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Bertie Arts Council back in business



PENNY GILLIAM / Bertie Arts Council Chris Eliot of Edenton works on the Trinidad Steel Drum he played during the grand re-opening Sunday afternoon.

Grand Re-Opening celebrated Sunday afternoon

BY LANNY HIDAY Bertie Ledger-Advance

WINDSOR - More than 150 art lovers cozied into the Bertie County Arts Council gallery on King Street Sunday afternoon to celebrate the "Grand Re-Opening" of the Arts Council's home.

The building had suffered serious flood damage to the floors and walls after Hurricane Matthew left the interior awash in several inches of standing wa-

ter.

"We were devastated," said Council president Karen Sours. "We had repainted and redecorated during the previous year, and we were so proud of the appearance of our gallery. The flood really hurt us. All local pain."

Fortunately, the building's owner, the town of Windsor, committed quickly to the repair and restoration project.

Out-of-town restoration experts assessed the damage, placed large fans for drying the premises, and suggested a course of action. Carpenters, painters, and flooring experts then went to work.

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Water-soaked framing, floorartists and art lovers felt the ing, wallboarding and cabinetry had to be removed, replaced, and repainted. The project spanned many hours and days

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Windsor PD responds to citizens

> **BY THADD WHITE** Bertie Ledger-Advance

WINDSOR -- Windsor Police Chief Todd Lane believes his department should respond to the



RCRC gets help **BY LESLIE BEACHBOARD** Bertie Ledger-Advance

WINDSOR - The Roanoke **Cashie River Center will** get new floral gardens.

The Bertie County Master Gardeners presented several ideas for the floral gardens to the town of Windsor Commissioners last Thursday.

"Bertie County Master Gardeners have been in

citizens they serve.

In order to respond to a number of citizen concerns about traffic safety, the Windsor Police Department set up two traffic enforcement activities over the weekend.

"The Windsor Police Department is very responsive to the request from citizens to address speeders and reckless drivers especially in the residential areas," Chief Lane said. "Those enforcement activities resulted in two arrests and several citations."

On Friday, Feb. 11 Windsor Police Cpl. J.R. Thomas and Officer Blake Mizelle conducted a traffic checkpoint on Governor's Rd.

approximately At 8:10 p.m., Cpl. Thomas observed a vehicle traveling west toward the checkpoint when the driver began backing away. Cpl. Thomas then got into his police

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Barry McGlone takes his work as a member of the Bertie County Board of Education seriously.

Barry McGlone finds 'calling' during one-year commitment

BY JIM GREEN Bertie Ledger-Advance

WINDSOR - What started out as one year ended up being a 30-plus year career in education for Barry McGlone.

But he wouldn't have had it any other way.

"I have no regrets whatsoever," said McGlone, who has been a member of the Bertie County Board of Education since the fall of 2014.

"I believe my destination

had already been predeter- to seek a seat on the school mined for me. This was the course I was supposed to run, and I am so grateful that I've been able to run it," he stressed.

I always liked the sciences. - Barry McGlone

McGlone was a teacher and coach at Bertie High School for 30 and 24 years, respectively. He retired, and then after eight years removed from full-time service, he decided

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board.

He grew up in Windsor, attended Bertie Senior High School, played football and graduated in 1972.

McGlone then attended Norfolk State University in Virginia and played football, graduating with a degree in

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existence for 14 years and we have around 14 members," said Bertie County Master Gardener Mary Tibbs.

The Bertie County Master Gardeners have worked on several projects including flowerpots that decorate the sidewalks and the Bertie County Courthouse.

Now the gardeners have their eyes set on the Roanoke Cashie River Center.

"The Bertie County Master Gardeners know how the town would like to beef up activities at the River Center. We have an idea of putting a garden at the river center," added Tibbs.

According to Tibbs, a demonstration garden would be placed along the fence on the backside of the River Center. The garden would contain a mix of trees and plants that would bloom year round.

The flower garden

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