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Mabine arrested for shooting

From Staff Reports

Elizabeth City police have arrested a Hertford man in connection with a shooting incident that sent an Elizabeth City man to the hospital Saturday night.



MABINE

Khalil Mabine, 18, of the 100 block of Wynne Fork Court, is charged with assault with a deadly weapon with intent to kill inflicting serious injury, Sgt. Latoya Flanigan said in a press release. Mabine was being held Sunday at Albemarle District Jail in lieu of a \$50,000 secured bond, she said.

Mabine is accused of shooting Jermaine Armstrong following what Flanigan said was "some type of child custody dispute" at Armstrong's residence in the 300 block of Dyer Street. Armstrong, 24, was treated for a non-threatening gunshot wound to his lower left leg and foot and released from Sentara Albemarle Medical Center, Flanigan said.

According to Flanigan, officers responded to a report of shots fired in the area of West Church Street and South Dyer Street on Saturday about 8:40 p.m. When they arrived, they found shell casings in the 300 block of South Dyer Street. Not long afterward, they received a report that a gunshot victim — Armstrong — had shown up at Sentara Albemarle.

Flanigan said police have learned that Mabine and his girlfriend went to Armstrong's residence, and while there got into a physical altercation with him and his family over a child custody matter. During the altercation, Mabine fired several shots from a handgun, striking Armstrong, Flanigan said.

No one was at the scene when police arrived. Mabine, who had taken his girlfriend to the hospital for treatment following the incident, was arrested there by police, Flanigan said.

Mabine was scheduled to make his appearance in court today.

Election deadline coming Friday

From Staff Reports

As of Monday only the four incumbents for races in Hertford had filed for office.

In Hertford, Lillian Holman and Ed Lane have asked to be on the ballot. In Winfall, it's Debbie Whedbee and Ken Rominger.

The deadline to file is Friday at noon.

The filing fee for each position is \$5. Filing takes place at the Perquimans County Board of Elections office, 601 A.S. Edenton Road St. For more information on running, call 426-5598.

The election will be held on Nov. 7.

