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New School Year Brings

Administrator Changes



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The 2019-20 school year will begin with new principals for four of Sampson County's schools. These changes were announced by Dr. Eric Bracy, Superintendent, and are effective July 15.

In announcing these changes, Dr. Bracy stated, "We are preparing for the 2019-20 school year with excitement and optimism. These four leaders bring many talents to their new roles, and I look forward to the energy they will bring to these schools."



School-Level Changes include:

-Monty Strickland, currently Principal at Midway High School, will be the Principal of Sampson Early College High School.

-Gaynor Hammond, currently Assistant Principal at Midway Middle School, will be the Principal of Midway High School.

-Melanie Smith, currently Assistant Principal at Union Elementary School, will be the Principal of Plainview Elementary School.

-Amanda Horne, currently Assistant Principal at Midway High School, will be the Principal at Union Elementary School.

Sampson County Board of Elections to conduct educational seminar on voter ID requirement



The Sampson County Board of Elections will hold an educational seminar about voter photo identification requirements at 6 p.m. on Thursday, August 1, 201 and 11 a.m. on Saturday, August 10, 2019, at The Sampson County Exposition Center, which is located at 414 Warsaw Road, Clinton.

The seminar is free and open to the public. Photo ID is not required in any election in 2019.

Beginning in 2020, voters will be required to provide photo identification before they vote. This includes both in-person and by-mail voting, with some exceptions. In November 2018, North Carolina voters approved an amendment to the N.C. Constitution to require voters to present photo ID at the polls.

Session Law 2018-144 requires each county board of elections to hold at least two voter ID seminars before September 1, 2019. Attendees also will receive information about voting options, including absentee-by-mail, One-Stop early voting and Election Day voting. Information about provisional voting, the availability of free North Carolina voter ID cards and residency requirements for voting also will be provided.

For more information on the voter ID requirement in North Carolina, please go to www. ncsbe.gov/Voter-ID

Beginning in 2020, when you present to vote, you will be asked to show photo ID. If you do not show photo ID, you may vote provisionally. Your provisional ballot will count if you bring acceptable photo ID to your county board of elections office before canvass,

SCC's Newest Trustee Strong Education Advocate



Warren (L) swears in at SCC.

Sampson Community College added a new member to the Board of Trustees this week. When other board members look across the table going forward, they will not only recognize a familiar face but also one with an outstanding track record in education. Michael Warren took his oath to keep the college on course while it continues to build its future one success at a time. Warren has worked in various capacities in the education field in several cities across North Carolina and even in Canada.

"When thinking about the community college system, I suddenly realized how much the community college system has meant to my family," says Warren. "Two of my three children have community college degrees, one of them has since completed her bachelor's degree. The other is beginning work on his bachelor's degree."

Warren has served in several positions throughout his career. These have included Principal, Assistant Principal, Interim Superintendent, Educational Consultant, Athletic Director and District Transformation Coach. Warren has noticed the new changes at SCC and expects to add to the ongoing success the college has experienced.

Erika Starling, Board Chair, is excited to add Warren to the team. "On behalf of the board of trustees at SCC, I'd like to welcome Mr. Warren as a new trustee. His tenure as an educator and experience in the school system along with his personal family experience in the community college system makes him an asset to the team! I think he will work hard to maintain and propel the school, along with all the members of the board, into the future! I am looking forward to working alongside him."

To say Warren has seen the value of community colleges is an understatement. Of Warren's six grandchildren, three of them have community college degrees and one has a trade school diploma. His fifth granddaughter has completed almost a year of college credit, at community college cost and is now enrolled at Campbell University. Another is currently enrolled in an EMT program. He himself took four courses in finance at SCC and his wife took college transfer courses at SCC before going on to East Carolina University. She then completed her bachelor's degree at St. Andrews University offered completely on campus at Sandhills Community College.

"Mike brings to the Board of Trustees the experiences of

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WEEKLY VERSE Our mouths were filled with laughter, our tongues

with songs of joy. Then it was said among the nations, "The LORD has done great things for them.'

Psalm 126:2

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From the Desk of **Senator Brent Jackson**





I hope you've had a great week thus far. This week, the General Assembly celebrated our annual Watermelon Day at the Capitol. We were honored to be joined by our 2019 North Carolina Watermelon Queen, Amy Arnold along with the NC Watermelon Association and the Department of Agriculture. Thank you all for help and efforts in making the celebration

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

Legislative Recap

As We Near the End of Session

We are getting closer to the end of the session and the Senate is packed with bills making their way to the floor. Several bills filed by our office are still waiting to be taken up and we are working hard to finish up as much as we can before we adjourn. The Governor's budget veto and the Farm Act of 2019 in particular are our primary focuses right now. There is still an opportunity to get these important pieces of legislation on the right track and we are working hard to refine our ideas. It has been a whirlwind of a session and we never have as much time as we would like to work on new legislation, but we can do our best while we have the time to do what is right for North Carolina.

From the District

Duplin County

Four County Electric FEMA Reimbursement

FEMA and the state of North Carolina announced Tuesday that Four County Electric Membership Cooperative will be reimbursed more than \$11.2 million to help with the cost of damages caused by the hurricane.

Four County serves more than 32,000 customers in Bladen, Columbus, Duplin, Onslow, Pender and Sampson counties.

In all, FEMA announced Tuesday that more than \$22 million in reimbursements had been approved for electric cooperatives in eastern North Carolina. Carteret-Craven Electric Cooperative and Tideland Electric Membership Corporation also were approved for reimbursements

Public assistance is a cost-sharing program where FEMA reimburses applicants at least 75 percent of eligible costs while the remaining 25 percent is covered by the state.

Sampson County

Refurbished Engine Returns to Service

The Clinton Fire Department has welcomed one of its engines back into the fleet. After months of planning and designing, the E-One (Emergency-One) Typhoon model has returned to the local station after undergoing a reconfiguration and refurbishment.

As part of Clinton Fire Chief Stephen Lovette's plan to reorganize the department's fleet, the fire engine

was sent to the E-One manufacturing facility in Ocala, Fla. to undergo the improvements.

E-One is one of the country's largest emergency services manufacturers providing fire apparatus to some of America's oldest and largest fire departments, including New York, Chicago and Boston.

When the Clinton department first began using the engine in 2015, it was used as a water supply vehicle capable of shuttling water to the scene of a fire where hydrants are not readily available.

According to Lovette, the project was under the leadership of Captain Brett Hairr, who was instrumental in overseeing Clinton Fire Department's fleet of firefighting apparatuses. The reconfigured engine returned to service July 4 and is assigned as the primary response unit from Clinton Fire Station 22, located on Beaman Street.

Current plans have the new engine being put into service as the primary unit responding from Station 21 on Wall Street in downtown Clinton.

District Spotlight School Leaders Recognize Academic Achievement



During graduation ceremonies for Sampson County Schools, valedictorians and salutatorians from local high schools faced their classmates with words of for the future as they begin new journey in college and the workforce.

For achievement of being the best in their class, the district's Board of Education and local principals honored them during a recent meeting.

For Union's Class of 2019, DeeAnna Edwards was valedictorian and Sabrina Newkirk was salutatorian. They will attend Sampson Community College in the fall.

At Sampson Early College High School (SECHS) in Clinton, Megan Gardner was valedictorian, while Chistian Gonzalez-Rodriguez was the salutatorian. Gardner plans to attend the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill in the fall to major in biology and pre-med. She graduated from Sampson Community College (SCC) as an distinguished graduate an earned an associate's in science degree. Rodriguez is also planning to attend UNC-Chapel Hill. SECHS Guidance Counselor Jessica Tyndall recognized the students for their achievements.

John Goode, principal of Lakewood High School, honored valedictorian Ni'Daria Powell and salutatorian Trey McLamb for their years at the school in Salemburg.

Ni'Daria Powell earned a full-ride scholarship to North Carolina Central University and will major in pharmaceutical science. After receiving her bachelor's, Powell is planning to continue her education by working toward an advanced degree in pharmacy. As a pharmacist, she hopes to conduct research in pharmaceuticals and mental health.

Trey McLamb is headed to UNC-Chapel Hill, where he will pursue a double major in biology neuroscience on a pre-med track. In the future, he wants to be in the surgery field. For Midway High School, Principal Monty Strickland recognized valedictorian Rachel Edwards and salutatorian Mackenzie McLamb, who is headed to North Carolina State University and is also a graduate of SCC's Career and College Program. She's going to major in accounting and previously served as an office assistant. Edwards is a graduate of SCC and is continuing her education at Wake Forest University, where she will major in biology, politics and international studies.

Hobbton High School's valedictorian Hayden Cottle and salutatorian Allison Flowers were honored by Principal Michael Warren. Flowers is planning to major in biology at Campbell University. Cottle is headed to Sampson Community College with plans to major in

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Seven Vie for CCS Board Vacancy

Clinton City Schools' Board of Education includes six seats filled by members of the community. With the recent resignation of Dr. Stuart Blount, one of those six seats are open. According to policy, filling an open board seat outside of a regular vote calls for letters of interest from the public, a short interview and vote from the remaining board members for a new board member to be seated.

Dr. Linda Brunson, board Chair (who was also appointed to the board via this same process to replace ER Mason) initiated the process once again to fill Blount's vacant seat. An ad placed in print and shared via social media requested letters of interest be submitted by July 8th.

Seven letters of interest had been received by the time of the deadline. Those letters

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or if you sign an affidavit declaring that a reasonable impediment prevented you from showing photo ID

If you vote by mail, you must enclose a copy of your photo ID unless you sign an affidavit declaring that a reasonable impediment prevented you from enclosing a copy of your photo ID. You can obtain a free photo ID at your county board of elections office any time until the Friday before the election.

Acceptable Photo IDs include a drivers license, or non-operator ID from North Carolina, driver license or non-operator ID from a different US State or territory, a United States Passport, a North Carolina Voter ID card, approved Employee ID, approved Student ID, Tribal enrollment card, or Military ID card or Veterans ID card.

In the 2018 general election, 55 percent of voters approved a constitutional amendment requiring photo ID to vote in North Carolina. Subsequently, the N.C. General Assembly approved Session Law 2018-144, which implements the constitutional requirement for voter photo ID. The Photo ID requirement is not in place for any election in 2019 because of Session Law 2019-4 (signed by governor on March 14, 2019.)

Questions? Please contact the Sampson County Board of Elections at (910) 592-5796.

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an accomplished career in public education," adds Dr. Bill Starling, President of Sampson Community College. "He is a Sampson County native with family and friends that call our service area home. In his personal story he quickly shares his commitment to the mission of the community college. We are excited to have Mr. Warren as our newest appointment the Board of Trustees."

SCC has seen heightened success over the years. Recently, the college added a new entrance, trees, walking trails and a new state-of-the-art welding facility. Additionally, the college has signed four co-admission agreements with four-year colleges and added a few new programs this year. The college also created Sampson Promise and the Viking Express to help students save money and time. For more information about SCC, visit the website at www.sampsoncc.edu.



were submitted by Justin Turner, Diane Visor, Clark Hales, Jeremy Edgerton, Brandy Jones, Pastor Roscoe Emanuel and Dr. Oscar Rodriguez.

Each candidate has been allotted five minutes to present him/herself to the Clinton City Schools Board of Education for consideration of appointment to the vacant board position. This will occur during a special called board meeting on Sunday, July 14th beginning at 3 pm. Candidates are presented in the order in which their letter of interest was received.

After each interested applicant speaks the board will then vote on a new member via written ballet from the remaining five members. Voting would continue until a majority is reached for one applicant, and the new board member will be announce immediately following the vote.



