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WEEKLY VERSE

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"On the Rocks"



Some of the more ornate painted rocks

Something Special Happening in Garland

We live in a time where it seems like all you read or hear about on the news is something bad. It is refreshing to hear that something good is actually going on in the community (which there is lots of good things happening in Sampson County- you may not always hear about them).

And something good is going on in the small Town of Garland and let's say "It's on the Rocks!"

No! We are not talking about a mixed drink or some exotic cocktail. We are talking about words of encouragement that are being painted on rocks and placed throughout the town for a lucky person to encounter.

12-Year-Old Kenzie Hinson Making A Difference



Kenzie was visited by Governor Roy Cooper and she is the 1st North Carolina Spokeskid for Volunteerism

In 2015, then 10-year-old Mackenzie Hinson established the "Make A Difference Food Pantry" in Goldsboro. Today, the now 12-year-old Kenzie is making a difference in the lives 4,500 people every month; and she has plans to increase those numbers as soon as possible.

"I began my Make A Difference Food Pantry in 2015 at the age of 10," explains Hin-

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Maxwell Road Endless Yard Sale Set for August 12th





The Maxwell Road Endless Yard Sale is gearing up for its third year, with last year being a huge success. Shoppers from all over the state and many from out of state headed down to Maxwell Road to get in on some of the great deals and crafts that were for sale. This year's event is stacking up to be even bigger and better, with more vendors than ever.

Event coordinator Sherri Bostic had the idea three years ago when she saw the need to raise some money to help pay off some family medical bills. This year, Bostic said that even though she has paid off the medical bills, the yard sale is an excellent way to raise extra cash and just get rid of some stuff that you just don't need any more.

Thousands of shoppers turned out last year and Bostic says she thinks this year will turn out even more people.

Sherri Bostic, inspired by the 301 Endless Yard Sale that runs from Virginia to Dunn, stated, "As a way to create a fun day of shopping and exploring rural Cumberland

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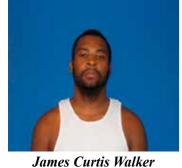


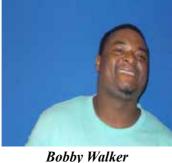
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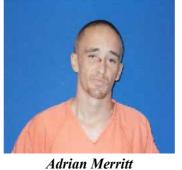
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Drug Sting Nets Over 42 Arrests











James Carus Walker

Bobby Walker

Javaun Johnson

Steven Williams

On July 11, 2017, the Sampson County Special Investigations Division conducted eleven arrests that were part of a yearlong undercover operation in Sampson County. The Drug Sting operation has continued since then and over 42 people have been arrested and charged.

As a result of the investigation the following individuals were arrested:

of Marijuana and PWISD Marijuana. Bell's bond was set at \$150,000.

liver Marijuana, and PWISD of Marijuana. Gooden's bond was set at \$10,000.

Yolanda Jones, 47, B/F of 85 Henry Lee Ln., Clinton, NC was charged with Trafficking Opiates by Sell, Trafficking Opiates by Delivery, and Trafficking Opiates by Possession Jones bon was set at \$100,000.

Tiffany Hicks, 24, B/F of 704 Williams St. Clinton, NC was charged with Conspire to Sell Cocaine, Conspire to Deliver Cocaine and Maintaining a Vehicle. Hicks bond was set at \$125,000.

Antwoine Vinston, 31, B/M of 80 Harpers Glen Ln. Apt. 301, Clinton, NC was charged with PWISD

Cocaine, Sell Cocaine and Deliver Cocaine. Vinston bond was set at \$200,000.

Brandon Bell, 28, B/M of 2812 E. Darden Rd., Faison, NC was charged with Sell of Marijuana, Delivery

Kelvin Gooden, 22, B/M of 590 Southwood Dr., Clinton, NC was charged with Sell of Marijuana, De-

Demetrius Wilson, 26, B/M of 312 Tarheel Dr., Clinton, NC was charged Sell of Cocaine, Deliver of

Cocaine and PWISD Cocaine. Wilson's bond was set at \$20,000.

Tony Kiger, 55, W/M of 2607 Keener Rd., Clinton, NC was charged with Maintaining a Vehicle for a Controlled Substance, Possession of Meth Precursor, Conspire to Sell Marijuana, Deliver Marijuana, Possession of Marijuana, PWISD Marijuana, and Simple Possession of Schedule II Controlled Substance. During his arrest, a mobile meth lab was located inside Kiger's vehicle. The lab contained Meth and Meth precursors. Kiger's bond was set at \$130,000.

James Marshburn, 21, W/M of 3539 Turkey Hwy., Clinton, NC was charged with Sell of Marijuana, Deliver Marijuana and PWISD Marijuana. Marshburn's bond was set at \$10,000.

Lindsey Howard. 31, B/F of 66 Waterhouse Circle, Clinton, NC was charged with Trafficking Opium or Heroin, Sell of Cocaine and Deliver of Cocaine. Howard's bond was set at \$20,000.

Antonio Howard, 32, B/M of 66 Waterhouse Circle, Clinton, NC was charged with Sell of Schedule IV, Deliver of Schedule IV, PWISD Schedule IV. Howard's bond was set at \$15,000.

Raul Acosta, 33, W/M, 8196 Turkey Hwy., Clinton, NC was charged with Sell of Cocaine, Deliver of Cocaine, and PWISD Cocaine. Acosta bond was set at \$80,000.

Update: July 12, 2017

Brenda Brunson, 21, B/M of 20 Amic Ln., Clinton, NC was charged with 2 counts of Sell of Schedule VI and PWISD Marijuana. Brunson was placed under a \$10,000 bond.

Gary Ashley, 24, B/M of 178 RJ Ln., Clinton, NC was charged with Sell of Marijuana, Deliver of Marijuana and PWISD Marijuana. Ashley was placed under a \$20,000 bond.

Tyrone Chevalier, 38, B/M of 308 Weeks St., Clinton, NC was charged with Conspire to Sell Cocaine, Conspire to Deliver Cocaine and PWISD Cocaine. Chevalier was placed under a \$125,000 bond.

Update: July 14, 2017

Mitchell McNeil, 38, B/M of 59 Golden Eagle Ln., Clinton, NC was charged with Sell of Cocaine, Deliver Cocaine and PWISD Cocaine. McNeil's bond was set at \$75,000.

Shelton Williams, 29, B/M of 6038 Zoar Church Rd., Salemburg, NC was charged with Sell of Cocaine,

Ronie Eason, 50, B/M of 726 Williams St., Clinton, NC was charged with PWISD Schedule II, Maintaining a Dwelling and Dispense Medication without a License. Eason's bond was set at \$125,000.

Michael Ray Parker, 33, B/M of 117 Kerr St., Clinton, NC was charge with Sell of Marijuana, Deliver

of Marijuana and PWISD Marijuana. Parker's bond was set at \$25,000.

Shykeim Bennett, 20, B/M of 27 Happy Trail Ln., Clinton, NC was charged with Sell of Marijuana, Deliver of Marijuana and PWISD Marijuana. Bennett's bond was set at \$100,000.

Anna Rogers, 21, W/F of 952 Rosin Hill Rd., Nwewton Grove, NC was charged with Conspire to Sell and Deliver Marijuana, Sell Marijuana and Deliver Marijuana. Rogers bond was set at \$50,000.

Shide Underwood, 24, B/M of 167 Blue Grass Ln., Roseboro, NC was charged with Sell Marijuana and Deliver Marijuana. Underwood's bond was set at \$10,000.

Jeffery Ross Dixon, 21, W/M of 1002 Bradshaw St., Clinton, NC was charged with Sell Marijuana,

Deliver Marijuana and PWISD Marijuana. Dixon's bond was set at \$15,000.

Eugenia Tew, 50, W/F of 131 Byrd St., Clinton, NC was charged with Trafficking Opiates/Heroin. Tew's bond was set at \$10,000.

Update: July 17, 2017

Jimmy Rouse, 21, W/M of 503 Tram Rd., Clinton, NC was charged with Sell of Cocaine, Deliver of Cocaine and PWISD of Cocaine. Rouse's bond was set at \$90,000.

Joseph Locklear, 21, I/M of 115 Don St., Clinton, NC was charged with Sell of Cocaine, Deliver of Cocaine and PWISD of Cocaine. Locklear's bond was set at \$7,000.

Update: July 18, 2017

Allen Simmons, 61, W/M of 70 Julius Land Ln., Clinton, NC was charge with PWISD Meth, Sell of Meth and Deliver of Meth. Simmons bond was set at \$30,000.

Update: July 19, 2017

Jeremy Owens, 32, B/M of 225 Dogwood Circle, Clinton, NC was charged with Sell of Cocaine, Deliver of Cocaine, and PWISD Cocaine. Owens bond was set at \$50,000.

Jason Byrd, 32, W/M of 157 Farm Tree Ln., Clinton, NC was charged with Possession of Methamphetamine and Possession of Drug Paraphernalia. Byrd's bond was set at \$35,870.

Cory Byrd, 27, W/M. of 159 Harpers Glen Ln. Apt. 204, Clinton, NC was charged with Possession of Methamphetamine and Possession of Drug Paraphernalia. Byrd's bond was set at \$85,000.

Holly Phillips, 33, W/F of 207 W. Roseboro St. Apt. B, Roseboro, NC was charged with Possession of Methamphetamine and Possession of Drug Paraphernalia. Phillips bond was set at \$35,000. Ginger Baggett, 38, W/F of 4545 Bradshaw Rd., Clinton, NC was charged with Possession of Methamphetamine and Possession of Drug Paraphernalia. Baggett's bond was set at \$35,500.

Update: July 20, 2017

Roy Williams, 22, B/M of 122 Pete Quinn Road, Warsaw, NC was charged with Selling Marijuana, Delivering Marijuana and PWISD Marijuana. Williams' bond was set at \$20,000.

Malcom Lee Henry, 23, B/M of 3088 HB Lewis Road, Clinton, NC was charged with 2 counts of Sell-

ing Cocaine, 2 counts of Delivering Cocaine and 2 counts of PWISD Cocaine. Henry's bond was set at \$75,000.00.

Miguel Angel Lopez, Jr., 19, W/M of 102 Mency Court, Mt. Olive, NC was charged with charged with 2 counts of Selling Marijuana, 2 counts of Delivering Marijuana, 2 counts of PWISD Marijuana, Conspire to Sell Cocaine, and Conspire to Deliver Cocaine. Lopez's bond was set at \$25,000.

Anthony Michael Jones, Jr., 24, B/M of 761 West Road, Turkey, NC was charged with charged with 2 counts of Selling Marijuana, 2 counts of Delivering Marijuana and 2 counts of PWISD Marijuana. Jones' bond was set at \$20,000.

Tyree Joel Smith, 32, B/M of 204 West Butler Avenue, Clinton, NC was charged with Selling Marijuana, Delivering Marijuana and PWISD Marijuana. Smith's bond was set at \$25,000.

Update: July 21, 2017

Byron Scott Brewer, 22, W/M of 52 Jacob West Lane, Clinton, NC 28328 was charged with Possession of Cocaine, Sell Cocaine, Deliver Cocaine, PWISD Cocaine, Possess Drug Paraphernalia, and 2 counts of Probation Violation. Brewer's bond was set at \$80,000.

Update: July 24, 2017

Adrian Merritt, 26, W/M of 3487 Hobbton Hwy., Clinton, NC was charged with Sell of Methamphetamine, Deliver of Methamphetamine and PWISD Methamphetamine. Merritts bond was set at \$75,000.

Javaun Johnson, 26, B/M of 520 Margret St., Clinton, NC was charged with PWISD Marijuana, Sell of Marijuana and Deliver of Marijuana. Johnson's bond was set at \$150,000. He was also severed with unrelated outstanding warrants for Assault by Strangulation, Assault on a Female and Communicating Threats.

Update: July 25, 2017

Steven Williams, 24, B/M of 564 Ferrell St., Clinton, NC was charged with Conspire to Sell, Conspire to Deliver and PWISD Cocaine. Williams bond was set at \$230,000.

Update: July 26, 2017

Bobby Walker, 32, B/M of 307 Byrd St., Clinton, NC was charged with Sell of Cocaine, Deliver of Cocaine, and PWISD Cocaine. Walkers bond was set at \$150,000.

Update: July 27, 2016

James Walker, 26, B/M of 41 Golden Eagle Ln., Clinton, NC was charged with Sell of Cocaine, Deliver of Cocaine and PWISD Cocaine. Walker was placed under a \$90,000 bond.



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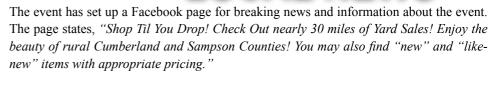
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and Sampson Counties, the Maxwell Road "Endless" Yard Sale idea was hatched three years ago! On Saturday August 12th, 2017, (always the 2nd Saturday in

August), everyone who lives along or near Maxwell Road in Cumberland and Sampson Counties, and High House Road in Sampson County, is encouraged to hold a yard sale. This day-long event is being advertised heavily on Facebook and will also be advertised by flyers and word-of-mouth throughout these communities. Churches and businesses along the route may want to plan a ministry outreach that day, or allow members or neighbors to use their parking lots for yard sales as well. Whatever you wish to do, please take advantage of the increased traffic that day to promote your cause! With everyone's help, this third year can become a positive event for all involved."

According to Bostic, the event is getting larger this year with the yard sale route expanding. "Last year's sale was held along a 25-mile length of State Route 1006, which also bears several other names, depending on where you are on it. The route will include Maxwell Road, High House Road and Kitty Fork Road." Bostic stated that "people along the portion of SR 1006 that stretches between east Fayetteville and N.C. 24 - known as Clinton Road." This year's route has been extended to approximately 30 miles.

"You do not want to miss this one!" exclaimed Bostic.



Event organizers are also urging churches along the route to use this day to plan ministry outreach and/or fundraisers.

"Whether you are a crafter, a dealer or just a bargain hunter, we have something that you just don't want to miss. The Annual Maxwell Road Endless Yard Sale is scheduled for Saturday August 12th from 7am until 6pm; a day of limitless shopping."

