



D.F. WALKER TEACHERS EARN GRANT — A6

CLASS OF 2019



PHOTOS MILES LAYTON/CHOWAN HERALD

Class of 2019 Senior Awards program paid tribute Aces who have received a total of \$5,488,259 in scholarships. The one-year total is \$1,457,821.

Aces earn nearly \$5.5M in scholarships

BY MILES LAYTON
Staff writer

Before the Senior Awards program began Monday, Aces were adjusting colored tassels, grappling with their graduation gowns and straightening those mortar boards for a Class of 2019 photo in the gym.

Members of this class have achieved much such as earning state championship rings, academic excellence, conference titles and more during their time within the hallowed halls at John A. Holmes High School. For more photos, see the Chowan Herald's Facebook page.

Monday night was about paying tribute to this group of future alumni who will accept their diplomas on Friday, June 14. Class of 2019 earned nearly \$5.5 million in scholarship dollars.

Local dignitaries lined up to present various awards and scholarships to this exceptional group of students that folks will remember years from now as among the best and brightest that Chowan County has to offer — Aces who aspire to become doctors, teachers, lawyers, jour-



Left: Rachel Brinson was awarded Principal's Award by John A. Holmes Principal Stephen Wood. Above: Amy Turner accepts the prestigious Edenton Rotary Cup Scholarship from Rotary President Sean Tunney.

nalists, skilled tradesman, farmers and maybe even score a chance to play as a professional athlete.

A few takeaways from sitting in the front row close to the podium include a story from Principal Stephen Wood about Rachel Brinson, who won the Principal's Award. Brinson's Christian faith and amazing memory of Scripture prompted her to give notes with Bible verses to the principal

when he needed inspiration. With aspirations of being a teacher, Brinson won the inaugural Rebecca Bunch Memorial Scholarship that was presented in honor of a journalist who wrote for more than 40 years about the school system.

Because Kurshenna Jackson and Dylan White served as mistress and master of ceremonies, they didn't have to walk far to the podium to accept the many

awards and scholarships they earned.

Long distance runner Amy Turner probably added a few more miles to her daily total because her name starts with a "T," so she sat in one of the back rows. It was hard to count how many times Turner came forward to accept awards, such as the prestigious Edenton Rotary Cup,

See CLASS OF 2019, A5

Candidates spar over ad campaigns

DEBORAH GRIFFIN/
THE DAILY REFLECTOR

Dr. Joan Perry debates with State Representative Greg Murphy Monday night on the campus of Pitt Community College.



3rd Congressional District
GOP runoff

BY TYLER STOCKS
The Daily Reflector

WINTERVILLE — The candidates vying for the Republican nomination for the 3rd District Congressional seat took shots at each other during a debate Monday for being dishonest in their adver-

tisements.

N.C. Rep. Greg Murphy, a Greenville urologist and surgeon, and Dr. Joan Perry, a Kinston pediatrician, are campaigning for a July 9 runoff. The winner will face candidates from the Democratic, Libertarian and Constitutional parties on Sept. 10.

More than 100 people

See CANDIDATES, A2

Senator: Legislators want Vidant issue resolved

Davis: Makes no sense to revoke status as teaching hospital

BY GINGER LIVINGSTON
The Daily Reflector

Reported discussions among Senate leaders about building a teaching hospital for the Brody School of Medicine, independent of Vidant Medical Center are just "chatter," said one eastern North Carolina legislator.

Sen. Bob Steinburg, R-Chowan, whose 11-county district is served by three of Vidant Health's eight hospitals, said legislators were concerned when Vidant leaders and Pitt County commissioners ended the University of North Carolina Board of Governors' ability to appoint members to the hospital's board of

trustees.

"I think it's nothing more than chatter. I can only speak for myself ... but if this was a very serious initiative, I can assure you I would be aware of it," Steinburg said. "I think other eastern North Carolina legislators would be aware of it."

Pitt County Sen. Don Davis also can't believe senator leaders are floating the idea of building a new hospital.

"It makes absolutely no sense to talk about revoking Vidant's status as the teaching hospital for the medical school," Davis said. "Every single year we are fighting to fund our



DAVIS



STEINBURG

medical school; now they are talking about building a new teaching hospital when they have inadequately funded the medical school?

"I think taxpayers will see through that and see what it is," he said.

Even if the construction discussion is nothing more than "pie-in-the-sky chatter," Steinburg said, Vidant officials should move quickly to resolve the conflict. He believes restoring the nominating powers of the Board of Governors is the best solution.

Steinburg spoke after the Senate

See VIDANT, A2

WELLS FARGO CUP



PHOTO COURTESY KIM ULLOM

(L-r) John A. Holmes Principal Stephen Wood, Athletic Director Wes Mattera and Edenton-Chowan Schools Superintendent Rob Jackson celebrate as the school won its second Wells Fargo Cup in a row. The award was presented May 29, during the Senior Athletic Banquet at Edenton Baptist Church. **More on the ceremony can be found on Page B1.**

What's Happening in Chowan County

6 89076 44813 0
Vol. 84, No. 23
©2019 The Chowan Herald
All Rights Reserved

Like us on Facebook at /TheChowanHerald



Edenton Steamers start season — B1

Obituaries — A3

David T. Bateman
Illa Pearl Parks
Mary J. Hardin
Teresa Larim Davis
Jeanne S. O'Neal

Index

Calendar.....B5
Classifieds.....B6-8
Community.....B4
Obituaries.....A3
Opinion.....A4
School.....A6
Sports.....B1



UPCOMING HOME GAMES

Historic Hicks Field
FMI Call 252-482-4080
www.edentonsteamers.com

JUNE 6 @ 7PM
VS WILMINGTON
THURSDAY TUNES
CLASSIC ROCK MUSIC NIGHT

JUNE 7 @ 7PM
VS WILSON
POST GAME FIREWORKS
HISTORIC HICKS FIELD 80TH
ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

JUNE 9 @ 7PM
VS MARTINSVILLE
OPEN DOOR CHURCH NIGHT
CHURCH BULLETIN NIGHT