



A keepsake collection of
**Christmas wishes from
our community's kids**
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BLUE CHRISTMAS SERVICE

Stonewall Methodist Church

Thursday, December 21
7:00 pm



*A special community
Candlelight Service of Hope
for the Holidays*

Come light a candle of remembrance for the loved ones who are celebrating Christmas in heavenly white. There will be special music by Craig Cooper.



On the First Day of
Christmas, North
Carolina gave to me....
The Moravian Star.

Perhaps the most uniquely North Carolina Christmas decoration is the 26-point Moravian Star.

100 years before Martin Luther ignites the Protestant Reformation, Jan Hus and his followers attempt to reform the Catholic Church. For his trouble, Hus is eventually tried and burned at the stake in 1415. But his movement survives to become one of the very first Protestant denominations: the Moravians.

This rebellion against Catholicism begins in Bohemia and Moravia, that largely German area that is today part of the Czech Republic. For centuries, the Moravians were forced into hiding, until nobleman Count Nikolaus Ludwig von Zinzendorf allowed the group to settle on his lands in 1722. The Brethren, or Brothers, establish a small village known as Herrnhut (in present-day Saxony) where the group, along with Count Zinzendorf, worked to create an accepting community. Herrnhut rapidly became the center for the Moravian movement, and the name itself translates into "the Lord's Watch," where residents were to watch for God as God was to watch out for them.

It is here the stars first appear in the 1830s. Originally they were craft projects to teach geometry. However, the stars were quickly adopted by the Moravian Church as a symbol of the birth of Jesus and represented.

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Presents For Pamlico Kids

by: Hiram Lupton



Last Wednesday and Thursday, Camp Seafarer became a bit of an extension of Santa's workshop, as it was the distribution point of the Presents For Pamlico Kids toy drive. Volunteers, including the happy, helping elves of The Pamlico Partnership for Children, assisted camp staff in the distribution on Wednesday, and According to Grayson Nolen, the camp's Director of Community Programs, there were roughly 200 families who will have a brighter, happier Christmas this year because of the generosity of the citizens and businesses of Pamlico County who helped make this toy drive possible.



Hurricanes on the Mat Senior Night Highlights a Busy Week for Wrestling

by: Hiram Lupton

The Pamlico County High School Wrestling Team honored the Senior members of their team last Wednesday night before their home quad duals meet. Five wrestlers and two great team managers and their families were recognized. After the ceremony, the Hurricanes got down to some wrestling matches with guests East Carteret, Manteo, and South Lenior., and with action on two mats, it was a great night to watch some great athletes. Pamlico took care of business against the Mariners, 45-21, but fell to the Redskins, 48-31, and the Blue Devils, 48-22.

Saturday was tournament time for the Hurricanes as they headed to East Carteret High School for the Hard Nor'easter Duals Tournament. A depleted Pamlico squad would be battling it out with ten other teams. The Hurricanes were missing a couple of wrestlers due to injury (Jasiah Munford and Johnson Sheaffer), and one who was playing in a post season all-star football game (Tyler Stevens). These absences would give some of Pamlico's younger grapplers an opportunity to gain some much-needed experience. Pamlico got team wins over Tarboro (54-21), and East Carteret (42-24), but fell to Southwest Onslow (22-53), Ayden-Grifton (21-60), and Havelock (18-54). Excepting a girl's tournament on Monday (18th), Pamlico has a holiday break until the new year. The break is coming at a great time for the Hurricanes as they look to get healthy for the season home stretch.



Senior wrestlers; (L to R) Breanna Hudson (manager), Bryan "Big Rig" Riggs, Dominic Griffin, Jaquan Johnson, Jake Whitley, Tyler Stevens, Carlee Johnson (manager)



In girls action, the queen of the mat, Diana Harper pins her opponent



Jaquan Johnson gives a lift to his Manteo opponent

Pamlico County First Responders Honor Sergeant Jones

by: Hiram Lupton



The First Responders of Pamlico County including Fire, Rescue, and Emergency Management personnel honored Detention Sergeant Russell Jones last Friday during his funeral procession. Sergeant Jones lost his life in the line of duty after suffering a medical emergency in the Detention Center on December 6th. Personnel stood at attention with lighted, parked vehicles at the intersection of Hwy 55 and 304 as the procession passed. Members of the law enforcement community were also present in the convoy with representation of at least 20 different enforcement agencies, some coming from as far away as California, Michigan, and Texas to honor their fallen comrade.

ACS vs PCMS

by: Hiram Lupton



There was some inter-county basketball action Monday evening in Stonewall as the Arapahoe Charter School Bobcats visited the Pamlico Middle School Hurricanes for a 2-game set. The Hurricanes got the better of the Bobcats on this occasion, 32-20 in the girls game, and 47-10 in the boys match up. ACS will get another crack at the 'Canes on their home court on January 9 when PCMS visits Arapahoe for a rematch.



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WEEKEND WEATHER

Saturday, December 23rd **53° Hi** Partly cloudy throughout the day

Sunday, December 24th **62° Hi** Cloudy throughout the day



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COMMUNITY

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On the First Day of Christmas, North Carolina gave to me.... The Moravian Star.

sented the Star of Bethlehem. Traditionally, the star is hung on the first Sunday of Advent and remains up until Epiphany, January 6, or the time of the coming of the Magi.

The Moravian communities in North Carolina quickly adopt them as well, and their popularity quickly radiates out from Forsyth County across the state.

The Christmas Tree actually appears at about the same time, Introduced by the thousands of Hessian Soldiers who stay behind after the Revolution. Later the waves of German immigrants who flock to America's shores cling to the Christmas Tree as a symbol of German culture. The first documented Christmas Tree in America is in Williamsburg in 1842, at the home of a German immigrant



professor at William and Mary. It is decorated with candles and Moravian Stars.

Today, the porches and front doors of a majority of North Carolina homes across the state are lit by Moravian Stars for the holiday season. The Moravian Star is the single decoration that unites us all across the state as North Carolinians.

The star proclaims the hope of Advent: The Light shines in the darkness, and the darkness has not overcome it. It is the message of the Advent star, which hung over the humble manger of the infant Jesus, who would later say: "I am the bright and Morning Star." It is the star of promise, the star of fulfillment, and the star of hope.

~ Kevin E. Spencer, Author, North Carolina Expatriates

Girls on the Run of Pamlico County

Girls on the Run of Pamlico County, still going strong after 14 years, recently completed its fall season. This activity based after-school program, held at Fred A. .Anderson Elementary School, provided 3rd, 4th, and 5th graders with a wide range of strategies that will help them navigate their school years and beyond. Through games and run-

ning, they learned more about their unique strengths, developed healthier peer and family relationships, and contributed to their community through a self-selected impact project. The all- volunteer and trained coaches are so proud of this group of girls, wish them the best, and look forward to seeing some of them next season.



Knowing she did her best as she crossed the finish line.



Dozens of runners, family members, friends, volunteers, coaches, and community sponsors participated in the 5K Fun Run.



All the weeks of stamina and strength building paid off, shown in this runner's expression.



Junior coach Kendal Hartley gladly volunteered her time to share coping strategies through a fun game.

