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## New County Budget Presented to Commissioners



On Thursday, Sampson County Manager Ed Causey presented the Board of Commissioners with the Budget Message in a special called meeting. The purpose was to inform the commissioners of the budget highlights such as:  
-Audit/Fund Balance increasing by \$2,442,284. The combined ending fund balances were \$35,228,221, an increase of \$2,930,636. Twenty-nine percent of the fund balance amount is available at the County's discretion. Our long-term obligations had decreased by \$8,863,506.

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## Webb Chosen as Sampson County Teacher of the Year



Sampson County School teacher Sabrina Webb stated that she was completely surprised, overjoyed and honored when she found out that she was named the 2019-20 Teacher of the Year for Sampson County Schools. She was announced Teacher of the Year at the Teacher of the Year Banquet that was held on May 8th. Mrs. Webb teaches 6th grade English Language Arts and Social Studies at Roseboro-Salemburg Middle School.

When asked why she felt like she was chosen, Webb replied, "I think I was chosen, because I possess all the qualities and leadership skills necessary to represent Sampson County. My passion and love for teaching the students has been demonstrated throughout my years of teaching in Sampson County."

Mrs. Webb moved to North Carolina from Nashville, TN when her husband, who is in the Army, was stationed at Fort Bragg. She stated, "We live in Stedman, and I have a two-year-old son. I applied for a teaching position, and I accepted the 6th grade position at Roseboro Salemburg Middle School. Choosing to become a teacher in Sampson County was a great decision."

Sandra Webb graduated with a Bachelor Degree in Social Science, Master Degree in Elementary Education, and an Ed.S Degree in K-12 Leadership. "I have been in the teaching profession for 17 years. I would like to be in an administrative role in the future," noted Webb.

Teaching is a passion for the new Teacher of the Year. She stated, "Teaching is important to me, because it gives me the opportunity to help shape growing minds. I am able to inspire students to believe in themselves and to understand that learning is a process. I feel teaching is the most rewarding profession in the world. Not only is teaching important, but having an education is as well. Education is empowerment, and it gives students the knowledge and skills they require to be college and career ready."

Throughout her many years of teaching, Mrs. Webb has taught grades K-9, all subjects, been an instructional coach for middle school, and served as grade level chair for several committees.

## Carr Receives Eagle Scout Honor



Local resident and Sampson Early College High School student James Edward Carr Jr believes that giving back to his community is important and that is exactly what he thought about when deciding what to do for his Eagle Scout project.

According to Carr, "Now to talk about my eagle scout project a little, for starters let me tell you a little about my project for those who don't know. My project was to put a historical marker for the lost town of Lisbon, this town disappeared between 1910 and 1920. The reason I did this is because not a lot of people knew that the town existed let alone that it was the center of commerce."

Carr goes on to explain, "Mr. David King gave me the idea for this project, and I enjoyed hearing him talk about how they floated logs down river for trade and how this area was once the center of commerce"

in Sampson County. I felt it needed to be recognized so through hours and hours of research we finally were able to accomplish this. The staff at the JC Holliday library was very helpful in my research. They also allowed me to house my research in the History room and helping me as I was completing my research with the microfilm equipment and inter-library loan program for which I am very grateful."

Carr also did all the fundraising for his project. He stated, "As far as fundraising, I thought that if I were to ask the right people, they would see the importance of this"

**EAGLE, see P. 3**

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WEEKLY VERSE

Do not withhold good from those who deserve it, when it is in your power to act.

Proverbs 3:27

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## From the Desk of Senator Brent Jackson

I hope you had a great week thus far. I would like to personally take a moment to thank all of those who reached out to both myself and my office concerning the fire on the farm this past Sunday. As a farmer, my family and I have had setbacks before and we've overcome them and I'm very positive and faithful that we'll be able to do this as well. Thank you to all of the local firefighters that worked to control and put out the flames. I am looking forward to continuing to work here in Raleigh as my colleagues and I work to complete the budget process here in the Senate.



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

### Legislative Recap Senate Budget

This week, the Senate Budget Chairs, including myself have been working on the proposed House Budget that was completed earlier last week. Throughout the rest of this month we will be meeting with our subcommittee chairs and staff in order to construct the best budget possible for all of North Carolina.

### From the District Sampson County

#### Sampson Trucking Program Number One in the State

According to reports released by the North Carolina Community College System,



Sampson Community College's Truck Driver Training Program is number one in the state regarding the number of FTEs, full-time hours taken by students.

Sampson's Truck Driver Training Program is among 24 other programs across the state at other community colleges.

The SCC program is a 350-hour course that provides students with training to assure driver responsibilities on and off the road. Program instructors say students are thoroughly trained both on the road and in the curriculum to ensure they possess the skills and knowledge to safely operate a commercial vehicle.

The program, started in 2006 with support from Golden LEAF and local businesses, trains class A and class B drivers that are critical to the regional economy. At the end of last year, the program and school received a Cannon Foundation grant of \$100,000 to be used to help fund the construction of a training site in the Sampson County Industrial Park on property that was donated by the Clinton 100 Committee.

While enrolled in the program, students are taught federal motor carrier regulations, vehicle inspections, general operations and maintenance, on the road driving, defensive driving, map reading, trip planning, cargo handling, size and weight restrictions, hours of service rules and accident prevention and distracted driving.

### District Spotlight

#### Clinton native Rogers headed to R&B Hall of Fame

In June, Rogers will be honored during the eighth annual ceremony for the National Rhythm & Blues Hall of Fame, becoming the first to receive The Tom Joyner Radio



Personality of the Year Award.

Founded in 2010, the R&B Hall of Fame has inducted more than 200 renowned R&B legends. Some of the inductees this year include Aretha Franklin, Stevie Wonder, H-Town, Guy and Henry Cosby. Rogers is proud to be a part of the ceremony and receiving a special award named after Joyner, a popular nationally syndicated radio show host heard in many cities across the United States.

After graduating from Clinton High School in the early 1980s, Rogers attended the University of the District of Columbia and later began working in the promotional world of boxing. It led to a career in public relations and the music industry.

He worked with legends such as The Manhattans, The Whispers, The O'Jays, Gladys Knight, Maze featuring Frankie Beverly and members of The Temptations. A close relationship was also formed with Joe Jackson, patriarch of the Jackson Family and former manager of The Jackson 5. During his career, Rogers also spent time with comedians such as Steve Harvey and Tommy Davidson.

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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Dear Richard,

Even though it has been a year it still feels like yesterday. You were laughing so happy and in a flash you had passed away. We can't tell you how many times we've asked the question why? But God said there is a season for everything under the sun so I guess it was simply time.

Richard you were greatly loved now you are deeply missed. You were always there for everyone whenever they needed you it was your gift. You took life on armed with hard work and a smile. Always eager to assist someone all the while, you had pain you faced challenges like everybody else. Yet you were so willing to help you gave even at the expense of yourself. Through the good and bad the ups and downs, you took it in stride the world threw it's best punch at you but it never kept you down.

We miss you Richard, we miss your ability to make everyone laugh. We miss hearing your voice, we miss seeing you happily cut the grass. We miss seeing you come out of work somedays we have to catch ourselves because we are still looking for you. Truth be told we can't say the words "great day" without thinking of you. Holidays just aren't the same because they are missing you. We miss the Merry Christmas wish, the Happy New Year's call or the discussions about firing up the grill for future barbecues. We miss hearing you talk about the news or your favorite tv show. We even miss your refusal to let small things go. Today won't be easy because we will be thinking of you. Yet we will remember the good ole times like you would want us to do. Thank you for every gift you gave we cherish every memory made. I hope you are enjoying streets of gold a place where it's always sunny. So rest peacefully ol friend Goodbye for now or as you would always say See you later buddy.

Johnnie, Debra, Zara, Josiah, and Joshua



**EAGLE, cont. from P. 1**

project and would help fund it. I sincerely appreciate your confidence in not only this project but in me and supporting my Eagle goal. I raised \$4209 over the amount needed which was very encouraging. Once we got the funds, we ordered the sign and set the date for the installation, this took a total of 2 days to complete. This project in total took about a year to a year and a half because of all the things my family had to do and all the time it took to get all the information for the project.”

And being the honorable Boy Scout that he is, “Once we were done, we had the extra funds \$1209 and were trying to figure out what would be the responsible thing to do with it. I remembered that the Sampson County Historical Society invited me to present and then gave me financial support as well. I asked my scout leaders and they agreed that donating the additional funds to the Sampson County Historical Society would be very appropriate. I am hoping that Historical Society can put this towards another Historical Marker and show Sampson County citizens and visitor’s another place where there was more than what you see now. We have a rich history and it deserves to be told.”

James Carr explained his love for the Scouts, “My scout journey has been a fun one and I have enjoyed every bit of it. It started as me being a tiger scout in pack 27, then finishing up my Webloes in pack 70, then moving through all the ranks in boy scouts in the troop I am currently in, troop 80. I have had enjoyed every minute of scouts and have learned a lot through all the merit badges I have earned throughout the years, things I will use all throughout life things like personal finance, first aid, shooting sports, and many more. Mr. Tom Turlington for leading one of my favorite badges Astronomy and your support throughout my journey to Eagle.”

In closing Edwards wanted to thank those who helped him along the journey, “People I would like to thank: my parents and my mentors Mr. David King and Mr. Joel Rose; Rotary Club of Clinton both the day time and evening clubs for allowing me to share my project with you, Senator Brent Jackson for aiding me by flying the NC flag over the state capital in my honor on by board of review date and US Representative David Rouzer for flying the US flag over the US Capital building on the same day January 4. I appreciate Mayor Winifred Murphy for being a part of my ceremony along with our Pastor Steve Wilkins, Mr. Jimmy Sinclair for advice on mixing concrete, my fellow scout friends for helping me with my project Hunter Bruce, Janzen Rose, Joshua Lamb, Ayden Lamb, and Conner Johnson. Also, Spencer Westerbeek and Diego Fleury-Mendible for your efforts at my ceremony. I sincerely all those who have supported me throughout my scout journey in Cub Scout group Pack 27, Troop 70 and including my leaders of Troop 80, Scoutmaster Roger Jessup and Assistant Scout Leaders Michael and Jennifer Bradley and Natalie Lamb and everyone who came out to my ceremony my family and I appreciate your time.”

James Edward Carr Jr exemplifies what it means to be an Eagle Scout: “Eagle Scout is the highest achievement or rank attainable in the Scouts BSA program of the Boy Scouts of America (BSA). Since its inception in 1911, only four percent of Scouts have earned this rank after a lengthy review process. The Eagle Scout rank has been earned by over 2.5 million youth.

Requirements include earning at least 21 merit badges. The Eagle Scout must demonstrate Scout Spirit, an ideal attitude based upon the Scout Oath and Law, service, and leadership. This includes an extensive service project that the Scout plans, organizes, leads, and manages. Eagle Scouts are presented with a medal and a badge that visibly recognizes the accomplishments of the Scout. Additional recognition can be earned through Eagle Palms, awarded for completing additional tenure, leadership, and merit badge requirements.”

Carr surely represents Sampson County students and residents in an exemplary fashion. Keep up the good work!

**BUDGET, cont. from P. 1**

-Hurricane Florence. Sampson County expended approximately \$1,500,000 for this event. Much of this expenditure is expected to be reimbursed from State and federal resources.

-Economic Development. Need for major emphasis being put on Economic Development to increase tax base.

Other budget highlights included: the Revaluation, the new EMS Building, Health Department Accreditation, and the Public Water System.

