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# Field Day at WEE



West End Elementary held its annual Field Day on Monday, May 4. See photos on page 21

# Parents weigh in on budget

by Greg Hankins Times Editor



Representa-Moore praised the Moore County

to increase school funding at the state level, and urged them to spend more at the tives of Parents local level, during the Board's Tuesday, May 19 regular meeting.

Helena Wallin-Miller of Board of Com- Pinehurst, who described missioners for their efforts herself as a working parent

with two children in elementary school, told the Board that Moore County Schools had lost 158 teachers and \$1.8 million in funding for textbooks, supplies, and technology over the past several

Noting that Moore County and its economy have enjoyed health growth in recent years, she said education played a role in attracting new residents and businesses and expressed concern that failing to fully fund the schools could jeopardize that progress.

Praising the Commissioners for their advocacy for the schools at the state levels, she asked them to "look at what else you can do through the county budget."

(See "Commissioners," p. 27)

# Last year for **SLLA lifeguards?**

Times Editor



This may be the last year for the diving board and lifeguards at the Seven Lakes North

swimming pool.

The Seven Lakes Landowners Association [SLLA] Board of Directors discussed whether to discontinue lifeguard service, effective with the 2016 swim season, during their regular Thursday, May 14 work session.

Community manager Ray Sohl argued forcefully for the elimination of lifeguards, based primarily on his contention that having lifeguards subjects the Association to more liability risk than not having them. Sohl also argued that the diving board poses an increased risk of injury and increased liability

for the Association.

In the Work Session Meeting packet, Sohl shared the "Community Manager's comments & concerns:

- 1. Diving boards: Perhaps one of the biggest risks at the pool can be the diving board, which can cause severe injury and even death. According to a study by Columbus, an Ohiobased national children's hospital, more than 6,500 children and teens are treated for diving related injuries every year.
- 2. Wading pool: The line of sight issues for lifeguards poses a safety concern. The lifeguard stand is across the pool and too far for prompt responses.
- 3. Lifeguard staff levels: Maintaining adequate swimmer to lifeguard ratios through-(See "Lifeguards," p. 26)

## Silberhorn to replace Watkins on Board

by Greg Hankins Times Editor



Former Legal Director Ed Silberhorn will rejoin the Seven Lakes West Land-

owners Association Board of Directors in June, serving out the unexpired term of current Legal Director and Vice President Chuck

The Watkins are leaving Seven Lakes for South Carolina, to be closer to children and grandchildren.

Watkins joined the Board in 2013; there is not quite a year left in his term.

Silberhorn served on the

Westside Board from 2008 to 2011.

He spearheaded a drive to gather together and digitally archive the Association's records.

A strong proponent of open meetings, Silberhorn was instrumental in amending the bylaws to ensure adequate time for public input on amendments to the rules and regulations.

SLWLA Secretary Jack Lattin told The Times that Silberhorn's appointment was approved by the Board in a six-to-one vote taken by email. The SLWLA bylaws allow a majority of Board members to take action without a meeting.

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# Make sure your child's safety seat is secure

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receive information about child passenger safety from nationally certified Child Passenger Safety Technicians and have their car seats and seat belts checked to be sure

correctly.

According to Safe Kids of North Carolina "motor vehicle crashes are the number one cause of death among children ranging from ages 1 to

ents and caregivers can they are installed and used 19. Children ages 2 to 5 who use safety belts prematurely are four times more likely to suffer a serious head injury in a crash than those in child safety seats or booster seats. Of those children 12 and

under who died in vehicle crashes in 2011, 33 percent of those were unrestrained. Children should ride in the back seat until they are at least 13 years old."

For more information regarding Permanent Checking stations go www.safekids.org

To make an appointment to have a child restraint system checked or for general questions about the program contact Seven Lakes Fire & Rescue Department at 910-673-8151. Inspection hours are Monday through Friday 9 am to 3 pm.

# Seven Lakes Chapel will host VBS

Seven Lakes Chapel in the Pines will host their annual Vacation Bible School for children on beginning Monday, June 22 through Friday, June 26, from 5:30 pm to 8 pm each night.

All children ages 4 through 12 years of age are invited to attend. Visiting grandchildren are also welcome.

G Force Adventure or God's Love in Action is the theme of this year's Vacation Bible School. Activities will focus on a different action word each night such as - Move, Act, Care, Follow, and Serve.

A light supper will be served at 5:45 each night. After supper the children will learn songs, hear Bible stories, make crafts, and play games. Children will join with Checkers the Cheetah, a friendly puppet, for fun and fellowship each night.

A spaghetti dinner will be served on the last night of Vacation Bible School. Family members are invited to come and eat with the children on the last night of VBS, so that you can hear and see what the group has accomplished during the week.

The children's Sunday School class at the Chapel has chosen the Matthew 25:40 Project as the benevolence program for Vacation Bible School this year, Matthew 25:40 says, "Truly, I tell you, just as you did it to one of the least of these, who are members of my family, you did it to me."

This Moore County project was organized to help feed at-risk high school students. Seven Lakes Chapel in the Pines assists by providing juice boxes for these students.

Pre-registration for VBS is appreciated, so the Chapel can plan for the number of children expected to attend. Call the Chapel at 673-2156 on week days from 9 am until 1 pm to register.

For additional information, contact Dora Lancaster at 673-0166.

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# Foxfire budget includes three cent tax hike

**by Greg Hankins**Times Editor



There's a three cent tax increase in Foxfire Village's proposed FY2016 budg-

et that would take the tax rate from 35 cents to 38 cents per hundred dollars of valnation

That's despite an overall decline of \$86,500 in projected expenditures.

According to a budget fact sheet prepared by the Village Council, several concerns are fueling the need for a tax increase.

The total valuation of real property in the Village — the "tax base" — has declined, a fact that was captured in Moore County's revaluation. In tax rate terms, that represents a 1.94 cent decrease in Village revenues.

Meanwhile, the County has consolidated its sixteen fire districts into a single district. That resulted in a tax rate increase within the former boundaries of West End Fire and Rescue, which provides fire protection in the Village.

Foxfire must absorb that increase, which amounts to 2.1 cents on the tax rate.

Other considerations driving the tax rate increase are the need to build reserves for future capital expenditures and debt service, and the possibility that legislation pending in Raleigh could reduce the Village's share of sales tax revenues.

The County's revaluation isn't complete, so firm numbers are not available, but, based on current estimates, the Village expects the three cent tax increase to bring in \$49,000 in additional revenue.

On the other hand, the last of the assessments for the Woodland Circle extension project were billed in FY2015, which leaves an \$82,500 hole in the FY2016 budget.

Last year's budget included a \$113,000 drawdown of fund balance; the new budget anticipates only half that much.

All of that together produces

a proposed FY2016 budget that anticipates \$1,007,300 in revenues, compared to \$1,093,850 this year.

On the expense side, Administrative expenses are budgeted with a \$40,000 increase, largely the result of increases in salaries and benefits. There's a Village Council election this year, which will cost \$4,000 to administer.

Public Safety is budgeted to spend nearly \$24,000 less than was called for in this year's budget, with significant decreases in salaries and benefits accounting for most of the decrease.

The change in the fire tax rate is expected to cost the Village an extra \$19,000.

The streets and roads department is budgeted to spend \$26,800 less next year than this year. The budget for paving and crack sealing is being cut by nearly one third

Pool expenses are expected to be up \$6,000, an increase due to the need to replace the existing pump house.

The Council anticipates spending \$188,900 on debt service next year, down \$4,500 from this year.

The Village owes \$120,000 on a loan for Village Park, requiring annual payments of \$24,644. That note will be paid off in 2020.

The larger loan is for the Woodland Circle Extension, with a balance of just under \$1.4 million, an annual payment of \$161,082. If all goes according to plan, that loan will be paid off in 2027.

The proposed three cent tax increase will cost the owner of a \$100,000 home \$30 per year. The Owner of a \$300,000 home would see a \$90 increase.

The best current estimate of the Foxfire tax base is \$154,551,775. The revenue-neutral tax rate — that is, the rate that would produce the same amount of revenue next year that the Village could expect this year — would be 36.94 cents per hundred, or roughly a two cent tax increase.

The Village's Water Depart-

ment's finances are separate from the General Fund budget. Most of the Water Department's revenues are derived from the rates paid by water users.

The department expects a \$10,500 increase in revenues next year, producing a total of \$237,600.

Major increases in expenses anticipated include an extra \$5,735 for new water meters and an additional \$8,000 for repairs to Woodland Circle Well #11.

The Council will hold a public hearing on the budget during its regular meeting on Tuesday, June 8. Final budget approval could come at that meeting, or at a special meeting later in the month, if adjustments are necessary based on the public hearing.



