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WEATHER

Fri Partly Cloudy

20%

Hi: 58° Lo: 38°

Sat Sunny

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Hi: 55° Lo: 30°

Sun Sunny

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Hi: 62° Lo: 37°

Mon Partly Cloudy

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Hi: 69° Lo: 52°

Tues Partly Cloudy

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Wed AM Rain

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WEEKLY VERSE

*Trust in the LORD
with all your
heart and lean
not on your own
understanding;
in all your ways
acknowledge
him, and he will
make your paths
straight.
Proverbs 3:5-6*

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Local Health Officials Give Coronavirus Presentation



Wanda Robinson and Kelly Parrish give coronavirus update to county officials

On Monday night at the Sampson County Board of Commissioners meeting, Wanda Robinson, Director of the Sampson County Health Department and Kelly Parrish, Director of Nursing at the Sampson County Health Department, updated the board of commissioners on the county's preparedness for the Coronavirus.

Both health officials stated that the health department was preparing for the ultimate spread of the illness.

Director of Nursing Kelly Parrish explained to the board exactly what the COVID 19 disease is. She stated, "Coronavirus disease 2019 is a respiratory illness that can spread from person to person. The virus that causes coronavirus is a "new" virus that

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Friends of Ag Rally Set for March 17th

The Sampson County Friends of Agriculture is planning their 19th annual Ag Rally on Tuesday, March 17, 2020. The annual event includes a sponsored meal and the keynote speaker this year is Ray Starling, General Counsel to the NC Chamber of Commerce and President of the NC Chamber Legal Institute. The event, as usual, is open to the public but it is requested that people secure a ticket to attend. Tickets are available at the Sampson County Cooperative Extension Office, Hwy 421 South, and Clinton Truck & Tractor Co., 107 NE Blvd. in Clinton, NC.



Ray Starling

According to Mr. Starling's bio on Short Rows Leadership. "Ray Starling is no stranger to a podium or microphone. He's been the Chief of Staff to a United States Senator and Cabinet Secretary, worked at the White House, and been involved in crafting public policy for over fifteen years. Oh, the stories he can tell!"

"Whether sharing a humorous story about growing up on a family farm or an eye-opening leadership experience from the highest levels of policy development, Ray combines a humorous style with a deep sincerity for his audience members' self-reflection and personal development."

Mr. Starling is originally from Autryville. He attended Midway High School and was very involved with the Future Farmers of America and was elected as a national FFA Vice Pres-

[AG RALLY, see P. 4](#)

2020 Primary Elections Brings New Faces to Local Boards



The 2020 Primary Elections are over and the ardent tasks of taking down all those election signs is upon the candidates. With 10372 Sampson County registered voters (out of 36217) casting their ballots during Early Voting and on Election Day on Tuesday. A large number of voters took advantage of early One Stop voting with 2607 ballots casts before Election Day.

Some new faces will be seen on the Sampson County School Board this year with the top 3 candidates receiving the nod: Sandra Carroll- 1910 votes, Eleanor Bradshaw- 1787 votes, Glenn Faison- 1242 votes. Following up the winners were two other candidates that were on the 2020 ballot: Nathan Chabot- 499 votes and Shannon Naylor- 1132 votes. Another candidate running for the seat was Raymond Hedrick Hayes Jr- who did not appear on the ballot. There were 446 write-ins.

Not seeking re-election to the Sampson County School Board this year was Tim Register, Tracy Dunn and Patrick Usher.

Dr. Linda Brunson (who is currently board chair) garnered the most votes for Clinton City School Board with 1341 votes. The other two seats went to Jeremy Edgerton- 489 votes and Oscar Rodriguez- 488 votes. Jason Walters with 460 votes and 21 write-ins. Current board member Mike Lanier did not seek re-election this year.

A new face will be sitting on the Sampson County Board of Commissioners, Mrs. Lethia Lee who received 957 votes to sitting board member Harry Parker with 551 votes. Both Lee and Parker ran as Democrats on the Primary Ballot.

Goldsboro resident Raymond Smith beat out Sampson County candidate Eugene Pearsall to take the Democrat Primary for District 21 NC House. Raymond Smith- 4559 votes (55.20%) and Eugene Pearsall- 3700 votes (44.80%). Among Sampson County voters however, Pearsall beat Smith 664 to 493.

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LOCAL NEWS

From the Desk of Senator Brent Jackson



I hope you had a great week thus far. Last week, I was invited to an in-district tour of our Kirkwall Holdings-Cypress Creek Renewables Solar Project in Warsaw. It was a great experience and I was able to learn that our district has more than half a BILLION dollars of clean energy investment. The clean energy economy continues to make a positive impact on rural North Carolina and I look forward to working on issues related to this industry during the upcoming session.

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

Legislative Recap

This week, we will discuss the upcoming Short Session and how bills will progress through the process in 2020. There are a number of agenda items remaining from 2019 and it is likely that we will see them again. The Farm Act of 2019 was not passed by the House, but the key pieces of legislative action in the bill can be brought forward into 2020 with some updates to the technical details. The State Budget also falls into this category and contains important initiatives like teacher pay raises and project funding at the local and county levels.

Because the Short Session is shorter, we will likely see a lot of rapid movement in Raleigh come April. It is imperative for members to get their agenda items filed and passed quickly before the session ends and we return to the interim. Members will also be campaigning later in the year, so the policy aspect of the job must be prioritized and really focused on while everyone is together. In any case, it is sure to be an exciting session.

From the District- Turkey FD Sets Fundraiser

The Turkey Volunteer Fire Department is preparing for its barbecue chicken fundraiser to help with operations at the department.

It's scheduled for 11 a.m. to 7 p.m. Saturday, March 7, at the station, located at 390 Faison Road, Clinton.

Along with barbecue chicken, the meal will also include green beans, potatoes, roll, and a dessert. Takeout and dine-in options will be available to customers. The cost is \$8 per plate. Plates will also be available at the Sampson County Exposition Center, 414 Warsaw Road, Clinton, and behind the Arby's parking lot, located at 1403 Sunset Ave.

For the first-ever fundraiser, Chief Keith Smith said the department would like to sell hundreds of plates for efforts. He said the revenue generated will keep the station from having to use taxpayer money for training and other needs.

For more information about the fundraiser, contact Smith at 910-337-2909 or by email at turkeyfirechief@gmail.com

District Spotlight- Fundraising Efforts for Hobbton High School

Hobbton High School Marching Band has been selected to represent our great state in the 2020 National Memorial Day Parade in Washington D.C. They are excited about the opportunity to perform and represent North Carolina! The band will march down Constitution Avenue and end at the National Mall between the White House and the Washington Monument. This is a national event that is televised worldwide!

They will be in Washington D.C. for three days for the Memorial Day 2020 celebrations. During this time they will take part in various educational opportunities to include a tour of the Arlington National Cemetery, the Holocaust Museum, and all the National Monuments. Students will also witness the National Memorial Day Concert that is televised on the West Lawn of the Capital.

The total cost of their trip is \$60,000. This cost is \$798 for each student to participate. They have raised currently over \$37,000. The total cost includes transportation, hotel, most meals, and all activities. In addition to these costs, they will be doing instrument maintenance, purchasing uniforms, flags, and other necessary items to make your Hobbton Band look and sound their best!

They are asking for donations to help lower out of pocket expenses for our students and help make this trip possible. The travel for this trip will be approximately 600 miles round trip. Their goal is to get \$100 per mile donated to cover the travel expenses.

Please consider giving a donation to this wonderful, once in a lifetime experience by donating a mile or miles for \$100 each mile. Example: \$100 = 1 mile \$200 = 2 miles \$1000 = 10 miles. They will keep a total of the miles and donations on their Facebook page "Hobbton Bands."

Make all checks payable to Hobbton High School Marching Band, in care of Geoffrey Tart. Donations can be mailed to 12201 Hobbton Highway, Newton Grove, NC 28366.

Constituent Question of the Week:

Earlier this month, our office decided to begin a new segment within our weekly newsletters. We will continue to include a section called "Constituent Question of the Week." The questions will range from questions about our district, past/present/future legislation, or ideas of what our office can do to better assist you. This week, our question is:

"What makes you proud to live in District 10?"

We ask that you please respond to our office via email with all of the ideas that you may have. In addition, you can always email me at Brent.Jackson@ncleg.net or call our office at 919-733-5705 with specific issues you would like to be addressed. We look forward to hearing from you all.

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



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was first identified during an investigation into an outbreak in Wuhan, China. During the week of February 23, the CDC reported community spread of the virus that causes COVID-19 in California (in 2 places), Oregon and Washington. Community spread in Washington resulted in the first death in the United States from COVID-19, as well as the first reported case of COVID-19 in a health care worker, and the first potential outbreak in a long-term facility.”

Sampson County health officials explained how the virus is spread:

“The virus is thought to spread mainly from person-to-person. Either between people who are in close contact with one another (within about 6 feet) or through respiratory droplets produces when an infected person coughs or sneezes. These droplets can land in the mouths or noses of people who are nearby or possibly be inhaled into the lungs. It may be possible that a person can get COVID-19 by touching a surface or object that has the virus on it and then touching their own mouth, nose or possibly their eyes, but this is not thought to be the main way the virus spreads.”

What are the symptoms?

Patients with COVID-19 have had mild to severe respiratory illness with symptoms of fever, cough, and shortness of breath. Sever complications from this virus have been reports of pneumonia in both lungs.

How can we prevent the spread of the virus?

Avoid close contact with people who are sick. Avoid touching your eyes, nose and mouth with unwashed hands. Wash your hands with soap and water for at least 20 seconds. Use an alcohol-based hand sanitizer that contains at least 60% alcohol if soap and water are not available.

If you are sick, stay home. Cover your cough or sneeze with a tissue, then throw the tissue in the trash. Clean and disinfect frequently touched objects and surfaces.

Is there a vaccine or treatment?

Currently, there is no vaccine against COVID-19. There is no specific antiviral treatment for COVID-19. People with COVID-19 can seek medical care to help relieve symptoms. Kelly Parrish and Wanda Robinson explained to the board the Sampson County Health .

Department’s objectives and response plan:

- Protect the public’s health by identifying people meeting the case definition for Person Under Investigation, focusing on surveillance, management of persons under investigation, triage, movement, tracking, and laboratory testing.
- Monitoring the public’s concern by managing information and providing timely messaging to the public and media.
- Understand and disseminate guidance specific to the COVIS-19 event relevant to providers and public facilities.
- Planning for the next phase of the response to include widespread mitigation strategies as well as our own contingency plans.

Sampson County Board Chairman Clark Wooten expressed concern over the large amount of migrant farm labor that would be entering the state and county over the next month for agriculture needs. He asked health officials what would the plan be to prevent the spread of the illness in communal living situations. He also asked Robinson and Parrish to make sure that all farmers that fall in this category of housing large number of farm workers to be made aware of the symptoms and the precautionary measures of what they should do if they think one of their workers may have the virus.

First Case of COVID-19 in North Carolina

On Tuesday, A North Carolina person tested positive for novel coronavirus (COVID-19). The test, conducted by North Carolina State Laboratory of Public Health, is presumptively positive and will be confirmed by the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) lab. The person is doing well and is in isolation at home.

“I know that people are worried about this virus, and I want to assure North Carolinians our state is prepared,” said Governor Roy Cooper. “Our task force and state agencies are working closely with local health departments, health care providers and others to quickly identify and respond to cases that might occur.”

The North Carolina person from Wake County traveled to the State of Washington and was exposed at a long-term care facility where there is currently a COVID-19 outbreak. Local health department officials are identifying close contacts to monitor symptoms and contain spread. To protect individual privacy, no further information will be released.

While awaiting confirmation of results from the CDC, the Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) will treat presumptive cases as positive and follow CDC guidelines to protect public health and limit the spread of infection.

Tuesday’s announcement represents an isolated case, and COVID-19 is currently not widespread in North Carolina. Because COVID-19 is most commonly spread through respiratory droplets, North Carolinians should take the same measures that healthcare providers recommend annually to prevent the spread of the flu and other viruses, including washing your hands, avoiding touching your face, and covering coughs and sneezes.

Last month, Governor Cooper established the Novel Coronavirus (COVID-19) Task Force to support the state’s ongoing effort to monitor, prepare for and respond to COVID-19.

State actions include:

- Aggressively pursuing containment strategy of rapid identification, testing and contact trac-

- ing.
- Engaging in daily collaboration with federal, state and local partners to ensure rapid response.
- Mobilizing resources for our providers, local public health system, local emergency management, and other.
- Developing detailed response plans for multiple sectors for a range of scenarios.
- Developing guidance for planning for multiple sectors for a range of scenarios.
- Preparing healthcare providers and facilities to streamline and standardize response activities.
- Activating a Joint Information Center to provide timely information.
- Testing patients in the NC State Laboratory of Public Health.
- Leading regular calls with local health departments, hospitals and local emergency management.
- Providing guidelines for health care providers, childcare, employers, schools, colleges and universities, and others.
- Monitoring residents who have returned from China through local health departments.
- Staffing a COVID-19 phone line to answer urgent questions from the public.
- Maintaining an up-to-date website with information about COVID-19 disease, risk and guidance.

It is important to make sure the information you are getting about COVID-19 is coming directly from reliable sources like the CDC and NCDHHS.

For more information, please visit the CDC’s website at www.cdc.gov/coronavirus and NC-DHHS’ website at www.ncdhhs.gov/coronavirus, which will also include future positive COVID-19 test results in North Carolina.