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Ten new doctors join SampsonRMC's Graduate Medical Education Program



Dr. Blair Harris



Dr. Erio Woo



Dr. Susie Fitzgerald



Dr. Hannal Pile



Dr. Chelsea Harper



Dr. Ekta Kaur



Dr. Mikei Muse



Dr. Patrick Whitman



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Dr. George Sidrak

With last week's hospital orientation behind them, this week marks the start of rotations for ten new doctors who are beginning their Transition Year Internship, Family Medicine Residency, or Dermatology Residency at Sampson Regional Medical Center (SampsonRMC). This is SampsonRMC's fourth class of Interns and Family Medicine Residents, while it is the sixth class of Dermatology Residents to join SampsonRMC's Graduate Medical Education program since the hospital received program approval by the American Osteopathic Association in 2014.

Through affiliation with the Jerry M. Wallace School of Osteopathic Medicine at Campbell University, SampsonRMC has become a training ground for physicians from across the United States. Each year, residency programs and candidates go through a competitive process called the MATCH. This is a process whereby training programs rank applicants and applicants rank programs in order of preference. Candidate applications are reviewed and narrowed for interview invitation. "Matching a residency program is a very involved process that can take almost a year from start to finish," stated Dr. John-Mark Miller, Program Director for the Family Medicine Residency at SampsonRMC. Residency candidates begin by researching available residency programs and finalizing their specialties. Based on their chosen specialty, candidates submit applications to their preferred residency programs, such as SampsonRMC's Family Medicine and Dermatology programs. "Candidates who 'match' to SampsonRMC's residency programs receive an invitation into our program. It is truly an exciting day for both the residents and for our program," explained Miller.

While referred to as interns or residents, they are doctors who have completed clinical rotations and graduated from medical school. Residency programs are the next step in their training or specialization.

The establishment of SampsonRMC's graduate medical education program was a strategic effort that Dr. Shawn Howerton, Chief Executive & Medical Officer for SampsonRMC, is very proud of. "Over the years we've had the opportunity to work with some outstanding physicians. Becoming a training ground for physicians has proven beneficial in growing access to care in our rural community and has improved our ability to recruit talented physicians into

the area," stated Dr. Howerton. Sampson Regional proudly welcomes its newest class of residents and interns. "Most of these residents will train in our community for the next three years. We hope the community will join us in helping make Sampson County their home," added Dr. Howerton.

<u>Bios</u>

-Blair Harris, DO: Undergraduate Education: Bringham Young University, Utah; Medical School: Pacific Northwest University of Health Sciences College of Osteopathic Medicine, Washington -Mikel Muse, DO: Undergraduate Education: Johns Hopkins University, Maryland; Medical School: Edward Via College of Osteopathic Medicine, Virginia

-Hannah Pile, DO: Undergraduate Education: University of Washington, Washington; Medical School: Campbell University School of Medicine, North Carolina

-Patrick Whitman, DO: Undergraduate Education: Davidson College, North Carolina; Medical School: Edward Via College of Osteopathic Medicine, Virginia

-Susie Fitzgerald, DO: Undergraduate Education: Florida State University, Florida; Medical School: Campbell University School of Medicine, North Carolina

-Ekta Kaur, DO: Undergraduate Education: University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, North Carolina; Medical School: University of Pikeville College of Medicine, Kentucky

-George Sidrak, DO: Undergraduate Education: Alexandria University, Egypt; Medical School: Medicine Cairo University, Egypt, New York Institute of Technology College of Osteopathic Medicine, New York

-Eric Woo, DO: Undergraduate Education: University of Maryland, Maryland; Medical School: Lake Eric College of Osteopathic Medicine, Pennsylvania, Transition Year Internship: Sampson Regional Medical Center, North Carolina

-Chelsea Harper, DO: Undergraduate Education: Sam Houston State University, Texas; Medical School: University of North Texas Health Science Center, Texas; Transition Year Internship: University of North Texas Health Science Center, Texas

-Muneed Shah, DO Undergraduate Education: Hofstra University, New York; Medical School: Nova Southeastern University of Osteopathic Medicine, Florida; Transition Year Internship: Albany Medical Center, New York

Farmworkers in Need of Long-Sleeve Shirts



The Sampson County Cooperative Extension is hard at work on a public health project, one that is guaranteed to save lives. According to Javier Rivera, Farmworker Health and Safety Educator at the Sampson County Cooperative Extension, the group is trying to collect long sleeve shirts to help protect farmworkers from pesticide exposure and heat related illnesses. With temperatures reaching into the 100's, and humidities off the chart, now is the perfect time to help keep the farmworkers safe.

"The shirt drive is extremely important," noted Rivera, "because of the role that proper clothing plays in minimizing exposure to both pesticide exposure and heat stress. The greater incidents of pesticide exposure occur through contact with the skin. As such, one of the key preventative methods to reduce exposure is via proper clothing. The long-sleeve shirts we collect will help workers cover their arms and skin when working with the various crops in our county. Moreover, having access to long-sleeve shirts will prevent many of the workers from keeping shirts that may be contaminated. It goes without saying, many farmworkers have limited clothing and limited resources to obtain more."

And asked what the impact would be for local farmworkers, Rivera stated, "The long-sleeve shirt drive is an efficient way to have our community make a significant impact on the health and safety of our farmworkers. Many farmworkers face the risk of pesticide exposure which can cause both short- and long-term symptoms. While pesticides can enter the body through the mouth, nose and eyes, the greatest exposure occurs through the skin. Having access to light colored long-sleeve shorts will reduce the risk of exposure and reduce the number of workers that continue to wear the same shirt that may no longer be protecting them as it should."

Rivera continued, "It should be noted that the reason we specifically mention "light colored" shirts is because of the impact it has on reducing incidents related to heat stress. As mentioned previously, it is because of the benefits the shorts provide to reducing both pesticide exposure and heat related illnesses that the shirt drive has such a great impact on the worker's health and safety."

Goal with the shirt drive is two-fold:

- 1. To create community awareness about the dangers facing our farmworkers and how impactful the simple donation of long-sleeve shirts can be.
- 2. Make the shirt drive an ongoing community practice. We would like to provide a local cause for clothes to be donated resulting in a greater impact on the health and safety of our agricultural community.

"Pesticide Exposure has several acute threats/ and or symptoms," stated Rivera. Respiratory tract irritation, sore throat and/or cough, allergic sensitization, eye and skin irri-

tation, nausea, vomiting, diarrhea, headache, loss of consciousness and/or extreme weakness, seizures and/or death.

Long term threats have been linked to the development of Parkinson's disease, asthma, depression and anxiety and cancer.

Just as importantly, exposure can affect the reproductive systems for both men and women.

Heat stress threats/symptoms:

Nausea, Heavy sweating, Dizziness, faintness, Non-responsiveness, Rapid pulse, and Muscle cramps.

In closing Rivera said that It is important to note that heat stress is just the beginning a something that can quickly turn into heat stroke which can result in seizures and death.

If you would like to help or donate a long sleeve shirt to be used for this worthy cause, contact Javier Rivera at 910-385-9495 or cjriver2@ncsu.edu. Drop off location is at the Sampson Extension office located on Hwy 24 South of Clinton.

Shirts need to be long-sleeve, cotton and light colored. Even slightly used shirts can be donated. Shirts will be distributed among farmworkers in Eastern NC through the Extension Farmworker Health and Safety Education Program

Clinton AllStars Make Dixie Youth

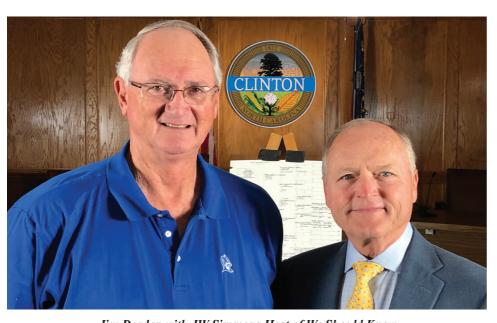


The Clinton Allstars finished the season as runners-up in the District 7 Allstars tournament and have qualified for the Dixie Youth Majors Tournament that will be held in Stanley NC starting July 12th. Congratulations!

Front row left to right: Peyton Gomez, Cooper Sessoms, Conner tuner, Brennon bell, Roady Carter, Hayden boney. Middle row: Aaron Smith, Drake Smith, Zack Melvin, Henry Bass, Camden Davis, Josen Pope. Coaches back row: Terry Smith, Ed Bass, Fernando Gomez

- LOCAL NEWS

We Should Know . . .



Jim Darden with JW Simmons Host of We Should Know

Tuesdays from 2:30 PM until 3:30 PM, J.W. Simmons hosts a show on 1170 AM and on Star channel 16 SD and 316 HD called "We Should Know", and The Sampson Weekly will feature portions of the transcripts in our continuing efforts to bring you more coverage of what is happening in our community.

The guest for this week's show is author, horticulturist and international traveler, Jim Darden.

The author of three books, Jim has published The Greenhouse Book, a guide for building hobby greenhouses, in 1978; Great American Azaleas in 1985, and Guests of the Emperor, a biography of his Dad's World War II experiences, in 1990.

A few months after retiring from teaching at Sampson Community College, Jim was tapped to become Head Horticulturist at his undergraduate Alma matter, Methodist University in Fayetteville. Jim graduated Cum laude from MU with a degree in biology, while being President of his senior class, and was a four-time All-Conference basketball player, still holding several scoring and rebounding records at the school. He also holds a M. Ed. Degree in Science Education, with emphasis in Botany, from Duke University in Durham, N.C.

The topic of the show is focused on history and ancestry and JW Simmons begins by stating that more than 26 million Americans have expressed an interest in understanding more about the lineage and history of who and where they come from. He goes on to say that a recent MIT study suggested that when considering points of contact, that 26 million people could be extrapolated to more than 100 plus million.

Simmons' first question for Jim Darden was to have him explain his interest in ancestry and how that interest came about. Darden begins, "I got really interested in genealogy way, way back when I first started teaching in 1973, so its been a long time. 40 some years. Both sides of my family, the Darden's and the Taylor's – my granddad Taylor was a principal here in the county – both of those families had done some research on the family, but back then genealogy was a slow-moving thing."

"I told people that with the proliferation of information that we have now on the computer and all of these sites that have exploded in genealogical information I can do more in a day than what it would have taken a decade. The information is just right there in your computer. Before you would have to go to the library and then maybe to England or Scotland or wherever your family was from. So, it's changed dramatically in the last 5 or 10 years really."

"Darden goes on to say, "I got interested when I was very young. I had just started teaching and I had access to the archives over in Raleigh so I could go over there on an afternoon or Saturday morning and check out the things I was given by my family and try to extend them out a little bit."

"But it fascinating," says Darden, "to take your immediate family members or those you know and remember, but those people that came before that in the Civil War era, the Colonial era and going right back into Europe, that's just fascinating to me. And over the past couple of years I've probably done 15 or 20 people who've asked for assistance in finding their roots. And I've the expertise I've gained from the computerization of this thing to look them up and find out where they came from. Try to find good sources — you can't believe everything on the internet — but you can if they're good sources. But I try to find good, well sourced information on the internet and put together a chronology of people that tells you all the way back to early people where you came from."

Next, Simmons states that there are two ways to look at the lineage of someone. One way is the work Darden does which is fact-finding and the other is through DNA. He asks Darden to discuss the differences between the two.

Darden explains, "There are at least 20 companies now that are doing DNA. If had my DNA done by 23 and Me and Family Tree DNA. But there are others like Ancestry.com and others, it just goes on and on. They really all do different types of DNA analysis. 23 and Me tells you about your family and where you came from whether Africa or Europe or the Americas and so forth."

