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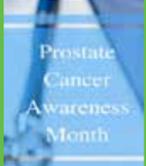
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## Unemployed Workers See \$300 Boost in Unemployment Checks



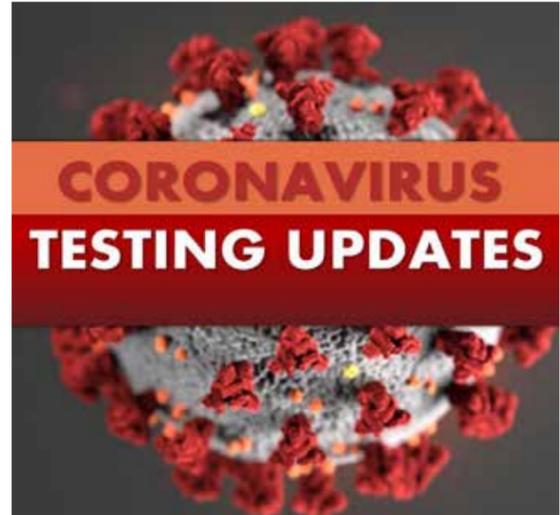
On September 3, the Division of Employment Security (DES) began issuing payments for Lost Wages Assistance (LWA) to eligible North Carolinians, less than four weeks after federal officials announced the program on Aug. 8.

LWA is funded by the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) to provide \$300 per week to supplement unemployment benefits for those who have an unemployment benefit amount of at least \$100 a week and are out of work due to COVID-19.

DES expects initial funds to provide LWA for the benefit weeks ending Aug. 1, Aug. 8 and Aug. 15, 2020.

**\$300, see P. 2**

## One Additional Death From COVID-19



The Sampson County Health Department is reporting 20 new cases as of Thursday, bringing the total to 2,020 positive cases of the novel coronavirus (COVID-19).

Due to scheduled training, the Health Department will not generate a report on Friday, September 11th. Updates will resume on Monday, September 14, 2020.

COVID testing numbers for Sampson County as of September 10, 2020:

Total Number of Tests Performed: 5,859  
Positive Test Results: 2,020 (1,629 recovered)  
Negative Test Results: 3,818  
Pending Results: 21  
Deaths: 24

Testing Number By Date:  
Monday September 7th- No Results Labor Day  
Tuesday September 8th- 38 new cases  
Wednesday September 9th- 4 new cases  
Thursday September 10th- 20 new cases

On Tuesday, the county did announce an additional death from COVID-19 making the total death county in Sampson County at 24.

Governor Cooper and DHHS Secretary Mandy Cohen met with Dr. Deborah Brix, a vital member of the White House Coronavirus Task Force, on September 9th. Dr. Brix is touring 30 states across the map to look at pandemic responses.

The Governor requested additional federal support, including:

-Need national leaders to model effective prevention strategies, including the wearing of face coverings and social distancing – and to take these measures to protect North Carolinians when visiting **COVID, see P. 3**

**WEATHER**

**Fri** Scattered T-Storms  
60%

Hi: 83° Lo: 67°

**Sat** Cloudy  
20%

Hi: 87° Lo: 70°

**Sun** PM T-Storms  
40%

Hi: 86° Lo: 71°

**Mon** PM T-Storms  
40%

Hi: 87° Lo: 64°

**Tues** Partly Cloudy  
10%

Hi: 80° Lo: 59°

**Wed** Partly Cloudy  
10%

Hi: 81° Lo: 65°

## Election Officials Expect Absentee Ballot Requests to Substantially Increase



The 2020 Election is heating up and local election officials are estimating that Absentee Ballot Requests are going to be quite larger than normal considering COVID-19.

Requesting an Absentee Ballot is actually quite easy. According to Election Officials, "A person can request an absentee ballot by downloading and completing a 2020 Ab-

**BALLOT, see P. 3**

**WEEKLY VERSE**

*You will be made rich in every way so that you can be generous on every occasion, and through us your generosity will result in thanksgiving to God.*  
2 Corinthians 9:11

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# LOCAL NEWS

## From the Desk of Senator Brent Jackson



### Senator Brent Jackson provides funding for Sampson County

*Sen. Brent Jackson delivers on bringing COVID-19 relief funding to Sampson County.*

The North Carolina General Assembly passed legislation that appropriates COVID-19 relief money to support coronavirus mitigation efforts throughout the state.

Earlier this year, Congress passed the CARES Act, which appropriated coronavirus relief funds to North Carolina. Sen. Brent Jackson (R-Sampson) garnered significant relief funding to Sampson County and its community college.

The General Assembly appropriated \$250,000 to Sampson County for economic development that offsets impacts from the pandemic. Additionally, Sen. Jackson successfully advocated for an additional \$250,000 to be allocated to Sampson Community College.

These funding efforts will support the financial integrity of both Sampson County and its college throughout the coronavirus pandemic.

Sen. Jackson said, "It is vital that rural communities in Eastern North Carolina receive relief funding amid the pandemic. The decision for Republicans in the General Assembly to support Sampson County and the Sampson Community College is a wise investment that will keep the community strong."

Since the passage of the federal CARES Act, Republicans in the General Assembly have led the efforts in appropriating \$3.5 billion in federal COVID-19 relief funds.

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Additional funding for the program will be determined by FEMA on a weekly basis. DES will continue to apply for additional weeks of benefits as long as federal funding remains available and the program remains in place.

LWA is one of six programs DES is currently administering. Since March 15, the agency has paid a total of more than \$7.2 billion in assistance to more than 875,000 North Carolinians.

The North Carolina General Assembly, last week, passed a Coronavirus Relief package with the remaining CARES Act Funding.

According to Senator Brent Jackson, "The 'Coronavirus Relief Act 3.0' spends over \$1 billion dollars. It signals a shift from immediate needs to long-term recovery efforts, including grants for small businesses, additional broadband investments, and supporting families that have been forced to transition to online learning."

Senator Jackson continued, "From Murphy to Manteo, our key priority is to provide relief to families who have been stretched thin. Parents have been going above and beyond, that's why we're proposing the \$440 million "Extra Credit Grants" program. It would provide \$335 to each household with a child. With schools closed, parents are facing unexpected financial burdens: lost work hours, new childcare needs, supplemental materials, among so many others. This assistance is designed to help parents shoulder those costs."

"It also allocates \$50 million of CARES Act funds to match President Trump's Executive Order to provide the unemployed \$300/week, stated Jackson, and "Provides \$87 million in additional unemployment assistance for the remainder of 2020."

The additional \$50/week unemployment supplement passed by the State General Assembly will begin on September 5th.

## NC Chamber Names Senator Brent Jackson A 2019 – 2020 Jobs Champion

### \*Senator Jackson's Strong Pro-Jobs Voting Record Recognized in State Chamber of Commerce Report



On Wednesday, the NC Chamber named Senator Brent Jackson a 2019 – 2020 Jobs Champion in its annual How They Voted report. How They Voted details state legislators' voting records on bills identified as critical to preserving and enhancing North Carolina's position in the national race for jobs. Senator Jackson was recognized as a Jobs Champion for voting with the Chamber's Jobs Agenda at least 80 percent of the time during the 2019 – 2020 legislative biennium.

"I am honored to receive this prestigious recognition. Since being elected in 2010, my focus has been to help create jobs and career opportunities for citizens across our state. My colleagues and I are proud of the tax policies we have implemented which continue to facilitate new entrepreneurial opportunities and business growth in North Carolina."

"Following a strong, pro-jobs long session in 2019, legislators in 2020 showed an unprecedented level of bipartisanship in supporting our state's response to COVID-19," said NC Chamber President and CEO Gary Salamido. "We are grateful for Senator Jackson's leadership in helping North Carolina navigate the unique challenges of the pandemic and put us squarely on a path to relaunching our state's economy. We look forward to continuing to work with him to help chart a new course for our state."

About the NC Chamber

The NC Chamber works to research, develop, advocate, and communicate for solutions and policies that produce a nationally competitive business climate in North Carolina. For more information, visit [ncchamber.com](http://ncchamber.com).

## PUBLIC NOTICE

DOCKET NO. SP-25199, SUB 0

### APPLICATION OF MEMBER EMC SOLAR FIVE, LLC FOR A CERTIFICATE OF PUBLIC CONVENIENCE AND NECESSITY

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on July 27, 2020, Member EMC Solar Five, LLC (Applicant), filed an application seeking a certificate of public convenience and necessity pursuant to N.C. Gen. Stat. § 62-110.1(a) for construction of a 500-kW solar generating facility to be located at 2000 Leroy Autry Road, Autryville, Sampson County, North Carolina. Applicant's site layout illustrating the footprint of the facility may change to some degree based on government land use requirements, interconnection requirements, or similar factors.

The Applicant plans to sell the electricity to the North Carolina Electric Membership Corporation.

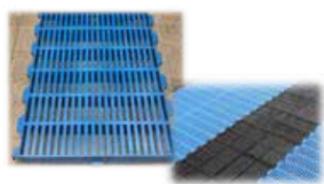
Details of the application may be obtained from the Office of the Chief Clerk of the North Carolina Utilities Commission, 430 N. Salisbury Street, 5th Floor, Dobbs Building, Raleigh, North Carolina 27603 or 4325 Mail Service Center, Raleigh, North Carolina 27699-4300 or on the Commission's website at [www.ncuc.net](http://www.ncuc.net).

If a complaint is received within ten days after the last date of the publication of this notice, the Commission will schedule a public hearing to determine whether a certificate should be awarded, will give reasonable notice of the time and place of the hearing to the Applicant and to each complaining party, and will require the Applicant to publish notice of the hearing in this newspaper. If no complaint is received within the time specified above and if the Commission does not order a hearing upon its own initiative, the Commission will enter an order awarding the certificate sought by the Applicant.

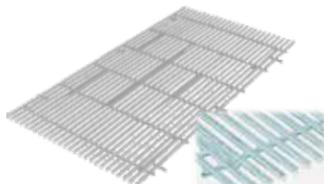
Persons desiring to lodge complaints may file statements to that effect with the Commission. Such statements should reference Docket No. SP-25199, SUB 0 and be addressed as follows: Chief Clerk, North Carolina Utilities Commission, 4325 Mail Service Center, Raleigh, North Carolina 27699-4300.

Statements may also be directed to Christopher J. Ayers, Executive Director, Public Staff - North Carolina Utilities Commission, 4326 Mail Service Center, Raleigh, North Carolina 27699-4300 or to The Honorable Josh Stein, Attorney General of North Carolina, 9001 Mail Service Center, Raleigh, North Carolina 27699-9001. Written statements may be emailed to [utilityAGO@ncdoj.gov](mailto:utilityAGO@ncdoj.gov).

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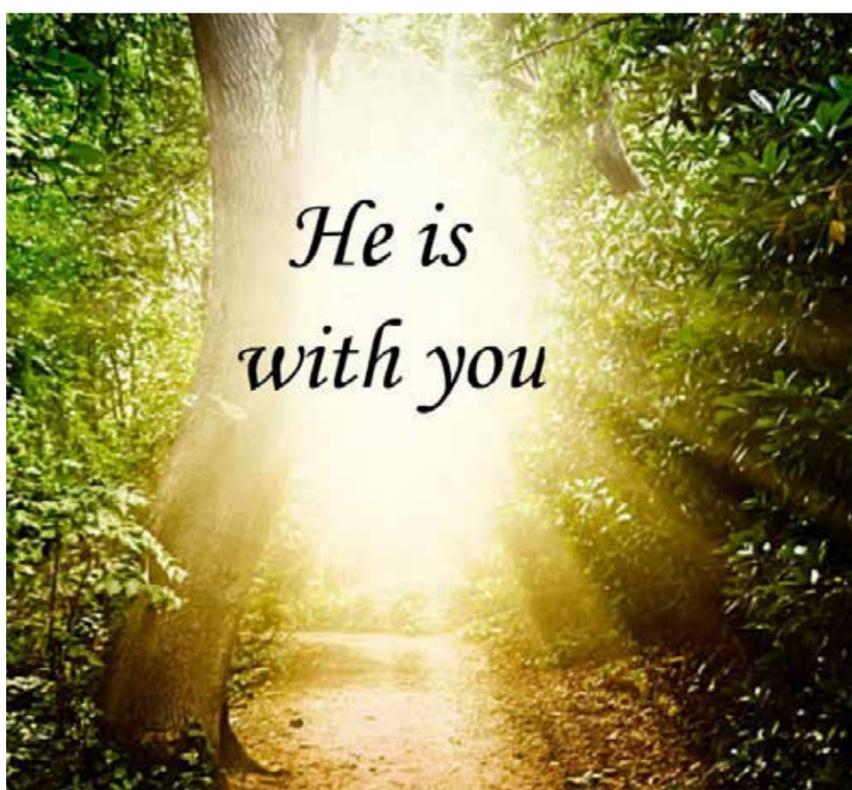
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**COVID, cont. from P. 1** the State.

- More testing over a longer period of time with a focus on community-led testing, proactive testing of K-12 staff in schools that are providing in-person instruction, and proactive surveillance at Institutes for Higher Education.
- Increased allocations for reagents for health system laboratories.
- Details on the federal government's inventory and distribution plans for Abbot Binax Now testing.
- Additional funding for personal protective equipment and a halt on implementing new FEMA restrictions.
- Timing on when detailed vaccine planning guidance would be issued as well as required reporting elements and a provider enrollment agreement.
- Additional funds to continue supporting childcare programs.
- Extension of the Pandemic EBT program beyond September 30th and flexibility for students in hybrid (part remote and part in-person) learning environments.

NC Governor Roy Cooper and Dr. Birx also participated together in the call with the White House Coronavirus Task Force, and the Governor spoke about the need for our elected leaders and candidates to lead by example on the campaign trail this fall by holding events with face coverings and social distancing. In their meeting with Dr. Birx, the



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Governor and Secretary Cohen noted their appreciation for the opportunity to share how North Carolina has been responding to COVID-19 and how the state's approach to slowly ease measures has helped distinguish it from others in the South who have faced greater setbacks. They discussed North Carolina's multi-prong approach, which includes slowing the spread through prevention, knowing who has been exposed to COVID-19 through testing and tracing, and supporting people staying home when needed through isolation and quarantine supports. Secretary Cohen and Governor Cooper also addressed the state's efforts to protect people's health in congregate care settings, such as nursing homes, through widespread testing and other measures. Dr. Birx offered her expertise, sharing lessons learned from other states, and offering to surge testing resources on college campuses.

As of Friday September 10th, there were 180,754 lab confirmed cases in the state with 2,521,839 completed tests. There are also 928 currently hospitalized across the state.

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sentee Ballot Request Form and sending it to us through the Postal Service. One can also obtain the said form by going on our website and accessing the portal relating to the absentee ballot request form, fill it out and email it to us. The request form can be completed by the voter or a near relative."

In 2020, all registered North Carolina voters, including voters serving in the military or living overseas, can request an absentee ballot online through the Absentee Ballot Request Portal.

The North Carolina State Board of Elections is also getting ready to launch BallotTrax (coming soon), a free service where voters can track the status of their absentee ballot. Voters can also contact their county Board of Elections as well.

The Absentee Ballot Request Portal:

- Allows registered North Carolina voters to securely request an absentee by-mail ballot completely online. The request may be made by the voter or their near relative or legal guardian. The voter's county board of elections will mail the ballot to the voter.
- Helps avoid duplicate requests by informing voters of existing absentee requests and allows users to submit subsequent requests to update information on a previously submitted request.
- Allows military or overseas voters to request and return their ballots through the portal.

Sampson County Board of Elections officials stated that the county has had over 2,343 requests so far for Absentee Ballots.

