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## Governor Extends Stay At Home Order Through May 8, Plans Three Phase Lifting of Restrictions Based on Virus Trends



On Thursday, Governor Roy Cooper issued Executive Order No. 135 extending North Carolina's Stay At Home order through May 8. The orders extending closure of restaurants for dine-in service and bars and closure of other close-contact businesses are also extended through May 8.

Governor Cooper shared details about North Carolina's plan to lift restrictions in three phases once the data show that key metrics are headed in the right direction.

"The health and safety of people in North Carolina must be our top priority," Cooper said. "This plan provides a roadmap for us to begin **GOVERNOR, see P. 3**

## SCC Plans to Create Virtual Graduation Experience



In place of a typical graduation ceremony, SCC plans to hold a virtual graduation celebration. (File Photo)

This unique experience is planned to provide each graduate with the recognition they rightfully deserve. Students who desire an in-person graduation ceremony are invited to participate in the 2021 graduation ceremony, planned for May 13, 2021, and be recognized as a 2020 graduate. The Registrar's Office will communicate additional details with 2020 graduates closer to time.

Once spring and/or summer grades are verified, the Registrar's Office will mail an official transcript and diploma to each graduate at no cost to students. The College appreciates students' patience and understanding as it celebrates this tremendous achievement during this challenging time. Students with graduation questions should email graduation@sampsoncc.edu.

## COVID-19 Positive Cases Reaches on Friday ONE ADDITIONAL POSITIVE CASE OF COVID-19 REPORTED



On Friday, the Sampson County Health Department reported one new case of the novel coronavirus (COVID-19) today, bringing the total to 36.

The new case is linked to an ongoing outbreak in a neighboring county. The case is isolated at home and in stable condition.

The Health Department will work to identify close contacts, which the CDC defines as being within approximately 6 feet of a person with a COVID-19 infection for a prolonged period of time of 10 minutes or longer. Based on information provided by the individual, county health officials will assess risks of exposure, and determine which if any additional measures are needed such as quarantine or testing.

COVID testing numbers for Sampson County as of April 24, 2020:

- Total Number of Tests Performed: 251
- Positive Test Results: 36 (11 recovered)
- Negative Test Results: 205
- Pending Results: 10
- Deaths: 0

According to Wanda Robinson, Director of the Sampson County Health Department, "Testing is being done by all the medical providers in the county. It is based on assessment and symptoms. Tests are provided in the providers offices, hospital, Commwell health, Goshen, health department, etc."

"Criteria for testing," noted Robinson, "is patients that present with symptoms, hospitalized patients, Health care workers or first responders, patients who live in or have regular contact with a high risk setting (long term care facility, homeless shelter, correctional facility, migrant farmworkers camp), persons who are at higher risk of severe illness and for whom a clinician has determined that results would inform clinical management. We do not test people who do not have symptoms. We have to keep our test for those that are ill."

Robinson concluded by saying, "We just hope that people will adhere to the messages that we have been sending out in the community. Citizens need to protect themselves and others by

1. Wear a mask when out in public
2. Wash hands frequently with soap and water for at least 20 seconds and always before eating, after using the bathroom and after blowing nose, coughing or sneezing.
3. Avoid touching your eyes, nose and mouth with unwashed hands
4. Cover you cough or sneeze with a tissue, then dispose of the tissue in the trash
5. Stay at home when sick until symptoms are gone.
6. If you feel sick, with fever, cough, difficulty breathing, contact your doctor to see if you need to be tested.

## WEATHER

**Fri** Showers  
50%

Hi: 71° Lo: 55°

**Sat** Partly Cloudy  
10%

Hi: 75° Lo: 63°

**Sun** Partly Cloudy  
20%

Hi: 78° Lo: 52°

**Mon** Partly Cloudy  
0%

Hi: 71° Lo: 46°

**Tues** Sunny  
0%

Hi: 77° Lo: 56°

**Wed** Rain  
40%

Hi: 80° Lo: 61°

## WEEKLY VERSE

"Consider carefully what you hear," he continued. "With the measure you use, it will be measured to you — and even more. Whoever has will be given more; whoever does not have, even what he has will be taken from him." Mark 4:24-25

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## CORONAVIRUS HELPFUL TIPS FROM THE CDC



# wear a mask

You should wear a facemask when you are sick and you are around other people (e.g., sharing a room or vehicle) and before you enter a healthcare provider's office. If you are not able to wear a facemask, then you should do your best to cover your coughs and sneezes.

To learn more, visit [www.cdc.gov](http://www.cdc.gov).



## LOCAL NEWS

## Governor Closes School For Rest of School Year

CORONAVIRUS UPDATE  
Schools Closed

Governor Cooper, State Education Leaders: Remote Learning To Continue Through End of 2019-2020 School Year. Cooper also proposes \$1.4 billion COVID-19 relief package using federal funds

Governor Roy Cooper today announced that North Carolina K-12 public schools will continue remote learning through the end of the 2019-2020 school year. Cooper was joined by the State Superintendent of Public Instruction Mark Johnson and the Chair of the State Board of Education Eric Davis for the announcement.

“School buildings will stay closed to students for this school year, but school isn’t over,” said Governor Cooper. “The decision to finish the year by remote learning was not made lightly, but it is the right thing to do to protect our students, teachers and communities. This is a difficult time for many children and parents, and I am grateful for all the educators, administrators, support staff and parents who have gone the extra mile to keep children learning.”

Cooper underscored the needs for schools to continue to provide school nutrition programs now and into the summer, and to be looking ahead and planning for when it is safe to re-convene schools in person. This includes how to get students back on track, especially those who have not been able to access remote learning or were already behind when schools closed to in-person instruction.

To help students without home internet access online learning opportunities, Cooper today announced a partnership to equip more school buses with Wi-Fi. School buses with Wi-Fi will travel to areas that lack internet so students can turn in assignments, download materials, and connect with teachers. AT&T is providing 100 hot spots, Duke Energy Foundation is providing 80, and additional partners are expected to join the effort.

State public health officials are developing safety guidelines for schools to follow when classes are able to convene in person, as well as guidance for summer camps and other groups that use school facilities.

## BUDGET

Cooper also released a recommended budget plan to invest \$1.4 billion in emergency funds

to help North Carolina respond to the COVID-19 pandemic. Funding for this proposal would come predominantly from the state’s share of the federal CARES Act Coronavirus Relief Fund (CRF) and would be appropriated by the North Carolina General Assembly in its upcoming session.

The budget package is intended to fund immediate needs in three main areas:  
-Public health and safety  
-Continuity of operations for education and other state government services  
-Assistance to small businesses and local governments.

“The COVID-19 pandemic has affected every North Carolinian. This emergency funding proposal makes strong investments in public health, schools, local governments and small businesses to respond to this unprecedented crisis,” said Cooper.

Governor Cooper and State Budget Director Charlie Perusse worked with state agencies, local governments, and other stakeholders to identify what immediate COVID-related needs were unmet by existing federal and commercial assistance to build a budget proposal that is responsive and responsible.

Key investments from this proposal include:

- \$75 million to support testing, tracing and trends analysis as well as have the Personal Protective Equipment needed to help North Carolina move into Phase 1 of easing restrictions;
- \$78 million for school nutrition to continue to serve as many as 500,000 meals a day to children who depend on these meals to meet basic nutrition needs typically met in school;
- \$75 million for rural and underserved communities and health care providers that are particularly hard hit by COVID-19;
- \$243 million for public schools to enhance remote learning and get ready for the next school year in a “new normal.” Funds are a joint request from DPI and the State Board of Education.
- \$52 million to the UNC system and private colleges to help with remote learning and COVID-19 impacts;
- \$300 million to assist local governments, distributed based partially on population and partially on acute need.

“We know that people are hurting, businesses are struggling, and local governments are facing severe shortages. That’s why we have to act now to get resources in the hands of people and organizations that provide vital support,” said Cooper.

Governor Cooper and State Budget Director Charlie Perusse have been in discussions with leaders of the North Carolina General Assembly for several weeks to develop a consensus COVID-19 budget package that can be approved swiftly when the legislature returns next week. Elements of this package have already been announced as having consensus support, including a significant investment in an already operating bridge loan program for small businesses through the Golden L.E.A.F. Foundation.

“This plan is a first step, and while it may not have all that North Carolina needs moving forward I present it in the spirit of compromise and consensus so that we can get relief to families fast,” said Cooper.

## NCHSAA UPDATE| Status of Athletic Activity- Canceled for Winter Championships and Spring Sports



The North Carolina High School Athletic Association made the following comments today, “What follows is a statement that we had hoped we would not have to make:

In keeping with Governor Roy Cooper’s announcement today that the public schools of North Carolina will be closed to in-person learning for the remainder of the 2019-2020 school year, the North Carolina High School Athletic Association (NCHSAA) has canceled all remaining winter championships and spring sports.

“Today’s decision is difficult for the NCHSAA Board of Directors and Staff. We empathize with the thousands of student-athletes, especially graduating seniors, coaching staffs, officials and family members affected by this decision,” said NCHSAA Commissioner Que Tucker. “However, this decision reflects a commitment to keeping our student-athletes, officials and member schools’ staffs and their

communities safe, while following the guidelines provided by the Governor and his team, along with the Department of Public Instruction and the State Board of Education.”

We had maintained hope for a conclusion to our State Basketball Championships and a modified spring sports season to help return a sense of normalcy to our communities,” continued Tucker. “Now, as we continue to deal with this difficult time, we must do so by applying the lessons that education-based athletics teaches us: cooperation, patience, sacrifice, responsibility, perseverance and resilience. Together, we will be able to put a “W” in the win column!”

The NCHSAA Board of Directors, in its meeting next week, will discuss finalizing the state basketball playoffs, policies for summer activities, as well as address academic eligibility concerns for Fall 2020.”

## Church Pews Are Still Empty, But Hearts Are Not



The pews at Long Branch Baptist Church in Autryville may be temporarily empty, but a few ladies have tackled the task of sewing fabric masks for the healthcare workers and folks in the community as the risks seems to grow higher each day. For the last two weeks or so, they have ironed, measured, cut, pleated, sewed and attached earpieces. Over 600 masks of all colors and printed patterns have been

produced by these “Masked Women.” They embraced this project when the Coronavirus was hitting its peak and it was suggested that masks be worn when working with the public and out of their homes in general. Masked were in demand and they went to work. The Fellowship Hall resembles a sewing factory of yesteryear with the hum of the machines. The hum of helping their neighbor, Again the pews are temporarily empty but the hands and hearts are right where they should be, helping others one mask at a time! #smallinnumber #bigonJesus





**GOVERNOR, cont. from P. 1**

easing restrictions in stages to push our economy forward.”

Last week, Governor Cooper laid out the path forward centered on three things: testing, tracing and trends. Today, Governor Cooper and Dr. Mandy Cohen, Secretary of NC Department of Health and Human Services, shared more specifics on those key metrics. The Stay At Home and other orders are extended today because North Carolina has not yet seen a downward trajectory of those metrics needed to begin gradually lifting restrictions.

“North Carolina cannot stay at home indefinitely,” added Governor Cooper. “We have to get more people back to work. Right now, the decision to stay at home is based on the public health data and White House guidance. North Carolina needs more time to slow the spread of this virus before we can safely begin lifting restrictions. I know that this pandemic has made life difficult for many people in our state and I am focused on keeping our communities safe while planning to slowly lift restrictions to help cushion the blow to our economy.”

“Data has driven our decisions, starting with the aggressive measures Governor Cooper took early on to slow the spread of COVID-19. Those actions combined with North Carolinians’ resolve to stay home to protect their loved ones have put our state on the right path. If we stick to these efforts right now we will continue to see a slowing of virus spread and we can slowly begin easing restrictions,” said Secretary Cohen.

A detailed look at where North Carolina stands on testing, tracing and trends. The metrics that North Carolina is considering aligns with the White House guidance for Opening Up American Again.

In order to begin lifting restrictions, North Carolina needs to see progress in these key metrics:-

- Sustained Leveling or Decreased Trajectory in COVID-Like Illness (CLI) Surveillance Over 14 Days
- Currently, North Carolina’s syndromic surveillance trend for COVID-like illness is decreasing over the last 14 days.
- Sustained Leveling or Decreased Trajectory of Lab-Confirmed Cases Over 14 Days
- Currently, North Carolina’s trajectory of lab-confirmed cases over the last 14 days cases is still increasing, although at a slower rate.
- Sustained Leveling or Decreased Trajectory in Percent of Tests Returning Positive Over 14 Days
- Currently, North Carolina’s trajectory in percent of tests returning positive over the last 14 days is increasing at a slow rate.
- Sustained Leveling or Decreased Trajectory in Hospitalizations Over 14 Days
- Currently, North Carolina’s trajectory of hospitalizations over the last 14 days is largely level with a slight trend upward.

In addition to these metrics, the state will continue building capacity to be able to adequately respond to an increase in virus spread. These include:

- Increase in Laboratory Testing
- Currently, North Carolina is testing approximately 2,500 to 3,000 people per day and is working to increase to at least 5,000 to 7,000 per day.
- Increase in Tracing Capability
- Currently, North Carolina has approximately 250 people doing contact tracing across its local health departments and is working to double this workforce to 500.
- Availability of Personal Protective Equipment
- The state is working to ensure there are adequate supplies to fulfill requests for critical PPE for at least 30 days. This includes face shields, gloves, gowns, N95 masks, and surgical and procedural masks. Currently the state has less than 30 day supply of gowns and N95 masks. Availability of PPE is calculated based on the average number of requests for the last 14 days compared to the supply that the state has on hand.

Governor Cooper also shared information about how North Carolina can gradually re-open over three phases to prevent hot spots of viral spread while also beginning to bring our economy back. These phases are based on the best information available now, but could be altered as new information emerges.

**In Phase 1**

- Modify the Stay At Home order allow travel not currently defined as essential allowing people to leave home for commercial activity at any business that is allowed to be open, such as clothing stores, sporting goods stores, book shops, houseware stores and other retailers.
- Ensure that any open stores implement appropriate employee and consumer social distancing, enhanced hygiene and cleaning protocols, symptom screening of employees, accommodations for vulnerable workers, and provide education to employees and workers to combat misinformation
- Continue to limit gatherings to no more than 10 people
- Reopen parks that have been closed subject to the same gathering limitation. Outdoor exercise will continue to be encouraged.
- Continue to recommend face coverings in public spaces when 6 feet of distancing isn’t possible
- Encourage employers to continue teleworking policies
- Continue rigorous restrictions on nursing homes and other congregant care settings
- Local emergency orders with more restrictive measures may remain in place.

**Phase 2**

- At least 2-3 weeks after Phase 1
- Lift Stay At Home order with strong encouragement for vulnerable populations to continue staying at home to stay safe
- Allow limited opening of restaurants, bars, fitness centers, personal care services, and other businesses that can follow safety protocols including the potential need to reduce capacity
- Allow gathering at places such as houses of worship and entertainment venues at reduced capacity
- Increase in number of people allowed at gatherings
- Open public playgrounds
- Continue rigorous restrictions on nursing homes and other congregant care settings

**Phase 3**

- At least 4-6 weeks after Phase 2
- Lessen restrictions for vulnerable populations with encouragement to continue practicing physical distancing and minimizing exposure to settings where distancing isn’t possible
- Allow increased capacity at restaurants, bars, other businesses, houses of worships, and entertainment venues
- Further increase the number of people allowed at gatherings
- Continue rigorous restrictions on nursing homes and other congregant care settings

Governor Cooper and Dr. Cohen both underscored the need for the testing, tracing and trends to move in the right direction for each of these phases to move forward. If there is a spike in infections, tightening of restrictions may be needed temporarily.

Information about K-12 public schools will follow later this week.

**NCDHHS to Provide Additional Food Benefits for More than 800,000 Children Impacted by the COVID-19 Pandemic**



Governor Roy Cooper announced today that North Carolina has been approved for the new Pandemic Electronic Benefit Transfer (P-EBT) program, to help families purchase food for children impacted by school closings due to COVID-19. NCDHHS is working to operationalize the program and families will begin to receive this benefit in coming weeks.

“So many families are in need, especially with so many out of work right now. This approval helps people get assistance faster to feed their families,” said Governor Cooper.

The program provides a benefit on an EBT card to North Carolina families whose children are eligible for free and reduced lunch at school. Families will receive \$250 in P-EBT benefits per child, provided in two installments, with the possibility of an additional benefit if North Carolina schools are closed beyond May 15. Families will be able to use the P-EBT benefit to purchase food items at EBT authorized retailers, including most major grocery stores.

Families will not need to apply for the P-EBT program. P-EBT eligible families already receiving Food and Nutrition Services (FNS) benefits will receive an additional benefit on their existing EBT card. P-EBT eligible families not already enrolled in FNS will be mailed a new EBT card in the next few weeks. Families who receive a new EBT card will receive a letter from DHHS in the mail explaining how to activate and use their card.

“As our schools closed, many families across the state worried about where their next meals would come from—and we knew we had to take action,” said NC Department of Health and Human Services Secretary Mandy Cohen, M.D. “The P-EBT program will provide extra help buying groceries for the families of the more than 800,000 children who normally receive free and reduced lunch at school.”

North Carolina is one of the first four states to receive federal approval from the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) to provide P-EBT benefits, which are entirely federally funded.

The new P-EBT program is in addition to other services families may be participating in. As announced previously on March 30, 2020, all families that receive Food and Nutrition Services (FNS) will receive the maximum amount allowed for March and April 2020 for their household size. Families are encouraged to continue utilizing feeding programs at local school and community meal sites for free, nutritious meals for children.

