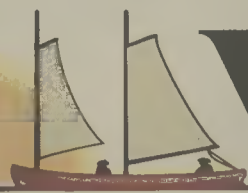


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## Turkey drive coming again

BY PETER WILLIAMS  
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A Hertford church is again reaching out to the greater community to provide a proper Thanksgiving meal to those who need it in Perquimans County.

Hertford United Methodist Church is again holding a "Turkey Drop" event.

Volunteers will be available on Nov. 20 and Nov. 21 to collect donations curbside for those who want to drop them off at the church. The hours are 9 a.m. until 5 p.m.

The church did the project last year in the hopes of collecting 100 turkeys.

Rosemary Smith was sure we would not get this many," said Vera Harrell, the secretary at the church. "But we amazed Rosemary when we were able to give 103 turkeys along with over 1,000 pounds of trimmings to Open Door for their Thanksgiving distribution.

Smith runs the Open Door Food Pantry in Winfall. Harrell and Don Hurst are coordinating the Turkey Drop for the church.

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## Retired colonel to speak Nov. 11

From Staff Reports

Col. Tom Quance (USAF Ret.) will be the guest speaker at the Veteran's Day observance Nov. 11 in Hertford.

Hertford American Legion Post 126 will host the 11 a.m. program on the Perquimans County Courthouse lawn. In case of inclement weather, it will be moved to the county recreation center off Harvey Point Road.

Quance grew up in Auburn, Ind. and attended

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QUANCE

## TRICK-OR-TREATING DOWNTOWN



STAFF PHOTO BY PETER WILLIAMS

The staff at the Perquimans County Tax Office (above) dressed up as characters from "The Wizard Of Oz" for Halloween this year.



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Tabitha Vanscoy checks what's in the bag Friday during Trick Or Treat held in downtown Hertford by the Perquimans County Chamber and downtown merchants.



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A young boy isn't quite sure he wants the candy offered by a monster in the Perquimans Arts League last Friday.

## Longtime drama teacher retiring

BY PETER WILLIAMS  
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After nearly 30 years of teaching, Lynwood Winslow is approaching his last curtain call.

The Perquimans County High School drama teacher plans to retire at the end of this school year. But before then, he will direct the production of "A Midsummer Night's Dream" Nov. 12-13 and another production this spring.

"Even though there are many things that I enjoy, like working directly with students, frankly I'm quite tired," Winslow said. "This is my 30th year (of teaching) and I can retire."

During the run-up to a production, it's not unusual to work 10 hours a day for four to five days a week. During the final push before a production, it's more like 11 or 12 hours a day."

Winslow's history with the high school goes far beyond his teaching days there. He graduated from PCHS in 1981 and played the role of the grandfather in "You Can't Take It With You" as well as the role of Mr. Paravicini in Agatha Christie's play "The Mousetrap."

"I enjoyed it," he said of acting in high school. "I'm not sure I was good at it, and there are no videos of me doing it, only grainy pictures, but I do remember enjoying those roles."

He went on to Guilford College where he earned a degree in music and came back to Perquimans County.

He started off doing music at both the high school and Perquimans County Middle School. At the time, drama productions were being done by high school English teachers who wanted to fill that void.

Winslow got involved. "I had helped with one of the productions earlier."

Then as now he also teaches choral students.

Some of his students say Winslow made a big difference.

"Mr. Winslow pushed me to embrace my role my junior year and it made me grow so much as an actress," said Valerie Ann Hobbs, a member of the Class of 1995. "The role was the complete opposite of my personality. He was so positive at all times and

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## Volleyball team fights to end

BY PETER WILLIAMS  
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A state championship eluded the 2015 Perquimans County High School volleyball team, but Coach Kristie Thach has no regrets.

"Losing stinks, but to go down without a fight leaves such a bitter taste in your month. We can say we fought hard."

The team advanced to the third round of the state playoffs, but fell short last week

against Roxboro Community, a charter school. The final score, 21-25, 25-16, 25-19, 25-23 only tells part of the story, Thach said.

In the fourth game, the teams were tied 23-23. A Pirate win then would have forced a fifth game.

"I told the girls the other day to wake up with determination and to go to bed with satisfaction. Tonight I will go to bed knowing that I had 15 girls that fought until the very last point, four seniors that gave me all they had for four years, and we thanked God for each and every game he allowed us to play."

The team started the season with nine wins in a row.

They finished with a record of 21-5.

"We probably played the best volleyball we've played at the beginning of the season. They were really strong with a lot of team chemistry."

The Lady Pirates topped Currituck and then did something they've never done under Thach, they beat Northeastern at Northeastern.

"But right at mid-season we hit a bump in the road. It's not that we totally lost it, but it wasn't the same fire as in the beginning."

The team found that fire again as the playoffs

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## KING AND QUEEN



PHOTO BY CHUCK PAGELS

Perquimans County High School seniors Taylor Chappell and Kyle Midgett were named homecoming Queen and King Friday. See the rest of the homecoming court on page 7.



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