The last day to request an Absentee Ballot is Tuesday October 27, 2020. Election Officials noted that "If the voter lives in a facility such as a nursing home, and the voter's near relative or legal guardian is not available, the voter or the facility may arrange to have the county board of elections schedule a visit by a Multipartisan Assistance Team to provide assistance and serve as witnesses."

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LOCAL

# Sampson Regional Medical Center to offer free PSA screenings



In recognition of prostate cancer awareness month, Sampson Regional Medical Center will offer a limited number of free vouchers redeemable for PSA blood screenings performed at the Outpatient Diagnostics Center.

According to the American Cancer Society, about 1 in 9 men will be diagnosed with prostate cancer during his lifetime. That is why Sampson Regional Medical Center is reminding all men that preventive care and annual screenings are

important for their health. Prostate cancer, when diagnosed early, is treatable.

Prostate cancer is most prevalent in men over 55 and in African American males. However, men can also fall into a high-risk category and require an earlier screening if they have a first-degree relative diagnosed with prostate cancer before age 65. Men that fall in the high-risk category are encouraged to speak to their provider regarding early screening.

During the month of September, Sampson Regional Medical Center will offer a limited number of free blood screenings for prostate cancer. Individuals interested in claiming a free voucher must provide their name, date of birth, address, and phone number. Vouchers are limited to Sampson County residents and must be used within 60 days of issuing.

Vouchers are limited on a first-come, first-serve basis. To claim your free blood screening for prostate cancer and to schedule your appointment at the Outpatient Diagnostics Center, located at 233 Beaman Street, call 910.592.2689, option 2.

About Sampson Regional Medical Center Sampson Regional Medical Center (SampsonRMC) is a progressive healthcare facility located in Clinton, NC. SampsonRMC has served the medical needs of the people in Sampson County since 1950. The 146-bed facility offers a full range of medical services—from outpatient surgery, radiology, and nuclear medicine to cardiopulmonary and pediatrics. SampsonRMC provides comprehensive hospital and community-based services that preserve and restore health, provide comfort, and maintain dignity for all who seek care.

## RESOLUTION AND NOTICE

IT IS RESOLVED AND NOTICE IS GIVEN by the Sampson County Board of Elections, in accordance with N.C.G.S. 163-128, that a new voting place has been established, effective immediately, for the following precincts:

### Garland Precinct

#### Old Polling Site Location

Garland Town Hall  
190 S. Church Street  
Garland, NC 28441

#### New Polling Site Location

Garland Fire Station  
375 W. 2<sup>nd</sup> Street  
Garland, NC 28441

### Kitty Fork Precinct

#### Old Polling Site Location

Sampson County Farm Bureau  
1203 US 421 HWY  
Clinton, NC 28328

#### New Polling Site Location

North Carolina Army National Guard  
101 Armory Rd  
Clinton, NC 28328

### Mingo Precinct

#### Old Polling Site Location

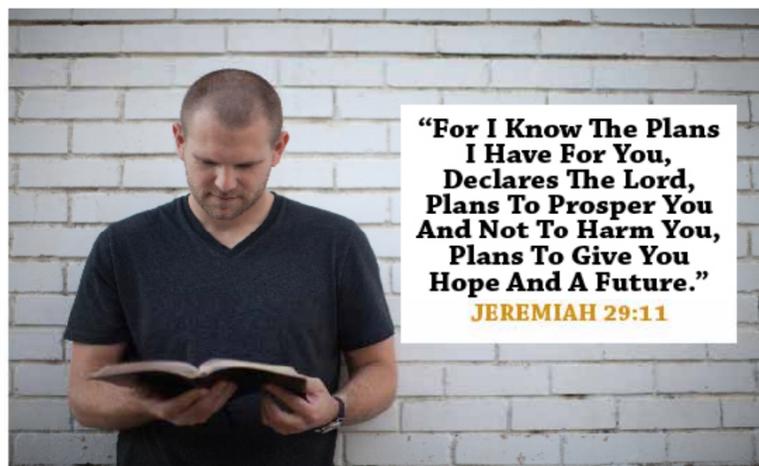
Mingo Community Building  
1358 Mingo Church Rd  
Dunn, NC 28334

#### New Polling Site Location

Old Midway Elementary School  
1500 Midway Elementary School Rd  
Dunn, NC 28334

This 3<sup>rd</sup> day of September 2020

## OPEN DOOR MINISTRY



**“For I Know The Plans I Have For You, Declares The Lord, Plans To Prosper You And Not To Harm You, Plans To Give You Hope And A Future.”**  
JEREMIAH 29:11

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### 30 Day Residential Treatment Program

Searching for a drug and alcohol rehab that is faith-based using God's Word the Bible and Christian values? Open Door Ministry, located in Delway, North Carolina, is a Christ centered program that teaches freedom from a life dominating sin. Open Door Ministry is a 30-day residential program that teaches victory over the flesh through Jesus Christ and the truths in the Bible. This is done one day at a time through classroom teaching, victory cd's, personal soul care, chapel services and work projects.

Pastor David Chestnutt 910-549-8130 [bchestnutt@liberty.edu](mailto:bchestnutt@liberty.edu)  
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#### Five Steps to Vote by Mail in North Carolina in the 2020 General Election

No special circumstance or reason is needed to vote by mail in North Carolina. All registered voters in North Carolina may request an absentee ballot for the November 2020 general election. To vote by mail in North Carolina in 2020, follow the 5 steps below.

1. Request your ballot. There are two ways to request your ballot:  
-Complete and sign a North Carolina Absentee Ballot Request Form. Instructions are included with the form. Note: Only the voter, the voter's near relative or legal guardian, or a member of a bipartisan assistance team may request a ballot for that voter. -OR-  
-Online through the Absentee Ballot Request Portal.
2. Submit your request. If you are not using the online portal, submit your North Carolina Absentee Ballot Request Form by email, fax, mail or in person to your county board of elections. The deadline to submit a request for the November 3, 2020 general election is 5 p.m. Tuesday, October 27.  
The State Board of Elections strongly encourages voters to request a ballot as soon as possible to avoid problems due to postal delays and to allow for time to correct any issues with your request.
3. Complete your ballot. Your county board of elections will mail your ballot to you, beginning September 4. Complete your absentee ballot in the presence of one witness and insert the ballot into the return envelope.  
A witness should not observe so closely that they are able to see what votes the voter marked. What is required is that the witness sees the that the voter is voting the ballot.
4. Complete and sign the absentee ballot return envelope. Sign the outside of the ballot return envelope. Have your witness complete and sign the witness certification. If you receive assistance marking or mailing the ballot, the assistant must fill out the voter assistant certification.
5. Return your ballot to your county board of elections. Only the voter or the voter's near relative or legal guardian may possess the absentee ballot to return it to the board of elections.

In 2020, there are a few ways to return your absentee ballot:

- By mail to your county board of elections, postmarked on or before Election Day, and received by 5 p.m. November 6.
- By commercial courier service (DHL, FedEx or UPS)
- Dropped off in person at your county board of elections office by 5 p.m. Election Day (November 3)
- Dropped off in person at any early voting site in your county during voting hours

The General Election will be held on Tuesday November 3, 2020. Sampson County residents are eligible to vote in the following categories: US President, US Senate, US

House of Representatives, NC Governor, NC Lieutenant Governor, NC Attorney General, NC Auditor, NC Commissioner of Agriculture, NC Commissioner of Insurance, NC Commissioner of Labor, NC Secretary of State, NC Superintendent of Public Instruction, NC Treasurer, NC Supreme Court Chief Justice Seat 01, NC Supreme Court Associate Justice Seat 02, NC Supreme Court Associate Justice Seat 04, NC Court of Appeals Judge Seat 05, NC Court of Appeals Judge Seat 06, NC Court of Appeals Judge Seat 07, NC Court of Appeals Judge Seat 13, NC State Senate District 10, NC House of Representatives District 04 Seat 03, NC State Senate District 10, NC House of Representatives District 022, NC District Court of Judge District 04 Seat 03, NC House of Representatives District 022, NC District Court of Judge District 04 Seat 04, NC House of Representatives District 022, NC District Court of Judge District 04 Seat 05, NC House of Representatives District 022, NC District Court of Judge District 04 Seat 06, NC House of Representatives District 022, NC District Court of Judge District 04 Seat 07, NC House of Representatives District 022, NC District Court of Judge District 04 Seat 08, Sampson County Board of Commissioners District 02, Sampson County Register of Deeds, Sampson County Soil and Water Conservation District Supervisor.

Polls will be open from 6:30 a.m. to 7:30 p.m. on the day of the election, Tuesday, November 3rd. One-stop early voting will be held at the Old Badcock Furniture Building (317 Northeast BLVD, Clinton, NC), NC Justice Academy (200 W. College St, Salemburg, NC), Harrells Fire Dept Training Center (915 Ward Rd, Harrells, NC), Newton Grove Fire Station (313 W. Weekdale St, Newton Grove, NC), Plainview Fire Station (5041 Plainview HWY, Dunn, NC). One-stop early voting will be open from Thursday, October 15th until 3:00 p.m. on Saturday, October 31st. Monday-Friday 8AM-7:30PM, Saturday 8AM-3PM, and Sunday 1PM-4PM. Canvass will be held in the Sampson Board of Elections office at 11:00 a.m. on Friday, November 13th.

Voters voting in person are entitled to assistance by an election official, or, if assistance is needed due to disability or illiteracy, by a qualified person of their choice. Voting sites are accessible to all voters. Curbside voting is available for voters who are not able to enter voting sites.

In accordance with July 17, 2020 Emergency Order issued by the North Carolina State Board of Elections, some locations have been changed to ensure sufficient space for social distancing and other measures, identify larger facilities for use as polling places.

Persons with questions about registration, polling places, early voting, absentee ballots, a Multipartisan Assistance Team visit to a facility, or other election matters may call the Sampson Board of Elections Office at 910-592-5796.

# Surf & turf

## Ride the waves and roam the trails in North Carolina



Be sure to check out the view on the Mountains to Sea Trail. [CR RAE PHOTOS]

By CR Rae

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In Pender County, North Carolina, visitors will find an abundance of great outdoor activities to be explored.

### Hiking

With a variety of hiking trails that lead to scenic views, a plantation and, of course, the ocean, one that stands out is the Mountains to Sea Trail, which challenges hikers to a trek of 1,175 miles across North Carolina. Of course, you don't need to do it all to enjoy the trail. Hop on and off anywhere for a shorter hike that could take you through colonial towns, past weathered tobacco barns, through the countryside and to historic churches, streams, forests, sand dunes, lighthouses, the seashore and more. MountainsToSeaTrail.org has all the info.

Or try the East Coast Greenway Trail that runs through 15 states — 3,000 miles from Maine to Florida. NC visitors will find the trail running from Topsail Island to Surf City and into historic Wilmington. Visit [greenway.org/states/north-carolina](http://greenway.org/states/north-carolina).

A favorite walk of history buffs is the historic trail in Moores Creek National Battlefield in Currie. It is less than a mile and is mostly paved. Hikers will find the only monument dedicated to women of the Revolutionary War, details of the battle and the



Explore the Intracoastal Waterway in Pender County by renting a kayak or paddleboard.

bridge over Moores Creek. The trail is also a part of the Mountains to Sea Trail. For details go to [nps.gov/mocr/index.htm](https://www.nps.gov/mocr/index.htm).

### Birding

Looking for birds? North Carolina is along the Atlantic Flyway. It is home to 466 species of birds and is considered a premier birding destination. The North Carolina Birding Trail travels along the Northeast Cape Fear River. [ncbirdingtrail.org](http://ncbirdingtrail.org)

In addition, the Abbey Nature Preserve offers 67 acres of land that is undeveloped and makes for the perfect place for bird-watching. It is next to the Poplar Grove Plantation in Wilmington. Visit [poplargrove.org/nature-trail](http://poplargrove.org/nature-trail) for maps and information. Offering 2.2 miles of concrete

and asphalt loops around the town of Burgaw is the Osgood Canal Greenway and Urban Trail. Some areas of the trail are wooded, and some take visitors into historic downtown Burgaw. [burgawnc.gov/302/Osgood-Canal-Greenway-and-Urban-Trail](https://www.burgawnc.gov/302/Osgood-Canal-Greenway-and-Urban-Trail).

### Riding

Take to the trails of a different kind and see the landscape from the back of a horse. Desperado Horse Farm and Trail Rides in Rocky Point is open seven days a week by appointment. They provide riding adventures for all ages and levels of experience. Riders can take a slow walk or kick it up a notch to gallop across the 500 acres of trails. Visit [desperadohorsefarm.com](http://desperadohorsefarm.com).

### Water sports

A visit to Pender County would not be complete without some sort of water interaction. The county has plenty of water to play in, including the Intracoastal Waterway and the Atlantic Ocean.

If kayaking is your thing and you have your own, a great place to launch is Moores Creek National Battlefield. If you need to rent a kayak, paddleboard or surfboard there are plenty of places to do so and guides are available along the ICW.

Surf City is named appropriately as it and Topsail Island are great places to catch a wave. Lessons are available for those who have never surfed and those who want to improve. Visit [surfcitysurfschool.com](http://surfcitysurfschool.com) or [onshoresurfshop.com](http://onshoresurfshop.com).

Keeping with the water theme, Ecological Marine Adventures offers all ages beach adventures, lessons and virtual tours. Visit [ecologicalmarineadventures.com](http://ecologicalmarineadventures.com).

Traveling the oceanside towns and historic cities of Pender County, visitors also will find golf, mini golf, great places to eat and stay, beaches, boating, fishing, charters, and the beauty and freedom of the great outdoors. Go to [visitpender.com](http://visitpender.com) for the scoop on all the great things to do and see — including where to find the ice cream.

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# A trip through time in Pennsylvania

By Lisa Elia

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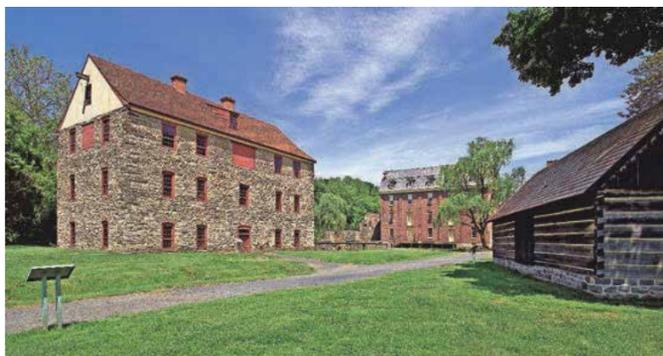
From watching a movie under the stars at America's oldest drive-in, to shopping at the country's oldest farmers' market, to taking a quiet walk across a covered bridge, there are plenty of opportunities to stretch out and enjoy the outdoors in what was once America's steel manufacturing mecca.

Lehigh Valley, Pennsylvania's lush valleys and gentle hills — about 60 minutes from Philadelphia and 90 minutes from New York City — offer throwbacks to a simpler time.

“There is so much to see and do here, and that's because we are a microcosm of the development of our country,” said Charlene Donchez Mowers, president of Historic Bethlehem Museum and Sites.

One of the best ways to learn about that local history and soak in its natural beauty is to walk along the Delaware and Lehigh National Heritage Corridor. The D&L Trail winds its way through about 140 miles of American industrial history, nature and recreation areas — 35 of which are within Lehigh Valley — and traverses local parks, state forests, farmland, historic boroughs and the three vibrant downtowns of Bethlehem, Easton and Allentown.

