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to sleep; 20,000 is really high, and is approximately the noise a cathode ray TV emits while running. And also that of the cat I used to own, when I tried to give her a bath.

As people age, they can't hear so well at the higher end of the sound spectrum. This begins to come into play around age 25, which un-coincidentally is also the age your insurance company allows you to drive a church van - God's way of helping you cope with shrilling teenagers in the back who are singing the latest Lady Ga Ga song.

Anyway, about The Mosquito. According to my unimpeachable source (Wikipedia), it was invented by Howard Stapleton in 2005 after his daughter came home from a store where she'd suffered harassment by some young teens. He remembered an annoying sound from a factory when he was a child and sought to reproduce it, thinking (correctly) it would drive off teenagers. Employing a tone

at 17.4 kHz, the noise is like nails on a chalkboard to those who can hear it - the under-25 set.

Well, news accounts of The Mosquito left me wondering - Is presbycusis real? Is the principle sound (pun intended)? Inquiring minds want to know.

So we committed science so you don't have to.

Enter another iPhone app, this one called Dog Whistler. It's supposedly able to sound a range of frequencies from 80 to 22,000 Hz. Of course, nobody in their right mind thinks the little bitty speaker in an iPhone can reproduce an 80 Hz tone, lower than the lowest note of a viola, but it does a decent job on the higher end, so I figured it would be fine for the test.

And off to the middle school I marched.

In the lunch line, without telling any kids what I was doing, I took out my iPhone, fired up the app, and sounded a 13 kHz tone (thought I'd start a little low, with a tone I could hear only if I held

the phone right up to my ear). Instantly about seven or eight kids in a 10-foot radius from me grabbed their ears and turned around, looking for the source of that gosh-awful sound. Again and again I played this game, with frequencies up to 15kHz, on several different days in several different contexts. It always worked, and adults never reacted.

Of course such a sword cuts two ways. Kids aren't stupid. If adults can't hear something, wouldn't that make a great sound for, say, a ringtone? They're sitting in class, the phone rings and all the kids hear it but the teacher doesn't?

Well, Mr. Stapleton won an Ig Nobel Peace Prize for his Mosquito invention, along with a guy who discovered why woodpeckers' brains aren't injured by pecking, and another who figured out why dry spaghetti breaks into more than one piece when it is bent.

They too committed science so you don't have to. ♦

Man severely injured by alleged drunk driver

BY JASON BECK
Staff Writer

A popular Raeford senior was hospitalized after being run over at a convenience store by an alleged drunk driver.

Guy Morris Jr., 75, was in the parking lot of the 401 Express Stop on at 513 West Prospect Avenue when a Ford Explorer smashed into him, causing serious injuries to his face and legs.

According to police reports, the vehicle ran over his legs, causing broken bones and swelling. He also suffered abrasions to his body and face.

Morris was transported to Cape Fear Valley Medical Center,

where he is being treated for his injuries.

According to Raeford Police Chief Mike Dummett, officers arrested Wesley T. McCallister, 27, after the incident.

McCallister was charged with driving while impaired, felony inflicting serious injury by motor vehicle and resisting a public officer. He was held on \$8,000 secured bond but later released from the Hoke County Jail.

Morris is well known as a volunteer in the community and faces a long recovery from his injuries.

Melissa Pittman, an employee of the chamber of commerce, said Morris volunteers with her organization.

"Mr. Guy, as I call him, is a wonderful, kind and loving man," Pittman said. "He constantly helps with fundraisers to help those who need transplants, who are raising money for cancer research with his ever-ready grill - if it's a good cause, Mr. Guy is there ready to help."

"He has been a volunteer with the NC Turkey Festival for years helping in the concessions portion of the Festival," she said. "He helps cook Mullet each year for the Chamber of Commerce at our annual Mullet Roast. I am privileged to be able to work with him through the Festival and Chamber but I am more honored to call him friend away from these events."

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ments in the Panama Canal by building yet bigger cargo container ships. If North Carolina can build a new, modern port capable of handling the ships, it could capture a portion of the new traffic.

The reality - which state transportation and environmental officials need to consider - is that North Carolina is way behind other East Coast ports when it comes to infrastructure.

Catching up won't involve just gouging out the Cape Fear to even greater depths or bringing in the latest, greatest cargo container cranes. It will mean building new stretches of interstate-quality highway and new railroad, at a cost of hundreds of millions of dollars.

State leaders also need to think long and hard about what this project is really about.

In the 1990s, when state legislators began investing millions in tax dollars in the Global Transpark in Kinston, they did so expecting that manufacturers would arrive to create jobs while taking advantage of the cargo-only airport.

Nearly two decades later, the first significant hiring is finally taking place.

This mega cargo port mainly would be about capturing a larger piece of the import business, most of it from China, not helping to create manufacturing jobs here.

State officials also should carefully consider the effects of the project on existing businesses and facilities.

To date, Progress Energy has been pretty quiet about the plans. Its Brunswick Nuclear

Plant would be the new port's northern neighbor, and an intake channel that draws water to cool the plant is just above the planned location of the port.

Taking Progress' temperature, or answering what are really philosophical questions, doesn't require \$5 million.

Until those questions are answered, the state of North Carolina has no business spending millions in tax dollars to find out what is and isn't environmentally and technically feasible.

Revels reelected commission chair

Linda Revels was reelected chairman of the Southeastern Economic Development Commission at its 42nd annual meeting April 20.


Revels, of Hoke County, was installed at a meeting at Robeson Technical Community College in Lumberton.

Congressman Mike McIntyre (Dem., 7th district) was keynote speaker of the event. He said economic development and more jobs were two of his central goals as congressman, and complimented representatives of member counties, which include Bladen, Brunswick, Columbus, Cumberland, Hamett, Hoke, New Hanover, Pender, Richmond, Robeson, Sampson and Scotland.



McIntyre (left) talks to Hoke Commissioner Tony Hunt (center) and County Attorney William Fields

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- * Hay Street United Methodist 12 pm - 1 pm Sundays

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With much love,
John, Elnora, Jasmine
Adam and Michele Isaac

Worship Together

Spend some quality family time together. Worship at the church of your choice. Our community has a number of churches and a variety of denominations for you and your family.

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