of sorghum syrup will soon fill the air in Sampson County as preparations for the 23rd annual Sorghum Festival are underway. The event is scheduled to be held on Saturday October 16th from 9:00 am till 4 pm. John and Annie Matthews, festival directors, are excited about this year's event and are

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WEEKLY COVID-19 TESTING REPORT – Week Ending October 8, 2021



Total Number of Tests Reported to Date: 30,077
Positive Test Results: 11,163 (151 additional since 10/1)
Negative Test Results: 18,914
COVID Reported Deaths to Date: 124 (1 additional since 10/1)

Chief Anthony Davis Officially Sworn In



On Tuesday night at the Clinton City Council meeting, newly announced Clinton City Police Chief Anthony Davis was officially sworn in by Clinton Mayor Lew Starling. He was accompanied by friends and family for the momentous occasion.

Davis began his law enforcement career with the Clinton Police Department in 2003 as a patrol officer. In 2008, he was promoted to Corporal and served in the Traffic Division. In 2010, he was promoted to Sergeant supervising the Neighborhood Improvement Team which specialized in criminal and narcotic investigations. In 2013, he returned to the Uniform Patrol as the Lieutenant, over all patrol operations and was tapped to manage the agency's CALEA Accreditation before being promoted to Assistant Chief in 2017. Davis has been serving as the Interim Police Chief since the retirement of former Police Chief Donald Edwards. Edwards retired in July of this year. Davis earned a Master of Business Administration and Bachelor of Science Degree in Criminal Justice Administration from Columbia Southern University, Orange Beach, Alabama, graduating Magna Cum Laude. He is a graduate of the 27th Session of the Management Development Program at the N.C. Justice Academy and in 2012, he received his Advance Law Enforcement Certification from the Criminal Justice Education & Training Standards Commission. He is the Director of the Basic Law Enforcement Training School at Sampson Community College. Davis holds certifications as a general instructor, impartial policing instructor, firearms instructor, and specialized law enforcement driving instructor.

During his tenure with the Clinton Police Department, Davis has been instrumental in the Department's adoption of new technologies and practices. He has earned the respect of his colleagues and the community for his integrity and straight forward approach.

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LOCAL NEWS

From the Desk of Senator Brent Jackson



Dear Friend of Senate District 10,

The state budget is under review by the Office of the Governor and his staff, in addition to House and Senate leaders. We are hopeful that an agreement can be reached soon.

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

Legislative Recap

This week, members of the General Assembly are gathering in public meeting rooms to begin drawing state and Congressional election maps for the next decade. All of the information regarding these maps is available on the NCGA website and all map drawing is being done in public with online livestreams during the entirety of the process.

If you would like to view them, there are links on the NCGA website as well as an NCGA YouTube account which has access to the public meeting rooms as well as directly to the monitors of each station so that the fine details can be seen.

From the District- Sampson County

North Carolina Chief Justice visits Clinton Courthouse

The Chief Justice of the North Carolina Supreme Court made a special visit to the Sampson County Clerk’s office and Courthouse to give thanks to courthouse officials and staff who have worked hard to maintain essential judicial functions during the pandemic. Chief Justice Newby emphasized the push for designating courthouse personnel as frontline workers and their dedication to administering “justice without without delay”. Newby stated to staff “Justice is not a luxury, it is a constitutional mandate. If our courts are not open then folks are going to resort to self-help.” Justice Newby also elaborated that while judges serve a front and center role, the magistrates, clerks, and baliffs were the “real faces of justice for most folks” and they were unsung heroes. Sampson County Clerk of Court Chris Fann was delighted to host Chief Justice Newby and called it a wonderful day. Justice Newby visited Sampson County with his wife, Macon, and was accompanied by his general counsel/chief of staff Liz Henderson.

Duplin County- Warsaw Veterans Day Parade Nov. 6



The Town of Warsaw will be hosting its 101st annual Veteran’s Day Parade on Saturday, Nov. 6 in downtown Warsaw. The community will be coming together to honor veterans of military, first responders, police, firefighters, and others who serve in the line of duty. Festivities will include a pancake breakfast at Warsaw Baptist Church at 7 AM, followed by a Veterans of Foreign Wars memorial service on Railroad St. at 10 AM. The parade will begin downtown at 10:45 with a presentation of marshals and honorees. The North Carolina Forestry Service will conduct a flyover, in addition to a aerial American flag presentation by a US Special Forces Parachute Team of skydivers. The parade will feature decorated floats, displays, local JROTC units, Shrine Units, car clubs, Warsaw Veterans Day pageant Queen and Princesses, and a military personnel march.

Food trucks and other vendors will be available on Front Street. The Warsaw Fire Department will be hosting its barbecue lunch fundraiser at noon. Tours will be available of the Duplin County Veterans Museum at the LP Best House on Hill St from 1 to 3 PM. In preparation for the parade, there will be a Veterans Day Queen Pageant at 3 PM at Warsaw Elementary School. Admission is \$3. There is no charge for admission to the parade.

District Spotlight- Community comes together to fight homelessness



Genesis 1:1 KJV
In the beginning God created the heaven and the earth.

At the Salemburg Christian Food Bank on Saturday Oct. 2, Girl Scouts of Troop 946, the Cookie Clover 4-H Club, the Sampson Community College Psychology Club and others came together to “spread love, hope, and practicality” for community members who are experiencing homelessness. The groups created bags containing food items, clothing, water and hygiene items to assist those with less fortunate living situations. Many of the individuals participating in the outreach were touched by the experience and the gratitude exhibited by the recipients of the bags.

Dr. Melenas to be Clinton City Schools Director of Instructional Services



Former Union Middle School Principal Dr. Theresa Melenas has been tapped to be the new Director of Instructional Services for Clinton City Schools. Dr. Melenas was chosen for her experience and expertise, including here masters degree in Curriculum Instruction. Dr. Melenas had been named 2021-2022 Principal of the Year by Sampson County Schools prior to her new position. The former director, Dr. Kelly Batts, had accepted a position at the North Carolina Department of Public Instruction in Raleigh.

Did You Know? - NC History and Fun Fact

House’s Mill (Now House-Autry) is the oldest continuously operating gristmill in North Carolina?

House’s Mill has been operating since 1812, where it began in its original location near Newton Grove. House’s Mill merged with Autry Mills in 1967, and later relocated to Four Oaks. The company produces a variety of grain and other food products to this day, including batters, breadding, and seasonings.



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working hard in preparation for what will probably be a record number attendance at the festival this year. With the struggling economy and COVID many families are looking for fun, family-oriented activities that are available at little or no cost. Well, the Sorghum Festival fits all this criteria and it is FREE to the public.

The Old School at McDaniel Crossroads is located at 11233 Boykin Bridge Road, Roseboro, NC. The school is roughly 6 miles from Garland and Roseboro, NC and 12 miles outside of Clinton.

More than twenty years ago Annie and Johnny Matthews founded the festival to showcase the disappearing art of cooking sorghum syrup. For many decades sorghum syrup was a primary source of sweetener in rural parts of the South and Midwest, with many farming communities having a Sorghum Man who would process the sweet sorghum cane his neighbors grew into a tasty and useful sweetener that could be used as both a table syrup and as a sweetener in cooking and baking. The grounds of the Old School at McDaniel Crossroads, which the Matthews had recently acquired, were the perfect spot for hosting the Festival and so this fun, family friendly event was begun and is now anticipated event every Fall.

According to John, the festival usually has around 2000 visitors; people from as far away as California, Pennsylvania and New Orleans. “The festival just keeps on growing every year. The Sorghum Festival is a tradition that brings back the taste of sorghum which the older generation fondly remembers. However, if sorghum isn’t your interest, there are events planned for the entire family.”

In 2018, the festival was cancelled due to Hurricane Florence. In 2020, the event was cancelled due to COVID concerns.

The circa 1924 school will be open for viewing the exhibits inside and to shop at the Old School Vintage Marketplace. On the grounds you will find exhibitors, food vendors and other vendors selling a mix of vintage and handcrafted goods. A good number of years ago the family acquired a vintage country store and moved it onto the school grounds, make sure you visit on festival day to view the exhibits inside and to pick up a cold drink and a sorghum cookie or other sweet treat. Don’t miss the Sorghum Booth adjacent to the Country Store to pick up a pint or two of the site made Old School Sorghum Syrup.

Also, on festival day you will find a great display of vintage and antique automobiles and farm equipment, entertainers on the outdoor stage. If you visit early in the day you will be able to see the Sorghum Men in action as they demonstrate the sorghum syrup cooking process, the batch cooked on festival day is usually ready by just after lunchtime. Follow your nose or look for the Sorghum Shed located between the Old School and the Country Store.

The festival is held every year on the third Saturday in October at the old McDaniels School at McDaniel Crossroads near Garland right off Old Mintz Highway. According to Mrs. Annie Matthews, the purpose of the event is to “Educate the young and to rekindle memories for the old.” She continues by stating that “it is a labor of love to be able to share this with everyone.” The couple hopes to be able to keep the festival going for as long as they can. “When the time comes that I can no longer participate, my hopes are for someone else to keep it going.”

For many people who are not familiar with sorghum: Sorghum cane can reach heights in excess of 12 feet. A couple of days before the festival, the cane is stripped, topped and cut from a local field. The Matthews have a farm in the area where they grow about a half acre of sorghum specifically for the festival. On the festival day, early before sunrise, the cane is squeezed using a #71 Chattanooga Cane Mill Press. According to Mr. Matthews, who is the one who gets up before the chickens on festival day, “I will probably have about 35 gallons of sorghum

because there has been a bumper crop this year. Sorghum is a drought tolerant crop. If we keep getting small showers, the crop should have a high yield. As of right now, it looks really good.” Everyone will be able to see the process of the raw cane being turned into delicious sorghum syrup. “It is quite a process, and many find it hard to believe that syrup actually comes from the cane stalks. You can usually get 5 gallons of pure, completely organic sorghum syrup from about 45 gallons of juice; sorghum just like your grandparents would have eaten.”

Annie and John will also be offering tours of the old McDaniel’s School “Museum”. The McDaniel’s School served the local community from 1924 to 1949, educating its children. Once a year the school opens as a museum, educating everyone on the ways of our ancestors and it holds a lifetime of collecting by the couple. One of the classrooms holds a collection of antique kitchen items and another one is set up as a vintage 1930’s classroom. In 2004, an “O” scale Train Layout was built that covers an entire room of the schoolhouse. This is a “Must See”! The school’s auditorium is filled with an eclectic collection ranging from old farm tool and equipment, vintage radios and other amazing historical artifacts. You can also tour an original General Store which served the Mintz Community in the early 1900’s. It was moved from its original location to the McDaniel School location in November of 2002. The general store has a vivid history with originally housing the Mintz Post Office from 1900-1939.

A few things to know before you visit, there is adequate parking beside the festival grounds on Boykin Bridge Road and an overflow parking area on Old Mintz Highway with a marked walking path to the Old School. There is a handicapped ramp at the rear of the school. Please bring cash to purchase items and food as internet access makes it difficult for most vendors to accept cards.

Event coordinators look forward to welcoming you to The Old School Sorghum Festival this October 16th. Please follow us on Facebook for important updates on this event and others. Bring your friends and family for a great, fun for the whole family, day at The Old School!

Whether you are a history buff, a syrup lover, or just simply looking for something to do on a Saturday, come on out to the Sorghum Festival-you’ll be Glad You Did.

For more information about the Sorghum Festival, visit them online at www.oldschoolsorghum.com or contact John and Annie Matthews at (910)564-5069



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LOCAL

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Davis takes over the reign as Police Chief after Chief Donald Edwards retired on July 1st of this year, serving the community for over 28 ½ years.



Helping Hands Determined to Honor Our Heroes



According to Chris Sessoms, founder of the non-profit organization Helping Hands of Sampson County, “We just want to thank all the dedicated men and women who put their lives on the line daily. Especially our Health-Care Heroes.” And that is exactly what the group did on Monday by feeding the employees at Sampson Regional Medical Center in Clinton.

Americans across the country have been coming together to show their support for law enforcement, healthcare workers, and also for first responders who have put their lives on the line since the COVID-19 pandemic began in 2020.

Sessoms stated that the idea for Helping Hands began when Darren Goforth, an officer in Texas was shot “execution style” while simply pumping gas. He was 47 and had two children. Sessoms said, “I cried when I heard the news coverage of this story... My thoughts were “What can I do to help make a difference?” Well it came to me I can’t help them (meaning the officers in Texas), but I can make a difference in our/my County (Sampson County). So, in October of 2014 Helping Hands began with a committee of individuals who wanted to make a difference.”

Sessoms said the main goal of the organization is “To keep our hearts open to the needs of our First Responders and to help all of them know they are loved by Sampson County and we appreciate all they do for us.”

The non-profit organization is made up of concerned citizens from across the county. “We have a committee of many individuals,” noted Sessoms. “Business Owners, Churches, Teachers, Pastors, First Responders and local citizens.”

In 2015, Helping Hands fed First Responders and their families for the first time. In 2020, the organization presented a check to a deputy who had lost everything in a house fire. Last year, Helping Hands provided all the employees of Sampson Regional with a meal and dessert as appreciation for being Hero’s in the battle with Covid and also fed the men and women in local enforcement with a takeout meal.

Sessoms explained that in 2014, when the organization began, they began a mission to get citizens to donate \$7 to provide a meal for one First Responder. “The support was unbelievable,” exclaimed Sessoms. “Many people want to help but don’t know how, by putting it together and planning it out they now can say thank you in a big way.”

The group is thankful for the outpouring of support that they have received and in turn they can show support for our local first responders. “We have many churches who help us. This last event we asked for two volunteers from each church, to come together and help us prepare bags and get everything ready. We just want to thank everyone who came out to help us.”

Helping Hands is important in many ways noted Sessoms. “Businesses can show their support for our community. Churches, with people from many walks of life, get together for a greater good and get to be the Hands

and Feet of our Lord sharing love.”

“We have nothing to do with politics so it’s just individuals who want to serve others. I hope our name becomes a standard county name and people recognize us as a group of individuals who are doing good things for others.”

