

CRIME BEAT

SHERIFF'S OFFICE

■ On May 18, a 40-year-old resident of the 200 block of Colony Drive was charged with breaking and entering.

Arresting officer: G. Whitehurst.

■ On May 20, a 26-year-old resident of Richmond was charged with fleeing to elude arrest and unauthorized use of motor vehicle.

Arresting officer: K. Townsend.

■ On May 20, an 18-year-old resident of the 100 block of Birch Lane was charged with assault with a deadly weapon.

Arresting officer: K. Townsend.

■ On May 28, a 17-year-

old resident of the 800 block of Johnston Drive was charged with common law robbery.

Arresting officer: M. LaMirand.

POLICE DEPARTMENT

■ On May 23, a victim was stabbed numerous times on West Freemason Street.

Investigating officer: L. Battle.

■ On May 26, marijuana cigarettes were discovered in the ash tray of a vehicle parked at Tyler Lane. Crack cocaine was also discovered.

Investigating officer: S. White.

Mexico Road hit by crime spree

A recent rash of larcenies on Mexico Road remains unsolved.

Between May 21 and 26, nine homeowners in the 300 and 400 block of Mexico Road reported having items stolen from their automobiles.

Two homeowners had their automobiles taken; one of which was later returned with the keys, cash and wallet missing. The other — a 2004 gray Ford Explorer — is still missing.

Items targeted in the lar-

cenies include radios, portable DVD players, cash, cds, necklaces — anything of value.

There are no suspects at this time, Sheriff Dwayne Goodwin said.

Residents are urged to remove valuables from their car, or place them in the trunk, out of sight.

"If the fuel prices continue to go up, it will only get worse," Goodwin said of the crime spree.

Anyone with information is asked to call 482-0865.

Former Hertford chief joins police force

Dale Vanscoy, former Hertford police chief, was sworn in last week as the newest member of the Edenton Police Department.

Vanscoy will be working with patrol until he familiarizes himself with the town.

Vanscoy is an Army veteran, having spent 10 years in the military police. He has worked as a police officer

with the Virginia Beach department and later the Virginia Beach sheriff's office.

He spent two years working in Winfall before going to Hertford in 1991.



Vanscoy

Move over — it's the law

Injuries occur three times a month in N.C. due to failure to slow down, move over

Three times each month someone in N.C. is either injured or a vehicle crashed because a motorist failed to move over in compliance with a toughened state law, according to statistics from the Consolidated Courts of North Carolina.

Hundreds of violations occur every day because motorists do not understand nor comply with N.C.'s move over, slow down law, toughened in 2006, to better protect law enforcement, emergency and other public service personnel.

The move over law requires motorists to move over into another lane, whenever possible, if a law enforcement, fire department, public or private ambulance or public service

vehicle is on the side of the road.

If moving out of the adjacent lane is not possible, due to traffic or traveling on a two-lane road, motorists are required to slow down and be prepared to stop.

Those violating the law can be charged with a fine of \$250 or be charged with a misdemeanor for property damage of more than \$500 or causing injury to a responder.

If a serious injury or death occurs to a responder, it is considered a Class I felony.

May is memorial month for firemen, policemen and emergency/medical servicemen killed in the line of duty.

— submitted by AAA

Keep your laptop safe

(MS) — Laptop users in the world number 100 million. In 2005, laptops sales surpassed desktop models for the first time in the U.S.

According to FBI estimates, the second most common crime, just after identity theft, is laptop theft. Each year, 2 million notebook computers are reported stolen.

Treat your laptop like cash — keeping it in sight at all times.

Use a laptop security cable to make your laptop less portable when keeping it in a hotel room or other place.

Don't put your laptop on the floor or in another place where your eyes aren't constantly on it.

Advertising a laptop in a laptop bag is just advertising what you have inside. Consider using a backpack or a laptop bag that looks like a purse or a briefcase.

Whenever possible, do not store your laptop in your car. If you must, keep it out of sight.

Governor proclaims this week as Hurricane Preparedness Week

Gov. Mike Easley has proclaimed May 25-31 as "Hurricane Preparedness Week" and urged all citizens to prepare for this year's predicted increase in storm activity by assembling disaster preparedness kits and updating and rehearsing emergency plans.

Hurricane season officially begins June 1.

"Our state's vulnerability to hurricanes ranks second only to Florida, so every citizen must be prepared," Easley said.

Easley said state agencies are working with local and county governments to practice what they preach.

More than a dozen state agencies are participating in a two-day exercise this week that simulates what they would do to prepare for a major hurricane making landfall in the state.

Working with local officials in the eastern part of the state, the state Emergency Management Division prepared a comprehensive

evacuation and sheltering plan for the entire coastal region.

The Coastal Region Evacuation and Sheltering Standard Operating Guide identifies counties which are at risk from storm surge flooding and those that will host evacuees by providing safe shelter from the storm.

The guide includes the evacuation and sheltering of elderly and medically fragile citizens in 20 coastal counties.

It also addresses man-

aging mass evacuations, assignment of resources, sheltering of the general population, sheltering of functionally and medically fragile populations, and coordinated dissemination of public information.

Easley encouraged North Carolinians to review and update their homeowners' insurance policy to make sure it includes coverage for accidental damage and natural disasters and, if necessary, flood insurance.

Families should have an

emergency plan and emergency preparedness kit ready to go at all times.

The kit should contain enough non-perishable food and a gallon of water per person per day to last three to five days.

People can evacuate their homes with their small, domestic pets to specially designated pet-friendly shelters like the one in Chowan (Albemarle Learning Center).