According to the County Manager, the Budget Drivers included the following:

1. Sales Tax. We are projecting an increase in sales tax revenue of \$198,000.
2. Property Tax Revenues. Property tax collections are expected to increase by \$673,792 (net of incentives). We are projecting a collection rate of 97%.
3. Fund Balance Appropriated. We are appropriating approximately \$2,111,000 to balance the budget. We are expecting lapsed salaries and benefits to negate up to \$1,880,000 of this appropriation. The remaining \$231,000 is included for hurricane preparedness expenditures and equipment/technological needs.
4. Capital Outlay Funding for Public Schools. The city school system has requested \$385,000 in capital outlay funding. We are proposing to fund same at \$322,847. The County school system has requested \$1,602,947 for annual capital outlay. We are proposing to fund \$867,153. We are requesting that both school systems provide a final list of approved planned projects based on actual funding approved.
5. Current Expense Funding for Public Schools. It is unfortunate that we do not have more new revenues available to fund additional operating expenses for both school systems. The County schools have requested that the per pupil allocation from the County be raised to \$1,237 per student (an increase in funding of \$1,305,211). The City schools requested that their per pupil allocation for operating expenses be raised to \$1,171. This would increase their allocation by \$308,550. In 2016, we proposed a formula for funding operational expenses for the school systems that would increase funding by 19.5% of our increase in general revenues. In this budget, we are proposing to increase per pupil funding from \$1,069 to \$1,128. This totals \$404,862 in increased funding for operations. The actual total funding yields a percentage of 20%, exceeding the minimum goal of 19.5%. The percentage increase based on additional funding is 19.85 % and represents an increase of 3.4%. We continue to make a diligent effort to at least proportionately consider the needs of all our funding partners when available financial resources are less than requested.
6. Sampson Community College. We are proposing to increase funding for the Community College’s operating expenses by \$48,195. This increase represents a 3.4% increase in operational funding which is the same percentage increase received by the school systems. The Community College requested that \$985,000 be approved for capital expenditures, and we are recommending that \$250,000 be approved plus an additional \$25,000 for debris removal.
7. Cost of Living Increase. We are recommending a COLA of 2% for County employees in this budget. It is important to note that no COLA was approved last year and only .75% the year before. When the pay plan was completed, the plan also recom-

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James Edward Carr Jr is the son of Ed Carr and Linda Jewel Carr. He is a member of Graves Memorial Presbyterian Church and is also active as the Vice President of Every Buddies Kids Club, 4Youth Teen Council 4H group, Troop 80 scouts, and works part time at the Sampson Community Theatre doing lights and sound.

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# LOCAL NEWS

## BUDGET, cont. from P. 3

mended that we establish a plan for employees progressing through their pay grade. It was recommended that we try to get employees to the midpoint of their grade within 10 years. We have not made any progress with this recommendation but recognize its importance. Using July 2015 as the beginning point for this evaluation, we are proposing to increase salaries for employees with one year of service in their current grade as of July 31, 2019 by \$450; two years by \$550, three years by \$650, and four years by \$750. In the last two years, State employees working with the school system received raises of 2.2% and 2.0 % respectively, while teachers in the last two years received raises of 3.3% and 6.5% respectively. Last year, the Community College increased the state proposed COLA of 2% to 3% for their employees and included more than \$100,000 for merit raises. The County has not funded any merit raises for any County employee in the past 10 years.

8. Retirement System Contributions. The County's contribution for our share of the regular employees' retirement fund will increase by 1.2%. We have also been advised that required contributions will increase an additional 1.2% for each of the next two years as well. We are also proposing to delay retirement and 401k contributions for six months for new employees unless an exception is granted by the County manager.

9. Health Insurance Sampson County is self-ensured for the first \$150,000 of claims per employee. We have expended more than \$1.2 million dollars in claims this year over the previous year to date. In addition, there are significant claims for our insurance provider that will also cause that policy premium to increase. Therefore, we are proposing a \$40 per month increase in health insurance for each employee to be paid by the County. We will be closely reviewing and evaluating health insurance during the next year. It is quite likely that we will need to adjust our health plans and or premiums.

10. Commissioner Compensation The compensation for County commissioners has not been adjusted in at least nine years. We did a survey of commissioner salaries of the surrounding counties and are proposing a total increase of \$28,151. This proposed increase represents the approximate average of the counties surveyed.

11. Debt Service—Vehicles In the recommended budget, we are proposing to replace 17 Sheriff's vehicles, 1 ambulance, one vehicle for a fire inspector, one QRV (Quick Response Vehicle), 2 vehicles for Social Services, 1 truck for Recreation, 3 vehicles for the Health Department, and 1 truck for Public Works and 2 trucks for the water system.

12. Capital Reserves The proposed deposit for the County's capital reserve account is \$350,000. Of these funds, we propose to spend \$75,000 on roof repairs at the Sheriff's Office; \$30,000 for Detention Center pod security; \$50,000 on Detention Center showers; \$2,700 for carpet at the EM building; and \$46,000 for Animal Shelter stainless steel cages. This leaves \$146,300 for actual deposit to the reserve account.

13. Fire Districts. The Taylor's Bridge Fire Department is requesting an increase in the fire tax for both of their established districts to a new rate of \$.10 for each. They are planning to build a new substation and purchase a new firetruck. The County is in the process of verifying all the existing fire districts in GIS. This process is involved and will not be completed before the end of the fiscal year. Thus, we are unable to recommend consideration of this rate increase at this time.

14. Personnel. Our ceiling for fulltime employees as of the July 1, 2018 budget was 543. The Board of Commissioners have approved the hiring of three School Resource Officers to be assigned to the Sheriff's Office. In addition, the Department of Social Services has given up two positions per the cost savings plan that was approved several years ago. Thus, our fulltime employee base as of July 1, 2019 will be 544 employees.

15. Fire Inspections. We added a new fire inspector two years ago with the intention that this position would be self-supporting. This goal of self-sufficiency for the position has not been realized due to time spent on disaster related activities. We are closely monitoring revenue receipts in this area.

16. Transportation Department. We are pleased with the accomplishments of our new Transportation Department. Projected revenues are close to our projected budget. We are concerned about the potential impact of Medicaid Transformation on our Transportation budget.

17. Department of Social Services. Our Social Services Department continues to offer many vital services for Sampson County residents with limited resources. These residents are particularly impacted during storm/ disaster events. The department has done a good job of operating within their budget. Their increases are related directly to increases in salaries and benefits. We continue to be concerned regarding the efficiency of the NC Fast system and its impact on program implementation.

18. Disaster Preparedness. We have included \$100,000 to assist with disaster preparedness. This funding will be used to improve the electrical wiring for the existing generators at Union and Clinton High Schools.

19. Technology/Equipment. We have included \$362,000 in the budget to upgrade or replace approximately 300 computers that will include Microsoft 10. Continuing with Microsoft 7 after January 2020 is not a viable option because it will no longer receive technical support. Likewise, the current system using Microsoft 7 will be at risk after this date. This proposal will allow us to leverage new virtual technology which is becoming the standard for computer deployments. We will be proposing an equipment/technology reserve fund in future budgets.

20. Sheriff's Department. The budget for the Sheriff's Office is increasing by \$550,494. Much of the increase is for salary increases, benefits, and the addition of three school resource officers and COLAs for the personnel. Of this amount, \$150,000 is offset by a school grant of \$150,000 for the school resource officers.

21. Detention Center. The Detention Center budget is increasing by \$584,559. Of this amount, \$80,000 is included for building improvements; \$75,000 is also included for roof repairs. Most of the balance is related to increased personnel costs because of the proposed

COLA. There is an additional \$67,000 included for increased salaries for those employees designated as Detention Officers because of a reclassification review.

22. Elections. The original budget for Elections has increased by \$31,643. There are additional monies in reserve if needed for an additional election.

23. Emergency Medical Services. The EMS budget reflects an increase of \$276,933. Of this, \$163,441 is for a new ambulance.

24. Animal Shelter The budget for the Animal Shelter has increased approximately \$47,000. The County is working diligently to improve operations. Last year, we began a three year program of replacing all of the dog pens with stainless steel cages. We are in the second year of this program.

25. Water System. Our Public Works department is committed to providing water to as many rural residents in Sampson County as economically feasible and desired. Within the water system budget, we have included \$200,000 for providing several miles of additional lines. The long hours of work and planning are beginning to show positive results.

In summary Manager Causey stated, "The financial position of the County continues to be sound. Last year's expenditures for storm-related expenses of approximately \$1,500,000 vividly demonstrates the importance of maintaining and improving a solid fund balance. A significant portion of these expenditures will be reimbursed at some point. We pointed out in last year's message that the previous two years had seen an uptick in revenues that are not indicative of future reasoned expectations. Last year was a more normal year based on current knowledge/expectations of budget forecasting. This year's budget with some minor increases follows that same pattern. Likewise, we have tried to ensure that our primary funding partners receive proportional consideration for increases in revenues. We recognize that expressed needs are greater than available funding. However, we consider it imperative that we move forward with a moderate to conservative financial outlook, understanding the potential for unexpected budget challenges. The potential of future catastrophic weather events, the costs that could be encumbered as Medicaid Transformation is further developed and implemented, and the potential challenges with our health insurance are three examples of potential budget challenges."

Continuing Causey said, "There has been much positive discussion during the year regarding the need for economic development. The Board of Commissioners has demonstrated their commitment by establishing an economic development fund with an initial contribution of \$1,500,000 and annual deposits to this fund of \$250,000. The Chairman has worked tirelessly over the last year in making presentations to various groups in Sampson County and meeting with multiple State and federal resources regarding funding opportunities. Our Board understands the potential of economic development to improve the lives of Sampson County citizens and to make us a vibrant County for many decades. Just as important, they understand that economic development is a must for future growth, particularly in our tax base, and not just a need. The Board clearly recognizes the unmet needs of both our funding partners and departments. They further understand that that significant increases in the funding for our funding partners and departments will be extremely difficult without significant increases in our tax base that are generated from prudent, vigorous economic development."

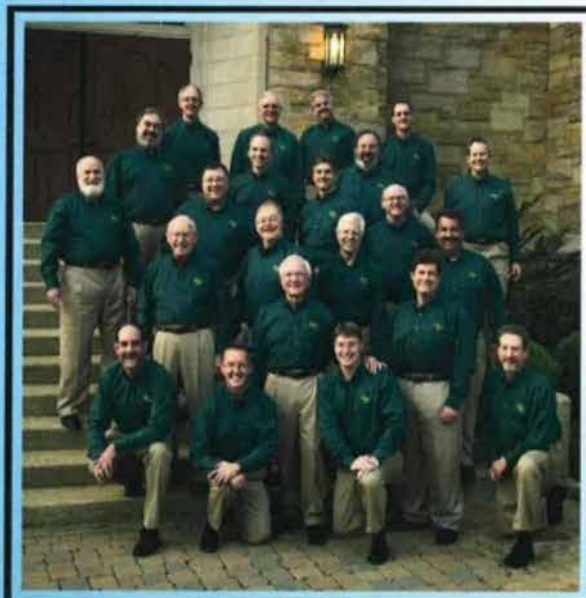
"The Board of Commissioners has worked diligently in recent years to improve our human infrastructure, our services provided, our reserves for maintaining our physical infrastructure, and funding for our educational partners," noted Causey. "We believe the course of actions to date have been taken with sound deliberation. Likewise, we believe the committed course of action to proactively promote economic development is sound, well thought, and very much needed. Even though our current financial position is sound, it is imperative that we significantly grow our tax base in the next 3-5 years in order to have a chance to adequately meet the future needs of all of our citizens. We are optimistic regarding Sampson County's potential for determining and influencing our economic future. I look forward to working closely with the Board of Commissioners, the citizens of Sampson County, our many partners, and our employees as we continue the journey to improve and grow our County."

The public Hearing on the 2019-2020 Sampson County Budget is scheduled for 6:00pm on June 3rd at the County Complex located at 435 Rowan Road in Clinton. All citizens are urged to attend.

The entire budget is available for public inspection in the Office of the Clerk to the Board, County Administration Building, 406 County Complex Road in Clinton between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m., weekdays. The proposed budget may also be viewed online at <https://bit.ly/2qPWT0G>, and budget comments are welcomed at [budgetcomments@sampsonnc.com](mailto:budgetcomments@sampsonnc.com).

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# We Should Know . . .



Curtis Godwin and Keith Dunn with JW Simmons Host of We Should Know

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

The topic for this week's show is Cannabidiol (CBD) or hemp and the guests for the show are Curtis Godwin and Keith Dunn (CEO) of East Coast Hemp Supply in Dunn, NC.

JW Simmons begins the show asking his guests how they came to be part of a company centered on the growth and manufacture of hemp.

Keith Dunn explains, "I grew up on my father's farm and I wanted to become a doctor so, I left the farm and went to East Carolina University where I obtained my Biology degree. After I graduated, I ended up working at Wake Med and I saw the politics and legislation being passed for the 2014 Farm Bill, and I watched all these states kind of come on board with hemp pilot programs. That's where I started drawing some interest to this industry."

"In 2015, I saw it coming up in legislation in North Carolina and as soon as it was passed, I took a leap of faith, quit my job at the hospital to kind of tie everything together between the farming and biology."

Next, Simmons turns to Curtis Godwin to ask, once you go all in there's really no looking back. Godwin agrees stating, "No there's not. Like he said it's a leap of faith and for myself coming from a purely agricultural background - I've farmed for 20 years, I grew up on a tobacco and sweet potato farm - It's a different bird in some aspects but we find that we have more problems with the stigma of the name than the actual growing of in the state and its definitely a work in progress."

Simmons asks about the stigma related to hemp and the connection or lack of connection to THC, the psychedelic compound in marijuana.

"That's right," says Godwin. "We're regulated by the government in that we can only have plants that test out at 0.3% THC or less. Anything more than that technically has to be destroyed so there's no way that anything more than a negligible amount of the chemical can reach the open market from us."

