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Groups mark National Day of Prayer



PHOTO BY PAM HADDEN

Participants gather for a 12th annual National Day of Pray event last week at the Holiday Island Property Owner Association clubhouse.

From Staff Reports

Two local groups held events last week in honor of National Day of Prayer.

The first was held at noon Wednesday in front of the Perquimans County Courthouse.

Pastor Greg Owenby opened the event with a prayer for national leaders. Pastor James Spaugh offered prayers for families and Pastor Chuck Hartman offered a prayer for schools. They were followed by Todd

Kemp who offered a prayer for youth; Mayor Fred Yates who offered a prayer for federal, state and local leaders and Pastor Don Carter who prayed for the military.

Special music was provided Carole Laughton and Bridgette Bryant.

The event was held by the Perquimans County Ministers' Council for Education.

That evening there was an event at the Holiday Island Property Owner Asso-

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Wounded Warriors given a turkey hunt, 6



STAFF PHOTO BY PETER WILLIAMS

Participants in a National Day of Prayer program gather on the sidewalk in front of the Perquimans County Courthouse last week. The event was sponsored by the Perquimans County Ministers' Council for Education.

Drama students perform this week

BY PETER WILLIAMS
News Editor

Just how did Peter of "Peter Pan" get his name?

That question will be answered this week when drama students from Perquimans County High School perform "Peter and the Star Catcher."

Drama teacher Rachel Sanders, who directed her first high school play "Alice in Wonderland" last fall, said most of the cast for this performance will be juniors.

Sanders, who started work last year at PCHS, said she saw a brief clip of "Star Catcher" at her previous job and instantly fell in love with it.

The play is based on a 2004 novel of the same name by Dave Barry and Ridley Pearson. After some performances, it opened on Broadway in 2012.

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STAFF PHOTO BY PETER WILLIAMS

Perquimans County High School students practice Monday for their production of "Peter and the Starcatcher." The play will be performed Thursday and Friday.

Lacefield stepping down from COA

BY PETER WILLIAMS
News Editor

Perquimans County is about to get a new representative on the College of The Albemarle Board of Trustees.

Charles Lacefield informed the county late last month he wouldn't seek another term when his expires at the end of June.

Lacefield took the job in October 2014 to fill out the term of the late Charles Ward. Ward was named to the COA board while he still served on the county commission and remained on the COA board until his death.

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SUBMITTED PHOTO

Every time a picture of Jack The Dog is shown at a Perquimans County Commission meeting, a donor from Virginia Beach, Va. is donating \$200 toward the Tri-County Animal Shelter and Adoption Center in Tyner.



Jack's image supports animal shelter

BY PETER WILLIAMS
News Editor

Perquimans County Commissioners are getting familiar with "Jack the Dog."

Since April, a picture of the black Labrador mix has been flashed on the video screen at each commission meeting.

It's all for a good cause.

Jack was adopted from the Tri-County Animal Shelter and his owner has pledged to give the shelter \$200 every time Jack's picture is shown at a commission meeting.

Jack's picture has been a regular part at Chowan County Commission meetings for about a year.

He's lately become a regular at commission meetings in Perquimans and Gates as well.

Barbara Yates, a volunteer with the shelter in Tyner, said Jack's owner, Tom Ammons, has been a very strong supporter of the shelter. He lives in Virginia Beach and

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Veterans to be honored May 29

From Staff Reports

American Legion Post 126 will conduct the annual Perquimans County Memorial Day Observance May 29 at 11 a.m. at the Veterans Monument on the county courthouse grounds. Hertford's American Legion Post 362 will assist in the observance.

In the event of inclement weather the observance will be moved to the Perquimans County Recreation Center

off Harvey Point Road in the Business Park.

The block of Church Street, in front of the courthouse, will be closed at approximately 10 a.m., but traffic will be permitted to enter to drop off the elderly and handicapped. There will be limited parking on the street prior to 10 a.m.

Post 126 Commander Ric Caporale will conduct the program which will include the traditional roll call of Perquimans County veterans who have passed since last Memorial Day. The observance will include the traditional MIA/POW Memorial; and the tradition of saluting our military services;

Wreath presentations will be made by the county; Post Commander 126; Post Commander 362; and the Ladies Auxiliary Unit 126. Other organizations which laid wreath last year will be contacted by Post 126 or may, as well as other groups or organizations that wish to lay wreath, contact the Post, 426-1532.

Other participants will include the Post 126 Color Guard, Post 126 Legion Riders, Hertford Boy Scout Troop 150, Hertford Cub Pack 150 and Posts 126 and 362 members.

An unrelated celebration of veterans will be held June

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BACKPACK DONATION



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Judie Hoffler, (left), Teresa Blanchard, Joseph Hoffler and Winfall Mayor Fred Yates present donations totaling \$1,000 to Angel White, the coordinator of the Future Farmers of American program at Perquimans County High School. The donations came from American Legion Post 363, the Post 363 Auxiliary, the Perquimans County NAACP and the Perquimans Fellowship. The money will be used to provide food for Perquimans County students who might not otherwise have food when school is not in session.



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