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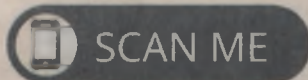
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Corona Veale recently celebrated her 106th birthday.
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SARAH H. STALLS
Sarah Hodges Stalls reminds people of the best of community.
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Two charged in break-ins, one on lam



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WINDSOR – Two men have been charged in connection with a rash of break-ins in the western portion of Bertie County.

Bertie County Sheriff John

Holley said information was provided and warrants in order to charge Jalik Lassiter and Shykwan Hawkins in the crimes. The information was presented by Det. Brandon Ingram.

One of those suspects – Hawkins – is still on the lam

and is being sought by multiple agencies.

“I know when someone’s house is broken into, they want arrests made the next day. So do I,” Sheriff Holley said. “Unfortunately, when we do things quickly it can lead to criminals walking out

of court free. We have to take our time, dot every i and cross every t and that’s what we’re trying to do in this situation.”

Early this month, Bertie County Sheriff’s Office Maj.



see LAM, A3 Lassiter

Election delay stalls

Legislators say change may not be necessary

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Despite a request from the state’s top elections official, delaying municipal elections does not seem to be an idea picking up much steam.



Goodwin

In February, State Elections Director Karen Brinson Bell proposed delaying all municipal elections in North Carolina until 2022 due to the projected late arrival of census data. This is due to some towns being divided into wards or districts which are redrawn after every census.

see DELAY, A5



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Former Australian Prime Minister Julia Gillard and Sen. Matt Thistlethwaite holding the presentation piece Kim Ellis gave them to thank Gillard for her personal assistance in securing funding and grants to complete space research training in France.

Ellis’ volunteer segment holds fond memories for Australian scientist

KESHA WILLIAMS
For the Bertie Ledger-Advance

Meet Kim Ellis, an award winning Australian attorney and scientist and a long-term volunteer for the CSIRO STEM professionals in schools program.

CSIRO is Australia’s national science agency and innovation catalyst. Ellis volunteered to lead a segment of workshops offered at the Bertie County YMCA. During Camp Happy, kids attending



Ellis

the camp where the kids built a Mars Rover and the following year at the next summer camp, the camp participants built Lunar Landers,” Ellis said.

Unfortunately, the arrival of the pandemic, curbed Ellis’ volunteer segments at the Bertie County YMCA. The experience she gained in past years will continue to make her knowledge relevant for future volunteer segments.

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ARHS to change model

Nearly half of service area is vaccinated

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WINDSOR – Albemarle Regional Health Services is switching models after this week.

The regional health coalition, which includes the Bertie County Health Department, will end the mass clinics for COVID-19 vaccinations and move to an appointment-only model based at the local health centers.

“All first doses of the vaccine are already by appointment,” said ARHS Health Director Battle Betts, MPA. “We have daytime and evening time appointments.”

The likely final mass vaccination was held Wednesday evening.

Betts said so far, about half of the ARHS service area – which includes Bertie, Chowan, Hertford, Perquimans, Pasquotank, Gates, Currituck and Camden

see VACCINE, A5

Martin County Drug Unit charges two from Bertie

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WILLIAMSTON – Two Bertie County residents were among nearly 20 people arrested in Martin County over the past few months.

The Martin County Narcotics Unit conducted covert operations in Martin County.

Windsor resident Derrick Gerard Outlaw, 39, of 103 Brantville Lane was charged with possession with intent to manufacture, sell or de-

liver heroin, possession of a stolen firearm and possession of a firearm by a convicted felon.

Outlaw was confined to the Bertie-Martin Regional Jail in lieu of a \$100,000 secured bond.

Also charged was Colerain resident Adrian Demont Jones, 36, of 1759 N.C. 45.

Jones faces charges of possession with intent to manufacture, sell or deliver heroin, possession with intent to manufacture, sell or deliver

cocaine and possession with intent to sell or deliver a controlled substance within 1,000 feet of a school.

Jones was confined to the Bertie-Martin Regional Jail in lieu of a \$30,000 secured bond.

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NORMAN FEREBEE
OF WINDSOR**

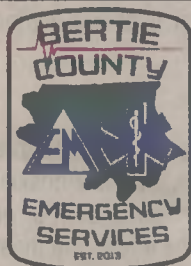
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