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Something to celebrate



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Nora Crouch performs Christmas carols and other seasonal music on the hammered dulcimer during the Perquimans County Restoration Association's Colonial Christmas event at the Newbold-White House, Thursday, Dec. 14.

PCRA marks 50 years of NW House ownership

KESHA WILLIAMS

Correspondent

Perquimans County Restoration Association members had two reasons to celebrate at the Newbold-White House last week.

First, Thursday, Dec. 14, was the date of the PCRA's Colonial Christmas event, an annual celebration that shows off how the early 18th century Newbold-White House might have been decorated for Christmas.

Secondly, PCRA members used the occasion to celebrate a milestone in their own history: the 50th anniversary of their purchase of the Newbold-White House

and its surrounding property.

"We are using this annual celebration to recognize the efforts of those people 50 years ago who made all this possible — charter members of PCRA," restoration member Lyn Winslow said.

Dressed in Colonial-era clothing, Winslow said the PCRA was formed in 1969 to restore the house built by Quaker couple Abraham and Judith Sanders in 1726. Two years later, the property would be listed on the National Register of Historic Places.

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Perquimans County Restoration Association member Lyn Winslow, dressed in Colonial-era clothing, discusses Abraham and Judith Sanders, the first owners of what would later become known as the Newbold-White House, the type of bricks that were used to construct the house in 1726, and the house's connections to North Carolina history, during the PCRA's annual Colonial Christmas event at the historic building in Hertford, Thursday, Dec. 14.

DPS: Job interest high at juvenile center

CHRIS DAY

The Daily Advance

ELIZABETH CITY — Nearly 50 jobseekers turned out recently to apply for positions at a juvenile detention center in Winfall that closed in 2012 but is set to reopen this spring.

Matt Debnam, communications officer for the

N.C. Division of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention, said the Nov. 29 careers fair at the K.E. White Center "was well attended and generated considerable interest."

"We had a total of 40 people in attendance and 20 interviews were conducted, with multiple recommendations for hire," he said.

The interviews were conducted during a day-long job fair hosted by the juvenile justice division, which falls under the N.C. Department of Public Safety.

People attending the hiring event were primarily interested in positions as juvenile justice officers at the Perquimans Juvenile

Detention Center, which is located on Jessup Street in Winfall.

According to Debnam, the center was closed in November 2012 because of state budget constraints and a shrinking number of juveniles who needed to be held in secure custody.

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Volunteers lay wreaths at vets' graves at New Hope UMC

VERNON FUESTON
Chowan Herald

NEW HOPE — About 30 volunteers and donors gathered at New Hope United Methodist Church Saturday, Dec. 16, to place holiday wreaths on the

graves of veterans in several cemeteries, including some veterans buried at the church.

Wreaths Across America is a national program that places wreaths at more than 4,000 gravesites of veterans each year. Local donors contributed \$17 to provide 52 sponsored wreaths this year, with \$5 of that amount going to the New Hope United Women of Faith Mission program.

Wreaths were placed on the graves of veterans who have served in all the nation's conflicts dating back to the Civil War.

Ginny Bick served as

mistress of ceremonies for the event. She said expressing thanks for veterans' sacrifices is important.

"We are all to be Americans who live in a free society made up of many people from all walks of life," Bick said. "The freedoms we enjoy today have not come without a price. Lying

here in our graveyard and in the cemeteries throughout this nation are men and women who gave their lives so that we can live in freedom."

Keynote speaker for the morning was Perquimans County Commissioner Joseph Hoffler, an Air Force veteran who said that giving thanks to all veterans, not just those who served in combat, is something everyone needs to do.

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Vicki Wilson,
of Hertford,
places a wreath
on the grave
of veteran
Brooks Barclift,
who died in
1955, during
the Wreaths
Across America
event at New
Hope United
Methodist
Church
cemetery
Saturday, Dec.
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