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# Pasture fence back on SLLA Board's agenda

**by Greg Hankins** Times Editor



The pasture fence is back on the agenda of the Seven Lakes Landowners Association

[SLLA] Board of Directors. with a vote on the \$40,000 - \$45,000 project scheduled for the Association's Thursday, May 28 Open Meeting. [This issue of The Times went to press prior to that meeting.]

President Chuck Leach put the proposal on the table during the Board's Thursday, May 14 Work Session.

The same proposal for a four-and-one-half foot fence with round posts and three round rails failed in a tie vote of the previous Board in March, with opposition from Directors Steve Ritter, Bob Racine, and Mary Farley. Leach, Sandy Sackmann, and Dave Hill voted for the proposal. [Ritter and Hill's term on the Board have since expired.]

Leach said the fence was needed to protect the Association from the liability, if a horse escaped the pasture, as happened a couple of times in 2014.

Leach said that two fence contractors contacted for bids on the job "said that this is the worst fence they have ever seen along a main road to contain horses."

Once the need to address the aging pasture fence was raised last year, he explained, the facilities committee researched the issue, visiting local horse farms, the NC State Equine Center, the NC Cooperative Extension Service, and a company that manufactures horse fences.

The veterinarian who services the Seven Lakes Stables recommended putting up the "strongest fence you can afford" along Seven Lakes Drive and East Shenandoah Drive, Leach said. Fencing contractors recommended the round post fence with three round rails.

In order to make the cost of the project easier for the Association to digest, Leach recommended having the

work done in two phases, splitting the cost over two fiscal years. Community Manager Ray Sohl said the price offered by the lowest bidder a few months ago had increased by five percent.

Once Leach opened the floor for comments from the Board and members in attendance, the debate lurched

back and forth between the need for the fence and the need for the stables.

#### No escapes

Noting that he was initially against building a new fence, Racine said he heard that one of the ponies had managed to squirm under the existing fence. On the other

hand, he noted that, once priate use of money." some maintenance was done on the existing fence, no other horses have escaped, despite the fact that the fence is only about thirty inches high.

"I am bewildered as to yes or no," Racine said. "If it were maintained, do we need a new fence?

Former Director Ritter made much the same point.

"How many horses have escaped since the Board last voted on this?" he asked. "\$40,000 is a lot to spend on something that is already consuming ten percent of our budget. It's not an appro-

Noting that some of the harshest criticism of the existing fence had come from fence contractors, Ritter said, "People are telling us how terrible the fence is because they want to sell us \$40,000 worth of fencing."

Director Greg Lishawa said maintaining the existing fence is not without its own costs. He said both posts and rails have to be specially milled. Posts cost \$12 each; the Association spent \$1000 on posts last year. In addition, maintaining the fence con-

(See "Fence," p.25)

## Pancake fundraiser

A Pancake Breakfast Fund Raiser will be held at Applebee's on Saturday, May 30 from 8 to 10 am.

The fundraiser will support Christian Group Work Camps,

Breakfast is at the Aberdeen Applebee's, tickets are only \$7 per person and will be available at the door.

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# Policy would exclude renters from committees

by Greg Hankins Times Editor



A motion to exclude renters from service on Seven Lakes Land-

owners Association [SLLA] is on the agenda for the Association's Thursday, May 28 Open Meeting.

[This issue of The Times went to press prior to that meeting.]

President Chuck Leach. introducing the motion, said the question of whether tenants can serve on committee arose during the last Board's

Leach said the Association has benefitted from the "advice knowledge, and expertise of some of our longterm renters."

He added that he personally believes long term renters in good standing should be able to serve on any committee, though they should serve in a non-voting capacity only on the Finance, Judicial, and Architectural Review Committees.

Leach said a question had also arisen about the eligibility of a spouse to serve on an SLLA committee when they are not listed on the deed of the property.

To clear up that question, SLLA attorney Roger Knight was consulted.

Knight, who provided his answer in an email to Community Manager Ray Sohl, said if property was acquired by a married couple but only one was listed on the deed, the unlisted spouse was nonetheless a co-owner under

therefore a member of the Association, and able to serve on Committees.

If the property was acquired committees of the by one spouse before the marriage, however, the deed must be altered to include the unlisted spouse in order for him or her to be a member of the Association.

> Where tenants are concerned. Knight said the Association could create a tenants' committee or create non-voting tenants' seats on other committees.

> However, he wrote, "Tenants are not owners and are therefor not by definition members of the Association and cannot vote in elections or serve on committees."

Knight provided no further explanation of that opinion referencing state law or SLLA legal documents.

According to Leach, Knight said that some Association decisions had been overturned in court because tenants had voted on them.

"I just don't understand giving up talent because someone is not a homeowner " resident Bob Miller said

"I think it is a shame that the expertise is not accepted," Director Joy Smith said. "I would like the expertise."

"I don't think it matters what any of us think," Leach said. "Now we have a ruling from an attorney."

Although Knight had suggested the options of establishing a non-voting seat for tenants on any committee, Leach made a motion to forward to the Open Meeting a policy to exclude renters from

on the legal opinion provided."

Director Sandy Sackmann seconded the motion, which passed four-to-three with Smith and Director Mary Far-

North Carolina law, and all SLLA Committees, "based ley opposed and Director Leach presented a proposed Mark Gyure abstaining.

#### Policy on bidding major projects

Also during the May 14 Work Session, President

policy on bidding major projects that he said aimed to both get the procedure in writing and to improve communication among commit-(See "SLLA," p. 25)

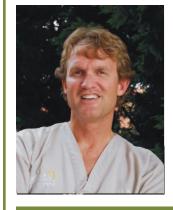


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Cost \$75 for Horticultural Society members, \$80 for non-members. Price includes: a giant 17 inch beautiful glazed strawberry pot, 10 plants, watering pipe, fertilizer and soil.

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# In memory

Thomas Edward Wasilewski, 67, of Seven Lakes, died Thursday, May 21, at FirstHealth Hospice House, Pinehurst.

Funeral services were held Sunday, May 24, at Boles Funeral Home, Seven Lakes.

Mr. Wasilewski was born in Queens, NY the son of Helen and Edward Wasilewski. He was a self-employed dental technician, working with many of the local dentists for last ten years. He was everybody's friend and was a wonderful, gentle, and warm person to all who knew him.

He was preceded in death by his parents and sister Jane Rombauts.

Survivors include his wife of twenty-one years, Pamela; sister Barbara Kovack (Bob) of Nicholson, PA; nephews Jeff and Bill Jr.; niece Tracy; great nieces and nephews Billy, Ryan, Josh, and Madison; brother-in-law Bill Rombauts of E. Islip, NY.

Memorial contributions may be made to Seven Lakes EMS, 969 Seven Lakes North, West End, NC 27376.

Boles Funeral Home of Seven Lakes assisted the family.

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**Business** May 29, 2015 **Seven Lakes Times** 

## Southsider opens new salon in Seven Lakes Plaza

has opened Salon 27 in Seven Lakes Plaza Shopping Cen-

Anthony began cutting and styling hair as a teen while traveling with his father who was in the military. His friends, both women and men, wanted hair cuts and styles that were current and popular, but not a government style cut. Eventually, he turned a hobby into a career.

Anthony moved to Seven Lakes a little over a year ago, with his wife Maria. He has four children: Chloe, Stephen, Michael, and Jesse. His father, Mark Anthony, lives in Seven Lakes West.

Krys Anthony has been cutting, styling, and coloring years, and came to Seven Lakes from the Charlotte

Salon 27 is a full service salon with a relaxed, spacious, and comfortable atmosphere that offers a professional, quality salon experience at a reasonable price for customers, including men, women, and children.

There are four large cutting stations for stylists, with two European style shampoo basins. The salon uses Joico styling products and American Crew shampoo and conditioning products.

Salon 27 offers everything from a basic cut to the full service experience that can include wash, cut, style, and color, as well as perms,

Southsider Krys Anthony hair professionally for eleven updos, and blowouts. Eyebrow and lip waxing are also offered.

> A new and unique service that Salon 27 offers allows customers to reserve appointments by email and receive confirmation via text message.

> Salon 27 will celebrate its Grand Opening on Monday, June 1, with specials offered throughout the week.

> Salon 27 is located at 145 West Plaza Drive, Seven Lakes. Hours are Monday -Friday, 9:00 am to 7:00 pm and Saturday, 10:00 am to 4:00 pm.

> Customers may make an appointment with Krvs Anthony at 910-673-3003 or at Salon27.7lakes@gmail.com



Krys Anthony has opened Salon 27 in the Seven Lakes Plaza Shopping Center

# You can learn to sail

Club is pleased to announce the opening of enrollment for the Learn-to-Sail Program.