Bostic also encourages everyone, "Please "join" our event page on Facebook and invite all of your FB friends!"

Bostic says that there will be something for everyone, "Traditional Yard Sale items, craftsman, representatives of various products, bake goods, hot dogs, hamburgers, pizza, BBQ, funnel cakes (last year had automobiles). Anything and everything for sale. Please come out and enjoy this day of food, fun, fellowship, and great deals!!!!!"

If you would like more information on the Maxwell Road Endless Yard Sale or to reserve a space, please contact Sherri Bostic (910) 990-0415. Mark your calendar and circle the date to make sure you do not miss this event!

Phillips Recognized by Town of Roseboro for 20 Years of Service



At the July Roseboro Board of Commissioners meeting, the town recognized David Phillips for 20 years of loyal and dedicated service to the Town of Roseboro. Mr. Phillips serves as the Public Utilities Director for the town. Phillips was presented with a plaque and





Newly appointed Sampson County School Board Chairman Timothy Register and Vice-Chair Kim Schmidlin

The Sampson County school board unanimously approved to appoint Timothy Register Chairman and Kim Schmidlin Vice Chair of the Sampson County School Board. The meeting was held on Wednesday night at the Sampson County Auditorium on Rowan Road in Clinton.

Mr. Register will replace outgoing chairman Telfair Simpson. Mrs. Schmidlin will remain vice-chair of the Sampson County School Board.



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purpose of the project:

Garland Rocks has a Facebook page that explains the

If you are here because you found a rock...congratulations!!! How fun! Please post a photo of the rock you found, and tell us the location you found it in! (City and state as well if not Garland, NC) Please re-hide the rock in another location, OR replace it with one of your own! So glad you've joined us!

GARLAND Rocks began with the sole purpose of spreading joy, kindness, and to bring us closer as a community through creativity, and was inspired by the DUPLIN Rocks Facebook Group.

The idea is to decorate rocks with paint, chalk, or markers, and to hide them in various locations to brighten someone's day. To last longer rocks should be covered with a sealer. On the back of your masterpieces, write in permanent pen or paint, "Take picture and post on Facebook in "Garland Rocks" group (Make sure it is the Garland, NC group). Rehide." If you find a painted rock that you can't bear to part with, please keep it, but replace it with one of your own creations!

Please feel free to take your rock to another town, state or country to hide and share. This is a kindness project, and kindness has no boundaries!"

Group Rules include the following:

- 1. Do not hide rocks in schools for children to find.
- 2. Do not decorate rocks with glue-on accessories. These will eventually fall off and become litter and a hazard to wildlife.
- 3. Be sensitive to the environment and do not remove rocks from or hunt in protected habitats, and please follow all rules of the parks and trails you visit.



Garland Rocks paints a new batch of rocks that they are getting ready to distribute throughout the town.



- 4. Avoid hiding in large chain stores, and be respectful of small businesses and private property.
- 5. Don't hide in grass where lawn mowers roam or in other hazardous locations.
- 6. Keep all posts kind, and free of rants and drama, political opinions, foul language, or business advertising and all pictures family-friendly. Members who violate these standards will be deleted. 7. Above all, use common sense and remember why WE are doing this. We want to spread happiness in our community, and in no way wish to be a nuisance, distraction, or hazard.

The Facebook page goes on to say, "Rocks reflect the opinions and attitudes of the individual artists, and not those of the administration. Administration cannot be held responsible for the actions of individual group members." ~Garland Rocks

The group says that the community project "is meant to be fun for all ages and abilities, so get creative and get outside! Thank you for being such an important part of this community. Peace,

love, gratitude, and HAPPINESS! Thanks in advance for participating in putting a smile on some unexpected person's face."

And rocks have been showing up all over town- at town hall, at shops around town, at the park, anywhere a passerby may spot one and need a few words of encouragement. Words such as "You

are my Sunshine", "Shoot for the Stars", "Keep on Moving Forward", just to name a few.

The rocks usually have beautiful hand-painted scenes on them, some more simple, some more

Rocks are often found with Biblical scripture on them as well. Just simple words to brighten someone's day or to simply give needed words of encouragement. Verses such as "The Lord is

"An act so simple as painting and placing a rock for some random person to find can help brighten one's day. Let's show just how much Garland, NC rocks!" says the group.

What a wonderful way to make a difference, **ONE ROCK AT A TIME!**

My Light and Salvation." ~ Psalm 27 or "Give Thanks." ~ Psalm 136:1.

elaborate.

KENZIE, cont. from 1

son, "in the fellowship hall of Black Jack Freewill Baptist Church. After 3 months, and a huge gift of 1200 meals from Food Lion, I had outgrown the space and rented a spot in a strip mall in Grantham, which I outgrew once again in about 6 months."

"I now rent 3 spots in the mall," says Hinson. "I began my pantry after researching statistics about hunger in North Carolina and my county for a 4H speech. I wanted to change those statistics and bring awareness to the silent and often suppressed problem. I volunteered at several pantries and decided I wanted a pan-



Mackenzie Hinson

try that was different. One that offered nutritious choices, nutritional information, and a pantry where people would not be embarrassed to visit. My motto is 'Stopping Hunger One Meal, One Family At A Time' and 'It's All About How You Make People Feel'."

Kenzie says she's an only child, "Unless you count my 4-legged sister Sunshine (Lab) and Max (my Westie)." The 9th grade homeschool student says her mom and dad are her backbone. "We live in the outskirts of rural Wayne County in Mt. Olive. We are members of the first Advent Christian Church in Four Oaks, where my mom is from and where my grandparents live and my dad works."

"In the beginning," Hinson explains, "I provided fresh produce, bread and nonperishables, serving 30 families or about 75 people a month. I was open once a month."

"Today," adds Hinson, "I serve over 4500 people monthly."

"I have 3 Thursday distributions monthly, 2 outreach pantries located at Unity Fellowship Church in Rosewood and Cornerstone Baptist Church in Four Oaks, and one opening in September at the Hydrant Church outside of Dudley."

"I also run a Senior Citizens mobile pantry serving homebound seniors in 3 locations in Mt.

Olive on Wednesdays, and a hot meal on Fridays and holidays. I run a Kenzie's Kids Café Summer Feed Program at 5 sites on Fridays throughout Goldsboro serving 500 kids each week, as well as a monthly community Farm to Table Feed at the Goldsboro Salvation Army."

"I also have 4 Back Pack Buddy Weekend Feed Programs serving 162 kids weekly, and a Hotel Outreach Program bi-monthly serving hot meals and food bags to residents in local hotels in conjunction with the Goldsboro Salvation Army serving 450 people."

Kenzie Hinson was also there for her community during the devastation that occurred and the aftermath of Hurricane Matthew. "I was blessed to serve over 6,900 hot meals and distribute over 4,000 bags of food during the hurricane. I have some awesome volunteers."

"My goal," says Hinson, "is to show people you can 'Be The Change' and Make A Difference in the world, regardless of your age, economic status, race or religion. It just takes time and heart. I challenge everyone to join my Make A Difference movement to spread kindness."

The 12-year-old's hard work and dedication hasn't gone unnoticed either. Governor Roy Cooper made a special effort to acknowledge Kenzie's efforts during a State of the State address.

"I was honored to be recognized during the Governor's State of the State Address and have my Mayor and parents join me. I could not have done it without my parents, volunteers and my awesome board of directors. We are a team and teamwork makes the mission work. I am honored to be the 1st North Carolina Spokeskid for Volunteerism."

Kenzie says that faith is a big part of what she does, and faith plays an even bigger part in getting results. "You have to have faith because often times I do not know where the funding will come from to pay my rent or purchase enough food to meet the need."

"But it always happens and a way is made," adds Hinson. "I hope I have shown others how to operate not just on paper but on faith. I embrace all opportunities to glean fields and to fundraise but God does what I cannot."

"The feeling you get when you hand a bag of food to a family, and you hear a child say, 'My mommie can eat now', or when a child is excited over fresh fruit, or a senior citizen cries because I brought a cake and dinner on their birthday, makes all the work worth it. It's all about how you make people feel."

"Hunger affects far more people than we often realize," states Hinson. "I urge everyone to donate, volunteer, and pray for your local pantries as many of us struggle to meet the need. We all could help in small ways which will make more mountains if we try."

For more information, please visit madpantry.org and the Make A Difference Food Pantry Facebook Page. If anyone needs a hot meal and or food please contact 919-252-3700. Kenzie Hinson's mobile food truck is set to be in Newton Grove on Friday afternoons 12:30-1:00, and 1 Sunday each month from 2:30-3:30pm.

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- LOCAL NEWS

We Should Know . . .



Robert Honeycutt with JW Simmons, Host of We Should Know

Tuesdays from 2:30 PM until 3:30 PM, J.W. Simmons hosts a radio show on 1170 AM called "We Should Know", and The Sampson Weekly will feature portions of the transcripts in our continuing efforts to bring you more coverage of what is happening in our community.

The topic for this week's show is the world of music, and the guest this week is Robert Honeycutt, Board Director to the NC Music Hall of Fame.

Robert Honeycutt, a Sampson County native, was introduced to music early in life and music has always been a major part of his life. A graduate of then Campbell College, Honeycutt played in bands during high school and college, and worked at Williams Lake, a popular hangout for teens in the late 50s and 60s.

to play at the lake. The club closed in 1970, but Honeycutt brought a revival to the Williams Lake era in 2008 with the Williams Lake Dance Club Reunion. In 2015, Robert Honeycutt was appointed to the board of directors for the NC Music Hall of Fame.

In 1965, Honeycutt took over management of Williams Lake and began signing major recording artists

JW Simmons begins the show with Robert Honeycutt discussing the days of Williams Lake. Simmons says that folks from across eastern North Carolina came to the small lake in the middle of nowhere because of the music and dancing.

Honeycutt agreed, "Dunn was the closest town. The thing is, over the years, 32 and on up, it was a popular place with people from Clinton, Dunn, Roseboro and Fayetteville with the jukebox. Some of these that became what is known as shaggers would be at Carolina Beach or Ocean Drive in the summer – Mr. Williams was open seven days a week back in those days – so they would come back knowing Williams Lake would be open on a Sunday night. They might be heading back to Durham or Greensboro, but they would stop in. So, word spread all over eastern North Carolina."

Honeycutt says that when he took over Williams Lake, that first night saw people lined up at the door to get in. "We had about 600 that paid," added Honeycutt. "I don't know how many slipped in for free."

Honeycutt explain that 1965 was the middle of integration. "We brought in the Tams, Martha Ray and the Vandellas, May Wells; and we never had the first problem." Honeycutt says that music is a universal language that brings people together.

"Music can make you feel sad, and it can make you feel great," says Honeycutt. "You've got all kinds of music: Jazz, Blue Grass, Opera, you name it... I don't know of anybody who doesn't like music."

Simmons says that Robert Honeycutt has continued to be involved in music throughout his life and even into retirement. Honeycutt has been instrumental in forming a dance club in Dunn, NC and revived the Williams Lake experience with a series of concerts known as the Williams Lake Reunion.

Honeycutt states that the first year for the Williams Lake Reunion was originally going to be it, but because the show sold out in two days, 10-weeks in advance, he decided to make it an annual show. "We did 8-years before I had a recess," says Honeycutt.

Simmons explains that the Honeycutt's Williams Lake Reunion shows were all charitable, non-profit shows that have brought in \$50,000 to various charities.

Honeycutt says that Relay-for-Life in Sampson and Harnett Counties received several thousand dollars from his charitable venture, as well as the Department of Aging in Sampson County. Donations were also made to the Sampson County Shriners for the Children's Hospital and travel fund. The Old Dunn High School Association and other scholarship funds have also benefited from the Williams Lake Reunion shows.

Delbert McClinton Coming to Clinton

Singer/Songwriter, national recording artist and three-time Grammy award winner, Delbert McClinton will be coming to Clinton, NC on Saturday, Sept. 30th to play the Sampson County Expo Center.

Robert Honeycutt says he and his wife Ann were attending a Delbert McClinton concert in Kannapolis, NC when Honeycutt decided to look into booking McClinton for a date here in Sampson County.

"This is where I got the idea for the show," says Honeycutt. "I'd seen him half a dozen times, and he was the best I've ever seen him. At 76 years of age, the guy didn't miss a beat. And that's when I started thinking, man I got to do a show with Delbert."

Delbert McClinton's highest charting single, a duet with Tanya Tucker titled "Tell Me About It" reached No. 4 on the Country Music charts in 1993. And "Giving It Up for Your Love" reached No. 8 on Billboard's Hot 100 in 1980.

A true singer/songwriter, Delbert McClinton crosses musical genre with ease incorporating Country, Blues, Rock and Electric Blues into his music. He's not only an entertaining front man, Delbert McClinton also plays guitar, piano, and his trademark harmonica, which Honeycutt says, Beatles legend, John Lennon, took lessons from McClinton on playing blues harmonica.

"He's recorded something like 27 albums," says Honeycutt. "Of course, he's been around since 1962. But 3 of his albums have gone to No. 1 on Billboard's R&B chart."

regional bands. A 50% retainer is paid up front with the balance due 15 days before the show. In addition artists like McClinton have specified items they require prior to even accepting a booking, such as approva of an opening act, the PA system, even down to the type and brand of microphone and amplifiers used.

Honeycutt says that booking a national recording artist like McClinton is not a simple task like booking

"We had a little (money) left in the Williams Lake account," says Honeycutt. "We didn't give all of it away just in case we wanted to do something else. But it's not nearly enough to cover the booking fee, and so I have to foot the rest."

Honeycutt says that being a 501 C 3 non-profit means that if the show makes money, the proceeds will all

Honeycutt stated that he's not concerned about the potential loss because he's already got two great

go to charity. "And if it doesn't," add Honeycutt, "then it comes out of my pocket.

sponsors lined-up that have stepped up big to help bring Delbert McClinton to town. Billy Lockamy of Lockamy Tek Insurance and Deacon Jones Auto Group in Clinton, two big sponsors that Honeycutt says, "have come on strong".

