

BILLIARDS WINNERS



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Joe Stuter won first place and Carl Wayne Bateman second place in the February billiards tournament at the Perquimans County Senior Center.



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Carl Wayne Bateman took first place and Donald Madre was second in the April billiards tournament at the Perquimans County Senior Center.



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Gene Banks won first place and Frank Heath second place in the March billiards tournament at the Perquimans County Senior Center.



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James Perry took first place and Joyce Bateman was runner up in the May billiards tournament at the Perquimans County Senior Center.

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than 10 years ago when it was needed. He said it's not needed now, and the 72-acre site on the river near the Perquimans County Recreation Center could be used for another developments. McDonald said all of his ideas were just "suggestions" to get a conversation going.

He also said the proposed "fast ferry" boats that would carry people from Manteo to towns like Hertford and Edenton should be designed for "future riverboat casino" operations. He envisioned the boats would be state-owned, but privately operated and in the early stages offer slot machines and beer sales. But he said doing so, would spur something people have talked about for years, including Mayor Yates, to get a hotel/motel in Perquimans County.

He was also critical about the design-build concept used on the replacement for Hertford's S-Bridge.

McDonald also opposed plans to route a new inter-



STAFF PHOTO BY PETER WILLIAMS

County leaders talk to state officials from Hometown Strong about plans for a marine industrial park on Monday.

state (I-87) along the existing path of U.S. 17 in Perquimans. He proposed diverting the path at a point about 2.5 miles south of the high-rise bridge and sending interstate traffic west to a point where it would link back up with U.S. 17 in about 18 miles near Walmart. That would avoid disrupting businesses in the Church Street/Harvey Point Road area and open up areas for new warehouse businesses to serve the Port of Virginia as well as perhaps an Ama-

zon distribution center.

McDonald, who with his wife moved to Perquimans four years ago, said his background is in the "big box" distribution market.

"We are always going to continue to buy things from overseas," he said.

Michael Stallings, who owns a trucking firm, called on the school system to offer vocational training. The school system does offer firefighter and auto tech training, but Stallings said more is needed.

Stallings said the site for the proposed marine industrial park should instead be used for large number of ball fields. He said local groups already attend travel-ball events, but none can be held here.

That would create jobs, but he admits not as many as the proposed marine park would.

The also was discussion about the vacant juvenile detention facility in Winfall.

The Hometown Strong group also toured Nucor Steel in Hertford County Monday. The trip meant they were about 45 minutes late arriving to Perquimans, something Gibson apologized for.

While they waited, Winfall Mayor Fred Yates said the meeting was at the state's request. Winfall planned another community form Tuesday night.

"We want to know what you want Winfall to become," Yates said.

The Hometown group was planning to be in Chowan County Tuesday along with Gov. Cooper to discuss broadband Internet access.

DAYLILIES

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When the career with DOT was coming to a close, she wanted something else to do. For a time before DOT, Mansfield and her husband Bill ran a perennial nursery in Edenton.

With the encouragement Freda McKinney in Elizabeth City, Mansfield decided to start a daylily farm on their property in Perquimans County.

"She (McKinney) really taught me a lot about it," Mansfield said. "And I always wanted to get back into the

business in some form."

There was a lot to learn. There are almost 90,000 different kinds daylily versions registered. Mansfield has about 1,600 growing on her acre and a half piece of property.

Daylilies are already a part of the Perquimans County landscape.

"The native orange ones are very prolific in nature and very tolerant of all types of soils and conditions," she said. "They are fairly easy to grow."

In the pots downtown there are four clumps of daylilies in each, and they won't all bloom at once. That

choice was made on purpose.

Mansfield doesn't just grow the flowers for her own enjoyment and local sales, she has a mail order business.

"We sell them direct and we put them in boxes going all over the country," she said.

There is something special to appreciate about daylilies and you don't have to look any further than the name. When they bloom, that bloom only lasts for one day. There may be others that bloom the next day, but the bloom today needs to be enjoyed today.

"You don't have the option

of waiting until tomorrow. They will beckon you to go outside and look."

The flowers planted downtown are of varieties that will bloom at different times, some this month but probably starting in June and maybe into early fall. The display next year should be even better once they have been established.