THIS WEEK IN HISTORY

by: Hiram Lupton

- December 20th – Today is Go Caroling Day. I'm going out and find a girl named Carol and celebrate.
- December 21st – Today is the first day of winter, at 10:27 PM.
- December 22nd – Today is National Re-Gifting Day. OK, who wants this label maker?
- December 23rd – Happy Festivus!
- December 24th – Today is Christmas Eve. I tried to make amends to Santa, but I will just have to accept that I have enjoyed being bad and find some use for the coal in my stocking
- December 25th – Merry Christmas! "For unto you is born this day in the city of David a Savior, who is Christ the Lord."
- December 26th – Today is National Whiners Day. If you wanted a new baseball glove for Christmas, but only got underwear, go ahead and whine about it. Nobody cares, but go ahead anyway.

BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK

- December 20th – 1966, Singer Chris Robinson (The Black Crows)
- December 21st – 1948, Actor Samuel L. Jackson
- December 22nd – 1962, Actor Ralph Fiennes
- December 23rd – 19??, Pamlico County Economic Development Director, Beth Bucksot
- December 24th – 19??, Pamlico County School Board Member Helen Gibbs
- 19??, PCPS Principal Savannah Alexander
- December 25th – 19??, Loyal reader of the Pamlico News, Suellen Manning
- 1946, Jimmy Buffett



Photos by: Hiram Lupton

Concerned about your drinking?
You are not alone, there is help available!
Come join others who have found a Solution!
Alcoholics Anonymous: New Bern Hotline (252) 633-3716

Meetings in Pamlico County:

(If you think you may have a problem, you are welcome to attend)
Tuesday 8pm - Oriental Group - Open Discussion Meeting held at the Free Will Baptist Church 600 Ragan Rd. in Oriental, NC (2nd brick building on left off Hwy 55)
Thursday *7:30pm** - Recovery and Beyond Group - Beginner/Open Discussion Meeting at Alliance United Methodist Church, 687 Main Street in Bayboro, NC (close to DSS/Senior Center)
Friday 8pm - Oriental Group - Open Discussion Meeting held at the Free Will Baptist Church, 600 Ragan Road in Oriental, NC (2nd brick building on left off Hwy 55).
Sunday *7pm – Oriental Sunday Night Group - Big Book/12 & 12 Study Meeting held at St. Thomas Episcopal Church, 402 Freemason St. in Oriental, NC (2nd brick church on the left)
<https://aaeasternnc.org/> <https://aanorthcarolina.org/> <https://www.aa.org/>

OTHER RECOVERY RESOURCES IN PAMLICO COUNTY

Al-Anon Tuesday **7pm** - Meeting at 403 Mildred Street in Oriental, NC (Green House) (Members are people, just like you, who are worried about someone with a drinking problem). <https://al-anon.org>
Adult Children of Alcoholics (ACOA) Monday 6:30-8pm (Open Meeting) and Saturday 6:30-8pm (Women Only) both meetings are held at the Free Will Baptist Church, 600 Ragan Rd. in Oriental (2nd brick building on left off Hwy 55) (ACOA is concerned with the impact and after-effects of growing up in alcoholic or dysfunctional circumstances) <https://adultchildren.org/>
Narcotics Anonymous (NA) Wednesday 7pm - Never Alone Group: Meeting held at Alliance United Methodist Church, 687 Main Street, Bayboro, NC (close to DSS/Senior Center) (NA is a group of peers who offers a plan for recovery and an ongoing support network for addicts who wish to pursue and maintain a drug-free lifestyle) <https://na.org/>

Horoscopes



ARIES – Mar 21/Apr 20
This week you may be interested in unusual art forms or creative things in nature, Aries. Therefore, try to enjoy outings that may bring you to exhibits by local artists or craft shows.



TAURUS – Apr 21/May 21
Taurus, an old friend may come to visit for the holidays and you can rekindle your relationship after many years. Even though it's been some time, you'll be glad to see one another.



GEMINI – May 22/Jun 21
An unexpected invitation comes your way, Gemini. It may include a short trip to visit someone or a brief vacation to a place you've always wanted to see.



CANCER – Jun 22/Jul 22
New career opportunities are available to reawaken your ambition, Cancer. You might come across some possibilities this week that you hadn't imagined.



LEO – Jul 23/Aug 23
The excitement of making arrangements for a journey may actually excite you more than the trip itself. However, once you get to the destination, your enthusiasm will grow.



VIRGO – Aug 24/Sept 22
After a visit from a friend or family member who you haven't seen in a while, long-forgotten memories are recalled. This will be an interesting trip down memory lane.



LIBRA – Sept 23/Oct 23
This week you may learn something new that you never realized about your spouse or current partner, Libra. It can be exciting realizing wonderful things about the one you love.



SCORPIO – Oct 24/Nov 22
Scorpio, exciting new developments will arise in your career. A solution may come to light or plans you've been making will suddenly come to fruition.



SAGITTARIUS – Nov 23/Dec 21
Your desire to travel may have awakened a new interest in you, Sagittarius. This could inspire you to make plans to visit far off lands in the year to come.



CAPRICORN – Dec 22/Jan 20
Welcomed, but unexpected communications from a close friend could come your way, Capricorn. This may segue into a journey or some social occasion.



AQUARIUS – Jan 21/Feb 18
Aquarius, you may desire to keep your distance from certain individuals, but they manage to find you anyway. Keep things cordial until you can once again move on.



PISCES – Feb 19/Mar 20
You are receptive to new ideas, Pisces, and that may mean you could relocate for a new and promising career. Keep all of your options open.

SAGITTARIUS Traits & Overview

The final fire sign of the zodiac, Sagittarius traits are unlike any other sign of the zodiac; they're totally unique to this brazen spirit. As a professional astrologer with almost 10 years of experience, I can honestly say that there is no zodiac sign like Sagittarius. What makes Sagittarius so unique is its dynamic blend of passion, curiosity, intensity, and adaptability. Represented by the archer (a half-man, half-horse centaur), Sagittarius isn't afraid to use its bow and arrow to explore expansive terrain, seeking answers in places and spaces others wouldn't dare venture. Whether they're white water rafting down a river in some undisclosed location or taking a pilgrimage to a sacred site to uncover secrets about an ancient civilization, Sagittarius' quest for knowledge knows no bounds.

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Pamlico Community College

PCC's Spring 2024 Course Schedule now available online, in print

By Sandy Wall

Pamlico Community College's Spring 2024 Course Schedule should begin showing up in area mailboxes within the next week or so. It is available online now at www.pamlicocc.edu.

The 32-page Spring publication lists a complete schedule of seated and online curriculum courses for students who are interested in earning associate degrees, diplomas or certificates, as well as transferable college credits.

Additionally, the document features 13 pages of versatile, short-term Continuing Education courses and programs designed for men and women who are looking for new careers or who want to become more valuable in their current jobs.

This Spring's Continuing Education courses include popular offerings in health care, including Nurse Aide I and II, Medication Aide, Dialysis Technician and more in-demand fields. There also are courses available in Plumbing and Marine Diesel Engines, reflecting the college's commitment to providing hands-on skills training for the community.

Additionally, the Spring 2024 Course Schedule contains information about the college's Small Business Center, its full slate of Emergency Medical Services and Firefighting courses, the Career Resource Center's programs and its fun Cultural & Life Enrichment classes.

The release of PCC's Course Schedule comes about three weeks before the registration period for the Spring semester. Registration for curriculum courses is set for Jan. 3 and 4, 2024, from 8:30 a.m. to 7 p.m. at the Johnson Building on campus.

Registration for tuition-free N.C. Career & College Promise (CCP) courses for high school juniors and seniors will take place Jan. 8 and 9, 2024, from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. daily at the Mattocks Center in Bayboro.