"But they also have a very strong medical aspect to what their doing," says Darden. "They give you many, many surveys and you take those that ask are you near sighted, are you far sighted, do you taste this or that. And what they do is put together a medical profile. And along the way over the next several years you get information telling you may be prone to this disease of that complication."

"So, they have more of a medical aspect to them. Family Tree, I really like that because they are closely aligned to what we will be talking about later. You can see exactly what your haplo group is. The terminology here – I took genetics back in college and graduate school, but genetics today is an entirely different science. The terminology is entirely different. But I going to go to a workshop in October at NC State on trying to understand what these DNA tests actually mean. The terminology, what it actually means. Because you really have to be able to interpret that. There is some DNA terminology included in some of these sites, but you have to know how to interpret it."

"So," adds Darden, "that's something that I'm still learning and hope to know more about in the future."

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

The next "We Should Know" hosted by J.W. Simmons will air next Tuesday from 2:30 to 3:30 PM on our local radio station WCLN 1170 AM and on Star channel 16 SD and 316 HD. If you would like to reach "We Should Know" you may call them at 910-592-8947 or email them with show ideas at weshouldknowedu@gmail.com or you can find them on Facebook.

Chamber Chat



By Allison Strickland, Executive Director, Clinton Sampson Chamber of Commerce



Summer Update

Can you believe it's already JULY?! We sure can't – time just flies by and the Chamber staff are sure enjoying this beautiful (HOT) summer! Although we won't be hosting our Member Spotlight events again until the end of August, we have still been super busy welcoming new members, celebrating new businesses and getting things geared up for Fall. Over the past month, we were honored to host a Ribbon Cutting celebration for a new business in Downtown Roseboro- RS Sunset Slush/Janie's Paint-n-Party and attend the MHC-Kenworth Grand Opening event.

RS Sunset Slush and Janie's Paint-n-Party is conveniently located on Roseboro Street in the heart of Downtown Roseboro, owned and operated by Cameron Wright, who also owns popular women's boutique Clark & Company. The "RS" before Sunset Slush represents its primary serving area of the Roseboro/Salemburg area, although the delicious Italian ice draws in folks from all over- one customer drove an hour after hearing of the stores opening online.

The Sunset Slush Italian ice brand is wildly popular along the southern coast of NC and pays homage to its first home of Sunset Beach. In addition to the perfect treat for a hot summer day, Cameron also opened Janie's Paint-n-Party within a shared spaced to offer a unique experience to Sampson County where one can paint a wooden door hanger- totally customizable, with endless possibilities in shapes and themes. Janie's Paint-n-Party sells pre-painted door hangers, or you can schedule a time to come in to paint your own, schedule a birthday party or a lady's night (with wine!).

Just a short drive from Fayetteville, Clinton and Elizabethtown, Downtown Roseboro has a lot of to offer-I encourage anyone to make a trip! But while you're there, be sure to visit our other Chamber members, James Trading Company with a unique selection of Garden & Gift items, Vinny's Pizzeria and Railroad Steakhouse...Roseboro is growing, and we LOVE it!

On Friday, June 21st Chamber staff and Ambassadors had the pleasure of attending the MHC-Kenworth's Grand Opening event for their new location 1103 N. US Hwy 421 in Clinton. Kenworth staff had arranged for several truck related vendors to attend and showcase their products to the community and their customers. Congratulations to Kenworth on a brand new, beautiful facility with lots of room for business growth!

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gram providing a unique experience and knowledge of our community. The program runs from October 2019- April 2020. Through once a month field trips, adults can experience Sampson County in a whole new way. This program is a great way to grow your professional network and vision for economic growth of Sampson County. For a detailed brochure and schedule, please email info@clintonsampsonchamber.org. We look forward to hearing from you!



MHC-Kenworth Grand Opening

The purpose of the Chamber of Commerce is to further the interests of businesses, a strong Chamber of Commerce is made up of members who can create a pool of resources from which ideas, energy and finances can be drawn. Membership in the Chamber entitles members to a valuable package of benefits such as networking opportunities, lunch and learn opportunities with different topics for business growth, promotion, exclusive sponsorship and advertising benefits, online business directory and exclusive events. If you are interested in learning more about Chamber membership, please email info@clintonsampsonchamber.org today! Be sure to follow us on Facebook and Instagram "Clinton-Sampson Chamber".

The Chamber of Commerce encourages ALL community members to join us in our events. We would love to meet you! Again, follow us on social media or call our office (910) 592-6177 for upcoming events!



RS Sunset Slush and Janie's Paint-n-Party

FAITH



Three Trending Topics This Week

This week I wanted to take a look at the "Twitterverse" and see a few of the trending topics that our culture is taking note of and how we, as believers, can parse these issues and make sense of them according to a biblical worldview.

#1 Happy Birthday America

The number one trending topic this week is Independence Day. We are very blessed to live in a country where we have freedom. We are blessed to participate in a government who is, by and large, ruled by the people. All citizens take this week to celebrate our independence by eating hot dogs, watching fireworks, and for many, spending time with family and friends. As Christians, we can both be excited about our freedoms that include religious liberty and the right to free speech, among other things. We also need to remember that there is a much higher citizenship we have than simply being Americans. In Matthew 22, Jesus told a Pharisee, "render to Caesar the things that are Caesar's, and to God the things that are God." Jesus, by the way, was talking about allegiance. Citizens have a duty to obey the law, pray for leaders and pay taxes – but if you're a Christian, you're allegiance belongs to a true king: King Jesus.

#2 LGBT Pride Month

June has been designated as LGBT Pride Month. The first week of July brings some cultural changes – namely, big corporations who had changed their logos and icons to rainbow colors transition back to their normal logos. The roots of LGBT Pride Month extend back to the Gay Pride marches of the 70's, 80's and 90's. Those that celebrate LGBT Pride and those that market their products in support

show us a picture of idolatry. Joe Carter writes at The Gospel Coalition, "LGBT Pride Month is not just a secular commemoration of a people but a religious celebration of a belief—the belief that "Gay Is Good" and that moral opposition to homosexual behavior or transgender ideology is inherently bigoted." The LGBT Pride Movement is in direct conflict with a Christian worldview, and as gender confusion becomes more – well, confused – and normalized, we have to remember to speak graciously and look for opportunities to speak the truth in love.

#3 Facebook and Instagram Go Down

Even as I write this, there are some issues with social media sites: Facebook and Instagram – and many are freaking out. While people aren't allowed to post or see posts, we have to question: is it worth our time? I can't tell you how many times I've caught myself wondering exactly how long I had been scrolling through the Facebook app on my phone, not paying attention to time. Meanwhile, I could have been playing with my children, or doing something meaningful with my wife. Those are minutes and hours I can't get back. A good litmus test to see whether something is taking over our lives or not is to see whether or not we are willing to abstain from it. The fact that Facebook and Instagram crashes are trending worldwide is because Facebook and Instagram have taken over people's lives. And with a takeover often comes a desensitizing. I'm afraid that we're in a generation where people find it hard to communicate with each other in person, because we've become accustomed to communicating technologically. This is something we should consider as Christians: Has Facebook and Instagram taken over our lives? Do we worship at the platform of social media? Can social media be a good thing – yes; but can too much become idolatrous? Absolutely.

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Will Matthews is student pastor at Immanuel Baptist Church in Clinton.

Is Your Worship Service Boring?



Romans 12:1-2, "Therefore, brothers, by the mercies of God, I urge you to present your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and pleasing to God; this is your spiritual worship. Do not be conformed to this age, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind, so that you may discern what the perfect will of God is."

At any moment, the average person can turn on their phone and access music, movies and social media. Netflix, YouTube or Amazon Videos are just a click away regardless of our location. Sometimes people engage so much in these types of platforms they have entertainment overload that affects their mood, sleep and personal lives. Our attention spans have decreased and we have grown hungry for the newest trends. However, I would also assert that constant brain stimulation has also affected the way we view church.

Maybe you have heard these types of comments or even made them yourself, "Church is boring, hymns are dull and the preacher doesn't compare to the one I watch on television." Many attend church with the false expectation that worship is about them instead of focusing on God. We can quickly think church is about what we can get out of. We can quickly turn our eyes upon ourselves instead of Jesus. When we reduce the gathering of God's people to an entertainment venue, we don't enhance it, we diminish it.

Even though there may not have been Netflix during the time of Jesus' ministry, there was still a sense of wanting one's own way. Jesus describes His followers as faithful evangelists, not flamboyant entertainers. We are disciples that carry the cross of faithfulness to a world full of pain. Jesus proclaimed in Luke 9:23, "If anyone wants to come with Me, he must deny himself, take up his cross daily, and follow Me." When we point others to the Master our need for significance is met. As believers in Christ we have the Holy Spirit to help us learn God's Word and draw us into a closer relationship with our Redeemer.

A.W. Tozer author of, The Pursuit of God, famously said, "The Church has surrendered her once lofty concept of God and has substituted for it one so low, so ignoble, as to be utterly unworthy of thinking, worshiping men. This she has not done deliberately, but little by little and without her knowledge; and her very unawareness only makes her situation all the more tragic." Tozer predicted that we would slowly become a culture of consumer Christianity. Has our need to sing the newest praise songs that we heard on the radio outweighed our desire to be fed the faithful Word of God?

Now before you finish reading this devotional and think I'm against a lively worship service that would be incorrect. I just want to make sure when I enter into worship that the focus is on God and not my personal taste. Worship can include musical instruments, praise teams or words projected on a large screen, but if it lacks focus on God then it's not true Biblical worship.

I encourage you take time this week to read the following passages about worship

Psalm 81:2; Psalm 98:5; Psalm 150:4; Habak-kuk 3:19; 1 Chronicles 15:16 and 1 Chronicles 23:5. One common theme is worship is not about our desires, but the desire to please God. The Apostle Paul wrote in 1 Corinthians 10:31, "So, whether you eat or drink, or whatever you do, do all to the glory of God." Let us take that as our spiritual challenge this week as we enter into worship of God and not ourselves.



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What's Happening

By Angela Martin at SCT



Shrek Is heading your way in July!

Shrek the Musical will be heading your way this month and the cast is moving forward and ready to show you this high energy and fun-filled musical. Be sure to make preparations to see our talented cast. We are also thrilled to announce our sponsor for the production - Sampson Surgical Services. The show dates are Thursday - Sunday, July 25 - August 4 with Thursday, Friday and Saturday show times at 7:30 pm and Sunday matinees at 2:30 pm. Tickets can be purchased in advanced at Inkspot of Clinton and Matthews Gifts.

Does your child attend day care in the summer? If so, we would love to have your child's day care join us for our one day care show - Thursday, July 25 at 9:00am. This production will be fun for all young children and we would love for your child's daycare to come see this fun musical. Please email us at the following email address: lindajewellanded@gmail.com

We would love to see numerous groups at our day care show and hope that your child can take part in it. It will be a fun outing so let your day care know that it is not too late to sign up.

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Fri-Wed 2:00p 3:30p 5:00p 6:30p 8:00p



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NOW SHOWING

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Fri-Wed 1:30 4:30p 7:30p



ANNABELLE COMES HOME

NOW SHOWING

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Determined to keep Annabelle from wreaking more havoc, demonologists Ed and Lorraine Warren bring the possessed doll to the locked artifacts room in their home, placing her "safely" behind sacred glass and enlisting a priest's holy blessing. But an unholy night of horror awaits as Annabelle awakens the evil spirits in the room, who all set their sights on a new target--the Warren's ten-year-old daughter, Judy, and her friends.