Honeycutt also credits Edward Jones of Fayetteville, Dunn and Clinton, and Charles DuBose of DuBose Strapping as early sponsors as well.

"A show this big," says Honeycutt, "you hope to break even on the door, which we will because it will be a complete sellout. But you have to have sponsors because it's a really expensive show."

The evening will begin with a 4pm to 6pm pig pickin' with reserved seating for the show open at 6pm. Jim Quick & Coastline will open the show at 6:30pm and headliner, Delbert McClinton will hit the stage at 8:30pm.

Honeycutt says anyone who purchased tickets for the 2015 Williams Lake Reunion show will get advanced chance to purchase tickets, through August 7th, for the Delbert McClinton show on September 30th. Or August 8th, tickets will go on sale to the general public. "They will be sold out quick," says Honeycutt.

For show information or tickets, contact Robert Honeycutt at 910-214-2858, or the Sampson Agri-Exposition Center at 910-592-7200.

To view the entire broadcast of We Should Know please visit their YouTube channel at www.youtube com/user/WeShouldKnowEDU.

The next "We Should Know" hosted by J.W. Simmons will air next Tuesday from 2:30 to 3:30 PM on our local radio station WCLN 1170 AM. If you would like to reach "We Should Know" you may call them at 910-592-8947 or email them with show ideas at weshouldknowedu@gmail.com or you can find them on Facebook.





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OCAL NEWS



POLICE · COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIPS

Saying farewell to crime in our community is the goal behind National Night Out, a program originating in 1984. The first annual National Night Out brought 2.5 million neighbors from across 400 communities in 23 states together to help make neighbors safer. Today, 38 million neighbors in 16,000 communities take part in National Night Out, and this year, Clinton will join the cause for the first

National Night Out is an annual community-building campaign that promotes police-community partnerships and neighborhood camaraderie to make neighborhoods safer, more caring places to live. National Night Out enhances the relationship between neighbors and law enforcement while bringing back a true sense of community. Furthermore, it provides a great opportunity to bring police and neighbors together under positive circumstances.

Millions of neighbors take part in National Night Out across thousands of communities from all fifty states, U.S. territories, Canadian cities, and military bases worldwide on the first Tuesday in August. Neighborhoods host block parties, festivals, parades, cookouts and various other community events with safety demonstrations, seminars, youth events, visits from emergency personnel, exhibits and much, much more.

This year, the Newkirk Park Advisory Committee, in partnership with the Clinton Police Department, will host a National Night Out at the James L. Newkirk Memorial Park on Ferrell Street in Clinton.

At a recent Town Hall meeting for the City of Clinton, Mayor Lew Starling asked City Council members to approve the recognition of National Night Out. Mayor Starling asked Newkirk Park Advisory Committee member Nettie Pernell to explain the event.

"We're partners in crime," stated Pernell as she invited everyone to come out and participate in the event hosted by the Newkirk Park Advisory Committee and the Clinton Police Department.

"We hope that everyone will take the time to come out and make our first National Night Out a success," said Pernell.

The event will be Tuesday, August 1st from 6pm to 8pm and will include free food, visits from emergency personnel, and fun activities with prizes.

Pernell stated that she realizes August 1st is city council meeting date; however, everyone is invited to attend to "help give crime and drugs a going away party".

Edwards Named NEW Clinton Police Chief



May your 50th Birthday bring you as

much happiness and joy as you give to

everyone who knows you.

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Birthday

Robby Malpass

Promotion of Acting Police Chief Donald Edwards to Chief of Police for the City

Interim Clinton City Manager Robert Hyatt announces the promotion of Captain/Assistant Chief Donald Edwards to Chief of Police effective today, July 21, 2017. Edwards will be replacing former Police Chief Jay Tilley who retired in April of this year.

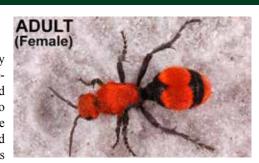
He has been serving as Acting Chief since Chief Tilley's departure while the City has been going through the recruitment process. Edwards has been an integral part of the City of Clinton Police Department for the past 24 years, beginning as a Police Officer I in 1993, and progressed his way through the ranks reaching the level of Captain in 2012.

In addition to his years of experience, Edwards received a Bachelor's of Science degree from Mount Olive College and has successfully completed numerous law enforcement related certification and education courses including, the North Carolina Administrative Officers Management Program.

A ceremonial swearing-in of Donald Edwards as Police Chief will be conducted during the August 1, 2017, City Council Meeting.

From the Vine

A few weeks ago, I was in the yard with my son and nephews playing catch with baseballs. One of the throws went over their head and they took off chasing after it seeing who could get to it first. While running, Nate, the smallest of the three, slid to a stop, turned around, and hollered, "Hey, look at this



bug"! By this time the other two were fighting over the baseball and weren't too interested in the bug that had been found. As I got to "the bugs" location, Nate was squatted down, trying to corral and capture his new discovery. When I saw "the bug", I quickly scooped up Nate and hollered for the other boys to come over and see what he had found. As they ran up to us I told them not to get so close. What is that, they asked in unison. What Nate had found was a Velvet ant, more commonly known as a cow killer.

The cow killer is the largest of the velvet ants, measuring up to 1" in length. It earned its name by the reputation of the female's powerful sting that is said to be so painful that it could kill a cow. Cow killers aren't really ants, but a type of wasp. They differ from ants only by body segments and antennae construction. Cow killers are fairly easy to identify. They have thick fur-like hair and are black with red or orange stripes, long gangly legs, and thick antenna. They are most often found scurrying along the ground in open areas of yards, fields, and pastures. Females are wingless, and males have dark colored wings. Velvet ants are not aggressive and will try to escape and scurry away when encountered. However, females will defend themselves with a long, needle like stinger concealed at the tip of their abdomen if they feel threatened.

Cow killers do not live in colonies or nests like ants or wasp. They are nomadic, and travel from place to place in search of food. They feed on nectar, water, ground bee and ground wasp larvae. Because there is no nest or colony to treat, there is no effective control measures for them, the best advice is to not pick one up or touch it. If you want to get rid of it, use the bottom of your shoe.

"So, can it really kill a cow?" they asked as it scurried away. No, it can't, I told them; but it feels like getting stung by 10 wasps at the same time so let's leave it alone. Yeah, they said I don't want it to sting me – hey, where's the baseball?

Don't forget that the Sampson County Extension Service is offering the Sampson County Friends of Horticulture program this year. This program offers monthly "How To" horticultural seminars targeting homeowners and gardeners of Sampson County. Our next session will cover gardening in raised beds on August 17, 6pm at the Sampson Extension Center. Pre-register by calling 910-592-7161. The registration fee is \$5 per session, and you only pay for the session that you want to attend.



by Brad Hardison

Sampson County VITAL STATS

Deaths

- -Dorothy Dix Burrell
- -Eva Grant
- -Bernice Ardell Jackson Vennie G Reynolds

- -Ta'Reek Oliver Rich-Best born on July 8, 2017 at Sampson Regional Medical Center to Miricle Shonprese -Diomedes Antonio Ayala Escalon born on July 10, 2017 at Sampson Regional Medical Center to Brenda
- Yamileth Escalon Ramos -Oscar Gonzalez-Flores Jr born on July 10, 2017 at Sampson Regional Medical Center to Oscar Siqueiros
- Gonzalez and Sonia Flores-Angeles -Alaina Brielle Ramos born on July 11, 2017 at Sampson Regional Medical Center to Randy Lee Ramos
- -Tristen Isaiah Boyd born on July 13, 2017 at Sampson Regional Medical Center to Shannon Raye Baylor
- -Peyton O'Mari Highsmith born on July 13, 2017 at Sampson Regional Medical Center to Darryl Pugh James and Takara Kanesha Highsmith
- -Alberto Guiovanny Paz born on July 13, 2017 at Sampson Regional Medical Center to Jorge Alberto Paz Cruz and Maria Luz Jose Jose
- -Aiyannah Starr Bright born on July 14, 2017 at Sampson Regional Medical Center to Krystal Lynn Morrisey
- -Loretta Gray Strickland born on July 14, 2017 at Sampson Regional Medical Center to Ethan Gray Strickland and Elizabeth Ann Strickland
- -Jeremiah Antonio Zephaniah Wells born on July 15, 2017 at Sampson Regional Medical Center to Shann Antonio Wells and Elizabeth Chante' Wells

- <u>Marriage Certificates</u>
 -Jaime Jael Locklear to Miguel Favila
- -Jerry Keith Lanier to Haley Elizabeth Ezzell -Algernon Dee Carr to Victoria Shonta Williams
- -Robert James Vangorder to Christy Leigh Spell Jackson
- -Berzain Gabriel Morales to Doneida Domitila Reyes Aguilar
- -Thomas Alexander Brunson to Amanda Natasha Stocks
- -John Ashley Davis to Joyce Gail Baker
- -Riley David Baggett to Hana Leigh Thornton

Land Transfers

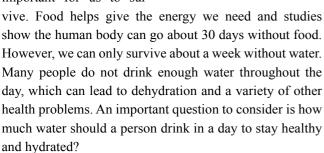
- -Billy C Lockamy to Billie Jean Lockamy and Ronnie Bass- 1.05 Acres Halls
- -Tina T Torres to Douglas Wayne Tart and Alma Marle tart- 1.01 Acres Plainview
- -Judy Crumpler Anderson, Judy Lynn Crumpler/AKA, Larry Dean Anderson to Elmer Ray Draughon- 0.47
- -Tammy D Mitchell to William Scott Mitchell- 11.278 Acres Tract 3 South Clinton
- -Cyrus F Pearce Jr, Sharon J Pearce to William Tracy Pope and Mary Elizabeth Pope- 2 Tracts w/exceptions
- -Danny Ralph McLamb, Renee McLamb, Robert Pearson McLamb, Tara McLamb to Danny Ralph
- McLamb- Lots 13 and 14 Crestview Acres Plainview -Jim Warren Mobile Homes Inc to Juventino Cruz and Maribel Reina Lopez Rosales- Lot 36 0.70 Acres
- Magnolia Acres Honeycutt
- -Wendy J Hawley to Benton Kuszmaul and Stefanie Kuszmal- Two Parcels Lot 26 & 27 Stonehenge
- Subdivision Plainview -Myra K Anderson to James H Anderson- Lot Dismal -Joevornia R Singletary to Robert E Bell- Lot 1 2.14 Acres Piney Grove
- Joevornia R Singletary to Linwood Earl Copeland and Isaac Orlando Copeland- Lot 2 3.17 Aces Piney
- -Matthews Farms Inc to David J Mixon, Liane Edwards Mixon- Lot Honeycutts
- -Williamson Real Estate Development Company LLC, Alicia Williamson MBR/MGR to Butler J Kendrick Jr, Kim Y Kendrick- Lot 11 Fox Hills Section One Dismal
- -David Albert Taylor, Pamela Register Taylor to David Albert Taylor, Pamela Register Taylor, Christopher David Taylor, Andrew Michael Taylor, Benjamin AB Taylor, Joshua Ryan Taylor - 1.33 Acres Mingo
- -Kurt Robert Gombatz, Jay Bee Henderson to William Christopher Henderson- Lots 13, 14, 15 and 16
- Block C Weeks Property Newton Grove
- -Steven Ryan Tew, Brandy S Tew to Jason Hall, Danielle Hall- Lot 2 1.36 Acres -Melissa D Wilson to Delton Ray Bryant Jr, Brandi Deborah Nicole Bryant, Curtis D Hudson, Deborah P
- Hudson- Dismal Lot 9 Fox Hills Section One
- -Wells Fargo Bank NA/By AIF, Boston National Title Agency LLC/AIF to The Secretary of Housing and Urban Development- Lot 34 Rabbit Run Subdivision Section Three 3.0 Acres
- -Alton Delmore Autry, Vivian Jane Autry to Alton Delmore Autry/TR, Vivian Jane Autry/TR, Autry Family Revocable Trust, Alton Delmore Autry, Vivian Jane Autry - 7 Tracts Little Coharie & Dismal
- -Joseph D Smith, Shannon A Smith to Brenda Sue McGee, Angela Sue McGee- Piney Grove Township Lot 5 0.50 Acres
- -Felton Michael Jackson, Donna Strickland Jackson to Terizia Kochie, Matthew Shane Kochie- North Clinton 1.06 Aces Lot 208 Butler Lakes Subdivision Section Two
- -Donnie Kent Barefoot, Nancys Barefoot to Carl E Naylor, Ginger L Naylor- 1.60 Acres Mingo -Jennifer K Gautier to Anthony Glen Gautier- North Clinton Lot 33
- -Hal Butler Knowles, Lynette F Knowles, Clay Trent Knowles, Tina H Knowles, CT Knowles to Blake Bowen, Sydney Bowen- Lot 1, 2 Acres Honeycutt
- -Nellie M Williamson to Rhonda W Spell, Robert C Spell- 1.0 Acres Lot 12 James H Draughon Subdivision North Clinton

HEALTH

The Benefits of Staying Hydrated

By Dr. Tim Kósterman of Kosterman Chiropractic Center of Clinton

The human body is made up of about sixty percent water and it is critically important for us to sur-



There are many different opinions on how much water is an adequate amount to drink during the day. The most common water recommendations in the past are the 8x8 rule. The 8x8 rule sug-gests people eight glasses of water a day and each glass should have eight ounces of water. This rule is outdated because people are all shapes and sizes and it wouldn't make sense for a 250lb adult to have the same water intake as a 60lb. New research is indication we need to consume about one half to two thirds of our body's weight to have optimal amount of water consumption.

Water is essential for life and I cannot stress the importance in drinking enough water throughout the day. Water provides many different benefits such as detoxifying our bodies through excretion of urine and sweat. Adequate amounts of water intake allow proper brain function. According to research, fluid loss of 1.36% after exercise impaired both mood and concentration, while increas-ing the frequency of headaches. Water can help lower blood pressure as well decrease the chance of developing kidney stones. Some research is showing drinking 17 ounces of water in the morning can boost metabolism by about thirty percent. This can help you burn more calories and lose weight.

