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## 2 killed, 3 hurt in Thanksgiving wreck

### Police blame alcohol, speed as car rear-ends SUV causing it to roll



A Highway Patrol accident reconstruction team at the site Monday. (Ken MacDonald photo)

Charges are pending against a man from Fayetteville who allegedly drove drunk and caused a wreck that killed two people on the way home from grocery shopping the night before Thanksgiving.

Ervin Lee McCain, 66, of the 100 block of Meadowwood Lane in Raeford and Betty Ann Patricia Wall, 46, of the 2700 block of Highway 401 Business were killed November 23 when another vehicle rear-ended McCain's Ford Explorer on U.S. 401 Business near Sandhills Community College.

Leader McMillian, 58, of the 200 block of Starlite Drive

and an unidentified 9-year-old child who were passengers in the SUV were also taken to the hospital with injuries and were reportedly in stable condition Monday.

Police believe Gil Kennytie Garcia, 34, of Fayetteville was at fault for the wreck, according to Raeford Police Department Maj. Marc Godwin. The investigation is ongoing and charges are pending. Authorities suspect alcohol and speed were factors in the accident.

Garcia was driving a 2012 Dodge Challenger that hit the SUV, according to reports.

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Rehearsal recently at Lumber Bridge Presbyterian Church. Marvin Lynne Maxwell doubles as director and pianist. (Ken MacDonald photo)



Ringling handbells at rehearsal. The program also includes trumpets, flutes, clarinets, guitars and percussion. (Ken MacDonald photo)

## Area musicians to perform 40th Christmas program

### Lumber Bridge choral event is Dec. 4, 5

When more than 40 area singers and 30-plus other musicians perform at Lumber Bridge Presbyterian Church this weekend, the Christmas program will be the 40th since Marvin Lynne Maxwell began it just after high school.

The program has grown from 14 participants that first year in 1976

when she moved from a Baptist church upon getting married, and asked the Lumber Bridge session to approve a program similar to what she'd known.

The Lumber Bridge Community Choir and Instrumental Ensemble Christmas Musical Service combines Christmas carols and other music (See 40th PROGRAM, page 6)

## This Week



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## 'Hometown Christmas' returns to downtown next week

### Last year, festive crowds packed Raeford streets

BY CATHARIN SHEPARD  
Staff writer

The second annual Raeford-Hoke Hometown Christmas is next week, with carolers, Christmas movies, horse-drawn carriage rides and much more ready to help families kick off the season.

Hometown Christmas will be held Thursday, December 8 from 5:30-8 p.m. on Main Street in downtown Raeford, with a rain date of December 15. The event is free

to the public and sponsored by the Raeford-Hoke County Chamber of Commerce with support from the city of Raeford and Hoke County Schools.

Hometown Christmas premiered last year as a way to shine a light on local businesses while giving families a chance to enjoy an evening downtown. This year brings even more offerings, with three horse-drawn rides, live music, arts and crafts for kids and freebies from local businesses.

(See HOMETOWN CHRISTMAS, page 10)



Viewing a store display at last year's festivities.

## Democratic Party chairman files protest over ballots

BY CATHARIN SHEPARD  
Staff writer

Hoke County Democratic Party Chairman Jim Davis filed a protest this week seeking to have 485 discarded provisional ballots counted

toward the election, arguing that those citizens may have mistakenly believed same-day voter registration extended to Election Day.

During its canvass on November 22, the Hoke County Board of Elections discarded the provi-

sional ballots because there was no registration on file for those voters, according to local elections officials.

Davis sent an email Monday to local and state elections boards asking that those voters be added to the rolls and the ballots counted as

valid.

The voters may have gotten confused and thought they could register to vote and cast a ballot on Election Day, when in fact same-day voter registration was only (See PROTEST, page 9)

## Mims, Bataan Death March veteran, dies

BY CATHARIN SHEPARD  
Staff writer

John Leroy Mims was 19 years old when the United States surrendered the Bataan Peninsula to Japanese forces during World War II, leaving thousands of troops – including Mims – to face a 65-mile forced march to prison camps where many of the captured soldiers died.

Despite the torturous beatings, unspeakable living conditions and starvation he experienced as a prisoner of war, Mims was one of the Bataan Death March survivors who not only endured the march but also lived through three years of horror in prison camps and was there to see the Allied Forces declare victory in 1945.

