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prised of weekly five-day overnight camping sessions at her house on Old Neck Road. To most of the 6 to 12 year olds that attended, it was just known as "Miss Nancy's Manners Camp."

Beth Rountree, a friend, said Rascoe was impressive. Rountree did jobs for her like bookkeeping and wrapping Christmas presents.

"In fact I was supposed to go over there tonight to wrap presents," Rountree said on Monday.

On occasions Rountree helped with the camp.

"Kids came from all over, Colorado, Florida, Virginia," Rountree said. "More than half of the kids came from somewhere else."

A total of 15 kids attended each session.

"She did tennis several times during the week, and took them canoeing out in the river," Rountree said. "But they all had to dress in their Sunday best for dinner, and the boys had to learn to scoot the chairs out for the little girls. I had never seen anything like it before. I didn't know how to properly set a table. I will say she had manners like no other."

Each of the camps ended with a graduation ceremony in which every student individually recited memorized quotations reflecting on the importance of manners and etiquette in all aspects of life.

Ed Goodwin, the newly elected state representative from District I, first met Rascoe after he got elected to the Chowan County Commission.

"Her son, Peter, was the lawyer for the county and Peter was filling in for the county manager so I met her through him."

Later he met her at a soccer field. Rascoe was there with her granddaughter,

Lucy Mae. Goodwin was there with his adopted son Kaz.

"She (Rascoe) was sitting in the stands, and she was a big sports fan. Lucy Mae and my little boy were out there playing."

After the game was over, Rascoe approached Kaz and she asked who his father was.

"He said I was, and she came over and said 'that boy can really run like a deer.' She always had a way to make you feel good."

In September, Rascoe's accomplishments were honored when she was given the Order of the Long Leaf Pine in a ceremony at the State Capitol in Raleigh. It is awarded by the governor and is the highest civilian award for service to the state of North Carolina.

Sid Eley, the director of the Perquimans County Chamber, was one of the people who attended the Long Leaf Pine award in Raleigh. He said Rascoe was a truly wonderful person.

After the trips to the Hertford tennis courts, Rascoe would take the children by the chamber for a visit.

"They were always yes sir, no sir, and after they left we got handwritten thank you notes later from each one of them," Eley said.

"I've traveled all of the state for meetings, and people were always talking about Miss Nancy and how she worked with their kids."

While Rascoe is gone, her summer school will live on. Saint Mary's will run it and it will be held in Raleigh, not Perquimans County.

"We met with Miss Nancy about it about a year and a half ago," said Kirsten Monroe, the director of auxiliary services and summer programs at Saint Mary's.

"We're going to do it in our school setting here in Raleigh, one of the places she loved."

For the first summer, the program will only be for young girls, but it 2020 is should be open to boys as well.

"I just hope we can do it justice," Monroe said.

The name will remain, Miss Nancy's Manners Camp.

Monroe said what Rascoe taught was much more than about which fork to use or how speak well.

"Everything she did was about how you treat other people."

Monroe first heard about Rascoe and her summer program long before she ever started working for Saint Mary's. One of Monroe's cousins in Elizabeth City told her about it, and she enrolled one of her daughters there.

"Even now, my girls can still recite things they learned from her eight summers ago," Monroe said. "My husband and I grew to love her. She truly loved children and she really wanted children to understand that everything we do comes from God."

Funeral services will be held Thursday at 2 p.m. in St. Thomas Episcopal Church, Windsor, by the Rev. Joseph W. Cooper. Burial will follow in the church cemetery. Friends may join the family at the Roanoke-Chowan Heritage Center at Hope Plantation, 132 Hope House Road, Windsor, immediately following the service.

In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made to either: St. Thomas Episcopal Church, 302 S. Queen Street, Windsor, NC 27983, or Church Of The Redeemer, 207 South 343, Camden, NC 27921, or to one's favorite charity.

Miller Funeral Home & Crematory, 735 Virginia Road, Edenton, is assisting the family and online condolences may be made by visiting [www.millerfhc.com](http://www.millerfhc.com).

## QUILTS ON DISPLAY



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Three memory quilts are now on display at the Perquimans County Library. They were commissioned to raise money for extras at the new library.

## SELF DEFENSE FOR SENIORS



SUBMITTED PHOTO

Paula Saje (left) recently provided instruction on self-defense and self-awareness in a program at the Perquimans County Senior Center. Shirley Manley volunteered to assist her.

## RECYCLE

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"I recommend we ask people how they feel," Councilman Frank Norman said.

The fact is most Hertford customers don't have a blue recycle container. The town only got 250 of them when they got a grant to pay for them. There are 954 black garbage cans of the same size that are used in town.

The current situation is the result a dramatic change in solid waste. Once upon a time, items like aluminum cans, glass, plastic and paper had some cash value and could generate some income. It may not be a lot, but at least counties and towns didn't have to pay landfill fees.

Today aluminum and steel still have some value, but the

other materials do not, waste officials say.

Perquimans County Manager Frank Heath agrees the market has flipped.

"We used to get paid for recyclables, now we're having to pay."

The county has a contract with Republic.

"I think most people see a societal benefit in recycling, but the markets in China have dried up," Heath said.

In a memo to the Pasquotank County Commissioners, County Manager Sparty Hammett said they will be facing a hike in the cost of handling recyclables. Instead of being able to dispose of them free of charge, Pasquotank may have to pay \$120 per ton.

"The current market for recyclables is very negative in our area, averaging \$80 per ton, while in the Piedmont it

has been as high as \$200 per ton," Hammett said in his memo.

"Dare County, PCG (Perquimans Chowan Gates) Landfill and many municipalities are also being charged \$120 per ton for recyclables by Bay Disposal."

The bottom has fallen out of the recycle market in a big part because China, once an importer of foreign recyclables, has all but banned them. One reason: China said was U.S. waste was contaminated by foreign objects.

Getting out of the recycling business may have problems.

That may create a legal issue. North Carolina law has a long list of items that cannot legally be placed in a landfill. It includes aluminum cans and seven different kinds of rigid recyclable plastic containers.

## MAPS

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restrictions. In Perquimans, the county allows construction up to the base flood elevation. In Pasquotank, officials require building two feet higher than the base elevation.

Heath said Perquimans officials are comfortable with what they're going because historically the maps

have been pretty accurate. That is not the case in Pasquotank.

Perquimans County Building Inspector Virgil Parrish agreed people should use their best judgment even if they are not technically in a flood zone.

But he said those who still opt to keep flood insurance, even though they don't have to have it, should see a big reduction in their premium. But he

cautioned homeowners not to assume insurance companies will automatically reduce the bill. He suggested property owners confirm their status and then contact their insurance company.

Parrish also said just looking at the elevation may not be enough.

"You have areas that flood because the surrounding area is higher. It's like being in a soup bowl."

## CRASH

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over into the right (inside) lane and then traveled off the right side of the road where it impacted several trees before coming to rest.

Mrs. Stevenson, a front seat passenger, was trans-

ported to Vidant Medical Center in Greenville where she later died.

Mr. Stevenson was taken to Vidant Bertie Hospital in Windsor where he was treated for non-life threatening injuries.

The cause of the accident remains under investigation. Charges may be pending.

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## FALL FESTIVAL



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The winners of the costume contest at the Fall Festival pose for a picture at Perquimans County Middle School.

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