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BRUNSWICK COUNTY UPDATE



BERNEST HEWETT

Teaching the right thing

BY BERNEST HEWETT CONTRIBUTING WRITER

This week, I found myself observing a bad problem here in Brunswick County with a parent, a child and the law. I watched as an overbearing law enforcement officer talked to a young man in a tone of voice that was very loud and harsh. It was hard to take, but it was straight to the point. I thought I would have to step in and do my best to stop this, but, as I sat there, the parent confronted the officer with the words, "He was doing what he's seen others do." Why are you so hard on him? He is going to mess up sometimes!" The officer reminded the parent that this young man had been in another person's house and had threatened to do harm to

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NCNAACP challenges McCrory on voter registration

BY CASH MICHAELS OF THE WILMINGTON JOURNAL

Is there a connection between the dramatic drop in the number of poor people registered to vote at the state's public assistance agencies, and Gov. McCrory's administration taking over in 2013?

The NCNAACP would like to hear Gov. Pat McCrory's answer to that, and other pressing questions surrounding newly discovered evidence that tens of thousands of potential voters who were supposed to be registered since 2013, weren't, in violation of federal law.

At press time, no response was forthcoming from McCrory or any of his spokespersons.

The allegation first came to light

from the Daily Kos, a popular progressive website, in a story published last week.

According to the Daily Kos story, "A data-mining analysis of information publicly available from the North Carolina State Board of Elections has uncovered apparently systematic irregularities in voter registration efforts which are required of the state by the National Voter Registration Act of 1993 (NVRA; the so-called 'Motor Voter Act'). These irregularities, potentially disenfranchising tens of thousands of poverty-level North Carolina citizens, have all occurred during the Republican administration of North Carolina's current governor, Pat McCrory (R)."

At an "emergency" press conference held Monday in front of the state Administration Building where Gov.

McCrory's offices are located in Raleigh, NC NAACP Pres. Rev. William Barber, flanked by other members of the Forward Together Moral Movement, called on Gov. McCrory to address the allegations.

"Earlier today, we delivered a public records request to the Department of Administration, seeking to know why voter registrations submitted from public assistance agencies have dropped substantially over the last 28 months," Rev. Barber told reporters. "We asked that the Governor respond publicly to our request by Wednesday, May 13. We also announced that, if necessary, we would ask the U.S. Department of Justice to intervene to ensure North Carolina's compliance with the 1993 National Voter Registration Act"

Rev. Barber continued, "Last

Thursday, the Daily Kos that showed a substantial drop in voter registrations submitted from public assistance agencies since the beginning of 2013. According to the State Board of Elections, in 2012, 41,162 registration applications were submitted from public assistance agencies. In 2013, this number dropped to 18,758 and in 2014, it dropped even further to 13,340."

Per the public records request filed with the Governor's Office Monday, the NC NAACP is seeking from both McCrory and NC Dept. of Health and Human Services Secretary Aldona Wos, "... should include all communications and internal memos, whether in paper or electronic form (including hard drives which would contain any

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Pender County gets new county commissioner



PHOTO BY JAMES FULLWOOD

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Demetrice Keith was recently chosen by the Pender County Democratic Party and the Pender County Board of Commissioners to replace former District 4 Pender County Commissioner Jimmy Tate, who resigned his seat after accepting a new position at James Sprunt Community College. Tate's new job requires that he live in Duplin County.

Keith (center) was sworn in this week with Judge James Faison (left) and New Hanover County Commissioner Jonathan Barfield (right) attending the ceremony to show their support for Keith.

Her main goals as a commissioner focus on economic development, the Pender County Schools, and the tax base. She pledges to bring good paying jobs to Pender County, to work with the school system to ensure that the schools are meeting the guidelines for the 21st century. She intends to keep a watchful eye on the School Bond to ensure that the schools are receiving the proper funds for building projects. She also intends to keep Pender County taxes as "low as possible"

Keith is the daughter of Alton and the late Nora L. Keith. She is the mother of three, Jonathan, Keith, and Dejanee. In her spare time she enjoys baking cakes and planting flowers.