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# LOCAL NEWS

## North Carolinians Can Apply for Pandemic Unemployment Assistance Beginning April 24 PUA helps independent contractors, self-employed out of work due to COVID-19



North Carolina independent contractors and self-employed workers out of work because of COVID-19 can apply for federal Pandemic Unemployment Assistance beginning this Friday, April 24 at [des.nc.gov](http://des.nc.gov).

Pandemic Unemployment Assistance, or PUA, is a federal program for people who are unable to work as a result of COVID-19 and not eligible for regular state unemployment benefits, such as self-employed workers and independent contractors.

For people who have been laid off or had their hours reduced due to COVID-19, the online benefits system will determine eligibility for state unemployment or PUA through a single application beginning April 24.

Individuals who have already applied and been denied for state unemployment benefits may need to provide DES additional information to apply for PUA. Those individuals should sign into their online account and click on the 'Apply for Pandemic Unemployment Assistance' link to complete the application process. If their claim is in pending status, DES is continuing to review their eligibility for state unemployment benefits.

To help DES process claims more efficiently, claimants should upload all necessary documents, such as proof of income or proof of medical diagnosis, with their application before clicking 'Submit.' If a claimant does not have all of their documents ready when they start the application, they can save their work and come back to it when they are ready to submit all of their information.

"This is a complex program, and we have been working hard to get it up and running," said Lockhart Taylor, assistant secretary for the Division of Employment Security. "We want to

get assistance out to people as quickly as possible, while also making sure we protect the integrity of the program by verifying that claimants meet the eligibility requirements for these benefits."

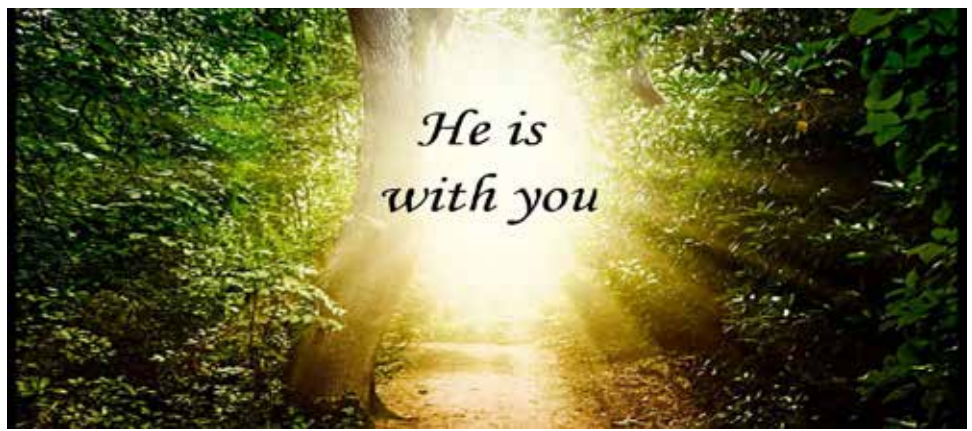
The fastest and most efficient way to file a claim for unemployment is online at [des.nc.gov](http://des.nc.gov). Individuals who need assistance filing their PUA claim can call the Pandemic Unemployment Assistance line at 866-847-7209.

DES has now paid out a total of more than \$636 million to more than 280,000 people for unemployment claims effective as of March 15.



**Citizens are receiving an email** from the email address [mpresident872@gmail.com](mailto:mpresident872@gmail.com) that appears to be from one of our elected officials. The email asks the recipient: "I need your help. Are you available?" When/if the recipient responds and provides a phone number, the scammer sends a text asking them to buy some gift cards for them. If you call the number, you get a recording that the number is disconnected. Unfortunately, the phone number provided is only one digit off the actual personal cellphone number for the elected official so it can appear to be true as well.

We are concerned that citizens may believe an elected official is seeking donations related to the COVID crisis and will be scammed. Thank you for helping us protect them.



## CRIME

### CRIME REPORTS

04-09 Joe Dwight Mooring, 56, Newton Grove. Domestic Criminal Trespass, Assault With A Deadly Weapon. Trial date 06-02-20  
04-09 Sonia Jennette Smith, 27, Fayetteville. Simple Assault. Trial Date 05-26-20  
04-09 James Richard Harper, 32, Clinton. Shoplifting. Trial Date 05-07-20  
04-09 Casey Lee Wilkes, 30, Clinton. Burning personal property, Poss stolen goods/property, Felony Larceny, Felony Conspiracy. Bond \$4000. Trial Date 05-01-20  
04-10 Justin Bryant Noble, 29, Autryville. Larceny. Bond \$5000. Trial Date 06-25-20  
04-10 James Edward Schumaker, 27, Clinton. Order for Arrest-Fail to Comply with Monies and Community Service. Bond \$665. Trial Date 06-08-20  
04-10 Chuckie Wayne Mckinney, 35, Clinton. Trespass. Trial Date 05-05-20  
04-11 Sandy Timothy Lewis, 44, Wallace. Indecent Exposure, Open Container malt Beverage on City Property. Trial Date 06-22-20  
04-12 Rodney Lee Bennett, 52, Clinton. Assault on a Female, DWI, Executive Order Violation, DWLR Aft Impaired Rev Notice. Bond \$1500. Trial Date 06-24-20  
04-12 Nicholas Tyler Hinson, 42, Salemburg. OFA- Resist Public Officer. Bond \$2000. Trial Date 05-07-20  
04-12 Ormon Rashaan Carroll, 33, Clinton. Possess Marijuana. Trial Date 06-24-20  
04-13 Elizabeth Rene Kilburn, 28, Kinston. Possess Marijuana, Maintaining Vehicle Resorting to Using. Bond \$5000. Trial Date 06-12-20  
04-11 David Vincent McArthur, 52, Goldsboro. Assault on a Female, Larceny. Bond \$500. Trial Date 06-23-20  
04-11 Wendall Wade Strickland, 58, Clinton. Larceny, Posses Stolen Goods, Conspiracy, Burning Personal Property. Bond \$15000. Trial Date 06-12-20  
04-12 Atiya Mone Shim, 31, Fayetteville. Simple Assault, Trespass of Real Property. Trial Date 06-09-20  
04-13 Jonathan Lewis Jones, 36, Turkey. DVPO Violation. Trial date 06-22-20  
04-14 Andrew William Barnard, 34, Wallace. Possess Drug Paraphernalia not for Marijuana, Possess Methamphetamine, Assault on Female. Trial Date 06-23-20  
04-14 James Cyle Beatty, 33, Roseboro. Injury to Personal Property, Simple Assault. Bond \$750. Trial 06-16-20  
04-14 Jamie Reco Jordan, 32, Clinton. Fail to Comply. Bond \$480. Trial Date 06-08-20  
04-14 Zu Noland, 45, Clinton. Trespass of Real Property, Resisting Public Officer. Bond \$1500. Trial Date 05-14-20  
04-14 Michael Aaron Tadlock, 26, Newton Grove. Misdemeanor Larceny, Simple Assault. Bond \$1500. Trial Date 06-24-20  
04-14 Mary Elizabeth Hatcher, 58, Clinton. Exec Order Viol  
04-15 Leonard Griffin, 52, Clinton. DWI, Expired Registration Card/Tag. Bond \$1500. Trial Date 06-23-20  
04-15 Brandon Tanner, 23, Roseboro. Protective Order Violation. Trial Date 05-26-2004-1

04-15 Danniel Ras Maynor, 45, Dunn. Uttering Forged Instrument, Obtain Property by False Pretense, Misdemeanor Possession of Stolen Goods, Robbery with a Dangerous Weapon, Breaking and Entering, Larceny after Break/Enter, Common Law Robbery, Assault on a Female. Bond \$93500. Trial Date 04-20-20  
04-15 Dannile Ras Maynor, 45, Dunn. Common Law Robbery. Bond \$8000. Trial Date 06-12-20  
04-15 Leonard Griffin, 52, Clinton. DWI, Expired Registration Car/Tag. Bond \$1500. Trial Date 06-23-20  
04-15 Dannile Ras Maynor, 45, Dunn. Larceny. Bond \$1000. Trial Date 06-22-20  
04-15 Michael Devon Peterson, 19, Warsaw. Parole Violation, WFA/Second Degree Trespass, WFA-Communicating Threats, WFA- Simple Assault. Trial Date 06-22-20  
04-15 Regina Taylor of Clinton reported Larceny- purse \$20, wallet \$5, drivers license, check book \$25, US currency \$100, medication \$100  
04-15 Michael A Fisher of Clinton reported Larceny of Patio Furniture \$800  
04-16 Kacey Tanner, 19, Autryville. MO/Felony Possession Schedule II. Bond \$2500. Trial Date \$2500  
04-17 Reginald Jerome Rhaney Jr, 24, Clinton. Possess Marijuana, NOL, Fict/Alt Title/Reg Card/Tag, No Insurance, Fail to register Vehicle, Expired Registration Card/Tag. Trial Date 06-08-20  
04-17 Armando Narvaez Figueroa, 38, Clinton. Assault Inflect Serious Injury, Assault on a Female. Bond \$1500. Trial Date 07-06-20  
04-17 Tiffany Marie Wider, 26, Clinton. PFA/DWLR Not Impaired Rev. Bond \$500. Trial Date 06-29-20  
04-17 Daniel Jay Wiltshire, 18, Dudley. Possess Stolen Motor Vehicle, Larceny of Motor Vehicle. Bond \$10000. Trial Date 06-26-20  
04-17 Jerry Paul Britt, 45, Fayetteville. Child Support- FTA. Bond \$600. Trial Date 05-13-20  
04-18 Randy Wayne Thompson, 18, Lumber Bridge. Possess Meth, Felony Poss of Cocaine. Bond \$4500. Trial Date 05-15-20  
04-18 Teianna Hall, 23, Goldsboro. Posses Drug Paraphernalia, Possess Meth. Bond \$5000. Trial Date 06-12-20  
04-18 Molly Harriet Duffy, 37, Clinton. Misdemeanor Larceny.  
04-19 Brendell Shakei Bass, 23, Dudley. Posses Marijuana, Carry Concealed Weapon. Trial Date 07-20-20  
04-19 Paul Allen Boykin II, 31, Beaulaville. Motor Vehicle Theft, Violation of Executive Order, Habitual Felon. Bond \$7000. Trial date 06-26-20  
04-19 Rashard Shawan, 25, Erwin. Fail to Return Rental Property, Assault on a Female. Trial Date 07-30-20  
04-19 Paul Allen Boykin, 31, Beaulaville. Possess Stolen Motor Vehicle, Fictitious Info to Officer, Resisting Public Officer, Probation Violation. Bond \$14500. Trial Date 06-26-20  
04-20 Latesha Michelle Coxum, 33, Clinton. Threatening Phone Calls, Fail to Comply, Possess Meth, Trafficking in Cocaine PWIMSD, Unauthorized Use of Vehicle. Bond \$361,475. Trial Date 06-09-20  
04-20 Alejandro Cruz-Sanfoval, 18, Autryville. Possess Marijuana, Drug Equipment Violation. Trial Date 06-02-20

04-21 William Earl Williams, 40, Fayetteville. Larceny. Trial Date 06-22-20  
04-21 Richard Anthony Troyon, 58, Clinton. Larceny, Break and Enter, Domestic Criminal Trespass. Trial Date 05-27-20  
04-22 Luis Fortino Ramirez, 18, Clinton. Possess with Intent to Distribute Marijuana, MO Felony Possession Schedule II Controlled. Bond \$5000. Trial Date 06-12-20  
04-22 Jamesa Niyel Joyner, 24, Clinton. Shoplifting Concealment of Goods. Bond \$500. Trial Date 07-07-20  
04-22 Chaz Austin Muhammed, 37, Fayetteville. Communicate Threats/Assault. Trial Date 06-23-20  
04-22 Antonio Javon Darnell Lee, 24, Roseboro. Possess Schedule VI, Possess Drug Paraphernalia. 04-22 Antonio Vazquez, 44, Clinton. Communicating Threats. Trial Date 07-20-20  
04-22 Jerry Terrell Williams, 30, Clinton. Poss Stolen Goods/Property, Felony Larceny. Bond \$10000. Trial Date 06-12-20  
04-22 Isidro Mendez, 50m Godwin. Violation of Noise Ordinance. Trial Date 06-22-20  
04-23 Robert Allen Tanner, 67, Autryville. Second Degree Trespass, Simple Assault. Bond \$1500. Trial Date 06-09-20  
04-23 Chad Osbourne, 39, Harrells. Simple Assault. Trial Date 06-08-20  
04-23 Ellis Avance Cogdell, 61, Parkton. Possession/Manufacture Fraudulent Identification, Identity Theft. Bond \$15000. Trial Date 06-01-20  
04-24 Jaylen Raheam Horton, 19, Clinton. Possess marijuana. Trial Date 06-23-20

### INCIDENT REPORTS

04-09 Ashton Gatlin of Salemburg reported Motor Vehicle Theft- stolen dirt bike valued at \$875  
04-09 Walmart Stores, Inc reported Shoplifting of computer arcade game \$300  
04-10 Shavar Lemar Smith of Clinton reported Theft From Motor Vehicle- stolen firearms valued at \$325  
04-10 Cesar Terron of Clinton reported Damage to personal property- chickens valued at \$105 and damage to fence  
04-10 Candace Danielle White of Roseboro reported Burglary/Breaking & Entering -Residence, Destruction/Damage/Vandalism of Property- Residence- gas cap \$20, door handles- \$350, assorted medications, Smart Phone, headphones, CD's  
04-10 Floyd Lee Jones of Turkey reported Destruction/Damage/Vandalism of Property- tractor \$100,000  
04-10 Wanda Kay King of Clinton reported Larceny, Fail to Work after Paid. Stain \$50, paint \$50, lattice \$160, Money \$2950  
04-10 Tiffany Marie Lorenzo of Clinton reported Burglary/Breaking & Entering, Destruction/Damage/Vandalism of Property- damage to door \$250  
04-10 William Jonathan Sinclair of Clinton reported Trespassing  
04-10 Jirah Israel Cooper of Clinton reported Trespass of Real Property, Simple Assault  
04-11 Kenneth Earl Chambers of Clinton reported All Other Larceny- stolen jewelry valued at \$9250  
04-11 Shelia Underwood-Collins of Autryville reported Burglary/Breaking & Entering, Destruction/Damage/Vandalism of Property- stolen fishing poles \$60, Coolers \$45, Tables \$50, window damage \$50  
04-11 Richard Lee Pope of Clinton reported Burglary/Breaking & Entering, Destruction/Damage/Vandalism of Property- stolen weed eater \$150, pole

saw \$200, chainsaw \$150, damage to door frame \$150  
04-12 Miguel Angel Diaz-Hernandez of Clinton reported Larceny Of A Wallet- money \$1600, wallet-\$10  
04-12 Janet Lynn Iverson of Roseboro reported Destruction/Damage/Vandalism of Property- stolen television \$2000  
04-12 John William Yancey and Donald Edwards of Clinton reported Destruction/Damage/Vandalism of Property- shooting and damage to window and door  
04-13 Jessica Nicole Miller of Clinton reported Larceny From Motor Vehicle- license plate  
04-14 Candii Group Home of Clinton reported Damage to Property- door \$80  
04-14 Muean Saleh Mohammed Alkrizy of Clinton reported a Simple Assault, Misdemeanor Larceny.  
04-14 Valerie Sernophia Mccants of Clinton reported Destruction/Damage/Vandalism of Property-damage to car door \$300  
04-15 Geneva Johnson Langley of Garland reported Burglary/Breaking & Entering- stolen jewelry \$5000  
04-15 Robert McDouglad of Clinton reported Robbery- wallet, credit/debit cards and license  
04-17 Mark Edwards Electrical Services reported a Larceny- 18v knock out set- \$1400, electrical wire 2 rolls \$150  
04-18 Pat Kato of Clinton reported Larceny of flowers- \$32  
04-19 Inn of Clinton reported a Larceny by Employee- \$300  
04-19 Gerardo Javier Ferrea Euced of Clinton reported Larceny of Motor Vehicle- \$5000  
04-20 Bee Hive of Clinton reported Breaking and Entering Other Building  
04-20 Alonzo Taborn of Clinton reported Trespass, Simple Assault, and Larceny  
04-21 Stephanie Nahquan Johnson of Clinton reported a BREAKING AND ENTERING RESIDENCE  
04-22 Big Blue of Clinton reported Shoplifting of Tools- \$213.98  
04-22 Holly Marie McMillen of Clinton reported Damage to Property- automobile \$1500  
04-22 Melanie Griffin Young of Clinton reported Damage to Property- automobile \$100  
04-23 Ronald Lee Barnes of Clinton reported Burglary/Breaking & Entering- stolen generator \$600, Shop vac \$100, tool box \$300, skill saw \$100  
04-23 Big Blue of Clinton reported Shoplifting- boots \$144.99  
04-23 Irma Gonzalez of Clinton reported Shooting into Occupied Dwelling- \$1000 damage to structure  
04-23 Wilfrido Salazar Lopez of Clinton reported Breaking & Entering- stolen television \$400, flat screen television \$500, Xbox \$300

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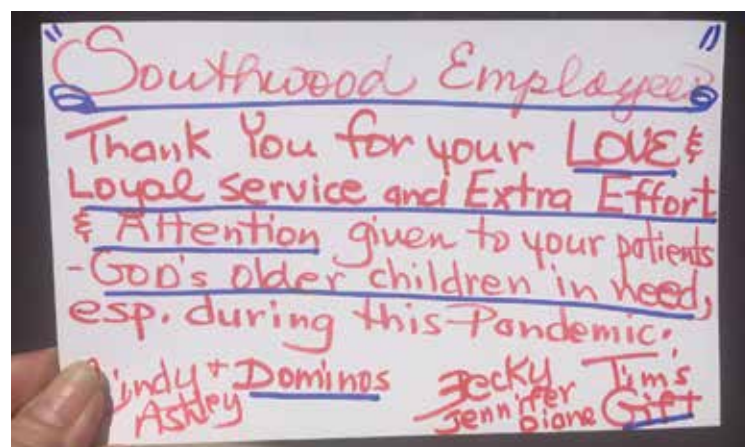
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Jordan Shopping Center



## Community Comes Together during COVID-19

Dominos and Tim's Gift team up to feed "HomeTown Heroes"



## ...by God's Grace

Goodness shines in Sampson where gifts of Faith and Family grow even stronger through a Pandemic that struck like lightning! James 1:17 reminds us, "every good and perfect gift is from above coming from the Father!"

