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9 Hoke schools met ABCs target growth

By CATHARIN SHEPARD
Staff writer

In the last year of ABCs test score reporting, nine Hoke County schools made expected growth and four achieved high growth.

The North Carolina Department of Public Instruction this month released the finalized test score data including the last set of scores from the phased-out ABCs of Public Educa-

tion program. The department also approved the first set of score results under Annual Measurable Objectives (AMO), the program that for the next two years replaces the federal No Child Left Behind reporting requirements in North Carolina.

In previous years, school systems received ABC test results from the state's accountability testing program and a pass or fail grade from the No Child Left Behind Adequate Yearly

Progress program. This is the last year for the ABC test score reporting as the state is moving to a new accountability testing model. The state also has a two-year waiver exempting North Carolina schools from No Child Left Behind reporting requirements and this year the department used the AMO system instead.

Don Steed Elementary, Scurlock Elementary, Hawk Eye Elementary, Rockfish Hoke Elementary, Upchurch Elementary, West Hoke

Middle, East Hoke Middle, Hoke High and SandHoke Early College High School made expected growth on the ABCs. Hoke High, East Hoke Middle, Upchurch Elementary and SandHoke Early College High School earned the high growth designation. SandHoke Early College High School had the highest performance composite score of 97.4, followed by Rockfish Hoke Elementary with 86.7 and East
(See ABCs, page 6A)



The 2012 Turkey Festival Committee: Karrie Detwiler, (front row from left) Leslie Hinson, Valerie Livingston, Judy Pittman and Dee Inman; second row—Nicole Jackson, Crystal Gibson, Deborah Carpenter, Teresa Burke, Melissa Pittman, Joyce Bullard, Patty Webb, Wanda McDiarmid, Freddy McPhaul and Lt. Roy Downing; back row—Charles Tapp, LaShonda Ely, Tom Squier, Jerry Sherman and Bobby Allen. Not pictured—Theresa Byrd, Lisa Potts-Davis, Jean Hodges, Marvin Lynne Maxwell, Djuna Miller and Greg Schroeder. (Catharin Shepard photo)

Turkey Festival gets its wobble on

By CATHARIN SHEPARD
Staff writer



It's almost time to "Do the Wobble" at the 28th annual North Carolina Turkey Festival, with events starting next Friday and running through the weekend of September 15.

The theme for this year's festi-

val is a dance called the wobble, a version of which was invented by festival Executive Director Melissa Pittman, and the board of directors is hoping it'll catch on.

"The kids love it and the adults love it and the senior line dance group that competes in the senior Olympics each year, who have gone to the championship games in Raleigh and have actually placed, love to do the wobble," Pittman said. "We wanted to do something that ignited excitement."

Valerie Livingston, this year's

president, said the board members have been working hard to prepare everything for locals and out-of-town visitors to enjoy during the weeklong festival.

"Come out and enjoy, bring friends," she said.

New and returning events are in the lineup this year.

Hoke residents should start keeping an eye out for wooden turkeys popping up in local businesses. There are 13 wooden turkeys, each painted in the colors of each of Hoke
(See FESTIVAL, page 6A)

Worker convicted of animal abuse

By CATHARIN SHEPARD
Staff writer

One of five former Butterball workers accused of abusing turkeys on a Shannon farm was found guilty of felony animal cruelty Tuesday and sentenced to serve 30 days in jail.

Brian Douglas of Raeford was one of six people charged this February in connection with a Hoke County Sheriff's Office and district attorney's office investigation into Butterball Farm 11, a turkey breeding farm on Shannon Road.

The investigation began after the

controversial farm animal advocacy agency Mercy for Animals gave the district attorney's office video footage that the organization said an undercover worker covertly taped at the farm. The video showed workers kicking and stomping on birds, dragging them by their wings and hitting the animals with metal bars, and also showed injured turkeys suffering from open wounds. The sheriff's office raided the farm in November and arrested six people on charges including misdemeanor and felony cruelty to animals.

The investigation also stretched
(See CONVICTED, page 5A)

Ashley Heights woman killed

A Hoke County woman died Monday after being injured in a wreck at the intersection of Calloway Road and Ashemont Road.

Sarah Strother, 87, of the 5500 block of Calloway Road died at UNC Hospital where she was airlifted for treatment of injuries sustained in the wreck, according to a report from the North Carolina State Highway Patrol.

The accident happened around

7:40 p.m. Sunday. Strother failed to stop at a stop sign, a trooper said. Driver Bobby George Melton, 56, of Old Wire Road in Laurinburg crashed his truck into Strother's 2008 Chevrolet pickup.

Melton will not face charges, a Highway Patrol spokesperson said. Reports did not indicate whether Melton was injured.

A helicopter took Strother to
(See WRECK, page 5A)

Third man arrested in murder

A third suspect wanted in connection with the shooting death of a Raeford man last week has surrendered to authorities.

Antonio Jamal Brown, 28, of Raeford was arrested on a charge of first-degree murder in the death

of Royal Terrance Wyatt Jr., 33, of Gatlin Farm Road. Brown surrendered to law enforcement after seeing himself in the media and on Facebook, according to the Hoke County Sheriff's Office. Brown
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Convocation cheers teachers into new school year

By CATHARIN SHEPARD
Staff writer



Hawk Eye Elementary staff show their spirit at Convocation.

Principal Kimberly Gray wasn't shy about getting up and dancing in front of the entire Hoke County Schools staff at convocation Friday – and, following her lead, neither was the rest of the Don Steed Elementary faculty.

"Teach them, teach them, reach them all!" was the background music for the purple-shirted impromptu dance team as the school staff provided a little entertainment to get teachers stirred up for the school year. The routine was just one

part of the cheerleading last week at the school convocation that brought hundreds of Hoke teachers, administrators and office staff together.

Superintendent Dr. Freddie Williamson and Assistant Superintendent for Curriculum and Instruction Bob Barnes welcomed back the teachers and staff to the start of a new year.

"I congratulate all of you, I'm so proud of you, and if you don't feel the excitement, you don't feel the readiness in this building to go forward to next year, I've got two words for you: go home."
(See CONVOCATION, page 8A)

OTHER STUFF

By KEN MACDONALD

When you think about it, people have not been flying for long. And we live in a time when some of the first planes are taking their last flights before the scrap heap or museum. Some of us want to touch history before all we have left are photos.

Twenty years ago, for example, I got a chance to ride in a Ford Trimotor. Known as the "Tin Goose," the aluminum airliner capable of hauling 10-15 people was produced from 1925 to 1933. There are just 18 left, and only eight certified for flight. One of them had come to Lumberton, of all places, and I paid \$20 to take a ride. When you're used to today's airliners, flying in one that can hang in the air at 35 miles per hour is startling.
(See OTHER STUFF, page 8A)

Two vie for clerk of court

The Republican and Democrat candidates selected by their parties to run for election to the Hoke County Clerk of Superior Court office each bring their own unique backgrounds and experience to the election.

Republican candidate Gene Shelnett and Democratic candidate Evelyn McLeod will face off in an election on the November General Election ballot. Voters will decide which candidate will fill the office left vacant earlier this year by the death of Clerk of Superior



Shelnett



McLeod

Court Russell Smith, who passed away after battling cancer. The election is
(See CLERK, page 5A)



VIEWPOINTS

Bring in the garbage cans



A few weeks ago rumors were making the rounds that the City of Raeford had begun ticketing owners of garbage cans who left them by the road on days they aren't scheduled for pickup. The rumor proved false, as near as we can tell. No notices, reminders, warnings or tickets have been sent, the city says.

But when the city council switched to curbside pickup in 2009, it said that to prevent unsightly cans from cluttering the town it would fine owners who left them by the road.

It's understandable that on occasion a homeowner will forget or be unable to retrieve his garbage can, but some folks leave theirs by the roadside every day. Perhaps they haven't gotten the memo.

With the revitalization downtown and the city's work to keep the town looking nice, we need to do our part too.

Racial tension can be reduced

The Trayvon Martin case has enlightened many to a problem that has existed in this country for years—the way that black males are viewed. It is so firmly entrenched in the minds of the public that it will be difficult to erase. In most books of literature, villains are portrayed as being dark and sinister. In movies and in TV shows, the villains are usually dressed in dark clothing and of a dark complexion. Rarely do you find the villain with blond hair and blue eyes. This has the public assuming that ALL villains are dark and sinister. Many who have been conned out of their money or possessions will say, "He didn't look like a crook." Because it is assumed that only dark and sinister people will harm them. We teach our children that the "bogy man" is a dark person.

This is the attitude of many law enforcement agencies. The only reason the Rodney King case caught the attention of the public is because it was on film. Had it not been recorded most non-blacks would never believe that police treat black men this way. There were many incidents over the years of wrongful action against black men that have been overlooked or forgotten.

Years ago, while I was working for a newspaper in the Midwest, a white worker confided in me that when he worked at Quick Stop while going to high school, he needed money so he stole it from the cash



Paul Burnley

register and told the police that a black man had robbed the store. No one asked any questions other than what he looked like. Nothing else was asked. This happens more often than you think.

