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Windsor PD nabs three

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WINDSOR – A pair of traffic stops led to three people facing drug charges last week.

Windsor Police Chief Justin Jackson said officers made arrests Aug. 23 and Aug. 24 following traffic stops in which drugs were confiscated.

On Aug. 23, Windsor Police Lt. Frank Ratzlaff observed a car being driven by a person he knew had a revoked license, so he stopped the vehicle.

Chief Jackson and Officer Jessie Mizelle came to offer assistance, and consent was obtained from the driver to search the vehicle.

Lt. Ratzlaff reported numerous empty heroin packages were located, as well as a substance which was field tested and determined to be heroin.

The driver – Veronica James – was asked if she had any other illegal items, and she surrendered two needles

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Task force makes arrest

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LEWISTON WOODVILLE – A suspect briefly fled on foot here recently, but was taken into custody.

Bertie County Sheriff John Holley said officers of the Down East Drug Task Force and the Bertie County Sheriff's Office Narcotics/Gang Unit were working in Lewiston Woodville.

Sgt. Martin Phelps of the Narcotics/Drug Unit reportedly approached Victor Speller at the internet sweepstakes, but

Speller took off on foot before Sgt. Phelps took him into custody.

Speller was arrested and charged with possession with intent to sell and deliver cocaine, possession with intent to sell and deliver marijuana, maintaining a vehicle to keep/store a controlled substance, possession of drug paraphernalia and resist, delay and/or obstruct an officer.

He was placed under a \$20,000 secured

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WWII, Korean veterans sought

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A Bertie County organization is seeking names of World War II and Korean War veterans.

The Bertie County Branch of the NAACP plans to honor veterans of the two wars along with law enforcement personnel later this year.

Currently, organizers

are trying to get a list of Bertie County veterans who served in those two wars.

"We need help in identifying these individuals," said Vivian Phillips Clarke, chair of the Veterans Affairs Committee. "If you are or know someone who is a World War II or Korean War veteran, please contact us."

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Kevin Johnson and his son, Dylan, enjoy a National Dog Day event held in Windsor this weekend.

'Dog Day' celebrated

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WINDSOR - Let's hear it for the dogs.

The Bertie County Humane society celebrated National Dog Day from 10 a.m. until 4 p.m. last Saturday at their complex at 217 County Farm Road.

According to the Bertie County Human Society Volunteer

Tina Fielder, she started volunteering with the humane society in November of last year and at one of the board meetings she suggested holding the event to celebrate National Dog Day.

"I thought it would bring some spotlight to the Bertie County Humane Society," Fielder added.

National Dog Day was recognized across the country on

Sunday, Aug. 26.

According to Fielder, National Dog Day recognizes all breeds of dogs and promotes the adoption of dogs.

The events hosted vendors, activities and refreshments for dog owners and their four-legged friends of all ages.

Y'all Eat Yet? food truck was

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First cadet graduates

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WINDSOR - Bertie High School's Public Safety Cadet Program has produced its first correctional officer.

Robert Russell, 20, graduated from Correctional Officer Basic Training in Salemburg earlier the month.

Russell is the first student from Bertie High School's Public Safety Program to become a correctional officer for the Department of Public Safety.

Russell, who now

works at Bertie Correctional Institute, is a graduate of Bertie High School and Roanoke-Chowan Community College in 2017.

"Participating in the program truly prepared me for my career now," said Russell.

"Officer Russell is the result of a program dedicated to promoting professionalism. He has expressed the desire to make this more than a job but a career by dedicating himself to outstanding

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Robert Russell (right) is congratulated by Bertie Correctional Institute's Assistant Superintendent Demetrius Clark (left) for completing Correctional Officer Basic Training earlier this month.

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