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Sampson County Unites in Prayer



On Thursday, an incredible movement unfolded across our country and on the courthouse steps of Clinton, NC. Millions of Americans across all 50 states gathered in churches, local businesses, the steps of city halls, in schools, neighborhoods, and public gathering places for a day of public prayer for the United States of America. In one voice, they lifted up single prayer request to God: Pray for America- Love One Another.”

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NCDA&CS Standards Division offers tips on avoiding credit card skimmers



As the weather turns warmer and many North Carolinians make travel plans for the Summer months, the North Carolina Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services Standards Division is offering a few tips on how to stay safe at the pump after a recent uptick in credit card skimmers have been found.

In the first quarter of 2019, inspectors with the NCDA&CS Standards Division and partnering local authorities found 23 credit card skimmers in gas pumps around the state through routine inspections at the pump. That compares to five skimmers in the first quarter of 2018 and 37

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Unanimous Vote to Make Union Intermediate 3rd through 5th Grade



At Monday night's Sampson County School Board meeting, the board unanimously approved to enlarge Union Intermediate School to now house grades 3-5. Union Elementary will now be kindergarten through second grade. The new move will come into effect in the new school year. Chairman of the Board Tim Register was not present for the vote.

The board discussed the options available at the April School Board work session which was held on April 16th. It was agreed that the vote would be placed on the consent agenda for April 29th public meeting.

The move came about when board members saw the need to make a change, according to Chairman Register, "We were concerned that the size of the school population hinders the efficiency from an economic standpoint such as heating & cooling empty classrooms, heating & cooling & maintaining mobile units at the elementary school, etc. The small staff also makes it difficult to operate as effectively as would be possible with more staff members in the building. The staff at the Intermediate School have done a great job under less than ideal circumstances. My first concern was whether UIS had sufficient space to house the third grade. There are nine third grade classes at UES currently. The UIS building has more than enough space to accommodate the third grade. There is no question that the change in grade configuration would make operational sense."

In a previous discussion Register stated, "There is a lot of room there (Union Intermediate) and we've consulted with both administrators (Union Elementary- Principal Dondi Hobbs and Union Intermediate- Principal OC Holland) and we feel comfortable that the facility part of it could work." It would take approximately nine classrooms at Union Intermediate to move the entire 3rd grade class. By making this move Chairman Register said that this move would eliminate all of the mobile units currently being used at Union Elementary and that there would be no need for mobile units at Union Intermediate School.

Continuing Register noted, "Mr. Hammond, Executive Di-

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WEEKLY VERSE

How can they preach unless they are sent? As it is written, "How beautiful are the feet of those who bring good news!"
Romans 10:15

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From the Desk of Senator Brent Jackson

I hope you're having a great week thus far. This past weekend I was invited to throw out the first pitch at the Carolina Mudcats game for their annual Ag. Day. I was joined by Rich Bonanno, Associate Dean, CALS and Director, NC State Extension and Dave Corum, President and Chief Executive Officer of Ag. Carolina Farm Credit. I would like to thank the Mudcats organization for their hospitality and congratulate them on an enormous victory.



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

Legislative Recap Cross-over Deadline

Next week marks the deadline for certain bills passing from the Senate to the House and vice-versa. Committees are lasting longer, and the bills are getting more complex as we push to get important legislation to the Senate floor. We have a full stack of bills to read and vote on and several of mine are coming up at this time. Senate Bill 384, for example, clarifies the law with regards to motor vehicle dealers and it is an important step to keep up with technological changes in the industry. After next week, several other bills will be worked on including the budget. We have some fantastic ideas and a group of talented legislators working on ideas that will really help our state. Stay tuned for more information as we get into the heat of budget season!

From the District

Duplin County Smith Appointed to District 4 Judicial Seat

Gov. Roy Cooper recently appointed Timothy Smith to sit on the bench for Judicial District 4 of Sampson, Duplin, Jones and Onslow counties.

The position became open when Henry L. Stevens IV was elected as Superior Court Judge in November. The Duplin County native was appointed by former Gov. Jim Hunt in 1999 and was re-elected in 2016.

Smith, a Kenansville-based attorney, has been a partner at Smith & Blizzard, P.A. since 2000. He began practicing law in the 1980s, before starting his own practice in 1995. Next, he became partners with Melissa B. Stevens to establish the law firm.

He was born and raised on a farm in Duplin County. After graduating from East Duplin High School in 1978, he earned a bachelor's degree in business from East Carolina University and his Juris Doctorate from Campbell University. Smith is a senior member of the North Carolina Bar Association and North Carolina Advocates for Justice. He also serves as the deacon of Smith Presbyterian Church in Beulaville and is married with two children. Congratulations on this well-deserved honor!

Sampson County



Autryville Honors Faircloth

The Town of Autryville honored Plato Faircloth for 15 years of service in the maintenance department during a recent meeting. Commissioners and family members showed appreciation for his contributions to the community. Thank you for your service to the community and congrats on this well deserved recognition.

District Spotlight

Roseboro Honors Chasity Melvin

During the BloomFest festival in Roseboro, basketball star Chasity

Melvin was honored by her hometown when the basketball courts were renamed to 'Chasity's Court.' The Lakewood High School graduate led the Lady Leopards to a state championship — the first in school history. Her journey continued at North Carolina State University and the WNBA, where she became an all-star.



During a dedication, Chasity Melvin spends time with her mentors and coaches.

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

Local Student Named SkillsUSA North Carolina State Officer



Greensboro, NC, April 11th, 2019 – Justin Edgerton was recently chosen as was one of seven high school students selected to serve as SkillsUSA North Carolina state officers at the annual state leadership and skills conference. For the next year, these seven individuals will travel to events across the state and country sharing the message of Career and Technical Education, and specifically the message of SkillsUSA.

SkillsUSA North Carolina officers work together to develop engaging educational conferences for the nearly 6,000 members statewide. Additionally, they visit business and industry representatives and legislative representatives. Through effective speaking and facilitating techniques, SkillsUSA North Carolina leaders communicate the message of career-readiness.

According to Tim Lawrence, Director of SkillsUSA, "SkillsUSA state officers develop and use high level leadership skills to prepare themselves and others for future careers. SkillsUSA state officers are among the most elite student leaders in each state."

For more information about SkillsUSA North Carolina, go to www.skillsusanc.org.

About SkillsUSA

SkillsUSA helps students discover and grow their career passions. As a nationwide partnership of students, instructors and industry working together, SkillsUSA works to ensure America has a skilled workforce through developing personal, workplace, and technical skills grounded in academics. It helps every student excel. The nationwide career and technical education student organization annually serves more than 340,000 middle school, high school, college and postsecondary students—and their instructors—in technical, skilled, and service occupation instructional programs. Career and technical education is learning that works for America. SkillsUSA has the active support of more than 600 corporations, trade associations, business and labor unions at the national level. Over 13.5 million people have been annual members of SkillsUSA since its' founding as the Vocational Industrial Clubs of America in 1965. SkillsUSA programs teach leadership, citizenship and character development to complement technical skill training. The organization emphasizes respect for the dignity of work, ethics, workmanship, scholarship and safety. For more information, go to <http://www.skillsusa.org>.

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Roseboro Dedicates "Chasity's Courts"



On Saturday at 10am, at BloomFest, the town of Roseboro honored one of their own Chasity Melvin, with the dedication ceremony of the "Chasity's Court's". The newly completed basketball courts were dedicated in her honor. Chasity Melvin is a native of Roseboro and has since moved on as a Superstar in the Basketball arena. It was quite an honor to have Ms. Melvin present for the unveiling of the monument in her honor.

Chasity even took time to teach a group of young Roseboro students some of her key moves on the court. Local teens also had the opportunity to play with her well.

Friends, family, prior teachers and coaches and town officials were all present for the christening of the courts which will be well used by the citizens of Roseboro.

Chasity said that the dedication today of the basketball courts was the second most important thing to happen to her, behind getting to play in the finals of the NCAA Championship.



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PRAYER, cont. from P. 1

The 67th Annual National Day of Prayer was held on Thursday with events across the county. The Town of Autryville held a prayer vigil on Thursday morning. Christian academies across Sampson County also held prayer events.

The National Day of Prayer was also held on the Sampson County courthouse steps at noon. Even though the numbers in Clinton were not huge, the hearts present were, and they were prepared to pray for this nation and the community in a mighty way.

This year's motto was "Pray for America- Love One Another".

"Love one another. Just as I have loved you." John 13:34. The national event had 4 top priorities of prayer which included:

1. ASK GOD TO BLESS THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

"Blessed is the nation whose God is the Lord—the people He has chosen to be His own possession!" Psalm 33:12

-Ask God to forgive us as a nation for our sinful choices and ways, covering us with His Son's blood, and extending blessing and favor upon the United States of America because of His great mercy.

-Ask God to bless America spiritually in a new and fresh way and move us to return to the Lord our God.

-Ask God to bless America by raising up godly leaders in all areas of our nation: locally, regionally, statewide, and nationally.

-Ask God to bless America economically so that all people in our nation will be blessed and so we can be a blessing to the entire world.

-Ask God to bless America by securing our nation from all evil and harm from within our nation and from outside our nation.

2. PRAY FOR AMERICANS TO LOVE ONE ANOTHER, BEGINNING AMONG CHRIST FOLLOWERS

"Love one another. Just as I have loved you..." John 13:34

-The present anger, division, and broken relationships in America are calling us to pray for and take all necessary actions to remember God's love for us so we will love one another.

-God is the only One who can bring unity, harmony, and oneness in America; therefore, we look only to Him in prayer, asking for this love to prevail.

-Call upon God to create a major Love One Another movement across America and empower us to make every effort to live in unity with one another, call for unity, and continually forward unity in America.

3. PRAY FOR THE CENTERS OF INFLUENCE IN AMERICA

"First of all, then, I urge that petitions, prayers, intercessions, and thanksgivings be made for everyone, for kings and all those who are in authority, so that we may lead a tranquil and quiet life in all godliness and dignity." 1 Timothy 2:1-2

-Pray for the executive, legislative, and judicial branches of the United States government to value one another, respect one another, and work together for the good of our nation.

-Pray for America's military, its leaders, and all personnel to be protected by God, and for the courage to depend upon God.

SKIMMERS, cont. from P. 1

over the entire year.

Also, of note is that 11 of the 23 skimmers found in the first quarter were found in Johnston County. This includes five at one location in the town of Selma, and implies a concerted effort to target the Johnston County area with skimmers. Skimmers were also found in Davidson, Mecklenburg and Polk counties.

"On return visits, we found that some of the same stores were hit a second time after the first device was already removed. This leads me to believe that someone is, or at least was, actively working this area," said Chad Parker, Standards Division measurement section manager. "We have completed our sweep and now our inspector is returning to these stores for his annual inspections."

Skimmers are electronic devices placed inside a gas pump which collect data whenever a credit or debit card transaction is made at that pump. The owner of the skimmer then returns and collects the device, along with the credit or debit card information stored on it.

For the average customer, there is no way of knowing if there is a skimmer inside a pump, said Parker. Despite that, there are a few steps that consumers can take to reduce the risk of having their information stolen.

- If possible, do not use a card at the pump. Paying for your gas inside, with either a card or cash, allows you to pay at a machine that has an employee watching over it all day.

- If you do use a card outside, run it as a credit transaction, rather than debit. This way, the machine will ask for your ZIP code instead of your PIN, which leave you less vulnerable if a skimmer picks up your information.

- Ask the store what kinds of measures they have taken to protect your information from being stolen

The Standards Division inspects gas dispensers for accuracy and fuel quality. Inspectors with the division check dispensers for the presence of skimmers by request, complaint or during routine gas pump inspection.



-Pray for the members of our media in America to be respectful of all people, bearing truth, and inspiring our nation with stories about loving one another.

-Pray for America's businesses to have leaders of integrity, be creators of economic blessing, and givers to the community.

-Pray for America's centers of education to create a culture of respect and love for one another.

-Pray for the churches of America to model and be examples of love for another, inspiring a Love One Another movement to occur.

-Pray for the families in America to return to the biblical model, creating families that practice forgiveness and love.

4. ASK GOD FOR THE NATIONAL DAY OF PRAYER ON THURSDAY, MAY 2, TO BECOME A CATALYTIC SPIRITUAL MOVEMENT ACROSS AMERICA

"They all were continually united in prayer." Acts 1:14

-Lord, we ask You to call your church to love one another, so Your church can call our nation to love and unity on the National Day of Prayer and in the future.

-Lord, we ask You to move each of us to love one another in the same way you love us: willfully, sacrificially, and unconditionally.

-Lord, we ask You to empower our National Day of Prayer volunteers across America, who will lead and serve in thousands of observances on Thursday, May 2.

-Lord, we ask You to use and anoint Dr. Ronnie Floyd, the President of the National Day of Prayer Task Force, as he provides leadership the entire week; but, most importantly the National Observance of the National Day of Prayer in historic Statuary Hall in the U.S. Capitol Building in Washington, DC, on Thursday, May 2, at 7:30 p.m. EDT.

-Lord, we ask You to give Dr. Floyd the exact words needed for every media interview related to the National Day of Prayer.

-Lord, we ask You to use the thousands upon thousands of observances of the National Day of Prayer to be a catalytic spiritual movement across America, ushering in the revival of the church and the next Great Spiritual Awakening in America.

The event on the courthouse steps was led by Pastor Eddie Barnes of Clinton Community Church with guest speakers from different ministries of which included Councilman Marcus Becton and Becky Spell-Vann of Tim's Gift. Both spoke about the need for unity in this country and the ability to love each other regardless of race or religion, whether we are different or not.

History of the Event

Thursday, May 3, is the National Day of Prayer. It was the 30th annual observance since President Ronald Reagan signed the amended law designating the first Thursday of May as a day of national prayer, and the 67th observance since the day was first created in 1952 by a joint resolution of Congress and signed into law by President Harry S. Truman.

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rector of Auxiliary Services did a preliminary review of the two buildings. After this Dr. Bracy, Mr. Hammond, and myself, with input from board member Doug Burley, did a walk thru of the two buildings with the principals. It was obvious that the move could work from a facilities standpoint. An underutilized building, UIS, could be better utilized and do away with mobile units at UES. We also gave consideration to the core infrastructure at UIS, cafeteria, gym, library, bathrooms, etc. and are assured these areas are adequate as well."

According to a Power Point presentation that was presented to the board, the move would allow Union Elementary School to have no high-stake testing and will change the culture of school to school readiness + building strong foundations. It will also alleviate strain with playground access and safety for numbers.

The reconfiguration will allow all tested elementary grades to now be under one roof at Union Intermediate. It was help with increased parental engagement and Union Intermediate would "not feel like an empty school – but a busy school full of learning and dedicated educators + students driven to success!"

The move will take affect in the 2019-2020 upcoming school year. The reconfiguration of the two schools would mean that Union Intermediate will now house 448 students, increased from its current numbers of 294. Union Elementary will house 494 students down from its current 648 students.

Both schools would still qualify for the Principal salary of 400 students as a base and the board hopes that the move will "attract a Principal who will invest and plan to stay."





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We Should Know . . .



Enrique Coello with J.W. Simmons Host of We Should Know

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

The topic for this week's show is Insurance and Latino and Minority Affairs and the guest for the show is Enrique Coello, state director for Latino and Minority Affairs with the NC Commission of Insurance.

Enrique Coello is a successful businessman in Sampson County and is involved with many community service activities. He is also a medical doctor and serves on the board for Sampson Regional Medical Center. Enrique moved to Clinton in 1999 when he accepted a position with the city. Since his arrival to Clinton, Enrique has established several businesses in town and helped to serve as a voice for the local Latino community. Enrique also serves on the board of the local United Way.