Sampson Regional Medical Center

Sampson Regional Medical Center is also monitoring the risks. Amber Cava, MBA, VP of Strategy & Business Development with SRMC stated, “Sampson Regional Medical Center is closely monitoring risks for Coronavirus with guidance from the CDC, the State Health Department, and Sampson County Health Department. The hospital has prepared before for highly contagious infections, such as H1N1 and Ebola, and it is preparing for appropriate response to the Coronavirus, should it pose a greater threat to Sampson County. While the CDC is not currently recommending that we screen the general patient population, we do have the ability to screen patients. In the event of an epidemic, this would happen at the time patients present for services. The hospital will also be prepared to activate its procedures for isolation and determine a treatment plan for individuals who have been exposed to the Coronavirus (COVID-19). For suspected cases, the hospital coordinates testing through the State’s health lab.”

House Approves \$8.3 Billion Emergency Spending Package in Response to COVID-19 Coronavirus- Trump Admin. announces sweeping new guidelines for nursing homes.

The House of Representatives on Thursday approved an \$8.3 billion emergency funding package to combat the COVID-19 coronavirus and the Trump Administration announced new steps to protect seniors in nursing homes from the virus.

“This funding package will help ensure that our health care providers and public health professionals have the tools and resources they need to continue to address the outbreak,” said Congressman David Rouzer (NC-07).

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Sampson County Friends of Agriculture
“Rally for Agriculture”



Tuesday March 17, 2020
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Keynote Speaker
Ray Starling, General
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LOCAL NEWS

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In addition, the sweeping new standards for nursing homes and long-term care facilities will help prevent the spread of COVID-19. Specifically, the Administration is implementing new guidelines for officials to follow when surveying facilities with confirmed or presumptive cases of coronavirus. All inspection efforts will focus on ensuring nursing homes in North Carolina and across the nation are complying with infectious disease protocols that have been put into place by the federal government.

“Based on data obtained to date, we know that seniors – particularly those with underlying health conditions – are particularly at risk,” said Congressman Rouzer. “Properly implemented by long-term care facilities, these new standards will help decrease the exposure of seniors to this virus. I commend the Trump Administration for the many proactive measures taken to protect the American people.”

Tuesday’s action follows a series of other important steps the Administration has taken to aggressively respond to the coronavirus outbreak, including:

Making available test kits sufficient to test more than 1.5 million Americans for distribution across the country, including in North Carolina. Just yesterday, North Carolina announced that the State Laboratory of Public Health is now able perform testing for the virus, enabling the state to more quickly take steps to respond to a presumptive positive test result. Because of the greater availability of tests, the CDC has issued new guidance enabling any American to be tested if a doctor suspects the virus.

Restricted entry to the U.S. of any foreign nationals that have been to China or Iran recently. U.S. citizens and certain others who have returned from China are subject to screening, monitoring or possible quarantine for up to 14 days. Additional travel advisories have been issued for affected areas in Italy and South Korea, and airport screenings have been expanded to identify individuals showing symptoms of infection.

Declared COVID-19 a public health emergency and utilized reserve funds to support response efforts.

Mobilized multiple agencies, including the CDC, FEMA, HHS, HUD and others to assist state and local governments in dealing with the outbreak. The CDC is working hand-in-hand with the North Carolina Department of Health and Human Services. FEMA has readied more than 50 response teams available to deploy to states and territories that may need assistance.

Details of the emergency spending package approved by the House of Representatives include:

-More than \$4 billion to make diagnostic tests more broadly available, to support treatments to ease the symptoms of those infected, and to invest in vaccine development and distribution.
-Nearly \$1 billion specifically for state and local response efforts – with half of the funds going out in the next month.
-\$300 million for the CDC’s Infectious Diseases Rapid Response Reserve Fund to prevent, prepare for and responds to diseases.

The Senate is expected to pass the funding package this week and the President is expected to sign it into law.

AG RALLY, cont. from P. 1

ident.

Ray obtained a B.S. in Agricultural Education, magna cum laude, from NC State University. While at State, Ray also served as a National FFA Officer and was the student commencement speaker at his graduation. He has since been named a College of Agriculture and Life Sciences Outstanding Young Alumnus and more recently an Outstanding Alumnus (since he’s apparently not so young anymore).

Ray received his J.D., with honors, from the University of North Carolina School of Law, where he served as the Chief Justice of the Holderness Moot Court Bench, graduated Order of Barristers, was the recipient of the James William Morrow, III Award, and was inducted into the prestigious James E. and Carolyn B. Davis Society. Ray is a member of the North Carolina Bar.

After law school, Ray clerked for a State Supreme Court Justice, practiced law at an international law firm, and became the General Counsel to the North Carolina Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services. He was also a Marshall Memorial Program Fellow and later served as the General Counsel and agriculture policy adviser to the NC Speaker of the House.

In 2015, Ray moved to Washington, D.C. to serve as the Chief Counsel and agricultural policy adviser to United States Senator Thom Tillis and eventually became the Senator’s Chief of Staff. In 2017, Ray was tapped to staff the National Economic Council at the White House as the Special Assistant to the President for agricultural policy. In this role, he was the top agricultural adviser to the President at the White House. He left that post in mid-2018 to serve as Chief of Staff to United States Secretary of Agriculture Sonny Perdue, helping lead an agency with over 108,000 employees and a \$140 billion annual budget. While in D.C., Ray and his family were active members of HTC McLean.

Ray returned to North Carolina in the summer of 2019 to serve as General Counsel to the North Carolina Chamber of Commerce and as President of the NC Chamber Legal Institute. He also promotes Starling Farms sausage, made from pigs raised by his brother, Willi, on the family farm in Autryville. He and his wife, Dr. Tina Starling, have one daughter, and reside in Raleigh.

“The rally is an annual event designed to present items of interest regarding agriculture and its importance to Sampson and surrounding counties,” says Friends of Agriculture Chairman, Ronnie Jackson. “The aim of the Friends of Agriculture is to inform our community and others about issues that are important regarding agriculture.”

Jackson explains who the Friends of Ag are, “We are not a group of Farmers and farm related businesses, but rather a cross section of the county’s population. We are continually trying to get more people in our community to be concerned and be more knowledgeable about agriculture.”

“Agriculture is what we do in Sampson County,” concluded Jackson, “and we do it rather well if you compare our county to other counties in NC and other states. The more that people know and understand about agriculture, the easier it is to make them understand when issues arise that affect agriculture in our county.”

The Sampson County Friends of Agriculture Rally, featuring guest speaker Ray Starling, is scheduled for Tuesday, March 17th, 2020, at the Sampson County Agri-Exposition Center. A complimentary dinner will begin at 6:30 PM with speakers to follow.

This year’s theme, “Rally for Agriculture” is important to every member of our community because Agriculture is our community’s leading source of revenue.

There is no charge for tickets, but a ticket is required for entry. Tickets are available at the Sampson County Cooperative Extension Office, Hwy 421 South, and Clinton Truck & Tractor Co., 107 NE Blvd. in Clinton, NC.

Sampson County VITAL STATS

Deaths

-Ercelle Adams
-Martha Katherine Grimes
-Leonard Ronald Langley
-Mary David Morris
-Ariel McLamb
-Robert Glenn Warren

Marriage Certificates

-Joshua Blake Highsmith to Amesha Danielle Carr
-Emil Yuvini Lopez Cruz to Susannah Nicole Balanda-Long

Births

-Walker James Matthis born on February 14, 2020 at Sampson Regional Medical Center to Joshua Tyler Matthis and Kelly Hope Blackburn
-Kah’Lani Mariah McCullough born on February 14, 2020 at Sampson Regional Medical Center to Paul Anthony McCullough Jr and Jayla Ladeja Gladden
-Sy’Aire James White born on February 14, 2020 at Sampson Regional Medical Center to Ashley Nicole White

Land Transfers

-Patricia Williams to GYS LLC- Lot 33 Williamsdale Section Two
Elana Maria Aman to John R Aman TR- 10.4 Acres Clinton
-Elana Maria Aman, Maria Lam Aman Estate, Kevin K Lam Tr to John S Aman Tr to Boone Brothers SOLO 401K Trust- 15 Acres North Clinton
-Lee R Lane, Linda Ann Lane to Eric Lee Lane, Lee R Lane, Linda Ann Lane- Lot 2 1.23 Acres Dismal
-Cumberland Homes Inc to Kellie Murphy- Lot 5 0.51 Acres Plainview
-Deborah U Lucas, Nickie N Lucas to Blonny Aycock, Grover Aycock- 1.02 Acres Piney Grove
-Wanda K Powell to Savvy Sue Holdings LLC- 5 Tracts w/exceptions Taylors Bridge
-Alice P Lee to Angela Strickland, Waylon Strickland- Honeycutt
-Bobbie Alexander, David Lee Alexander to Sandra Denise Howard- Little Coharie
-Beth Stewart Eastman tom Hugo Leiva Gonzales- Lot 11 1 Acre Newton Grove
-Courtney Lynn Davidson, Scottie Davidson, Courtney Lynn Krieg/FKA to Courtney Lynn Davidson- Lot 5 0.69 Acres Deerfield Estates Subdivision Section 1 Newton Grove
-Thurman Morrissey, Thurmand Morrissey/AK to CMH Homes Inc- Lot 12 0.84 Acres Annie Turner Division North Clinton
-Thurman Lee Sr to Johnny Ray Bain- One Acre Belvoir
-Peerless Investment LLC, Telfair Simpson III/MGR/MBR to Amelia Cortes Garcia- 1.51 Acres Little Coharie
-Carol Jean Johnson, Davie Van Johnson to Goodwin Acres Inc- 1.5 Acres Lot no 4A George Herring and Katie Herring Estates North Clinton
-The Gary and Barbara Waeldin Living Trust, Barbara Strickland Waeldin/TR, Barbara Strickland Waeldin, Gary Edward Waeldin/TR, Gary Edward Waeldin to Barbara Strickland Waeldin, Gary Edward Waeldin- Lot 5 1.0 Acre Timberlake Subdivision Section Four
-Kenneth Lee Carroll II, Taylor Pope Carroll to Elizabeth Hudson- Lot #1 6.183 Acres
-Chimera REO 2018-NR1 LLC/By AIF, Mr. Cooper/DBA, Nationstar Mortgage LLC/AIF to Babu Dais- 1 Acre
-Carrie Ann Cooper to Thornton Homes Co- 29 Acres w/exceptions Little Coharie
-Russell Fletcher Holland, Tammy S Holland to Jeremy R Fisher, Savannah Fisher- Lot No 8 Block “D” DJ Rivenbark Subdivision w/exceptions North Clinton
-Jorval Properties Inc to Madeleine Moran, Raymond Eugene Paddock- 1.07 Acres Tract 1
-Benjamin Stout Real Estate Services Inc to Ayanna Q Richard- Lot 30 Stage Coach Estates Section Two Little Coharie
-Summer B Berry/EXR, John Brent Daughtry Estate to Summer B Berry- Lot Sampson
-Thomas E Brigman Jr, Michael Pauls Smith/TR, Thomas E Brigman Jr Trust to Dwight F Ingram- 3 Tracts w/exceptions
-Vickie Tousley Horne to Clara Ann Faircloth/FKA, Mary Sue Henderson, Clara Ann Stevens- 2 Tracts
-Bernard Register, Brenda Register, Debbie Jo Register, Dennis W Register, James Ray Register, Peggy H Register, Winford Odell Register, Doris Register Tillery, James Tillery to Jashaun R Register, Kevin R Register- 2 Tracts North Clinton
-Iris K Lunny to Asya Leandra Taylor- 1.0 Acre Turkey
-H Lawrence Sanderson, Michelle Dececo Warren/By AIF, William Irvin Warren/By AIF, James M Yates Jr to Warren Realty LLC- 9 Parcels w/exceptions
-James Franklin Moore, Lynne H Moore to DOT- Lot Sampson
-Barbara Strickland Waeldin, Gary Edward Waeldin to Gary and Barbara Waeldin Living Trust, Barbara Strickland Waeldin TR, Gary Edward WAeldin TR- Lot No 5 Timberlake Subdivision Section Four 1 Acres
-Genie R Brainerd, Michael Brainerd, Nina R Fetti, Ralph Fetti, Allan Keelen, Erica Keelen, Daryl A Reynolds, Caryl A Reynolds/EXR, Lenwood A Reynolds Estate, Mary K Reynolds to John C Fox III, Susan P Fox- 3 Tracts Belvoir
-Lindsay Larsen, Martin Burt Larsen III, Martin Burt Larson III/AKA to Pamela Sutton Spell, Terry Alfred Spell- 3 Tracts Little Coharie
-Daniel Lee Wolf, Paula Lewis Wolf to Todd C Busch- 2 Tracts
-Prosperous Management Company to T&T Boys Inc- Lot 34 Henrys Landing Subdivision
-Christopher Hunter Register, Jessica Lynn Register to John Lewis Bradshaw, Tabitha Simmons Bradshaw- 7.64 Acres w/exceptions Turkey
-Angela Dipinto, Vito Dipinto to Angela Dipinto, Vito Dipinto, George C Simmons Jr- 0.50 Acres Lot 8 South Clinton
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-James B Darden IV/MBR, Jeffrey Todd Johnson/MBR, Main Property Group LLC to Anne Bryan Faircloth- 0.34 Acres South Clinton

ELECTION, cont. from P. 1

In the November election Raymond Smith will take on his republican challenger Brent Heath.

The winner for the Democrat Primary for District 22 was Sampson County native Albert Kirby with 5536 votes (72.55%) easily defeating his Democrat counterpart Tony Denning with 2095 votes (27.45%)

Kirby will take on his Republican challenger William Brisson in November.