The organization’s goal was to once again show their appreciation for out HealthCare Heroes by providing a meal and snacks for the employees at Sampson Regional Medical Center. Founder Chris Sessoms stated, “The reason for the lunch was to let them know that we as a county appreciate all their efforts and many hours serving all of our community, in taking care of them during this COVID pandemic. We fed all employees, because everyone is important, no matter their job. Taking care of our county residents is a team effort.”

On Monday, Helping Hands served over 340 meals and gave out over 340 doughnuts. Hospital employees were thankful for the gesture and the outpouring of love and support. Employees noted that the last 2 years had been difficult and that they could not have made it without the community support. When asked how the

community could help, the answer was unanimous in that “prayers and people taking the vaccine would make all the difference.”

If you would like to donate to Helping Hands or become a volunteer to help at one of their events, contact Chris Sessoms at (910)592-1337 or email them at helpinghands.sampson@gmail.com. All donations can be mailed to Helping Hands PO Box 475 Clinton NC 28329.

Local churches, businesses and individuals who donated to the event include: Peggy and Thomas Honeycutt, Betty and Jack Weeks, Betsy and Jimmy Thornton, The Roof Doctor, Performance Automotive, Chris and Company, The Psychology Club SCC, First United Methodist Church, Robert’s Grove FWB, Mill Creek Baptist, Piney Grove Baptist, Grace UMC, Mt. Vernon Baptist, Central Baptist, Clinton Community Church, Turkey Pentecostal, The Vine Fellowship and .Shiloh Pentecostal Church.

Helping Hands is already in the process of planning their next event. Sessoms stated, “Our next plan is to bring a County Fair to show our appreciation for our First Responders and their families. It is planned for April 2022 at Hubbs Corn Maze.”

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

09-26 Angel Sandoval, 26, Newton Grove. Failure to Appear-Citation. Bond \$500. Trial Date 10-26-21

09-26 Edwin Lee Torres, 41, Goldsboro. Communicating Threats, FTA Order for Arrest. Bond \$500. Trial Date 10-28-21

09-26 Decture Shyheme Smith, 24, Faison. Possession Marijuana over 1/2oz, Speeding, DWLR, Aggressive Driving. Bond \$1500. Trial Date 10-28-21

09-26 Leonardo Romero, 31, Newton Grove. Assault on a Female. Trial Date 10-19-21

09-27 Ronnie Earl Knowles, 32, Salemburg. DVPO Violation, Assault on a Female, Assault Inflicting Serious Injury. Trial Date 10-27-21

09-27 Brandon Keith Grice, 29, Fayetteville. FTA Order for Arrest. Bond \$3000. Trial Date 10-25-21

09-27 Wanda Larue Long, 39, Clinton. Breaking and Entering. Bond \$1000. Trial Date 10-04-21

09-27 Victoria Louise Cloniger, 34, Autryville. Possess Meth, Possess Drug Paraphernalia, Order for Arrest. Bond \$5000. Trial Date 10-01-21

09-27 Jayla Trinity Wilkes, 19, Clinton. Order for Arrest. Bond \$500. Trial Date 10-27-21

09-27 Louciano Alexander Ramos, 22, Clinton. Possess Marijuana, Drug Paraphernalia. Bond \$7500. Trial Date 10-01-21

09-27 Ellen Michele Williford, 45, Dunn. OFA Breaking and or Entering, OFA Larceny After Break and or Entering, OFA Poss Stolen Goods/Property, OFA Assault with a Deadly Weapon. Bond \$10000. Trial Date 11-09-21

09-28 Christine Michelle Woodall, 35, Clinton. Possess Heroin, Possess Marijuana, Possess Drug Paraphernalia. Bond \$10000. Trial Date 10-01-21

09-28 Jonathan Wayne Faircloth, 35, Salemburg. Failure to Appear- Release Order. Bond \$3000. Trial Date 10-25-21

09-28 Dejuani Terrell Spencer, 18, Goldsboro. Possess Stolen Firearm. Bond \$5000. Trial Date 10-15-21

09-28 Joseph Linwood Johnson, 44, Clinton. Order for Arrest-FTA Child Support. Bond \$1500. Trial Date 10-05-21

09-28 Russell Donnell King, 36, Goldsboro. Order for Arrest. Bond \$500. Trial Date 12-13-21

09-28 Luis Daniel Castillo Caceres, 25, Faison. First Degree Trespass Enter/Remain. Bond \$500. Trial Date 10-28-21

09-28 Anthony Steven Corominas, 44, Clinton. OFA FTC Child Support. Bond \$600. Trial Date 11-03-21

09-28 Alexander Williams, 24, Hope Mills. Possession of Marijuana. Trial Date 10-27-21

09-28 Donte Alexander Mott, 25, Clinton. Order for Arrest. Bond \$7500. Trial Date 12-07-21

09-28 Chelsi Sue Runge, 29, Dunn. Order for Arrest. Bond \$4000. Trial Date 10-28-21

09-28 Katherine Jean Strickland, 40, Dunn. Order for Arrest. Bond \$5000. Trial Date 10-18-21

09-29 Dustin Michael Millen, 29, Clinton. Assault on a Female. Trial Date 10-12-21

09-29 Ashley Brett Moore, 25, Clinton. DWI, Drive Left of Center, Possess Open Container, Car-

ry Concealed Gun. Bond \$3500. Trial Date 11-10-21

09-29 Xzavier Ishmel Howard, 20, Clinton. OFA Speeding, OFA No Operators License, OFA Reckless Driving to Endanger. Bond \$600. Trial Date 10-25-21

09-29 Shanaya Tyneka Graham, 25, Clinton. MO Simple Assault. Trial Date 12-09-21

09-29 Tamario Leonte Flowers, 28, Clinton. CS Injury to Personal Property. Trial Date 12-09-21

09-30 Dennis Wayne Whaley, 70, Beulaville. DWLR Not Impaired FTA. Bond \$1000. Trial Date 11-03-21

09-30 Christopher Paul Aaron Batts, 38, Clinton. Possess Meth, Simple Possession Schedule V1 CS, Possess Drug Paraphernalia. Bond \$20000. Trial Date 10-15-21

09-28 Jonathan Wayne Faircloth, 35, Salemburg. Failure to Appear-Release Order. Bond \$3000. Trial Date 10-25-21

09-28 Dejuani Terrell Spencer, 18, Goldsboro. Possess Stolen Firearm, CCW. Bond \$5000. Trial Date 10-15-21

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09-28 Katherine Jean Strickland, 40, Dunn. Order for Arrest. Bond \$5000. Trial Date 10-18-21

09-29 Adam Curtis Starling, 33, Salemburg. Animal Cruelty.

09-29 Anson Avery Maynard, 48, Dunn. Violation of Court Order, Assault on a Female. Trial Date 10-28-21

09-29 Joseph Linwood Johnson, 44, Dunn. Larceny, Criminal Summons Fail to Work After Paid. Bond \$500. Trial Date 11-09-21

09-29 Joseph George Hood, 43, Clinton. Order for Arrest. Bond \$2000. Trial Date 10-25-21

09-30 Pedro Modesto Billarreal, 44, Clinton. Larceny. Bond \$500. Trial Date 11-10-21

09-30 Christopher Joe Justus, 31, Clinton. Child Support. Bond \$680. Trial Date 10-05-21

09-30 James Ray Wilcox, 38, Clinton. Failure to Appear Citation. Bond \$500. Trial Date 11-03-21

09-30 Billie Jo Hall, 39, Salemburg. Simple Assault, Injury to Personal Property, Trespassing. Bond \$500. Trial Date 10-27-21

09-30 Ronald Earl Smith, 51, Dunn. FTA Release Order. Bond \$500. Trial Date 11-03-21

09-30 Dennis Wayne Whaley, 70, Beulaville. DWLR Not Impaired FTA. Bond \$1000. Trial Date 11-03-21

09-30 Christopher Paul Aaron Batts, 38, Clinton. Possess Meth, Simple Possession Schedule VI CS, Possess Drug Paraphernalia.

Bond \$20000. Trial Date 10-15-21

10-01 Sandra Renee Hunt, 49, Clinton. Shoplifting, possession Cocaine, Simple Possession Schedule II. Bond \$7500. Trial Date 10-15-21

10-01 Terrance Lashaun Simmons, 29, Clinton. Reckless Driving Wanton Disregard, DWLR, Possession of Marijuana. Bond \$1000. Trial Date 11-08-21

10-01 Dennis Ray Taylor, 55, Faison. Order for Arrest. Bond \$475. Trail Date 10-12-21

10-01 Jessica Marie Beale, 25, Hope Mills. Order for Arrest. Bond \$1000.

10-01 Andrew Francisco Daw, 30, Fayetteville. Order for Arrest. Bond \$20000. Trial Date 10-25-21

10-01 LoJuan Davnne Tonge, 21, Dunn. Felony Poss Stolen Firearm, Carry Concealed Weapon, Simple Poss Marijuana. Bond \$5000. Trial Date 10-15-21

10-01 Laura Marie Emanuel, 43, Clinton. Order for Arrest. Bond \$1000. Trial Date 10-25-21

10-01 Brandon Lee Black, 37, Roseboro. Order for Arrest. Bond \$500. Trial Date 10-25-21

10-01 Adam Lee Strickland, 36, Clinton. Warrant Service for Other Agency. Bond \$10000. Trial Date 11-01-21

10-01 Rufus Kelvin Carter, 53, Clinton. Assault with a Deadly Weapon, Assault by Pointing a Gun. Bond \$2500. Trial Date 10-28-21

10-02 Adrian David Merritt, 30, Clinton. Felony Poss Meth, Poss Drug Paraphernalia, Order for Arrest. Bond \$43500. Trial Date 10-29-21

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

INCIDENT REPORTS

09-28 Joel Woodard reported Theft from Building- drill \$150, saw \$150, impact driver \$150, toolbox \$75.

09-28 Christie Barnes reported Larceny of Firearm- rifle \$500.

09-29 Shelby Denning reported a Breaking & Entering- long gun \$500, firearm \$500, jewelry \$1500, jewelry \$1500, jewelry \$1500, jewelry \$500.

09-29 Tamara Frederick reported Firearm Larceny- 9mm \$400.

09-29 Ellis Aman reported a Burglary/Breaking & Entering- air compressor \$300, framing gun \$300, table saw \$450, table \$100, sander \$70.

09-30 Hugo Ramirez reported All Other Larceny- USPS Trading Cards \$43.

09-30 Rupert Furniture reported Damage of Property- white van \$300.

09-30 Jennifer Jones reported Theft of Motor Vehicle Parts- catalytic converter \$500.

09-30 Xiomara Marcia reported Theft of Motor Vehicle Parts or Accessories- license plate \$35.

10-01 Walmart reported Shoplifting- dog leash \$31.

10-01 Stanley Chestang reported a Burglary/Breaking & Entering- keys \$20, scooter brakes \$200, scooter belt \$200, scooter filters \$100.

10-01 Cypress Creek Renewables reported a Breaking and Entering- gate lock \$15, lock box \$15.

10-01 Elizabeth Clements reported a Motor Vehicle Theft- car \$5000.

10-02 Jeffrey Edge reported a Burglary/Breaking & Entering- saw \$700, miter saw \$700.

10-03 Brian Winner reported a Breaking & Entering, Larceny- ac unit \$600, tool set \$500, weed wacker \$229, tool set \$100, drill/battery \$300, drill with charger \$150, scooter \$50, blower \$99, plyers \$30, wrenches \$20.

10-03 Randy Bailey reported a Burglary/Breaking & Entering- television \$200, television \$400.

10-02 Brandon Rogers reported Theft from Vehicle- firearm \$400, firearm \$600, firearm accessories \$240.

10-01 Alton Graham reported a Motor Vehicle Theft- automobile \$5000.

10-04 Janita Petree reported Theft of Catalytic Converter- catalytic converters \$200.

10-04 Robert Tew reported All Other Larceny- lawnmower \$500, trailer \$2000.

10-05 Bryant Satterwhite reported a Larceny.

10-05 Best of Clinton reported a Motor Vehicle Theft- Jeep Cherokee \$13000.

10-05 Shoe Show reported a Larceny- Puma slides \$24.

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

AGRICULTURE

Sampson Ag Day Coming this Fall

Written by Eileen Coite & Max Knowles



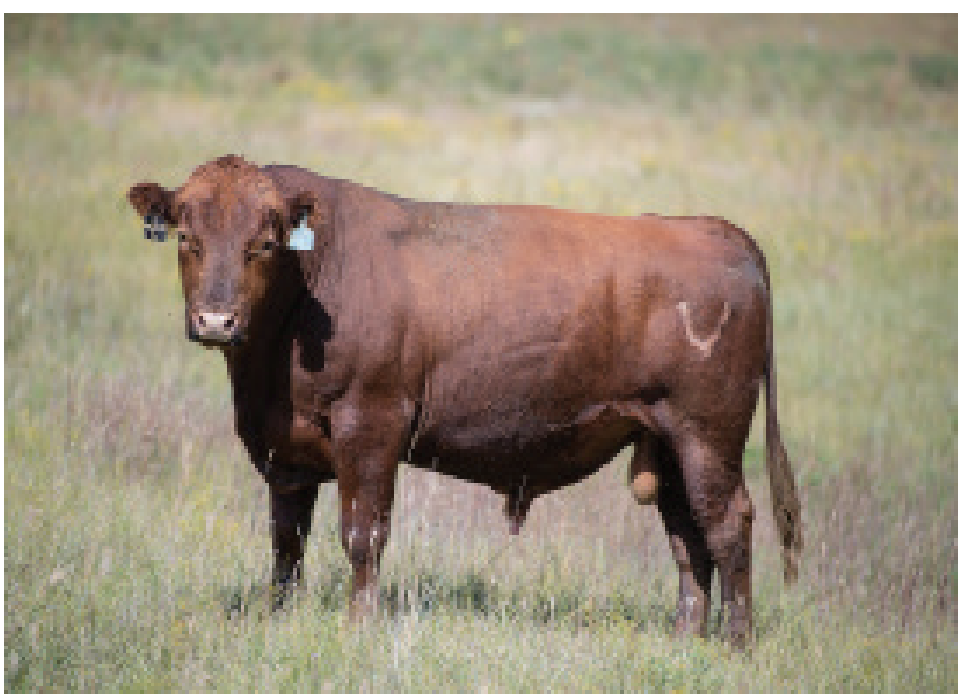
Where else can you learn first-hand about harvesting crops, managing a hog or turkey farm, planting a garden, farm safety, and paint a barn quilt, all in one day? Sampson County Ag Day will be held at the Sampson County Agri-Exposition Center, at 414 Warsaw Road, Clinton, October 30, 2021 10:00am – 4:00 pm. 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, ride a barrel train from Hubb's Farm, 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 on how you can be a part of this great experience, call NC Cooperative Extension, Sampson County Center at 910-592-7161, visit sampson.ces.ncsu.edu, or visit our Facebook page at NC Cooperative Extension – Sampson County. We look forward to seeing you on Saturday, October 30th.