Not drinking enough water puts us at risk for dehydration. Dehydration occurs when our bodies have lost a certain amount of water. This occurs because our bodies sweat to help regulate our body temperature and if we sweat out too much water we can become over heated and experience symptoms of dehydration. Common symptoms



confusion, fatigue, seizures, dizziness, or fainting.

If you don't like drinking water you could add some lemon, mint, or a small amount of fruit to the water to give it some flavor. Increasing water intake can have major health benefits. There are certain health problems that limit the amount of water on can consume. Consult with your health care provider to see if these recommendations

Headaches and Eye Strain



by R. Thomas Barowsky, MD

Headaches are a very common health problem. They can have many different causes including eye problems.

A complete medical history and physical exam will help to rule out serious medical conditions that may also give you headaches.

The most common cause of headaches is scalp and neck muscle contractions. Tension, anxiety, strain, stress, fatigue and depression may all bring about sudden or gradual muscle contractions and pain. Many diseases and disorders affecting other parts of the body can also cause headaches. For example, ear problems, jaw problems, sinus problems, arthritis, high blood pressure, nerve diseases, certain blood vessel diseases and even tumors and aneurysms can cause headaches.

Migraine headaches are another common form of headache that have eye related symptoms. This type of headache is more complex and we will save its discussion for another day.

Rarely, eye problems cause headaches. For example, if you need glasses and squint to see clearly, you may develop eyestrain and a headache. Also, if certain of your eye muscles are to weak to keep your eyes aligned when you are reading, this could cause headaches. Interestingly, this is one of the few types of eye problems that can be corrected with exercises for the eye muscles.

Proper treatment of headaches varies depending on the cause of the headache. Proper diagnosis is important, so tell your doctor about the severity of the headache, the frequency with which they come and any other information that you think will be helpful in diagnosing the cause of your headaches. Do you get headaches only on certain days or times of the month? Do they come on later in the day or after a particular activity? Are they more common during the week but let up on weekends or days off from work or school? Do certain types of foods or beverage cause them? What else do you notice when you get a headache? Blurry vision, weakness in the arms and legs, a droopy eyelid or facial changes may be a sign of a serious medical condition and you should seek immediate medical

Your eye doctor can tell you if your headaches are related to eyestrain and what should be done to correct the problem. Wearing the proper prescription, giving your eyes regular rest breaks and using lubricating drops to keep the eyes properly



moisturized all help in relieving headaches caused by eye

The treatment of headaches will be determined by the cause of the headache. Over-the- counter pain relief medicine when taken according to package instructions is the first line of treatment for tension type headaches. Massage and aroma therapy, relief of stress, lifestyle changes, proper rest and diet all play a role in relieving headache pain.

As common as headaches are, they should never just be ignored, especially if they are a chronic problem or if you take over-the-counter remedies frequently for relief. Aspirin, acetominophen and ibuprofen, when taken for prolonged periods can have adverse effects on other organ systems of the body such as kidneys and liver. By discussing your headaches and their symptoms with your healthcare provider and your eye doctor, you have a better chance of getting the right treatment for them and you are sure to be healthier and happier.

If you have questions about your eye health e-mail Dr. Barowsky at doctom@tdkj.com and we'll try to answer your questions here at Eye-Q.

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Billy Graham

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I love to work with acronyms, makes the thought easier to remember. Prayerfully, I came up with the one above for LEGA-CY, I trust it will be passed down through my family.



By Martha M. Pierce

OKRA FRIED, OKRA STEWED, OKRA SIMMERING IN A POT OF HOMEMADE SOUP



Okra fried, okra stewed,
Okra simmering in a pot of homemade soup.
If you're southern born, and southern bred,
Nothing beats okra and fried cornbread!

Okra plain, okra breaded,
Okra floating in a bowl of sweet tomatoes.
If you're southern born, and southern bred,
On your list of favorite foods, okra is at the head!
By: Carolyn Horrell Mintz

One sure sign that a person is from the south is that person loves okre' any which way that it's cooked. Another dead give away that someone is southern is if they pronounce it "okre." All my life I've said okre' and that's how my family and a lot of my friends pronounce it too. I have

noticed a lot of southern folks have taken to sayin' okra however.

You can bet if a person isn't from the south, they've never eaten okre' fried in fatback grease and served up with fresh butterbeans, juicy straight from the garden, sliced tomatoes, hot biscuits and fried country ham, all washed down with raisin colored SWEET ice tea. Don't you feel sorry for 'em?

I don't know many folks around these parts that have a vegetable garden that doesn't grow their own okre'. We always did. As a child, Mama wouldn't let us young'uns go into the okre' rows in the garden. She said, "Them ores would itch us to death." She and Granddaddy would put on long sleeve shirts before they went to "cut the okre'," no matter how hot it was. When I had my own summer vegetable garden I found out why!

But no matter the itchiness, they are still worth all the trouble it takes to get 'em from the garden to your dinner plate. Okre' is slimy, and that's a fact. That puts some people off. But they're still mighty good.

You can fry 'em plain or dredged in cornmeal or flour, cut up or whole. You can boil or stew 'em, you can steam 'em, cook 'em in gumbo, and you can let 'em simmer in a pot of homemade vegetable soup. And some people (like my husband) like okre' cooked in tomatoes and served as a side dish. Pickled okre' are a treat many folks can't get enough of. Okre' freezes and cans well too. So it can be

enjoyed even during the winter.

Believe it or not, it can even be used in decorating. Yep, dried okre' pods used in flower arrangements are very pretty indeed. I once saw a wreath made entirely of whole dried okre' pods. It was quite lovely.

Okre' even has its own festival. Columbia, South Carolina hosts the Irma Okra Strut Festival every September. And I hear there are others places throughout the south that have okre' shindigs as well.

According to my research, almost half of the content of okre' is soluble fiber that helps lower serum cholesterol, thereby reducing the risk of heart disease. The remaining insoluble fiber helps keep the intestinal tract healthy, reducing the risk of colorectal cancer. It's full of nutrients and has only 25 calories per half cup! In short, it's good for ya! That's good to hear.

It just wouldn't be summer without garden fresh okre', tomatoes, squash, cucumbers, corn and butterbeans! Hum - I think I have some waiting in my kitchen. Since my mouth has begun to water, I believe I'll stop writin' and start cookin'. See ya in the okre' patch one of these hot summer days! Good eatin', that's what I say. It's good to be southern!

> By Carolyn Horrell Mintz

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By Angela Martin

at SCT



Seussical Rehearsals Begin with Three Separate Casts

Director, Angela Martin has her hands full as she begins rehearsals with her three very talented and very different casts. The groups are busily learning their lines and getting items ready for the production. The show itself opens on Friday, August 18 and runs until September 3 with Friday and Saturday performance at 7:30 pm and Saturday and Sunday matinees being held at 2:30 pm. Each cast is truly unique and one of the characters potrayed in the production is Gertrude McFuzz. Gertrude is a unique character who has a one-feathered tail. This character tries to help Horton the Elephant and is really his one true friend throughout the production. Gertrude is being portrayed by three young ladies, Emily Harrison, E'Vanna Hall and Kayla Morris. Emily is a student at UNC-Chapel Hill where she plans on attending Law School upon graduation. She was an active member of the Hobbton High School Drama Club and has portrayed the role of Gertrude in 2014 for the Sampson County All-County Musical. E'Vanna Hall is a recent high school graduate who was in SCT's Les Miserables and Mary Poppins this year. This is E'Vanna's first major role in a production. Kayla Morris is a Hobbton High School Senior. She is active in the band and theatre at Hobbton and was recently in the SCT production of Les Miserables. All three of these young ladies leads a stellar cast that will be sure to entertain and captivate you. This production is sponsored by Performance Dodge/Ford and is directed by Angela Martin.

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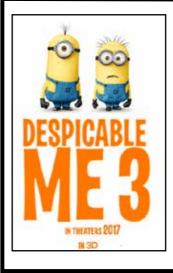
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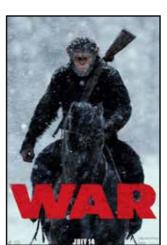
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NOW SHOWING

Rated: PG for action and rude humor

The team who brought you Despicable Me and the biggest animated hits of 2013 and 2015, Despicable Me 2 and Minions, returns to continue the adventures of Gru, Lucy, their adorable daughters-Margo, Edith and Agnes—and the Minions. Trey Parker voices the role of villain Balthazar Bratt, a former child star who's grown up to become obsessed with the character he played in the '80s, and proves to be Gru's most formidable nemesis to

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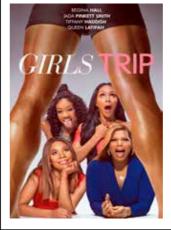
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The third chapter of the critically acclaimed blockbuster franchise, Caesar and his apes are forced into a deadly conflict with an army of humans led by a ruthless Colonel. After the apes suffer unimaginable losses, Caesar wrestles with his darker instincts and begins his own mythic quest to avenge his kind. As the journey finally brings them face to face, Caesar and the Colonel are pitted against each other in an epic battle that will determine the fate of both their species and the future of the planet.

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GIRLS TRIP

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When four lifelong friends travel to New Orleans for the annual Essence Festival, sisterhoods are rekindled, wild sides are rediscovered, and there's enough dancing, drinking, brawling and romancing to make the Big Easy blush.

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EMOJI MOVIE

NOW SHOWING

Rated: PG for rude humor

Enter the never-before-seen secret world inside your smartphone. Hidden within the messaging app is Textopolis, a bustling city where all your favorite emojis live, hoping to be selected by the phone's user. In this world, each emoji has only one facial expression except for Gene (T.J. Miller), an exuberant emoji who was born without a filter and is bursting with multiple expressions.

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FAMILY FEATURE

hen busy mornings give way to a hectic workday followed by homework and after-school activities, a fresh, simple meal is often the only option. Before you hit the drive-thru or settle for an equally unhealthy alternative, check out these delicious dishes you can prepare and serve without the hassle.

Find more ideas to make your busy weeknights easy at Culinary.net.

Savory and Scrumptious

Take a nutritious dish to the family table that still brings a flavorful bite. This savory lasagna recipe boasts meaty eggplant, fresh zucchini and lycopene-rich tomatoes. Whole-wheat noodles pack fiber and natural plant compounds, called phytochemicals. Find more better-for-you recipe ideas at AICR.org.

Roasted Vegetable Lasagna

Reprinted with permission from the American Institute for Cancer Research. Servings: 12

- 2 eggplants (about 3 pounds),
- quartered lengthwise 6 medium zucchini (about 3
- pounds) canola oil cooking spray 1 pound whole-wheat lasagna
- noodles 15 ounces low-fat ricotta or
- low-fat cottage cheese 2 eggs
- 1/2 cup grated Parmesan cheese
- 1/2 teaspoon ground nutmeg1/2 teaspoon garlic powder
- 3 cups low-fat mozzarella cheese
- cups low-sodium tomato sauce, divided

Heat oven to 450 F. Grease 13-by-9-by-2-inch baking pan; set aside.

Slice eggplant and zucchini in 1/2-inch slices. Layer on two baking sheets and coat both sides of vegetables with cooking spray. Roast 20 minutes. Toss vegetables and continue roasting until well browned and soft, about 20 minutes more. Transfer vegetables to large bowl.

Reduce oven temperature to 375 F. Cook lasagna noodles according to package directions. Separate noodles and let cool slightly.

In medium bowl, mix together cheese, eggs, Parmesan, nutmeg and garlic powder.

To assemble: Spread thin layer of sauce over bottom of prepared pan. Cover with layer of pasta (noodle strips slightly overlapping). Spread with one-third of ricotta mixture.

Sprinkle 1/4 of the mozzarella over ricotta. Spoon 1/3 of roasted vegetables on top. Top with 1/2 cup tomato sauce and continue assembly as directed until there are four layers of pasta and three layers of filling. Spread remaining sauce on top and sprinkle with remaining mozzarella.

Cover pan with aluminum foil and bake 30 minutes. Uncover and continue baking until golden and bubbly, about 15 minutes more. Let stand 15 minutes before serving.

Quick, Flavorful Meal Idea

It's not always easy to make healthy food choices. When time is of the essence, look for delicious recipe ingredients that are convenient and easy to prepare while also offering great taste and health benefits.

In fact, 40 percent of American consumers said shorter cooking times are especially important when buying grocery items such as rice, grains and pasta, according to research from Statista, and 83 percent said taste is an important factor when purchasing food.

Ready in 10 minutes with flavor infused in every grain, Uncle Ben's Flavor Infusions rice is ideal for those looking for quick and healthy meal options. With its one-step cooking process, it makes it easy for families to cook with their kids and quickly get dinner on the table. The re-sealable pouches ensure freshness for multiple uses, and any of the five flavors can be combined with fresh vegetables, proteins and herbs for a simple meal that's ready in less than 20 minutes

Simple recipe options using Flavor Infusions, such as Easy Thai Chicken Satay and Rice Salad, are quick meals the entire family can enjoy, even when short on time. Find more meal ideas at UncleBens.com.

Easy Thai Chicken Satay and Rice Salad

Servings: 4-6

Dressing:

- 1/4 cup canned, unsweetened coconut milk
- 1/4 cup creamy peanut butt 1 tablespoon rice wine
- vinegar
- 1 tablespoon soy sauce
- 2 teaspoons red curry paste 1/8 teaspoon ground cayenne pepper
- 1-2 tablespoons hot water Salad:
- 1 cup Uncle Ben's Flavor Infusions Roasted
- Chicken
 1 1/2 cups shredded rotisserie

chicken
1 cup shredded carrots

- 1 cup sliced pea pods
 1 cup sliced red pepper
 - 1 avocado, pitted and sliced 4-6 red radishes, thinly sliced
 - 4-6 red radishes, thinly slice 2 tablespoons chopped
 - peanuts
 2 tablespoons channed gra
 - 2 tablespoons chopped green onions

To make dressing: In small glass bowl, stir together coconut milk, peanut butter, rice wine vinegar, soy sauce, red curry paste, cayenne pepper and hot water; set aside.

