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## Sanitary district creation begins for HI

By CATHY WILSON  
Staff Writer

County commissioners took the first step Monday night towards creating a sanitary district for the camping sections of Holi-

day Island now known as Minzies Creek Village (MCV).

Commissioners unanimously accepted a petition from MCV, an unincorporated nonprofit association comprised of full time

residents and other property owners in the Camp Holiday Island section as well as other users of the section's wastewater treatment plant.

Petitions bearing signatures of more than 51

percent of the property owners supported asking commissioners to create the district that will be called Minzies Creek Sanitary District. All of the signatures were mapped and verified by County Man-

ager Frank Heath.

County commissioners will now schedule a joint public hearing with the North Carolina Department of Environment and Natural Resources in the near future before the dis-

trict can be created.

"This is the first step, but there are a lot of engineering issues, a lot of financial issues the group has to deal with," said

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## IT'S HUNTING SEASON



STAFF PHOTOS BY CATHY WILSON

And the hunt begins! Children of all ages scampered to hunt Easter Eggs Saturday at Calvary Pentecostal Holiness Church in Belvidere.

More than 3,000 Easter Eggs were hidden Saturday at Calvary Pentecostal Holiness Church, giving children of all ages plenty of exercise and fun! While most of the plastic eggs contained candy, some golden eggs contained cash! It was all part of the community celebration hosted by the church, which also provided free barbecue, gospel music, games and a gospel message.



Some ran, some took their time including, these little girls (right) who found lots of Easter Eggs during Saturday's hunt.



## Locals to speak at state board meeting

By PETER WILLIAMS  
The Daily Advance

Perquimans Superintendent of Schools Dwayne Stallings and local Superior Court Judge J.C. Cole were expected to attend a state school board meeting in Raleigh April 3 to voice concerns over lack of school funding.

Eight regional education service alliances or consortiums (made up of school systems throughout the state) were set to speak to state board members, voicing how local schools are adjusting to education-



Cole Stallings

al budget cuts and planned additional cuts for the upcoming fiscal year. Stallings went to support the regional Albemarle area of which Don, Phipps, superintendent in Beaufort county, was spokesman. Judge Cole of Perquimans County, who sits in the First Judicial District, was scheduled to relay his views on how educational budget cuts eventually impact local courtrooms.

There are 17 counties in the northeast region from Pitt north to Northampton

## Broadband is coming

From staff reports

Workers laying cable along U.S. Highway 17 and through Hertford in recent weeks are helping to bring broadband service to this area in the future.

Round 2 of the Golden LEAF Rural Broadband Initiative began last year with construction crews laying 1,200 miles of broadband infrastructure through 79 counties in North Carolina in-



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Claude Owen (l-r), Stacy Ingran and Johathon Swafford install pipe that will house fiber optic lines in Perquimans County.

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## Stun gun used in chase

Loaded .38 caliber pistol also found in swamp area

From staff reports

Police attempting to stop a vehicle for an expired registration tag ended up in a foot chase and one sus-

pect was hit with a stun gun in the swamp behind Brace Avenue late Thursday night.

According to police reports, a .38 caliber handgun was also found in the swamp area after police apprehended 20-year-old Ban Zollar Lee

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## Pot-filled box turns up at Fed Ex center

From staff reports

A cardboard box filled with Christmas-wrapped bags of suspected marijuana was discovered Friday evening at the Fed Ex distribution center in Hertford.

*The street value of the marijuana is estimated by police at \$20,000.*

Local police intercepted the delivery package that was addressed to a Kitty Hawk man. Hertford Police notified the Dare County Sheriff's Department which executed a controlled delivery in that county over the weekend and an arrest was made, said Chief Mike Carver.

According to police reports, a Fed Ex employee saw an open box on the conveyor while working around 5:45 p.m. The employee believed he saw marijuana in the box and notified the supervisor. After contacting Fed Ex security, the supervisor opened the box and discovered 4-6 packages of suspected marijuana wrapped in Christmas wrapping paper. One bag was

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## Etheridge resigns Winfall council

Tyrone White to fill remainder of term

By CATHY WILSON  
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A new member of Winfall Town Council has resigned from office after moving outside the town limits.

Frankie Etheridge, who was elected to council in 2011, resigned March 12.

"It has been a pleasure working with each and every one of you," Etheridge told council in his resignation letter. "You have been a great team to work with these last couple of months and I am confident that you will find someone else who will deserve working with this great team as I have."

Winfall Mayor Fred Yates said council members had until March 31 to offer names of some-

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