Fri-Wed 1:30p 4:30p 7:30p



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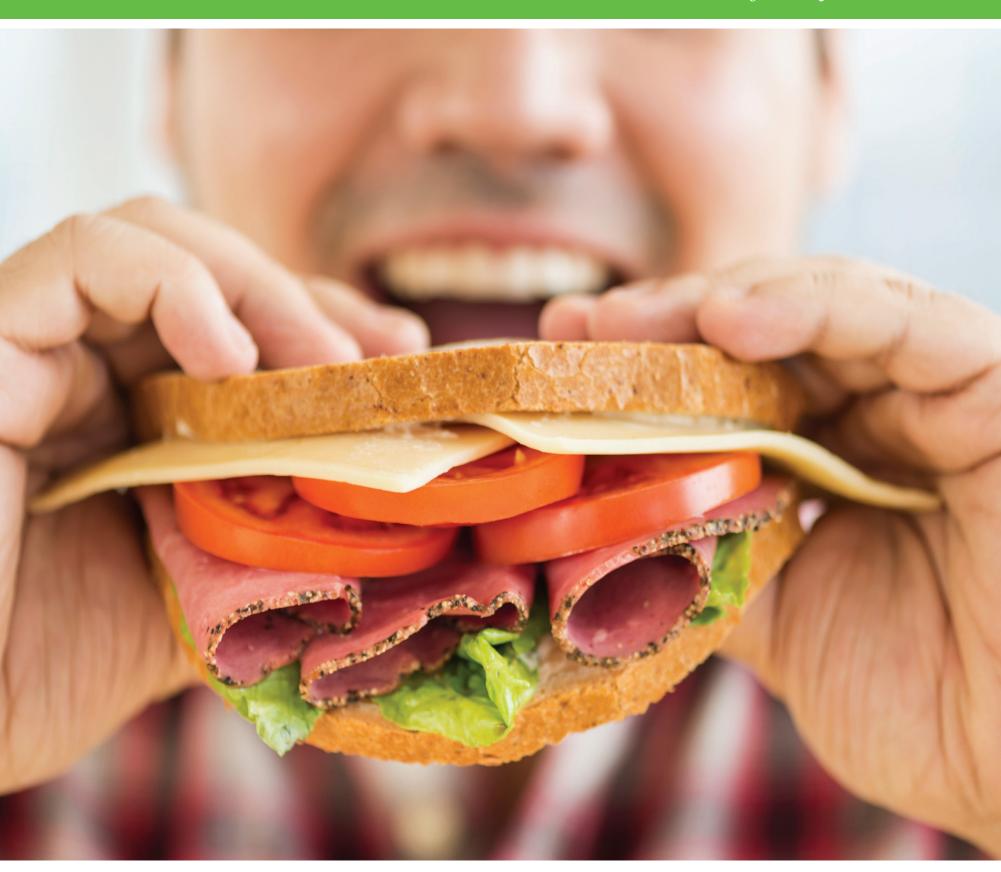
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When a massive hurricane hits her Florida hometown, Haley ignores evacuation orders to search for her missing father. Finding him gravely injured in the crawl space of their family home, the two become trapped by quickly encroaching floodwaters. As time runs out to escape the strengthening storm, Haley and her father discover that the rising water level is the least of their fears.

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Building a Balanced Diet with a Better Sandwich

ad diets come and go, and as many Americans find, so do the pounds they lose. Most experts agree that eliminating or drastically reducing any of the major foods groups from your diet can be detrimental to your health and prevent you from achieving long-term healthy eating goals.

Each of the food groups plays a distinct role in fueling your body and providing it with the vitamins and nutrients it needs. Attempt a well-rounded approach to eating, such as one that includes more nutritious choices for popular dishes like sandwiches. In general, pay attention to the variety, amount and nutrition of the foods you consume.

Consider these ideas for creating a balanced diet and a nutritious sandwich to help ensure you get enough of each food group:

Start from the Outside

There are two groups of grains: whole grains and refined grains. Whole grains contain the entire grain kernel, while refined grains have been milled for a finer texture and are required to be enriched per government mandate to help the population make up for nutrient shortfalls. Grains should account for about one quarter of each meal, but at least half of them should be whole grains - a fact that may surprise some people.

"Many health professionals mistakenly encourage consumers to skip the bread when trying to improve diets," said Yanni Papanikolaou from Nutrition Strategies Inc., who completed a study to assess the energy and nutrients contributed from sandwiches in diets of children and adolescents.

"Americans need to think twice before cutting bread from their diets. In fact, bread packs more of a nutrient punch than a caloric one."

The ingredients inside a sandwich, not the bread itself, are the most significant drivers of calories, fat and sodium, according to Papanikolaou's research. A separate study published in the journal "Nutrients" shows grain foods contribute less than

15 percent of all calories in the total diet,

Consumers can significantly and positively impact their caloric, fat and sodium intake by making more deliberate decisions about sandwich ingredients, including choosing either whole-grain enriched-grain bread. Find more information about the role of grains in a healthy diet at GrainFoodsFoundation.org.

Rethink the Ingredients

Making more nutritious choices with sandwiches and positively impacting your consumption of calories, fat and sodium is oftentimes a matter of changing the way you stack ingredients between the bread. Consider this sample sandwich: two slices of whole-grain or enriched bread, 2-3 slices of lunchmeat, two slices of cheese, a few spinach or lettuce leaves and a slice of tomato.

Contrary to popular belief, research shows that sandwich eaters who choose either whole- or enriched-grain bread can consume less calories, fat and sodium compared to the typical sandwich consumed in the American diet. This demonstrates the need to focus on the ingredients between the bread for a better (more healthful) sandwich.

Try a different take on a lunchtime favorite by adding spicy horseradish to this Roast Beef and Arugula Sandwich, or make packing a lunch even simpler with this Ultra-Thin Pastrami Sandwich Lunchbox.

Protein

According to the USDA, most Americans get about the right amount of protein in their diets, but could do better at choosing leaner options and adding more variety to their menus.

Incorporating more variety doesn't have to mean sacrificing convenience. For example, while prepared meats like deli meats, hot dogs and jerky are sometimes a target of critics, numerous studies and the Dietary Guidelines for Americans affirm they can be part of a healthy, balanced diet. Prepared beef the nutrient density in meat.



Roast Beef and Arugula Sandwich

Recipe courtesy of the Grain Foods Foundation Prep time: 5 minutes Servings: 2

- 1 tablespoon low-fat mayonnaise
- teaspoons horseradish
- 4 slices whole-wheat bread
- 4 slices tomato
- 4 ounces lean roast beef, thinly sliced 1 cup arugula or wild greens

Spread mayonnaise and horseradish evenly over two

Layer tomato, roast beef and arugula on top of mayonnaise and horseradish. Top with remaining

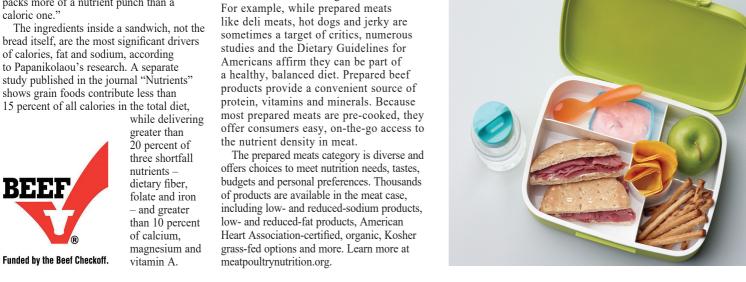


Servings: 1

- 2 slices thin whole-wheat
- sandwich bread 2 tablespoons low-fat garden vegetable cream cheese
- ounce ultra-thin pastrami 1 ounce unsalted pretzels
- 1 apple squeezable low-fat yogurt
- water bottle (8 fluid ounces)

Using knife, spread bread slices with cream cheese. Layer pastrami on bottom slice and top with second slice.

Fill lunchbox with sandwich, pretzels, apple, yogurt and water bottle.



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Clinton's Jalen Owens Prepares for College



CHS standout will play basketball for the William Peace
Pacers in the fall

Clinton High School recent graduate Jalen Owens has had a busy summer preparing for his upcoming freshman year of college.

Owens will be playing guard at William Peace University. He made it official on May 28 - which is, coincidentally, his sister's (Bianca) birthday.

"I've been working out, trying to get my body right," the 17-year-old basketball standout said Tuesday morning. "I am working to put some weight (muscle) on before the season starts ..."

He will officially move into the university on August 16

During play this past season, the Dark Horse guard weighed around 155 pounds. His goal is to hit 175 pounds before he officially hits the court this fall.

"Right now, I am about 166 pounds," Owens explains. "It has been kind of tough, but I think I am going to get there. I've worked out with a couple of the guys once or twice and worked out on campus ... I've just been keeping busy this summer."

Owens' career as a Dark Horse was absolutely phenomenal. The standout finished with a total of 369 points, 113 rebounds, 57 assists and 59 steals.

During final 26 games, Owens amassed 264 points, 33 rebounds, 30 steals and 23 deflections. The team finished with a 13-14 record (5-7 in the conference) falling 69-59 to Goldsboro on February 26 in their final game.

However, that game wasn't the end of Owens' high school basketball career.

Owens also made an appearance in the 2019 McDonalds All American Games that was recently held in Atlanta. It was an incredible achievement since he was just one of 10 players selected from the state of North Carolina that was nominated to appear in the game.

The Dark Horse standout was handpicked by scouts to appear in the elite game. Officials from the event sent scouts to games around the nation, who then selected players from each state to participate in the games. It was an exciting way to end his high school basketball career.

However, by that time, Owens had already been visiting colleges.

"At first I really didn't know that I would be attending William Peace," he explains. "I had my eye on two other schools, but when I went on campus, I really did feel like I was at home."

But Owens, who also ran track and played football - each for a season as a Dark Horse, still waited to finalize his decision.

"My dad always told me to go where they want you and, truly, that is where I felt wanted," he said. "I have a spot on the team, but I have to earn my playing time. So, I am going in wanting to work hard ..."

In addition to the campus, the standout said that he really likes his coaches, as well as the facilities.

"Oh yeah, I just love the facilities there and the gym is incredible," he said.

Academically, Owens said the fit was perfect for him too.

"It is a relatively small school," he said. "It has something like a 12 to 1 student/teacher ratio in the classroom. So, it will be really personal because the classes will be fairly small, which I liked a lot."

Owens will be studying Business Administration.

"I really feel like it will be a smooth transition for me," he predicts. "I have always been able to acclimate pretty well, so I really think it will be good."

The university is only just over an hour away from Clinton, another factor that played part in Owens' final decision.

"Oh yes, that definitely played a part," Owens admitted. "I have a close family and have always been family oriented. It was important for me to select a school that was close enough so my family could come see the games."

Born in Fayetteville and raised in Clinton, Owens has been around the basketball since he can remember. His father, Chris, has been a basketball coach for over two decades.

Jalen would accompany the legendary coach to the team's practices and games. But more importantly, he would hit the gym as many times as he could - this was as early as fourth grade.

"I knew that he was going to be a solid player when he was in the sixth grade, because he would always be in the gym working on something, pushing himself to get better," his dad said earlier this year. "I have always told him to work hard at it – but have fun when you are doing it."

His work ethic was second to none. When he wasn't in the classroom, he was working on his game.

In addition to his busy schedule during his junior year of high school, Jalen took on the added pressure of playing AAU Travel Basketball (for a team out of Durham), a move that pitted him against the elite players in the state, but also gave him additional exposure to college scouts.