J.W. Simmons begins the show asking Enrique Coello to discuss his role at the NC Insurance Commissioner's office and what he does day to day. Coello explains, "I've been with the NC Commission of Insurance, I was nominated by Commissioner Causey to be the first director of minorities for the US. We have the first minorities department trying to educate the community in aspects of the insurance world."

"A lot of people don't know their rights because some people don't even read their insurance policy. They don't understand the coverage and they don't know their rights against basically a company denying a claim or an agent that has mistreated them. So, we have a whole department that can assist people to understand their rights. And they can intervene whenever they have a complaint. So, the department has this division for consumers that is free to anybody."

Coello states that the agency is not just for minorities, but that it's a free service offered to all North Carolinians and the process of filing a complaint can begin as easy as placing a phone call.

"North Carolina Department of Insurance is essentially the largest state agency," says Coello. "We have a lot to regulate. We have more than 125,000 licenses between companies and agents, so it's a lot to regulate."

"And its not just licenses, but it is also providing education. And all of that comes under the Department of Insurance. We also have other divisions. The insurance commissioner is also the state fire marshal. So, we have all the volunteer fire departments under his supervision. They inspect and give a grade to every fire station. And most people don't know, but according to the grade their closest fire station has is the amount you will pay for insurance. Everybody is affected by that grade."

"But when Mike Causey came into office, he found out that there are fire stations in the state that had not been inspected in 25 years. That probably meant that people were over paying in insurance because it's likely a station had renewed their equipment and their facility had certified firefighters, but they don't have an upgrade."

Coello says that failure to inspect fire stations would have affected both commercial and residential property insurance. For residential insurance it could be hundreds of dollars and for commercial it could run in the thousands of dollars overpaid to insurance companies.

Coello goes on to add that Commissioner Causey in addition to regulating the insurance industry and fire marshal, Causey's department also oversees and licenses the bail bonding industry in North Carolina. "Mike Causey has a great deal of responsibilities and he handles it all very well," states Coello.

"There are a lot of people that have problems with bail bonders, but they don't know they can file a complaint. Bail bonders can charge up to 15% and anything above that could be considered fraud. We have seen a lot of abuses, especially with minorities. African Americans and Latinos. We can investigate those cases. We have a criminal division that takes part in the investigation."

Coello states that when someone gets arrested its typically a critical instance and its easy to take advantage of someone while they're under such duress, especially if they're from another country and don't understand the process.

"So", says Coello, "we are trying to empower people with knowledge. When they feel they've been mistreated or abused they can file a complaint. And of course, that division, bail bonding, will take action and investigate the case."

"They will take actions against the person committing the abuse and sometimes it can be considered criminal. So, we have law enforcement in our department to take cases and they can actually arrest people due to insurance fraud, bail bonding fraud, whatever."

Coello states that in 2016, when Causey became Commissioner of Insurance one of his goals was the increase the presence of law enforcement in his department. They now have 40 sworn officers and have significantly increased arrests and convictions for insurance fraud.

"For every dollar the insurance industry spends on claims, 15 to 20 cents are considered fraud. That's a lot when you look at the number of claims. We're talking in billions of dollars that can be recovered and help us keep insurance rates low."

"North Carolina has the seventh lowest insurance rate in the US. So, if you think we're paying high rates for insurance, consider people in other states. Mike Causey's goal is to balance between low rates for insurance and reasonable rates that will attract a broad range of companies so people will have a choice in providers and seek the lowest rate they can get. While also allowing the insurance industry companies enough profit margin to be able to continue doing business in North Carolina."

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

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



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ABOUT THE FESTIVAL

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We will kick-off the 2019 Carolina Strawberry Festival in Wallace with the Strawberry Jam on Friday, May 3rd from 6:00 PM - 11:00 PM with TrainWreck, The Band of Oz, Dinosaurs, One Price Midway Rides and Food Vendors. Our Main Festival will be held on Saturday, May 4th from 10:00 AM - 11:00 PM. The day will be filled with performances by local talent, craft vendors, food vendors, Dinosaurs and the Midway. The evening brings Chocolate Chip & Company and The Catalinas to the stage! Thank you for your help in supporting the Carolina Strawberry Festival in Historic Downtown Wallace.

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Face-to-face with the opioid epidemic

Nurses are always on the front lines of a crisis, including the nation's opioid crisis. In their capacity as advocates for responsible prescribing of opioids and treatment of addiction, nurses are battling a public health problem that takes 115 lives a day, according to the National Institutes of Health.



Affecting people across all walks of life, the opioid epidemic peaked around 2012 and is now experiencing a positive downturn, said Patricia Eldershaw, assistant professor in the School of Nursing at Bangor, Maine's Husson University, where she teaches a unique course that focuses on addiction and population health from a "social determinants of global health" approach, or the conditions in which people are born, grow, live, work and age and how that's shaped by the distribution of money, power and resources. The course is part of Husson's required curriculum for its graduate and post-master's nursing programs.

A comprehensive understanding of the complexities of the addiction crisis will allow health professionals to be better prepared to work with and alleviate the suffering that comes with opioid addiction, Eldershaw said.

"Nursing is synonymous to patient advocacy; as a nurse, it is our responsibility to advocate for the patient in each and every aspect of their care," said registered nurse Velondria Bursey, director of nursing at Greenhouse Treatment Center in Grand Prairie, Texas. "We are their educators, interpreters, the bridge between doctor and patient and anything else we must be to provide quality care and lead them to the road to recovery."

New expectations

One of the biggest issues nurses who work with opioid-addicted patients face is dismantling stereotypes of substance abuse.

"We're also changing what it means to care for patients with an opioid addiction while also managing chronic pain issues," Bursey said.

Courses like the one at Husson are pushing a new understanding of addiction and treatment, said Kelly Turner, assistant professor and graduate coordinator in the School of Nursing at Husson.

"I wish I had this education as a new provider," Turner said.

Not all pain is manageable, and America has found itself in a precarious predicament where it seems pain-free is a necessary outcome. To achieve this required higher and higher doses of opioids, a sole focus on prescriptions and the insistence that medication is the only option, Eldershaw said.

"This undermines pain management philosophy," she said.

"Now, there is a stigma attached to opioid use, but for many years patients have been prescribed opioids in high doses and have been told it's safe. It's medicine," Turner said. "Now we think about it differently. There's been a shift in the message, and some people feel almost betrayed. It can be a high-stress conversation" when talking to patients who have become addicted to medications prescribed by health professionals.

"On a daily basis, we see patients and families affected by this epidemic grasping at any glimmer of hope that their loved one will one day overcome this disease that has taken over our country," Bursey said.

Striking a balance

Nurses need to have compassion as well as firm boundaries.

"Those will help get your patients through some of the most difficult days of their treatment," Bursey said. "Compassion and empathy are what allow you to reassure your patient that it will get better and the horrible feeling they have right now will not last forever."

The best nurses meet the patients where they are.

"Whether they are in active addiction or just beginning their life in recovery, addiction is a disease that must be managed one day at a time," Bursey said.

'Give Hope'

This article appears in Salute to Nurses 2019.

Learning how to communicate effectively with aging health-care consumers is a fundamental skill for the nurses who treat them.

Laura Reyher, instructor of nursing at West Texas A&M University, has dedicated almost her entire career to providing care to and teaching others how best to care for geriatric patients.



"Nurses can make a big difference in their geriatric patients' lives with the right communication skills," she said. "We can help prevent complications, reduce the likelihood of being readmitted, promote recovery, improve their ability to care for themselves and help keep them independent as long as possible."

One of the challenges is that geriatric patients may be experiencing a variety of issues, including pain, chronic illness, disability, sleeplessness or fear of becoming dependent, Reyher said.

Don't assume these issues will make them unable to comprehend what a nurse is saying. If they don't have cognitive problems, "geriatric patients can always learn new information, but they usually need a little extra time to process everything," Reyher said.

Recognize that an older patient might have sensory challenges. If he's lying in bed, he may have taken off his glasses or hearing aids, Reyher said.

Make sure patients are in a good state to listen to your directions. Check to see if they got enough sleep the night before. If a patient was up most of the night, she may need a nap before you talk with her, Reyher said.

"Speak slowly; do not shout," Reyher said. Many women have higher-pitched voices, which can be more difficult to hear. Use a lower tone of voice and add extra breath-force in voice when speaking, Reyher said.

Remember that medications can cause drowsiness, foggy thinking and confusion, and that anesthesia can have prolonged effects on a patient's thinking abilities, Reyher said.

A few more of Reyher's tips to communicate effectively with geriatric patients:

- Ask if they would like to go to the restroom before your talk.
- Be sure there is good lighting in the room with light on the nurse's face. Don't sit with your back to the window. Turn down the television or close the door to limit background noise.
- Always sit down at eye-level where they can easily see you.
- Use plain language with no abbreviations or acronyms.
- Provide all handouts with large print and include only necessary information written at about a fifth-grade level. Make sure there is plenty of white space with bullet-point information in order of importance. "Health-care information can be like a foreign language regardless of their educational level," Reyher said.
- Tell them to ask their pharmacist to put large print on medicine bottles. "Medication errors are the leading cause of emergency room visits for geriatric patients," Reyher said.
- Use the "show me, tell me" technique after sharing important information to help with understanding and to spot gaps in knowledge. For example, after demonstrating how to change a wound dressing, ask the patient to show you how to do it.
- Watch for signs of anxiety, depression and/or hopelessness.
- Take your time. The tone of your voice and the look on your face and in your eyes can demonstrate to a patient that you care about him.
- Always ask patients whether they have family nearby and if they would like their family to be present when you share information. They can be the extra set of eyes and ears to help absorb the information.

"As a nurse, it's helpful to recall a senior adult in your life who was special to you and think about how you would want them treated," Reyher said. Ask a few questions about their lives, such as where they grew up, what they did for a living or if they have grandchildren.

"Never forget the power of touch. Geriatric patients often feel untouchable and that no one cares for them. The nurse's gentle touch on their hand or shoulder can tell a patient that they really care about them," Reyher said.

"Lastly, give hope. Be encouraging and positive. Put a smile in your voice."



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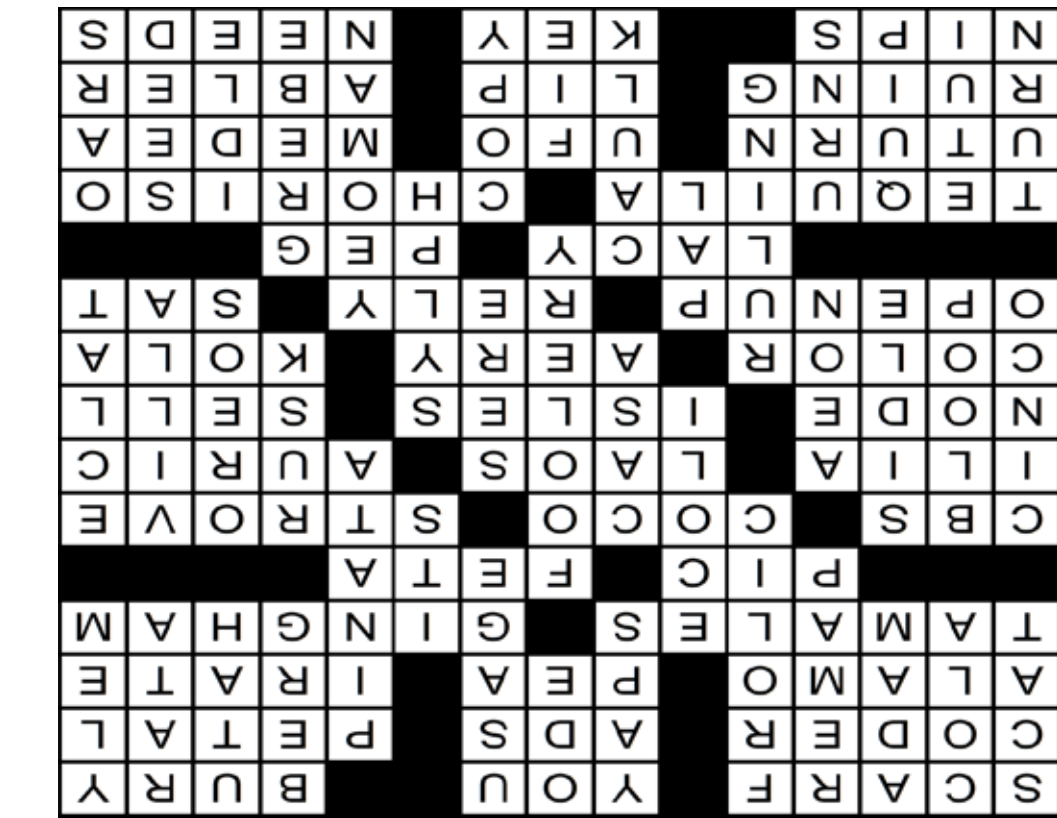
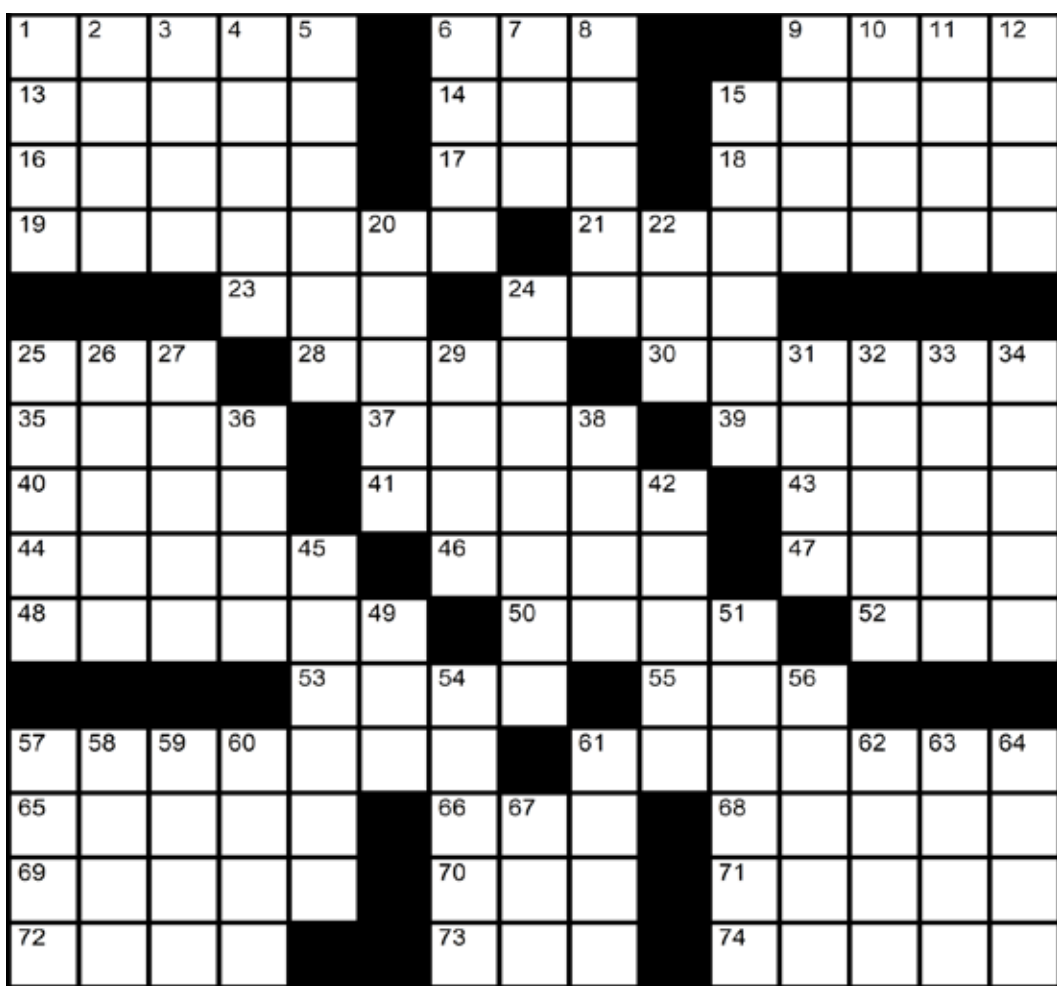
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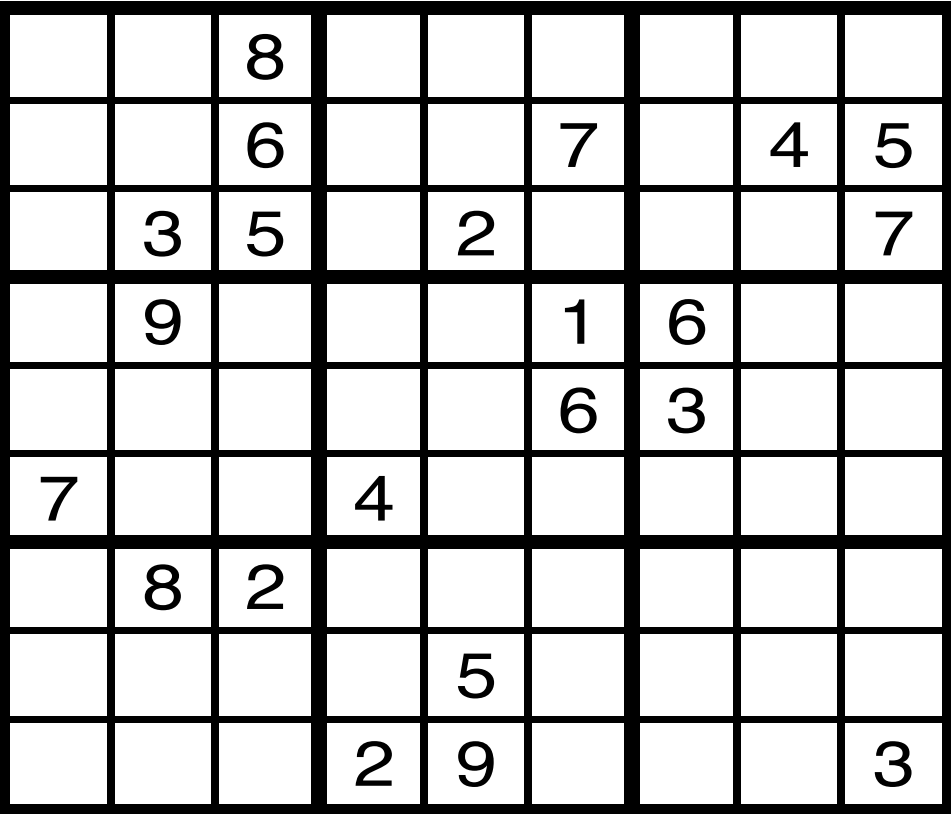
- ACROSS**
1. Winter warmer
 6. *Tú, north of the border
 9. Put six feet under
 13. Computer programmer
 14. Supermarket circulars, e.g.
 15. "He loves me..." flower part
 16. *Santa Anna's 1836 victory locale
 17. Pod dweller
 18. All worked up
 19. *Filling+corn dough+corn husk, pl.
 21. Like Dorothy Gale's dress
 23. Selfie, e.g.
 24. Cheese on Peloponnese
 25. Eye Network
 28. *Day of the Dead-inspired Oscar-winner
 30. Attempted
 35. Hipbones
 37. Between Thailand and Vietnam
 39. El Dorado-related
 40. Lymphatic swelling
 41. Archipelago parts
 43. Unload on eBay
 44. Hue perception
 46. Bald eagle's nest
 47. Caffeine-containing nut tree
 48. "_____! This is the police!"
 50. Bank on
 52. Aptitude test
 53. Like a doily
 55. Margaret, for short
 57. *Made from agave
 61. *Popular huevos accompaniment
 65. Driver's 180
 66. Flying saucer acronym
 68. Mythological princess of Colchis
 69. Repenting
 70. Collagen target
 71. More capable

