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overhangs and broken windows exposed the inside to the elements, allowing water and various bugs — mostly wasps — make their home there. There is dark wood paneling — real wood, not the thin plywood sheets you'd get at a home improvement store nowadays — in some of the rooms.

One thing you immediately notice is the half-completed work — bricks piled on the floor near the still-operable fireplaces and damp insulation falling out of walls, exposing the back side of the siding. In the kitchen, black marker on the walls notes where electrical outlets and the refrigerator and stove were to have gone.

Tyler said that renovations on the house started

within the past 10 years and for some reason just stopped.

"For whatever reason, they just weren't able to continue and put the house on the market," he said.

Down East's work includes building a kitchen in the old kitchen building that is attached to the house through a long hallway. A master bedroom and bathroom will be created downstairs. The work upstairs calls for the creation of three bedrooms, a bathroom and playroom for the Will family's five children.

Work on the Isaac White house began last week. Tyler said he expected it to take six to nine months.

The Isaac White House is on the National Register of Historic Places. According to the White family, the house was built in 1716, remodeled by 1787 and again in the early 19th century.



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The Isaac White House is on Holiday Island Road in Perquimans County.

The register notes that the house's creation is primarily family lore and there is no data to back it up.

The first recorded owner of the land was William Tetterton. Born in 1682, he was granted 580 acres in 1716, which he sold to Thomas Long. Jonathan Skinner was the first owner of the Tetterton land who is known to have lived on it. He represented

Perquimans County in the NC House of Commons in 1779, 1781 and 1782.

In 1786, William White took possession of the land and eventually passed it to his son Isaac White before 1794. Fast forward to 1860, shortly after Margaret White inherited the land, she paid taxes on 354 acres of land (worth \$2,830), eight black polls and a riding vehicle. After her

death, the land was divided by Isaac N. White and John W. White in 1863 with John receiving the house. His estate was auctioned off but stayed in the family, as Anderson White bought the land from Robert B. Cox for \$200.

When Anderson White died, his children petitioned for a sale of his real estate. In 1924, his son, Thomas Skinner White bid

\$4,000 for 75 acres and the old family home.

In 1966, the Isaac White house was given to the children of Thomas Skinner White and Jennie Blanchard White — Thomas S. White Jr., Julian B. White, Walter B. White and Virginia White Transeau.

An interesting sidenote, Transeau was editor, publisher and owner of the Perquimans Weekly from the 1960s until 1972, when it was sold to Dear Publications and Radio Inc., which also owned the Daily Advance and a few radio stations in Elizabeth City. When the newspaper was first published in November 1934, an article announced that the newspaper was founded by Mrs. W.E. White, Mattie Lister White, possibly a relative of Transeau.

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BUNCH

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probably chasing a road-runner through town.

"It has truly been my pleasure to serve you all these past years, but it is time for me to hang up my hat," he said. "It's time to enjoy some retirement with grandchildren."

A Chowan County

native and a member of the John A. Holmes High School Class of 1977, Bunch grew up on a farm when local Post Master James Bond thought he might be make a good letter carrier. Bunch started out serving the community at Arrowhead Beach and surrounding areas for three years before God brought him to town. Sure, maybe the federal gov-

ernment gets the credit, but here's the story.

Rules had changed so that postal carriers were required to take a civil service test. Due to a bureaucratic snafu, Bunch took the test — the wrong test — but achieved the high scores necessary to attain an advanced job classification to work as a city carrier for the post office, so the rest is history.

As the saying goes, "Neither snow nor rain nor heat nor gloom of night stays these couriers from the swift completion of their appointed rounds."

When asked about that saying as it relates to his tour of duty, Bunch said he would like to add one word — "Hurricanes." Yep. No matter whether the wind was churning the trees or how the water was

flowing through town, Bunch said he did his duty to get the mail to where it needed to go.

Hurricanes aside, Bunch said there is one season of the year he liked to deliver mail — Christmastime — because of the smile he'd see on people's faces when delivering holiday cards and presents.

These days, Bunch and his wife Dorothy are

building a house out there along NC 32 and living the dream by visiting Greece. Why Greece? His nephew Collin Small is getting married in that part of the world, so Bunch and his wife took a flight to the ancient world for a new adventure.

Maurice, congratulations and thanks for your years of service.

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And the Lord said, Simon, Simon, behold, Satan hath desired to have you, that he may sift you as wheat.

But I have prayed for thee, that thy faith fail not: and when thou art

converted, strengthen thy brethren.

The speech addressed change, as well as helping others.

Chris Williams, associate minister of The Mount, addressed the graduates.

Loving Light Community Outreach is a faith-based organization that collects data from former of-

fenders. It learned that there are many barriers that hinder ex-offenders from excelling after re-entry into the community.

Loving Light's CBI program is a cognitive-behavioral counseling program that combines education, group and individual counseling, and structured exercises.

These exercises are designed to foster moral development in treatment-resistant clients. As long as clients' judgments about right and wrong are made from low levels of moral reasoning, counseling them, training them in job skills, and even punishing them will have little insignificantly long-lasting impact on their

behavior. They must be confronted with the consequences of their behavior and the effect that it has had on their family, friends and community.