When Owens signed his letter of intent to become a Pacer, it was the realization of all of his hard work over the years coming to fruition.

Owens said he is determined to keep moving ahead. His ultimate dream would be to play basketball professionally. "That is a dream," he admits. But he said he is content on focusing on college right now, being grateful for the opportunity that has been given to him.

When asked about the support he has received over the years, Owens is quick to thank God, first and foremost.

"I just appreciate all of the support from all my family - Chris, Valerie and sister, Bianca. My friends, teammates, coaches and my new coach (Claude) Shields and coaches (assistants John Bunch and Kevin Anzenberger) at William Peace," he said. "I am just really appreciative of everyone's support."

Although there is a lot of his plate this summer, Owens doesn't mind one bit.

"It is just a real exciting time for me right now," he said.

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Marcus Walton holds up a basket of sweet potato sprouts at Jackson Farming Co. in Autryville, NC

Growing up in Sampson County, University of Mount Olive (UMO) student Marcus Walton has been around agriculture and animal production his entire life. At the age of three, Walton's parents introduced him to fishing and horseback riding. He later began repairing cars and machinery with his grandfather. Enjoying the intricacies of these pastimes, Walton was unaware of just how much these hobbies would impact his future.

Attending Lakewood High School, Walton was immediately drawn to agricultural classes. Joining FFA, he participated in several of the club's activities including attending the annual AgFest event hosted by UMO which promotes awareness of agricultural careers and educational opportunities. It was during those events that Walton became interested in the University of Mount Olive as choice for his collegiate aspirations.

"I liked that UMO is right in the middle of Eastern NC where agriculture is a vital economic driver for the communities," he said.

Walton enrolled at UMO in the fall of 2016 majoring in agricultural production systems with a focus in animal science and a minor in agribusiness. He is a first-generation college student, and received the Presidential and CFFA scholarships.

Determined to be a good steward of those scholarships, Walton threw himself into his studies becoming known by his professors and peers as focused and dependable. Over the past four years, he and his classmates have formed a deep bond and support each other through weekly study sessions. "Many of my classes are with the same awesome classmates and professors," explained Walton. "I know that they truly care about my future and success."

Walton is actively involved in the agricultural department through his job as a work study student, his participation in Collegiate FFA (CFFA), and in Farm Bureau's Young Farmers & Ranchers Discussion Meets (YF&R). Through his job, Walton has helped create UMO's Fitness Garden, as well as produce and maintain landscapes around campus. One of his course projects involved growing chickens and plants on the student farm for resell. "With the addition of the farm, student in the student in the student farm for resell."



Marcus Walton operating a fork lift at Jackson Farming Co. in Autryville, NC.

dents can physically apply skills and knowledge to benefit the school and the community," he said.

Through CFFA, Walton has participated in countless campus and community activities. He recently volunteered at UMO's AgFest and the Make a Difference Food Pantry. He was also a part of the club's Coats for Kids service project, during which \$13,000 was raised to purchase 450 winter coats, gloves, and hats to children in need at Carver Elementary and Brogden Primary.

However, the Autryville native feels that his greatest college opportunities have been the two internships that he has undertaken. "I am grateful for the two crop-related internships that UMO was able to lineup for me," said Walton. "I have not only been able to increase my knowledge of agriculture, but also practice the business and production skills that I have learned in class."

Working as a crop scout intern with Protech in the summer of 2017, Walton put his academic knowledge to use checking tobacco and cotton. This summer he is interning with

Jackson Farming Company in Autryville in the areas of food safety, quality insurance, and inventory management of wholesale products and associated regulations. He works from 40 to 80 hours per week. He interacts with growers, shippers, and warehouse employees, observing sales projections, and market pricing. His involvement in YF & R Discussion Meets, have certainly come in handy with the internship, providing Walton with the experience and skills that he needs to be a confident speaker.

Walton is on track to graduate a semester early in December of 2019 with his bachelor's degree. He is still contemplating the various career paths within the agricultural industry, but one thing is for sure, he is getting the knowledge, experience, and connections that he will need to be successful.

In the meantime, Walton plans to continue his deep involvement in UMO's growing agricultural department and is grateful for the many opportunities he has received during his enrollment. "The ag department is constantly expanding, and it is exciting to know that we are gaining more specialized topics that will enable students to positively impact agriculture in eastern NC in their future careers."

Marucs Walton is the son of Elton McCoy and Frances Walton. He attends Pleasant Union Baptist Church in Roseboro and volunteers at the Autryville Fire Department. In his spare time he likes to go trail riding with his Quarter horses, hunt, and do landscaping and hard-scaping with his own lawn care service.

SCC Tells How to #BeAViking by August



Over fifty students attended the #BeAViking event at SCC this week.

Those thinking about attending Sampson Community College this fall should take note. This week, the latest #BeAViking session welcomed five dozen new students. At #BeAViking sessions, new students are introduced to the academic excellence and vibrant campus life that comprises SCC. It is designed to help students be successful at SCC and ensure students are ready to register for the upcoming semester. The college requires all new students to attend. There are two sessions remaining prior to fall semester, so prospective students should sign up as soon as possible by visiting the College's website, www.sampsoncc.edu.

"This gets students on the right track right from the beginning," says Amelia Elmore, Director of Admissions at SCC. "This will maximize success as the students navigate their academic path. Students learn about tutoring and library services, counseling assistance, financial aid opportunities and meet other fellow students who will be exploring similar paths."

Sampson Community College is a member of the North Carolina Community College System, located in Clinton, NC in Sampson County. The college offers many programs to include two-year degrees, college transfer, continuing education and workforce development options and early college education.

"We are committed to making new student's lives as smooth as possible while they are here," says Amanda Raynor, Student Engagement Coordinator at SCC. "It is an exciting time to be a Viking. If you look at SCC, you will see a lot of physical changes on campus—new buildings, walking trails and things like that. But we have also added new programs such as Agri-Business and Supply Chain management as well."

The college has a history of promoting student success. SCC has signed co-admission agreements with East Carolina University, NC State University, UNC-Wilmington and Fayetteville State University which can guarantee acceptance to those colleges in advance if students meet certain criteria.

The Sampson Promise program was also designed to pay all tuition and fees not covered by financial aid or other scholarships, for up to four towards semesters, programs of study if certain requirements are met. Additionally, the college offers its Viking Express option. This is available enable students to earn an Associate in Arts degree in just one year instead of two years to save time and money. For information about any of these programs, call SCC at 910.592.8084 or 910.592.8081 email admissions@ sampsoncc.edu.



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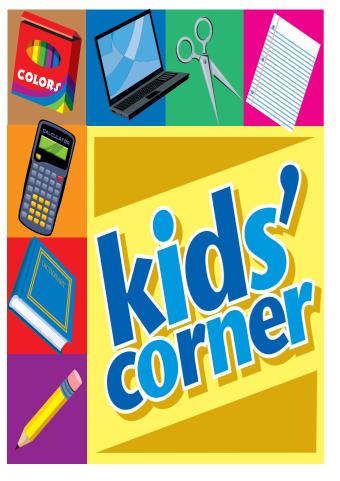
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YNOMEK: BYKBECNE

What's the Difference?

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





Answers: I. Fork is turned the other way 2. Chef hat is bigger 3. Background square missing 4. Not wearing apron 5. Larger flame



- 1946: THE U.S. TESTS
 THE FIRST UNDERWATER
 ATOMIC BOMB. THE TEST
 TAKES PLACE AT BIKINI
 ATOLL.
- 1978: LOUISE BROWN, THE WORLD'S FIRST "TEST TUBE BABY," IS BORN.
- 2000: AIR FRANCE FLIGHT 4590, A CONCORDE PASSENGER JET, CRASHES AFTER TAKEOFF NEAR PARIS.



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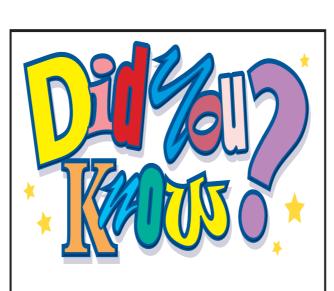
ENGLISH: Cook

SPANISH: Cocinero

ITALIAN: Cuoco

FRENCH: Cuisinier

GERMAN: Koch



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Can you guess what the bigger picture is?

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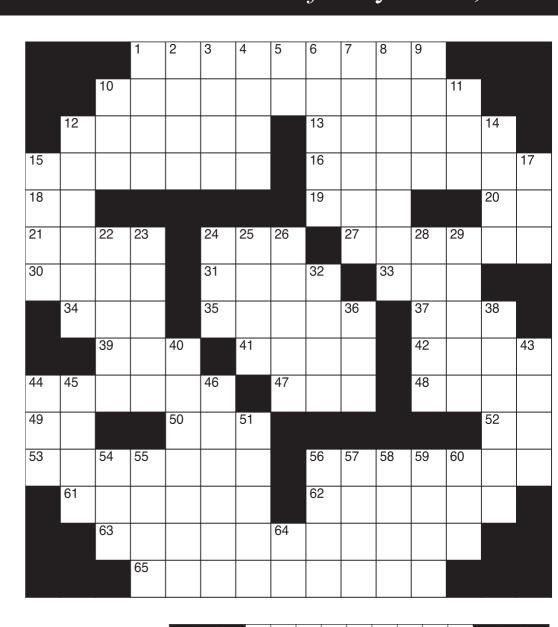
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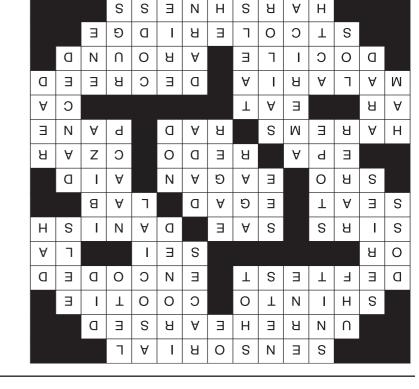
CLUES ACROSS

- 1. Derived from senses
- 10. Extemporaneous
- 12. Japanese religion
- 13. Body louse (slang)
- 15. Most adroit
- 16. Formatted electronic data
- 18. An alternative
- 19. 3rd largest whale
- 20. 6th tone
- 21. Gentlemen
- 24. Car mechanics group
- 27. Breakfast pastry
- 30. Where one sits
- 31. Oh, God!
- 33. Scientific workplace
- 34. No seats available
- 35. MN 55120 37. Assistance
- 39. Environmental Protection Agency
- 41. Reconstruct
- 42. Russian ruler
- 44. Female Muslim quarters
- 47. Radioactivity unit
- 48. Window glass
- 49. Atomic #18
- 50. Consume
- 52. The golden state
- 53. Mosquito disease
- 56. Authoritatively ordered
- 61. Yielding
- 62. On all sides
- 63. Br. romantic poet
- 65. Cruel vocal quality

CLUES DOWN

- 1. Irritated state
- 2. Sea eagle
- 3. Fish capturing devices
- 4. An informal photograph
- 5. Old English
- 6. Competes
- 7. Pressed a shirt
- 8. Averse to others 9. Mother of Apollo
- 10. Radio frequency
- 11. Have already done
- 12. Baseball championship playoffs
- 14. Snakelike fishes
- 15. Br. slang for sleep 17. Telegraphic signal
- 22. More scarce
- 23. Step excavation of ore
- 24. Envision
- 25. A gelling agent in foods
- 26. Impatient expectancy
- 28. Civil Rights group
- 29. 3rd largest Balearic island
- 32. Mama's partner
- 36. Head gesture
- 38. Moved to music
- 40. N. & S. of the new world
- 43. Discern the written word
- 44. Thigh of a hog
- 45. Mures river city
- 46. Crew member
- 51. Liang weight units 54. __ Angeles
- 55. Adrenocorticotropin
- 56. Mend a sock 57. Shallowest Great lake
- 58. Gadidae fish
- 59. Area floor coverings
- 60. Point midway between NE and E
- 64. "You know" in Canada





