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Perquimans sweeps East Surry for state title

Pirates win 3rd baseball title, first since 1963

BY MALCOLM SHIELDS
 The Daily Advance

HOPE MILLS — During the 2021 season, the Perquimans County High School baseball team had developed the ability to overcome adversity.

The Pirates needed to overcome another dose of

adversity Sunday afternoon in Game 2 of the North Carolina High School Athletic Association Class 1A State Championship series against East Surry.

The Pirates overcame a two-run deficit in the late innings as Perquimans defeated East Surry 7-5 in Game 2 to win the best-of-three game series two games to zero and to secure the state championship at South View High School.

With a three-run lead, the Pirates needed one last stand in the bottom of the seventh inning.

Perquimans, the designated away team in Game 2, brought in Tanner Thach as a relief pitcher for a second time in the game.

East Surry's Folger Boaz hit a single to center field to score a runner from third base to trim the deficit to 7-5

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MALCOLM SHIELDS/THE DAILY ADVANCE

Members of the Perquimans County High School baseball team celebrate after winning the NCHSAA Class 1A Baseball State Championship series against East Surry on Sunday at South View High School in Hope Mills.

Filing starts in Winfall, Hertford

From staff reports

Filing for Town Council seats in Hertford and Winfall is slated to begin Friday.

Filing for two seats on the Town Council in Hertford and two on the Town Council in Winfall will begin at noon on July 2, according to Perquimans County Elections Director Kathy Treiber.

Municipal elections in Hertford will be held Tuesday, Nov. 2.

The filing period for council seats in both towns ends at 5 p.m. on July 16.

Treiber noted that filing does not begin until noon on Friday, so any candidates who arrive that morning will have to wait until noon to file.

The seats currently held by Frank Norman and Quentin Jackson in Hertford and by Kenneth Rominger and Arnetta Ormond in Winfall will be on the ballot in the election.

County launches broadband service survey

Results will be used to seek grants to expand access

From staff reports

HERTFORD — Perquimans County is launching a survey to find out which areas of the county don't have access to high-speed internet service.

County officials are urging all residents and businesses to take the broadband survey by July 31.

"This survey is critical in helping Perquimans County identify areas in the county that do not have access to high-speed internet," County Manager Frank Heath said in a press release. "The information we get back will help us determine the geographic areas most in need."

The survey results also will allow the county to "work collaboratively with internet service providers to find solutions that can bring highspeed internet to these areas," Heath said.

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Eye on Tokyo: Gardner is top US Paralympic archer

Area native to lead US team to Czech Republic for trials

BY REGGIE PONDER
 The Perquimans Weekly

Perquimans County native Wendy Gardner will be leading Team USA archery when it travels to the Czech Republic this week to compete for a spot in the world Paralympic Games.

Gardner, 47, suffered a major stroke during the birth of a child two decades ago and since then has not been able to use one arm and has had limited use of her legs.

Gardner spent most of her childhood in Perquimans County. She later moved to Chowan County but graduated from Perquimans County High School.

She has risen to the top of the field in archery for people with physical differences in just a year. After trying unsuccessfully for years to find a form of recreation that was well-suited to her physical challenges, she finally found — and fell in love with — archery last year.

"I do it because it's fun," Gardner said. She said she actually cheers for other competitors during her competitions.

Although she downplays her competitiveness, Gardner nonetheless shot well enough during a three-stage process of Paralympic trials to earn the top spot on Team USA. The first two trials were held in Florida and the third was in Chula Vista, California.

She left the second stage tied for second but was in first place after the Chula Vista stage in early June.

The Paralympic World



PHOTO COURTESY WENDY GARDNER/

Perquimans County native Wendy Gardner is shown taking aim during an adaptive archery competition. Gardner will be leading Team USA archery when it travels to the Czech Republic next week to compete for a spot in the world Paralympic Games. Gardner, 47, suffered a major stroke during the birth of a child two decades ago and since then has not been able to use one arm and has had limited use of her legs. She says archery is well-suited to her physical challenges. Below, Gardner and her husband, Gary, display a trophy she won.

Games will be held in Tokyo from Aug. 24 to Sept. 5.

Gardner, who now lives in Wilson, gives a lot of credit to her husband, Gary, who has been able to fabricate the equipment that enables her to use one arm in shooting and release the bow with her teeth.

"This interested me because I couldn't use my

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ROUND-UP

Dr. Turner and Moore give back

From staff reports

A round-up of all things Perquimans County ...

Perquimans Schools Superintendent **Tanya Turner** successfully defended her dissertation and earned her Ed.D. from Wingate University. Congratulations! Technically we can call Superintendent Turner, Dr. Turner, but she's best addressed as Tanya. Since coming to lead the charge in the Perquimans schools, academics continue to improve and sports teams have enjoyed success.



TURNER

In other news, meet Perquimans County's first responders between 5 p.m. and 7 p.m. Friday at the county courthouse. Hot-dogs, chips and drinks will be served.

Speaking of first responders, technically Thursday was the day the **Hertford Police Department** officially disbanded. As our readers are well aware, the town will be paying \$350,000 during fiscal year 2021-22 to the Perquimans Sheriff's Department for public safety. All the department's gear will be "gifted" to the sheriff's department.

And well ... Hertford is not going to have **Fourth of July fireworks** celebration. The reason why is complicated, but it has to do with availability of fireworks from the distributor due to COVID-19 uncertainty, government contracts and more, so let's just leave at that. Edenton is not having its fireworks show either.

While we're not certain if other fireworks shows are planned elsewhere, we do know that Rocky Hock Baptist Church has a good show. The church's Independence Day Celebration is scheduled for Sunday, July 4, with fireworks. The show was so big one year people could see and hear the fireworks from Rocky Hock.

Holy Trinity Episcopal

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LOTTERY WINNER!

Hertford resident wins \$100K in NC lottery

Boyce purchased winning Cash 5 jackpot ticket in EC

From staff reports

A Hertford resident has turned a set of family birthdays into a \$100,000

prize in the North Carolina Education Lottery.

Jennifer Boyce used the birthdays when purchasing her ticket for Friday's drawing in the Cash 5 jackpot, lottery officials said Wednesday.

Boyce bought her winning ticket from the

7-Eleven on Patrick Way in Elizabeth City.

Boyce claimed her prize at lottery headquarters in Raleigh on Tuesday. After required federal and state tax withholdings, she took home \$70,752.

Lottery officials did not

provide any details about how Boyce plans to spend her winnings.

According to the N.C. Education Lottery, Carolina Cash 5 drawings are held every night and the odds of winning one of the game's jackpots are 1 in 962,598.