

COMMUNITY CRIMEWATCH

Edenton Police ARRESTS

• March 22 — Shaquean Quimabri, 21, of Cabarrus Street, was issued a criminal summons for one misdemeanor count of discharging a projectile within the town limits.

• March 18 — Larry Wayne Rivenbark II, 32, of Virginia Road, was arrested on one misdemeanor count of failure to appear.

• March 18 — Jose Radolfo Pacheco, 17, of North Oakum Street, was arrested on one misdemeanor count of assault and battery, one misdemeanor count of communicating threats and one misdemeanor count of disorderly conduct.

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Lorenzo Jordan Jr., 60, of Sandy Ridge Road, was arrested on three misdemeanor counts of failure to appear.

• March 15 — Lykoria Tiana Rome, 19, of Cabarrus Street, was issued a citation for possession of less than ounce of marijuana.

INCIDENTS

• March 23 — Vandalism on Johnston Street.

• March 22 — Obtaining money by false pretense at Dollar General on West Queen Street.

• March 22 — Larceny, obtaining property by false pretense and impersonation at Southern Bank on West Queen Street.

• March 22 — Larceny on Queen Anne Drive.

• March 21 — Injury to personal property on Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Avenue.

• March 20 — Larceny from motor vehicle at Tyler Run 2.

• March 20 — Vandalism at Tyler Run 1.

Chowan Sheriff ARRESTS

• March 20 — Stanley Earl Johnson, 59, of East Queen Street, was arrested on one felony count of first degree sex offense with a child and one felony count of taking indecent liberties with a child.

• March 20 — Tyler Steven Schwarm, 23, of Arrowhead Trail, was arrested on one misdemeanor count of failure to appear.

• March 19 — Jerry Dean Brickhouse, age unknown, of Rose Trailer Park, was arrested on one misdemeanor count of failure to appear.

• March 18 — Fentress Pretlow, 59, of Gliden Road, was charged with two misdemeanor counts of assault by pointing a gun and one misdemeanor count of communicating threats.

• March 17 — Jacob Daniel Morales, 20, of Staten Island, NY, was apprehended on a fugitive warrant issued in Queens, NY.

• March 16 — Denise Marie Brooks, 32, of Sandy Ridge Road, was charged with one felony count of breaking and entering and one felony count of larceny.

• March 1 — Michael Lee Lewis Jr., 35, of Virginia Beach, was apprehended based on an extradition warrant.

• March 1 — Nathan Thomas Harrell, 33, of Yeopim Road, was arrested on one misdemeanor count of failure to appear.

• Feb. 29 — David Francis Michael Riley, 37, of Gliden Road, Hobbville, was issued a criminal summons for two misdemeanor counts of sexual battery.

• Feb. 29 — Jennifer Marie Gilbert, 28, of Happy Homme Road, was placed under a 48 hour hold after being charged with one misdemeanor count of simple assault.

• Feb. 27 — Michael Mc-

Coy Mann Sr., 38, of Happy Home Road, was arrested on one misdemeanor count of failure to appear (child support).

• Feb. 26 — Thomas Adam Sutton, 29, of Cartaret Street, was arrested on one felony count of larceny of a firearm and one felony count of possession of stolen firearm.

• Feb. 25 — Glenn Joseph Styons Jr., age unknown, of Chickasaw Trail, was issued a criminal summons on one count of assault inflicting serious injury.

INCIDENTS

• March 14 — Fraud on Apple Lane.

• March 11 — Chowan County noise ordinance violation on Powhatan Trail.

USDA unveils substance abuse funding programs

From staff reports

At the recent Operation UNITE Summit in Atlanta, Agriculture Secretary Tom Vilsack announced a series of upcoming rural town halls as well as funding rural communities can use to conduct health and safety outreach around prescription painkiller and heroin abuse. Opioids, including prescription painkillers and heroin, accounted for 28,648 deaths in 2014, and rural communities are affected at higher rates than urban communities. This is in part due to a lack of outreach and treatment resources available in rural communities, and this year USDA is expanding its Rural Health and Safety Education (RHSE) competitive grants program to give rural communities the opportunity to use funds for programs that will address the opioid epidemic.

In January, President Obama tapped Secretary Vilsack to lead an inter-agency task force focused on this specific challenge.

Recent efforts have helped identify effective tools to reduce drug use and overdose, including evidence-based prevention programs, prescription drug monitoring, medication-assisted treatment and the overdose reversal drug naloxone.