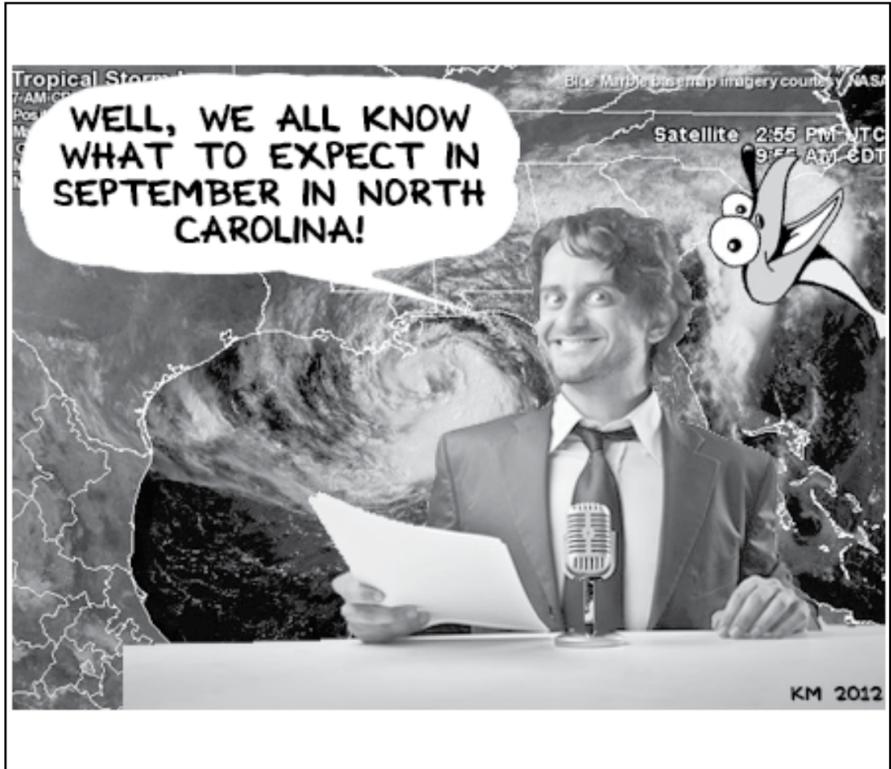
In Boston a number of years ago, a man reported to the police that a black man had car-jacked him and his wife and had shot and killed his wife. Over a hundred young black men were detained and interrogated. Some were held for days until it was found that the man had murdered his wife and shot himself in the arm to make it look as if someone else had killed his wife. A few years ago a woman from South Carolina killed her two children and pushed them and her car into a river. She claimed that a black man had car-jacked her. The search for that black man went on for days, with a number of black men being arrested, until it was proved that the woman had killed her own children.

In my more than 20 years of association with newspapers around the country, I have stressed the point to people of different races and groups to make an effort to know more about each other. If there were a better understanding between people of different groups, there would be

less assumption that ALL people of ANY group are the same. Racism from either side is wrong. If there were more understanding between different groups, there would be fewer demonstrations, which only increase tension between races.

There are those who maintain that we do not have discrimination today. They say that laws have been passed to eliminate discrimination. The laws may have been passed but you cannot legislate people's minds. Until the attitude of the general public changes, there will be those who think and feel the actions by police and those in authority against black young men is justified. This country is the only country in the modern world where racial differences are so pronounced. The only other country in recent years that was known for racial separation was the Union of South Africa. Since it has been abolished, it may not be perfect but the races have been able to co-exist with fewer problems.

Much of the racial tension in this country can be eliminated by viewing each other as individuals and not seeing each other as a member of that other group. There is good and bad in every group. The problem comes when you judge all members of a group by the actions of one. If this is the case, should we judge all young white men by the actions of the young white men that killed students at schools and universities in this country?



PAC money more important than ever?

BY SCOTT MOONEYHAM
Capitol Press Association

It almost seems quaint now. A couple of decades ago, more than a few politicians were swearing off PAC dollars.

Long before the coming of the Citizens United ruling by the U.S. Supreme Court, the unfettered flow of corporate money into politics and SuperPACs, there were just PACS, political action committees.

There still are. Back in the 1980s and 90s though, PACs were seen by some as the pinnacle of campaign cash evil, an easy avenue of corporate influence in politics.

For some candidates, the PAC money made life easy. No need to work the phones day and night to collect \$100 here or \$200 there from friends and acquaintances. Just gather a handful of \$4,000 contributions from a PAC, and your fund-raising goals would be met.

For different reasons—some honorable and others not—some candidates wouldn't take PAC money.

Some saw it as distasteful, a selling of the political soul. Others

knew that they weren't likely to get much of the money anyway and so used their no-PAC pledge to beat on their opponents.

Every once in a while, you still hear a political candidate today talk about not taking PAC dollars.

It would be nice to believe that they are attempting to revive some notion of the pristine politician. More likely, they are living in the past and haven't gotten the memo: No one seems to care.

For many PACs, the basic rules of the political influence road haven't changed much.

Corporate PACs collect individual donations from company employees, mostly executives, bundle that money and then pass it on to candidates of their choosing while sticking within individual donation limits.

Trade group PACs, which typically represent small business owners engaged in the same kind of business, do the same. The difference is that the PAC donors aren't employed by the same company.

Some PACs, instead of giving to politicians, have begun spending their money themselves, acting independently to help or hurt candidates of their choosing, or

scare them into joining their side on an issue.

But many PACs in North Carolina still give out huge sums in individual contributions, the money flowing mostly to those with the most power.

Recently, Bob Hall of the campaign watchdog group Democracy North Carolina reported that legislative leaders are relying more heavily than ever on PAC dollars.

Hall reported that roughly a third of the campaign money that House Speaker Thom Tillis and Senate leader Phil Berger had raised during the current election cycle came from PACs. Previous legislative leaders had raised between 20 and 25 percent of their campaign money from PACs in 2009-10.

Twenty years ago, the trend line might have caused some tongue-wagging and head-shaking. An opponent might have tried to make hay with the figures.

Today, still being able to see who is giving their campaigns money is something.

And trying to figure out the motives of the next shadow group dropping \$1 million on legislative races is something else.

Legislators find the money, help the kids, do the right thing

BY CHRIS FITZSIMON
N.C. Policy Watch

The ruling by the N.C. Court of Appeals last week that Superior Court Judge Howard Manning was right when he found that all at-risk four-year-olds have the right to enroll in NC Pre-K was a victory for thousands of children and families across North Carolina.

But the folks in the General Assembly who have refused to provide at-risk kids the extra help they need to succeed in school are apparently not through standing in the way.

Staff members for House Speaker Thom Tillis and Senate President Pro Tem Phil Berger said they planned to appeal the decision to the N.C. Supreme Court.

They will go to any lengths not to provide access to the state's award-winning pre-k program to thousands of at-risk four-year-olds, apparently not moved by the ample evidence that shows the program improves the achievement of the

kids who participate in it, kids who are otherwise likely to struggle in school.

Last week's decision upholds the ruling that Manning made last summer that the state could not deny access to NC Pre-K to any at-risk four-year-old whose parents sought to enroll their child.

Tillis and Berger bristled at Manning's ruling last year with Berger saying Manning was creating a new entitlement program and Tillis questioning the judge's authority.

Manning's decision came after the General Assembly passed a budget that slashed funding for NC Pre-K by 20 percent and added confusing language about the percentage of children from low-income families who may be enrolled.

There are roughly 67,000 kids who currently meet the definitions of at-risk, most of them based on family income. There are 26,000 kids currently enrolled. That's 9,000 less than were enrolled before the

budget cuts.

Legislative leaders talked earlier this year of addressing the large number of underserved at-risk kids by changing the definition of at-risk, a disturbing strategy supported by think tanks on the Right obsessed with shrinking government regardless of the impact on children or families.

That effort was derailed in the last legislative session and a plan to completely privatize NC Pre-K was also abandoned after intense opposition from educators and child advocates. Public schools often provide the only available pre-k slots in many small and rural counties.

Last week's Court of Appeals ruling appears to fall short of mandating that the state must enroll every at-risk four-year-old in the NC Pre-K. It just says that the state shouldn't make it impossible for parents to enroll their kids by putting up barriers to their participation.

The ruling is an important step forward in the Leandro case that

established that children in North Carolina have a constitutional right to a sound, basic education.

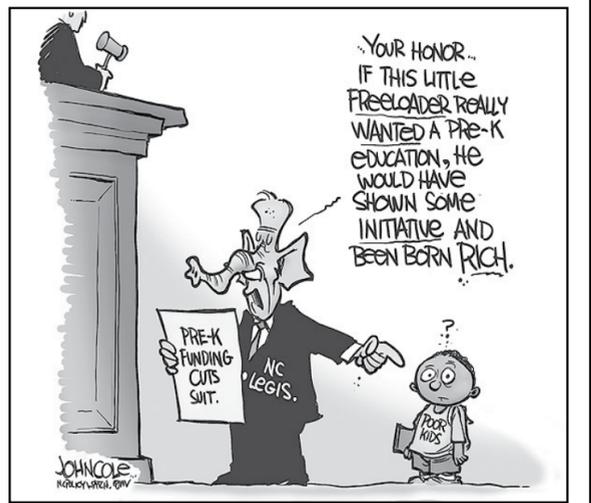
At-risk kids need help securing that right and the state should affirmatively provide it, regardless of the technical interpretation of the decision and whether it's only about allowing all at-risk kids to enroll if they apply.

Estimates of the costs of enrolling all eligible at-risk four-year-olds run close to \$100 million. Lawmakers ought to be able to come up with that in a \$20 billion budget that gives tax breaks to millionaires under the guise of helping small businesses.

Last week's ruling gives lawmakers another chance to do the right thing and stop standing in the way of giving kids the extra assistance they need. They should find the money now any way they can to enroll every at-risk four-year-old and build it into the budget next year by closing tax loopholes or making the tax cut truly for small companies only.

As many child advocates have pointed out, kids are only four once. We can't let another 30,000 children down by denying them what we know will dramatically improve their chances to succeed

in school. There's no need to parse the court's ruling or file an appeal to delay things further. Stop stalling and complaining. Let's get on with it. Find the money, help the kids.



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Obituaries



Sarah Strother

Sarah Strother

Sarah Emma Lowder Strother of Ashley Heights passed away on Monday, August 27, 2012.

