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The time to sign up for the Bertie Spooktacular is now. The race is planned for Oct.

## Registration under way for Bertie Spooktacular event

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WINDSOR - Registration is open for participants to sign up to run in the 10th annual Bertie Spooktacular 5K and 1-Mile Run/Walk and Jamboree.

The Spooktacular, which is the only fundraising event of

the year for the Good Shepherd Food Pantry, is slated for Oct. 26.

To sign up visit [www.runtheeast.com](http://www.runtheeast.com) or mail the entry form and payment to Bertie Spooktacular 5K, Attn: Virg Siefker, PO Box 895, Windsor, NC 27983.

The entry form can be found on the Facebook page or by

asking any of the volunteers for the race.

On the [www.runtheeast.com](http://www.runtheeast.com) website the entrant must click on the race calendar, the blue October button, then scroll down the list to Saturday, Oct. 26, 2019. There is a blue sign

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AMANDA BUNCH / Bertie County Schools

The Bertie High School JROTC helped open the convocation celebration last week.

## Convocation opens school year

BY AMANDA BUNCH  
 Bertie County Schools

WINDSOR - Bertie County Schools' staff members came together and were welcomed officially to the 2019-2020 school year at the annual Convocation celebration Aug. 21.

We are #BuildingaBetterBertie, and "The Best is Yet to Come" were the themes for this year's convocation.

As Pastor Jay Rivenbark of Open Door Church said prior to the morning prayer, convocation by its very definition means the coming together of

all kinds of individuals with all kinds of talents and abilities, all with the one purpose and one focus to accomplish. He emphasized the appropriateness of the occasion and prayed for the safety and success of ev-

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## Calling all retired BCS educators

Banquet planned for teachers, administrators

LESLIE BEACHBOARD  
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WINDSOR - The search for Bertie County Schools' retirees is on.

The Bertie Alumni Community Association is trying to locate Bertie County Schools' retirees as a preparation for the organization's Bertie High School 50th anniversary for 50 years of graduating classes from 1969-2019.

Bertie Alumni Community Association will host a dinner banquet for retired teachers and administrators and former Bertie High School alumni at 6 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 19 at Cashie Convention Center, 118 County Farm Rd. in Windsor.

The banquet will be an evening of socializing, dinner and live en-

tertainment.

"If you or anyone you know taught in Bertie County Schools and is not retired, we would like to extend an invitation to the banquet. No matter what school the teachers or administrators worked at in Bertie County," said Bertie Alumni Community Association President Jackie Lyons-White.

"The students felt like all of you had a part in our 50 years of education. We request the honor of the presence of any Bertie County Schools retirees," she added.

There will also be a 50th Anniversary Homecoming Parade.

According to Lyons-White, The organization would like to have as

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## Volunteers sought for 'Big Sweep'

LESLIE BEACHBOARD  
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WINDSOR - The North Carolina Department of Transportation and Bertie County needs volunteers to help clean up trash along the roads during the Adopt-A-Highway Fall Litter Sweep.

The statewide event is scheduled for Saturday, Sept. 14 through Monday, Sept. 28.

Each April and September, the North Carolina Department of Transportation asks volunteers to help remove litter from roadsides.

Volunteers from local businesses, schools, nonprofits, churches and community groups

play an important role in keeping the roads across the county and state clean.

According to Bertie County Nuisance and Abatement Officer Barry Anderson, the county plans to participate in this year's event, and is looking for volunteers for roadside litter cleanup.

"The county is planning to work with NCDOT for this project.

Currently the grass is so high on the sides of many roads it is a safety issue. I hope to find some roads that have been mowed or where the grass isn't so high," said Anderson.

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