Cook rice according to package instructions. Makes about 3 1/2 cups. In center of individual plates, place

about 1 cup rice. Arrange chicken, carrots, pea pods, red pepper, avocado, radishes, peanuts and green onions around rice then drizzle with dressing.



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Fish with a Twist

Add a little variety to your dinnertime protein with a smart, heart-healthy option like fish. Fillets cook quickly and a slightly sweet white fish like farm-raised catfish has a mild enough flavor to entice picky young eaters. White fish is also quite versatile; it can take on other flavors such as this citrusy topping with ease. Find more family-friendly fish recipes at USCatfish.com.

Catfish Quesadilla with Cilantro-Lime Sour Cream

Recipe courtesy of The Catfish Institute Servings: 4

- 4 U.S. Farm-Raised Catfish Fillets, grilled or baked
- 2 1/2 tablespoons olive oil, divided salt, to taste freshly ground nepner, to tast
- freshly ground pepper, to taste smoked paprika or chili powder
- 1 small red bell pepper, diced 1/2 red onion, diced
- 3/4 cup whole corn kernels
- 1 teaspoon red pepper flakes 1 teaspoon ground cumin
- 1/2 cup fresh cilantro leaves, chopped
- 4 flour or wheat tortillas (10 inches each)
- 1 can (16 ounces) refried black beans
- 2 cups grated pepper jack cheese
- Cilantro-Lime Sour Cream:
 - 1/2 cup sour cream1/4 cup fresh cilantro leaves,
- chopped 1/2 lime, juiced lime zest salt, to taste

Lightly brush fish with 1 tablespoon olive oil. Season with salt, pepper and smoked paprika or chili powder. Prepare fish on grill or bake until done. Place in refrigerator to cool. When cool, cut into bite-size pieces.

In large skillet, heat 1 tablespoon oil over medium-high heat. Saute red pepper and onion until soft, about 5 minutes. Add corn, red pepper flakes, cumin and salt and pepper, to taste. Toss to incorporate and saute 3 minutes. Transfer to bowl and add cilantro.

Heat pan large enough to hold flat tortilla to medium heat. Lightly brush pan with remaining olive oil.

Spread tortilla on work surface. On half of each tortilla, spread refried beans and vegetables; top with fish.

Place in heated pan and sprinkle 1/2 cup cheese on other half of tortilla. Heat until cheese is melted and tortilla is lightly crispy. Fold cheese side over vegetable side and remove to plate.

Using serrated knife, cut each tortilla

into four pieces. Serve with Cilantro-Lime Sour Cream. To make Cilantro-Lime Sour Cream:

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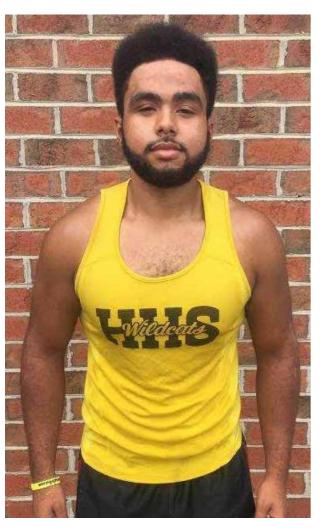
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Hobbton Standout Nyreke Peters Ready for College



*Track and Field discus and shot-put thrower headed to Vermont

Nyreke Peters is spending the summer getting ready for college.

The recent Hobbton High School graduate and standout discus/shot put thrower on the Wildcat Track and Field team, is headed to Middlebury College in Vermont next month.

"It's very exciting," the 18-year-old, who is attending the college on an academic scholarship, said Wednesday. "A lot of people have never heard of the college, because it is a small, private one ..."

Before he leaves, though, his coaches have named him this week's Performance Auto/Sampson Weekly Star Athlete of the Week.

"Wow! I didn't know anything about this," Peters said. "It is a complete surprise to me. It is a great surprise and it makes me feel pretty special. I never even thought about this, so I am very thankful."

Peters, who can toss a discus over 100 ft., said that his amazement is because he had only been part of the Wildcat Track and Field team since his junior year.

"Well, I was mostly in marching band and I didn't play any sports in high school," the percussionist admitted. "Early on [in high school] I was pretty much out of shape." The teen explained that in his sophomore year of high school he tipped the scales at 230 pounds.

"Yeah, I felt like I was pretty much at a low point in my life," Peters says with honesty. "I wasn't accepted ... but really, I just wasn't happy with myself. I wanted to better myself."

That summer, Peters started lifting weights and working out.

"I just got motivated," he says. "I wanted to be better and I wanted to lose the weight."

In the span of just under four months, Peters dropped around 55 pounds. By the time school started in his junior year, he weighed in at 175 pounds.

"Everything changed," he said. "I would talk about fitness with everyone because everyone wanted to hear my story."

In addition to inspiring others, Peters also decided to tryout for sports - he chose Track and Field.

"Well, I knew coach Klaves and he was always so motivating and inspiring," Peters said. "I couldn't run that well, but he knew that I could throw. So, that is where he put me. He helped me go from nothing to something."

Peters, originally from New York (but moved to Sampson County in the sixth grade), said that he favored throwing the discus more than the shot put.

"With the shot put, you are literally just throwing it," he explained. "But with the discus, there are moves and technique that you have to learn. It is a sport that you can grow with."

His transition into a discus thrower was not an immediate success.

"It always is when you are trying something new, but you have to get in there and just do your best," he said.

Peters' hard work paid off.

In his senior year, he was named captain. A title he didn't take lightly.

"It was a big honor for Coach Klaves to name me a captain," he admits. "I never considered myself one, but he had that faith in me as a leader. I always was one to just be out there to show my support for my teammates, but as a captain, I really had to be on the ball and make sure everything was right. It was very important to me."

Which is why his last meet was so emotional.

"Yeah, it was bittersweet for me," Peters said. "All I could think of is that I just wished I would have had more time because I started so late. On top of that, Coach Klaves had left (to go to coach at Campbell University) and it was hard. I knew I had to step up and use it as motivation."

A few months later, he would be leaving the school

permanently when he graduated.

"It is not just leaving the school, it is leaving everyone," Peters explains. "We were not just friends, I mean, a lot of the people there were like brothers and sisters to me. At some point [during senior year] I had to accept the fact that I would not be seeing these same people every day. Even though you are excited about moving on, it still is a hard thing to accept."

Currently, Peters is uncertain if he intends to throw in college. He says that he is 'still debating' if he would like to try and walk-on or just focus on his studies.

"I want to major in music," said the percussionist. "Maybe minor in psychology or film/media. I am just not sure yet."

ultimate goal is to have a career in that field.

"It has always been a passion of mine," he said. "My

Since he is a life-long lover of music, Peters says his

mother said that when I was a baby and she put music on, I would be dancing in her belly. But I think no matter what happens, I will be involved with the music industry in some way."

Peter says that he would love to come back to visit Sampson County too.

"I want to live in New York and eventually move out to California," he said. "But I would also really like to come back and go back to Hobbton and share my story ... who knows, it may just inspire someone to do something that is not ordinary. Do something that is different."

Now that he is headed to college, what piece of advice would Peters have for an upcoming high school freshman?

"Boy, this is going to sound cliche, but I would tell them to just stay true to yourself," he said. "I really mean that. You are never going to feel like you are good enough, but you have to know that you are great enough because you are already you. So, you just have to go in being you and not anyone else."

When asked where he got his wisdom from, Peters quickly credits his family.

"They are the ones that have kept me grounded," he says. "I can tell you that if it wasn't for my mother (Destiny Peters) and my grandmother (Maria LaBoy), I wouldn't be where I am at today. The sacrifices ... getting me to and from practices; picking me up at 11 p.m. at night ... I mean, I can go on and on. I just really appreciate everything and all of their support."

In addition to his family, friends, teachers, coaches, Peters sends a special 'thank you' to his two "motivators" - Coach Hadley and Klaves.

"They were the ones that really got behind me and I just really appreciate it."

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EDUCATION

University of Mount Olive Summer Graduation Set for August 26

The University of Mount Olive will graduate approximately 200 students on Saturday, August 26. Commencement exercises are scheduled for 2 PM in the George and Annie Dail Kornegay Arena on the Mount Olive Campus.

William Brian Floyd, MBA, RN, will be the guest speaker. Floyd is President of Vidant Medical Center, a 909-bed academic medical center in Greenville, North Carolina. In this role, Floyd is responsible for the operations of the medical center, the delivery of safe and efficient care, and the provision of education programs for professionals. He is accountable for the hospital's qualitative and financial outcomes, and leading a workforce of more than 7,000 in the fulfillment of the organizational mission. As the President, Floyd serves on the senior executive team of Vidant Health, a corporation of eight hospitals and various ambulatory services including a growing net-



work of primary care physicians and specialists serving 29 counties in eastern North Carolina.

Floyd is a registered nurse and holds a MBA from UNC-Chapel Hill's Keenan Flagler School of Business. With more than 20 years of progressive health care experience, he is committed to advancing care delivery models to improve health conditions of communities. Floyd is an active member of his local community and serves on several boards supporting the health care

industry and social and policy development, including the Vizient Central Atlantic region, NC Institute of Medicine and the North Carolina Hospital Association.

Preceding the graduation ceremony will be the baccalaureate service at 11 AM in Southern Bank Auditorium. Dr. Ricky J. Warren, of Dunn, North Carolina, will be the speaker. Warren is the pastor of Robert's Grove Original Free Will Baptist Church and serves as the Executive Director of the North Carolina Foundation for Christian Ministries, located in Mount Olive. Previously, he served as the pastor of Lee's Chapel Original Free Will Baptist Church Before being called into the



Baptist Church. Before being called into the ministry in 2003, Warren worked for over ten years as a high school agriculture teacher and FFA Advisor. He has been happily married to his best friend, Angela Honeycutt Warren, since 1998 and they have one son named Eli, who was born in 2011.

Warren graduated from Campbell University Divinity School in 2017 with a Doctor of Ministry Degree and previously earned a Master of Divinity Degree from Campbell. His other academic work includes selected classes in religion at the University of Mount Olive, a Master of Education Degree from North Carolina State University, and a Bachelor of Science Degree, also from N.C. State.

SCC Offers Chance to Serve Community



Officer Matthis returns to campus to talk with SCC's BLET director, Jennifer Wiley.

Clinton police officer Tyler Matthis is living proof that Sampson Community College's Basic Law Enforcement Training program produces results in the real world.

The 2015 BLET graduate wasted no time accepting a job with the Clinton Police

Department when offered the position. "I wanted to do more in my community," he explains when asked why he came to SCC in the first place. "To help others and make my family proud."

SCC's future law enforcement officers are prepared for the job when they walk through the doors, which explains why man are successful in landing a career once training is over. "I gained numerous skills from being able to talk to people more, driving safely and being able to fire a weapon accurately," Matthis says.

CPD Chief Donald Edwards doesn't mince words when he talks about recruits that begin at Sampson Community College. "The relationship CPD has with SCC and their BLET program is invaluable. Having such a strong relationship with the director and being able to actively interact and train together in the college's program benefits the students and the police department."

that his case is a prime example of the success that the college and the department works to achieve.

"Not only is he from the area and an outstanding person," says Chief Edwards.

Instructors from the college, as well as Officer Matthis' new employer, both agree

"He stood out in class and was recognized by the instructors as an exceptional police cadet. We are fortunate."

Others hoping to pursue a career in law enforcement from a program recognized for excellence around the state, must complete a BLET packet. These packets take some time to process so time is of the essence to get your career off the ground.

The Night Academy begins August 28, 2017 and will complete until June 2018 while the Day Academy begins August 14, 2017 and will complete January 2018. There is a mandatory pre-orientation August 7th at 3:00 pm

To request a packet or for more information, please call Sharon West at (910)-592-8081 ext. 2500

SCC Packed for Orientation

Sampson Community College held its CCP Orientation to a packed house on Thursday. The Career and College Promise (CCP) program provides high school juniors and seniors the opportunity to get a jumpstart on a two-year or four-year degree while still in high school tuition-free. Qualified students can earn college credit while still in high school. Students are dually enrolled in their high school and SCC allowing them to receive both high school and college credit for courses taken through the program. The orientation covers everything from reading class schedules to rules and regulations to online coursework. For more information call 910-592-8081







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History Highlighted

6 reasons to visit Montpelier

FAMILY FEATURES

hether it's time for a school field trip, a family vacation or you're looking to bolster your knowledge of U.S. history, there are countless historic sites around the country where you can get away and learn about the nation's foundation.

For a truly engaging experience, James Madison's Montpelier in Orange County, Virginia, gives families, students and the history-inclined a way to peer into the past for a look at Founding Era life.

The home of the former President known as the "father of the Constitution" provides a thought-provoking educational opportunity. Visitors can learn about Madison, the process and ideals behind the Constitution and tour his recently-restored home. They can also experience The Mere Distinction of Colour, an exhibition about slavery at the time our country was beginning and its legacy today.

The property has a rich history that began in 1801 when Madison inherited Montpelier. He and his wife Dolley eventually retired there when his political career came to an end after living in the White House. Madison oversaw more than 100 enslaved African-Americans at the

property who worked to maintain it as a tobacco and wheat farm. Visitors are able to absorb this history through his former home, the exhibition and the 2,650-acre property by walking the grounds, participating in trail walks, witnessing public archaeology digs and touring on-site exhibitions, among many other reasons to visit this historical landmark.

Free your inner explorer.

Each year, more than 125,000 visitors travel to Montpelier to experience its powerful history and picturesque landscape. The home and grounds are open to visitors and student groups throughout the year, and attendees can take guided tours or trek out on their own throughout the property. Tours include Madisons' home, which was recently restored to its Founding Era decor; lessons about the first lady; or walking tours throughout The Mere Distinction of Colour exhibition, which also includes the South Yard and former homes of the enslaved community.

Become part of history.

