# WHAT'S HAPPENING

**■ Story Time** 

The Perquimans County Library will offer preschool story time each Wednesday at 11 a.m. Call 426-5319.

**THURSDAY** 

**■** Golf Tournament

The Perquimans County Schools Foundation is hosting an annual fundraising golf tournament on Aug. 11 at the Sound Golf Links at Albemarle Plantation. Call Teresa Beardsley at 426-5741 for more information.

**■ Photo Class** 

The Perquimans Arts League will hold a program "Beginning Digital Photography "Focus on Composition" with Shirley Whitenack at the HHI Building, 300 Grubb St. on Thursday from 8 a.m. until 2 p.m. Cost is \$50 for PAL members and \$60 for non-members. Class size is limited to 10. For more, visit www.perquimansarts.org

American Legion Post 126 hosts bingo on Thursdays at 6:45 p.m. at their building at 111 W. Academy St.

■ Movies at the Library

• Every third Thursday of the month, the Perquimans County Library will offer a movie geared toward adults at 10 a.m.

■ Weight loss

Take Off Pounds Sensibly (TOPS) holds weekly support group meetings on Thursdays from 10 a.m. until 11 a.m. at the Perguimans County Senior Center. Call 426-2022 or visit www.tops.org.

**FRIDAY** 

**■** Children's matinee

The Perguimans County Library will hold a children's matinee every Friday at 2 p.m. until school begins. Children under 10 must be accompanied by an adult and those who attend should bring their own snacks and drinks.

SATURDAY

**■** Farmer's Market

Perquimans County High School's FFA program will hold a farmer's market every Saturday through Sept. 24 at Missing Mill Park from 8 a.m. until noon.

**TUESDAY** 

**■** Weight Watchers

Weight Watchers will meet on Tuesdays at 5:30 p.m. at Hertford United Methodist Church's Fellowship Hall. Call 331-5426.

**AUG. 16** 

**■** Rotary Speaker

Elizabeth City State University Chancellor Thomas Conway will be the guest speaker at the weekly meeting of the Hertford Rotary Club Aug. 16. The public is invited to attend. The club meets at Captain Bob's Restaurant starting at 6:45 a.m.

**AUG. 18** 

**■** Library Movle

The Perguimans County Library will hold an adult movie feature on Aug. 18 at 10 a.m.

**AUG. 24** 

**■** Open House

The Perquimans County Schools will hold a floating open house Aug. 24 from 4 p.m. until 6 p.m.

**AUG. 26** 

**■** Watercolor Class

The Perquimans Arts League will hold a watercolor orkshop with Carol Mann at the Perquimans County Recreation Center on Aug. 26 from 9 a.m. until 4 p.m. The class is designed for students with some knowledge of watercolor painting. Cost is \$60 for PAL members and \$65 for non-members. The instructor will send supply list after sign-up. For more, visit www.perquimansarts.org

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PROJECT

value the economic impact for our small business owners and contractors.

"However, it has been my position from the start of Apex's application that Perquimans County has one wind energy project currently underway which should be operational soon. Let's wait and see the impact of the existing project before approving another. Let's actually experience the pros and cons of such a

huge project rather than go on assumptions.' Lassiter was referring to the Amazon Wind Farms

East project currently under construction in both Pasquotank and Perquimans counties. It's set to go operational by December. The Amazon project was designed by Iberdrola, which has since changed its name to Avangrid Re-

newables. But Lassiter and fellow board members Paul Kahl, Donald Manley and Lewis Smith did vote in favor of three of the findings for the Apex project.

The other three are:

- That the CUP will not materially enhance the public health or safety if located according to the plan submitted and approved.

That the use meets the required conditions and specifications.

- That the use will not substantially injure the value of adjoining or abutting property or that the use is a public necessity.

# Aerial spraying business fined

BY PETER WILLIAMS News Editor

ness in Hertford has agreed violations of pesticide

The N.C. Pesticide Board recently approved settlement agreements with nine individuals, according to Tuesday's press release.

