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## Town seeks funds for more boat slips

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The town of Hertford is seeking \$100,000 in funds to create new boat slips at the town dock. Council members agreed

to seek a \$100,000 Boating Infrastructure Grant (BIG) to help develop the Hertford waterfront on the Perquimans River.

The BIG Program provides federal funds through the U.S. Fish and Wildlife

Service for docking facilities and marinas. The North Carolina Division of Marine Fisheries handles the grant program in the state.

Town Planner Brandon Shoaf said, if funded, eight

slips could be built at the town waterfront.

"If we are able to save money on construction costs, possibly two more slips could be built," he added.

The town's grant applica-

tion seeks up to \$100,000 in the 75/25 grant. If awarded, the town would be responsible for 25 percent of the total costs.

Shoaf said the town's cost could be funded through \$25,000 of the the North

Carolina Small Town Economic Prosperity program, a state program that helps small towns revitalize and gain economic development through leadership

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SUBMITTED PHOTO

Food Lion employee Ashley Moore (left) and Sean Jones are shown playing around for the camera in this undated photograph. Jones, who was killed early Saturday morning in a car wreck, was a popular bagger/cashier who was known for his laughter and jokes at the Hertford store.

## Teen's death felt by town

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He was known for joking around with his customers at the Food Lion in Hertford and for his loud bass music pumping from his green Ford Taurus as he drove around town.

Food Lion employees were expecting to see Sean Jones arrive at

work at 8 a.m. Saturday morning in his favorite ride. After all, he was a hard worker and very dependable in his job as a cashier/bagger at the local grocery store.

When he didn't show up for work Saturday, his co-workers were saddened to learn that Jones, 19, was killed around

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## CAR CRASHES THROUGH GARAGE



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Mel Atkins picks up debris left in the yard after a vehicle plowed through the garage of an unoccupied house located on South Edenton Road Street on Saturday. The driver swerved to miss several deer that were crossing the road and then crashed through the garage. Atkins was surprised to find the wreckage when he arrived at the house to cut the grass Monday morning.

## Driver swerved to avoid deer

Vehicle came to a stop in field behind garage

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A driver swerved to miss several deer crossing a road early Saturday morning and ended up busting through a house garage on South Edenton Road Street.

According to Hertford Police, Terica Yossed Lee, 25 of Hertford, was driving her 2007 Nissan on Edenton Road Street around 3:47 a.m. when three deer ran into the road from a field adjacent to Ballahack Road. Lee swerved to miss the deer, lost control of the vehicle, travelled off the road, down a driveway, and through an attached garage of an unoccupied house, police reported.

Police say instead of stepping on the brakes, Lee accidentally stepped on the accelerator instead, causing the car to crash through the back wall of the garage and into a field where the vehicle finally came to rest.

On Monday, Lee said the incident



The garage door and rear wall were destroyed in the accident early Saturday. The field seen through the back side of the garage is where the vehicle finally came to a stop.

happened so quickly, she didn't realize she was heading into a house until she hit the wall.

Members of Perquimans Rescue responded and transported Lee to Chowan Hospital where she was treated and released. When asked if she was

injured, Lee said she was a little sore.

Police estimate damage to the car at \$4,000 and \$20,000 damage to the house. According to county records, the house is located at 716 Edenton Road Street and is owned by Hardesty Construction, Inc. of Midlothian, Va.

## Hertford man grabs \$10K lottery spoils

NC Education Lottery

A Hertford man won \$10,000 in Saturday's Powerball drawing.

Tomas Rivera Pagan's ticket was one of five sold in North Carolina to match four white balls and the Powerball in that drawing to win a \$10,000 prize.

Pagan, who is retired, spent just \$1 on the one Powerball ticket the day he bought his \$10,000 winner. When he realized he won, he said he felt "happy" and plans to buy a tele-

vision with his prize money.

Pagan is the second Hertford resident to win \$10,000 playing Powerball since the game came to North Carolina.

According to lottery officials, Perquimans County players have won more than \$1.6 million in prizes and local retailers have earned more than \$227,000 in commissions on ticket sales since the lottery program began in March 2006 through June 30, 2010.

## More children taught at home

From staff reports

Statistics show that 121 children in Perquimans County were taught in home schools last year.

According to figures released recently by the North Carolina Division of Non-Public Education, 24 more students were taught at home during the 2010-2011 school year than the previous year. Sixty-seven home schools actually op-

erated in Perquimans, figures show.

Historically, the number of home-schooled students in the county has nearly doubled in the last five years.

Statistics show 67 students were taught in Perquimans County homes during the 2005-2006 school year.

North Carolina officially legalized the concept of home instruction, in modern times, starting with the 1985-86 school year. Home schools are defined in G.S. 115C-563(a) as "a non-public school in which one or

## Craicdown to headline Sunday concert

From staff reports

The third and final Summer Breeze Concert of the season happens Sunday at the Newbold-White House.

Craicdown, offering acoustical music with a high-energy, rock inspired flare, will wrap up this concert season scheduled to begin at 6 p.m. on the lawn of the historic home.

In case of inclement weather or excessive heat, the concert will move indoors to the Perquimans Recreation Center. The concert series is sponsored by the Perquimans County Restoration Association.

The band features music from many sources in-



PHOTO COURTESY CRAICDOWN

Acoustic band Craicdown will headline the final Summer Breeze Concert at the Newbold-White House, Sunday.

tar player and singer, he also plays Irish flute, double bass, fiddle, and mandolin.

He has performed solo and with numerous bands throughout his career. In 1998, Sharer traveled to Ireland to absorb the music there. Settling in Clare, Sharer became a fixture for several years on the session scene, playing with many of Clare's finest musicians including Kevin Griffin, Terry Bingham, Christy Barry, Denis

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