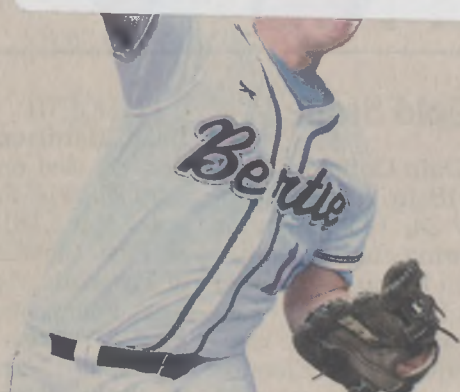


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BCI officer knocked unconscious

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WINDSOR – A Bertie Correctional Institute officer was knocked unconscious after an assault here April 26. Windsor Police Department

ment Lt. Justin Jackson said officers were called to Bertie Correctional at approximately 5:30 p.m. last Thursday. Windsor Police Officer Chris Leggett went to the scene and was told the officer had been transported to

Vidant Bertie Hospital. Officer Leggett went to the hospital where he interviewed Corrections Officer Joshua Barbour. Lt. Jackson reported Barbour said he was working on the unit, “and the next thing

he knew he woke up in the hospital.” Barbour was not able to give officers a motive. Witnesses interviewed at the prison said the inmate walked over to Barbour and began hitting him, striking

him in the face and head. Despite being unconscious, Barbour received no serious injuries. “We take any assault on a corrections officer seriously,”

See ASSAULT, A3

Bowen to file motion

THADD WHITE
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WINDSOR – Adrian Bowen will seek a court injunction barring the certification of the May 8 election results in Bertie County.

Bowen, who filed as a Democratic candidate for sheriff, was declared an ineligible candidate by the Bertie County Board of Elections following a hearing last month. The board found Bowen had not proved he was a resident of Bertie County by a 3-1 vote.

Bowen filed an appeal with the State Board of Elections last week, but will request the injunction in case the appeal isn't heard before the May 8 primary, according to his attorney.

Attorney Brad Hill of Hill Law, PLLC in Raleigh, said Bowen filed his appeal of the local board ruling, but the State Board is currently awaiting a transcript of the hearing held in Windsor.

“They are waiting for a transcript of the hearing, and I suspect that won't occur until next week,” Hill said.

Bowen's attorney

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THE LITTLE MERMAID



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Prince Eric (William Harrell) blows a kiss to Ariel during a production of “The Little Mermaid” at Lawrence Academy.

Lawrence play a success

JIM GREEN
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MERRY HILL - Their spring musical production was a success.

Lawrence Academy's Kindergarten class presented “The Little Mermaid” on Thursday night (April 26) and

Friday morning (April 27) in the gymnasium.

The play was led by teacher Pam White and her assistant, Amy Smith, along with keyboardist Scott Bradshaw.

The play lasted just over an hour and was narrated by two Lawrence Academy seniors, Lane Corbett and Makayla

Deaver. The students had been practicing since January, whenever they had free time during the school day.

Parents of the children provided creative costumes, the backdrop and different

See PLAY, A5

Kids Walk slated

THADD WHITE
Bertie Ledger-Advance

WINDSOR – Any child who wants to participate in Relay For Life has an avenue all his or her own.

Children and students can participate in Bertie County's fundraising event to fight cancer by signing up for the Kids Walk, which is scheduled on Friday, May 18 in the midst of Relay For Life.

The Kids Walk is open to all children and students, but a parent or guardian must accompany them for the Relay event.

Those children are requested to fill out a registration form either online or by hand and pay a \$5 registration fee, which covers the T-Shirt they are given for participating.

Registering online can be done by going to www.relayforlife.org/bertienc and filling out the registration by joining the Kids Walk Team. A copy of the form is available on Page A3 of this week's edition of the Bertie Ledger-Advance.

The registration deadline is May 14. All regis-

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Bertie County will hold Memorial Day ceremony

TRAVIS JACKSON
Bertie Ledger-Advance

WINDSOR – Memorial Day will be observed. Citizens in Bertie County will have the opportunity to pay hon-

or and respect to the memory of those who gave the ultimate sacrifice for their freedom at a ceremony planned at 11 a.m. Monday, May 28 at the Bertie County Courthouse Square.

The ceremony will feature a variety of patriotic music, a guest speaker and a tribute to Memorial Day.

The event is being organized by the Bertie Ledger-Advance and the

Windsor/Bertie Chamber of Commerce in conjunction with Bertie County, the town of Windsor and the Bertie High School JROTC.

“Bertie County is the heartland of our coun-

try, and our people have fought and died to keep us free. It is right and fitting that we honor those who paid that sacrifice, and we look forward to doing that on Memorial Day,” said

Bertie Ledger-Advance Editor Thadd White.

“In Bertie County, we believe in the ideals of this country – life, liberty and the pursuit of

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