REV. DR. WILLIAM BARBER, II

Barber is guest speaker at APRI Banquet

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The A. Phillip Randolph Institute will hold its annual banquet on June 13, featuring Rev. Dr. William J. Barber, II as the guest speaker. The event will be held at the Rutherford Lennan's Temple (ILA Hall) located at 1305

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Scholarships awarded to Dunston and Robinson



CONTRIBUTED PHOTO

Members of Joel Lewis family with Frankie Pollock(center) and scholarship recipients Kierra Dunston and Algerson Robinson

BY FRANKIE POLLOCK CONTRIBUTING WRITER

On Saturday May 9th 2015, The HBCU Experience College Fair and Battle of the Bands coordinated by

Mr. Frankie Pollock Jr. awarded its first Joel Lewis Scholarship to Kierra Dunston daughter of Ms. Rosa Dunston of E.A. Laney High School and Algernon Robinson son of Ms. Quenetta Robinson of Issac Bear

Early College.

The scholarship was announced at the 2015 HBCU Experience on January 18th at Cape Fear Community College Schwartz Center during the event with applicants

stemming from New Hanover, Pender and Brunswick Counties. Kierra and Algernon were honored with certifi-

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Gov. McCrory and representatives from the UNC Board of Governors joined the line of administrators and faculty greeting ECSU graduates at the 160th commencement.



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Donyai Moffatt, Mr. ECSU (front of this row of graduates) prepares to cross ECSU's commencement stage.

Elizabeth City State University holds its 160th Commencement ceremony

SPECIAL TO THE WILMINGTON JOURNAL

Elizabeth City State University held its 160th Commencement ceremony Saturday, May 9 and welcomed Governor Pat McCrory as the commencement speaker.

Leadership Award. The award is reserved for a junior or senior who demonstrates leadership qualities, is an ambassador for the university and has exemplified a genuine passion for the university.

Toyota Green Initiative scheduled to begin his Iowa City, Iowa this summer. Contest winner. Moffatt is career with MillerCoors in mer.

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Mr. Pollock's family and former members of the Community Boys Club Drum and Drill Team that Mr. Lewis coordinated were also in

attendance for this celebration. Mr. Joel Lewis consistently promoted higher education and set high attainable expectations for all the youth he influenced to enroll in a college or university.

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the people who owned the house because he was asked to leave. This young man is sixteen years of age, but his parents wanted to tell the officer he was wrong to arrest this young man.

ever had the nerve to talk back to an adult when I was growing up, the police would not have to talk to me because my father and mother would have fixed it when it happened!

keep them moving in the right direction? It is hard enough for Blacks and other minorities to get a fair and equal chance as it is.

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SBI PROBES DEATH OF MAN IN ENFIELD POLICE CUSTODY

[ENFIELD] Why did a Virginia man die after he was tasered by an Enfield police officer and handcuffed last weekend? That's what the State Bureau of Investigation is trying to determine as it



STATE BRIEFS

looks into the death of Michael Tyrone Gallagher. Reportedly, Gallagher, 55, and Lt. Jerry Powell became physical with each other after Powell answered a report of a break-in Saturday evening at 11 p.m. at a

business. Powell reportedly used his Taser to subdue Gallagher, and then handcuffed him. He was taken to Halifax County Emergency Center where he was pronounced dead. The State Medical Examiner's Office is conducting an autopsy.

FINAL SETTLEMENT REACHED IN 2013 STATE FAIR ACCIDENT

[RALEIGH] A family of four that suffered various severe injuries when the NC State Fair ride they were on failed to stop after they began getting off has reached final settlement with the midway operator. The Gorham family reportedly reached settlement with Powers Great

American Midway for an undisclosed sum after also settling with the two men allegedly responsible for disabling the safety mechanism on "The Vortex," the ride that malfunctioned and began tossing people into the air. The family also settled with Family Attractions Amusement LLC, the operator of the ride. Published reports say the medical bills for the family could exceed \$30 million.