72. Tiny sips
 73. Skeleton in a lock
 74. Must-haves
- DOWN**
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 3. Comic Sandler
 4. Chart anew
 5. Lark about
 6. Puppy barks
 7. Keats' poem
 8. Cell phone bill item
 9. Frigid shipping hazard
 10. Butch Cassidy's home state
 11. Pro _____
 12. Big Bang's original matter
 15. *Blind man's target
 20. Cause for food recall
 22. "_____ Now or Never"
 24. Tom's craziness?
 25. *_____ de Mayo
 26. Soft single in baseball
 27. Move sideways
 29. *"Mi _____ es su..."
 31. Biscuit
 32. Sandwiches for dessert
 33. *Zapata's collaborator
 34. Audience's approval
 36. Long, long time
 38. Bone-dry
 42. Airy fairy
 45. Exercising authority
 49. One of peeps
 51. Tower of London guard
 54. Sealing product
 56. Freshwater diving bird
 57. _____ of events
 58. Red carpet purse
 59. Witty remark
 60. RIP pots
 61. "_____ that" on walkie-talkie
 62. In neutral
 63. Gardener's purchase
 64. Crew propellers
 67. "Jack and the Beanstalk" exclamation

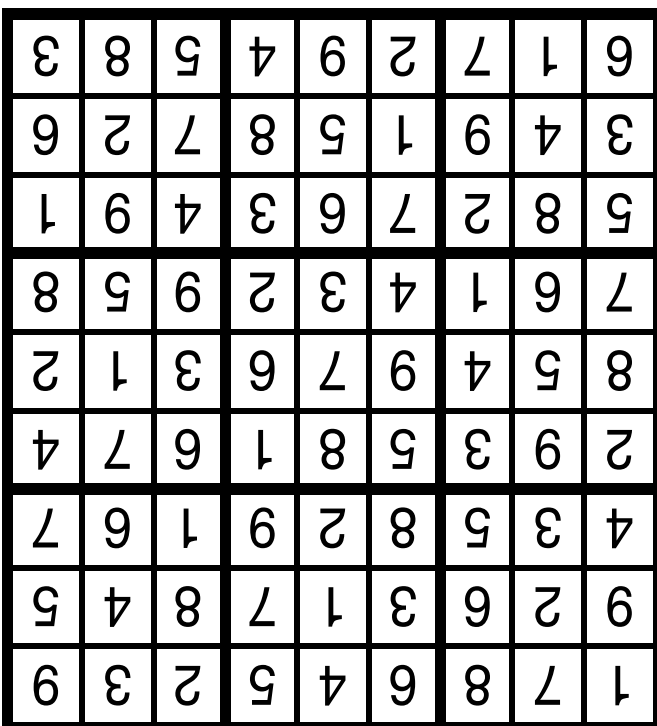
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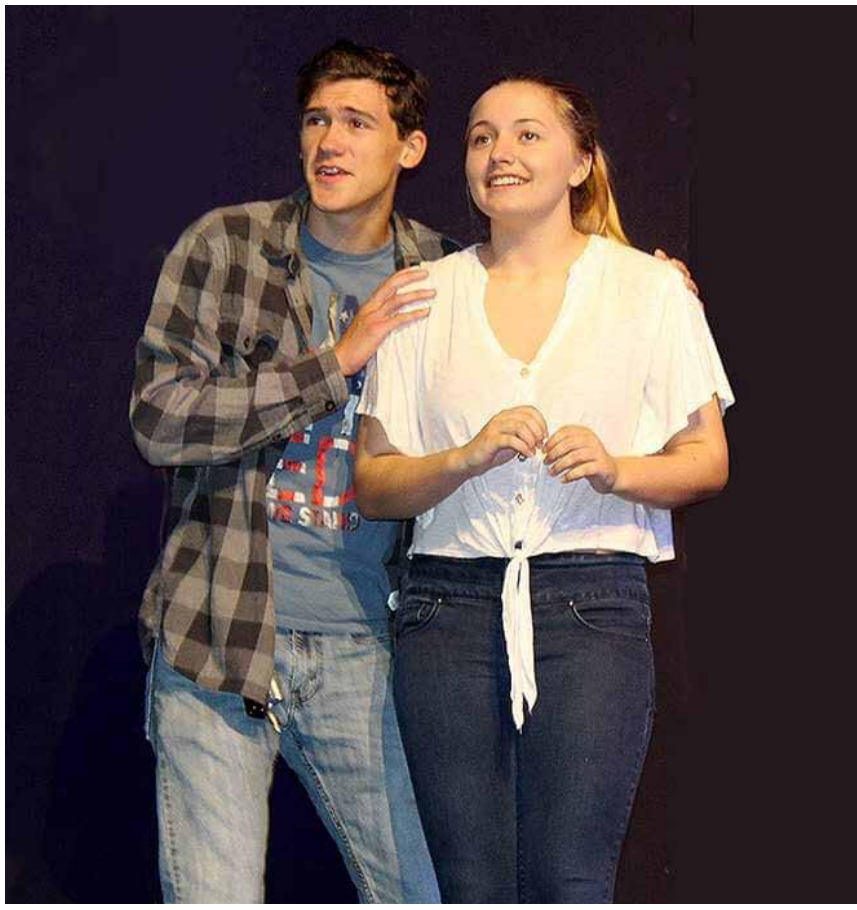


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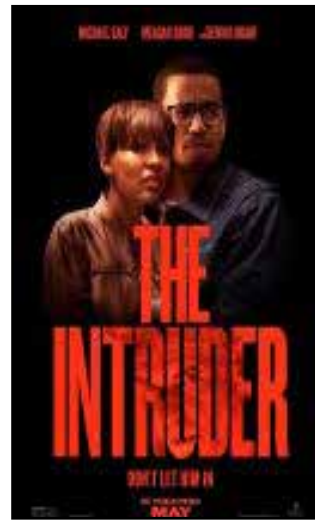
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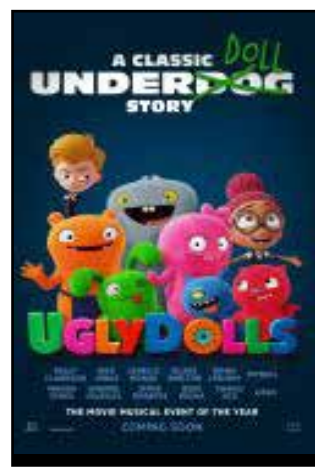
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HCA's Men's Golf Nabs Conference Championship



Team is prepping for NCISAA 2-A Golf State tourney

The Men's Golf Team at Harrells Christian Academy had quite a day on the green earlier this week.

On Monday, the team traveled to River Landing to take on conference rivals - the Cape Fear Colts. Although the Colts would come out on top in the match, the Christian Crusaders would earn the top two individual slots and walk out with the NCISAA 2A Coastal Rivers Conference Championship thanks to their incredible 9-3 conference record (and a 21-10 record overall) on the season.

The team will now head onto the NCISAA 2A State Golf Championships that will be held on May 13-14 - at the Whispering Pines Country Club - Pines Course (Pinehurst).

At River Landing, senior Cade Hancock and sophomore Colby Stoppelbein finished Monday's match in first and second - Hancock with a 70 and Stoppelbein with a 71, respectively.

Going into Monday's match, with no team in their conference close to topping their record, it was a foregone conclusion that the Crusaders would be named conference champs no matter the outcome.

"There was no pressure going in," said Cade Hancock. "We knew that we had the conference before we even teed off. The conditions on the course were just perfect and, because of our record, we could go in and just play; just have fun. There was no pressure at all."

"There was no possible way we could have lost the conference

championship," agrees Colby Stoppelbein. "Even though Cape Fear 'technically' beat us, we beat them earlier in the season and we were the top scorers."

Overall the Crusaders finished second in 2-A schools across the state (20 schools in total). The O'Neal School, who played in four less matches than Harrells finished with a 1.23 differential, Harrells finished with a 2.77, according to NCISAA's Team Rankings.

In addition to taking the top spots in the conference championship, the 18-year-old Hancock, who has a +2 handicap, also walked out with NCISAA Coastal Rivers Conference Player of the Year honors, by holding an average of 70.5.

"It really wasn't expected," Hancock says. "I knew I had played well, but it was a great surprise."

He continued, "To have us taking the top two spots against a really good Cape Fear team is a good feeling."

Stoppelbein was also named to the All-Conference team by keeping an average of 74.3.

It comes as no surprise that the two were nominated and have been named this week's Performance Auto/Sampson Weekly Star Athletes of the Week.

The duo has known each other for years, both played for the same coach (Courtney Brinson) on a junior golf team.

"I got stated playing when I was 11," said Hancock. "That is where I met Colby and recommended him to coach

(Brinson)."

At the time, Colby was nine.

"We have developed our own game over the years," said 16-year-old Stoppelbein, who carries a 0.6 handicap. "Our own style of play."

When asked what the best part of their golf games are, Hancock says, "I don't think there is any part of our game that is the 'best'. I feel like both of our all-around games are good ..."

"They have certainly been the leaders of our team this year," said head coach Andy Wells. "I think they have pushed each other to be better (players)."

Wells said that he was also impressed with the duo's work ethic.

"I am proud of their commitment to practice and get better each and every time they step on the course," he said. "We completed our regular season (on Monday) as Coastal Rivers Conference Champions for the first time in many years."

Whatever happens in the NCISAA State Golf Championships in the upcoming weeks, Hancock will be finishing up his final year of high school on an incredible high note.

"It is going to be tough," Hancock says of leaving Harrells. "I will miss playing all the good matches with Colby and getting to play with the rest of the team and for my coaches."

Hancock is planning of attending Mount Olive College - where, not surprisingly, he will play on the golf team.

"My major is undecided right now," he explains. "I think I would like to go into photography or agriculture business. Or if it is possible to go to Mount Olive for two years and then transfer to East Carolina University to study construction ..."

"I am going to miss Cade," admits Stoppelbein. "We have had a great friendship."

However, without Cade in the lineup next season, the younger golfers, including Stoppelbein, will have to step it up next year.

"Cade is one of four seniors on the team," he said. The three other seniors are: Zack Todd, Vance Hardy and Easton Wells. "One is in the starting five. So, yes, there will be some pressure going into my senior year, but I do have some confidence in my game."

The team will round out with Henry Moore, John Litton Clark and younger players Josh DeAndrade and Michael Dale Williams (both currently in 7th grades) and current eighth grader Tadan Ivey.

For now, though, Stoppelbein, Hancock and the rest of the Crusaders are preparing for the state championships.

"It has been a great journey," Hancock said. "I know that we would like to thank coach (Andy) Wells for being such a great coach; Our parents for always being there for us and taking us where we need to be; and most of all, we would like to thank God for giving us the ability to play."

The Harrells Christian Crusaders will play again in the NCISAA 2-A State Golf Championships in Pinehurst on May 13-14.

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Featured Bridal Couples

Cameron Baggett & Brittany Cottle

Love Reignites After Congratulatory Text

Brittany continues, "Well, I think we got to the point where we both knew that we messed up. That is why it was easier the second time. We had been there, done that, you know? We both made mistakes and we were more mature – so it was different."

That reignited spark continued to grow over the next three and a half years – even though the couple were far away from each other during that time.

"I was going to college in Wilmington and he was here, so that made us in a long-distance relationship all that time," Brittany explained. "But we were really committed to each other and made it work."

