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Jamesville man sentenced to 27 years

Grimes convicted on seven felony counts in B&E

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WINDSOR - A Jamesville man will spend the next 26-plus years of his life in the prison following a trial here earlier this month.

Elliott Lee Grimes, 39, was

sentenced to 26.9 to 37.25 years in the N.C. Department of Corrections following a jury finding him guilty of the Sept. 8, 2018 burglary of a home in Windsor.

Grimes was convicted Oct. 10 after a four-day trial presided over by Superior Court

Judge J.C. Cole. Grimes was convicted of seven felonies stemming from the case in which he burglarized the home of Tim Bazemore Sr.

According to testimony, Grimes and three other individuals forced their way into Bazemore's home and held

the victim at gunpoint. The victim was dragged through his home, and they demanded he open a large gun safe where they believed a large amount of cash was stored.

Bazemore refused to open the safe, so Grimes and the other victims shoved him

out of the way and pulled the entire safe out of the house.

The perpetrators left Bazemore lying on the floor in his home and loaded the safe and five stolen guns into Grimes' car and drove away.

They went to a nearby farm path where a trail camera caught them unloading

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Bertie County Sheriff's Office Chief Deputy Kenny Perry (left) and Sheriff John Holley (right) show an example of the newly installed lockboxes. These lockboxes are being installed at each school in the county and each county office.

Sheriff's office provides additional school security

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WINDSOR - The Bertie County Sheriff's Office has provided additional security measures for Bertie County Schools - both public and private.

Bertie County Sheriff John

Holley and Chief Deputy Kenny Perry provided an update to the Bertie County Commissioners earlier this month.

"We still participate in active shooter training annually," said Sheriff Holley.

"One of the problems we found was that during a lock-

down, the department was having a problem getting into the schools," he added.

The solution to the problem came with the installation of lockboxes at all of the schools in Bertie County.

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Spooktacular slated for Sat.

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WINDSOR - The Spooktacular 5K, 1-mile Fun Run/Walk and Jamboree are celebrating 10 years on Saturday, Oct. 26.

The annual Spooktacular will begin at 8:50 a.m. with the opening ceremony.

The 5K Race begins at 9 a.m. followed by the 1-Mile Color Fun Run/Walk at 10 a.m.

Both begin on York Street, behind Town Hall, and end on York Street near Livermon Park.

The 5K course is USATF certified.

Winners of the costume contest for children and adults will be announced at 11:30 a.m.

The awards for the 5K race and winners of the raffle will be at 11:45 a.m.

There will be lots of other activities in addition to the 5K and 1-Mile Color Fun Run/Walk.

There will be a health fair providing flu shots, screenings, healthy snacks, games and much more.

Children will be able to enjoy a bouncy house.

Free horse-drawn



carriage rides will be offered. There will be vendors selling merchandise and food.

The Bertie County Arts Council will offer free glitter tattoos, Halloween arts and crafts and the raffle will be announced with the awards.

DJ Lone Wolf will offer music during the event.

The race was started in 2009 as a fundraiser for The Good Shepherd Food Pantry. The mission of The Good Shepherd Food Pantry is to

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October is Domestic Violence Awareness Month

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RALIEGH - Share the love, not domestic violence.

North Carolina has recognized October as 2019 Domestic Violence Awareness Month through a Proclamation signed by Governor Roy

Cooper.

The proclamation encourages North Carolinians to raise awareness about domestic abuse, to foster and support communities and to help survivors recover, seek justice, heal and thrive.

"Domestic violence destroys families and lives

in communities across the state of North Carolina. Survivors of domestic violence need our help and support as they do the hard work to try to escape from abusive relationships and rebuild their lives," said Gov. Cooper.

The proclamation reads:

"WHEREAS, domestic violence, which can include physical, mental, sexual, emotional and financial abuse is a means of intimidation and violence to influence and control a partner involved in an intimate relationship; and

WHEREAS, one in four

women and nearly one in ten men in the United States have experienced rape, physical violence and/or stalking by an intimate partner and reported at least one impact related to these or other violent behavior in

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TIME TO START GETTING IN SHAPE.....

10th Annual Bertie Spooktacular 5k 1 Mile Color Fun Run/Walk & Jamboree

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 26, 2019

Downtown Windsor, N.C. Behind Town Hall

5k - 9 AM 1 Mile - 10 AM

Spooktacular Fall Jamboree - 9 AM to 1 PM

Trunk or Treat Music, Food, Carriage Rides, Activities for Children, Costume Contest (Adults & Children Categories), Community Health Fair

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