To get to the farm heading south on U.S. 17, turn right on Bear Swamp Road and go six miles. The farm is on the right. The farm is open on Thursday, Friday and Saturday from 9 a.m. until 2 p.m. For more information, call 333-7191.

GOLF

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Duncan is glad GPro is back. Also back are two previous winners of The Biggs, David Gazzolo and Chad McCann.

Last year the tournament drew 119 golfers. As of last week, they had 100 commit so far.

Residents of the Plantation have always been welcoming about opening up their homes to host golfers during the event, Duncan said. This year is no dif-

ferent. All in all, there are about 200 residents who will volunteer in some fashion for the tournament, he said. They have 60 to 80 hosts signed up.

If the field gets to 144 golfers, "things could get a little tricky," Duncan said.

Golfers won't be the only ones who could benefit financially from the Biggs Classic. On June 23, there will be an announcement of one Perquimans County High School student who will get a scholarship to attend East Carolina Uni-

versity. The Boys and Girls Club of the Albemarle also benefits.

After Thursday and Friday's rounds, the lower third of the field will be picked to play in the cham-

pionship on Saturday. Duncan said the awards ceremony should take place about 3 p.m. on Saturday at the clubhouse.

Spectator admission is free.

CLOSURE

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the right thing. People must help other people, that's all we really have. I miss my daughter every minute of every day."

GPS records show Bosta's phone was in the area behind Dairy Queen in Edenton on the last day. She was seen on Johnston Street.

"I received a text from her about 10 p.m. stating she would be home in the morning," her mother said.

Records indicate she stayed in that area the entire afternoon and evening with the exception of going to the old Food Lion on Broad Street in Edenton.

"All of her phone calls and texts have been identified," her mother said. "At approximately 10:45 p.m., she was searching for a old friend from junior high school on Facebook. Approximately 11 p.m. her phone traveled down Route 32 towards McDonalds and returned back to the same area. At 11:45 p.m. she was speaking with a friend stating she was with her boyfriend. It was reported that lots of people could be heard in the background. She immediately called the friend back stating to make sure they saw each other the next day. That was the last communication from her phone."

However at 12:30 a.m. her phone left the area, traveled down West Queen Street in Edenton towards the Pembroke Creek Bridge and then returned back to the same area. Her phone remained there until June 5 until the phone stopped receiving calls. "There were many calls to her phone asking 'where are you?' But no responses from Karen."

She was taking medication at the time of her disappearance; the medicine has severe side effects if she suddenly stops taking it.

Perquimans County Sheriff Shelby White is resigned to the fact that finding Bosta's body may be the best thing to happen now, even if

a crime isn't solved.

"Somebody knows something," White said. "The mother just wants to find her daughter. If someone can provide enough information for that, but not enough information to solve a crime, at least that would help."

Bosta was described as between 5-foot-2 and 5-foot-3, 140 pounds 150 pounds with brown hair and blue eyes. Bosta had a tattoo of a butterfly on her lower back just above her buttocks, and a tattoo of a small red strawberry on her upper back between her shoulder blades. Both she and her mother lived in Holiday Island.

Bosta's 1997 Lincoln Continental was found in a parking lot behind an Edenton apartment complex a few days after her disappearance. The locked car was found in a parking space. Her keys, which she kept on a butterfly key ring, were not with the car.

People can call Sgt. Laura Wilkins with the Edenton Police Department at 337-4875 or the Perquimans County Sheriff's office at 426-5615.

Last year Thomas Edward White Sr., 63, admitted to using a Discover credit card Bosta used the day after she was last seen.

The judge gave him the maximum sentencing guidelines would allow — six weekends in jail, including 36 months of probation and parole.

White also has to pay \$600 in restitution fees and is prohibited from making contact with Bosta's family.

He pleaded guilty to obtaining property by false pretense and stood in silence with his head down.

The judge dropped the second charge of attempting to obtain property by false pretense.

Murin said they will never stop thinking about what happened to her daughter.

"Until I know where my daughter is and where I can find her so I can bring her home, then I'll feel better," Murin said.

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