When Cameron would visit, the couple would take Brittany's 4-year-old Shih Tzu (named 'Nixon') for walks at the local park.

"Nixon just loves Cameron and he adores Nixon," says Brittany. "That became a routine of ours."

[Fun Fact: 28% of couples who are dating have pets together; 12% use them in their actual wedding ceremony]

The Proposal

According to statistics over 96% of couples, who have been dating over 3+ years or more, discuss details of their engagement months before the actual event.

It was no different for Brittany and Cameron.

"In the last year (before the engagement) there was talk about it," Brittany said. "There was a lot of big things happening for us and we did know that we would eventually get engaged, I just didn't know when."

'When' came during a visit from Cameron on May 13, 2018.

"We had gone to the beach and we were headed out, when we made a detour because Cameron had to 'pick something up'," explained Brittany.

The 'detour' was at Hugh McRae Park in Wilmington. "He took me to the cool, little spot we had walked through before," notes Brittany. "It seemed off; I knew something was up."

Cameron, who had already asked Brittany's parents for her hand in marriage, picked his moment, bent down on one knee and proposed.

"He was so nervous," remembers Brittany. "He is not typically romantic, but this was super romantic, and it was so exciting."

And the timing couldn't have been better.

"We grew up a lot over the past five years," Brittany said. "We are really great together – we balance each other out."

After the excitement from the engagement, and subsequent announcement to all their family and friends, the couple began working on the plans for their dream wedding.

[Fun Fact: 89% of men get down on one knee to propose to their future wife; 64% of recently engaged couples begin planning their wedding within the first two months.]

Making Plans For the Big Day

"We were able to get done with a lot of things early," says Brittany. "I am the third daughter to get married, so we knew what to expect."

The couple plan to share their nuptials on June 22 at Grove Park Baptist Church in Clinton.

"Honestly, we were good to go in about six months," Brittany says. "But we wanted to make sure to include our family and friends. I had two of my close friends from my family and Cameron had his cousin and aunts involved."

With the help and support of their family and close friends, the couple wound up with a guest list of 300+.

So far, plans and preparations for the wedding have gone smoothly.

"Well, we have had a lot of help," Brittany admits. "The support has been incredible."

According to Brittany, the hardest part of the planning experience for the couple has been the invites.

"I would say making the guest list," she said. "That is a beast to tackle ... It is very important to not leave anyone out and that is why it is the hardest. Thank God that I have a mom that really helped me out with everything."

What would be the best piece of advice Brittany could give to a couple planning a future wedding? "I would say try not to stress or worry," says Brittany. "That is my biggest thing, at the end of the day, you are going to be married. The little things you are worried about - no one but you will know it. The day is all about you – so just go out and enjoy it."

After the wedding, the couple, who have recently closed on a home, will reside in Clinton. Cameron is the safety coordinator for Smithfield Foods; Brittany is a seventh-grade educator at Midway Middle School and her students are excited about the upcoming wedding.

"They are all involved," Brittany says with pride. "They ask me every time they see me – how is the wedding coming along and they want to know everything. It's been fun because they are just as excited."

Although they have no idea when it will happen, Brittany said that the couple would love to have children.

"If the Lord blesses us," she said.

The couple would like to thank those who have made their planning go that much easier.

Natalie Soto and Madison Holland at Bill's Beauty Shop in downtown Clinton "for always fixing me up with perfect hair, makeup, and nails for every wedding event," says Brittany.

Brittany Campbell at Sunshine Artistry in Fayetteville, North Carolina for the flawless tan.

Tonya Parrish for "working with me to put together the perfect China pieces and assisting family and friends with every shower and gift need," said Brittany.

Carly Fogleman Photography for the most timeless engagement photos and bridal portraits.

"And our family, church family, and friends for hosting special events all throughout this year to help us celebrate this special time."

She adds, "and also The Sampson Weekly for featuring our story in this bridal edition."

[Fun Fact: 14% of newly married couples who already have children, are included in the ceremony; 89% of engaged couples include family members in the planning of the wedding.]



When Brittany Cottle, 23, and Cameron Baggett, 24, unite in marriage this June, it will solidify the couple's journey of love that was sparked back in a pre-calculus class back when the two were in high school.

Cameron sat in the back of the class, Brittany remembers.

"Oh, I just thought he was the cutest thing," she admits. "He was quiet and sat in the back of the class. I sat in the front and we really didn't talk with each other until later on."

Both Sampson County natives, Cameron was raised in the northern part of the county, while Brittany was raised in Clinton.

It wasn't until her sophomore year in high school that a move saw Brittany enrolling in Midway High School, a school Cameron was already in – he was a year ahead of Cottle.

As fate would have it, the two were scheduled in the same pre-calculus class.

"He thought I was obnoxious," Brittany says with a laugh. "I was a little bit loud and he was more reserved and quiet ... But I can remember being attracted to him because he was so cute."

It was a question about a homework assignment that opened the door to conversation.

"He says I contacted him, but I think he was the one that contacted me through a Twitter DM (Direct Message)," Brittany says with a laugh. "We went back and forth for a while and then it came to point where it was like, 'what are we doing?' and that's when we started talking to each other."

The chemistry between the two was evident right away. Within weeks the two high schoolers had their first date.

"My sister went along with us," Brittany remembers with a laugh. "We went to the movies. It was kind of an intense one too (the 2013 Halle Berry film 'The Call'). So, I was close to him and my sister became sort of the third wheel."

The relationship blossomed from then on.

By January 1, the two were 'officially' a couple, even attending Brittany's prom together – however, by August the two went their separate ways.

"He went off to college and I still had my senior year of high school to go," said Brittany. "We were both hurt ..."

Life went on - Brittany finished her senior year and headed off to college in Wilmington, while Cameron began his sophomore year in college.

Two years later, Brittany's sister got engaged and out of the blue, Cameron contacted her.

"He sent me a text asking me to congratulate my sister," Brittany said. "Then we texted a few more times and that set off another spark."

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Andrew Hawkins & Taylor Malpass**Local Couple Prepare For Nuptials
With Plenty Of Support**

Whether it is getting engaged around the holidays (the most popular month for proposals is December at 19%) or inviting friends and loved ones to witness the actual proposal, millennial couples are opting to make their engagement a highly shared experience.

One local couple – Taylor Malpass, 23, and Andrew Hawkins, 29 – are one of those couples – but there is a specific reason why Andrew invited one of his and two of Taylor’s best friends to the couple’s engagement that took place on October 27, 2018.

The setting was perfect – sunset on a beach in Charleston, South Carolina.

“I unofficially hired our best friends to be there earlier and set everything up for me,” Andrew admitted. “We had been talking about taking a weekend getaway to Charleston for a while and we finally managed to get the time to go.”

Andrew rented a local Airbnb and the two enjoyed their getaway by touring Charleston.

“We went all around,” explains Andrew, “just doing the ‘tourist’ things. When it was time to propose, we were set to go to dinner, and I sort of tricked Taylor by saying we needed to make a stop before we went to the restaurant.”

As the two watched the sunset fading into the sea, Andrew suddenly knelt down in the sand and asked for Taylor’s hand in marriage.

“I was very surprised,” Taylor admitted. “I had absolutely no idea – once he did it, our friends came out and they celebrated with us.”

From Early Beginnings to Love

Being both from Clinton, the couple actually “knew of” each other growing up.

“We grew up in the same area,” confirms Andrew. “So, we were familiar with each other and we knew each other’s families.”

However, a relationship between the two really was never even a consideration back then.

“No, not at all,” says Taylor.

“I really had no clue,” Andrew said. “Back then, I never would have guessed we would be where we are today.”

For Andrew, he remembers Taylor coming into a gym he was running.

“She used to come in there and I would see her from time to time,” he explains. “This was right before she went off to college.”

Taylor returned to the area after earning her degree in Recreational Therapy from East Carolina University. Before long (in 2017) a mutual friend would set her up with a date with Andrew.

[Fun Fact: 23% of couples have met through friends; 55% dated 2+ years; 72% live together]

The rest is history.

Although, admittedly, it took a while for the duo to become exclusive, the chemistry was there from the beginning.

“I knew right away,” notes Andrew, with a laugh. “You could say I had been chasing her for about two years up to that point.”

In fact, the couple had dated for approximately two years before the timing was perfect for Andrew to get down on one knee in front of that beautiful beach setting.

“Although it was earlier for me, it was later in our dating when we both realized that it was getting to be about ‘that’ time (to propose),” Andrew said. “By that time, we both laid out what we wanted and really knew where we were headed.”

But Andrew still wasn’t sure if Taylor would say “yes”.

“I was excited and nervous too,” Andrew says. “I felt like it could go either way, but I felt like it was time to do it, so I did it.”

“I was very surprised when he proposed,” Taylor admitted. “Once he did it, it was just wonderful.”

Planning For The Big Day

Percentage-wise the top wedding date in 2019 is on October 10.

Taylor and Andrew have selected the fifth top wedding date – October 5.

Why? “Well, it is special to us because we got engaged in October,” explains Andrew. And I just really feel like October is my favorite month.”

The couple will be united in marriage in Fayetteville in the beautiful backdrop of Cape Fear Botanical Gardens.

Statistics say that in 2019, most couples will spend at least two hours



a week planning their wedding and spend nearly 80 percent of their time planning online.

Peak times for online planning is at from 9 p.m. to midnight; the most popular day? Sunday.

After their engagement became official Taylor and Andrew began planning their big day.

“We have had our ups and downs,” Taylor says with honesty. “We will have over a year to prepare for it.”

Early in the planning, the couple was planning for a smaller ceremony, but they quickly scrapped that idea.

“We both have really big families,” Taylor said. “And there was just no way we couldn’t include everyone. Both of our families are involved, as well as our friends.”

The couple is expecting about 250 to celebrate their love at the ceremony.

[Fun Fact: The average number of guests for 2019 weddings is 126; Number of wedding party members is 10; Average age of couple is 33]

One of the hardest parts of planning, according to Taylor and Andrew is making sure everyone is invited to the ceremony.

“We want to make sure that we invite everyone and not leave anyone out,” Andrew admits. “That has been the hardest part of the planning.”

When asked if they could give a piece of advice to any other couple getting ready to plan a wedding, Taylor says, “I would tell them to set a budget right away.”

“You get that budget set first then you can knock the bigger things out first,” she continued. “You can worry about everything else after that.”

With just six months before they walk down the aisle, the couple is more than ready.

“We are both super excited,” Taylor said. “We can’t wait.”

Although most of their families are local, there will be some family members attending from out-of-town.

“It is going to be nice to see everybody together,” Taylor added. “It is going to be a lot of fun.”

[Fun Fact: A wedding in 2019 will set you back – on average - \$38,700; \$5,000 on ring, \$29,200 on ceremony/reception, and \$4,500 on honeymoon. * Study based on 18,000 couples]

Here’s To The Future!

Andrew, who is currently a fire fighter with the Fayetteville Fire Department, and Taylor, who is currently working on her doctorate in Occupational Therapy at Methodist University, say they both will continue to reside in Autryville after their wedding and in time, begin a family.

“We both really want to have a family,” notes Andrew. “But we really want to establish our career goals first. We want to lay down a solid foundation before we start having children.”

The couple have supported each other and wanted to send a special ‘thank you’ to those who have supported them on the way.

“We want to give appreciation to all of our friends, family and vendors that have and continue to be a big part of our day,” says Taylor. “We just really appreciate all of the support.”

[Fun Fact: According to 2018 statistics, the average cost of a wedding – by category – is: Venue - \$9,000; Catering - \$6,700; and Live Band/DJ - \$3,900, Band/\$1,000+, DJ; Photography - \$2,400; Videographer - \$1,800; Wedding Planner - \$1,850; Flowers - \$1,800; Cake - \$550; Officiant - \$300]

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John Turner & Allie Hinson

Falling In Love With Your Best Friend

“It marked the page of my favorite Bible scripture ... It was completely unexpected.”

While Allie was checking out the Bible, John knelt down and proposed.

“When he got down, I knew ... and I just cried,” she said.

John’s proclamation of love was a double surprise.

Although John had asked Allie’s father for permission to marry Allie, it was decided that no one would share it with Allie’s mother.

“She was just as surprised,” Allie said. “We were all crying.”

[Fun Fact: 58% of men ask the father (and/or parental figure) of the future bride for his blessing; 67% get down on one knee to propose to their future bride; 47% of couples get engaged on a holiday – most popular? Valentine’s Day; Average number of guests invited to weddings in 2018- 126]

Making Plans For The Big Day

Allie, who works as the Activity Director for Southwood Nursing and Retirement Center in Clinton, and John, who is a Flight Paramedic with Vidant, both agreed that they didn’t want to have a long engagement.

After the couple took time to enjoy their new status as “officially” engaged, they started the process of planning their nuptials – this was a year and a half ago.

The first thing the couple settled on is the date – June 1, 2019.

“Surprisingly, we didn’t really want to do a church wedding,” Allie explains. “We are lovers of the mountains - that is our place – so we knew that we wanted to begin there.”

However, planning the logistics of a mountain wedding was – excuse the pun – an uphill climb.

“We are going to get married at Pretty Place Chapel in Cleveland, South Carolina in the mountains,” Allie said. “It is five and a half hours away, but it is beautiful.”

One look at the open-air chapel – with its awe-inspiring, 180-degree spectacular views – and it’s easy to see why the couple chose the venue.

“We got started early,” Allie said. “There have been a few issues along the way – especially with having to do a lot of the planning over the phone or online through email. But for the most part, it hasn’t been that bad.”

The couple did not hire a professional wedding planner, they decided to work together to bring the wedding to fruition.

But they did have help – thanks to their loving families and close friends who pitched in to give help and support when they needed it.

In addition to the chapel, the couple had to lock down other vendors in and around Cleveland for their dream mountain wedding.

“We have had to travel there about four times in the past year” Allie said. “Luckily we have been able to take care of some other things without having to travel back and forth.”

Currently, everything is set – with the exception of a few minor “last minute” things – for the June wedding

that the couple is expecting 75-100 guests attending.

The couple – who are not living together – are currently in the process of renting a home in Clinton until they are ready to settle down and buy their own home.

[Fun Fact: Just over 50% of couples live together before they get married; The credit (score) rating needed for a couple to buy a home ranges from 580 to 680 according to SFGate]

Wedding Budget

According to costofwedding.com, the estimated price for a wedding (nationally) this year, with 100-150 guests, will run you \$25,764.

For Allie and John, the couple wanted to try to keep costs at a minimum.

“We had a budget in mind,” Allie said. “As we were planning there were some things that we had in mind cost a little bit more than we expected. But we shopped around and tried to get the best deal we could. We tried to find what some of the packages offered and would be the best fit for us.”

Allie said the hardest part for her was being able to have so many different choices for every aspect of her wedding day.

“I don’t do well with a lot of options,” she says with a laugh. “When you are planning a wedding there are so many options and sometimes that makes it hard to narrow down exactly what you want.”

In addition to sharing the experience with her future husband, Allie says the best part of the planning stages of her wedding has been having the love and support of family and friends.

“As a female, you have this idea of what your wedding will be like,” notes Allie. “It is exciting to see it all coming together and having your loved ones involved ... But it is totally different than what I had in my mind.”

[Fun Facts: Reception Edition: 79% of couples incorporate their wedding colors into their florals; 47% of couples give a speech during the reception; 52% of couples incorporate a wedding theme into the decor]

Advice For the Young At Heart ...

After the big day, Allie and John are planning to take an Alaskan Cruise for their honeymoon.

“Neither of us have ever been on a cruise and this is something that we really wanted to do,” Allie said. “We are both very excited about it.”