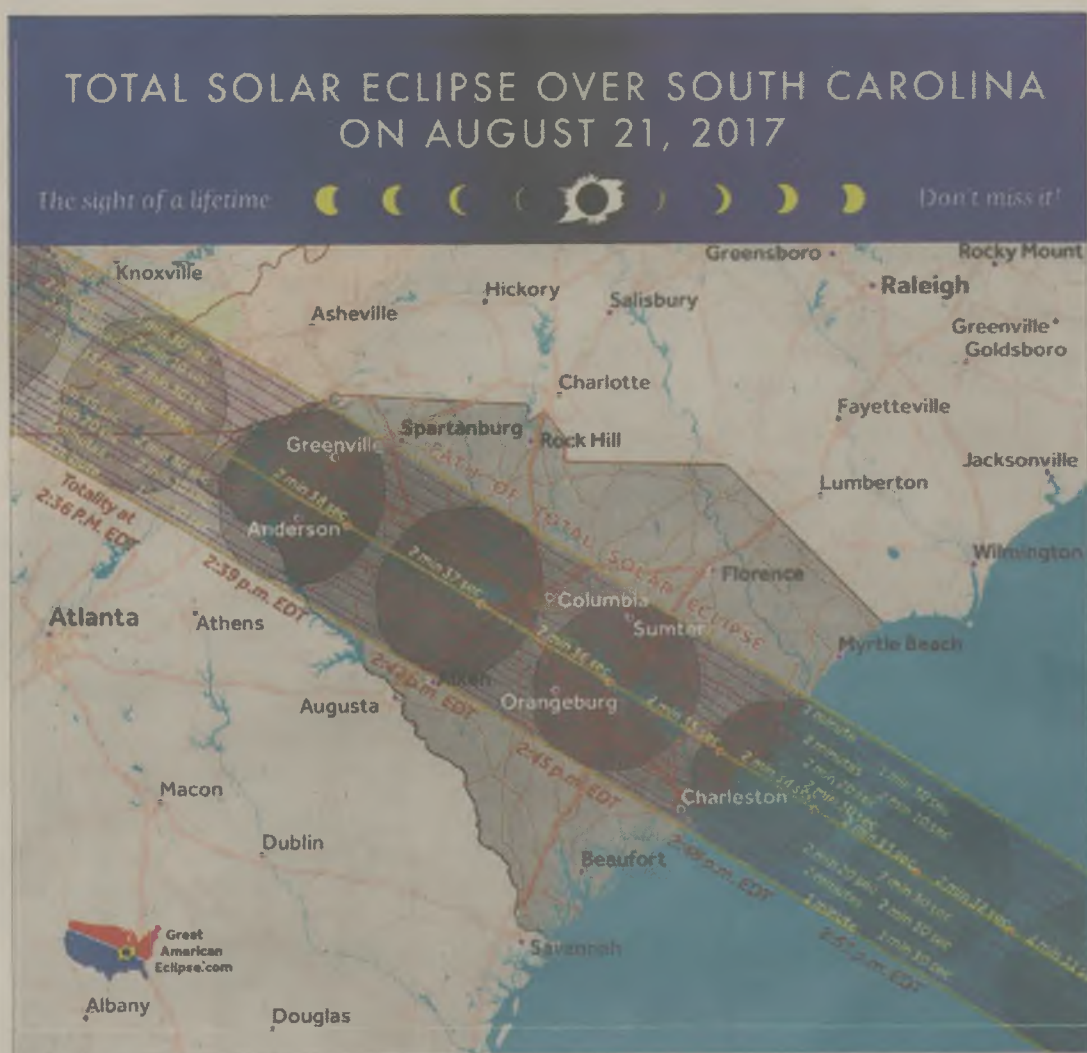


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A map shows the route of the total eclipse over South Carolina.

Eclipse coming Aug. 21

BY PETER WILLIAMS
News Editor

Sometimes you have to be in just the right place to get an once-in-a-lifetime experience.

On Aug. 21, the Albemarle region isn't exactly the right place, but it's close.

On that day — weather permitting — area residents will get a pretty good look at what a partial solar eclipse solar eclipse looks like.

To see the full total eclipse — know as the 'path of totality' — you'll have to be somewhere along a roughly 70-mile swath that goes from Oregon across the country to South Carolina.

A total eclipse happens when the moon completely blocks out the light of the sun. Total solar eclipses are not unheard of. One happens about every year or every other year somewhere on Earth. But they may happen



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While not a total eclipse, a rendering shows what viewers in Perquimans County should see when the solar eclipse comes next month.

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in remote places. The partial eclipse will be at the peak in the Albemarle area about 2:48 p.m. It will start at about 1:21 p.m.

The last time a total eclipse was visible in North Carolina was in 1970. Before that, it was 1900.

If you want to wait for the next one, it's in 2078. If you miss that, there is another one in 2099.

The total eclipse will pass over the far western part of North Carolina including Bryson City and Murphy. There the total eclipse may last between 2 minutes 39 seconds to two minutes and 30 seconds.

In South Carolina, the cities of Greenville and Columbia are

Family looking forward to event

BY PETER WILLIAMS
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Samantha Nadj has a vague memory about watching partial solar eclipse when she was a child. She wants to make her two sons have a better memory for themselves.

Nadj remembers when she was a student at Grandy Primary School in the 1970s.

"We wore special glasses and went out to watch a partial eclipse," she said. "It is a vague memory without much detail."

When her sons, Daniel, 16,

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The Nadj family from Camden will be making the trip to see the total eclipse in August. Pictured are Daniel, mother Samantha, Shane and Dan Nadi.

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New coach to lead Pirates

BY PETER WILLIAMS
News Editor

Perquimans will have a new football coach and a pair of new quarterbacks when the Pirates take to the field in August.

In May, the county school board named Ian Rapanick, 24, to the head coaching job.

Two players are vying for the QB slot now. Mahli Jones is a rising junior. He's been splitting practice duty with Mason Votava, a rising senior.

Both show potential, Rapanick said.



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New Perquimans County High School football coach Ian Rapanick talks to players during a seven-on-seven drill against Currituck High School this month.

"Quite honestly if we had a game tomorrow, I'm not sure who I'd start." Jones is about 6-foot-1, 210 pounds.

"He's an athlete," he said. "If he has a problem, it's that he's so hard on himself. He's

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Church opens tiny library

From Staff Reports



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Hertford United Methodist Church has opened up a 'Little Free Library' box where people can take a book home to read or donate a book they no longer want. It is located outside the church's educational building on Dobbs Street.

Hertford United Methodist Church has erected a "Little Free Library" outside the educational building on Dobbs Street.

It will be stocked with books for all ages. People can take them home, and if they wish, replace them with another book or return the book later. Anybody who would like to donate a new of gently used book can drop them off at the church office. They can also put them directly in the box.

The Hertford United Methodist Church Little Free Library is registered with littlefreelibrary.org, a non-profit organization that "inspires a love of reading, builds community, and sparks creativity by fostering neighborhood book exchanges around the world."

The church's hope is to provide 24/7 access to books and encourage a love of reading.

For more information, call the church office at 426-5467.



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