It's Bull Sale Time: Buy All the Bull You Can

By: Paul Gonzalez Livestock Extension Agent
Sampson County Center



Most of us have calves hitting the ground right now. For some, those calves may not look exactly like you hoped they would. There are many reasons why that may be but one could be your bull isn't all you thought he was cracked up to be! And now he will be going back in to make more of those calves. Maybe it's time to find a new bull? If you find yourself in this position, let me encourage you to buy all the bull you can.

What I mean by this is think about spending a little more than you normally would on your bull to get one that has increased performance. Disappointing calf prices don't mean you should drop your bull budget. Good calves still sell. Now is the time to consider you need all the pounds to sell you possibly can at weaning. Not only will it pay off with next year's calf crop but perhaps more so when prices rebound. And we all know that even though projections are for calf prices to move up slightly for several years, the normal cattle cycle can always be turned on its ear. I know when prices are low, it is even harder to make yourself spend the money for a bull. I'm often asked what a bull is worth. While there are many variables that determine the value of an animal, the general rule is that a bull is worth 27 times the current selling price of six weight steers. According to the NCDA weekly cattle summary, the average price last week statewide for M and L 1-2 steers averaging 622 pounds was \$133.59 per hundred. Using this price, bulls should be worth about \$3600. Again, this is just a guide not a set rule.

Now let's do a little comparing of two bulls. Bull A has a weaning weight EPD of +30 and Bull B has an EPD of +50. Theoretically, the calves from Bull B will weigh an average of twenty pounds more at weaning than those of Bull A. We'll say these are two-year old bulls that will be used on thirty cows. If you have a ninety percent calf crop, you will have an additional 540 pounds of calf to sell. Assuming you wean five-hundred pound calves that is like having another calf to sell. So, let's say that 540 pounds sell at the average price from the same report above, which would be \$139.22 per hundred for 500 – 546 pound steers. You have an additional \$751 in your check.

Keep in mind this is cowboy math for illustration purposes. You should make these calculations to compare prices for bulls you are interested in purchasing. In this example you could pay \$750 dollars more for Bull B than you would for Bull A and still cover the additional cost of the bull with the first calf crop. If you pay more than an extra \$750, you will go into other calf crops. How much more bull can you get for that \$750? Depends on the sale and situation. But how many times have we seen that bull go for just another 50 bucks? It is important to figure these comparisons so you don't get into a situation where you pay more for the bull than you could ever recover. Also remember that spread between the EPD's will make a difference too. In the above example, Bull C with a +40 EPD probably won't make enough difference to justify more money. On the other hand, Bull D with a +70 EPD would be worth even more.

Additionally, if you are making comparisons between two bulls of different breeds, you need to add or subtract the appropriate adjustment factor from the across

breed EPD chart produced by USDA Meat Animal Research Center. Most breed associations have copies of this or you can obtain one from the extension office. And finally, choose a bull that meets your requirements. If you are breeding heifers, choose a low birth weight and/or high calving ease direct bull. I'm gonna get on my soap box here! By low birth weight I don't mean negative EPD's either. Lower positive EPD's will be fine. (I harped on this in a previous article so that is all I will say about it for now.) If you are breeding only mature cows, you can be a little less concerned with birth weight and calving ease EPD's and concentrate on bulls with more growth. If you never keep or sell replacement heifers, the milk EPD is of little or no concern to you. Don't try to find a bull that is perfect in all aspects. Find one that will optimize your operation and benefit buyers through the production chain. Never forget, we are in the beef business and in the end, someone will be eating what you produce. As always, if you have any questions, comments, or just want to debate the article, contact me at the Extension office, 910-592-7161.

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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!

Psalms 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:

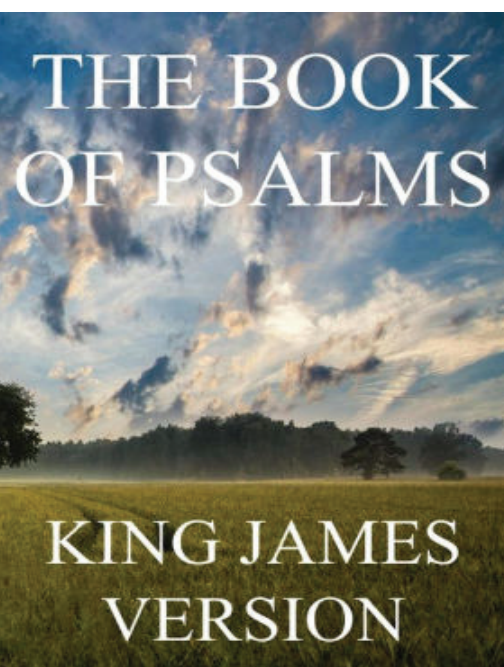
“The Visible Presence of Christ in This World is YOU!”



Martha Pierce

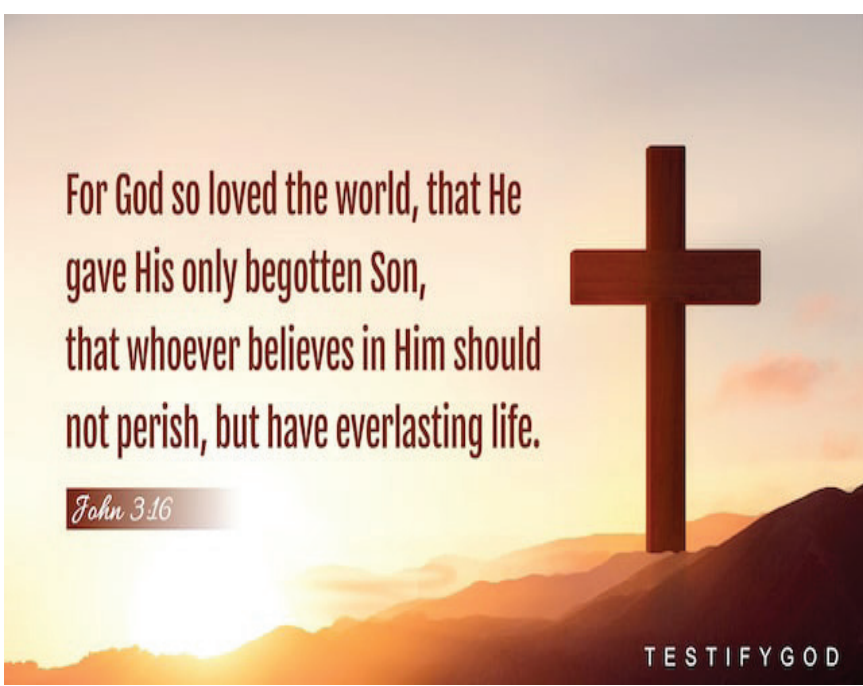
Bible Speaks to us in Psalms

By Linda Herring



The Bible speaks to us but the Psalms speak for us. Psalm 34:9 says, “O fear the Lord, you his saints: for there is no want to them that fear Him.” As our good shepherd, He fills many roles, He is a providing Shepherd. He knows our needs before we even ask for help and he delights in meeting those needs. That means He knows what we need physically, emotionally, and spiritually. He is already at work, achieving and providing things that we may not even have thought of. As much as

we might want to avoid hard times, this passage does not tell us that God will lead us around the valley, rather He leads us through. Have you experienced the Lord’s provision, only to fall into doubt and fear because of loss or hardship? He has not left you. God remains faithful. Do not let the stresses of the day steal your Psalm. If you have a comment, a prayer request, contact me at herring.theword@gmail.com.



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Resolution to Approve Temporary Voter Transfers

WHEREAS, the Sampson County Board of Elections finds that where partial precincts lie within a municipality, temporarily assigning voters within these partial precincts to an adjoining precinct promotes the more efficient conduct of municipal elections; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Elections has agreed to temporarily transfer voters as follows: The three hundred thirty-seven (337) voters of the Town of Roseboro located in the Lakewood Precinct will be transferred to the Roseboro Precinct for the November 2, 2021, Municipal Election only.

WHEREAS, the Board of Elections, after due consideration, believes the changes referred to above would reduce electoral costs borne by the municipalities while simultaneously providing enough elections resources to effectively accommodate all voters assigned thereto.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Sampson County Board of Elections does hereby adopt the changes unanimously agreed too during a meeting held on August 17, 2021 and set forth above pursuant to N.C.G.S. 163-128(a) effective for the November 2, 2021, Municipal Election only.

Adopted, this the 17th day of August 2021.

A Full School Day of FAMILY FAVORITES

FAMILY FEATURES

Each school day calls for a multitude of meals and snacks to make sure little learners are energized for time spent in the classroom, playing with friends and completing their homework. From breakfast to dinner and sweet rewards after a long day of educational activities, it's important to keep the family on schedule with favorite recipes.

These options for a simple quiche that'll almost certainly leave leftovers for the week, tasty tacos with a cheeseburger twist and cream-filled cookies offer delicious ways to keep your loved ones full and happy.

Visit Culinary.net to find more family-friendly dishes.

Say Goodbye to Basic Breakfast

The same old breakfast routine week after week can become tiresome and dull, especially for little ones.

It's time to add something new to the table with fresh ingredients and simple instructions to enhance the start to busy weekdays. Try this recipe for an Easy Breakfast Quiche that is sure to have your senses swirling with every bite while fueling kiddos for the day ahead.

Find more breakfast recipes at Culinary.net.

Easy Breakfast Quiche

Servings: 12

- 1 package (10 ounces) frozen broccoli with cheese
- 12 slices bacon, chopped
- 1/2 cup green onions, sliced
- 1 cup mushrooms, sliced
- 4 eggs
- 1 cup milk
- 1 1/2 cups shredded cheese, divided
- 2 frozen deep-dish pie shells (9 inches each)

Heat oven to 350 F.

In medium bowl, add broccoli and cheese contents from package. Microwave 5 minutes, or until cheese is saucy. Set aside.

In skillet, cook chopped bacon 4 minutes. Add green onions; cook 2 minutes. Add mushrooms; cook 4 minutes, or until bacon is completely cooked and mushrooms are tender. Drain onto paper towel over plate. Set aside.

In medium bowl, whisk eggs and milk until combined. Add broccoli and cheese mixture. Add 1 cup cheese. Stir to combine. Set aside.

In pie shells, divide drained bacon mixture evenly. Divide broccoli mixture evenly and pour over bacon mixture. Sprinkle remaining cheese over both pies.

Bake 40 minutes.

Allow to cool at least 12 minutes before serving.

Note: To keep edges of crust from burning, place aluminum foil over pies for first 20 minutes of cook time. Remove after 20 minutes and allow to cook uncovered until completed.



Easy Breakfast Quiche

Cap Off School Nights with a Creamy Cookie

Once the school day is done, homework is complete and dinner is finished, there's just one thing left for many families: dessert. After all the day's accomplishments, sometimes a sweet treat is the perfect way to reward kiddos for their hard work in the classroom.

These Oatmeal Creme Cookies are a tasty example of a tempting dish that comes together in less than half an hour, so you don't add more stress to a busy day. Plus, with high-quality ingredients like C&H Sugars, they can keep the whole family happy while allowing little ones to help in the kitchen.

Visit chsugar.com for more back-to-school recipe inspiration.

Oatmeal Creme Cookies

Recipe courtesy of chef Haley Williams

@IfYouGiveABlondeAKitchen

Prep time: 10 minutes

Cook time: 12 minutes

Oatmeal Cookies:

- 1 1/2 cups all-purpose flour
- 1 teaspoon baking soda
- 1/2 teaspoon salt
- 1 teaspoon ground cinnamon
- 1/4 teaspoon ground cloves (optional)
- 1 cup (2 sticks) unsalted butter, at room temperature
- 3/4 cup C&H Dark Brown Sugar
- 1/2 cup C&H Organic Raw Cane Sugar
- 2 large eggs, at room temperature
- 1 1/2 teaspoons pure vanilla extract
- 3 cups quick oats

Creme Filling:

- 3/4 cup unsalted butter, at room temperature
- 2 cups C&H Confectioners' Sugar
- 1-2 tablespoons heavy cream
- 1 teaspoon pure vanilla extract
- 1 pinch salt

To make oatmeal cookies: Preheat oven to 350 F. Line two cookie sheets with parchment paper and set aside.

In large bowl, whisk flour, baking soda, salt, cinnamon and cloves, if desired. Set aside.

In bowl of stand mixer, beat butter, dark brown sugar and raw cane sugar on medium-high speed until light and creamy, about 1 minute. Add eggs and vanilla; beat until combined. Scrape down sides and bottom of bowl.

With mixer on low, slowly add dry ingredients to wet ingredients. Mix until combined while avoiding overmixing. Add oats and mix until incorporated.

Scoop about 2 tablespoons dough onto prepared cookie sheet. Space dough balls at least 3 inches apart. Bake 10-12 minutes, or until edges are light brown. Let cookies cool 5 minutes before transferring to wire rack to cool completely.

To make creme filling: In bowl of stand mixer, beat butter on medium-high speed until light in color, about 3 minutes. With mixer on low, gradually add confectioners' sugar and mix until well combined, about 1 minute. Add 1 tablespoon heavy cream, vanilla and salt. Beat on medium-high speed until fluffy. If filling is too thick, add second tablespoon heavy cream.