The public archaeology program at Montpelier, which started in the 1990s, is one of the only in the country that allows the public to participate and pulls

back the curtain on the archaeological process. The public, and even those descended from Montpelier's enslaved community, have discovered many artifacts, now on display. These treasures show how those enslaved people lived and give a glimpse into their lives

Go in-depth.

The Mere Distinction of Colour illuminates the struggles of those enslaved during the 19th century and provides visitors the chance to contemplate slavery during the Founding Era. One of the ways the exhibition does this is by featuring stories of those enslaved at Montpelier through the recordings of living descendants. Documentary research, 17 years of archaeological excavation, oral history and cultural exploration all went into the exhibition, which is located in the cellars of the main Madison house as well as four reconstructed slave dwellings and work buildings in the South Yard.

Improve your presidential knowledge.

While many history fans are familiar with George Washington's Mount Vernon and Thomas Jefferson's Monticello, Montpelier allows for



another in-depth opportunity to discover the lives of the country's founding presidents. The signature tour – the classic, keystone experience of Montpelier – touches on many aspects of Madison's personal and professional life as the fourth President of the United States.

Fun for the family.

Discover Montpelier as a family with hands-on tours designed for children. They'll be able to discover artifacts, documents and paintings while learning about the house, the Madison family and the enslaved community.

Get your exercise.

With more than eight miles of well-marked walking trails, it's easy to get your steps in during a day at Montpelier. The multiple separate trails offer views of the Blue Ridge Mountains as they wind through pastures, wildflower meadows and forests. Open to the public during business hours seven days a week, there's always a chance of encountering native plants and wildlife on the trails.

For more information, including a list of daily tours, visit Montpelier.org.

Madison Family Fast Facts

Find out more about the fourth President of the United States with these quick facts about

James Madison and his family: **Early Life**

- James Madison was born March 16, 1751, in Port Conway, Virginia.
- His political career started local, as a member of the Orange County Committee of Safety in 1774, before being elected to the Virginia legislature in 1776.
- At his father's death in 1801, Madison inherited Montpelier and the 100-plus enslaved African-Americans who came with it.

Political Career

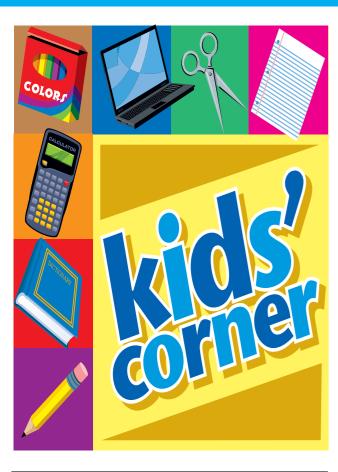
■ In the three-year period between 1786-1789, James Madison, still in his 30s, secured passage of the Virginia Statute for Religious Freedom, organized the Constitutional Convention, introduced the framework for the U.S. Constitution known as the Virginia Plan and drafted the Bill of Rights.

Plan and Retirement

- The Madison family retired to Montpelier in 1817 when James was 65 years old and his wife, Dolley, was 49. An enthusiastic farmer, Madison applied the practices he'd researched to raise wheat and tobacco.
- While Madison considered freeing his own slaves, he decided to leave them to Dolley in his will with the expressed desire that she not sell them without their consent (a wish she ultimately failed to honor).
- Madison died June 28, 1836. He is buried in the family cemetery at Montpelier, where Dolley, his wife of 42 years, eventually joined him.



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Get Scrambled

Unscramble the words to determine the phrase.

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Answer: Twenty twenty vision



- **1825**: BOLIVIA GAINS INDEPENDENCE FROM SPAIN.
- 1945: THE FIRST ATOMIC BOMB USED IN WARFARE IS DROPPED ON HIROSHIMA, JAPAN DURING WORLD WAR II.
- 2012: THE CURIOSITY ROVER SUCCESSFULLY LANDS ON MARS.



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ITALIAN: Battere gli occhi

FRENCH: Cligner de yeux

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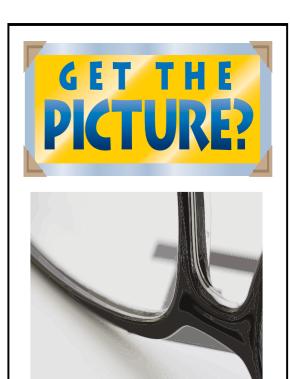
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PUZZLES & GAMES

Crossword Puzzle

CLUES ACROSS

- 1. Ancient Egyptian God
- 4. Think about constantly
- 10. Nursing group
- 11. Consecrated
- 12. Preceeded A.D.
- 14. Cattle genus
- 15. Serpent in Sanskrit
- 16. Author Boothe Luce
- 18. Frowns intensely
- 22. Lower in dignity
- 23. Passing play
- 24. Sphagnum moss bog 26. 3rd lightest noble gas
- 27. Prefix meaning "inside"
- 28. Transferred goods for \$
- 30. Literary term for an ocean
- 31. Hit lightly
- 34. Allegheny plum fruits
- 36. Midway between S & SE 37. Supplements with difficulty
- 39. A quick run
- 40. Signal sound
- 41. 13th state
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- 47. Cause to become undone 49. Dwarfed ornamental plant
- 51. Nazi corps
- 52. Pail
- 53. Acid that causes gout
- 54. Anger
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- 58. Second sight
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- 60. Drench

CLUES DOWN

- 1. Infants
- 2. Jacket
- 3. Unworthiness
- 4. Bone
- 5. Dhaka is the capital
- 6. Relating to musical notes
- 7. Claviceps fungus disease
- 8. Marine algae
- 9. 40th state
- 12. Number, in base two 13. Skelton's Kadiddlehopper
- 17. A dalton (Physics)
- 20. Fixed charges per unit

19. Sea eagles

- 21. Incline 25. Three Bears heroine
- 29. Mauna ___, Hawaiian volcano
- 31. Correct coding
- 32. Type of fruit
- 33. Brews
- 35. More frumpish
- 38. Cook's bowl scraping tool
- 41. Express discontent
- 43. Paris stock exchange
- 44. Ingest food
- 45. Expression of disappointment 46. Stars Wars character Rrogon
- 48. Limb angulation
- 50. P.M. Hirobumi
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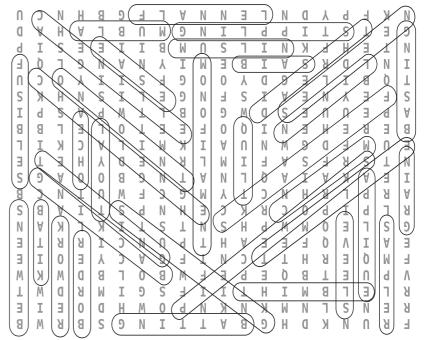
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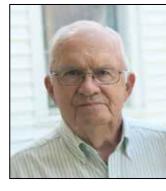
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OBITUARIES

NEWTON GROVE

Mr. William Charles "Buddy" Austin, 78, of Newton Grove passed away on Sunday, July 23, 2017. A funeral service was held on Wednesday, July 26, 2017 at 11:00 am at Unity Presbyterian Church. Officiating the service will be Rev. Marguerite Sirrine. Mr. Austin was laid to rest



in the Unity Presbyterian Church Cemetery following the funeral service. The family received friends at the funeral home Tuesday, July 25, 2017 from 6 to 8 pm. Mr. Austin's survivors include wife, Betty J. Austin; daughter, Kimberly Austin Denning & husband Randy of Four Oaks; son, Marcus William Austin & wife Melissa of Wake Forest; grandchildren, Carson Ann Denning, Austin Denning, Madison Austin, & Merritt Austin; brother, Jerry Austin and sisters, Rebecca A. O'Dell and Kathy A. Eldridge all of Newton Grove. Mr. Austin was preceded in death by his parents, Willie & Clara M. Austin. Memorials may be made to Unity Presbyterian Church 11551 NC Hwy 50 South, Newton Grove, NC 28366. A Service of West & Dunn Funeral Home of Newton Grove, North Carolina. Condolences can be made to www.westanddunn.com.

PLAIN VIEW

Mrs. Myrtice Jenks
Babbitt, 80, of the Plain
View Community died
Tuesday evening July 25,
2017 at her home. Mrs.
Babbitt was born January
10. 1937 in Attleboro,
Massachusetts, daughter of
the late Albert and Myrtice
Keene Jenks. She was
retired from L.G. Barbour



Company in Attleboro. Mrs. Babbitt is survived by her husband, Roger C. Babbitt, daughter, Brenda Ledford and fiancé, Warren Morrisette Jr. of Plain View, grandchildren, Heidi Ann Tillery and husband Robert of Enterprise, Alabama, Nicholas Paul Laramee and wife Christine of Clarksville, Tennessee, great grandchildren, Chloe Kay Tillery, Jacob Nicholas Tillery, Brock Maddox Tillery, Cammi Emma Tillery, Grant David Tillery, Savannah Helen Laramee, sister, Judy Chamillard and husband Al of Cape Cod, Massachusetts, brother, Roger Jenks and wife Joyce of Cape Cod, Massachusetts. A private memorial service will be held at a later date Arrangements are by Skinner & Smith Funeral Home of Dunn.

HARRELLS

Mrs. Azra "Shirley" Fennell Johnson 81 of 383 Bland School

Rd. Harrells, NC, died, Friday, July 21, 2017 at her residence. Mrs. Johnson was born July 12, 1936 in Sampson Co. the daughter of the late Henry Bryant & Queen Elizabeth Fennell. She was preceded in death by her husband, Prentiss Johnson, on sister, Barbara Bryant, and a brother Charles Bryant. A memorial service was held at 11:00 AM. Wednesday July 26, 2017 at Car



Wednesday July 26, 2017 at Carter Funeral Home. Mrs. Johnson is survived by two daughters, Alicia Johnson of Harrells, Cherie Johnson of Hampton, Va., two sons, Andre Johnson of Chester, Va., Prentiss Johnson of Harrells, one sister, Joyce Bryant of Teachey, five brothers, James Bryant of Hampton, Va., Charles Bryant, Kenneth Bryant, Anthony Bryant, Michael Bryant all of Chattanooga, TN, and Donald Bryant of Clinton, NC, 8 grandchildren and a host of great-grandchildren, nieces & nephews.

GARLAND

Mrs. Julia Ann Boone 95 of 766 W. Front St. died Monday, July 24, 2017 at her residence. Mrs. Boone was born January

20, 1922 in Sampson Co. the daughter of the late Henry David Boone & Cornelia Smith Boone. Funeral service will be held at 2:00P.M. Saturday, July 29, 2017 at Garland First Baptist Church. Burial will follow in the Garland Community Cemetery. Mrs. Boone is survived by two sisters, Katie



"Doll Baby" Sanders of Warsaw, Retha Bulla of Garland. The public will be received from 1:00P.M.-5:00P.M. Friday, July 28, 2017 with family present from 4:00P.M.-5:00P.M. at Carter Funeral Home. Service by Carter Funeral Home in Garland.

AUTRYVILLE

Mr. William Moody Naylor, 82 passed away Thursday, July 20, 2017 at Cape Fear Valley Medical Center in Fayetteville. Graveside service was held at 3:00pm Sunday, July 23, 2017 at Sandy Horne Cemetery in Autryville with military honors, officiating will be Rev. Larry West. The family received friends other times at the home



of Kay Faircloth 200 John Nunnery Road, Stedman, NC 28391. He was born in Sampson County to the late William Preston Naylor and Mary Francis Sessoms Naylor. He is also preceded in death by his wife, Dorothy Lee Horne Naylor; and brother, Earl Naylor. He was a United States Army Veteran and he retired from the North Carolina Department of Transportation with 40 plus years of service. He is survived by his step daughters, Nancy Cashwell & husband, Larry and Karen Faircloth & friend, Frankie Bolton; brother, Minson Naylor & wife, Phyllis; grandchildren, Amanda Shaffer & husband, Brad, Billy Joe Cashwell & friend, Kimberly Windmiller, Misty

Carter & husband, Bryan and Ashley Brown & husband, David; great grandchildren, Matthew Lee Brown, Bryley K. Carter and Braylen M. Carter. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made in his honor to Concord Baptist Church, P.O. Box 429, Stedman, NC 28391. Services entrusted to Butler Funeral Home, 6535 Clinton Road, Stedman.

DUNN

Mr. Robert "Bobby" Eugene Rupert, 64, of Dunn, died Sunday morning at his residence. He was born on July 9, 1953, in Cumberland County. He was preceded in death by his father, Robert Palmer Rupert. A memorial service was held Tuesday, July 25, at 2 p.m. at Bethesda Friends Meeting by Rev. Michael Thames, Rev. Lee



Lane, and Rev. Steve Cooper. Bobby is survived by his wife, Sue Rupert of Dunn, a son, Robert P. Rupert, II of Dunn, two daughters, Hollie Boswell and husband Chris of Dunn, Laura Garcia and husband Marco of Wake Forest, his mother, Jean R. Carpenter of Dunn, a sister, Victoria Jackson and husband Freddie of Dunn, four grandsons, Braylon and Brenner Boswell, and Enzo and Ian Garcia. The family received friends Tuesday from 1 to 2 p.m. at Bethesda Friends Meeting, 4955 Green Path Rd in Dunn. Instead of flowers the family requests that memorials be made to Sloan Kettering: Liver Cancer Research. Contact the family for additional details. Arrangements are by Skinner & Smith Funeral Home of Dunn.