The winner of the Republican Primary for District 4 Judge was William Shanahan with 13941 votes versus Judge Tim Smith with 8773 votes.

After the election results came in William Shanahan stated, “I am truly humbled by last night’s results, and the outpouring of support from so many volunteers and supporters that made those results possible. I will strive daily to serve the people of the 4th Judicial District in a manner worthy of the faith voters have placed in me. Finally, thank you to everyone--candidates, volunteers, supporters, and voters--who participated in this election, win or lose and regardless of who you supported. Our democracy does not work without you, and it depends on your continued involvement.”

Other races on the November 2020 ballot also include Sampson County Register of Deeds with Graham F. Butler (Dem) against Anita Lane (Rep).

We Should Know . . .



Ray Jordan and Darrell Jones with J.W. 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 topic for this week’s show is the 10th Annual Alive After Five summer concert series and the guests are Ray Jordan and Darrell Jones.

“It’s hard to believe its been 10 years with Alive After Five,” says Ray Jordan. “But its been a good ride and we’ve had a lot of great sponsors.”

JW Simmons asks Jordan what has been the key to success for Alive After Five for the last 10 years.

“Well, there’s two main keys to it,” explains Jordan. “First and foremost is all of our sponsors for Alive After Five. You know over the past nine seasons we averaged about 110 sponsors each year. So, it could not be possible without their support and their faith in what the series brings to the community.”

Secondly and equally as important is the committee,” says Jordan. “The committee, it could not be done without them. Their worth I can explain to you how much value it brings to the community and the time and energy all those folks but forward in presenting the season.”

Next, Simmons turns to committee member Darrell Jones to ask him to let people who haven’t been to an Alive After Five show just what they are missing.

Jones begins, “Well it’s a tremendous opportunity to just get involved in the community itself. People come out just to visit. We have people come out at 5 o’clock when the show doesn’t start until 6 o’clock. They’re socializing. They’re enjoying their self. They have an opportunity to see some of our vendors there whether it be funnel cakes or Southern Smoke BBQ sandwiches. But it’s a tremendous opportunity for folks to get together. It’s a free event for people to just come out and socialize, particularly for the kids. A lot of kids will get out there and dance. A lot of our seniors get out there and dance right in front of the stage. Shag or line dancing. So, it’s a really good opportunity for everybody to come out to see some old friends and make some new friends and have really good evening of really good music.”

Simmons turns again to Jordan to suggest that many acts look forward to coming back after playing at Alive After Five.

“That’s another good thing about our series,” says Jordan. “And I’m sure its at other places, but over the past 9 years we’ve presented 46 concerts. And speaking with artists that we bring back or even talk to new artists, because those artists talk among themselves, but we always have real positive feedback from the experience that they receive from our committee and from being here and the people they work with while they’re setting up and breaking down. And again, all the audience participation. Bands really like performing here.”

Alive After Five Summer Concert Series Schedule

JIM QUICK & COASTLINE - Thursday, May 21, 2020 - Time: 6:00 pm to 8:45 pm
Over 25 years in the making, Jim Quick and Coastline, like their namesake the Atlantic Coastline Railroad, have been traveling the “tracks” of the southeast, and connecting with the hearts of loyal “Coastline Crazyies.” Pulling from the threads of Soul, Blues, R&B, and Americana, Jim Quick and

Coastline weave together their own genre of music known as Swamp Soul. Delivered with precision by front man Jim Quick and his band, this group captures the true, honest spirit of traditions born and bred in the small southern towns of America.

CAT 5 BAND - Thursday, June 18, 2020 - Time: 6:00 pm to 8:45 pm
CAT5 consists of five individuals who bring a world of talent to the stage every time they perform. Band Members include Jerry West who was a longtime member of the Band of Oz and who also performed with the 1980’s rock-band Sugar Creek. With multiple Cammy Awards including “Vocalist of the Year” and “Instrumentalist of the Year” under his belt, West is best known for his amazing vocals on hit songs including “Somewhere Over The Rainbow” and “Build Me Up.”

SPARE CHANGE - Thursday, August 20, 2020 - Time: 6:00 pm to 8:45 pm
Spare Change is one of the Carolinas’ most well-known and respected party bands. With their diverse playlist they become an instant crowd sensation everywhere they perform. From rock, country, beach, funk, rap, current Top 40 hits, and classic rock, Spare Change is sure to play a favorite song of every person in attendance. Comprised of five singers (including a female), a rapper, a trumpet player, and even an electric violinist, their range and versatility is unmatched.

THE ENTERTAINERS - Thursday, Sept. 17, 2020 - Time: 6:00 pm to 8:45 pm
In 1980, THE ENTERTAINERS scored their first regional smash hit with LIVING FOR THE SUMMER, a song that propelled the group to the forefront of beach music, which led to The Entertainers playing the finest clubs along the Grand Strand of Myrtle Beach, and in clubs and music festivals from Virginia to Florida. During the Third Annual Beach Music Awards in 1988, THE ENTERTAINERS were nominated for both the Group of the Year and Single of the Year. The group’s second album, DON’T LET YOUR LOVE GROW COLD, won Album of the Year honors.

BAND OF OZ *** - FRIDAY, Oct. 9, 2020 - Time: 6:00 pm to 8:45 pm
The Band of Oz was formed in 1967 as a part-time band playing fraternity parties and high school proms all over the South. In 1977 the band went on the road full time. Since that time the band has made an exceptional name for itself throughout the Southeast by playing the top clubs and corporate parties and getting excellent reviews along the way. For several years the group has been a guest on most of the major beach concerts in the Carolinas, Virginia, and Georgia.

***** CYCLE NC IS COMING TO SAMPSON COUNTY 2020**
The Sampson County Convention & Visitors Bureau is proud to announce that Sampson County has been selected as one of the overnight stops in the 2020 Mountains to Coast Ride sponsored by Cycle NC.

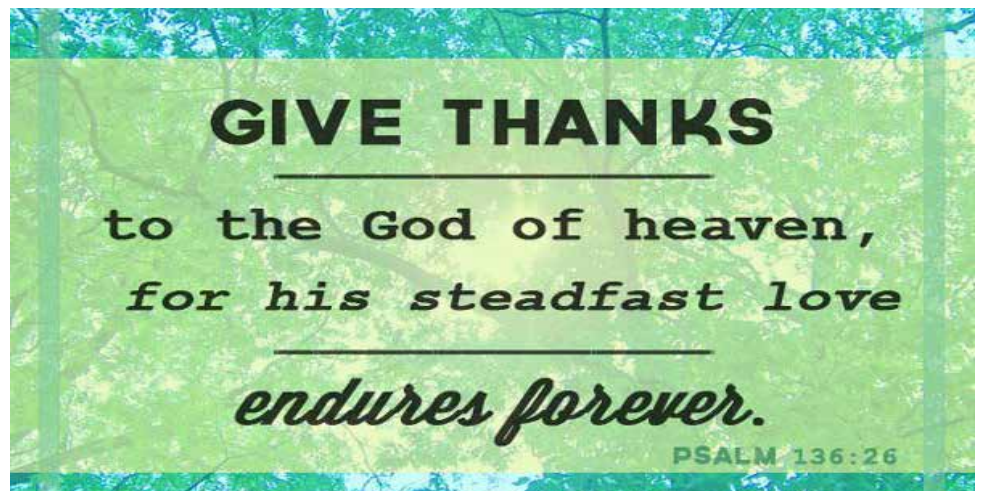
The Cycle North Carolina Mountains to Coast Ride is a 7 day, fully supported bicycle tour that allows cyclists to explore the state in a unique way by traveling along the scenic back roads as they make their way from the mountains to the coast. This ride showcases many of sights, sounds and treasures that North Carolina’s small towns have to offer while showcasing true southern hospitality, and of course, providing the opportunity to experience some great North Carolina food. Each overnight stop will keep the cyclists entertained with unique downtown shopping, delicious restaurant options, live entertainment, beverage gardens and much, much more.

In support of this the Mountains to the Coast Ride, the Alive After Five Committee is pleased to partner with the Sampson County Convention & Visitors Bureau to present the incomparable BAND OF OZ as part of the overnight stay on Friday, October 9, 2020! The Band of Oz will perform from 6:00 pm until 8:45 pm and everyone is invited to attend.

There will be numerous exhibitor displays showcasing Sampson County, as well as food trucks. So, grab a group of neighbors and friends, your favorite lounge chair and come out for a night of food, fellowship, and great entertainment! We invite you to come out and join us as we meet and greet the 1,400 visitors that are anticipated to visit our community!

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.



SAMPSON COMMISSIONERS URGE ADOPTION OF FY 19-21 BIENNIUM BUDGET



At their regular meeting last evening, the Sampson County Board of Commissioners unanimously adopted a resolution encouraging legislators to act on the proposed budget to ensure much needed funding is directed to their community. As the resolution states, H966 Appropriations Act includes over \$26 million in critical funding for education, community safety and economic development initiatives for Sampson County organizations and municipalities, including \$11.9 million to Sampson County Schools for construction, repair and rehabilitation, \$4.3 million likewise to Clinton City Schools and \$5.2 million to Sampson Community College. The budget also contains critical funding for water infrastructure: \$1 million for Sampson County’s water system and \$150,000 for the Town of Salemburg’s water system improvements.

Commission Chairman Clark Wooten noted that the Sampson commissioners collectively understood the impact the budget’s funds have on the quality of life for their citizens, stating, “We hope that all members of the General Assembly can come together in recognition of the impact this budget has on the state’s citizens. As a rural county with limited resources, Sampson County is particularly dependent on state funds to give our youth the best possible education, to meet the health and human services needs in our communities, and to develop infrastructure that delivers potable water to more of our citizens and promotes the industrial growth that drives our economy.”

CLINTON RECREATION & PARKS MASTER PLAN COMMUNITY MEETINGS

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6:00 pm – 8:00 pm
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Tuesday, March 17th
6:00 pm – 8:00 pm
City Hall Auditorium (221 Lisbon Street)

Thursday, May 7th
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TBA

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Rise Up-Refuel Sponsor Board



Jennifer Brewer, Tim's Gift staff member and Lisa Edwards, volunteer help with the awards presentation.



Pat Montgomery - Potter's Wheel shares with children at the Rise Up-Refuel Conference.



Spellbinding Faith - Justin and Kristen Spell share several songs at the conference.



Becky Spell takes the opportunity to gather with the Grateful Shed group at the Rise Up-Refuel Conference. The Shed Heads served up some awesome barbeque for the snack supper!



Mt. Vernon Church Group receive this year's Outstanding Youth Group for their mission and outreach in the community! Youth leaders, Aaron and Emily Wilson gather with their team to receive the trophy.



The Shiloh Choir performed for the conference attendees with uplifting and spirit filled lyrics and melody.

...by God's Grace



Gentleness grows greater when, by God's grace, we embrace His greatest commandment and live out loud in love by His Son's example. Jesus' gentle spirit drew people to Him, especially little children. Who among us emulates gentleness to all people? Is the Lord near when we encounter people He puts in our paths? Do gentle spirits shine in the way we act and react in a world where Satan seeks to destroy lives and stop every little light shining for Jesus?

Philippians 4:5 says, **"Let your gentleness be evident to all. The Lord is near."**

People's lights in the city and county we call 'home sweet home' are shining for Jesus as we stand strong for faith, family, and 'fruit of the spirit' living!

Surely, the presence of the Lord is near as we celebrate good living and great things happening for God throughout our city and county. The Lord was near as Pat Montgomery, the speaker at Rise Up - Refuel, invited all the little children present to come up to her potter's wheel. Her gentleness oozed like anointing oil, as she allowed the children to help make a broken piece of pottery become beautiful again. Fifty plus children of all ages and color were drawn to Pat's wondrous ways and wheel. I sat amongst the sea of children in awe of God as His spirit filled up Heritage Hall. Pat's gentle spirit and great message of a Potter who made us and will never throw away the clay, even when we are broken and choose to fall away, kept us focused on the Potter and refueled with His love.

Do you need to be refueled with a gentle touch from the Potter to reshape your life and rekindle your love for the Lord? He will never fail you and is waiting to enter your heart; what is your answer to Him. The Lord is near! By His grace, let your gentleness be evident to all!

~ In His love, Becky

Gentleness - Such a Strong Fruit of the Holy Spirit!

By Diane Lough



"Let your gentleness be evident to all. The Lord is near." Philippians 4:5 NIV

The Holy Spirit living inside of you knows when to help you with the fruit of gentleness in any given situation. When Jesus walked this earth, his gentleness was evident through all the teachings in the Bible. Gentleness is of God.

Have you experienced this fruit of the Spirit lately? Have you witnessed it through someone else's actions or words? A hand on your shoulder as you share with your friend a tough situation you are in, speaks gentleness. A parent hugging their child after a tough loss of a game, or relationship trouble is gentleness. Gentleness can also flow through your non-verbal actions. The tenderness of your eyes as you listen, really listen to the person you are having a conversation with. Your arm around a shoulder, your strong hands and arms to pick someone up.

As we mature our faith and relationship with God, as we grow closer to the Holy Spirit living within us, we can call out for his guidance to know when gentleness is needed to help someone know you care.