She was born June 8, 1925 to Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Lowder.

She was an avid gardener, enjoyed quilting and crossword puzzles, spending time with dear friends and family and, most of all, being a member of Ashley Heights Baptist Church.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Robert Dewey Strother; a son, James Robert "Bobby" Strother; and a daughter, Sheila Louise Bowling.

Survivors include two sons, Garry Strother and wife Donna of Whispering Pines and Carl Strother of Ashley Heights; a daughter, Linda Maiolini and husband John of Cincinnati, Ohio; a daughter-in-law, Norma of Ashley Heights; 12 grandchildren, Robert, Jeffrey, Tyler, Diana, Kristen, William, Matt, Cianna, Beth, Alison, Sheri, and Ronald; and 10 great-grandchildren.

The family will receive friends from 6-8 p.m. Wednesday, August 29 at Boles Funeral Home in Southern Pines.

The funeral will be conducted at 3 p.m. Thursday, August 30 at Ashley Heights Baptist Church with the Rev. Kevin Huff officiating. Burial will follow at Ashley Heights Cemetery.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to Ashley Heights Baptist Church, 10351 Aberdeen Road, Aberdeen, NC 28315 or to the Pine Hill Fire Dept., PO Box 486, Aberdeen, NC 28315.

Online condolences may be left at www.bolesfuneralhome.com.

John Towner

John E. "Jack" Towner III, of Wildwood, Florida, formerly of Raeford, died Wednesday, August 22, 2012 in Leesburg, Florida.

Survivors include his wife, Helen E. Towner of Wildwood, Florida; a brother, Conrad Stephen Towner of Hartselle, Alabama; a sister, Nancy T. Huber of Florida; two nieces and a nephew.

A funeral mass will be held Friday, September 7 at 8 a.m. in Florida.

Harris D. Williams

Harris Daniel Williams of 286 Falling Tree Road died Sunday, August 26, 2012 in Cape Fear Valley Medical Center at the age of 85.

He was born in Duplin County on October 4, 1926 to the late Robert James Williams and Lucy Rivenbark.

Survivors include a son, Michael C. Williams of Fayetteville;

a brother, William B. Williams of Sun City West, Arizona; a sister, Lila Creasey of Richmond, Virginia; and two grandchildren, Brittany Williams and Shannon Williams.

A graveside memorial service was held at 11 a.m. Wednesday, August 29 at LaFayette Memorial Park Cemetery, Ramsey Street, Fayetteville.

Online condolences may be made at www.crumplerfuneral-home.com.

Royal T. Wygh

Royal Terrance Wygh Jr., 33, of 750 Gatlin Farm Road died Sunday, August 19, 2012.

Survivors include his wife, Tiffany; sons, Cordac, Decorian and Royal III; daughters, Janiyah, Desiree, and Kemaya; his mother, Ronicea; his father, Royal Sr.; and sisters, Shunte, Taneka, Juaquonna and Turkesha.

The funeral was held at 11 a.m. Saturday, August 25 in Mount Carmel Deliverance Church. Burial was in Raeford Cemetery.

Brenda J. Herndon

Brenda Jean Herndon, 66, of 379 Stansbury Road passed away Monday, August 20, 2012 in her home.

She was born June 6, 1946 in Amarillo, Texas to the late Mat-



Brenda J. Herndon

thew Love and Lola Jean Procks.

She worked as a manager in finances before retiring and was a member of Covenant Love Church in Fayetteville. She loved her family and was proud of her sons and grandchildren.

Survivors include two sons, Robert Herndon and Eric Herndon, both of Raeford; four grandchildren, Robert Herndon Jr., Lamarr Herndon, Takeela Herndon and Chelsea Herndon; and one great-grandchild, Jecore Herndon.

Burial was Saturday, August 25 at Crown Hill Cemetery in North Tulsa, Oklahoma.

Online condolences may be made at www.lafayettefh.com.

Hoke veterans officer on the job

Hoke County hired Randy Smith, a service-disabled retired Army veteran and Hoke County resident, as the Veterans Service Officer (VSO).

His office, located at 129 West Elwood Avenue in Raeford, acts as the representative of veterans, dependents and widows in presenting claims to the VA and other federal, state, and county agencies. These claims include disputes of decisions handed down by the VA as well as original claims for disability and compensation, application for medical and educational benefits, applications for scholarships for dependents, burial benefits claims for surviving spouses, and home loan mort-

gage guarantees.

The office also helps restore or upgrade military discharges, obtain lost records or documents, obtain medical treatment and in some cases provide legal counsel in certain matters.

On a limited basis, the VSO helps veterans find or apply for employment.

The VSO reads and/or writes letters for those with limited skills.

Assistance is provided in enrolling in appropriate mental health and substance programs.

The Hoke County VSO assists agencies such as Department of Social Services, funeral homes, medical/health and other agencies in obtaining benefits for vet-

erans, dependents, and widows, educates veterans on changes in benefits, laws and regulations, as well as attendance at meetings of the local veterans organizations.

The VSO participates in patriotic holidays such as Veterans Day and Memorial Day and local activities and makes arrangements to obtain shelter or other assistance for homeless veterans or those who have suffered fires or other disasters.

The VSO also participates in some activities at the High School including ROTC, scholarships and oratorical contests and career information.

The Hoke County VSO assists veterans, dependents and widows in the Veterans Services Office as

well as in correctional facilities, hospitals, and through home visits for homebound clients.

The agency is accredited by the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs (VA), the North Carolina Division of Veterans Affairs (NCDVA), and various veterans' organizations.

Anyone needing the office's assistance should visit in person: 129 W. Elwood Ave. (across from Post Office); telephone: (910) 875-2147; fax: (910) 875-5462; or email rsmith@hokecounty.org. The office hours are Monday, Tuesday, and Thursday 4 - 8 p.m., Wednesday 7 a.m. - noon and 1 - 5 p.m., and Friday 7 - 11 a.m. No appointment is necessary.

Homegrown businessman opens computer store

BY CATHARIN SHEPARD
Staff writer

A homegrown business owner is bringing a computer repair and ink cartridge refill company to downtown Raeford.

Elias Salazar and the Raeford/Hoke Chamber of Commerce held a ribbon cutting and grand opening Tuesday morning at The Ink Depot located at 107 N. Main St., next to the old train depot. Salazar renovated the space that once held a Chinese restaurant and turned it into an office for his

new business. The Ink Depot will offer computer repair services, ink cartridge refills and various computer products for sale.

Salazar graduated from Hoke County High School, where he participated in sports including baseball and soccer. He wanted to return to the place he grew up and open his business where it could have a local positive impact.

"I love Raeford, it feels like home," Salazar said.

Raeford Mayor John K. McNeill said he was especially glad to see a Hoke County native return to open a store.

"We always welcome new businesses in Raeford and Hoke County," he said.

County Manager Tim Johnson attended the opening ceremony on behalf of the county administration.

"If it's good for Raeford, it's good for Hoke County and it's good to have someone who was born and raised here open

up a business. That's always a positive thing," Johnson said.

Salazar said he plans to offer computer services, ink and toner refills and other printer necessities. The area didn't have a local store that could offer in-house service, and he hoped to fill that need.

"The prices on that stuff at the big chain stores, it gets expensive, and the economy and what everybody has to do in their personal lives...I thought I could give something back to Raeford that everybody needs," he said. "With iPads and all the

new stuff coming out, you need somebody that you can come to and physically speak to about stuff like that."

Additionally, all products he sells in the store are made in the United States, he said.

The store is open Monday-Friday from 7 a.m.-6 p.m. and Saturdays from about 8 a.m.-2 p.m. Salazar is also available for appointments.

"I'm here for the military, I'm here for businesses, I know on Friday people get off early. I'm here for everybody," he said.

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Food Mart #4.....Hwy. 211 S.	Short Stop #23.....Rockfish Rd.&401 Bus.
Food Stop.....W. Prospect Ave.	Short Stop #54.....Davis Bridge Rd.
401 Lucky Stop.....E. Central & 401 N.	Short Stop #64.....Hwy. 211 West
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A homegrown business owner is bringing a computer repair and ink cartridge refill company to downtown Raeford.

Elias Salazar and the Raeford/Hoke Chamber of Commerce held a ribbon cutting and grand opening Tuesday morning at The Ink Depot located at 107 N. Main St., next to the old train depot. Salazar renovated the space that once held a Chinese restaurant and turned it into an office for his new business. The Ink Depot will offer computer repair services, ink cartridge refills and various computer products for sale.

Salazar graduated from Hoke County High School, where he participated in sports including baseball and soccer. He wanted to return to the place he grew up and open his business where it could have a local positive impact.

"I love Raeford, it feels like home," Salazar said.

Raeford Mayor John K. McNeill said he was especially glad to see a Hoke County native return to open a store.

"We always welcome new businesses in Raeford and Hoke County," he said.

County Manager Tim Johnson attended the opening ceremony on behalf of the county administration.

"If it's good for Raeford, it's good for Hoke County and it's good to have someone who was born and raised here open up a business. That's always a positive thing," Johnson said.

Salazar said he plans to offer computer services, ink and toner refills and other printer necessities. The area didn't have a local store that could offer in-house service, and he hoped to fill that need.

"The prices on that stuff at the big chain stores, it gets expensive, and the economy and what everybody has to do in their personal lives...I thought I could give something back to Raeford that everybody needs," he said. "With iPads and all the new stuff coming out, you need somebody that you can come to and physically speak to about stuff like that."

Additionally, all products he sells in the store are made in the United States, he said.

The store is open Monday-Friday from 7 a.m.-6 p.m. and Saturdays from about 8 a.m.-2 p.m. Salazar is also available for appointments.