For more on how to prepare, visit www.ReadyNC.org.

STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA UTILITIES COMMISSION RALEIGH

DOCKET NO. E-100, SUB 114

BEFORE THE NORTH CAROLINA UTILITIES COMMISSION

In the Matter of Investigation of Integrated Resource Planning in North Carolina - 2007) NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the North Carolina Utilities Commission (Commission) has scheduled a public hearing in conjunction with the Commission's review and evaluation of Integrated Resource Planning (IRP) in North Carolina. The purpose of the review and evaluation is to ensure that each regulated electric utility operating in North Carolina is developing reliable projections of the long range demands for electricity in its service area, and is developing a combination of reliable resource options for meeting the anticipated demands in a cost-effective manner. IRP is intended to identify those electric resource options which can be obtained at least cost to ratepayers in North Carolina consistent with adequate, reliable electric service. IRP considers conservation, efficiency, load management, and other demand-side programs along with utility-owned generating plants, nonutility generation and other supply-side alternatives in the selection of resource options.

During the public hearing to be held in this docket, the Commission will receive testimony from nonexpert public witnesses with respect to the most current IRPs filed on or before December 3, 2007, by Carolina Power & Light Company d/b/a Progress Energy Carolinas, Inc. (PEC); Duke Energy Carolinas, LLC (Duke); Virginia Electric and Power Company d/b/a Dominion North Carolina Power (NC Power); North Carolina Electric Membership Corporation (NCEMC); and the four independent electric membership corporations: Piedmont EMC, Blue Ridge EMC, Rutherford EMC, and Energynited EMC.

A night hearing for the convenience of public witnesses and solely for the purpose of taking nonexpert public witness testimony is hereby scheduled as follows:

Raleigh: 7p.m., on Monday, June 30, 2008, Commission Hearing Room 2115, Dobbs Building, 430 North Salisbury Street, Raleigh, North Carolina.

The Commission will convene an evidentiary hearing for the purpose of receiving testimony from expert witnesses sponsored by PEC, Duke, the Public Staff, and Intervenor as to the validity of the load forecasts of Duke and PEC as follows:

Tuesday, July 1, 2008, at 9:30 a.m., in Commission Hearing Room 2115, Dobbs Building, 430 North Salisbury Street, Raleigh, North Carolina.

Anyone wishing to view the IRPs filed by the utilities may do so either at the Commission's website, <http://www.ncuc.net>, by selecting the Docket Information tab and entering Docket No. E-100, Sub 114, or at the Office of the Chief Clerk of the Commission, Dobbs Building, 430 North Salisbury Street, Raleigh, North Carolina. Upon request, the Chief Clerk will place copies of the IRPs and any other documents filed in this proceeding in centrally located public libraries where they may be copied without prohibition. Such a request may be made by writing to the Chief Clerk, North Carolina Utilities Commission, 4325 Mail Service Center, Raleigh, NC 27699-4325, by giving the name and address of the library to which the information is to be mailed.

Persons desiring to present testimony for the record should appear at the public hearing. Persons desiring to send written statements to inform the Commission of their positions in the matter should address their statements to:

Chief Clerk
North Carolina Utilities Commission
4325 Mail Service Center
Raleigh, NC 27699-4325

The Public Staff of the Utilities Commission, through its Executive Director, is required by statute to represent the using and consuming public in proceedings before the Commission. Written statements to the Public Staff be addressed to:

Robert P. Gruber, Executive Director
Public Staff - North Carolina Utilities Commission
4326 Mail Service Center
Raleigh, NC 27699-4326

The Attorney General is also authorized by statute to represent the using and consuming public in proceedings before the Commission. Statements to the Attorney General should be addressed to:

The Honorable Roy Cooper, Attorney General of North Carolina
c/o Utilities Section
9001 Mail Service Center
Raleigh, NC 27699-9001

ISSUED BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION.

This the 17th day of April, 2008.

NORTH CAROLINA UTILITIES COMMISSION

Gail L. Mount, Deputy Clerk

Take me out to the ballgame
Buy me some peanuts and Cracker Jack!

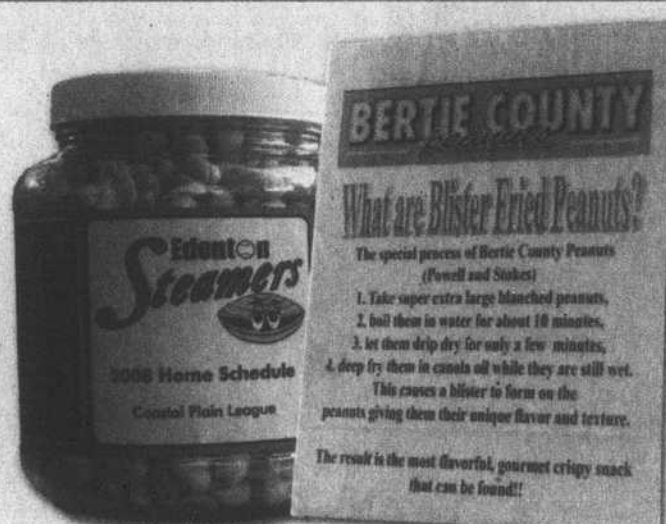


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This season the 30 oz. jar of Bertie County Peanuts will be wearing a new uniform! On the front is the Edenton Steamers logo and on the back is the Edenton Coffee House logo. Wrapped around the jar is the Steamers 2008 Home Game Schedule. This special jar of delicious Blister Fried Peanuts is a Limited Edition and sold exclusively at . . .

Get Your Blister Fried Peanuts While They're HOT!

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