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## Tanya Turner sworn in as Perquimans superintendent

Former ECPS official starts new job today

BY PETER WILLIAMS  
The Perquimans Weekly

From the pledge of allegiance on down, the agenda for Monday's swearing in ceremony for new Perquimans County Superintendent Tanya Turner was proof of one thing ... she was home

again.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by her nephew, William Howell, a first-grader at Perquimans Central along with nieces Eleanor Howell, a fourth-grader at Hertford Grammar School and Catherine Howell, a sixth-grader at Perquimans County Middle School.

Turner, a product of the Perquimans County

School system, taught the first 10 years of her career in Perquimans. She has remained a Perquimans resident her entire life even, though she's been in the Edenton-Chowan County School system for the past 17 years. She leaves the position as assistant superintendent for curriculum and instruction in Chowan to take the Perquimans County job.

Before the ceremony, Edenton-Chowan Superintendent Rob Jackson said he talked with then Perquimans Superintendent Dwayne Stallings about five years ago when he was hired in Edenton. Stallings told his counterpart that from time to time educators from the two systems went back and

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Superior Court Judge J.C. Cole (right) swears in new Perquimans County Schools Superintendent Tanya Turner on Monday at Perquimans Central School in Winfall.

## CYCLE NC COASTAL RIDE



PHOTO COURTESY STEVE GRZANKA

After Friday night's storm cleared, the tents from Cycle NC Coastal Ride pale in comparison to Mother Nature's handiwork at sunset over Colonial Park.

## Annual bike tour visits region

1,750 people attend event hosted by Edenton

BY MILES LAYTON  
Staff writer

Cycle NC Coastal Ride transformed Edenton into a haven for bicyclists from here, there and everywhere this past weekend.

"This year was a huge success - one of the best coastal rides we have ever had," said Chip Hofler, vice president of North Carolina Amateur Sports, which manages Cycle NC. "From fantastic routes with new rest stops, to great entertainment in town, the riders really had a wonderful experience."

registered for the event that spanned Thursday through Sunday and featured bicycle treks to multiple venues including Columbia, Hertford and Bertie County.

"This year was the largest number we have

### PHOTO GALLERY

For more photos from Cycle NC Coastal Ride, visit the photo gallery at [dailyadvantage.com](http://dailyadvantage.com).

ever had in Edenton," he said. "This was the sixth time Edenton has hosted the event, and we will surely be back."

Saturday morning, a group of folks from central Ohio were enjoying a breakfast of scrambled eggs, pancakes and sausage prepared by the Edenton Rotary Club.

"We heard about this last summer when we were on the great Ohio Bicycle Adventure when we met people with T-shirts for Cycle NC who were just glowing about the ride and recommending it, so we thought, 'OK, we'll try it,'" said Susan Kahrl of

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CHOWAN HERALD PHOTOS

Left: A little beach music and it's time to do the shag Saturday as Ocean Breeze Band performs. Below: Tents fill the 1767 Chowan County Courthouse green Friday.



## Main Street America board to visit Edenton

Meeting to be held Friday at Chowan Arts Council

BY MILES LAYTON  
Staff writer

Tuesday morning, legal eagle Sambo Dixon walked up South Broad Street to get a cup of coffee at Edenton Coffee Shop when he spoke of Main Street America's Board of Directors visit to town Friday.

"It's going to be good meeting - a lot of ideas for building communities," said Dixon, a member of the National Main Street Board of Directors who invited the group to Edenton.

Dixon explained that Main Street America is a program of the National Main Street Center, a group that revitalizes older and historic commercial districts to build vibrant neighborhoods and thriving economies. The National Main Street Center is based in Chicago, with an office in Washington, D.C., and field staff located throughout the country. For Edenton to score a national board meeting is a big deal, Dixon said.

Main Street America is a network of more than 1,600 neighborhoods and communities, rural and urban, who share both a commitment to place and to building stronger communities through preservation-based economic development. Main Street



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America is a program of the non-profit National Main Street Center, Inc., a subsidiary of the

National Trust for Historic Preservation.

Regional, state, and national Main Street officials will meet in a casual setting between 8:30 a.m. and 9:30 a.m. Friday at the Chowan Arts Council, 112 W. Water St. No RSVP is required for this forum and a light breakfast will be provided.

The event offers businesspeople a chance to ask questions of the Main Street America Board members as well as the experts.

"Destination Downtown Edenton is a Nationally Accredited Program and we are beyond thrilled to welcome this prestigious group to our downtown," said Jennifer Harriss, director of Destination Downtown Edenton. "The community has planned several special events to welcome the board. They will have a boat tour on the Liber-tea, a reception and the Barker House and lunch at the Cupola House. Our downtown businesses are ready to show the board how awesome our downtown is!"

## SWEEP CHOWAN



PHOTO COURTESY JACKI ARROWOOD

Sweep Chowan So-Cho - Southern Chowans - did their duty to keep Yeopim and Thick Neck roads clean by picking several bags of trash. Pictured are (l-r) Les Kersey, Harriet Dehart, Sally Francis Kehayes, George Nelson, Commissioner Larry McLaughlin, Commissioner Patti Kersey, Georgiana Nelson, Dr. Alex Kehayes and Tom Credle with Jacki Arrowood taking the photograph of the crew. Sweep Chowan, an initiative to pick up trash along roadways, ended Tuesday. More information will be in an upcoming edition.

## Long hours pay off for town, businesses

Nichols: Cycling event runs smoothly with volunteers' help

BY NICOLE BOWMAN-LAYTON  
Editor

From rain to sun to wind, the participants of Cycle NC Coastal Ride experienced pretty much all the weather Edenton has to offer during this past weekend. They also experienced some of the best Chowan County has to offer in terms of hospitality.

Welcoming smiles greeted the visitors wherever they went, including both at check-in and throughout the routes. Registration included greetings from the



NICOLE LAYTON/CHOWAN HERALD

Cyclists pass the Cupola House garden Friday during Cycle NC.

Aces Boosters assisting Cycle NC on Thursday, while the many volunteers at all the rest stops wished them safe travels.

Several civic and youth organizations pitched in, filling gaps in service, according to Nancy Nichols, Chowan County Tourism

Development Authority director.

"Our organizations really pitched in to feature what may have been missing with our Boy Scouts, Rotary, Edenton Farmer's Market, Friends of Historic

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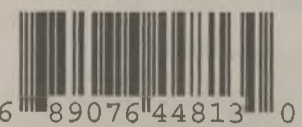
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