Bryson J. Cooper, owner

in Bertie and Currituck cident happened within 25 ture adjacent to the field. counties, according to Pat Jones, a spokesman with An aerial spraying busi- the N.C. Pesticide Board. Both incidents happened in to pay a \$3,000 fine for two the summer of 2014, Jones said.

> N.C. law states no person should apply pesticides under such conditions that drift from pesticide particles or vapors results in adverse effects.

The incident in Shawof Craft Air Services in boro involved a product Hertford, agreed to pay the known as Quilt Xcel, a funfine for instances of drift gicide used on corn. The in-

feet of a road and 100 feet from a residence. The incident in Merry

Hill in Bertie County exposed N.C. Department of Transportation workers with the chemical Dipel ES, a biological insecticide. The plane was spraying a tobacco field at the time.

Among the other penalties Tony Godwin of Whiteville agreed to pay \$600 for damages to a cotton field caused by drift from a pesticide application to a pas-

Samuel C. Boney Jr. of Wallace agreed to pay \$600 for damage to grapevines caused by drift from a pesticide application to a soybean field adjacent to the vineyard.

William Allen, pesticide applicator and responsible licensee for Jack Allen Farms of Winterville, agreed to pay \$600 for damage to trees on a neighboring property caused by drift from a pesticide application to cotton fields.

## TRUCK

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Woodard said,

75-foot long ladder truck, Woodard said. In the past Hertford has had to call in crews from neighboring departments like Edenton and Elizabeth City when a ladder truck was required.

Wednesday involves using \$200,000 from the town's reserves as the town payment. The USDA will pro-No fire department in vide a \$50,000 grant and Perquimans County has a agree to loan the town the other \$386,000. The 20-year loan is based on a fixed interest rate of 2.75 percent.

Monica Thornton, a terest rate could actually

The plan agreed to be lower if rates drop between now and the time the loan is closed on. She said the agreement means the rate will not be higher than 2.75 percent.

The board had to act quickly, Thornton said, to ensure that it could get the loan now. She thanked the board for agreeing to hold USDA representative at a special Wednesday mornthe meeting, said the in- ing meeting, and explained if the loan were going to fresh off the factory floor.

get processed in this round of funding, she'd need to file the paperwork by Aug.

"We have to hit the button by 5 p.m. tomorrow or it will probably be April (before the money is available)," Thornton said.

The truck the town is buying is a demonstration model and will cost about \$40,000 less than a model

## **PHONES**

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quickly fixed.

the weekend, OK, they'll get for Novak. He'd just started to it," Hines said.

continued.

Scott Novak said he had to drive somewhere to get phone service and he tried to call technical support a number of times.

"Finally a tech admitted they'd have over 100 calls from my zip code and he escalated it to the engineers."

The timing of the outage "We figured since it was couldn't have been worse a new job as head of mainte-But then the problem nance for the Bryan Center in Hertford.

"I've got to be on call 24/7 and the first weekend of my job, the phone was out. That doesn't give a very good first impression."

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rolled in COA classes. "The three high school partners involved currently have a combined COA enrollment of 120 students," said Dean Roughton, COA's academic dean of arts and sciences and secondary impacted as we work to

onboard courses taught in this mode as soon as fea-

"In addition, we will now be able to provide more opportunities at our own four campuses. Classes that might not have run in the past due to low enrollment can be combined across campuses in this format to create cost-efficient courseducation. "These students es that increase the variety could be among the first of offerings at multiple locations.

He said when he moved fered any real service to the to the area in 2009 he chose area. He said "99.999 per-Verizon because it was the cent" of the time he's had no only phone service that of- problems.

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day at HYPERLINK "mailto: awhite@pqschools.org" awhite@pqschools.org or by calling 339-3764.

The market is scheduled to run every Saturday through Sept. 24.

I hope the **County Zoning Board** realizes that they have signed the **Death Certificate for Perquimans County for** 30 Pieces of Silver.

Charles Woodard



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