DURHAM CITIZENS VOICE OPINIONS ON POLICE BODY CAMERAS

[DURHAM] Durham citizens seem to be in agreement that body cameras for police officers is a good idea, and

expressed such during the first of six public forums held this week on the issue. There were varying views. However, on what the limits and capabilities of the body cameras should be. At least five police agencies in North Carolina are already using body cameras, and several others, including Garner police and Wake County deputies, are testing them. Currently there are two bills in the state Legislature authorizing body cameras.

NAACP DENOUNCES STUDENT CONFEDERATE FLAG PHOTO

[CHAPEL HILL] Members of the NAACP demanded last week at a press conference

that Chapel Hill - Carrboro City School System discipline a white East Chapel Hill High School student for posting on Instagram a picture from a recent school trip to Gettysburg which showed two female students waving Confederate flags. They also objected to one post underneath which read, "South will rise", and another which stated, "Already bought my first slave." Supt. Tom Forcella agreed the postings were bad, but said system policy doesn't cover it. A parent of one of the white students involved showed up at press conference, defending his daughter, saying that she didn't understand what she was doing.

JURY DECIDES STARBUCKS NOT LIABLE IN OFFICER'S COFFEE INJURY

[RALEIGH] The \$750,000 lawsuit Raleigh Police Officer Matt Kohr filed against coffee chain giant Starbucks has gone up in steam. A Wake County jury on Monday decided 10-2 that the company is not liable for injuries suffered by Kohr when he got a free cup of hot coffee which splattered him, allegedly causing him great distress. The case caught national attention, as even Kohr's wife joined in the suit, saying that the accident deprived her of her husband's companionship.

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deletions in the recent past) to and from you, your Lt.

Governor, aides, advisors and other members of your office...," according to a May 11th letter from Rev. Barber to the governor.

Most observers agree that

the chances of the McCrory Administration honoring the NC NAACP records request in a timely manner, if at all, are slim to none. Many of the state's media organizations bit-

terly complain of a lack of compliance by the governor's staff in records requests submitted literally years ago. In some cases, payment for staff time is demanded for records requests

by the administration. "...[I]f there is an intentional effort on the part of any of your Departments to reduce the number of voter registrations submitted at public assis-

tance agencies, it needs to stop immediately and an explanation for these alarming statistics must be made to the public," Rev. Barber concluded in his letter.

BARBER

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South 5th Street. This event is held for the purpose of raising funds for scholarships that will be awarded to children that attend inner city schools and meet certain qualifications. **ABOUT REV. DR. BARBER** Rev. Dr. Barber is the pastor of Greenleaf Christian Church in Goldsboro, President of the NC Conference of 100 adult, youth and student NAACP branches in the largest State Conference in the South. He

is the Architect of the Moral Monday-Forward Together Movement, the Convener of the Historic Thousands on Jones Street (HKonJ) Coalition and the Chair of the Political Action Committee of the National NAACP Board.

Rev. Dr. Barber was born in Indianapolis two days after the 1963 March on Washington. His parents moved him from Indiana's integrated kindergarten to the segregated kindergarten in his father's black belt home in Washington County, a conscious act to desegregate NC's dual school sys-

tems. His father was one of the first black teachers of physics and his mother was the first black office manager in a Washington County high school. He earned his bachelor's degree in political science and public administration at NC Central University; his master's from Duke; and his doctorate from Drew University in public policy and pastoral care.

Civil Rights and Progressive Movement Building: In 2005 Rev. Dr. Barber was elected President of the NC NAACP. He quickly began the difficult job of transforming it into one of the largest membership-based progressive organizations in the state. In 2006 he gathered leaders of 16 progressive NC organizations to hammer out a 14-Point People's Agenda; in February 2007 he convened the first Historic Thousands on Jones Street (HKonJ) Peoples Assembly to approve the agenda and post it in front of the NC General Assembly on Jones Street. The original sweet 16 has now grown to over 200 partners, and it includes virtually every African American denomination, a majority of the predominantly white mainstream protestant denominations, thousands of Roman Catholics, Jews, Muslims, and Ethicists. The Forward Together Moral Movement has almost eight years of

experience fighting with (and sometimes against) Democratic Party leaders in the General Assembly to win Same Day Registration, the Racial Justice Act, and building cross-racial unity in the marriage equality fight.