During the ceremony, some of the graduates also spoke. They were Kawanda Rankins-Cooper, from the Chowan/Gates program; Reginald Farrow,

Hyde; Mark Davis and Richard Foster, Currituck; Quneasha Armstrong, Washington; and Rachel Taylor, Dare.

Beside Rankins-Cooper, the Chowan/Gates graduates were Jesean Brown, Tyrese Cofield, Christopher Holder, Matthew Milot, Donovan Roundtree and Ira Wiggins.

SAFETY

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Fireworks that are illegal in North Carolina include firecrackers, ones that spin on the ground, roman candles, bottle rockets, or any aerial fireworks. Essentially, any firework that explodes

or leaves the ground is not legal in North Carolina.

Some safety tips you need to consider if you do plan on using fireworks during the month of July or anytime of the year.

- * Never use fireworks while impaired by drugs or alcohol
- * Never allow young

children to handle fireworks

- * Older children should use them only under the close adult supervision
- * Anyone using fireworks or standing nearby should wear protective eyewear
- * Never light them indoors
- * Only use them away from people, houses, and flammable material

- * Only light one device at a time and maintain a safe distance after lighting

- * Never ignite devices in a container
- * Do not try to re-light or handle malfunctioning fireworks
- * Soak unused fireworks in water for a few hours before discarding

- * Keep a bucket of water nearby to fully extinguish fireworks that don't go off or in case of a fire

- * Never try to make your own fireworks.
- * Never throw or point fireworks at someone, even as a joke.
- * Don't hold fireworks in your hands or have any

part of your body overt them while lighting.

- * Don't carry fireworks on your pockets, the friction could set them off

Please take the time to enjoy your Fourth of July festivities, but remember a safe day is a better than a hospital stay. Thank you.

Billy Bass is Edenton fire chief.



SUBMITTED PHOTO

Ceremony Chairman Beth Taylor (l) and Chapter Regent Anne Rowe invite everyone to attend the 20th annual July 4th Ceremony, sponsored by the Edenton Tea Party Chapter, National Society Daughters of the American Revolution (NSDAR).

NSDAR

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This July 4th ceremony has proven so successful over the years, that the Edenton Tea Party Chapter received the NSDAR first place National Award for Best Independence Day Celebration for the year 2016! This award was presented to the Chapter in June 2017 at the National Society's Continental Congress in Washington, DC.

The Edenton Tea Party Chapter, NSDAR welcomes and encourages everyone to attend this eloquent and historic celebration of the signing of the Declaration of Independence, and to honor Hewes' memory.

The National Society Daughters of the American Revolution, founded in

1890 and headquartered in Washington, DC, is one of the most inclusive genealogical societies in the country. It is a non-profit, non-political volunteer women's service organization dedicated to promoting patriotism, preserving American history, and securing America's future through better education for children.

Any woman 18 years or older — regardless of race, religion, or ethnic background - who can prove lineal descent from a patriot of the American Revolution, is eligible for membership.

If you believe you may be eligible for membership, you should contact Edenton Tea Party Chapter Registrar Candy Roth — 252-548-2648 or Membership Chairman Beth Taylor — 252-482-3592 for information.

HIGH

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not only existing businesses, but small business, mobile workers and entrepreneurs.

High is the latest candidate (before this edition's press time) to file for Town Council. First ward currently is represented by Steve Biggs, mayor pro-tempore.

A brief biography of High shows that he is an University of North Carolina graduate with a bachelor's of science degree in economics Class of 1987 and a law degree from Campbell University School of Law in 1990. High has had long legal career before hanging out his shingle in Edenton with the prestigious law firm of High and Crowe of East Queen Street. He has experience as a local government attorney serving as the attorney for Town of Winfall, Perquimans County, Edenton-Chowan

TOWN ELECTION

Filing for the Edenton municipal election begins at noon July 5 and ends at noon July 19. No one can file until the filing period opens. Election day is Nov. 5. Four offices are up for election: council-at-large seat, the 1st ward seat, the 2nd ward seat and the Mayor's seat. One stop will start at 8 a.m. Oct. 16 in the Board of Election (BOE) office in the Chowan County Agriculture Building and ends at 1 p.m. Nov. 2.

Board of Education and the Gates County and Chowan County Department of Social Services.

High has served tours of duty as past president for various groups such as the First District Bar Association, Chowan Arts Council and the Edenton-Chowan Community Foundation. A baseball fan, High is attorney for the Edenton Steamers and a past board member of that organization. A Methodist, High is a current member Edenton United Methodist Church's staff-parish relations committee and a former Sunday School teacher.

An Aces' fan, High serves as a volunteer

developed a love for the water and eastern North Carolina.

"When I graduated from college and law school, many of my peers were going to work in DC, Atlanta, Charlotte or New York City and instead of choosing a similar path I drew an imaginary horizontal line through a map of North Carolina right at Raleigh with the goal of working somewhere in eastern North Carolina which was near the water," he said. "At the time, I felt it important to take my education and God-given abilities and try to serve a community similar to the one I grew up in. I have served the community in a number of different capacities since I moved here with Martha in 1993 and feel the time is right for me to serve my community as a town councilman."

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This summer, the Edenton Trolley would like to give all **Chowan County Residents** the opportunity to ride the trolley and become aware of the historic town of Edenton and of Chowan County.

Adult reduced rate of **\$10.00**
children 6-16 **\$1.00**
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Come learn about your Town and County!



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