"I'm here for the military, I'm here for businesses, I know on Friday people get off early. I'm here for everybody," he said.

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Police Blotter

August 13
Missing person, 100 block of West Palmer Street, victim Herman Smith
Allowing aggressive dog to go unrestrained beyond owner's property, Patterson Street/East Donaldson Avenue, victim State of North Carolina
Sex offense, 300 block of Palmer Green apartments, victim's name withheld in accordance with The News-Journal policy
Fraud, identity theft, obtaining property through false pretenses, 1100 block of Fayetteville Road, victim Lola Genson McRae
Breaking or entering, larceny, 200 block of Pinewood Avenue, victim Mildred Elizabeth Alleyne
Larceny, 400 block of East Central Avenue, victim 401 Foodmart-n-Tobacco
Larceny of N.C. registration plate, 700 block of Harris Avenue, victim Angela Saunders Taylor

August 14
Damage to property, 500 block of Harris Avenue, victims Susan Sandy, Cindy Davis Kilpatrick, Charlie Pendergrass, Horace Whitaker, William Michael Cook, April Norton, Dennis Carl Brewer, Sharon Pridgen
Communicating threats, Robin Heights Church, victim Jose Ortiz

August 15
Missing persons, 1100 North Main Street, victim Angela Matney Hatley
Felony larceny, breaking and entering, 300 block of Palmer Green Apartments, victim Mishie Lynn Johnson

August 16
Breaking and entering, 500 block of East Fifth Avenue, victim Cerenity Parrish
Trespassing, 500 block of West Donaldson Avenue, victim Dorothy Lou McNeill
Trespassing, 200 block of Adams Street, victim Kevin Michael Long
Suspicious person, 900 block of Johnson Street, no victim listed
Found property, 300 block of North Main Street, no reporting

person listed
Obtaining property by false pretenses, 400 block of College Drive, victim Kathy Jacobs

August 17
Criminal damage to property, larceny, breaking and entering, 400 block of Palmer Green Apartments, victim Terri Crawford
Assault by pointing a gun, 500 block of East Central Avenue, victim Sheila Brooks McCall
Larceny, breaking or entering, 500 block of Palmer Green Apartments, victim Mary McQueen Frazier

August 18
Criminal damage to property, larceny from a coin-operated machine, 200 block of Aberdeen Road, victims Coke and Pepsi companies
Going armed to terror of people, 1300 block of East Central Avenue/NC Highway 401 Business, victim State of North Carolina
Damage to property, 100 block of Center Drive, victim Amelia Michelle Sosa
Misdemeanor child abuse, 500 block of John Roper Avenue, victim's name withheld in accordance with The News-Journal policy

August 20
Larceny, breaking and entering a motor vehicle, 200 block of Cole Avenue, victim Zackerious Jacobs
Injury to personal property, breaking or entering of a vehicle, 900 block of Johnson Street, victim Jorge Gueta
Trespassing, felonious breaking and entering, larceny, damaging a coin-operated machine, injury to personal property, 200 block of College Drive, victim Kimberly Hawks Gentry
Injury to personal property, larceny, breaking and entering, 200 block of Reeves Street, victim Lee Roy Kirkland
Damage to real property, larceny, breaking and entering, 500 block of East Elwood Avenue, victims Vanessa Harris Locklear, Latoshia Harris Herring

August 21
Obtaining money/property by false pretenses, identity theft, 700 block of Harris Avenue, victim Sheila Washington Ellison
Trespassing, domestic violence, 300 block of Main Street, victim Edinborough Family Restaurant
Damage to real property, larceny, breaking and entering into a coin-operated machine, 100 block of College Drive, victim Raeford City Pool

August 22
Runaway located, 200 block of Cole Avenue, victim State of North Carolina
Communicating threat, 300 block of Birch Street, victim Madaline Kranenborg

August 23
Larceny, Old House of Raeford, victim Keisha Brown
Trespassing, possession of drug paraphernalia, 600 block of South Main Street, victim State of North Carolina
Simple physical assault, 400 block of Main Street, victims Chris Oxendine, Tierra Oxendine, April Collins

August 24
Damage to personal property, larceny, breaking and entering, 500 block of John Roper Avenue, victim Sean Bradley McCarthy

August 25
Larceny, 200 block of Cumberland Avenue, victim Margaret Williams
Communicating threats, 100 block of Cockman Hill Road, victim Javonda Daniels
No operator's license, DWI-alcohol, East Palmer Road/South Main Street, victim State of North Carolina

August 26
Failed to stop at scene of a crash, resisting a public officer, 1300 block of Fulton Street, victims Short Stop 68, State of North Carolina
Possession of open container by persons under 21, no operator's license, possession of drug paraphernalia, Turnpike Road/Mockingbird Hill Road, victim State of North Carolina

Superior Court

Recent cases heard in Hoke County Criminal Superior Court:
Week of July 30
Judge D. Jack Hooks Jr. presiding
• Nekia Baldwin, 36, 495 Blue Road, Red Springs, felony obtaining controlled substance by fraud or forgery, possession of Schedule II controlled substance, six to eight months suspended, 36 months probation, court costs, submit DNA sample, abide by standard drug conditions, if defendant tests positive for illegal drugs, she is to report back for violation of probation, judgments consolidated
• Brian Keith Jones, 24, 6549 Lagoon Drive, Fayetteville, second-degree kidnapping, robbery with a dangerous weapon, assault with a dangerous weapon inflicting serious injury, assault by pointing a gun (two counts), breaking and/or entering, 73 to 97 months (6 years, 1 month to 8 years, 1 month) in prison, active, civil judgment for court costs, judgments consolidated; first-degree kidnapping, 83 to 109 months (6 years, 11 months to 9 years, 1 month), active, credit for 868 days served (2 years, 138 days), civil judgment for court costs; sentences to be served consecutively; second-degree kidnapping (second count), voluntary dismissal; felony larceny of a firearm, voluntary dismissal
• Dominique Terez Kyler, 20, 108 Peppertree Lane, Raeford, felony larceny from the person, eight to 10 months suspended, 36 months probation, submit DNA samples and pay \$31 to prosecuting witness, not to harass, assault, threaten or otherwise intimidate prosecuting witness, abide by curfew and standard drug conditions, sentence to be served at expiration of sentence already serving in Scotland County
• Leon Rico Locklear, 20, 422 Odessy Lane, Shannon, assault with a deadly weapon with intent to kill or inflict serious injury, 58 to 79 months (4 years, 10 months to 6 years, seven months) in prison, active; attempted robbery with a dangerous weapon, voluntary dismissal; resisting public officer, voluntary dismissal
• Howard O'Neal McGregor, 50, 531 E. Sixth Ave., Raeford, common-law uttering, 45 days suspended, 12 months probation, pay \$1,400 restitution to prosecuting business, civil judgment for half of the court-appointed attorney fee, upon payment of all moneys, probation may be terminated
• Nathaniel McNeill, 55, 635 Murph McLaughlin Road, Raeford, possession of a Schedule II controlled substance, possession of controlled substance on

prison or jail premises, possession of drug paraphernalia, six to 17 months suspended, 30 months probation, court costs, submit DNA samples, undergo assessment and complete recommended treatment, if no violations at the end of 18 months, defendant may be transferred to unsupervised probation, judgments consolidated; felony possession of cocaine, voluntary dismissal
• Flavio Garcia Tegural, 30, 101 Scurlock School Road, Raeford, indecent liberties with child, 21 to 26 months (1 year, 9 months to 2 years, 2 months) in prison, active, credit for 868 days served (2 years, about 4 months); second-degree forcible sex offense, 96 to 125 months (8 years to 10 years, 5 months) in prison, active, to be served at expiration of sentence above; first-degree sex offense with child, voluntary dismissal
• Darrell Devern Thomas, 34, 529 Spaulding Drive, Fayetteville, second-degree murder, assault with a deadly weapon inflicting serious injury, 114 to 146 months (9 years, 6 months to 12 years, 4 months) in prison, active, credit for 1,239 days served (about 3 years, 5 months), judgments consolidated; if work release granted, defendant to pay \$6,683.94 in restitution, civil judgment for court costs

(See COURT, page 5A)

District Court

Recent cases heard in Hoke County Criminal District Court, Judge Regina M. Joe presiding:
Aug. 14
• April Nicole Bethea, 30, 115 Alex Baker Road, Raeford, driving while license revoked, 10 days suspended, 12 months probation, \$100 fine and court costs, not to operate a motor vehicle until properly licensed; cancelled, revoked or expired certificate or tag, voluntary dismissal
• Elizabeth Charmaine Bullard, 20, 1578 Andrews Road, Red Springs, improper equipment-speedometer, \$50 fine and court costs
• Marie Claire Corbitt, 26, 722 Edinborough Road, Red Springs, improper equipment-speedometer, \$25 fine and court costs
• Guillermo Flores Garcia, 48, 4077 McGirt Road, Maxton, driving while impaired, Level 3, 120 days suspended, 12 months probation, court costs, attorney and court-appointment fees, not to use, consume or possess any controlled substances or alcoholic beverages, submit to warrantless searches, random tests for same; driving while license revoked, 45 days suspended, 12 months unsupervised probation, court costs, not to operate a motor vehicle until properly licensed
• Victor Hernandez Hernandez, 30, 5330 Shannon Road, Shannon, no operator's license, three days suspended, six months unsupervised probation, \$50 fine and court costs; speeding, voluntary dismissal
• Venita Locklear, 34, 45 Horizon Road, Pembroke, driving while license revoked, one day in jail, credit for one day served; expired registration card or tag, voluntary dismissal
• Locurtis Lapontae Love, 43, 139 Huckabee St., Raeford, driving while license revoked (two counts), 21 days suspended, 12 months unsupervised probation, \$100 fine and court costs, attorney and court-appointment fees, not to operate a motor vehicle until properly licensed, judgments consolidated; unlawful use of highway, voluntary dismissal
• Sandy Jamel McCall, 31, 905 Johnson St., Raeford, resisting a public officer, 21 days suspended, 12 months unsupervised probation, court costs
• Michael Andre Peterkin, 44, 7552 Southgate Road, Fayetteville, driving while license revoked, 14 days suspended, 12 months unsupervised probation, \$100 fine and court costs, attorney and court-appointment fees, marijuana to be destroyed
• Antwan Lavone Ray, 37, 158 Belle Lane, Aberdeen, driving while license revoked, prayer for judgment continued, court costs
• Charles Royce, 20, 138 Ben Alston Road, Raeford, possession of weapons on educational property/abetting, 25 days in jail, credit for 25 days served
• Alton Nichols Singletary, 30, 318-D Alex Baker Road, Raeford, driving while license revoked, providing fictitious information to an officer, one day in jail, credit for one day served, judgments consolidated
• Joseph Scot Skinner, 38, 145 Openview Drive, Fayetteville, improper equipment-speedometer, \$15 fine and court costs
• William Ryan Smith, 24, 109 Chestnut St., Maxton, driving while license revoked, 45 days suspended, 12 months probation, court costs, attorney and court-appointment fees, not to operate a motor vehicle until properly licensed, not to use or possess any controlled substances, submit to warrantless searches, random tests for same, transfer