"But in your hearts revere Christ as Lord. Always be prepared to give an answer to everyone who asks you to give the reason for the hope that you have. But do this with gentleness and respect." 1 Peter 3:15 NIV

What's Happening

By Angela Martin

at **SCT**



The Little Mermaid rehearsals are underway and we have a pretty amazing cast that will shine for you beginning in April. Our show dates are April 24-26 and May 1-3. We are pleased to announce that our primary sponsor for the production is David H. Hobson, Attorney at Law. I am also directing this production. The cast is filled with stellar actors and actresses and today I would like to highlight two of them. Guy Padgett is a familiar face to our SCT stage. His charisma, humor and comedic timing is very memorable on the stage and we are pleased that you get to once again see his talents as he portrays the eccentric but very knowledgeable sea gull, Scuttle. Guy is married to Teresa and they live in Clinton. He has appeared in numerous productions at SCT including, Mary Poppins, Dirty Rotten Scoundrels, Nuncrackers, Hairspray (twice) and It's a Wonderful Life (three times). Another of our actors is Chris Floyd. Chris is a homeschooled student who has been in several shows at SCT including, The Lion King, Jr., Cats and Les Miserables. He is portraying the uptight servant of Prince Eric - Grimsby - who looks out for the Prince's best interests. Chris and Guy are part of the stellar cast that will have you and your family laughing, excited and entertained. Make sure to mark your calendar for this production.

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Fri 7:30p

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Mon-Wed 6:30p



SONIC THE HEDGEHOG

NOW SHOWING

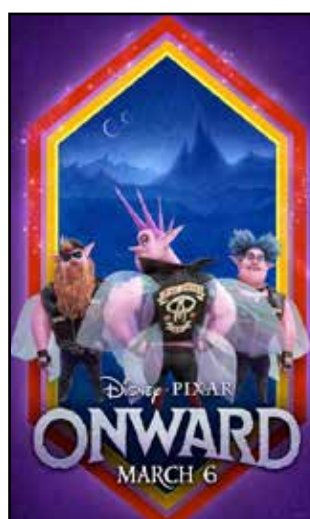
Rated PG for action, some violence, rude humor and brief mild language

A live-action adventure comedy based on the global blockbuster videogame franchise from Sega that centers on the infamously brash bright blue hedgehog. The film follows the (mis)adventures of Sonic as he navigates the complexities of life on Earth with his newfound human best friend Tom Wachowski

Fri 6:15p 8:30p

Sat-Sun 1:30p 4:30p 7:30p

Mon-Wed 6:30p



ONWARD

NOW SHOWING

Rated PG for action/peril and some mild thematic elements

Two teenage elf brothers embark on an quest to discover if there is still magic left in the world.

Fri 6:15p 8:30p

Sat-Sun 2:00p 5:00p 8:00p

Mon-Wed 6:30p



BAD BOYS FOR LIFE

NOW SHOWING

Rated R for strong bloody violence, language throughout, sexual references and brief drug use

The Bad Boys Mike Lowrey (Will Smith) and Marcus Burnett (Martin Lawrence) are back together for one last ride.

Fri 7:00p

Sat-Sun 1:30p 4:30p 7:30p

Mon-Wed 6:30p



INVISIBLE MAN

NOW SHOWING

Rated R for some strong bloody violence, and language

Trapped in a violent, controlling relationship with a wealthy and brilliant scientist, Cecilia Kass (Moss) escapes in the dead of night and disappears into hiding, aided by her sister, their childhood friend, and his teenage daughter.

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Creamy Couscous with Broccoli, Tomatoes and Cheese

Recipe courtesy of culinary dietitian Marcia Stanley, MS, RDN
Prep time: 15 minutes
Cook time: 5 minutes
Servings: 6

- 1/2 cup chopped onion
- 2 tablespoons butter
- 3 cups broccoli florets
- 1 teaspoon minced garlic
- 1/2 teaspoon pepper
- 3 cups fat-free, 2% or whole milk
- 1 1/2 cups plain couscous (wheat pasta)
- 1 cup finely shredded Parmesan cheese
- 1 cup (4 ounces) shredded cheddar cheese
- 1 1/2 cups seeded and chopped tomatoes
- 2 tablespoons slivered fresh basil leaves

In large nonstick skillet over medium heat, cook onion in butter 2 minutes. Add broccoli, garlic and pepper. Cook and stir 2 minutes.
Stir milk into broccoli mixture. Bring to boil. Stir in couscous. Remove from heat. Cover and let stand 5 minutes.
Gently stir Parmesan cheese into couscous mixture. Spread on serving platter. Sprinkle with cheddar cheese. Top with tomatoes and fresh basil leaves.

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Dairy-inspired, plant-based dishes to serve from morning to night

FAMILY FEATURES

From cereal and milk to yogurt and fruit to broccoli and cheese, combining dairy with plant-based foods creates a superfood power couple that can help ensure you and your family are getting the nutrients you need any time of day.

With the rise in popularity of plant-based diets, dairy can help optimize nutrient absorption from plant foods and provide additional nutrients like high-quality protein, calcium, vitamin D and vitamin B12. You can create delicious meals with the nutrition you need while enjoying the best of plants and dairy.

Combining dairy and plant-based foods can be easier with these dairy-powered recipes from Milk Means More. They are ideal for creating a nutritious and delicious plan for every meal throughout the day. Start with a Blueberry Apple Crisp Smoothie Bowl in the morning then build out your lunch or dinner plans around an appetizer like this traditional Middle Eastern Labneh Spread with grilled pita bread and assorted veggies. For the main course, try Lentil Tacos with Tangy Guacamole and a classic Moroccan staple, Creamy Couscous with Broccoli, Tomatoes and Cheese, on the side.

Find more recipes that combine the goodness of dairy and plant-based foods at milkmeansmore.org.

Labneh Spread

Recipe courtesy of Jenn Fillenworth, MS, RDN of Jenny with the Good Eats
Prep time: 5 minutes
Servings: 6

- 12 ounces whole milk Greek yogurt
- 1/8 teaspoon salt
- 1/2 teaspoon fresh lemon juice
- 2 tablespoons olive oil
- 1 pinch sea salt, for garnish
- fresh herbs, for garnish

pita bread, grilled assorted seasonal vegetables

In bowl, mix Greek yogurt, salt and lemon juice.
Transfer mixture to fine mesh strainer lined with cheesecloth.
Wrap mixture in cheesecloth and strain over bowl in refrigerator 24-48 hours. Strain longer to make thicker.
Once thickened as desired, remove from cheesecloth and top spread with olive oil, sea salt and fresh herbs.
Serve with grilled pita bread and assorted seasonal vegetables.



Lentil Tacos with Tangy Guacamole

Recipe courtesy of culinary dietitian Marcia Stanley, MS, RDN
Prep time: 40 minutes
Servings: 6

- Tangy Guacamole:**
- 1 medium ripe avocado, pitted, peeled and chopped
 - 1 tablespoon orange, lime or lemon juice
 - 1/4 teaspoon hot pepper sauce
 - 1 clove garlic, minced
 - 1/2 cup plain, fat-free Greek yogurt

- Lentil Tacos:**
- 2 1/3 cups water
 - 1 cup dry brown lentils, rinsed and drained
 - 1/2 cup finely chopped onion
 - 2 teaspoons chili powder
 - 2 cloves garlic, minced
 - 1/2 teaspoon salt

- 1 1/2 cups seeded and chopped tomatoes, divided
- 1 1/4 cups (5 ounces) shredded cheddar cheese, divided
- 12 yellow corn taco shells

To make Tangy Guacamole: In small bowl, mash avocado, juice, hot pepper sauce and garlic. Stir in yogurt. Cover and refrigerate until serving time.
To make Lentil Tacos: Heat oven to 400 F.
In medium saucepan over medium-high heat, combine water, lentils, onion, chili powder, garlic and salt. Bring to boil. Reduce heat. Cover and gently boil 12-15 minutes, or until lentils are just tender. Uncover and boil 5-15 minutes, or until most liquid evaporates.
Remove lentils from heat. Stir in 1 cup tomatoes and 3/4 cup cheese. Spoon into taco shells. Stand filled tacos in 13-by-9-by-2-inch baking dish. Sprinkle tacos with remaining tomatoes and cheese. Loosely cover dish with foil. Bake 3-5 minutes, or until cheese melts.
Stir guacamole. Serve with warm tacos.



Blueberry Apple Crisp Smoothie Bowl

Recipe courtesy of Rachel Gurk of Rachel Cooks
Prep time: 5 minutes
Servings: 1

- 1 cup frozen blueberries
- 2 cups apples, roughly chopped, reserving 2 tablespoons for topping
- 1 teaspoon cinnamon
- 1/2 cup plain, non-fat Greek yogurt
- 1 cup spinach
- pure maple syrup, to taste
- ice cubes (optional)

Toppings:

- 2 tablespoons oats
- 1 teaspoon pure maple syrup
- 1 tablespoon pecans, chopped
- 2 tablespoons reserved chopped apple
- fresh blueberries

In blender, blend blueberries, apples, cinnamon, yogurt and spinach until smooth. Taste and add maple syrup, to taste. If thicker mixture is desired, add ice cubes.
Pour into bowl. Mix oats with maple syrup. Top smoothie mixture with oats, pecans, apples and blueberries.

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Hobbton's India Alston Running for Success



On February 15, Hobbton High School senior India Alston competed in the NCHSAA 1-A/2-A Indoor State Track Championships where she placed in the 500M with a time of 1:27:29 and in the 300M with a time of 45:14.

"I really felt like I could've done better," Alston admitted of the event that took place at JDL Fast Track in Winston-Salem. "But I went out and tried my best ... I felt at peace because I still have spring track to look forward to."

This week, Alston has been named the Performance Auto/Sampson Weekly Star Athlete of the Week.

"I didn't know anything about it," Alston said with excitement. "It just feels good to be nominated. I really appreciate it."

As good as she is on the track it may be surprising to know that she has only been running since her freshman year at Hobbton High School.

"I was told that I should run by a person in my church," Alston said. "Then my pastor said something about it, and I thought I would give it a try. It was fun and competitive."

Alston continues, "I just went out and ran. I was able to keep up with the top girls ... since then I have been continuing to improve. Coach Jeff Klaves put me in the 200M, the 300M and the 400M. After my freshman year, Coach Charles Robertson gave us certain workouts that helped me out a lot."

Born in Goldsboro, Alston moved to the Hobbton area when she was 5-years-old. "I've been going to the Hobbton District School system since then," she said. "I have loved it here."

Which is why she said leaving the only school district she has ever known when she graduates later this year will be difficult.

"I know I will be sad, but also happy for entering my next chapter," Alston said.

When asked what she will miss the most, Alston says, "I will miss the track team the most."

That "next chapter" will include college, a place where Alston hopes to run track. "My coach has been given letters from different schools, but I haven't decided yet," she said. "My dream school would be N.C. A&T University. I really like the track team and they have a great facility there."

Alston said that she wants to study business. "I want to start my own cosmetology business. It is something that I've always wanted to do."

A 'B' student, Alston said that her favorite subject is math. "It has always come easy to me," Alston said. "Plus, I have a great teacher (Mrs. Carol King) who makes it fun at the same time."

When asked what her secret to her success is, Alston quickly says the support that she has received from her family.

"That is so important to me," she said. "My family has supported me and pushed me to be better. When I went to a track meet in Virginia, they drove four hours to support me, that means everything to me."

She continues, "My mother and my sisters have supported me all through high school. At a certain point I didn't think I was getting faster, but my mother pushed me and carried me to the gym ... At times I broke down at track meets and they were there to lift me up. It means a lot."

Alston also wanted to thank her Coach Charles Robertson and her two best friends Shay and MarTichia.

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EDUCATION

Mary Brown's Impact at SCC Evident Years Later



Mary Brown laughs as she shares one of her many stories and memories from her time at Sampson Community College. (Cheyenne McNeill)

She grew up in a small community between Ingold and Garland called 'Rileytown.' Mary Brown says you probably haven't heard of it, but it's where she grew up. Eventually, she would find herself at Winston Salem State University, called Winston-Salem Teachers College, studying to be a nurse. After living in New York for some time, she soon made her way back to Sampson County, where she began a long career as a nursing instructor at SCC.

Brown comes from a family of educators, but she never saw that quality in herself. Upon reflection though, she believes her passion for education always lingered.

Brown stated, "You know how toddlers fight over things. Well, my mother said I always shared my toys."

Brown says teaching is sharing—sharing knowledge. Since she began working and teaching at Harlem Hospital in New York, Brown has been sharing her knowl-

edge of nursing.

When she returned to Sampson County, she spent a year at Mary Gran Nursing Home. A year later, when she drove into the parking lot of Sampson Community College for her job interview, Brown says she prayed she would stay for five years. She ended up dedicating over 30 years of her life to a career at SCC.

During her time, she reached hundreds of students. She would come to understand the importance of having excellent, supportive leaders for the college to advance and improve.

Brown remarked, "I think what has been so great with Sampson County is having someone with the ability to maintain an upward bound approach. Moving into the 21st century with everything."

And she set the same standard for herself. During Brown's time, students began clinical rotations at home health sites, health departments, mental health facilities, and other areas to expand their growth and development beyond the hospital. She wanted her students to be well-rounded nurses when they exited the program.

Dr. Veronica Stevens, a former student and current Division Chair of Health Programs, remembered Brown's devotion to student's learning.

Stevens stated, "Mrs. Brown was always intuitive about and responsive to the needs of the faculty, staff, and students. She gracefully offered encouragement, constructive criticism and positive feedback in a way that ensured growth."

In the time she spent in the nursing program at SCC, the program underwent a great deal of change. She saw the program shuffle from various locations around campus and around Clinton. She saw various leaders and students come and go. However, Brown and her former students and colleagues say a few things remained in the nursing program: support and love.

"We love each other. We first love Him, but we really love each other," Brown expressed emotionally.

Brown says that caring was the key to the rapport and connection that students and instructors felt while she was an instructor at SCC.

"We had time to care about family...We carried each other's burdens and each other's joys," she shared.

