

BROWSING THE FILES



Jaycee officers: The newly formed Hoke County Jaycees elected officers at South Hoke School. Pictured are (front row, left to right) David F. Bullard, Foster Warriax, Joel Dial Jr., Winford Rogers, Clarence Woods and Robert Taylor. Back row, Willie Jacobs, James A. Hunt, Freeman Locklear and Brady Locklear. (March 4, 1971)

47 Years Ago

March 4, 1971

A murder charge against a McCain service station owner is dismissed in district court after witnesses tell their stories one at a time. Judge Joseph Dupree says the finds no probable cause for the murder charge, but says the state can proceed to a grand jury if it wants. The owner, saying he acted in self defense, shot a Greensboro man who had been in a car that stopped at the station.

City of Raeford officials apply for a grant to pave and light the Raeford Airport. City Manager John Gaddy says the city is seeking \$119,139 for improvements.

A 15-year-old is killed on N.C. 211 when the horse he is riding is hit by a truck. Ronnie Locklear, a ninth grader at Hoke High was riding half a mile east of Raeford on Firetower Road beside a school bus, Highway Patrol Sgt. D.L. Minshew says. He failed to stop the horse at N.C. 211 and is hit. The funeral was held Sunday.

The Rescue Squad has about half of what it needs to construct a new building. The total stands at \$1,440.

The "long argument about letting 18-year-olds vote," writes columnist Sam Morris, "was passed by Congress, but here in Hoke County if they don't register they won't be able to vote." Mrs. John Scott Poole, registrar, says very few have registered. "Maybe they will be like the older voters," Morris writes. "Even if they register they can't find time to go to the polls and vote."

"With the condition of this country today; wars, bombings, drugs, etc. maybe all of us should start taking the issues of the country serious. The place to begin is at the ballot boxes. The leaders we elect are the policy makers of the future."

City police plan a crackdown on speeding with a new radar unit provided by the Governor's Highway Safety Program. The instrument has a range of 4,000 feet, policeman Leonard Wiggins says.

Phil Diehl is elected president at the annual meeting of the Hoke Swimming Association Tuesday. Younger Snead Jr. is vice-president. Mrs. Alfred K. Leach is secretary and Jim Bowles, treasurer. Mrs. Ed Church and Dewey Inman are replaced by Mrs. John Pecora and W.L. Lancaster.

Benny McLeod is appointed chairman of the Raeford recreation advisory committee. Charlie Hotel, Don Abernethy, George Wood, Shuford Pennell, Palmer



Winners in the annual Cub Scout Pinewood Derby are (left to right) Robby Shook, Bob Moses and Brian Scarborough. (March 4, 1971)

Willcox, Cornell McLauren and Mrs. Pam Pursely are named to the committee. Meanwhile, Hoke County commissioners approve \$2,500 for a summer recreation program.

A young deer crashes through the window at the Hoke High School cafeteria Sunday and dies. Glen Wood witnesses the event. He says the deer crossed U.S. 401 between Sandhills Restaurant and the Pure Oil station, narrowly missing Coleman Peterson, who was changing a tire at the station. The deer jumped a hedge by the door, and Wiggins saw glass shatter. Game protector Linwood Pilkington is called but finds the deer dead in the cafeteria, and estimates it died of exhaustion and loss of blood from a cut on his leg.

25 Years Ago

March 3, 1993

Session tells how to get someone mental help

See someone struggling with a mental health or substance abuse problem? Not sure what to do? Hoke Schools is offering an information session on the topic Thursday, March 1. The Mental Health First Aid Information Session at Hoke County High School-Media Center will provide information about an eight-hour training course that gives people the tools to identify when someone might be struggling with a mental health or substance use problem and to connect them with appropriate support and resources when necessary. For more information contact: Dr. Peggy L. Owens, Executive Director of Student Support Services (910) 904-1067 or email: powens@hcs.k12.nc.

A businessman says he will hire 10 people and hopefully expand to 30 to recycle golf balls. Out of the Rough at 409 E Central Ave is Hoke's newest business. Doc Scheffler has a five-year lease with the option buy and says he's "here to stay." He is a former Army tank operator.

The Raeford Kiwanis Club admits its first woman, Jackie Lynch. The vote by the club's board is unanimous.

Red Springs wants local phone service to Raeford. The mayor there says many people with Red Springs addresses actually live in Hoke County. Raeford City Council endorses the idea.

The "Cadillac Man," known for driving his umbrella-equipped lawnmower around Raeford, dies at age 76.

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

Items should be submitted for the Community Calendar by noon Friday before the publication date. You are asked to keep in mind that paste-up of the calendar page is done on Monday before publication. Also, if an ongoing item has been discontinued or needs to be changed, you are asked to contact the editor as soon as possible.