Simmons next explains that Keith Dunn has actually met with law enforcement and others to explain the difference between hemp and marijuana. He asks Dunn if he

thinks he's over the hurdle when it comes to the stigma.

"I like to explain it like this," says Dunn. "It's the same exact plant. Its cannabis sativa. A long time ago it may have started in one way, but it has been bred in two separate directions. The marijuana side they breed it to have a whole bunch of THC, where the industrial side for hemp just has very little THC. A negligible amount."

Next, Simmons says that those people in the industry who work with cannabis on a routine basis can actually tell the difference between marijuana and hemp by sight.

Godwin explains, "Well there are a lot of factors that go into it, touch, smell, everything else. Genetically we basically have the same plants, so it does pose some problems. There are some tests the government and local law enforcement have to see if there's THC in certain plants. And those, we're in the process of trying to help rework because a lot of them are very outdated. They'll pick up even the most minute amount of THC. Something like ours which has 0.3% THC would make the thing go absolutely crazy."

"So, we're working with those folks, we're working with the state, with anybody willing to work with us to get better tests and equipment in the hands of field operatives so that we don't have problems with miss-identification as far as plants go."

Godwin adds, "It's like seeing a black snake and a copperhead, when you see one you know which one is bad. But you do have to have some experience with it to know which one is bad."

"The biggest thing we're fighting now is the negative connotation that comes from saying hemp. And basically, we're fighting these decades old stigma but everything in this country that is anti-hemp comes from the Hearst news machine of the 1920s and 1930s. William Randolph Hearst has massive amounts of investment in forests for trees for his newspapers. He owned, I think, 80% of the newspapers in the United States."

"Well, they found out that you could make paper from hemp, and he didn't have any hemp investments so, he ran a smear campaign. That's when the movie Reefer Madness came out in the 1930s. Everything and all the legislation stemmed from William Randolph Hearst."

Next, Simmons says that hemp has a long, deep history internationally, but also particularly in the south. He asks one of his guests to discuss the history of hemp.

"Keith Dunn begins, "The western countries are really behind. All the other countries in the world, and there's a lot of them - Canada, Asia, and Europe never stopped growing it. Canada did stop but started back in 1999. Europe's been growing it for decades. So, western civilization is a little bit behind because of the whole Reefer Madness campaign back in the 30s and early 40s."

Godwin adds, "Utilization, that's why Europe never stopped growing it. With their dwindling natural resources such as forest and the ability to have trees for paper they had to come up with another way to do that. And they do it in large part with hemp."

"And you know growing hemp in this state is a lot like growing tobacco. You get slapped on the back one minute and hit in the face another. During WWII there where huge drives to grow hemp for the war effort. It was ok for that, but once the war was over it was Katy bar the door again."

"I tell people all the time even when I visit my farmers, I want our company to do well and I want our growers to do well, but ultimately our main end goal in this is the promotion and success of hemp in the state of North Carolina and the US."

To view the entire broadcast of We Should Know please visit their YouTube channel at [www.youtube.com/user/StarVisionCable](http://www.youtube.com/user/StarVisionCable).

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## FAMILY FEATURES

There's no time like a hot summer picnic to let your patriotic spirit show. These all-American snacks featuring a classic favorite fruit – watermelon – are the perfect solution for nearly any summertime celebration.

Watermelon is a patriotic picnic staple for countless reasons, not the least of which is that it's a beloved treat that many people associate with memories from childhood. However, nostalgia isn't the only reason adults are just as likely to gravitate toward watermelon at a summer event. Its sweet, cool and refreshing flavor also makes it a favorite for all ages.

From a practical standpoint, watermelon is also quite portable, versatile and easy to serve, and with a composition of 92% water, it's a simple way to sneak in some extra hydration on a hot day. Another benefit is its value; watermelon is one of the best values in the produce section among fruit, and just one watermelon can feed up to three dozen people.

Serving watermelon at a party can be as simple as slicing wedges, or you can prepare a dish such as:

- A fruit basket, with the rind serving as a colorful bowl to hold the watermelon and other fresh fruits.
- A charcuterie board with a selection of fruit, cheese and protein for simple snacking.
- Creamy parfaits, perfect for a summery brunch or alternative to more traditional desserts.
- A creatively colorful and patriotic “cake” that makes for a tasty centerpiece on the dessert table.

Find more ideas for incorporating watermelon into your summer festivities at [watermelon.org](http://watermelon.org).

### Red, White and Blue Watermelon Parfait

- 1 cup blueberries
- 1 container (6 ounces) Greek yogurt (vanilla, lemon or coconut)
- 1 cup watermelon, plus three pieces diced watermelon whipped cream, for serving

In pint canning jar, layer blueberries, yogurt and 1 cup watermelon. Top with whipped cream and garnish with three diced watermelon pieces.

**Note:** To make ahead or make thicker, drain Greek yogurt on paper towels to absorb some liquid.



Red, White and Blue Watermelon Parfait

# Sweet, Refreshing Summer Snacks

### Patriotic Fruit Salad

- 1 watermelon honeydew blueberries

Slice 1/4 inch off bottom of watermelon, lengthwise, to create stable base.

Use pencil to draw zig-zag lines for basket opening. Using paring knife, make cuts through rind.

Carefully remove top section, pull out large chunks of flesh and cut them into 3-by-3-inch squares.

Trim 3/4-inch thick slices off squares to use for cutting out stars with 1 1/2-3-inch, star-shaped cookie cutters.

Use ice cream scoop to remove flesh from inside basket and cut scoops into quarters for fruit salad. Place in bottom of basket. Add honeydew and blueberries; stir to combine. Cut out white stripes from honeydew.

Garnish top of fruit salad with watermelon stars, honeydew stripes and blueberries.



Patriotic Fruit Salad

### Patriotic Charcuterie Board

- 1/2 medium seedless watermelon, cut into wedges
- 1/2 cup fresh raspberries
- 1 1/2 cups fresh blueberries
- 10 strawberries (dipped in white chocolate, if desired)
- 5 ounces fresh goat cheese
- 1/2 cup toasted, salted cashews
- 2 ounces cured meats like prosciutto, pancetta, coppa, salami, soppressata, sausage or pepperoni
- 1 Honeycrisp apple, cored and sliced
- lemon juice
- fresh basil leaves

On large board or platter, arrange watermelon, raspberries, blueberries, strawberries, cheese, cashews, meat and apples. Drizzle fruit with lemon juice. Garnish with basil leaves before serving.



Patriotic Charcuterie Board

### Flag Kebab Cake

- 1 pint fresh, washed blackberries
- 12 wooden skewers
- 1 seedless watermelon, flesh cut into 1-inch cubes
- 1 angel food cake, cut into 1-inch cubes (white part only)
- dips, such as yogurt, chocolate, caramel or marshmallow (optional)

Thread five blackberries on each of five skewers, followed by alternating watermelon and cake cubes.

On remaining skewers, alternate watermelon and cake so first and last cubes are watermelon. Place skewers on platter; fruit and cake will create stars and stripes when lined properly.

Serve with dips, if desired.



Flag Kebab Cake

### Easy Summer Thirst Quencher

A simple fruit-infused water can give your summer event an instant upgrade in no time at all. Add extra dimension and complexity to the flavor by adding some of your favorite herbs like basil and mint.

#### Watermelon-Infused Water

- 2 cups watermelon balls or cubes
- 1 cup other fruit, such as berries
- herbs, such as basil or mint

Place watermelon, fruit and herbs in pitcher and cover with water. For best flavor, allow to chill in refrigerator at least 30 minutes before serving.





# What's Happening

By Angela Martin

at **SCT**



### Upcoming Auditions!

Auditions for our next production - Shrek - is slated for Saturday, May 25 at 10 am. The production follows the story of Shrek, an ogre who wanted to be just left alone in his beloved swamp but other fairy tale characters are forced to move in. This production follows Shrek's journey with Donkey to free the Princess Fiona. The musical is filled with fun and lovable characters. The production will be held in August and we are looking for numerous people of all ages to fill these roles. The auditions will not be held at the community theatre, however, they will be held at 213 Sampson Street. When you come to auditions, please be prepared to sing a song and possibly do a cold reading from the scripts. Our director will be looking for all types of people to portray these memorable roles and we encourage everyone to come out and be part of this fantastic production.

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## Midway's Logan Patrick Makes History Winning Back-to-Back State Titles



**Raider men named runner-up in state golf championships**

Logan Patrick has done something no one else has done – the 17-year-old Midway High School junior has won back-to-back individual state titles in golf.

The golfing standout won his second consecutive individual state title on Tuesday at the Longleaf Golf Club in Southern Pines.

"That was the plan the whole time," Patrick said of his win. "After last year, our team wanted to set a goal to get back there [to state championship] and if we had the opportunity, to go in there to win."

Patrick shot a 71 on Monday and a 74 in the final on Tuesday (145 total) – two shots ahead of Chase Clayton of West Stanly High School.

The Midway standout came into the final day of the tournament as the lone player under par in the field. While he gave a few shots back to the course, he maintained a comfortable lead for the majority of the day, posting a 2-over, 74, on the final day of competition. Patrick's lone birdie of the final round came on the par 3 sixth hole.

Though he trailed by five shots entering the day, Clayton feverishly tried to chase Patrick down during the final round. Clayton posted a round with five birdies on the card, four of them on the back nine. His efforts led to a 1-under, 71, in the final round and a second-place finish.

Last year, Patrick was named the NCHSAA 2-A Golf Individual State Champion and the Midway Raiders men's golf team won the state championship.

This season, the Raiders, as a team, have been nothing short of sensational.

For his part, Patrick was named Conference Player of the Year with an average of 73.2 and medaled in six out of the seven tournaments that he and the team had appeared in.

At Regionals, Patrick shot a 68 to top the scoring and secured Midway's place in the NCHSAA 2-A State Golf Championship that took place earlier this week.

The team practiced on the Longleaf Golf course Sunday, then opened the state championships on Monday and finished on Tuesday.

"The conditions were tough," said MHS head golf coach Glen Patrick. "There were 25 mph winds and it really wasn't the perfect conditions to play in, but the guys went out and did a great job."

When it was all said and done, the Raiders, as a team, were named runner-up champs (behind Lake Norman Charter - their first-ever title) and Patrick was the top scorer.

"The conditions were really bad," said the Raider standout. "The wind was a huge problem both days and the greens were really firm (fast)."

Going into the first day of the tournament, Patrick said that he was ready to play. "I told myself that I wanted to go in and

finish at two under. By about the fifth hole, I felt pretty good. I was just playing each hole – one at a time."

On the second day of the tournament, conditions did not improve. "The weather was actually supposed to be calmer the second day," Patrick said. "But it was about the same. I set out wanting to shoot better than I did on day one ..."

He continued, "I was playing with the guy who came in second place (Chase Clayton), so I was really playing off of what he was doing."

Patrick finished with a 2-over par with a 74 enough to win his second consecutive NCHSAA 2-A Individual State Golf Championship.

"I wasn't too happy with the way I played (the second day)," he admitted. "I really was just playing each hole the best I could with the conditions."

This week Logan has been named the Performance Auto/Sampson Weekly Star Athlete of the Week award for his amazing accomplishment.

"As a dad and as a coach, what Logan has done is really unbelievable," said Glen Patrick. "It's hard enough to win one state championship, but to win two ... Back-to-back? It is amazing."

Logan is the first from Sampson County (and the entire state, according to the NCHSAA) to achieve such a feat in the individual category.

"He has accomplished a lot this season," said Coach Patrick. "He's a very smart player. He is always working on his game and he sets goals for himself. I am just really proud of him."

The coach said that he is also proud of his team.

"These guys can't hold their heads down," he explains. "They came in runner's up to over 12 teams and 80 boys ... I knew it was tough on them, but hey, I will take it. To finish second over a lot of really good teams is not easy and I am really proud of every one of them."

Lake Norman Charter won the team championship with a total of 617 (+41) and the Raider men took second with a total of 648 (+72). Third place went to West Lincoln with a 672 (+96), and in fourth place was East Lincoln with a total of 675 (+99).

"We are very proud of Logan and the accomplishments of our golf team," said Midway High School Athletic Director Jason Fussell. "They represent the Midway community very well."

What most people didn't know about Logan was that last August, an MRI showed a mass on Logan's left shoulder. Luckily, it was just that, however, it had to be removed.

"He took 12 weeks of physical therapy determined to get back," said his father. "He was a little rusty coming back, but he got to it and put the work in and got it together."

Logan admits the injury changed his swing a "little".

"I just worked hard to get back at it," he said. "My swing changed a little, but other than that, it is basically the same."

Logan, a Sampson County native, was introduced to golf by his father at the age of 3, by the time he was 7, he was competing in tournaments.

