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Council can't decide where business district starts, ends

BY REBECCA BUNCH
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The town council continues to struggle to define the exact parameters of the downtown business district.

A difference of opinion among several council members has caused a delay in action to establish a South Broad Street Residential Overlay District and establish boundaries and regulations governing it.

During its most recent work session on March 28

Councilman Steve Biggs contended that the downtown business district should include businesses on Water Street while Councilman Sambo Dixon said as far as he was concerned the business district officially ended at the foot of South

Broad Street.

"I think the original proposal was appropriate," Biggs said. "I think it has been defined."

At issue is property owned by Frances Inglis that falls within the disputed area. The house in the past has served

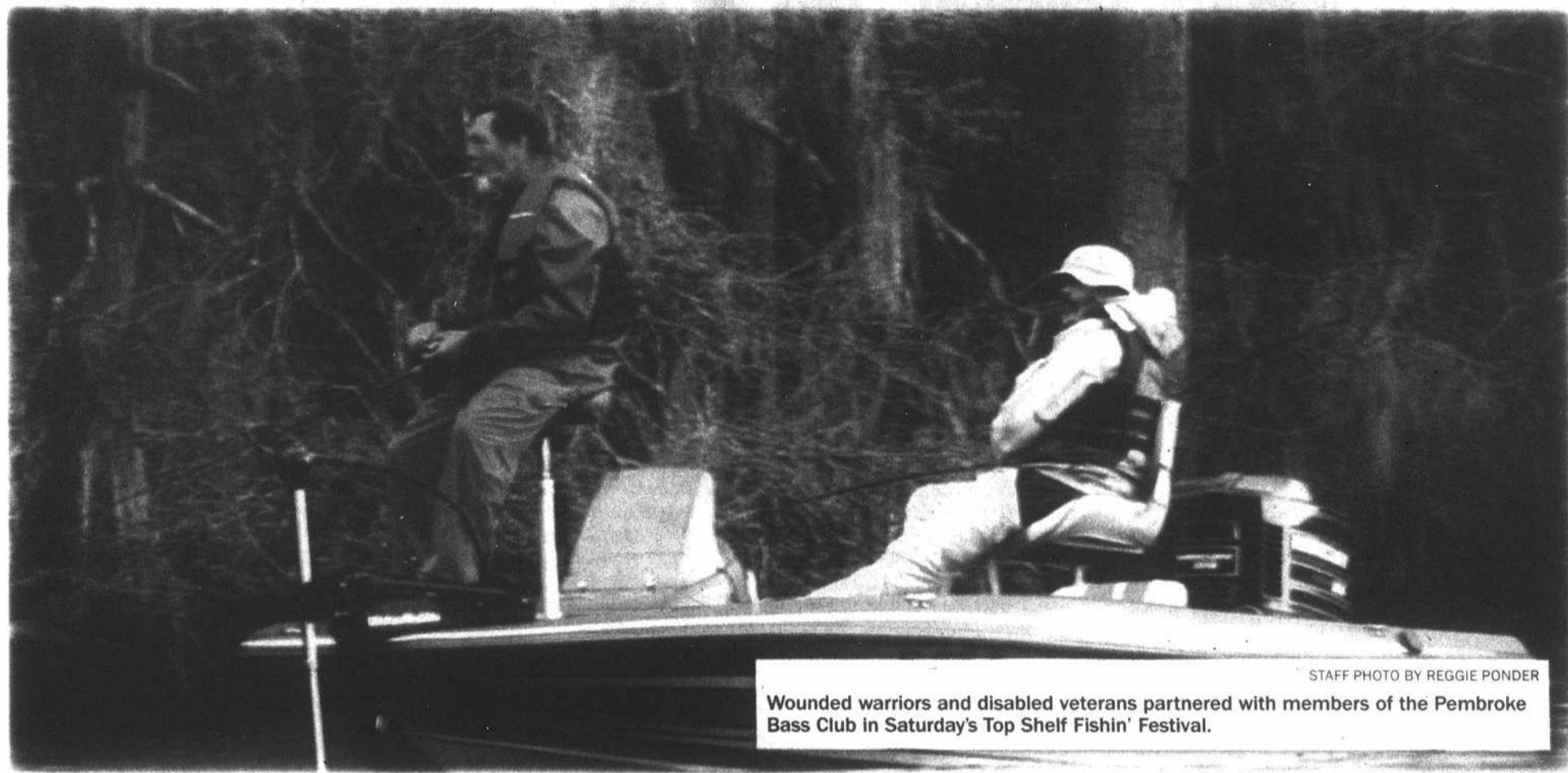
as rental property for Inglis. But more recently it has been converted into the location of a local business.

Dixon said refusing Inglis the ability to use the property

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Steve Biggs
Councilman

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Wounded warriors and disabled veterans partnered with members of the Pembroke Bass Club in Saturday's Top Shelf Fishin' Festival.

Wounded warriors have a great day on Pembroke Creek

BY REGGIE PONDER
Editor

The Top Shelf Fishin' Festival plans to return next year for an "even bigger and better" event after holding a successful fishing tournament Saturday at Bayside Marina & Grill.

