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Trio arrested after shooting into home

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WINDSOR - Quick work. Officers with the Bertie County Sheriff's Office reacted quickly to shots being fired into a home on Morning Road Feb. 27 and it led to three arrests.

Bertie County Sheriff John Holley said 911 Dispatch re-

ceived a call shortly after noon to locate the vehicle swiftly." last Wednesday reporting individuals had fired shots into a home a Morning Road just outside of Windsor.

telecommunicators "Our were able to give a description and direction of travel relating to the suspect vehicle," Sheriff Holley said. "Thanks to that information, deputies were able

Lt. Matt Roebuck and Sgt. Martin Phelps observed a vehicle matching the description of the suspect automobile near the State Employees Credit Union on U.S. 13/17. The officers turned around to follow the vehicle, and it came to a

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Littlejohn





Armstead

Armed robber busted

Aulander Police nab suspect

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AULANDER - Relentless work by the Aulander Police Department combined with cooperative efforts from two sheriff's offices led to the arrest of a man wanted for armed robbery last week.

Aulander Police Chief Jimmy Barmer said officers were patrolling the town when they were called to an armed robbery at the Food Mart, located at 101 North Commerce St.

Aulander Police officers Brian Knowles and Travis Askew were the first to arrive on the scene, but the suspect had fled before they arrived.

The officers contacted Lt. Tom Helms of the Hertford County Sheriff's Office, and he arrived with K-9 Officer Aries.

While the Aulander officers made contact with the Hertford County Sheriff's Office, four officers from the Bertie County Sheriff's Office arrived to set up a perimeter in the town. The officers included Sgt. Harris Williams, Cpl. Brandon Terry, Deputy Ryan Soria and Deputy Ty Kellie Perry.

"Despite everyone working together, we were unable to locate

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Students with Aulander Elementary School's Unspoken Praise Team, directed by Marlina Perry, were among the youth participating in the Feb. 20 county-wide awareness rally to end bullying.

Waging War against bullying

Bertie County Schools hosts community event

SARAH HODGES STALLS Bertie Ledger Advance

WINDSOR - Poor weather conditions did not stop the Bertie County Schools community from "Waging the War Against Bullying" on Wednesday, Feb.

One young man, (whose name we will not include), sat in the bleachers at Bertie Middle School, waiting for the event to begin. Surrounded by his support team, he was hesitant about attending the event.

A member of his support team explained, "I am glad they are having this," she said. "It is very much needed."

She would go on to explain how the young man had reportedly been the victim of

bullying on more occasions than they wanted to recall.

"There's just no sense in it," she said. The frustration was obvious on the faces of those who care for the student.

When asked if he thinks the event will belp, he struggled to answer. "I'm afraid kids are too set in their ways," the

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Quillon to lead newspaper group



Robin Quillon

Robin L. Quillon has been named president of Adams Publishing Group of Eastern North Carolina,

effective April 1. Most recently, Quillon has been CNHI senior vice president responsible for CNHI newspapers in Pennsylvania, Maryland and Ohio, while also serving as publisher of The Tribune-Democrat in Johnstown, Pennsylvania, and the Cumberland (Maryland) Times-News.

Quillon is succeeding Tim Holt,

who will be retiring after more than 30 years in Greenville, including several years leading The Daily Reflector, The Daily Advance in Elizabeth City and the Rocky Mount Telegram — along with nine nondaily paid-circulation newspapers, three non-subscriber products, several glossy magazines, more than a dozen digital websites and other products and a substantial

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Officer caught in act

Corrections officer has marijuana

THADD WHITE Bertie Ledger-Advance

WINDSOR - A corrections officers found himself on the opposite side of the law recently.

Windsor Police Chief Justin Jackson said officer arrested a Correctional Officer at Bertie Correctional Institute Feb. 21 after finding contraband.

The correctional officer was arrested following an interdiction conducted jointly between prison officials and the Windsor Police Department, according to Windsor Police Lt. Frank Ratzlaff.

"During the interdiction, a correction officer was attempting to enter the facility while emitting a strong odor of marijuana," Lt. Ratzlaff said.

Demetrius Clark, the Assistant Administrator at BCI, asked the officer if he had any contraband items on his person, and the officer admitted he did and produced the items.

The correctional officer, identified as Michael Algood, produced a large bag of tobacco

and marijuana. Once the items were produced by Algood, Windsor Police Officer Jessie Mizelle took him into custody and took him before a Bertie

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