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## County ponders sewer district for Holiday Island

By CATHY WILSON  
Staff Writer

County commissioners will discuss the possibility of creating a sewer district in Holiday Island to help residents who face losing their homes if the area's wastewater treatment plant closes.

Monday night, commissioners heard from Clay

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Helm, part time plant operator for the wastewater treatment plant that serves the camping areas of the subdi-

vision. Helm said creating a sewer district would allow the 90-100 customers who face losing their homes/properties to seek grants and loans to buy and operate the plant.

The Holiday Island Homeowners Association/Utility Company, which now owns and operates the aging wastewater treatment plant, has applied to the North Car-

olina Utilities Commission for permission to abandon the plant and discontinue water and wastewater utility service to the camping sections which has 25-30 full-time customers. HIPOA's application to the commission states there is no reasonable probability the property owners association will

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## Town election results to come

From staff reports

Due to printing deadlines, the town elections' results for Hertford and Winfall races are not in this week's paper.

Look for election results in The Daily Advance and www.dailyadvance.com.

Complete election results will be printed in the Nov. 16 Perquimans Weekly.

## BOE sets naming rights

Athletic complex will cost \$6.1M

By CATHY WILSON  
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Fundraising for the proposed outdoor athletic complex at Perquimans County High School has begun.

The fundraising committee is operational, fundraising brochures and information have been printed, and members of the Perquimans Board of Education have set naming-rights guidelines in place for large donors.

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Arlene Yates  
Chairman

Those guidelines indicate that donations of \$200,000 or more may have a name placed on a facility or field. Twelve naming opportunities are available, and no more than three names may be placed on any one facility or field.

"I think \$200,000 is a good start," said Chairman Arlene Yates. "It's not too much."

Of course, donations of much smaller amounts are needed and will be recognized as well.

The \$6.1 million project will include a football field stadium surrounded by an 8-lane running track, soccer field, press box/equipment storage, main entry/concessions, soccer stadium seating and concessions, a practice field, a tennis court, and parking

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## Fall IS IN THE Air



STAFF PHOTOS BY CATHY WILSON

Fall colors and playful activities along with good food, fellowship and music drew a crowd Saturday at the Oak Leaf Festival held in Winfall.



Playing on the playground (left photo) was fun for the little ones during Saturday's Oak Leaf Festival. Orian Riddick (above) creates magic with spun sugar, better known as cotton candy.

## Veterans Day program is Friday

Rev. Tom Culver is guest speaker

From staff reports

This year's Veterans Day Observance will feature a special salute to veterans of the Korean War.

Rev. Tom Culver will be the guest speaker for this year's program slated for Friday at 11 a.m. on the historic courthouse lawn at the Veterans Monument. The annual observance is sponsored by the American Legion Post 126.

Culver, a bi-vocational minister serving several churches in the Chowan and West Chowan Baptist Association, is a member of Post 126 and past pastor of Great Hope Baptist Church. He and his wife reside in Hertford.

Culver saw service in Vietnam as a helicopter crew chief in search and rescue. After his military

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FILE PHOTO

A salute to veterans of the Korean War will be part of this year's Veterans Day observance scheduled for Friday at 11 a.m. on the county courthouse lawn.

## Darden: County has accomplished much

By CATHY WILSON  
Staff Writer

Bobby Darden has seen good times and lean times, or at least not-so-good times during his nine years helping to manage Perquimans County.

From reaping the benefits of a retirement/com-muter residential boom that increased tax revenues to fighting a Navy outlying

landing field from locating in or near the county, Darden has experienced a variety of issues during his time here.

He leaves Thursday with mixed emotions. He will miss his staff, his friends, and the good people both in Perquimans and in the region. Yet, he is excited and looking forward to the challenge of becoming executive director of a regional solid waste authority and focusing on a more narrow, deeper field of interest on Nov. 14 near New Bern.

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## Marine recalled as American hero

By REGGIE PONDER  
The Daily Advance

Brittany Jacobs kissed the American flag that was draped across her husband's casket around noon Saturday, bringing to a close a funeral service at which Sgt. Christopher James Jacobs was remembered as an American hero as well as a loving husband and father.

The service, which was held at Calvary Pentecostal Holiness Church in Belvidere, included tributes from some of Jacobs' fellow Marines, friends and family members.

Jacobs' widow, Brittany Jacobs, said "it was definitely love at first sight"



STAFF PHOTO BY THOMAS J. TURNEY

A Marine Corps color guard carries the coffin of Marine Sgt. Christopher Jacobs out of Calvary Pentecostal Holiness Church after his funeral, Saturday.

in Belvidere. The couple were married on July 4, 2009, in the church where the funeral was held Saturday.

Brittany Jacobs sang two solos during the service: "No Place That Far" — a hit for Sara Evans in the late 1990s — and "Heaven Was Needing a Hero."

Staff Sgt. Edward

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