

CRIMEWATCH

EDENTON POLICE DEPARTMENT ARRESTS

■ Nov. 22 - Jamez Ty'Quille Moore, 23, of Jackson Street, was arrested on one misdemeanor count of possession of up to ½ ounce of marijuana.

one misdemeanor count of failure to heed light or siren and one misdemeanor count of resisting arrest.

■ Nov. 18 - Micah Lee Felton, 32, of Mill Drive, was charged with one misdemeanor count of failure to appear.

INCIDENTS

■ Nov. 22 - Driving while license revoked on the 800 block of Johnston Street.

■ Nov. 19 - Shoplifting at Food Lion on Virginia Road.

■ Nov. 19 - Vandalism on Blade Street.

■ Nov. 19 - Fraudulent

opening of victim's mail on Paradise Road.

■ Nov. 15 - Vandalism on Coston Lane.

CHOWAN COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE ARRESTS

■ Nov. 27 - Calvin Lee White, 56, of Birch Lane,

was arrested on one misdemeanor count of aggravated assault inflicting serious injury.

■ Nov. 23 - Derwin Advise Lewis, 31, of Rocky Hock Road, was charged with one misdemeanor count of failure to appear.

■ Nov. 16 - Ny'Mari Dequel Gilliam, 16, of Winborne Lane, was charged with one misdemeanor count of defacing a public building.

INCIDENTS

■ Nov. 27 - Aggravated assault on Birch Lane.

Home heating assistance available through DSS

From staff reports

The Chowan County Department of Social Services would like to inform Chowan County residents that applications for the Low Income Energy Assistance Program will begin Dec. 1, 2016, and continue through March 31,

2017, or until funds are depleted.

Applications for elderly persons age 60 and above or disabled persons receiving services through the Division of Aging and Adult Services will be taken from Dec. 1 through Dec. 31.

Any remaining funds will

be used for other eligible households beginning Jan. 1, 2017, and continuing through March 31, 2017, or until funds are depleted.

To be eligible, a household must be vulnerable at the time of application.

A household is vulnerable if it is subject to rising cost

of heating, has a heat source and is billed separately for the heat expense.

Households must meet income eligibility.

If the total household members' countable income for the base period (month prior to application) is equal to or less than 130 percent of

the current poverty level and the household members' countable resources are \$2,250 or less as of the date of application, the household may be eligible for LIEAP.

If a household is found eligible for assistance through the Low Energy Assistance Program, vendor payments

will be paid directly to the heating provider for electric, gas, kerosene, fuel oil, etc.

Applications will be taken Monday through Friday from 8:30-11:30 a.m. and 1-4 p.m. at the Chowan County Department of Social Services, 100 W. Freeman Circle in Edenton.

Hospital adds fiber optic endoscopic evaluation of swallowing

From staff reports

Vidant Chowan Hospital recently added Fiber optic Endoscopic Evaluation of Swallowing (FEES) to the impressive array of testing it offers. FEES is an evaluation that provides information on a patient's ability to safely swallow food and liquids after suffering throat trauma from a stroke, or diseases such as (throat) cancer.

Kristy Worrell, Rehab Manager at Vidant Chowan Hospital, stated, "We are thrilled to offer FEES testing at Vidant Chowan Hospital now.

The addition of FEES equipment will enable patients at the hospital to have direct local access to a high definition digital assessment of oral cavity, larynx, pharynx, and upper esophageal structures. Previously, patients in this area had to

travel 30 miles or more to receive an instrumental assessment, but FEES can be taken directly to the patient. FEES is portable and can be utilized at the bedside, where patients most often need it. Since many area residents have limited access to transportation, the addition of FEES assessments at Vidant Chowan Hospital will increase access to care for our patients and it will complement existing services

offered at Vidant Chowan including speech therapy."

Fees tests are administered while patients are seated so that they are comfortable. The tube is gently inserted through the nose into the throat. The patient will be given some things to eat and drink, which may be colored (food coloring) so that the foods and liquids are easier to see. The Speech Language Pathologist (SLP) can see a

picture of the throat on the computer screen. The SLP may also test how well the patient feel things in his/her throat. The tube blows puffs of air into your throat. Once the results are in, the patient and the SLP will talk about what kinds of food and drink are the safest to consume. Many patients begin swallowing therapy soon after the test.

FEES assessments are currently reimbursed by

Medicare, Medicaid, and private insurances. In addition, FEES tests, unlike modified barium swallow studies, can be done independently thereby reducing cost to the patient. FEES assessments can be completed by a SLP who has completed a certification course.

For more information about FEES testing at Vidant Chowan Hospital, contact the Rehab Department at (252) 482-6767.

Enjoy a Carolina Colonial Christmas Friday, Dec. 9

From staff reports

Enjoy an incredible, yuletide experience and memorable, holiday journey during a Carolina Colonial Christmas beginning Friday, Dec. 9. Relish celebrations in Edenton, called "the prettiest town in the South," or Bath, the "First Town, First Port" or the seat of North Carolina's colonial government. Tryon Palace in New Bern. It will provide fond memories for years to come.

To win the free weekend for two, please sign up today at www.ncder.gov/colonial

christmas to enjoy candlelight strolls, black powder fireworks, beautiful scenery and holiday cheer. Dinner and accommodations for two in Edenton, tickets to the Edenton Candlelight Tour, and tickets to a Candlelight Christmas at Tryon Palace in New Bern will be provided. The contest ends and winners will be notified Dec. 1.