Wanda Capps, Vice President of Academic Affairs and Brown's former colleague, remembered the bonds that were created in the nursing program. Capps stated, "She was my mentor, friend, cheerleader and kept me in place when I needed it. She played a major role in not only my professional career but my personal life as well. One of the many shining pebbles in my path!"

Leaning on one another is how students found success in the nursing program at SCC when Brown served as an instructor and as the Director of the Nursing Program. Today, that's still the case.

Brown's former student and former colleague, Dr. Lisa Smith, now the Department Chair for the Associate Degree of Nursing, echoed these same ideals. The standards that Brown set over 40 years ago are still in place today.

"I had the distinct pleasure of beginning my nursing education under the leadership of Mrs. Mary Brown. I was even more honored to begin my role as nursing faculty under the same leadership. Mrs. Brown helped mold and shape me into the educational leader I am today. She facilitated a nurturing work environment while demanding excellence and professionalism, always showing care and compassion in her actions," Smith stated.

Brown's commitment to education was evident in her service to her community in other ways as well. From her involvement with the Sampson County Schools Board of Education, the Town of Garland, and with the SCC Foundation.

Lisa Turlington, Dean of Advancement and Executive Director of the Foundation says Brown's charm and devotion have been a bonus of her involvement with the Foundation. Turlington noted, "Mary Brown's heart and soul is dedicated to education, and she loves the students, staff, and faculty of Sampson Community College. We are lucky to have her as an advocate."

Brown's family even created an endowment with Sampson Community College for a scholarship. Further cementing her dedication to education. The Boykin Scholarship, established in 2009, is offered for students attending Sampson Community College.

A shining light of Mary Brown's career is her drive to enrich student learning. Dr. William Starling, President of Sampson Community College, says this is particularly evident in that way that many of Brown's former students remain at SCC as faculty members.

Starling remarked, "In so many ways, Mary has never left. Her gifts remain with us."

Brown's demand for excellence and her caring spirit set a precedent in the nursing program at SCC that lasts even until today—45 years later.

When it comes to caring for others, Brown said, "I just can't help myself."



Mary Brown with friends and colleagues from Sampson Community College. (Cheyenne McNeill) Pictured left to right: Wanda Capps, Dr. Lisa Smith, Dr. Veronica Stevens, Mary Brown, Dr. William Starling, Lisa Turlington

Tiny Miss and Little Miss Union



The Union Elementary School PTO is sponsoring the Tiny Miss and Little Miss Union Elementary School pageant on Saturday, March 14th at 4:00pm at Union Elementary School. There are 8 young ladies vying for the title of Tiny Miss UES and 14 for Little Miss UES. We invite everyone to come out and support these contestants as they compete for the title of Tiny Miss and Little Miss UES and help the UES PTO as we raise money to assist our school. All currently reigning queens are invited to attend and will be admitted free of charge with the presentation of their crown and sash. Admission is \$5.00.



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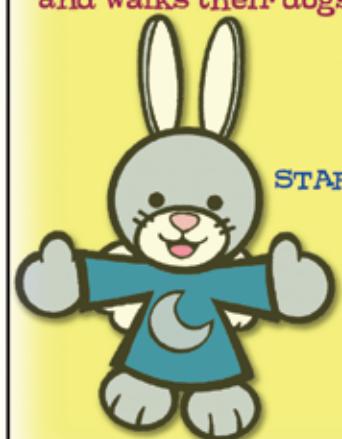
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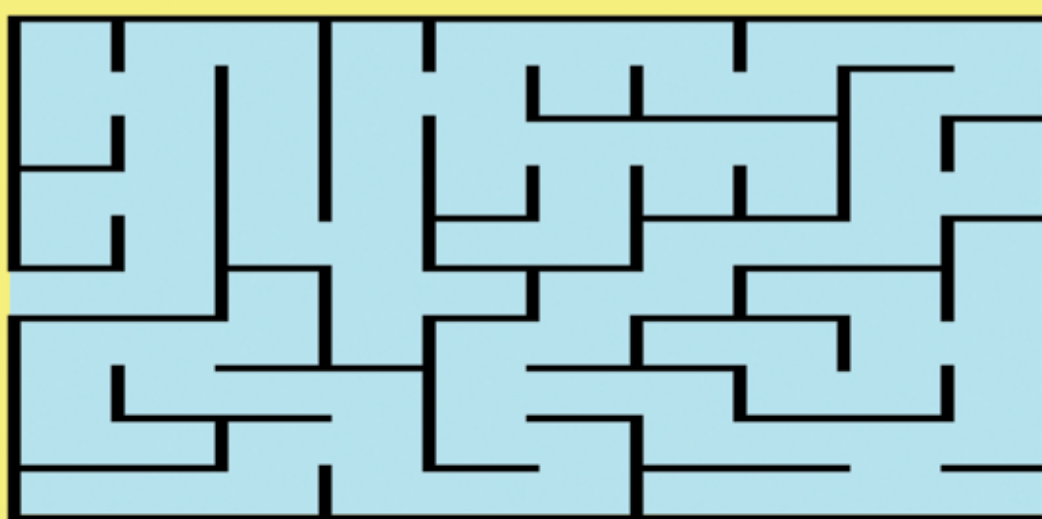
Looner Bunny


helps his neighbors

and walks their dogs.



START






FINISH

Help Looner reach his friend!

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Drawing with Mark by Mark Marderosian

Let's Draw a cute Cat!



Here is what our finished drawing will look like.

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We can use our basic shapes:

Circle Square Triangle

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

Have fun, take your time and keep practicing!

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LET'S PRACTICE DRAWING A CUTE DOG!


Add an Action Line and some basic shape CIRCLES along the Action Line.




Link up the circles for the body. Round out the cheeks and add his nose.





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



Tubes and ovals help create the legs and paws!




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


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Crossword Puzzle

CLUES ACROSS

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

CLUES DOWN

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

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SUDOKU

Fun By The Numbers

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

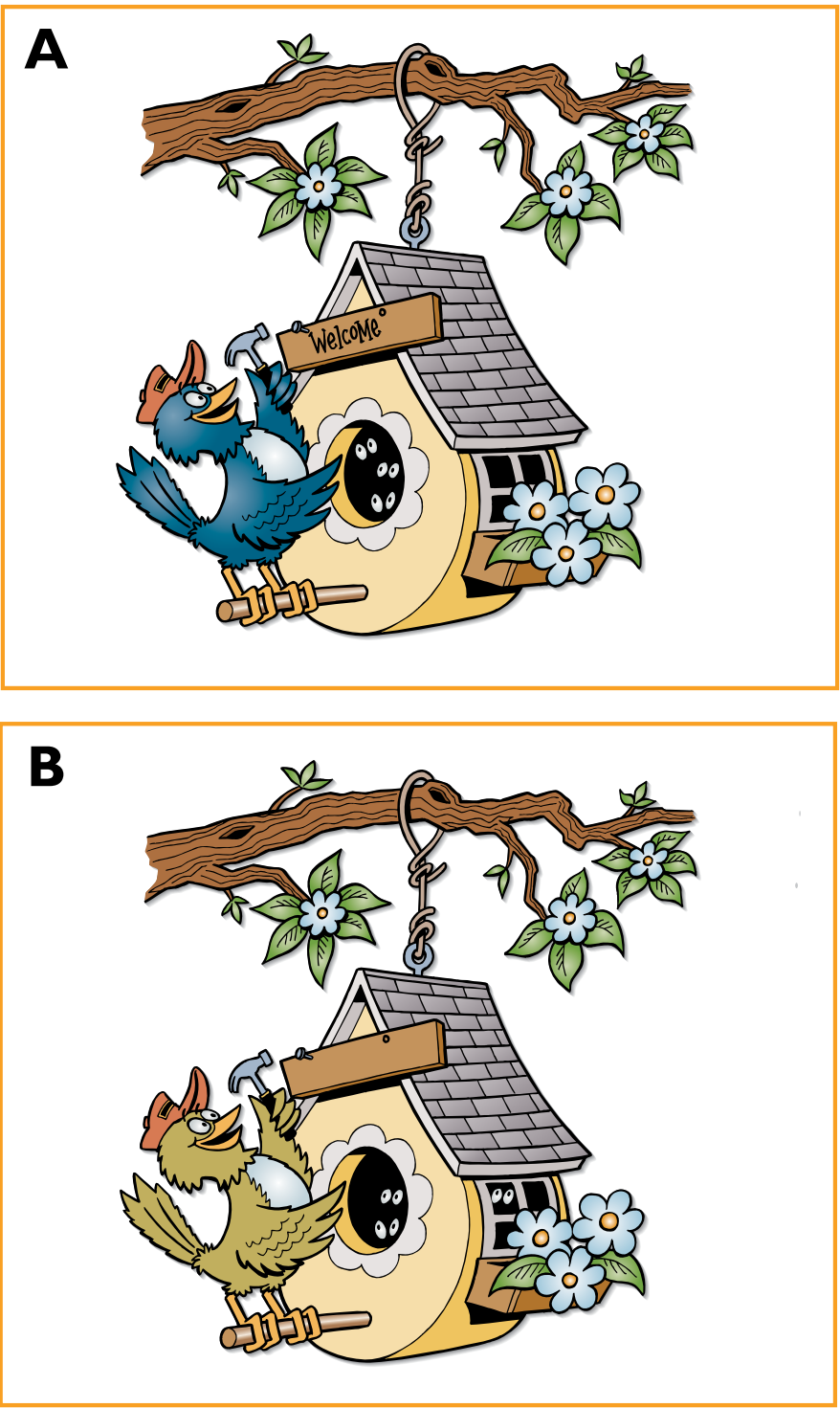
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Here's How It Works: Sudoku puzzles are formatted as a 9x9 grid, broken down into nine 3x3 boxes. To solve a sudoku, the numbers 1 through 9 must fill each row, column and box. Each number can appear only once in each row, column and box. You can figure 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!

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

What's the Difference?

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



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

CRIME

CRIME REPORTS

02-27 Megan Elizabeth Smith, 30, Garland. Misdemeanor Larceny, Poss Stolen Goods/Prop. Bond \$2000. Trial Date 04-14-20

02-27 Ricky Allen Jackson, 40, Clinton. Felony Probation Violation Out Of County. Bond \$10000. Trial Date 03-18-02

02-27 Billy Shane Byrd, 47, Dunn. OFA-FTA Fail to Wear Seat Belt driver/ Speeding, OFA-FTA Expired/No Inspection/Expired Registration Card/Tag, OFA-FTA Dr/Allow Reg Plate not Display, OFA-FTA DWLR not Impaired Rev/Operate Veh No Ins. Bond \$1000. Trial Date 03-09-20

02-27 Nicholas Tyvone Beamon, 20, Roseboro. Resist Public Officer, Possess Firearm by Felon, Injury to Personal Property. Bond \$11000. Trial Date 03-06-20

02-27 Mychicque Robinson, 27, Roseboro. Assault With Deadly Weapon, Assault Inflict Serious Injury. Bond \$2000. Trial Date 03-19-20

02-27 Melissa Kay Bradsher, 44, Clinton. Reckless Drvg-Wanton Disregard, Speeding. Bond \$200. Trial Date 03-04-20

02-27 Diana Lizeth Almodova Garcia, 32, Clinton. Expired Registration Card/Tag. Trial Date 04-17-20

02-27 Kevin Glenn Morrissey, 42, Turkey. Failure To Comply- FTC, DWLR Not Impaired Rev – FTA. Bond \$1065. Trial Date 03-09-20

02-27 Amber Gibert, 26, Dunn. Possess Drug Paraphernalia, Possess Marijuana up to 1/2 oz, Possess Methamphetamine, Warrant Service for other agency. Bond \$10000. Trial Date 03-06-20

02-27 Cali Alcorta Billarreal, 18, Roseboro. Speeding, No Operators License. Trial Date 04-09-20

02-28 Stanley Jamel Henry, 31, Clinton. Possess Marijuana Paraphernalia, Simple Possess SCH IV. Trial Date 04-08-20

02-28 Joselyn Sanchez Cardona, 24, Four Oaks. Speeding. Trial Date 04-

08-20

02-28 Samuel Carroll Gray, 43, Clinton. Child Support, Fail To Comply, Felony Probation Violation. Bond \$11485. Trial Date 03-25-20

02-28 Neisha Devine Williams, 36, Roseboro. Possession of Marijuana Paraphernalia, Possession of Marijuana up to ½ Oz, Possession of Schedule I Controlled Substance. Bond \$6000. Trial Date 03-06-20

02-28 Samantha Nicole Westbrook, 30, Roseboro. Possess Methamphetamine, Possession of Drug Paraphernalia. Bond \$20000. Trial Date 03-06-20

02-28 Dejhi Audrey Blackmon, 31, Parkton. Possess Marijuana Up To 1/2 Oz, Speeding, Resisting Public Officer, Simple Possession Schedule II CS, Unsealed Wine/Liquor In Passenger Area Bond \$500. Trial Date 04-08-20

02-28 Glenda Hamilton, 38, Clinton. Failure To Comply- FTC. Bond \$270. Trial Date 03-10-20

02-28 Daryll Coleman, 42, Clinton. Sexual Battery. Bond \$500. Trial Date 03-25-20

02-28 Kire Dangelo McNeil, 23, Dunn. Assault on Female, Carrying Concealed Gun, Possess Marijuana up to 1/2 Oz. Trial Date 03-05-20

02-28 Alan Josue Miranda-Miranda, 31, Harrells. No Operators License. Trial Date 05-13-20

02-29 Donald Watts, 40, Clinton. No Liability Insurance, DWLR, Fictitious License Plate, Expired Registration. Trial Date 04-02-20

02-29 Prentice Lamar Kerr, 20, Roseboro. Simple Assault. Trial Date 03-24-20

02-29 Jonathan Lewis Jones, 36, Turkey. Larceny. Bond \$1000. Trial Date 04-01-20

02-29 Kenyatta Demond Harvey, 26, Harrells. Failed to Appear. Bond \$4000. Trial Date 03-11-20

03-01 Mekaia Lynn Staton, 22, Clinton. Possession of Stolen Motor Vehicle. Bond \$15000. Trial Date 03-06-20

03-01 Jaquan Williams, 24, Clinton. DWLR Not impaired rev. Bond 4500. Trial Date 03-09-20

Trial Date 03-09-20

03-01 Prentice Lamar Kerr, 20, Roseboro. Possession of Stolen Firearm, Larceny of Firearm. Bond \$10000. Trial Date 03-20-20

03-02 Patrick Jerome Thompson, 35, Clinton. Sell Cocaine, Deliver Cocaine, PWISD Cocaine. Bond \$80000. Trial Date 03-20-20

03-02 Emsley Britton Gilbert, 52, Dunn. Communicating Threats. Trial Date 03-16-20

03-02 Tyrone Lamont Parker, 43, Clinton. WFA- Sell Cocaine, WFA- Deliver Cocaine, WFA- Possession with Intent to Sell and Deliver. Bond \$40000. Trial Date 03-06-20

03-02 Devan Million McLamb, 21, Clinton. Larceny after Burglary, Breaking & Entering, Poss Stolen Goods, Obtain Property by False Pretense. Bond \$5000. Trial Date 03-20-20

03-02 Castro Mendez Carmelino, 39, Elizabethtown. Identity Theft. Bond \$5000. Trial Date 03-06-20

03-03 William Lee Sessoms, 31, Salemburg. Fail to Comply. Bond \$305. Trial Date 03-17-20

03-03 Jessica Kay Boyette, 33, Roseboro. Shoplifting.

