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McGlone passes away unexpectedly

Retired coach, school board leader was 64 years old



Barry McGlone

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LEWISTON WOODVILLE - The voice of one of Bertie High School's most outstanding supporters fell silent Sunday.

Barry McGlone, who served as a teacher, coach, mentor and

board member for Bertie County Schools, died unexpectedly Sunday afternoon at his home. He was 64.

"He meant so much to Bertie County Schools in general and Bertie athletics specifically," said longtime friend and co-worker Marvin Rankins. "Even

in retirement, he still helped and still gave advice. He was still there for all who called on him.

"Bertie High School athletics were always close to his heart," Rankins continued. "He would do anything to make Bertie High School athletics better."

McGlone was a product of the school system he became synonymous with. He grew up in Windsor and attended Bertie Senior High School where he played football. He graduated in 1972.

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'Trash talk' will go on

LESLIE BEACHBOARD
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POWELLVILLE - Discussions continued about yard debris, removal and burning.

The Powellsville Commissioners held their regularly scheduled meeting yesterday (Tuesday), and the problem of yard debris removal lingers.

The concern of debris in ditches is the problem.

Citizens want to clean tree debris from the ditches and many want to start spring yard cleaning, but the problem is where the debris will go.

Currently the town has a contract with an outside company for regular home garbage pickup once a week, but the town does not have a way to provide yard

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My Home

Lewis is advocate for Western Bertie County

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The old saying is there's no place like home. And for Johnna Browne-Lewis, home is western Bertie County. It is a place she loves, and has spent years advocating for in numerous ways.

"I hear people saying other areas have forgotten about us, but I believe we have to give them reasons to come to this side of the county," Lewis said.

And Lewis has been a part of a group which has done far more than talk about it. They've taken action. She's been a strong presence

in the organization of the Roxobel Ag Festival and the Aulander Peanut Festival, as well as helping resurrect St. Mark's Episcopal Church from near certain permanent closure.

Lewis grew up on the western end of Bertie County, and attended West Bertie Elementary School in Kelford. She remembers hardware stores, mill outlets, grocery stores and other businesses in Roxobel, Kelford, Lewiston Woodville and Aulander.

When she returned home in 2010, Lewis said it was difficult to see stores closed and even some buildings destroyed.

"There are so many places gone," she said. "It was heartbreaking, and I wanted to see this end of the county attract more people."

Lewis began working as Town Clerk in Aulander in January 2011 and was part of a group, along with the members of the Aulander Board of Commissioners, Mayor Larry Drew and town citizens to come up with the idea of holding the Aulander Peanut Festival.

"It was a great group - a diverse group from across the county - coming together," Lewis recalled. "It came out bigger and better than we could have asked for when we began."

Lewis said her main role was to serve as the right hand of Aulander Mayor Pro-Tempore Bobbie Parker, who chaired the first committee.

"We called a lot of people, and they gave generously," she said.

Lewis said the committee members worked tirelessly to bring the Aul-

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Dr. Steven Ferguson speaks with Pearless Speller discusses exhibits at the Bertie Arts Council.

Bertie Arts Council hosts Black History event

LANNY HIDAY
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WINDSOR - Cool jazz. Classy artists. Sophisticated art.

Members and guests at the Bertie County Arts Council's Black History Month February reception were treated to a memorable

evening with highly accomplished and acclaimed artists.

From the moment the partygoers entered the Gallery, the art began, first with the understated trumpet and fluegelhorn sounds of Henry Britt (aka "Mister Tunes"). The multi-talented Britt, it turns

out, not only plays fine jazz, but he also draws beautifully, following in the footsteps of his grandfather who left a large pad of skilled drawings.

"Art is in my blood," said Britt.

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- Bread

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