One of the trail's most historic areas is the Hugh Moore Park and the National Canal Museum in Easton. The 520-acre park is home to the Josiah White II, a re-created canal boat pulled by two Percheron mules (Hank and George) in the same manner as when such boats transported anthracite coal



The 1761 Tannery, 1869 Luckenbach Mill and the Springhouse (reconstructed in the 1970s) are located in the Colonial Industrial Quarter in Bethlehem, Pennsylvania. [HISTORIC BETHLEHEM MUSEUM & SITES/HUB WILSON COURTESY]

more than 100 years ago.

The trail also runs by the old Bethlehem Steel mill that has been repurposed as SteelStacks, an entertainment venue built amid the five Gothic-looking blast furnaces. There also are walking tours of the mill and Hoover Mason Trestle that was used to

transport raw materials into the furnaces.

During the Industrial Revolution's heyday, Bethlehem Steel employed more than 30,000 people and was the country's second-largest steel producer and largest shipbuilder. The company's steel production on the banks of the Lehigh

River supplied I-beams and other building materials for the Chrysler Building and the George Washington Bridge in New York City.

Behind the Historic Hotel Bethlehem is the Colonial Industrial Quarter, where the Moravians made almost all of what they needed. The park has one of the largest and earliest concentrations of pre-industrial revolution craft and trade buildings in the country.

The Covered Bridge Tour features seven bridges built between 1839 and 1860 is a self-guided, 50-mile trip that passes through some of the most picturesque farmland in Lehigh Valley.

There are eight wineries on Lehigh Valley's Wine Trail, and the locally grown Chambourcin grape is a French hybrid that produces red wine.

For more, visit [DiscoverLehighValley.com](http://DiscoverLehighValley.com).

# Not A Popularity Contest



Mark 3:16-19, "These are the twelve he appointed: Simon (to whom he gave the name Peter), James son of Zebedee and his brother John (to them he gave the name Boanerges, which means "sons of thunder"), Andrew, Philip, Bartholomew, Matthew, Thomas, James son of Alphaeus, Thaddaeus, Simon the Zealot and Judas Iscariot, who betrayed him."

Jesus' ministry attracted such large crowds that it became hard for him to get away. Rarely, could he get alone by himself to pray, relax or walk beside the Sea of Galilee. The crowds demanded to be near Him. Jesus needed a way to redistribute the ministry he was

giving to the people of Israel.

One day Jesus got alone with His closest followers and chose a few of them to become His specially designated associates. The gospel writer Mark says, "He appointed twelve that they might be with Him and that He might send them out to preach and to have authority to drive out demons" (Mark 3:14-15).

If we tried to list the disciple we would probably write down the same names that most people would remember. No doubt we would name Peter, and certainly Judas. Maybe we'd list the names Andrew, John and James. Very likely, that would be the end of our list of disciples we could recall. We might not even recognize the names Thaddaeus, Bartholomew, Simon the Zealot or James the son of Alphaeus.

We should understand that not every successful follower of Christ becomes famous. While some who make full-time commitments to serve the Lord will become well known while others who do just as much good work for the Kingdom of God will never be mentioned by the crowds. Not every pastor will have their own radio program, television show or even write a Christian book, but is that what God really requires from every minister of the Good News?

Recognition and public acclaim are not the point to being a follower of Jesus Christ. Whether people remember our names is no measure of success in Christ's service. The only thing that matters is that God knows how you and I live and serve Him. So long as we follow His commandments faithfully, we will receive the description of being successful. You don't have to become rich, powerful or famous be successful in God's sight. Never forget that God measures achievement not in terms of public recognition, but in terms of faithfulness to Him and His cause. I encourage you to not underestimate your ability to serve the Lord in whatever capacity He calls you to do.

Since we are called to be faithful and not famous, then we should be ready to share the Gospel at any moment. Rehearse your testimony, pray for God to enable you to share in a loving way, and have a Bible or Gospel tract on hand in case a situation arises in your path. I believe that God will give his followers divine opportunities to share our faith or build relationships that will one day enable you to share. Even in the midst of our busy lives God is always about saving souls.

Consider the words of the apostle Paul found in 1 Corinthians 3:6-9, "I planted, Apollos watered, but God gave the growth. So neither he who plants nor he who waters is anything, but only God who gives the growth. He who plants and he who waters are one and each will receive his wages according to his labor. We are God's fellow workers. You are God's field, God's building." No matter if we are planting the seeds of the Gospel or watering what someone has already done, remember it is all done for the glory of God. At the end of the day, if we are doing it for our own glory then what we have planted will bare rotten fruit.



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## HEALTH WATCH

### CONDITIONS 101 How to prevent shin splints

Shin splints, also known as medial tibial stress syndrome, is pain along the shin bone (or tibia). It is caused by repetitive stress on the shinbone and the connective tissues that attach muscles to the bone. The condition is most common in runners, dancers and military recruits.

According to the Mayo Clinic, “Shin splints often occur in athletes who have recently intensified or changed their training routines. The increased activity overworks the muscles, tendons and bone tissue. Most cases of shin splints can be treated with rest, ice and other self-care measures. Wearing proper footwear and modifying your exercise routine can help prevent shin splints from recurring.”

Symptoms include tenderness, soreness or pain along the inner side of your shinbone and mild swelling in your lower leg. Though at first the pain might only occur when exercising, it can become continuous and progress to a stress reaction or stress fracture.

Prevention tips:

- **Don't overdo it.** Running or performing other high-impact activities for too long at too high an intensity can overload the shins.

- **Consider arch supports and shock-absorbing insoles.** Arch supports can help prevent the pain of shin splints, especially if you have flat arches. Insoles might reduce symptoms and prevent recurrence.

- **Lower the impact.** Cross-train with a lower-impact sport that goes easier on your shins (swimming, biking, walking). When starting a new activity, ease into it gradually to prevent injury.

### HEALTH STAT 42%

According to Mercy Medical Center, about 42% of Americans are vitamin D deficient. Deficiency is greater among populations such as premenopausal women, those with poor nutrition, those older than 65, Caucasians with very limited sun exposure, and those on prescription medication long term for heartburn, acid reflux and constipation.

### STUDY SAYS Comparison of telehealth therapy is favorable

A new study has found that tele-delivered behavioral activation (tele-BA) treatment by bachelor's degree-level lay counselors for older low-income adults who are depressed and homebound is clinically effective.

The randomized clinical trial involved 277 participants from 2015-2019 in one metropolitan area. The study, published in JAMA, found that “tele-BA by lay counselors and tele-delivered problem-solving therapy by licensed clinicians were significantly more effective than telephone support calls in improving depressive symptoms, disability, social engagement and activities, and satisfaction with participation in social roles. Tele-BA was significantly less effective than tele-delivered problem-solving therapy in reducing depressive symptoms, but there were no differences in other outcomes.”

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# The flu and you

## Experts answer questions about this year's flu shot

By Kaiser Health News

**F**lu season will look different this year, as the country grapples with the coronavirus pandemic.

Many Americans are reluctant to visit a doctor's office, and public health officials worry people will shy away from being immunized.

Although sometimes incorrectly regarded as just another bad cold, flu also kills tens of thousands of people in the U.S. each year, with the very young, the elderly and those with underlying conditions the most vulnerable. When coupled with the effects of COVID-19, public health experts say it's more important than ever to get a flu shot.

Aside from the potential burden on hospitals, there's the possibility people could get both viruses — and “no one knows what happens if you get influenza and COVID (simultaneously) because it's never happened before,” Dr. Rachel Levine, Pennsylvania's secretary of health, told reporters this month.

As flu season approaches, here are some answers to a few common questions:

### Q: When should I get my flu shot?

A: Many pharmacies and clinics will start immunizations in early September. Generally, influenza viruses start circulating in mid- to late October but become more widespread later, in the winter. It takes about two weeks after getting a shot for antibodies — which circulate in the blood and thwart infections — to build up. “Young, healthy people can begin getting their flu shots in September, and elderly people and other vulnerable populations can begin in October,” said Dr. Steve Miller, chief clinical officer for insurer Cigna.

The CDC has recommended that people “get a flu vaccine by the end of October,” but noted it's not too late to get one after that because shots “can still be beneficial and vaccination should be offered throughout the flu season.”

Even so, some experts say not to wait too long this year — not only because of COVID-19, but also in case a shortage develops because of overwhelming demand.

### Q: What are the reasons I should roll up my sleeve for this?

A: Get a shot because it protects



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you from catching the flu and spreading it to others, which may help lessen the burden on hospitals and medical staffs.

And there's another message that may resonate in this strange time.

“It gives people a sense that there are some things you can control,” said Eduardo Sanchez, chief medical officer for prevention at the American Heart Association.

While a flu shot won't prevent COVID-19, he said, getting one could help your doctors differentiate between the diseases if you develop any symptoms — fever, cough, sore throat — they share.

You cannot get influenza from having a flu vaccine.

All eligible people, especially essential workers, those with underlying conditions and those at higher risk — including very young children and pregnant women — should seek protection, the CDC said. It recommends that children over 6 months old get vaccinated.

### Q: What do we know about the effectiveness of this year's vaccine?

A: Flu vaccines — which must be developed anew each year because influenza viruses mutate — range in effectiveness annually, depending on how well they match the circulating virus. Last year's formulation was estimated to be about 45% effective in preventing the flu overall, with about a 55% effectiveness in children. The vaccines available in the U.S. this year are aimed at preventing at least three strains of the virus, and most cover four.

### Q: What are insurance plans and health systems doing differently this year?

A: Insurers and health systems contacted by KHN say they will follow CDC guidelines, which call for limiting and spacing out the number of people waiting in

lines and vaccination areas. Some are setting appointments for flu shots to help manage the flow.

Health Fitness Concepts, a company that works with UnitedHealth Group and other businesses to set up flu shot clinics in the Northeast, said it is “encouraging smaller, more frequent events to support social distancing” and “requiring all forms to be completed and shirtsleeves rolled up before entering the flu shot area.”

Also, nationally, some physician groups contracted with UnitedHealth will set up tent areas so shots can be given outdoors, a spokesperson said.

### Q: Usually I get a flu shot at work. Will that be an option this year?

A: Aiming to avoid risky indoor gatherings, many employers are reluctant to sponsor the on-site flu clinics they've offered in years past. And with so many people continuing to work from home, there's less need to bring flu shots to employees on the job. Instead, many employers are encouraging workers to get shots from their primary care doctors, at pharmacies or in other community settings. Insurance will generally cover the cost of the vaccine.

### Q: What are pharmacies doing to encourage people to get flu shots?

A: Some pharmacies are making an extra push to get out into the community to offer flu shots.

Walgreens, which has nearly 9,100 pharmacies nationwide, is continuing a partnership begun in 2015 with community organizations, churches and employers that has offered about 150,000 off-site and mobile flu clinics to date.

Both Walgreens and CVS are encouraging people to schedule appointments and do paperwork online this year to minimize time spent in the stores.

## TODAY'S WORKOUT

### Lunging double triceps kickback combines moves, saves time

By Marlo Alleva  
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If you are anything like me, you cram so many things onto your to-do list that you don't have enough time to complete the list.

That being said, you do not want to shortchange your fitness. So instead of cutting it short, or skipping it altogether, work in a few combination moves!

Today's move is a lunging double triceps kickback.

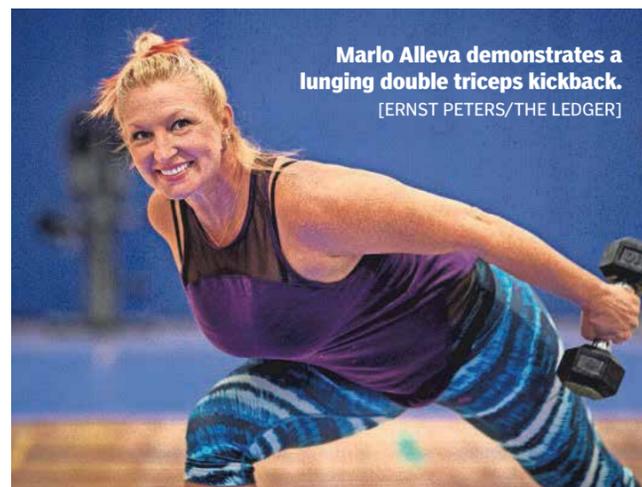
This exercise will be working most of your body. The triceps move will be working the arms, chest and upper back. And the static hold lunge will be toning your quads, glutes and hamstrings.

You will need a set of

light to medium hand weights for this exercise.

Begin this movement by grasping your hand weights in each hand. Stepping one leg behind you, split your stance quite far. Holding your chest tall, proceed to bend in your front knee and lean forward with your hips, keeping your back straight and your chest tall. Now, pull both arms up and tuck your arms into each side. Engage your core for balance.

Now that you are in your static hold lunging position, you are ready to add the kickbacks with your arms. Keeping the upper portion of the arm tucked into your side, you are simply going to extend both arms straight back, aiming for



Marlo Alleva demonstrates a lunging double triceps kickback.  
[ERNST PETERS/THE LEDGER]

a parallel movement with your torso. Create a tight squeeze on the upper back side of the arm, the triceps. Once you reach your fullest extension return both arms back into a bent position, and repeat the kickback.

You can continue this kick back motion with both arms simultaneously or alternating, however you feel it is more efficient for your body. Aim for at least 10 repetitions on each arm. Take a small break

by releasing the lunge and standing up. Repeat the same motion on the opposite leg. Shoot for equal sets on both sides at least two to four times.

This combination exercise is great for all levels of fitness. Your lunging motion can be deep for those who need the added depth or more shallow for those who have any restrictions in their knees or compromised balance. The amount of weight you use for your triceps kickbacks can vary as well.

# Eggs are Recommended as a Nutrient-Rich 'First Food'

## Every bite counts for babies learning to eat

### FAMILY FEATURES

Eggs are for everyone, including babies and toddlers, according to the 2020 Dietary Guidelines Advisory Committee that released its Scientific Report outlining nutritional recommendations for Americans. For the first time, this committee, comprised of leading doctors and nutrition scientists, included nutritional guidance for younger children.

The committee recommends eggs as a first food for babies and toddlers since they provide eight essential nutrients that can help build a healthy foundation for life at a time when every bite counts.

Eggs provide nutrition for children and moms-to-be, as well. However, the report found most pregnant women and kids need more choline – an essential nutrient critical for brain health – in their diets.

According to research published in the “Journal of the American College of Nutrition,” 92% of pregnant women don’t get enough choline in their diets.

Choosing foods high in choline, like eggs, can help pregnant women consume enough of this essential nutrient, helping a baby’s brain and spinal cord develop properly. Just two eggs provide more than half of the recommended daily amount of choline.

At only 70 calories, one egg contains 6 grams of high-quality protein and all nine essential amino acids. Eggs are also a source of vitamin B12, biotin (B7), iodine, selenium, high-quality protein, riboflavin (B2) and pantothenic acid (B5). Additionally, eggs contain lutein and zeaxanthin that can help protect your eyes from harmful blue light that comes from electronic devices.

Lots of parents worry about possible food allergies in their little ones. The committee recommends introducing eggs when your baby is ready for first foods, which may help reduce the chances of developing an egg allergy.

### In Your Kitchen

Eggs are a nutritional powerhouse that contribute to health and well-being at every age, and there are plenty of ways to enjoy eggs beyond the basic boiled, scrambled or sunny-side-up. In fact, eggs work well in meals all day long. Toss hard-boiled eggs in a salad, top a sweet potato with an egg for lunch or try a spinach and mushroom frittata for dinner.

Baby-friendly Savory Egg Veggie Pancakes pack in nutrients from whatever vegetables you have on hand and offer a savory twist on classic pancakes. You can add extra toppings like avocado or Greek yogurt for a variety of new textures and flavors.