Whether you are the contest winner or not, begin your Carolina Colonial Christmas weekend in Edenton with an afternoon tour of the Roanoke River Lighthouse along Edenton Bay, the last of its

kind still standing. Spend the afternoon at Historic Edenton's James Iredell House for a "Groaning Board Christmas" where the table heavily laden with heavenly dishes is said to groan.

Continue the good cheer at the Cupola House for Was-sail, then to the Chowan Arts Council for a Chofon Perfection and enjoy the Candlelight Tour of beautifully decorated historic homes. Tour tickets are available here. End the evening on a high note by joining the Edenton State Historic Site for "Caroling in the Courthouse" as traditional carols echo off the walls of the 1767 Chowan County Courthouse, a National Historic Landmark. Discover

nearby restaurants and shops and interesting inns in the quaint coastal town.

After a hearty Saturday breakfast, enjoy a picturesque ride to Historic Bath State Historic Site and be filled with the sights, sounds and tastes of Christmas. All programs in Bath are free. Hearth baked food, children's activities with lessons on colonial fashion, and decorated houses will show why even Blackbeard chose at one time to call Bath home. Sip some cider and have gingerbread while carolers serenade as you prepare to drive down Highway 17, the oldest road in North Carolina, to New Bern.

Arrive in New Bern no later

than 5 p.m., then travel to Tryon Palace for the 36th annual Candlelight Christmas Celebration and observe the critical revolutionary year, 1781. Celebrate 12th Night and the return of John Stanly to the Stanly Home in 1803. Find a Children's Christmas of the 1830s to remember in the Dixon House. At the Commission House, share a 1950s Christmas with the Mohn family and friends. Buy your tickets to the Candlelight Christmas Celebration at the Tryon Palace website.

Magic will fill the palace grounds with circus acts, fire eating, sword swallowing, acrobatics, tight rope walking and more. Stop in at the all-new tavern on the main lawn

for dinner and refreshments. A black powder fireworks display will provide a spectacular end to an enchanted evening.

The prize package includes dinner for two at 309 Bistro & Spirits in Edenton, two tickets to the Historic Edenton Candlelight Tour, an overnight stay at the Edenton Hampton Inn and two tickets to the Candlelight Christmas Celebration at Tryon Palace.

Take this Carolina Colonial Christmas tour and create life long memories. Make it part of your holiday celebration. A Carolina Candlelight Christmas is organized by the N.C. Department of Natural and Cultural Resources.

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CHOWAN COUNTY N.C.

Board and Commission Vacancies

Chowan County residents who are interested in being appointed to fill upcoming vacancies on various boards and committees are encouraged to fill out an application. The Chowan County Board of Commissioners appoint representatives to local and regional committees, boards, commissions and authorities.

Applicants should be a resident of Chowan County. Applications are available at the Chowan County Managers Office or online. For more information, contact Susanne Stallings, County Clerk (252) 482-8431 x 1 or email susanne.stallings@chowan.nc.gov

VACANCIES

Joint Community Advisory Committee (Nursing Home Committee)
Seeking 10-12 volunteer positions for the Chowan County Joint Community Advisory Committee serving long term care residents - Major Responsibility: Uphold the intent of the Residents Bill of Rights. Committee member must reside in Chowan County and cannot live in, work at, or have a financial interest in a nursing home. Immediate family members of people in those facilities cannot serve. To serve, generally you must be 18, live in the county and be willing to give 8-20 hours per quarter of your time and expertise attending quarterly meetings, conducting visits, and other activities to benefit long term care residents. (Additional application needed, please contact Susanne Stallings for more information)

Chowan County Planning Board
Applicant must reside in the Areas A, C and D

Tourism Development Authority
1. Accommodation (Collection) seat applicant must be individuals affiliated with businesses that collect occupancy tax in Chowan County
2. Promotional seats - Applicant must be currently active in the promotion of travel and tourism in Chowan County

Applications are available at the Chowan County Managers Office or online. For more information, contact Susanne Stallings, County Clerk (252) 482-8431 x 1 or susanne.stallings@chowan.nc.gov

AIRPORT

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Office of State Properties (has) basically rejected the terms that had been negotiated and (has) put forth another offer. This offer is valued at \$847,335 for 20 years. The value of what the Town and DOT (had) negotiated was \$895,758 for 15 years." The state's offer is 29 percent less than what was

negotiated by the town and DOT.

Knighton said that since then she had been pushing for a meeting to get the lease issue resolved.

On Nov. 10, she said, she received an email from John Webb, assistant director of the State Property Office, notifying her that an anonymous complaint had been received by the State Auditor's Office concerning "moisture"

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The goal of the group named by Vaughan Monday night will be to attempt to meet with Webb and his boss, Tim Walton, in an effort to resolve the issues surrounding the lease and to end the stalemate so that the town can be reimbursed for the past due rent.

in the building. Knighton said she had requested, but had not yet received, a copy of the receipt.

She said that during that same phone call Webb stated that the N.C. Department of Insurance would be assigned responsibility for investigating the complaint.

"He said that given this complaint, any meetings to finalize the lease agreement should be delayed until the inspection is completed," Knighton said.

Knighton said she anticipated the inspection would take place either this week or next week.

Knighton added that she had briefed the airport commission board on the situation and described their reaction as "extremely frustrated."

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The Chowan Herald was unable to reach Webb for comment on this story.

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