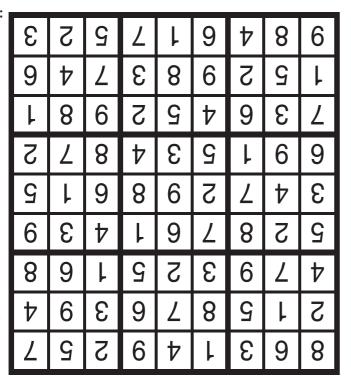
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2			8			3		
	7				5	1		
5		8	7	6				9
3							1	
5 3 6			5	3				
7		6						1
			9		3	7		6
	8	4	6					

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



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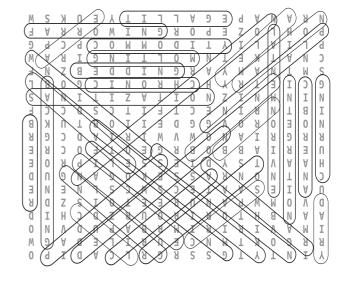
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Arrest Reports

07-04 Jamesa Niyel Joyner, 23; 1004 Warren St., Clinton; Communicating Threats; Court Date 08-06

07-04 Willie Albert Oates, 67; 113 Shamrock Dr., Clinton; Failure to Appear- Engage WRC Act No Lic/Permit; Bond \$1,000; Court Date 07-08

W Elizabeth St., Clinton; Simple Assault; Bond \$500; Court Date 08-22 07-08 Fausto Gabriel Gonzalez, 22;

07-05 Ka'Daysia Ja'lee Dawson, 20; 307

3508 Gowen Rd., Fayetteville; Simple Possession of Schedule VI Controlled Substance; Possession of Marijuana Paraphernalia; Court Date 08-20 07-08 Ryan Travis Faircloth, 26; 412

cial Card Fraud; Identity Theft; Bond \$10,000; Court Date 07-12 07-08 Earl Parker, 71; 94 Deems Dr., Clinton; Failure to Appear-DWLR; Bond

\$1,000; Court Date 07-24

Ernest Williams Rd., Roseboro; Ob-

tain Property by False Pretense; Finan-

07-08 Joseph Charles Toman, 58; 46 Junious Lucas Rd., Clinton; Larceny; Bond \$1,000; Court Date 07-22

07-08 Allison May Boone, 35; Bulldog Lane, Autryville; Possession of Stolen Goods/Property; Bond \$2,500; Court Date 08-05

07-08 Gary Antonio Woodall, 32; 109 Holiday Lane, Newton Grove; Breaking and Entering; Communicating Threats; Assault on a Female; Simple Assault; Injury to Personal Property; Bond \$25,000; Court Date 08-05

07-08 Zachery Tanner Thornton, 26; 3961 Roseboro Hwy., Clinton; Simple Assault; Violation of Court Order; Assault with a Deadly Weapon; Bond \$15,000; Court Date 08-19

07-09 Kirkland Smith, 23; 798 White Lake Dr., Elizabethtown; Obtain Property by False Pretense; Bond \$5,000; Court Date 08-06

07-09 Alex Garcia, 24; 35 Arthur Lane, Clinton; Larceny; Court Date 07-26

07-09 Maycon Gutierrez Gonzales, 19; 188

Pumpkin Lane, Faison; No Liability Insur-

ance; No Operators License; Bond \$500;

Court Date 07-25

07-09 Pamela Huerta Ponce, 25; 155 Summertree Court, Clinton; Breaking and or Entering; Possess Methamphetamine; Larceny; DWLR Not Impaired Rev; Possess Drug Paraphernalia; Bond \$15,000; Court Date

07-09 Shannon Bass Tyndall, 44; 704 College St., Clinton; Identity Theft; Obtain Property by False Pretense; Bond \$10,000; Court Date 08-12

07-09 Alex Garcia, 24; 35 Arthur Lane,

Clinton; Larceny; Court Date 07-26

07-10 Kiana Alford, 25; 117 Martin Luther King Jr Blvd., Clinton; Speeding; Court Date 08-26

07-10 George Nathan Lee, 56; 60 Stone

Place Rd., Dunn; Communicating Threats; Violation of Court Order; Bond \$21,000; Court Date 07-23

07-10 Victoria Haney, 23; 44 Murphey Rd., Clinton; Possess Drug Paraphernalia; Possession with Intent to Sell/Deliver Schedule 1 Controlled Substance; A&A DWLR Not Impaired Revoke; Felony Probation Violation; Bond \$10,000; Court 08-14

Bond \$10,000; Court 08-14

07-10 William Kent Yancey, 62; 2034 Chancey
Rd., Clinton; Simple Possession of Marijuana;
Assault by Pointing a Gun; Carrying Concealed
Weapon; Bond \$1,500; Court Date 08-19

Incident and Investigation Reports

07-03 Kenneth Sutton reported a Breaking and Entering located at 2651 Southeast Blvd., Clinton. Item reported missing a chainsaw.

Farm Equipment and a Utility Trailer located at 2611 Cornwallis Rd., Turkey.

07-05 Ella McNeil reported the Theft of a

Vehicle located at 2023 N Spring Branch Rd.,

Dunn.

07-03 William Jackson reported the Larceny of

07-05 Wesley Tyndall reported a Burglary located at 651 Old US 421 Hwy., Dunn. Item reported missing a Grill.

07-05 Julia Sullivan reported a Burglary located at 48 Alex Lane, Dunn. Items reported missing Fishing Poles.

07-08 Scott Coyle reported a Larceny located at 15 Allen Bass Lane, Roseboro. Items reported missing included clothing, Personalized Military Shield, Microwave, Bowling Balls,

Clinton Lot 2 3.21 Acres

- Hot Plate and Custom Paintings.

07-08 Tina Tadlock reported a Breaking and Entering and Entering located at 920 Cedar Point Rd., Newton Grove. No Items were reported missing.

07-09 Timothy Bates reported a Breaking and Entering located at 315 Dakota Lane, Dunn. Items reported missing included Groceries and Kitchen Equipment.

ceny of a Lawn Mower located at 852 Cedar Point Rd., Newton Grove. 07-09 Timothy Wade reported the Larceny of Farm Equipment located at 4840

Hobbton Hwy., Clinton.

bow Lane, Roseboro.

07-09 Curtis Watkins reported the Lar-

ceny of Medication located at 1121 Butler Island Rd., Roseboro.

07-10 Dawn Holder reported the Larce-

ny of Medication located at 2425 Benson

07-09 Jenifer Vickery reported the Lar-

Hwy., Dunn.

07-10 Ronald Joyner reported the Larceny of a Vehicle located at 139 Rain-

07-10 Yuiritzi Sanchez reported the Larceny of a License Plate located at 104 Melvin Rd., Harrells.

the Sampson County Sheriff's Office and the Clinton City Police Department.

* The Crime Report is provided by

Sampson County VITAL STATS

Deaths

- -Joseph Zebulon Cole-Nina Lee Carswell
- -Mallie Mae Giddens
- -John Wayne Lucas-Codi Lynn Malpass
- -Shelton D McLamb
- -Thomas Earl West

Marriage Certificates

- -Brandon Graham Godwin to Amber Nicole Lucas -Justin Douglas Miller to Amanda Grace Taylor Kittrell
- -Malcolm DeQuan Mints to Destinee Nicole Faircloth
- -Jamin Eliasib Espinoza Sevilla to Kensy Dariela Zuniga Zuniga
- -Miguel Angel Benitez Rebollar to Ana Irma Blanco Vazquez -Rebecca Anne Bir Hall to Jaclyn Ann Fillmore
- -Ondra Adams Lanier to Duane Anthony King
- -Gary Bradley Jackson to Melanie Gail Pate
- -Jorge Adrian Juarez to Cristina Ibarra Alcantar
- <u>Births</u>
- -Theodore Sebastian Dudley born on June 25, 2019 at Sampson Regional Medical Center to George Clinton Dudley and Bridget Renee Tew -Anahi Brooke Medina born on June 25, 2019 at Sampson Regional Medical Center
- to Denneen Brooke Maree Ochoa -Anthony Javier Meza Rivera born on June 25, 2019 at Sampson Regional Medical
- Center to Javier Antonio Zuniga Meza and Blanca Oneida Rivera Torres -Ja'Zale Khai Moore born on June 22, 2019 at Sampson Regional Medical Center
- to Shakeyiah Janae Moore -Julian Max Escalera born on June 26, 2019 at Sampson Regional Center to Luis
- Ivan Escalera Flores and Beatriz Renteria Espinoza
 -Liam Matthew Edwards born on June 29, 2019 at Sampson Regional Medical
 Center to Justin Mark Edwards and Alexandria Yvette Edwards

<u>Land Transfers</u> -Naomi Benson Barbour, Dennis M Long Sr to Ashton-Gage Y Barbour- 0.92 Acres

- -Cumberland Homes Inc to Johnnie A Bishop- Lot 17 Plainview
- -Nancy Carol Spell to James Robert Hairr/Gen P, James Rupert Hairr/Gen P, Roberta

-Franz Eric Freeman to DOT- Lot Sampson

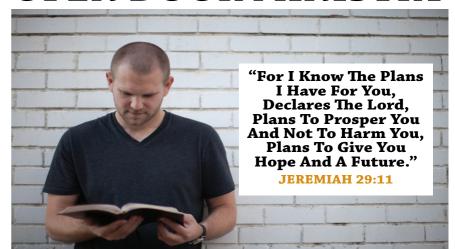
- C Hairr/Gen P, Rye Swamp Farms/G PTNR- 17.36 Acres Little Coharie
- -Jennifer Sammons to Cirilo Rivera Mendoza- 1.0 Acre South Clinton -Theresa J Clifton to Thersa J Clifton, Constance C Huss- 24.6 Acres Lot 2 Bettie
- Jernigan Division Westbrooks
 -Clarence Terrell Kirk to Jamie Baggett- 2.65 Acres w/exceptions

-Mary Ann Hill/TR, Mary Ann Hill Revocable Trust to Claudio Montes Sanchez, Monica Oliva Rodriguez- Lot 91 1.15 Acres Cobb Farm Piney Grove -Lasonja McCallop Allen, Lindsey Allen, Jamie McCallop, Omar McCallop,

Patricia McCallop, Shelton McCallop, Adolf Platt, Deborah Platt, Ronald Platt to

- Shelton McCallop North Clinton
 -The Vine Fellowship Inc to Randall N Barefoot- 6.73 Acres South Clinton
- -Christine J Brewington, Mitchell Brewington, Ami Jacobs, Amy Jacobs, Arrionna Jacobs, Mathias L Jacobs, Angelique Jacobs Young, David Young to
- Andrew Vincent Jacobs 1.43 Acres Herring -William David Reece Jr to Lauren Sinclair Reece- Lot 16 Michael Meadows
- Subdivision Phase One Plainview
 -Lee Ann Barefoot, Randall N Barefoot to Belkys Johana Miguel, Juan Miguel
- -Lee Ann Barefoot, Randall N Barefoot to Belkys Johana Miguel, Juan Miguel Perez- 6.73 Acres South Clinton
- Perez- 6.73 Acres South Clinton
 -Flossie M Wynn to John Nelson Williams, Sherry A Williams- 45 Acres Dismal
 -Peggy A Clark/GDN, Peggy P Hondros to Jason Scott Pearson, Mikki Heath
- Pearson- 60.3 Acres Taylors Bridge
 -Tammy Rupert Beasley/AIF, Scott Dale Rupert/By AIF to Eric J Wallace, Rena
- R Wallace- Lot 7 3.61 Acres Herring
 -Fortino Ramirez Bautista, Estela Lopez Hernandez, Estela Lopez, Fortino
 Ramirez to Lucas Bautista, Lot 4
- Ramirez to Lucas Bautista- Lot 4
 -Samantha Dale Hobbs, Mitchell Dale Strickland to Samantha Dale Hobbs- South