03-03 Richard Thomas Lee, 35, Clinton. OFA-Communicating Threats. Bond \$2500. Trial Date 03-18-20

03-04 Ashlyne Shai Jones, 21, Harrells. OFA- canc/Revoke/Susp/Cert/Tag, OFA_ DWLR Not Impaired Rev. Bond \$500. Trial Date 03-30-20

INCIDENT REPORTS

02-27 Walmart of Clinton reported Shoplifting od assorted merchandise valued at \$110.

02-27 Jacqueline Michelle Castillo of Clinton reported Motor Vehicle Theft- \$5000 value.

02-28 Garland Lodge reported Burglary/ Breaking & Entering With Larceny, Destruction/Damage/Vandalism of Property, Arson. Stolen sword \$50, Destroyed door and carpet- \$1800, Wood Desk burned \$150.

02-29 Tammy Bryant of Clinton reported

Attempted Breaking & Entering- damage to door \$200.

03-01 Larry Wadreguss Graham of Clinton reported Burglary/Breaking & Entering- \$20.

03-01 Willie Henry Boykin of Roseboro reported Theft From Motor Vehicle- pistol valued at \$200.

03-01 Rodney Jackson of Dunn reported Burglary/Breaking & Entering, Destruction/Damage/Vandalism of Property- electrical line to outbuilding \$100.

03-01 James Cyle Beatty of Roseboro reported Shooting into Occupied Dwelling, Destruction/Damage/Vandalism of Property- Damage to structure \$1000.

03-02 Ward Chapel Baptist Church of Harrells reported Burglary/Breaking & Entering, Destruction/Damage/Vandalism of Property, Larceny- Damage to doors \$200.

03-02 Delreese Simmons of Turkey reported Burglary/Breaking & Entering, Destruction/Damage/Vandalism of Property, Larceny- television (\$799), mirror (\$100), carpet (\$140), grill (\$100), earrings (\$2000), blender (\$179), vacuum (\$400).

03-02 Shawana Newton of Clinton reported Forced Entry- damage to door \$10.

03-03 Roy McNeil of Clinton reported Larceny of cassettes/dvds- valued at \$100.

03-03 Tires Inc reported Theft of Motor Vehicle Parts or Accessories.

03-03 Walmart of Clinton reported Shoplifting of assorted merchandise valued at \$260.

03-03 Walmart of Clinton reported Shoplifting of cell phones valued at \$4600.

03-04 Perry Peterson of Clinton reported Breaking and Entering, Simple Assault- stolen pants and wallet \$40 and Money \$400.

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

OBITUARIES



FAYETTEVILLE
Mrs. Betty Weaver West, 87 of Fayetteville passed away on Saturday, Feb. 29, 2020 at her home. The funeral service was held at 2:00 PM on Wednesday, March 4, 2020 at Cedar Creek Baptist Church with Rev. Jeff Buchanan officiating. Burial followed in the church cemetery. Mrs. West was a native of Sampson County, the daughter of John W. Weaver, Sr. and Ethyl Yates Weaver. She was preceded in death by her parents, a brother John Weaver, Jr., and a sister, Ann Weaver Connelly. She is survived by her husband of 65 years Franklin D. West, Sr. of the home; one daughter, AnneMarie Ziegler (Paul) of Fayetteville; one son Franklin D. West, Jr. (Sharon) of Fayetteville; one granddaughter April Lyle Utz (Greg) of Raleigh; five grandchildren and eight great grandchildren. The family received friends from 12-2 PM Wednesday at Cedar Creek Baptist Church. Services entrusted to Butler Funeral Home, 6535 Clinton Road, Stedman.



CLINTON
Mrs. Frances Louise Boone, 89, of 180 Southwood Drive, passed away Monday, March 2, 2020 at Wake Medical Center, Raleigh, NC. The funeral will be held at 1 p.m., Friday, March 6, at Worley Funeral Home with Rev. Leonard Henry officiating. The burial will follow in Hillcrest Memorial Park. The visitation will be held Friday, March 6, from 12-1 p.m. at Worley Funeral Home. Mrs. Boone is survived by her sister, Gladys Fryar of Clinton, NC. Online condolences may be sent to worleyfuneralhomeinc.com.



CLINTON
Johnnie Frank Bowden, Age-84, 2754 H.B. Lewis Rd. Clinton, N.C. died Wednesday 3/4/20 at his residence. Funeral services will be Saturday March 14, 2020 at 2:30pm: Western Assembly Headquarters Building, Newton Grove, N.C. Interment: Sandhill Cemetery, Clinton, N.C. Survivors: 1 Son-Jeffery Bowden, 3 daughters- Jacqueline White, Janette Bowden, Juliette Davis, Sister: Minnie Pearl Evertte, 4 Grandchildren, 3 Great Grandchildren. Public Visitation: Friday, March 13, 2020, 1 to 6pm. Butler & Son Funeral Services, 410 N. Blvd. Clinton, N.C.

SURF CITY
Ms. Sheila Smith Bullard, 60, of Surf City passed away on Tuesday, Feb. 25, 2020 at her home. The funeral service was held at 1:30 PM on Tuesday, March 3 at Peter's Creek Baptist Church. Burial followed in the church cemetery. The family received



friends from 1:00 -1:30 PM before the funeral service. She was the daughter of the late Gary Lindon and Juanita Ann Cain Smith. She was a retired Court Counselor with the NC Department of Public Safety. She is survived by a son, Colby Bullard of Hampstead, her beloved dog, Roxy and also extended family and many friends. Services entrusted to Butler Funeral Home, 401 W. Roseboro Street, Roseboro, NC.

BROOKLYN, NY
Mrs. Emma Lee Jackson, 81, formerly of Sampson County, passed away Sunday, March 1, 2020 at home. The funeral will be held at 1 p.m., Saturday, March 7, at Morning Star Holy Church with Pastor Richard Kimber officiating. The burial will follow in Sandhill Cemetery. The visitation will be held Saturday, March 7, from 12-1 p.m. at Morning Star Holy Church. Online condolences may be sent to worleyfuneralhomeinc.com.



CLINTON
Robert C. Fields, 78, passed away on Friday, February 28, 2020 at Duke Medical Center after a hard fought and courageous battle with cancer. Robert was born in Cumberland county, North Carolina on April 27th, 1941 to the late Elvin and Lillie Smith Fields. He was preceded in death by his beloved wife Janet Honeycutt King Fields on June 3rd, 2003. He was also preceded in death by his brother Lacey Elwood Fields. Robert served his country for over 42 years in the Army, Army National Guard, and Air Force Reserve. He retired in 2001 with the rank of Master Sergeant. Robert also had a 36-year career with the United States Postal Service retiring as Postmaster in 2001. He continued in retirement to work as a real estate broker at Clinton Realty. Robert was a member of the Clinton High School class of 1959, and also received a degree in logistics management from the University of the Air Force in Charleston, SC. Robert was a lifetime member of VFW Post 7547, and also a member of the Hiram Masonic Lodge 98. He also was a real estate broker with the NC real estate license board. Robert did meet strangers, but they were not strangers for long. His outgoing and caring personality allowed people both locally and all across the country to call Robert a friend. He was well known, well liked, and touched so many lives in a positive manner. He always took care of his family and friends alike. Throughout his lengthy illness Robert never complained, and always continued to have a positive

outlook on life. Family received friends on Wednesday, March 4rd, 2020 from 12:30 pm to 2:00 pm at Crumpler-Honeycutt Funeral Home with Rev. Dennis Guy officiating in Clinton followed by a service to celebrate Robert's life at 2:00 in the Chapel. Interment was held immediately following the service at Grandview Memorial Gardens in Clinton with Masonic and military honors. Robert is survived by his daughter Charlotte Fields Watson and husband Vince of the home, son Jeff King and wife Kay of Clinton, and son Kerry King and fiancé Nancy Meeks of Clinton, four grandchildren Chad King and significant other Michaela Wilson of Clinton, Brittney King Godwin and husband Brett of Dunn, Sky Langley and husband Alex of Leland, Beth King and significant other Taylor Lucas of Cary, and two great grandchildren Chace Gunner King and Ada James King of Clinton. In addition, he is survived by his brother James Fields and wife Pat of Clinton, his sister Elizabeth Pusey of Wilmington. He is also survived by his special friend, Ms. Lynda Uzzell of Goldsboro. The family asks to honor his memory by considering supporting a veteran's charity of your choice.

AUTRYVILLE
Mr. Fulton Heidi Johnson, 89 passed away Thursday, February 27, 2020 at Sampson Regional Medical Center in Clinton. Funeral service was held at 3:30pm Sunday, March 1 at Butler Funeral Home Chapel in Stedman, officiating will be Rev. Tommy Honeycutt. Burial followed at Sandy Horne Cemetery. The family will receive friends from 2:30pm to 3:15pm Sunday at the funeral home prior to the service. He was born in Sampson County to the late Bill and Mamie Johnson. He is also preceded in death by his wife, Beatrice Johnson; sons, Glenn and Steven Johnson; daughter, Brenda Johnson and several brothers and sisters. Fulton worked with NC Department of Transportation for over 33 years. He is survived by his son, Keith Johnson & wife, Marci of Autryville; grandchildren, Heidi Terry & husband, Steven of Stuart, VA, Ashley Johnson & fiancé, Jessie Faircloth of Clinton and Joshua Johnson of Roseboro; great-granddaughter, Bella "Gracie" Terry; sister, Janice Stuart of Charlotte; girlfriend, Frankie Bullard of Autryville; and numerous nieces, nephews and cousins. Services entrusted to Butler Funeral Home, 6535 Clinton Road, Stedman.



MIDWAY
Connie Strickland Gause, 62, of the Midway Community of Sampson County, surrounded by family and friends, received her angel wings on February 28, 2020. Connie was born June 30, 1957 to Shelby and Irvin McCray Strickland of Sampson County. Connie was a 1975 graduate of Midway High School. She continued her education at Mount Olive College and received her Associate in Science Degree in



OBITUARIES

1977. She then attended UNC Greensboro and graduated in 1981 with a bachelor's degree in Deaf Education. Connie began her professional education career at Burgaw Elementary School in Pender County, and later she moved to Elizabethtown Primary School in Bladen County. Connie returned to Sampson County in 1992, working at Midway Elementary and Plain View Elementary School. In October 2019 Connie retired from education with 34 years of service. She was known for giving hugs to the children and anyone else that needed one. In addition to her educational career, Connie had a family business known as Connie's Catering. This catering service specialized in wedding receptions, along with homemade wedding and birthday cakes. It allowed Connie to show off her talent for decorating cakes for 25 years. Connie was a lifelong member of Robert's Grove Freewill Baptist Church, where she served as a youth leader, Sunday School teacher, and choir member. Connie is survived by her husband of 36 years Terry F. Gause, her daughter Amanda LeJune Gause, of the home and her mother Shelby T. Jackson. She was preceded in death by her father Irvin McCrae Strickland, stepfather Samuel H. Jackson, and Aunt Magnus Wilson of Fayetteville. Visitation was held on Monday from 6 to 8 pm at Skinner & Smith Funeral Home of Dunn. Funeral Services were held at Robert's Grove OFWB Church on Tuesday at 3 pm. Entombment was at the church cemetery following the funeral services. Memorial can be made to University of Mount Olive College Freewill Baptist Historical Collection UMO 634 Henderson St. Mt. Olive, North Carolina 28365.

