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John Guard of the Edenton Lions Club, left, accepts a grant from Chowan Hospital Foundation Executive Director Ginny Waff, that will enable the club to participate in Project Enlightenment.

Chowan Foundation awards funds

BY REBECCA BUNCH
Staff Writer

Grants were awarded during Chowan Hospital Foundation's 12th annual Community Benefits and Health Initiatives Program to organizations so that they can continue to pursue their good work.

During the awards ceremony on July 18, there were 22 deserving area programs who received special funding totaling \$106,595 to complement their work on behalf of their respective communities.

Besides Chowan County, recipients honored during the awards ceremony were from Perquimans, Tyrrell and Washington counties.

"These agencies are committed to working with one another to develop and sponsor health education, wellness and prevention programs," said Annette Wright, foundation chair. "Their programs focus on physical activity and nutrition, chronic disease prevention and management and access to care."

Dr. Key Stage introduced the recipients of this year's awards on behalf of the foundation.

They included:

- Albemarle Commission Area Agency on Aging's Meals on Wheels Program
- Three Rivers Healthy Carolinians
- Albemarle Regional Health Services' Chowan and Perquimans Get Fit Program
- American Red Cross: Emergencies Before and After Initiative
- Boys and Girls Club of Edenton/Chowan County's Triple Play Program
- Chowan County Ex-

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Kadesh A.M.E. Zion Church on Saturday.

PHOTO BY THOMAS J. TURNEY

National trusts step up for historic Kadesh restoration

BY REBECCA BUNCH
Staff Writer

EDENTON — Renewed efforts to restore one of Edenton's oldest and most historic churches are getting a helping hand from the National Trust for Historic Preservation and Partners for Sacred Places.

Representatives from both organizations visited with members of Kadesh A.M.E. Zion Church in Edenton earlier this week, first at the home of Edenton Town Councilman Sambo Dixon and later at the New Kadesh A.M.E. Zion Church on Badham Road, which church members regard as their temporary home. Dixon is a member of the National Trust's Advisory Council.

Conversations at both places focused on resources that the agencies could bring to restore the beloved original home of the Kadesh congregation. The African-American church, constructed in 1897 by noted local builder Hannibal Badham, sustained heavy damage during Hurricane Isabel in 2003. Intermittent efforts have been made since then to restore the structure.

Repair costs, however, are high. Current estimates are that the restoration will come with an approximate \$2 million price tag.

But Dixon said that having the National Trust and the Partners for Sacred Places on board with the effort would give it added momentum.

John Hildreth, of the National Trust, said his organization was pleased to have the opportunity to be involved in such an important community project.

"It's an inspirational place," Hildreth said of the original Kadesh church. "We're excited to be a part of this."

"You have a lot of hard work ahead of you," he told members of the congregation, "but we have lots of ways we can support you."

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Kadesh A.M.E. Zion Church member Fred Joyner looks at boarded-up stained glass windows in the sanctuary following Hurricane Isabel. Above, the ceiling also shows damage from the hurricane's heavy rainfall.

CHOWAN HERALD FILE PHOTO

Some of that support could come in the form of planning grant funds, he said.

Chad Martin said that as he and others attached to the Partners for Sacred Places and the National Trust visited the community during the past week they too could feel the excitement and hope for the restoration that was growing among members of the church.

Martin, who is the director of the National Fund for Sacred Places, said consulting services could be provided by his agency. He said that matching capital grant funds would also be available in amounts ranging from \$100,000 to \$250,000.

"Our goal is to give you up to \$250,000 so you can get started doing the things you need to do," he said.

Martin added that to raise the matching funds would require con-



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Chad Martin, director of the National Fund for Sacred Places, an arm of the national organization Partners for Sacred Places, gestures as he talks about what his group can bring to the table to enhance efforts to help raise \$2-million for the Kadesh A.M.E. Zion Church restoration effort.

Curtain call for Taylor Theater

BY MILES LAYTON
Editor

The curtain may have closed on the Taylor Theater, but a second act may be in the making according to Destination Downtown Edenton's Executive Director Jennifer Harriss.

On July 21, manager Bob Krochmal posted, "It's with a heavy heart that I have to tell everyone the theater is closed for good. After hearing today that my landlord has no intention of getting both screens operational any time soon, I have to pack up and go."

Krochmal, according to the Facebook post, added, "We were barely making it on 2 screens these days, there's no way forward on only one. I have truly loved being 'The Movie Man' here in Edenton. I will always treasure those memories and I'm sure going to miss all my customers. Not sure where life is taking me from here Wish me luck!"

The Town leases the equipment to Krochmal for a dollar a year, and in return he agreed to make the Theater available for use by non-profit groups, which he

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Algae spreads to Sound

BY MILES LAYTON
Editor

Blue-green algae may be fading from the Chowan River, but it has spread to the Albemarle Sound, according to the N.C. Department of Environmental Quality.

The algal bloom began appearing the river in mid June so much so that it prompted DEQ to issue an advisory that urged the public to avoid contact with green or blue water in the Chowan River due to an algal bloom.

When the bloom was reported in June 12, Chowan County's algae bloom ex-

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Candidate filing period ends for Edenton Town Council

From staff reports

Filing ended Friday for candidates seeking a spot on Edenton Town Council.

Pending that no write-in candidates file, Elton Bond Jr. is running unopposed in his re-election bid for the Fourth Ward seat while Roscoe Poole Jr. is the sole candidate for the Third Ward seat.

Travian "Tray" Taylor is a candidate for the council-at-large seat.

The municipal election will be held Nov. 7.

Since 2013, Bond, 65, of Old Hertford Road has represented

the Fourth Ward. He is married to Joan and they have five children, one grandson.

Bond graduated from Elizabeth City State University in 1974 with a Bachelor of Science degree in Political Science. He is a fiber line operator for Domtar (previously known as Weyerhaeuser) in Plymouth.

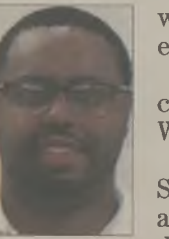
Bond is an active member



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of many civic groups including John R. Page Lodge in Edenton; J.W. Hood Consistory No. 155 Lodge in Elizabeth City; Habib Temple 159/Shriners in Wilmington; and the Alpha Phi Alpha fraternity. He attends Union Grove A.M.E. Zion Church

where he serves as a trustee.

Poole filed Friday as a candidate for the Third Ward seat.

Poole, 83, of Pruden Street is married to Vernelle and they have had 12 children, 35 grandchildren, 12 great-grandchildren and four great-great-grandchildren.

Poole graduated from College of the Albemarle's machinist trade program 1973/74. He is also a retired church minister with many years of service as chaplain for American Legion Post

40. Poole attends St. John Missionary Baptist Church.

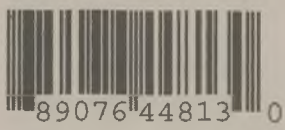
Poole is active in the community by serving as first vice commander of American Legion Post 40 and as vice president of the Cape Colony Association Board. His time with the American Legion didn't go unnoticed as he was honored with the certificate of appreciation for outstanding service.

Speaking of public service, Poole served eight years in the U.S. Army Airborne and was a paratrooper

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