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White, Corprew, Winslow win school board seats

Huddleston finished fourth, Felton fifth, Silva sixth

BY REGGIE PONDER
 Staff Writer

Perquimans County Board of Education Chairman Anne White and first-time candidates Kristy Corprew and Matt Winslow won seats on the county school board in last week's countywide election.

Three of the six school board seats were at stake in



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the Tuesday, May 17 nonpartisan election and were awarded to the top three vote-getters.

Corprew led the field with 764 votes or 34.73%, Winslow

garnered 497 votes or 22.59%, and White had 469 votes or 21.32%.

First-time candidate Brenda Huddleston collected 321 votes or 14.59%, Gracie Felton

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garnered 76 votes or 3.45% and Dave Silva had 70 votes or 3.18%.

Two members of the current Perquimans Board of Education — Matt Peeler and Amy Spough — did not seek re-election.

Corprew said she was "humbled by the support of

the people of Perquimans County."

"Thank you for trusting me to serve our students, parents, and teachers," she said. "I'm excited to continue the good things our current board has in place. Congratulations also to Matt Winslow and Anne White — I look forward to working with them."

White said she was pleased with the election results.

"I look forward to working with two great new board members who have the education of all of our students as

their top priority," White said.

"I am grateful to the variety of residents who voted for me."

Winslow said he is pleased to have been elected, especially given the quality of candidates in the field.

"They were all in my opinion very qualified individuals," he said.

Winslow said he thinks voters responded to his connection to the schools.

"One thing to stand on is just that I have two kids in

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Over the moon



JOHN FOLEY PHOTO

Gail and Henry House bought the old Silver Fox building at 116 Market Street in 2021 and converted it into the Carolina Moon Bakery that they opened last October. The Houses produce up to 20 different baked products a day, including breads, cakes, cupcakes and cookies.

Couple satisfying Hertford's sweet tooth

Houses opened Carolina Moon Bakery in downtown in October

BY JOHN FOLEY
 Correspondent

Henry and Gail House weren't looking to open a bakery in Hertford. Or buy another house. But during a browsing session on Facebook, one of the town's 105-year-old historic beauties caught Gail's eye.

The next thing you know,

the Houses not only bought the building, they converted it into their latest venture, Carolina Moon Bakery.

"Gail showed me the house and although I liked it, I didn't make a call right away," Henry House recalled recently. "I waited a week, hoping it would sell. We had a house in Maryland and I was looking to retire there."

But then, the house was still available on Facebook a week later. So House called

about it and took a virtual tour. He and Gail were so smitten, they hooked up their RV, drove down to Hertford, and as House says, "here we sit."

In 2021 the couple bought the old Silver Fox building at 116 Market Street and opened the Carolina Moon Bakery last October.

"I've leveraged Gail's talent into this commercial project," House said.

Surrounded by bags of flour and the aroma of fresh-

ly baked bread, muffins, cookies and cakes, House recalls it was Hertford resident Tim Brinn who planted the seed for the bakery.

"I was introduced to Tim who invited us to park our RV in his driveway while we were inspecting the Hertford house," Henry recalled.

"While we were breaking bread one night, the topic of a bakery came up. And Tim suggested Hertford needed

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Higgins files lawsuit in son's car chase death

Suit: Trooper didn't follow ride-along program's rules

BY REGGIE PONDER
 Staff Writer

The mother of a young Perquimans County man killed in a car crash two years ago while participating in a N.C. Highway Patrol internship program has sued two state troopers, the patrol and East Carolina University.

Michael Higgins was a 22-year-old graduate of

ECU's criminal justice program when he was killed while participating in a university-sponsored ridealong program with the N.C. Highway Patrol. Higgins was a passenger in a vehicle driven by a trooper that crashed during a highspeed chase.

Higgins' mother, Lisa Higgins, has sued Trooper Omar Romero Mendoza and Trooper Brandon Cesar Cruz in connection with her son's death in the crash.

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SUBMITTED PHOTO

Lisa Higgins, (left) mother of Michael Higgins, and her son Shane Higgins stand in front of a memorial to Michael Higgins in 2021. Lisa Higgins is suing two troopers with the N.C. Highway Patrol, the patrol and East Carolina University for a 2020 wreck that caused Michael Higgins' death.

Sanderson, Moreland, Cruden win races for NC Senate, judge, DA

Steinburg: Lost re-election bid to be his last campaign

BY PAUL NIELSEN
 The Daily Advance

Fueled by a 5,000-vote margin in Carteret County, state Sen. Norm Sanderson defeated state Sen. Bob Steinburg in the GOP primary in the newly redrawn 1st Senate District in the May 17 election.

District Court Judge Jennifer Bland also lost her bid for election to a full term in the election, losing to challenger Jeff Moreland, a Perquimans County resident, in the GOP primary for district court judge by more than 800 votes.

In one of two other GOP primaries involving either



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judicial or law enforcement officials, Assistant District Attorney Jeff Cruden defeated fellow Assistant District Attorney Kim Pellini for the right to succeed their boss, District Attorney Andrew

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Hertford, HH to launch 'SML' flea market

Event designed to bring more vendors, shoppers downtown

BY JOHN FOLEY
 Correspondent

Local residents struggling to get out from under the clutter caused by years of collecting treasures that have long since faded may soon be

able to see the light at the other end of the garage.

The town of Hertford and Historic Hertford, Inc. are bringing Saturday Morning Live, a local flea market to Church Street beginning June 11. The SML Flea Market, which will continue through August, is scheduled to be open the second and fourth Saturdays of the month from 8 a.m. to 11 a.m.

The market could present an opportunity to test your cluttered-stuff sales ability. Those stacks of



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Sheryl Sanders, who owns the resale shop Divine Treasures in Elizabeth City, plans to be one of the vendors at the upcoming Hertford Saturday Morning Live Flea Market that starts June 11.

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