WALLACE

Mr. Alan Dail Hudson, 64, of 2374 Wallace Hwy, Wallace, NC, died Friday, February 28, 2020 at his residence. Mr. Hudson was born June 23, 1955 in Sampson County. Mr. Hudson is preceded in death by his parents Thomas L. and Betty Bland Hudson. Memorial service was held at 3:00P.M. Sunday, March 01, 2020 at Crossroads Church in Harrells, NC by the Reverend Earl Smith. Hudson is survived by his wife Rita Hudson, one son; Chris Hudson of Wallace, NC, two daughters; Brooke Hudson of Beulaville, NC, Lisa Hudson of the home, two brothers; Randy Hudson and wife Loreen of Turkey, NC, Tommy Hudson of Clinton, NC, two sisters; Becky Hudson of Turkey, NC, Debbie Jacobs of Clinton, NC, six grandchildren; Tyler Hudson and wife Macy, Breanna Hudson, Logan Weeks, Dawson Weeks, Waylon Davis, Holden Davis, two great-grandchildren; Garrison Hudson and Gracelynn Hudson. The family received friends on Sunday, March 01, 2020 from 2:00P.M.-3:00P.M. before the service at the church. In lieu memorial contributions may be made to Crossroads Church, 429-1 NC Hwy 41, Harrells, NC 28444. Or to Lower Cape Fear Hospice 1414 Physicians Dr., Wilmington, NC 28401.



CLINTON

Katie McLamb West, 92, of 2694 Roanoke Road, Clinton passed away on Wednesday, February 26, 2020 at Liberty Commons Nursing & Rehabilitation Center in Benson with her family by her side. Katie McLamb West was born on January 8, 1928 to the late Norman Nathan & Katie Ola McLamb in Sampson County. She was a devoted wife, homemaker, and loving mother, grandmother & great-grandmother. She had a passion for cooking and gardening and especially enjoyed fellowship with family and friends. The funeral was held at 2:00pm on Saturday, February 29, at Hopewell United Methodist Church with the Reverend Gregg Presnal officiating. Interment followed in the church cemetery. Mrs. West is preceded in death by her husband of 63 years, Marion Franklin West; parents, Norman Nathan & Katie Ola McLamb; sons, Curtis Wayne West and Jerry Franklin West; sister, Hildreth Jackson; brothers, Gaston Charles McLamb and Nathan Bennett McLamb. She is survived by her daughter, Judy W. McLamb (Danny) of Newton Grove; sons, Charles N. West (Linda) of Sumter, SC, Richard G. West (Cynthia) of Clinton; daughter-in law, Jenny West of Chesapeake, VA; eight grandchildren, Tara Lucas (Niles); Jeremiah West (Whitney); Angela West; James West, Sarah Ellis (Adam), Matthew West, Joseph West (Lauren), and Miranda West; nine great-grandchildren, Caleb Lucas, Taylor Lucas, Alex West, Amber West, Mason Ellis, Avril West, Analiza West, Barrett West, and Zannah Hairr. Left to cherish her memory are several nieces and nephews. The family would like to offer special thanks to her caregivers: Jane Westbrook, Addie Carr, Liberty Home Health & Hospice, Liberty Nursing & Rehabilitation Center, and Rex Heart Failure Clinic. The family received friends Friday, February 28th from 6:00 – 8:00 pm at West & Dunn Funeral Home in Newton Grove. Flowers are welcome; however, memorials may be made to: Hopewell United Methodist Church 4641 Church Road Newton Grove, NC 28366. Attention: Memorial Gifts Online condolences may be made at; www.westanddunn.com. Services have been entrusted to West & Dunn Funeral Homes, Inc, Newton Grove, North Carolina.



COOPER CITY, FL

Mr. Milton "Bib" Lee Long, 77, of Cooper City Florida passed away unexpectedly Sunday, February 23, 2020. Bib is the son of the late Ira and Florence Long. He was born and raised on Ira Long Road in Bladen County, North Carolina. Funeral service was held at 4:00 PM Saturday, February 29, 2020 at Carter Funeral Home, Garland, NC. Long Cemetery, Harrells, NC. Bib is survived by his two daughters, Kimberly Johnson (husband Larry) and Gigi Berman (husband Neil); grandchildren, Blake Rich (wife Alley) and Benjamin, Blake, and Alyssa Berman; nieces and nephews, Debbie Williams, Sharon Wainwright, Steve Thomas, Mickey Thomas, Connie Whaley, Rickey Thomas, Mike Long, Diann Long Wells, Susan Lanier, Morgan Sutton, Theresa "TC" Long and Mark Long. Bib was preceded in death by his son, Jeffrey Long; nephew's; John Long, Steve Thomas, Mickey Thomas; brothers, Wilbert, James Colon, Donnie and Homer Long, and sister, Mary Gladys Thomas. The family received friends on Saturday, February 29, 2020 from 3:00 PM-4:00 PM at Carter Funeral Home prior to the Funeral service.



GOLDSBORO

Kenny McCorkle, Age-62 of Handley Park Court, Goldsboro, NC formerly of Roseboro, NC died Monday, March 2, 2020 at Kitty Askins Hospice Center in Goldsboro, NC. Funeral service will be held Saturday, March 7, 2020 at 12 noon at Butler & Son Funeral Home, Roseboro, NC. Interment: Roseboro Cemetery Survivors: Parent- Emma Parker Cain and Clarence Cain Sr., Brother: Clarence Cain Jr., 3 Sisters: Jamezetta Billinger, Valerie Williams, Latrea Register. Visitation: Saturday, March 7, 2020 from 11:00 am to 12:00 pm Butler & Son Funeral Home, Inc. Roseboro, NC.

CLINTON

Robert Franklin Naylor, 62, of 2988 Church Road, passed away peacefully in his home, February 28, 2020. A funeral service was held at 3:00 pm, Sunday March 1, 2020, at Hopewell United



Methodist Church with Rev. Gregg Presnal and Rev. Dennis Sheperd officiating. The family received friends at the church Sunday, from 1 pm to 2:30 pm in the fellowship hall. Interment followed in the Harnett Primitive Baptist Church Cemetery. Robert, born February 5, 1958 in Sampson County, was the son of James Franklin Naylor and Carolyn Porter Naylor. Robert continued the family tradition of farming. He was respected nationally by his peers for his dedication to corn production and won numerous awards for his efforts. Robert enjoyed working with his cows and especially loved fellowship with his family, friends, his boat and speckled trout fishing. He was known and loved for his gentle nature and sense of humor. Robert showed remarkable strength and peace throughout his battle with cancer and was an inspiration to many. He was joyful in hope, patient in affliction and faithful in prayer. Survivors include: wife Ann Edwards Naylor of the home; daughters Christie Hargrove and husband Jamie; Robin Higgins and husband Brian; and son Robert Ashley Naylor and wife Taylor. Grandchildren: Anna, Ava James and Ella Hargrove; Naylor, Lalon and Whitley Ann Higgins. Parents are James Franklin Naylor and Carolyn Porter Naylor; sisters Glenda Tew and husband Craig of Dunn and Becky Steadman and husband Gil of Raleigh; 5 nieces, 5 nephews, 3 great nephews and 1 great niece. Flowers are welcome or memorial gifts may be given to: Hopewell United Methodist Church 4641 Church Road, Newton Grove, NC 28366 or Harnett Primitive Baptist Church Cemetery Fund c/o Ronald Jackson 128 Gordon Road Clinton, NC 28328. Online condolences may be sent to the family at www.crumpler-honeycutt.com. Arrangements are by Crumpler-Honeycutt Funeral Home, 118 Fayetteville St., Clinton, NC 28328.



CLINTON

Mr. Kirby Devane Powell, 82, passed away peacefully on Sunday, March 1, 2020 at Vidant Medical Center in Greenville, with his two daughters and sons-in-law by his side. Kirby was born on July 5, 1937 to the late Gordon Best and Alene Darden Powell. He was raised in Clinton, NC and graduated from Clinton High School in 1955, where he was student body president during his senior year. After graduating high school, Kirby joined the Air Force, serving four years as an Air Weather Observer. He was stationed in Okinawa, then Wichita Falls, Texas. His love for flying began in the Air Force and continued throughout his life. In 1963, he and his family moved back to Clinton, NC, where he earned his pilot's license in 1968 and began his flying career. He was a private pilot for several local companies, before he began flying for the State of North Carolina. He worked for both the Department of Commerce and the Department of Transportation, flying both Governors Hunt and Martin. In 1993, Kirby retired from flying. Later in his retirement years, he moved with his wife, Myrtie, to the North Carolina mountains, where they split their time between the mountains and Clinton. Kirby was a charter member of Grove Park Baptist church in Clinton, sang in the church choir and was a member of a men's quartet. His favorite things were flying, golf and family. He had a dry wit, liked meeting new people, and loved his Cadillacs and cowboy hats. He is survived by his wife of 19 years, Myrtie Tysinger Powell; two daughters: Sherri P. Fonvielle and husband, Alex of Raleigh, Lori P. Pearson and husband, Chris of Clinton; step-son Jerry E. Tysinger of Kenansville; two brothers: Johnny B. Powell and wife, Linda of Clinton, Paul D. Powell and wife, Susan of Wilmington; grandchildren: Brian C. Pearson of Clinton, Heather P. Caruolo and husband, Kyle of Cornelius, step-granddaughter Keaton M. Fonvielle and husband, Daniel W. Plant of Fuquay-Varina, and special caregiver, Kim Matthews. Funeral services were held Thursday, March 5th at 2:00 pm at Grove Park Baptist church with Dr. Dennis Bazemore and Rev. Cameron Dunn officiating. Burial followed in the Grandview Memorial Park in Clinton. The family received friends on Wednesday evening, March 4th, from 6-8 pm at Royal Hall Funeral Home; and at other times at 1002 Raleigh Road, Clinton. The family would like to extend their sincere appreciation to the staff of Vidant hospital for their exceptional care. Flowers are welcome, or memorials may be made to Grove Park Baptist Organ Fund, 609 Northeast Blvd., Clinton, NC 28328. Royal-Hall is honored to serve the Powell Family.



CLINTON

Edna Ruth Sinclair, 88, of 215 Bass Lake Road, passed away Monday, March 2, 2020 at Southwood Nursing Center. A funeral will be held at 2 PM, Friday, March 6th, at Elizabeth Missionary Baptist Church with Rev. John Hobbs and Rev. Dudley Neal officiating. Interment will follow in the church cemetery. The family will receive friends from 1 PM – 2 PM, at the church just before the funeral and at other times at the home. Edna, born on June 29, 1931 in Sampson County, was the daughter of the late Franklin Cannady and Ozele Porter Cannady. She was a homemaker and a member of Elizabeth Missionary Baptist Church. In addition to her parents she was preceded in death by: husband, William Ray Sinclair; son, Jerry Sinclair; daughter, Debra "Debbie" Kay Sinclair; brother, Leondis Cannady and; sister, Hildred Cannady Brown. Survivors include: brother, Roy Cannady and wife Jewel; and sisters, Margaret Cannady Crumpler, Helen Cannady Barnes, and Nell Cannady Honrine. Memorials may be made to Elizabeth Missionary Baptist Church, 1481 Fleet Cooper Road, Roseboro, NC 28382. Online condolences may be sent to the family at www.crumpler-honeycutt.com. Arrangements are by Crumpler-Honeycutt Funeral Home, 118 Fayetteville Street, Clinton, NC 28328.

AUTRYVILLE

Ms. Brenda Kay Tanner, 64 passed away Tuesday, March 3, 2020 at her home surrounded by her family. A graveside service will be held at 2:00pm Friday, March 6, 2020 at Sunrise Memorial Gardens in Salemburg, officiating will be Rev. Larry West. She is preceded in death by her parents, Earl Edison Cashwell and Mary Elizabeth Tanner Cashwell; and her husband, Gene Thomas Tanner. She is survived by her daughter, Candice York & husband, Joel of Lillington and by her son, Gene Brentley Tanner & wife, Beth of Cary; brother, Reuben Cashwell & wife, Fay of Autryville; sisters, Merlene Howell and Betty Jean Tanner both of Autryville; grandchildren, Kaylee, Andrew and Meagan Carter, Clara and Emma Tanner; great granddaughter, Madisyn Norris; and an uncle, Ernest Howell & wife, Lou of Autryville. Services by Butler Funeral Home of Stedman.



CLINTON

Robert Glenn Warren, 72, of Clinton passed away on Friday, February 28, 2020. Mr. Warren's memorial service was held on Tuesday, March 3, 2020 at 6:00 pm. The service was in the West & Dunn Funeral Home Chapel in Newton Grove. The family will have a private burial service at a later date. The family received friends at the funeral home on Tuesday, March

3 after the memorial service. Mr. Warren's survivors include his wife, Wanda W. Warren; his daughter, Michelle W. Coleman and fiancé Corbett Bruntz of Pinehurst; grandson, Will Coleman; sisters, Anna W. Carr of Chapel Hill and Kathy W. Nicholson of Cary; as well as many beloved nieces and nephews and Great nieces and nephews and very special neighbors. Mr. Warren was preceded in death by his parents, Raymond and Edna Warren and his brother, Raymond Edward Warren, Jr. Memorials may be made to Brantley Daniel Best Scholarship Fund c/o Sampson Community College Scholarship Foundation, PO Box 318 Clinton NC 28329. Attn: Lisa Turlington. Online condolences may be made at www.westanddunn.com. Services have been entrusted to West & Dunn Funeral Home of Newton Grove, North Carolina.