Seated classes will begin Jan. 11, 2024. Online courses start Jan. 26, 2023.

Meanwhile, enrollment for short-term Continuing Education courses takes place throughout the semester, based on the start dates of the respective classes.

Make 2024 your year!
It's time to register at your nationally recognized community college!
Great opportunities inside! Get ready for success!



SPRING 2024 COURSE SCHEDULE
January to May 2024



Pamlico Community College's 32-page Spring 2024 Course Schedule features a comprehensive overview of the classes and programs the college plans to offer in the first half of the new year. It should be arriving in local mailboxes soon. It is also available online at www.pamlicocc.edu. Contributed image

Financial aid is available for qualified students interested in both curriculum and Continuing Education courses.

For more information about getting prepared for curriculum registration, contact the college at studentservices@pamlicocc.edu or 252-249-1851, ext. 3001. For more information about short-term Continuing Education courses, contact Lori Giles at 252-249-1851, ext. 3015, or lgiles@pamlicocc.edu.

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PCHS Theater Arts Christmas Production

The Pamlico County High School Theater Arts program once again outdid themselves last Thursday and Friday evening, with a holiday triple feature that featured three separate productions which each explored the meaning of Christmas in their own way. "The Gift of the Magi", based on the short story by O. Henry dates back to 1905 and tells the story of a young couple who face the challenge of buying gifts for each other at Christmas with very little money. "Fruitcake: The gift that keeps on giving", was a comedic short dealing with a much-maligned Christmas desert and the time-honored tradition of regifting. The finale of the night was holiday classic, "A Charlie Brown Christmas." The 2-night performances had great acting, directing, stage props, and wardrobe which left attendees leaving with an abundance of Christmas spirit.



– The entire Peanuts gang was on hand for "A Charlie Brown Christmas"

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FINANCIAL FOCUS

Time: A key element of investing



Dan M. Roberts

Who knows where the time goes? We’ve reached the end of another year, so it’s appropriate to reflect on the nature of time and how it affects us. And time certainly is a key element in the pursuit of your financial goals.

As an investor, time can be your greatest ally. If you hold some investments for the long term, you could achieve an impressive cumulative growth in value. Furthermore, if you keep adding shares to these investments, possibly through a dividend reinvestment plan, you could attain “growth on growth” through the power of compounding. Of course, when you own equity investments, you will experience market fluctuations, but in general, the longer you hold these investments, the more you can reduce the effects of market volatility.

- But you also need to consider aspects of time in these contexts:
- *Checking progress on achieving goals* – When you establish a goal, such as saving for a child’s education or your own retirement, you know the end date of when you’ll need the money, but it’s also important to mark your progress along the way. So, each year, see how far along you are in meeting your goal. If you’re falling behind, you may need to adjust your investment mix.
 - *Choosing an appropriate strategy* – The time needed to achieve a goal should drive your investment strategy for that goal. For example, when you are saving for a retirement that won’t happen for three or four decades, you will need to invest for growth by placing a reasonable percentage of equities and equity-based investments in your portfolio, based on your comfort with the various types of risk, including interest rate risk, credit risk and market risk. You will experience some bumps along the way —

keep in mind that the value of investments will fluctuate and the loss of some or all principal is possible — but you likely have time to overcome the “down” periods. On the other hand, when you are saving for a short-term goal, such as a vacation or a new car or a wedding, you’ll want a set amount of money available precisely when you need it. In this case, you may need to sacrifice some growth potential for investments whose principal value won’t fluctuate, such as certificates of deposit (CDs) and bonds.

Keep in mind, though, that when you’re investing for long- and short-term goals, it doesn’t have to be just one strategy or the other. You can save for retirement with primarily growth vehicles but still have room in your portfolio for shorter-term instruments. And even when you’re specifically investing for some short-term goal, you can’t forget about your need to save and invest for retirement.

And here’s one final point about the relationship between time and investing: Your risk tolerance can, and probably will, change over the years. As you near retirement, you may feel the need to adjust your portfolio toward a more conservative approach. That’s because you may want to consolidate any gains you might have achieved while also recognizing that you simply have less time to bounce back from down markets. Still, even in retirement, you’ll need some growth potential in your portfolio to help you stay ahead of inflation.

When you invest, one of your biggest considerations is time — so use it wisely.

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NC COOPERATIVE EXTENSION

Pamlico County

4-H Fun for the Holiday Break



Kait Neeland
4-H Agent

It’s one of my favorite times of year! Christmas lights are up, holiday music is playing, and kids are about to go off on holiday break. While I’m very excited and hope everyone’s break is full of holiday cheer, a more than two week break is plenty of time for kids to get bored. When guests have gone home, and presents unwrapped, and all the once a year foods have been eaten. Kids feel like this too, and sometimes it’s far too easy to cozy up for some netflix.

Some netflix however can quickly turn into a lot of netflix, or doom scrolling. That isn’t always that satisfying. Science experiments, however, are always satisfying. The questions that get asked. The laughter. The MESS! Many 4-H Science Experiments can be done with things you already have in your home. 4-H has a ton of super fun experiments. I have a few favorites, one of those is ‘What’s an Experiment?’ which is all about teaching kids about the scientific method. It’s a great way to get kids asking questions, and even better seeking answers.

What is an Experiment? An experiment is the process used to test a hypothesis (idea), or to demonstrate a fact. So how do we go about learning? By actually observing, hypothesizing, and conducting an experiment. We start with an empty 16 oz bottle, ½ a cup of white vinegar, one side of a tissue pulled apart, and two tablespoons of baking soda. (If you want to have a lot of fun add some food coloring.) Place your bottle in a tray to catch the over through. Gather the kids around, add the vinegar to the bottle, add the two tablespoons of baking soda, and let the kids observe.

Ask the kids what they observed. Then hold up a plastic baggy and ask them if they think they can make it explode with the right combination of vinegar and baking soda. Ask them to choose three amounts of vinegar ranging from ¼ a cup to 1 ½ cups of vinegar. Then ask them to choose three amounts of vinegar between 1 tablespoon and 5 tablespoons. Then ask them to hypothesis which combination will make the baggy explode. It’s important to remember to use the tissues as a delayed release, otherwise the gas created by the reaction will escape and will not make the baggy explode.

Another favorite experiment that is always a fun time is “Rubber Egg”. It’s a bit of chemistry that can explore the different elements that construct an egg: the calcium carbonate shell; the semipermeable membrane of the eggs sack, and how acids can affect them.



This is a good experiment to start at the beginning of break. It makes for plenty of observation time, and great conversation when family and friends are over. To make a rubber egg you will need a clear glass jar, a raw egg, and enough vinegar to cover the egg twice. To start, place the egg in the glass, and cover it with vinegar. Then place the jar in a safe place where it won’t be knocked over, and label it so no one accidentally throughout your science experiment. Let the egg sit overnight. You will see lots of bubbles and foam. The next day carefully rinse off the foam and bubbles, then place the egg back in jar and recover with vinegar. Make observations over the next six days.

Observe the egg every day to see how it is changing. On the sixth day remove the egg from the jar, throw out the vinegar and give the egg a careful rinse. What do you see? What do you feel? On an easily cleanable surface drop the egg a few inches. What happens? Raise the egg a little and let it drop again.

This is a fun experiment to introduce kids to chemistry and experiments. If you’d like a print out of either of these experiments, or some of our other science experiments, give us a call or an email. If you’re hoping for some boredom busting with some other people, we can help with that too.