"I was really big into baseball when I was younger," Logan explains. "I played both sports until I was like 11 or 12."

Patrick said it came to a point where he had to make a decision on continuing to play baseball (as shortstop and pitcher) or focus on golf.

"I was going from travel baseball to golf and I was changing shirts in the car," he remembers. "To be honest, I was really burnt out at the time because I kept going back and forth ... I loved golf, so that it what I chose."

Although his father introduced him to golf all those years ago, it was Logan that put in the work and discovered his own

playing style.

"I have never been a really big fan of watching on television," he said. "I was out playing golf as much as I could. From that, I found out what worked best for me. I am still learning things and trying things with my game. I am not above asking another player how he played a shot or getting some tip that I can add to my game. I want to learn all I can about try it out."

While most players would relax on their newfound success, Logan said that he continually tweaks his game.

"My favorite subject is science and the reason I like that subject is because I have always liked experiments," he explains. "It is all about finding out and trying new things – that works with what I do with my golf game."

A straight 'A-B' student, Logan says he is planning on going to college and playing golf. However, he is currently undecided on which college he will attend and what he wants to study.

"I am going to see what all of my options are," he said, "and then I will go from there."

While he still has his senior year left of high school, Logan said that he wants to enjoy every bit of it.

"I know that I am going to miss this school when I go," he said. "I hear a lot of people say that they can't wait to get out and graduate. But, when you really think about it, we really do have it made. We don't have the worries of being an adult. We can just go to school and work hard – some people just don't realize that."

It also helps that helps that the staff and administration at Midway High has worked hard over the years to celebrate the students and create a safe and compassionate atmosphere.

"It is like a family here," Logan said. "It is not that big of a school, so everyone knows each other. They look out for each other – it is a lot like a family."

But the success is measured by the work that is put in – and Logan has always had a strong work ethic.

"He works hard," said Logan's coach and father. "He sets a goal for himself and goes after it."

"I got that from my grandfather [Jerry Patrick]," Logan says. "He was a really hard worker and he was the biggest influence on my life."

Sadly, his grandfather passed a few years ago.

"I was really lucky because he lived just down the street from me," he explains. "He was my best friend. So, after he passed away, the only thing I focused on was golf. I wanted to work hard on my game to be able to play better."

Grandpa Jerry also gave Logan some good advice.

"He always said that he wasn't going to do it unless he did it 110 percent," Logan said. "That is what I've always tried to do."

When asked what advice he would give to an upcoming freshman at Midway High, the golf champ says, "I would tell them that if they had a dream to go out and try to make it happen," he said "Set up your goals and go out and work hard to achieve them."

Logan and the rest of the Raiders will be honored at the school's upcoming Athletic Banquet and after will be working hard over the summer preparing for his final year of high school.

Is it possible for a 3-peat next year?

"Oh yeah," says Logan. "That is what we are shooting for. That's how we came in this season, our goal was getting back to the State Championship. We set our goal and that is what we did. ... If we come in with that focus, we will have an opportunity."

Coach Patrick is just as excited.

"Well, we got a lot of great work from our freshmen this season," adds Coach Patrick. "We are going to be young, but I am really looking forward to it."

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## Clinton City Schools' APRIL 2019 Students of the Month



L. C. Kerr School: Jace Warren- Grade K, Butler Avenue School: Tyliek Capers- Grade 2, Sunset Avenue School: Bobby Copeland- Grade 4, Sampson Middle School: Bella Boney- Grade 7, Clinton High School: Jumari Brown- Grade 11

## BAS Raises Money For American Hear Association



Butler Avenue School Principal Mr. Robert Turlington proudly announced that Butler Avenue School has raised a total of \$5,415.40 for the American Heart Association. This effort was spearheaded by their Physical Education Teacher Ms. Amanda Owens. The top student fundraiser was 2nd grader Brody White, who raised a total of \$500.00 for this event. As a reward for meeting the \$5,000.00 threshold, Butler Avenue School will receive a \$500.00 U.S. Games gift card to be used for the purchase of P.E. equipment.

## Clinton City Schools' 2019-2020 School-Level Teachers of The Year



L. C. Kerr School - Ms. Faith Howell, Butler Avenue School - Ms. Sandra Ward, Sunset Avenue School - Ms. Khrissy Smith, Sampson Middle School - Ms. Stacy Simmons, Clinton High School - Mr. Thomas Maskell

## Mitchell to Compete at NC HOSA Competition



Abby Mitchell, a student at Clinton High School, has won first place at the NC HOSA Competition in the Life Support Skills competitive event. This is Abby's second year winning at the state level, which qualifies her to compete at the International HOSA Conference in Orlando Florida, June 18-22, 2019.

## Medical Assisting Students Get Pinned at SCC



Back row from left to right are Yenmi Cartagena, Ti-Nisha Gillespie, Shinika Nicole Bronson, Elizabeth Boyette, Savannah Royal, and marshal, Jessica O'Hare. Front row are Pamela Rios-Galvan, Jessica Fisher, instructor Sherri J. Dunn, CMA and program director, Misti T. Wood, CMA.

## Paramedic Program Student Graduates at SCC



(Left to right) Angela Magill, Department Chair, congratulates Paramedic Graduate Kimberly Owens, along with Paramedic Student, Michaela Lazo and James DeMay, Lead Instructor for EMS Programs.

## SCC's ADN Nurses Graduate



Sampson Community College celebrated its Associate Degree Nursing graduates with the 2019 Pinning Ceremony this week. Pictured are (front row, left to right) Katie Rose, Maricela Toribio-Torres, Jessica Tart, Shanessa Jordan, Cari Dickinson, Elena Castillo, Lydia Halstead, Shanell Baig, Jennifer Burrows, Elizabeth Cottle, Laurie Garcia and Hannah Shipp. Secon row, left to right are Ashley Smith, D'Anna Sessoms, Jennifer Whitfield, Shannon Gardner, Cameron Jackson, Tabitha Strickland, Amy Ammons, Elena Jenkins, Wayne Kempton, Yanceda Polk-Nichols and Priscilla Prunczik. Third row, left to right, are Kineshia McRavin, Chelsie Kennedy, Sabrina Hobson, Brittany Andrew, Blanca Luviano, Kailey Odom, Allyson Parker and Alyson West. Top row, left to right, are Chandra Harris, Semaya Price, Heather Scherber, Adam Wunsch, Traviors Harris, Justin Lugo, Marybeth Hall, Malorie Grubbs and Letisha Lewis.

**Dream Believe Achieve**

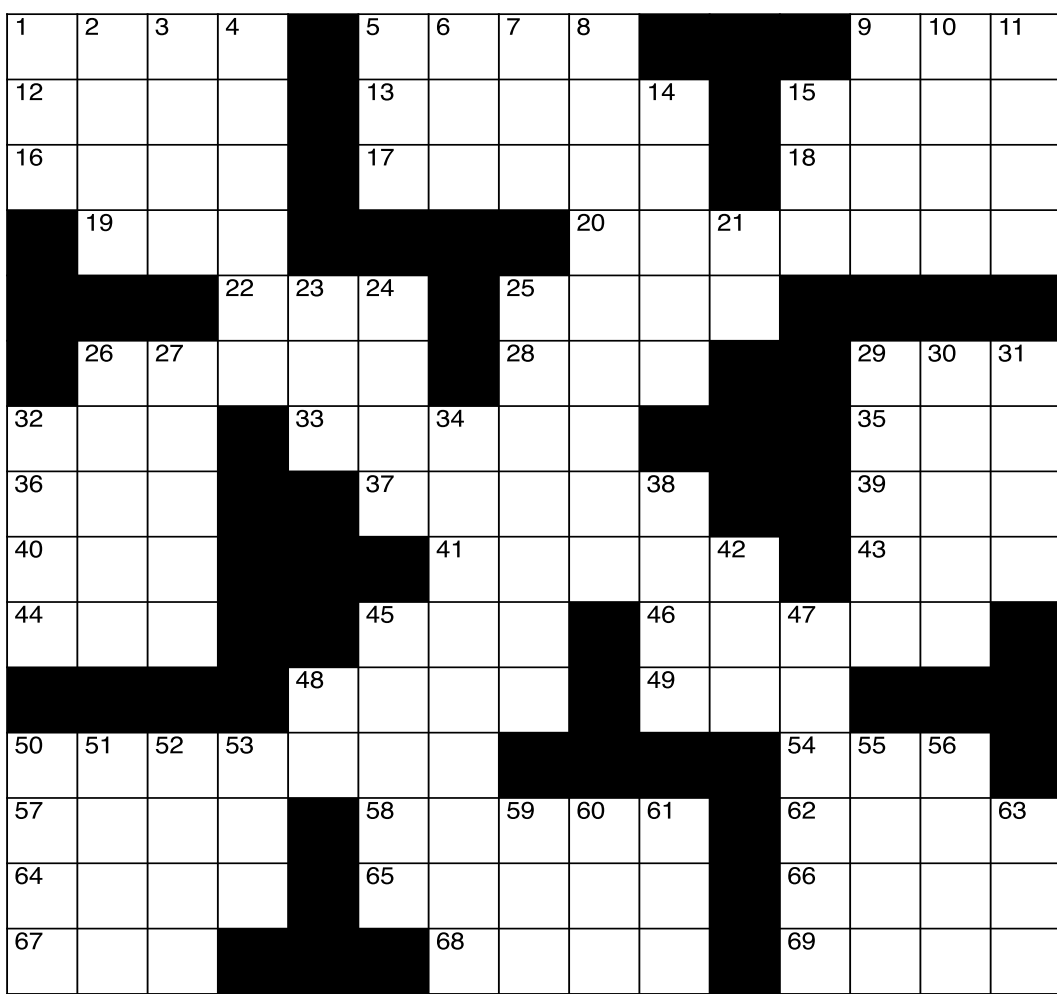
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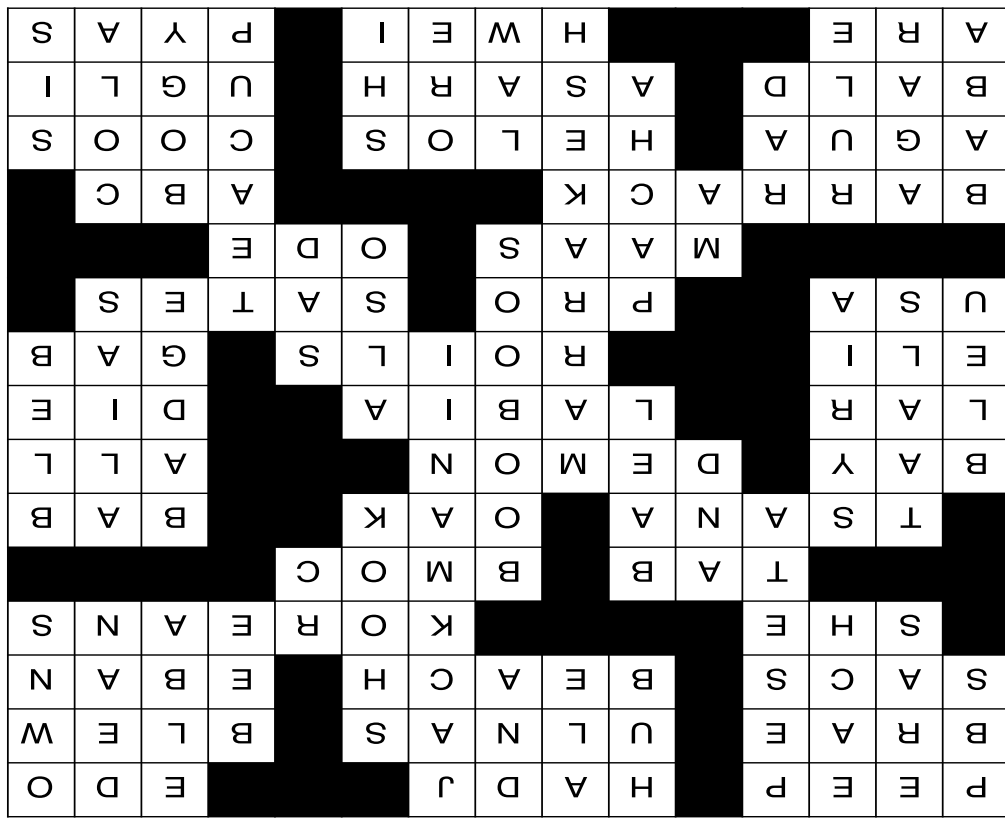