All residents of Seven Lakes (minimum age of sixteen 16) are eligible for enrollment. The program is conducted annually for those persons who would like to (1) learn the basics of sailing, (2) improve their current skills or (3) apply their skills by racing competitively on Lake Auman

Previous sailing experience, or boat ownership, is not

The Seven Lakes Sailing necessary for enrollment as instruction will consider the needs and objectives of the individual student. Sailors who have completed the program previously are also invited to 're-enroll.'

> The program will be held Monday, June 15 through Friday, June 19, 9 am to 12:30 pm.

> Instruction is conducted in a classroom setting at a private residence on Lake Auman, and on the water in sailboats provided by Club members. The instructors are members of the Club.

Contact Bill Mamel (673-8970) or by email wmamel@centurylink.net if interested in enrolling, or for further information.



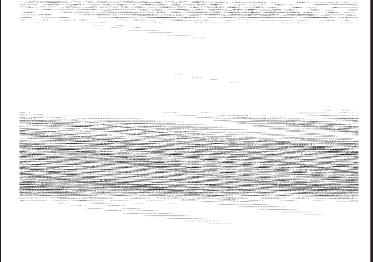
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# West End's Auman family bids farewell to

**by Greg Hankins** Times Editor

There will be no peaches at Auman Farm this Summer.

After eighty years of growing and selling Sandhills peaches, the landmark West End farm has hung up its bushel baskets.

"It was time," Laura Auman Pitts told *The Times*, as her older brother Watts Auman nodded in agreement.

"These are Watts' peaches," Laura said, "and had it not been for Watts we would not have been in the peach business. You have to have someone on site, and he has been, for a lot of years."

The Auman family's love affair with peaches started in the depths of the Great Depression, when T. Clyde Auman and his six brothers founded Auman Brothers Orchard, planting peach trees on land they owned and land they leased.

"Daddy sold peaches door to door in Durham and Raleigh," Laura said, "three bushels for a dollar."

It was a two or three decades past the time when wealthy, Harvard-educated Northerners — Raphael Pumpelly, Richard Lovering, Roger Derby, and Frederick Gates — had settled in the Sandhills to try their hand at farming and, in particular, at planting peach orchards. Their efforts to promote the area attracted would-be farmers large and small, until their opulent lifestyles and reliance on hired labor proved their undoing as farmers.

But the local farmers, with smaller acreages and a goodsized family to provide labor,

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Watts Auman mans the nerve center of Auman Farm — an office in the old West End Train Depot, moved to the Auman property decades ago



T. Clyde Auman's unusual method of transporting the harvest from the orchard to the packing shed

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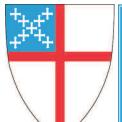
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### 28th Annual National Cancer Survivors Day

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victories. Join us in our celebration of life and triumph over cancer! We will share stories, create memories and enjoy dinner together.

This event is free and open to the public, but space is limited and registration is required.

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# eighty years of growing Sandhills peaches

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found they could make a living in peaches.

Farmers like West End native Clyde Auman. Of the seven Auman brothers, it was Clyde who stayed in the peach business after World War II.

peaches everywhere," Watts told The Times. The orchards lined NC Highway 211 from Candor to West End and beyond. There was a peach stand where the Exxon station in Seven Lakes now stands.

The Auman Farm was a family farm in every sense

of the word. Watts, Laura, along with siblings Bob and Nancy all pitched in. Clyde's brother Howard — a star of the Sanford baseball team back when that sport was played in city leagues - continued to lend a hand.

The family's matriarch Sally "In those days, there were Hubbard Auman, in addition to keeping the household running, reported on weddings and society news for all three newspapers that served Moore County at time. Clyde served in the NC General Assembly for nearly two decades, from the early 1960s through the mid-1980s.

Clyde Auman didn't stake

the farm just on peaches. Auman Farm was a diversified operation, at different times raising watermelons, sweet potatoes, tobacco, cotton, beef cattle, and Landrace hogs.

"Through the early 1970s, we shipped watermelons up North — hoping that Pittsburgh and New York had a hot Labor Day," Watts remembered.

Watts recalls that, during World War II, German prisoners of war who were being housed at Camp Mackall provided farm labor, making the trip back and forth in the uncovered bed of a truck.

Laura told The Times that she quickly learned that selling peaches under the packing house shed, out of the hot Summer sun, was her preferred job. Meanwhile, older sister Nancy ran the tractor out in the tobacco

As the children turned into adults and had their own families, grandchildren pitched in at the farm during the busy Summer season. Cousins and college students home for the Summer pro-(See "Auman," p. 23)

## Where to find peaches

Longtime customers of Auman Farm will be able to find locally-grown, treeripened peaches at other orchards this Summer.

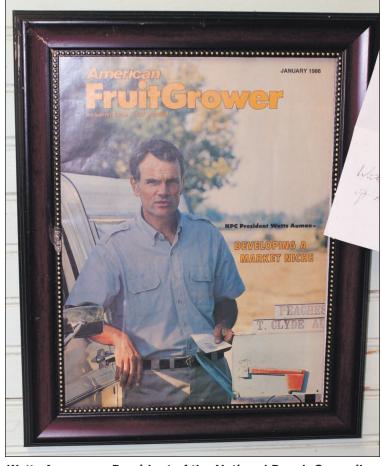
Fortunately, there are dozens of peach orchards in Moore County, and quite a few farm stands selling locally-grown peaches and other produce along NC Highway 211.

Central Park North Carolina, based in Star, maintains a web directory of local food options, broken out by county and town. You

can find it at www.centralparknc.org.

You'll find a wealth of information on NC peaches, includng profiles of other Sandhills peach growers on the NC Peach Growers Association website, at www.ncpeachgrowers.com /secrets/ofncpeaches/

If you're looking for someone who is knowledgeable about Sandhills peaches, you can contact NC Cooperative Extension Agent Paige Burns at (910) 997-8255.



Watts Auman, as President of the National Peach Council, on the cover of American Fruit Grower, January 1986







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# Prancing Horse riders & volunteers celebrate

**by Ellen Marcus**Times Reporter

Judy Lewis' days are a steady trot as Executive Director of Prancing Horse Center for Therapeutic Horesemanship. Four days a week, children and adults with special needs show up for riding lessons. The Seven Lakes Landowners Association, McClendon Hills, and Whispering Pines are hosts to the organization, each one providing an arena and specially trained horses.

Students, teachers, volunteers, and supporters of Prancing Horse celebrated the end of their Spring Season at Seven Lakes Stables on Wednesday, May 20. Students were awarded ribbons and certificates recognizing their skills in horsemanship.

"We lease time at each barn and with each horse," Lewis said. "Our three youngest riders are all riding on a grant from the Air Warrior Courage Foundation that allows us to provide free riding for active duty military that have children with special needs."

Prancing Horse is certified by a Professional Association of Therapeutic Horsemanship International. The fifty-yearold nonprofit promotes equine-assisted activities and therapies for individuals with special needs.

"We provide riding from age three to fifty plus," Lewis said. "We love private donors. We also write for grants, receive community sponsorship, and funding from the North Carolina Community Foundation."

Prancing horse has recently opened a used tack shop, "A Bit Used," in Vass. People donate used tack to be resold, and all profits go to Prancing Horse. Prancing Horse and the tack shop both depend on volunteers. Only the teachers are paid.

"As of May, we have a new person coming on as a program director," Lewis said.

Several sponsors were on hand for the end-of-season celebration at Seven Lakes Stables, including Al Daniels, representing The Golf Capital Chorus, and Nancy Geddes.

Decked out with a festive bowtie, Lewis' husband Bill serves as judge of the stu-(Continued on page 11)



Sitting tall in her saddle, preschooler Abigail is excited to receive her ribbon for achieved riding skills

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## at Seven Lakes Stables

(Continued from page 10) dents' proficiency.

"This is her passion and I get pressed into duty," he explained. "I am happy to do whatever she asks."

The riders receive their rib-

bons and proudly make a victory lap. The day is just getting started two more groups are scheduled to arrive.

It's a sad farewell for rider Tennison, whose family is

bons and proudly make a being relocated to another victory lap. The day is just state.

But her mother has done her research and has already found a nearby PATH-affiliated riding group. It want be long before Tennison is in the saddle again.



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Carthage Elementary student Luke is excited to giddyup!

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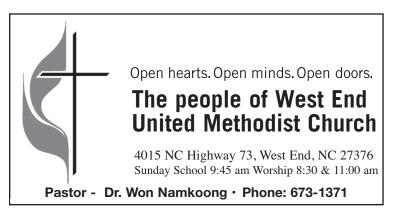
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Haley decked out in her bunny rabbit helmet rides Dixie with confidence



Haley takes the reins, assisted by three Prancing Horse volunteers





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# Viscusos celebrate 50th Wedding Anniversary



The Viscusos were married in a double wedding ceremony. They're the couple on the left.

