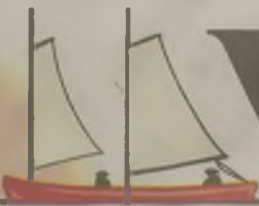


THE PERQUIMANS WEEKLY



Perquimans Middle School student Hailey Scott won first place Perquimans County Schools 2019 Superintendent Christmas Card contest. As the holiday season progresses, you'll see some of these photos.

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Hertford municipal election certified

Mayor, council to be sworn-in Dec. 9

BY MILES LAYTON
 Editor

Perquimans County Board of Elections has certified the results of Hertford's municipal election. Elections Director Holly



HODGES



MIMLITSCH



BROWN

Hunter said after consulting with the state Board of Elections, the Nov. 5 election results were able to be

certified. Initially, there was a question as to whether these results could be certified pending any appeal filed by candidates seeking to overturn the election. County's Election Board certified the results

Wednesday, Nov. 20, with Earnell Brown defeating Councilman Quentin Jackson in the mayoral election by 154 votes, garnering 453 or 60.2 percent to Jackson's 299 or 39.7 percent, according to the official canvass. Hertford voters also elected two newcomers to the town's council: Jerry Mimlitsch and Robert Hodg-

es. Mimlitsch garnered 446 votes or 30.8 percent, while Hodges collected 399 votes or 27.5 percent, to claim two at-large seats on the town council, according to the official canvass. Gracie Felton, who had been appointed to the council in January, fell short in her bid to win election. She finished with 318 votes or

21.9 percent. Orlean Jones, who was making her first bid for office, finished fourth with 284 votes or 19.6 percent, according to the official canvass. Mayor and council-elect folks will be sworn in Dec. 9.

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BEYOND THE BOOKS

Thanksgiving trivia

BY MICHELE LAWRENCE
 Perquimans Library

It's time for a little Thanksgiving trivia!



LAWRENCE

According to the National Archives, U.S. presidents issued proclamations each year to determine the date for Thanksgiving - not necessarily in November.

President Abraham Lincoln's 1863 Proclamation declared that the holiday would be regularly celebrated the last Thursday in November.

When the last Thursday in November ended up being the last day of the month in 1939, President Franklin D. Roosevelt worried that economic recovery would slow due to a shortened holiday shopping season (remember the days when stores began displaying holiday items the day after Thanksgiving? It was magical!). He changed Thanksgiving to the second to last Thursday in November but not all states complied.

To end confusion, the government passed a resolution declaring Thanksgiving to be the fourth Thursday in November forevermore. Drop by the library and I'll tell you how Thanksgiving is responsible for TV dinners!

- New Materials:**
Juvenile Non-Fiction:
 Citizenship in Sports - Todd Kortemeier
 Kid Activists - Robin Stevenson
 Mount Rushmore - Susan Rose Sims
Fiction:
 The Islanders - Meg Mitchell Moore
 A Minute to Midnight - David Baldacci
 The Testaments - Margaret Atwood
 The Water Dancer - Ta-Nehisi Coates
Non-Fiction:
 Touched by the Sun - Carly Simon

'TURKEY LURKERS' OPEN DOORS FOR WORTHY CAUSE



PHOTO BY MILES LAYTON

Saturday morning, "turkey lurkers" Charles Prewitt and John Christensen were on the front lines helping the needy by accepting turkeys dropped off for the Open Door Food Pantry at Hertford United Methodist Church. By Christensen's estimate, Open Doors' good work would feed at least 240 families this week with a meal that includes a turkey and all the fixins. All the families that need this - we're serving Perquimans County, the needy, to make sure they have a good Thanksgiving meal," Christensen said. "Open Door Food Pantry distributes food year round. This is but one of our special programs during the holiday season. We want people to have a good holiday time - nothing better than a good meal; get the family together."

Jones to file for re-election

By Staff reports

Kyle Jones, former chairman of the Perquimans County Board of Commissioners now serving in his second term, announced this week that he will file for re-election when the period opens in December.



JONES

Commenting on the current group of Commissioners, Jones said, "We've got a really great Board. I've been fortunate to serve with men and women that I have a lot of respect for, and I think our Board is a model governing body in a time when a lot of similar institutions are not."

Jones, first elected in 2012 and re-elected in 2016, was at 27-years old the youngest person ever elected to the Board. He noted that the Board has changed during his tenure.

"When I came on I served with Ben (Hobbs) and Tammy (Miller-White), who had been there for a long time. It's hard to believe that now I'm the longest-tenured person on the Board after Wallace (Nelson). So now when a big issue comes up, more often than not, I find myself helping guide the debate. I just think it's what your senior-members do."

Jones has worked as an Assistant District Attorney in the First Judicial District since 2013, and dabbles in real estate business.

"My prosecutor job is completely separate from my role as a Commissioner," he said. "I've gotten a reputation as someone who is fair and reasonable in the courtroom, and I think the people I've served with in

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Perquimans County's academic achievers score top grades

Hertford Grammar Honor Roll All-Stars

Editor's Note: Sports stars and newsmakers seem to always get ink, so why not put Perquimans County's academic all-stars - honor rolls from each school - in the newspaper too - starting on the FRONT page!? Maybe that'll inspire a new generation of students to achieve more, become community leaders and much more.



A Honor Roll

Angelica Ainslie, Chase Baker, Madison Davenport, Ethan Drew, Cassidey Graham, Lacianna Hodges, Eliza Jethro, Orion Minda, Cole Petty, Jacob Quimby, Allie Ridgeway, Justin Rodriguez, Madilyn Rodriguez, Emily Rucker, Ellie Thomas, Alay-

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Perquimans Middle School academic All-Stars

First Quarter/Perquimans County Middle School Honor Roll
 6th Grade
 Principal's List
 William Byrum, Lilee-Ann Estes, Katie Fisher, Tyler Gregory, Aven Hall, Noah Miller, Madison Montgomery, Kendyl Moreland, Aniston Sawyer, Heather Smith, Khila Smith, Elizabeth Stottlenyer, Tanner Wheatley, Mattison Winslow

A/B Honor Roll
 Nathan Biter, Ashley Boseman, Benjamin Brown, J'Kyrah Brown,



Morgan Byrum, E v a n Conway, Elizabeth Damron, Marshall Davenport, Aubrey Dykes, Mignona Elliott, Lilly Ford, Jonathan Goudy, Lanna Howell, Emma Hurdle, Suzanna Lane, Zoey Lawson, Hailey Melton, Karen Nieto, Parker Nixon, Kaysha Perry, Charlotte Peters, Taylor Phelps, Landon Russell, Madisyn

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Pirates' academic All-Stars

Perquimans County High School Honor Roll
 1ST 9 Weeks
 9th Grade
 A Honor Roll



Ephraim Askew, Jonathan Banks, Kenneth Barnes, Tyequsha Bemby, Stephen Butler, Landon Castle, Madilyn Chaulk, Dayne Colson, Maura Colson, Joleigh Connor, MacKenzie Davenport, Reagan Elkins, Alicen Fain, Olivia Ferris, Tashyra Ford, Aniyah Harney, Craig Horton, Kaylie Hudson, Aidan

Mummert, Thomas Riddick, Sydney Russell, Liliana Salup, Ariana Salupo, Eby Scaff, Emma Smith, Meadow Stacey, Noah Swinney, Heaven Tripp, Breanna Vaughan, Aiden White, Alexis Williams, Victoria Williamson, Macon Winslow
AB Honor Roll
 Carissa Baker,

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