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## Police chase wanted man in town

### Suspect found hiding in grass

By Cathy Wilson  
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A man wanted on three misdemeanor charges led local police on a foot chase from King Street to Dobbs and Market streets before being apprehended while

hiding between a house and fence.

Hertford Police Chief Joe Amos said Marvin Cheron Woodard, who lists his permanent address as homeless, was first seen on the afternoon of Tuesday, Jan. 12, by Patrolman Christopher Firkel at the corner of King Street and Stokes Drive. Knowing there were outstanding warrants for

Woodard's arrest, Firkel approached Woodard who took off running as Firkel reached for his handcuffs.

Amos had arrived on the scene as well, and both Firkel and Amos chased Woodard on foot behind the housing authority apartments on Stokes Drive and back across King Street.

Amos ran back to his police cruiser and drove to

Dobbs Street in an effort to cut off the runner. Firkel continued chasing Woodard until he lost sight of him in back yards between King and Dobbs streets.

Sheriff Eric Tilley and several deputies joined the effort, searching for Woodard in that vicinity.

While checking the back yards, police spotted Woodard, who then ran across

Dobbs Street into the yards of residences on the north side of the street.

With both town and county law enforcement circling the area, they closed in on Woodard who was found hiding in the grass between a house and fence.

Woodard was taken into custody.

In addition to the outstanding warrants charging

aggravated assault/assault on a female, injury to real property, and injury to personal property, Woodard now faces two additional charges in connection with running from police.

Two additional charges of resist/detain/obstruct and trespassing were placed on Woodard who was transported to Albemarle District Jail under \$1,500 bond.

## Lose weight during challenge

From staff reports

The local Biggest Loser Contest, sponsored by the Perquimans Recreation Department, will include much more than just a weigh-in to see who's lost the most weight.

Each Saturday beginning Jan. 30 and continuing until the grand finale on April 24, participants will take part in discussing key components to a successful weight management plan as well as engage in 30 minutes of physical activity designed for everyone. Participants will not only have their body weight taken but their body mass index calculated for them as well.

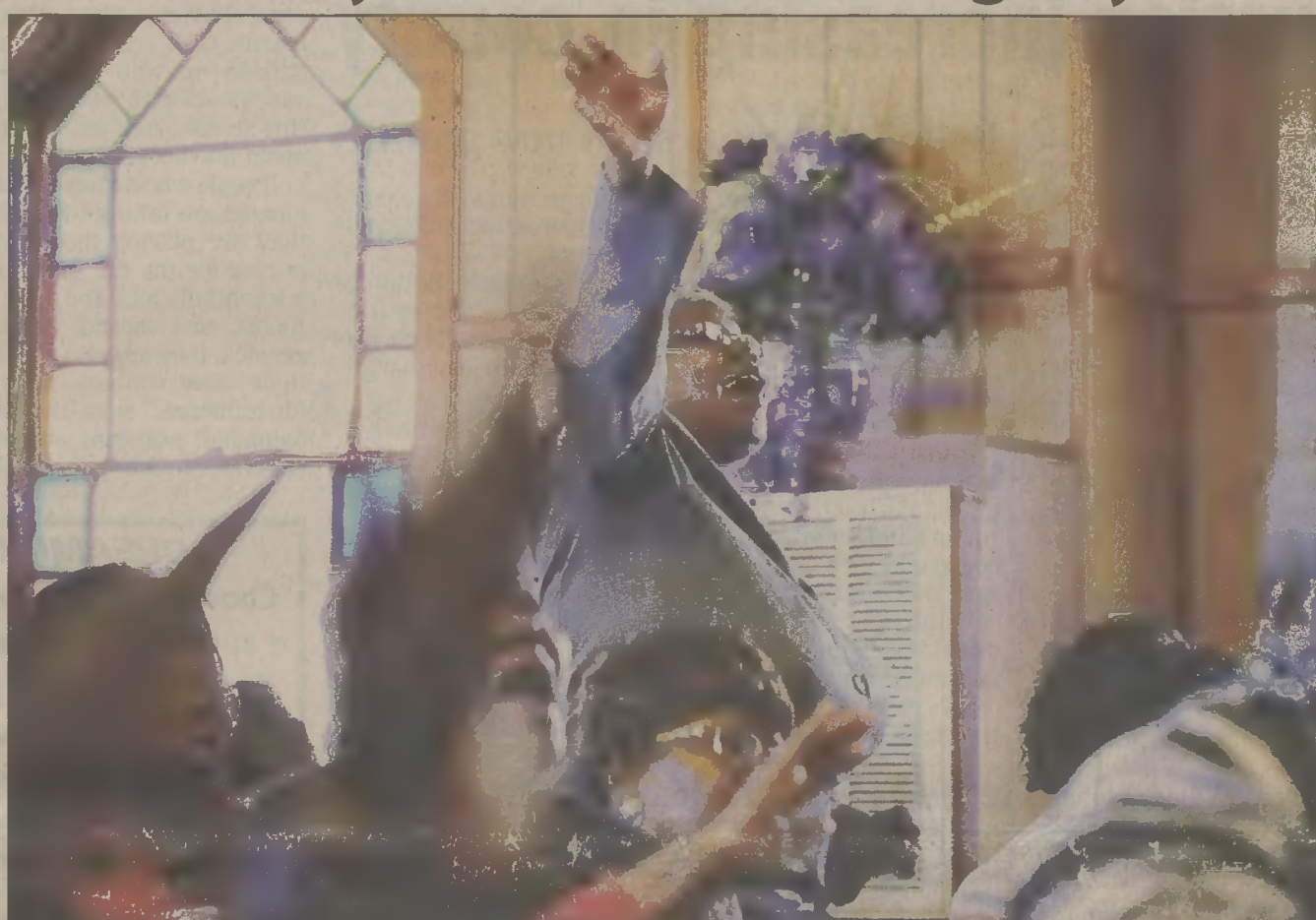
Details of the contest and which prizes will be offered will be discussed when the contest kicks off Jan. 30 at the Perquimans County Recreational Center at 10 a.m. There will also be a presentation regarding the basics of following a weight management plan and tips for simple changes everyone can make to be successful as well as an introduction to the Walk Classes that will be offered during the contest.