Another simple way to introduce eggs as a first food is a soft and fluffy egg casserole. You can also incorporate veggies for some added nutrition, since eggs can help you better absorb the nutrients found in vegetables, such as vitamin E and carotenoids like lutein and zeaxanthin.

You can adapt a Veggie Egg Casserole to your child’s development and motor skills by cutting small squares or making a simple mash.

Find more kid-friendly recipes and advice about introducing eggs to your youngest family members at [EggNutritionCenter.org](http://EggNutritionCenter.org).



Veggie Egg Casserole

## U.S. DIETARY GUIDELINES ADVISORY COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS EGGS AS A FIRST FOOD FOR BABIES AND TODDLERS

The 2020 Dietary Guidelines Advisory Committee, a group of medical doctors and nutrition scientists, has released its official Scientific Report. In a historic first, the Advisory Committee issued recommendations for birth to 24 months old and specifically recommended eggs as an important first food for babies and toddlers, as well as for pregnant and breastfeeding women.

### CHOLINE: A NUTRIENT CRITICAL FOR BRAIN HEALTH

92%

of pregnant women fail to meet intake recommendations for choline.



Only 26% of expecting mothers are even familiar with choline.

And 39% of those who have heard of choline don't know that it is essential for infant brain development.

### EGGS ARE AN IMPORTANT BUILDING BLOCK FOR MOMS AND BABIES



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- choline

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### WONDERING ABOUT FOOD ALLERGIES? EGGS ARE AN IMPORTANT EARLY FOOD



The latest research shows that introducing eggs when a baby is developmentally ready (4-6 MONTHS OF AGE) may be associated with reduced risk of egg allergy.

For additional kid-friendly recipes, please visit: [EggNutritionCenter.org/EveryBiteCounts](http://EggNutritionCenter.org/EveryBiteCounts)



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### Veggie Egg Casserole

Recipe developed by Stacey Mattinson, RD  
Prep time: 20 minutes  
Cook time: 40 minutes  
Servings: 4

- 1/2 Nonstick cooking spray
- 1 sweet onion
- 1 red, yellow or orange bell pepper
- 1 head broccoli florets
- 2 teaspoons canola, avocado or olive oil
- 12 eggs
- 2 cups low-fat cottage cheese
- 1 cup shredded cheese
- 1 teaspoon baking powder
- 1 tablespoon flour
- salt, to taste
- pepper, to taste

Preheat oven to 350 F. Grease 9-by-13-inch pan with nonstick cooking spray. Chop onion and bell pepper to age-appropriate sizes. Pick apart broccoli florets into small pieces and remove most of stems.

Heat medium-sized frying pan over medium heat. Add oil and swirl around pan. Add onions and cook 3-4 minutes until they start to soften. Add broccoli and bell pepper. Mix with onions and add salt and pepper, to taste. Cook 1-2 minutes then cover with lid to steam another 2-3 minutes until broccoli is bright green. Remove veggies from stovetop.

In large mixing bowl, beat eggs. Add cottage cheese, shredded cheese, baking powder and flour. Add veggies and salt and pepper, to taste. Transfer to prepared pan and bake 40 minutes.

### Savory Egg Veggie Pancakes

Recipe developed by Min Kwon, RD  
Prep time: 5 minutes  
Cook time: 10 minutes  
Servings: 1

- 1/2 teaspoon oil or butter
- 1 egg
- 1 tablespoon milk or breastmilk
- 3 tablespoons cooked or raw vegetables, chopped or grated
- 1 tablespoon flour
- 1 teaspoon ground flaxseeds
- 1/4 teaspoon herbs or spices, such as cinnamon, curry powder, cumin, oregano, turmeric, etc.

In 6-inch nonstick pan, heat butter or oil over medium-low heat, tilting pan to coat bottom.

In bowl, beat egg and milk until blended. Add vegetables, flour, flaxseeds and herbs; stir to combine. Pour mixture into heated pan, spread evenly (don't stir) and cook batter 1 minute, or until bottom starts to set.

Flip and cook other side until lightly browned. Remove from pan. Once cooled, slice into desired shapes and serve.



Savory Egg Veggie Pancakes

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## HOME HELP



### TIP OF THE WEEK Dry your garden herbs

Temperatures are already dropping. Soon fall will arrive and summer herbs will be no more. You can preserve some of your summer garden and save money, however, by drying your herbs. BobVila.com says there are two methods for drying herbs: air drying and oven drying.

**How to air dry:** Tie the herbs' stems into loose bunches with twine or string. You should allow enough space so air can circulate around them. Then hang your herbs upside down in a dark, warm and dry place (BobVila.com recommends an attic or unused closet). If you don't have a place to hang herbs that's out of the sunlight, cut holes in a paper bag and place the herbs upside down inside. "Wrap the opening of the bag around the stems, securing the closure with rubber bands or string (this will also help to keep dust off). Hanging upside down allows the essential oils to flow downward from the stems to the leaves."

**How to oven dry:** This method is better for herbs with a higher moisture content, such as basil, tarragon, lemon balm and mint. To prevent these from molding, they must be dried quickly. First, remove the leaves from stems and place on a cookie sheet or cooling rack. In a low oven (180 degrees or lower), allow the herbs to dry for two to four hours. Check frequently.

### DECORATING TIP Make your ceiling look taller

If you want to make your ceiling look taller than it is, try these two visual tricks from This Old House:

- Painting your ceiling white can open up the room and make it feel less claustrophobic.
- Hanging curtains higher than the windows will trick your eye into thinking the room is taller. "Most standard curtain panels measure 84 or 96 inches, allowing you to go about 3 inches above the window casing before the length gets too short."



### CLEANING Gentle cleaning method is best for cabinets

When it's time to clean your kitchen cabinets, avoid hard scrubbing and harsh chemicals. Overzealous cleaning efforts can damage cabinets' finish or paint. Instead, BobVila.com recommends making a gentle cleaner by mixing one part mild dishwashing soap with two parts hot water. You can also use the same ratio of distilled white vinegar to hot water. Warmed water helps soften grunge and grease so you'll be able to wipe it away more easily. Then pour the cleaning mixture into a spray bottle, and start cleaning.

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# Wood works

## 5 carpentry projects that will make your life a little better

By **Laura Firszt**  
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**W**ho else loves to hear about carpentry projects and other home improvements that are life-changing in some small way?

Much as I enjoy stories of full-on renovations like kitchen remodels, I have a special fondness for simple improvements that make living in your home easier, neater and more comfortable. And carpentry projects seem to head this list.

Here is a perfect example: My neighbor had been bothered for years by a dining table which was just too cramped to accommodate her extended family. Purchasing the supersize table that she dreamt of was beyond her budget, though. So finally, she asked a local carpenter to come up with a solution. The ingenious result brought a little ease — and yes, joy — into her home.

Read all about her experience, plus four more carpentry projects. Whether you tackle them yourself or hire a professional carpenter as my friend did, they will make your home — and your life — a little better.

### 1. Tabletop

There's no need to spend a fortune on a pricey new dining table when for a fraction of the price, you can build a new tabletop that fits right onto your existing table. This affordable, hardworking multitasker will provide you with extra space for seating dinner guests, cutting yards of fabric (any other sewing fans out there?) or putting together gigantic multi-piece jigsaw puzzles.

### 2. Mudroom lockers

Setting up a mudroom is a fantastic first step toward taming the clutter

monster that haunts many American homes. But next, you've got to find a solution to keep it organized. How about building handsome wooden lockers sized to fit your mudroom or foyer? Give each household member their own personal storage space to stash, coats, bags and boots out of sight.

### 3. Drop-down counter

OK, you'll find a lot of solutions online for a shortage of storage, but let's address too-skimpy counters. While adding an island is one possibility, it won't work when your room is seriously cramped for space.

Instead, craft a drop-down counter (using foldable shelf brackets) to give you the extra surface you need to prep holiday meals, sort clean laundry or set up a mini work-from-home office. Fold back up against the wall when not in use.

### 4. Deck gate

Protect small children and pets on your deck without sacrificing outdoor style. Install a latched safety gate at the top of the deck stairs, custom-designed to coordinate with the railings of your deck. (If you space the crossbars extra closely, this type of gate is also good for keeping pesky neighborhood cats and raccoons out.)

### 5. Rollable privacy screen

Building a privacy screen is a practical carpentry project that can also be a lot of fun, mainly because there is such a plethora of possibilities. Buy new lumber or upcycle old pallets and second-hand doors ... be creative! Then mount the results on wheels, if you will, for a movable privacy screen that you can roll to the spot that, well, hits the spot.

Laura Firszt writes for [networx.com](http://networx.com).

### Tips for DIY carpentry projects

- Start simple. Wall shelves are a great beginner woodworking project (so is the fold-down counter described in No. 3).
- When natural wood is out of your price range, purchase less expensive MDF. Or pick environmentally-friendly reclaimed wood.
- If you do decide to go ahead with natural wood, incorporate a live edge where feasible. The result will be modern and distinctive.
- Be careful to use the proper grit when sanding. It saves time and makes for a perfect finish.
- Fasten with screws rather than nails (or glue). If you make a mistake, screws are easier to remove and won't damage the surrounding wood.
- Use a good pair of clamps rather than just your hand to hold pieces together while bonding.
- Stain or paint your finished product to blend in with its surroundings.
- Make sure to seal any project that will be exposed to moisture.

## DEAR MONTY

### Can real estate agents legally go door-to-door?



**Richard Montgomery**

**Reader question:** Last night, about 7:30 p.m., a local real estate agent rang our doorbell to ask if we wanted to sell our house or knew anyone who wanted to sell. I was always under the impression that this sort of solicitation was considered inappropriate by real estate agents. Have things changed in the industry, or was I laboring under a false impression?

**Monty's answer:** When I

began selling real estate in 1966, "door-to-door" prospecting was an ordinary real estate business practice in my home state. Most more established agents saw the method as a waste of time. However, a veteran local real estate agent was very effective in developing business using the door-to-door approach. A nationally known real estate convention speaker named Tom Hopkins provided "tips" on canvassing door-to-door. It suggests canvassing was happening in other areas of the country.

I did participate in the activity. I had people invite me in, slam the door on me, peer out the window but not answer the door, and more. I was 21

years old, and my mentor suggested it would be worth the effort. I gained business doing it. When no one was at home, I would leave a business card in the door and write a message on the back. I had people who saved that card call me four or five years later when they needed real estate help.

### Times have changed

Today many new methods exist for reaching customers on the internet that are more efficient. Today some communities have ordinances that prohibit door-to-door solicitation without a permit or at all. There are unique circumstances that can cause a community to

enact an anti-solicitation rule. Some people see door-to-door solicitations as an intrusion; some people feel safer, etc. I believe societal changes have driven some communities to enact such ordinances. On the other hand, many cities do not have such regulations.

Consider checking your municipality's ordinance: online or calling the business office to learn how your community handles door-to-door solicitation.

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## EDUCATION

# Harrells Senior Blessing Ceremony



*Katie Johnson of Ivanhoe listens as her Senior Blesser Julie Ellis gives words of encouragement for her senior year.*

On Sunday, August 23rd an exciting tradition took place at Harrells Christian Academy. Each member of the senior class was “blessed” by his or her Senior Blesser in a sweet ceremony held on the football field with a small group of parents and friends present. The tradition of every senior choosing an HCA teacher or faculty member to be his or her “blesser” began nearly twenty years ago and is an opportunity for every senior to enter into a prayerful covenant with a trusted mentor who will walk alongside them throughout their senior year. Some of HCA graduates’ favorite memories involve the times shared with their Senior Blesser and the wisdom, advice, and love they received through this special bond.



*Members of the senior class look on as Bible teacher Melody Powell gives Ann Holland Bell of Kenansville her blessing.*

## Programs See 100% Pass Rate

*Both the Fall 2019 Night and the Spring 2020 Day classes achieved tremendous success on the State exam for the program. (Photo Credit, Cheyenne McNeill)*

The Spring semester at several institutions saw major academic changes, for both students and faculty at Sampson Community College. With nearly all programs forced to move online, clinical locations for healthcare programs restricting access from students, and the Basic Law Enforcement (BLET) program scrambling to find locations for several pieces of training, instructors and students were left uncertain. However, things came together when students in each program graduated from their respective programs and took their licensing and certification exams. The BLET, Medical Assisting, Practical Nursing, Associate Degree Nursing, Emergency Medical Science, Cosmetology, and Manicuring and Natural Hair Care programs all received 93% or better on licensing and certification exams.

After completing 36 blocks of instruction, and passing the Police Officer Physical Agility Test, Basic Law Enforcement Training students must take the BLET State Comprehensive Written Examination. This exam consists of six parts: Legal Unit, Patrol Duties, Law Enforcement Communication, Investigation, Practical Application, and Sheriff-Specific Unit. Students must pass with a 70%.

This Fall and Spring, the BLET classes at Sampson Community College far exceeded this expectation. Students in the Fall 2019 Night class achieved a 96% passage rate, with nearly all students completing this expectation. For the Spring 2020 Day class, 100% of students passed the state exam. For Director of the BLET program, Anthony Davis, and his instructors, this feat reflected the hard work of these students.

“Our BLET program is intense and I’m able to see the fruition of hard work and dedication that the students display on a daily basis. There are many times that students get overwhelmed because even though they are enrolled in BLET they still have life happening at home. Seeing the student accomplish this course with work, kids, life, and other responsibilities is astonishing because I know the effort and dedication that it takes to make it to graduation,” Davis expressed.

Sampson Community College hosts several healthcare programs, including Medical Assisting, Practical Nursing, and Associate Degree Nursing. Testing sites for all exams paid special attention to decrease seating capacity, monitor infection control, and screen before entering exam sites.

Students in the Medical Assisting (MA) program take a 200-item exam, where they are tested on general knowledge, mastery, and more. Medical Assisting students are certified through the American Association of Medical Assistants. All six graduates of the Medical Assisting program passed the exam, giving the program a 100% passing rate.

Nursing students, both in the Practical Nursing and the Associate Degree Nursing programs, take the NCLEX-RN or NCLEX-PN exam, which is a 130-item exam, testing critical thinking, entry-level nursing skills, and nursing judgment. The 20 SCC Practical Nursing graduates passed the NCLEX-PN exam on the first attempt. Of the 43 Associate Degree Nursing graduates, 95% passed on the first attempt, and the remaining 5% on the second attempt.

Healthcare programs division chair, Dr. Veronica Stevens, and her team expressed their pride in their students, saying their achievement means they’ve completed their educational goals at SCC.

“The students’ success

is our success...Our graduates are highly sought after by employers. Their program completion and licensure/certification here means they can move into the career paths or transition into the next level of educational endeavors,” Stevens stated.

Another healthcare program experiencing success was the Emergency Medical Science (EMS) curriculum program. Students in this program can take the North Carolina State Paramedic Exam OR the students may sit for the National Registry Paramedic Exam. Graduates are tested on Operations, Preparatory, Medical/Trauma Emergencies, Special Population, Cardiology, Obstetrics/Gynecology, Pediatrics, and Geriatrics.

In preparation for the exam, EMS instructors at SCC held several study sessions. Graduates of the Associate of Applied Science in Emergency Medical Science achieved a passage rate of 100%.

The Cosmetology program also saw success. Students in the short-term training course for Manicuring and Natural Hair Care completed the program with 300 hours, then prepared to take a practical exam and a theoretical exam in hopes of receiving a certificate in these skills. Each student in this course at SCC received a passing score, giving the program a 100% passage rate.

Graduates of the Associate of Applied Science in Cosmetology complete up to 1200 or 1500 hours of required performances while being enrolled in the courses here at SCC, depending on their enrolled program. Upon completion of their program, graduates take the National NIC Cosmetologist & Apprentice Cosmetologist Written Examination and the National NIC Cosmetologist Practical Examination. 93% of Cosmetology graduates at SCC passed the exam this year.