Moral Mondays: In the face of regressive extremism. Rev. Dr. Barber, the NC NAACP, and the Forward Together Moral Movement that had been building for eight years, was ready to challenge the ultra-right's efforts to return NC to the 1950's.

In late April 2013 Rev. Dr. Barber, with 16 other ministers and activists, peacefully petitioned their representatives on Jones Street to stop the regressive attack. The General Assembly leaders had their police arrest the peaceful moral witnesses. Almost twice as many witnesses came the next Monday, and they too were thrown in jail. For 12 Mondays, the number of arrests grew and the number of supporters who came to sing, pray and cheer them on grew. By the end of the legislative session, 944 people had been arrested and about 25,000 people had participated in the Moral Mondays. Upwards of 80,000 people participated in the 8th HK on J Moral March on Raleigh in early 2014, the largest civil rights march ever in the south. The movement has held more than 117 events since 2013 in NC alone.

Rev. Dr. Barber practices what he preaches: He led the Greenleaf Christian congregation in analyzing and then buying the two-mile circle surrounding the church; in investing \$1.5 million into building more than 60 homes for low-income families, a 41-unit senior citizens' residence, a 90-student preschool, an academic after-school, a computer lab for youth and adults, an HIV information and testing center, a Second Chance program for training formerly incarcerated men and women in the culinary arts, landscaping and technical jobs.

A few of the honors that have been bestowed upon him include the honorary doctorate of human letters, featured on CNN MSNBC, Wall Street and the New York Times. He was the 2013 Person of Year selected by several NC newspapers. He received the Campaign for America's Future, the Paul Wellstone Citizen Leadership Award.

Over the past year, Rev. Dr. William J. Barber II has received numerous awards and recognition to include: Named by The Center for American Progress; 14 Faith Leaders to Watch in 2014, Rev. Barber was listed as number one. He was presented The Martin Luther King Award by the National Education Association and presented The President's Award from

Greensboro Branch of the NAACP. Rev. Barber was awarded and named amongst the top 100 grassroots leaders in the nation for 2013 from the NBC Griot Blog.

ABOUT A. PHILIP RANDOLPH INSTITUTE

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Hillcrest Resident Organization will celebrate their Mayday on May 23rd from 12:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.

The Williston Class of 1966 is planning their 50th class reunion. We are reaching out to all who graduated, were supposed to graduate or started out with us, but may not have graduated. We consider all as members of our class. We need contact information to invite you and inform you of plans and to get your input. Please email contact info to justanothertiger@bellsouth.net. You may also contact, our president, Abdul Shareef at 910-612-0983.

Community Briefs

Wrightsville Beach Farmer's Market, Seawater Lane, will be open on Mondays from May 18th- September 28th from 8:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

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HOMETOWN NEWS FROM BRUNSWICK COUNTY

Outside a way of living

Outside on the porch is a comfortable place to relax and enjoy the sunshine. The amazing blue sky is almost cloudless. Our great grandparents were known to have large rocking chairs and little chairs for the children on the porch. We would listen to the singing of birds in the trees near the porch and the sounds of insects.

One cannot see the wind, but he or she can feel it. The wind is moving air all around us all across the world. There is a time for silent and peaceful

thinking and keeping an open mind and a positive attitude because we want our children and grandchildren to have every opportunity to be prosperous, live a full life, and appreciate happiness. It's time for the children to play in a safe area where we can see the games they are playing.

It's time for grandparents to talk about current issues near us and far away. If possible, we will help feed the poor and homeless, give to organizations near us. It's something easy to do. The Tea Party Republicans are extremists who want to cut Medicaid and make it just another way of not affording poor people much needed benefits. They try to funnel more tax breaks to the rich. We citizens are paying our taxes while the

super rich don't pay their fair share of taxes.