Weekly topics will include things such as tips for grocery shopping and how to read food labels, healthy fats and carbohydrates, tips for eating out, emotional eating, metabolism, cholesterol, diabetes, and the importance of Vitamin D, just to name a few.

All weigh-ins will be held at the Perquimans County Recreation Center or the Perqui-

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## Unity, service and legacy



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Alverta H. Bryant waves her hand as she stands to sing with the choir during a celebration of Martin Luther King, Jr. Day, hosted by the Perquimans County National Association for the Advancement of Colored People in the Bagley Chapel Missionary Baptist Church in Winfall on Monday.

## King's mission, message celebrated

By Cathy Wilson  
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They weren't very big in stature, but the example they set was enormous.

Two little four-year-old boys exemplified the spirit of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Monday afternoon when they stood in front of a packed church and gave impromptu and correct answers to Black History questions, and recited lines in a speech given years ago by Dr. King.

Both Tony Riddick, Jr. and Landon Mason II stood beside their fathers who not only handed down pride and tradition to their namesakes, but knowledge of their heritage

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Pastor Millie Jordan speaks during the Martin Luther King, Jr., Day celebration at Bagley Chapel Missionary Baptist Church in Winfall.

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## Hertford: Winfall at waste capacity

Wastewater capacity overflow a problem

By Cathy Wilson  
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The Town of Winfall has reached its limit of capacity for wastewater treatment performed by the Town of Hertford. Hertford officials want to know what Winfall is doing to correct the overflow problem.

Winfall leaders say all the recent rains are to blame for excessive wastewater flows.

Hertford Town Manager John Christensen sent Winfall a letter dated Jan. 6 pointing out that Winfall has reached its wastewater capacity limit after noticing that the neighboring town used 137,161 gallons per day in December.

Hertford and Winfall have a contract allowing Hertford to reserve treatment for 100,000 gallons of wastewater per day for Winfall customers. Christensen said Winfall's 12-month average flow, however, is 102,626 gallons per day.

"Five of the last 12 monthly flows have exceeded the 100,000-gallon limit reserved for the town of Winfall," Christensen pointed out.

Hertford council asked Winfall Mayor Fred Yates what Winfall is doing to rectify the situation.

"Paying the penalty for exceeding the 100,000-gallon limit is not an acceptable remedy," added Christensen. "From our experience with

### WEEKEND WEATHER

FRIDAY  
HIGH: 53 LOW: 37  
FEW SHOWERS

SATURDAY  
HIGH: 50 LOW: 38  
MOSTLY CLOUDY

SUNDAY  
HIGH: 51 LOW: 45  
CLOUDY



## 'High on the Hog' set for Saturday

Learn how to make country sausage

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If you want to butcher your grocery bill during these lean economic times, Doug Layden is ready to show you how.

Layden and his team of down-home country folks will show how life used to be during hog killing day down on the farm. For the second year in a row, the Perquimans County Restoration Association will sponsor the hands-on program Saturday at the Newbold-White House that teaches how to process a USDA approved whole hog.

Those who attend will learn how to make fresh country sausage, sausage links, chops, and even cracklings. For \$15 a person (or buy three and get one free), you will also enjoy a sausage breakfast plate and a pound of fresh country pork to take home. Children under 12 are free. The fun starts at 8:30 a.m. Rain date is Feb. 6.

Layden says he plans to involve the crowd in several activities including a hog calling contest, actually butchering the meat, grinding the ingredients into sausage, and stuffing the sausage into links.

Glen Rogerson will return this year to demonstrate lard rendering and how to make "cracklings" in a 100-year-old cast iron pot boiling

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Learn how to make country sausage, fresh country sausage, sausage links, chops, and even cracklings when Doug Layden comes to Newbold-White House on Saturday. The event will start at 8:30 a.m.

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