“I’m very elated to hear our students passed with and 100% to 93% passing rate. This shows how dedicated our instructors are preparing their students with competency education and professional ethics,” said Department Chair, Loreta Jones.

Even amidst changing academic schedules, a move to online coursework, and more, students in each of these programs went above and beyond and excelled this year.

## SCC Board of Trustees Swears in New Members



*At its regular September board meeting on Tuesday, the Sampson Community College Board of Trustees swore in two new board members, Governor's Appointee, Vivian Maynor (left), and Student Government Association President, Pablo Perez (right). Clerk of Court and Trustee, Chris Fann, gave the oath of office. (Photo Credit, Cheyenne McNeill)*

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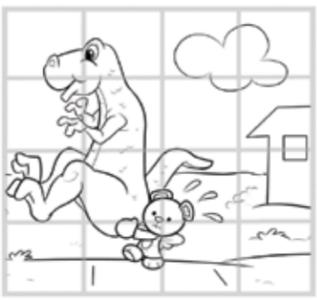
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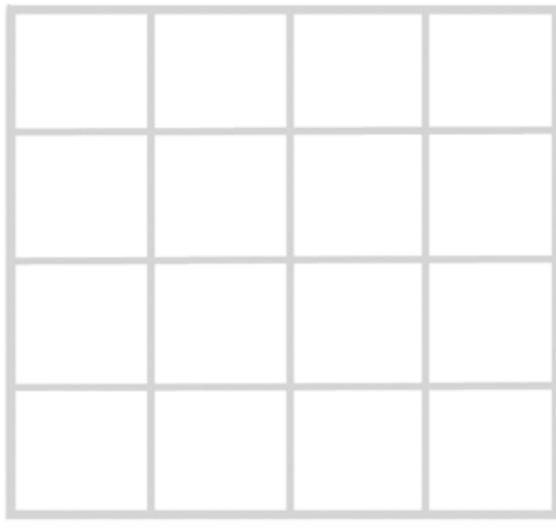
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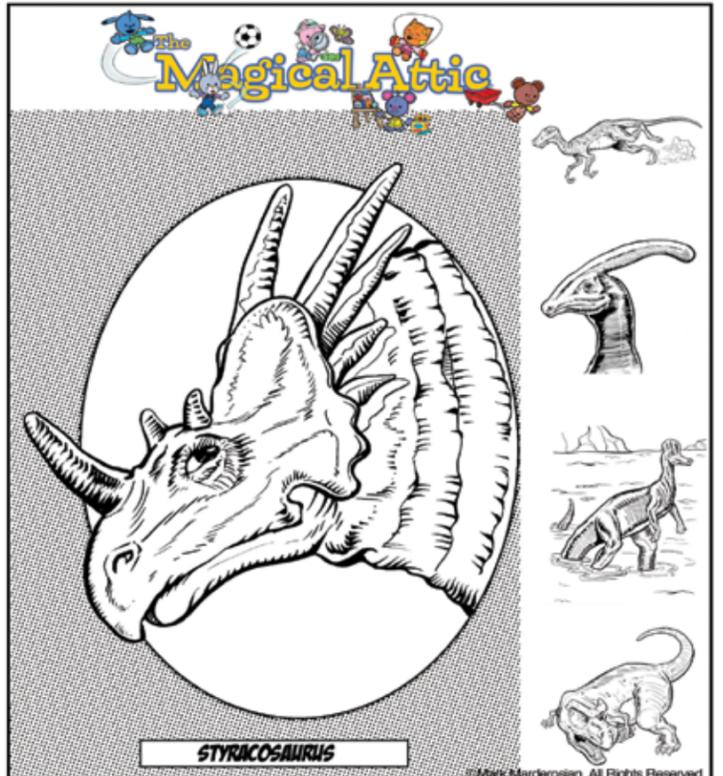
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### FUN FACTS!

- THE TYRANNOSAURUS REX WAS ABOUT THE LENGTH OF A SCHOOL BUS!
- SOME DINOSAURS WERE ONLY 3 FEET TALL!
- THE WORD DINOSAUR COMES FROM THE GREEK LANGUAGE AND MEANS "TERRIBLE LIZARD".



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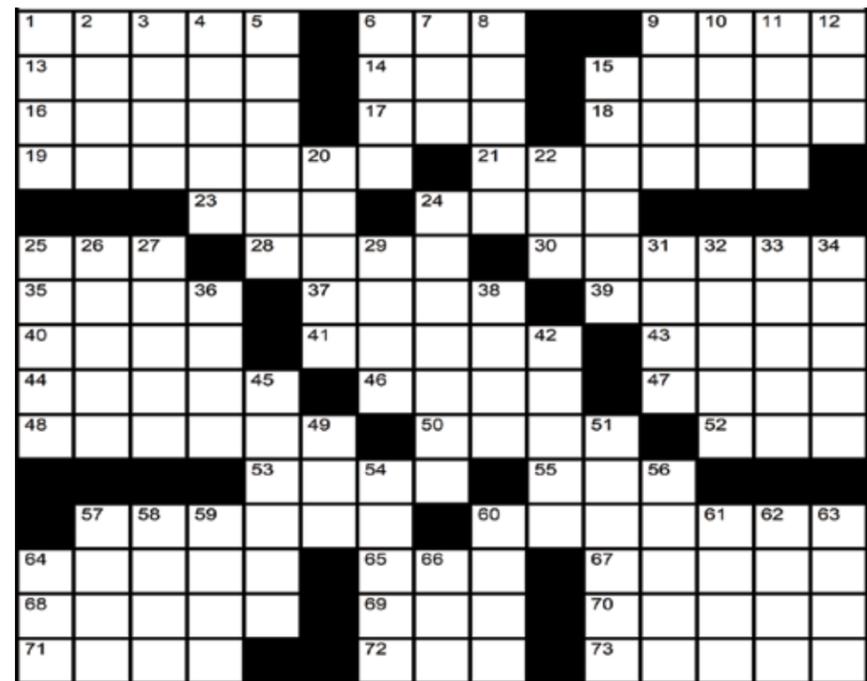


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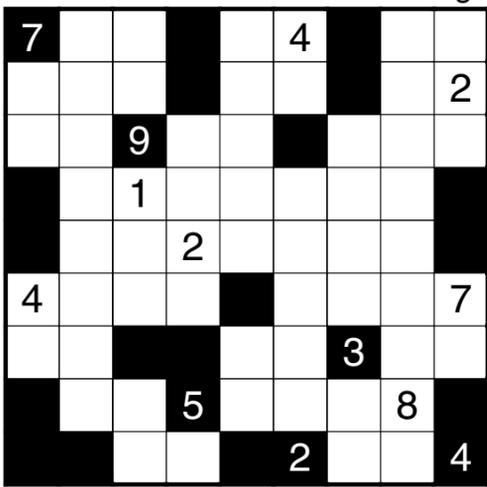
- ACROSS**
- Accumulate
  - To and \_\_\_\_\_
  - Audition tape
  - October, e.g.
  - Adam's body part
  - Mountain climber's spike
  - Weasel's aquatic cousin
  - Gentry's "\_\_\_\_ to Billie Joe" (1967)
  - Agitate
  - \*Stanley Kubrick's "The \_\_\_\_\_"
  - \*Ghost or ghoul
  - "\_\_\_\_\_ Clear Day You Can See Forever"
  - Clothing joint
  - \*Nighttime radar flyer
  - European sea eagle
  - Not wholesale
  - In the sack
  - Popular dieter's foe
  - Laundromat setting
  - Carrying bag
  - Enjoy, as in food
  - Parks on a bus
  - Made a mistake
  - In 1492, it sailed the ocean blue
  - Outback birds
  - Stadiums
  - \_\_\_\_\_ pit
  - Hitherto
  - Genuflecting joint
  - Feather glue
  - \*She played Laurie Strode
  - \*Dead one
  - Bipolar disorder phase
  - \_\_\_\_\_ Marienbad, e.g.
  - Blind alternative

- Give the boot
- Breathing matter
- Famous Bolshevik
- London art museum
- "Owner of a Lonely Heart" band
- Not slouching
- Relieve from
- Falstaffian in body
- Christian of haute-couture
- Evening purse
- Lion's share
- Single
- Kindergarten's textbook
- Drug agents
- "\_\_\_\_\_ for the course"
- Nonprofit's purpose
- \*"Psycho" motel proprietor
- Terminate, as in mission
- "Four" prefix
- Indian flatbread
- Homemade swing seat
- Societal breakdown of moral standards
- October edition of "Vogue," e.g.
- Minimum
- Ownership document
- \*\_\_\_\_\_chilling
- Haile Selassie's disciple
- Stalin's order, e.g.
- "Wheel of Fortune" request
- Equestrian's seat
- Op-ed piece
- More raw
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- Homer's "Iliad"
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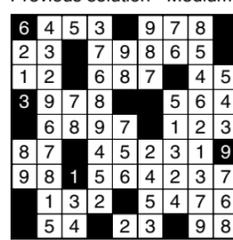


## STR8TS

No. 407 Tough



Previous solution - Medium

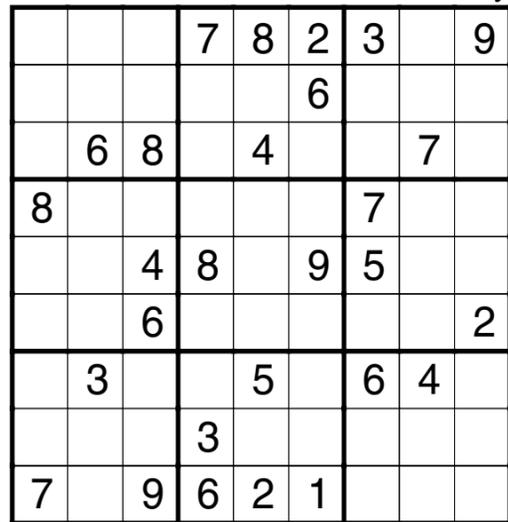


**How to beat Str8ts -**  
Like Sudoku, no single number can repeat in any row or column. But... rows and columns are divided by black squares into **compartments**. These need to be filled in with numbers that complete a 'straight'. A **straight** is a set of numbers with no gaps but can be in any order, eg [4,2,3,5]. Clues in black cells remove that number as an option in that row and column, and are not part of any straight. Glance at the solution to see how 'straights' are formed.

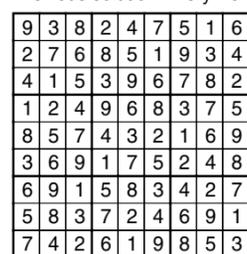
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## SUDOKU

No. 407 Easy



Previous solution - Very Hard



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## Gideon (Judges 6:1-40)

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G U C U T K P D H I D E O  
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| DROVE      | ENEMY  | FLEECE     |
| GIDEON     | GOAT   | HAND       |
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| LAND       | LORD   | MAKE       |
| MIDIANITES | PEOPLE | PLACE      |
| REMAIN     | RESCUE | SACRIFICE  |
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## Naomi and Ruth Return (Ruth 1:6-22)

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| ARRIVAL | BLESS | GIVE   |
| HOME    | LIVE  | LORD   |
| MARRY   | NAOMI | RETURN |

# CRIME

## CRIME REPORTS

08-31 Calvin Jacquest Holley, 22, Salemburg. Operating a Motor Vehicle without financial responsibility. Trial Date 10-19-20  
 08-31 Ky-Tora Tannice Knight, 22, Fayetteville. Operate Motor Vehicle 82mph in a 55 mph zone. Trial Date 10-19-20  
 08-31 Stevei Yarnell Williams, 44, Clinton. Assault by Pointing a Gun, Communicating Threats. Bond \$500. Trial Date 10-27-20  
 08-31 Frankie Shea-Lamont Hart, 44, Wilmington. Larceny of Motor Vehicle. Bond \$2500. Trial Date 09-04-20  
 08-31 Enrique Ramirez, 62, Clinton. Injury to Personal Property. Bond \$500. Trial Date 10-15-20  
 09-01 Mydesha Draughon, 25, Clinton. OFA-FTC-Child Support. Bond \$4200. Trial Date 09-09-20  
 09-01 Kevin Ryan Hall, 27, Autryville. Resisting Public Officer. Bond \$500. Trial Date 10-20-20  
 09-01 Susan Brewington, 60, Clinton. Second Degree Trespass. Trial Date 10-12-20  
 09-01 Selena Nicole Simmons, 21, Clinton. Possession of Heroin. Bond \$7500. Trial Date 09-04-20  
 09-01 James Scott Richmond, 26, Roseboro. Probation Violation Out of County. Bond \$10000. Trial Date 09-16-20  
 09-01 Crystal Williford Johnson, 44, Newton Grove. Cyberstalking. Trial Date 10-29-20  
 09-01 dale Melvin, 65, Roseboro. Speeding, DWLR Not Impaired Rev, Fict/Alt Title/Reg Card/Tag, No Liability Insurance. Bond \$500. Trial Date 09-14-20  
 09-01 Sammie Lamont Gilchrist, 38, Clinton. Driving While License Revoked for other than Impaired Driving, Displaying Revoked Registration Plate. Trial Date 11-16-20  
 09-01 Bernardo Santoyo, 28, Warsaw. Driving While License Revoked for other than Impaired Driving. Trial Date 11-13-20  
 09-02 Johnathon Rashaun Johnson, 23, Beulaville. Resist Public Officer, Simple Assault. Bond \$1000. Trial Date 10-13-20  
 09-02 Alvin Stevens Taylor, 45, Roseboro. DWLR Not Impaired Rev. Trial Date 10-12-20  
 09-02 Katelyn Dawn Fore, 26, Autryville. Child Support. Bond \$100. Trial Date 09-23-20  
 09-02 Johnny Brandon Pope, 38, Roseboro. Resisting Public Officer, Misdemeanor Probation Violation, Driving While License Revoked, Motorcycle/Moped Helmet/Passenger, Expired Registration Card, Failure to Wear Seat Belt. Bond \$18000. Trial Date 10-19-20  
 09-02 Aaliyah Sharelle Miles, 25, Fayetteville. Larceny of Motor Vehicle, Felony Conspiracy. Bond \$10000. Trial Date 10-19-20  
 09-02 Randolph Rahman Kenan, 40, Rose Hill. PWISD Schedule II Controlled Substance, Maintaining Vehicle for Controlled Substance, Posses Drug Paraphernalia. Bond \$1000. Trial Date 09-04-20  
 09-02 Michael Anthony Rooks, 28, Garland. OFA-FTC-Child Support. Bond \$2310. Trial Date 09-08-20  
 09-02 Tiffany Kay Fowlkes, 32, Fayetteville. Driving While License Revoked. Trial Date 12-15-20  
 09-02 Amber Box, 25, Clinton. OFA-FTC-Child Support. Bond \$300.