Once cookies cool, pipe or spread creme filling on flat sides of half the cookies. Top with remaining cookies to form sandwiches.



Bacon Cheeseburger Tacos

A Tasty Take on School Night Tradition

Put a twist on taco Tuesday and get outside the burger bun with this easy weekday dinner idea.

Pick up a few simple ingredients you can feel good about feeding your family including Coleman Natural uncured bacon, which has no artificial ingredients or preservatives and is sourced from American family farms that humanely raise their animals with no antibiotics or added hormones.

For more creative, kid-friendly recipes, visit ColemanNatural.com/recipes.

Bacon Cheeseburger Tacos

Servings: 4

- 8-10 slices Coleman Natural bacon
- 1 pound ground beef
- salt
- pepper
- 4 slices cheese
- 1 cup canola oil
- 8 soft corn tortillas
- 1 medium red onion, sliced
- 1 avocado, skin removed and sliced
- 1 medium tomato, chopped
- 8-10 romaine lettuce leaves, torn

In large frying pan or cast-iron skillet, cook bacon until crispy. Remove slices from skillet to drain on paper towel. Pour bacon fat from pan.

Shape ground beef into four burger patties, seasoning both sides of patties with salt and pepper.

In skillet over medium-high heat, cook burgers about 4 minutes per side for medium doneness.

Top each burger with one slice cheese then cover skillet with lid and cook until cheese melts. Remove from heat.



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Longtime Directors Bid Farewell to SCC Foundation



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Pat Green



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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."

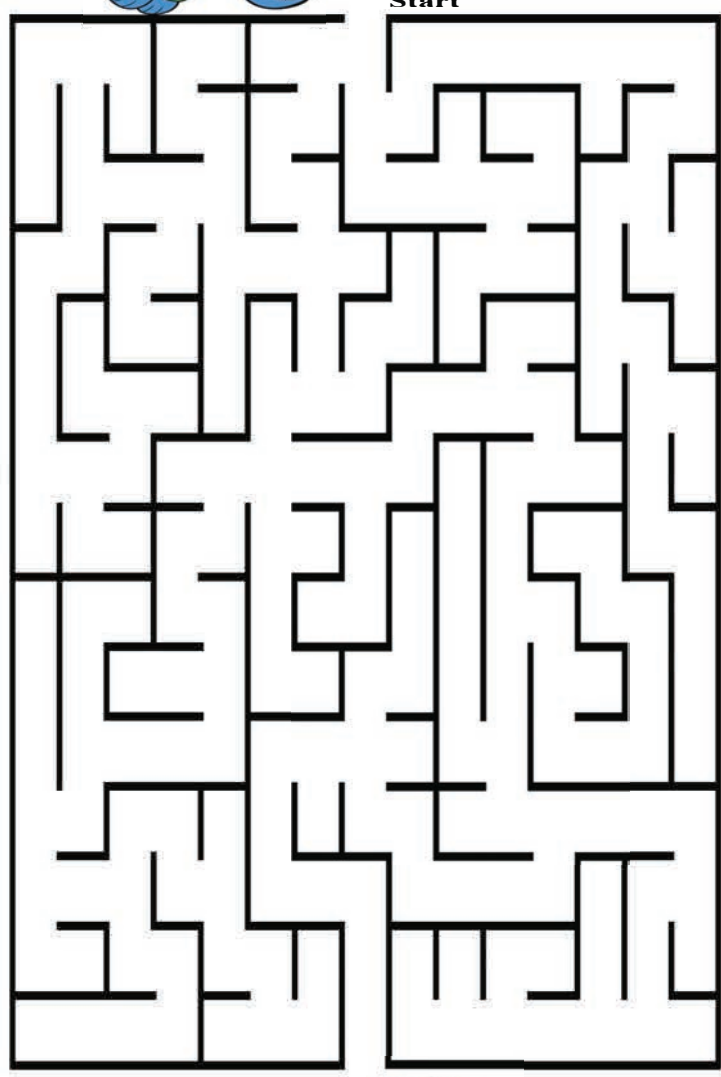
Each member will be a loss for the SCC Foundation Board as they each brought unique experiences and expertise to their roles as directors. However, the board is excited to welcome seven new members in their departures, including a returning director. New directors include Robin Palmer, Chris Brown, Brandon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

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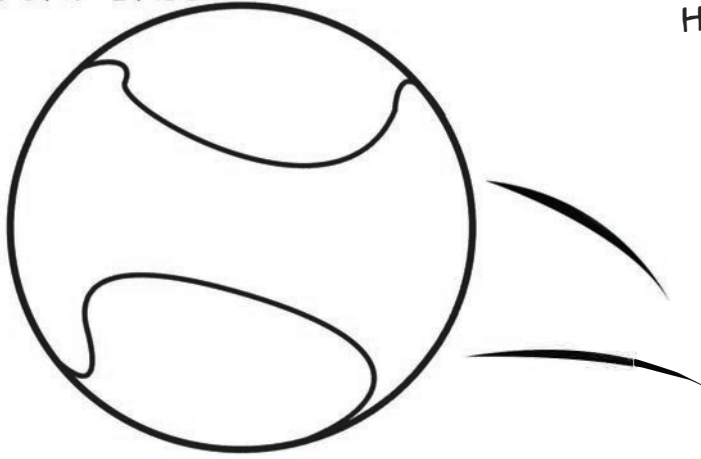


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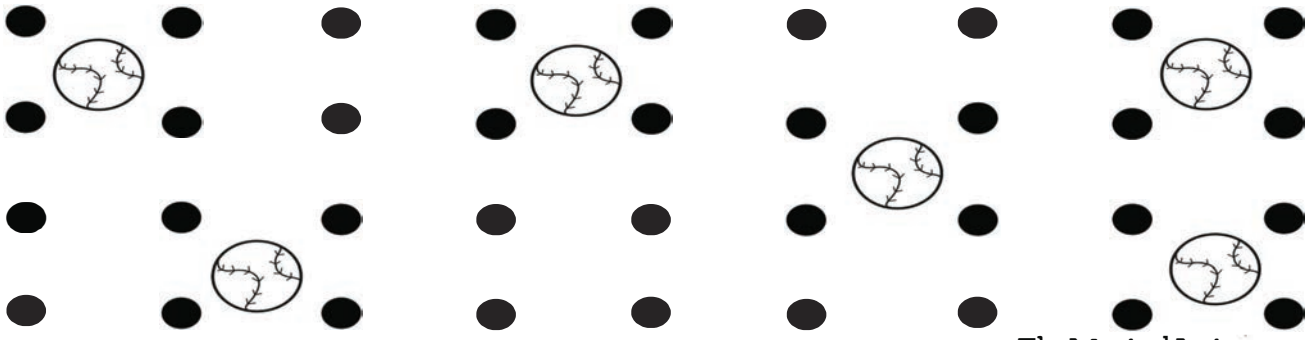
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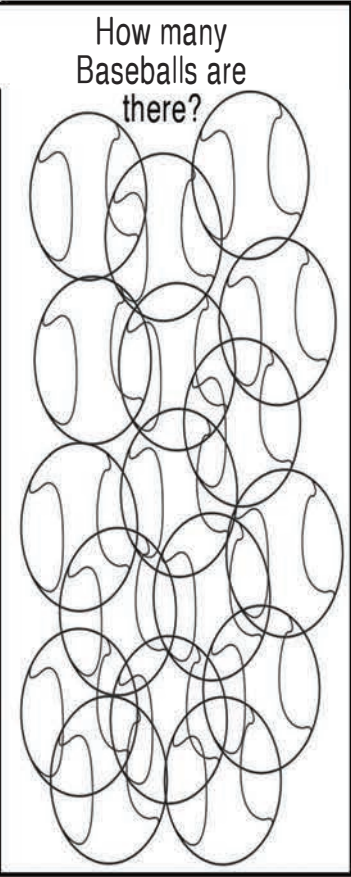
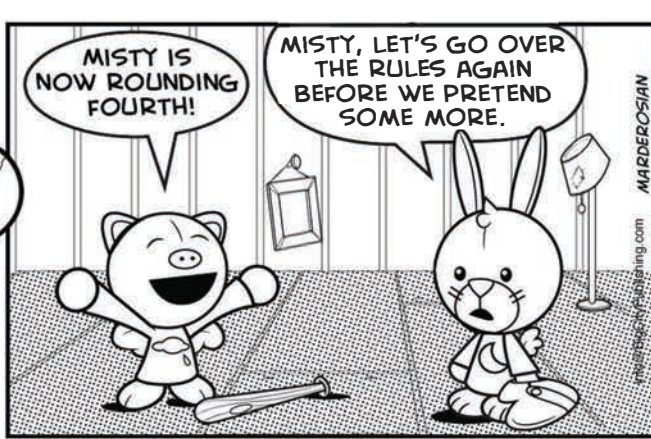
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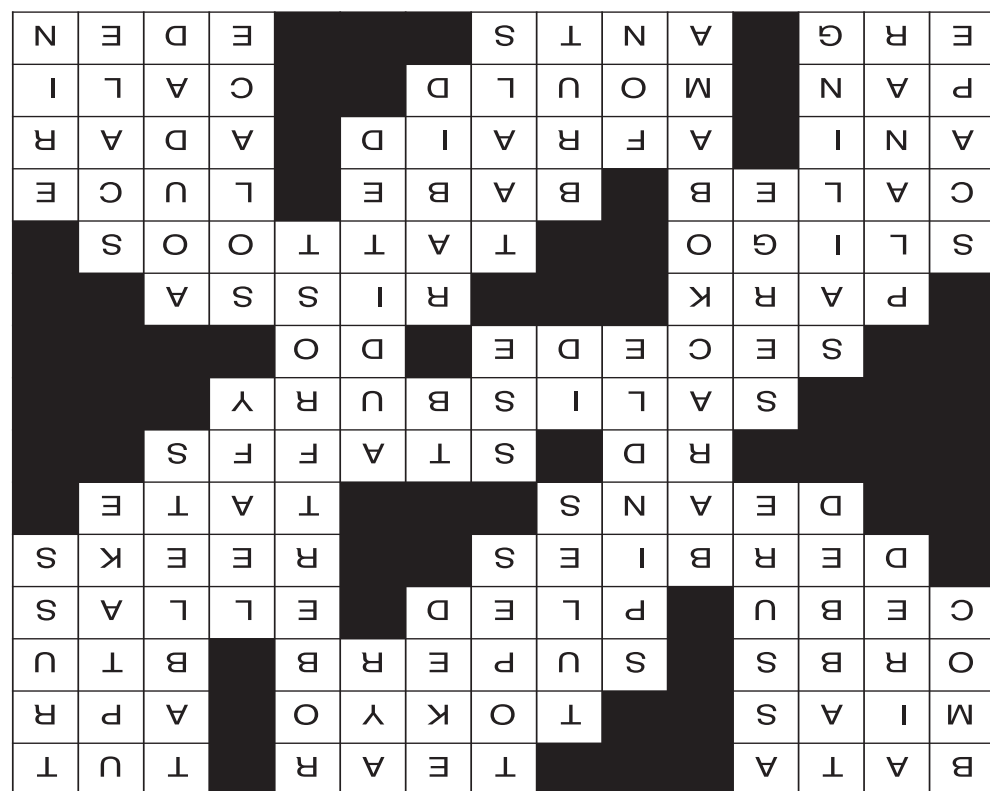
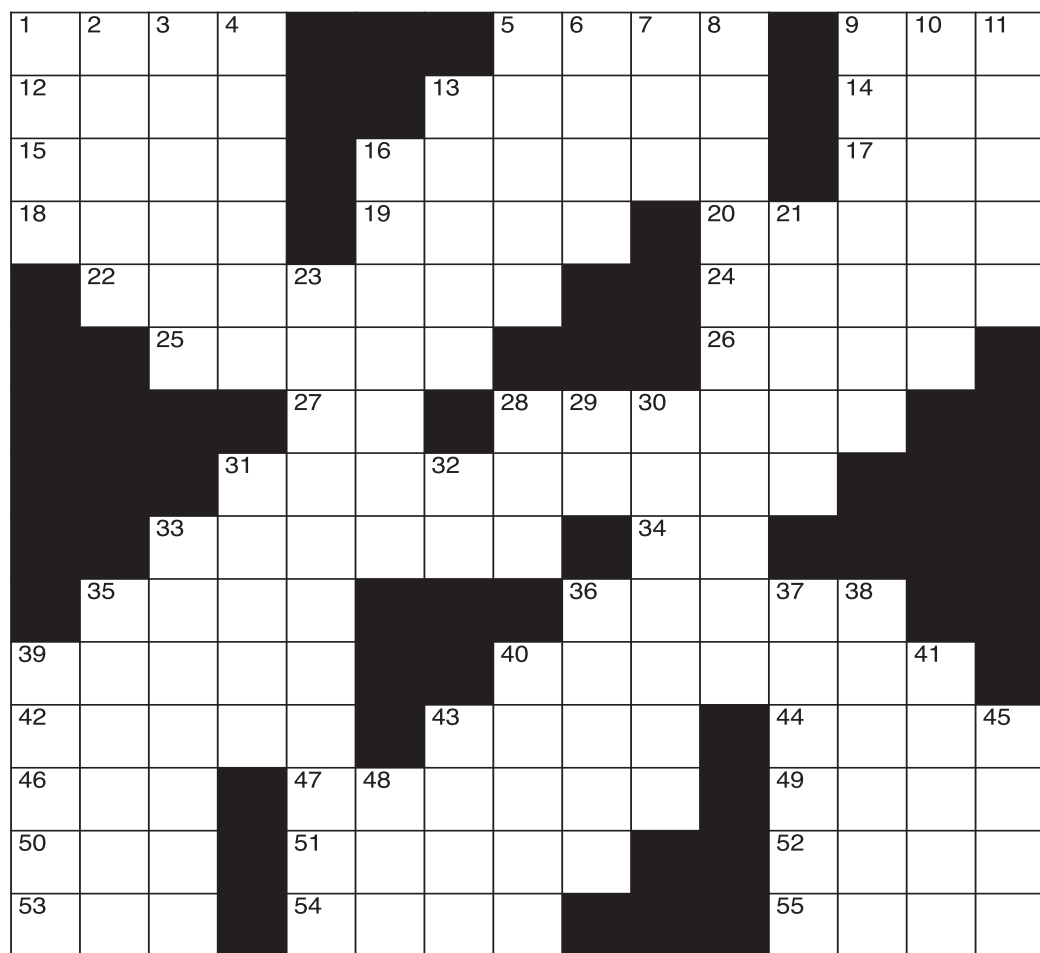
Crossword Puzzle