**CLUES ACROSS**

1. Chick sound
5. Islamic pilgrimage
9. Yeddo
12. Scottish hillside
13. Arm bones
15. The bomb \_\_\_\_ up
16. Pouches
17. Sandy seaside area
18. Abba \_\_\_\_, Israeli politician
19. The woman
20. Inhabitants of Seoul
22. Restaurant bill
25. Big man on campus
26. Ethiopian lake
28. Produces acorns
29. Founder of Babism
32. Sound of a hound
33. Evil spirit
35. Every
36. Household god (Roman)
37. Lips
39. Cease living
40. \_\_\_\_ Lilly, drug company
41. Churns
43. Talk
44. No. Am. republic
45. An athlete who plays for pay
46. Satiates
48. Netherlands river
49. A lyric poem
50. Military quarter
54. Basics
57. Largest known toad species
58. Helicopters
62. Dove sounds
64. America's eagle
65. 4th Hindu month
66. Tangelo
67. They \_\_
68. Variant of Hui
69. 100 = 1 kyat

**CLUES DOWN**

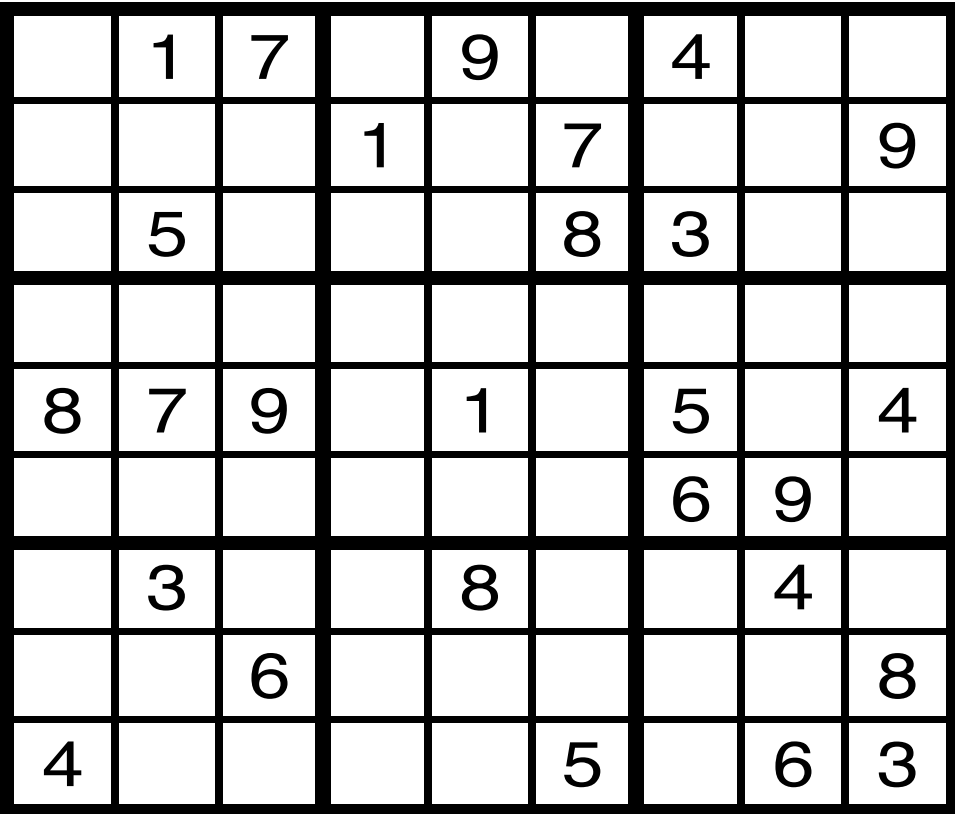
1. Non-commercial TV network
2. Periods of time
3. Those considered individually
4. Prior currency of Spain
5. The center of a city
6. Brew
7. Genetic map
8. Purple clematis group
9. Italian Island
10. Doyen
11. Has title to
14. Trembled
15. Spelling contest
21. Red cross
23. Not or
24. Yellow edible Indian fruit
25. Baby mistakes
26. Afrikaans
27. It's capital is Damascus
29. Emblem of identification
30. False name
31. Small blister
32. Cheese containing mold
34. City in Morocco
38. As well
42. Not happy
45. A civil authority in Turkey
47. Tempest in a \_\_\_\_\_
48. Cellist Yoyo
50. A leavened rum cake
51. A culture medium
52. Playing guideline
53. Radioactivity unit
55. An unidentified aircraft
56. Carbonated soft drink
59. Jurisprudence
60. A mined mineral
61. Chinese term for poetry
63. Female sibling CW109110



# SUDOKU

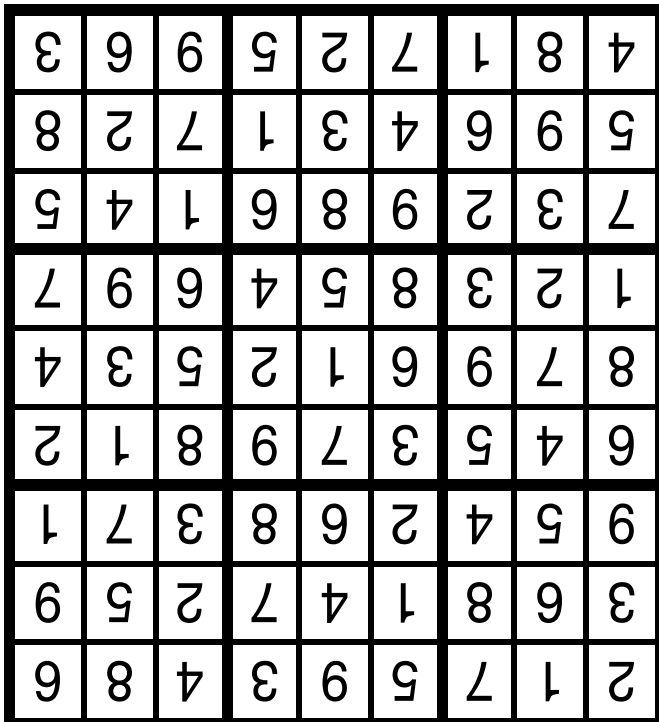
**Fun By The Numbers**

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

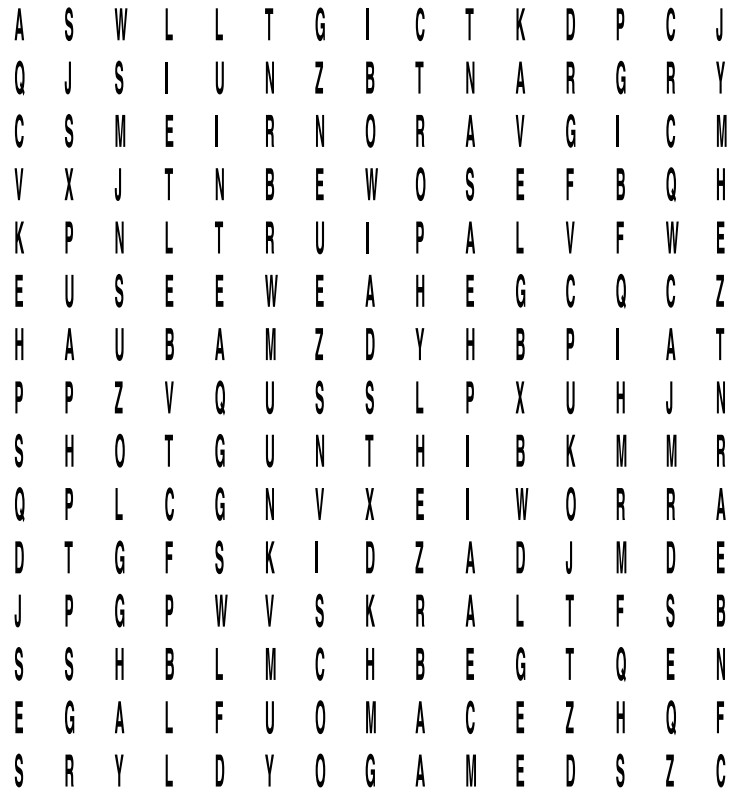


**Here's How It Works:**

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



## Word Search — On the Hunt



- arrow
- camouflage
- game
- pheasant
- stealth
- bear
- deer
- hunting
- rifle
- trophy
- bow
- duck
- lure
- shotgun
- wilderness

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# CRIME

## Arrest Reports

05-10 Brandon Tanner, 22; 55 Lark Hill Lane, Roseboro; DVPO Violation; Court Date 05-28

05-10 Kenneth Jackson, 39; 1113 Middle Rd., Eastover; No Insurance; Registered Tags Not Displayed; DWL; No Inspection; Expired Registration; Fictitious Tag; Court Date 06-12

05-11 Miguel Angel Mireles, 32; 1474 Sampson Acres Dr., Clinton; Borrow License Plate; Fictitious Registration; Expired Registration; Court Date 06-27

05-11 Salvador Calton Pacheco, 24; 1647 Lee Johnson Rd., Dunn; Injury to Personal Property; Breaking and Entering to Terrorize; Bond \$7,500; Court Date 05-17

05-11 Perry Brooks Autry, 24; 780 Lassiter Rd., Newton Grove; Assault on a Female; Bond \$1,000; Court Date 06-26

05-11 Cora Andrea Arden, 69; 220 Honaysuckle Lane, Salemburg; Communicating Threats; Court Date 05-28

05-11 Perry Brooks Autry, 24; 780 Lassiter Rd., Newton Grove; Resisting Public Officer; Misdemeanor Larceny; Bond \$2,500; Court Date 06-26

05-11 Jamie Ramirez Reynago, 47; 4259 Carrol Store Rd., Autryville; Order for Arrest/No Operators License; Bond \$500; Court Date 05-28

05-12 Andrew Richard Wakley, 34; 211 Pinegate Circle; Chapel Hill; Sexual Battery; Bond \$3,500; Court Date 07-30

05-12 Ever Elisio Gomez Sanchez, 25; 1406 Sunset Ave., Clinton; Wrong Way on Dual Lane Hwy, No Operators License; Court Date 06-12

05-13 Jackie Rana Bowden, 36; 124 Hammer Lane, Salemburg; Possession of Drug Paraphernalia; Possession of Methamphetamine; Bond \$10,000; Court Date 05-17

05-13 Jorge Ventura Lopez, 31; 130 Reagan Lane, Autryville; Fail to Comply with Community Service; Bond \$500; Court Date 06-03

05-13 James Frank Owens, 42; 2883 Old Mintz Hwy., Roseboro; Order for Arrest/Failure to Appear- Handicapped Parking Violation; Order for Arrest/Failure to Appear-DWLR; Order for Arrest/Failure to Appear-DWI; Order for Arrest- Non-Compliance; Bond \$7,902.50; Court Date 05-20

05-13 Jackie Rana Bowden, 36; 124 Hammer Lane, Salemburg; Possession Of Drug Paraphernalia; Possession of Methamphetamine; Bond \$10,000; Court Date 05-17

05-13 Rebecca Dare Kennedy, 36; 3035 E Darden Rd., Faison; Resisting Public Officer; Bond \$500; Court Date 06-13

05-13 Erika Jamie Coats, 27; 2151 Big Piney Grove Rd., Clinton; Resisting Public Officer; Simple Assault; Bond \$2,000; Court Date 06-05

05-13 Gary Eugene Martin, 64; 145 Simmoms Rd., Clinton; Assault by Pointing a Gun; Communicating Threats; Simple Assault; Court Date 05-30

05-13 Michael Robert Holden, 133 Crossbridge Lane, Autryville; Assault on a Female; Court Date 05-23

05-13 Kimberly Dyann Owens, 33; 25 Woodcrest Ave., Clinton; Order for Arrest-No Operators License; Bond \$500; Court Date 06-05

05-13 David Keith Skaggs, 37; 3035 East Darden Rd., Faison; Fail to Work After Paid; Bond \$1,000; Court Date 06-12

05-13 Antonia McKoy, 25; 2465 Harrells Hwy., Garland; Misdemeanor Larceny; Second Degree Trespass; Bond \$500; Court Date 05-28

05-14 Dillon Ross Royal, 18; 404 Royal Lane, Clinton; Simple Assault; Bond \$500;

Court Date 05-30

05-14 Serge Junior Mondesir, 23; 124 Elizabeth St., Mount Olive; Expired/No Inspection; Court Date 05-28

05-14 Orlando Rodriguez, 21; 208 Lane St., Clinton; Assault Serious Bodily Injury; Bond \$50,000; Court Date 05-17

05-14 Juanita Lyn Steward, 36; 10225 Willard Rd., Harrells; Intimidation; Simple Assault; Bond \$2,500; Court Date 06-11

05-14 Truman Monk, 34; 66 Laurel Wood Lane, Salemburg; DWLR Not Impaired; Bond \$1,000; Court Date 06-10

05-14 Kenneth Watts, 34; Loop Rd., Clinton; Assault Serious Bodily Injury; Bond \$50,000; Court Date 05-17

05-14 Rayshone Terrell Wortham, 47; 2900 Autry Mill Rd., Godwin; Failure to Appear- Drive Without Two Headlamps; Failure to Appear-DWI; Failure to Appear- Expired Registration Card/Tag; Failure to Appear- Fail Maintain Lane Control; Failure to Appear- Operate Vehicle No Insurance; Failure to Appear- Cancel/Revoke/Suspend Certificate/Tag; Failure to Appear-DWLR Impaired Revoke; Failure to Appear-Possess Open Container/Consume Alcohol Passenger Area; Bond \$2,000; Court Date 06-10

05-14 Lisa Ann Raynor, 41; 391 Sir lane, Roseboro; Possession of Drug Paraphernalia; DWI; Speeding 100 in a 55; Reckless Driving to Endanger; Felony Flee to Elude Arrest; Bond \$10,000; Court Date 05-31

05-15 Derik Channing Rich, 50; 321 South Bladen Ave., Garland; Misdemeanor Larceny; Court Date 06-28

05-15 Vincent Ralph Ambrose, 38; 2399 N Peavine Rd., Clinton; Order for Arrest/Fail to Comply; Bond \$315; Court Date 06-11

05-16 Samuel Pinzon, 24; 714 West Main St., Faison; Flee Elude Arrest with Motor Vehicle; Fictitious Tag, Bond \$500; Court Date 06-13

05-16 Destiny Marie Falcon, 38; 908 W Rose-

boro St., Roseboro; Financial Card Fraud; Bond \$1,000; Court Date 06-03

**Incident and Investigation Reports**

05-10 Melissa Mcdonald reported the Breaking and Entering located at 3599 Roseboro Hwy., Clinton. Items reported missing included a Xbox 360, Safe, Nintendo 3DS, Laptop, Fitbit charger, camera, cellphone, movies, jewelry, games, and two computer tablets.