Now that she is just over a month left until she walks down the aisle, Allie said that the best piece of advice she could give to any future brides to be would be to take a deep breath and try not to stress too much over your big day.

“You can’t stress about every little thing,” Allie said. “Everything is going to work out in the end. I mean, if something little goes wrong, most likely, no one will ever know what it was, so there is no need for you to stress. It is your day, focus on you and enjoy it.”

Here’s to a lifetime of love and happiness to this beautiful, loving couple.

Allie Hinson and John Turner’s love story is a unique one. How many couples can say they have known each other just about all of their lives? Not many.

“We really have grown up together,” Hinson, 28, explained. “We have been going to the same church together since I was about four years old, so both of us, as well as our families, have known each other for years.”

At the Clinton Family Worship Center, Allie and John (now 33), were long-time friends, who were in the church’s Youth Group.

The two shared a friendship throughout the years – all the way up until John went away to college.

After that, they wouldn’t see each other for another two years.

“It was at the Alive at Five (in Clinton) concert that took place on May 5, 2013,” Allie remembered. “We were both there and ran into each other ...”

After catching up, John casually asked Allie to go out to get a bite to eat soon after.

“I told my mother that I wasn’t going to go,” a somewhat reluctant Allie admitted. “I mean, at that time, he was more like a big brother to me. Never in a million years did I think it (our relationship) would turn into what it did.”

Love Is a Beautiful Thing

After that dinner date, the two kept in touch through phone calls and texts.

“I was hesitant at first,” Allie admits with honesty. “Because we were good friends already ... but we continued to keep talking back and forth with each other ...”

However, the more they talked, the more the two realized they had so much more in common with each other than they ever thought they would.

As their relationship began to blossom, the two were invited (by their friends) on a getaway to the mountains, which brought them even closer together.

“That’s when it was starting to become more than a friendship,” Allie said. “But we just took it slow and steady.”

It wasn’t until Christmas Day 2017 that John got down on one knee and proposed.

“By that point, we had already talked about getting married and everything,” Allie said. “But John is unpredictable. We had talked about getting engaged, but one of the things we said was ‘never on a holiday’.”

She continues, “So, of course, he knew the only time that I would be completely surprised was to do it on a holiday (laughs).”

Ever the gentleman, John had already asked Allie’s father for his blessing before getting down on one knee that Christmas day.

Before he took a knee, John presented Allie with a Bible.

“There was a bookmark in the Bible,” she remembers.

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How to Select an Engagement Ring

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That said, don't let the business of choosing an engagement ring be a source of stress at this exciting time in your life. With a bit of knowledge, you can make the right selection with confidence. Consider the following.

- Consult with the leading authority: Be sure your diamond is Gemological Institute of America (GIA)-certified. Established in 1931, GIA is the world's foremost authority on diamonds, colored stones and pearls. A public benefit, nonprofit institute, GIA is the leading source of knowledge, standards and education in gems and jewelry.

- Four Cs: Of course, beauty is in the eye of the beholder, so make your decision based on what looks most beautiful to you, however, knowing more about the four Cs – that is the cut, color, clarity and carat – of a diamond, can help you make a selection wisely. Created by the GIA, the four Cs are the global standard for assessing the quality of diamonds, allowing you to compare one diamond to another, which is extremely helpful in determining whether you are getting a fair price.

The cut is what gives a diamond its brilliance and sparkle, so this is an important factor. As far as color is concerned, the less color the better -- tinting is indicative of a lower quality diamond. Clarity refers to a diamond's relative flawlessness -- blemishes are a mark against a diamond. Lastly, carat measures the weight of the diamond.

Be sure to view the GIA grading report specifying the exact quality of an individual diamond when making a



decision.

- Design your own engagement ring with the help of an expert: An engagement ring is one of the most meaningful items you will ever purchase. So, why opt for the style everyone else is wearing? Consider working with a jeweler that specializes in engagement rings and quality diamonds.

Before getting down on one knee, do your research. There's a perfect engagement ring for every couple. Finding it just requires a little bit of legwork.



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Be smart about wedding beauty preparation

All eyes are on the bride and groom on their wedding day. Feeling beautiful and dapper can boost a couple's confidence and ensure they look back on their wedding photographs and videos with pride.

Certain beauty basics and makeup and hair strategies can help any bride look spectacular on her wedding day. The following are some dos and don'ts of wedding day beauty preparations.

DO employ the services of a professional hairstylist and makeup artist. Professionals have the experience and tools of the trade to help you to look your best. From contouring to make your face seem slimmer to enlarging the appearance of small eyes, some tricks of the trade are best left to the pros.

DON'T forget to schedule a trial run. Make this appointment several months before the wedding day so you have ample time to work with your stylists and experiment with colors and hair arrangements to fit your personality and the style of your gown. Take plenty of pictures and notes so you will remember what needs to be on hand for the wedding day.

DO allot enough time for the wedding day beauty appointment. If you will be going to a salon, block out two or more slots instead of one. This way the stylist does not overbook and will not feel rushed. Many brides opt to have stylists come to their homes. There may be an extra charge for this service, but it may be well worth the cost.

DON'T make any drastic changes to your appearance right before the wedding. This includes changing your hair color or texture, extreme tanning, using colored contact lenses, or chopping off all of your hair. It's better to wait until after the wedding to change your style.

DO bring a veil, headpiece, hair extensions, and any other accessories to your hair consult. This enables the stylist to practice working with these items.

DON'T tweeze or wax brows too close to the start of the ceremony. Redness and swelling are common side effects of tweezing and waxing, and they can be difficult to mask with makeup. Instead, take care of hair removal a day or two prior to the wedding.

DO exfoliate your skin prior to the wedding. This doesn't necessarily mean you should endure a harsh fruit acid peel or another procedure. You can exfoliate with a gentle washing of your skin with a nubby washcloth to remove any dryness and errant flakes. Moisturize well to ensure a smooth palette for makeup application.

DON'T wash or condition hair the day of the wedding. Intricate styles tend to stay better when hair has a little grip. "Dirty" hair is easier to work with than shiny, freshly washed locks. If you must wash, remember to thoroughly dry your hair before going to your appointment.

DO wear a little extra makeup than you are accustomed to wearing because it will show up better in photos. However, do not wear so much that you look clownish. A makeup artist can help you achieve the right balance.

DON'T have bridesmaids wear makeup that is bolder than yours, especially red lips. No one should upstage the bride.

DO experiment with any products you haven't used before to test for allergic reactions and see how well they wear.

DON'T wear too much under-eye concealer or one



that is too light of a shade. This can draw more attention to problem areas than remedy them.

DO bring a pain relief medication in case a tight hairstyle or headpiece causes a headache.

DON'T forget that men need a little help as well. Exfoliation and moisturization can help dry skin. Guys should use a new razor and plenty of cream before shaving to avoid irritation. A dusting of finishing powder can banish shiny noses and foreheads for photo-ready faces.

Chances are more photographs will be taken of a newlywed couple than at any other moment in their lives. Certain beauty dos and don'ts should be followed so couples put their best faces forward.



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BRIDAL

How to preserve wedding bouquets and arrangements

A bride's gown may garner its share of attention come her wedding day, but floral arrangements also tend to impress guests. Fresh flowers make a wedding and the ensuing reception more inviting and appealing.

According to The Knot.com, couples can expect to spend 8 percent of their wedding budget on flowers. For the average wedding, that equates to roughly \$2,000 for various arrangements and bouquets. That can be a considerable expense for fragile flowers with a shelf life of only a day or two.

But instead of tossing beautiful bouquets and other flowers into the garbage once the wedding day has come and gone, couples can employ various methods to preserve those impressive displays for years to come.

Air drying
One of the easiest ways to preserve flowers is to dry them out. This is best done by hanging blooms upside down so they will remain straight and not warp or wither while drying.

Secure flowers in small bundles and hang from an out-of-the-way spot in a cool, dry area. The flowers may need to remain hanging for up to three weeks before they are completely dried out. After which, gently remove the flowers

and arrange them in a vase or another container. Otherwise, reassemble a bouquet how it was and carefully display.

Pressing
Pressing is another way to preserve floral bouquets and arrangements. To press flowers, find a few heavy books to stack or another weighted object. Place the flowers between parchment paper or waxed paper and lay the heavy items on top. You also can place the flowers in tissue paper between the pages of a book so they are not jostled.

Leave the blooms for a week or two and then check on them before putting them in a shadow box or photo frame.

Chemical drying
Silica gel, borax and regular sand can be used to dry and preserve flowers as well. These can be handy for people who desire to preserve an entire bouquet as-is.

Silica gel is a desiccant commonly found in small packets inside of new shoes and purses. It also can be purchased at home improvement retailers and is used to dry out musty basements and other areas.

Fill a deep container halfway with the silica gel or other drying material. Put in the bouquet and then gently add more product to the top of the flowers so they are com-



pletely submerged. Place a snug cover over the top of the container and let everything sit for about a week. Slowly the moisture will be absorbed from the flowers.

Some people choose to spray dried flowers with a sealant to keep them looking nice longer. An all-purpose craft spray might work. You also can ask for recommendations from the florist who handled your arrangements, and that florist may even preserve the flowers for you for an additional fee.

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YOUR wedding day...the day you've dreamt of and planned in your mind since you were a little girl more than likely. As wonderful as those fairytale dreams were, the reality is it can be a tad stressful. That stress often shows on our face in the form of blemishes, other poor skin ailments or last minute makeup decisions. From bridal portraits to the rehearsal day and wedding itself, all eyes will be on you and you'll want to be looking your absolute best. Here are four beauty tips to make sure that you can put your best face forward on your wedding day.

Skincare

Your skin is the largest organ of your body and often times the most overlooked. From sun exposure to breakouts, our skin takes the brunt of the elements day in and day out. The single best thing you can do to keep your skin glowing, healthy and reduce aging is to moisturize. Most young women that I consult with skip this part due to time or that they think it only applies to older women. Wrong! To keep young, supple skin use a daily moisturizer, preferably one with SPF. However, you do not want to use SPF products on days where you will have your picture made professionally because it will cause you to appear "whiter" in the final photograph.

Diet

They say you are what you eat and this holds true for

our skin looks. Not so healthy items such as chocolate, fried food and caffeine can trigger breakout. Dairy may make your face more red and gluten can cause you to feel "puffy." It's always a good idea to up your water intake, as a well hydrated skin makes for the best canvas for makeup application.

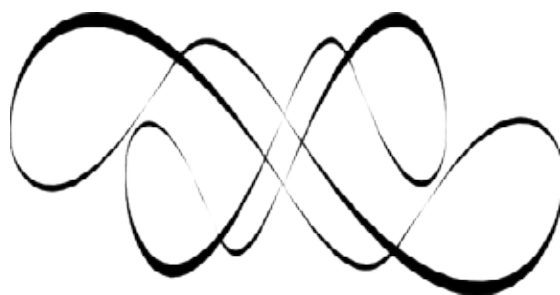
Tanning

Just don't do it! Unless you're living under a rock you know all the stats about skin cancer and premature aging that is caused by indoor tanning and sun exposure. A good spray tan will give you the same effect with a much healthier outcome. I prefer a Norvell hand spray tan over a booth. Always exfoliate prior to help the formula adhere to your skin and make your tan more even.

Makeup

Of course you want to be a little more made up than your every day appearance, but you still want to look like yourself. Your wedding day is not the time to go overboard on products. A soft, natural, classic look is what I always recommend. This includes a neutral lip such as a Macaroon Enduring Lip Color from LimeLife by Alcone, a smokey eye using neutral tones and a pop of blush for a natural flush. I highly recommend a personal consult with your makeup artist prior to your bridal portrait session. This session should include being the skin tone (spray tanned or not) that you plan to be for your portraits as well as your wedding day.

Hopefully these tips will help you look your best as you walk down the aisle. Above all, relax and enjoy! This is your day to shine!



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BRIDAL

Hot trends in wedding cuisine

Once a couple has officially tied the knot, the newly recognized man and wife and all of their guests will retire to a party room where they can mingle, dance and enjoy a good meal.

In the past, standard fare like prime rib and roasted chicken dominated wedding menus. But today's weddings cater to people of various culinary tastes, and couples and their guests can expect more upscale and creative cuisine to be rolled out for wedding receptions. The following are a handful of the more popular trends with regard to wedding cuisine.

Miniature bites

Many people say good things come in small packages, and when it comes to miniature versions of favorite foods, they may be right. Instead of large meals that fill guests up fast, they can munch on smaller bites of their favorite dishes. How about a piece of meatloaf topped with whipped mashed potatoes? A cherry tomato with a small piece of mozzarella cheese makes a mini caprese salad. Turning favorite foods into bite-sized adventures can add a touch of whimsy to the reception.

Breakfast for dinner

Some couples are circumventing high price tags for their weddings by choosing to hold the festivities at less expensive times of day. Brunch-themed weddings are a big hit with those who would much rather dine on a stack of pancakes than a dish of pasta. Omelet stations, croissants and a bevy of other breakfast table fare can be enjoyed any time of the day.

Dim sum

Dim sum allows guests to sample different foods without filling up. Carts of dumplings and other small plates of appetizers can be wheeled around so everyone can choose what they want and what they want to avoid.

Gourmet comfort food

People love familiar comfort foods, but now gourmet comfort foods are shaking up wedding receptions. Mac-and-cheese with gouda and brie or chicken pot pie with a puff-pastry crust are a few offerings that can add glamour to down-home cooking.

Food with a show

Instead of passed foods or buffet stations, couples are opting to make food an experience for guests. An oyster bar with a chef serving fresh seafood or a dessert master whipping up flambé is a feast for the eyes and mouth.

Interesting buffet stations

Keep guests on their toes with various meal stations. A bountiful display of artisanal cheeses, fruits and breads will be a cheese lover's dream. These stations also can be appetizing focal points around the room and ensure all guests get a bite of what they like best.

Family style

Rustic and informal weddings have grown in popularity. Rather than food being brought to the guests or participants lining up in buffet lines, family-style dining allows guests to share conversation and pass the peas at the same time. Larger, rectangular tables allow more guests to sit with one another and serve themselves food from community plates located in the center of the tables.

Food and beverage pairings

Food-forward wedding couples are offering guests mouthwatering appetizers matched with a cocktail. A slider and a craft beer or a dumpling and a shot of sake are examples of this trend.

Nontraditional 'fake' cakes

Instead of a multi-tiered cake or the cupcake fad that is starting to fizzle, couples are now opting for something new. Desserts that mimic the look of cake, but aren't quite that combination of sponge and frosting are trending. Crepes, pies, cookies, and doughnuts are acceptable and can add a creative spark to the cake-cutting ceremony. When offered along with dessert stations, guests can certainly get their fill of sweet delights.

Vegan and gluten-free options

Chances are one or more people attending the reception will be on a restricted diet. Rather than relegate these guests to dining on side dishes and patchwork



meals, certain couples are building entire offerings around vegan and gluten-free foods.

Couples are getting creative with their food and beverage offerings at their weddings. Guests never know which culinary wonders they will encounter as they gather to wish the newlyweds well.