09-02 Jason W Byrd, 35, Clinton. Order for Arrest. Bond \$500. Trial Date 11-17-20  
 09-03 Thomas Craig Wainright, 45, Autryville. Reckless Driving to Endanger, Flee/Elude Arrest with Motor Vehicle. Bond \$7500. Trial Date 09-18-20  
 09-03 Jason Howell Boyette, 35, Autryville. OFA-FTC-Child Support. Bond \$41500. Trial Date 09-08-20  
 09-03 Tyler Allen Sturdevant, 28, Wilmington. Possession of Meth, Simple Possession of Schedule VI CS, Possession of Drug Paraphernalia, Misdemeanor Probation Violation, Felony Probation Violation. Bond \$47500. Trial Date 09-18-20  
 09-03 Melvin Emanuel, 67, Clinton. Assault and Battery. Bond \$500. Trial Date 11-24-20  
 09-03 Henry Irvin Hall, 50, Salemburg. Injury to Personal Property. Bond \$500. Trial Date 10-22-20  
 09-03 Marion Kareen Patterson, 37, Elizabethtown. Cancelled Revoked Registration, No Liability Insurance. Trial Date 11-17-20  
 09-04 James Marcus Royal, 49, Newton Grove. Allow Livestock to Run at Large. Bond \$500. Trial Date 09-17-20  
 09-04 Joel Thomas Parker, 59, Clinton. Misdemeanor DVPO Violation. Trial Date 10-13-20  
 09-04 Emily Marie Peterson, 25, Garland. Possess Meth, Possess Drug Paraphernalia. Bond \$25000. Trial Date 09-18-20  
 09-04 Carolina Torres-Maldonado, 43, Newton Grove. Communicating Threats. Trial Date 09-29-20  
 09-04 Barbara Etta McClenny, 82, Dunn. Second Degree Trespass. Trial Date 10-12-20  
 09-04 Christopher McClenny, 51, Dunn. Communicating Threats, Second Degree Trespass. Trial Date 10-12-20  
 09-04 John Austin Carter, 27, Clinton. Second Degree Trespass. Bond \$500. Trial Date 11-24-20  
 09-04 Victoria Marie Bailey, 23, Fayetteville. Order for Arrest. Bond \$355. Trial Date 10-01-20  
 09-04 Freddy Sanchez, 24, Garland. Speeding, DWLR Not Impaired, Fail to Comply. Bond \$1065. Trial Date 10-01-20  
 09-04 Graham Deryan Mathews, 57, Stedman. Breaking and/or Entering, Larceny After Break/Enter, Possession of Stolen Property/Goods, DWLR. Bond \$25000. Trial Date 10-29-20  
 09-04 Robert Stanley Boone, 65, Roseboro. Attempting to Obtain Property by False, Larceny, Larceny from Merchant Removal of Anti-Theft Device, OFA/Driving While Impaired, OFA/Reckless Drvg Wanton Disregard. Bond \$10500. Trial Date 09-18-20  
 09-04 Joshua Tyree McPhail, 19, Clinton. Possess Marijuana, Possess Drug Paraphernalia. Trial Date 11-16-20  
 09-04 Adam Matthew Sutphin, 31, Clinton. DWI. Bond \$1500. Trial Date 12-08-20  
 09-05 Marco Torres, 25, Roseboro. NOL. Trial Date 10-26-20  
 09-05 Christian Lamar Frederick, 29, Wilmington. Driving While License Revoked, Expired Tag. Trial Date 10-27-20  
 09-05 James Cyle Beatty, 33, Roseboro. FTA-Littering 15-500lbs. Bond \$500. Trial Date 10-27-20  
 09-05 Dalton Colt Smith, 27, Dunn. Larceny of Motor Vehicle, Obtain Property by False Pretense. Bond \$10000. Trial Date 09-102-20  
 09-05 Peggy Moore Melvin, 58, Clinton. FTA-Littering 15-500lbs. Bond \$500. Trial Date 09-

28-20  
 09-05 Bobby Christopher Preddy, 43, Clinton. Communicating Threats. Trial Date 09-17-20  
 09-05 Charles Rupert Horne, 56, Stedman. Conspiracy. Bond \$5000. Trial Date 09-10-20  
 09-05 Samantha Bailey Bradsher, 22, Clinton. Misdemeanor Conversion. Trial Date 11-23-20  
 09-05 Christopher Tyndall, 37, Clinton. Injury to Personal Property.  
 09-05 Rian Lane, 42, Clinton. Communicating Threats. Trial Date 10-19-20  
 09-05 Oscar Ivan Martinez Mena, 25, Clinton. Assault on a Female, Communicating Threats. Trial Date 10-27-20  
 09-05 Martin Sanchez, 21, Clinton. Simple Assault. Bond \$500. Trial Date 11-10-20  
 09-05 Paris Armwood, 30, Mount Olive. Resisting Public Officer, Possess Open Container in Psg Area, WFA/Misdemeanor Larceny, WFA/Obtain Property by false Pretense, Resisting Public Officer. Bond \$8000. Trial Date 10-12-20  
 09-05 Lakisha Vann, 36, Clinton. Simple Assault. Bond \$500. Trial Date 10-29-20  
 09-05 Antonia Terrell McNeil, 36, Clinton. Fail to Comply. Bond \$526. Trial Date 09-22-20  
 09-05 Brandon James, 37, Roseboro. Possess Marijuana with Intent to Sell Deliver, Possess Marijuana Paraphernalia. Bond \$4000. Trial Date 09-18-20  
 09-05 Mitho Cadet, 47, Mount Olive. DWI. Bond \$1000. Trial Date 01-05-21  
 09-06 Isaac Lamar Parker, 26, Turkey. Possess Marijuana, No Operator License, OFA/Larceny of Motor Vehicle, OFA/False Fire Alarm, OFA/Injury to Personal Property. Bond \$60500. Trial Date 01-05-21  
 09-06 Xavier Edison Moore, 35, Clinton. DWI, DWLR Aft Impaired Rev Notice. Bond \$1500. Trial Date 12-08-20  
 09-06 Christopher Coy Daw, 35, Clinton. Burglary/Breaking & Entering, Larceny After Break/Enter, Possession of Stolen Property, Obtain Property by False Pretense, Order for Arrest-Felony Probation Violation Out of County, Order for Arrest-Misdemeanor Probation Violation Out of County. Bond \$180000. Trial Date 09-18-20  
 09-06 Dariuss Ladrell Faison Perez, 22, Roseboro. Speeding, DWLR. Trial Date 10-13-20  
 09-06 Gary Wayne Devane, 32, Whiteville. Carry/Possess Concealed Weapon. Trial Date 11-16-20  
 09-06 Billy Ray Autry, 64, Autryville. Domestic Criminal Trespass. Trial Date 11-10-20  
 09-06 Terrence Lee Reynolds, 41, Clinton. Failure to Stop for Blue Lights and Siren. Trial Date 11-10-20  
 09-06 Joel Thomas Parker, 59, Clinton. Second Degree Trespass. Bond \$750. Trial Date 10-13-20  
 09-07 Dana Lashawn Scott, 46, Clinton. AWDW. Trial Date 10-15-20  
 09-07 Denneen Late Dixon, 38, Spring Lake. Operate a motor vehicle at a speed of 72mph in a 55mph. Trial Date 10-19-20  
 09-07 Loretta Swazette Copeland, 47, Clinton. Simple Assault. Trial Date 09-22-20  
 09-07 Johanna Yamileth Flores Duenas, 23, Roseboro. Misdemeanor Larceny. Trial Date 11-12-20  
 09-07 Jose Luis Albarca Mora, 52, Roseboro. Misdemeanor Larceny. Trial Date 11-12-20  
 09-07 John Stanley Brown, 43, Fayetteville. Breaking and/or Entering, Larceny after Break/Enter, Possess Stolen Goods/Property, Felony Conspiracy. Bond \$40000. Trial Date 09-11-20  
 09-07 William Michael Craft, 28, Clinton. DWI. Bond \$1000. Trial Date 11-17-20  
 09-09 Molly Harriet Duffy, 37, Clinton. Larceny. Bond \$500. Trial Date 09-14-20

## INCIDENT REPORTS

08-31 New Hanover County Courthouse reported a Larceny of Motor Vehicle.  
 09-01 Mount Pleasant Baptist Church reported Theft of Motor Vehicle Parts or Accessories  
 09-01 Linda Faye Moore, Carolina Pawnbrokers reported a Burglary/Breaking & Entering- stolen lawn equipment \$242.  
 09-01 Durwood Boney of Clinton reported Larceny of Motor Vehicle.  
 09-01 Lorman Inc of Autryville reported All other Larceny.  
 09-01 Martinez Teddiann of Clinton reported Theft from Motor Vehicle, Theft of Motor Vehicle Parts or Accessories- battery \$120, pack of cigarettes \$5.  
 09-01 Gary Fryar of Clinton reported Theft from Motor Vehicle- handgun \$750, Revolver \$500.  
 09-02 Linda Hayes of Clinton reported Larceny of Motor Vehicle.  
 09-02 Laura Emanuel of Clinton reported Larceny of firearm- shotgun \$400.  
 09-03 Elean Zuniga of Clinton reported a Burglary- money \$20.  
 09-03 Henry Jackson of Clinton reported Injury to Personal Property- automobile damage \$200.  
 09-03 Monque Autry of Clinton reported Destruction/Damage/vandalism of Property- automobile damage \$1000.  
 09-03 Michael Parker of Clinton reported Burglary/Breaking & Entering- stolen assorted Jewelry \$1000, Shoes \$3000, Shirts \$500, Xbox \$400, iPhone.  
 09-05 Sheila Blue of Clinton reported Burglary/Breaking & Entering- damage to window \$400.  
 09-05 Sherry Parker of Clinton reported a Breaking & Entering- lunch boxes \$20, bicycle \$400, air fryer \$100, damage to door \$50.  
 09-05 Steven Fletcher of Roseboro reported a Burglary/Breaking & Entering- hammers.  
 09-06 Ismael Garcias of Clinton reported Damage to Property- goats \$300.  
 09-07 DaShawn Tonge of Clinton reported a Burglary/Breaking & Entering- Home Security System \$200, damage to door \$150.  
 09-07 Morgan Cribbs of Clinton reported a Larceny of Firearm \$300.  
 09-04 Walmart of Clinton reported Larceny of pressure washer \$358.  
 09-04 Triest Irrigation reported Breaking and Entering Business- television \$500, computer \$350.  
 09-04 Samir Cardenas of Clinton reported a Larceny- vacuum \$50, chainsaw \$200, 2 puppies \$800, 2 bicycles \$400.  
 09-04 Kenneth Harrell of Clinton reported a Larceny- lawn mower \$1500.  
 09-04 Walmart of Clinton reported Shoplifting- television \$457.  
 09-07 Walmart of Clinton reported Shoplifting- general merchandise \$134.78.  
 09-08 William Cunningham of Clinton reported MVA Hit and Run- damage to Ford Mustang \$1500.

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

# OBITUARIES



**ROSEBORO**  
**Linda "Sudie" Anderson, Age 54**, of 503 N. McPherson St., Roseboro, NC died Thursday, September 3, 2020 at her home. Private Graveside Service was held Wednesday, September 9, 2020 at 11:00 am at Roseboro Cemetery, Roseboro, NC. Private visitation for the family and friends was held 9:00 am to 10:30 am prior to graveside service. Masks are required. Service will be live-streamed through Butler & Son Funeral Home Facebook Page at the time of the service. Butler & Son Funeral Home, Inc. Roseboro, NC.



**CLINTON**  
**Henry David "Bud" Bass, 70**, of 573 Tyndall Town Road, passed away at Wayne Memorial Hospital, Monday, September 7, 2020. A graveside service was held at 11 AM, Tuesday, September 8th at the Tyndall-Spell Cemetery with Rev. Charles Ray Jernigan officiating. The family received friends from 9:30 AM - 10:45 AM at Crumpler-Honeycutt Funeral Home on Tuesday just before the service and at other times at the home. Bud, born in 1950 in Sampson County, was the son of the late Dock Bass and Maie Bell Bass. He retired from ESJ Construction and Glover Construction as a heavy equipment operator. He was a veteran of the United States Air Force. In addition to his parents he was preceded in death by his wife, Margaret Jane Clark and sister, Mary Jane Millman. Survivors include; children, Chris Bass, Vickie Bass, Eric Bryant (Casey) and David Clark (Angelina); sister, Sandra Knowles, Juanita Wowra and Diane Roberts (Royce); eleven grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren. Online condolences may be sent to the family at www.crumpler-honeycutt.com.

**FAYETTEVILLE**  
**Mr. Tracy Wendell Cowan Sr., 64**, of 4648 McNeil Rd, Fayetteville, passed away on Sunday, September 6, 2020 at Cape Fear Valley Medical Center in Fayetteville, NC. Mr. Cowan was born July 25, 1956 in Sampson County to the late Ivey E. Cowan and Esther Highsmith Cowan. Mr. Cowan graduated from Union High School in 1974 and went on to serve in the US Army in 1978 with the 612th Quarter Master Company Parachute Rigger 43E. After the military he worked for Lundy Packing Company and Cargill for 31 years. Mr. Cowan was a member of Hayes Chapel Church. A graveside service was held at 1:00 PM Friday, September 11, 2020 at Hayes Chapel Missionary Baptist Church Cemetery, Rosehill. Mr. Wendell leaves to cherish his memory his wife; Connie Cowan, three children; Marcus Richardson (Angelica) of Charlotte, Latasha Dudley (Tracy) of Greenville, Tracy W. Cowan Jr. of Greenville, two grandchildren; Mckenna Cowan & Jamir



Lewis, 4 sisters; Patricia Johnson (Pridgen) of Elizabethtown, Queen Robinson of Delway, Phyllis Melvin (Arthur) of Delway, Priscilla Cowan of Clinton, 1 brother; Ivey Cowan (Jennifer) of Fayetteville, aunts, Rosie Herring of Roseboro, Elizabeth Cooper of Delway, Pastor Thira Peterson of Clinton, Uncles, Philmore Herring of Roseboro. Perry Peterson of Clinton, Mother-in-law, Eloise Williams, 5 sister-in-law's; Wanda Robinson, Beverly Davis, Karen Pridgen, Sharon Williams all of Salemburg, Gracie Williams of Cameron, 4 brother-in-law's; Bobby Williams Jr. of Cameron, Chris Williams, Terry Robinson, Jeffery Pridgen all of Salemburg, and a host of nieces and nephews. A walk-through viewing will be held on Thursday, September 10, 2020 from 1:00-6:00 PM with the family present from 5-6 PM.



**TURKEY**  
**Betty Sue Clifton Hall, 68**, passed away Tuesday, September 8, 2020 at her home in Turkey, NC. Mrs. Hall was born March 12, 1952 in Sampson County, NC to the late Richard Harold Clifton, Sr. and Katie Lovesteen Parker Clifton. A graveside service will be held 3:30pm, Sunday, September 13, 2020 in Turkey Cemetery, Turkey, NC. Mrs. Hall is survived by her husband, James Michael Hall of the home; daughters, Susanne Hall Reaves and husband, Chris of Eureka Springs, AK and Magon Ashley Hall and fiance, Nicholas Johnson of Turkey, NC; grandchildren, Allen Reaves and wife, Allyson, Zachery Reaves and wife, Leah, Aysha Johnson, Nicholas Johnson, Matthew Reaves and one great grandchild on the way. She is also survived by brother, Richard H. Clifton, Jr. and wife, Janice Jones of Turkey and sister, Wanda Clifton Powell of Surf City. In addition to her parents, Mrs. Hall was preceded in death by sister, Joan Clifton Bordeaux.

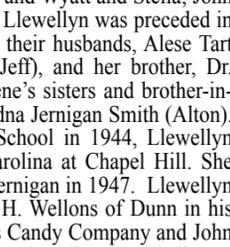
**NEWTON GROVE**  
**Iris M. Jackson, 86**, of Newton Grove passed away on Monday, September 7, 2020 surrounded by her family. Mrs. Jackson's funeral service was held on Thursday, September 10, 2020 at 11:00 am. The service will take place at Mill Creek Christian Church in Four Oaks. Revs. Jessica Braxton and Jerry Burton officiating the service. Ms. Jackson will be laid to rest in the church cemetery. The family received friends at the church from 10 to 11 am prior to the service. Mrs. Jackson's survivors include her husband, Mitchell Jackson; sons, Lewis Jackson and wife Glenda of Newton Grove and Ronald Jackson and wife Susan of Newton Grove; grandchildren, Kristie Page, Miranda Deaver, Bryan Jackson and Ashley Jackson; eight great grandchildren; sister, Ada Jones and husband Gene of Goldsboro; brother, Carl Massey and wife Rosemary; and a daughter-in-law, Judy Jackson. Mrs. Jackson was preceded in death by her parents, James and Civil Massey; a son, Charles M. Jackson; and a daughter-in-law, Nancy Jackson. Online condolences may be made at www.westanddunn.com. Services have been entrusted to West & Dunn Funeral Home of Newton Grove, North Carolina.