probation to Robeson County
• Ryan Savon Squalis, 19, 1023 Quinlan Drive, Greensboro, consumption of alcohol by person 19 to 20 years old, two days suspended, six months unsupervised probation, court costs, attorney and court-appointment fees
• Gustavo Venancio Zeferino, 34, 4236 Old Maxton Road, Red Springs, no operator's license, improper equipment-speedometer, 30 days suspended, 12 months unsupervised probation, \$50 fine and court costs; driving while license revoked, voluntary dismissal
Aug. 21
Judge William C. McIlwain, presiding
• Blake Bagby, 38, 795 Fletch McPhaul Road, Red Springs, possession of open container or consumption of alcoholic beverages in passenger area, \$25 fine and court costs; using foreign language by driving with license revoked, voluntary dismissal
• Natasha Stephanie Bethea, 26, 621 S. Ninth Ave., Dillon, S.C., following too closely, \$35 fine and court costs
• Thomas Richard Biddle, 28, 209 Buckeye Drive, Raeford, failure to stop at a stop sign or flashing red light, \$50 fine and court costs
• Joseph Harold Brockington, 57, 120 Blue Water Drive, Raeford, improper equipment-speedometer, \$50 fine and court costs
• Julian Nicholas Burns, 34, 3603 Spring Hill Road, Red Springs, misuse of 911 system, 30 days in jail, credit for 30 days served
• Larry Lowell Dixon Jr., 28, 7516 Camper Road, Fayetteville, unsafe passing in yellow line, prayer for judgment continued, court costs
• Michael Dwan Hall Jr., 24, 2351 Golf Course Road, Raeford, improper equipment-speedometer, court costs; driving while license revoked, voluntary dismissal
• Bobby L. Johnson, 57, 1764 McLaughlin St., Raeford, driving while impaired, Level 4, 20 days suspended, 18 months probation, \$100 fine and court costs, community service fee, surrender operator's license, not to operate a motor vehicle until properly licensed, may transfer to unsupervised probation upon payment of all costs and fees
• James Earl Johnson Jr., 34, 5545 Oxendine School Road, Maxton, speeding 61 miles per hour in a 45-mph zone, court costs
• Angie Locklear, 36, 7662 Red Springs Road, Red Springs, driving while license revoked, one day in jail, credit for one day served
• Laquan McLean, 34, 471 N. Parker Road, Raeford, driving while impaired, Level 1, two years suspended, 18 months probation, \$100 fine and court costs, attorney and court-appointment fees, 30 days split time in jail, obtain assessment, not to possess or consume any alcoholic beverages, submit to random searches, random tests for alcohol, not to operate a motor vehicle until properly licensed; driving while impaired, Level 4, 22 days in jail, credit for 22 days served; driving while license revoked, 45 days suspended, 18 months probation, \$100 fine and court costs, not to operate a motor vehicle until properly licensed; driving left of center, voluntary dismissal
• Burmer Dine McPhatter, 53, 112 Park Place, Raeford, theft of cable TV service, 10 days suspended, six months unsupervised probation, \$100 fine and court costs, attorney and court-appointment fees
• Abidael Mejia-Gonzalez, 27, 210 Fayetteville Circle, Raeford, no operator's license, prayer for judgment continued, court costs
• Gladys Blythe Monroe, 58, 107 Cardinal Place Court, Raeford, improper equipment-speedometer, \$25 fine and court costs

• Fanel M. Pierre, 34, 310 Lake Coral Drive, West Palm Beach, Fla., exceeding safe speed, \$150 fine and court costs; reckless driving by commercial motor vehicle with load, voluntary dismissal
• Isaac Louis Ransom, 26, 274 Knapdale Road, Lumber Bridge, failure to wear seat belt by driver, \$25.50 fine and court costs
• Javaris Terrell Roundtree, 31, 4816 Alamance Road, Fayetteville, driving while license revoked, 30 days in jail
• Felix Cruz Sandoval, 32, 131 Malinda Drive, Raeford, expired operator's license, 10 days suspended, six months unsupervised probation, \$50 fine and court costs
• Yvonne Valvetta Stone, 39, 7302 Laurinburg Road, Raeford, resisting public officer, two days in jail, credit for two days served
• Angela Anita Thomas, 28, 107 Mint Julep Court, failure to stop at a stop sign or flashing red light, \$50 fine and court costs
• Antonio L. Smith-McRae, 26, 120-A S. Fifth St., Spring Lake, simple assault, three days suspended, one year unsupervised probation, \$50 fine and court costs, attorney and court-appointment fees
• James Edward Truett, 46, 105 Sweetbriar Lane, Rockingham, improper equipment-speedometer, \$25 fine and court costs
• Terry Dwyin Willis, 34, 2936 Polo Drive, Fayetteville, driving while license revoked, 30 days suspended, one year unsupervised probation, \$100 fine and court costs
• Clarence Rickey York, 39, 1886 Frankie Ave., Raeford, driving left of center, \$25 fine and court costs; operating motor vehicle without insurance, voluntary dismissal
Aug. 23
Judge Lawrence T. Hammond, presiding
• Elbony Lashun Beatty, 30, 1050 Connecticut Ave., Southern Pines, driving while impaired, Level 4, 30 days suspended, one year unsupervised probation, \$200 fine and court costs, community service fee, surrender operator's license, not to operate a motor vehicle until properly licensed, not to violate any North Carolina state laws
• Debra Dee Brigham, 46, 217 Brantley Drive, Hinesville, Ga., improper equipment-speedometer, \$50 fine and court costs
• Lakeisha Harris, 32, 578 Haire Road, Raeford, driving while license revoked, 30 days suspended, one year probation, \$100 fine and court costs, not to use or possess any controlled substances, submit to warrantless searches, random tests for same, not to operate a motor vehicle until properly licensed
• Jimmie Earl Jacobs, 41, 451 Wilson Road, Red Springs, driving while license revoked (two counts), resisting a public officer, possession of drug paraphernalia, 240 days in prison, to be served concurrently with sentence now serving, judgments consolidated
• Samuel Allen Lewis, 32, 2495 Oxendine School Road, Maxton, driving while license revoked, 30 days in jail; failure to wear seat belt by driver, voluntary dismissal
• John Wesley McLean, 58, 321 S. Main St., Raeford, no operator's license, prayer for judgment continued, court costs
• Antonio Jeffery McNeill, 31, 121 Owl Court, Raeford, shoplifting by concealment of goods, 10 days in jail, credit for 10 days served
• Martika Lashea Peggy Roper, 22, 1903 McGreggor Drive, Raeford, unsafe movement, court costs
• Amario Shabazz Sinclair, 22, 1306 Clan Campbell Drive, Raeford, failure to wear seat belt in front seat, court costs
• Donald Eugene Sinclair II, 31, 391 Sandstone Drive, Raeford, failure to wear seat belt by driver, court costs



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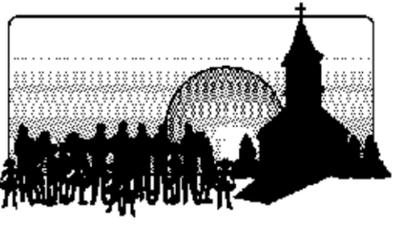
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Clerk

(Continued from page 1A)
November 6.

The News-Journal asked a series of questions to each can-

didate. Here are their responses. Comments were edited for clarity.

Evelyn McLeod, Democrat candidate for Clerk of Court

1. Tell me about yourself - where you're from, education, work experience, any family you'd like to mention.

I live here in Hoke County; I've been here all my life. I lived in Fayetteville for a couple of years. I went to school here, started out at Upchurch, graduated from Hoke High in 1970, and then after that I went to school at Fayetteville Tech. I started working, and during the summer of my last year started working at the clerk's office. After that, I got a job at what used to be Tex-Elastic at that time. Stayed there for a couple of months, then went to the telephone company and worked there almost two years; and left there, then went back to the clerk's office and I've been there ever since. My mom is deceased, my father is still living, he's 85. I have three sisters and four brothers. My oldest brother graduated from Upchurch and everybody else graduated from Hoke High.

2. What do you think about receiving the nomination from your party?

I'm very excited about it. I'm very excited.