Tina and John Viscuso of Seven Lakes West celebrated their 50th Wedding Anniversary on Saturday, May 16. They received a blessing at Sacred Heart Church that Saturday that included their family.

In 1965, Tina had a double wedding with her sister Anne. Anne and her husband Michael LoPalo live in Long

The Viscusos have lived in Seven Lakes West for almost six years.

Following the mass, the family had dinner at the Carolina Dining Room.



John & Tina Viscuso

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# Congratulations, Class of 2015



Anthony Guy Bialer

Pinecrest High School Southern Pines, NC

Anthony is the son of Matt and Sharon Bialer of Seven Lakes South. He is the grandson of Paul Chandonnet of Seven Lakes North & Elly and Don Schutt, Seven Lakes South. He will be attending Sandhills Community College and transfer to Appalachian State to study Geology.



Connor Andrew Cheek

University of North Carolina School of the Arts High School Program Winston-Salem, NC

Conner is the son of David and Jerry Cheek of Seven Lakes.

He is the grandson of Jackie Ingram of Seven Lakes and Pete Cheek and the late Beckie Cheek of West End.



Sabrina Lee Elward

Allentown Central High School Allentown, PA

Sabrina is the daughter Karen and Robert Elward of Kempton, PA. Her grandparents are Barbara and Ed True of Seven Lakes West. An honors student, she was a member of the Key Club, Red Cross Club, varsity and USTA tennis team. Sabrina will attend the University of Pittsburgh.



Sara Kathryn Feggeler

Pinecrest High School Southern Pines, NC

Sara is the daughter of Mark & Teri Feggeler of Pinehurst, and the granddaughter of Anneliese & Frank Feggeler of Seven Lakes. She was a member of the National Honor Society, Key Club, Math Club, Tri-M Club, and PHS Marching Band. Sara will attend UNC-Greensboro.



Tyler Michael Grata

Wescare Christian Academy Troy, NC

Tyler is the son of Michael and Shelby Grata of Seven Lakes West. His grandparents are Donald and Barbara Grata of Center Cross, VA; and, Linda and Ervin Hubble of Midlothian, VA. Tyler will attend Sandhills Community College and transfer for a degree in Engineering.



Jacob Vaughan Johnson

Pinecrest High School Southern Pines, NC

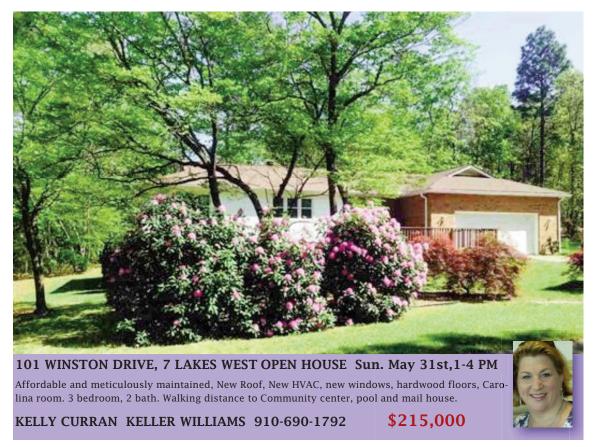
Jacob is the son of Michael & Shelley Johnson of Seven Lakes North. He was a member of the PHS tennis team, and team Captain. He was a member of the Pinecrest Choir. Jacob will attend Liberty University, in Lynchburg, VA for a degree in music worship leadership.



Emily Anne Messina

Villa Joseph Marie High School Holland, PA

Emily is the daughter of Mary and Roger Messina of New Hope, PA. She is the granddaughter of Jo and Ralph Messina of Seven Lakes South. A honors program student, Emily will attend Catholic University on an academic scholarship.

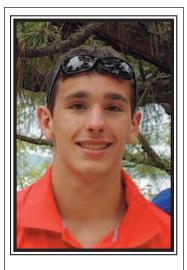




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# Congratulations, Class of 2015



Trevor
Price
Carroll High School
Southlake, TX

Trevor is the son of Emily and Charlie Price of Southlake, TX and the grandson of Bill and Mary Price of Seven Lakes West. He was a member of the varsity wrestling team. Trevor will attend Southern Methodist University in Dallas, TX in the fall.



**Liam Smyth**Woodlands High School
Houston, TX

Liam is the son of Penny and Sean Smyth of the Woodlands in Houston, TX and the grandson of Bill and Mary Price of Seven Lakes West. He played on the varsity soccer team.

Liam will attend San Diego State University in the fall.

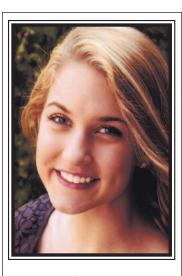


Dylan Hudson Snead

William Mason High School Mason, OH

Dylan is the son of Kevin Snead of Mason, OH and grandson of Tom and Mary Snead of Seven Lakes.

He will be attending Miami University in the fall.



Karisa Lynn Stark Albion High School

Albion, NY

Karisa is the daughter of Thomas and Lori Stark and the granddaughter of Fran Stark of Seven Lakes and the late Robert Stark.

Karisa will become a member of the United States Air Force.



Leigh Thurow Pinecrest High School Southern Pines, NC

Leigh is the daughter of Jeff & Stephanie Thurow of Seven Lakes West. She was was a member of the National Honor Society and Pinecrest girls lacrosse team, and the recipient of the Capstone Scholarship at the University of Alabama.



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# Congratulations, Class of 2015



Lanie R. Anton
San Francisco State University
San Francisco, CA

Lanie is the daughter of Joan (Blake) Anton and David Anton of Davis, CA and the granddaughter of Marjorie A. and Harold W. Blake of Seven Lakes. She received a Master of Arts degree in Developmental Psychology. Lanie will teach summer school while looking for a full time job in the private or public sector.



Kyle Tebe Davis

University of NC-Charlotte Charlotte, NC

Kyle is the son of Pamela Davis of West End and the late Henry Tebe Davis.

He received a Bachelor of Arts degree in Mathematics and a minor in Physics.



### Zachary Gerald Hrabosky

Liberty University Lynchburg, VA

Zach is the son of Rev. Chris and Nita Hrabosky of Seven Lakes West. He received a degree in Biochemistry and Molecular Biology and received the Biochemistry and Molecular Biology student of the year award. Zach will attend medical school or be a fighter pilot in the USAF.



## Katherine Ashley Sessoms

Campbell University Buies Creek, NC

Katherine is the daughter of Mike & Angie Sessoms of Jackson Springs, and the granddaughter of Bill & Elsie Rushing of West End and George & Ginny Sessoms of Jackson Springs. She received a BS degree in Elementary Education and is employed with Moore County Schools.



### Kelly Lynn Smyth

UNC-Wilmington Wilmington, NC

Kelly is the daughter of Penny and Sean Smyth of the Woodlands in Houston, TX and the granddaughter of Bill and Mary Price of Seven Lakes West.

She graduated cum laude with a degree in Exercise Science and intends to pursue a nursing degree.



Scott Stewart

UNC-Asheville Asheville, NC

Scott is the son of Lisa Slayton of Seven Lakes and Dave Stewart of Georgia.

Scott, a former Seven Lakes resident, received a BA degree with Distinction in Economics.

He will work as a financial services representative in the banking industry in Asheville.



### Lauren Beatrice Wenerd

Shippensburg University Shippensburg, PA

Lauren is the daughter of Michael and Barbara Wenerd of DuBois, PA, and the granddaughter of Joseph Piper and the late Beatrice Gina Piper of Seven Lakes West.

She graduated summa cum laude with a BA degree in Elementary Education.



## Brandon L. Wilkins

North Carolina State University Raleigh, NC

Brandon is the son of Tom and Carolyn Wilkins of West End.

He graduated with a Bachelor of Science degree in Nuclear Engineering.

## Did we miss your grads?

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We'll be publishing more grad photos and vital stats on graduates in the June 12 issue of *The Seven Lakes Times*. To make sure your grad is included, get us a photo and information by Thursday, June 4.

We prefer email. Our address is mail@sevenlakestimes.net See the box on page 2 for our mailing address, location, and phone number.



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### FRIDAY, MAY 29

- Reiki 1 Class 9 am-1 pm, Certification Part 1 \$40 for the two-day certification class, payable directly to instructor. Senior Enrichment Center, 8040 NC Highway 15-501, West End, (910) 215-0900.
- McKenzies Mill Concert 6 pm to 10 pm. Village Central, Seven Lakes. Free for everyone. Refreshments available. Proceeds benefit Business Guild projects. Come out for a great time.
- SunFlix at the Sunrise 7:30 pm, The Age of Adaline. Starring: Harrison Ford, Blake Lively, Ellen Burstyn, Kathy Baker, Amanda Crew, Michiel Huisman. Sunrise Theater, 250 NW Broad Street, Southern Pines 692-3611.