March 1
Hoke County Schools offer MENTAL HEALTH FIRST AID INFORMATIONAL SESSION at 6 p.m. in the Hoke County High School Media Center. Hoke County Schools is part of National Initiative to Increase Mental Health Literacy.

March 5
DID YOU KNOW YOU NEED A FOOD PERMIT TO CATERER FOOD IN HOKE COUNTY? The Hoke County Health Department is holding an information session from 6 - 7 p.m. Eric Johnson, Hoke County Food Inspector and Environmental Specialist, will be conducting the information session at 683 East Palmer St., Raeford. The session is for anyone who is interested in starting a food catering business or current caterers that do not have a food permit or you just want to know what to expect when soliciting a food caterer. Class objectives: 1. explain the applicable laws and rules governing retail food sales in NC, including the exemptions that exist for non-profit groups; 2. discuss how "catering" can be done legally in NC; 3. explain procedure to follow to begin legal food sales in NC; 4. discuss the list of approved caterers in Hoke County. For more information contact the Hoke County Health Department at 910-875-3717.

Parent Support Group. SEARCH Family Support Program parent support group meeting will be held at the Department of Juvenile Justice in Raeford, 127 West Elwood Ave., from 12 - 1 pm. This is a time for those with children who have behavioral, emotional, and/or learning challenges to share their experiences and learn from others. Refreshments will be provided at no cost. Contact Shirlyn Morrison-Sims toll free at 1-877- 776-6599, or by email at search.family.support.program@gmail.com to register. Deadline to register is March 2.

Thru March 6
WANT TO BECOME A BEEKEEPER? Hoke County Beekeepers are offering classes every Tuesday thru March 6 from 7 - 9 p.m. Classes will be taught at the NC Cooperative Extension, Hoke County Center, 116 W Prospect Ave, Raeford. Cost is \$40 and includes book and other resources. Visit <http://www.hokecounty-beekeepers.com/> for complete registration information.

March 6
COFFEE WITH COPS will be held at Hardee's at 4 p.m.
March 9, April 13, May 4 & June 8
AMERICAN RED CROSS FIRST AID/CPR/AED CLASS SCHEDULE (Adult/Child/Infant) Classes are held from 9 a.m. - 3 p.m. Classes may be changed/canceled depending on availability of instructor, holiday and inclement weather. Call the Hoke County Health Department to register or for more information at 910-875-3717 ext. 2106. Class fees: CPR/AED only - \$45; First Aid only - \$45; First Aid/CPR/AED - \$60.

March 24
THE HOKE COUNTY DEMOCRATIC PARTY CONVENTION will be held at the Hoke County Court Annex, 231 N. Main Street, Raeford. Delegate registration will begin at 9 a.m. with the meeting starting at 10 a.m.. All registered democrats are welcome to attend.

March 29
LIVING AFTER LOSING WORKSHOP will be held at the Department of Juvenile Justice in Raeford, 127 West Elwood Ave., from 12 - 1 p.m. Debbie Spears will share her story of how a tragic loss of a family member can bring hope and healing to others. Refreshments will be provided at no cost. Contact Shirlyn Morrison-Sims toll free at 1-877- 776-6599, or by email at search.family.support.program@gmail.com to register. Deadline to



Word of Life Temple, Inc.
Youth Night/Bible Explosion
February 28, 6 p.m.
Rainbow Tea
March 10, 6 p.m.
Choir Day
March 18, 3 p.m.
NOTICE: In order to keep our Special Worship up-to-date we are adding an expiration date to the following announcements. If you would like the event to continue in our listings after the expiration date, please call (875-2121), fax (875-7256) or email (robin@thenews-journal.com) requesting this at least a week before its expiration.
Hoke County Schools Prayer Circle. Continue to pray for your schools. Churches, contact schools to see what you can do help. (expires February 2018)

SPECIAL WORSHIP EVENTS

Now Generation Inc. & Now Generation Radio - a youth mentorship & development outreach inspirational & informational radio. Times every 4th Saturday from 9 - 9:30 a.m. on WMFA 1400 AM. Join us on facebook at NowGen Radio or website <http://www.nowgenmedia.com/> (expires February 2018)

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Have you ever dreamed of owning your own home in a decent neighborhood?

Raeford/Hoke Habitat for Humanity is a Christian Housing Ministry dedicated to providing decent, affordable housing for low-income families in Hoke County.

We are now accepting applications for a home until April 6, 2018.

If you or someone you know may benefit from our program please send a request for an application to Raeford Hoke Habitat for Humanity, PO Box 732, Raeford NC 28376 or call William McDonald at 910-875-8751 or Daphne Dudley at 910-551-3598.