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1. Bay Area Transit Auth. (abbr.)
5. Pull apart by force
9. Ancient Egyptian King
12. Missing soldiers
13. Capital of Japan
14. Diamond month (abbr.)
15. Spheres
16. Surpassing good
17. British thermal unit
18. Philippine island & seaport
19. Legally argued
20. Belonging to singer Fitzgerald
22. Bowler hats
24. Has a strong odor
25. Doyens
26. London Gallery
27. Rural delivery
28. Rods
31. Stonhenge plain
33. Withdraw from membership
34. Execute or perform
35. Central or Yellowstone
36. Municipality in Norway
39. Bay of NW Rep. of Ireland
40. Skin designs
42. Son of Jephunneh
43. Baseball's Ruth
44. Clare Booth __, Am. writer
46. Black tropical American cuckoo
47. Filled with fear or apprehension
49. 6th Jewish month
50. Wide metal vessel used in cooking
51. Make by pouring into a cast
52. Colombian city
53. Heat unit
54. Carpenter, red and army
55. Adam and Eve's garden

CLUES DOWN

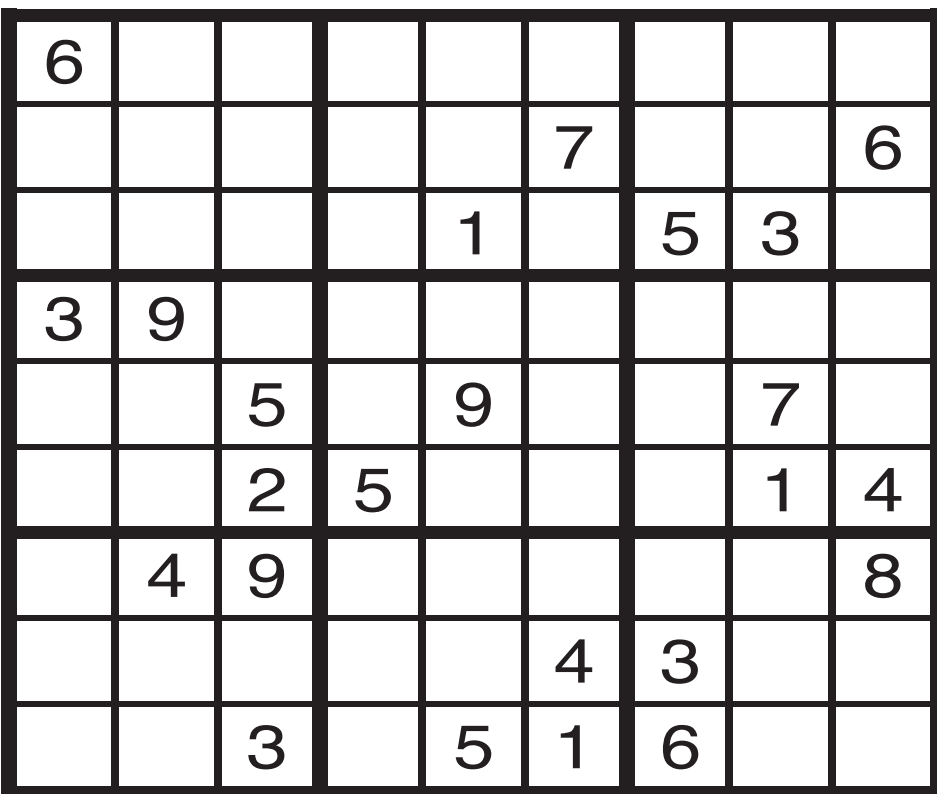
1. Big man on campus
2. Made public by radio or television
3. Labelled
4. Inform positively
5. Drinks habitually
6. Supplemented with difficulty
7. SW Scottish river & port
8. American poet 1874-1963
9. Pads
10. Ingestion or intake
11. Tie up a bird before cooking
13. Bulrushes of the genus *Scirpus*
16. Turned rod on a spinning wheel
21. Having or covered with leaves
23. The 44th U.S. President
28. Midway between S and SE
29. Tuberculosis (abbr.)
30. Inspected accounting procedures
31. A twilled woolen fabric
32. Potato state
33. The work of a sailor
35. Involving 2 dimensions
36. Fanatical or overzealous
37. Consolation
38. Wild sheep of northern Africa
39. Erect leafless flower-bearing stalk
40. Afrikaans
41. Weighing device
43. Very dry champagne
45. Emerald Isle
48. A resident of Benin



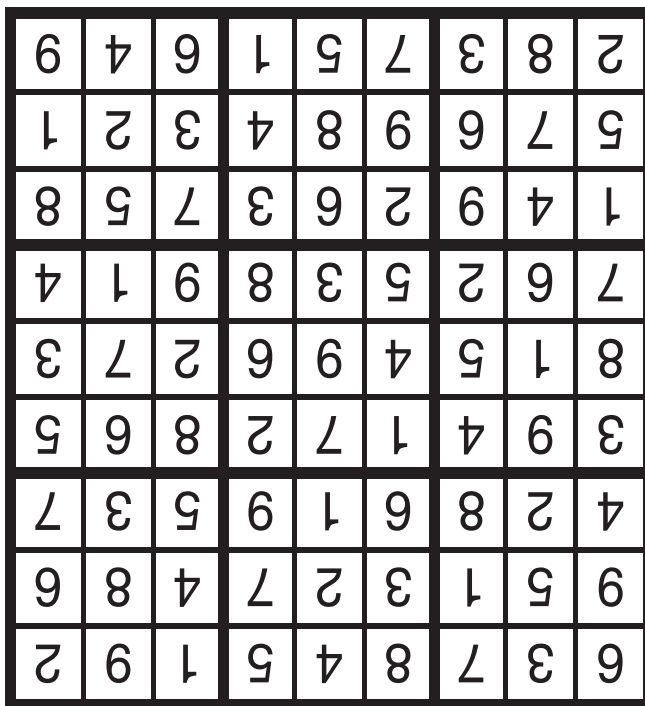
SUDOKU

Fun By The Numbers

Like puzzles? Then you'll love sudoku. This mind-bending puzzle will have you hooked from the moment you square off, so sharpen your pencil and put your sudoku savvy to the test.



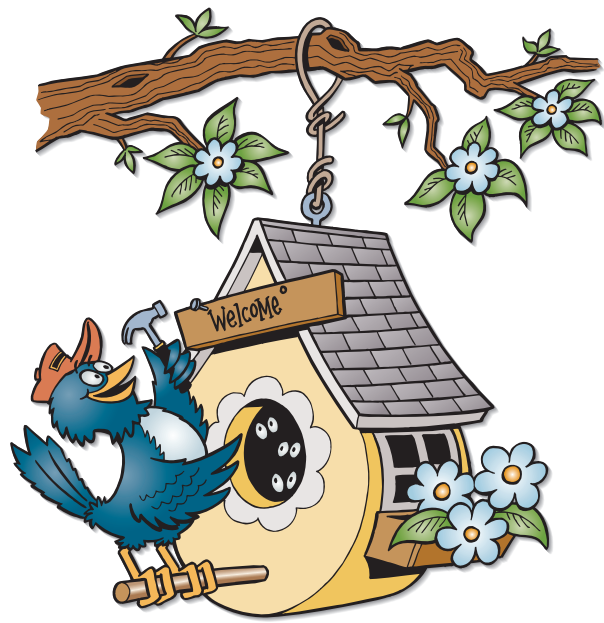
Here's How It Works: Sudoku puzzles are formatted as a 9x9 grid, broken down into nine 3x3 boxes. To solve a sudoku, the numbers 1 through 9 must fill each row, column and box. Each number can appear only once in each row, column and box. You can figure out the order in which the numbers will appear by using the numeric clues already provided in the boxes. The more numbers you name, the easier it gets to solve the puzzle!



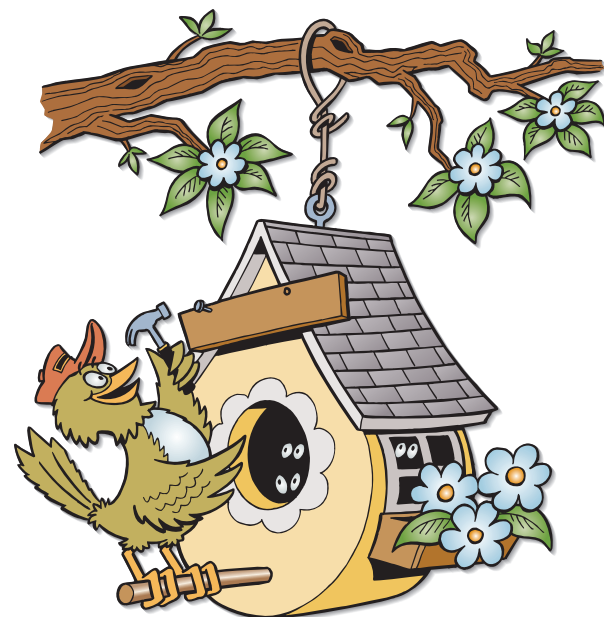
What's the Difference?

There are four things different between Picture A and Picture B. Can you find them all?

A



B



Answers: 1. Welcome sign 2. missing eyeballs
in center hole 3. eyeballs in side window
4. bird a different color

HEALTH WATCH

CONDITIONS 101
What can cause dark circles under your eyes?

Dark circles under the eyes happen when the skin appears darkened and is usually caused by being tired. This is usually not a symptom of a medical issue. According to the Mayo Clinic, dark circles may actually be shadows cast by puffy eyelids or hollows under your eyes that develop as a normal part of aging. Common causes include:

- Allergies.
- Eczema.
- Contact dermatitis.
- Fatigue.
- Hay fever.
- Heredity.
- Skin pigment irregularities.
- Rubbing or scratching your eyes.
- Sun exposure, which prompts your body to produce more melanin, the pigment that gives skin its color.
- Skin changes that happen with aging.

“If discoloration and swelling appear under just one eye and seem to get worse over time, talk to your primary care doctor,” recommends the Mayo Clinic. “If you want a more lasting solution than concealers and over-the-counter creams can provide, see a dermatologist for advice. Depending on what’s causing the circles under your eyes, your doctor may recommend prescription creams or a combination of treatments to erase or reduce discoloration. Laser therapy or chemical peels can be helpful in some cases. Hollows that cause shadows can be smoothed with injectable fillers, and surgery can eliminate puffy lids.”

The following measures can be used to treat mild to moderate dark circles:

- Use a cold compress.
- Sleep with your head elevated on two or more pillows.
- Get more sleep.

HEALTH STAT
88 million

According to the CDC, about 88 million American adults (more than one-third) have prediabetes, with 84% of those adults unaware that they have it. Prediabetes puts you at increased risk of developing type 2 diabetes, heart disease and stroke.

NUTRITION STATION
Supplements can’t replace nutrients from food

Although supplements seem like a fast, easy way to consume your daily dose of vital vitamins and nutrients, relying on them might not be the healthiest option. Here’s what Healthline has to say:

“The vitamins and minerals, the ones you can also get from a cheap multivitamin, are just a small part of the total amount of nutrients in foods. Therefore, supplements cannot match the variety of nutrients you get from real foods. However, many supplements can be beneficial, especially those that contain nutrients that are generally lacking in the diet, like vitamin D. But no amount of supplements will ever make up for a bad diet. Not a chance.”

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Mix it up

Balance workouts to create the ideal fitness plan



Genaro C. Armas
American Heart Association News

Spring can be an ideal time to try a new exercise routine. Warmer temperatures make it enticing to head outdoors and, this year, more people might be considering a return to the gym after getting the COVID-19 vaccine.

While any regular physical activity can benefit your health, the ideal fitness plan requires the right balance.

The American Heart Association recommends adults get at least 150 minutes of moderate-intensity aerobic exercise a week or 75 minutes of vigorous activity, or a combination of both; plus muscle-strengthening activity, such as resistance training, at least two days per week.

“Aerobic exercise should be the foundation of any exercise program,” said Barry Franklin, director of preventive cardiology and cardiac rehabilitation at William Beaumont Hospital in Royal Oak, Michigan.

Aerobic exercise includes activities like walking or jogging. Also known as cardio or endurance workouts, aerobic activities increase cardiorespiratory fitness and delay or prevent illnesses such as heart disease and diabetes.

Moderate-intensity physical activity makes the heart beat faster and can make breathing harder than normal, but still allows for one to carry on a conversation.

It’s best to increase intensity gradually when starting a new exercise regimen, Franklin said. For instance, someone interested in running will need to start with a walking program and gradually build up speed over two to three months.

Consult a clinician if unsure how

150 / 75

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to proceed, he said. They may suggest a medically supervised treadmill test to evaluate how a person’s heart rate, blood pressure and heart rhythm respond to progressive levels of exercise, as well as their level of heart-lung fitness expressed as metabolic equivalents, or METs.

Franklin, a professor of physiology at the Wayne State University School of Medicine in Detroit, calls METs the “currency of exercise.” They are used to quantify one’s aerobic fitness in order to recommend the appropriate level of activity. For example, walking at a leisurely pace uses about 2 to 3 METs, while jogging or running requires 8 to 10 METs, depending on speed. The physical activity someone chooses should be at least two METs below the peak MET level reached during treadmill testing, Franklin said.

Studies have shown each 1 MET increase in exercise capacity is associated with a 10% to 25% improvement in survival. However, there is a plateau at about 10 to 12 METs, Franklin said. Someone who measures at 15 METs enjoys the same longevity benefits from being physically fit as someone at 10 to 12 METs.

