Restaurants open for delivery, takeout

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Opinion

By Appointment Only

County offices restrict access to combat spread of COVID-19



Tom Campbell, the host of NC Spin, opines about how social distancing may help bring us together. Page 4

tin County officials en- health, safety and secu- to serve the public by tal Center / Courthouse) Most NC District and Sucourage citizens to re- rity of the community phone and email from 8 will remain open to the perior Court cases are main calm during this and its employees, pub- a.m until 5:00 p.m., Mon- public at this time. This to be postponed at least challenging time and ed- lic access to the Martin day through Friday. ucate themselves about County offices and facil- Public access to all on an ongoing basis and COVID-19. For specific the latest guidelines ities is restricted, effec- county offices (except remain in effect at least questions about indiavailable from local, tive immediately, with for the Sheriff's Office) through Friday, April 3, vidual cases, visit www. state and federal health limited exceptions. care authorities con-

navirus (COVID-19).

will be available by ap- 2020. Staff will continue pointment only. The cerning the Novel Coro- to report to work on Martin County Sheriff's available on an as-needtheir regular schedules Office (entrance at the ed basis through the

Court facilities will be Martin County Clerk of

In the interest of the and will be available rear of the Governmen- Sheriff's Office entrance. policy will be reviewed 30 days in response to nccourts.gov or call the

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Faith

Columnist Hughes writes about whether Christians can live worthy of Jesus' sacrifice.

Crime Blog

Officers with the Martin County Sheriff's Office and the Williamston Police Department have been busy over the past couple of weeks. Page 3



GOOD MORNING,

Joseph Williams of Robersonville Thank you for subscribing!

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Deputy Ashley Coffield, a school resource officer, helped ladies from Martin County Schools' Child Nutrition Team deliver mobile meals in Williamston Thursday morning. Staff went door to door in areas where stops are not yet available.

Mission continues

County Schools System serves meals to students

Team from across Mar- home schooled. tin County Schools across the county.

Meals are available March 25.

The following route the next morning. continues to work with information is updated other school system from previously printed Schools will also pro- Hassell Town Comemployees to provide routes. Martin County vide Mobile grab and go mon: 12:10 p.m.-12:45 meals for all students School provided this in- meals to each district p.m. formation Wednesday, in the county for more

for students up to age All Schools have hot 18, regardless of wheth- meals for pick up on- as follows: er they attend Martin site from 11 a.m. - 1 County Schools, any p.m. Participants will

The Child Nutrition charter school or are also be provided a sep- ment: arate breakfast meal for a.m.

> Martin convenient pick up.

Oak City: (SCE) Oak City Fire Depart-

St. Marks MBC: 11:40 County a.m. -12:00 p.m.

Hamilton: (SCMH) Coastal Ag Hamil-The pickup sites are ton: 10:55 a.m. - 11:15 a.m.

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Meeting Needs

DSS proactive against COVID-19

SARAH HODGES STALLS Enterprise & Weekly Herald

WILLIAMSTON - Martin County Department of Social Services (DSS) is taking proactive and prudent measures to ensure the health and safety of staff and residents, while continuing to provide vital and essential services to our most vulnerable population and those in need. "To protect the citizens of Martin County and staff of Martin County DSS, the agency will be operating under emergency precautions," explained Director Letecia Erby. "At this time, the agency will be open to the public between the hours of 9 a.m. - 1 p.m., Monday through Friday. DSS will continue to provide vital services for all, during normal business hours of 8 a.m. - 5 p.m. via telephone."Protective gear, hand sanitizer and disinfecting agents have been provided to staff. Handwashing stations are set up and located at the main entrance. Occupancy in the lobby has been reduced to no more than five people. Social distancing of six feet or more are enforced and no personal visitors are allowed for staff. "Residents entering the agency during new operating hours are encouraged to utilize hand sanitizer and provided gloves," Erby added. Applications and recertifications are placed on a table to allow residents to retrieve and submit completed documentation

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