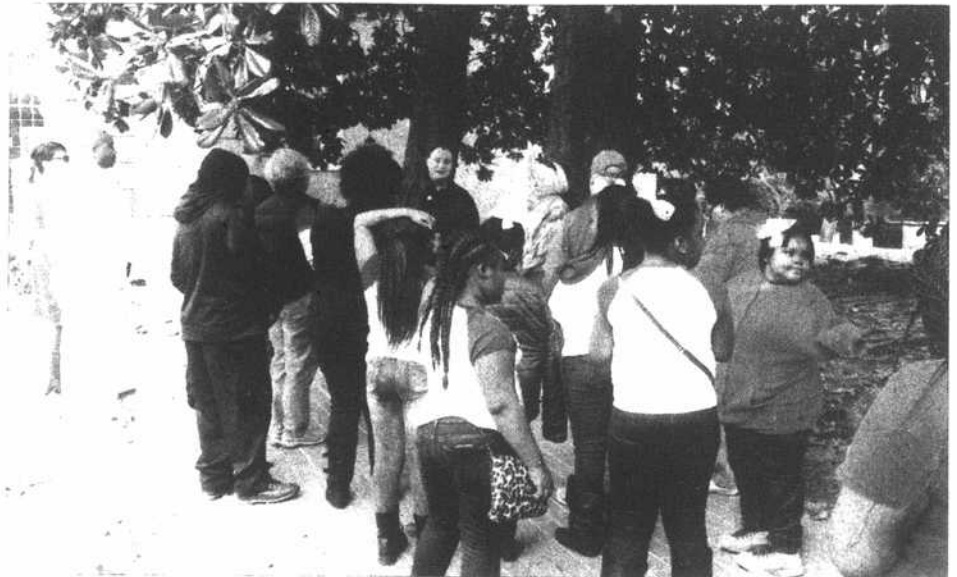
"The opioid epidemic is a fast-growing problem all across America, and we know that rural communities are facing an even higher burden than those in urban areas," said Vilsack. "We've identified ways to use existing resources to help rural towns and organizations address this challenge head-on and potentially save lives, and I look forward to meeting with community leaders to better understand how we can further support their efforts to create healthier, safer futures for families and individuals who may be struggling."

Over the next several months, Vilsack will travel to New Hampshire, Missouri, Nevada, Mississippi and Appalachia to participate in town halls that will bring together local and

state government partners, the health community, and other stakeholders to raise awareness of the issue and discuss possible solutions. Vilsack will encourage public and private organizations to commit to plans of action for their communities.

Additionally, USDA is making available \$1.4 million through its Rural Health and Safety Education competitive grants program. Administered through USDA's National Institute of Food and Agriculture's (NIFA), the program's goal is to enhance the quality of life in rural areas through improved health and safety education efforts, including expanding the focus to address the critical challenges of substance abuse in rural communities across the nation. For the first time, USDA is encouraging applicants to develop projects that specifically work to educate the public about opioid abuse and overdose. USDA will also consider projects that target other health outcomes.

WALKING TOUR



Members of Edenton's Reconciliation Group participate in the Harriett Jacobs Walking Tour.

Garbage truck crashes into house

From staff reports

On March 23 a sanitation trash truck belonging to the Town of Edenton crashed into a house. No injuries to the sanitation workers or the occupant of the home occurred during the incident, town officials said.

Town Manager Anne-Marie Knighton said an investigation is being conducted into the cause of the crash.

"We are working with our insurance carrier. They are conducting an investigation and are evaluating the extent of damage to the truck," she said. "It will

take a bit of time before a determination can be made as to whether the truck can be repaired or if it is a total loss."

Knighton said that in the meantime the town has investigated options for the possible short-term lease of a sanitation truck and has secured a loaner truck from the City of Rocky Mount.

Knighton said the mishap had thrown the solid waste and recycle collection schedules off a little but that everyone was serviced by the end of the day of the incident.

"We are grateful for the

first responders — Edenton Fire Department — there was not a fire but they swung into action and helped secure the damaged house," she said. "Edenton Police assisted at the scene and EMS too."

Knighton added that town staff appreciated the calls and inquires received from citizens asking about the sanitation employees involved in the mishap.

"We have shared your good wishes and concerns with them and we thank you again for your concern and your patience," she said.

British cars coming to Edenton April 2

From staff reports

The North Carolina MG Car Club Annual Spring Coastal Tour will visit Edenton on Saturday, April 2.

There should be 30 or more MGs in Edenton near the Roanoke River Light House for the day on Saturday.

The North Carolina MG Car Club is a non-profit organization based in Raleigh and affiliated with the MG Car Club in Abingdon UK. We have over 100 members from across the State of North Carolina and the nation. This may be of interest to your readers since we will be visiting in our vintage

English sports cars. I would appreciate a mention in the week before our arrival in your publication, as there may be MG aficionados in your readership that do not know of our club and would like to visit with us while we are in the area.

I hope someone from your team can drop by also. There is always a photo opportunity. British car enthusiasts in the area are invited to meet us while we are in Edenton. For more information view our web www.ncmgcarclub.org

FISHING

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"That will be a touching, touching moment for them," Snyder said.

All the boaters needed for the festival are signed up and ready to go, he said.

There are a few slots left for wounded warriors and disabled veterans to participate in

the festival, Snyder said. "That community — hats off to them," Snyder said.

He said he knew this event was going to be something special when he walked into a planning meeting at American Legion Post 40 and saw Town Manager Anne-Marie Knighton and representatives of various local agencies seated around the table.

"I just could not be any more appreciative of how that community has come together for this," Snyder said.

Close to two-thirds of the wounded warriors and disabled veterans participat-

ing in the tournament will be making a four and a half hour drive to fish in the festival, according to Snyder.

A few are even coming from as far away as Shelby to fish on Pembroke Creek Saturday.

That shows how important these fishing events are to them, he said. There's also a lot of excitement around this festival because it's the first event of the year and because most of the participants have never fished on this body of water before, Snyder said.

"It's going to be a lot of fun for all of us," Snyder said.

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