Mims, who spent much of his later years educating oth-

ers about World War II and the Bataan Death March, died Sunday in a nursing home in Moore County after a long illness. He was 94 years old and, at the time of his death, was one of just a handful of remaining survivors of the infamous march.

Mims grew up on a Native American reservation in the southern United States. He (See MIMS, page 9)



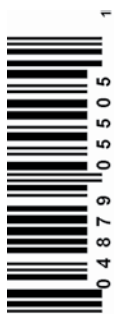
Mims, on his return to Japan in 2012. (File photo)



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Kemp Crumpler and his wife Margaret have remodeled their home to reflect their western interests. Outside, visitors are greeted by a colorful rooster (left); inside, it's cozy (above).

## House Tour is Dec. 11

The Raeford Garden Club's annual Christmas House Tour will take participants through the Williamson Farm and the whimsy of an outdoor display of hundreds of lighted decorations in Arabia. The tour, Sunday, December 11, is set for 2-5 p.m. with \$10 tickets available at each house on the tour or in advance from club members.

The stops this year:  
 • Kemp and Margaret Crumpler, 334 Crumpler Drive

- Frank and Delilah Eaddy, 904 McLean Street
- Faye McMillan, 2038 Golf Course Road
- The Williamson Farm, 1275 South Bethel Road
- Jim and Penny Pusey, 1275 South Bethel Road
- Jeanette Williamson, 1275 South Bethel Road
- Wanda Cohen, 1175 South Bethel Road
- Raeford-Hoke Museum, 111 South Highland Street



A bright peacock welcomes visitors to the home of Frank and Delilah Eaddy at 904 McLean Street.



A carousel in the museum



A Santa in the museum



A tree in the museum

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# VIEWPOINTS

## Prepare for 'post-truth' government

By THOMAS MILLS  
Politics N.C.

If Pat McCrory's attempt to win the election through challenging voters does anything, it should put to rest the Republican notion of widespread voter fraud. His appeals have shown that fraud is rare and statistically insignificant. GOP attempts to restrict access to the polls would clearly disenfranchise more people than it would prevent fraud.

Unfortunately, in our dystopian government, House Speaker Tim Moore says that McCrory's baseless claims are reasons to revisit the voter suppression law found unconstitutional by the federal courts. And now, Donald Trump's claim that "millions of people voted illegally" will add fuel to the McCrory/Moore fire. We're moving from a post-truth election to a post-truth government. Baseless claims by politicians will drive policy, not the real

needs of people.

This is the world we're entering. Facts are irrelevant and truth is in the eye of the beholder. A GOP that was once guided by conservative principles is now led by an ideologically bankrupt habitual liar—and the leadership is falling into line.

A big part of the post-truth governance will be the fake news industry. A trend started by Fox News and copied by the likes of MSNBC has mutated into a powerful disseminator of disinformation. The new "trusted" news sites don't even pretend to be neutral. They're blatantly, and often dishonestly, promoting policies and politicians they support. They're little more than propaganda machines in an age when consumers can increasingly pick their own sources of information while declaring others corrupt. Bribart News will become the new CBS or NBC.

In North Carolina, we've al-

ready seen what it's like to have a government that will run roughshod over local governments and people to consolidate and protect their power. Despite some initial apprehension, small government conservatives quickly fell in line and routinely defend heavy-handed tactics, often with the lame and false excuse, "Democrats were worse." Consequently, we're in a state where democracy has been under assault for the past four years.

Now, our country is about to be led by a man who has no respect for the truth and a propaganda machine to back up his lies. With the GOP solidly in control of the federal government and most states, we're dependent on them to hold Trump accountable. If North Carolina is any indication, the future is pretty bleak.

Mills is the founder and publisher of PoliticsNC.com.

## Wedding goes off the rails

In this adventure, we ride the rails and tires of Amtrak, I give my first official wedding toast, we see our first New England display of fall color and we get hastily escorted out of a wedding reception.

Charlotte's second cousin and my goddaughter Helen Rogers was married in Simsbury, Connecticut in late October to a nice young man from Texas. Since our son Riley and his girlfriend Becca were attending, we decided to take Amtrak to add a little adventure to the trip. The train from Greensboro left at 3:30 a.m., yes a.m., heading north. We anticipated a nice relaxing sleep on the night part of the journey but the combination of the comfort of the seats and the almost violent swaying of the train as it hit bad tracks made that nearly impossible. Many people made the mistake of walking the aisles without holding on and one landed in my lap as he lost his balance. As the sun rose, we began to get views of the surroundings.