ROSEBORO

Mr. Anthony Dwayne Smith, 54 of 834 Butler Island Road, Roseboro, passed away Saturday, July 22, 2017 at Cape Fear Valley Medical Center. The funeral was held at 11:00 am Tuesday, July 25, at Butler Funeral Home with Reverend Bryan Strickland officiating. Burial followed at Roseboro Cemetery. Born January 4, 1963 in

Cumberland County, he was the son of Gordon Franklin and Mable Lee Smith. He was preceded in death by his parents; brother, Gordon Franklin Smith, Jr.; and sister, Ann Smith. He worked as a Forklift Operator with Goodyear Tire and Rubber Company of Fayetteville. He is survived by his wife, Kim White Smith; sister, Lynn Seastrom and bushand Bob of



Seastrom and husband Bob of Virginia; sister-in-law, Pam Cain and husband Terry of Shelby; brother-in-law, Hughie White and wife Carrie of Roseboro; nieces and nephews, Spencer Creswell and husband Casey, Matthew Cain, Trey White, Kaycie White; and a great niece, Elsie Leigh Creswell. The family received friends from 6:00 to 8:00 pm Monday, July 24, at Butler Funeral Home and other times at the home. Services are by Butler Funeral Home, 401 W. Roseboro Street, Roseboro.

NEWTON GROVE

Elizabeth Vann, 73, of 616 Sinclair Lake Road, passed away Thursday, July 20, 2017 at Vidant Hospital of Greenville. A funeral was held at 3 P.M., Sunday, July 23, 2017 at Crumpler-

Honeycutt Funeral Home with Reverend Brandon Glunt officiating. The family received friends one hour prior to the service at the funeral home. Interment followed in the Shady Grove OFWB Church Cemetery in Dunn. Elizabeth, born in 1944, was the daughter of the late John Henry Vann, Sr. and Lossie Lee



Royal Vann. She retired from Black and Decker with thirty-four years of service and was a member of Mt. Elam Baptist Church. In addition to her parents she was preceded in death by brothers, John Henry Vann, Jr. and James Chester Vann. She is survived by; sisters, Mary Daughtry, Brenda Naylor and Joan Tew; and several nieces, nephews, cousins and friends. Online condolences may be sent to the family at www.crumpler-honeycutt.com. Arrangements are by Crumpler-Honeycutt Funeral Home, 118 Fayetteville St., Clinton, NC 28328.

DUNN

Mrs. Terry Rayfield Wimbley of Dunn, died Sunday, July 23, 2017 at WakeMed hospital in Raleigh. Mrs. Wimbley was born August 17, 1954, the adopted daughter of the late James and Laurastine Lee Rayfield. Mrs. Wimbley retired as a Service Coordinator with the Department of Housing and



Urban Development. She was a member of Calvary Baptist Church. A memorial service was held Thursday, July 27, 2017 at 11:00 a.m. at Calvary Baptist Church with Rev. Jerry Hicks officiating. Burial followed in the Lee Johnson Cemetery. The family received friends 10:00 - 11:00 a.m. prior to service. Mrs. Wimbley is survived by her husband, Billy Smith; and a brother, Jimmy Rayfield and wife Rosie. Arrangements by Skinner and Smith Funeral Home.

GARLAND Mr. Zebede

Mr. Zebede Wilcox, 96, of 480 Airport Road, Garland, NC, passed away on Wednesday July 19, 2017, at Cape Fear Valley Medical Center, Fayetteville, NC. Funeral services were held on Saturday July 22, 2017, at 11:00am, at Garland First Baptist Church, officiated by the Rev. Jimmy Melvin and



Rev. Dr. Louis Hackett. Burial, with military and masonic rites followed in Garland Community Cemetery. Mr. Wilcox is survived by daughters, Rose Murphy, Garland, NC and Elaine Wilcox, Roseboro, NC, a sister, Frances Carr, Fayetteville, NC, 10 grandchildren and 24 grandchildren. A visitation was held on Friday, July 21, 2017, from 1pm until 6pm, with the family being present from 5pm until 6pm at the Summerville-Boylin Mortuary, Inc.

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MAGNOLIA

Mrs. Gladys Lee Hall, 78, of 540 E. Magnolia-Lisbon Road, Magnolia, NC, passed away on Tuesday, July 25, 2017, at Sampson Regional Medical Center. Funeral arrangements are incomplete at this time.

GARLAND

Mr. George A. Storms 92 of 15957 US Hwy. 701 N., died Monday, July 24, 2017 at Lower Cape Fear Hospice Center in Wilmington, NC. Funeral service will be held at 2:00 P.M. Thursday, July 27, 2017 at Riverside Baptist Church. Burial church cemetery. Visitation will be held at the church from 1:00P.M.-1:45P.M. Thursday, July 27, 2017 before the service. Service by Carter Funeral Home in Garland.

HARRELLS

Mrs. Maomi Matthews Jones, 90, of 995 Tomahawk Hwy, passed away peacefully at her home on Wednesday afternoon, July 26, 2017 with her family by her side. Funeral Services will be held on Saturday, July 29, 2017 at 11:00 am at the Royal-Hall Funeral Home Chapel, 301 McKoy St., Clinton with Rev.



Stephen Mazingo officiating. Burial will follow in the Harrells Cemetery. Born on March 10, 1927, Maomi was the daughter of the late Algie and Lily Williams Matthews. She was a member of Siloam Baptist Church and a homemaker all her life. She was known around the community for her quilts, having made numerous and continuing the craft until less than a year ago. She was a pillar in the community with a strong love for her family and friends. She was loved by everyone who knew her and will be greatly missed. Maomi is survived by her two daughters: Lalon Jones Opheim (Tom) of The Villages, Florida; Debbie Jones Hodges of Harrells; her son, David Amos "Dickie" Jones, Jr. (Carol) of Wallace; two sisters: Lillian Wood of Wallace; Reba Tiller of Whortonsville, NC: and one brother, Robert Matthews of Wallace. She was also blessed with four grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren. In addition to her parents, she was predeceased by her husband, David Amos Jones; three sisters: Dorothy Moore, Sarah Farhney, Sue Scronce and two brothers: William and Waylon Matthews. Visitation will be held one hour prior to the service on Saturday morning, beginning at 10am at the funeral home; and other times at her home. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to 3HC Hospice Care, Inc.: 2402 Wayne Memorial Drive, Goldsboro, NC 27534. Condolences may be sent to the family by visiting www.royalhallfuneralhome.com.

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Arrest Reports

07-20 Bryon Scott Brewer, 22; 52 Jacob West Lane, Clinton; Possess Methamphetamine; Sell Cocaine; Deliver Cocaine; Possession with Intent to Sell/Deliver Cocaine; Possess Drug Paraphernalia; 2 Counts: Probation Violations; Secured Bond \$80,000; Court Date 07-28

07-20 Marion Lavonte Monroe, 29; 400 W Boney, Clinton; Assault on a Female; No Bond; Court Date 08-15

07-20 Jerry Thomas Johnson Jr., 25; 2036 Welcome School Rd., Godwin; Assault on a Female; Injury to Personal Property; Unsecured Bond \$500; Court Date 08-15

07-20 Roger Hyden Phillips III, 52; 2650 Turkey Hwy., Clinton; Assault on a Female; Communicating Threats Trespassing; No Bond; Court Date 08-15

07-20 Veronica House Hall, 43; 308 S Elm St., Benson; Possess Schedule II Controlled Substance; Possess Drug Paraphernalia; Probation Violation Out of County; Secured Bond \$17,500; Court Date 07-26

07-21 Eric Allen Hall, 31; 3088 Hayne Stretch Rd., Roseboro; Felony Disseminate Obscenity; Secured Bond \$25,000; Court Date 07-28

07-21 Christine Shanta'La Patrick, 32; 701 College St. Apt 2, Clinton; DWI; Fail to Burn Headlamps after Dark; Unsecured Bond \$500; Court Date 08-22

07-21 Erica Sheronda Satchell, 29; 196 Bubba Gump Lane, Salemburg; Failure to Appear-DWLR; Failure to Appear- Improper Passing; Secured Bond \$1,000; Court Date 08-17

07-21 Adrian David Merritt, 26; 3487 Hobbton Hwy., Clinton; Sell Methamphetamine; Deliver Methamphetamine; Possession with Intent to Manufacture/Sell/Deliver Methamphetamine; Secured Bond \$75,000; Court Date 07-28

07-21 Misty Nicole Mishoe, 39; 3487 Hobbton Highway, Clinton; Order for Arrest/Failure to Appear- Child Support; Court Date 07-25

07-21 Joel Thomas Parker, 56; 44 Laudie Honeycutt Rd., Clinton; Possession of a Firearm violating DVPO; Possess Marijuana less than 1/2oz; Possess Marijuana Paraphernalia; DVPO Violation; Secured Bond \$1,500; Court Date 08-

07-21 Jason Orlando Torres, 34; 5971 US 421 Hwy, Clinton; Possession of Stolen Firearm; 2 Counts: Possession of Firearm by Felon; Secured Bond \$20,000; Court Date 07-28

07-21 William Joseph Higgins, 28; 500 Black Pine Lane, Angier; Assault with a Deadly Weapon; Assault on a Female; Secured Bond \$5,000; Court Date 08-08

07-21 Ray Sessoms, 33; 521 Hairr Lane, Salem-

burg; Probation Violations; Secured Bond \$10,000; Court Date 08-04

07-22 Jefferson Jonathan Zelaya-Zavala, 22; 1244 Cartertown Rd, Clinton; DWI; Secured Bond \$1,000; Court Date 08-15

07-22 Carlos Butler, 41; 1101 Concord School Rd, Clinton; Simple Assault; Injury to Personal Property; Secured Bond \$2,500; Court Date 08-23

07-22 James Thomas Godwin, 22; 85 Crystal Lane, Dunn; Assault and Battery; Injury to Personal Property; Assault Inflict Serious Injury; Secured Bond \$2,000; Court Date 08-15

07-22 Carla Germaine Brady, 40; 806 Lisbon St., Clinton; Cyber stalking; Unsecured Bond \$500; Court Date 07-21

07-23 Javaun Jaleel-Delano Johnson, 26; 520 Margaret St, Clinton; Assault By Strangulation; Assault on a Female; Communicating Threats; No Bond; Court Date 07-28

07-23 Javaun Jaleel-Delano Johnson, 26; 520 Margaret St, Clinton; 5 Counts: Possession with Intent to Sell/Deliver; 4 Counts: Sell Marijuana; 4 Counts: Deliver Marijuana; 2 Counts: Possession firearm by felon; 2 Counts: Sell/Purchase Weapon no permit; Secured Bond \$150,000; Court Date 07-28

07-23 Dalin Jesus Ruiz, 22; 256 Scarlet Lane, Faison; Simple Physical Assault; No Bond; Court Date

07-23 Annie Hunt Wright, 60; 207 Bluegrass Lane, Roseboro; Assault with a Deadly Weapon; Harassing Phone Calls; Secured Bond \$200; Court Date 08-15

07-23 Kendall Jordan McCullen, 22; 2116 Appleridge Dr., Linden; Probation Violation Out Of County; Secured Bond \$4,500; Court Date 07-31 07-23 George Miguel Crus, 25; 400 E Caldwell, Clinton; Failure to Appear- Possess Marijuana Paraphernalia; Secured Bond \$500; Court Date 08-17 07-24 Gregory Lee Wade, 54; 4890 Hobbton Highway, Clinton; Unauthorized Use of Motor Vehicle; Identity Theft; False Police Report To Police Station; DWLR Impaired Driving; Reckless Driving to Endanger; Failure to Reduce Speed; Secured Bond \$2,700; Court Date 08-14

07-24 Michael Newkirk, 41; 8390 Willard Rd., Willard; Assault on a Female; No Bond; Court Date 08-09 07-24 Bernard Mckoy, 56; 177 Center St., Gar-

land; Larceny- All Other Larceny; Unsecured Bond \$1,000; Court Date 08-22 07-24 Cajanda Jackson, 27; 1225 Carroll Store Rd.,

Autryville; Communicating Threats; Simple Assault; Secured Bond \$500; Court Date 08-14 07-24 Johnny Brandon Pope, 35; 414 Lucas Rd., Roseboro; 2 Counts: Flee to Elude; 2 Counts: Reckless Driving to Endanger; 2 Counts: DWLR; Oper-

ate Vehicle No Insurance; Fail to Stop Stop Sign;

Injury to Personal Property; Secured Bond \$2,500; Court Date 08-22

07-24 Annie Wright Hunt, 59;207 Bluegrass Lane, Roseboro; Possess Drug Paraphernalia; Secured Bond \$500; Court Date 08-22

07-24 Clarence Hillary Smith, 24; 2211 New Hope Church Rd., Turkey; Carrying Concealing Gun; Unsecured Bond \$500; Court Date 07-28

07-24 Steven Prentice Williams, 24; 564 Ferrell St., Clinton; Conspire to Sell Cocaine; Conspire to Deliver Cocaine; 3 Counts: Possession with Intent to Sell/ Deliver Cocaine; 3 Counts: Sell Cocaine; 3 Counts: Deliver Cocaine; Child Abuse; Maintain Vehicle for Controlled Substance; Secured Bond \$230,000; Court Date 07-28

07-25 Jennifer Bass, 34; 22 Stanbourne Lane, Clinton; Order for Arrest- Child Support; Court Date 08-08 07-25 William Shane Powell, 52; 85 Birdy Lane, Garland; Breaking and/or Entering; Larceny after Breaking and/or Entering; Possessing/Concealing Stolen Property; Secured Bond \$20,000; Court Date 07-28

07-25 Frederick Douglas Starkes, 26; 223 Dogwood Circle, Clinton; Larceny-Shoplifting; Secured Bond \$1,500; Court Date 08-16

07-25 Bobby Lee Walker, 32; 307 Byrd St., Clinton; 3 Counts: Sell Cocaine; 3 Counts: Deliver Cocaine; 3 Counts: Possession with Intent to Sell/Deliver Cocaine; Secured Bond \$150,000; Court Date 07-28

07-25 Geraldo Garcia, 22; 114 Underwood St., Clinton; Assault on a Female; No Bond; Court Date 08-15 07-25 Sherita Taneque McNeil, 26; 316 A Jacob St., Clinton; Stalking; Unsecured Bond \$1,000; Court Date 08-29

07-26 James Curtis Walker, 26; 41 Golden Eagle Lane, Clinton; 3 Counts: Sell Cocaine; 3 Counts: Deliver Cocaine; 3 Counts: Possession with Intent to Sell/Deliver Cocaine; Secured Bond \$90,000; Court Date 07-28 07-26 Jamey Glenn Gilbert, 40; 277 E NC 27 Hwy, Lillington; Larceny; Possessing/Concealing Stolen Property; Secured Bond \$25,000; Court Date 08-08

Incident/Investigation Reports

07-20 Donnie Williams reported the Larceny of a Weedeater located at 1925 Maxwell Rd., Autryville. 07-21 Sandra Herring reported a Burglary located at 3686 Roseboro Hwy., Clinton. Items reported missing included a purse, wallet, EBT card, medications, US Currency, NC Drivers License, Social Security Card and debit card.

