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Town adds support to Kadesh AME Zion Church

Resolution allows Edenton to provide administrative support

BY MILES LAYTON
 Staff writer

Efforts to save historic Kadesh AME Zion Church progressed during Monday's Town Council meeting.

Edenton Historical Commission and the Kadesh Church congregation are working with the National Trust for Historic Preservation and Saving Sacred Places Trust to save the East Gale Street church that was heavily damaged after Hurricane Isabel in 2003.

During Monday's special meeting, council unanimously passed a resolution to be a partner in the effort so as to provide administrative support to the capital campaign.

"We are not pledging financial resources, but would be pledging our administrative support — to be a partner and a supporter," Town Manager Anne-Marie Knighton said. "Kadesh is the anchor of the North Oakum Street Redevelopment Zone, so the town is already heavily invested in the Kadesh and the East Gale Street neighborhood. It would be the staff's honor to represent the town and be a

partner as Kadesh embarks on the next important phase of their journey to restore the historic church and create a multi-purpose community facility."

Councilman Sambo Dixon is a leading force behind the efforts to save the historic church.

"The town has been very supportive of the restoration and preservation of the church," he said. "The restoration of Kadesh will further the goals of our redevelopment zones and it will safeguard a very important African-American historic site that will tell one of Edenton's most



Edenton town council recently passed a resolution supporting restoration efforts at Kadesh A.M.E. Zion Church, on East Gale Street. FILE PHOTO

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LONG ROAD TO RECOVERY

Ocracoke recovery slow going

District Rotary president talks about work on OBX island

BY MILES LAYTON
 Staff writer

Road to Ocracoke is going to open in a few days, Dec. 2.

Let that sink in for a minute. After nearly two months, the island will be somewhat more accessible than it has been since Hurricane Dorian invaded in late August.

Ocracoke is special, one of those places we all go to get away from it all.

Let's just say it like it is — island may take years to recover.

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 Left: Rotarian Mark Matthews with Rotary Disaster Aid USA traveled from San Diego to Ocracoke to volunteer for a couple of weeks to assist with recovery efforts. Above: Hundreds of appliances were damaged with Hurricane Dorian invaded Ocracoke.

Some filing periods will start Dec. 2

4 commission seats, register of deeds to be on 2020 ballots

STAFF REPORT

The local political season for 2020 will be getting underway next week, as the filing period opens for several Chowan County positions.

The filing period for the board of commissioners and register of deeds starts at noon Monday, Dec. 2, and will end at noon Friday, Dec. 20, at the board of elections office in the Chowan County Agriculture Building, according to information provided by election director Terrence "Terry" Meyers.

This year, four seats on the Chowan County Board of Commissioners will be open:

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Nicole Bowman-Layton (left) helps adjust gear she will need to wear for the Dementia Experience Wednesday, Nov. 20, at Vidant Chowan Hospital.



Glimpse of life with dementia offered

Vidant Chowan Hospital hosts Dementia Experience simulator

BY NICOLE BOWMAN-LAYTON
 Editor

Vidant Chowan Hospital offered the public a chance to feel what it is like to be a dementia patient through the Dementia Experience Wednesday and Thursday.

About 54 people went through the simulator during the two days, which coincided

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with the hospital's health fair held at Edenton United Methodist Department. After arriving for their appointment, participants were geared up for the event, with member of the hospital's behavioral health

team helping them put on goggles, headphones attached to a radio, gloves and inserts in their shoes.

The simulator was set up in one of the hospital's classroom. Dimly lit, the simulator had various stations, such as a clothes rack, a table, and an area with letter-writing supplies.

Another member of the hospital staff gave the participant a list of tasks to complete. This

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State group recognizes school board

Edenton-Chowan Schools BOE receives leadership award

SUBMITTED REPORT

The North Carolina School Boards Association (NCSBA) selected the Edenton-Chowan Schools Board of Education as the recipient of the 2019 School Board Leadership Award. This award is presented to an entire school board that has demonstrated extraordinary leadership during the school year.

This annual Leadership

Award is presented to a local Board of Education for demonstrating the following qualities in the past year.

* Focus on students by fostering an environment in which the student can develop and flourish

* Demonstrated progress in achieving system goals

* Fostered increased parental involvement

* Developed collaboration with social agencies and/or community groups, including other governing bodies

* Created a school community that fosters quality performance and innovation

* Worked well with administrative staff and as a board

Superintendent Dr. Rob Jackson said, "The Edenton-Chowan Schools Board of Education has an unwavering commitment to educational excellence. It is difficult to choose only one quality to define the significant impact our Board has on teaching and learning in

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Send letters to Santa

STAFF REPORT

Children are invited to tell Santa Claus what they want for Christmas by participating in our Letters to Santa.

Send letters, short stories, poems and drawings. We will make sure they appear in our Letters to Santa section on Dec. 18.

Santa prefers letters to be emailed to nlayton@ncweeklies.com. The deadline is Dec. 6.

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