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"News from Next Door"

An office cubicle wall was placed between where

Ouentin Jackson would be to comply with a judge's

order. Jackson would sit on the other side of Mayor

Hertford Councilman Sid Eley (left) and Mayor Pro Tem



BY PETER WILLIAMS News Editor

A special meeting of the Hertford Town Board to discuss policies started late and ended after just four minutes when one board make sure other members had a chance to fully review the documents and made the motion to table the is-

dents who came out for the the meeting was closed. The

meeting were not pleased. "We come here with sincerity and we are were prepared," said Muriel Harmon.

"To call us out to a special meeting and it adorned in four minutes? The meeting was sup-

member said he wanted to posed to start at 6 p.m. but it was 6:18 p.m. before it got underway. By 6:22 pm. Council Member Frank Norman had made the motion to table the only two items Some of the dozen resi- on the special agenda and

uled to start at 7:30 p.m.

Harmon wasn't the only member of the public who was upset. "Can you check with council before you waste

our time," Connie Brothers asked Norman. Missing from the special meeting was Mayor Pro Tem

Quentin Jackson. He did attend the regular meeting. On Thursday, Chief Su-

perior Court Judge Jerry R. Tillett found Jackson was

regular meeting was sched- in violation of his pre-trial release conditions for being in contact with Councilman Sid Eley. The order said Jackson was to have "no contact, direct or indirect" with Eley.

75 cents

Jackson was found guilty in District Court in January for assault on a government official for hitting Eley in the head with a closed fist after a town meeting in October.

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Memorial Day event planned

Horace Reid (right).

From Staff Reports

The Perguimans County annual Memorial Day observance will be held May 27 on the courthouse green in Hertford starting at 11 a.m.

The effort is held by Hertford American Legion Post 126 with participation from American Legion Post 362.

In case of inclement weather, the observance will be moved to the Perquimans County Recreation Center.



GRASTY

Retired rine Corps Chief Warrant Of-Phil ficer Grasty will be guest speaker.

Grastv retired from the Marine Corps in June 2000. He is currently employed by the Department of Defense's Security Forces Training Company, to oversee range operations, at their training facility at Northwest Annex

in Chesapeake, VA. Grasty's military service included duty tours in Beirut, Lebanon, and southeast Asia during Operation Desert Storm.

Grasty enlisted in the Marine Corps in May 1980. Upon completion of his training he was assigned to Golf Battery, 3rd Battalion, 10th Marines as a field artillery batteryman and deployed to Lebanon from October 1982 until March 1983.

From Lebanon, he was transferred to a Weapons Training Battalion, Camp Lejeune as senior noncommissioned officer in charge of a weapons range. Shortly thereafter he was transferred to Headquarters, 10th Marines, as an artillery instructor. In 1985 he was transferred to the Basic Cannoneer School, Ft. Sill, OK, with principal duties as a weapons instructor. In

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Master Gardener Tom Abbott answers a quest and the garden show held at the Perquimans County Recreation Center. The show provides a way for buyers to learn more and raises money for a scholarship for a high school student in Chowan, **Perquimans or Gates that** wants to study at N.C. State University in the field of plant sciences Top, a man picks up a Petunia at the Master Gardener's show in Hertford.





STAFF PHOTO BY PETER WILLIAMS

A seller displaces decorated gourds at the Master Gardener garden show held at the Perquimans County Recreation Center.

Garden show draws 650

BY PETER WILLIAMS **News Editor**

The ninth annual Master Gardeners' show May 4 drew a near record crowd of people to the Perquimans County Recreation Center.

Volunteers who have completed the four-month training programs put on the show. The money raised from the show in turn goes to pay for scholarships to students in Chowan,

want to go to college to study agriculture, horticulture or similar fields. The \$1,000 scholarships can be renewed for up to four years.

Katy Shook, the extension director who created the local Master Gardener program, said attendance this month topped 650 people. That was second only to the total last year of 750 people.

hard work into it, and the attendance Perquimans and Gates counties who is a direct result of that," Shook said.

With nine shows now under their belt, the public knows what to ex-

pect and it shows, she said. "The program supports the community and the community supports the program," Shook said. "It's free and that's important to us and it's important for the education part of it."

There were local vendors present as well as some from the Hampton "The Master Gardeners put a lot of Roads area and one from Wilming-

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Relay for Life set for Friday

The Chowan Herald

The annual Chowan-Perquimans Relay for Life will take place at John A. Holmes High School in Edenton starting at 6 p.m. Friday and continuing until midnight.

"We encourage folks to come out, have some fun, participate for this worthy cause that benefits so many," said Frances Hammer, the event chair for Relay for Life. "Every family is touched by cancer in one way or anoth-

Friday's opening ceremony will be followed by the traditional survivors lap, a caregivers lap and then the team lap. A kid's walk is planned at 7:30 p.m. There will be kids games starting at 5:30 p.m. and face painting starting at 6:45 p.m. and teams will be selling food. There will be a gift basket silent auction that will be between 7 p.m. and 10:30 p.m. The luminaria sale will between 4 p.m. and 7 p.m.

Twenty teams are currently signed up to participate and more would be welcome. To sign up a team or for more information, contact Hammer at 312-7968.

Cancer has a major impact on society in the United States and across the world. According to the National Cancer Institute:

In 2018, an estimated 1,735,350 new cases of cancer will be diagnosed in the United States and 609,640 people will die from the dis-

The most common cancers (listed in descending order according to estimated new cases in 2018) are breast cancer, lung and bronchus cancer, prostate cancer, colon and rectum cancer, melanoma of the skin, bladder cancer, non-Hodgkin lymphoma, kidney and renal pelvis cancer, endometrial cancer, leukemia, pancreatic cancer, thyroid cancer, and liver cancer.

The number of new cases of cancer (cancer incidence) is 439.2 per 100,000 men and women per year (based on 2011-15 cases).

People gather for Day of Prayer

BY PETER WILLIAMS News Editor

Eight speakers asked for prayer for specifics segments of society earlier this month at an annual ceremony on the Perquimans County courthouse lawn.

The annual Day of Prayer is a national movement held on the first Thursday of



May. It was designated by panse of America. the United States Congress, when people are asked "to turn to God in prayer and meditation.'

Winfall Mayor Fred Yates, a retired U.S. Marine, prayed for the military.

"Our father I ask for your blessings on veterans who are returning home and those who have not returned

home," Yates said. Carroll Bundy, the pastor of New Hope United Methodist Church, asked for blessings for the nation. He pointed out the vast ex-

"I think about how great our nation is and could be,' Bundy said. "Lord you have blessed us with so much, but our nation isn't just geography, it's about people."

Apostle Gwayland Mc-Cleney of All For His Glory Church, prayed to heal fami-

"Teach the children your word and call the absent fathers to come back unto them," McCleney said.

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Grammar



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People bow their heads and pray during the National Day of Prayer event outside the old Perquimans County Courthouse this month.