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Crime

04-25 Justin Noble, 28, Autryville. Shoplifting Concealment of Goods- FTA. Bond \$4000. Trial Date 05-16-19
 04-25 Kelvin Acosta, 23, Clinton. Assault on a Female. No Bond. Trial Date 05-28-19
 04-26 Jerika Nicole Faircloth, 35, Autryville. Second Degree Trespass. Trial Date 05-02-19
 04-26 Melissa Vargo, 25, Salemburg. Assault and Battery. Trial Date 05-16-19
 04-25 Thomas Ransom Splawn, 42, Garland. Fail to Apply for New Title- FTA, Fict/Alt Title/Reg Card/Tag- FTA, Drive/Allow MV No Registration-FTA, Operate Vehicle No Insurance- FTA, DWLR Not Impaired -FTA. Bond \$500. Trial Date 05-03-19
 04-25 James Fontaz Moore, 22, Fayetteville. DWLR. Trial Date 07-08-19
 04-25 Ronnie Lamar Kelly, 32, Warsaw. Fail to Report New Address- Sex Off. Bond \$50,000. Trial Date 05-03-19
 04-25 Christopher Trevon Graham, 26, Clinton. 5 counts FTA- DWLR Not Impaired Rev, 2 counts-FTA- Speeding, FTA- Fail o Stop Sign/Flash Red Light, FTA- Fail to Wear Seat Belt- Driver, FTA- Poss Marijuana > 1/2 to 1 1/2 oz. Bond \$73,500.00 Trial Date 05-16-19
 04-25 Roger Phillips, 53, Clinton. Improper Passing On Right, DWLR Not Impaired Rev, Hit/Run Leave Scene Property Damage. Bond \$1500. Trial Date 06-11-19
 04-25 Kerry Montreal Underwood, 34, Clinton. FTA Deliver Sch II CS, Order for Arrest, FTA- PWIMSD Sch II CS. Bond \$200,000.00. Trial Date 04-25-19
 04-25 Kimberlee Smith, 42, Clinton. Second Degree Trespass. Trial Date 04-29-19
 04-26 Cassandra Denise Brown, 34, Salemburg. False Report to Police Station, Obtain Property by False Pretense. Bond \$5000. Trial Date 05-03-19
 04-26 Cheri Rogers, 48, Clinton. Drug Equipment Violations, Drug/Narcotic Violations. Trial Date 06-04-19
 04-26 Cleondra Denise Raines, 31, Clinton. DWI. Bond \$500. Trial Date 06-26-19
 04-26 Ray Anthony Joyner, 50, Clinton. Larceny. Bond \$1000. Trial Date 06-12-19
 04-26 Jerika Nicole Faircloth, 35, Autryville. Second Degree Trespass. Trial Date 05-02-19
 04-26 Toby Lee Rhodes, 40, Roseboro. Assault on Female. Trial Date 05-07-19
 04-26 William Pearley Johnson, 39, Clinton. Or-

der for Arrest- FTC- Child Support. Bond \$3000. Trial Date 05-07-19
 04-27 Roussel Adalberto Mekan, 38, Clinton. Assault on a Female. Trial Date 05-28-19
 04-27 Edward Micah Howard, 26, Clinton. Trespass. Trial Date 05-14-19
 04-27 Selena Nicole Simmons, 20, Clinton. Parole Violation. Bond \$20,000. Trial Date 05-14-19
 04-27 Abel Cortes Cruz, 32, Salemburg. Driving Under the Influence. Bond \$1500. Trial Date 06-04-19
 04-27 Michael Adam Maldonado, 39, Salemburg. Order for Arrest- Fail to Wear Seat Belt, Order for Arrest- DWLR. Bond \$500. Trial Date 05-09-19
 04-27 James Gordon Robinson, 45, Garland. Drive Left of Center, DWI. Bond \$1500. Trial Date 06-04-19
 04-28 Johnny Ray Williams, 20, Autryville. Reckless Danger to Endanger. Bond \$1000. Trial Date 06-26-19
 04-28 Louis James Ridgeway, 47, Fayetteville. DWLR. Trial Date 06-27-19
 04-28 Torri Lynn Owens, 30, Clinton. DWLR- Not Impaired Rev. Trial Date 05-30-19
 04-28 Kenneth Michael Jackson, 39, Fayetteville. FTA- Expired Registration Card/Tag, FTA- Fail to Wear Seat Belt- Driver, FTA- Speeding, FTA- DWLR Not Impaired Rev. Bond \$1000. Trial Date 04-29-19
 04-28 Gloria Yvonne Santana, 22, Clinton. Break or enter a motor vehicle. Bond \$3500. Trial Date 05-03-19
 04-28 Deondre Javon Melvin, 21, Clinton. DWLR. Trial Date 06-27-19
 04-28 Percy James Marshall, 34, Clinton. DWLR Impaired Rev, DWLR Viol 16 AC LMTD Drive Privilege, Driving While Impaired. Bond \$6000. Trial Date 04-28-19
 04-28 Darryl Newkirk, 50, Harrells. Crime Against Nature, First Degree Forcible Sex Offense, First Degree Kidnapping, First Degree Forcible Rape. Bond \$1,000,000.00. Trial Date 05-03-19
 04-28 Willie Albert Oates Jr, 67, Clinton. FTA- Engage WRC Act No Lic/Per. Bond \$500. Trial Date 05-15-19
 04-27 Douglas Cameron Price, 24, Salemburg. FTA- Expired Registration Card/Tag. Bond \$500. Trial Date 05-03-19
 04-28 Cory Lee Cox, 25, Clinton. Possess Drug Paraphernalia, Revoked Registration Plate, Operate Vehicle No Insurance, Fail to Surrender Revoked Registration Plate, Illegal Window Tint. Trial Date 06-14-19
 04-28 Jonathan Mack Simmons, 48, Clinton. WFA- Unauthorized Use of Motor Vehicle. Bond \$1500. Trial Date 05-16-19

04-29 Jeremy Leon Jackson, 42, Dunn. Failure to Appear for Sentencing. Bond \$50,000. Trial Date 05-20-19
 04-29 Javon W Busby, 39 Magnolia. Misdemeanor Worthless Checks. Trial Date 05-14-19
 04-29 Amanda Denise Hinson, 38, Clinton. Felony Probation Violation. Bond \$20,000. Trial Date 05-08-19
 04-29 Joseph Lee Massengill, 51, Clinton. All Other Larceny. Trial Date 05-29-19
 04-29 Agustin Sanchez Cavillo, 36, Clinton. FTA- Child Support. Bond \$767.08. Trial Date 05-07-19
 04-29 Justin Crawford Ellis, 29, Dunn. Fict/Alt/Tag, Inspection Violation, Expired Tags, No Operators License, Posses Drug Paraphernalia, Possess Methamphetamine. Bond \$3500. Trial Date 05-17-19
 04-30 Tiffany Marie Lorenzo, 29, Clinton. Unauthorized Use of Motor Vehicle. Bond \$1000. Trial Date 05-08-19
 04-29 Travis Rayshawna Chavious, 39, Goldsboro. OFA- DWLR, OFA- Speeding. Bond \$500. Trial Date 05-16-19
 04-29 Chancey Ray Owens, 18, Roseboro. Second Degree Trespass, Contributing Del of Juvenile. Bond \$2500. Trial Date 05-28-19
 04-30 Devon Tymir Spencer, 18, Clinton. Larceny by Employee. Bond \$2500. Trial Date 05-17-19
 04-30 Robert Bailey Herring, 24, Newton Grove. Assault on a Female. Bond \$200. Trial Date 05-16-19
 04-30 Keshaua Davis, 27, Autryville. No Operators License. Bond \$500. Trial Date 05-30-19
 04-30 Haley Elizabeth Sutton, 24, Newton Grove. Simple Assault. Bond \$200. Trial Date 05-16-19
 04-30 James Moore, 27, Raeford. DLWR Not Impaired Rev- FTA. Bond \$1000. Trial Date 05-17-19
 04-30 John Robert Joyner, 43, Pikeville. DWLR Not Impaired. Bond \$500. Trial Date 06-11-19
 04-30 Tiffany Marie Lorenzo, 29, Clinton. Unauthorized Use of Motor Vehicle. Bond \$1000. Trial Date 05-08-19
 04-30 Jerson Noel Meza Maradiaga, 25, Clinton. No Operators License. Trial Date 05-22-19
 04-30 Christopher Edward Hazlett, 27, Anthony Fl. Fail to Return Rental Property, Fail to Comply. Bond \$695. Trial Date 05-31-19
 05-01 Jennifer Lynn ONeal, 39, Garland. No Registration, Expired Registration, Fictitious Plates, No Insurance. Trial Date 06-11-19

04-26 Curtis McKoy Word of Newton Grove reported an Attempted Breaking & Entering. Damage \$50.00.
 04-26 Michael Underwood of Clinton reported Larceny of Money \$80.00
 04-27 Doug Tart of Dunn reported Breaking & Entering Stolen Air Conditioning Unit value \$95.00.
 04-28 Walter Mitchell of Roseboro reported All Other Larceny. Stolen Lawn Equipment valued at \$1500.00.
 04-29 Bryan Davis, Clinton reported a Larceny-stolen wallet, money, ID Cards, CCW Permit, Misc. Cards.
 04-29 Jimmy Burch of Faison reported Larceny of Sweet Potato Crates valued at \$75.00.
 04-29 Karina Lorena of Clinton reported Burglary/Breaking & Entering. Stolen tablet necklace, earrings, television valued at \$2180.00.
 04-29 Kathryn McLamb of Newton Grove reported Breaking & Entering. Items stolen television, revolver valued at \$1050.00.
 04-29 Onna Carter of Roseboro reported a Breaking & Entering. Damaged Lock on Shed.
 04-29 Shawn McKay or Roseboro reported Larceny of Power Meter.
 04-29 Willie Mathis of Clinton reported All Other Larceny. Stolen Water valued at \$200.00
 04-30 Food Lion of Clinton reported Embezzlement of merchandise valued at \$800.00.
 04-30 Ronald Keith Ezzell reported Destruction/Damage/Vandalism of Property in the amount of \$5000.00.
 04-30 Gary Blue of Dunn reported a Burglary/Breaking & Entering. Damage Door valued at \$700.00.
 04-30-19 Robert Thornton of Newton Grove reported Damage to Property. Stolen or damaged table saw, storm door, ice cream maker, skill saw, drills, doors, misc tools, misc dishes valued at \$2200.00.
 04-30 Luis Sanchez of Salemburg reported Burglary/Breaking & Entering. Stolen television, Direct TV Receiver valued at \$500.00.
 05-01 Summer French of Newton Grove reported a Breaking & Entering. Stolen graduation gown, dvds, pictures, lock box, coins, gold watches, graduation ring valued at \$1650.00.

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

Sampson County VITAL STATS

Marriage Certificates

-Marquette Antonio Sampson to Beverly Virginia Dews
 -Joshua Paul Whaley to Ebony Monique Mathis
 -James Thomas Farrell to Sydney Cheyenne
 -Robert Lee Hemingway III to Summer Brooke Dickerson
 -Justin Andrew Jones to Angel Rose Tyndall
 -Jimmy Allen Bais to Amy Michelle Pearsall
 -Terrance Antonio Garner to Jessica Nicole V+Casteen
 -Tyler Lee Bowlin to Savanna Leigh Williams
 -Clifford Leonard Johnson to Deirdre House Herring
 -Jackson Earl Wooten to Kristin Leigh Kornegay
 -Mark Edward Jenkins II to Heather Nicole Smith

Deaths

-Margaret Ann Browning
 -Durwood Phillip Boney
 -Thaddeus Barnes
 -Olivia Butler
 -Miranda Faith Butler
 -Catherine McLaurin Chaney
 -Mece, enias Rariro Perez Carrillo
 -Augustine W Dawson
 -Clawson Lee Dale
 -Edna MAdelle Ellis
 -Adnred Fleury Heensen
 -Roger Herring
 -Dixie Lee Hoskin
 -John Krawchick
 -Ernestine Lindly
 -Julio Moreno Torres
 -Micki Gallagher McPhail
 -Johnny Elmer Morgan
 -Micki Gallagher McPhail
 -Sandra Geraldine McMurray
 -Linda Joan McLamb
 -Willie Marvin McMillan
 -Vernon Lee Weeks

Births

-Payton Rayne Carroll born on April 1, 2019 at Sampson Regional Medical Center to Daniel Ray Carroll and Jessica Leigh Willard
 -Isaiah Antonio McKoy born on April 3, 2019 at Sampson Regional Medical Center to Antonia Shanai McKoy
 -Donna Joy Marie Moore born on April 4, 2019 at Sampson Regional Medical Center to Leron Jahi Moore and Brittney Morgan Miller
 -Alexandro Yafred Palencia born on April 4, 2019 at Sampson Regional Medical Center to Oliver Yafred Palencia and Antonia Ortiz Reyna
 -Zayn Alexander O'Brian Lane born on April 1, 2019 at Sampson Regional Medical Center to Tichinia Tyishi-Marie Lane
 -Isaac William Harrison born on April 11, 2019 at Sampson Regional Medical Center to John

Christopher Harrison and Christina Anne Tucker

-Waylon Keith Harvey born on April 13, 2019 at Sampson Regional Medical Center to Joel Keith Harvey and Ashley Victoria Harvey

Land Transfers

-June S McLemore, Norbert H McLemore to Iglesia Manantial De Avevamiento-MCPGF- 3 Parcels South Clinton
 -Central Baptist Church of Dunn NC to Glenda N Tew, Lewis Craig Tew- 0.222 Acres Plainview
 - Glenda N Tew, Lewis Craig Tew to Rex Allen Maynor II- 0.713 Acres Lot 1 Plainview
 -Henry Ray Johnson to Carla Laverne Johnson- 0.46 Acres South River
 -Carrie Mae Evans, Joseph N Evans to Billy L Evans- 2 Tracts Belvoir & North Clinton
 -Francinia Herring Camp to Melissa Ann Moore- Lot 1 2.27 Acres South River
 -First Citizens Bank & Trust Company to Auston Spell- 1.6 Acres Little Coharie
 -Anne Bryan Faircloth to The Historic Preservation Foundation of North Carolina Inc- North Clinton 0.3 Acres
 - The Historic Preservation Foundation of North Carolina Inc to Kevin Correia, Paula Correia- North Clinton 0.3 Acres
 Ruth Coley Carter/AKA, Jack Arron Jones, Ruth Coley Jones to Brandon John Betts, Holly Michelle Betts- Lot 1 1.1072 Acres Piney Grove
 -Keeli Proctor McLamb/NKA, Robert B McLamb, Keeli Lynne Proctor to Juana Hernandez 0.84 Acres
 -DiTech Financial LLC Successor in Interest, Green Tree Servicing LLC to Betty S Murphy- Lot 9 Property of Constance D Jones Section Three
 -Donald E Jackson, Donna Jackson to Belinda J Faison, Bobby R Faison- Lot 1 1.30 Acres Lisbon
 -John H Melvin, Peggy Jean Melvin to Jeffrey Lee Melvin- Parcel 6A 1.21 Acres Belvoir
 -A. Lee Royal Trust, Meredith R Jackson/EXE/Tr, A Lee Royal Estate, Gertrude P Royal/Tr, Martha R Shafer/EXE/Tr to A. Lee Royal Family Trust, A Lee Royal Trust, Meredith R Jackson/Tr, A. Lee Royal, Gertrude P Royal/Tr, Martha R Shafer/Tr- 3 Tracts
 -Edna A Matthis to Sharon D Strickland- South Clinton Tract 1
 -Kimberly Bass Strickland to Tracy Lynn Bass, Kimberly Bass Strickland- Halls 0.3 Acres Tract 1
 -Kimberly Bass Strickland, Tracy Lynn Bass to Kimberly Bass Strickland- Halls 0.62 Acres Lot 4
 -Felicia M Perry to FMP of NC LLC- One Half Acre
 -Derek J Godwin, Janean R Godwin to Matthew Norris- Lot 4 0.51 Acres Lot 5 0.51 Acres Plainview
 -Larry M Bell Sr to Dora Faye Ray- 5.45 Acres Taylors Bridge
 -Lyman Melton Horne, Penny Latimer Horne to Katie Lynn Butler- Lot 6 0.17 Acres Villas at Birch Cove North Clinton
 -Amy P Byrd, Charles Lee Byrd to Marco Elim Perez, Elsa Marlene Funez Rodriguez- Lot 2 Deerfield Estates Newton Grove
 -Jane McGrigor Forde, Malcolm Fulton Forde to Contributing Structure LLC- Tract One
 -Sharon Faye Smith to Angel Lynn Brown- Lot 5 of the Business Lots in the GW Bullard Division Little Coharie
 -Thornton Homes Inc to Coharie Intra-Tribal Council Inc- 2 Tracts South River
 -Hobbs & Peterson Farms Inc to Carlton Dewain Sinclair- 44.10 Acres Halls
 -Stephen Paul Rose to Miranda Chambers, Travis L Chambers- 1.57 Acres Lot C Newton Grove
 -Lisa H Turlington, William Fetus Turlington to Sarah-Ann Howell Wheeler- 2 Tracts South Clinton
 -David M Velasquez, Shelly M Velasquez to Beatrice Renteria Espinoza, Luis I. Escalera Flores Lot 16 0.74 Acres Frontier Acres Subdivision
 -Nellrisa Gore Warren, Stephen Anderson Warren to Jacqueline M Livermore, Michael G Smith- 2 Tracts
 -Thornton Homes Inc to Candelaria Valdez Nunez, Jose Eduardo Palencia- 2 Lots