In Romans 15:14 Paul says, "I myself am convinced, my brothers and sisters, that you yourselves are full of goodness..."! I am convinced the city and county we call home sweet home is full of goodness.

Cindy Byrd, owner of Dominos, is full of goodness. She and I have partnered as businesswomen and sisters in Christ since 1990. We met after opening our businesses

Dominos and The Learning Station, right down the street from one another. Six months after starting up, Cindy and I shared time together pondering a mission project. After much prayer, PIZZA PALS was put in place. When Sonshine Kids at The Learning Station read five books in one month, they were rewarded with a personal pan pizza. Ms. Cindy allowed the children to participate in the pizza making process which was a good gift in itself. Pizza Pals was wonderful for three years, then it waned due to time restraints as God was growing our businesses.

Cindy and I struggled to stay in touch as family and work responsibilities crowded our schedules.

In Autumn of 2016, my sister, - Mary Gaye, who overflows with goodness, came to Clinton to help with Tim's Gift Golf Tournament. She visited local businesses and brought back good gifts to be auctioned. Then, my sister shared about meeting the owner of Dominos who wanted to meet with me about something God had put on her heart. Sadly, it was spring season when I finally made my way to Dominos to meet with Cindy. My busyness almost made Tim's Gift miss a big blessing God was putting in place. After our March 2017 meeting, The Possibility of Pizza and Prayer, a powerful mission program saluting people doing good things in our communities, became reality. God stirred Cindy's heart to do something to give back to the community and my heart with details to make this home mission possible. With prayers said and plans in place, Jennifer Brewer designed Pizza and Prayer cards, 1,000 were ordered in faith that God would grow the Possibility of Pizza and Prayer, and oh how He has! Tim's Gift writes the cards and mails or delivers to people doing good things; Dominos provides a free large pizza. Recipients take cards to Dominos for pick up and Cindy keeps them in a safe place, often rereading messages that give her good gifts of joy and encouragement! We hope "The Possibility of Pizza and Prayer" continues in Sampson - Clinton - and beyond where goodness overflows.

During this Pandemic, God has opened the door for yet another community mission project. Dominos is sponsoring nationwide - FEED THE NEEDY - where pizzas are given in a spirit of gratitude. Cindy and her daughter, Ashley, are managing local outreach with the help of Tim's Gift. Several local businesses, churches, and organizations have already received pizzas and prayer when deliveries were made. This Saturday, people can drive- thru the parking lot beside Dominos ( yellow cones and volunteers will be stationed at the entrance to Jordan Shopping Center at First Citizens Bank, to direct traffic around the bank and beside Dominos where pizza will be handed to people inside their vehicles. Individual slices of pizza (in boxes) will be passed out from noon until 1 pm (or until they are gone) Saturday - April 25th. Pizza slices will only be given to people in vehicles in line from noon until 1pm - or until they are gone! Thank you, Cindy and Dominos. May you be blessed as you so richly bless others.

Yes, by God's grace we are blessed by every good and perfect gift that comes from our heavenly Father! His goodness overflows; may our appreciation and love for Him GROW!

~ In His love, Becky



Sonshine Kids fold pizza boxes for Saturday's event at Dominos from 12-1- Drive Thru Pizza Give Away- individual slices while supplies last

## Goodness - A Nourishing Fruit of the Spirit

By Diane Lough



Cindy Byrd, owner of Dominos, gives back to the community

"For you were once darkness, but now you are light in the Lord. Live as children of light. (for the fruit of the light consists in all goodness, righteousness and truth)" Ephesians 5:8-9 NIV

We know from reading God's word in the Bible - old and new testament readings, that there was good and bad in the world. Both still exist today. As the Holy Spirit enters into our lives when we proclaim Jesus Christ as our Lord and Savior, the good begins to push out the bad!

The meaning of GOODNESS is much like GODLINESS! Godliness is "being LIKE God" and Goodness is "being GOOD like God"  
[https://www.biblebc.com/Studies/Fruit\\_of\\_Spirit/goodness.htm](https://www.biblebc.com/Studies/Fruit_of_Spirit/goodness.htm)

"Surely your goodness and love will follow me all the days of my life, and I will dwell in the house of the Lord forever." Psalm 23:6 NIV

Goodness is a nourishment to our own soul! And, if you share goodness with others, it nourishes their soul too! Goodness begins to multiply across peoples' minds and hearts. It can propel into a movement! Goodness is poured into us as a fruit of the Holy Spirit. We receive God's goodness daily. When he wakes us up each day, when he gives to us his favor and blessings, and his almighty protection are daily outpouring of goodness into our lives! Bless God!



## FAITH

## Freedom of, or Freedom from?



By Will Matthews

One of my favorite youth group games is a game called “Murder.” The name may sound taboo for any church group to play, and maybe there’s a different name it goes by that I’m unaware of, but the game is all about which voice you, “the police officer,” is going to listen to. First, you make the room pitch black. Each player gets a playing card, and whoever draws the ace is the murderer. As everyone walks around the dark room, the murderer taps a “victim” on his shoulder. The victim yells “Murder” falls to the ground, and the police officer comes in to question everyone around the crime scene. Each player has a chance to voice their innocence to the police officer before he decides who he thinks the murderer is.

The marketplace of ideas is kind of like that game. In a free society, everyone gets to voice their opinions in order to persuade the public narrative. What guarantees us this right? Protection of free speech coupled with freedom of religion.

There will always be controversy surrounding that term “freedom of religion.” and it’s meaning. Many falsely twist that term to mean “freedom from religion.” The actual language used in the first amendment of the U.S. Constitution is: “Congress shall make no law respecting an establishment of religion, or prohibiting the free exercise thereof; or abridging the freedom of speech, or of the press; or the right of the people peaceably to assemble, and to petition the Government for a redress of grievances.”

Freedom of religion means exactly what the constitution says. Congress will not (or, should not) make a law stating that citizens must commit themselves to the Christian faith, or for that matter the Mormon faith, Roman Catholic faith, Hindu faith, or the faith of the Flying Spaghetti Monster. You are free to worship what or who you want, granted the practice of your worship is not dangerous to society or infringes on practicing rights of others. For instance, if your faith practice is to set

fire to hospitals – then you are not free to do that. If your faith practice is to pray on the steps of the courthouse, then you are free to do so. Where we get sideways on the linguistics is that there may be people who do not want to hear your public prayer as they enter into the courthouse. That person will then complain that it is their right to be “free from religion” – meaning, they want no public interaction with religion at all. That is not what the constitution envisions, and that is not what Thomas Jefferson (A deist, not a Christian) envisioned neither when he wrote to a group of Baptists from Connecticut that there is a “wall of separation” that exists between church and state. Simply put, freedom of religion means that everyone gets a voice in the marketplace of ideas, and that the government will not create a new law that will classify everyone under one religious label.

However, that does not give secular humanists an advantage over religious movements or groups. For Christians, the gospel is not a private truth to be confined to the walls of a church building. The gospel is not a “private matter” never to be expressed publicly. In fact, followers of Jesus know and take very seriously the fact that his last words were to take the gospel – the central Christian message – to every part of the world. There’s no way that can be done as a “private matter.” The marriage of freedom of speech and religious liberty in the Constitution means that we have the right to persuade government to act in accordance with Christian values. The Islamic community is afforded that same right in America, as are Taoists, Jainists and Darwinists. We are free to disagree on what truth is, and we are free to persuade the republic, through the voting process, on which direction it should go in light of law and policy.

Christians are free to influence governments to pass stricter regulations on abortion clinics and loosen tax policies on adoption agencies. Christians are free to influence lawmakers to pass resolutions allowing the display of the Ten Commandments in a public library. The voice that religious groups have is not only designated for political issues, but extends to all spheres of culture: entertainment, business, education and the arts. However, the modern political narrative has moved to “freedom from religion” in order to silence the most prevalent voice in American history: the church. The crucial question we are left with is: How should Christians manifest their faith in the realm of politics? Jesus’ words in the gospels are inescapably political. Jesus declared God’s kingdom was at hand – an obvious shot to the Roman Empire and an acknowledgment that there is a better, stronger, more powerful king than the Emperor, whose kingdom will operate differently and eternally. Because that kingdom is real, our hope is not in this world or in this government, but in a better one. The church is not merely a non-profit institution, it is the embassy of God’s kingdom in this world. Freedom of religion means that we are free to seek influence in public life, and our strongest persuasion comes when we live as faithful ambassadors for the true king.

## H E A V E N



By Martha M. Pierce

Perhaps it’s because I just celebrated my 80th birthday, but as never before with each passing day I become more and more aware of the limited time we are granted to live on this earth. Actually, each breath draws us closer to our eternal home. I trust that the thoughts shared herein will remind each of us of the importance of making our final preparations for spending eternity in Heaven with our Lord and Master, Jesus Christ.

Dr. Harry Rimmer was known throughout the Christian world for his books on the Bible. A week or two before Dr. Rimmer died in 1953, he sent a letter to Dr. Charles Fuller, of which this is part:

“Next Sunday you are to talk about Heaven. I am interested in that land, because I have held a clear title to a bit of property there for more than fifty-five years. I did not buy it. It was given to me “without money and without price.” But the donor purchased it for me at a tremendous sacrifice. I am not holding it for speculation, since the title is not transferable. It is not a vacant lot.”

“For more than half a century I have been sending materials, out of which the Great Architect and Builder of the Universe has been building a home for me, a home which will never be remodeled or repaired, because it will suite me perfectly, individually, and will never grow old. Termites can never undermine its foundations, for they rest on the Rock of Ages. Fire cannot destroy it. Floods cannot wash it away. No locks nor bolts will ever be placed on its doors, for no vicious person can ever enter that Land where my dwelling stands, now almost completed and almost ready for me to enter in and abide in peace eternally, without fear of being evicted. I hold His promise in printed form that He will never forsake me nor leave me alone. He will be with me as I walk through the valley, and I shall not lose my way when He is with me.”

“Dr. Fuller, I hope to hear your sermon on Heaven next Sunday from my home in Los Angeles, but I have no assurance that I shall be able to do so. My ticket to Heaven has no date marked for the journey, no return coupon, and no permit for baggage. Yes, I am all ready to go, and I may not be here while you are talking next Sunday – but I shall meet you Over There some day.”

Jesus Christ left these words for us: “I go to prepare a place for you. And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again, and receive you unto myself; that where I am, there ye may be also... I am the Way, the Truth, and the Life; no man cometh unto the Father but by Me.” John 14:3

On one occasion Dwight L. Moody, the great American evangelist, said: “Some day you will read in the papers that D. L. Moody of East Northfield is dead. Don’t you believe one word of it! At that moment I shall be more alive than I am now. I shall have gone up higher, that’s all – out of this old clay tenement into a house that is immortal; a body that death cannot touch, that sin cannot taint, a body fashioned like His glorious body. I was born of the flesh in 1837. I was born of the Spirit in 1856. That which is born of the flesh

may die. That which is born of the Spirit will live for ever.” Excerpt from HEAVEN: Better By Far J. Oswald Sanders

To quote Mark Lowery: “What will Heaven be like? I don’t have a clue, but I do know that the Scripture says in I Corinthians 2:9 “Eye hath not seen, ear hath not heard, neither hath it entered into the heart of man the things that God has prepared for those that love him.”

“I do think if you put Disney’s imagination, Beethoven’s brilliance, along with Einstein’s wildest dreams, the best those old boys could come up with would be like a kindergarten play compared to what God has prepared for us.”

“I do know what we will be like: 1 John 3:2 says ‘Beloved now we are children of God and it has not yet appeared what we will be. We know that when He appears, we will be like Him, for we shall see Him as He is.’ Can you even imagine? WE WILL BE LIKE HIM!”

A classic Christian writer of yesteryear, Richard Baxter, puts it thus:

“My knowledge of that life is small, The eye of faith is dim;  
But it is enough that Christ knows all, And I shall be with Him.  
Think of It!  
Think of stepping on shore and finding it Heaven.  
Of taking hold of a hand and finding it God’s hand.  
Of breathing a new air and finding it Celestial air.  
Of feeling invigorated and finding it immortality.  
Of passing from storm and tempest to perfect calm.  
Of waking and knowing that I am Home!”

David Jeremiah shared: “You’re not a citizen of earth on your way to heaven. We’re citizens of heaven traveling through this earth, and we’re here on assignment to fight the enemy, help the needy, and witness to the enslaved. We must live for Christ and His glory, regulating all our thoughts and deeds by His handbook from Heaven, the Bible, which we actively share with others.”

When Lloyd Douglas, author of *The Robe* and other novels attended college, he lived in a boardinghouse. A retired, wheelchair-bound music professor resided on the first floor. Each morning Douglas would stick his head in the door of the teacher’s apartment and ask the same question. “Well, what’s the good news?” The old man would pick up his tuning fork, tap it on the side of the wheelchair, and say, “That’s middle C! It was middle C yesterday; it will be middle C tomorrow; it will be middle C a thousand years from now. The tenor upstairs sings flat. The piano across the hall is out of tune, but my friend, that is middle C.”

And to that I affirm that we all need a middle C! Relationships change, health changes, weather changes, circumstances change. But the God who ruled the earth last night is the same God who rules it today. Same convictions, same plan, same love, He never changes, and we simply need to trust Him.

You need a Heavenly Father. And according to David in the 23rd Psalm, you have one. The Lord is your Shepherd, AND since we live in the full revelation of the Love of God, you can also say “The Shepherd is My Lord”. Let us be willing to follow wherever He leads. It takes commitment, assuredly it will bring contentment. What a remarkable adventure awaits as we follow our Lord all the days of our life in full assurance that our Shepherd knows the way home. Think about this: The last word of the 23rd Psalm is FOREVER, and my friends, that is the first word of eternity - FOREVER!

We can only try to imagine an eternity in Heaven! Our finite minds cannot comprehend it, but God has promised, and I believe it. Don’t lose sight of Heaven! As the beloved old Gospel song says: “What a day that will be!”

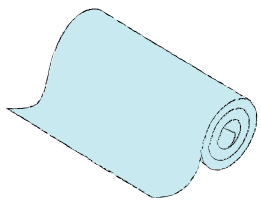
Especially in these uncertain and unprecedented times, my friends, let us all stay the course, keep our eyes on Jesus and our hearts on HEAVEN!

# How to sew your own face mask

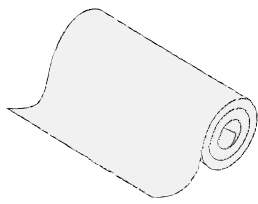
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Unable to find masks online or at your local stores? The CDC says that you can make your own masks at home using common household items. These do-it-yourself face coverings are simple to make and can be worn whether or not you are exhibiting symptoms. The CDC recommends wearing a mask in areas where social distancing can be a little more challenging, including supermarkets and pharmacies.

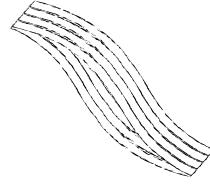
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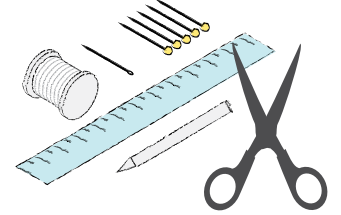
**Cotton fabric**



**Lightweight fusible interfacing**  
(optional: used to stiffen cotton fabric)

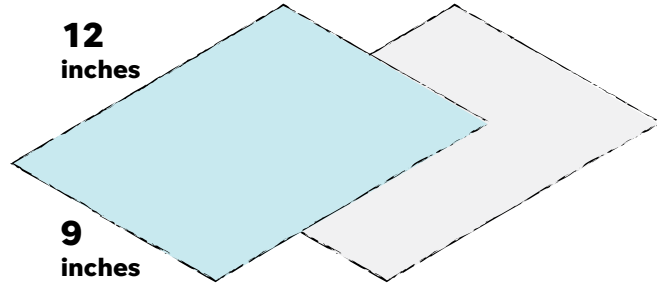


**1/4" elastic**

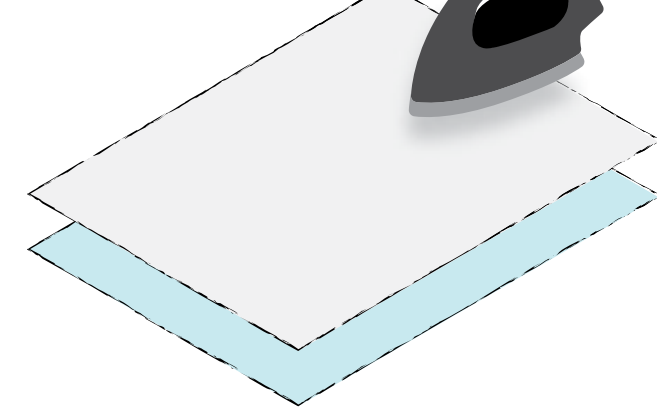


**Basic sewing supplies**  
thread, needle, pins, scissors, ruler  
(sewing machine is optional)

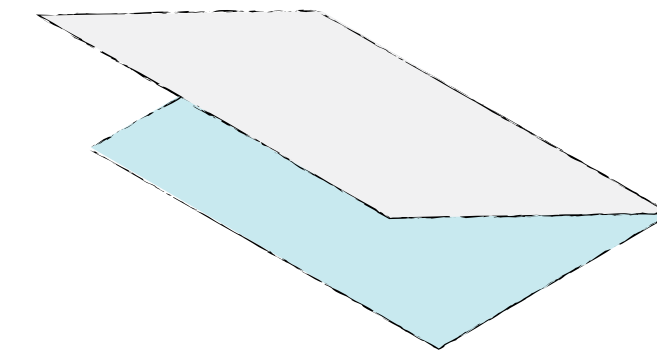
**1** Cut cotton fabric and interfacing to 12 inches X 9 inches.



