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### **Hamilton makes adjustments**

**SARAH HODGES STALLS** Enterprise & Weekly Herald

HAMILTON—The town of Hamilton has taken measures to help its residents.

Previous billing cycles for utility service had a short turn-around from receipt to

payment due.

This often resulted in a high number of shut-off notices and a very high total in the unpaid bill column.

Commissioners voted unanimously Feb. 21 to support adjusting the billing to give residents more time to pay and on the fifth day of the next

reduce shutoff procedures.

Meters will still be read on the 25th day of each month. Billing will go out by the 5th day of the following month and due by the 25th of that

Bills will be considered late

Hamilton commissioner Kerry Spivey made the motion to change the billing cycle, which Hamilton commissioner Linda Goodrich seconded. It passed unanimously.

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Although not so sure about the walking and talking Cat in the Hat, Hatteras Vinson (left) enjoys Dr. Suess' birthday celebration. One-year old Aamani Anthony (center), the youngest participant, gives the Cat in the Hat a chance after all. Jacob White brought his own Cat in the Hat to the Read Across America event.

## Happy birthday, Dr. Seuss

Read Across America tradition continues

SARAH HODGES STALLS Enterprise & Weekly Herald

WILLIAMSTON-Martin County's Retired School Personnel Organization has led a celebration of Dr. Seuss' birthday for more than 20 years.

The tradition continued Thursday at Martin Memorial Library as children of all ages gathered to participate in Read Across America activities in celebration on the acclaimed author.

The Cat in the Hat helped members lead the celebration with a viewing of "Green Eggs and Ham," a Happy birthday parade and breakout reading groups.

March 2 is the

See SUESS, 7 Isabella Woolard hangs out with the Cat in the Hat before the movie at Thursday's event.

# Rise

**Holly Springs UMC** leads effort to combat hunger

**SARAH HODGES STALLS** Enterprise & Weekly Herald

WILLIAMSTON—Rise Against Hunger is an international hunger relief agency that seeks to end global hunger by engaging local volunteers.

Its mission is to end hunger in the current population's lifetime by providing food and life changing aid to the world's most vulnerable and creating a global commitment to mobilize the necessary resources.

Holly Springs United Methodist Church hosted the local 2020 Rise Against Hunger event March 1 at the Jimmy Hardison Farm on U.S. 64 near Williamston.

Pastor Laura Early, who has been at Holly Springs United Methodist Church C less than a year, was "truly touched" by the renewed passion the congregation has for this event and the cause behind it, she said.

Early was also amazed by the volunteer turnout to pack meals.

"There were people lined up to help," Early said. "I was a little worried whether or not we would have something for everyone to do."

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## Honoring by paying it forward

Charlie Brown Emergency Services Foundation Scholarship now available

**SARAH HODGES STALLS** Enterprise & Weekly Herald

WILLIAMSTON—One organization has established a tradition Emergency Services officer with the Martin tinues to be run by

one of their own who gave his all in the line of duty.

The Charlie Brown

the life and work of Cpl. duty Dec. 8, 2009. Charlie Brown.

of giving back to honor Foundation was estab- County Sheriff's Office, lished in 2010 to honor was killed while on

> "The foundation was Brown, a narcotics formed by and con-

personnel who actually knew Charlie," said Chief Travis Cowan of

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