Trackside views of the urban areas revealed the underbelly of our country and some of it ain't pretty. The rusty remains of abandoned commercial structures and the blight of residential areas were a little depressing. I noticed that some of the expensive row houses with pristine facades looked dilapidated from the rear.

As we passed by Philadelphia into New Jersey, we began to see fabulous fall color interspersed with the scenery. The view of the NYC skyline approaching the Hudson River tunnel was spectacular with the new Trade



Frog Holler Philosopher  
Ron Huff

Center building shining. We had a layover of a couple of hours at Penn Station in NYC but could not find a place to stash our luggage, so Charlotte and I babysat the luggage and we let Riley and Becca hit the streets for a few minutes. I have never seen Becca so excited.

Twelve hours had passed when we boarded for Connecticut. We followed instructions but I feared we would be left standing on the platform as hundreds of passengers stampeded the train. We made it on but had to split up our seats. I sat beside a nice lady who worked in Manhattan, and though wary of strangers, she loosened up and we had a polite conversation. Three hours passed before we reached the station in Hartford. Though lengthened because there was track work being done causing a bus transfer, this was her regular commute! If it hadn't been for my new friend, we might have missed the bus, racing to drag all our bags a long distance.

When we finally reached the Simsbury Inn, we were beat! We had some dinner and skipped the impromptu party being held by some of the family members. I have no complaints about the bed. The day before the wedding, though cloudy, revealed the idyllic New England town of Simsbury in its fall glory. The leaves were fabulous.

## Independence needed in districting

Before the 1991 legislative session, two legislative lawyers talked with me about that year's redistricting.

A new computer program, aptly named TIGER, would solve their two major legal puzzles: drawing legally defensible majority-minority districts and both legislative and U.S. House districts with populations close to the numerical average, a requirement of "one man, one vote."

There was one drawback, however, they said: Powerful computer programs hold enormous potential for abusive gerrymandering.

They were certainly right about that. In each redistricting since the introduction of such powerful computing, North Carolina legislators have become increasingly effective at shaping the electorate to preserve and enhance the governing party's control.

In purple North Carolina, where margins were razor thin in most of the statewide races on Nov. 8, Republicans swept to veto-proof majorities in both legislative chambers and a 10-3 majority in the U.S. House delegation. That is, Republican victories were all out of proportion to the overall Republican-Democratic vote.

Can we really call ourselves a democracy when a small vote majority for one party leads to its



One On One  
Paul O'Connor

overwhelming majority in legislative seats? Of course not.

Good government advocates have long sought a U.S. Supreme Court ruling against political gerrymandering, but hope died with the 1986 Davis v. Bandemer ruling. Justices were sympathetic to equal protection concerns raised by gerrymandering but couldn't define the point where it violated the 14th Amendment.

This month, however, a federal district court in Wisconsin renewed hope that the judiciary might finally alleviate political skewing of this nature. The court threw out Wisconsin's legislative redistricting in a case that could go to the high court.

Writing for Bloomberg News, Professor Noah Feldman of Harvard Law School said the judges have devised a mathematical measure for what constitutes unconstitutional political gerrymandering.

After the 2001 North Carolina redistricting, minority Republicans sued successfully to have a pro-Democratic legislative map overturned and the N.C. Supreme Court issued guidelines for future

We met the groom's family from Texas at the rehearsal dinner where everyone paraded in their finery in a wonderful setting. Being the godfather of the bride, I presented my toast, which was followed by a welcome relief. The event was quite a success. The after-party at a local establishment was lots of fun with its celebratory mix of generations.

The wedding was beautiful and the bride was radiant. The ceremony was held at the beautiful Trinity Episcopal Church with a string trio providing the music for the uplifting service. The reception was held at a local country club where we were greeted with Arnold Palmer cocktails in Mason jars. The wedding band cranked out a smooth mix of standards and appropriately laid-back cocktail music.