**2** Iron interfacing to material (adhesive side to back of material).



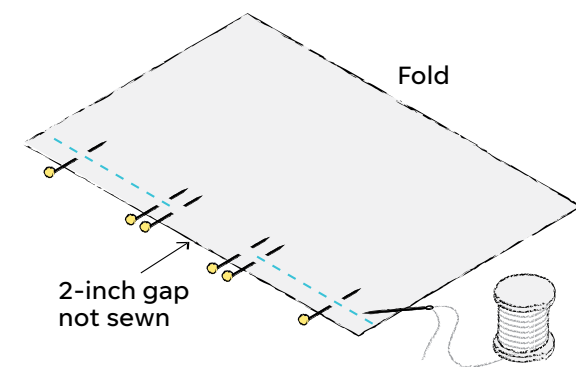
**3** Once ironed, fold fabric in half with interfacing on the outside.



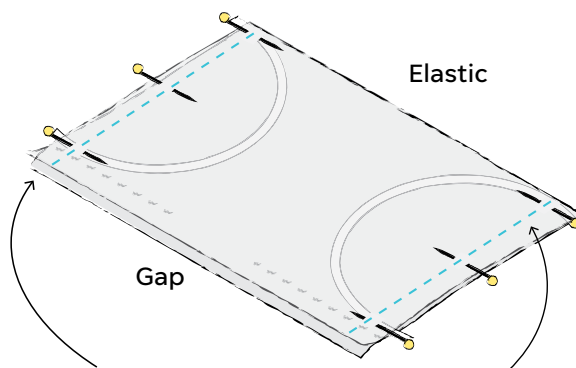
**4** Cut two pieces of elastic (each 7 inches)



**5** Pin and sew 1/4 inch from edge leaving a 2-inch gap in the center.



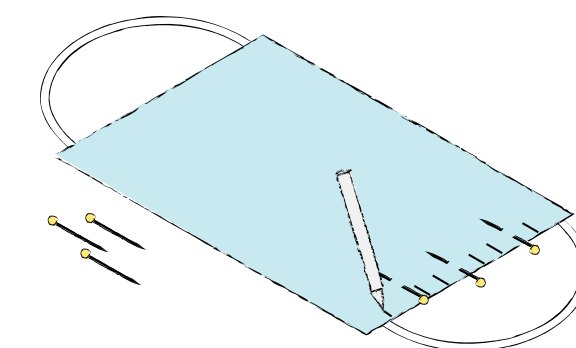
**6** Put elastic band on each corner, inside the material and pin to keep in place. Make sure the elastic is not twisted. Pin in center as well.



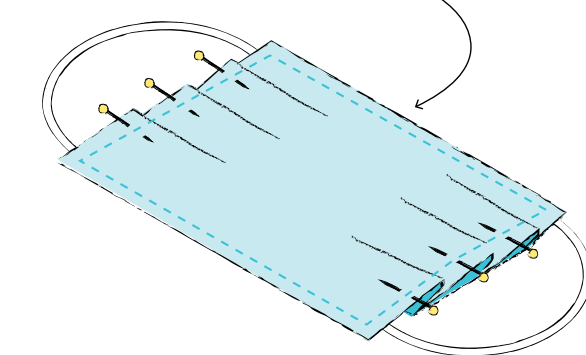
Sew along both edges, making sure to sew extra stitches in the elastic.

Turn the fabric right side out, by pinching material through the 2-inch gap. Iron mask, so seams lay flat.

**7** Using the pattern, mark locations of pleat lines and add pins on each side.



**8** Fold 3 pleats. Sew around the entire perimeter of the mask. This holds the pleats in place and closes the 2-inch gap.

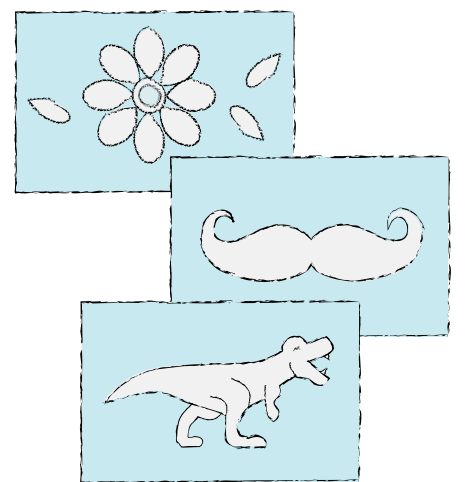


Your mask is complete.



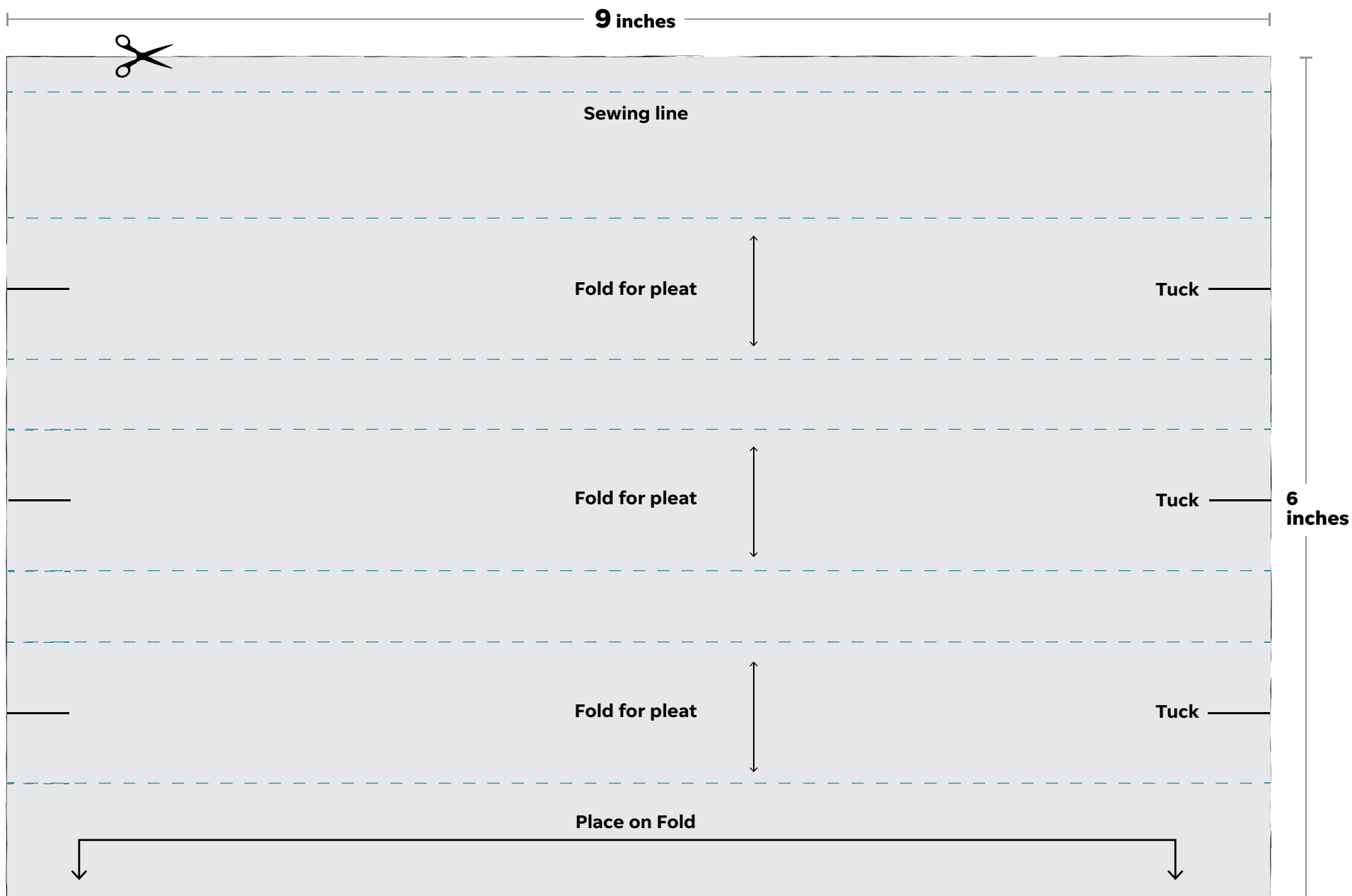
## Don't forget to get creative

Use fun, colorful materials for your mask.



## Pattern for adult mask

Recommended size for child masks: 8 inches by 5 inches.





# Family-Friendly Ways to Rethink Favorite Recipes

## FAMILY FEATURES

Refresh up family dinners by adding new ingredients like pecans, with natural richness and subtle sweetness coupled with irresistible crunch.

Kitchen staples are being used to add twists to traditional dishes, so finding an item you can use to mix up classic family recipes is key. Pecans pack flavor, texture and nutrition all in one bite, and they have a long shelf life. Shelled pecans can be kept in airtight containers in the refrigerator for about nine months and for up to two years in sealed plastic bags in the freezer.

While pecans are beloved in classic desserts, like pecan pie, they also offer a variety of nutrition benefits that can be added to nearly any meal. They are among the highest in “good” monounsaturated fats, contain 3 grams of plant protein per serving and are a source of fiber, flavonoids and minerals like manganese, which is essential for metabolism and bone health.

Nearly two decades of research document the heart-health benefits of pecans. In fact, according to the U.S. Food and Drug Administration, scientific evidence suggests but does not prove that eating 1 1/2 ounces per day of most nuts, such as pecans, as part of a diet low in saturated fat and cholesterol, may reduce the risk of heart disease. One serving of pecans (28 grams) has 18 grams of unsaturated fat and only 2 grams of saturated fat.

Add crunch to this Chinese Chicken Salad with Pecans by swapping out croutons, use chopped pecans as a flavorful and nutrient-dense coating for Pecan Chicken Meatballs and bake this Pecan Banana Bread as a nutritious and kid-friendly breakfast or snack to fill your home with a delicious scent.

Discover more nutritious recipes at [AmericanPecan.com](http://AmericanPecan.com).

## Pecan Chicken Meatballs

Prep time: 10 minutes

Cook time: 30 minutes

Yield: 9 meatballs

- 1 pound ground chicken
- 1/4 cup spinach, chopped
- 1 tablespoon fresh lemon juice
- 1 egg
- 1 teaspoon minced garlic
- 1/4 teaspoon onion powder
- 1/4 teaspoon paprika
- 1/4 teaspoon salt
- 1/4 teaspoon pepper
- 1/4 teaspoon cayenne pepper (optional)
- 1 cup finely chopped fresh pecan pieces, divided

Heat oven to 400 F. Line baking sheet with parchment paper.

In large bowl, mix ground chicken, spinach, lemon juice, egg, garlic, onion powder, paprika, salt, pepper, cayenne (if desired) and 1/2 cup pecans until well combined.

Roll chicken mixture into 1 tablespoon-sized meatballs.

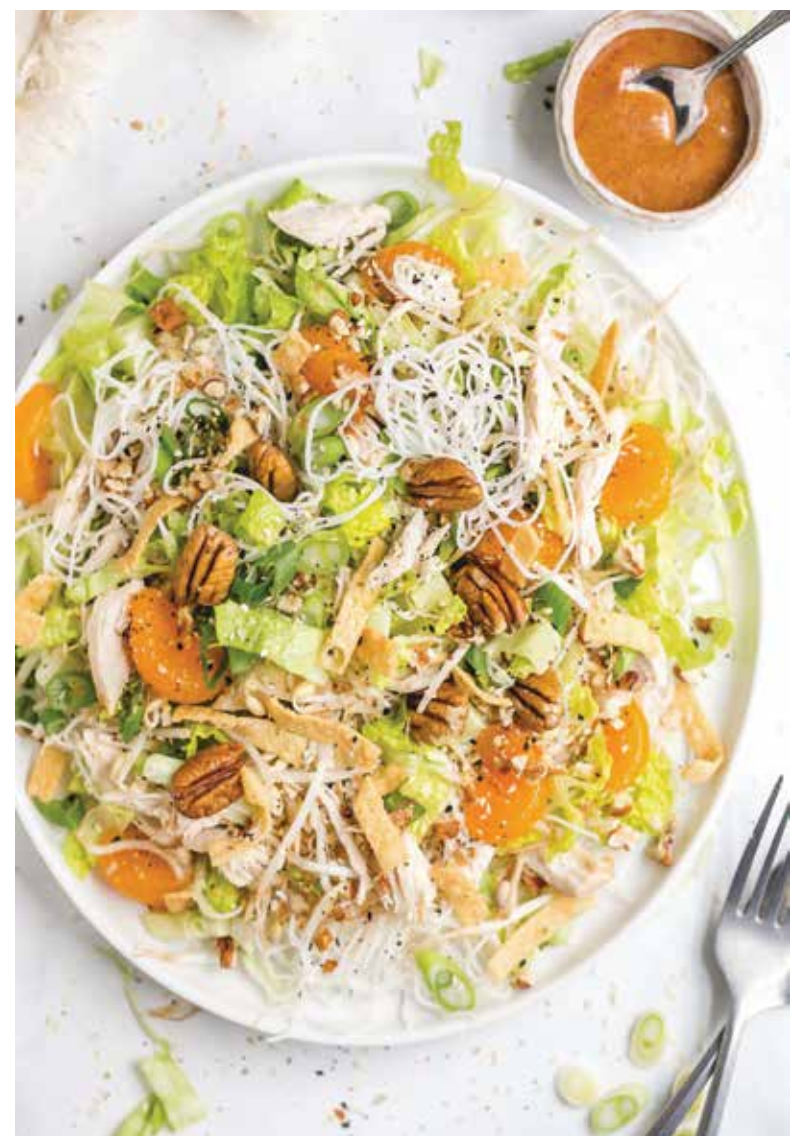
Place reserved pecans in bowl. Roll meatballs in pecans to coat then place on prepared baking sheet.

Bake 20-30 minutes until meatballs are cooked through.

Serve warm with sauces for dipping or over pasta.



Pecan Chicken Meatballs



Chinese Chicken Salad with Pecans

## Chinese Chicken Salad with Pecans

Prep time: 15 minutes

Cook time: 10 minutes

Servings: 4

### Dressing:

- 1/4 cup pecan butter
- 1 tablespoon rice vinegar
- 1 tablespoon honey
- 1 teaspoon toasted sesame oil
- 1 1/2 teaspoons soy sauce
- 2 tablespoons warm water, plus additional as needed (optional)

### Salad:

- 4 ounces dried thin rice noodles
- 4 cups cold water
- 4 cups chopped romaine lettuce
- 4 cups chopped iceberg lettuce
- 1/4 cup toasted and chopped pecans
- 2 scallions, finely chopped
- 1 cup bean sprouts
- 1/2 cup crispy wontons
- 1 cup mandarin oranges
- 2 tablespoons sesame seeds
- 2 cups rotisserie chicken breast, chopped

To make dressing: In medium bowl, whisk pecan butter, rice vinegar, honey, sesame oil and soy sauce until smooth.

Add 2 tablespoons warm water and whisk until incorporated. Add additional water, 1 teaspoon at a time, if desired, until dressing reaches pourable consistency.

To make salad: Cook rice noodles according to package instructions. Once cooked, drain and transfer to bowl with cold water to keep from sticking.

In large bowl, toss romaine and iceberg lettuces, pecans, scallions, bean sprouts, crispy wontons, mandarin oranges and sesame seeds.

Divide salad among four plates; top each with 1/2 cup chicken and serve with dressing.

## Pecan Banana Bread

Prep time: 15 minutes

Cook time: 60 minutes

Servings: 8

- 10 ounces gluten-free baking flour mix
- 1 teaspoon baking powder
- 1/2 teaspoon baking soda
- 1/2 teaspoon sea salt
- 2 flax eggs
- 1 cup organic brown or coconut sugar
- 1/2 cup coconut oil
- 1/2 vanilla bean
- 1/2 cup vegan yogurt
- 3/4 cup mashed bananas, ripe
- 1 cup raw pecan pieces, chopped, plus additional for topping

Heat oven to 350 F. Prepare 9-by-5-inch banana bread pan.

In medium bowl, sift flour mix, baking powder, baking soda and sea salt; whisk to combine.