TODAY’S WORKOUT

This move focuses on lower back, glutes

Marlo Alleva
Lakeland Ledger
USA TODAY NETWORK

What is your go-to move when it comes to working your backside? The possibilities are endless and even better when they target multiple zones.

Our move today is a pulsing dead lift with light weights. This exercise is going to focus on the lower back, glutes and hamstrings. You will need a set of light to medium hand weights or a body bar for this exercise.

Start this pulsing dead lift by grasping your chosen weight in each hand. Rolling your shoulders back and down, lifting your chest and engaging your core, plant your feet at least hip width apart

with your toes pointing forward. Your arms should be extended downward, with your palms resting on your thighs.

Once you are in position, you are ready to proceed. Keeping your chest lifted tall, begin to bend the hips leaning your chest forward and extending your arms toward your toes. Keep your rear end pointed to the back and the bend in the knees soft to avoid locking them out.

Once you reach your lowest position in your dead left, you will hold it there and proceed to pulse tiny up-and-down movements for at least a count of three.

Once you reach your desired amount of pulses at the bottom, slowly return the move back upward to the start.



Marlo Alleva demonstrates a pulsing deadlift with light weights. [ERNST PETERS]

Then immediately return back down to the bottom, adding your pulses, and then back up again.

Continue this exercise for at least 10 repetitions.

Take a small break, release any pressure in your back, then continue on into your next set shooting for at least three sets of 10 repetitions.

You may find that you need to increase your weight for this exercise, or you can always lighten the load, or even proceed with no wait at all, especially if your balance is compromised.

Keep this exercise slow and focus on the zones you are targeting, and this will soon become your go-to move for your summer body.

Marlo Alleva, an instructor at Gold’s Gym and group fitness coordinator at Fontaine-Gills YMCA in Lakeland, Florida, can be reached at faluvzpa@msn.com.

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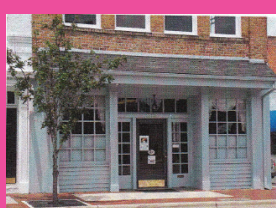
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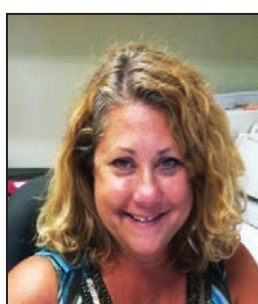
CLINTON

Albert Lawrence "Larry" Carter, 77, of Clinton passed away Wednesday, October 6, 2021 at Wake Medical Center in Raleigh with his family by his side. Funeral Services will be held Saturday, October 9, 2021 at 3:00 pm Mintz Baptist Church of Roseboro, with Dr. Robert Hunter and Dr. John McBride officiating. Burial will follow in the church cemetery. The family will receive friends one hour prior to the service, beginning at 2pm, in the church sanctuary, and other times at his home. Born on March 10, 1944 in Sampson County, Larry was the son of the late Maylon Hansel and Elizabeth Adams Carter. After completing high school, Larry married the love of his life, Betty Christine Autry Carter and wherever you saw one, you saw the other. Together, they raised two wonderful children and were faithful members of Mintz Baptist Church of Roseboro. Larry and Betty owned and operated Larry's Distributing and when they sold the business in 2009 he enjoyed spending time with his family and friends, often being on the water in his boat fishing. Larry loved people and always had a joke to tell and will truly be missed. In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by his sister, Brenda Carter Jones. Larry is survived by his wife, Betty Christine Autry Carter of the home; daughter, Betty Lynn Conyers and husband, John of Youngsville; his son, Michael Lawrence Carter of Clinton; their three grandchildren: John Conyers IV, Lauren Conyers and Brandon Carter and their dear family friend, Delorice Owens of Clinton. Larry was taken from this world way too soon, but his legacy of love will live on through his family. Royal-Hall is honored to serve the Carter family.



CLINTON

Richard Spicer Aman, 80, of 1635 W Darden Road, passed away Thursday, October 7, 2021 at his home. Services will be announced at a later date. Richard, born October 22, 1940 in Sampson County, was the son of the late Richard Ivey Aman and Mary Grace Carr Aman. He was the fire chief of Piney Grove Station 13 for over 20 years. He attended Carr Memorial Christian Church. Richard was a Veteran of the US Army. In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by his wife, Shirley Holloman Aman and daughters, Michelle Anette Aman and Angelia Kaye Aman Pasternak. Survivors include: children, Kippy Aman Gainey, Richard Spicer Aman, Jr., Mark Anthony Aman, Kellie Aman Norris; seven grandchildren; four great-grandchildren; sister, Rose Aman Swain. Online condolences may be sent to the family at www.crumpler-honeycutt.com.



KILL DEVIL HILLS

Jill Leigh Beatty, 57, of Kill Devil Hills, NC passed away unexpectedly on September 10, 2021, at Chesapeake General Hospital. Jill was a property and casualty agent at the Willey Agency in Nags Head since the early 2000's. Jill grew up in Lumberton, NC and graduated from Lumberton Senior High School. Jill moved to the Outer Banks in 1985 and worked at Planters Bank and the Wright Brothers Memorial. Jill most enjoyed raising her daughter, Emily Lyster and spending time with her sister, Leslie and nieces and nephews. Jill loved the beach, laying in the sun, and shopping for useful items at thrift stores and yard sales that she thought someone could use. She bought gifts for the Angel Tree and the residents of Brithaven (now Peak Resources) every Christmas. She loved decorating her home and hanging out with her cat, Buster. Jill loved cooking on holidays for family and friends. Jill had an easy laugh and made everyone she met whether family, friends or customers feel special to her. Jill will be missed by all that knew her. Jill is survived by her daughter, Emily Bliss Lyster and sister, Leslie Avery and her husband, Glenn Avery, her sister-in-law, Linda Beatty of Kill Devil Hills, her nieces, Amy Austin of Richmond, VA, Rhianna Vadukul of Hong Kong and Ashley Bishop of Elizabeth City, NC and nephews, Bobby Austin of Idaho and Christopher and Derek Avery, and Charlie Beatty of Kill Devil Hills and all her great-nieces and nephews. Jill was preceded in death by her parents, C. Arnold and Rose Beatty of Lumberton, NC and brothers Alan Bass of Fayetteville, NC and Stephen Beatty of Kill Devil Hills, NC and her sister Mary Francis Austin of Charlotte, NC. A graveside service will be held on October 9, 2021 at 1 P.M. in Clinton Cemetery in Clinton, NC for Jill to be laid to rest with our parents and grandparents. In lieu of flowers, donations in Jill's name can be made to the Outer Banks Food Pantry. Please express condolences via the online register at www.crumpler-honeycutt.com.

GARLAND



Norman Jefferson Carter, Jr., 80, of Garland went to meet his heavenly father on Sunday, October 3, 2021, at his home. Norman was preceded in death by: Norman Jefferson Carter, Sr. (father), Sarah Ann Rich Carter (mother), and Loreen Carter Harris (sister). Norman was a native of Sampson County where he graduated from Garland High School. He worked as a farmer to support his family while attending college and obtaining his degree from UNC Pembroke. He then found a satisfying career as an educator and counselor at Montclair in Fayetteville, Clinton City Schools, Vocation Rehabilitation and Cumberland County. After many successful years, he retired from Fayetteville Community College. Norman also worked alongside his family to help Garland prosper by operating the Western Auto and local grocery store. He served as a Garland town commissioner and on the Local Education Board. Norman was a faithful member, deacon, and Sunday school teacher at Garland Baptist Church where he loved to sing and share the word of his savior with his church family and others. A funeral service will be held at 2:00 PM, Thursday, October 07, 2021, at Garland Baptist Church in Garland, by the Rev. Ed Rouse, Rev. Dewey Ball, and Rev. Ralph Carter Jr., Interment to follow the service at the Garland Cemetery. Norman leaves behind the love of his life and wife of 62 years, Gertrude Carter of Garland. He is also survived by two sons, Norman Jefferson "Jeff" Carter, III (Marcie) of Garner, NC, and Bryan Phillip Carter (Misty) of Roseboro, NC, grandchildren he adored; Alisha Lyle (Adam), Whitney Smith (Andrew), Corey Smith (Kayla), Bryley Carter, Braylen Carter, one great-grandchild; Alyssa Lyle, his loving sisters; Christine Rich, Angela Nelson, and Mabel Woodlief, and Clay Rich. A host of nieces and nephews. Also left grieving are the many wonderful friends that he considered family at White Lake Camp Clearwater. Norman was preceded in death by: Norman Jefferson Carter, Sr. (father), Sarah Ann Rich Carter (mother), and Loreen Carter Harris (sister). A viewing will be held on Wednesday, October 06, 2021, from 6:00-8:00 PM at Garland Baptist Church in Garland.

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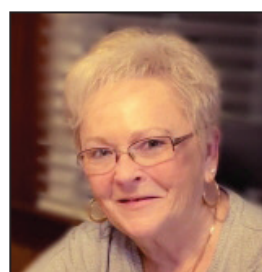


Mr. Thomas Wayne Dudley, 71 of Salemburg went home to be with his Lord and Savior on Friday, October 8, 2021 at Sampson Regional Medical Center. The funeral service will be held at 2:00 PM Tuesday, Oct. 12 at Mintz Baptist Church with Dr. Robert Hunter and Dr. John McBride officiating. Burial will follow in the church cemetery. There will be a walk-through viewing on Monday

from 1:00 - 5:00 PM at Butler Funeral Home in Roseboro and on Tuesday from 1:00 - 1:50 PM at Mintz Baptist Church. The request is made for all attending to please wear a mask. Mr. Dudley was the son of Thomas Allen and Sarah Crumpler Dudley. He was preceded in death by his father. He was a register nurse. He was a loving husband, father and papa. In addition, Tom Dudley was known by many as "Mr. Tom." As the namesake of Tom Thumb, he loved each child that came through the doors as his own. He loved to shag with his bride, cruise on his pontoon and cooked way too much food. Tom served others passionately and loved big! May he be honored and remembered in the way we serve and love one another. He is survived by his loving wife, Brenda Hairr Dudley of the home; two daughters, Stacey Dudley Parker and husband, Ryan Lee Parker of Benson and Trisha Dudley McLaurin and husband, Mark McLaurin of Fayetteville; two sons, Lucas Allen Dudley and wife, Kaylan Sinclair Dudley of Clinton and Thomas Wayne Dudley, Jr. of Texas; mother, Sarah Crumpler Dudley of Clinton; brother, Gary Dudley and wife, Wendy of Wilmington; and nine grandchildren. Memorials may be made to Mintz Christian Academy Scholarship Fund, 2741 Mintz Road, Roseboro, NC 28382. Services entrusted to Butler Funeral Home, 401 W. Roseboro Street, Roseboro, NC.

DUNN

Mrs. Mary Ann Strickland Grissett, 75, died peacefully at her home Wednesday, October 6, 2021. Mrs. Grissett was born December 11, 1945, in Sampson County to the late Raymond Earl and Edna McCauley Strickland. Mrs. Grissett was preceded in death by her husband, Robert "Bob" Grissett; and step daughter, Lisa Grissett Moore and brother, James Earl Strickland. Mrs. Grissett was a graduate of Midway High School and Hardbarger Business College. She retired from Great American Insurance Company after many years of service. Mrs. Grissett was a member of Lee's Chapel Church where she remained active in Sunday School and the LCC Card Ministry. In her retirement, she enjoyed being with her family and friends. She also looked forward to her monthly class reunion with her Midway classmates. She was known for her love of traveling and shopping. Her greatest love, however, was her granddaughter Allie, and she loved doing whatever Allie wanted to do. Funeral services will be held at 11:00 a.m., Saturday, October 9, 2021, at Lee's Chapel OFWB Church with Rev. Dale Belvin and Dr. Ricky Warren officiating. Burial will follow in Lee's Chapel Williford Cemetery. Mrs. Grissett is survived by her daughter, Crystal Pate; granddaughter, Allie Faith Pate; stepson, Robert Walter Grissett; stepdaughter, Gail Grissett; sister-in-law, Hazel Strickland; niece Melanie Strickland; step grandchildren, Robert Grissett, and wife Tallah, and Jennifer Claire Bookout and husband Matthew, and David Strickland; great grandchildren Orin and Odin Barefoot; and very special friends, Jason, Deneice, and Nathan Elmore. Visitation will be at 10 a.m., one hour prior to the service at Lee's Chapel OFWB Church, and other times at the home of Mary Ann Grissett. In lieu of flowers memorials may be made to The Allie Pate Fund at First Citizens Bank in Dunn, 115 S. Wilson Ave. Dunn, NC 28334. Arrangements by Skinner & Smith Funeral Home in Dunn.



ROSEBORO

Mr. Ernest Elwood "Woody" Hall, Jr., 58 went to be with the Lord on Wednesday, October 6, 2021 at Cape Fear Valley Medical Center. A funeral service will be held at 3:00 PM on Sunday, October 10 at Mill Creek Baptist Church with the Reverend Tom Hayes officiating. Burial will follow at Sunrise Memorial Gardens. The family will receive friends from 1:30 - 2:50 PM at the church prior to the service. Mr. Hall was a native of Cumberland County, the son of Ernest Elwood Hall, Sr. and Betty Diane Hall. He was preceded in death by his father. He leaves to cherish his memory his wife, Jane Smith Hall of the home; son, Garrett Hall and wife, Olivia of Autryville; mother, Betty Hall (Phil Cannady) of Roseboro; two sisters, Kim Hall Wanner and husband, Jim of Salemburg; and Kellie Hall Kuyat of Roseboro; two nieces, Laicon Kuyat and Kate Wanner; and nephew, John Wanner. Services entrusted to Butler Funeral Home, 401 W. Roseboro Street, Roseboro, NC.

