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News



Martin County Farm Bureau President Clayton Cowin and his staff were recently honored. A6

Early morning thefts hit Farm Life

Sheriff Manning's Office launches investigation

SARAH HODGES STALLS
Enterprise & Weekly Herald

FARM LIFE – The Martin County Sheriff's Office is currently investigating multiple thefts from vehicles, which took place in the early hours of Friday, Jan. 3.

Locations struck were in

the area of the James Wiggins Road and the Fire Department Road.

Martin County Sheriff Tim Manning confirmed his office is working many leads in these cases.

"Anytime you hear something or see something that doesn't seem right around

your property or a neighbor's, that is the time to call law enforcement," Manning affirmed. "Please call at the time of concern and let us figure out what is going on."

Manning reminds residents deputies are trained and in place to assist and are most willing to do so.

Anyone with information in the thefts which occurred in the early hours of Jan. 3 are asked to contact the Martin County Sheriff's Office at 789-4500

Callers can also dial Martin County Crime Stoppers at 792-8800.

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Sports



Fourth & Long Columnist David Friedman remembers the work and legacy of the late David Stern. B1



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Harriette Rodgers stood by her husband, Commissioner Ronell Rodgers, as he was sworn in as Williamston's mayor pro tempore Monday night. Town clerk Christina Craft executed the oath for Rodgers.

Civility takes lead, Rodgers elected Mayor Pro-Tempore

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WILLIAMSTON – After the December election of Commissioner Ronell Rodgers as Williamston's Mayor Pro Tempore was set aside following procedural concerns, a new vote was held during the January meeting Monday night.

Mayor Joyce Whichard-Brown explained the process would be conducted by way of the nomination and ballot method.

Prior to the nomination process, Commissioner Jerry Knox clarified his intent behind voting for this position.

"First of all, I'd like to say when I vote, I am not voting against anybody on this board. We've got some good people on this board," Knox said.

"When it comes time, I am going to have to vote for Mr. Al Chesson. He's been doing this for 40 years, he runs a business probably bigger than the town of Williamston and it's impor-

tant to be business oriented and to be able to make business decisions. Those are the reasons why I would have to vote for Mr. Chesson. Again, I am not voting against anybody because I like all of you," he added.

William Coffield responded. "All that is true, but in any job or anything, when someone is elected new it helps to be trained."

He continued, "God forbid if

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MacGray missing, visits Oak City

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The Edgecombe County Sheriffs Office is asking for assistance in the search for a missing man who has been known to frequent the Oak City area.

According to law enforcement, Stephen MacGray, who suffers from dementia, was last seen Friday, Jan. 3 around 4 p.m. After an extensive search by the family, he was reported missing on Tuesday.

MacGray is 5' 6" inches tall and weighs 145 lbs.

According to a media release from the sheriff's office, MacGray is known to frequent areas between Princeville and Oak City.

Anyone who has seen MacGray should contact your local authorities or the Edgecombe County Central Communications at (252) 641-7911.

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Church & Faith



Pastor Johnny Phillips says believers can fail as Peter did, but also become what God needs of them. B3



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Nominations sought for Service Awards

LESLIE BEACHBOARD
Enterprise & Weekly Herald

WILLIAMSTON - Nominations are now being accepted for the 2020 Governor's Volunteer Service Award throughout Martin County.

The award program, created by the Office of the Governor in 1979, recognizes North Carolina's most dedicated volun-

teers. The Governor's Volunteer Service Award honors the true spirit of volunteerism by recognizing individuals, groups, and businesses that make a significant contribution to their community through volunteer service.

Any person, group or entity from the public, non-profit and private sector may be

nominated for an award to their county award coordinator.

County award coordinators submit their top 10 volunteer nominations per county.

There are categories for the types of nominees are senior, youth, faith-based, family, group and businesses.

Additional categories are based upon the area of ser-

vice, including animal, environmental, disaster, youth and preservation.

The commission reviews county recommendations and awards are given out in the counties.

Through the years, the award has been bestowed on neighbors who volunteer in

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