05-11 Archie Williamson reported the Theft from a Vehicle located at 2233 Matthis Rd., Clinton. Items reported missing included a Tires, Rims and a Battery.

05-12 Travis Faircloth reported a Breaking and Entering located at 735 Josh Sessoms Rd., Roseboro. Items reported missing Walkie Talkies.

05-13 Patricia Deason reported a Burglary located at 264 Dakota Lane, Dunn. Item reported missing Medication.

05-13 Onna Carter reported a Attempted Breaking and Entering located at 18 Hannibal Lane, Roseboro. No items were reported missing.

05-14 Rachel Aman reported the Larceny of Money located at 967 Beaver Rd., Clinton.

05-14 Tony Bass reported a Breaking and Entering located at 153 Cottonwood Lane, Newton Grove.

05-15 Larry Wambaugh reported the Larceny of Medicine located at 95 Eric Lane Autryville.

05-15 Trinesha Owens reported a Breaking and Entering located at 284 Ashford Rd., Clinton. Items reported missing included medication, king size bed spread gold watch, gold chain and a game console.

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

## Sampson County VITAL STATS

### Deaths

- Charlene Kay Black
- Raeford Almond Brewington
- Primo Luciano Ceballos Hernandez
- Rubin Scott Coats
- Willie Henry Hinson Jr
- Shirley Jeanette Hall
- Mary Lee Jones
- Jerry Landis Melvin
- Lacy Merritt
- William Keith Naylor
- Kristin Taylor Pope
- Bertus Andrew Raynor
- Lenwood Arles Reynolds

### Marriage Certificates

- Isaac Troy Sellers Jr to Angel Meanne MeFea
- Robin Michael Dingle to Celia Hortencia Penick
- Patrick Wayne Moore Jr to Aixa Soraya Zimmer Li
- Thurman Jason Peterson to Michele McCullen OBryan
- Tony Edward English to Angela Bryant Vaquera
- Travis Lee White to Kimberly Ann Thomas

### Births

- Ava Rusha Williams born on April 29, 2019 at Sampson Regional Medical Center to Jasmine Rusha-Shane Hobbs
- Wyatt Andrew Nelson born on May 2, 2019 at Sampson Regional Medical Center to Philip Jake Nelson and Carolyn Rose Conner

### Land Transfers

- Thornton Logging Co to Marcela Ondina Cruz Almendarez, Jonathan Alexander Garcia Cruz- Lot 6 0.50 Acres Herring Acres Subdivision Honeycutt
- Laurie Ann Wilkins, Samuel P Wilkins to Chasity R Rodriguez, Ronald Rodriguez- 2.10 Acres
- Southern Produce Distributors Inc to Jose M Gracia- 1.454 Acres Piney Grove
- Brian Keith Radford to Alton Andrew Radford- Newton Grove 2 Parcels
- Elizabeth W Hudson, Michael R Hudson to Cameron Bass- Lot 6 1.0 Acre Herring
- Bobby Sherrill Jernigan Estate, Dianne Newton Jernigan/EXR to Lee P Jernigan, Lorie J Lockamy, Carol J Strickland- 2 Tracts w/exceptions
- Jamie Wayne Mote, Nicole Prince Mote to Nicole Prince Mote- 4.36 Acres Franklin
- Carrie O Cumbo/MBR, Reid H Cumbo/MBR, Cumbo Farms LLC to Krystle T Edge, Tony F Edge- 2 Tracts w/exceptions Lisbon
- Dodd A Brown, Dodd A Brown II, Rebecca K Brown, Rebecca F Lee/FKA, Dodd A Brown to Rebecca K Brown, Dodd A Brown- 3 Tracts South Clinton
- Dodd A Brown, Dodd A Brown II, Rebecca K Brown to DBROC LLC- 2 Parcels North Clinton
- Red Mountain Timberco I LLC to Porkberry Farms LLC- 22.75 Acres
- REO Trust 2017-RPL1/By AIF, Rushmore Loan Management Services LLC/AIF, US Bank Trust National Association as Owner Trustee/BY AIF to Charles R Hammersla Jr, Donna L Hammersla-North Clinton
- Doris R Herrera, Orly Maldonado to Stephen Donald Jones- 3 Tracts Herrings
- Domingo Gutierrez, Josefa Lopez Ralios to Julio Perez Ordonez, Ma Guadalupe Balderas Padilla-South River
- Thornton Homes Co to Susan Cartrette Birtch, Victor Leroy Birtch Jr0 13.47 Acres McDaniels
- Samantha Barefoot/FKA, Samantha Benson to Eric Benson, Samantha Benson- 0.53 Acres Newton Grove
- Johnnie McKinley Faison, Silvia Faison to Willis Faison- Lot 3 Turkey

- Maria Eugenia Garcia Delgado, Francisco Javier Hernandez Varela to Juan Castaneda Vazquez- Lot 12 Marvin Smith Subdivision North Clinton
- Mary Ann Hill Tr, Mary Ann Hill Revocable Trust to Victor Manuel Castillo Fuentes, Cesar Castillo Hernandez- Lot 34 0.50 Acres & Lot 105 2.00 Acres Cobb Farm Piney Grove
- Mary Ann Hill Tr, Mary Ann Hill Revocable Trust to Henry Allen Williams and Katonya Annette Williams- Lot 101 1.0 Acre Piney Grove
- Doris Filling Colwell to James E Colwell0 3 Tracts w/exceptions Turkey
- Alice Gray Lee Barefoot to Grady Mitchell Barefoot- Newton Grove 1.60 Acres
- Thornton Homes Co to Marcelina Pascual Ramos, Luis Manuel Velasco Sandoval- Piney Grove 2.24 Acres Lots 2 and 3
- Thornton Homes Co to Balbina Ene Pineda Hernandez- North Clinton Lot 8 Block B Underwood-Carter Subdivision
- John Gregory Osborne, Mary Jane P Osborne to Amanda J Hurley, James Dexter Hurley- 2.61 Acres South Clinton Lot 3
- Cindy Parker, George Michael Parker to Marco Antonio Torres Villanueva- Lot 26 Acre Little Coharie Pine Lake Estates Section Six
- Maria Hernandez Cortez, Pablo Lopez Reyes to Juan Carlos Montellano Castillo, Nancy Yurel Moreno Gomez- 1.08 Acres Lisbon
- Carl Herring, Rosemary Herring, Melanie McLamb to Ashley D Rebarker- 7.85 Acres Plainview
- Larry Jerome Edwards, Mellie Renee Edwards, Amy Edwards Murphy, Jerry Lynn Murphy, Donald Earl Tyler, Donna Edwards Tyler to Amy Edwards Murphy, Jerry Lynn Murphy-Tract 1 2.59 Acres
- George Clinton Dudley to Timothy Ray Matthis- North Clinton 0.46 Acres
- Willa J Smith to Billshay Enterprises LLC- 3.54 Acres South River
- Edward Roger Gebhart, Ruth A Jones Gebhart to Frank Walter Leak Jr, Melissa P Leak- 2 Tracts South Clinton
- Teresa W Fann/MBR, K&T Family Farm LLC to Fann Farms Land Partnership LLC- 2 Tracts w/exceptions Honeycutt
- Robert Alan Fann/MBR, RF Family Farm LLC to Fann Farms Land Partnership LLC- 2 Tracts Honeycutt & Dismal
- Teresa W Fann/MBR, Fann Farms Land Partnership LLC to RF Family Farm LLC- Herring
- Matthew H Norris, Sara M Norris to Cumberland Homes Inc- Lot 4 0.51 Acres Plainview
- Gabriela Michelle Cortes Serrano, Hoger Serrano to Tiffany M Fernandez- Lot 53 Southwood Acres Section One South Clinton
- Tammy M Adams to Ann J Hollin, Melissa J Sanders- Lot 25 Deerfield Estates Subdivision Section 1 & 2
- Matthew H Norris, Sara M Norris to Cumberland Homes Inc- Lot 5 0.51 Acres Plainview
- Priscilla A Covington, Priscilla Ann Covington/WATA, Priscilla Ann Fox, Ronnie Fox to David Torres Molina- Lot 20 Deerfield Plainview
- Mary Ann Hill Tr, Mary Ann Hill Trustee of the Revocable Trust, Deborah S Owen, Millard T Owen III to Bryce Austin Castle, Robert Allen Castle Jr- Lot 30 Williams Ridge Subdivision 1.05 Acres
- Dennis M O'Leary/MBR/MGR, TD Family Farms LLC to Andrea M Shatzer, Timothy A Shatzer- 2 Tracts w/exceptions
- Ashley Nicole Stone, Daniel Wayne Stone, Tonia Dale Stone to Ashley N Powell/FKA, Ashley Nicole Stone- Lot 1
- Theresa J Clifton to William Earl Burch- Piney Grove 44.85 Acres Lot 1B Clayton Clifton Estate
- Constance Leonora Huss, Scott Huss to William Earl Burch- 44.85 Acres Piney Grove Lot 1B Clayton Clifton Estates
- Arthur Michael Costin, Penelope A Costin to Emily H Avery, Larry Allen Avery- 0.034 Acres Lot 1 Block D of the DJ Rivenbark Lot Subdivision with exceptions North Clinton
- Emily A Johnson to Chelsea Parker- 0.50 Acres North Clinton
- Barbara Wiggs, George Wiggs to Zolia Paola Barrios Monterroso- Lot 16 9.44 Acres Barefoot Farm Dismal
- Harriette T Hobbs/By AIF, Thomas C Hobbs Jr/AGT to Harriette T Hobbs Revocable Trust, Harriette T Hobbs Thomas Carroll Hobbs Jr/Tr- 2 Tracts w/exceptions

# OBITUARIES

## ROSE HILL

**Rubin "Scott" Coats, 47**, of 1800 Moore's Bridge Road, passed away at his home. A memorial service was held at 3 PM, Monday, May 13, at the Moore Family Cemetery with Reverend William Tew and Joseph Tew officiating. The family received friends immediately after the service at the gravesite. Scott, born in 1971 in Sampson County, was the son of the late Charles Linwood Coats and Brenda Moore Coats. He was a former farmer and restaurant owner. In addition to his father, he was preceded in death by his grandfather, Aubrey Moore and grandparents, Bradley Young Coats and Nannie Olive Coats. Survivors include; mother, Brenda Moore Coats; brother, Brad Coats and wife Tina; nephews, Dylan and Caleb Coats; grandmother, Louise Balkcum Moore; and uncle, Winston Coats and wife Linda. Online condolences may be sent to the family at [www.crumplerhoneycutt.com](http://www.crumplerhoneycutt.com). Arrangements are by Crumpler-Honeycutt Funeral Home, 118 Fayetteville St., Clinton, NC 28328.