In mixer bowl, mix eggs, sugar and coconut oil 2 minutes on medium-low speed.

Scrape vanilla bean and add to mixture. Add vegan yogurt and mashed bananas; mix 2 minutes on medium-low speed.

Remove bowl from mixer and fold 1 cup raw pecan pieces into batter until evenly distributed.

Add batter to banana bread pan and use spatula to smooth down top. Sprinkle additional pecan pieces on top.

Bake banana bread on top rack 60 minutes until toothpick comes out with few crumbs but not completely clean.

Remove from oven and allow to cool 10 minutes in pan. Hold sides of pan and flip onto wire rack.

Allow bread to cool completely. Slice as desired.



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## EDUCATION

# Summer Registration Begins at SCC



On Monday, April 13, summer registration opened for returning, new, and special credit students at Sampson Community College. For several students and faculty members, the move to online courses was brand new territory. Now, Sampson Community College continues to move forward in the same manner—by offering all coursework completely online for Summer 2020. Payment for the summer semester is due at 1 PM on Friday, May 15. Currently, registration and advising for Summer 2020 are being done completely online and virtually as well.

After the preparations began for all spring coursework to be moved online, that became a quick priority. Still, leaders at the College knew by pushing summer registration back, they would need to have a plan in place swiftly. Rather than looking at the move to completely online coursework as a negative, they have turned it into a positive. Instead, viewing it as an opportunity for new and current students to get ahead on coursework, and for visiting and special credit students to take supplementary courses, as they often do in the summer.

Dean of Student Services, Blair Hairr, thinks the Summer 2020 courses will continue to be as effective as ever. She remarked, “Summer enrollment is a great way to quickly complete coursework for your degree or transfer to your home institution. This is our first time offering two 5-week sessions and we hope that students find our expanded course offerings helpful in reaching their academic goals.”

Before beginning registration, students must have completed the admissions requirements for Sampson Community College. For returning students, this step will already be completed. Visiting and special credit students can contact [admissions@sampsoncc.edu](mailto:admissions@sampsoncc.edu) prior to completing the registration process. New students wishing to enroll at Sampson Community College must complete the admissions application before beginning registration.

The registration process can be completed completely online in four simple steps. First students must complete academic planning in Aviso and have it approved by their advisor. Next, students will register for classes via WebAdvisor. After, students should pay tuition and fees, which is due by May 15 at 1 PM. Due to the ongoing nature of COVID-19, the College is not accepting in-person payments. Students can pay via WebAdvisor or mail checks to:

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Lastly, students should purchase course textbooks. The booklist can be accessed at the SCC website.

Student Services staff still plan to be actively involved and engaged with students during the registration process, just in a virtual manner. Students can contact advisors via telephone, email, and Aviso, but staff will be most responsive by email at [admissions@sampsoncc.edu](mailto:admissions@sampsoncc.edu). For more information about registration and for step-by-step instructions, visit <https://www.sampsoncc.edu/registration/>. More information about Fall registration will be available in the coming weeks.

## Viking Spotlight: Raynor Brings Big Ideas to Life



Amanda Raynor, Student Engagement Coordinator at Sampson Community College. (File photo)

For the past several years, Amanda Raynor has been committed to helping create lasting memories and rich experiences for students at Sampson Community College. As the Student Engagement Coordinator, Raynor interacts with students regularly and creates meaningful relationships. Now, as the College settles into a new normal, Raynor’s passion for student engagement persists.

Raynor first began her time at Sampson Community College as a student, when she returned to complete her associate degree. As a student, she began a work-study position in the Workforce Development and Continuing Education division, where she was hired full-time after graduation.

In 2016, Raynor made the move to Student Services and took on her current role as Student Engagement Coordinator. In that, she wears several hats—from Student Government Advisor to Career and College Promise advisor—but she remains fully committed to each role. Raynor sees each as an opportunity to create an inviting atmosphere on campus where students feel excited to be Vikings.

“I want the students to feel welcome and accepted and like their needs and interests are being met while they are with us,” Raynor shared. “I love to plan the seminars, festivals, and events and see the excitement and enjoyment on the students’ faces and even the staff and faculty.”

As Student Engagement Coordinator, Raynor also serves as an advisor for the Student Government Association, where she’s able to build relationships and find support for several different ideas that she cooks up. Ideas including the Viking Fuel Food Pantry, which Raynor started in November of 2018, after learning of the food insecurity needs of college students in North Carolina.

“It is my job to support our students in every way possible and a food pantry on our campus was definitely needed,” Raynor noted.

Raynor’s drive and passion in each of her roles do not go unnoticed by coworkers and leaders at SCC. Last fall, the College named Amanda Raynor as a finalist for its Excel Award. Carlie McPhail, Career and College Promise Assistant & Advisor, says that Raynor’s personality makes her a joy to work around.

“Amanda has an amazingly fun and bright personality. She always makes a room light up and brings a smile to everyone’s face around her. Not only is Amanda fun to be around, but she is such a kind, humble person as well. The students love her just as much as she loves them,” McPhail remarked.

“Amanda is a wonderful advocate for our students and is always willing to go the extra mile on their behalf. She brings great energy to campus events and puts her heart and soul into making student life engaging,” said Lisa Turlington, Director of Advancement.

For Raynor, the most rewarding part of her job is the relationships she gets to create with students. Their questions and want to do and know more pushes her to expand her knowledge, allowing her to grow and improve in her role every day. Students see Raynor as a sounding board for their biggest ideas, and she tries her hardest to accomplish all that she can for students at the College.

Last fall a group of students came to Raynor asking to begin an intramural soccer league. Raynor says beginning the league was a challenge—especially considering her lack of soccer knowledge—but the intramural league continues to be one of her favorite career moments.

“I have met so many wonderful students and watching them play and getting to know them has been one of the highlights of my career. The sportsmanship and overall excitement and appreciation from them is humbling and I couldn’t be prouder of them,” she commented.

Still, with courses moved completely online and students off-campus, Raynor’s drive continues. Recently, she organized the #SCCTikTokChallenge, a chance for students to create videos on the popular social media app and compete for a gift card. Just last week, Raynor announced the start of a recreational e-sports league, beginning April 19.

“These past few weeks have been very challenging, but this is the perfect avenue to continue to engage students. There are a few more ideas up my sleeve for the remainder of the spring semester,” she expressed.

In many ways, Raynor grows as her students grow. As she takes on new challenges and new roles, every new idea allows her to flourish. At graduation each year, Raynor watches tearfully as special students walk across the stage into the next chapter of their lives, happy to have played a small part in their journey.

“These students have no idea how much they mean to me and have brought so much joy to my life. I love seeing them evolve and succeed while they’re with us,” Raynor exclaimed.

Over the years, Sampson Community College became a foundational place for Amanda Raynor, both as a student and an employee. She encourages anyone—fresh out of high school or looking to come back to school—to consider enrolling at SCC. She welcomes everyone interested to join the “small tight-knit family” at Sampson Community College.




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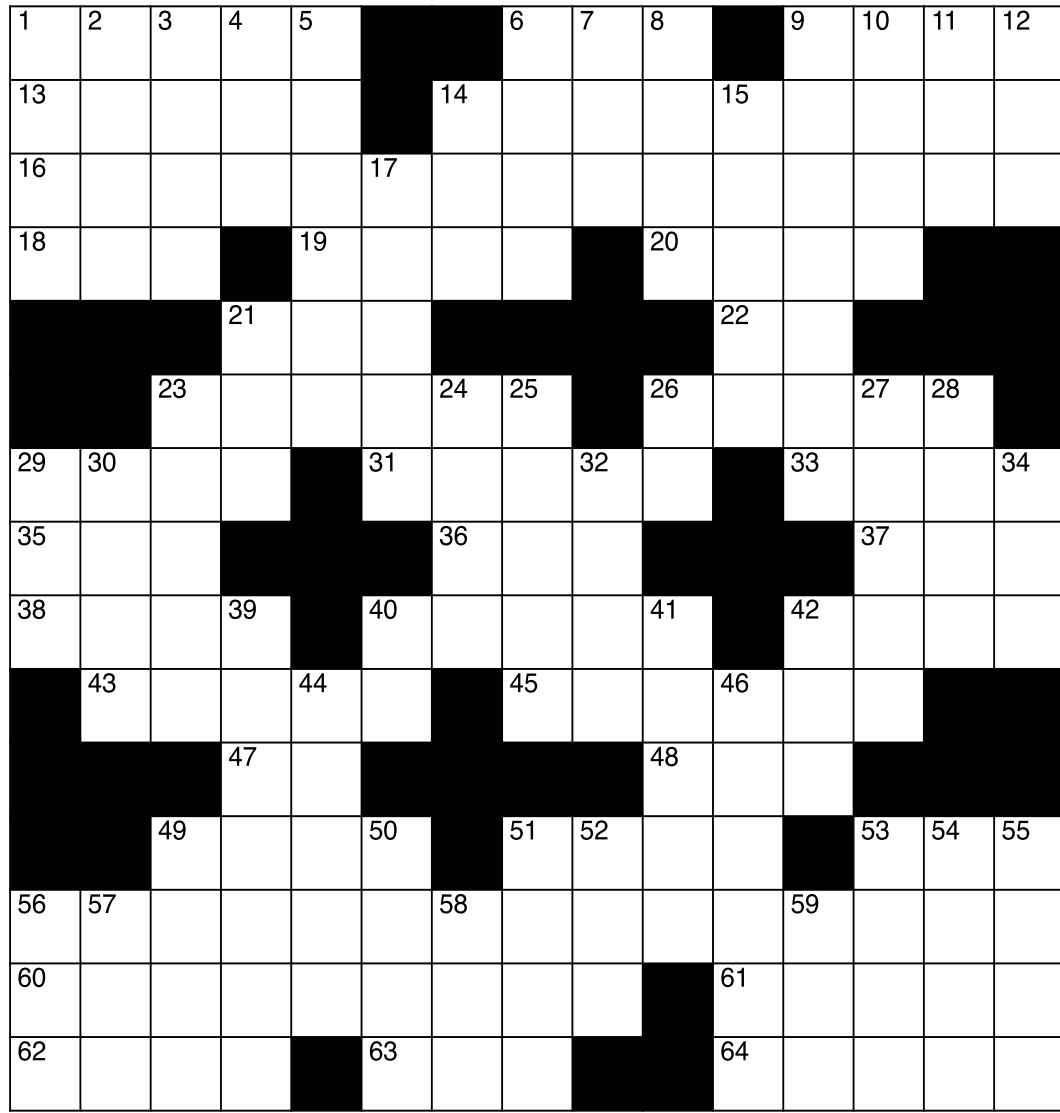
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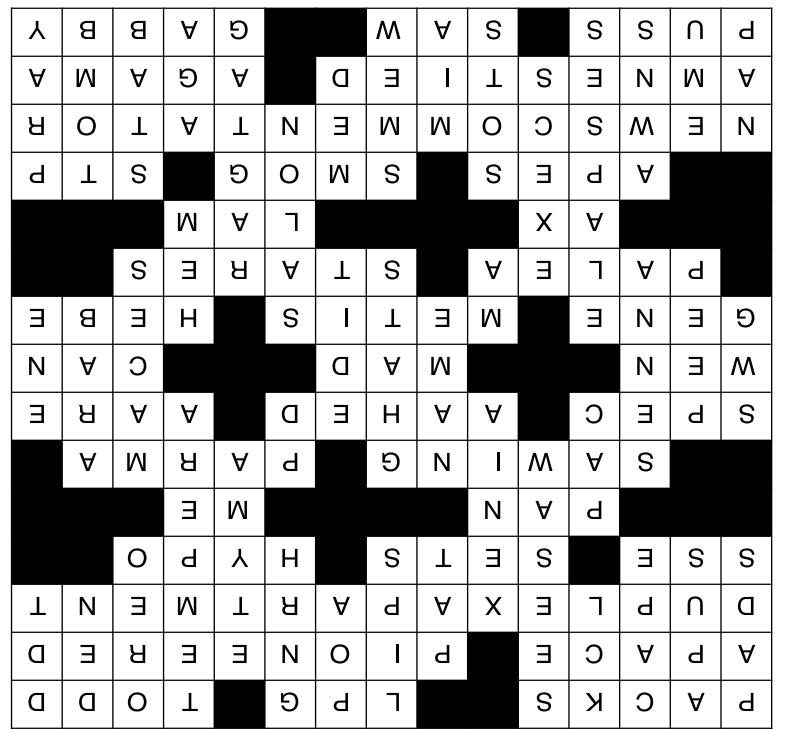


**CLUES ACROSS**

- 1. Wolf groups
- 6. Liquid propane gas (abbr.)
- 9. Liz's 3rd husband Mike
- 13. Quickly, rapidly
- 14. Ventured into the unknown
- 16. 2 floor rental
- 18. Point midway between S and SE
- 19. Jells
- 20. Syringe
- 21. Greek god of the woods
- 22. Of I
- 23. A way of cutting
- 26. Italian cheese city
- 29. Detailed design criteria for a piece of work
- 31. Expressed pleasure
- 33. Swiss river
- 35. Harmless cyst
- 36. Angry
- 37. Airtight metal food container
- 38. Cowboy star Autry
- 40. Jupiter's closest satellite
- 42. Greek goddess of youth
- 43. Grass spikelet bracts
- 45. Gazes
- 47. Used to chop
- 48. Escape to avoid arrest
- 49. Imitators
- 51. Air pollution
- 53. Engine additive
- 56. One who comments on events of the day
- 60. In a way, pardoned
- 61. Lizard of the family Agamidae
- 62. \_\_\_\_ 'n boots
- 63. A lumberman's tool
- 64. Full of conversation

**ANSWERS ACROSS**

- 1. packs
- 6. LPG
- 9. Todd
- 13. Apace
- 14. Pioneered
- 16. Duplex apartment
- 18. SSE
- 19. Sets
- 20. Hypo
- 21. Pan
- 22. Me
- 23. Sawing
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- 31. Aahed
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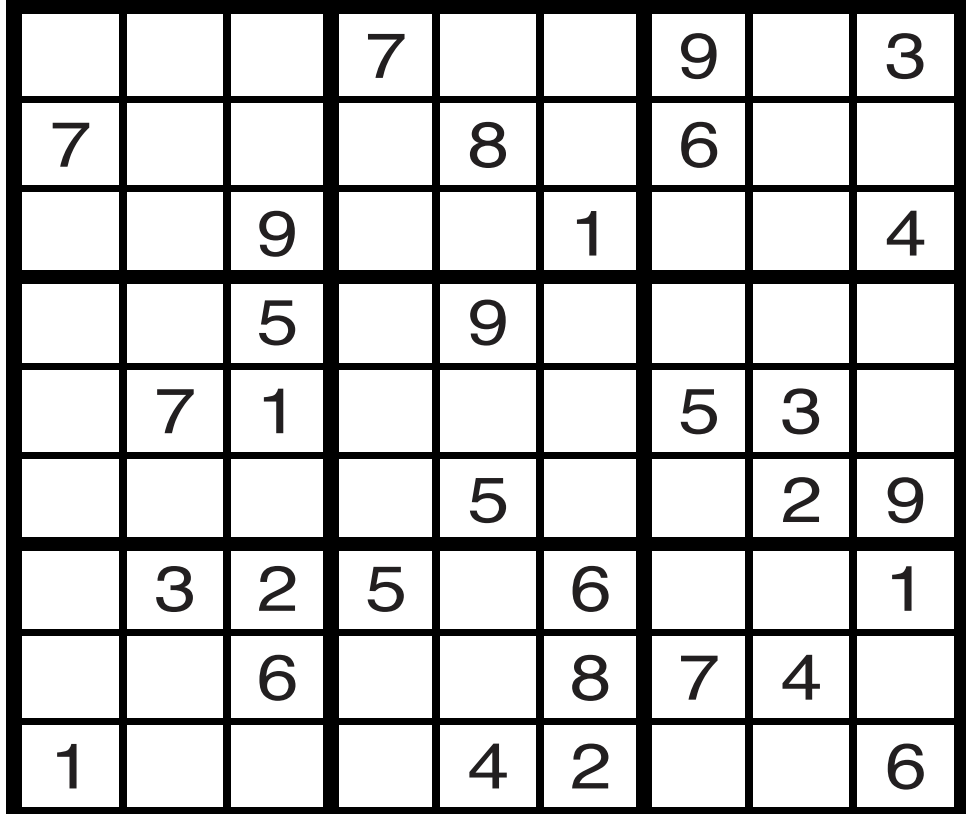