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OBITUARIES

WADE

Mrs. Georgia Evelyn Baker, 92, of Wade died Thursday evening, July 4, 2019, at Golden Years Nursing Home in Falcon. Mrs. Baker was born March 2, 1927 to the late James Lovette and Esther McLamb Barefoot. Mrs. Baker was preceded in death by her husband, Cephus Baker; brothers,



Omax, James U., Howard, J.L. Jr., and Donald Barefoot; and sisters, Ruby Thornton and Ometa Williams. Mrs. Baker was a devoted wife, mother, and grandmother. She always sought to serve others. Mrs. Baker was known for her cooking, and her table was always full for Sunday dinner. Funeral services were Sunday, July 7, 2019 at 2 p.m., at Skinner & Smith Funeral Home Chapel with Rev. Joshua Godwin officiating. Burial followed in Memorial Cemetery in Dunn. Mrs. Baker is survived by her sons, Rodney Lynn Baker & wife Sylvia of Wade, Richard Baker & wife Cindy of Greensboro; sisters, Daisy Bass and Ima Jean Tart; grandchildren, Joshua Baker & wife Sadarah of Wade, Alyssa Godwin & husband Joshua of Winston Salem, and Kristen Baker of Washington D.C.; great grandchildren, Avery and Jolene Baker and Maxwell Godwin; and many nieces and nephews. Visitation was Sunday July 7, 2019 at 1 p.m., one hour prior to the service at Skinner & Smith Funeral Home. Arrangements by Skinner & Smith Funeral Home, Dunn, NC.



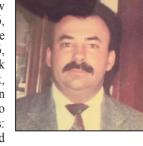
DUNN

Allison "Gail" Barbour, born November 16, 1947 went to be with her Lord on July 3, 2019. She was born in Johnston County to W.C. and Mary Stewart. She was retired from Fieldcrest Mills and the Department of Corrections in Craven County. She was a loving Wife, Mother, Sister and Daughter. She is survived by her husband; Stacy Barbour, daughter;

Pamela Brown, son; Brian McLamb, brothers; Ronnie Stewart, Marshall Stewart and wife Pat, Lee Stewart and wife Lisa, Charles Stewart, Julian Stewart and wife Denise. Grandchildren; Terry Jr., Leigh-Ann, Dustin, Dalton, Allie, Caleb, Katie and Jonathan. Great-Grandchildren; Logan, Cooper, Tucker and Jay-Leigh. Daughter-in-Law; Lori Turnage. Also left to cherish her fond memories are 12 nieces, nephews and several great nieces and nephews. Sisters-in-law; Alice Johnson, JoAnn Stewart and Susan Stewart. She was preceded in death by her parents; W.C. and Mary Stewart, son; Terry Turnage, Sr., and brothers; Garry Stewart and James Stewart. The family received family and friends at West & Dunn Funeral Home, Newton Grove, Friday, July 5th from 6 till 8 p.m. and other times at the home of Lee and Lisa Stewart 6400 Devil's Racetrack Road, Four Oaks, N.C. Gail's funeral service will be held in the chapel of West & Dunn Funeral Home, Newton Grove, Saturday, July 6th at 11:00 a.m. with burial to follow at Antioch United Methodist Church Cemetery, Four Oaks. Online condolences may be made at: www.westanddunn.com. Services have been entrusted to West & Dunn Funeral Homes, Inc., Newton Grove, North Carolina.

WARSAW Day Clar

Rex Clark of the Warsaw Community died Saturday July 6, 2019 at Lower Cape Fear Hospice in Wilmington. Born on March 26, 1961 to the late Carless Lee Clark and Mallie Christine Coffey Clark, Rex worked in the oil fields. In addition to his father, Rex is also preceded in death by his sisters: Alma Lee Clark Kukucka and



Wilma Maxine Clark Koletchket; brothers: Larry Doug Clark and Carless Gainey Clark (Peats). Graveside services was held at Calloway Cemetery in Jonas Ridge, NC at 2:00 pm on Wednesday, July 10, 2019. Rex leaves to cherish his memory: Mother: Mallie Christine Coffey Clark of Benson, Sons: Rex Allen Clark II of Myrtle Beach, SC, Jared Lee Clark of Aiken, SC and Kirk Russell Clark of the Philippines, Sister: Judy Lee Clark Sherron of Warsaw, NC. grandchildren: Brook, Cameron, Haley, Gavin and Ethan.

FAYETTEVIILLE

Mrs. Brenda Carlisle Hall 62 of 8144 King Road passed away on Wednesday, July 3, 2019 at Cape Fear Valley Medical Center in Fayetteville, North Carolina. Born in 1956 in Sampson County, NC to the late Vincent and Inez Lucas Carlisle. Brenda

was a homemaker and spent most of her time caring for her family. In addition to her parents Brenda is also preceded in death by a brother Mr. Ronnie Carlisle. Brenda leaves to cherish her memories: Daughters: Brandy Dochnahl and husband Kipp of Fayetteville, NC and Leann Grooms also of Fayetteville, NC, Son: Scotty Carlisle of Roseboro, NC, Sister:



Connie Hall and husband Billy of Roseboro, NC, Grandsons: Drayden Dochnahl of Fayetteville and Tyler Spanier of Florida, Granddaughter: McKinley Spanier also of Florida. Brenda also leaves many other family and friends. She will be missed by all that knew her. Services are incomplete and will be announced by Hope Valley Hawkins Funeral Service & Cremation.



SALEMBURG

Mr. Jeffrey Allen Terry, 52 of Salemburg passed away on Friday, June 28,2019. The funeral service was held at 11:00 AM Tuesday, July 2, 2019 at Peniel Pentecostal Holiness Church with Rev. Bryan Strickland officiating. Burial followed in the Sunrise Memorial Gardens. Mr. Terry was a native of Hertford County and the son of

Rev. George M. and Judy Bland Terry. He was a truck driver. He survived by his parents of the home; a son, Jeremy Terry and wife, Trisha of Leland, NC; brother, Randy Terry of the home; two sisters, Michelle Marley and husband, Timmy of Salemburg and Cyndi Mesimer and husband, Bryon of Clinton; six grandchildren and numerous nieces and nephews. The family received friends from 6-8 PM Monday, July 1 at Butler Funeral Home in Roseboro. Services entrusted to Butler Funeral Home, 401 W. Roseboro Street, Roseboro, NC.

CLINTO

Mr. Gregory Dashaun Weathers, 29, of 2990 H B Lewis Road, Clinton, NC passed away Sunday, July 7, 2019 in Duplin County, NC. The funeral service was held at 1pm, Saturday, July 13, 2019 at St. Stephens Holiness Church, Turkey, NC with Rev. Willie Alford officiating. Burial in Sandhills Cemetery, Clinton, NC. Mr. Weathers is survived by



WIFE-Tiffany Copeland Weathers of the home; SONS-DaVeon Weathers, Dorian Weathers, Naquan Blakeney, Jayden Hill and Terrence Faison all of Clinton, NC; PARENTS-Gregory and Patricia Weathers of Stedman, NC; SISTERS-Javonne Williams of Charlotte, NC and Tracy Thompson of Springfield, KY. Viewing and Visitation at Worley Funeral Home Friday, July 12, 2019; Public: 2pm - 6pm and Family: 5pm - 6pm.

DUNI

Mr. Mark Bezgela, 58, of Dunn passed away peacefully on Sunday morning July 7, 2019 at Betsy Johnson Hospital. Mark was born June 26, 1961 in Wake County. He was preceded in death by his parents, Eugene and Lillian Bezgela and birth mother, Jody Peters. Mark grew up in Raleigh and was a 1979 graduate of Broughton High School. He moved to Dunn in 1994. Mark was a well-known and respected golf course technician and member of TETAC. During his career he worked at Keith Hills Golf Course, Raleigh Country Club and North Ridge Country Club. A funeral service was held at 2 p.m. Wednesday, July 10, 2019 at Skinner & Smith Funeral Home Chapel with Rev. Ronnie Williams officiating. Burial followed at Erwin Memorial Park. He is survived by his wife of thirty-two years, Sandra Stewart Bezgela; sons, Christopher Bezgela and wife Andrea of New Bern, Timothy Bezgela of Dunn and Jonathan Bezgela and wife Michelle of Dunn; grandchildren, Cadence, JJ, Ava, Julia, Scarlett and Oliver; sister, Ann Bulman and husband Stuart and family of Wake Forest; lifetime best friends, Johnny and Kitty Pearce and many other family and friends. The family received friends 6-8 p.m. Tuesday at the funeral home and other times at the home.

AUTRYVILLE

Mr. Boyd Wayne Hodges, 63 passed away Sunday, July 7, 2019 at Cape Fear Valley Medical Center in Fayetteville. Arrangements are incomplete at this time. Mr. Hodges was born on March 22, 1956 in Cumberland County to Henry Bud Hodges and Mittie Nan Faircloth Hodges. He was preceded in death by his parents; brother, Henry Franklin Hodges; sister, Vickie Sue Hodges and aunt, Geraldine Parker. He is survived by a cousin, Jennifer Parker of Autryville; four aunts, Betty Tanner and Helen Daniels and Ruth Jackson all of Salemburg and Darlene Cannady of Autryville; Two uncles, Perry "Buddy" Faircloth of Autryville and Tommy Faircloth of Salemburg; two nieces and two nephews and numerous other cousins. Services entrusted to Butler Funeral Home of Roseboro.

FAYETTEVILLE

Mr. Ronald Dee Pearsall, 68 of Fayetteville, passed away Sunday, July 7, 2019 at Woodlands Nursing and Rehab Center. A memorial service was held at 12:00 pm on Thursday July 11, 2019 at Good Shepherd Catholic Church, 5050 Oak Street, Hope Mills, officiating was Father Joseph Gaul. The family received friends from 11:00 to 11:50 am prior to the service. Burial followed at Antioch Presbyterian Church Cemetery, 6583 Red Springs Road, Red Springs. He was born in Cumberland County to the late John D. Pearsall and Ramona Marchand Pearsall. He worked as a carpenter. He is survived by his wife, Ann Pearsall of the home; daughter, Kathy P. Metrick and husband, Aaron of Midlothian, VA; step daughter, April L. Cooke of Gastonia; brothers, William Pearsall of Fairfield, VT, Thomas Pearsall of Roseboro, and Gary Pearsall of Texas; three grandchildren; sister, Susan Melvin of Roseboro; and numerous nieces and nephews. Butler Funeral Home of Roseboro is serving the

BENSON

Martha Evelyn Barefoot, Age 89, of Benson passed away peacefully on Saturday, June 29, 2019 at Rex Hospital in Raleigh, NC. Martha was born on December 29, 1929 in Johnston County the daughter of the late George McLamb and Dola McLamb. She is preceded in death by her husband, Johnny B.



