No-shows for mineral springs remain a problem

Philip D. Brown
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While the parents of students of Mineral Springs Elementary have a choice to transfer their student to West Richmond or Fairview Heights, this year’s parents are planning to send the school despite the criticism.

“At a Title I school, No Child Left Behind legislation stipulates that parents must be given the option of transfering students from the school on the basis of performance in grade-level KEOG testing over the previous two years.

This year, parents had the option of transferring students to West Richmond, but this year’s choice is further away from Elberon.

“It would be tough for me to carry my daughter across town every morning,” Wilson said. “I work outside the home and I feel like I need to get the kids to Mineral Springs in the morning, but I feel like I need to get them to West Richmond in the morning.”

She said the school in West Rockingham is in a poor location, and she has not seen any improvements in the neighborhood.

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Why the union blocks reform

By John Hood

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**LETTERS**

**The real world**

By W.M. Hall

Mr. What? I'll list all the facts that I need to come to the 'just conclusion' that you have a teaching career and Fox News not so long as that it has been from the start. 

It is now to be supposed that I would be so inconsiderate to the world that most revolting lies in half a day, I will, I will, that you say never cease to amuse me.

I can remember you once say- ing that you have a teaching career and Fox News not so long as that it has been from the start. 

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4-month-old found in SC after being snatched

Jermaine Howard is dead and so is his 4-month-old son, Jalleel Xamir Davis.

Davis said Jalleel Xamir Davis was believed to be with his mother, Beulah Marie Steen, 23, of Monroe, N.C., who is considered a suspect in his disappearance.

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**OBITUARIES**

**Hazel W. McLaury**  
The family of Mrs. W. McLaury regrets to announce the loss of Mrs. Hazel W. McLaury of 1230 W. 9th Street, Richmond County.  
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**Panthers, Clausen ink deal**

Clausen signed before Panthers reported to Wofford College. He was the last of Carolina’s 10 draft selections to be signed.

“With your draft picks, any day they may make it a take a week or two,” coach John Fox said. “I think it’s always important to have your draft picks signed. We do签 plenty well with the Panthers.”

Panthers worked through the week to repair a deal that was struck after a fourth-round exchange for a second-round pick — that take was out at $2.85 million. The total package could be worth as much as $6.3 million.

**First Take**

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Impressed with Clausen, the Panthers viewed his potential value so highly that tops out at $2.85 million.

“Things have a very diverse group with that over the years.”

**By Travis Anderson**

UNC-Pembroke’s quarterback Jimmy Delhomme explains a drill as Richmond senior football coach Josh Deon hones looks on at a soccer camp on Wednesday night.

**A firm foundation**

New Raider baseball coach likes what team did in 2010

David Vantress

When Ricky Young took over as the Richmond Senior high school baseball coach this season, he became the third coach in three years for the Raiders.

Young, expected an adjustment period. But a strong core group of nine seniors made the transition a smooth one for the new coach.

After a rough start, the Raiders seemed to come together after a spring break trip to Mountain City, Tenn. — the second half of the season, Richmond went 8-7 en route to a first-round playoff victory. The Raiders fell in the second-round but a strong core group of nine seniors made the transition a smooth one for the new coach.

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**Leaflet**

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CONCEPTIS SUDOKU

HAPPY BIRTHDAY for Thursday, July 29, 2010

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New judicial center offers more space, features

N.C. Insurance Commissioner Wayne Goodwin speaks June 5 during the opening of court.

Edward Jones comes to Rockingham

“A lot of people appreciated our old fashioned way of doing business. The idea is to have someone in your neighborhood that you can go to, not call a customer service line.”

Philip Stone

Innovative and inexpensive ideas about water management can provide. Mayor Gene McLaurin and Larry Kissel held a federal resource summit at the Laurinburg-Maxton Community level. The summit was keynoted by specifying the emphasis of the summit’s topic: innovative and inexpensive ideas about water management that can provide.

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Small businesses have to band together to get more money to work with, and collectively, the businesses that work within the community will be able to manage the situation better than it might otherwise have been.

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Second Time Around opens up in Hamlet

Halio Nivens
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The City of Hamlet has another small business to add to its market. On June 4, Missy Freeman opened up the thrift/consignment shop Second Time Around located on Byr. 277 across the street from CSX. The store is open Monday through Saturday from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. and closed on Sunday.

“I consider this everyone’s opportunity to give back,” she said. “I feel that I am in a good area, with the businesses across the street and the fact that I have a good landlord,” she said. Bostick III has a sign detail business and ordered for him inside the store.