### SATURDAY, MAY 30

• Pancake Breakfast Fund Raiser – 8 to 10 am, to support Christian Group Work Camps. Aberdeen Applebee's, tickets \$7 per person, available at the door. Raffle. Christian Group Work Camps sponsors teens with willing hearts who serve the community.

- Reiki 1 Class (Part 2) 9 am-1 pm, Day 2 of class certification. Senior Enrichment Center, 8040 NC Highway 15-501, West End, (910) 215-0900.
- All About Invasive Plants

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• Taylor Dance presents Celtic Legends – 7:30 pm, a magical adventure including fairies, leprechauns,

and Irish dancing. Owens Auditorium, Sandhills Community College. Tickets: \$25 Adults, \$18 Students & Military.

### <u>SUNDAY, MAY 31</u>

- Rosary at Our Lady of the Americas Church – 8:00 am, 298 Market Rd. Biscoe, 974-3051.
- St. Mary Magdalene Episcopal Church 9:30 am, Holy Communion. 1145 Seven Lakes Drive.
- West End Presbyterian Church – 11 am service. 275 Knox Lane, West End.

- Taylor Dance presents Celtic Legends – 2 pm, a magical adventure, fairies, leprechauns, and Irish dancing. Owens Auditorium, Sandhills Community College. Tickets: \$25 Adults, \$18 Students & Military.
- SunFlix at the Sunrise 2:30 & 7:30 pm, *The Age of Adaline*. Sunrise Theater, 250 NW Broad Street, Southern Pines 692-3611.
  - Snakes of the Sandhills 3 pm, Snakes are creatures of great beauty that inspire awe and caution. Learn to identify area snakes. Weymouth Woods, Sandhills Nature Preserve, 1024 Fort Bragg Rd. Southern Pines, 692-2167 weymouth.woods@ncdenr.gov
- The Rooster's Wife doors open at 6 pm, show at 6:45 pm, gallery of Poplar Knight Spot. Music guest tonight: Sleeping Bee, Tellico. Rooster's Wife. 114 Knight St., Aberdeen, (910) 944-7502 www.theroosterswife.org

### MONDAY, JUNE 1

 Moore County Board of Education Work Session – at 4 pm, Central Office.

- Memory Monday 4 pm - 5 pm, Dr. Karen Sullivan presenting on "Maximizing Life As We Age" Senior Enrichment Center, 8040 NC Highway 15-501, West End, (910) 215-0900.
- Weight Watchers Meeting

   5 pm to 6 pm, at St. Mary
   Magdalene Episcopal
   Church, 1145 Seven Lakes
   Drive.
- 7:30 pm, *The Age of Adaline*. Sunrise Theater, 250 NW Broad Street, Southern Pines (910) 692-3611.

### TUESDAY, JUNE 2

- Zumba Class 10:30 to 11:30 am, *free* class, Seven Lakes Baptist Church, Hankins Family Life Center, 1015 Seven Lakes Drive.
- Healing Service 11 am, St. Mary Magdalene Episcopal Church. 1145 Seven Lakes Dr., Seven Lakes. Intercessory prayers for the sick & troubled, those in harms way, traveling, bereaved or deceased.
- Seven Lakes Kiwanis Club

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8 Summer Vegetable Soup	9 Chicken Noodle Soup	10 Shrimp & Sausage Soup	11 New England Clam Chowder	12 Minestrone Soup
Pasta Primavera Dinner	Chicken with Spring Vegetables Dinner	Smothered Pork Chops Dinner	Crab Cakes Dinner	Italian Meatloaf Dinner
15 Lentil Soup	16 Chilled Avocado Soup	17 Beef Vegetable Soup	18 Manhattan Clam Chowder	19 Spinach & Rice Soup
Broccoli Manicotti Dinner	Chicken Enchiladas Dinner	Broccoli & Beef Dinner	Spice-Crusted Tilapia Dinner	Linguine with Clam Sauce Dinner
22 Tomato Basil Soup	23 Spiced Mango Soup	24 Roasted Red Pepper Soup	25 New England Clam Chowder	26 Bacon & Chickpea Soup
Baked Spaghetti Dinner	Hawaiian Chicken Dinner	Teriyaki Pork with Mango Salsa Dinner	Sautéed Shrimp with Peppers Dinner	Turkey Meatloaf Dinner
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- Moore County Board of Commissioners – 5:30 pm, at the Historic Courthouse, Carthage.
- Trivia Tuesday at Sandhills Winery - 6 pm to 8 pm. 1057 Seven Lakes 673-2949. Drive. www.sandhillswinery.com
- SunFlix at the Sunrise 7:30 pm, The Age of Adaline. Sunrise Theater, 250 NW Broad Street, Southern Pines (910) 692-3611.

### WEDNESDAY, JUNE 3

- · Rosary at Our Lady of the Americas Church -8:50 am. 298 Market Rd. Biscoe, 974-3051.
- Medicare 101 "Learn the Basics of Medicare" with Gail Willis. Senior Enrichment Center, 8040 NC Highway 15-501, West End, (910) 215-0900.
- · Gallery at Seven Lakes -1 - 4 pm, at St. Mary Magdalene Episcopal Church, 1145 Seven Lakes Drive.
- · Rosary at Chapel in the **Pines** – 7 pm, at the Chapel in the Pines. Coordinator Virginia Heerema, 673-5150. Seven Lakes.
- · SunFlix at the Sunrise -7:30 pm, The Age of Adaline. Sunrise Theater, 250 NW Broad Street, Southern Pines (910) 692-3611.

### THURSDAY, JUNE 4

· Bread of Life Ministry -West End United Methodist Church, 11 am until 1 pm. Ministry is for seniors. Fellowship, devotion and a meal provided at \$5.

- Gallery at Seven Lakes -1 - 4 pm, at St. Mary Magdalene Episcopal Church, 1145 Seven Lakes Drive.
- SunFlix at the Sunrise -2:30 & 7:30 pm, The Age of Adaline. Sunrise Theater, 250 NW Broad Street, Southern Pines 692-3611.
- Sandhills Winery Wine **Tasting** -5:30 pm to 8 pm. 1057 Seven Lakes Drive. (910) 673-2949. www.sandhillswinery.com
- · FirstHealth Cancer Sur**vivors Day** – 5:30 to 7:30 pm, hospital's Conference Center, corner of Highway 211 and Page Road in Pinehurst. Activities will include a Healthy Kitchen demonstration and photo booth as well as a buffet meal. Celebration is free and open to cancer survivors, their relatives, friends and caregivers, space is limited, and registration required. Call (800) 213-3284 or visit nccancercare.org

### FRIDAY, JUNE ς

- · Pursuing Your Best Life - 11 am - 12 pm, Join the Senior Center each month for a presentation on a "surprise" topic that will enrich your life. Senior Enrichment Center, 8040 NC Highway 15-501, West End, (910) 215-0900.
- · First Friday at the Sun**rise** Free Outdoor Concert - 5 pm. Sunrise Theater, 250 NW Broad Street, Southern Pines 692-3611.

### SATURDAY, JUNE 6

National Trails Day Volunteer Event – 9 am, Wear work clothes, closed-toe shoes, work gloves, water, bug spray. Work for two hours, bring your lunch and have a picnic at the park. Call park office to register. Weymouth Woods, Sandhills Nature Preserve, 1024 Fort Bragg Rd. Southern Pines, 692-2167 wevmouth.woods@ncdenr.gov

### SUNDAY, JUNE 7

- Rosary at Our Lady of the Americas Church -8:00 am, 298 Market Rd. Biscoe, 974-3051.
- St. Mary Magdalene Episcopal Church - 9:30 am, Holy Communion. 1145 Seven Lakes Drive.
- West End Presbyterian **Church** – 11 am service. 275 Knox Lane, West End.
- Discovery Hike to the Oldest Tree – 3 pm, Visit the oldest known living Longleaf in the US, and the largest Longleaf in NC. Meet at Weymouth Woods Visitor Center, car pool to Boyd Tract. Hike 1 mile. Weymouth Woods, Sandhills Nature Preserve, 1024 Fort Bragg Rd. Southern Pines, 692-2167 weymouth.woods@ncdenr.gov
- The Rooster's Wife doors open at 6 pm, show at 6:45 pm, gallery of Poplar Knight Spot. Music guest tonight: Mike Farris. Rooster's Wife. 114 Knight St., Aberdeen, www.theroosterswife.org

### MONDAY, JUNE 8

- Weight Watchers Meeting - 5 pm to 6 pm, at St. Mary Magdalene Episcopal Church, 1145 Seven Lakes Drive, Seven Lakes.
- Moore County Board of Education Regular meeting – Central Office, 6 pm - Closed Session, 6:30 pm
- Open Session.

