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NATE KING

You can't beat holding a good book in your hands. Books have a distinct smell.

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It takes about two minutes to get a library card. Then you can start enjoying all of the resources our libraries offer – whether it be a physical book, DVD, game, eBook, or audio book.

Our staff members are here to help and we look forward to serving you.

Nate King is the Librarian at the Tyrrell County Library.

GARDNER

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to give us cash for gasoline. She told us about her children and her extended family. We never found out exactly why the niece who dropped her at Walmart failed to pick her up.

A son living in Raleigh had bought the small house where she lived. It was next to a church. No carjackers were visible. I was embarrassed I even thought of that.

After one final offer of cash and our instructions to pay it forward to someone who needed it more, we said goodbye, left Lula in her little house and asked her to offer a prayer for us instead.

It wasn't even 6 p.m. yet, still working hours, as we headed back to Elizabeth City.

Diana's phone rang. It was another real estate agent with a cash offer to buy a piece of property she had been trying to sell for awhile.

"See? We were supposed to be here," Diana said.

Less than 72 hours later, I was eating lunch with Hood Ellis at our Rotary meeting. He wanted to know how our trip to Edenton turned out. I shared the story and Diana's intuition. Ellis said it reminded him of a verse discussed in his Bible class. The gist of it is, "Let God interrupt."

I agreed and pointed out that we saved $40 on tickets to see the Jae Sinnett Trio at Arts of the Albemarle the same night.

After lunch, Ellis's law partner, Andrew Howle, oversaw the drawing for the weekly 50-50 raffle. I won. The prize was $23, about what I spent on gas to get to Edenton.

Three days later we were on the way to Raleigh for Christmas. In Rocky Mount the owner of a convenience store comped us a couple cups of coffee, use of the bathroom and a chat, since none of her employees had shown up to work.

As fellow columnist Reggie Ponder recently wrote, sometimes "Slow and not so furious" is better.

Doug Gardner tries to do the right thing in Weeksville.

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BEFORE THE NORTH CAROLINA UTILITIES COMMISSION

In the Matter of Consideration of Certain Standards for Electric Utilities Relating to Measures to Promote Greater Electrification of the Transportation Sector Pursuant to the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act	)))))	NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the North Carolina Utilities Commission has scheduled a public hearing regarding measures this Commission could take to promote greater electrification of the transportation sector as set out in PURPA Section 111(d)(21), 16 U.S.C. § 2621(d)(21) by adding new federal ratemaking standards relating to electric vehicle charging programs. Details regarding the new federal standards and the scope of the Commission's consideration may be obtained from the Commission's Internet web site, www.ncuc.net (search for Docket No. E-22, Sub 658).

A hearing for the convenience of public witnesses, and solely for the purpose of taking nonexpert public witness testimony regarding the above standards, is hereby scheduled for Wednesday, May 31, 2023, at 7:00 p.m. at the following address:

Halifax County Courthouse
Courtroom 4
357 Ferrell Lane
Halifax, North Carolina 27839

Persons desiring to present testimony for the record should appear at the public hearing. Persons desiring to send written statements to inform the Commission of their positions in the matter should reference Docket No. E-22, Sub 658 and address their statements to Chief Clerk, North Carolina Utilities Commission, 4325 Mail Service Center, Raleigh, North Carolina, 27699-4325. However, such written statements cannot be considered competent evidence unless those persons appear at the hearing and testify concerning the information contained in their written statements.

The Commission will convene an evidentiary hearing for the purpose of receiving testimony from expert witnesses beginning May 20, 2023, at 10:00 a.m. in Commission Hearing Room 2115, Dobbs Building, 430 North Salisbury Street, Raleigh, North Carolina.

Persons desiring to intervene as formal parties of record should file a petition under North Carolina Utilities Commission Rules R1-5 and R1-19 no later than April 25, 2023. Such petitions should reference Docket No. E-22, Sub 658 and be filed with the Chief Clerk, North Carolina Utilities Commission, 4325 Mail Service Center, Raleigh, North Carolina, 27699-4325. The direct testimony and exhibits of expert witnesses should also be filed with the Commission on or before April 25, 2023. Any party who desires to file rebuttal testimony shall do so on or before May 23, 2023.

The Public Staff of the Utilities Commission, through its Executive Director, is required by statute to represent the using and consuming public in proceedings before the Commission. Written statements to the Public Staff should reference Docket No. E-22, Sub 658 and include any information which the writer wishes to be considered by the Public Staff in its investigation of this matter, and such statements should be addressed to Chris Ayers, Executive Director, Public Staff, North Carolina Utilities Commission, 4326 Mail Service Center, Raleigh, North Carolina, 27699-4326.

The Attorney General is also authorized by statute to represent the using and consuming public in proceedings before the Commission. Statements to the Attorney General should be addressed to the Honorable Josh Stein, Attorney General, c/o Utilities Division, 9001 Mail Service Center, Raleigh, North Carolina, 27699-9001.

ISSUED BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION.

This the 22nd day of November, 2022.

NORTH CAROLINA UTILITIES COMMISSION
Erica N. Green, Deputy Clerk