CLINTON

Mr. Buck Anthony Holland, 83 of Clinton, died Friday, October 1, 2021, at his home. A graveside service was held Monday, October 4, 2021 at Clinton Cemetery with Rev. Chris O'Brian officiating. Family received friends following the service. Born on November 29, 1937 in Sampson County, Mr. Holland was the son of the late Roy and Lollie Daughtry Holland. He was a retired employee with the NC Department of Corrections and a Veteran of the United States Air Force. He is survived by his wife of sixty-four years, Maxine Naylor Holland; one daughter, Pamela Combs and husband Jeff of Clinton; a grandson, William Blake Tew (Jennifer Westbrook); great-grandson, William Paul Tew; two step-grandsons, Dustin Combs of Dallas, Texas and Josh Combs and family of Snow Hill, NC. In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by a daughter, Teresa Holland. Royal-Hall is honored the Holland family.

ROSEBORO

Mr. James Elliott "Tiny" Nunnery, 42 went to be with the Lord on Tuesday, October 5, 2021 at Cape Fear Valley Medical Center. A funeral service will be held at 3:00 PM on Friday, October 8 at Butler Funeral Home in Roseboro with the Reverend Deborah Rich officiating. Burial will follow at Roseboro Cemetery. The family will receive friends from 6:00 - 8:00 PM on Thursday, October 7 at Butler Funeral Home in Roseboro. Mr. Nunnery was a native of Sampson County, the son of James Benjamin and Linda Tew Nunnery. He was preceded in death by his parents, and sister, LeAnne "Lulu" Nunnery. He leaves to cherish his memory his wife, Crystal Nunnery and boyfriend, Tyler Simmons of Roseboro; two children, Brittany Nunnery and Dalton Nunnery both of Roseboro; sister, Melissa Robyn Gatlin and husband, Bucky Gatlin of Autryville; girlfriend, Heather McLeod and children, James Blake Bradford, Jr., and Leikai McLeod all of the home; two nephews, Benjamin Gatlin and Brody Gatlin; and niece, Stacy White and son, Tatum Simmons. In lieu of flowers donation may be made to Butler Funeral Home, P.O. Box 638, Roseboro, NC 28382 to help the family off set the funeral expenses. Services entrusted to Butler Funeral Home, 401 W. Roseboro Street, Roseboro, NC.

CLINTON

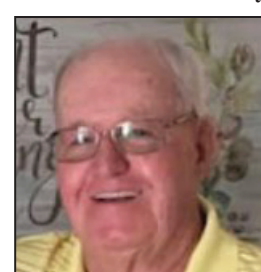
Leonard Paul King, 82, of 605 Peterson St., passed away Thursday, September 30, 2021 at Rex Hospital. Graveside service will be held at 2 PM, Monday, October 4th at Clinton City Cemetery with Rev. Chubby Rieber officiating. The family will receive friends from 5 PM - 7 PM, Sunday, October 3rd at Crumpler-Honeycutt Funeral Home. Leonard, born April 21, 1939 in Sampson County, was the son of the late William Paul King and Jessie Mildred Holland. He was a truck driver for Lundy Packing Company and Walmart. He was a member of the Hiram Masonic Lodge in Clinton.



In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by his wife, Paulette Welch King and brother Maurice Maxwell King. Survivors include; children, Anthony Ray Honeycutt and wife Kim, Leonard Scott King and wife Billie Jo, Timmie Maxwell King and wife Lesa, Steven Brian King, and Michael Paul King and wife Nicole; and sisters, Mary Jane "Janie" Carter and husband David of Houston, Texas and Betty Puryear and husband Frankie of Clinton; grandchildren, Rachel Honeycutt Northcutt, Dalton Scott King, Payson Trot King, Carson Layne King, Marshall Graham King and Auriel Nelson; great-grandson, Alex Samuel Rusk; and special friend, Linda Williams. Online condolences may be sent to the family at www.crumpler-honeycutt.com. Memorials may be made to the Masonic Children's Home, 600 College Street, Oxford, NC 27565.

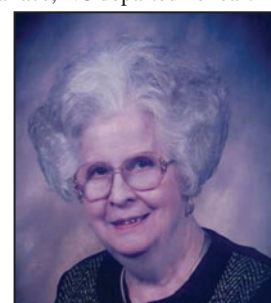
CLINTON

Albert Lawrence "Larry" Carter, 77, of Clinton passed away Wednesday, October 6, 2021 at Wake Medical Center in Raleigh with his family by his side. Funeral Services will be held Saturday, October 9, 2021 at 3:00 pm Mintz Baptist Church of Roseboro, with Dr. Robert Hunter and Dr. John McBride officiating. Burial will follow in the church cemetery. The family will receive friends one hour prior to the service, beginning at 2pm, in the church sanctuary, and other times at his home. Born on March 10, 1944 in Sampson County, Larry was the son of the late Maylon Hansel and Elizabeth Adams Carter. After completing high school, Larry married the love of his life, Betty Christine Autry Carter and wherever you saw one, you saw the other. Together, they raised two wonderful children and were faithful members of Mintz Baptist Church of Roseboro. Larry and Betty owned and operated Larry's Distributing and when they sold the business in 2009 he enjoyed spending time with his family and friends, often being on the water in his boat fishing. Larry loved people and always had a joke to tell and will truly be missed. In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by his sister, Brenda Carter Jones. Larry is survived by his wife, Betty Christine Autry Carter of the home; daughter, Betty Lynn Conyers and husband, John of Youngsville; his son, Michael Lawrence Carter of Clinton; their three grandchildren: John Conyers IV, Lauren Conyers and Brandon Carter and their dear family friend, Delorice Owens of Clinton. Larry was taken from this world way too soon, but his legacy of love will live on through his family. Royal-Hall Funeral Home is honored to serve the Carter family.



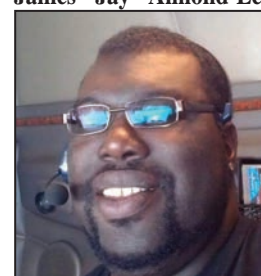
WALLACE

Laura Jean Giddeons Johnson of Wallace, NC departed her earthly life during the evening of Tuesday, October 5, 2021 while at Duplin Vidant Hospital in Kenansville. Born on May 18, 1932 in Pender County, she is the daughter of the late Leonard Cleveland Giddeons, Sr. and Clydia Elizabeth Rivenbark. Also preceding her in death are her husband—John Washington Johnson; daughter—Brenda Bowen; four brothers and four sisters. Left to cherish her memory are her son—John Charles "Chuck" Johnson and wife Cindy of Harrells; grandchildren—John Bowen and wife Caroline of Harrells, Kyle Johnson of Pink Hill, Haley Lanier and husband Jerry of Clayton, and Taylor Johnson of Wallace; great grandchildren—Lauren Bowen, Addison Bowen, and Asher Johnson; and brother—Leophas Giddeons and wife Annette of Wallace. Mrs. Johnson was a true "Southern Belle" in all aspects of her life while here on earth. Her caring for others sets a wonderful example for all of us as we go through life helping others. She was the owner and operator of Johnson Furniture in Wallace for many years and during this time made many wonderful lifelong friends who will always remember her. A service to celebrate her life is set for 11:00 a.m. on Friday, October 8, 2021 in the Siloam Baptist Church in Harrells, NC, followed by interment in Wells Chapel Baptist Church Cemetery. Officiating will be the Reverend Stan Jenkins and the Reverend Barry Wells. The family asks that, rather than floral arrangements, consideration be given to a contribution to Children's Home Society of North Carolina. Padgett Funeral & Cremation Services is proudly serving the Johnson family.



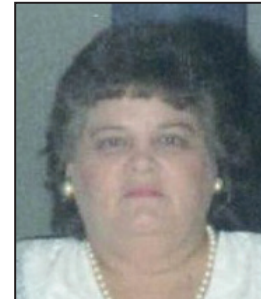
EASTOVER

James "Jay" Almond Lewis Jr., 37 of Eastover, NC passed Friday, September 24, 2021, at Cape Fear Valley Hospital. He is the son of James Caldwell and baby boy of Mary Lewis. He attended Cumberland County Schools, which he played varsity football and was a 2003 graduate of Cape Fear High School. James loved to travel, so he attended Sampson Community College truck driving school under the director Fred Stamey and began his truck driving career. He worked for JLE Transport for the last seven years. During his down time, he started learning how to play his guitar. James was known as a "gentle giant" and was loved by everyone that got to know him. Graveside funeral services will be held at 2 p.m., Saturday, October 9th at Shiloh United Church of Christ, 4150 Hummingbird Pl, Fayetteville, NC with Pastor Michael P. Carter officiating. A viewing will be held Friday, October 8th from 2-6pm, family viewing from 6-7pm at Hope Valley Hawkins Funeral Service and Cremation, 1246 Hobbton Hwy, Clinton, NC 28328. James is survived by his wife Beverly, son Brian Lewis, stepdaughter Nicole "Nikki" (Joshua) Douglas, grandbabies Phoenix and Nyala, father- James Caldwell, mother- Mary Lewis, siblings: Gene "Tony" Lewis, Anitra (Kevin) Carter, Geronimo "Moe" (Jennelle) Lewis, James E. Lewis, and J. Michelle (Darrell) Moore. A host of aunts, uncles, nieces, nephews, one great nephew - Gabriel, cousins, and friends.



ELIZABETHTOWN

Mrs. Matilda G. Long, 78, of 804 S. Poplar St., Elizabethtown, formerly of Harrells, passed away Wednesday, October 06, 2021, at Bladen County Hospital in Elizabethtown. Matilda was born November 17, 1942, in West Virginia to the late Lonnie and Matilda Gilmore. She worked for many years in the private health care field. A graveside service will be held at 11:00 AM, Monday, October 11, 2021, at Holmes Hill Cemetery in Kelly. Reverend Jim Woodruff will be officiating the service. Matilda leaves to cherish her memory her beloved husband: Larry Long, daughter: Lisa Long and husband Elroy of Garland, three sons: Charles Barnes of Garland; Ray Barnes of Garland; Mitchell Barnes of Garland, 9 grandchildren and 6 great-grandchildren. Services provided by Carter Funeral Home, Garland. www.carterfh.com.



NEWTON GROVE



Mr. Max Gerald McCullen, 88, of Newton Grove passed away peacefully Friday, at his home. He was born June 14, 1933 in Newton Grove, the son of Ennis and Lillie Mae McCullen. He was preceded in death by his wife, Annie Jewel McCullen and son, Terry McCullen. Max was a lifelong farmer and landowner, tending land throughout Sampson, Wayne and Johnston Counties, tending multiple crops including cotton, tobacco, corn

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wheat, soybeans and produce. Max also owned a trucking company during his earlier years. For the past 3 years, Max independently hauled grains and fertilizers out of the port of Wilmington. Max worked every day of his life in an occupation he adored. Overall, Max was a healthy man and worked up until he became ill. Max is survived by two daughters, Connie Thornton of Newton Grove, Beth (Ernie) Byrd of Bunnlevel; Grandchildren, Ashley (Russell) McCullen Holland, Robert Thornton, Tara (Kane) Whitted, and Logan Byrd; great grandchildren; James and Joseph Wilson, and Vanna Whitted. A funeral service will be held at 3:00 p.m. Sunday, October 3, 2021 at Pleasant Union Christian Church, prior to the service, beginning at 2:00 p.m., visitation will occur. Interment will be at Hillcrest Cemetery. Online condolences may be made at: www.westdunn.com. Services have been entrusted to West & Dunn Funeral Home, Newton Grove, North Carolina.

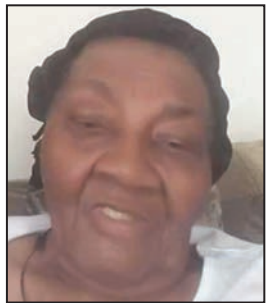


NEWTON GROVE

The earth lost a wonderful soul when **Joyce J. McLawhorn, 85**, of Newton Grove, passed away. She transitioned peacefully at UNC Hospital in Hillsborough on September 30, 2021, after a courageous journey with Alzheimer's disease. She was born in Elevation Township in Johnston County on February 27, 1936 to the late Elbert P. and Vera B. Johnson.

Joyce wore many hats during her long life. She was a farmer's wife, singer, beautician, artist, child carer, and musician. She played the piano, accordion and banjo. Joyce was the best mother, sister, aunt, Granny and Great Granny. She loved life and was quite the prankster. She kept her sense of humor until the end. Of all her accomplishments, she will be most remembered for her heart full of love, everyone was welcome at her table. Joyce will be dearly missed by her daughter Sandi Brown; grandchildren Amos (Chelsea) Brown, Jeremi (Chris) B. Clark; great grandchildren Asher, Ansley, Silas and Hayden; brother Thomas Johnson, Sister in Law Helen Johnson, Sister in Law Brenda Johnson, and Glenda and Eugene Worley as well as numerous extended family and friends. In addition to her parents, Joyce was predeceased by her siblings; Dennis Johnson, Marjorie Balance, Keith Johnson, Danny Johnson and Gayle J. May. A celebration of Joyce's life will be held on Wednesday, October 6 at 11:00 AM at Oak Grove Free Will Baptist Church, 3311 Newton Grove Highway, Newton Grove, NC. Visitation will be at the church at 10:00 AM (Family will not be in attendance for Visitation). Interment will follow the services at Warren-Oak Grove Cemetery. Memorial Donations may be made to Alzheimer's Association, 225 N. Michigan Ave., Fl. 17, Chicago, IL 60601; Oak Grove Free Will Baptist Church, or to the charity of one's choice. In accordance with current North Carolina COVID-19 guidelines, the funeral home requests that everyone in attendance practice social distancing and wear a face covering.

GARLAND



Mrs. Johnnie Irene McNeil, 97, of 365 Longview Lake Road, Garland, passed away Sunday, October 03, 2021, at her residence. Johnnie was born July 14, 1924, in Sampson County to the late Johnny and Jannie Newton. She was preceded in death by her husband: William McNeil and two sons: Kibey McNeil; Johnny McNeil. She received her education at Kerr School in Sampson County, NC. Johnnie worked for many years at the Rose Hill Poultry Plant on the Assembly Line. She cherished the love of her family and friends. A graveside service will be held at 2:00 PM, Friday, October 08, 2021, at McNeil Cemetery in Garland. Reverend Johnnie B. Murphy will be officiating the service. Johnnie leaves to cherish her memory three daughters: Geneva Hill (William) of Garland; Letha McNeil of Raleigh; Violet McNeil of Garland, one son: William "Bonney" McNeil Jr. of Clinton, 6 grandchildren: Eva Jane McNeil; Nancy McNeil; Lenora McNeil Anderson; Jermaine "Buddy" McNeil; Shamar McNeil; Kalisha McNeil, a host of great-grandchildren, host of nieces and nephews, and a close friend: Vernet Crumpler. The public will be received on Thursday, October 07, 2021, from 1:00-6:00 PM at Carter Funeral Home in Garland.