As far as testing in our schools is concerned, we understand that some counties are moving to more online tests. Schools are still given the option to offer paper and pencil tests in many cases. This is something that Brunswick County is as prepared as possible to give students the option of online testing. This takes advantage of all the modern technologies that can be used in education.

The schools having online option allows the state to turn around scores more quickly than with the old fashioned paper and pencil tests. In the future, there will be more changes taking place in our school system, and the system will have a

closer relationship with parents. This renewed relationship will be appreciated.

Verniece E. Stanley is a native of Brunswick County. She grew up on a farm but wanted more excitement in life. She graduated from high school in Brunswick County in 1948 and graduated from Fayetteville State Teachers' College in 1952. She taught school in Brunswick County for nine years. She moved to Baltimore, Maryland, married, and taught school for twenty-five more years. She received her master's degree from Morgan State College in Baltimore City. She retired and moved back to Bolivia, N. C. where she enjoys writing articles for The Wilmington Journal and is an active member of the NAACP Board.



Verniece Stanley

Happy 50th Anniversary



Alton K. Newton and Gloria J. Eaddy celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary on the 12th of May

The United Senior Citizen's Club celebrates 25 years



KEYNOTE SPEAKER REV. DR. TERRY HENRY



MARIE STITT AND BARBARA HOLMES

BY WILHELMENA ROGERS & SANDRA SLOAN CONTRIBUTING WRITERS

On April 23rd 2015, The United Senior Citizen's Club of Wilmington, NC, celebrated their twenty-fifth Silver Anniversary at the Terraces on Sir Tyler Drive. Several people from the community and surrounding areas came out to participate in the festivities with us. We were favored with visits from Mayor Saffo and his mother, and Commissioner Barfield, who is Chairman of the New Hanover County Commissioners.

The keynote speaker for the event was The Rev. Dr. Terry Henry, pastor of Macedonia Missionary Baptist Church in Wilmington. The entertainment was provided by Mrs. Carolyn Sanders & Company,

and Mrs. Marsha Ali, soloist. The dinner was catered by Mrs. Carolyn Lee and photography was done by Mr. John Davis.

On Monday, January 22, 1990, God gave The Rev. Chet Howard, pastor of St. Andrews A.M.E.Z. church, a vision to organize the senior citizens of the church into an auxiliary for the purpose of fellowship. He met with fourteen senior members and formed a senior citizens club. The names of some of the known original fourteen chartered members are: Mrs. Marie Stitt, Mrs. Wilhelmena Rogers, Mrs. Gladys Nixon, Mrs. Laura Powell, Mrs. Amelia Batts, and Mrs. Joyce Williams. Those chartered members that are deceased are: Mrs. Lucille Moore, Mrs. Audrey Sessions, Mrs. Mary Kate McClean, and Mrs. Elizabeth Litmon.

The groundwork for the

senior citizen's auxiliary was initiated by Mrs. Mary Kate McClean with the assistance of Mrs. Marie Stitt. Mrs. Stitt served in the capacity as president of the club for twenty years until she retired in 2011, due to health reasons. Upon Mrs. Stitt's retirement, Mrs. Sandra Sloan was elected as president of the club.

The objectives of the club are: (1) to fellowship with one another and other groups, (2) to acquaint all seniors with different programs available to them in the city and surrounding areas, and (3) to provide wholesome recreational activities throughout the year.

During the past twenty-five years, we've had several speakers and organizations to come and share information that was beneficial and informative to seniors.

We have traveled extensively in New Hanover,

Pender, and Brunswick counties. We toured many of the major cities in the states along the Eastern Seaboard, The Gulf Coast, and Chicago, Illinois. We also spent seven days in Quebec, Canada and took a cruise to The Bahamas.

We have several social events each year a Christmas Party, a Valentine's Party, an Anniversary Celebration, and luncheon in June.

Our monthly meetings are held at The Derrick Davis Center at Maides Park, the second Mondays in each month starting in September and ending in June. The time is 11:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

Since the Club's inception, we have grown from fourteen members to more than one hundred members with an existing waiting list. May God continue to Bless the Senior Citizen's Club and its members.