3. Why did you decide to accept the nomination and run for election?

After Mr. Smith passed and I knew the ins and outs of the office, I decided to go this time. I had been asked before to run but I never did consider it. I had been retired; I have been retired for a year and a half. I knew the ins and outs and just decided to go for it this time.

4. Why are you the right candidate for this position?

The experience that I have from working at the clerk's office. I retired from there after 37 years, and just knowing what the clerk's office does. I was an assistant since 1992. Knowing what to do and how to do it, knowing the resources that could help the citizens of Hoke County.

5. What experience can you bring to the position?

I worked in the estates and special proceedings, opening up the estates. When a person loses a loved one, they're devastated, not really knowing what to do, and I was able to help them when they came into the office. I worked in all the departments of the clerk's office except bookkeeping, that's the only thing I never did. So, my years of experience helping out.

6. If elected, what are some of the things you hope to accomplish?

I really hadn't sat down and just decided. There are certain things we can and certain things we can't. We want to be available to the citizens of Hoke County. To be effective, treating people with courtesy, treating the people like you want to be treated whenever you go to a public office, and not breaking the law, to try and do that. Because there are certain things we can and certain things we cannot do. We can't practice law. We can make some suggestions to them, but we cannot go in and do it. We do want to be an office where they can get the help whenever they come in.

7. Do you know of anything currently that you would like to change about the way things are done in the office?

No, I have not been in long enough to make that determination.

8. Why is the clerk of court position important?

We are the keeper of all the records - criminal records, estates, special proceedings, foreclosures - and you know years later when something happens, you can't remember everything that has happened. But we have the records there to show what has happened.

9. What sets you apart from

your opponent in the clerk of court race?

The experience that I have. I don't know him that well to say anything other than my experience. I feel good about being back in the office, I feel good about the appointment I've received. I'm excited to be in this position. Like I have said, I've been in about every position in the office. This is new and it's exciting and I look forward to serving Hoke County.

Convicted

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to Raleigh when authorities discovered evidence that suggested a state veterinarian tipped off Butterball before the raid happened. Dr. Sarah Mason was temporarily suspended from her job with the North Carolina Department of Agriculture and pleaded guilty to charges of resisting, delaying or obstructing a law enforcement officer and obstruction of justice. She entered a guilty plea in court February 15 and was given a suspended sentence of 45 days in the Hoke County Jail and one year of probation.

Douglas was sentenced to serve 30 days imprisonment followed by six months of intensive probation and 36 months of supervised probation. He was also ordered to pay \$550 in fees and fines and provide a DNA sample to the state, and in the future will be subject to warrantless searches.

Cases are still pending against the other suspects charged in connection with the investigation. Also charged were Terry Bernard Johnson of Red Springs, misdemeanor cruelty to animals, Ronnie Jacobs of Raeford, misdemeanor cruelty to animals, Billy Thomas McBryde of Red Springs, misdemeanor cruelty to animals, Ruben Mendoza, misdemeanor cruelty to animals, felonious obtain property by false pretenses and felonious identity theft, and Jose Garcia of Shannon, felonious obtain property by false pretenses and felonious identity theft.

Butterball fired four employees and suspended two others "due to their failure to comply with the company's animal care and well-being standards." Company officials said at the time that Butterball was re-evaluating its animal care practices.

Arrest

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was held without bond. Investigators are still searching for suspect Tevin McNeill, who is wanted on a charge of first-degree murder. Officials asked anyone with information about McNeill's whereabouts to contact the Hoke County Sheriff's Office.

The shooting took place around 1:30 a.m. August 19 at McRae's Private Club located on the 2900 block of Doc Brown Road. Officers responding to a call of a shooting at the scene discovered Wyatt had suffered a fatal gunshot wound to the head from what appeared to be a 9mm handgun. Wyatt was pronounced dead at the scene.

Deputies previously arrested two other people on accessory charges in the case. Keith Monroe of the 200 block of Platt Road in Raeford and Kelly Stanback, 27, of Raeford were arrested on charges of accessory after the fact to first-degree murder. Both were held under \$500,000 bonds.

Gene Shelnett, Republican candidate for Clerk of Court

1. Tell me about yourself - where you're from, education, work experience, any family you'd like to mention.

First, just let me say that this is a special election, one that we wouldn't even be talking about but for the untimely death of a good man and a true gentleman. I sincerely hope that everyone involved will conduct a respectful campaign in memory of Russell Smith and I pray that Becky and her family will continue to receive the calm and comfort that only God can provide.

I retired from the military in 1992 after serving for just over 23 years. I began working at House of Raeford Farms, Inc. in December 1997 and worked there for 15 years where I was the Director of Human Resources for the last nine years. My educational background is business related and I'm a graduate from the Equal Employment Opportunity Management Institute which was featured in special broadcasts by PBS, CBS, and NBC. Me and Gayle, my wife of 43 years, have been proud residents of Hoke County for almost 25 years.

2. What do you think about receiving the nomination from your party?

It is with great honor that I accept the nomination as a candidate for the vacant office of Hoke County Clerk of Court. I would like to express my sincere appreciation for this vote of confidence to all those concerned. I will actively campaign in a respectful manner while at the same time reminding the residents of Hoke County that my experience, past civic involvement, and my educational level exceeds the possible adequate qualifications of my opponent.

3. Why did you decide to accept the nomination and run for election?

I decided to accept the nomination because I know that I'm the right candidate with the specific experience as I explain this way. For the past 15 years or so I've had the fortunate opportunity of working with all the previous clerks of court at some level, especially as the director of human resources for House of Raeford, the largest employer in the county with almost 1,200 associates, many of which required assistance with personal and family issues which normally would have re-

4. Why are you the right candidate for this position?

quired legal representation but would have been too costly for some folks who just couldn't afford it - issues pertaining to adoption, probate of wills, the administration of estates of decedents, and many other issues necessary for families to reach a structured resolve. Many other issues which required assistance that may not seem significant to some but for those who were seeking assistance, it was very important. And I must say that it was absolutely gratifying to be in a position and have the experience to help. On a personal level, I can't think of many things more important than being in a position to provide the same assistance to any resident of this great county.

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6. If elected, what are some of the things you hope to accomplish?

It's imperative that immediate actions are taken to improve the notification processes to agencies that are required to follow up and ensure that probation requirements are enforced. Timely notification will prevent in some cases further criminal activity by those involved. Recent serious incidents may have been prevented if such notification had been delivered to the proper agencies. I think most will agree that it's just unacceptable for an individual to be placed on probation and after several weeks the individual commits a crime so heinous that it brings such negative press to and about Hoke County, not to mention the injuries inflicted, and the proper agency had not received the probation restrictions pertaining to a previous crime which would have required monitoring of the individual that allegedly committed the crime. If timely notification had been provided, this particular crime may have been prevented. When elected I will immediately take actions to ensure timely notifications to the proper agencies to possibly prevent any reoccurrence of this example.

7. Do you know of anything currently that you would like to change about the way things are done in the office?

Other than taking immediate actions to prevent incidents as described above, I will certainly establish a new environment within the daily operations of the Clerk of Court office. An environment of cooperation and excitement just to assist the residents of Hoke County must be established. It's unfortunate that many calls to the office are a result of some devastating event

affecting the person calling. These calls must be received by one that is dedicated to assist and while doing so, show as much compassion and provide necessary assistance without attitude or judgment. A resident should expect someone from the office to provide them with the correct information desired as it pertains to their concerns. If by chance the resident is actually calling the wrong office for assistance, then provide them with the information needed in order for them to contact the office or individual needed to assist them.

8. Why is the clerk of court position important?

Without the Clerk of Court office, the court system would be in a state of confusion. The court would become dysfunctional thereby making it impossible for agencies responsible for enforcement of directions of the court to perform their duties which require monitoring and supervision. However, a Clerk of Court office with a professional at the helm will provide timely notifications allowing our dedicated enforcement officials to perform their responsibilities in a professional and timely manner. The Clerk of Court office can provide residents with the assurance that their issues and concerns will be addressed to help them with a structured resolve and perform this task with compassion and understanding.

9. What sets you apart from your opponent in the clerk of court race?

Often times a new set of eyes brings necessary changes or improvements to flawed areas that may have been the norm for years. It's apparent that some improvements are necessary and should be accomplished immediately. I'm certain that I can accomplish this and take actions that make an immediate positive impact. To replace a vacancy with someone who has been there before will probably result in a continuing practice of the past. It is somewhat concerning that my opponent had opportunities in the past to seek election to this position yet she chose not to. My only agenda is to provide the residents of this great county with a professional at the helm conducting duties of the Clerk of Court in a manner that ensures timely, accurate, and complete documents and information as required and I will establish and maintain a new positive avenue of communication with other agencies and residents alike.