Riley and Becca were seated with the younger crowd and we up front beside the bridal table. The booze was flowing and all was well until I noticed Riley sitting alone, not a happy camper. He explained that he had been cut off at the bar by the father of the bride (Charlotte's cousin and Riley's godfather) in spite of not being very intoxicated. His explanation was blunt and unsatisfactory. This ended our party and we made our way out. Riley politely apologized for whatever he had done to offend, but there was no resolution. The next day Riley received apologies from his cousin who was a witness and possible instigator, and the bride. Charlotte awaits her apology, but none has been forthcoming.

More on the return trip later!

redistricting. But that didn't prevent Republicans in 2011 from drawing plans more stilted than anything Democrats had devised, partly because of ever-more powerful computers.

The U.S. Fourth Circuit Court of Appeals in Richmond found those maps illegal this year and has ordered our legislative districts redrawn in 2017, but unless the court draws the maps itself, legislative leaders will simply gerrymander us again.

A solution lies outside the courts, one espoused by Republicans for decades but no longer on the legislative radar: an independent redistricting commission.

Responsible leaders from both parties have called for a constitutional amendment creating a non-partisan panel that would draw maps that preserve communities of interest, protect minorities, and maintain county, municipal and precinct lines, when possible. The panel's charge would be to draw competitive and representative districts.

I'd add a requirement that the commission be locked in a hotel for two weeks and denied any information about the political affiliations of voters or the voting patterns of any precincts.

That might end the practice of politicians choosing their voters rather than the other way around.

## BROWSING THE FILES



Sewing class: Seated are Eva Lee Oxendine (left to right) and Linda Luck. Standing are Gail Ellis, Brenda King, Linda Paul, Peggy Blevins, Barbara Malloy and Paula Bass. They are members of Mrs. Peden's Home Economics class.

## 47 Years Ago December 4, 1969

Raeford City Council decides after a lengthy discussion to direct police to crack down on parking violations. The worst problem is with two-hour parking violators. Signs will be erected informing motorists of the limits.

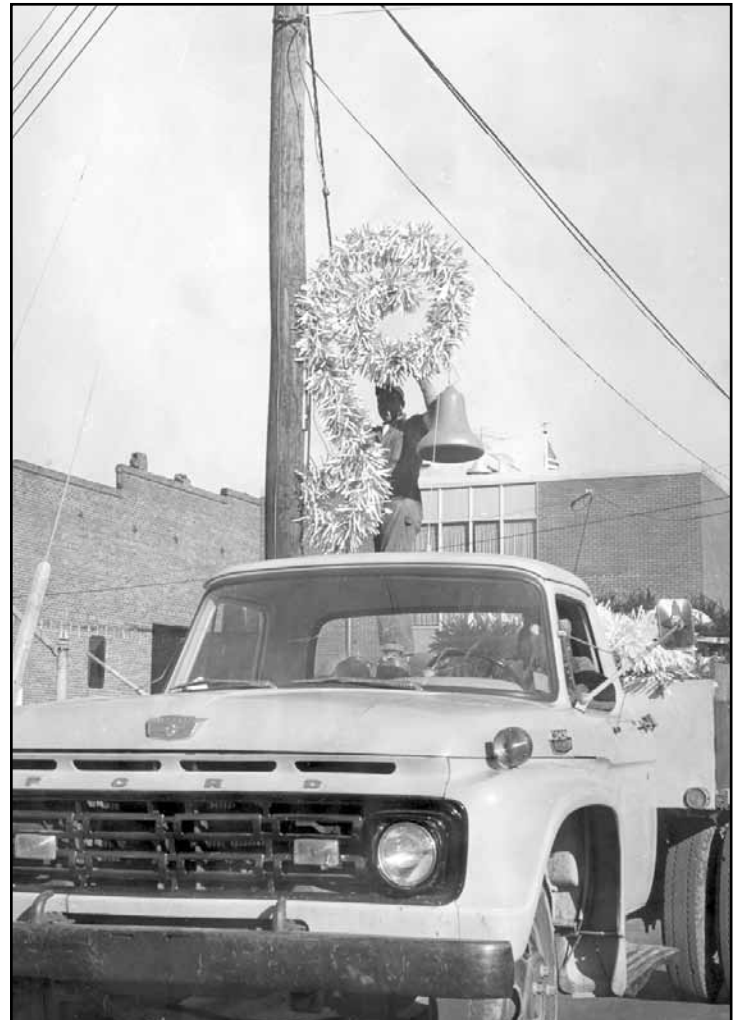
Final arrangements are in progress for the Christmas parade Friday at 5. Some 47 units will take part in the parade, which will travel from Fifth Avenue along Main Street to Harris Avenue to Magnolia and back to Fifth. The parade will be led by officers from the Raeford Police and Hoke Sheriff's Department. Next will be a color guard from the National Guard, then Mayor John K. McNeill Jr., City Council, Hoke Commissioners and Arnold Pope, playing bagpipes. There will also be Debra Rogers, Miss Hoke High, the Marching Band under the direction of Jimmy James, commercial floats, Miss Peach Queen of 1970, and bands from St. Pauls High and Pembroke.