Barefoot, Son, Timmy Barefoot and Great Grandson, Cullen Reece Parker. A Funeral Service was held Wednesday, July 3, 2019 at 2:00 pm at Prospect Freewill Baptist Church with Rev. Leon Tart officiating. Burial followed in Devotional Gardens Cemetery. Left to cherish her memory are her daughters: Evelyn Gregory of Benson, NC; Edna Parker & (husband) Calvin of Dunn, NC; Sons: Johnny Ray Barefoot & (wife) Susie of Dunn, NC; Benny Barefoot of Benson, NC and Shane Barefoot & (wife) Deanna of Coats, NC. Grandchildren: Travis & Amy Jo Faircloth of Four Oaks, NC, Shannon & Brian Schultz of Benson, NC; Kevin & Amy Parker of Coats, NC; Trent & Erica Parker of Dunn, NC; Brandy & Steve Whitley of Smithfield, NC; John Derrick & Katie Barefoot of Hickory, NC; Kimberly & Jason Pope of Dunn, N; Lacinda Barefoot of Dunn, NC; Crystal Barefoot of Dunn, NC; Jonathon & Brittany Barefoot of Benson, NC; Tiffany Barefoot of Mamers, NC; Guy Barefoot of Coats, NC and Harris Barefoot of Coats, NC. 24 Great Grandchildren. The family received friends at Cromartie Miller Funeral Home on Tuesday, July 2, 2019 from 6:00 pm – 8:00 pm and at other times at the home located at 903 Weeks Rd., Dunn, NC. A Service of Cromartie Miller Funeral Home of Dunn NC



GARLAND

Mrs. Viola Rich Marshall, 74, of 5184 Harrells Hwy. Garland, NC died Wednesday, July 10, 2019 at UNC Memorial Hospital in Chapel Hill, NC. Arrangements are incomplete and will be announced by Carter Funeral Home in Garland.

DUNN

Mr. Joel Westbrook Strickland, 70, of Dunn formerly of Houston, Texas died Tuesday, July 9, 2019 at Rex Hospital in Raleigh. Joel was born September 13, 1948 in Harnett County son of the late Hooper Mack and Katie Warren Strickland. He was also preceded in death by his wife, Paula F. Strickland; daughter, Koreanna Lynn Strickland and brother, Willie Strickland. A funeral service will be held 11 a.m. Friday, July 12, 2019 at Skinner & Smith Funeral Home Chapel with Dr. Elvin Butts officiating and music by Miss Emma Neal. Burial will be at Forest Park East Cemetery in Webster, Texas at a later

date. Joel is survived by daughter, Holly Michelle Byington and husband David of Blountsville, Tennessee; grandchildren, Austin Wood, Justin Wood, Kiersten Byington sister, Maxine Pierce of Dunn and several nieces and nephews. The family will receive friends 10 – 11 a.m. Friday prior to the service at the funeral home and at other times at the home on Eniground Rd. Agrangements are here.

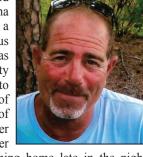


Fairground Rd. Arrangements are by Skinner & Smith funeral Home in Dunn.

STEDMAN

James Clifford "Yankee" Tew departed this life on Monday, July 1, 2019 being 56 years of age. He was born on February 22, 1963 in Brooklyn, New York to the late Jim and Hilda Marty Tew. He was also preceded

in death by his sister Rosenna Tew Starling. Uncle Yankee was a huge cut up who had an infectious personality. He was described as having that type of personality that you just wanted to get to know him. He was a member of the graduating class of 1981 of Dunn High School and a member of Dunn Rescue Squad. His sister has fond memories of him comir



has fond memories of him coming home late in the night and telling her stories of his adventures that evening with the Rescue Squad. He was a member of Divine Street United Methodist Church and he loved his cars, particularly Pontiac Firebirds. Many around Dunn may remember him cruising up to the T-Mart in his Firebird with his seven foot pet python. He had a great sense of adventure and was very spontaneous. That could be demonstrated by the time the kids wanted a horse for Christmas and Yankee buys the horse and rides him all the way home. He had mad cooking skills, probably even better than Alton Brown. Cliff was the cool dad, all his kids friends loved to come over and hang out, and right before bed they would get out a couple of bowls and spoons and have a big bowl of ice cream with Hershey's syrup and sprinkles. The dog always got to lick the bowl. James leaves behind his wife of 19 years, Wanda Parker Tew; two sons: James "Mac" Tew of Stedman and Michael Logan Tew of Fayetteville; daughter: Erin Drummond and husband Aaron of Fayetteville; two grandchildren: Aliyah Drummond and Langston Drummond; sister: Martha Saieed and husband Robert of Greenville, North Carolina and a host of nieces, nephews, family and friends. Friends were invited to a visitation with the family from three o'clock until five o'clock in the afternoon on Saturday, the 6th of July 2019 in the chapel of Cromartie-Miller Funeral Home where a celebration of his life commenced at five o'clock with Rev. Tim Ameen and Mr. Lee Creighton officiating. In lieu of customary remembrances, memorial contributions may be made in James memory to American Heart Association, 7272 Greenville Avenue, Dallas, TX 75231.

CLINTON

Mr. Ezekiel Darden Drayton, 87, of 501 Stetson Street, Clinton, NC, passed away Monday, July 8, 2019 at home. The arrangements are incomplete at this time.







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The Daytona Beach News-Journal's Godwin Kelly & Ken Willis have covered NASCAR for news-jrnl.com ken.willis@news-jrnl.com

SPEED FREAKS

A few questions we had to ask ourselves

Where do you rank Justin **Haley's win in NASCAR** history?

GODSPEAK: It's nowhere near Greg Sacks' Daytona win in 1985, but it was an intriguing set of circumstances.

KEN'S CALL: If it's not the luckiest ever, I'd like to see what tops it. But such things are possible in this occasionally weird game.

Will we hear from Haley again?

GODSPEAK: The kid seems to have a knack for being around at the end of superspeedway races, so yes, he will be back.

KEN'S CALL: Yes, at least at the pack-racin' tracks. He actually likes Daytona and Talladega, and proved he can dodge the "Big One."

FEUD OF THE WEEK

CLINT BOWYER VS. AUSTIN

DILLON: Bowyer pushed Dillon to the lead, and when Bowyer tried to pass Dillon, they touched, crashed and knocked 17 cars out of the Coke Zero Sugar 400.

GODWIN KELLY'S TAKE:

Aggressive driving got the best of Bowyer. "I guess he didn't want me to pass him," Bowyer said. "I don't know. I got under him and he blocked, and we got together."

GODWIN'S PICKS FOR KENTUCKY

WINNER: Kevin Harvick **REST OF TOP 5:** Kyle Busch, Joey Logano, Kurt Busch, Brad Keselowski

FIRST ONE OUT: Michael McDowell

DARK HORSE: Ryan Newman **DON'T BE SURPRISED IF: Har**vick busts out of his winless streak in a big way.

MOTOR MOUTHS PODCAST

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KENTUCKY

THREE THINGS TO WATCH

1. Back to normal

Will things on the **NASCAR Cup Series** go back to normal after this two-race Chevrolet detour? Chevy's Alex Bowman won at Chicagoland and Justin Haley followed that up with a big upset at Daytona. Those wins broke a string of six wins by Joe Gibbs Racing and Team Penske, which have combined for 15 wins through 18 races. And will it rain at Kentucky? Two of the past four races have been postponed by rain.

2. Kyle's Kentucky

One track that always seems to pull Kyle Busch out of the funk is Kentucky Speedway. In eight career starts, he has two wins and seven top-10 finishes. "It's pretty nice to be able to go to these race tracks and be able to have the



Justin Haley extended Chevrolet's winning streak to two races with his unlikely Daytona victory. Will things go back to normal at Kentucky? [NEWS-JOURNAL/DAVID TUCKER]

opportunity to do well and run well and finish up front and win," said Busch, who ran ARCA there back in the day when the course was rough. "I kind of lost the dance floor a little bit," he said.

3. Leftover emotion?

There were several drivers who had tiffs or spats with their counterparts at Daytona.

For instance, Brad Keselowski's dumping of William Byron. Kevin Harvick smashed into the rear bumper of Keselowski's car, forcing him out of the race. And Clint Bowyer and Austin Dillon made contact to initiate the "Big One." Will any of this spill over into Kentucky?

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DAYTONA

THREE THINGS WE LEARNED

1. Teamwork?

The three car manufacturers came into Davtona with idea of working within their camps to score a win. It backfired big-time for Toyota when the "Big One" happened in Turn 1 on Lap 119. All four Gibbs cars were touched because they were running so close together.

2. Don't mess with Brad

Brad Keselowski, 35, purposely knocked William Byron off the race course for blocking during a practice at Daytona. "Just trying to send a message," Keselowski



All four of Joe Gibbs Racing's Toyotas were touched by the "Big One" at Daytona.

[NEWS-JOURNAL/NIGEL COOK]

said. "I'm not lifting." Byron, 21, responded. "I don't think that was really necessary to turn us there," he

3. Rain-plagued

For just the second time in its history, the Coke Zero Sugar 400 was postponed a day

because of rain. This race will go in the books along with the 2014 summer Daytona Cup event as the only two to be postponed by the wet stuff. The 1998 400 was postponed by wildfires.

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QUESTIONS & ATTITUDE

Compelling questions ... and maybe a few actual answers

Justin Haley? Do I know him?

Those who closely follow all of NASCAR's divisions know him, and for good reason. This year, he's eighth in points in his first Xfinity Series season. Last year, he won three Truck Series races and was third in points. In 2016, he was K&N East champ, with two wins and 14 top-10s in 14 starts. Also, he won three of seven ARCA starts in 2016-17. He should be fast-tracked for a fulltime Cup ride, but will one be available?

You buying the Hyundai talk?

Renting with an option to buy. There's growing chatter regarding the South Korean automaker putting a car in NASCAR, starting in 2021 when the Gen-7 stock car is introduced. It obviously makes sense for NASCAR and probably makes sense for Hyundai. It would be interesting to gauge the fan reaction, compared with the amount of backlash that greeted Toyota's entry into the Cup Series in 2007.

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1. Joey Logano

NASCAR CUP STANDINGS

700

2. Kyle Busch	682
3. Kevin Harvick	625
4. Brad Keselowski	613
5. Martin Truex Jr.	597
6. Denny Hamlin	588
7. Chase Elliott	585
8. Kurt Busch	564
9. Alex Bowman	534
10. Aric Almirola	512
11. Ryan Blaney	508
12. William Byron	498
13. Jimmie Johnson	474
14. Kyle Larson	473
15. Clint Bowyer	444
16. Ryan Newman	443
17. Daniel Suarez	440
18. Erik Jones	430
19. Ricky Stenhouse Jr.	398
20. Paul Menard	390

WHAT'S ON TAP

(All times Eastern)

CUP SERIES: Quaker State 400 **SITE:** Kentucky Speedway (1.5-mile oval) **SCHEDULE:** Friday, practice (NBC Sports Network, 11:30 a.m. and 1:30 p.m.), qualifying (NBCSN, 6 p.m.). Saturday, race (NBCSN, coverage begins at 7 p.m., green flag, 7:30 p.m.)

XFINITY: Alsco 300 **SITE:** Kentucky Speedway

SCHEDULE: Thursday, practice (NBC Sports Network, 3 p.m. and 6 p.m.). Friday, qualifying (NBCSN, 4 p.m.), race (NBCSN, 7:30 p.m.)

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SITE: Kentucky Speedway

TV SCHEDULE: Thursday, race (Fox Sports

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