Registration for the Coastal Plains Chicken Show is open! The Coastal Plains Chicken Show is an annual chicken show that allows our 4-Her the opportunity to learn how to properly care for and show chickens. Children can choose to show either laying chickens or broiler chickens. They raise the chickens from young chicks learning how to feed and care for them, about their anatomy, what characteristics make them either good layers or good broilers, as well as how to show a chicken.

The Coastal Plains Chicken show is a lot of fun for our 4-Hers. All participants must be registered in 4-H Online. If you are interested in any of these programs or would like to learn about all of the opportunities that 4-H has to offer please give us a call. We are always happy to talk about all of the opportunities 4-H has, stop by the office anytime!

You can also get a head start on registration for specific programs by enrolling in Pamlico County 4-H Online. You can access the link on our website. If you have any questions about accessing 4-H Online or the enrollment process please give us a call and we will be happy to walk you through it. You can also sign up for our Pamlico 4-H Email list. To learn more about all 4-H programs in Pamlico County contact Kait Neeland at (252) 745-4121, or kait_neeland@ncsu.edu, or check us out online at pamlico.ces.ncsu.edu. Don’t FORGET to REGISTER, spaces will fill up!!

The best ways to store and serve champagne

No New Year’s Eve celebration would be complete without a champagne toast to ring in the new year. Champagne is a vital component of many special occasions, such as anniversaries, retirement parties and weddings.

Champagne is a sparkling wine from the Champagne region of France, though the term “champagne” is often mistakenly used in reference to any type of bubbly.

Champagne is a wine and, like merlot or pinot grigio, it has specific storage and serving temperatures to ensure top flavor. According to ThermoWorks, wines have specific layers of flavor that are most effectively enjoyed when they’re experienced at the proper temperature. In wine, temperature affects alcohol, acid and aromatics. ThermoWorks suggests a temperature of 45 F for champagne.

In addition to controlling temperature, there are other ways to help ensure champagne reaches the palate in optimal fashion. Grape Escapes, a wine tasting and touring company, says that champagne is already

aged properly before being sold, so it does not necessarily benefit from extra aging in the bottle. When kept too long (beyond 10 years for vintage cuvées), some effervescence may be lost and the flavor will change.

Bottles of champagne should be stored horizontally in a well-chilled environment. They should be kept away from bright or artificial light. Chilling also will help reduce the “pop” and overflow of the bubbly. If you purchase champagne and need to chill it for serving, you can achieve this by either chilling it in the fridge for three hours before serving, or in a Champagne bucket in a mixture of ice and water for 30 minutes.

Etiquette experts say it is preferable to open a bottle of champagne with a hiss rather than a large pop. To achieve this, chill the champagne and also open the bottle very slowly and with a great deal of control.

When the champagne is opened, Daniel Brennan, PR and communications director at Champagne Laurent-Perrier, advises taking your time pouring a little champagne into each glass to allow the bubbles to settle.

Then return to the first glass to pour more, helping to make the champagne less likely to froth. Do not tilt the glass like pouring a beer, rather pour the champagne gently down the inside of the glass.

The shape of the glass comes down to preference. Traditional coupes look the part, but tulip-shaped flutes will produce more bubbles and help capture the flavor and aromas of the champagne.

It’s ideal to drink all of the champagne in a bottle, as it will begin to lose its fizz immediately after opening, yet that isn’t always possible. A specialized champagne stopper will help keep the champagne fresh for up to two days after opening. Aftering the bottle has been opened, refrigerate it.

Do not wash champagne glasses in the dishwasher. Hand wash and allow to drip dry. Soap or fibers from towels can impede bubble formation in the glass during subsequent pourings.

Learning how to properly store and serve champagne can enhance special occasions.

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Celebrating 125 Years

Everyone, mark your calendar for the town’s birthday celebration!

by Sally Belangia

The Town of Oriental will be celebrating 125 Years on March 1-3, 2024! We want to invite all our local businesses, organizations, and residents to participate in the celebration. 2024 is the Year of the Dragon; the perfect year for Oriental to celebrate!

Businesses can participate in a variety of ways. Activities you may consider during normal business hours are an Open House, hosting a storyteller, historian, or entertainment, presenting your business’s history, dressing in period clothing, or, offering sale promotions, such as discounts and specials. What you do is up to you. Your ideas are welcome.

We also need local nonprofits, volunteers, and residents to be involved. This could include being storytellers at various locations in town; being a craft or food vendor on Saturday; hosting an event for kids; or hosting a presentation of the history of your organization.

We want to have a local play performed; called, “Breakfast at Brantley’s.” Weather permitting, a parade and a street dance will begin and end Saturday’s activities. If it is not too cold, how about a small sailboat race or another activity for the sailing clubs? Of course, we are hoping all our churches will be involved that weekend with music, food, or combined services.

We plan to have a Program of all the events with local ads and sponsorships. This is a Community Event for all! We have a committee working hard on sponsorships and ads and will let you know the details.

If anyone from the community is interested, please contact sallybelangia@townoforiental.com or 252-671-9288 to find out more information. Let’s all celebrate Oriental, the town we love!

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SPORTS

Hurricane Hardcourt Report

by: Hiram Lupton

The PCHS Hurricanes hit the floor for contests against two opponents last week, a home contest against West Craven and an away visit to West Carteret. Last Tuesday the Eagles flew in to Pamlico and the Varsity girls showed the growing pains of a very young team gaining experience as West Craven handed The Hurricanes the loss, 64-23. The veteran men's squad had their way with the Eagles, shooting them down, 65-58. Jayden Williams led the way for the 'Canes with 19 points and was hot from the outside hitting 4 of 9 3-point shots. The Senior Guard also pulled down 9 rebounds falling just one board shy of a double-double. Junior Tariq Barber added 18 points for Pamlico. The very next evening Pamlico made the trip to Morehead City to battle West Carteret and the girls squad showed why talent plus inexperience is a fickle thing. The Hurricanes, led by Freshman Sidney Whitley-Reece's 24 points beat the 3A Patriots, 45-43. Senior Center Dania Galvan-Veliz was working hard once again inside, pulling down 12 rebounds. The men battled hard against their bigger foe, but came up just short in a tight contest from beginning to end, 74-66.



Kyliyah Barber



Jayden Williams



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The remarkable musicianship and engaging personality of concert pianist Solomon Eichner will be on stage once again in Oriental, and you won’t want to miss the experience! A renowned scholar of Sergei Rachmaninoff’s life and works, Eichner will be performing a program in celebration of that composer’s 150th birthday, presented by the Pamlico Musical Society at 4:30 pm Sunday, January 14, 2024 at The Old Theater in Oriental. Two seasons ago, Eichner mesmerized the audience here with his musicality and technical prowess, interwoven with stories, history, and societal context around the classical composers whose works he performed. The Salisbury Post describes Eichner’s performances as “spirited and vivacious,” and the audience two years ago at the Old Theater agreed – earning him a standing ovation.

A graduate of the Peabody Conservatory and Manhattan School of Music, Eichner currently resides in Chapel Hill and tours widely in the United States and abroad as a soloist and chamber musician. Recent performances include Beethoven’s Triple Concerto with the North Carolina Symphony, the 75th anniversary of the liberation of Auschwitz at the Krakow Philharmonic Hall, Jewish Cultural Center and at Auschwitz for a crowd of over 20,000 people.