The rumor that Belk-Hensdale Department Store is closing the first of the year is not true, says W.C. Phillips, manager. He was planning to retire and speculates that's the source of the rumor. He says the store will remain in operation as it has since 1943 when it opened in Raeford.

Raz Autry, principal at Hoke High, tells columnist Sam Morris that he's forced to "do something at the school that might not be understood by former students": stop visiting hours. The school's graduating classes are so large now that, when students for the past couple of years return, it's almost impossible to operate the school. Last Wednesday, some 150 former students were at the school.

The Hoke Democratic Party meets at the courthouse and recommends John Scott Poole and Tom W. Jones to succeed themselves as members on the Hoke Board of Elections.

Four local women will again be on the Peggy Mann T.V. show at 1 p.m. Tuesday. Mrs. N.F. Sinclair, Mrs. Allan Smyth, Mrs. Julian Barnes and Mrs. John Balfour



Raeford's new Christmas decorations go up on Main Street. The decorations cost \$1,500.

will show four items. Women from seven other counties will appear also.

This Christmas, give the world's most accurate watch, the Accutron. Gives you the day and the date! Time, day and date—all perfectly coordinated by a tiny electronically powered tuning fork that splits a second into 360 equal parts, guaranteeing accuracy to within a minute a month. Starts at \$110 at Kinlaw's Jewelry Store

Get a new Ford Maverick for \$1995. It's the car that held the price line and is the bestseller in '70. White sidewall tires are \$32 extra. It's at Raeford Auto Co.

## 25 Years Ago December 4, 1991

A meeting will be held tonight at Scurlock School Cafeteria to introduce the public to the "801" housing project that will bring 250 apartments for military families to

Rockfish Road.

Despite a protest from two neighbors at a public hearing, Hoke commissioners unanimously approved a cut and sew operation at the abandoned Ashemont School at Ashley Heights. Bill Gozzi, a real estate developer from Moore County, asked for the rezoning of the property to enable the opening of a company that makes drapes, sheets, pillowcases and covers for computers.

World War II veteran Wilson McBryde remembers the bombing of Pearl Harbor, 50 years ago this year. "We were standing in a chow line about eight o'clock," McBryde says. "There was a roar of airplanes overhead. Someone said the Navy was doing some maneuvers." Fifteen to 20 minutes later, the men realized they were under attack. "We were strafed. They didn't bomb us. We had trenches that we jumped in. Those of us that could get to them, of course. There in the harbor was where it was really bad, those ships," he said.

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# Obituaries

## Walter S. McKinnon

Walter Stentson McKinnon died Monday, November 21, 2016.

He was the son of the late Stanley and Isabelle McKinnon and was born November 13, 1932 in Hoke County. He departed this life at his home at the age of 84. He retired from LinPac and later worked a few years at Greensboro Piedmont International Airport.

He was known to many as "Uncle Stint" and played a father role to many of his family members.

He was married to Barbara McKinnon.

He had eight children, four of whom preceded him in death, Sharlene, Dorresa, Walter Jr., and Wallace.

Surviving are three daughters, Cathy McNeill Frazer of Raeford, Angela Hicks (Larry), and Elaine McKinnon, all of Greensboro; one son, Harvey McKinnon of Greensboro; nine grandchildren; 17 great-grandchildren; and one great-great grandchild.

The funeral was held at 2 p.m. Saturday, November 26 at Silver Grove Missionary Baptist Church.

## Betty Locklear

Betty Lou Locklear, 73, of 588 John Road, Shannon, died Nov. 25, 2016 at her home. She was born on July 18, 1943 to the late Romie and Cannon Strickland.



