

## **Businessman Waff was dedicated to Chowan**

#### **BY MILES LAYTON** Editor

The news of Paul Waff's death traveled fast on Sunday within Chowan County.

Near and far, people started talking about what a great man he was, beloved by all.

"I can't believe he is gone," Anne-Marie Knighton in a tear-strained voice. "I'm going to miss him. He's done so much for everyone, for Chowan County, for Edenton."

County Commission Chairman Jeff Smith grew up alongside Waff in Chowan County.

"He was a great guy, he would do anything to help you out," Smith said. "I never heard anyone say anything bad about him. He was just asset to the comm said Edenton town manager to all northeast North Carolina. He's really going to be missed."

Waff, who still had a spry step in his 60s, had a stroke on Sunday morning while he was in the Outer Banks.

p.m. Sunday.

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> **Anne-Marie Knighton** Edenton town manager

church's Family Life Center.

He was taken to Sen-Edenton. The Rev. Malone tara General Hospital in Gilliam, of St. Paul's Epis-Norfolk, Va., where he was copal Church, will officiate pronounced dead around 6 the memorial service that will start at 11 a.m. Friday Visitation will be 6 p.m. at Edenton United Methodto 8 p.m. Thursday at Miller ist Church. A reception will Funeral Home and Crema- immediately follow in the tory at 735 Virginia Road,



WAFF

There will be a private burial Friday in the Waff Family Cemetery.

Waff served president of Waff Contracting of Edenton, which was known far and wide as a general contractor for commercial and industrial work, specializing in pile driving and marine construction.

As examples of its many projects, the company used pieces of the old "Chowan River" bridge to build the magnificent marina that sits by Colonial Park. The company built Wharf Landing,

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## Primary election closes Tuesday

**BY MILES LAYTON** Editor

Primary election is ahead Tuesday, May 8.

Due to the press deadline, results will not be published in the May 9 edition.

However, please see the Chowan Herald's Facebook page or Twitter feed to learn the immediate results which will be published not only in the Daily Advance the day after the election, but within the Chowan Herald at a later date.

Polls will open at 6:30 a.m. and close at 7:30 p.m. Tuesday

North Carolina holds semi-closed primary elec-



Chowan Middle sixth-graders and their chaperones pose on the steps of the U.S. Capitol building Monday in Washington, D.C. To see more photos from the field trip, see page 6B.

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### Salary plan needs more study

### **BY REBECCA BUNCH** Staff Writer

Representatives of the Cary, NC-based MAPS Group that has been conducting a salary study for town employees has been asked to go back to the drawing board and present salary range comparisons between Edenton and other nearby municipalities.

During their April 23 work session town council members expressed surprise and disappointment that the salary comparisons were based on locales not in our immediate area or of comparable size to Edenton such as Tarboro and Selma, NC in Johnston County.

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# **Bulldogs visit the nation's capitol**

#### **BY NICOLE BOWMAN**everyone had breakfast. LAYTON

WASHINGTON.

hours of the morning, the

youths, along with almost

80 adults, teachers and

chaperones, took a long bus

ride to the nation's capital

to take in the sights. They

wore color-coded brace-

lets that corresponded with

their buses and when they

would take a tour of the

The trip was made pos-

sible through the help of the

community. An anonymous

donor paid for the four bus-

es, while Vidant Chowan

Hospital donated more than

220 granola bars to ensure

U.S. Capitol.

school Monday.

Meredith Chaperone For the Chowan Herald Tynch spent her birthday accompanying her son, D.C. Fletcher, on the field trip. — Chowan Middle's sixth-Joy Harvill accompanied graders had a long day at her daughter Molly and helped get several sixth-Getting up in the wee

graders to the school in time for the trip. Some of the buses arrived in Washington earlier than scheduled, so their passengers explored the National Mall, taking in the Lincoln Monument and World War II Monument, among other famous national treasures.

From there, the buses took them to Ford's Theater to watch the play, "One Destiny." The play was about what happened at the the- the theater was an exhibit ater on April 14, 1965, when on Lincoln. Included was then-president Abraham Lincoln was shot there.

Across the street from try's 16th president.



Art on display within the Rotunda.

a four-story pyramid of books, all about our coun-

two groups and explored different areas of the comPHOTO BY JOY HARVIL

The next stop was the plex, one visited the Library area near the U.S. Capitol. of Congress while the other The students were split into group visited the Capitol.

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Steinburg, Twiddy vie for Senate seat

> **BY JON HAWLEY** For the Chowan Herald

Does North Carolina's Senate District 1 need experience or a new start?

That's the question facing Republican voters in the May 8 primary election, where three-term state Rep. Bob Steinburg, R-Chowan, is effectively running for a promotion to a Senate seat covering almost twice as many counties as he now serves. He's opposed for the seat by Clark

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## Goodwin, Hunter compete for House seat



The two Republican candidates for the open seat in state House District 1 have different backgrounds but a similar focus: to tackle the many pocketbook issues facing residents of rural communities.

**BY JON HAWLEY** 

For the Chowan Herald

Candice Hunter, of Perquimans County, and Eddy Goodwin, of Chowan County, are running to serve the reconfigured House District 1, which includes their counties as well

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