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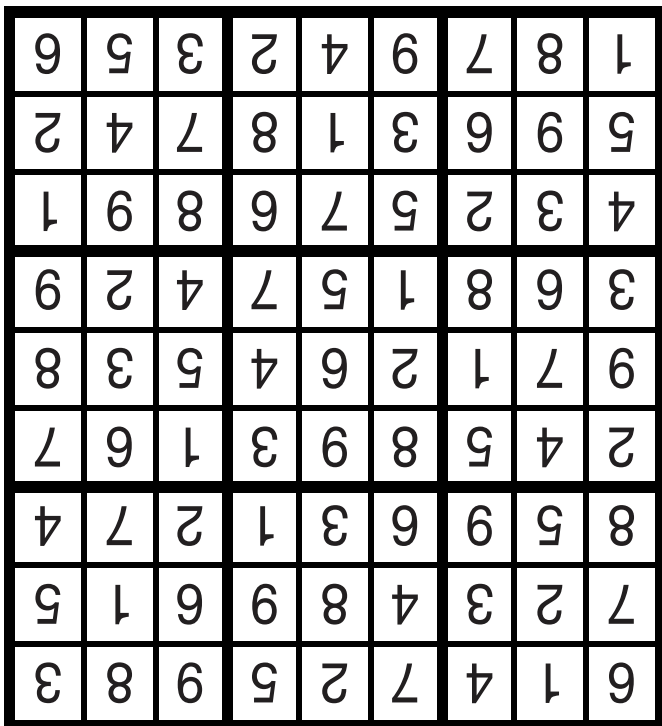
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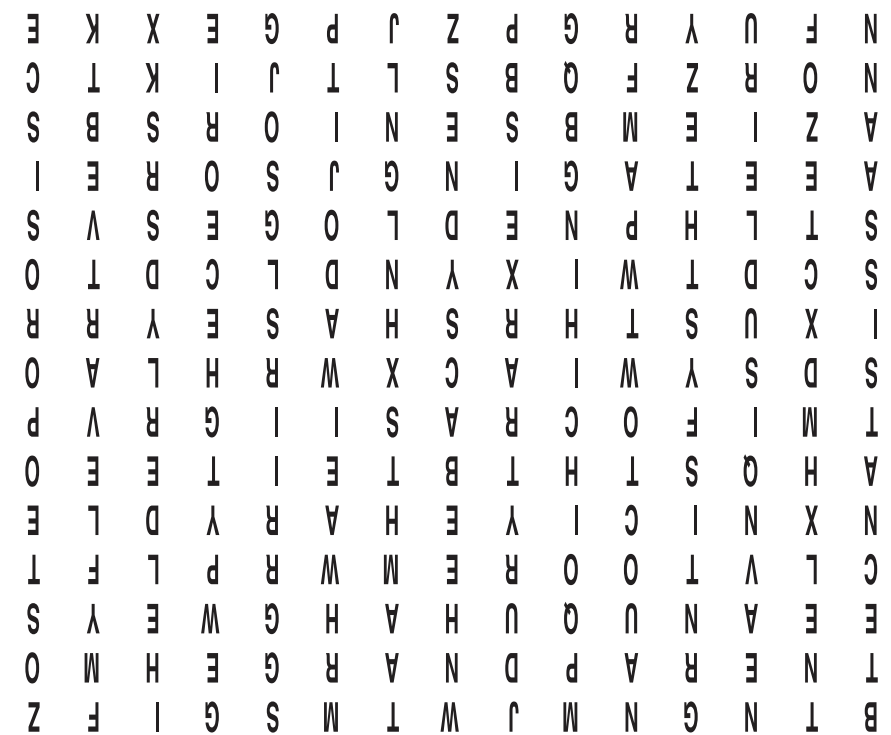
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### DUNN

**Mrs. Daphne T. Austin, age 78**, passed away Sunday, April 12, 2020 at Betsy Johnson Regional Hospital, Dunn, N.C. Her private graveside service will be held Wednesday, April 15th at 2:00 p.m. in Hillcrest Cemetery, Newton Grove, N.C. Rev. Michael Preddy will be officiating the service. Left to cherish her memories are her husband; Jerry Austin of the home, sons; Tommy Knuckles and wife Suellen of Meadow, Ricky Knuckles and wife Teresa of Dunn, step children: Don Austin and wife Debbie of Newton Grove, William Austin and wife Janice of Newton Grove, Jay Austin and wife Shannon of Newton Grove and Carolyn Parker and husband Ray of Meadow. Also, left to cherish her memories are twelve grandchildren and twelve great grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her parents: Johnnie and Elma Thornton and her brother Sherrill Thornton. Memorial donations may be made to the charity of one's choice. Due to the current health concerns the family understands if you are not able to join them for the graveside service. Your thoughts and prayers are appreciated. Online condolences may be made at: [www.westanddunn.com](http://www.westanddunn.com). Services have been entrusted to West & Dunn Funeral Home, Newton Grove, North Carolina.



### AUTRYVILLE

**Mr. William Edward Autry, 87** of Autryville, passed away on Wednesday, April 15, 2020 at Sampson Regional Medical Center. He was born on July 20, 1932 in Sampson County to William Butler and Bettie Florence Capps Autry. He was preceded in death by his parents; son, Isaac Lamar Autry; and brother, Robert Eugene Autry. He worked

as a swine farmer. He is survived by his wife, Avis Autry of the home; daughter, Pamela Page of Wilmington; sister, Betty Boutin of Salemburg; grandchildren, Crystal Richmond of Wilmington, Heather Clapper of Autryville; and great grandchildren, Tyler Richmond, McKayla Richmond, Shawn Richmond, Madilynn Richmond, Sarah Delgado-Leon. A graveside service was held at Halls United Methodist Church Cemetery, Minnie Hall Road, Autryville, on Friday, April 17, 2020 at 11:00am with Reverend Andy Wood officiating. Butler Funeral Home of Roseboro is serving the family.

### FAYETTEVILLE

**Ms. Gladys Alease (Lucas) Batchelor, 91** formerly of Roseboro, passed away Sunday, April 19, 2020 at Highland House of Fayetteville. The family will have a memorial service at a later date. She was born in Sampson County to the late, Otto Sylvester Lucas and Eunice Lee Naylor Lucas. She is also preceded in death by her husband, Max Marson Batchelor; son, Gary Wayne Batchelor; and brothers, Weldon, Floyd, James, Gady, Landon and Charles Lucas. Gladys was a loving mother, grandmother, great-grandmother, sister and friend. She loved her family and friends, and she will be truly missed by all who knew her. She leaves to cherish her memory her daughter, Jeanette Anderson of Fayetteville; grandchildren, Lori Cruz (Gabe) of Linden and Aaron Krogh (Nate) of Minnesota; great-grandchildren, Marina and Christopher Cruz; brother, Wendell Lucas (Aurene) of FL; and sisters, Sadie Kunkel (Robert) and Janie Ransbotham all of Fayetteville; and Helen Gesino (Charles) of Florida. Services entrusted to Butler Funeral Home, 6535 Clinton Road, Stedman, NC 28391.



### CLINTON

**Mr. James Frank Boyette, 89**, passed away peacefully on Friday, April 10, 2020 at Southwood Nursing & Retirement Facility in Clinton. Born April 27, 1930 in Sampson County, Frank was the son of Franklin Hamilton and Elizabeth Campbell Boyette. He played football for Clinton High School and spent his summers as a teenager working on his Uncle's farm in Buies

Creek, which led to his love of gardening. At the age of twenty-two, Frank married his high school sweetheart, Ann, and they were married for sixty-seven years before her passing in May of 2019. When asked how he got such a good wife, he would smile and simply say, "I am a good salesman". He attended Campbell College in the late 40's-early 50's and in his 1950 Yearbook, a professor wrote, not about his academics as you would expect, but instead said, "Frank has a knack for getting around, along with a personality that is radiant to a host of friends".

He began his professional career selling life insurance, where he found his calling to help families feel secure financially should the unfortunate happen. He received his CLU, became an Insurance Broker and to many in his world, became the "insurance man extraordinaire". He moved his family to Raleigh in 1966 to manage Eastern North Carolina for Paul Revere Insurance Company. He was a powerful producer and received many awards and trips to exotic places. He was also a member of several business and social organizations. He was a deacon at the Church. He loved his Church family and his hometown deeply. Frank also loved to play golf with his buddies at Coharie, MacGregor Downs, North Ridge Country Club and many other courses around the country. He was a visionary, a pioneer and a storyteller. If you knew him, you knew he could tell some "tales" which were always funny, interesting, and sometimes a little risqué. He was a man that made the most of what he had to work with. Everything from growing vegetables in the back yard in North Hills (in that unfertile Raleigh red clay), to figuring out how to do something amazing while spending as little money as possible. We often think about how many times he has driven across town to save two cents on a gallon of gasoline. However, when it came to providing for his family, he cut no corners. There are many stories about him helping family, friends, neighbors, and giving to charities over the years. Frank also had his struggles and challenges. He was often pessimistic, because to him the "glass was half empty". Many times he expected the worst thing was going to happen, but when we look back on his life, we see that he had a really good time and stayed upbeat while waiting on those "bad things" – that never really happened. Frank was admired by his family for many things, but most of all for leading them with strong Biblical values and principles. He always encouraged the importance of Jesus in his family's life every day, not just on Sundays. He was a patron with a heart for God, Church and family – and that legacy will live on for generations. During the last few years of Frank's life he couldn't do much, remember much, hear much or even say much, but he always made a point to tell us how good God had been to him. "The Lord has been good to me," he would say. He was so thankful for all he had and grateful for what people did for him. At this point in his life, his body was worn out, and although his mind had left him, God had given him a thankful and loving heart that remained until his last day on earth. He will be remembered for his devotion to his wife Ann, his work ethic, a good sense of humor, a giving heart, and a loving, Christian man. Frank is survived by his sister, Doris Boyette Hobbs; his two sons: Steve Boyette and wife, Becky of Raleigh; Bill Boyette and wife, Marian of Fayetteville; five grandchildren: Stephen Boyette, Jr., Blair Cobb (Kevin), Kendall Betts (Tyler), all of Raleigh; and Will and Anna-Margaret Boyette of Fayetteville; He was also blessed with great-grandchildren: Paxton Boyette and Becca Cobb; and due to be born soon, James Betts. A private Graveside Service was held on Thursday, April 16, 2020 at Clinton Cemetery with Dr. Ray Ammons officiating. The family would like to express their sincere appreciation to the talented and caring staff at Southwood Nursing and Retirement Center as well as the Hospice care team. Royal-Hall is honored to serve the Boyette Family.

### ROSEBORO

**Mr. Ronnie Bee Brewington, 57** of Roseboro, passed away on Monday, April 13, 2020 at Cape Fear Valley Medical Center. He was born on May 27, 1962 in Harnett County and was the son of Randall Bee and Ida Belle Melvin Brewington. He was preceded in death by his parents; and daughter, Tracy Belle Brewington. He worked as Store Manager with Kinlaw's Supermarket. He is survived by his wife, Lisa Thompson Brewington of the home; son, Shawn Brewington Thompson and wife, Kayla of Roseboro; granddaughters, Maci Thompson, Stacey Thompson; sister, Kimberly Cribb and husband, Tommy of Stedman; and brother, Michael Brewington of Fayetteville. A graveside service was held at Sunrise Memorial Gardens, S. Salemburg Highway, Salemburg on Sunday, April 19, 2020 at 2:00pm, officiating will be Rev. Jerry Groves. In light of the government restrictions, friends visited Butler Funeral Home in Stedman on Saturday afternoon from 12:00-5:00pm to pay their respects to Mr. Brewington. Butler Funeral Home of Stedman is serving the family.



### ROSEBORO

**Elma Ruth Parker Cain, 81** – made a peaceful transition to her heavenly home on April 13th, 2020 at UNC Wayne Memorial Hospital in Goldsboro, NC. Elma was born on November 3rd, 1938 – a devoted daughter to her parents the late Chester and Lenora Parker. Born and raised in Sampson County, a graduate of Roseboro High School where she played on the basketball team. She joined Snow Hill Missionary Baptist Church at a early age and was recognized as Mother of the Year. She was also involved with the Homecoming Committee for many years. She wore many hats and worked in the Healthcare field, Hamilton Beach, Country

Wide Sewing, and was a homemaker in her later years not only supporting her family but also helping anyone she knew. She was by nature a creative person, bringing her unique touch to everything from the one of a kind outfits she wore to her homemade chocolate cakes. She was a strong and a determined woman, with no job ever too large or too small that she would not tackle. Her life was full and rich with loving family and friends of her community who were the source of much joy. In 1966, she married the love of her life Clarence Cain, Sr. and in September of this year would have made 54 years of marriage. Together they raised 5 children and made unforgettable memories traveling the United States and overseas during her husband's military career. A graveside service was held on Saturday, April 18, 2020 at Roseboro-Snowhill Cemetery. Elma is survived by her three daughters: Jamezetta (Jacob) Bellinger of Estill, SC., Valerie (Eddie) Williams of Roseboro, NC., Latreesha (Kevin) Register of Raleigh, NC., and a son Clarence Cain Jr. of California. She was a loving grandmother to Tanesha Bellinger, Rose Whitley, Michael Bellinger, Jasmine Upshaw, Jacob Bellinger II, Aisha Bellinger- Walter, Nicholas Butler, Nicole Butler, Meiko Cain, and Xander Cain. Step Grandmother to Jashaun Register and Aaliyah Register. A Great-Grandmother to Ashley Bellinger, Ashton Bellinger, Jordan Bellinger, Emmanuel Bell, Malayah Whitley, Elisha Keith Walter, and Novah Blue Butler. She also leaves behind her brothers Charles Parker, W.C (Mary) Parker, George (Liz) Parker, one sister Rosa Parker, and sister in law Shelda Parker. Lastly, a host of nephews, nieces, cousins, extended family and friends- all who will miss her dearly. She is preceded in death by: (Parents) Chester & Lenora Parker, (Husband) Clarence Cain, Sr., (Son) Kenny Rue McCorkle, (Great – Granddaughter) Nevaeh Butler, (Brother) Edward Parker, and (Sister in Law) Geneva Parker.



### CLINTON

**Mr. Joseph James Carr, Sr., 87**, of 1972 West Main Street, Clinton, NC passed away Saturday, April 18, 2020 at home. The graveside service will be held at 1pm, Saturday, April 25, 2020 at Becton Memorial Gardens, Magnolia, NC. Mr. Carr is survived by DAUGHTERS-Diane Jackson of Clinton, NC, Joan Dixon and Beulah Carr both of Magnolia,

NC; SONS-Isaac Mitchell Carr and Christopher Carr both of Clinton, NC and Joseph Carr, Jr. of Warsaw, NC; SISTERS-Corethea Malone and Joyce Fryar both of Warsaw, NC, Quessie Carr of Peekskill, NY and Linda Faye Lea of Greensboro, NC BROTHER-James Carr of Peekskill, NY; 17 Grandchildren, 33 Great-grandchildren; 6 Great-great-grandchildren. Service will be live-streamed via Worley Funeral Home Facebook page. Online condolences may be sent to [worleyfuneralhomeinc.com](http://worleyfuneralhomeinc.com).

### AUTRYVILLE

**Mrs. Donna Lee Alfano Chase, 69** passed away on Saturday, April 11, 2020 at her home. A graveside service was held at 3:00 P.M. Tuesday, April 14, 2020 at George Home Cemetery with Rev. Ricky Spell officiating. Mrs. Chase was a native of Hope Mills and the daughter of the late Angelo "Al" Alfano and Florene Brisson Alfano. She was a retired financial advisor. She is survived by her husband, George Kenneth Chase of the home; two daughters, Angela Chase Jackson and husband, Brian of Autryville and Audrey Chase Wallace and husband, David of Southport; two brothers, Jerry Alfano and wife, Brenda of Carolina Shores and Barry Alfano of Beauford, GA; five grandchildren, Addison Jackson, Chase Jackson, Macayla Wallace, Krisalyn Wallace and George Dylan Wallace and her beloved dog, Charlie Brown Chase. In light of the recent government restrictions, friends visited Butler Funeral Home in Stedman on Monday, April 13 from 12 Noon-5:00 PM to pay their respects to Mrs. Chase. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to Long Branch Baptist Church Youth Missions, 2868 Minnie Hall Road, Autryville, NC 28318. Services entrusted to Butler Funeral Home, 6535 Clinton Road, Stedman, NC 28391.



### DUNN

**Mrs. Portia Dawn Baggett Easterling, 41**, of Dunn died Sunday, April 12, 2020 at Betsy Johnson Hospital. Portia was born June 9, 1978 in Harnett County, daughter of Cecil and Florence Haithcock Baggett. She had attended Midway High School. A family graveside service will be held Wednesday, April 15, 2020 at the Tew - Baggett Cemetery with Rev. Donald Haire and Rev. Floyd Moore officiating. Portia is survived in addition to her parents by her husband, Thomas L. Easterling; son, Thomas





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Christopher Easterling of Godwin, daughter, Jorgetta Elliott and husband Alvertes of Dunn; brother, David Baggett and wife Donna of Dunn; granddaughter, Kaycee Rose Easterling and step grandchildren, Aldarris and Aljarez Elliott. Following the current NC COVID19 Guidelines, a public viewing was held from 12 noon - 5 p.m. Tuesday, April 14, 2020 at Skinner & Smith Funeral Home in Dunn. Arrangements are by Skinner & Smith Funeral Home in Dunn.



**ROSEBORO**

**Mrs. Margaret Ann Edwards, 83** of Roseboro passed away on Sunday, April 12, 2020 at the UNC Rex Healthcare. A private service for the family was held on Thursday at Butler Funeral Home in Roseboro with Rev. W. O. Reiber officiating. Burial held at Wayne Memorial Park in Goldsboro. Mrs. Edwards was a native of New Hanover County and the daughter of the late Ben and Retha Mae Potter Swinson. She retired from Clinton Medical Clinic as a medical technician after 37 years of service. She is survived by her husband, Thomas L. Edwards of the home; brother-in-law and sister-in-law, George and Vicki Edwards of Salemburg; niece, Liane Edwards Mixon and husband, David of Salemburg; nephew, John Thomas "Tommy" Edwards and wife, Tracie of New Mexico; six great nieces and nephews, Ashley Robinson (Donovan), Brittney Carter (Brandon), Courtney Mixon, Delaney Mixon, Natalie Edwards and Carlton Edwards; four great great nieces and nephews, Brycen Carter, Brayden Carter, Kynadee Robinson and Grayson Mixon. Services entrusted to Butler Funeral Home, 401 W. Roseboro Street, Roseboro, NC.