Betty Locklear

Along with her parents she is also preceded in death by her daughter Angela K. Locklear; a son, James L. Locklear; a granddaughter, Aryah Ransom; and her siblings, Earlean Locklear, Winston Oxendine, Kenneth Oxendine, Glen Carter, and Willie Hunt.

She is survived by her children, Marilyn S. Oxendine of Red Springs, Susan L. McArm of Shannon, James E. Locklear of Lumberton, Steve C. Locklear of Red Springs, and Errol B. Locklear of Raeford; a sister, Joyce Jacobs of Raeford; a brother, Wilkie Oxendine of Raeford; 19 grandchildren; and 12 great-grandchildren.

The funeral was held Tuesday, November 29 at 2 p.m. at South Hoke Baptist Church with the Rev. Truman Chavis and the Rev. Hubbard Lowery officiating. Burial was in the church cemetery.

## Richard Taylor

Richard Lee Taylor, 72, of Bladenboro passed away Monday, November 28, 2016.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Homer and Rosa Taylor; wife, Margaret Taylor; and sister, Margie Baxley.

Survivors include his brother, Billy Ray Taylor and wife Mary; sisters, Rosa Lee McLean, Frances Bailey and husband James, Patricia Campbell, Velma Davis and husband Mac, and Annette Hendrix.

The family will receive friends on Thursday, December 1 from 1-1:45 p.m. at Bladen-Gaskins Funeral Home in Elizabethtown. A funeral will be held at 2 p.m. with the Rev. Bruce Miller officiating. Burial will be held in Taylor Cemetery in Lumberton.

## Margaret Taylor

Margaret Elizabeth Taylor, 69, of Bladenboro passed away Friday, November 25, 2016.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Charlie and Ethel Tyson; a sister, Faye Robeson; and brothers, J.L. Tyson and Barney Tyson.

Survivors include a sister, Nora Lee Hinson of Shallotte; and brothers, William Tyson of Bladenboro, and Junior Tyson of Whiteville.

The family will receive friends on Thursday, December 1 from 1-1:45 p.m. at Bladen-Gaskins Funeral Home in Elizabethtown. A funeral will be held at 2 p.m. with the Rev. Bruce Miller officiating. Burial will be held in Taylor Cemetery in Lumberton.



## Pancake time

Raeford Kiwanis Club will hold its annual pancake supper tomorrow (Thursday, December 1) in the Gibson Cafeteria at Hoke High School. The fundraiser begins at 5 p.m. Tickets are \$6 per plate, eat-in or take-out.

# Animal abuse, hate crime cases due in court

By CATHARIN SHEPARD  
Staff writer

Two cases of local interest have once again been continued or rescheduled, one until later this week and another for the second week in December.

The owners of the former no-kill animal shelter known as The Haven Friends for Life did not have a scheduled hearing earlier in November, and their court date was rescheduled for November 30.

Linden Spear and Stephen Joseph Spear were arrested in January when the American Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals (ASPCA) and local law enforcement raided the facility and seized nearly 700 animals.

The Spears face 17 counts of cruelty to animals, as well as several charges of possession of a controlled substance in relation to an animal medication they did not have permission to possess on the property.

The couple originally faced fewer charges, but another 13 counts of cruelty to animals were filed against them in early June after law enforcement officials received a final report from veterinarians about the animals' physical condition.

Additionally, the case of a man accused of allegedly threatening members of a local mosque will go to court again in December.

Russell Thomas Langford, 36, of the 1700 block of Sykes Pond Road in Fayetteville is due

in court again next month on misdemeanor charges of ethnic intimidation, assault with a deadly weapon, going armed to the terror of the public, communicating threats, misdemeanor stalking and disorderly conduct.

Langford was arrested June 9 for allegedly terrorizing the members of Masjid Al Madina by threatening to blow up the place of worship, stalking one of the members, bringing a gun to the mosque and threatening to kill Muslims, attempting to run over people in the parking lot and leaving open packages of bacon outside the building, according to witnesses and statements from the Hoke County Sheriff's Office.

Langford, a decorated Army officer, is due in court December 14.

# Help needed for hurricane recovery efforts

A volunteer at Raeford United Methodist Church is seeking help this Friday to wrap up comforting blankets for nearly 300 people in Robeson County who are still displaced by Hurricane Matthew.