OBITUARIES

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Mr. Lenwood Arles "Shorty" Reynolds, 85, of 3025 High House Rd., passed away peacefully at his home on May 1, 2019 with his loving family by his side. Funeral Services will be held on Saturday, May 4, 2019 at 11:00 am at Piney Green Baptist Church, 6040 High House Rd, Salemburg with Pastor Donald Keith Carter and Rev. Michael Brainerd officiating. Burial will follow in the church cemetery. Born on July 19, 1933 in Sampson County, Shorty was the son to the late Clem and Lora Jackson Reynolds and widower to the love of his life, Vennie Simmons Reynolds, after being married for 58 years. He was a Veteran of the United States Army and farmer all his life. He was a retired Manager for Brightleaf Tobacco Warehouse. He was a devoted member of Piney Green Baptist Church, singing in the church choir and raised his children in church alongside his wife. He was a kind-hearted, soft-spoken man, who didn't know a stranger and would help anyone in need. He had many friends and a loving family who will all miss him dearly. He leaves behind to cherish his memory: three daughters: Genie Brainerd and husband, Chaplain Michael Brainerd of Beaufort, SC; Nina Fette and husband, Ralph of Robbinsville; Erica Keelen and husband, Allan of Jacksonville, Florida; a son, Daryl Reynolds and wife, Mary of Flagler Beach, Florida; two sisters: Lazetta Henderson and Georgia Fox, both of Clinton. He was also blessed with six grandchildren: Ben, Jack & Rebecca Reynolds; Peter & Jacob Brainerd and Samantha Ward; and five great-grandchildren: Peter, Johanna, Leonidas, Judah and Scarlett. In addition to his parents and wife, he was predeceased by a brother, Thomas Reynolds. Visitation for family and friends will be held on Friday, May 3, 2019 from 6-8 pm at Piney Green



Baptist Church; and other times at his home. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to Piney Green Baptist Church, 6040 High House Rd., Salemburg, NC 28385; or to the Merkel Cell Carcinoma Research Foundation by visiting www.merkelcell.org. Royal-Hall is honored to serve the Reynolds Family.

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Edna Earl Simmons, 92, of 1380 Simmons Road, passed away Wednesday, April 24, 2019 at her home. Funeral will be at 11 A.M., Monday, April 29, 2019 at Carr Memorial Christian Church with the Dr. Penny Ziemer officiating. Interment will follow in the Clinton City Cemetery. The family will receive friends from 6 PM – 8 PM, Sunday, April 28, 2019 at Crumpler-Honeycutt Funeral Home and at other times at her home. Edna, born in 1926 in Johnston County, was the daughter of the late Whitfield Rhodes and Mattie Elizabeth Lee Rhodes. In addition to her parents she was preceded in death by her husband, Roy Elmon Simmons and son-in-law, Paul Edward Darden. Edna was a homemaker and a member of Carr Memorial Christian Church. Survivors include: son, J. W. Simmons and wife Betty; daughter, Faye Simmons Darden; grandchildren, Andy Darden and wife Leslie, Adam Simmons, Susanne Darden Lee and husband Wayne, Nicholas Simmons and wife Beth, and Joshua Simmons and wife Magon; great-grandchildren, Reid Darden, William Simmons, Matt Darden, Abigail Simmons, Anna Katherine Simmons, Luke Simmons and Ella Paige Simmons. Memorials may be made to Carr Memorial Christian Church at 91 Carr Church Road, Clinton, NC 28328. Online condolences may be sent to the family at www.crumpler-honeycutt.com. Arrangements are by



Crumpler-Honeycutt Funeral Home, 118 Fayetteville St., Clinton, NC 28328.

AUTRYVILLE

Mrs. Barbara Ann Williams, 67 of Autryville, passed away Thursday, April 25, 2019 at New Hanover Regional Medical Center. The funeral service was held at 3:00pm on Sunday, April 28, at Freedom Baptist Church, 2099 Tyndall Bridge Road, Salemburg, with Reverend Paul Honeycutt and Reverend Bryan Strickland officiating. Burial followed in the church cemetery. Barbara was born January 14, 1952 in Sampson County. She was preceded in death by her mother, Annie Lee Draughon Sessoms; her husband, Charles Larry Williams; a grandson, Kolby Lee Marley; two sisters, Becky Lee Godbold, and Betty Joyce Autry; and a sister-in-law, Denise W. Barnes. She was a former Girl Scout Leader and a Substitute School Teacher. She volunteered many hours in school activities and received the Governor's Award for the numerous hours volunteered. She is survived by her two children, Robin W. Marley (Keith) of Salemburg, and Charles Larry Williams, II (Barbara) of White Lake; seven grandchildren, Kendall Marley, McKenzie Williams, Ashlyn Williams, Kaison Marley, Ayden Williams, Kennedy Williams, and Spencer Williams; one brother, Ricky Walter Sessoms of Roseboro; two sisters, Vicki S. Hamm (Ronnie) of Autryville, and Fran S. Matthis (Ashley) of Clinton; her sister-in-law, Nancy W. Norris (Lee) of Eastover; two brothers-in-law, Terry Autry of Autryville, and Steve Barnes of Autryville; one niece, nine nephews, five great nieces, and four great nephews. The family received friends from 6:00-8:00pm on Saturday evening at Butler Funeral Home, 401 W. Roseboro Street, Roseboro, and other times at her home.



OBITUARIES

STEDMAN

Rev. Winston Sherrill Boykin, 77 passed away Thursday, April 25, 2019 at Cape Fear Valley Medical Center in Fayetteville. A celebration of life service was held at 7:00pm Tuesday, April 30, 2019 at Hillside Baptist Church, 3807 Legion Road, Hope Mills, officiating will be Rev. Phil Lloyd. The family received friends from 6:00pm to 6:50pm Tuesday at the church prior to the service. He is preceded in death by his parents, Norman and Minnie Boykin; and a brother, Melvin Boykin. He was a Baptist Preacher for many years, loved his family, fishing, Carolina Tarheels, Washington Redskins and any type of sport. Sherrill was the type of man that would do anything for anybody. He is survived by his wife of 55 years, Shelby Boykin; children, Mitchell Boykin & wife, Pandora, Terrie Nunnery & significant other, Randy Autry, and Steven Boykin & wife, Dana; brothers, JC Boykin & wife, Lillian and Paul Boykin; grandchildren, Taylor Winston, Eric Boykin, Casey Nunnery, Logan Nunnery and Joshua Boykin; and great grandchildren, Sonny and Ayden Winston. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to Pretty in Pink Breast Cancer Foundation, 5171 Glenwood Avenue, Suite 360, Raleigh, NC 27612 or to prettyinpinkfoundation.org. Services entrusted to Butler Funeral Home of Stedman.

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CLINTON

Miranda Faith Butler, 17, of 3400 Church Road, Clinton, passed away, Wednesday, April 24, 2019. Miranda, was born in 2002 in Cumberland County, to Gene Dail Butler, Jr and Patty Davis Butler. She was a junior at Midway High School and a dedicated member of Central Baptist Church of Dunn, NC. A celebration of life was held at 6 PM, Sunday, April 28th at Central Baptist Church, 6050 Pineview Hwy, Dunn, NC. The interment will be private. The family received friends at the home of her grandparents, Jerry and Ann Davis, 3290 Church Road, Clinton. Survivors are: her mother, Patty Davis Butler and companion Bobby Averitt, her father Gene Dail Butler, Jr. and wife Bethena; brother, Caleb Butler; grandparents, Jerry and Ann Davis, Phyllis Wrench and Gene Butler, Sr.; uncle, Clay Davis; aunts, Phyllis Bass and husband Darren and Suzie Stox; uncle, Shaun Butler; cousin, Azlynn Bass, Karmen Bass, and Jayden Stox; cousin, Alexis Weeks. Memorials may be made to Miranda Faith Butler Memorial fund in care of Patty Butler, 3400 Church Road, Clinton, NC 28328. Online condolences may be sent to the family at www.crumpler-honeycutt.com. Arrangements are by Crumpler-Honeycutt Funeral Home, 118 Fayetteville St., Clinton, NC 28328.



SALEMBURG

Mrs. Jacqueline Faircloth Chesnutt, 88 of Salemburg passed away on Saturday, April 27, 2019 at Rex Hospital in Raleigh. The funeral service was held at 12:00 Noon on Wednesday, May 1, 2019 at Butler Funeral Home in Roseboro with Rev. Andy Wood and Rev. Corky Herring officiating. Burial followed in the Sunrise Memorial Gardens. Mrs. Chesnutt was a native of Sampson County, the daughter of Miles and Cladie Williams Faircloth. She was preceded in death by her parents; husband, Leon Chesnutt and brother, Donnie Faircloth. She was a retired seamstress where she worked for many years at the Salemburg Cleaners. She is survived by a daughter, Gail Benton (Gary) of Parkersburg; three sons, Michael Chesnutt (Cookie) of Rocky Mount, VA, Russell Chesnutt (Joan) of Oak Island, and Anthony Chesnutt (Pam) of Benson; three sisters, Faye Fisher of Stedman, Glynda McLaurin of Wade and Mary Lou Brock (Coy) of Mt. Olive; brother, Durand "Bud" Faircloth (Judith) of Fayetteville; nine grandchildren and four great grandchildren. The family received friends from 10:30 AM until 11:50 AM on Wednesday prior to the funeral service at Butler Funeral Home in Roseboro. Services entrusted to Butler Funeral Home, 401 W. Roseboro Street, Roseboro, NC.



CLINTON

Dr. Andres Fleury Heemsen, 73 of 607 Fox Lake Drive died Wednesday April 24, 2019 at Sampson Regional Medical Center. Funeral Arrangements are Incomplete will be Announced by Hope Valley Hawkins Funeral Service & Cremation 1246 Hobbton Hwy Clinton NC 28328.



AUTRYVILLE

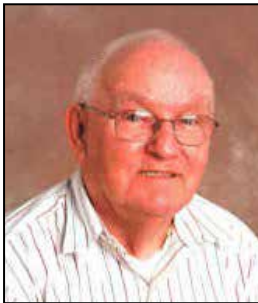
Mr. Roy Felton Jackson, 77 of Autryville passed away at his residence on Monday, April 29, 2019. A funeral service was held on Thursday, May 2, 2019 at 11:00 am at West & Dunn Funeral Home, Benson. Officiating the service Rev. Phillip Bowden. Interment will follow in the Hodges Chapel Church Cemetery of Benson. The family received friends following the funeral service. Survivors of Mr. Jackson include his children, Peggy Marie Jordan and husband John of Dunn; Roy Felton Jackson, Jr. of Dunn; Teresa Conen and husband James of Autryville; Glenda Jackson and husband Jimmy Wilkins of Angier; Deborah Barefoot and husband Jackie of Benson; Diane Sugg and husband Norman of Dunn; Kimberly Jackson and Leroy Thomas Jarman of Autryville, sisters, Velma Baker of Coats; Shelby Pearsall of Roseboro; brothers, Chester Ray Jackson of Autryville; David Jackson S., of Linden; 11 grandchildren and 20 great-grandchildren. Mr. Jackson is preceded in death by wife; Peggy Jean McGill Jackson, parents; Felton and Christine Jackson, sister; Mittie Ann Partin. Condolences may be made at www.westanddunn.com. Services have been entrusted to West & Dunn Funeral Home of Benson, North Carolina



TURKEY

John Krawchick 92 of 66 Oak Street passed away on Friday, April 26, 2019 at his home. A Home Going service was held at

12:00 pm on Tuesday, April 30, 2019 at Hope Valley Hawkins Funeral Chapel, 1246 Hobbton Hwy. Clinton with Rev. Dennis Guy officiating, burial was held at 10:00 am on Wednesday, May 1, 2019 at Sandhill State Veterans Cemetery in Spring Lake. Mr. John Krawchick 92 of Oak Street, Turkey, North Carolina departed life on April 26, 2019 at home surrounded by family. John was born in Pennsylvania in 1926 to the late Andy and Cecelia Wolkert Krawchick John loved to fish and meet new people, he spent most of his life as a shoe maker until his retirement, In addition to his parents John is also preceded in death by two great-grandsons; five sisters: Helen, Kay, Ann, Rosie and Pearl, three brothers: Andy, Frank and Jimmy. John is survived by his Daughter: Donna Parter and husband Michael of Turkey, NC; Sons: Gregory Krawchick and wife Karen of Holiday, Fl. and Larry Krawchick of Las Vegas, Navada; Eight grandchildren: Crystal Armwood and husband Tristan, Christopher Michalski and wife Leslie, Amanda Bouril and husband Jim, Todd Krawchick, Jennifer Krawchick, Jessica Bianco(Joey), Gregory Krawchick, Jr., Pamela Krawchick and Seventeen great-grandchildren.



CLINTON

Ernestine Best Lindly, 90, of 301 Pineview Road, passed away Wednesday, April 24, 2019 at her home. Funeral service was held at 3:30 PM, Sunday, April 28, 2019 at Grove Park Baptist Church with Rev. E. C. Mattocks and Mr. Ronnie Warren officiating. Interment followed in the Matthis Family Cemetery. The family will receive friends from 2 PM – 3 PM, Sunday, just before the service at Grove Park Baptist Church and at other times at the home. Ernestine, born in 1929 in Sampson County, was the daughter of the late Ernest Best and Juanita Matthis Best. She retired from the Sampson County Health Department as a Registered Nurse and also worked with Sampson Regional Medical Center. She was also a member of Grove Park Baptist Church for over fifty years. In addition to her parents she was preceded in death by her husband, Major Harold Goodman Lindly and sisters, Kathryn Evans, Mildred Ray, Lois Colwell and Helen Best. Survivors include; sister, Peggy Turner of Yatesville, GA; son, Doug Lindly (Lisa) of Powder Springs, GA; daughter, Cecilia Mattocks (E. C.) of Clinton; grandchildren, Crystal, Phillip, Kyle, Kaitlyn, Reed, and Paige; great grandchildren, Brianna, Tucker, Tyler, Lucia, Grace, Jameson, Sam and Jamie; and special friend, Dorothy Tyndall. Flowers are welcome or memorials may be made to the NC Baptist Men and Women Disaster Relief Ministry in care of the Eastern Baptist Association, PO Box 712, Warsaw, NC 28398. Online condolences may be sent to the family at www.crumpler-honeycutt.com.