**PLAIN VIEW**  
**Llewellyn Tart Jernigan, 92**, of the Plain View Community in Sampson County, died Tuesday, September 8, 2020. A native of the Long Branch Community, she was born August 30, 1928, to Monroe McKinley Tart and Sally Jernigan Tart. Llewellyn was predeceased by her husband of over 72 years, Clarence Eugene Jernigan. She is survived by two sons and a daughter, and their families: Gene T. Jernigan and wife, Charlla, of Dunn; Joe L. Jernigan and his wife, Vickie, of Durham; Janet J. Stewart, and husband, Marshall, of Columbia, Missouri. She is survived by grandchildren and great grandchildren: Trent E. Jernigan and wife, Kate, of Winston-Salem, and James and Adelaide; Martin R. Jernigan and wife, Sarah, of Raleigh; Seth J. Jernigan and wife, Kelly, of Durham, and Wyatt and Stella; John M. Stewart of Indianapolis, Indiana. Llewellyn was preceded in death by her parents, her sisters and their husbands, Alese Tart Hobson (Mack), Betty Tart Sercy (Jeff), and her brother, Dr. Nelson M. Tart (Irene), and by Eugene's sisters and brother-in-law, Nancy Christine Jernigan and Edna Jernigan Smith (Alton). After graduating from Dunn High School in 1944, Llewellyn attended the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. She returned home and married Eugene Jernigan in 1947. Llewellyn worked for over 56 years with John H. Wellons of Dunn in his various enterprises including Wellons Candy Company and John H. Wellons Management Company. Llewellyn was dedicated to Christ, having accepted Christ at a young age. She was an active member of Lee's Chapel Original Free Will Baptist Church where she taught Sunday School, sang in the choir and served in the Women's Auxiliary. She was a supporter of the enterprises of the Original Free Will Baptist denomination, including the University of Mount Olive, since its founding in 1951. A graveside funeral service was held on Thursday, September 10, 2020 at 4:00pm at Lee's Chapel-Williford Cemetery, Plain View Highway, Dunn, NC. The wearing of masks and social-distancing will be practiced. Friends may also pay respects at Skinner & Smith Funeral Home on Wednesday, September 9, from 3:00-6:00pm. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to Lee's Chapel OFWB Church Endowment, 4948 Plain View Highway, Dunn, NC 28334, or the Llewellyn T. and C. Eugene Jernigan Family Endowed Fund at the University of Mount Olive, 634 Henderson Street, Mount Olive, NC 28365. Arrangements by Skinner & Smith Funeral Home, Dunn, NC.



**WARSAW**  
**Rayford Kennedy**, husband, father, PaPa, builder, and Jesus Follower died in his home on September 9, 2020, at the age of 77. Born on January 12, 1943, he leaves a legacy of hard work, generosity, and most importantly family. Rayford is survived by his wife of 59 years, Rachel. Together, the two of them raised 6 children: Sons: Steve (Tammy) and their children:



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Isaiah (Anne); Gabriel (Abby); Angel, and Nicholas; Bryan (Joy) and their children: Brenton (Brooke)-Blaise and Addie; Brandy (Grant)-Falyn and Fisher; and Devan; Daughters: Dianne Everett (Lee) and their children: Michael (Amanda)-Lacey and Quinn; Matthew; Allison (Matt Wrenn); Morgan Chestnutt (Matt)-Dakota and Landon, Rebecca Brown (Dodd) and their children: Hanna and Ashton; Sharon Painter (Jonathan); Beth Beckwith (Jonathan). Rayford was quick-witted, generous, and hard-working. Everyone who knew him was blessed. A graveside service will be held 1:00pm, Saturday, September 12, 2020 in Devotional Gardens, Warsaw, NC. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to: West Duplin FWB Church, Christmas Cheer Program, 987 NC 24 and 50 Hwy, Warsaw, NC 28398 or Samaritan's Purse, P. O. Box 3000, Boone, NC 28607.

## CLINTON

**Magdalene Sfirios Kulucas**, formerly of Suffolk, Virginia fell asleep in the Lord on September 7, 2020. She was born on April 12, 1931 on the Dodecanese Island of Halki, off the coast of Rhodes, in Greece. At the age of 27, she married Anargyros Kulucas and embarked on her journey to the United States. With limited knowledge of the English language, she began a new life in a new country which she grew to love and eventually adopt. After becoming an American citizen, she always displayed the American flag and would tell people she was proud to live in America. Magdalene worked as a seamstress for over 40 years until she retired at the age of 72. When she wasn't working, she was spending time with the apple of her eye, her granddaughter Caroline. She loved her family with all of her heart, but especially loved being YiaYia to her granddaughter. During the holidays, she could be found baking Greek cookies for family and friends. She never met a stranger and was a friend to all. Magdalene was predeceased by her husband, Anargyros Kulucas, her parents, John and Maritsa Sfirios, her sister, Vasoula Stamatiades, and infant brother Leonidas Sfirios. She is survived by her daughter and son-in-law, Mary Kulucas Price (Charles), her granddaughter, Caroline Magdalene Price, several nieces and nephews, and several cousins. There was a gravesite service at Cedar Hill Cemetery in Suffolk, Virginia on September 9, 2020 at 1:00 p.m. In lieu of flowers, you may make a contribution to the Alzheimer's Association of America or to Saints Constantine and Helen Greek Orthodox Church, 614 Oakridge Avenue, Fayetteville, NC. The family would like to thank the nurses and staff at Southwood Nursing and Rehabilitation Center for the compassionate care provided over the last two years. Online condolences may be sent to the family at [www.crumpler-honeycutt.com](http://www.crumpler-honeycutt.com).



## CLINTON

**Elizabeth "Lib" Maynor**, 72 of 2080 Indian Town Road, passed away Saturday, September 5, 2020 at Rex Hospital. A graveside service was held at 11 AM, Thursday, September 10th at Holly Grove Holiness Church Cemetery with Rev. Hedrick Jones, Rev. Mark Fields, Rev. Dr. Randy Simmons and Rev. Wilda Faircloth officiating. Lib, born in 1948 in Sampson County, was the daughter of the late Chasie Roland Jacobs and Sarah Leola Emanuel Jacobs. In addition to her parents she was preceded in death by her husband, Tony Marvin Maynor and brother, James L. Jacobs and Prentice "Sunny" Jacobs and sister, Earlene Hunt. Survivors include: sons, Mickey Maynor and Timothy Maynor; daughter, Felicia Williams (Clay); grandchildren, Sarah Tadeo, Gage Allen, Charles Allen, Jessie Allen Creech, Lucas and Marley Williams; great-grandchildren, Isabela Tadeo; brothers and sisters, Sandra Hunt, Glendale Jacobs (Debbie), Billy Jacobs (Ann), Carrie Ammons and Rev. Ricky Jacobs (Linda). Online condolences may be sent to the family at [www.crumpler-honeycutt.com](http://www.crumpler-honeycutt.com).



## AUTRYVILLE

**Mrs. Sandra Jean McMillan**, 71 of Autryville passed away on Friday, September 4, 2020 at her home. The funeral service was held at 2:00 PM Tuesday, September 8, 2020 at Butler Funeral Home in Roseboro with the Reverend Deborah Rich officiating. Burial followed at Roseboro Cemetery. Mrs. McMillan was a native of Sampson County, the daughter of George and Viola Bryant Hall. She is preceded in death by her parents; and two children, Glenn Carlisle and Blossom Parker. She was retired from the Little Cotton Manufacture Company. She was also a member of Faith Chapel Church. She is survived by her five grandchildren, Kayla Parker and wife, Hannah Wolf, Deanna Ashford, Glenna Carlisle, Marissa Boughton and husband, Joe and Kelly Parker and fiancé Marcus Butler; a daughter-in-law, Deborah Rich and husband, Christopher; one brother, George Hall, Jr., two sisters, Annie Ruth Royal and Brenda Faircloth; two step-daughters, Christy Tierney and husband, Shannon, and Misty Jernigan and husband, Donathan; and nine great grandchildren. The family received friends from 6:00-8:00 PM Monday, September 7, 2020 at Butler Funeral Home, Roseboro. Services entrusted to Butler Funeral Home, 401 W. Roseboro Street, Roseboro, NC.

## ROSEBORO

**Sarah Matthews**, born May 14, 1939, went home to be with the Lord on Saturday, September 5, 2020. She is preceded in death by her parents, Vassie Leroy Matthews and Annie Lillian Peterson Matthews. She was the second oldest of 7 children; Annie L. Matthews (deceased), Harvey L. Matthews (deceased), Caletah M. Pindle, Janie C. Bannister, Edgar K. Matthews (deceased), and Redetha E. Neube. Sarah was born and raised in Sampson County, North Carolina and graduated from Garland Colored high school in 1956. Sarah was formerly married to Rev. Arthur L. Coston Sr. and is survived by six children; Arthur L. Coston Jr., Clinton, NC; Vicky R. Hogan (John), Atlanta, GA; Sonya A. Miguel (Keith), Staten Island, NY; Danny E. Coston, Staten Island, NY; Deatrice C. Williams (Hans), Staten Island, NY; and Colette Z. Coston, Kingston, NY. She also has 18 grandchildren and 25 great grandchildren. Staten Island, New York was Sarah's home for 45 years. When her children were older, she attended Community College of Staten Island where she received an Associate's Degree. Sarah also worked as a sales clerk for Sears Department Store, before working for NYS Department of Motor Vehicles where she retired in 2000. Sarah was a member of Willowbrook Park Baptist Church, Staten Island where she taught Sunday school and sung in the adult choir for many years and made lifelong friends. After retirement she made the difficult decision to relocate back home to North Carolina in November of 2001. She first attended First Baptist Church of Clinton and later made Garland First Baptist Church her permanent place of worship and home. She was very involved in church serving as trustee, working with the youth in Sunday School and Vacation Bible School. Sarah always had a desire to learn more about the Lord and attended Shaw University Divinity School in Raleigh, NC in October 2002 Sarah was loved by children, family and everyone who met her. She was a true friend. Any advice she gave for a troubled heart centered around the Lord Jesus Christ. Her advice was always that you need to be saved and put Jesus first in your life. She always had a smile on her



face and even when she didn't feel up to it. Sarah didn't fear death. When her time to leave this earth was near, she knew she'd be at the feet of Jesus. Sarah was very proud of her family and loved her children, grandchildren and great grandchildren very much. We love her so much and will be greatly missed.



## CLINTON

**Miss Shamiya Chantal Sellers**, 27 of 408 Byrd St., Apt. A, Clinton, NC passed away on Thursday, September 3, 2020 in Clinton, NC. The graveside will be held at 1 p.m., Saturday, September 12, 2020 at Garland Community Cemetery with Rev. Gerald Underwood officiating. Miss Sellers is survived by her PARENTS-Tonya and Randall Frederick both of Clinton, NC; FATHER-Antonio Faison of Waldorf, MD; SON-Ashton Sellers of the home; SISTER-Ashli Morris of Clinton, NC; BROTHER-Marcel Sellers of Clinton, NC; MATERNAL GRANDPARENT-Paulette and Henry Sellers both of Oxon Hill, MD; PATERNAL GRANDPARENT-Mary Faison of Temple Hill, MD. Public Viewing at Worley Funeral Home on Friday, September 11, 2020 1:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m. Service will be live-streamed via Worley Funeral Home Facebook page.

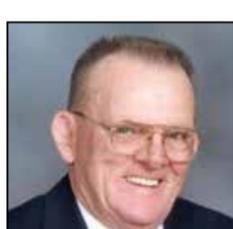
## LUMBER BRIDGE

**Marion Hall Smith** - Born in Lumber Bridge - DOB 09-07-1931. Marion passed away Tuesday, September 8, 2020 with her family by her side. Funeral service was held at 1:00 pm Friday, September 11, 2020 at Butler Funeral Home Chapel in Stedman, officiating will be Pastor James Baker. Burial followed at Lafayette Memorial Park, Fayetteville. The family received friends from 6:00 pm to 8:00 pm Thursday, September 10, 2020 at the funeral home. The family will also receive friends at the home of her daughter, Myra Hilliard in Stedman. Marion lived in Hope Mills before moving to Stedman six months ago. Preceded in death by her husband Cecil E. Smith Sr. and parents: Deames Franklin & Bertha Lee Hall Siblings: Preceded in death by two brothers, Deames Franklin Hall Jr. and Wendell Wilkie Hall, a sister, Loyce Aileen Thompson. Survived by her children Cecil E. Smith Jr, Cecilia S. Register and Myra S. Hilliard (husband Glenn). Four grandchildren Jamie (Nikki), Justin Smith (Kelsey), Melissa Kulwicki (Joe) and Chasity Poole (Michael). 7 great grandchildren Jaxon, Aubry and Addison Smith, Roley Smith, Tiffany Hyatt, Kinsley & Ainsley Poole, and 1 great great grandchild Hunter Hyatt. A very special niece that was dear to her heart Barbara McDonald (Gene) and many other beloved nieces and nephews. Marion was a graduate from St. Pauls High School. She was a member of St. Pauls First Baptist Church as a child and later was a member of Charity Baptist. Her family was always very special to her and she loved her family with all her heart. She worked at Fayetteville Drug Co. for 30 years. Marion was always cherished by her many co-workers and friends she met during her years of working. She was always known as a faithful and dedicated employee working well above the normal eight hour day and was always wanting to help everyone anyway she could. Marion resided with her daughter and son-in-law, Myra & Glenn these past six months in their home. She also received loving care and the help of her other children Cecilia & Cecil Jr. She had the continued joy of the many visits and memories shared with all her grandchildren and great-grandchildren, family and friends which we all know made her very happy. Marion was known for her sweet smile she displayed every time anyone came to visit. The family would like to say a special "thank you" to our many friends and family for your kindness and sympathy during this time. Also, a special Thank You for all the staff at 3HC Hospice Care for all the loving and tender care they gave for our Mother. Services entrusted to Butler Funeral Home, 6535 Clinton Road, Stedman, NC 28391.



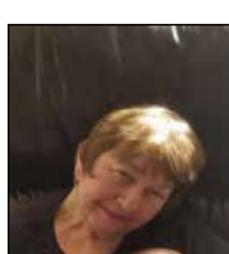
## CLINTON

**Mr. Walter "Anthony" Turlington**, 83 of 2920 Isaac Weeks Road, passed away Sunday, September 6, 2020. Funeral Services was held Tuesday, September 8, at 4:00 PM at the Royal-Hall Funeral Home Chapel with Rev. Bryan Strickland officiating. Burial followed in the Clinton Cemetery. Born on March 1, 1937 in Wayne County, Anthony was the son of the late Walter Clark and Lela Elizabeth Creel Turlington and widow to Vernie Mae Jones Turlington. He was a proud veteran of the United States Air Force and a member of Grace United Methodist Church. He retired from Lundy's Packing Co. after being a truck driver for twenty-five years and a Charter Member of the Clinton-Sampson Rescue Squad. He also worked with the NC Dept. of Agriculture at the NCSU Horticultural Crops Research Station located on Hwy 403, retiring in 2000. After retirement, he never stopped working and always had a project going on. His favorite pastime was tinkering in his shop outback, spending hours fixing lawnmowers for his friends and family. Mr. Turlington was a hard-working, simple man who had a heart of gold and would do anything to make his family and friends feel loved. He will be greatly missed by all who knew and loved him. He is survived by his son, Mark Turlington and wife, Vickie of Clinton; his three grandchildren: Krystin, Kameron and Kara Turlington; and a brother, Victor Turlington and wife, Becky of Spring Lake. The family received friends one hour prior to the service, beginning at 3pm on Tuesday, and other times at his home. Royal-Hall is honored to serve the Turlington family.