Julie Barr has blankets ready to go to those in need, but needs help in purchasing wrapping supplies and wrapping them up to send to the recipients, Stephanie Hendrix

of RUMC said.

Barr is seeking donations of wrapping paper, tape and scissors as well as volunteers to help wrap up the packages. Anyone who is willing to help wrap or who can donate supplies can drop them off at the Raeford United Methodist Church or contact the church at 875-2111.

Additionally, Barr is collecting

candy for children and elderly and disabled residents and is accepting donations of candy canes or other types of sweets. Chocolate and peanut butter candies are not accepted due to the risk of allergies. She hopes to collect enough to make 300 bags to give away.

Donations should be delivered to the church at 308 North Main Street by Thursday afternoon.

# Maynor certified in immigration law



Maynor

in Immigration Law. She is one of

only 33 attorneys in North Carolina to receive this distinction.

Maynor has been licensed to practice law since 2009. She concentrates her legal practice in criminal defense and immigration needs including family-based petitions, deportation defense, citizenship, and visa applications. She received her BA degrees in Political Science and Criminol-

ogy from NC State University and her JD degree from North Carolina Central University. She is also a member of the American Immigration Lawyers Association and North Carolina Advocates for Justice.

Maynor opened Maynor Law Firm in Red Springs in 2010 and is active in Robeson and Hoke counties' community affairs.



**Word of Life Temple, Inc.**  
Christmas Party (\$20)  
December 10, 6 p.m.  
**Full Gospel Temple**  
Pre-Christmas Gospel Celebration  
December 17, 6 p.m.

# SPECIAL WORSHIP EVENTS

torship & development outreach inspirational & informational radio. Times every 4th Saturday from 9 - 9:30 a.m. on WMFA 1400 AM. Join us on facebook at NowGen Radio or website <http://www.nowgenmedia.com/> (expires

February 2017)  
**Word of Life Temple**—Cub/Boy Scout meeting, ages 6-18, every other Tuesday from 6 - 7:30 p.m. Contact Bro. Jamie Cunningham (910) 824-6296 for more information. (expires February 2017)

# Police Blotter

Raeford Police reported the following recent incidents:

- November 21**  
Larceny, breaking or entering, 500 block of East Central Avenue, victim House of Raeford Farms
- Shoplifting, 100 block of Fayetteville Road, victim Dollar General

- November 23**  
Larceny, breaking and entering into a motor vehicle, 600 block of Laurinburg Road, victim Robin Christopher Hatchell

- November 25**  
Assault with a deadly weapon, 500 block of Aberdeen Road, victim

- Levern Southerland  
Larceny, 200 block of Credit Union Way, victim Latoyia Lynette Oates
- Trespassing, damage to property, breaking and entering, 600 block of College Drive, victim Currie Motorsports

# Births

The following birth announcements have been provided by FirstHealth Moore Regional Hospital in Pinehurst:

- August 3, 2016**  
Liberty Hatchell, Raeford, a son, Malakai Isaiah Hatchell  
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- August 24, 2016**  
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# SPORTS

## AAA Scholar Athletes Fall 2016



Each semester, AAA and the North Carolina High School Athletic Association recognize and honor those students who participate in a sanctioned sport and maintain a 3.5 or higher GPA. This year's Hoke County High School female Scholar Athletes are Delilah Alvayero, Madison Bishop, Alexis Blackwell, Kimora Blue, Karnae Bonner, Savannah Brunson, Veronica Buckland, Alexa Burnett, Ashlyn Byrne, Haleigh Grace, Taylor Green, Kamaria Harris-Woodson, Natalie Hollingsworth, Diamond Holmes, Alexandra Lebron, Natalie Lee, Monica Maynor, Cayleigh Norton and Ansleigh Price.



Also recognized as a AAA North Carolina High School Athletic Association Scholar Athlete was Logan Dubin.



Each semester, AAA and the North Carolina High School Athletic Association recognize and honor those students who participate in a sanctioned sport and maintain a 3.5 or higher GPA. This year's Hoke County High School male Scholar Athletes are Nicholas Baldwin, Vincent Bomberry, Andrew Bowen, Timothy Cardoza, Hector Castilla, Nakya Davila, Julian Deickman, Jaylin Fennell, Dylan Hoffman, Hunter Jacobs, Jalen Jones, Trenton Lee, Brandon MacClary, Donte McGregor, Daquan McIntyre, Tyree McRae, Mark Palacious and Andre Pegues.