CLINTON



Mr. Marquez "Mark" Melvin, 47, of 105 E. Maple Street, Clinton, NC passed away Monday, October 4, 2021 at Cape Fear Valley Healthcare Center, Fayetteville, NC. The funeral service will be held at 1pm, Saturday, October 9, 2021 at Cape Fear Conference A Headquarters, Erwin, NC with Dr. Timothy Peppers officiating. Burial in Sandhill Cemetery, Clinton, NC. Mr. Melvin is survived by WIFE-Nashonda Melvin of the home;

DAUGHTERS-Kadejah Horne of New York, ShaKirra Wright and MarQuia Melvin both of the home; SONS-Dominic McPherson of Fayetteville, NC, Ryan Melvin of the home; PARENTS-Evangeline Oates Melvin of the home and Rev. Leondus "L.D." Melvin of Lillington, NC ; SISTER-Anitra Wilson of Willow Spring, NC; BROTHER-Kelly Colvin of Raleigh, NC; 2 grandchildren. Walk-thru Viewing Worley Funeral Home (Mask Required) Friday, October 8, 2021 2pm - 6pm.

SALEMBURG

Lynda Owens of 80 Hammer Lane passed away on Wednesday, October 6, 2021 at her home. Born in Georgia in 1947 to the late Lester and Maggie Smith Way, Lynda was a purchaser for the US Govern-



ment. In her spare time Lynda enjoyed reading books and spending time with her family. She will be missed by all who knew her. In addition to her parents Lynda is also preceded in death by a sister Connie Burgett. In honoring Lynda's wishes she will be cremated, there will be no services scheduled. Lynda leaves to cherish her memories: her loving husband of 54 years: Harry Owens of the home, Daughter: Denise Huttchens and husband Chris of Las Vegas, siblings: Sandra Turner of Georgia and Leslie Force also of Georgia and 3 grandchildren.



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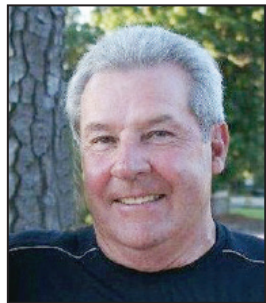
Ethel Jernigan Parker, age 87, of Newton Grove passed away Monday, October 4, 2021, at her home surrounded by her family. She was born in Sampson County on September 21, 1934. She was an instrumental part of the success of Parker Gas Company over the years. She was well-known in the Newton Grove area in the past for her famous "tenderloin" biscuits that

she served at the Circle Stop.

Ethel was a long-time dedicated member of Smyrna Original Free Will Baptist Church in the Meadow community. She was well loved by family and friends. Her loving heart and sense of humor will be greatly missed. She was preceded in death by her husband Earl J. Parker, her mother Mealie Jane Jernigan, her father Julius Ernie Jernigan and her brother Odis Jernigan as well as several half-brothers and sisters. She is survived by her children Donna Lee (husband Sammy) of Dunn, David Parker (wife Kim) of Newton Grove, Susan Raynor (husband Ricky) of Benson and Daren Parker (wife Michelle) of Clinton. She has ten grandchildren: Jason McConnell, Ashley Stevens, Laura Skoczylas, Erin Byrd, Nathan Raynor, Evan Raynor, Braden Raynor, Zack Parker, Casey Parker and Camden Parker. She also has four great grandchildren. Mrs. Parker will lay in state Thursday, October 7th from 1pm until 7pm at West & Dunn Funeral Home in Newton Grove, NC. Family will not be present during this time. Due to Covid restrictions, there will be a private funeral service for the family. A graveside service will be held Friday, October 8th in the church cemetery at Smyrna OFWB Church located at 11415 NC Hwy 96, Dunn, N.C. at 4pm for all family and friends that would like to attend. The Reverend Billy Nowell will officiate. The family would like to thank all her special caregivers and Pruitt Hospice of Fayetteville. Memorials may be made to Smyrna OFWB Church at P.O. Box 516, Benson, NC 27504. Online condolences may be made at: www.westdunn.com. West & Dunn Funeral Home, Newton Grove is honored to service the Parker Family.

ROSE HILL

Charles Vernon Rouse, Sr., age 80,



of Rose Hill passed from this life to his eternal rest on Saturday, October 2, 2021, at his residence. He was born on January 18, 1941, in Duplin County; the son of the late Leslie Holmes Rouse, Sr. and Mary Elizabeth Ward Rouse Dobson. Charles was also preceded in death by his grandson, Dillon James Rouse; brothers, Leslie Holmes Rouse, Jr., Doane Rouse, C.C. Rouse and Ward Rouse and his sisters, Elnora Ivey, Polly Rouse Costin Smith, and Mary Lee Phillips. Mr. Rouse proudly served his country in the United States Navy for four years and he was a member of St. John's Masonic Lodge #13 A.F. & A.M. Surviving to cherish his memory is his best friend and loving wife of fifty-nine years, Helen Adeline Boyce Rouse; his devoted children, Charles "Chuck" Rouse, Jr. and wife, Ruth of Raleigh, Richard "Rick" Rouse and wife, Carla of Kenansville, Donald "Donnie" Rouse and wife, Eileen of Melbourne, Florida and Elizabeth Bell and husband, Dwight of Garland; grandchildren, Leslie Rouse, Logan Bell, Aiden Rouse, Ivey Rouse, Landon Bell and Casey Rouse; and numerous nieces, nephews, extended family and friends that loved Vernon. Vernon, as he was affectionately known, was a great husband and wonderful father, grandfather and brother who loved his family dearly. He was a hard worker who made sure his family was provided for. Vernon enjoyed spending time with his family and playing golf. He fell in love with Helen many, many years ago and as the years went by, he loved her even more. With a great personality, Vernon acquired many friends throughout his life. He will surely be missed but treasured memories will forever remain in the hearts of those who knew and loved Vernon. Inurnment service will be held at 11:00a.m. on Thursday, October 7, 2021 at Devotional Garden Mausoleum, Warsaw, NC with the Reverend Jimmy Johnson officiating. In lieu of flowers memorial gifts may be sent to the NC Masonic Foundation, 2921 Glenwood Avenue, Raleigh, NC 27608. Quinn-McGowen Funeral Home of Wallace.

GARLAND

Mrs. Illa Pearl Smith, 78, of 734



West 2nd St., Garland, passed away Tuesday, October 05, 2021, at UNC Memorial Hospital in Chapel Hill. Illa Pearl was born December 11, 1942, in Sampson County to the late Luther and Daisy Thorpe. She is preceded in death by her husband of 60 years: Ralph Sanford Smith Sr., five brothers: Odell Thorpe; Lester Thorpe; LJ Thorpe; Ronald Thorpe; Adam Thorpe; and sister: Daisy King. A graveside service

will be held at 11:00 AM, Saturday, October 09, 2021, at Garland Cemetery in Garland. Reverend Dewey Ball will be officiating the service. Illa Pearl leaves to cherish her memory two sons: Ralph S. Smith Jr. and wife Rhonda of Garland; Randolph "Randy" D. Smith and wife Sheri of Garland, three grandsons: Mickey Smith of Wilmington; Nickey Smith Rocky Point, NC; Chandler Smith of Garland, and three great-grandchildren. A viewing will be held on Friday, October 08, 2021, from 6:00-8:00 PM at Carter Funeral Home in Garland. Services provided by Carter Funeral Home, Garland. www.carterfh.com.



CLINTON

Mr. Stanley Dean King, Sr., 81, of 731 Isaac Weeks Road, passed away Tuesday at Sampson Regional Medical Center, Clinton, NC. The graveside service will be held at 1 p.m., Sunday, October 10, 2021 at Hillcrest Memorial Park with Bishop Terrell Powell officiating. Mr. King, Sr. is survived by his WIFE-Edna King of home; DAUGHTERS-Kimberly King-Sapp of Smithfield, NC and Serreda King-Jenkins of Selma, NC; SONS-Stanley Dean King, Jr. of Clemmons, NC and Reginald King of Clinton, NC; SISTERS-Patricia Parker of Washington, DC, Carolyn King of Raleigh, NC, Linda Shackleford of Clinton, NC, Julia Faison of Turkey, NC, Mary Bland of Clinton, NC, Barbara Mack of Baltimore, MD and Estherine Davis of Wake Forest, NC; BROTHERS-Charles King of Four Oaks, NC, Marion King of Bronx, NY, Harvey Gene King of Delaware, Clarence King of Ingold, NC and Dannie King of Turkey, NC; 9 grandchildren and 5 great grandchildren. Visitation at Worley Funeral Home Saturday, October 9, 2021 2pm - 4pm.

CLINTON



Mr. Larry Jr. Thompson, 56 of 347 MLK, Jr. Blvd., Clinton, NC passed away Tuesday, October 05, 2021 at Kitty Askins Hospice House, Goldsboro, NC. The graveside service will be held at 12pm, Tuesday, October 12, 2021 at the Bearskin Baptist Church Cemetery, Clinton, NC with Apostle Marcus Becton officiating. Mr. Thompson is survived by his MOTHER-Nora Thompson and FA-

THER-Larry C. Thompson, Sr. both of Clinton, NC; SON-Malcolm Sutton of Clinton, NC; BROTHER-Dexter Thompson of Clinton, NC; one grandchild. Visitation at the Cemetery Tuesday, October 12, 2021 11am-12pm.



CLINTON

Mr. Eddie Delanta Williams, 54, of 107 Eastover Ave., Clinton passed away Saturday at Cape Fear Valley Hospital, Fayetteville, NC. The graveside service will be held at 1 p.m., Saturday, October 9, 2021 at the McLamb Family Cemetery, Clinton with Military Honors. Mr. Williams is survived by his STEP-FATHER-Durand McCollum, Sr. of Clinton, NC; SISTER-Dominique "Nikki" Melvin of Clinton, NC; BROTHER-Durand McCollum, Jr., of Clinton, NC. Visitation at Worley Funeral Home (Mask are required) Friday, October 8, 2021 2pm - 6pm/Family 5pm - 6pm.

HOOVER ALABAMA

Mr. Lester Waylon Autry, 90 of Hoover, AL, passed away Friday, October 8, 2021. A graveside service will be held at 11:00 AM Saturday, October 16 at Autryville Cemetery with Rev. Ricky Spell officiating. He was born in 1930 in Autryville, NC to Emerson Theodore and Janie Patterson Autry. He attended Clement High School and spent his 45 year career in sales in Kraft Heinz Company. He was a member of Shades Mountain Baptist Church and especially enjoyed the 11 am Men's Sunday School Class. He was also proud to be a Master Mason with the Bluff Park Masonic Lodge, No. 856. He was a beloved husband, father, grandfather and great grandfather. His favorite activities were enjoying his grandchildren and spending time in NC on the farm growing longleaf pines. He is survived by his wife of 67 years, Bessie Carolyn Faircloth Autry; son, Steve Autry and wife, Lynn and his grandchildren, Anne Bell (Brayden), Craig Autry (Meredith) and Catherine Autry; and three grandchildren. The family request that in lieu of flowers, donations be made to the Shades Mountain Baptist Church "Make Jesus Known" fund, 2017 Columbiana Rd., Birmingham, AL 35216. Services entrusted to Butler Funeral Home, 401 W. Roseboro Street, Roseboro, NC.

ERWIN

Roy Roger Bradshaw, 76, of 5966 Titan Roberts Road, passed away Wednesday, October 6, 2021 at his home. Graveside service will be held at 2 PM, Sunday, October 10th at the Bradshaw Family Cemetery on Bradshaw Rd., in Clinton NC, with Rev. Earl Smith officiating. Roy, born in Sampson County on July 22, 1945, was the son of the late Theodore Bradshaw and Claudia McCullen Bradshaw. He was a former owner and operator of a paving company and current owner of many rental properties. In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by his wife, Holly Bradshaw. Survivors include: children, Shelia Stoltz, Amanda Thornton, Roy Wesley Bradshaw, Victoria Bradshaw and Suzanne Bradshaw; sister, Joanne Bradshaw; and grandchildren, Edward Strickland, Travis Strickland, Jackson Bradshaw, Jeffery Phillips, Robert Stoltz, Lori Jo Stoltz, Ashley Bradshaw, Memory Thornton and Daniel Lambert. Online condolences may be sent to the family at www.crumpler-honeycutt.com.

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\$75 per player • 1 Free Mulligan • Extra Mulligan \$20 per team

We respectfully ask you to help Tim's Gift by sponsoring this year's golf tournament. All proceeds fund The Hope Project to help people in need. In 2020, even during a pandemic, more than 372 people were helped, given hope, and had prayer. 2,092 pieces of equipment and supplies were distributed at no cost. Your generous giving through this fundraising event provides for these needs.

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*Atlantic Dermatology - Dr. Christopher Cook
Dr. Christopher Cook with Atlantic Dermatology presents a check to Becky Spell for Tim's Gift. Their North Carolina office staff members all gathered to bring in personal items for Helping Hand Bags, and monies to give help and hope throughout the community.*



Becky Spell shares appreciation for Bojangles 4th year as a Logo Ball Sponsor for Tim's Gift HOPE Project Golf Tournament with our local Bojangles Manager, Manuel Cruz. We are grateful for all sponsors and supporters!



*Zach Tolbert - Heritage Family
Tim's Gift celebrates with Zach Tolbert, State Field Director with Heritage Family, as the first non profit organization in North Carolina to receive a grant through the "Make Tomorrow a Better" program from this national company!*

...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 suppertime 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