

# Football coach to step down after this season

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Nearly lost among all of the flowery lines from Elvin James on Friday was one important fact.

"It's my last year at Perquimans High School, and I want to leave the program in much better shape," said the longtime football coach.

He had told players and fellow coaches earlier this summer of his decision, but made it official during NENC High School Football Media Day.

James enters his fourth year with the Pirates and has put the program in the IAA state playoffs in each of his last three seasons, although Perquimans has yet to win a postseason game or record a winning record under his watch.



Perquimans coach Elvin James (left) said 2016 will be his final season leading the Pirates.

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And leave it to the old school mentor to describe

what's it's like to not yet overcome those hurdles.

"We've been to the table, but we just haven't been

able to eat," said James, who is 13-22 during his time in Hertford. "We have to finish."

With more than 30 years in coaching at either the college or high school level, James admitted recent stints away from his Goldsboro home have made it harder to spend time with family.

After being fired at Division II Livingstone, a Central Intercollegiate Athletic Association school, he came back to the prep ranks for the Perquimans gig in 2013.

He also led his native Goldsboro High squad during the 1990s at the 4A level and was an assistant coach for Elizabeth City State, his alma mater.

"I feel like I've been home about two full months in the last 20 years," James said. "I'm surprised my wife is

still with me."

James did not elaborate about possibly coaching again.

Dwuan Williams, who represented the Pirates at media day for a second-straight year, will miss James.

"I didn't like (hearing the news) at first, but he's got to do what he's got to do," Williams said.

Instead he kept up with the slick comments to describe last season and what it'll take to produce wins this fall.

One of his favorite lines: "We couldn't tackle Skippy if he jumped out of a jar of peanut butter."

And another: "We've been driving down Doubt Avenue, and I can't drive for so long. Now I have to get them on Faith Street."

# Stay hydrated if you're going outside in heat of summer

"It's hot, I'm hot, are you hot?" This is what passes for intelligent conversation when the temperature is in the upper 90s and the humidity is off the chart. Mom used to tell me that I'm wishing my life away when I would say I wish fall, spring or Christmas would hurry up and get here. But I sure wish cooler weather would come soon.

This hot weather reminds me of the day years ago when three coworkers and I drained

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a five-gallon water cooler and had to refill it, in one day. We were setting forms, getting ready to pour concrete and it was right about this time of the year. If you work outside stay hydrated. A person

needs to drink two to four quarts of water a day when the heat is on. Water is best but drinks like Gatorade can help prevent leg cramps and save the cold beer for late evening.

With fall comes hunting season and I can't wait. The first fall hunting season is Canada goose. The September season is to allow the take of resident geese without effecting migrating geese. We can start shooting Canada geese on Sept. 1 one half,

hour before sunrise. This season ends on Sept. 30. The traditional start of dove season is the Saturday before Labor Day. This year that is Sept. 3. Hours are just like previous years, one half hour before sunrise until sunset. The daily limit will be 15 birds. Teal season and archery deer season both start on the Sept. 10. The early teal season is for Green-winged, Blue-winged and Cinnamon teal. Blue-winged teal are early migrators so the early season is the best time

to bag a few. They do show up later but later in the year but most of the teal killed around here are Green-winged.

Early season waterfowl hunting calls for DEET, Permethrin and a ThermoCell, but when those little ducks are as thick as the mosquitoes, there is nothing like it. Teal ends on Sept. 28 and archery deer ends on Sept. 30. The Teal limit is six per day.

Wife says I can't move to Alaska so I'll just have to stay in the shade and or air condi-

tioning until cooler weather. That's okay because I need to organize my hunting gear.

Archery: Sept. 10 to Sept. 30, 2016

DOVE (includes Mourning Dove and White-winged Dove)

Sept. 3 to Oct. 8  
SEPTEMBER TEAL SEASON (includes Green-winged teal,

Blue-winged teal and Cinnamon teal)

Sept. 10 to Sept. 28  
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## 100TH BIRTHDAY



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Mrs. Lillian Hendren Winslow celebrated her 100th birthday on July 22, with her three children, seven grandchildren, 15 great grandchildren, five great, great grandchildren, nieces, nephews and their spouses. She attributes her length of days to God's goodness and a loving family.

## VOLLEYBALL CAMP



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Under the direction of Coach Kristie Thach, head volleyball coach at Perquimans County High School, students ages eight to 14 recently had the opportunity to participate in a summer camp specifically focused on volleyball skills. The Perquimans Volleyball Camp was aimed at teaching basic fundamental volleyball skills to beginner and intermediate players. In addition, players learned individual and team skills needed to be successful volleyball players.

# Arts of the Albemarle releases entertainment schedule

From Staff Reports

Arts of the Albemarle (AoA) has announced the 2016 Fall Performing Arts Season at the Maguire Theatre.

The following shows will be featured:

Aug. 26 at 7:30 p.m.—AoA's Beach Music Blast features The Tams, an Atlanta vocal group that performs Carolina shag. Tickets are \$25

for non-members/ \$20 for members/ \$15 for students with ID.

Sept. 9 at 7:30 p.m.—Bobby Plough and Michael O'Connor, Texan singer songwriters, will play folk and country music seasoned with a Carolina texture. Tickets are \$20 for non-members/ \$18 for members/ \$10 for students with ID.

Sept. 17 at 7:30 p.m. —

The Red Clay Ramblers are a Tony-award winning, North Carolinian string band will perform bluegrass, mountain country, jazz, and rock. Tickets are \$25 for non-members/ \$20 for members/ \$15 for students with ID.

Oct. 6 at 7:30 p.m. — Mountain Heart will perform an evening of progressive bluegrass, Americana, and Folk. Tickets are \$30

for non-members/ \$25 for members/ \$15 for students with ID.

Nov. 11-Nov. 13—The Center Players presents Return to Athens. Tickets are \$20 for non-members/ \$18 for members/ \$15 for students with ID.

Nov. 18 at 7:30 p.m.—Join Bagdat Abilkhanov, a violin will perform classical music. Tickets are \$20 for non-AoA members/ \$18 for

AoA members/ \$10 for students with ID.

Dec. 3 at 7:30 p.m. — John Brown's Little Big Band Swingin' Holiday will perform an evening of big-band arrangements on classic holiday songs. Tickets are \$30 for non-AoA members/ \$25 for AoA members/ \$15 for students with ID.

Dec. 10 at 7:30 p.m. — Jeanne Jolly & The Mistle-

toes Jolly Holiday Show features seasonal favorites, with the singer songwriter's blend of American root music, jazz, and soul ballads. Tickets are \$25 for non-members/ \$20 for members/ \$15 for students with ID.

Tickets can be purchased at Arts of the Albemarle at 516 E. Main St., Downtown Elizabeth City or by calling 338-6455.

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