## CLINTON

**Ms. Yvonne Lewis Edey, 72**, of 804 College Street, Apt. 119, Clinton, NC, passed on Thursday, May 9, 2019 at her home. The funeral service will be held at 1p.m., Friday, May 17, 2019 at Lisbon Street Baptist Church, Clinton, NC with Rev. Chris Rayner officiating. Burial in Hillcrest Memorial Park, Clinton, NC. A visitation will be held on Thursday, May 16, 2019 from 1pm. - 6p.m. at the Worley Funeral Home, Inc., Clinton, NC. Ms. Edey is survived by her daughter, Malkia Rayner of Clinton, NC; brothers, Romeo Lewis, II of Greensboro, NC and James Romeo Caldwell of Waldorf, MD; three grandchildren. Online condolences may be sent to [worleyfuneralhomeinc.com](http://worleyfuneralhomeinc.com).



## ROSEBORO

**Mrs. Joyce Ann Wilson Goodrich, 78** of Roseboro, passed away peacefully on Monday, May 13, 2019 with her family at her bedside. The funeral service was held at 3:00pm on Friday, May 17, at Corinth Baptist Church, 991 Corinth Church Road, Salemburg, with Reverend W.A. Creech and Reverend Tommy Honeycutt officiating. Burial followed in the Church Cemetery. Joyce was born on March 16, 1941 in Sampson County and was the daughter of Pete and Lutie Ann Vann Wilson. She was preceded in death by her parents; her husband, W.J. Goodrich, Sr.; and three brothers, Rochelle Wilson, Franklin Wilson, Kenneth Wilson. She worked in the sewing industry with Springdale Fashions. She is survived by one son, William Goodrich (wife, Laura) of Clinton; one daughter, Kelly Goodrich Collier (husband, David) of Wade; three grandchildren, Ashley Holloman (husband, Nick), Heather Goodrich (fiance', Ryan Hall), Taylor Collier (extended family, Eric McPhail); two great grandchildren, William Camden Holloman, Eliza Jane Holloman; and two sisters, Helen Tew of Dunn, Louise Henderson of Clinton. The family will receive friends from 1:00-2:45pm Friday prior to the funeral service, and other times at the home. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to Corinth Baptist Church, 991 Corinth Church Road, Salemburg, NC 28385. Butler Funeral Home of Roseboro is serving the family.



## CLINTON

**Mr. James Abner Knowles, 78** of 309 W. Elizabeth St. passed away Wednesday, May 1st, 2019 at his home. Funeral Services will be held on Friday, May 17th at 2:00 PM at Red Hill Universalist Church with Rev. Chuck Yancey officiating. Burial will follow in the Church cemetery. Born on June 16th, 1940 in Sampson County, Jim was the son of the late James Aubrey and Amber Robinson Knowles. Jim served in the United States National Guard and was a member of Red Hill Universalist Church. Jim is survived by his two daughters: Kimberly Knowles Judd and husband, Kenneth of Manassas, Va. and Donna Knowles of Woodbridge, VA and their mother, Rhea Nell Knowles; Three grandchildren: Michael, Kennley and Katelyn Judd. In addition to his parents, James is preceded in death by his two sisters: Judy K. Feldbusch and Joyce K. Lawson. Visitation for family and friends will be held one hour prior to the service beginning at 1pm on Friday at the Church. Royal-Hall is honored to serve the Knowles family.



## CLINTON

**Terry Lyn Maldonado 66** of 806 Sampson Acres Drive passed away on Wednesday, May 8, 2019 at Vidant Medical Center in Greenville. Born in Robeson County, NC to the late Gary Bentley and to Beatrice Osborn, Terry was a "Jack of all Trade", he loved to work and fish, Terry was passionate about his faith and loved his God. In addition to his father he is also preceded in death by a brother: Tommy H. Bentley. Funeral Service was held at 3:00 pm on Monday, May 13, 2019 at Blackmon's Grove PFW Baptist Church Rev. Ron Godwin, Rev. Ricky Lee and Rev. Kenneth Byrd officiating, burial followed in the church cemetery. Terry leaves to cherish his memory: Wife: Gayle Darden Maldonado of the home, Sons: Michael Maldonado ( Jade Leigh) of Clinton, Thomas A. Maldonado of Autryville, Sister: Sandy Davis (Tim) of Rock Fish, Brothers: Larry Maldonado of Parkton and Jerry Bentley of Wilmington, Grandchildren: Zachary Lyn, Michaela Nicole, Carson Maldonado, Seth, Jett, Ryder and Chase. Great-grandchildren: Brantley, Gage and Arizona Maldonado. Visitation will be at the church prior to



the service from 1:00 pm - 3:00 pm on Monday, May 13, 2019. In lieu of flowers memorials should be made to Hope Valley Hawkins Funeral Service, 1246 Hobpton Hwy. Clinton, NC 28328 or 910-592-0061. Online condolences can be made at: [hopevalleyfuneralservice.com](http://hopevalleyfuneralservice.com).

## DUNN

**Mr. Lloyd Wade Monds** of 105 Daisy Street in Dunn, departed this life on Friday, May 10th 2019 at his home. He was born on July 22, 1947, the son, born unto the union of the late Lawrence Monds and Mattie Bell Monds. In addition to his parents, waiting to greet him in his heavenly home is his beloved daughter: Tammy Lynn Monds. Lloyd was a good man; one who was kind and gentle, and willing to go the extra mile for anyone who would call upon him for help. He loved his Lord and savior and dedicated his entire life to the service of the God. He got saved when was 17 years of age and he never looked back; he lived this life trusting and leaning upon the Lord for guidance as he walked through this world clinging to the master's hand. He was very dedicated to his church Gospel Tabernacle and was very active in doing any task that needed done for the church; especially if there was food to be cooked. Lloyd loved to cook and his family loved it when he cooked for them; especially when he barbequed a pig, he couldn't be beat! Lloyd met the love of his life, his sweetheart, Mrs. Phyllis in 1964 in the church that they both attended and on July 3, 1966 they wed. The two would go on to spend 52 wonderful years of marriage together. Lloyd loved his wife and was the definition of a good husband as he had always cherished her as one of the best things he had. He always made sure that she had everything that she wanted and needed. As they grew older, side by side, hand in hand; Mrs. Phyllis became unable to cook and work in their home; Lloyd took over with no questions asked and continued to take care of her and the home without grumbling or complaining. He loved his daughter Amy and his grandbabies; they were the light of his life. He was a great husband, father, grandfather, friend and neighbor and will be sorely missed. Left behind to cherish his memory are the following members of his family: His beloved wife of 52 years: Phyllis Strickland Monds of the home in Dunn; Daughter and son in law: Amy and Mark Barbour of Dunn; brothers: James Leo and wife Francis of Clayton, Thomas Earl and wife Aireta of Erwin; sisters: Edna Stanley of Dunn and Brenda Jackson and husband David of Dunn; two grandchildren: Macy Barbour (David Morgan) of Dunn and Jeremy Barbour (Ally Whitaker) of Dunn; two great grandchildren: Gracie Morgan and Maddox Morgan of Dunn. Special neighbors: Pat and Sue Godwin, of Dunn. You are cordially invited to a time of visitation with the family of Mr. Lloyd Wade Monds on Sunday, May 12, 2019 from 6:00 PM until 8:00 PM at the Cromartie-Miller Funeral Home and at other times at 105 Daisy Street in Dunn. A funeral service was conducted to commemorate the life of Mr. Lloyd Wade Monds on Monday, May 13, 2019 at 11:00 AM at Gospel Tabernacle in Dunn with Rev. Randy Hill and Rev. Josh Brown officiating. He was laid to rest at Harnett Devotional Gardens with: Joey Tart, Jason Barefoot, Neil Barefoot, Donnie Barefoot, Ashley Barefoot and Robert Carroll Barefoot serving as pallbearers. Online condolences may be expressed at [www.cromartiemiller.com](http://www.cromartiemiller.com). Cromartie-Miller funeral home is entrusted with all arrangements.



## EASTOVER

**Hugh Dixon Pierce, 81**, passed away Sunday, May 12th at his home surrounded by his family. A celebration of his life was held at 3pm Wednesday at Lebanon Baptist Church in Eastover, NC, officiating will be Rev. Dr. John Campbell. Burial followed in the church cemetery. The family received friends from 2:00pm to 2:50pm Wednesday at the church prior to the service. He was born on August 29, 1937 in Ayden, NC to the late Josh and Mabel Pierce, the 3rd of 7 children. Hugh was a hard-working, loving, joyful man. He graduated from Farmville High School in 1955 and began a 26 year career w/ Carolina Telephone Company in Tarboro, NC and Fayetteville, NC. He then transitioned to a successful career in Telecommunication Sales Management w/ Walker & Associates and KGP Communications. He also served in the National Guard and was a member of the Stedman Masonic Lodge and was a Mason for 52 years. Some of Hugh's favorite things were spending time w/ his family, visiting Myrtle Beach, Lebanon Baptist Church, watching sports and discussing the stock market. Hugh's greatest joy was when he was spending time with his granddaughters, Alex and Sara. He loved watching them play volleyball and growing and developing into beautiful young ladies. Hugh is survived by his loving wife of 62 years, Peggy Pierce of Eastover; daughter Lisa Pierce (Mitch) of Fayetteville; son Mike Pierce (Anne) and granddaughters Alex and Sara of Cary; sisters Hazel Byers of Wilson NC, Sue Everette(Bobby) Farmville NC, Beverly Peaden(Roy) of Farmville NC, Gayle Phillips(AMOS) Macclesfield, NC. He was predeceased by brothers, Roy Douglas Pierce and William "Buzzy" Pierce; brother-in-laws, Harry Byers and Billy Hedgepeth; and nephew, Trey Peaden. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to Lebanon Baptist Church 3329 Beard Rd. Eastover, NC 28312 or to the Cumberland County Child Advocacy Center, 222 Rowan Street, Fayetteville, NC 28301. Services entrusted to Butler Funeral Home, 6535 Clinton Road, Stedman, NC 28391.



## CLINTON

**Mr. Ahmad Rashad Richardson, 40**, of 217 Byrd Street, Clinton, NC, passed on Friday, May 10, 2019 at Vidant Medical Center, Greenville, NC. The funeral service will be held at 1 p.m., Saturday, May 18, 2019 at Higher Level Ministries, Clinton, NC with Dr. Onyx Martin officiating. Burial in Sandhill Cemetery, Clinton, NC. A Visitation will be held on Saturday, May 18, 2019 from 12 p.m. - 1 p.m. at the Church. Mr. Richardson



is survived by his mother, Lavern Richardson of the home; father, Veno Richardson, Sr., of the home; sisters, Aneka Richardson of Fayetteville, NC and Adreona Richardson of Raleigh, NC; brothers, Veno Richardson, Jr., of Fayetteville, NC and Darrell Fryar of Clinton, NC. Online condolences may be sent to [worleyfuneralhomeinc.com](http://worleyfuneralhomeinc.com).

## CLINTON

**Deborah Nadine Royal, 60**, of 2025 Ozzie Rd., passed away Friday, May 10, 2019 at home with her family by her side. A graveside service was held at 2 PM, Sunday, May 12, 2019 at the Carter Family Cemetery with Rev. Ray Carter officiating. The family received friends immediately after the service at the gravesite. Deborah, born in 1959 in Sampson County, was the daughter of the late Harmon Horace Carter, Sr. Deborah worked for Hope Family Farms in Clinton. In addition to her father she was preceded in death by grandson, Gabriel Brewer, and brother, Horace Carter. Survivors include; children, Ashley Faircloth (Brandon), Joshua Royal (Amanda), and Caroline Brewer (Danny); mother, Nadine C. Peoples; sisters, Helen McCullen and Judy Tyndall (David); and grandchildren, Landon Faircloth, Chloe Brewer, Camden Brewer, Alissa Royal and Reeve Royal. Online condolences may be sent to the family at [www.crumpler-honeycutt.com](http://www.crumpler-honeycutt.com).



## CLINTON

**Mr. Johnny Lee Smith, 68**, of 204 W. Butler Avenue, Clinton, NC, passed away Tuesday, May 14, 2019 at Brian Center Health and Rehab, Hertford, NC. The funeral service will be held at 3pm, Sunday, May 19, 2019 at Union Grove Church of Christ, Clinton, NC with Elder Joshua Webb officiating. Burial in Sandhills Cemetery, Clinton, NC. Mr. Smith is survived by WIFE-Naomi Smith of the home; SONS-Michael J. Smith and Tyree J. Smith both of Clinton, NC; MOTHER-Sarah Wilson of Clinton, NC; SISTERS-Tawana Carr and Harriett Bryant both of Clinton, NC; BROTHER-Thomas Wilson of Clinton, NC; 9 grandchildren. Visitation at Worley Funeral Home Saturday, May 18, 2019, Public: 4pm - 6pm Family: 5pm - 6pm.