### TUESDAY, JUNE 9

- Zumba Class 10:30 to 11:30 am, free class, Seven Lakes Baptist Church, Hankins Family Life Center, 1015 Seven Lakes Drive.
- **Greeting Cards with Patti Patullo** – 10 am - 12 pm. Senior Enrichment Center, 8040 NC Highway 15-501, West End, (910) 215-0900.
- Elder Abuse Event 11 am to 1 pm (DSS is in *charge of this event*). Senior Enrichment Center, 8040 NC Highway 15-501, West End, (910) 215-0900.
- Healing Service 11 am, St. Mary Magdalene Epis-

copal Church. 1145 Seven Lakes Dr., Seven Lakes. Intercessory prayers for the sick & troubled, those in harms way, traveling, bereaved or deceased.

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- Seven Lakes Kiwanis Club - lunch at 11:30 am, meeting at 12:05 pm. \*New meeting location, Fellowship Hall of the Chapel in the Pines. Visitors are welcome.
- Trivia Tuesday at Sand**hills Winery** – 6 pm to 8 pm. 1057 Seven Lakes Drive. 673-2949. www.sandhillswinery.com
- Foxfire Village Council Work Session – 6:30 pm, meeting Foxfire Village Hall.

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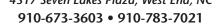
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# 7 Lakes Dance students making their mark

Seven Lakes Dance Students not only bring home National Championships, they also receive dance scholarships and acceptance into professional summer dance programs.

In January, Seven Lakes dancers and instructors attended Excel in Motion in Charlotte, NC. Seven Lakes dancers Grace Lyons, Kate Morris and Briana Goodwin were recognized as "Honor Dancers" during the convention, as a result of their excellent performance during classes.

Seven Lakes Dance instructor Lauren Tierney, along with student Briana Goodwin, attended the Winter Intensive at Millennium Dance Studio in Los Angeles. The final part of the Millennium Intensive was an audition process where all students performed for one of two spots in the new Millennium Dance Stuido, LA's promotional video.

Dancer Briana Goodwin was chosen as one of the two dancers spotlighted in the promotional video. Goodwin is now training in Miami and Los Angeles in pursuit of her professional dance career.

Ally Pelton, a National Champion dancer and Seven Lakes Dance student for the past three years, gained acceptance to American Ballet Theatre's Summer Dance Program in Los Angeles.

Kate Morris, National Champion dancer and Seven Lakes Dance student for the past eight years, was accepted to Governors School for this summer. She was also accepted into the Rockettes' Summer Intensive in New York City — one of the

youngest accepted.

Seven Lakes Dance will kick off a new cheer program, with a week long Summer camp. Call the studio at 673-DNCE (3623) for more information on this program.

Seven Lakes Spring Dance recitals will take place Saturday, May 30 and Sunday, May 31. Two shows will be held Saturday, the first at 1 pm for younger students and

the next at 7 pm for older students. On Sunday, May 31, at 2:00 pm will be the studio's Competition show, where all 44 competition numbers will be showcased. Admission is \$10 at the door and \$7 if purchased before the recitals.

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# **Moore County offers Leadership Academy**

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Since its inception in 2010, the program has continued to improve and become very popular in the Moore County community, and as such this year only 10 select applicants will participate in the improved and intense program.

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- August 18 Meet the County Commissioners & Graduation

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# FirstHealth Cancer Survivors Day is June 4

The FirstHealth of the Carolinas celebration of National Cancer Survivors Day will be held on the hospital cam-

"Participants in our Survivors Day program on the hospital campus last year really seemed to enjoy the intimate setting and the famil-

iar surroundings, and they welcomed the opportunity to visit with so many of their FirstHealth caregivers," says Dan R. Barnes, D.O., president of the FirstHealth Physician Group. "We look forward to having them back again this year to celebrate their survivorship."

The 2015 Cancer Survivors Day program at Moore Regional, the 28th annual such event, will be held from 5:30 to 7:30 pm on Thursday, June 4, in the hospital's Conference Center at the corner of Highway 211 and Page Road in Pinehurst. Activities will include a Healthy Kitchen

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demonstration and photo booth as well as a buffet meal.

"Our event honors the survivorship of cancer patients who take pride in their ability to overcome a huge hurdle in their life and to gain motivation from others," says Margie Thomas, BSRT, (R)(T), clinical director of Moore Regional's Radiation Oncology department and chair of the FirstHealth Cancer Survivors Day Committee.

"The FirstHealth caregivers are especially happy to have the opportunity for this reunion, which gives them living proof of what their professionalism and care have meant to others."

National Survivors Day is a worldwide celebration of life in which participants unite in a symbolic event to show that a cancer diagnosis can be meaningful and productive. The National Survivors Day Foundation defines a "survivor" as anyone living with a history of cancer from diagnosis through the remainder of life.

The FirstHealth National Cancer Survivors Day celebration is free and open to cancer survivors, their relatives, friends and caregivers, but space is limited, and registration is required. To register, call (800) 213-3284 or visit nccancercare.org.

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# Wet fun at West End Elementary Field Day

By Lance Barber West End Elementary

West End Elementary school students participated

in their Field (Fun) Day on Monday, May 4. During this time, students participated in a variety of physical activities that revisited many of the learning objectives taught this year. The focus of field day at WEE was to engage

the learning objectives taught this year. The focus of field day at WEE was to engage in enjoyable physical activities that promote students to stay active. WEE would like to send out a special thank you to all the parents who devoted their time to volunteer.

Also, thanks to Food Lion for donating the hot dog buns, Amanda Bryan for receiving donations from Pepsi of Rockingham, 350 bottles of water, Dena Stackhouse and Betty Harris for grilling the staff and volunteer's lunch. What a great day for students at West End Elementary!











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# **OPINION**

# Sand in my shoes

We left New England during a December blizzard, negotiated I-95 by following the eighteen wheelers through the driving snow, and arrived at our new home in Seven Lakes a few days later. We expected the weather to be milder, but we are still adjusting to the different social climate of the Sandhills.

The ubiquitous Baptists. There seems to be a Baptist church on every corner. I am a Baptist minister, but up north we are a definite minority. Down here, Baptists are as prolific as Catholics were in Rhode Island.

The obligatory wave. You

enter the gate and wave to house, who waves back. Driving on — carefully observing the twenty-five

miles per hour speed limit

— pedestrians wave as vou pass them on the road.

Even oncoming drivers will often lift a hand

often perfunctory, but you feel that you ought to wave

The saturation of sports. the person in the guard The man who sold us the house had a satellite receiver on the roof so he could catch

> **Outside** the Box

> > Harry Bronkar

in greeting. The waves are all of the NFL action. We also quickly were introduced to the Blue Devils, the Tar Heels, and the Wolfpack. NASCAR also gets a lot of ink in the local papers.

The dominance of golf. Around here, it looks like the road system was designed to pass around the golf courses. "What, you don't play golf! Then what are you doing down here?"

The fear of snow. A one inch snowfall closed the schools for three days! Up north it takes at least a foot and a half of snow to give the kids one day off.

Republicans. Rhode Island is so heavily Democratic that presidential candidates only appear to solicit money, not votes. Down here, two Republicans battling for a place on the ticket for U.S. Senator each spent millions just to get on the ballot.

**Liberals.** Up north we easily assumed a more open approach to politics and religion, but down here we dare not acknowledge the "L" word!

Warm welcomes. In the community, at church, in the grocery line, friendly folks welcome us to the land of grits and gravy. We're happy to be here!

Harry Bronkar is a Baptist minister enjoying retirement in Seven Lakes. You can reach him at hbronkar@gmail.com.

# Seven Lakes Lions Club says farewell

To: Seven Lakes Community ice to the community. We the Seven Lakes Lions Club will be closing its doors on July 1, 2015.

The local Lions was chartered on Thursday, June 28, 1945 by local members such as Clyde Auman, J.B. Von Canon, J.F. Sinclair, E.P. Hinson along with 20 other volunteers, who met in the Old West End School.

The local Lions Club has been deeply involved in serv-

It is with deep regret that have had many local Seven Lakers serve as President since the creation of Seven Lakes in 1976: many Seven Lakers have also served as Officers, or volunteers in the

> I want to extend to all of them a 'Thank You' for their service in keeping the Lions Club open. During the last five years, membership has continued to drop off even though efforts have been

made to add to our ranks.

The Lions Clubs, both ours and those who serve their communities worldwide are 1,400,00 strong with 46,000 clubs. The work we do reminds us that you can't get very far until you start doing something for somebody else.

The Seven Lakes Lions wants to thank the local businesses who have been so gracious over the years in their contributions which

have helped those in need in our community receive eye exams, glasses, and all of the gifts we have been able to give to the Lions charitable work programs. Such programs have been the Eye Glass Recycling Program, Backpack Pals, Radio Reader, Diabetes Research, Boys and Girls Home, Leader Dogs, Literacy Council, Peace Poster, Clinical Eve Research, Moore County Schools, Camp Dogwood for the Blind, just

to mention a few.