BUFFALO, TEXAS

Mrs. Marie Reynolds West, 87 of Buffalo, Texas and formerly of Salemburg, passed away on Tuesday, February 25, 2020. She was born on April 21, 1932 in Lenoir County, NC to James B. and Eloise Harrison Reynolds. She was preceded in death by her parents; husband, Harold Nathan West, Sr.; daughter, Janet West; sister, Polly McClanahan; and son-in-law, Jim Kelly. She was a homemaker. She is survived by four daughters, Jennifer Kelly of Texas, Judy Marie Neher of Wilmington, Tammy Jenkins of Texas, Teresa Mobley of Florida; two sons, Harold N. West, Jr. of Texas, Ronald West of Roseboro; sixteen grandchildren; and thirteen great grandchildren. A graveside service was held at Sunrise Memorial Gardens, S. Salemburg Highway, Salemburg on Sunday, March 1, at 2:00 pm with Rev. Tommy Honeycutt officiating. Butler Funeral Home of Roseboro is serving the family.



CLINTON

Clarice Goodridge, Age-94, 117 Harmon St. Clinton, N.C. died Wednesday 2/26/2020 at her residence. Funeral service will be held Saturday, March 14, 2020 at Butler & Son Funeral Services at 11 am. Interment: Hillcrest Cemetery, Clinton, NC. Visitation: Friday, March 13, 2020 from 1:00 to 6:00 pm at Butler & Son Funeral Services. Butler & Son Funeral Services Clinton, N.C.

HARRELLS

Mrs. Betty S. Johnson of 1535 Tomahawk Hwy., Harrells, NC, died Tuesday, March 03, 2020 at New Hanover Regional Medical Center, Wilmington, NC. Arrangements are incomplete and will be announced by Carter Funeral Home in Garland.

MAGNOLIA

Elbert Kenneth Boone, 65, of Magnolia passed from his earthly life Wednesday, March 4, 2020 at Kenansville Health and Rehabilitation Center. He was born May 4, 1954 in Duplin County, the son of Elbert Ray Boone and Louise Stroud Boone. Elbert is survived by his wife, Sara J. Boone; daughter, Kelly Miranda (Dave) of Rose Hill; grandchildren, Jayden, Alyssa, Ethan and Dave; sisters, Doris Dixon (John) of Rose Hill, Joyce Jones (Jimmy) of Clinton, Louise Holland of Turkey and Kim Yanez (Edward) of Pink Hill; brothers, Anthony Boone and Gary Boone both of Magnolia; and many nieces and nephews. And not to be forgotten is Elbert's favorite lady dog, Brownie. Time and date of memorial service will be forth coming. A service of Quinn-McGowen Funeral Home Wallace Chapel.

CLINTON

Mrs. Merita Lane, 71, of 302 Turlington Street, passed away Wednesday, March 4, 2020 at home. The funeral arrangements are incomplete and will be announced by Worley Funeral Home, Inc.

HARRELLS

Mrs. Juanita "Neat" Herring Mainor, 93, of 2409 Wildcat Rd., died Friday, February 28, 2020 at Wake Medical Center in Raleigh, NC. Mrs. Mainor was born October 15, 1926 in Sampson Co. the daughter of the late Ashley A. Herring and Ella Vestal Herring. She was preceded in death by her husband; Harry L. Mainor Sr., one daughter; Rose Lee Manuel, and three brothers; Alexander Herring, Maldon D. Herring and James R. Herring. Funeral service will be held at 11:00 A.M. Saturday, March 07, 2020 at Keathern Chapel Missionary Baptist Church in Harrells, NC, by the Reverend Harvey C. Robinson. Burial will follow in the church cemetery. Mrs. Mainor is survived by eight daughters; Ella Mainor, Mary Mainor, both of Harrells, Myrtle Mainor, New Heaven, MI, Fontaine Mainor, Renee Mainor both of Harrells, Tewanda Mainor of Leland, Nacole Hayes (Frederick) of Clinton, Nacosha Manuel of Harrells, four sons; Harry L. Mainor Jr., James D. Mainor both of Harrells, Harry L. Mainor III (Pamela) of Leland, Arnold Fryar, one sister; Quessie Spearman of Harrells, special grandson; Quincy Smith, 17 grandchildren, 20 great-grandchildren and 9 great-great-grandchildren. The public will be received on Friday, March 06, 2020 from 1:00 P.M.6:00 P.M. at Carter Funeral Home with family present from 5:00 P.M.-6:00 P.M., and other times at the home of Mary Mainor 139 Quincy Reese Lane, Harrells, NC 28444.

HARRELLS

Mrs. Annie Julia McNeil, 78, of 1252 Wilbert Pridgen Rd., Harrells, NC, died Friday, February 28, 2020 at Highsmith Rainey Hospital in Fayetteville, NC. Mrs. McNeil was born December 09, 1941 in Sampson Co. the daughter of the late John David Chestnutt and Mollie Jane Carr Chestnutt. She was preceded in death by her husband, Johnnie McNeil, one son, Donnell Chestnutt, sister Mary Ruth Murphy and brother Johnny Chestnutt. Funeral service will be held at 3:00 P.M. Saturday, March 07, 2020 at Pilgrim Rest Missionary Baptist Church, by the Reverend Willie C. Alford. Burial will follow in the church cemetery. Mrs. McNeil is survived by three daughters, Lenora Anders of Suffolk, Va., Jeanette Chestnutt of Louisville, Ky, Marilyn Chestnutt Willaims of Harrells, one son, Connie Ray Chestnutt, three sisters, Lovet Chestnutt of Wallace, Glenda Mathis of Clinton, Annie Owens of Roseboro, three brothers, Wayne Chestnutt of Fayetteville, James "Goat" Chestnutt, Willie Chestnutt both of Garland, mother-in-law, Irene McNeil, three sister-in-law's, Violet McNeil, Geneva McNeil both of Garland, Letha McNeil of Raleigh 12 grandchildren, and 12 great-grandchildren. The public will be received on Friday, March 06, 2020 from 1:00P.M.-6:00P.M. at Carter Funeral Home in Garland.

BLADENBORO

Ms. Effie Earlene Templeton, 77 of Bladenboro, passed away Tuesday, March 3, 2020 her home. She was born April 23, 1942 in Robeson County was preceded in death by her parents, Eli Willoughby, and Madge Thompson Willoughby Angle; and two sons, David Eugene Carver, Stephen Eli Carver. She was a retired Security Guard. She is survived by two daughters, Janet Attebery of Salemburg, Marsha Beale of Fayetteville; two sons, Jesse James Carver of Bladenboro, James Douglas Carver, Jr. of Parkton; significant other, Ted Gibson of the home; 11 grandchildren and 12 great grandchildren. A memorial service was held at Butler Funeral Home, 401 W. Roseboro Street, Roseboro on Thursday, March 5, at 3:00pm with Reverend Andy Wood officiating. Butler Funeral Home of Roseboro is serving the family.

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SPEED FREAKS

A few questions we had to ask ourselves

Too soon to consider Alex Bowman among the 2020 championship contenders?
GODSPEAK: Whoa! Let's pump the brakes there mister. One early-season win does not a contender make.
KEN'S CALL: Right about now, everyone is a contender. But the early win always sets a tone, so it's certainly a good early review for the Showman.

Just three races down, but any red flags yet?
GODSPEAK: If the number of curse words used during a race via two-way radio counts, take a look at the No. 19 Toyota and Martin Truex Jr.
KEN'S CALL: Maybe a pink flag, not red. But while three of the Hendrick cars are showing speed ... William Byron isn't among them. At least not in the final results. He's overdue.

GODWIN'S PICKS FOR PHOENIX

WINNER: Ryan Blaney
REST OF TOP 5: Denny Hamlin, Kyle Busch, Kevin Harvick, Tyler Reddick
FIRST ONE OUT: Cole Custer
DARK HORSE: Matt DiBenedetto
DON'T BE SURPRISED IF: Blaney could easily be a three-time winner this season. The luck goes his way in the desert.

BY THE NUMBERS

2 Career wins by Alex Bowman
3 Chase Elliott's Cup Series stage wins
4 Laps led by Martin Truex Jr.
11 Ryan Blaney's Cup Series points lead
19 Kyle Busch's points position after three races

MOTOR MOUTHS PODCAST

Three weeks down, 33 to go. Let's keep this rig a-rollin'.

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PHOENIX

THREE THINGS TO WATCH



Alan Kulwicki drove his Zerex Ford to his first NASCAR Cup victory at Phoenix in 1988. No underdogs have won at Phoenix since his surprising victory. [PHOTO/NASCAR/RACINGONE/GETTY IMAGES]

1. Phoenix favorites

Unlike many NASCAR tracks, where an underdog can pull out a win here and there, Phoenix Raceway favors the driver elite. The most improbable victory was by Alan Kulwicki, who scored his first career Cup Series win there in 1988, the year Phoenix was added to the schedule. Since then the wins have gone to champions or near champions of NASCAR's marquee series.

2. Harvick's haven

There was a time not so long ago that you could almost count on Kevin Harvick winning at Phoenix. In one span, from 2012-16, he won six times over eight starts. He has nine career wins at the flat 1-mile oval. He needs a win to get his 2020 program on track. He's coming off a ninth-place finish at California. "I am just having a hard time getting the car to be balanced all the way through the corner," he said.

3. Performance test

For those keeping count, all three car manufacturers have scored a Cup Series win this season. Chevrolet has a big test at Phoenix, according to its latest winner, Alex Bowman. "At Phoenix I think we finished like 25th there in the fall last year," he said. "We were absolutely horrendous, so hopefully we can go there and run a ton better." It took Chevy 10 races to score its first win in 2019.

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FONTANA

THREE THINGS WE LEARNED

1. Proving ground

Alex Bowman is in his third season as Dale Earnhardt Jr.'s replacement in the No. 88 Hendrick Motorsports Chevy and needs to deliver. He's on a one-year contract. "Every year is a contract year," he said. "Every year of my life in the Cup Series has been a contract year."

2. Kyle's California

Kyle Busch was never really a factor in the Auto Club 400, but somehow finished second. "We finished the end of last year so strong, I don't know what we're missing here," he said. "Obviously, it's a little bit of something here; maybe a little bit of



Alex Bowman celebrates his Fontana win Sunday in California. [AP/WILL LESTER]

something in a few different areas."

3. Blaney's luck

Ryan Blaney could be sitting on three wins if things had gone his way. The 26-year-old driver is leading Cup Series points.

He led 54 laps at California, but ... "We lost the lead there at the beginning of the third stage and kind of got swallowed up," said the Team Penske driver.

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QUESTIONS & ATTITUDE

Compelling questions ... and maybe a few actual answers

Feeling better about Jimmie?

Let's go with the always popular "cautiously optimistic." A year ago, Jimmie Johnson finished 15th and 19th the two weeks after Daytona, so finishing fifth and seventh is obviously "the right direction," as Jimmie said Sunday in Fontana. These next few weeks bring diversity in speedways — Phoenix, Atlanta and Homestead — so if he's decent-to-strong at all three, it should be a good final season.

Who are the bounty hunters?

For now, it looks like it'll be Chase Elliott and Kyle Larson who get a chance to collect \$100,000 in added "bounty" loot if they can beat Kyle Busch in a Truck Series race. In March, Elliott will drive a GMS Racing truck at Atlanta while Larson will drive one at Homestead. In May, Elliott gets another shot at Kansas. It might not be as exciting as the old Jack Sprague-Ron Hornaday truck wars, but it should be fun.

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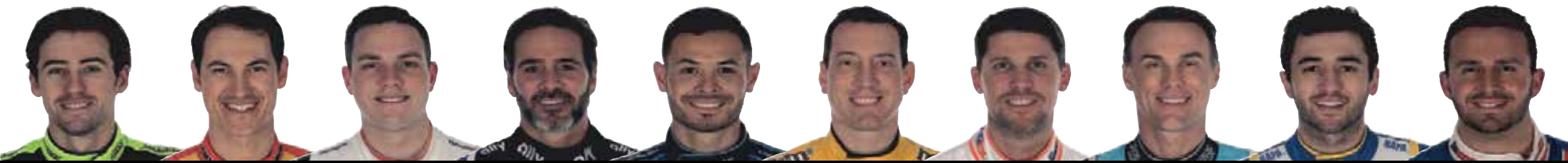
CUP STANDINGS

1. Ryan Blaney	122
2. Joey Logano	111
3. Alex Bowman	110
3. Kevin Harvick	110
5. Jimmie Johnson	106
6. Chase Elliott	105
7. Denny Hamlin	94
8. Matt DiBenedetto	87
9. Kyle Larson	86
10. Aric Almirola	84
11. Chris Buescher	82
11. Brad Keselowski	82
13. Martin Truex Jr.	79
14. Austin Dillon	76
15. Ricky Stenhouse Jr.	73
16. Clint Bowyer	70
17. Bubba Wallace	69
18. Erik Jones	67
19. Kyle Busch	65
20. William Byron	60

WHAT'S ON TAP

(All times Eastern)

CUP SERIES: Fan Shield 500
SITE: Phoenix Speedway (1-mile oval)
SCHEDULE: Friday, practice (Fox Sports 1, 3:30 p.m. and 5:30 p.m.). Saturday, qualifying (Fox Sports 1, 2:30 p.m.). Sunday, race (Fox, coverage begins at 3 p.m., green flag at 3:30 p.m.)
XFINITY: LS Tractor 200
SITE: Phoenix Speedway
TV SCHEDULE: Friday, practice (Fox Sports 1, 2:30 p.m. and 5 p.m.). Saturday, qualifying, (Fox Sports 1, 1 p.m.), race (Fox Sports 1, 4 p.m.)



KEN WILLIS' TOP 10 NASCAR DRIVER RANKINGS

RYAN	JOEY	ALEX	JIMMIE	KYLE	KYLE BUSCH	DENNY	KEVIN	CHASE	MATT
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