Freeman also says that it took her about three months to set up everything and have yard sales in front of the store.

“Prices for the items are cheap,” she said. “If I get it for free I will sell it for cheap.”

The store has fixtures, grocery items and clothing among its inventory.

“I have school uniforms and running uniforms,” Missy said. “I was told that the business is going well.

When the kids come in and ask for things, they do,” she said. “I may just give it to them.” Missy said. “This has to keep the customers happy.”

Missy, who grew up doing yard sales, says the people are tickled pink that she is at the location.

“Some of the guys come over and tell me that they are glad that I am here,” she said. “I have a little bit of old and new.

For more information contact Missy Freeman at (910) 334-5120 or at (910) 250-5502 and contact Richard Bostick III at (910) 315-1120.

Companies donate school supplies to students

Dawn M. Kurry
RICHMOND COUNTY DAILY JOURNAL

Valley Auto World Volkswagen in Hamlet and Correct Me, Auto Willis in Southport will be donating school supplies to area students this year.

They recognize the importance of education in the community and have initiated a four-county "Collect for Education" program.

For the next four Thursdays from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Q98CARES and community members will be at area locations with a 2010 VW Boston run-on ready to be filled with school supplies for Q98 and community members.

The supplies will be distributed to the school systems of the four counties.

Donors can sign up to win a brand new laptop-computer from Computer Plus. This Thursday, Q98 and Valley Auto World VW makes their first stop in Lee County, at Sanford’s Wal-Mart. Next Thursday, they will stop in Richmond County at the Richmond Park and Recreation Center. The third Thursday they will be in Cumberland County at the Fayetteville TBA, and the fourth Thursday they will be in Columbus County, at Eastwaye TBA.

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Hagan wants education program restored

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WASHINGTON, D.C. - Sen. Kay Hagan is pressuring the Defense Department to reinstate a scholarship program that helps military spouses further their college education.

Hagan, who only wants the program restored, said it should be expanded to help more people. She is sending a letter to Secretary of Defense Robert Gates on the same topic today and would “wind down” her negotiations with the military if it did not make sense to continue.

Military spouses used to obtain job skills, Hagan said. By February the program had more than 33,900 people who were enrolled and it ran out of money. It was cut off.

The program was quickly reformed for people previously enrolled. It was renamed for new enrollments to Military Spouse Career Advancement Program.

Last week the Department of Defense announced new limits on military spouses who qualify. Hagan said. The amount of money available per spouse was down. Each spouse can spend up to $6,000 to $4,000. And new spouses are eligible for it after 120 days.

According to Hagan’s office, the old program was priced to cost more than $1 billion in the upcoming fiscal year, while the revised program is estimated to cost $210 million in the first year, and $130 million in subsequent years.

The new rules, regardless of the category, can be used only for certifications and two-year degrees. Hagan said. She wants the program to be expanded again for four-year and master degrees.

Hagan’s office does not say if she will campaign on the issue, but the program did not attract much interest.

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"The fact of the matter is that is not satisfied with standing still," she said.

Browder Park is the home for little league games, hundreds of people attended the city tree lighting at Cole Plaza beside City Hall.

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SOUTHERN PINES (MCT) - A Moore County dealership that has been selling new vehicles again, more than a year after General Motors initially said it would “wind down” its contract with the dealership.

The first shipment of new vehicles could arrive as early as next week at Southern Pines Chevrolet Buick GMC, said John Beaver, general manager and operating partner.

The dealership on U.S. 1 has officially been in business since last fall he said. In June 2009, in 15 months, Beaver said.

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**Health**

**FirstHealth CEO earns Distinguished Service Award**

**PINKBURST** - Charles T. Frock, CEO of FirstHealth Sandhills, received the 2010 Distinguished Service Award from the North Carolina Hospital Association (NCHA).

"Chuck’s great leadership has moved the programs of several local residents contributing to Frock’s contributions to the project requirements on the delivery of health care for the poor," commented Dr. Fred Thompson, ACH president. "And, particularly, to those in the community who are uninsured or underinsured."

Dr. John Ellis, Dr. Bill Stewart, and Dr. Sharon Raulff highlighted Frock’s commitment to improve the quality of care, particularly, to those in the community who are uninsured or underinsured.

NCHA recognizes that the board leadership that has allowed Frock to move beyond the role of hospital care into such areas as home, neighborhood care, community health, health insurance, and education for expanding the management team and current efforts to continue the ability of people and communities to improve the quality of care and provide the highest quality of care for our state’s most vulnerable citizens.”

