

# CRIMEWATCH

## EDENTON POLICE DEPARTMENT ARRESTS

Jan. 10 — Emily Kaylin Moore, 19, of Milbrooke Circle, Elizabeth City, was arrested on one misdemeanor count of driving while license revoked.  
 Jan. 10 — Charles William Byrum, 33, of Virginia Road, was arrested on one misdemeanor count of probation violation.  
 Jan. 8 — Scott Alvin Martin, 47, of Happy Home Road, was arrested on

one misdemeanor count of drunk and disruptive behavior and one misdemeanor count of resisting arrest.  
 Jan. 2 — Tabytha Nicole Martinez, 23, Chambers Ferry Road, was arrested on one misdemeanor count of failure to appear.  
 Jan. 1 — Darren Jermaine Valentine, 29, of Cabarrus Street, was arrested on one misdemeanor count of driving while license revoked.  
 Dec. 29 — Brian Met-

son-Eugene Lee, 37, of Ghent Street, Windsor, NC, was arrested on one misdemeanor count of communicating threats and one misdemeanor count of unauthorized use of a motor vehicle.  
 Dec. 24 — Travis Lee Armstead, 31, of Sandy Ridge Road, was issued citations for driving while impaired and driving while license revoked due to an impaired driving revocation.  
 Dec. 12 — Tabytha Ni-

cole Martinez, 23, of Chambers Ferry Road, was arrested on one felony count of possession of a Schedule I controlled substance and one misdemeanor count of drug paraphernalia.  
**INCIDENTS**  
 Jan. 10 — Hit and run on South Broad Street.  
 Jan. 8 — Leaving the scene of an accident on East Carteret Street.  
 Jan. 7 — Obtaining property by false pretense at Speedway on Virginia Road.  
 Jan. 7 — Hit and run

on East Freemason Street.  
 Dec. 8 — Possession of heroin and possession of drug paraphernalia on North Broad Street.  
**CHOWAN COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE ARRESTS**  
 Jan. 3 — Andrew Daum, 38, of Polo Road, Winston-Salem, NC, was arrested on one misdemeanor count of failure to appear.  
 Jan. 2 — Jordan Keith Furgerson, 21, of Sandy Ridge Road, was charged with one misdemeanor

count of assault on a female.  
 Dec. 31 — Raymond Carlton Phillips, 49, of Okisco Trail, was issued a criminal summons on one misdemeanor count of simple assault.  
 Dec. 30 — Edward Lashawn Hill, 39, of East Queen Street, was charged with one misdemeanor count of failure to appear on a criminal summons (loud music).  
**INCIDENTS**  
 None reported.

## Fire destroys Rocky Hock home

BY MILES LAYTON  
 Editor

New Year's Day did not usher in good tidings for the Bivens family when a fire destroyed their Rocky Hock home.

Christy Bivens said the fire started around 1 p.m. Jan. 1 at 439 Rocky Hock Creek Road.

Edenton and Center Hill-Crossroads fire departments battled the blaze that consumed the home. No one was hurt.

Because of the severe smoke and fire damage, Bivens said, the house where

they have lived for the past four years is "totally unlivable" so the family is staying with relatives.

The Bivens family of five includes her husband Joseph, three teenagers and four pets.

"I'm thankful we all got out safe, pets included," Christy Bivens said. "Although with all that was lost, I'm still in shock, afraid of fire, and it will take time to build my faith."

Bivens said the community has offered a helping hand, but donations of clothes, coats, shoes and more would be most ap-



SUBMITTED PHOTOS

No one was hurt when a fire consumed the Bivens' family home on New Year's Day.

preciated. For more information about how to help,

contact Bivens at tenderheart351@gmail.com



The Bivens family is staying with relatives as they rebuild their lives. Anyone interested in helping can contact the family at tenderheart351@gmail.com

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## Forestry expert to lecture at library

From staff reports

According to NC State University statistics the state's timberland generates half a billion dollars in revenue and supports more than 1,000 businesses in North Carolina. In Chowan County, 46% of our area is timberland and forestry continues to be a major contributor to our local economy and is a sustainable industry.