**DUNN**

**Mrs. Emma Dean Raynor, 88**, of Dunn died Tuesday morning, April 14, 2020 at Liberty Commons Nursing & Rehab in Benson. Mrs. Raynor was born August 15, 1931 in Harnett County daughter of the late Marvin Haywood and Emma Jane Young Bryant. She was also preceded in death by her husband, Corbett Purdell Raynor; son, Billy Ray Hayes; sisters, Thelma Jernigan, Estine Daniels and brother, Edward "Shorty" Bryant. Mrs. Raynor had worked at Lundy's in Clinton and was a member of Confirming His Word Ministries in Newton Grove. Mrs. Emma had a heart for missions and ministered to children and ladies in Trinidad and Guyana. She also sponsored Emmaus, a very special church in the Philippines. Mrs. Emma had a nursing home ministry for years at several local nursing homes. A private family service was held Thursday, April 16, 2020 at Skinner & Smith Funeral Home Chapel with Pastor Teddy Raynor and Elder Tony Parker officiating. Burial will follow at Devotional Gardens. The service will be available for viewing after 4 p.m. Thursday on Mrs. Raynor's obituary page under the Tributes tab. She is survived by her daughters, Linda Gail Parker and husband Donald of Four Oaks, Sherry Nell Worrell and husband Lynn of Sanford; sons, Teddy Corbett Raynor and wife LaChelle of Newton Grove, Ricky Bryant Raynor and wife Susan of Benson; brothers, Marvin Bryant of Dunn, Worth Glenn Bryant of Newton Grove; eleven grandchildren, Tony Parker, Tracey Parker, Lori Mauldin, Jeremy Worrell, Nathan Raynor, Evan Raynor, Braden Raynor, Greg Raynor, Hannah Raynor, Jasper Raynor, Tyler Raynor and seven great grandchildren. Following the current NC COVID Guidelines, a public viewing was held 9 a.m. - 12 noon Thursday, April 16, 2020 at Skinner & Smith Funeral Home in Dunn. Flowers are welcome however memorials may be made to Santa and Friends Memory Babies Ministry P. O. Box 1172 Angier, NC 27501. We would like to thank the Liberty Commons Staff and Liberty Hospice for their care for our mother.



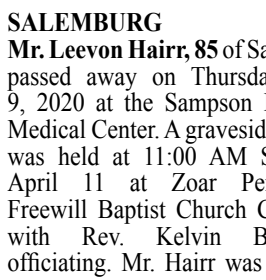
**CLINTON**

**Mr. Charles Bernard "Chuck" Folger, Jr., 76** of 808 Panhandle Rd., passed away at his home on Thursday morning, April 9, 2020. Graveside Service was held on Saturday, April 11th at Piney Grove Baptist Church Cemetery with Rev. Robert Beasley officiating. Chuck was born on November 22, 1943 in Vero Beach, Florida to the late Charles B. Folger, Sr. and Lillian Fraley Long. After serving in the U.S. Navy, he graduated from NC State University with a bachelor's degree in Textile Technology. He was a retired Sales Engineer with JWI Corp. and remained a diehard Wolfpack Fan his entire life. After retirement, Chuck's passion was golfing, especially at Coharie Country Club. He had numerous golf friends and enjoyed the sport and the comradery amongst the other golfers. He was a quiet, simple man who was humble and kind. He loved life and loved his family more than anything. He is survived by his loving wife of 50 years, Naomi Darden Folger, of the home; two sons: Charles Bradley "Brad" Folger and wife, Brenda of Midlothian, Virginia; Perry Randall Folger of Faison; two daughters, Missie Babb and Tracy Hassell, both of Virginia; two sisters: Bee Pennington of Tallahassee, Florida; Susan O'leary of Atlanta, Georgia; six grandchildren: Thomas and Bennett Folger, Jamie and Lindsey Babb, Cory Little and Jaylee Bordeaux. Condolences can be sent to the family by visiting [www.royalhallfuneralhome.com](http://www.royalhallfuneralhome.com). Royal-Hall Funeral Home is honored to serve the Folger family.



**ROSEBORO**

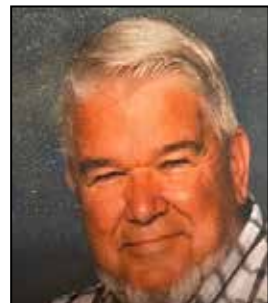
**Minnie Pearl Freeman, Age 89-** of 2420 Claude Drag Rd., Roseboro, NC died Saturday, April 18, 2020 at Cape Fear Valley Medical Center. Ms. Minnie Pearl Freeman was the daughter of the late Mitchell and Lealer Parker and was preceded in death by her siblings, 5 brothers and 3 sisters. She was married to the late Livis Colonel Freeman. Survivors: Only Son, Livis James Freeman of the home (Roseboro); Three Grandchildren: Juandalynn Freeman Sankey (William) of Clinton, Nc, Angelia Freeman of Roseboro, NC, and Livis Freeman III (Eva) of Mebane, NC; 5 Great-Grandchildren: Marcus Wiles, Jales Banks, Isa Banks, Aidan Miles, and Preston Miles; Two Sister-in-Laws: Ethel Mae Newkirk of Roseboro, NC and Edith Carroll of Snow Hill Community; and a host of cousin, nieces, and nephews. Ms. Freeman was a member of Holy Tabernacle where she served many offices but most important a warrior for the Lord and a Mother of the Church. She was noted for her buttermilk biscuits and her beautiful smile. Private Graveside service was held Thursday, April 23, 2020 at Roseboro Cemetery, Roseboro, NC. Memorial Service will be scheduled at a later date. Butler & Son Funeral Home, Inc. Roseboro, NC.



**SALEMBURG**

**Mr. Leevon Hairr, 85** of Salemburg passed away on Thursday, April 9, 2020 at the Sampson Regional Medical Center. A graveside service was held at 11:00 AM Saturday, April 11 at Zoar Pentecostal Freewill Baptist Church Cemetery with Rev. Kelvin Blackman officiating. Mr. Hairr was a native

of Sampson County, the son of the late Ralfton and Della Jane Holland Hairr. He was a carpenter/builder for many years. He is survived by his wife, Magdalene Hairr of the home; son, Kenneth Hairr and wife, Judy of Stedman; daughter, Melissa Baker of Angier; three grandchildren, Evan Hairr and fiancée, Alexa, Allison Baker and Erin Naylor and husband, Joe; great granddaughter, Madilyn Naylor and a sister, Jean Knowles of Roseboro. In light of the recent government restrictions, friends visited Butler Funeral Home in Roseboro on Friday, April 10 from 12 Noon - 5:00 PM to pay their respects to Mr. Hairr. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to Zoar Pentecostal Freewill Baptist Church Building Fund, 740 Zoar Church Road, Salemburg, NC 28385. Services entrusted to Butler Funeral Home, 401 W. Roseboro Street, Roseboro, NC.



**AUTRYVILLE**

**Montgomery Hobart Holden Sr. 75** passed away peacefully at his home in Autryville, NC on Sunday April, 19, 2020. His final days were spent at home surrounded by his family and friends that Monty had touched in some way though out his life. Due to the current restrictions, the family will announce a memorial service to be held at their church at a later date. He was born in Ft. Benning Ga. on November 30, 1944 to Doctor Eugene and Alberta Holden. He lived many years in Epsom, NH where he fell in love with being a truck driver & mechanic. Monty attended Flying Mechanic school and that is where he fell in love with working on planes and mechanics. He retired from Frito O Lay of Fayetteville NC after 12 years of being a fleet manager. Monty lived in Autryville, NC for over 12 years. Monty was a loving husband, father, grandfather, great grandfather, son and brother. He is survived by this his loving wife, Sharon, his children, Montgomery of Fayetteville, John of Raleigh, Billy of Stedman, Becky Byrd of Autryville, John Olson of New Hampshire and his daughter, Donna Tripp of Nashville TN, Jamie Gautier of FL and Edward Owen of Autryville; his brother, Merrill Holden and his two sisters, Mary Hall and Barbara Hobart; and his mother Alberta Holden. Monty has 15 grandchildren: Katherine, Montgomery III, Grace & Natalie Holden, Terry Tripp & Joshua Tripp, Nicole & Kelly Holden, Tommy & Tyler Holden, Maranda & Autumn Byrd, Zack Kelley, Hannah and Hailey Gautier, Joey, Joshua, Jordyn & Jada Fields. He has four great-grandchildren, Holden & Lincoln Graefe, Wesley Lee and Lillian Tripp. John 14:3 - "And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come back and take you to be with me that you may also be where I am." Please make any donations in honor of Monty to Cape Fear Valley Cancer Center in Fayetteville NC <https://donate.cfvfoundation.org/sslpage.aspx?pid=298>. Services entrusted to Butler Funeral Home, 6535 Clinton Road, Stedman, NC 28391.

**ATHENS, TN**

**Alecia "Maria" Spence Jaibat, 51**, of Athens, TN and formerly of Autryville, NC passed away Saturday, April 11, 2020 at Erlanger Medical Center in Chattanooga. Maria was a native of Autryville, North Carolina and longtime resident of McMinn County. She was a daughter of the late Doyl Lee Spence of Wausau, Florida. She was a graduate of Lakewood High School in Roseboro, NC and was a graduate of Campbell University in Buies Creek, NC. She taught school at Pine Forrest Senior High School at Fayetteville, NC. She and her husband Gus owned and operated Michael's Casual Dining in Athens, TN and Etowah, TN. She is survived by her husband, Gus Jaibat of Athens; her mother Patricia Elaine Edwards Johnson of Autryville, NC; one daughter, Sumer Rose Jaibat and two sons, Zakariah Jaibat and Ryan Jaibat all of Athens; one brother, Jeffrey (Joan) Spence of Autryville, NC. A graveside service was held at 4:00 PM Friday, April 17 at Hall's United Methodist Church Cemetery, Autryville, NC with Rev. Christi Christianson and Rev. Andy Wood officiating. A visitation was held from 1-3 PM Friday at Butler Funeral Home in Roseboro for people to come by and pay their respects to Mrs. Jaibat. Services entrusted to Butler Funeral Home, 401 W. Roseboro Street, Roseboro, NC.



**ROSEBORO**

**Johnny Edward Lucas 68** of 1631 Butler Island Road died Saturday April 18, 2020 at his home. Born in 1952 to Donald E. and Lola Owens Lucas in Sampson County, NC, Johnny was a truck driver for S & W Concrete, he is preceded in death by a brother: Donald Gene Lucas. Johnny will be cremated and will return home to his family. Johnny leaves to cherish his memories: His wife, Patricia Strickland Lucas of the home, daughter: Barbara Jean Lucas of Fort Meyers, FL., sons: Johnny Edward Lucas Jr. of Clinton, NC, Johnny Paul Melvin and wife Christy of Roseboro, NC, Johnathan Melvin and wife Anna of Roseboro, NC, brother: Kevin Lucas and wife Pamela of Roseboro, NC, sisters: Linda Shoal, Karen Faircloth of Roseboro, NC, Anita Ralings of VA, Kim Allen of Roseboro, NC and Sherry Godwin also of Roseboro, NC, 10 grandchildren and 7 great-grandchildren.

**CLINTON**

**Mr. John D. Moore, "Huss", 92** of 120 Southwood Drive, Clinton, NC passed on Wednesday, April 15, 2020 at Mary Gran Nursing Center, Clinton, NC. The graveside service will be held at 12pm, Saturday, April 18, 2020 at Hillcrest Memorial Park, Clinton, NC. Service will be live-streamed via Worley Funeral Home Facebook page. Online condolences may be sent to [worleyfuneralhomeinc.com](http://www.worleyfuneralhomeinc.com).



**GARLAND**

**Nettie Smith, 73**, passed away on April 6, 2020, at Kitty Askins in Goldsboro, NC. A visitation was held on Friday, April 10, 2020 from 2:00 pm - 5:00 pm at Hope Valley Hawkins Funeral Service & Cremation, 1246 Hobbton Hwy, the family will not be present. The family held a private service on Saturday, April 11, 2020. She received her education at Pleasant Grove School until the 9th grade where she then entered into the work force to take care of her family. She became well known at the Waffle Kitchen in Clinton where she was famous for her collards and biscuits, she made sure her family had a roof over their heads and food to eat. Nettie was preceded in death by her sons Mr. Thomas E. Brunson, Mr. Walter L. Brunson and Mr. Willie A. Brunson. Her memories will be cherished by her loving daughters Cynthia D. Moore of the home and Wanda M. Garner of New York. Brothers Thomas A. Brunson, James Garner (Regina) and Michael and Christina Moore. Four grandchildren Tomica and Perry Highsmith, Ashley and Wornell. 13 Great-grandchildren Jaimeya and Perry Jr., Terry, Igauya, Taliyal, Wornell Jr., Jabari, Jaziah, Natasha, Makayla, Cynthia, Amerie and Kristopher. A host of God Children, Nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends. Her life was long loved and cherished by so many. Nettie never turned her back on anyone and helped all that she could. She will be missed dearly but never forgotten, for



our loving mother is now our Gaurdian Angel.

**CLINTON**

**Mrs. Brenda Pearson, 72** of 208 West Still Street, Clinton, NC passed on Wednesday, April 15, 2020 at home. The graveside service will be held at 12pm, Saturday, April 25, 2020 at Sandhill Cemetery, Clinton, NC with Dr. Eddie Robinson officiating. Mrs. Pearson is survived by her HUSBAND-Bobbie Pearson of the home; SON-Carlton Bratten of the home; SISTERS-Joann Usher of Laurel, MD, Hilda Marie Bratten of Washington, DC, Sandra Grey Melchor of Mitchellville, MD; BROTHER-Donnie Carroll Bratten of Suitland, MD; one grandchild. In lieu of flowers the family have requested to please make donations to Worley Funeral Home. Online condolences may be sent to [worleyfuneralhomeinc.com](http://www.worleyfuneralhomeinc.com).



**DUNN**

**Mrs. Essie Christine Robertson, 62**, of 1508 Fairview Street, Dunn, NC, passed away Tuesday, April 14, 2020 at home. The graveside service was held at 1pm, Tuesday, April 21, 2020 at Jackson Grove Church Cemetery, Newton Grove, NC. The service will live-stream via the Worley Funeral Home Facebook page. Mrs. Robertson is survived by DAUGHTERS-Leslie Simpson of Clinton, NC, Tonya Robertson of Dunn, NC and Shalah Robertson of Clayton, NC; SISTERS-JoAnn McCaskill of Linden, NC, Rev. Ethearl Morris of Lillington, NC, Eva Evans of Clinton, NC and Annie Williams of Spivey's Corner, NC; BROTHERS-Charles McNeil of Coats, NC, David McNeil, Jr. of Crossroad, NC, Larry McNeil and Jackie McNeil both of Dunn, NC; 12 grandchildren. Online condolences may be sent to [worleyfuneralhomeinc.com](http://www.worleyfuneralhomeinc.com).



**FAISON**

**Ronald David Smith, 68**, of Faison, passed away on Friday, April 10, 2020 at Vident Duplin Medical Center in Kenansville. Ronnie was born in Wake County on June 14, 1951 to the late Maggie Mae Hatcher. Ronald will be cremated and will return home to be with his family. In addition to his mother, Ronnie was preceded in death by his three brothers. Ronnie leaves behind his loving wife, Wilma Gray (Herring) Smith, three daughters: Amanda Lee of Warsaw, NC, Jessica Somers of Beulaville, NC, and Rebecca Moss of Albertson, NC, seven grandchildren and one great grandchild.



**AUTRYVILLE**

**Mrs. Margaret Odum Schneider, 76**, of Autryville passed away on Tuesday, April 21, 2020 at the Kitty Askins Hospice Center. A graveside service will be held at 1:00 PM Saturday, April 25 at Mill Creek Baptist Church with Rev. Tom Hayes officiating. Mrs. Schneider was a native of Sampson County, the daughter of H. Merton and Gertrude Greene Odum. She was preceded in death by her parents; first husband, Almond Daynard Honeycutt; second husband, Clark Edward Schneider and her son, Clark Edward Schneider, Jr. She was a caregiver for many people. She is survived by two sons, Kenneth Honeycutt and wife, Jennifer of Clinton and Almond Honeycutt and wife, Sherry of Autryville; daughter-in-law, Sandra Schneider; two sisters, Ellen Williams of Salemburg and Ada Carter of Garland; brother, James Odum of Tenn.' four grandchildren, Ashley Canady, Candice Richardson, Clark "Bubba" Schneider and Clifton "Bo" Schneider; three great grandchildren, Addison Canady, Madelyn Canady and Bryson Honeycutt. In light of the government restrictions, friends may visit Butler Funeral Home in Roseboro on Friday from 12:00 - 5:00 PM to pay their respects to Mrs. Schneider. Services entrusted to Butler Funeral Home, 401 W. Roseboro Street, Roseboro, NC.