As described by fellow concert pianist Dr. Marina Lomazov from the Eastman School of Music, “Solomon displays uncommon gifts at the piano. His large-scale conceptions create expansive narrative in his performances, and his explosive temperament makes every note ring with energy and excitement.” Come join us on January 14th and see for yourselves!

Tickets to the concert are \$25 and are available in Oriental at Nautical Wheelers, 411 Broad Street, in New Bern at Nautical Wheelers, 202A Craven Street, and online at www.pamlicomusic.org.

For helping to make this concert possible, the Pamlico Musical Society wishes to thank our season sponsor, Beth Frazer Real Estate & Rentals, and individual sponsors: Lauri & Jay Gates and Trish Mead. We are also grateful for a 2023-24 Organization Support Grant from the North Carolina Arts Council, a Division of the Department of Cultural Resources.

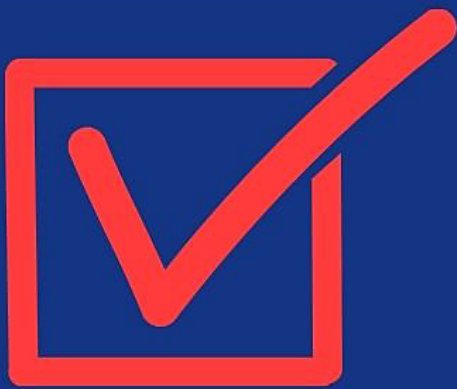
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SPORTS

Pamlico Christian Academy Athletics
Mariner Basketball

by: Hiram Lupton

The Pamlico Christian Academy basketball teams had a pair of contests last week beginning with a trip to New Bern on Monday to face the Epiphany Falcons in a nonconference game. The girls took a loss, 43-23 while the boys team let one slip away in the final minute, 49-47. PCA was led by Sophomores James Howard who scored 23 points and Max Cruz who chipped in 17. The next evening PCA got back to the winning side by both squads against the Trojans of Bethel Christian Academy. The girls came away with a 42-29 win, while the boys triumphed 41-36. Howard and Cruz once again led the Mariners with 12 points apiece. PCA basketball now takes a Christmas break and will next get back on the court on January 4 with a visit to Gramercy Christian followed by a home contest on January 5 with Mount Calvary Christian Academy in a conference matchup.



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The Pamlico County Christmas Parade

by: Hiram Lupton

The Pamlico County Christmas Parade always gets attendees into the holiday spirit. This year's parade was one of the largest in recent memory with classis cars, floats, bands, and parade entries of all sizes and shapes. There was also plenty of candy for the kids and of course Santa, who arrived with Mrs. Claus riding in the new Pamlico County Sheriff's Department Special Operations Watercraft.



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AROUND THE COUNTY

Pamlico Betty Jo Rodgers, *Correspondent*



The weather in Pamlico has been rainy and blustery for the past two weekends. Happily, it has not affected the local parades in Oriental and Bayboro, although the parade in Edwrđ slated for Sunday at 3:00 pm was probably a little damp.

The new sign for Stonewall Methodist Church is being installed this week. The sign includes the logo for the Global Methodist Church and also the date the church was established. Yes, it was established in 1794 when our country was just a teenager.

A lot has been going on around the county including band concerts, choral concerts, ringing bells for the Salvation Army, and breakfasts with Santa. So, many people, like me will need the spiritual vitamin this week. I sang with two different churches in their cantatas and am scheduled to go caroling at Carolina East Hospital with the adjunct chaplains and other hospital volunteers on Monday evening.

The Christmas Parade in Bayboro was well attended and seemed longer than usual. The Stonewall Methodist Youth Group met after the parade for their annual Christmas Bingo Party. As usual they read the Christmas story from Luke 2 and then they also read the story of The Fourth Wise Man that was written by Norman Vincent Peale. They feasted on pizza and other goodies and won lots of prizes. They each got a little Christmas present before they went home.

Alliance United Methodist Church presented their cantata “Best Gift of All” on December 17, 2023, at 7:00 pm. There was a good group in attendance even though the weather was wet and windy. Refreshments were served in the fellowship hall after the service.




Thursday, December 21, 2023, at 7:00 pm, Stonewall Methodist Church will have a “longest night service”, also sometimes referred to as a “Blue Christmas Service.” It is a time of remembrance and a chance to light a candle for your loved one. Craig Cooper will provide special music. There will be a special Christmas Eve Communion Service at 6:00 pm on December 24, 2023, at Stonewall Methodist Church. It will feature singer Mary Hubbell and actress Melanie Galloway portraying Mary, the mother of Jesus in a silent communion.

Celebrating birthdays in December are Ernest Dunn and Sam Lane (12/21), Beth Stowe Wood (12/23), Savanah Alexander (12/24), Jesus (12/25), Larry Gwaltney (12/26) and Pam Hannah (12/27).

Have a blessed week. Zapped? Take Spiritual Vitamin Z. "Who gave himself for us, that he might redeem us from all iniquity, and purify unto himself a peculiar people, zealous of good works." (Titus 2:14)

Whortonsville Reba Tiller, *Correspondent*



What a lousy Sunday, rİsing water, wind, and cold. I finally felt well enough to go to church but I hated to get out in this terrible weather. There are so many folks with health problems right now I don,Äôt want to get out . I am trying to get the holiday spirit but is really hard. After the loss of my sister two weeks ago I am the only one left in a family of nine. I do have many nieces and nephews who get together for lunch in the Rose Hill Restaurant once a month. The Spirit of Christmas came off very well.

The Pamlico Chorale concert was beautiful and I want to thank the audience and all the performers. Wanted to go to New Bern today to see Ann Watson directing the Centenary Cantata but the weather stopped me. The Pamlico Chorale is taking a month off so everyone can get well from all these viruses that are floating around. Alex and Stephanie were busy today taking care of the oysters before the rain shut him down. I am so sorry I was sick last Sunday and missed seeing the Silverthorne family. Thought for the week,ÄiOne week to finish your shopping!

Rotary Club of Oriental John J. Mitchell, Past President



Well here we are Christmas is days away, the New Year following quickly after it. Another year is about to end and a new clean slate begins to start. The Rotary year still has a way to go seeing as our year starts on July1st and ends on June 30th.We have a lot to do ahead of us.

The past couple of weeks we have rang bells for the Salvation Army, served breakfast for the Traditional Luby's annual event which returned after a two year absence, and will have our annual Christmas gathering were we will collect toys for the children of Pamlico County.

We have been preparing for the balance of our year by getting ready for the biggest event of our club, the Rotary Club of Oriental Boat Show this coming April. An event that brings vendors from across the state along with many, many visitors .Then there's the


October Car show, hopefully not under the same conditions at this year's event. The happiest item will be the distribution of our scholarships to our students.

I won't continue with the list because it's time to wish all that read this column will have a blessed Christmas and a Happy and healthy New Year.

We thank you all who have supported our efforts over the year and we will continue to greatly appreciate you all.

Merry Christmas and Happy 2024 to you all
From the Rotary Club of Oriental
May we have peace on this big blue marble
See you in the New Year
JJM

Vandemere Sandra Snipes, *Correspondent*



The Town of Vandemere is alive and enjoying the holiday season to the fullest. The Vandemere Social Event Committee along with the community poured all their energy, time, and talents into making a memorable float for the 2023 Pamlico County Christmas Parade. The float was fashioned as a train, paying homage to the Atlantic Coastline Railroad that once rolled down Pennsylvania Avenue in the 1940s. The float was given the number “307” to represent State

Road 307(aka Pennsylvania Avenue) that stretches down the center of Vandemere. Thank you to all who helped make this float so special and come to life; from the team that constructed the float, those who decorated it, and those who supported and walked with us. Special shout out to the youth who participated with us, too! Looking forward to next year!