Sometimes, when clubs struggle with membership it's best to close and then reopen again with renewed spirit. It is with our hope that this can happen in the near future because the community needs volunteers to meet the needs of the community.

> Sincerely, Bill Seldomridge Seven Lakes Lions Club President



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# WEE PTA says 'Thanks for the Box Tops'

Dear Editor:

The West End Elementary PTA would like to extend a sincere thank you to the following businesses here in Seven Lakes for graciously

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### **Auman**

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vided another source of labor.

"We have loved all the young people who have worked here," Laura said.

"The local labor always had to be supplemented, because there weren't enough people here. So people would come from everywhere to pick peaches. Momma and Daddy

would get up early in the

morning and pick up workers

down in Hoffman.'

For the past 20 years, the Auman Farm labor force has included temporary agricultural workers from Mexico and Latin America, made available under the H2A Visa Program

This is like a death in our family," Laura said. "We've never known a life without peaches."

But farming is a risky business.

"Even in a good year, the money got gone someplace. Insurance, interest, barn money, repairs," Watts said.

"The good year I remember was 1957," Laura said. "At the end of peach season, Daddy called over to Derby, to Herbert Currie's store. He needed a tractor, and he said, 'Would you throw in a television?' We didn't have

one '

Clyde and Watts Auman both served terms as President of the National Peach Council.

Though there will be no peaches this year at Auman Farms, the Aumans have by no means given up farming. Peach trees have a productive life of only 14 years or so, Laura explained. As the Auman trees have aged out, they've been replaced, in many cases with the longleaf pines native to the Sandhills. Those pines produce pine straw, which locals can purchase right at the farm.

Watts also grows chickens

Most importantly, the Aumans encourage their former customers to continue to buy locally-grown peaches.

"The industry will continue, and there's a future for it in the Sandhills," Watts said. "I think there is a strong demand for tree-ripened fruits and vegetables. There are still plenty of good growers in the Sandhills."

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### **SLLA Work Session**

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The policy suggests that a major repair or improvement could originate with the Board, a committee, staff, or Association members, and places responsibility for vetting those recommendations with the Community Manager and relevant committee. Other committees would be informed that the project is being developed and asked to weigh in with recommendations. The Community Manager would then develop a scope of work and solicits bids, which would be reviewed by the appropriate committees, and then forwarded to the Board with those recommendations.

Director Racine argued that the existing process — which relies on the Board rather than the Community Manager to determine which projects merit further study and has the Board refer projects to the appropriate committees — is not broken.

"I think our system is working now," he said.

In the proposed system, "by the time it gets to the Board, it has gone out for bids and we haven't even discussed it yet," Racine continued. "Open it up to the Board first, so that we can review it and see what we want."

Community Manager Sohl countered that the Board should have an RFP in hand before reviewing any project, "because a key issue is the associated cost."

Racine said that, several weeks ago, he had mentioned the bare outlines of a Boy Scout volunteer project for the community and found it rejected by the manager and four members of the

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"We didn't even know the scope of it," he said. "This is what I am afraid will happen."

Resident George Temple reminded the Board that all projects need review by the Finance Committee and recommended that review be added to the proposed policy

Director Mark Gyure suggested that the Board borrow an idea from the US Air Force and create a "Facility Board" that includes one member from every committee — "a committee that does nothing other than discuss projects."

"It negates the bouncing around," he said. "It's all done under one umbrella."

"This is such a critical document that you may need a special meeting," resident Jim Allen suggested. "The intent is wonderful, but I question whether enough thought has been put into it."

Ultimately, the proposal

was tabled pending further discussion, on a motion from Bob Racine.

#### Other business

In other business during the regular Thursday, May 14 Work Session of the SLLA Board:

Stables staffing. Director Farley asked Board approval to use \$3,600 designated for Fourth of July fireworks to instead pay for part-time help at the stables during the busy Summer Season. She explained that someone had donated funds specifically to cover the cost of the fireworks. After an extensive discussion of stable staffing and the use of volunteers, the Board voted unanimously to move the request to May 28 Open Meeting, pending review by the Finance Committee.

**Guest passes.** Farley informed the Board that, after considering some alternatives, the Recreation Committee recommended leaving the existing guest pass policy

undisturbed, with one exception — removing the name of the guest from the guest pass. A one-day pool pass is \$3; a 10-day pass is \$25. Residents may obtain four free guests passes that allow their guests access to all amenities other than the pool.

ARB Appointments. Director Sackmann announced the proposed slate for her Architectural Review Board: Jane Leach, Donna Stephan, Mike Conway, Ron Zwart, and Bob Racine. The appointments were moved on to the Open Meeting.

**Table of assessments.** Also moved to the Open Meeting, subject to Finance Committee review, was a table that indicated the varying dues levels paid by owners of multiple lots. The table did not change

the existing dues structure but was simply intended to make it easier to understand.

Well parcels. Moore County has returned to the Association three well sites no longer need by the Public Works department, "thanks to the hard work of Conrad Meyer," Manager Sohl told the Board. One parcel lies to the left of the front gate, another to the right, and a third in the middle of Sequoia Point. The Board referred to the Open Meeting a motion to classify the three sites as common area.

**Employee Handbook.** Sohl is working with payroll vendor ADP to revise its handbook for those SLLA employes who are paid through ADP. Sohl said he would bring a draft to the Board in June.

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### **Fence**

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sumes maintenance crew man-hours.

"We could wind up spending \$60,000-\$70,000 fixing this thing, when we could put up a new fence and not have to worry about it for thirty years, hopefully," Lishawa said. "We are spending a lot of money on it right now."

"There is a known issue with the height," Community Manager Ray Sohl said. "It is so far below standards it represents a real safety issue and a liability issue. Knowing that you have a hole in your parking lot and you don't fill it, there is a lot of exposure for you."

Ritter noted that photos of a round-post-round-rail horse fence that Leach had distributed showed an electric fence wire running near the top post.

"Why aren't we spending \$4,000 or \$5,000 to upgrade the wire on our existing

fence?" Ritter asked. "Why not put in two strands of electric wire, one high and one low — that can't be near as expensive — and see if that works. If it doesn't, then you can revisit the issue."

"That's what we started out with," Recreation Director Mary Farley said, "to replace the bad rails and fix the electric fence. I still believe that we should fix what we have."

#### Do we need the stables?

"Why do we have so many horses?" Resident Al Hann asked, adding that he never sees anyone riding them. Acknowledging that ridership is tracked by stables personnel, Hann said, "I don't believe the numbers."

"I can't see spending \$100,000 on the horses every year and driving on dirt roads," he said. "And that's what I'm afraid is going to happen. I think we're using our money in the wrong places." Randy Teske urged the Board to conduct a member survey to see how many people use and how many are in favor of keeping each amenity. The survey, he said, should include the cost of each amenity.

"I'm not saying 'Get rid of the horses,' but perhaps some changes need to be made," he said.

"We have an ethical and moral responsibility to keep those horses," Director Joy Smith said, because when we bought in here, we knew the horses were there. Those horses are used . . . All the camps are filled."

"Those horses are used every single day," Director Farley agreed.

"When I bought in here I knew that I would never use those horses," resident Jane Leach said. "We all bought in here and that was our contract."

"I'm proud of our commu-

nity that we are supporting those organizations like Prancing Horse," she added, referring to the use of the stables by a local therapeutic riding organization that serves children and adults with physical and mental challenges, as well as wounded veterans.

#### On the agenda

Leach eventually called for a brief recess; when the Board returned, he moved that the fence proposal be brought to the Open Meeting on Thursday, May 28, with the proviso that two additional bids would be obtained prior to the meeting and the proposal would be reviewed by the Finance Committee.

That motion was approved in a five-to-two vote, with Racine and Mark Gyure opposed.

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Doubs Chapel United Methodist Church will be hosting a Poor Man's Meal on Saturday, May 30, from 4 to 6 pm. The menu will be Pintos, Cabbage, Side Meat, and Cornbread.

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### Lifeguards

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out the season is difficult. Lifeguard turnover rates are high, particularly at the end of the season. Not having staff levels as recommended in the Red Cross Lifeguard Manual puts both patrons and lifeguards at risk.

Sohl said the SLLA office had surveyed 40 area swimming pools and found only five have lifeguards. He noted that, of 55 CAS-managed properties with pools, only five have lifeguards. He added that the Association's insurance broker has also mentioned the trend of communities eliminating lifeguards.

The Association has \$24,000 budgeted for lifeguards this year. Sohl estimated that running the pool with only one attendant would cost \$9,000.