Court

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Week of Aug. 6
Judge Mary Ann Tally presiding
 • Tamika Hall, 32, 6313 Hackberry Drive, Hope Mills, driving while impaired, Level 2, 12 months suspended, 12 months probation, court costs, transfer probation to Cumberland County and serve seven days in Cumberland County jail
 • William Harris, 22, 6083 Hunters Run, Fayetteville, attempted first-degree murder, 180 to 225 months (15 years to 18 years, 3 months) in prison, active, credit for 419 days served; first-degree kidnapping (two counts), discharging weapon into occupied property causing serious bodily injury, 83 to 109 months (6 years, 11 months to 9 years, 1 month) in prison, active, judgments consolidated; assault on a female, robbery with a dangerous weapon (two counts), assault with a dangerous weapon with intent to kill, possession of a firearm by a felon, breaking and/or entering a motor vehicle, felony larceny, possession of a stolen motor vehicle, 59 to 80 months (4 years, 11 months to 6 years, 8 months) in prison, active, judgments consolidated; sentences to be served consecutively
 • Teddy Knight, 58, 309 Franklin Ave., Lumberton, failure to register as a sex offender, 23 to 28 months in prison, credit for 299 days served, civil judgments for attorney and court-appointment fees, court costs
 • Nathaniel Allen Leslie, 57, 201 Leslie Road, Raeford, driving while license revoked, 120 days suspended, 12

months probation, not to operate a motor vehicle until properly licensed, civil judgments for court costs, attorney and court-appointment fees; failure to wear seat belt by driver, court costs
 • Alex Andrew Locklear, 23, 7204 Red Springs Road, Red Springs, possession of a firearm by a felon, assault with a deadly weapon with intent to kill or inflict serious injury, 58 to 79 months (4 years, 1 month to 6 years, 7 months) in prison, active, credit for 341 days served
 • Jasmine Locklear, 19, 1617 Mount Tabor Road, Red Springs, conspiracy to commit robbery with a dangerous weapon, 20 to 33 months suspended, 36 months probation, submit DNA sample, transfer probation to Robeson County, civil judgments for court costs, attorney and court-appointment fees
 • Timothy Merle McCormick, 19, 403 McCormick Road, Shannon, robbery with a dangerous weapon, 14 to 17 months suspended, 36 months probation; common-law robbery, conspiracy, 14 to 17 months suspended, 36 months probation, judgments consolidated; second-degree kidnapping (two counts), 25 to 39 months suspended, 36 months probation, per count, civil judgment for attorney fee on one count; sentences to be served consecutively
 • Shawn McGhee, 31, 303 Ratley Road, Raeford, resisting public officer, 45 days suspended, 12 months unsupervised probation, not to violate any North Carolina laws more serious than a Class 3 misdemeanor or an infraction.

Wreck

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the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill Hospital, where she passed away from her injuries early Monday morning.

Strother loved to garden and even in her late 80s often picked and canned produce. She was a member of an Aberdeen gardening club for many years. She also enjoyed quilting.

Strother was an active member of Ashley Heights Baptist Church,

fellow church member and friend Frances Pickler said. Strother took part in the senior adult ministry, the women's missionary union, Sunday school, Vacation Bible School and many other programs.

"Any time the doors of the church were open, Sarah was there," Pickler said.

Strother was well known in the community for her kindness and willingness to help others, she said.

"She was an awesome woman, she was humble. There was not anyone who didn't love Sarah. Always a smile on her face, just a fantastic example of a Christian and how they live their lives," Pickler said. "Anytime anyone needed her she was there. I just can't say enough about her."

Her funeral will be held Thursday at 3 p.m. at the church with burial at Ashley Heights Cemetery.

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Festival

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County's 13 schools and "hidden" around the county.

"The theory behind it is to have a turkey hunt, and to put the turkeys up at different businesses and locations and challenge people to find all 13 of the turkeys," Pittman said.

People who spot all the turkeys and can provide proof of it, such as taking a photo with each of the wooden turkeys, will win their choice of a free T-shirt or a ticket to the concert, she said.

In one of the earliest events, Hoke High School's football team will take on Raleigh Sanderson in the Turkey Bowl football game set for 7 p.m. Friday, September 7.

Even though the Raeford Woman's Club disbanded earlier this year, the Stuffin' and Stompin' turkey dinner that the group founded as a fundraiser will continue serving up live music and turkey plates. Tickets for the September 14 dinner are \$7 and plates can be dine-in or carry out at West Hoke Middle School. Music will be provided by Crawley Creek Company.

Tickets can be purchased from any Turkey Festival director, Hoke County Schools' child nutrition employee or at the Raeford/Hoke Chamber of Commerce on Main Street in Raeford. The Chamber of Commerce and directors also have tickets for the beach music concert featuring Blackwater Rhythm and Blues Band set for Saturday, September 15.

Butterball and House of Raeford donated 1,600 pounds of turkey for the dinner, so there shouldn't be any danger of running out of turkey this year, director Deborah Carpenter said.

The parade is set to roll down Main Street in Raeford on Thursday, September 13. Registration for the parade remains open until Friday, August 31, so there could be even more participants, Pittman said.

About 110 vendors have signed up to sell their wares at McLauchlin

Park on Saturday, September 15. Another 27 vendors selling just food items have also signed up, and according to Turkey Festival policy, only three vendors can offer the same kind of food. That's meant to give guests the chance to try different items and to make sure the vendors have a fair shot at making a profit, Pittman said.

"So there are only three collard sandwiches. That way you don't have 27 selling the same item and nobody making a profit," she said.

The festival is no longer taking vendor applications for this year's event, Pittman said.

The festival hasn't featured a road race in seven years, but this year the "turkey trot" returns with a 5K race and a 2K walk. The starting gun will fire at 8 a.m. Saturday, September 15. The race will start at Hoke County High School and make its way through the city and back, with markers on the road showing the way and a volunteer riding behind the runners in a golf cart to rescue any stragglers.

Other sports events taking place this year include the softball, tennis and horseshoe tournaments. The tournaments will be held at Hoke County High School the weekend of September 8-9.

Another popular event for kids is returning this year due to popular demand. The festival stopped offering pony rides for children, but the response from parents was so great that the ponies will be back in town this year, Pittman said.

"We had had parents and people post on our wall, we want the pony rides back, we want the pony rides back," she said. Brightly colored T-shirts are returning this year too, she added.

Children will also have the chance to get their hands dirty making different art projects in a new area named for the late Christina Payton, an art teacher at McLauchlin Elementary who worked with the Turkey Festival before her unexpected death earlier this year.

The board of directors voted this week to call the children's art area "Payton's Corner" in honor of the woman who brainstormed the idea in the first place and was working to bring it to life this September. The booths will have different types of hands-on art projects for kids, plus demonstrations and displays.

"She (Payton) had been working on that corner all year," Pittman said. "She came up with the crafts that were going to be done. ... We wanted to honor her in some special way and what better way than to do what she loved."

Payton was one of several people who were instrumental to the festival who have passed away in the last year. The directors plan to wear black and orange pins to honor Payton, Raz Autry, Bobby Strother, Carol Burkett, Kay Thomas, Mary Lee Chalaire, Gene Paul Thacker, Billy Williams, William Daniels and others who worked with the Turkey Festival in various ways over the years.

This year the Turkey Festival will also host a special 9/11 remembrance service Saturday, September 8 at 8:30 a.m. on the grounds of the Raeford/Hoke Museum. For more information, call 904-2424. The event is meant to give people a chance to thank first responders and military members for their service to the public and their country.

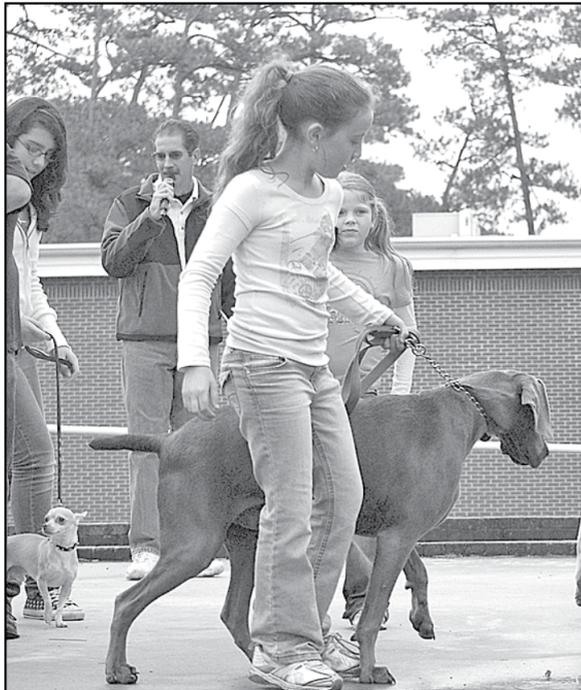
Calendar of Events

For a complete listing of events and lots more information about the North Carolina Turkey Festival this year, see the special publication in next week's issue of The News-Journal.

- Turkey Bowl football game – September 7
- 9/11 Remembrance ceremony – September 8
- Parade – September 13
- Stuffin' and Stompin' dinner – September 14
- Super Saturday (vendor fair, concert and more) – September 15



A child enjoys the parade during last year's festival. Below left, the dog show; at right, a crafts vendor.



ABCs

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Hoke Middle with 82.8.

McLauchlin Elementary, West Hoke Elementary, Sandy Grove Elementary and J.W. Turlington Alternative School did not meet expected growth under the ABCs of Public Education, according to the state's numbers. J.W. Turlington Alternative School earned the lowest composite score of 42, while J.W. McLauchlin Elementary had a 61.1, West Hoke Elementary had a 51.7 and Sandy Grove Elementary had a 62.1 performance composite score.

Among the other county schools, Hoke High School's composite score was 76.8, West Hoke Middle's score was 67.7, Don Steed Elementary's score was 78.8, Upchurch Elementary's score was 72.3, Hawk Eye Elementary's score was 57.2 and Scurllock Elementary's score was 61.3.

SandHoke Early College High School earned the Honor School of Excellence designation, the highest honor awarded by the state for high ABCs performance. East Hoke Middle and Rockfish Hoke Elementary earned the School of Distinction designation, while Don Steed Elementary, Upchurch Elementary, and Hoke High were named Schools of Progress. J.W. McLauchlin Elementary, J.W. Turlington Alternative and Sandy Grove Elementary did not receive

recognition. Hawk Eye Elementary and West Hoke Elementary were named Priority Schools.

The ABCs of Public Education accountability program is being replaced this year with the N.C. Ready program, which is tied into the common core curriculum being rolled out in the state's public schools this year.

AMO data

This was the first year schools in North Carolina received AMO data instead of AYP data from end-of-year testing. Don Steed Elementary, East Hoke Middle, Rockfish Hoke Elementary, J.W. Turlington Alternative and SandHoke Early College High School met all AMO targets in the 2011-2012 school year, according to the state data report.