Check out our website, www.vandemerenc.com , and experience what Vandemere is all about. Happy Holidays!



Recycle and reduce waste for the holidays

The holiday season is a special time of year. Individuals often spend a little more on gifts, indulge a little more on rich foods and treats and make a concerted effort to enjoy more time with their loved ones during the holidays.

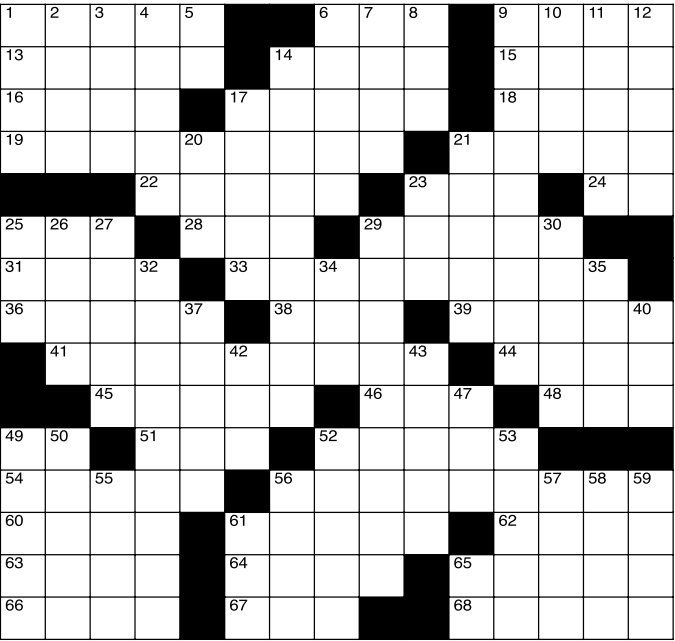
The tendency to overdo things during the holiday season can create a lot of waste. In fact, Americans produce 25 percent more garbage from Thanksgiving through the end of the year, according to Waste Advantage magazine, a publication of the waste and recycling industry. That uptick equates to one million tons of extra trash per week throughout the holidays.

Extra food, plastic and paper waste is generated this time of year, but people can be mindful of the potential to go overboard and take some steps to be more waste-conscious as they entertain.

- Reuse a small portion of wrapping paper or look for other wrapping items. Sunday comics, newsprint, colorful magazine pages, and even pieces of fabric can be used to wrap gifts in lieu of purchasing new wrapping paper. Otherwise, collect used wrapping paper and reuse it next year, doing the same with boxes and bows. According to researchers at Stanford University, if every American family wrapped just three presents in reused materials, it would save enough paper to cover 45,000 football fields.

- Skip disposable party items. It's certainly easy to use disposable plates, napkins and cups when hosting holiday parties, but that is very wasteful. Opt for durable, reusable products that can be packed away and used each year during holiday events.
- Buy durable and reusable items as gifts. Avoid fad gifts and focus on items that will have staying power. Homemade gifts, such as foods, knitted scarves, artwork, and more, are generally eco-friendly.
- Set up marked trash and recycling receptacles. Remind party guests to recycle the appropriate materials by clearly marking a pail designed for collecting recyclables, such as cans, plastic beverage bottles and glass wine bottles. Most hard plastics can be recycled.
- Remove your name from catalog lists. Call companies and ask to be taken off promotional mailing lists to reduce paper waste.
- Send a photo. Mail holiday card recipients photos of the kids or the entire family in lieu of cards. They're apt to save the photos and display them, helping to keep even more paper trash out of landfills.
- Research new recipes for leftovers. With an abundance of food remaining after entertaining, turn leftovers into new meals by exploring recipes from friends or by doing a little research online. Waste can get out of control during the holidays, but there are ways to tame the excess.

CROSSWORD



CLUES ACROSS

1. Take weapons away from

6. Soviet Socialist Republic

9. Most ancient Hindu scriptures

13. Actress Lathan

14. Baseball's strikeout king

15. British codebreaker Turing

16. One who lives by disreputable dealings

17. Tropical American plant

18. Opposite of right

19. Importance

21. Monetary units

22. Lawmen

23. Cool!

24. Affirmative answer

25. Thrust horse power (abbr.)

28. Bravo! Bravo! Bravo!

29. Muslim nobleman

31. About aviation

33. Scientific instrument

36. Protests strongly

38. Not polished

39. Grab
41. Alias

44. Large wrestler

45. Relative quantities

46. One who is big and awkward

48. Sunscreen rating

49. Atomic #90

51. Mock

52. Whales

54. Peoples

56. A state of being unclothed

60. Ottoman military commanders

61. Gatherer of fallen leaves

62. Norse personification of old age

63. Muslim mystic

64. German river

65. Measuring instrument

66. Have witnessed

67. Disallow

68. Proverb

CLUES DOWN

1. Union of Soviet Socialist Republics

2. The back side of the neck

3. A type of imine

4. Black bird

5. Partner to "Pa"

6. Puts together in time

7. Lucid

8. Transmits genetic information from DNA to the cytoplasm

9. Demonstrates the truth of

10. Ancient Greek City

11. Nishi language

12. Slang for fidgety

14. Southwestern farmers

17. Metric weight unit

20. Instant replay in soccer

21. Less polished

23. Popular pickup truck model

25. Slang for a cigarette

26. Large pile

27. Solid geometric figure

29. One from the Big Apple
30. Male admirers

32. Balsam is one

34. Local area network

35. Canadian law enforcers

37. Koran chapters

40. Cooperstown, NY museum (abbr.)

42. Certificate (abbr.)

43. An official who carries a mace of office

47. Briefly in fashion

49. Volcanic ash

50. Dutch city

52. Made of wood

53. Legendary golfer

55. Restaurant

56. None

57. Spanish city

58. Stony waste matter

59. Father

61. Confederate soldier

65. The ancient Egyptian sun god

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2012 Dodge Charger

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The Town will accept sealed bids for the property until 3:00 p.m., Wednesday, December 20, 2023. Bids shall be delivered to the office of the town manager, 507 Church Street, Oriental, N.C.

At 3:00 p.m., Wednesday, December 20, 2023, all bids received shall be opened in public and the amount of each bid recorded. The record of bids shall be reported to the Board of Commissioners at their regular meeting on Tuesday, January 25, 2024.

The Board of Commissioners will determine the highest responsible bidder for the property and will award the bid by its regular meeting on January 25, 2024.

To be responsible a bid must be accompanied by a bid deposit of five percent (5%) of the amount of the bid. A bid deposit may take the form of cash, a cashier's check, a certified check, or a surety bond. The deposit of the bidder to whom the award is made will be held until sale of the property is closed; if that bidder refuses at any time to close the sale, the deposit will be forfeited to the Town. The deposits of other bidders will be returned at the time the Board of Commissioners awards the property to the highest responsible bidder.

In addition, to be responsible, a bidder must be current on payment of all property taxes owed to the Town.