EDITOR'S NOTE:

The Carmichael and Johnson Mother's Day Tribute is reprinted due to The Wilmington Journal's error in placement of pictures and name omitted.



Ezmas Marscine Carmichael
Ezmas Juanita Carmichael
Julia Carmichael Johnson
Wanda Faye Carmichael

In memories of our mothers

In that "great getting up morning" then we will all be connected again. We will be able to hear their voices, feel their touches and laugh together. Today, is another motherless Mother's Day without our loved ones and it is rough but yet it brings a smile to our faces because it gives us a new look on the lives of our mothers, sisters and aunts and the void it left when each departed from our physical world. Yes, we know that the Lord continues to provide for our needs but the pain is still there even after all these years.

Marscine, Juanita, Julia and now Wanda, if only you could hear and answer to the many times that we called out to you and know that within our hearts and minds that you are near to us. When the wind blows we feel a kiss, when the rain falls we feel the teardrops and when the sun shines upon us we feel the warmth of your love and tender touches. There is an external chain that was broken but there is an internal chain that will always be there until we take our last breath. Over the River Jordan, you are waiting for us to cross and be reunited with you and our Lord. Continue to rest in peace and know that you are out of turmoil of the present world.

Submitted by the family

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Mr. Melvin Jerry Tate

Melvin was born in Morganton, North Carolina on July 31, 1919 to the late Melvin and Greta Caldwell Tate. Memorial services were held on Saturday, May 9, 2015 at the Adkins-Drain Funeral Service Chapel.

Upon his mother's untimely death, his aunts took him to live with them in Mt. Vernon, New York.

There he met and married Bertha Stokes Tate and to their union they had three daughters, Diane Caldwell, Virginia Hyman and Alice Paul. They also were the proud parents of a son, Melvin J. Tate, III.

Our Dad was a terrific father; we really had a great childhood and spent a lot of time with family near and far.

Melvin also leaves a brother, James Tate; and two sisters, Bobby Cooper and Martha Warren.

Also surviving are seven grandchildren and fifteen great-grandchildren. A host of so many loving and thoughtful nieces and nephews; three sisters-in-law, Lydia Tate, Virginia Dobson and Elizabeth Tate.

He was preceded in death by his wife Bertha Tate, one sister Clara M. Allen; two brothers Edward Tate and Harry Tate.

He was an avid bowler for many years. He taught it and was previously a Director at the Local Bowling Association. He truly never met a stranger and was great at giving advice solicited or not!

He will be terribly missed by a great family and wonderful friends. He and Eddie Malloy are up there tinkering with someone's car. Arrangements by Adkins-Drain Funeral Service, 515 South Eighth Street, Wilmington, North Carolina 28401. Condolences may be shared at www.adkinsdrainfuneralservice.com.

Margie Inge

Margie Inge died April 29, 2015 at NHRMC. Funeral services were held on Wednesday, May 6, 2015 at International Embassy of Holiness. Burial followed in Greenlawn Memorial Park.

She was born February 3, 1965, daughter of the late Nolan and Ruby Young in Jersey City, New Jersey. She was preceded in death by two of her eleven siblings, Cotel and Michael Young. Margie received her high school diploma from William H. Dickerson High School in Jersey City, New Jersey and attended the Jersey City Community College. Prior to moving to Wilmington, North Carolina, Margie was employed as a supervisor at UPS in Jersey City, New Jersey.

After moving to Wilmington in 1999, she became a loyal employee/manager of McDonald's Restaurant at the Ogden location. She served the public in that capacity for the past 13 years. Margie was family-oriented. She made sure her family's needs were met. People were her passion. Not only did she demonstrate this passion with family, but she was a mother to the motherless, raising other children along with her own. Margie loved taking care of people, feeding the hungry, and helping those in need. She also enjoyed spending time with her special pet pitbulls, "Princess" and "Tiger".