Recreation Director Mary Farley said her committee had unanimously voted to keep lifeguards for this swim season, "Because we have so many children coming to the pool . . . . We feel a lot better and safer for our children to keep the lifeguards."

"If you all decide you want to change your mind for next year, then that's another story," Farley said.

#### More liability risk with lifeguards

Sohl asserted that the presence of a lifeguard actually increases the Association's liability, because of the possibility that a court or jury might find that the lifeguard had not carried out their duties appropriately in dealing with an incident.

Your level of exposure increases substantially if you have an occurrence where there is negligence on the part of a lifeguard," he said. "Huge exposure. And, if you have a swim at your own risk pool, you don't have that level of exposure.

Given Sohl's emphasis on liability, resident Bob Miller asked whether eliminating lifeguards would reduce the Association's insurance premiums.

Sohl replied that it would not.

He added that some swimming pool drowning suits in the past few years had resulted in judgements of \$18 million - \$20 million, "which would exceed your umbrella coverage."

Sohl said it is difficult to hire and keep quality lifeguards. "During the past two years, the pool manager was on the verge of resigning," he added.

Assistant Manager Leslie Hosterman said the number

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of hours the pool can be open is limited by the availability of lifeguards. "We have a lot of people who would like to swim in the early mornings but can't because there are no lifeguards," she said.

That limitation is based on SLLA rules and regulations, not on North Carolina General Statutes or County ordinances. Sohl noted that the Board could change that rule, though he would recommend against it.

### **Diving board** nearly eliminated

Sackmann made a motion to remove the diving board before the upcoming swim season begins, and Director Bob Racine seconded it. But, in discussion, the Board determined that the Recreation Committee would not have time to review the recommendation before swim season began.

Director Greg Lishawa

noted that the swimming

pools at major hotel chains

have no lifeguards. Both Mark

Gyure and Sandy Sackmann

recounted incidents in which

having a lifeguard on hand

proved of limited value.

Director Joy Smith suggested in might be best to consider eliminating the lifeguards and diving board at the same time.

"It would be good that it goes out through the newspaper that we are discussing this," Gyure added.

The Board took no further action on eliminating lifeguards and the diving board and gave no indication of when the matter might again appear on a Work Session agenda.

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Kären Kent told the Board that she appreciated their efforts to forge a better relationship with the School Board, to get a better handle on school funding, and to support digital learning.

**Explaining that Parents for** Moore volunteers have lobbied legislators, volunteered in the schools, and contributed their own funds to meet classroom needs, she encouraged the Commissioners to visit classrooms, in order to see firsthand the impact of reduced funding.

She noted that the promised creation of a stable county funding formula for the schools has so far failed to materialize

We need more funding for the schools," Kent said. "If you need political cover to raise taxes, let's put a referendum on the ballot."

Ann Ray of Pinehurst asked the Board "to fully fund the schools.'

"Thank you for the consideration you have given to our request," Board of Education Chairman Bruce Cunningham said. "We feel you have a good understanding of our challenges and needs . . . . We believe we have a good partner in reaching the educational goals of Moore County Schools."

#### A political football

We share the same goal," Commissioners Chairman Nick Picerno said, responding to the public hearing speakers. "We all want to have the best educational system of any of the 100 counties in North Carolina."

But he warned that "we have turned educational funding into a political football. We have put the representatives that are currently in Raleigh on the defensive. They are feeling threatened."

He noted that the problems with school funding in North Carolina did not begin when Republicans took control in Raleigh. The solution to fixing school funding, he said, is to give local school districts more discretion over the use of state funds.

"We don't have a revenue problem; we have a misunderstanding of priorities problem," he said.

"The right way to get effective change is to get rid of the party line and start attacking the problem with facts," he said.

Commissioner Saunders noted that the County's debt service for school bonds decreased in the upcoming budget, and the dollars saved were added to the current expense budget of the schools.

#### **Putting pressure** on the state

Later in the meeting, the Commissioners reauthorized a resolution, first approved during the Commissioners' May 5 meeting, calling on state legislators to revise the method used to allocate funds for classroom teachers to better reflect the actual need for teachers in each of a district's schools, rather than relying on district-wide student counts.

Currently, the state adds up the number of Kindergarten students in the whole district in order to determine how many Kindergarten teachers it will pay for, rather than looking individually at each school. It's the same for other grades.

The result is that the state sends too little money to pay for all the needed teachers. That forces the local district to either increase class sizes or seek additional local funding for teachers.

The Moore County resolution asks the state to correct that imbalance.

"If we could get all one hundred counties to understand the implication of that, if the state will fulfill its obligation to fund the teachers and the assistants at their own proposed formulas, by school, then the money that you are asking for would be there,"

Picerno said to Parents for Moore representatives, after the resolution was approved.

He asked the group to get involved in understanding how existing funding is being allocated within the school system now.

"I don't believe it is a revenue problem," Picerno said. He noted that he would be presenting the resolution to a NC Association of County Commissioners steering committee on education. It has already been forwarded to all 100 counties and 115

school districts in the state, with the goal of creating a grassroots momentum that will persuade the General Assembly to act on the request.

#### Life-saving EMS personnel honored

Also during the May 5 meeting, the Commissioners recognized EMS crews who had revived patients using CPR over the past year.

Seven crews were recognized, and Public Safety (See "Commissioners," p. 28)

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Director Bryan Phillips noted that crews qualify for the CPR Saves award only if the revived patient survives long enough to return home after being admitted to the hospital.

"Those are the people who make the quality of life in Moore County what it is," Picerno said.

Later in the meeting, Commissioner Otis Ritter said he had recently witnessed six of the County's eight ambulances waiting in line at FirstHealth Moore Regional Hospital until the patients they carried could be seen. He said one unit had been waiting for an hour and a

"We cannot continue buying ambulances and tying them up at the hospital," Ritter said.

Manager Wayne Vest was asked to meet with FirstHealth representatives to seek a resolution to the problem.

#### Imbalance in **School Board elections**

During the public comment period, David Lambert asked the Board to address an "unequal election process for our School Board elections."

Lambert pointed out that elections for School Board District 3, which stretches from Seven Lakes West and Pinewild up the county's western border, and includes the entire northern tier of the county, are held at the same time as elections for the three at-large seats on the Board.

As a result, he said, voters in District 3 may vote for a neighbor running for school board only once every four years, while voters in the other districts can vote for a neighbor every two years.

He noted that the current district lines make it possible for six members of the School Board to be drawn from a single municipality.

Later in the meeting, Chairman Picerno told Lambert that State Representative Jamie Boles has introduced a Local Bill at the General Assembly "to address elections in Moore County."

That bill would allow the Commissioners to redefine residency districts if they find as a fact that the current districts "negatively impact compactness, contiguity, or respect for political subdivisions or communities of interest among the districts."

#### **Other Business**

In other business during their Tuesday, May 19 regular meeting, the Board of Commissioners:

- Held a public hearing on and then approved a conditional use permit requested by Kenneth Collier for an automobile sales business on two lots totaling 0.7 acres adjacent to Seven Lakes Dance on MacDougall Drive in the Seven Lakes Business Village.
- Held a public hearing on and voted to approve conditional use permits for two commercial solar farms, one requested by Vass Solar, LLC on Morrison Bridge Road near Woodlake and another requested by Pristine Sun Fund 12, LLC on Jason Road off Spies Road in the far Northwestern corner of the County.
- Received an update from the NC Attorney General's office on gas prices in Moore County. The Attorney General plans to send letters to sixteen gasoline retailers in Moore County, asking about their wholesale costs and retail prices. "We will not drop this ball," Picerno said. "This is not going away . . .

answer."

- Approved an amendment to the County's contract with First Carolina Care, increasing the cost of Medical Plan Administration from \$37.10 to \$38.60 per employee per month and the cost of Stop Loss Insurance from \$76.75 to \$78.65 per employee per month.
- · Approved renewal agreements with the NC Association of County Commissioners, which administers a risk management fund for worker's compensation insurance, as well as providing liability and property insurance. The annual rate for worker's compensation dropped by \$35,710, from \$366,288 to \$300,578. The rate for property and liability insurance

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- Approved a contract with Waste Connections, Inc. for acceptance of wastewater bio-solids from the County's wastewater treatment plant in Addor. The two-year contract specifies a cost of \$22 per ton and is expected to cost \$176,000 over two years. Last year the contracted rate was \$24 per ton.
- In a related item, the Board authorized a contract with Fat Monkey Express, a West End trucking company, to transport bio-solids from the wastewater plant at a rate of \$13 per ton.
- Approved Kristen Obst as an ETJ representative on the Southern Pines Town Council.



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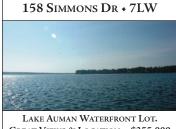


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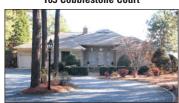
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