**CLINTON**

**Rexton Bernie (Billy) Simmons, 86**, of 873 Honeycutt Road, passed away Friday, April 10, 2020 at Cornerstone Rehabilitation and Nursing Center in Dunn. A private graveside service was held Monday, April 13th, at 2:00 P.M. in Grandview Memorial Park with the Rev. Matthew Creech officiating. The family received friends at the home of his daughter Barbara Lou Naylor at 781 Honeycutt Rd. Clinton, NC. 28328. Rexton, born in 1933 in Sampson County, was the son of the late Bernie Jennings Simmons and Vara Jackson Simmons. He worked several years with Erwin Cotton Mill and afterwards began farming. In addition to his parents he was preceded in death by a son, Roy Jennings Simmons, a grandson, Trampas Jennings Simmons a son-in-law, Keith Naylor, a brother Cronnor Gilliam "CJ" Simmons and a sister Frieda Simmons Parrish. Survivors include; his wife Studie Alene Simmons, son, Rexton Billy Simmons and wife Linda of Clinton; daughters, Barbara Lou Naylor of Clinton and Sherry Lee Fann and husband Keith Fann of Salemburg; and grandchildren, Toni Brook Simmons, Amy Leah Naylor and Leanna Fann and great-granddaughter Alexis Simmons. In lieu of flowers memorials may be made to a church of one's choice or the Sudan Shriners transportation unit at 1425 S. Glenburnie Road, Suite 4 New Bern, NC 28562



**PLAIN VIEW**

**Mrs. Carolyn Puryear Smith, 73**, of the Plain View Community died Tuesday morning April 21, 2020 at her home. Carolyn was born May 14, 1946 in Harnett County daughter of the late Hermon Frank and Maude Lee Williford Puryear. She was also preceded in death by her fiancé, Henry Carroll Jackson; sisters, Rachel P. Jackson, Mary Lucille Puryear; brothers, Charles Oliver Puryear, Eugene Hermon Puryear. Carolyn was a member of Crestview Baptist Church. A private service will be held at the Skinner & Smith Funeral Home Chapel with Rev. Don Davis and Rev. Johnny Peterson officiating. Burial will follow at Spring Branch Baptist Church Cemetery. A video of the service will be available online after 4 pm Friday. Carolyn is survived by her son, Matthew C. Smith and wife Shelia of Plain View; step-son, Chris Jackson and wife Vivian of Erwin; brother, Paul Puryear of Plain View; sister, Ruth P. Denning and husband Charles of Plain View; sister-in-law, Reba Puryear of Plain View; grandchildren, Tina Comfront and husband Michael, Josh Harrington and wife Tammy, Dalton Smith and wife Jessica, Kristina Jackson, Lillian Jackson, John Toohey; great grandchildren, Anna Harrington, Jeremiah Harrington, Dalton Colt Smith, Jr., Peyton Lee Smith, Kayden Michael Smith, Jaycob David Toohey, Preston Matthew





# OBITUARIES

Toohy, Leland Dalton Card, Kaylynn June Card, Lillian Comfront, Mirabella Comfront, Michael Thomas Comfront, Jr., Kayden Brantley Pate, Kaydence Lynn Pate, Ashlyn Grace Pate, Julian Wayne Harrington. In accordance with current NC COVID 19 Guidelines, a public viewing was held from 1 – 4 p.m. Thursday, April 23, 2020 at Skinner & Smith Funeral Home. Arrangements are by Skinner & Smith Funeral Home.

**WARSAW**  
Mrs. Edna Ruth Honeycutt Bass, 84 of 214 Lanefield Rd. (formerly of Clinton) passed away Sunday, April 19th, 2020 at Warsaw Nursing and Rehab Center. A graveside service will be held Friday, April 24th at 1:00PM at Grandview Memorial Park with Dr. Ray Ammons officiating. Born on March 11th, 1936 in Sampson County, Edna was the daughter of the late Thomas Edison and Sodie Hall Honeycutt and the widow of Malcolm Valentine Bass. She was a proud member of First Baptist Church of Clinton and was a retired bank teller. She loved Sampson county and the people here that made it special. Edna is survived by her daughter, Sandra B. Armendariz of Los Angeles, CA., her son, Malcolm Christopher Bass of Laurinburg, her two grandchildren: Nicole Armendariz and Jeremy Armendariz; and her four great-grandchildren: Chase Best, Breylin Armendariz, Jordan Armendariz and Rowan Armendariz. Edna was also survived by numerous nieces and nephews. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to one's favorite charity. Royal-Hall is honored to serve the Bass family.

**ELIZABETHTOWN**  
Mrs. Deloris Jean Rackley, 75, of 175 Scrub Oak Road, Elizabethtown passed away on Monday, April 20, 2020 at Bladen County Hospital in Elizabethtown. Mrs. Rackley was born June 27, 1944 in Dallas County Texas. Mrs. Rackley is preceded in death by her parents Julius Daniel Mitchell & Elneeda Clemmons Mitchell. A Memorial Service will be held at a later date, to be announced by Carter Funeral Home in Garland. Mrs. Rackley is

survived by her husband Julius Rackley, one daughter Tina Rackley of Kernersville, NC, two sons; Julius Rackley Jr of Elizabethtown, NC, Marcus Rackley and wife Kathy of Moncks Corner, SC, four sisters; Betty L. Mitchell of Chadbourne, NC, Donna Hall of Elizabethtown, NC, Barbara S. Seiber of Maybank, TX, Ada Lee Grant of Caney, OK, four brothers; Roger D. Mitchell and wife Diana of Chadbourne, NC, David Mitchell of Elizabethtown, NC, Tony Mitchell of Carthage, NC, Jimmy Mitchell and wife Doris of Granbury, TX, three grandchildren; Breonna Lee, Annie Pearl Lee, Nathan Lee and seven great-grandchildren.

**ROSEBORO**  
Mrs. Pauline Spell Faircloth, beloved mother, grandmother, great-grandmother, sister and friend, 97, of Roseboro was called to her heavenly home on April 23, 2020 with her loving family by her side. She was born on October 5, 1922 in Sampson County to the late Braxton and Lela Mae (Royal) Spell. She was the 5th of 14 children and was raised on a farm. She was married for 49 years to the love of her life, Alfestus Faircloth. She enjoyed cooking, making ceramics, grapevine wreaths, quilting, growing flowers, and traveling. She especially enjoyed going to the NC State Fair where she always won stuffed animals because they always under guessed her age. She never met a stranger and enjoyed gospel music, especially by her daughters. She dearly loved her children, grandchildren, and great-grandchildren and was a member of Hollands' Chapel Pentecostal Holiness Church. She was preceded in death by her husband; sons, Alfestus Faircloth Jr. and Festus Devon Faircloth; grandsons, Ryan Arthur Faircloth and James Isaac Shelton; brothers, Alton, Randall, Vinson, Ernie, Lanier, Oscar, Liston, and Lathan Spell; and sisters, Mae Olive Matthews, Almata Bellamy, and Muriel



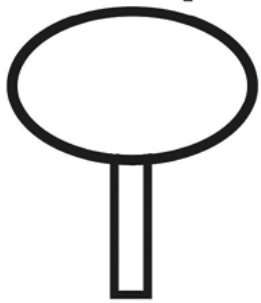
Willis. She is survived by her sons, Henry (Faye) Faircloth of Salemburg, Robert (Gail) Faircloth of Roseboro; daughters, Becky (Rev. W. Arthur) Warren of Salemburg, Jane Brinson, and Melody (Randy) Tyndall of Clinton; daughter-in-law, Linda Faye Faircloth of Salemburg; sisters, Leola Royal of Boiling Springs, SC, and Margaret Holland of Salemburg; 14 grandchildren and 40 great-grandchildren. Due to the ongoing COVID-19 concerns and regulations, visitation will be from 12 pm to 3 pm on Sunday, April 26, at Butler Funeral Home in Roseboro. Friends may sign the guest registry and leave remarks for the family. A private graveside service will be held at a later time. Memorials may be made to the Festus Devon Faircloth Divinity Scholarship, Campbell University Annual Giving/Advancement Services, PO Box 125, Buies Creek, NC 27506; the Ryan Faircloth Scholarship Fund, Sampson Community College, PO Box 318, Clinton NC; or the Isaac Shelton Memorial Fund, First Citizen's Bank, 200 Fayetteville St., Clinton, NC. Condolences may be sent to the family by visiting www.butlerfh.com. Butler Funeral Home of Roseboro is serving the family.

**ROSEBORO**  
Mr. Ronald Eugene Dyer, 73 of Roseboro, passed away on Wednesday, April 22, 2020 at Scotland Regional Hospice in Laurinburg. Ron is deceased by his parents and his brother. Ron is survived by his loving wife, Janet of almost 20 years. They were married in Franklin, NC. Ron was born in Jackson, TN on September 15, 1946. He entered the Air Force in July of 1967, and was a Vietnam Veteran. He served in the Air Force for 4 years and he served his country most of his life. The memorial service will be held at Our Redeemer Lutheran Church, 1605 Van Buren Avenue, Fayetteville, NC on Saturday, May 2, 2020 at 1:00pm. In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to Scotland Regional Hospice, Morrison Manor, 610B Lauchwood Drive, Laurinburg, NC 28353. Butler Funeral Home of Roseboro is serving the family.

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# Every day is Earth Day

By Erika Enigk  
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We celebrated Earth Day on April 22, but it's not the only day that you can help our planet. Here are some ideas.

### First, some history

Earth Day was created in 1970 with the idea that if every person did a little, the Earth could be a cleaner, nicer place to live on. A man named Gaylord Nelson came up with the idea and got someone from Harvard University in Massachusetts to help him. They picked April 22 as the date for their event because it fell between spring break and final exams for schools, and the date has stuck ever since.

There were already many groups in the United States working to get cleaner water, cleaner air and healthier environments for animals, and Earth Day brought them all together to work toward one big, common goal. Popularity grew, and today, Earth Day is the biggest celebration in the world that isn't tied to a religious event.

### Reduce, reuse, recycle

There are plenty of things people can do to help the planet. One easy way is to follow this direction: reduce, reuse, recycle. You might already have containers at your house to help you dispose of your glass, paper and plastic in a way that helps the environment. You can also reuse things around the house instead of



### Activity: Make some recycled art

All you need is garbage! Some ideas:

- Make a collage to hang in a window for your neighbors to see.
- Make a bird feeder out of a toilet paper roll. (Spread peanut butter all over it and roll it in birdseed so the birdseed sticks to the peanut butter.)
- Make homemade wind chimes using old cans. Paint or decorate the cans, then tie them together with rope. Use a can top or some other metal as the piece that hits the cans to make the chime noise.
- Fill an old soft drink bottle with soil and plant seeds. Have an adult attach some rope and hang it outdoors for a pretty hanging basket.

throwing them away. There are also many products you can buy without packaging, so there's less to get rid of.

### Take a lesson from the coronavirus

Since people started staying home to keep away from the coronavirus, pollution has decreased in several places. Los Angeles, a city that usually has a lot of air pollution, has had clear blue skies because people aren't driving nearly as much. The same thing has happened in India and other places around the world.

Hopefully, we won't all have

to stay home much longer, but when we can go back out into the world, there are lessons we can take with us about treating the Earth with respect. Walk or ride your bike instead of driving. Take a trip to the park down the street instead of driving somewhere on a Saturday afternoon. Plant flowers and vegetables in your backyard instead of buying ones that were shipped from some far away place.

Making changes is hard, but if staying home for social distancing taught us anything, it's that if we want to, we can all contribute a little and benefit a lot.

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# NASCAR THIS WEEK

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Trevor Bayne, top, celebrates after winning the 2011 Daytona 500. [AP/DAVID GRAHAM]

## Most memorable one-win wonders

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Music has its lovable one-hit wonders, such as Vanilla Ice, who has made a career off his song "Ice Ice Baby," which first released in 1989.

With that in mind, the NASCAR Cup Series has produced 60 one-race winners since the tour was formed in 1949 (then called Strictly Stock).

Here is a list of notable one-time winners through the ages:

**Jim Roper (1 win in 2 career starts):** Roper drove down from Kansas to compete in the first Cup Series race held June 19, 1949 at Charlotte Speedway, a .75-mile dirt oval out near the city's airport area. Johnny Beauchamp took the checkered flag but was later disqualified for using illegal chassis parts. Roper moved to the top of the box even though he turned just 197 of the scheduled 200 laps.

**Johnny Mantz (1 for 12):** If you only get one shot to win a Cup Series race, this was a good one — the inaugural Southern 500 at Darlington Speedway in 1950. Mantz outsmarted the 75-car field by using tires that were made for trucks. The tires were made of a harder compound than a normal street tire. Mantz wasn't fast but

as Darlington's track surface wore out tires of faster cars he moved up the leaderboard by staying on the track. He beat second place Fireball Roberts, who was an up-and-coming racing star, by nine laps.

**Wendell Scott (1 for 495):** Scott had lapped the entire field two times at Speedway Park in Jacksonville, Florida, but it was Buck Baker who pulled into Victory Lane and celebrated the win on Dec. 1, 1963. Hours later, after the crowd of 5,000 fans left the track, NASCAR said it found the scoring error and awarded Scott the victory. To this day Scott is the only African-American driver to win a Cup Series race.

**Mario Andretti (1 for 14):** In the 1967 Daytona 500, Andretti carried the colors of Bunnell Motor Co., which was a small Ford dealership in the county north of the Daytona Beach area. The car was a Holman-Moody rocket ship and carried Andretti to victory in NASCAR's premier racing event. The open-wheel great led 112 of 200 laps with teammate Fred Lorenzen hot on his tail.

**Greg Sacks (1 for 263):** The 1985 Firecracker 400 produced what is billed as the greatest upset in NASCAR history. Sacks was driving an R&D car for Bill Gardner of DiGard Racing. The team featured

a volunteer pit crew. As the race went along, it became apparent that Sacks had a car capable of beating Bill Elliott, who had won seven superspeedway races up to that point in the season. As cars dropped out of the race, those pit crew members pitched in to help Sacks and his crew chief Gary Nelson. Sacks led 33 of the 160 laps and beat Elliott by more than a second.

**Brett Bodine (1 for 480):** NASCAR's celebrated pace car driver won his only Cup Series race in the 1990 First Union 400 at North Wilkesboro Speedway in North Carolina. Bodine may have benefited from a scoring snafu, which put him as the leader following a late caution, but he led the last 83 laps of the race with Larry McReynolds calling the shots in the pit box.

**Trevor Bayne (1 for 197):** On the day before his 20th birthday, Bayne pulled off an incredible upset in the famed No. 21 Wood Brothers Racing Ford. The plan was for Bayne to push David Ragan to victory after a late caution. But Ragan passed Bayne, the race leader, before getting the green flag. Ragan was black-flagged and sent to the rear of the field. The last two laps produced a wild shootout between Bayne, Carl Edwards and David Gilliland. Somehow, Bayne prevailed. He is now out of racing.

### QUESTIONS & ATTITUDE

Compelling questions ... and maybe a few actual answers

#### Is geography our new friend?

Not so much a friend but a potential partner, as NASCAR's movers and shakers look at the maps and the calendar to determine how they can run their 36-race schedule this year — "trying to fit 10 pounds of grub into a 5-pound bag," is the old term, though cleaned up a bit.

#### Two-for-one weekends?

Well, long weekends, most likely — Thursday night here and Sunday afternoon there. Charlotte is relatively close to Darlington and Martinsville, with Bristol and Richmond no more than one or two rest-stop breaks away. Atlanta/Talladega is a natural, as is Indy and northern Kentucky. That part is workable, as long as Fox and NBC are on board, which isn't automatic, considering their other commitments later in the year.

#### What's the catch?

Geography must also work with geometry, in a way. Teams don't take their Atlanta car to Talladega, or vice versa, and there are plenty of other examples, so you have to factor in the ability of teams to return their haulers to Mooresville (or wherever) to reload (and maybe repair) for the next style of track. After a few cracks at a solution, even ol' Erno Rubik would probably throw away the calendar and go back to his famous Cube.

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### NASCAR DRIVERS WITH SINGLE-DIGIT CAREER VICTORIES

Paul Goldsmith	9
Cotton Owens	9
Bob Welborn	9
Kyle Petty	8
Darel Dieringer	7
A.J. Foyt	7
Jamie McMurray	7
Jim Reed	7
Marshall Teague	7
Chase Elliott	6
Kyle Larson	6
Ward Burton	5
Dan Gurney	5
Alan Kulwicki	5
Tiny Lund	5
Dave Marcis	5
Jeremy Mayfield	5
Ralph Moody	5

**Note:** 16 drivers with four wins, eight drivers with three wins, 29 with two wins.

### MOTOR MOUTHS PODCAST

"Liberate the Pod!" The governor isn't yet taking our calls.

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### SPEED FREAKS — A few questions we had to ask ourselves

**When does William Byron get elected into the Virtual Hall of Fame?**

**GODSPEAK:** Apparently, he is the Richard Petty of NASCAR iRacing. The good news is it won't cost much to create a Virtual Hall of Fame.

**KEN'S CALL:** He's virtually building a name for himself. Unfortunately, there aren't any real races scheduled for his den.

**If you have one, what's your drawback to watching televised races without fans?**

**GODSPEAK:** Hey, I'm good here. The faster NASCAR gets its real product on track, the better. Folks out there are starved for live sports events on TV.

**KEN'S CALL:** Next question! I have absolutely zero drawbacks to that idea, at least from my couch. Now, if I had tickets to Sonoma or Richmond and learned I couldn't go, different story, but I assume the tickets transfer to next year.

**Who would you like to see in Ganassi's No. 42?**

**GODSPEAK:** I'm going to vote for Timmy Hill. His no-money team qualified for the Daytona 500 and he's won a virtual race. Give the guy a chance.

**KEN'S CALL:** Because he's been banging his head against the wall for so long, I'd say Michael McDowell, just to see if he can do



**William Byron's record inside an actual cockpit has yet to match his simulator dominance.** [AP FILE]

something in a capable car.

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