## CLINTON

**Doris Ellen Hill Jackson, 79, of 136 Rowan Road**, passed away Wednesday, May 15, 2019 at Kitty Askins Hospice Center. Funeral service will be held at 3 PM, Sunday, May 19, 2019 at Grove Park Baptist Church with Rev. Matt Barefoot officiating. Interment will follow in the Clinton City Cemetery. The family will receive friends from 1:45 PM to 2:45 PM, just before the service at Grove Park Baptist Church. Survivors are; daughter, Jenny Register and husband Kevin; brother, Tom Hill, Jr. and wife Pat; and grandson, Tyler Strickland and wife Hannah. Doris, born in 1940 in Sampson County, was the daughter of the late Tom B. Hill, Sr. and Myrtle Ola Faircloth Hill. She was an insurance agent for over forty years and a member of Grove Park Baptist Church. In addition to her parents she was preceded in death by her husband, Thomas Jackson. Online condolences may be sent to the family at [www.crumpler-honeycutt.com](http://www.crumpler-honeycutt.com).

## CLINTON

**Mr. John Melvin, 79, of 4136 Bonnetsville Road, Clinton, NC**, passed away Wednesday, May 15, 2019 at home. The service will be held at 2pm, Saturday, May 18, 2019 at Mt. Pleasant Missionary Baptist Church, Clinton, NC with Bishop Varnie N. Fullwood officiating. Burial in the church cemetery. Visitation at Worley Funeral Home Friday, May 17, 2019 1pm - 6pm.

## STEDMAN

**Mrs. Helena Jane (Johnson) Autry, 62** passed away Wednesday, May 15, 2019 at her home with her family by her side. A celebration of life service will be held at 3:00pm Saturday, May 18, 2019 at Macedonia Holiness Church, 207 Indian Drive, Fayetteville, NC 28312, officiating will be Pastor Ken Simmons and Pastor Ronnie Johnson. Burial will follow at Johnson Family Cemetery in Stedman. The family will receive friends at the church Saturday from 2:00pm to 2:50pm prior to the service. She is survived by her husband, Billy Ray Autry; daughters, Robbie Autry, Shannon Peoples & husband, Charles Peoples, II and Ashley Jones & husband, Christopher Jones; parents, Levie Evander Johnson and Helen Mae (Strickland) Johnson; grandchildren, Jeffrey McGaw, Kaiba, Octavia and Malachi Peoples, Sedona, Anthony and Christian Jones; and brothers, Ronald Evander Johnson, Donald Ray Johnson & wife, Connie and Danny Martin Johnson & wife, Lorie. Services entrusted to Butler Funeral Home, 6535 Clinton Road, Stedman, NC 28391.

## HARRELLS

**Leslie Carroll Hawkins, 80** passed away Wednesday, May 15, 2019 at UNC Hospital in Chapel Hill. A memorial service will be held at 1:00pm Saturday, May 18, 2019 at Cokesbury United Methodist Church Fellowship Hall, officiating will be Rev. Francis Daniel. The family will receive friends from 11:00am to 12:45am Saturday at the church prior to the service. Born August 1st 1938 in Cove City, NC, Leslie Carroll Hawkins was the son of Harold and Nellie Hawkins and the brother of Ella Hawkins McDaniel. Les graduated from Dover High School in 1956. He then attended Campbell College and East Carolina University. Les served six years in the US Army and US Army Reserves. He had a successful professional career working for more than 33 years with the North Carolina State Department of Revenue. He was a dedicated member of Cokesbury United Methodist Church. He dedicated his life to serving others, always seeking ways to help others in need. His life was a living example of the character traits that defined him, he was: kind, patient, gentle, generous, compassionate, hardworking, loving, comforting, honest and dependable. He found great joy in activities involving family and friends. He enjoyed sports, especially hockey and Duke basketball. He enjoyed traveling and experienced many adventures with family and friends. Les is survived by his wife Patricia Hawkins, son Timothy Hawkins and wife Debbie, daughter Laura Lucchino and husband John, daughter Nancy Phipps and husband Don, seven grandchildren Kayla Bullard, Zackery Hawkins, Emma Bullard, Callie Smith, Cameron Phipps, Noah Phipps, Savannah Phipps and a great grandchild Avery Claire Phipps. In lieu of flowers, those who wish to do so, may make a contribution to the Cokesbury UMC Building Repair Fund, 7536 Clinton Road, Stedman, NC 28391. Services entrusted to Butler Funeral Home, 6535 Clinton Road, Stedman, NC 28391.

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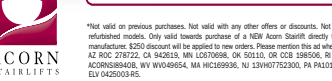
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## SPEED FREAKS

A few questions we had to ask ourselves

### Should Clint Bowyer have plowed through Erik Jones?

**GODSPEAK:** The guys who put Clint's car together are glad he lifted. Clint definitely had second thoughts about his decision, which tells me yes, he should have done it. **KEN'S CALL:** Others probably would have, but I think Clint made it clear that he might not be so rational next time.

### How about Tyler Reddick finishing ninth at Kansas?

**GODSPEAK:** Reddick is the real deal. Keep an eye on that kid. **KEN'S CALL:** In just his second-ever Cup race! Christopher Bell gets all the Xfinity Series attention, but Reddick is another future star.

## FEUD OF THE WEEK

### CLINT BOWYER VS. ERIK JONES

**JONES:** Jones used his No. 20 Toyota to throw a last-lap block on Bowyer's No. 14 Ford. Bowyer had to brake hard to avoid a wreck and lost three finishing positions. Not happy.

### GODWIN KELLY'S TAKE:

Bowyer indicated this won't happen again. "I would have just turned him in front of the whole field, and he would be back there wishing he wouldn't have done that," Bowyer said.

## GODWIN'S PICKS FOR ALL-STAR RACE

### WINNER:

Chase Elliott  
**REST OF TOP 5:** Kevin Harvick, Clint Bowyer, Kyle Busch, Martin Truex Jr.  
**FIRST ONE OUT:** Ryan Blaney  
**DARK HORSE:** Jimmie Johnson  
**DON'T BE SURPRISED IF:** Elliott hard-charges his way to victory at Charlotte.

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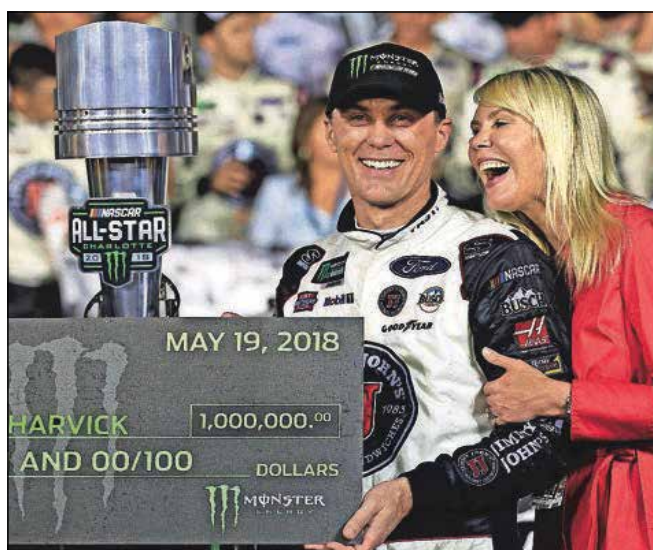


# ALL-STAR RACE

## THREE THINGS TO WATCH

### 1. A million bucks

Drivers eligible for Saturday's Monster Energy NASCAR All-Star Race will be gunning for the \$1 million top prize. Going into the race, there are 15 drivers eligible to compete. The field will grow because those not qualified may race their way in through the All-Star Open, and one lucky driver will gain access based on fan voting. The link to cast a vote is on [nascar.com](http://nascar.com). Kevin Harvick pocketed that mad money last season.



Kevin Harvick and his wife, DeLana, had a million reasons to smile after winning the 2018 All-Star Race. [AP/CHUCK BURTON]

### 2. Package tweaks

NASCAR used the 2018 All-Star Race to test what amounted to this season's aero/motor package. The non-points race will provide a guinea pig venue to test two pieces of the 2021 Gen-7 stock car. The cars will be outfitted with a single-piece carbon fiber splitter/pan, designed to stabilize the front end in traffic. The other tweak is

a radiator duct that exits through the hood, which should help keep engines cooler.

### 3. Wait a second

As weird as it sounds, Alex Bowman became the first non-winning Cup Series driver to string three consecutive second-place finishes. Bowman, who replaced

Dale Earnhardt Jr. in the No. 88 Hendrick Motorsports Chevy, can use All-Star weekend to show everybody this recent performance boost is no fluke. He can race his way into the All-Star Race, where he can go head-to-head with NASCAR's best.

— Godwin Kelly, [godwin.kelly@news-jrnl.com](mailto:godwin.kelly@news-jrnl.com)

# KANSAS

## THREE THINGS WE LEARNED

### 1. Hendrick's return

This may be the gas fumes talking, but Hendrick Motorsports looks like it has its act together. Rick Hendrick drivers Alex Bowman and Chase Elliott were side by side for the lead late in the race. Ford's Brad Keselowski won, but Hendrick had three drivers finish in the top six.



Rick Hendrick, left, shares a pit-road moment with his drivers Alex Bowman, Jimmie Johnson and Chase Elliott. [NEWS-JOURNAL/DAVID TUCKER]

### 2. Tied forever

Kyle Busch had a chance to break a little-known Cup Series record for most consecutive (11) top-10 finishes starting a season. Instead, he finished 30th, thanks in large part to a pit-road penalty of his own making. Morgan Shepherd and Busch now share that 11-race streak

honor.

### 3. More competition

It appears the Cup Series aero/motor package is bringing more names into the lead pack. With 24 laps left in regulation, there were three drivers

who have yet to score a Cup win among the top six gunning for the checkered flag, which indicates more parity. That's a good thing.

— Godwin Kelly, [godwin.kelly@news-jrnl.com](mailto:godwin.kelly@news-jrnl.com)

## QUESTIONS & ATTITUDE

Compelling questions ... and maybe a few actual answers

### Whose side do we take?

It's easy to flip-flop from one minute to the next. On one hand, you understand why Erik Jones threw the big block on Clint Bowyer to protect his position. He has big-money interests to look in the eyes after the race is over, and if he isn't doing all he can to finish as high as he can, he could get asked some tough questions back in the hauler. He's still trying to cement his long-term future, after all.

### And on the other hand?

A lot of folks aren't fans of blocking, especially when the blocker isn't protecting first place. However, it's become part of the game, it seems. Bowyer is one of a handful of current racers who could get away with delivering some vigilante justice, and maybe he should have. He'll almost certainly get other chances.

— Ken Willis, [ken.willis@news-jrnl.com](mailto:ken.willis@news-jrnl.com)

## NASCAR CUP STANDINGS

1. Joey Logano	478
2. Kyle Busch	469
3. Kevin Harvick	440
4. Chase Elliott	423
5. Brad Keselowski	421
6. Denny Hamlin	404
7. Martin Truex Jr.	396
8. Kurt Busch	387
9. Clint Bowyer	357
10. Ryan Blaney	340
11. Aric Almirola	334
12. Alex Bowman	329
13. Daniel Suarez	315
14. Erik Jones	308
15. Kyle Larson	304
16. Jimmie Johnson	292
17. Ryan Newman	284
18. Austin Dillon	281
19. William Byron	277
20. Paul Menard	267

## WHAT'S ON TAP

(All times Eastern)

### CUP SERIES: Monster All-Star Race

**SITE:** Charlotte Motor Speedway (1.5-mile quad-oval)

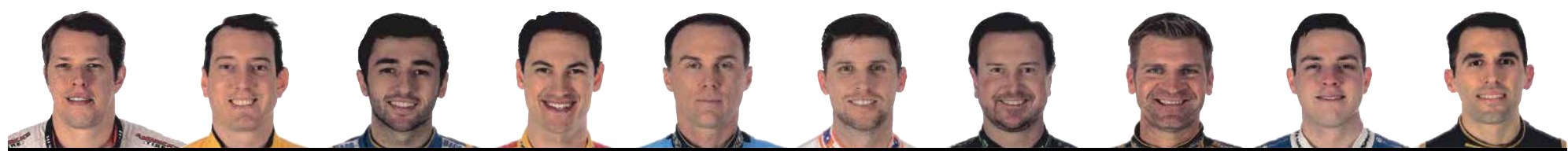
**SCHEDULE:** Friday, practice (Fox Sports 1, 3 p.m.), qualifying (Fox Sports 1, 6 p.m.). Saturday, race (Fox Sports 1, coverage begins at 5 p.m., All-Star Open at 6 p.m., All-Star Race at 8 p.m.)

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**TV SCHEDULE:** Friday, qualifying (Fox Sports 1, 4:30 p.m.), race (Fox Sports 1, 8:30 p.m.)



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