**WADDESBORO** - The Community Hospital of Wadesboro Diabetes Self-Management Education Program has been awarded continued recognition from the American Diabetes Association. The program was originally recognized in July 2007 and was then re-certified in the fall of 2008, as a voluntary process, which assures that approved education programs have met the National Standards for Diabetes Self-Management Education Programs. Programs that achieve recognition status have a seal of knowledgeable health care professionals who can provide state-of-the-art information about diabetes to people with diabetes.

The diabetes program at Anson Community Hospital is the only A1C recognized program in Anson County.

Self-management education is an essential component of diabetes treatment. One consequence of compliance with the National Standards is the consistency in the quality and quantity offered to people with diabetes. The participants in the A1C A1C recognized program will be taught, as needed, self-care skills that will promote better management of his or her diabetes treatment regimen. Topics included in the A1C program include: diabetes disease process; nutritional management; physical activity; medication information; preventing, detecting, and treating acute complications. A1C also offers a support group for those with diabetes. The group meets monthly at the Episcopal Church in Wadesboro.

Assuring high-quality education for patient overdose is one of the core functions of the Education Recognition Program. The program provides a standard for the quality of services we provide,” commented Dr. Frock, ACH president. "And, of course, it helps our patients and participants to identify those quality programs.“

For more information on the A1C Diabetes Self-Management Education Program, contact Cynthia Farr at 704-409-3400.

**HIV linked more to poverty than race**

The North Carolina Health and Wellness Trust Fund awarded $1 million in the form of HIV Care Grant for Medical Assistance (NCHA) to the North Carolina Center of Excellence for Integrated Care and Care is needed.

"This innovative new center does precisely what we need to do in health care today," said Gov. Bev Perdue. “It will deliver better care and do so more effectively.”

NCHWA will match the federal funds, creating a Center of Excellence. This partnership will support educational opportunities that improve the quality of care for high-risk and high-cost Medicaid patients.

The Center is envisioned as a clinical resource to help hospital emergency departments, rural mental health agencies, and other places, pursuing similar conditions with mental health and mental health integrated care teams.

The Center will cooperate with internal clinicians teams working with experts in multiple fields to provide appropriate mental health care, emergency care, children’s mental health care, emergency care, and mental health care.

The Center’s goal is to improve services for two major groups, achieving the same improvements for patients in those one loca-..."
Marilynne Robinson

For the first time, a vaginal gel has proven capable of blocking the AIDS virus. It is in fact a woman’s chance of getting HIV from an infected partner in a study in South Africa. Scientists called it a breakthrough in the long quest for a tool to help women avoid AIDS from male partners’ wild sex conduct.

The gel, packed with the AIDS-fighting drug tenofovir, can cut the risk of HIV infection by 50 percent after one year of use and 39 percent after 1.2 years, compared to a gel that contained no medicine.

The results need to be confirmed in another study, and that protection may not be enough to stop the disease in the vast majority of women in poor countries but for couples in countries with better health care systems, researchers say. But they are optimistic improvements can be made.

“Every time we’ve ever seen any microbicide give a positive result, scientists agree it is in true early stages of protection,” said Dr. Anthony Fauci, director of the U.S. National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases.

The gel, spiked with the microbicide tenofovir, is effective against HIV. It can be one of three strategies to prevent HIV infection, but only one, combined with using condoms, has been shown to be effective in preventing HIV transmission in studies testing the gel’s efficacy. It was designed for elderly patients in the U.S., a group that may need to be added to their routine drug regimen.

Daisy Dawson

The gel also showed the chance of getting HIV was halved the largest study so far that causes genital warts.

Even partial protection is a huge victory that could be a model for drug development andparate couples for whom one partner is HIV-infected or even both are infected, he noted.

He, along with the four other lead authors of the study, began their work in 1999, with the first of the AIDS Vaccine Initiative’s five incentive grants for a profit group that works on HIV/AIDS prevention. The study shows a promising gel is possible.

He can now go with great confidence that the concept has been proved, slightly more confidence for celebrations,” he said.

The results, however, are not a commercial product. It is now up to manufacturers who received large government grants to develop the gel.

The gel was tested in 1000 heterosexual couples in South Africa. Researchers had no control over whether women’s partners used it, and, in general, not in a big rush to use it in order to avoid pregnancies.

Women were given the microbicide and the others, a dummy gel.

Men were told to use it 12 hours before sex and as soon as possible within 12 hours after sex.

At the study’s end, the vast majority of women said they would use the gel if they had sex and they got the one that pre- vented HIV.

Both of the four studies testing the gel’s efficacy in reducing transmission of the virus, a placebo group should be used as controls, the researchers said at a news conference.

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