Rick Long, our State Forest Service County Ranger

for landowners." Wildfires are a constant threat to forests in the area and Rick, a trained Wildland Firefighter, also has access to new technologies and tools to prevent or contain fires with an emphasis on safety for teams and local residents. "We can call on aerial support, such as helicopters with infrared cameras on board that can help us iden-

tify the areas of high fire intensity and locate hot spots. "he said "Tools like this can help us get a clearer understanding of the wildfire, and is a tremendous tool in aiding us in its' suppression. There are also so many ways this aerial support can help us locate personnel and equipment, and be able to direct them away from danger zones."

Rick, a graduate in Natu-

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**DREAM**  
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We are Christ's ambassadors. Today is the day of salvation."

The Boys and Girls Club sat in the front row in auditorium filled with many of Chowan County's leaders including Mayor Roland Vaughan, Superintendent Rob Jackson, Chowan County Commissioner John Mitchener, Edenton Town Councilman Sam Dixon, teachers and people from all walks of life all of whom applauded after Jacqueline Hardy-Bond sang the Lord's Prayer. Elder Sidney Lassiter sang "Impossible"

about having the importance of having a vision and a dream.

The Rev. Jerald I. Perry Sr. said, "The tone has been set, the Scripture has been read — now we are ready to proceed."

The stage being set for Hogan's speech, she came to spread the word and the word was about not being "satisfied" until the dream is fulfilled.

"It's past time for racial unity in America," she said. "It's time to decide to be united. It's time that we walk away from these annual observations and celebrations of Dr. King's life with the decision to go into our communities and create Dr. King's Strategic Planning Teams that will address the racial inequalities and social injustices that Dr. King expressed in his 'I Have a Dream Message,' so that next year, across our communities and country, we will not only celebrate his life and sacrifice, but we will be able to highlight the changes that we've made in this town and in this region."

Tempo being set for the



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 The Boys and Girls Club sat in the front row in an auditorium filled with many of Chowan County's leaders, teachers and people from all walks of life during MLK Jr. birthday services Monday at John A. Holmes High School.

closing of Hogan's speech, there was a strong feeling in the air as listened with rapt attention to her words to do more.

"It is right here in Edenton, we should strive to say, 'We hold these truths to be self-evident, that all men are created equal; and that the children in this region, will not be judged by color of their skin, but by the content of their character,'" she said. "Until that is done, until I can see what Dr. King saw, I will not be satisfied. But in the words of one of the greatest presidents that has ever served this United State of America — Barack Obama — I echo his sentiments, 'Yes we can! Yes we can!' God bless each of you, and God bless this United States of America."

**REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL**  
 LEAD BASED PAINT HAZARD REDUCTION  
 (RISK ASSESSOR/DESIGN/CLEARANCE)  
 ASBESTOS INSPECTION SERVICES

The Town of Edenton is requesting proposals from certified Lead Based Paint and Asbestos Inspection Services firms to provide LBP inspections, risk assessments, post-rehabilitation lead clearance test and asbestos inspection services necessary to complete a North Carolina Housing Finance Agency (NCHFA) Essential Single-Family Rehabilitation Loan Pool (ESFRLP17) Project. The ESFRLP17 Project consists of essential housing rehabilitation for approximately five (5) single family dwellings and will be financed with \$175,000 of NCHFA funds (100% of total program costs). A detailed request for proposal further describing project and proposal submission requirements may be obtained from Anne-Marie Knighton, Town Manager, 400 South Broad Street, Edenton, NC 27932, telephone 252-482-7352. Proposals must be received by Wednesday, January 31, 2018 at 5:00 PM. The Town encourages proposals from small, minority, and female-owned businesses; and does not discriminate on the basis of handicap status. This information is available in Spanish or any other language upon request.

Esta información está disponible español o cualquier otro lenguaje a petición. Póngase en contacto con Anne-Marie Knighton, 252-482-7352 para obtener más información.

**PARKING**  
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driver's visibility and requires the driver to exit the driveway beyond the fence before having a clear view of the street."

"The no parking zones will provide safer egress," she added.

Ironically the homeowner most directly impacted would be Councilman Sambo Dixon. He and his wife own Beverly Hall, a historic home located across the street from Pembroke Hall.

Dixon said he had no objection to the council granting Burgher's request.

"I don't think I have a conflict," he said.

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