### Harpster named golf coach of year

Hoke High Lady Bucks golf coach Brian Harpster was named Southeastern Conference Coach of the Year last week during the Hoke High Athletic Banquet. Harpster is in his second year at the helm of the girls' and boys' golf teams. This year, the Lady Bucks sent four players to the regional golf tournament and one to the state championships in Kiya Locklear. After losing Megan Munroe, a powerhouse in golf and now UNC Pembroke golfer, the Bucks competed every week and finished second in the season to the perennial power Pinecrest. Harpster was the first coach to help start middle school golf in Hoke prior to coming to the high school.

## Just Putting Around

### Bayonet at Puppy Creek

Last week, the Wednesday shootout winners were Frank Debois, Flash Gordon, James Beasley, and Steve Kennedy. In the Friday shootout, two teams tied as the overall winners: the team of Tony Brunson, James

Beasley, Robert Burrus, and Richard Burger and the team of Ralph Thibeau, Grady Beasley, Mike Sutton, and Will Hendrix.

### Upland Trace

The Saturday morning group winners were Steve Jumbelick,

Guy Wall, and Don Frykholm. The Saturday "Pack" group winners were Doug Baker, Mike Summers, Lee Harless, and Steven Jackson. The Sunday morning group winners were Lee Harless, Steve Jumbelick, and Guy Wall.

## Basketball teams getting set for holiday run

By HAL NUNN  
Sports writer

The Hoke County High School Bucks boys' and girls' basketball teams have tipped off the season and are getting set for the holiday season rush. The boys are 2-1 overall and are coming off a 71-43 tromping of South View. D'Coda Cummings led the way with 23 points and 7 rebounds; however, Silas Love rolled up a double-double with 21 points and 12 rebounds and also had four steals. "Silas and D'Coda are our two players with the most experience," Coach Quame Patterson said. "We have a young team this year with a lot of kids first time playing on varsity

level." The Bucks are struggling from the free throw line and are working on transition defense and rebounding. They will play in the Lee County Holiday Tournament December 26-28.

The Lady Bucks are 1-2 on the season coming off a 40-31 loss to South View. Mahogany Matthews led the way with a double-double 15 points and 10 rebounds. "We have to get more consistent with our play and our younger players need to develop more with our veterans and believe we are still early and that will happen as time moves on," Coach Sakellie Daniels said. The Lady Bucks will also play in the Lee County Holiday Tournament December 26-28.

## Fighting Bucks Sports Schedule

**November 30**  
5 p.m. Coed Varsity Wrestling Westover Senior High School Westover Quad Away  
5 p.m. Girls Junior Varsity Basketball Jack Britt High School Away  
6 p.m. Girls Varsity Basketball Jack Britt High School Home  
6:30 p.m. Boys Junior Varsity Basketball Jack Britt High School Away  
7:30 p.m. Boys Varsity Basketball Jack Britt High School Home

5:30 p.m. Girls Varsity Basketball Cary High School Away  
7 p.m. Boys Varsity Basketball Cary High School Away  
**December 7**  
4:15 p.m. Boys East Hoke Middle School Wrestling West Hoke Middle School Tri Meet Sandy Grove Middle Home  
5:30 p.m. Girls Varsity Basketball Cary High School Home  
6 p.m. Coed Varsity Wrestling Richmond Senior High School Richmond Away  
7 p.m. Boys Varsity Basketball Cary High School Home

**December 2**  
5 p.m. Girls Junior Varsity Bas-

**December 3**  
9 a.m. Coed Varsity Wrestling Green Hope Grapple Away

**December 5**



### Diamond Elite 14U team wins Winter Nationals

The Diamond Elite Fastpitch 14U won the Top Gun Winter Nationals Championship, held November 19 and 20 in Laurinburg, by going undefeated in bracket play (4-0). Pictured are Courtney Cygan (front row, left to right), Abby Dover, Peyton Daniels, Aleiyah Payne, Tot Hunt; second row: Alicia Rodriguez, Kamryn Russell, Gabbi Hayes, Morgan Barbee and Tam Lowery; back row: Coach Jamie Dover and Coach Chris Barbee. Not pictured: Brent Cygan

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