Margie leaves to cherish her memory: a devoted husband, Curtis Inge, whom she married on December 10, 2000; five daughters, Shakeema, Cotel, Brenda and Ashley Young of Wilmington, NC and Mahlia Young of Los Angeles, CA; her siblings, Ruby, Lydia and Nolan Young, Jr. and Janice Hines all of Wilmington, NC, Jackie and Joseph Young of Raleigh, NC, Marlon Young of Nebraska and Levy and Jerry Young of Jersey city, NJ; aunt, Marie Bradley of jersey City, NJ; brother-in-law, William Inge (Donna); best friends, Jennifer McMartin, Bathsheba Hill and Roger Ahier of Wilmington, NC and Donna Inge; a host of other relatives and friends. A Service of John H. Shaw's Son Funeral Home.

Lillian Farrow Lowery

Lillian Farrow Lowery died April 30, 2015 at NHRMC. Funeral services were held on Wednesday, May 6, 2015 at Cape Fear Congregation of Jehovah's Witness. Burial followed in Oak Grove Cemetery.

Lillian was born on November 3, 1944, in Wilmington, NC to the late Joseph and Evelyn Wade Farrow. She was preceded in death by her husband, Charlie Lowery; step-son, Charles Lowery and two brothers, Otis Farrow and Nank Farrow. Lillian was educated in the New Hanover County School System. She was baptized as one of Jehovah's Witnesses at Bethel, in Brooklyn, NY.

She is survived by five children, Pamela Atwood (Eric), John Melvin McRae (Shelia), Angela Thanes (Rudy), all of Wilmington, NC, Everette Jones (Andre) of Navassa, NC and Michelle Ferguson (Charles) of Wilmington, NC; 2 step-daughters, Linda Jolly of St. Louis, MI and Angela Walker (Martin) of Maryland; one brother, Joe Farrow; five sisters, Barbara Harris, Shirley Hill, Dorothy McMillan, Frances Elder (Freddie) and

Betty Davis; one sister-in-law, Mary Terrell of Charlotte, NC; nine grandchildren; nine great-grandchildren; a host of nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends all of whom she loved very much. A Service of John H. Shaw's Son Funeral Home.

Norma Lee Terry

Norma Lee Terry died Sunday, May 3, 2015 at home. Funeral services were held on Friday, May 8, 2015 at Gregory Congregational UCOB. Burial followed in Wilmington National Cemetery.

Norma was born and raised in Wilmington, North Carolina. She was educated in New Hanover County Schools. She was a retired floral designer, and a long-time member of Gregory Congregational UCC. Norma was always a kind and gentle person with a giving heart. She loved to cook and always had a cake or pie to spare as she welcomed many into her home, her heart, and into her family. Even when she was sick, she never complained. Norma was a hard-worker and believed in doing the very best you can with what you have. She never made excuses, and never let obstacles hold her back. At age 3, she experienced blinding trauma to her right eye, but could see as well or better than some of us with sight in both eyes. Norma was also a 50+ year breast cancer survivor. She is deeply loved and will be greatly missed by her family and many friends as she has now completed her race and has gone on to receive her reward.

She was preceded in death by her husband: Olden Terry Sr., her father: Lucious Jones Sr., her mother: Cordelia Jones, and all of her siblings: (Sisters) Suejet Hussey, Cordelia Jones, and Ella Jeanette Sidberry; (Brothers) Lucious Jones Jr., Sydney Jones, Eula B. Jones, and Thomas Jones. She is survived by her children: Rosetta Deloris Terry Pollard, Addie Ruth Terry McDonald (Robert), Olden Terry, Jr. (Anita), and Patricia Onedia Terry; her grandchildren: Norman L. Pollard (Tameeka), Deon C. Pollard McGhee (Tony), Edward D. McDonald (Neva), Israel L. McDonald (Rachel), Olden Terry III, Jolynn Terry, Alicia Terry, Shanel Terry, Emily Terry, Tamera Terry, Jennica Terry, Anissa Terry and Taishi Terry; twenty-five great-grandchildren; two sisters-in-law: Dorothy Jones and Betty Jones; adopted family member, friend, and caregiver: Helen C. Hall "Star"; a host of cousins, nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends. A Service of John H. Shaw's Son Funeral Home.

