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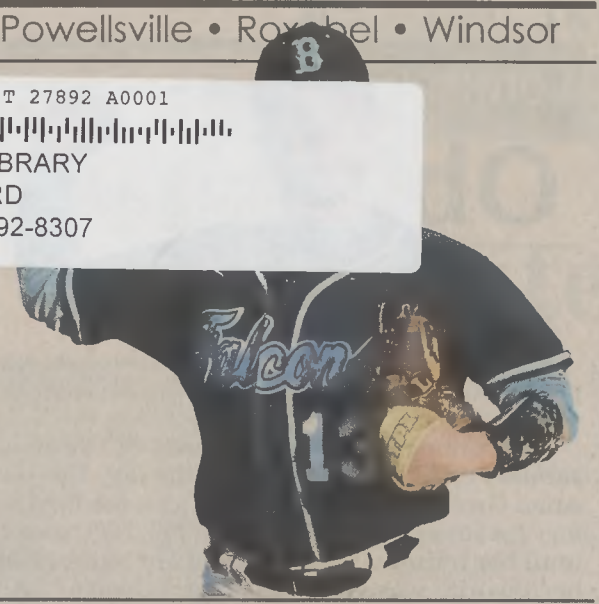
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Williamston man charged in car theft

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WINDSOR - A Williamston man is behind bars, charged in the theft of a vehicle. Windsor Police Lt. Justin Jackson said two officers responded to S&K Logging

on South King Street after an employee reported his personal vehicle had been stolen. Windsor Cpl. Frank Ratzlaff and Officer Jessie Mizelle responded to the call, and were informed by central dispatch the owner had

found his vehicle at Duck Thru No. 6 near the intersection of South King Street and Cooper Hill Road. Cpl. Ratzlaff reported to Duck Thru, and found a vehicle which matched the one reported stolen. He went into the Duck Thru to review

video footage where he saw a male suspect get out of the stolen vehicle. The description of the suspect was relayed to Mizelle, who was searching for him. While reviewing the footage, Cpl. Ratzlaff noticed the suspect leave the Duck Thru

property and cross South King St. toward Cooper Hill Rd. He left the store and headed down Cooper Hill Road where he saw a subject matching the description of the suspect appear to hide

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Task force nabs 2

Sheriff says he is pleased

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POWELLVILLE - Two Bertie County men have been charged by the Down East Drug Task Force.



Weaver

Bertie County Sheriff John Holley said he was proud of the work the task force is doing, including the two most recent arrests.



Dunlow

Glen Weaver of N.C. 42 in Powellsville was arrested April 3 and charged with multiple drug charges. Weaver faces charges including

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Bertie school superintendent Dr. Catherine Edmonds visits Classic Cutz Barber Shop.

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School superintendent tours Bertie County

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WINDSOR - The Bertie County Schools Superintendent is traveling the county to listen to community comments. Bertie County's new Super-

intendent Dr. Catherine Edmonds has made two stops on her community stops on her "Listening Tour." Dr. Edmonds made her first stop on the tour at Dolly's Chat and Chew Café in Aulander at noon Friday, March

23. "After the first day on tour, we all thought, 'how can we top this?'" said Dr. Edmonds. The second stops on the tour were on Wednesday, See TOURS, A6

Case to be heard

Candidacy challenge set Tues.

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WINDSOR - The Bertie County Board of Elections officially was seated Monday.

Shortly thereafter, the board went to work electing new officers and setting a date to hear a candidate residency challenge.

The board should have been appointed in July of last year, but a lengthy court battle between Democratic Gov. Roy Cooper and Republicans in the state legislature led to a delay. While the matter is still in court, Gov. Cooper said late last month he had decided to appoint a state elections board, who in turn appoints the local board.

The Bertie County Republican Party nominat-

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Accident blocks U.S. 17 traffic

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MERRY HILL - An overturned 18-wheeler caused traffic problems when it blocked both lanes of U.S. 17 last week.

According to Midway-Merry Hill Volunteer Fire Department Chief Jodey Sary, a call was received around 7:15 p.m. regarding a vehicle accident on U.S. 17 in front of Quality Gas.

The accident scene was less than one mile north of the U.S.

17/N.C. 45 intersection at Midway.

"Upon the arrival of the fire department units, they saw an 18-wheeler tractor trailer overturned in the southbound lane of U.S. 17, blocking traffic in both lanes," said Sary.

"The trailer, based out of Florida, contained metal racks used for transporting a large volume of plants and flowers. The driver was Latino and spoke very little English," he added.

According to Sary, a Hispanic

family stopped at the scene and was able to translate.

"Through the translator we learned that the driver said sunlight at sunset got in his eyes, temporarily blinding him. He swerved back onto the roadway, causing the vehicle to flip on its side," he said.

A heavy wrecker was summoned to the accident scene to remove the overturned big rig.

Sary said members of his de-



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An overturned 18-wheeler stopped traffic on U.S. 17 last week.

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