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LEGALS

**NORTH CAROLINA IN THE
GENERAL COURT OF JUSTICE
PAMLICO COUNTY
SUPERIOR COURT DIVISION
NOTICE TO CREDITORS
AND DEBTORS OF
PATRICIA BRENNAN
CARAWAN
File No.: 23 E 240**

All persons, firms and corporations having claims against deceased, are notified to exhibit them to CHRISTOPHER ALLEN CARAWAN, Administrator, on or before February 27, 2024, at the

address listed below or be barred from their recovery. Debtors of the decedent are asked to make immediate payment to the above-named Administrator.

This 29th DAY OF NOVEMBER, 2023.

ESTATE OF PATRICIA BRENNAN CARAWAN
C/O CHRISTOPHER A. CARAWAN
59 VICTORIA DRIVE
CHOCOWINITY, NC 27817

Publish NOVEMBER 29,
DECEMBER 6, 13, AND 20, 2023

**Notice to Creditors
North Carolina, Pamlico
County**

All persons, firms and corporations having claims against the Estate of Alice W. Forrest, deceased, of Grantsboro, NC, are notified to present the same to the personal representative listed below on or before February 29, 2024, or this notice will be pleaded in bar of recovery. All debtors of the said

estate are asked to make immediate payment. This the 29th day of November, 2023.

Cindi M. Quay, Administrator
of the Estate of Alice W. Forrest
c/o Quay & Associates, P.A.
412 Broad Street
New Bern, NC 28560

PUBLICATION DATES:
11/29/2023; 12/6/2023;
12/13/2023; 12/20/23

INCIDENTS

Dec. 7, Hodges St., Oriental, death investigation
Dec. 7, Pine Lane, Grantsboro, welfare check
Dec. 7, NC Hwy 55, Stonewall, juvenile complaint
Dec. 9, Alfred Rd., Bayboro, break or enter any building - intent commit felony/larceny, larceny after breaking or entering
Dec. 9, Keel Rd., Alliance, simple assault
Dec. 10, Windward Dr., Oriental, death investigation
Dec. 10, Blackwell Point Rd., Oriental, disturbance
Dec. 13, Pennsylvania Ave., Vandemere, order for arrest driving while license revoked

INSPECTIONS

Nov. 20, Rob & Joan Lundqvist, Oriental, building/foundation repair, \$240.16; Tyrone Roome, Bayboro, mechanical, \$50
Nov. 21, Raymon Walker, Arapahoe, building, \$285.20; Duke Bayboro, Bayboro, cell tower/electric, \$50; Bobby Cahoon, Arapahoe, carport, \$219.40; Bobby Cahoon, Grantsboro, singlewide, \$235; Denard Potter, New Bern, 200 amp electric, \$100
Nov. 22, Dan Street, Arapahoe,

close porch, \$70.48

Nov. 27, William Mahaney, Oriental, electrical, \$50; David Wintler, Bayboro, office/bathroom, \$250; Rivers Edge Campground, Bayboro, plumbing/electric, \$1,600; Ann Batchelor, New Bern, mechanical, \$50; Doug Delisle, Bayboro, mechanical, \$50; Three Little Spats, Bayboro, plumbing, \$50; Tower Eng., New Bern, mechanical, \$50

Nov. 28, Jessica Mayo, Oriental, dock/pier, \$63.92; Dollar General, Grantsboro, mechanical/electric, \$100; Clyde Day, Bayboro, building, \$185

Nov. 29, Bill Scott, Oriental, mechanical, \$100; Streamline Dev., Arapahoe, new residential, \$1,342.16; Amanda Rowe, Alliance, electrical, \$50; Kenny Gray, Alliance, electrical, \$50; Michael & Lucie Jasuta, Minnesott Beach, new residential, \$1,693.86; Joe Kimble, Bayboro, electrical, \$100

Nov. 30, Lew Smith, Minnesott Beach, building/deck, \$86; Janet & Larry Schreier, Oriental, CAMA, \$269.68

Dec. 1, Steven Hollowell, Grantsboro, plumbing/gas line, \$50; Robert Parry, Oriental, plumbing/gas line, \$50

Dec. 4, Sea Gull Villas, Minnesott Beach, deck, \$71.60; Eveliner Hawkins, Bayboro, doublewide, \$260; Nell Graves, Oriental,

plumbing, \$50

Dec. 5, Eveliner Hawkins, Bayboro, demolition, \$0; Ambrose & Emily Kalmbach, Oriental, new residential, \$2,240.66; Barry Walker, Arapahoe, CAMA Bulkhead, \$121.50; George Hill, Oriental, CAMA Bulkhead, \$61.70

Dec. 6, Rebecca Phillips, New Bern, building/repair, \$50

Dec. 7, Joseph Tart, Bayboro, remodel, \$538.24

Dec. 8, John Swiskey, Merritt, mechanical, \$50; Diane Lupton, Bayboro, mechanical; Don Munn, Oriental, electrical 200 amp, \$100; Heartworks, Bayboro, building/roof over walkway, \$135.76

PROPERTY TRANSFERS

Dec. 11, 0.57 AC South Ave and Mildred St PIN J082-377 & J082-378 from River Neuse Suites, LLC, River Neuse Suites, LLC to Edmundo Sanchez, Martha Sanchez, \$2,500

Dec. 11, 0.01 AC South Ave & Mildred St, Quitclaim Deed from River Neuse Suites, LLC. River Neuse Suites, LLC to Edmundo Sanchez, Martha Sanchez, \$0

Dec. 11, 1/82 Und Int Tract WC Yacht Club, 1/82 Und Int Piers & Docks PCA 47-9 & PCA 130-2, Whittaker Creek Yacht Club Boat Slip No., W-15 PCA 47-9

& PCA 103-5 from Christopher Mitchell to Nausicaa Holdings, LLC, \$44

Dec. 11, 7 ¼ AC W/S SR 1343 PIN: G042-296 & G042-296-C from Dwight T. Wilkinson, Jr., Cora Wilkinson Foreman/AIF to Eascon Properties, LLC, \$120

Dec. 11, 2 Parcels Pleasant Acres Beard's Creek MB 3/22 Metes & Bounds, PIN E091-52 & E091-63; Undivided Interest from Marvin C. Mills, Marvin Cleveland Mills, Pamela Mills Hoke/AIF, Mary Jo Mills, Mary Jo Purser Mills to Marvin Cleveland Mills, Mary Jo Purser Mills, Pamela Mills Hoke, \$8

Dec. 11, Indian Lake Lot: 4. MB 12/35 PIN F-094-2-4 from Leonard Randall Hignite to Mark L. Mathisen, Marla J. Mathisen, \$50

Dec. 11, 1.02 AC NCSR 1324 & NCSR 1325 PIN: L07-24 from Connie Morris Mackey to Bryan Todd Hardison, \$520

Dec. 11, Baird Creek Point Lot: 12 Section I Phase II PCA 152-11 & 12; Baird Creek Point Marina Unit: 6, Condo Cabinet 1, Slide 11-15, Deed of Correction DB 719/706 from Edward Allen Buglovsky. Mary Karen Buglovsky to Peter Cozzolino, Corazon Cozzolino, \$0

Dec. 11, John & Edward Bond Lot: 11, MB 3/115 from Jane David to Jane David, Paul R. Jodoin, \$0