Lonnie Edmud Conyers

Lonnie Edmud Conyers died May 3, 2015 at his residence. Funeral services were held on Friday, May 8, 2015 at Mt. Calvary Missionary Baptist Church. Burial followed in Pine Forest Cemetery.

Lonnie was born in New Hanover County to the late William Conyers, Sr. and Catherine Brunson Conyers on July 12, 1951. He was raised and educated in the New Hanover County School System. As a young man, he

enjoyed life and what it had to offer. He was known affectionately by the nickname "Sugar Dip". His hobbies included crabbing and fishing at one of his favorite spots, "Shady Rest". In his career life, his work spanned jobs to include the Wilmington Housing Authority, Independence Mall, and finally Modern Laundry. In May of 1974, Lonnie married the love of his life Diane Daise. From this union they were blessed with two children, Jamel and Lonnell Conyers.

His cherished memories will live on through his remaining family: spouse, Diane D. Conyers; children, Lamel Conyers and Lonnell Conyers; siblings, William Conyers, Jr. (Debra) and grandchildren, Jabez Howard and Julia Ann Conyers, all of Wilmington, NC; Tony Daise, who he raised and Trina Meyers of Jacksonville, NC and their ten children as his grandchildren; uncles, James Brunson (Elizabeth) of Wilmington, NC and Ervin Hill of Faison, NC; nieces, Teresa Hill of Raleigh, NC, Ebony Pressley and Tamekia Conyers both of Wilmington, NC; a sister like cousin, Carolyn Brunson of Raleigh, NC; special friends, Larry Davis and Jessica Pearce and his caretakers Tricia Hankins and Teresa Simpson. A Service of John H. Shaw's Son Funeral Home.

Laura Rouse

Laura Rouse died Wednesday, May 6, 2015 at Hermitage House. Funeral services were held Saturday, May 9, 2015 in the Willie L. Shaw Jr. Memorial Chapel. Burial followed in Pine Forest Cemetery.

Laura, daughter of Howard and Zella Rouse, was born on July 13, 1933, in Lee County, South Carolina. Laura was educated in Lee County, South Carolina. She was a wonderful person and will be greatly missed.

Laura was preceded in death by her parents, Howard and Zella Rouse; her daughter, Georgia Mae Rouse Thompson; her sisters, Madell Spann and Mattie Smith and her brothers, Willie Rouse, Clarence Rouse, Howard Rouse, Jr., Marion Rouse and James Rouse. She leaves to cherish her memory: two sons, Rev Nathaniel Rouse (Rev. Linda) of Wilmington, NC and Odell Rouse Durante of Lynchburg, SC; six grandchildren; five great-grandchildren; one great-great-grandchild, King Sincere Rouse; one sister, Jessie Mae Rouse Moses (Robert Lee) of Lynchburg, SC; one brother, Wallace Rouse of Baltimore, MD; a host of nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends, including her best friend, Marie Hicks. A Service of John H. Shaw's Son Funeral Home.

Pamela Renee Hill Ballard

Pamela Renee Hill Ballard died Sunday, May 3, 2015 in Charlotte Healthcare. Funeral services were held on Saturday, May 9, 2015 at Mt. Olive AME Church. Burial followed in Greenlawn Memorial Park.

Pamela was born in Wilmington, NC to the late Edward and Mae Hugie Hill on May 12, 1956. In August 1963, her parents moved the family to Washington, DC where she attained her formal education.

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Remembering all of you and how I truly was blessed. Please continue our traditions, no matter how small. I'll be watching all of you, from the heavens up above. So take good care of each other and carry all my love. Go on with your life, don't worry about falls. I miss you all dearly, so keep up your chin. Until the day comes that we're together again."

It's been so very hard these nine years without you. But we're glad that Jesus knows.

He knows just, just how much we can bear. We are still holding on and we're looking up, giving you a smile, Remembering what you always said, "There's a Bright Side Somewhere".

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