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## Taylor Theater poised for a second act

BY MILES LAYTON  
Editor

Taylor Theater may be getting a second act soon because local investors are trying to raise money to purchase the iconic cinema and make needed repairs.

To learn more, there will be a meeting at 5 p.m. today (Wednesday) at the Colony Tire Training Center on North Broad Street.

The cinema closed in June after a storm damaged the building.

A trio of Chowan County's leading local acolytes is

leading the charge: Charlie Creighton, Samuel Dixon and Larry Sellers.

Creighton said the group's goal is to reach out to at least 45 people who can invest \$10,000 each toward this worthy cause. He stresses that this is a business venture and toward that end, Friends of Taylor Theater LLC has been established.

Imagine seeing the new Star Wars: The Last Jedi movie in Edenton — it might happen.

"We're optimistic that we will be able to raise

the funds this week and show movies perhaps before Christmas," Creighton said.

Creighton said the funds raised will not only be used to purchase the theater from Montanaro Family NC Properties, but to make necessary repairs. He said the group is hoping to raise the money by the end of the week so as to be able to "fast track" the purchase that he hopes to conclude next week.

"We believe that Edenton needs a theater and citizens want the theater as

would anyone," Creighton said. "Taylor Theater helps Edenton stand out among small towns. We plan to be showing first run movies. This'll be a great thing for the citizens of Chowan County and surrounding areas."

Creighton offered high praise for the husband and wife team of Ryan and Belinda Respass for stepping up to the plate to manage the theater. He said the couple has worked many years at the cinema, even got married in the theater, so they know the ropes and

what it will take for the theater to be financially successful. Creighton said the couple won't be employees, but rather they will be entrepreneurs who will be managing the theater and renting the facility as tenants.

"They have a passion for the theater," he said. "They are extremely optimistic and have so many great ideas to bring."

Dixon commended those investors who have expressed an interest in keeping curtains open.

"I am very excited that

the people of Edenton have once again banded together to save an important landmark," he said. "Having first run movies at the historic Taylor Theater is so important to the vitality of our downtown. I do not want to imagine an Edenton without a movie theater. These amazing and caring citizens have decided that Edenton is special and that they want to invest in the future of our community. These generous individuals want to provide our

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## Goodwin to run for House seat

BY REGGIE PONDER  
For the Chowan Herald

Eddy Goodwin, a former state ferry director and former Chowan commissioner, says he plans to run for state representative in the newly configured 1st House District next year.



GOODWIN

Goodwin, 65, is planning to run in the new House district that includes Chowan, Perquimans, Tyrrell, Bertie, Washington and Camden counties. He's

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## Brew pub fermenting nicely

BY REBECCA BUNCH  
Staff Writer

Raleigh businessman John Glover was scheduled at press time to meet with members of the Edenton Town Council on Tuesday evening.

The purpose of the special meeting, which was open to the public, was to allow Glover an opportunity to address several key areas of concern to town officials and the town council.

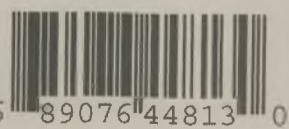
One of the areas of interest centers around his plans for creating a buffer between his business and the public park that adjoins it. Young children and their parents frequently utilize it, leading to concerns expressed by the public and some council members regarding the proposed location on the downtown waterfront.

Town officials are also

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## FIGHTING FOR #1!



PHOTO BY KIM ULLOM

Moments after the Aces defeated Perquimans County, there was a celebratory feeling in the air as Chowan County's favorite football team took a moment to savor being undefeated in the Albemarle Athletic Conference and earning a spot in the 1AA state playoffs

## Aces to play in 1AA state playoffs

BY MILES LAYTON  
Editor

The Aces' football team has earned a bid to the big show — 1AA state playoffs.

Check out the Chowan Herald's "B" sports section for extensive coverage that includes a playoffs' bracket, factoids, a write-up of last Friday's game and more sports coverage.

Undefeated in the Albemarle Athletic Conference, the Aces have a "bye" week, so no football this weekend for the No. 2 seeded team in the Eastern Regional. Next week, Chowan County's favorite football team

(10-1, 5-0 AAC) will play the winner of this week's matchup between Mantoo (8-3, 3-2 AAC) and Gates County (6-5, 2-3 AAC). Kick-off is at 7:30 p.m. for the Nov. 17th game that will be played at the place where it all began — John A. Holmes High School.

Important teams to watch within the East Regional are Tarboro, which is seeded No. 1, and maybe No. 3 seed East Carteret. Check out our playoffs bracket that was designed by Nicole Bowman-Layton. Maybe even tack it to the refrigerator like everyone does during March Madness.

Don't jinx the Aces' chances by saying "when" or "if" but more like

say play one game at a time to move up the brackets to the state championship game to be played Dec. 9 at Carter Finley Stadium. Or as Coach Hoggard might say after many games this season, maybe go to church on Sunday to offer thanks. Last year, the Aces had a good run, but this is a different season to be judged on its own merits.

Win or lose, be like Aces' AD and Assistant Football Coach Wes Matterna — offer a word of praise to the team and players that are doing their best to represent their school and our community, no matter which sport or who may perform in the marching band.

## Early numbers suggest hot election

BY REBECCA BUNCH  
Staff Writer

Edenton Town Council held its municipal on Tuesday.

The centerpiece of this election cycle was a three-way race for an at-large seat between political newcomers Derrick Armstead, Craig Miller and Travian "Tray" Taylor. Also seeking office will be newcomer Rev. Roscoe Poole who is running unopposed for the Third Ward seat currently held by Councilwoman Norma Simpson. Incumbent Elton Bond, Jr. is running unopposed to hold the Fourth Ward seat on the council that he currently holds.

Because of Tuesday's press deadline, the results will not be published until next Wednesday. However, they are available online at DailyAdvance.com. Early voting ended on Saturday, Nov. 4. According to Chowan



ARMSTEAD



MILLER



TAYLOR

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## Veterans Day ceremony planned for Saturday

BY REBECCA BUNCH  
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American Legion Post 40 will host a Veterans Day Ceremony this Saturday, Nov. 11, at the Chowan County Veterans Memorial in Edenton. The ceremony will begin at 11 a.m. and everyone is welcome.

"We are pleased to welcome American Legion Department of North Carolina Commander Carl Barker as our guest speaker," said Post 40 Commander Maureen Sobulefsky.

Barker, of Greensboro, is a past president of American Legion Post 53.

"I am a 21-year retiree from the Army National Guard, Air Force Reserves and finally my last 13 years were with the North Carolina Air National Guard,"



CAROL BARKER  
NC DEPARTMENT COMMANDER OF THE AMERICAN LEGION

she said. "I achieved the rank of Master Sergeant and was deployed several times after 9/11 including

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Carol Barker  
Speaker

a tour to Iraq in 2005 and a tour to Afghanistan in 2011-2012 where I was the First Sergeant to 127 personnel at Kandahar and Camp Bastion Afghanistan."

"My training and duty experiences instilled a sense of honor, respect, patriotism and loyalty to my country, community and family," Barker added. "I have had the honor and privilege to train and work side by side with some of the most courageous people I have ever met."

Sobulefsky said that the National Anthem and other patriotic music would be performed by the Albemarle Sounds under the direction of Gil Burroughs.

"We will be serving hot dogs on the grounds of the Chowan County Courthouse adjacent to the Veterans Memorial following the service," she said, "and cake will be provided by the Edenton Tea Party Chapter NSDAR. We hope everyone will join us for a time of fellowship after the ceremony."