RALEIGH

Charles Edward Matthews, Ph.D., of Raleigh, went home to be with his Lord at 82 years of age Saturday, April 27, 2019. He was a loving husband, father, grandfather, and great grandfather. Charles was born September 15, 1936 in Roseboro, NC, to Carlie and Mary (Robinson) Matthews. He had one brother, Winston Matthews who passed February 4, 2014 and one sister, Mary Ellen (Matthews) Yowell who passed June 17, 2000. Charles received his undergraduate degree with a double major in English and French from Wake Forest University. When asked why the double major, he said, "Well, I was originally going to Wake Forest University to be a preacher, but when I failed my first two religion courses, I decided God was telling me that He did not want me to be a preacher. I had as many credits in English as French, so I decided 'why not?'" He was the first in his family to receive a college degree. He went on to receive a masters in Education from East Carolina University and a doctorate in reading disabilities from UNC Chapel Hill. He started the Reading Center in Chapel Hill to help children with dyslexia. On June 19, 1960, he married Nancy (Spivey) Matthews from Roseboro, NC. They had two children, Melba Spivey (married to Dr. David Spivey) and C. Edward Matthews who passed October 5, 2017. He had twelve nieces and nephews who he loved very much. Nancy passed away from Pancreatic Cancer August 8, 2012. He married D'Arcy (Cloniger) Matthews July 20, 2014 who was also from Roseboro, NC. Together, Charles and D'Arcy had six children/step children, twenty-four grandchildren/step grandchildren, and eight great-grandchildren/step great-grandchildren. Charles was an educator for over forty years. He taught high school, was a principal, coached girls' basketball and was a full professor at both UNC Chapel Hill and College of Charleston. He earned the Distinguished Professor award while teaching at College of Charleston. Charles served in the US Army and in the Army Reserves during civil unrest in the 60's. Charles had a passion for singing and a deep voice for narrating. He sang in church choirs in Charleston, Summerville and Raleigh (Holland's UMC) and was a member of the Summerville Barbershop Quartet. He was a speaker for many Christmas cantatas and read children's books such as "Hatchet" for UNC Radio. Charles was a woodworker who loved hiking in the woods, bird watching and fishing. He will always be remembered for his infectious smile, his love for storytelling, and his compassionate spirit. The family will receive friends from 12:00-1:00pm Friday, May 3, at Holland's United Methodist Church, 9433 Ten-Ten Road, Raleigh. The funeral service will follow at 1:00pm with Reverend Richard Vaughan officiating. The graveside service will be held at 4:00pm at Roseboro Cemetery, S. Salemburg Highway (242), Roseboro. Butler Funeral Home of Roseboro is serving the family.



SELMA

Mr. Robert "Glen" McLaurin, 67, of 419 Dixie Drive, Selma, NC (formerly of Sampson County) passed on Friday, April 26, 2019 at Johnston NC Health Care, Smithfield, NC. The funeral service will be held at 1 p.m. on Saturday, May 4, 2019 at Mt. Pleasant Missionary Baptist Church, Clinton, NC with Elder Richard Carr officiating. Burial in the Church Cemetery. Mr. McLaurin is survived by his MOTHER-Bessie Mae McLaurin of Winston-Salem, NC; DAUGHTERS-Tiffany McLaurin and Shatisha McLaurin both of Raleigh, NC, Brittani McLaurin of Selma, NC; SONS-Andre McLaurin of Clinton, NC and Robert Gregory

McLaurin of Winston-Salem, NC; SISTER-Brenda M. Taylor of Winston-Salem, NC; BROTHER-Derwood McLaurin of Winston-Salem, NC; 5 grandchildren. Visitation at Sanders Funeral Home, 806 E Market St., Smithfield, NC 27577, Friday, May 3, 2019 5 p.m. - 8 p.m. Visitation at Mt. Pleasant Missionary Baptist Church Saturday, May 4, 2019 12 p.m. - 1 p.m.

ROSEBORO

Willie McMillian, Age-69, 80 Old Cotton Gin Rd. Roseboro, N.C. passed away Wednesday 4/24/19. Funeral services were Monday 4/29/19 at 11 am. Butler & Son Funeral Services, Clinton, N.C. Interment in the Sandhill Cemetery, Clinton, N.C. Public viewing: Sunday 4/28/19, 3 to 6pm, Butler & Son Funeral Services, 410 North Blvd. Clinton, N.C.



FAYETTEVILLE

Paula Jean Melvin 62 passed away on Sunday, April 28, 2019 at her home. Born in Sampson County, NC in 1956 to the late Paul Melvin and Betty Norris Melvin. Graveside service was held at 3:00 pm on Wednesday, May 1, 2019 at Melvin Family Cemetery in the Parkersburg Community in Garland. Paula leaves to cherish her memory: her husband: Timmy Tyndall of Roseboro, Mother: Betty Norris of Garland, Daughters: Denise Everette of Elizabethtown, Toni Smith and husband Norman of Salemburg, Sisters: Carol Knowles and husband Steve of Salemburg and Joy Everett and husband Larry of Garland, Three Grandchildren: Baily, Koveigh and Ayden. Professional services are entrusted to Hope Valley Hawkins Funeral Service & Cremation.



HARRELLS

Mrs. Kay Fowler Naylor, 64, of 940 Mirie Naylor Rd, Harrells, passed away on Monday, April 29, 2019 at Vidant Medical Center in Greenville. A Funeral Service will be held on Monday, May 6th 2019 at 2:00 pm at Wells Chapel Baptist Church with Rev. Barry Wells officiating. Burial will follow in the Clinton Cemetery. Mrs. Kay was born on May 17, 1954 in Sampson County to the late Robert and Roberta Boone Fowler. She was a retired Assistant Manager of Eastern Carolina Regional Housing Authority and a member of Wells Chapel Baptist Church. She had a passion for hummingbirds and loved her family with all her heart. She leaves behind a son, Jason Naylor of Harrells; a grandson, Noah Naylor, a granddaughter, Breionna Naylor, half-sister, Robin Barcomb and several nieces and nephews. In addition to her parents, she was as preceded by her grandmother, Pearl Boone and her husband Relma "Puddin" Naylor. Visitation for family and friends will be held on Sunday evening, May 5th 2019, from 5:00 pm – 7:00 pm at Royal-Hall Funeral Home; and other times at her home. Online condolences may be sent to the family by visiting www.royalhallfuneralhome.com. Royal-Hall is honored to serve the Naylor Family.



WILMINGTON

Neal Gwynn McCullen, 63 of 114 Dogwood Drive, passed away peacefully Tuesday, April 30, 2019 at Lower Cape Fear Hospice in Wilmington. A memorial service will be held Wednesday, May 8th, at 1:00PM at Bass Lake in Clinton. The family will greet friends following the service at the Lake. Born on August 6th, 1955 in Sampson County, Neal was the son of the late Lemus Otto and Lois Tew McCullen. Neal sold cars for many years with his father Otto in Clinton before moving to Wilmington and starting his own landscaping business. As owner of Port City Landscapes he crafted many yards from blank canvas into a beautiful space that he and his many clients were proud of. Neal was a passionate lover of music and all things UNC Tarheels. Neal is survived by his three sisters: Debbie McCullen Lewis of Wilmington, Caroline McCullen Gautier and husband Ronnie of Turkey and Kimberly McCullen Thompson and husband Ryan of Utah; his brother, Tracy McCullen and wife Dorothy Papadakos of Wilmington. Several nieces and nephews and his black tabby cat, Zuma. In Lieu of flowers, memorials and donations may be made in Neal's memory to the Lower Cape Fear Hospice, 1414 Physicians Dr. Wilmington, NC 28401. The family would like to express their sincere appreciation to the caring staff at Lower Cape Fear Hospice in the last moments of Neal's life. Condolences may be sent by visiting www.royalhallfuneralhome.com. Royal-Hall Funeral Home of Clinton is honored to serve the McCullen family.



FAYETTEVILLE

Ms. Olivia Williams Butler, 97 passed away Tuesday, April 24, 2019 at The Gardens of Roseboro. Funeral services were held at 3:00pm Sunday, April 28, 2019 at Beulah United Methodist Church, 4610 Corinth Church Road, Roseboro, NC 28382, officiating was Rev. Roy Hilburn. Interment followed in the church cemetery. The family received friends from 2:00pm to 2:50pm Sunday at the church prior to the service. She was born in Sampson County to the late, John Robert Williams & Lovelair Warren Williams. She is also preceded in death by her husband, Albert A. Butler; brother, A.D. Williams and sisters, Jessie Williams Honeycutt, Thelma Williams Tew, Agnes Williams Butler and Therssa Butler Johnson. Olivia grew up attending Beulah United Methodist Church and after moving to Fayetteville she attended Gardners United Methodist Church. She also retired with 25 years of service as a receptionist with the Cumberland County Inspections Department. She is survived by her children, Richard A. Butler & wife, Roberta and Karen Butler Clemenger & husband, Julian Robert Clemenger; grandchildren, Richard A. Butler, Jr. & wife, Jennifer, Rustin E. Butler & wife, Elizabeth, Linc Butler & wife, Rebecca, Jennifer McFarland Tampa and Leslie McFarland; and great grandchildren, Kelsey, Logan, Joshua, Conner, Emma & Sydney Butler and Megan Tampa. Services entrusted to Butler Funeral Home, 401 W. Roseboro Street, Roseboro, NC.



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SPEED FREAKS

A few questions we had to ask ourselves

Any chance Chase's win gets Hendrick Motorsports on the move?

GODSPEAK: Absolutely. His win will start a fire at Hendrick's shop like Catherine O'Leary's cow sparked up Chicago.

KEN'S CALL: Nope. "Plate" races do nothing of that sort. But it's a trophy and the sponsors are happy, so there's that.

Knee-jerk review of our first "spacer" race?

GODSPEAK: Goodbye restrictor plates and hello tapered spacers. It was a solid race at Talladega.

KEN'S CALL: It ended under yellow, which sucks. Races shouldn't end under yellow. So I'm withholding judgment ... out of anger, of course.

FEUD OF THE WEEK

MICHAEL MCDOWELL VS. BUBBA WALLACE

BUBBA WALLACE: McDowell had a fifth-place Daytona 500 finish and was expecting more big things at Talladega, but was taken out by Wallace on Lap 10.

GODWIN KELLY'S TAKE: McDowell was not happy with this outcome. "Looked like the No. 43 (Wallace) was being real aggressive and making stupid moves at the beginning of the race," he said.

GODWIN'S PICKS FOR DOVER

WINNER: Kevin Harvick
REST OF TOP 5: Chase Elliott, Kyle Busch, Martin Truex Jr., Brad Keselowski
FIRST ONE OUT: David Ragan
DARK HORSE: Jimmie Johnson
DON'T BE SURPRISED IF: Harvick foils Elliott's second win of the season with some late-race pit strategy.

MOTOR MOUTHS PODCAST

Talladega is done, and now we'll look forward to the White Cliffs of Dover. Or something like that.

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DOVER

THREE THINGS TO WATCH



Kyle Larson (42) flips as he makes contact with Jeffrey Earnhardt (81) on the last lap at Talladega. Larson has crashed out in three of his past four starts. [AP/GREG MCWILLIAMS]

1. Misery continues

Kyle Larson's miserable NASCAR Cup Series season took a turn for the worse at Talladega. Larson's No. 42 Chevrolet was last seen barrel-rolling on the Talladega backstretch. He was not injured. "When you're like that and everybody is four- or five-wide, you know something crazy is going to happen," he said. "But, I had a good time (Sunday). I just wish we would have been on the right end of it for once this year."

2. Unpredictable Dover

Dover International Speedway has produced six different winners over the past three seasons, which classifies the 1-mile, concrete oval as unpredictable, especially by this season's standards. Joe Gibbs Racing and Team Penske won all nine races before the NASCAR Cup Series got to Talladega Speedway and Chase Elliott got Chevy into the win column. The last driver to win Dover? Elliott, last October.

3. Brother trouble?

Kyle Busch thought he had a shot at winning Talladega in his No. 18 Toyota because on the final restart, his older brother Kurt (No.1 Chevy) was on his rear bumper. The scenario didn't play out. "(I thought) he would go with us a little bit there," Kyle said. "Team orders prevailed I guess. That kind of sucked. As soon as he bailed off me, two others behind me got double-wide and then it just sucked me six rows back."

— Godwin Kelly, godwin.kelly@news-jrnl.com

QUESTIONS & ATTITUDE

Compelling questions ... and maybe a few actual answers

Didn't Chase say he was against brand teamwork?

Yes, but that was before he won Talladega. In the days leading up to Sunday's race, Chase Elliott bemoaned the trend toward each manufacturer getting its teams to lock arms on the track. "It's certainly not the way I want to be," he said. But Sunday morning at Talladega, the Chevy camp brought all of its drivers together for a meeting, and several hours later, do you know what Chase was saying? "YEEE-HAA." Or something like that.

You OK with it?

With the winner, yes, but not the way he won. Chase was obviously a very popular winner, but the race ended under yellow. How would it have played out coming off Turn 4 on that last lap? Trick question. We'll never know. And that's too bad.

— Ken Willis at ken.willis@news-jrnl.com

NASCAR CUP STANDINGS

1. Kyle Busch	430
2. Joey Logano	415
3. Denny Hamlin	367
4. Kevin Harvick	350
5. Brad Keselowski	337
6. Martin Truex Jr.	328
7. Chase Elliott	324
8. Kurt Busch	323
9. Ryan Blaney	306
10. Clint Bowyer	288
10. Aric Almirola	288
12. Daniel Suarez	266
13. Austin Dillon	253
14. Ryan Newman	251
15. Alex Bowman	239
16. Jimmie Johnson	238
17. Paul Menard	234
18. Erik Jones	230
19. William Byron	226
20. Ricky Stenhouse Jr.	223

WHAT'S ON TAP

(All times Eastern)

CUP SERIES: Gander RV 400
SITE: Dover International Speedway (1-mile, concrete oval)
SCHEDULE: Friday, qualifying (Fox Sports 1, 3:30 p.m.). Saturday, practice (Fox Sports 1, 9 a.m. and noon). Sunday, race (Fox Sports 1, coverage begins at 12:30 p.m., racing at 2 p.m.)

XFINITY: Allied Steel Buildings 200
SITE: Dover International Speedway
SCHEDULE: Saturday, qualifying (Fox Sports 1, 10 a.m.), race (Fox Sports 1, 1:30 p.m.)

GANDER OUTDOORS TRUCKS: JEGS 200
SITE: Dover International Speedway
TV SCHEDULE: Friday, race (Fox Sports 1, 5 p.m.)

TALLADEGA

THREE THINGS WE LEARNED

1. Gang racing

Chevrolet teams had a meeting Sunday morning and were asked to work together in the Talladega draft. The strategy worked as Chase Elliott won in the No. 9 Chevy. "Chase Elliott deserves the win," Kurt Busch said. "He did everything you would need a teammate from a brand to do."



Chase Elliott, driving the No. 9 car, led a pack of Chevrolets to the checkered flag at Talladega. [AP/BUTCH DILL]

2. No problem

Brendan Gaughan has only two NASCAR Cup Series starts this year and scored an eighth-place finish at Talladega. "I was telling the guys: 'I don't know what ya'll think is so tough about this. I show up once

every three months and drive into the top-10,'" he said with a laugh.

3. Stupid move

David Ragan was really upset with the driver of the No. 38 Ford — David Ragan, who crashed out on the last lap and

affected four other cars. "That last wreck was my fault," he said. "I was pretty stupid to wreck like that when you are running 10th or 15th on the last lap."

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