07-21 Lilian Andres reported the Theft of a Truck located on Tomahawk Hwy., Harrells.

07-21 Johnny Melvin reported a Burglary located at 205 E Pinewood St., Roseboro. Items reported missing included jewelry and US Currency.

07-21 William Campbell reported a Burglary located at 176 S Ingold Ave., Garland. Item reported missing a cellphone.

07-21 Subway reported a Burglary located at 355 Northeast Blvd., Clinton. Items reported missing US Currency.

07-22 Robert Adams reported a Breaking and Entering located at 510 High House Road,

07-22 Brian Williams reported a Breaking

Clinton. No items were reported missing.

and Entering located at 3843 Maxwell Road Autryville. Items reported missing included a 2500 watt generator, welding machine, firearms, motor oil cases, a/c gauges, chainsaw, power drill, pry bar, torches and welding rig. 07-22 Gary Daughtry reported a Stolen Li-

cense Plate located at 1892 Roanoke Road, Newton Grove. 07-23 Betty Carr reported a Breaking and En-

tering located at 5261 Roanoke Road, Newton Grove. No items were reported missing. 07-23 Almae McNeil reported a Burglary

located at 616 E Pinewood Street, Roseboro. Items reported missing included US Currency and a check. 07-23 Chad Blackmon reported the Larceny

of a Bicycle located at 107 Barrus Ave., Clin-

07-24 James Sessoms reported a Breaking and Entering located at 115 Five Bridge Rd. Clinton. Item reported missing a Dirt Bike. 07-24 Delores Vann reported the Larceny of

US Currency located at 707 Southeast Blvd., Clinton. 07-24 Ralph Smith reported a Burglary located at 734 West Second St., Garland. Items

reported missing included firearms and US Currency. 07-24 Derrick Fennell reported the Larceny

of US Currency located at 266 Rowan Creek 07-25 George Lee reported a Burglary located at 60 Stone Place Rd., Dunn. No items were

reported missing. 07-25 Rillo Henry reported a Burglary located at 870 Rackley Rd., Clinton. No items were

reported missing. 07-26 Peter Holloway reported a Burglary located at 157 Springs Lane, Ivanhoe. Items reported missing included laptop computer, gold ring and a pack of soap.

07-26 Wilson Chapel Church reported a Burglary located at 4867 New Hope Church Rd. Clinton. Item reported missing a weedeater. 07-26 Danny Jones reported the Theft of his

Vehicle located at 515 Harmony Church Rd., 07-26 Jordan Melvin reported the Larceny of

a Gym Bag and Cellphone located at 100 W

Roseboro St., Roseboro.

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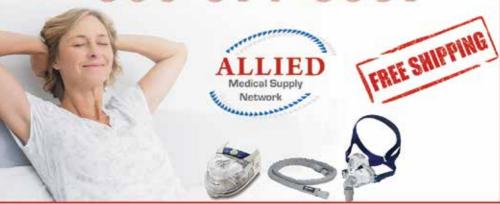
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By Kaitlin Norris,

Chamber Chat

Executive Director Clinton-Sampson **Chamber of Commerce**

July is coming to a close and schools are getting ready to kick off their new year which means fall is right around the corner. The fall is the busiest

season for the Chamber and that gets me so excited because that means that there are a lot of ways to get involved, network, and get your name out in our wonderful community.

We have our Adult and Junior Leadership starting in September and we are super excited about all of the buzz going on with our program this year! The fall is also the Chamber's time to give back to the community with my personal favorite event our Annual Coat Closet. This is our chance to help families, especially children, stay warm this fall and winter. Let's not forget the Clinton Christmas Parade! This is an event that I have been watching since I was a little girl and I am so excited that I have a hand in it now.

I encourage all of our businesses to stay involved this fall and take advantage of our opportunities to network with other business men and women. We have our member of the week, business after hours, and many more great monthly opportunities to stay up to date and involved.

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2016 Winner: Chris Buescher (right)



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TV: NBC

Race: U.S. Cellular 250

2016 Winner: Erik Jones

CAMPING WORLD TRUCK SERIES

Race: Overton's 150 Where: Pocono Raceway When: Saturday, 1 p.m. (ET) TV: Fox

2016 Winner: William Byron

by RICK MINTER / Andrews McMeel Syndication

Despite weather delays and cautions, Kasey Kahne roars to overtime win at Indianapolis Motor Speedway, his first since 2014

victory in the Monster Energy

NASCAR Cup Series Race at

cautions, was Kahne's first

Indianapolis Motor Speedway.

The overtime win, with 14 race

Brickyard win, and his first of the

Sunday's Brickyard 400 at Indianapolis Motor Speedway, delayed by nearly two hours because of rain and slowed by a race-record 14 caution periods that eliminated 17 drivers, ended with a gutsy performance by Kasey Kahne. The struggling veteran, who had gone 102 races without a win, outdueled Brad Keselowski over two late restarts to score his biggest career victory and end a winless drought that stretched to 2014 at Atlanta Motor Speedway.

Chevrolet for Hendrick Motorsports, is considered one of the most talented Kasey Kahne celebrates his Cup drivers and has 18 career wins. But at age 37 and given his struggles in recent seasons, even a Brickyard win might not be enough to save his job in the No. 5.

Kahne, who drives the No. 5

Team owner Rick Hendrick was asked about Kahne's future in the winners' press conference at

Indianapolis, but he offered little assurance that Kahne would be back in the No. 5 next season. "Our plans are not set for the [No.] 5 car," Hendrick said. "There's

nothing concrete or done, and that hasn't changed.

"We'll see how things shake out, you know, the rest of the year. There are a lot of things involved, sponsors and a lot of things we look at. We're going to try hard, but there are no decisions made at this

But for Kahne, the losing streak is behind him, and his performance in the clutch is a momentum booster going forward.

He took the win on a day when the fastest cars were the Toyotas driven by Kyle Busch, who was seeking his third-straight Brickyard win, and the season's fastest driver, Martin Truex Jr.

But those two collided while racing for the lead on a Lap 111 restart and were eliminated from the race.

Then it appeared that Trevor Bayne was in position to win on a pit strategy that put him out front with a 10-second lead over Matt Kenseth, who was charging through the field on fresher tires.

Fortunes turned in Kahne's favor when he made his final pit stop with 10 scheduled laps remaining and the caution flag flew the next

When Bayne, Kenseth and the rest of the contenders other than Ryan Newman stopped for fresh tires, Kahne inherited the lead and held it for 10 laps only to lose it to Keselowski for four. But he regained it on the race's final restart and was leading when the final caution flag ended the race and froze the field at that point.

With darkness looming, NASCAR officials let Kahne pass the overtime line before throwing the caution flag and ending the race. NASCAR vice president Steve O'Donnell said it was too late in the day to try to restart the race.

"There was oil down," he said. "It would have been another red flag. I think the last couple cautions or red flags were 15 to 20 minutes with oil. So we were up against it." Kahne appeared to be suffering from exhaustion in Victory Lane

and was treated at the track's infield care center after the race. Afterward, he talked about what the win meant to him

"I think a win like [Sunday] can give myself confidence and momentum, our whole team a boost, which is something that we

need," he said. "We work hard, too. But the guys that are winning and running up front, their momentum, their confidence is tough to keep up with when it's been a couple years. "I feel like this is a huge win for us. Being the Brickyard means

even more to me. [It's] one of the toughest, biggest races that you can win in NASCAR. It feels really, really good." Kahne's crew chief Keith Rodden, who earned his first Cup victory

in his 131st race, said Kahne is a better driver than his recent results

"I don't think he gets near the credit that he deserves," Rodden said. "I feel like every race we actually run pretty good lap times at some point in the race, we never can get anybody to pay any attention

"We don't have the exposure, not high enough, don't qualify high enough, something happens, get a flat tire, get caught by a caution.

"I feel like when you start letting that all pile on, it just builds and builds and builds. "I think [Sunday] we caught a break. At the same time, he had to

defend everyone else that was left in the race and have really good restarts three times in a row." Retired driver and current team owner Tony Stewart took to

Twitter to weigh in on Kahne's performance. He said of Kahne, "1000 [percent] deserved to win. Make no

mistake, he can win MANY more races!" Keselowski finished second ahead of Newman, Joey Logano and

Kenseth.



The No. 5 Farmers Insurance Chevrolet takes the checkered flag under caution to win the Monster Energy NASCAR Cup Series Brickyard 400 at Indianapolis Motorspeedway.

Dale Earnhardt Jr. inks post-racing media deal with NBC Sports

Dale Earnhardt Jr.'s post-driving career will see him move to the media side of the sport and work for NBC, according to a news release from NBC that was distributed on Monday.



Dale Earnhardt will stay busy in his retirement after signing an NBC Sports broadcasting deal.

The statement went on to say that Earnhardt will not only comment on NASCAR races but will be allowed opportunities in the company's other ventures, including movies, television and podcasts.

"It is a tremendous honor not only to join NBC Sports nex

but to begin a new career alongside people who love NASCAR as much as I do," Earnhardt said in the news release. "To be reunited with Steve Letarte, to be able to call legends like Jeff Burton, Dale Jarrett and Kyle Petty teammates rather than just friends, to be able to continue going to the track and connecting with race fans, it's a privilege I don't take lightly. "I will devote my heart and soul to this broadcast team and pledge

my very best to the millions who watch it." NBC also plans to work with Earnhardt's Dirty Mo Media and

Hammerhead Entertainment ventures. Sam Flood, executive producer and president of production for NBC

Sports, said Earnhardt will be a big plus for the broadcasts.

"Dale Jr. brings credibility, personality and popularity to our already winning NASCAR team," Flood said. "Giving him a chance to spread further within other NBC Sports Group properties and

throughout the company is an added bonus."

Kyle Busch happy to relinquish spotlight to Fernando Alonso at Indy 500

Many a driver in NASCAR and in other forms of motorsports has dreamed of racing in the Indianapolis 500, but few ever get the chance. Kyle Busch is among those, but as

he revealed in a media session at Indianapolis Motor Speedway last week, his plans to race in the most recent 500 were vetoed by his team owner, Joe Gibbs. He said he's glad he didn't have to share the spotlight with Formula One driver

Fernando Alonso, who ran the 500 this



by team owner Joe Gibbs.

"I'm kind of glad it didn't come together, because Alonso kind of stole the headlines the last time it was done," he said. "There may be more in the future, guys coming over to run that race, so I may have to split the limelight if you will with somebody else that kind of wants to do that race, but I think it'd be fun.

"It'd be a unique opportunity. I think the biggest thing that scares my boss is that I've never driven those cars. ... Probably the biggest fear is just not knowing what those cars do when you get into a bad situation."

SPEAKING

Brickyard 400 wins for team owner Rick Hendrick (five with Jeff Gordon, four with Jimmie Johnson and one with Kasey Kahne)

Laps led at Pocono Raceway by Denny Hamlin — the most of any active Cup driver

Laps led in Cup races 31 this season by Kasey Kahne

Laps led in all of 2016 by Kasey Kahne

William Byron youngest-ever winner at Indianapolis Motor Speedway

Teenage racing sensation William Byron pulled off another improbable accomplishment on Saturday when he held off veteran Cup drivers Paul Menard and Joey Logano to win the Lilly Diabetes 250 Xfinity Series race at Indianapolis Motor Speedway. It was Byron's first race at the historic track, and at 19 years and

seven months, he became the track's all-time youngest winner, breaking the previous mark set by Matheus Leist, who won the Freedom 100 Indy Lights race in May at 19 years, eight months, according to track officials.

For Byron, it was yet another triumph in a NASCAR career that he took on after developing his skills mostly in online racing. In just 42 races in the Camping World Truck and Xfinity Series,

Byron has 10 victories, seven in trucks and three in Xfinity. "This is the first time I've come [to IMS], a couple of days ago,"

Byron told reporters in his winner's interview. "It's such a special place, just walking into the place. "I've watched a lot of races here on TV, and seeing the history and to make laps around here is just really special. To see the front

stretch, how narrow it is with grandstands on both sides when you come down the front straight, it's a really special place.

"It's neat to get a win and does a lot for us this year and hopefully propels us to a championship." Menard, the 2011 Brickyard 400 winner, passed Logano for

second place in the closing laps but couldn't get by Byron, who used aggressive blocking to keep Menard at bay. "Man, it sucks being that close, but the kid is really good," Menard

said. "I was better in [turns] Two, Three and Four. Turn One's the slowest corner, so I actually had to come quite a bit out of the throttle, and he was able to carry a little bit more speed through

Logano finished third ahead of polesitter Elliott Sadler and Cole Custer. Kyle Busch, who had won the previous two Xfinity races at Indy and who led a race-high 44 laps on Saturday, finished 12th

after his pit strategy didn't work out for him.

The race saw the debut of a new rules package for Xfinity cars that included restrictor plates on the engines and aerodynamic changes including air ducts on the cars. The intent was to slow the cars a bit, thereby facilitating more passing and closer racing. The race stats indicate the changes worked, as there were a record

number of lead changes (16 vs. nine before) and race leaders (eight vs. six before). The margin of victory — 0.108 seconds — eclipsed the previous

record of 0.411 seconds.

Steve O'Donnell, NASCAR's vice president of competition, said in a press conference that he's encouraged by the results of the rules

"Certainly I think it passed the eye test," he said.



William Byron, driver of the No. 9 Liberty University Chevrolet, kisses the yard of bricks after winning the NASCAR Xfinity Series Lilly Diabetes 250

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