The state continues to use the federally designated No Child Left Behind subgroups, which are based on factors such as race or disability. Unlike No Child Left Behind, which focused on getting all students to the same proficiency level by 2014, the AMO system allows different targets for different subgroups of students.

For example, by the end of this school year the state goal is to have 93.7 percent of white students, 79.8 percent of African-American students, 77.8 percent of Native American students, 80.8 percent of

economically disadvantaged students and 55.3 percent of students with disabilities in elementary and middle schools reading at grade level. The goals increase through the 2016-17 school year, according to data from the state Department of Public Instruction.

Last year only one school in Hoke County made Adequate Yearly Progress (AYP) under No Child Left Behind. Schools receiving Title I money that failed to meet AYP multiple years in a row faced penalties that could involve offering extra tutoring, giving parents the choice to send their child to a different school in the district or in some circumstances firing and replacing a school's staff. Only one school in the county, Hawk Eye Elementary, was still under No Child Left Behind school improvement sanctions as of last school year. Under the two-year waiver, schools will no longer face those sanctions.

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Linda Lee has been the administrative assistant to the director of the Exceptional Children's department since 2002. She was diagnosed with kidney cancer in December 2010 and continues to receive treatment.

Money raised during the breakfast will go to the family to offset expenses incurred for treatment.

People who wish to purchase

tickets can contact the Exceptional Children's department at 875-8009 or stop by First Baptist Church at 333 N. Main St. in Raeford.

The breakfast will take place from 7-10 a.m. on Sat-

urday, September 8 at Andy's in Raeford. Tickets are \$5 for pancakes, bacon and a drink. For more information or to make donations, contact the Exceptional Children's Department at the above number.

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SPORTS

Bucks outrun Tigers 28-21

By HAL NUNN
Sports writer

The Hoke County High School Bucks went to South View last week to avenge their 35-21 loss last season at home against the Tigers and did just that with a tight 28-21 victory. Hoke County led 21-14 at the half but the Tigers held the Bucks scoreless in the third quarter and most of the fourth quarter with long drives and good defense. The Bucks also held South View scoreless until midway through the fourth when Tyrus Jackson scored on a 15-yard run to tie the score at 21-21. Both teams traded possessions after that and when Hoke had the ball with about a minute to go, Hoke quarterback Michael Locklear finally connected with Cory Cannon for a 34-yard game winning touchdown reception. Locklear and Cannon had missed on several attempts before in the game for big scores.

Locklear ended up passing 5 of 9 for 162 yards and two touchdowns. Cannon had two catches for 68 yards and two touchdowns. Senior running back Detrez Newsome rushed for 228 yards on 29 carries and two touchdowns. After game two of the season, Newsome has rushed for 630 yards and eight touchdowns for the Bucks. In the game, Hoke had two touchdowns called back for holding.

This week the Bucks stay on the road to face the Seventy-First Falcons, a team coached by longtime high school football coach Bob Paroli. Paroli recently announced that he is resigning as coach of Seventy-First at the end of the season. He has been coaching high school football for 55 years and is 81 years old. The Falcons lost their first two games of the season in routs: 35-6 against Scotland County and 38-6 against Wilmington Hoggard. Last year,



Standing in the backfield, #6 Detrez Newsome (left to right), #10 Michael Locklear and #3 Jamal Darden get set to run a play against SouthView during the Bucks 28-21 win over the Tigers.



Jawane Harris almost gets the interception on this pass play against the South View Tigers. Harris did catch a 73-yard pass from Michael Locklear and ran it into the end zone for the third score of the game for the Bucks.

the Bucks defeated Seventy-First 10-0 off a field goal and a Detrez Newsome pick-six.

If there are fans who are not making the trip to Seventy-

First, you can catch the game live on the Bucks Broadcast Network on AM1400 Raeford and online at www.ihigh.com/bucksnetwork.



Hoke County Parks and Recreation and the Methodist University soccer program joined forces last weekend and held a soccer clinic for kids in Hoke County at the Hoke County Parks and Recreation sports complex on Highway 211. Approximately 75 soccer players turned out along with Coach Bryan Madej, Head Coach of the Methodist Monarchs women's soccer program. This soccer camp will continue to grow as they plan to do it again next year!

Bucks win over Colts

John Walrath makes a cut against a Cape Fear defender in the Hoke County High School Bucks 1-0 win over the Colts last week at Raz Autry Stadium. The Bucks are 4-1 overall on the soccer season and defeated Douglas Byrd Monday night 4-0.



Pigskin Pick'em is back

The News-Journal Raeford Pigskin Pick'em is back and better than ever. This year, contestants must locate the Pigskin Pick'em Schedule either in The Echo or The News-Journal, cut it out, pick your winners and have it back to The News-Journal office by 5 p.m. on Friday. Contestants can email their picks to hal@thenews-journal.com by 5 p.m. Friday as well. Entries are to include your picks for that week, completed tiebreaker pick

and total score, name, address and phone number on the form. Forms can be brought in, faxed, emailed or mailed through the postal service postmarked by Friday midnight. If mailing your entry, the address is The News-Journal, PO Box 550, Raeford, NC 28376 - clearly mark the envelope "Pigskin Pick'em." If faxing, please fax to (910) 875-7256 and mark it to the attention of Hal. First names and the first letter of contestants last name will be published

in the standings each week.

Sponsors Needed

The Raeford Pigskin Pick'em is in its fourth year and we welcome local businesses to help sponsor the contest by donating prizes for weekly winners. In return, business will have their names listed in the Pigskin Pick'em schedule. Weekly winners will be announced and the grand prize winners will be announced at the end of the season. Good Luck!

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Cory Cannon gets a deserved drink of water after his 34-yard game winning touchdown reception from Locklear to clinch the Bucks 28-21 victory over the Tigers.

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or call 904-1500.

There will be a golf tournament Friday, September 7 to support the New Beginningz Bible College, Raeford at Upland Trace Golf Course in Raeford beginning at 9 a.m. with an 8 a.m. sign-in. The tournament will be a Captains Choice tournament with cash winnings, door prizes and a 50/50 raffle. The cost will be \$60 per person and interested golfers/sponsors may contact Clyde Shepley at 910-885-2604 or Bishop William McPhaul at 910-476-0653.

Fighting Bucks Sports Schedule

- August 29**
Boys V Soccer at 71st 6 p.m.
- August 30**
Girls Tennis at Richmond 4 p.m.
Girls JV Volleyball Home vs. 71st 5 p.m.
Girls V Volleyball Home vs. 71st 6 p.m.
Boys JV Football Home vs. 71st 7 p.m.
- August 31**
Boys V Football at 71st 7:30 p.m.
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The "movie Memphis Belle", a World War II-era B-17 bomber, rests on the tarmac at Sanford Airport.

Other stuff

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Monday, I had another chance for some up-close history—to go up in a B-17 Flying Fortress, one of some 12,700 that were produced during World War II and of which only 12 remain airworthy.

The plane in question is painted like the famous Memphis Belle, the first B-17 to attain 25 missions and complete her tour of duty, and the only one that brought its crew back safely every time. That might not sound like much, except that it's been estimated a B-17 crewman's chances of surviving his tour was one in four.

The "Movie Memphis Belle" is called that because it was used in filming the 1990 movie of the same name. Arriving at the end of the war, it never saw combat—except against forest fires after being converted to a water tanker. A restoration organization returned it to the wartime version and hired it out for the movie.

Cutting to the chase, the flight Monday didn't happen. (Imagine—A 67-year-old aircraft

having a maintenance issue.) But a walk-through or, more accurately for me, a crawl-through did. It is possible to enter through the rear of the craft where the rear gun turret lies and make your way via catwalk over the bomb bay doors and up to the cockpit. Amazing.

But more amazing were the three veteran B-17 crew, men in their 80s, who were on hand to recount some of the memories from the war. One of them had completed 33 missions and lived to tell it. They were young when they flew over Germany, they said, but all agreed they loved it—a bitter experience with the loss of so many men but also fun in an adventurous way. "That's why they get young men to fight wars," one of them said. "They're not scared of anything."

The B-17 will be available for afternoon public viewing Saturday and Sunday at the Sanford Airport (US1 N at exit 76) with morning flights available for \$450 beginning at 9.

Convocation

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Barnes said, getting applause and laughter from the crowd.

The annual event held just before elementary and middle school students returned to class gave each staff the chance to cheer for their school and get updates on how students performed on end-of-year tests.

East Hoke Middle School Principal Erica Fortenberry was named Principal of the Year and West Hoke Elementary fifth-grade teacher Glendia Black-Flippin was named Teacher of the Year for the school system. The school system also recognized teachers with many years of experience and new teachers coming into Hoke County Schools for the first time.

Testing and Accountability Coordinator Sharon Allen, Assistant Superintendent for Curriculum and Instruction Bob Barnes and Assistant Superintendent for Human Resources Dr. Cheryl

Benson were among the officials who led the discussions. North Carolina Department of Public Instruction Chief Academic Officer Dr. Rebecca Garland and Deputy Chief Academic Officer Angela H. Quick attended the meeting to brief teachers on upcoming changes to how schools will use student test scores to measure teacher effectiveness.

This year the state hit its highest-ever graduation rate with more than 80 percent of the Class of 2012 four-year cohort graduating on time, Garland said.

"We still have work to do, but we have to take time to celebrate," she said.

The day wrapped up with more speakers discussing best teaching practices and other issues for educators throughout the year.

Hoke County's elementary and middle schools started back Monday. The county schools will be closed this coming Monday in observance of Labor Day.



Hoke High School faculty, with principal Roger Edwards front and center, take part in the convocation.

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