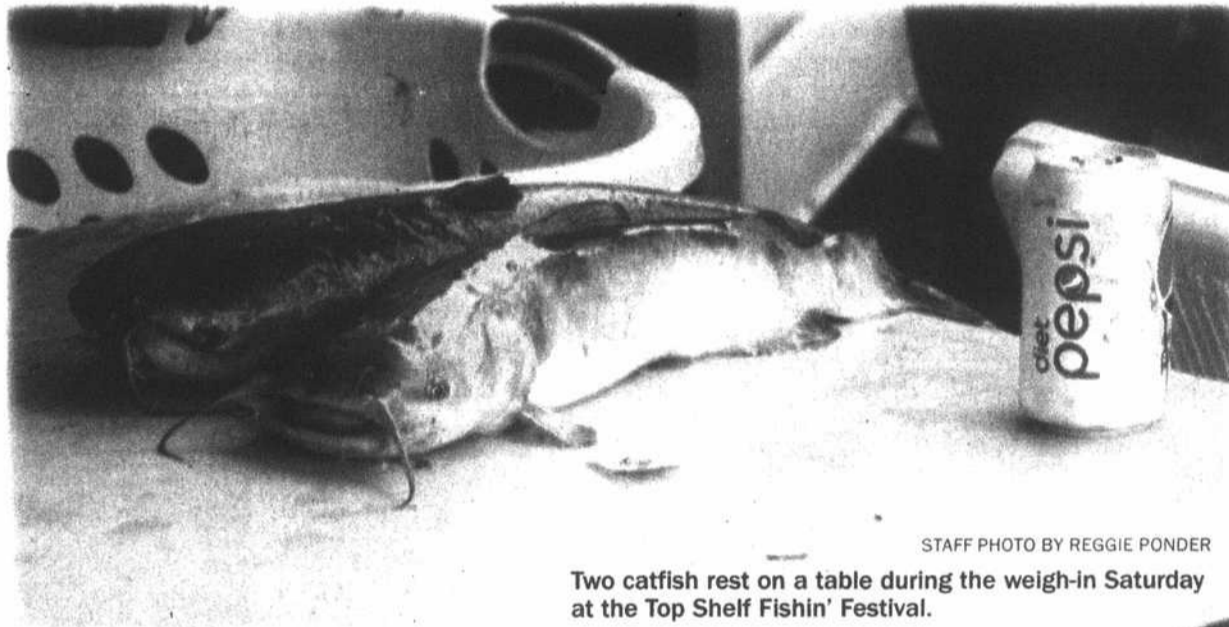
Terry Snyder, the chairman of Operation North State, said the support from Edenton and neighboring communities was outstanding and the organization definitely plans to return in 2017 for an "even bigger and better" fishing festival.

The event, part of the Operation North State series of fishing festivals, was operated by Operation North State and hosted by Bayside Marina & Grill. Local organizers were American Legion Post 40 and the Pembroke Bass Club.

The festival included 51 boats, with 55 wounded warriors and disabled veterans participating in the tournament. There also were more than 50 veterans who served as host boaters and volunteers.

Thirty-one boats brought fish to the weigh-in.

Clifford Shaffer was among the big winners in Saturday's Top



Two catfish rest on a table during the weigh-in Saturday at the Top Shelf Fishin' Festival.

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Forum mulls connection between religion, neuroscience

BY REBECCA BUNCH
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Area residents are being encouraged to "save the date" for the second annual Michael Pierce and Peter Wood Memorial Conference on Religion and Science.

The conference is scheduled to take place on Saturday, April 30,

from 9 a.m. until 4 p.m. The daylong gathering will be held at the First Presbyterian Church in Edenton.

Host pastor, the Rev. Doug Eddy, promises that there will be lots of stimulating and thought-provoking ideas exchanged during the event.

"This year's program will focus on the fascinating relationship between religion and neuroscience, an ex-

tremely popular and timely topic in current literature," he said.

Planning committee member Kathy Hynes agreed.

"Have you ever wondered what the difference is between your mind and your brain?" she asked. "Come join in the discussion. You won't regret it!"

Keynote speakers for this year's

conference are Warren S. Brown, professor of psychology at the Fuller Graduate School of Psychology in Pasadena, Ca., and James "Jim" Lee Wright of Manakin Sabot, Va.

Brown is currently involved in neuroscience-related research as it relates to the cognitive and psychosocial disabilities that occur as a result of congenital brain malforma-

tion. He has also done research on brain waves and their effect on Attention Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder (ADHD) among other conditions.

He has also joined colleagues from other institutions of higher learning in researching the psychology and

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MG Car Club spends fruitful weekend in Edenton

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Enthusiasts of the British sports car maker MG were in Edenton this past weekend to learn about the town's rich history and swap stories about the cars they love.

The annual Coastal Tour is one of the signature events of the North Carolina MG Car Club, which

also holds a Mountain Tour in mid-October. About 30 cars are in Edenton for the visit.

The tour is an opportunity for MG owners from across the state — and a few from as far away as Florida — to drive to a coastal town and spend the weekend enjoying what it has to offer.

The club gathered Friday afternoon for a reception at the 1767 Chowan County Courthouse.

Unlike the Mountain Tour, which features a long drive on the Blue Ridge Parkway, the Coastal Tour is essentially a "destina-



KERI PAMPUCH/THE DAILY ADVANCE

Don Annas (left) sits at the wheel of his 1959 MG Magnette while Myron Grueneich stands beside his 1974 MGB, in front of the historic Chowan County Courthouse in Edenton on Friday. Annas and Grueneich are members of the North Carolina MG Car Club, whose members toured Edenton last weekend.

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