The Epiphany School of Global Studies
Earns SAIS Accreditation

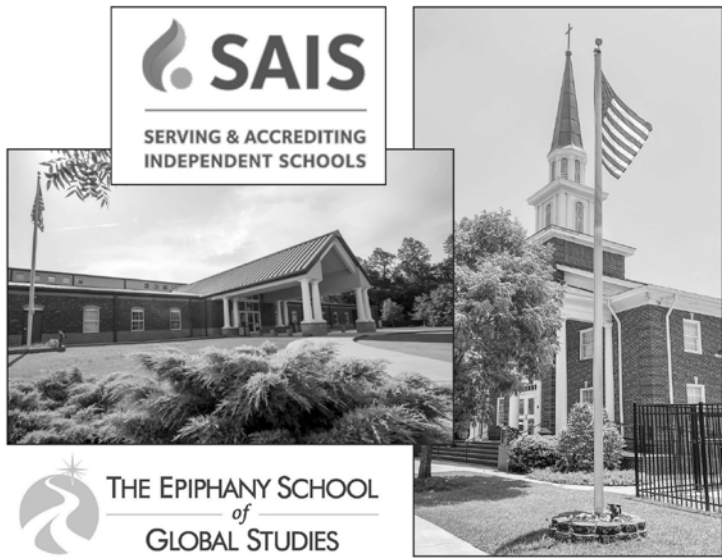
The Epiphany School of Global Studies is now a re-accredited member of SAIS. To earn accreditation from SAIS, Epiphany complied with quality standards, was evaluated by an outside group of peer professionals, and implemented a school plan focused on strategic improvement and student performance in accordance with the school's mission, which is as follows: The Epiphany School of Global Studies, anchored in the Judeo-Christian commandment to Love God and Your Neighbor as Yourself, is a comprehensive college-preparatory and globally-focused school where dynamic and innovative learning is stretched beyond the classroom walls, emphasizing the knowledge, skills, creativity, adaptability, curiosity, and international experiences students will need to flourish in an increasingly globalized 21st century.

A team representing SAIS conducted an on-site visit to review this school's self-study and standards compliance and its adherence to its mission. The team was comprised of diverse educational leaders from institutions across the region. The visiting team sought the answers to critical strategic questions the school answered during the process of preparing for the visit.

SAIS accredited member schools are part of an international network of accredited schools that have demonstrated success in educating children. As such, SAIS accreditation is recognized throughout the world as a symbol of quality in education for students and teachers.

"We are very excited about this accreditation by SAIS," said David Wang, Head of School for Epiphany. "This accreditation marks the third time Epiphany has achieved this endorsement, first in 2012, then in 2017, and now. It validates the hard work our students, teachers, and staff do on a daily basis. In addition to SAIS' approval, we have earned Cognia (formerly known as SACS) accreditation, another mark of excellence for our school."

In today's world of accountability in education, accreditation serves as a critical component of a school's demonstrated effectiveness and ability to provide successful schooling for children. A school that is able to achieve accreditation demonstrates a commitment to a process that requires the school to meet a set of rigorous standards; to engage in a program of continuous school improvement; and to demonstrate quality assurance to its stakeholders through self-evaluation and peer-review. SAIS accreditation provides schools access to an integrated network of services and technical assistance that supports every school's ability to



identify and meet its goals for improving the teaching and learning process and mission-focused outcomes for students.

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About Epiphany

Founded in 2006 by Nicholas and Catherine Sparks, The Epiphany School of Global Studies is an independent school, serving nearly 500 students in kindergarten through twelfth grade on its two campuses in the historic town of New Bern, North Carolina. The school is accredited by the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools (SACS) and the Southern Association of Independent Schools (SAIS).

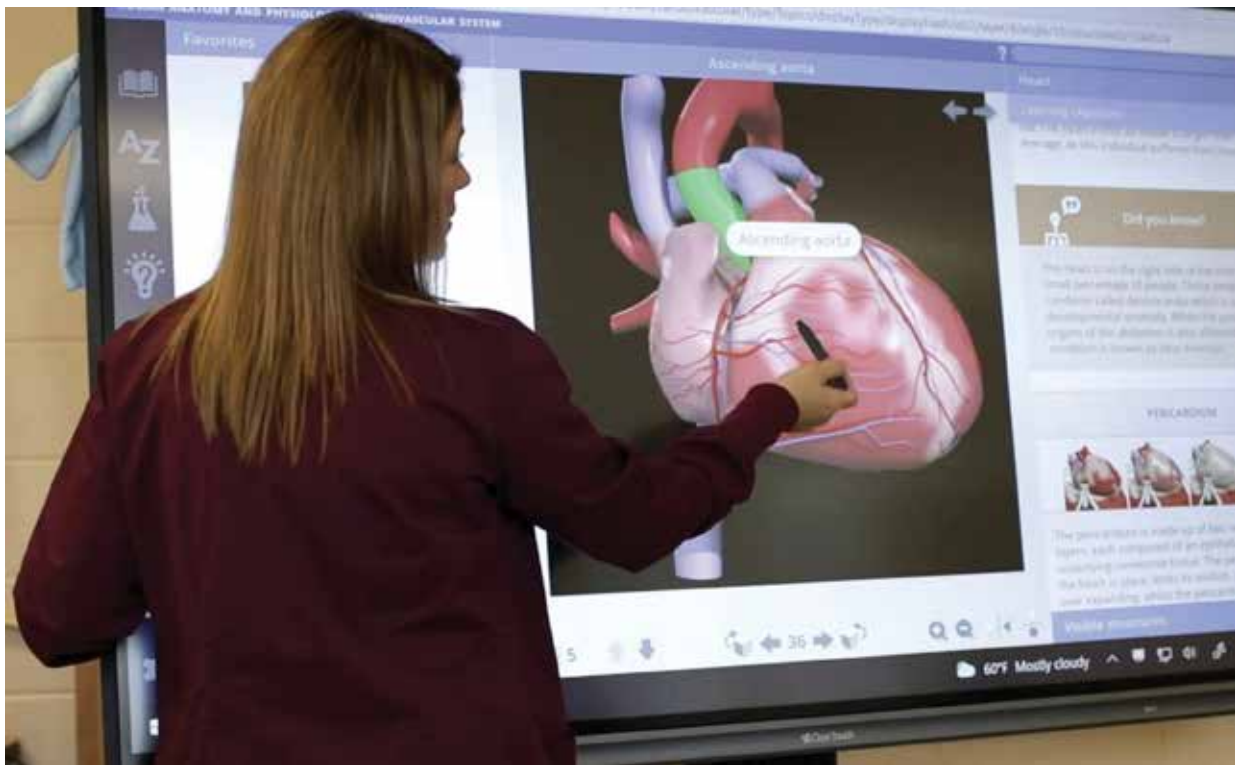
To learn more about The Epiphany School of Global Studies, visit www.epiphanyglobalschool.org.

Celebrating the new year

Celebrating the new year on January 1 is a relatively recent phenomenon. The calendar as we know it today has evolved several times and months have gone by different names. On the early Roman calendar, March was the first month of the 10-month calendar. That is why the last four months of the year have prefixes that coordinate with the seventh (September), eighth (October), ninth (November), and tenth (December) numerals. King Numa Pompilius reformed the calendar around 700 BCE by adding the months of January and February to the original 10 months. But the calendar still required some additional tweaking to be more aligned with the seasons. In 46 B.C., Julius Caesar introduced a solar-based calendar that was an improvement on the ancient Roman one, which was lunar-based. During this time, the month of Quintilis was renamed July in honor of Julius Caesar and Sextilis was renamed August in honor of Augustus. Shortly after the introduction of the solar calendar, the beginning of the year was moved from March 1 to January 1.

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