## ROSEBORO

**Mrs. Betty Spencer Warren**, 81 of Roseboro passed away on Wednesday, September 9, 2020 at Wake Medical Center in Raleigh. The funeral service will be held at 2:00 PM Saturday, Sept. 12 at Roseboro United Methodist Church with Rev. Bobby Herring officiating. Burial will follow in the Roseboro Cemetery. The family will receive friends from 1:00 - 1:50 PM at the church prior to the service. Mrs. Warren was a native of Randolph County, the daughter of Robert Lee and Lillian Beatrice Rush Spencer. She was preceded in death by her parents; husband of 53 years, Joe Ellis Warren, a daughter, Liza Spencer Warren and son, Joe Ellis Warren, Jr. She was a beloved wife, mother, and homemaker and a member of the Roseboro United Methodist Church. She is survived by her daughter, Lee Warren Hickman and husband, Aaron of Knightdale; one grandson, Joe Warren Hickman; two brothers, Marvin Clay Spencer and wife, Margaret of Winston-Salem and John D. Spencer and wife, Wendy of Asheboro. Services entrusted to Butler Funeral Home, 401 W. Roseboro Street, Roseboro.



## RALEIGH

**Patty Melvin Watson** of Raleigh, NC passed away at The Cardinal at North Hills on September 7, 2020. She was born in Harrells, NC known as Harrells Store before 1955. She was the daughter of the late Edwin W. and Ethel Esther Garner Melvin. She attended Franklin School where she was Valedictorian of her class. After high school, she attended Meredith College where she graduated cum laude with a BA degree in Home Economics. As a loyal alumna of Meredith College, Patty enjoyed class reunions and trips sponsored by the college. In addition, she especially enjoyed



the many annual weekend trips with her Meredith College suitemates, Lela Mae Melvin Harrell, Shirley McLean Davis and Ophelia McLean McCallum. After graduation, she accepted a job as Assistant Home Agent with the NC Extension Service in Wilson County. While in Wilson, Patty met and married Norman T. Watson in 1957. After his graduation from Atlantic Christian College in 1958, they moved to Raleigh. In Raleigh, she accepted a position as a dietitian at Dorothy Dix Hospital. After eight years, she resigned to stay at home with her children, Melvin and Maria. After her children completed their education, she took a position with the United Way of Wake County. She later established the Volunteer Program at the Wake County Health Department. She said this was her most rewarding work. Patty, just like her mother loved children, music and flowers. She volunteered for the NC Symphony for many years. While maintaining a beautiful flower garden, she prepared flower arrangements for worship services at Pullen Memorial Baptist Church, where she was an active member for over 60 years. Her favorite activities included playing bridge, attending book clubs, antique shopping, and participating as a member of The Woman's Club of Raleigh. She will always be remembered as a gentle, kind, loving lady who cherished her family and friends. She is survived by her husband of 63 years, Norman T. Watson. Her two children: son Melvin Watson and wife Amanda of Raleigh, and daughter Maria Tetterton of Wilmington. Four grandchildren: Andrew Watson, Samantha Watson Campbell and husband Mark, Sarah and Molly Tetterton. One great grandchild: Mason Campbell. She was preceded in death by her brother: James Canty Melvin. A family graveside service was held at the Harrells Cemetery in Harrells, NC on September 10, 2020 and a memorial service will be held at a later date. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to Pullen Memorial Baptist Church, 1801 Hillsborough Street, Raleigh, NC 27605 or Meredith College, 3800 Hillsborough Street, Raleigh, NC 27607-5298.

## GARLAND

**Mr. Isidro Roman Barrera**, 38, of 48 Tyndall Lane, Garland, died Monday, September 07, 2020 at Sampson Regional Medical Center, Clinton. Mr. Barrera was born January 29, 1982 in Lugar Nacio Mexico to Asension Raman and Lucia M. Barrera. A graveside service will be held at 11 AM Saturday, September 19, 2020 at Garland Cemetery. A public viewing will be held on Friday, September 18, 2020 from 4:00-8:00 PM at Carter Funeral Home in Garland.

## GREENVILLE

**Mr. Willie James Brown Jr.**, formerly of Roseboro, passed away on Saturday, September 05, 2020 at Vidant Medical Center in Greenville, NC. Arrangements are incomplete and will be announced by Carter Funeral Home in Garland.

## CLINTON

**Robert Roy Leary Jr.**, 59, passed away on September 2, 2020, at Sampson Regional Medical Center. Robert was born on October 27, 1960, in New Jersey to the late Robert Roy and RoseAnn Lewis Leary Sr. Robert was self-employed and worked as a carpenter for most of his life. In addition to his parents, Robert Roy and RoseAnn Lewis Leary Sr., he is preceded in death by wife of 32 years, Donna Lee Johnson Robert leaves to cherish his memories, wife: Sara Leary, children: William T. Brown, Justin I. Brown, Sean L. Szymanski, Jesse Brown, Robert R. Leary III, Demi M. Leary, Kristin M. Rankins, step-children: Cindy Thornton, Daniel Thornton, siblings: Marilyn Stair, Theresa Hartigar, Debbie Leary, Patrick Finn, Mavreen Finn, and grandchildren: Judith A. Leary, Gage M. Leary, Jaxon M. McLamb, Lennox L. McLamb, Serafina P. Fowler, Kiara T. Rankins, Aviona M. Rankins, Justin I. Brown, Jake Brown, Jason Brown, Gabrielle Casino, Hunter Reiner, Ariel Szymanski, Anastasia Szymanski, and Arianna Szymanski. No services will be held.

## PINEHURST

**Della Weeks McCullen Lundy**, 78, of Pinehurst, North Carolina, departed this life on Tuesday, June 27, 2020. A private funeral service was held at Graves Memorial Presbyterian Church in Clinton, North Carolina on June 30, 2020. The family will hold a celebration of Della's life in the future. Della, born in Sampson County in 1942, was the daughter of the late James H. McCullen and Annie Butler Hilliard. She was educated in the Sampson County School System and attended Atlantic Christian College. In the business community, Della served as Vice President of the Clinton Savings and Loan. After retiring, her love for golf and bridge grew. Della was very competitive, and she won many golf and bridge tournaments. Della was a beautiful lady inside and out. She won many beauty queen titles such as Miss Hobpton, Atlantic Christian College Queen, and Miss Pines. She received so much and always gave back abundantly. Della was a loving mother and grandmother as well as a good friend to many. Her greatest joy came from spending time with her family from the beaches to the pines of North Carolina. Della also greatly enjoyed her community and friends at CCNC. Della is survived by her daughters Lee Williams of Raleigh, North Carolina, and DeAnna Williams Huffines also of Raleigh, North Carolina. Della was often known as Big D to her beloved grandchildren John Dailey Lyon, III of Raleigh, North Carolina, Lee Lyon Paschal and her husband David Paschal of Austin, Texas, Will Huffines and Della Huffines of Raleigh, North Carolina. In lieu of flowers, the family request contributions in her memory may be made to St Marys School in Raleigh, North Carolina.

## ROSEBORO

**Ms. Sarah Matthews**, 81, of 446 E. Jackson St., Roseboro, NC passed away on Saturday, September 05, 2020 at Pender Memorial Hospital in Burgaw, NC. Ms. Matthews was born May 14, 1939 in Sampson County to the late Vassie Leroy and Annie Matthews. A graveside service will be held at 11:00 AM Saturday, September 12, 2020 at Hayes Chapel Missionary Baptist Church Cemetery, Rose Hill. A walk-through viewing will be held on Friday, September 11, 2020 from 1:00-6:00 PM at Carter Funeral Home, Garland.

## SALEMBURG

**Mr. Ronald David Naylor**, 52 of Salemburg passed away on Thursday, September 10, 2020 at his home. The funeral service will be held at 3:00 P. M. Sunday, Sept. 13 at Corinth Baptist Church with Rev. W. A. Creech officiating. Burial will follow in the Harnett Primitive Baptist Church Cemetery. Mr. Naylor was a native of Sampson County, the son of Ronald Tate Naylor and Linda Matthews. He was preceded in death by his father. He was a salesman with Q C Supply Company and was a farmer. He is survived by his wife, Angela Young Naylor of the home; two daughters, Samantha Naylor and Hanna Naylor both of the home; son, Tate Ray Naylor of the home; his mother and step father, Linda and Kenneth O. Matthews, Sr. of Salemburg; a step-brother, Kenneth Matthews, Jr. (Denise) of Salemburg. The family will receive friends from 5-7 PM Saturday, Sept. 12 at Butler Funeral Home in Roseboro and at other times at the home. 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

**Does Austin Dillon's strong Darlington run change your mind on his playoff chances?**

**GODSPEAK:** One race does not tell the whole story. The No. 3 car will be out of the playoffs in October.  
**KEN'S CALL:** Frankly, I hadn't given him much thought. It might help him into the second round, but that might be his high-water mark.

**Does the Truex-Elliott "encounter" carry over from Darlington to Richmond?**

**GODSPEAK:** They are both "big picture" drivers. They know a civil war during the playoffs will diminish their chances of a title.  
**KEN'S CALL:** Chase seemed cool with it in the aftermath. Almost too cool.

## GODWIN'S PICKS FOR RICHMOND

**WINNER:** Kyle Busch  
**REST OF TOP 5:** Clint Bowyer, Kevin Harvick, Alex Bowman, Joey Logano  
**FIRST ONE OUT:** Denny Hamlin  
**DARK HORSE:** Tyler Reddick  
**DON'T BE SURPRISED IF:** Busch finally wakes up from his winless nightmare.

## BY THE NUMBERS

**2** Martin Truex Jr.'s winning streak at Richmond

**8** Series-leading wins by Kevin Harvick

**10** Loss of points by Ryan Blaney after Darlington pre-race inspection

**127** Cup races held at Richmond since 1953

**310** Laps led by Martin Truex Jr. and Chase Elliott at Darlington

## DAYTONA MOTOR MOUTHS

Darlington, Richmond, Bristol ... this opening playoff stretch plays into the hands of us old garage veterans.



Kevin Harvick creates his own weather system after storming to victory in the Southern 500 at Darlington Raceway. [CHRIS KEANE/NASCAR GETTY IMAGES]

## THROUGH THE GEARS

# Harvick's roll continues, with some help

By Godwin Kelly  
Daytona Beach News-Journal  
USA TODAY NETWORK

**R**ace 1 of the 2020 NASCAR Cup Series is in the books and it's beginning to look more and more like the Year of the Harvick.

Just 13 laps from the Southern 500 finish, with Kevin Harvick running a distant third place, the waters parted and he took his No. 4 Ford to Victory Lane for his series-leading eighth victory.

The regular-season champion not only advances in the playoffs, but he added to his championship points total, which will likely carry him to the Championship Round in Phoenix in November.

On the other end of the spectrum is Ryan Blaney, who is now last in championship points after a series of unfortunate circumstances at the track "too tough to tame."

Now it's on to Richmond ...  
**FIRST GEAR:** Darlington was ready to serve up a classic finish but on Lap 355 of 367 the two drivers fighting for the lead crashed out.

Martin Truex Jr., who led 196 laps, was attempting to pass Chase Elliott, who led 114 laps, but their cars touched, sending both into the outside retaining wall.

In the aftermath both drivers were noticeably nonchalant about the two-car incident.

"He had a run on me there off of (Turn) 4 and he just kind of cleared himself into (Turn) 1," Elliott said. "He was close, but he wasn't all the way clear, obviously ... he just slid up into my left front and on we went."

"Two drivers going for the same spot," Truex said. "It was

close obviously and I thought I had enough momentum and distance on him that he was going to let me in there."

**SECOND GEAR:** Two drivers' pain was Harvick's gain. Harvick was running a distant third when Truex and Elliott collided.

"Obviously, those guys had trouble," said the 44-year-old driver. "I didn't see what happened. I just heard my spotter tell me that something had happened. (My team) did a heck of a job just keeping us in the game. Our car wasn't very good, but we just kept fighting and kept ourselves up in the front with some great pit strategy and were able to stay up there and fight and wound up in the right spot."

**THIRD GEAR:** Round 1 of the Cup playoffs takes the contenders to Richmond then Bristol. Four drivers will get knocked out of the postseason after Bristol.

After Darlington, Aric Almirola finds himself on the bubble, with Clint Bowyer, Cole Custer, Matt DiBenedetto and Blaney on the wrong side of the cut line.

Only 26 points separate ninth-place William Byron from 16th place Blaney. All remain optimistic, at this point.

"We've got to put whole races together," Bowyer said. "We can't make these mistakes. If we can clean those up, we're going to some good tracks for us."

**FOURTH GEAR:** If any driver is planning a payback, the next two weeks will provide ample opportunities since short tracks are notorious for sheet-metal contact.

The first race at Bristol this season produced 17 caution periods, so it's time to give those harness belts an extra tug.

## QUESTIONS & ATTITUDE

Compelling questions ... and maybe a few actual answers

**Alex Bowman? William Byron? Austin Dillon?**

Yep, a few guys you might otherwise overlook at playoff time are suddenly acting as if they're gonna stick around through a round or two. Maybe even three. Dillon had a strong runner-up at Darlington (first place in the Non-Harvick Class, by the way, which is saying something), while Byron and Bowman are on little rolls of their own. And it's not just what they're currently doing, but what others aren't doing.

## The bigger names treading water?

Some are treading water, at best. After you get past Kevin Harvick, Denny Hamlin and Martin Truex Jr., the other would-be contenders are battling inconsistency (Chase Elliott, Brad Keselowski) or season-long doldrums (Kyle Busch, Ryan Blaney). That opens the door for two or three of the second-tier teams to make the final eight, at least, with one or two perhaps sneaking into the final four at Phoenix (and can we trademark Phinal Hour at Phoenix?).

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## CUP STANDINGS

1. Kevin Harvick	2106
2. Denny Hamlin	2087
3. Joey Logano	2060
4. Brad Keselowski	2055
5. Alex Bowman	2052
6. Martin Truex Jr.	2049
7. Chase Elliott	2045
8. Austin Dillon	2043
9. William Byron	2042
10. Kyle Busch	2040
11. Kurt Busch	2037
12. Aric Almirola	2033
13. Clint Bowyer	2033
14. Cole Custer	2030
15. Matt DiBenedetto	2016
16. Ryan Blaney	2016
17. Jimmie Johnson	694
18. Erik Jones	630
19. Tyler Reddick	593
20. Christopher Bell	489

## WHAT'S ON TAP

(All times Eastern)

**CUP SERIES:** Federated Auto Parts 400  
**SITE:** Richmond International Raceway (.75-mile oval)

**TV SCHEDULE:** Saturday, race (NBC Sports Network, 7:30 p.m.)

**XFINITY:** Go Bowling 250/Virginia is for Racing Lovers 250

**SITE:** Richmond International Raceway  
**TV SCHEDULE:** Friday, race 1 (NBC Sports Network, 7 p.m.). Saturday, race 2 (NBCSN, 2:30 p.m.)

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**TV SCHEDULE:** Thursday, race (Fox Sports 1, 8 p.m.)



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