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Pastor Emeritus Don Welch



Seven Lakes Chapel in the Pines has appointed Rev. Don Welch "Pastor Emeritus." Among those celebrating the appointment were Jane Hinson and her husband, Pastor Emeritus Charles Hinson; Welch and his wife Nancy; and Chapel Pastors Fran Stark and Paul James. [See story on page 12.]

New owner for 7 Lakes Country Club — almost

by Greg Hankins Times Editor

The Times

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Seven Lakes Country Club has a new owner — almost. "We haven't dotted all the expected the deal would be

"I's" and crossed all the "T's." Club President Ronnie Haan told The Times on Monday. November 24. Haan said she

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closed — and the identity of the new owner revealed -"in a week or so."

An email sent to members Wednesday morning, November 12, broke the news of a new owner, but provided few details.

Here's the text of the notice to members:

"The BOD [Board of Directors] wishes to inform the membership that a decision has been made on who will be the new owner of SLCC. Due to the sensitive nature of negotiations we cannot reveal their name at this time. We will inform you once the negotiations are complete.

(See "Club," p. 2)

West Side cracks down on speeders

by Ellen Marcus Times Reporter



Seven Lakes West is cracking down on speeders, using Association security per-

sonnel to handle enforcement, rather than relying on the Moore County Sheriff's Office.

"The Safety and Security Committee has started enforcing the rules and regulations regarding speeding," Community Manager Jeanette Mendence reported during the Tuesday, November 18 meeting of the Seven Lakes West Landowners Association [SLWLA].

"As of today's date, we have

sent out fourteen speeding violation letters."

Weather Slows Paving

Residents should exercise caution on the portions of Longleaf Drive that are being repaved, Mendence added, explaining that the onset of colder weather interrupted the roadwork.

Director Jim Pierman's Infrastructure Committee has responsibility for the multi-year repaving project.

"This is my last year on this job, and it will get done," Pierman said. "I am bound and determined. We have started it and will finish it."

"I guess I am positive on (See "Westside," p. 27)

SLLA is seeking **Board Candidates**

by Ellen Marcus Times Reporter



The Seven Lakes Landowners Association [SLLA] is looking for folks who would like to

serve on the Board.

There is currently one vacant seat on the Board and there will be three additional seats up for grabs at the Annual Meeting in March. The terms of Directors Bob Racine, Steve Ritter, and Dave Hill are set to expire.

"We already have four volunteers that would like to run," President Racine announced during the Wednesday, November 19 Open Meeting.

'We could use some more. so that there will be enough to have an open forum with questions and answers. If you know anybody who

would like to run for board — or maybe is not happy with the way things are and think they can help — then encourage them to run."

Big agenda for December

The November Open Meeting was over and done in near record time, but the December 8 Work Session agenda is likely to be a long one.

"There are several things coming up in next 90 days that various members in the community will have definite feelings about it," Racine said. "We will discuss them and everyone will be given the opportunity to express their opinion — and I hope when we are done and have arrived at the best decision we can shake hands and

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Commissioners Caddell & Melton honored

by Greg Hankins Times Editor



Retiring Commissioners Larry Caddell and Jimmy Melton were praised by

their colleagues, county staff, and members of the public

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during the Tuesday, Novem- dell. ber 18 meeting of the Moore County Board of Commissioners.

It was the last regularly scheduled meeting for both men, who have each served two full terms on the Board. Members of the county staff and other well-wishers had gathered at earlier in the day the Moore County Agricultural Center for a reception honoring Melton and Cad-

During the Board meeting, Commissioner Nick Picerno, who was Caddell's business partner as well a colleague on the Board, read the formal resolution honoring Caddell's service

"Commissioner Caddell, a Moore County native, has served his community with immense passion and determination, always seeking to move forward in the best

interest of his fellow citizens," Picerno read.

Caddell served twice as Board Chair and once as Vice Chair and was given the county's Distinguished Public Service award in recognition of his contributions.

Ending on a personal note, Picerno alluded to his long partnership with Caddell in both business and community service. "I really appreciate that God put you in my life," he said.

Caddell thanked members of the county staff: "We are only as good as the people who serve under us. All we

do is set the course; they sail the ship."

Commissioner Otis Ritter handled the honors for Melton, who served five terms as the Board's Vice Chairman. The resolution praised Melton's service "in humbleness and fortitude."

Melton said he considered it "a special privilege" to work for the people of Moore Coun-

"God has granted this County his special favor," Melton said, adding that he was grateful to have been able to serve with fellow Com-(See "Caddell & Melton," p. 24)

Club

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The BOD is very excited for the future of Seven Lakes Country Club under the new owner.'

"Member dues and annual payment options will remain the same. Information regarding this will be available within the week."

The Board listed the awardwinning course, designed by Peter Tufts, with Hilda Allen Real Estate Inc. in Adel, Georgia.

The broker then conducted a sealed bid auction with a November 6 deadline.



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Project will bring Harnett Co. water to 7 Lakes

by Greg Hankins Times Editor



A new water main will soon bring Harnett County water to residents of Seven Lakes.

During their regular Tuesday, November 18 meeting, the Moore County Board of Commissioners approved a \$2.1 million contract with Terry's Plumbing & Utilities of Asheboro to install 21,000 feet of 16-inch pipe along NC Highway 73. That new main will connect an existing line that terminates near the Dormie Club with the water main that currently carries water along NC Highway 211 from Pinehurst to Seven Lakes.

The contract includes the installation of a booster pump station near the Eastwood Fire Station.

"We will be able to move water from Harnett County, through the East Moore Water District, to Seven Lakes," Public Utilities Director Randy Gould told the Commissioners."Currently, all the water going to Seven Lakes flows down NC 211. It's the weak link in our system."

"We can continue to get water down NC 211; but, from now on, Harnett County will be the main source of water for Seven Lakes."

"The wells in Pinehurst, instead of being forced to supply Seven Lakes as well, can serve Pinehurst, primarily," Gould added.

Meeting ten-year demand

Gould noted that the new water main represents a strategy aimed at meeting expected demand in the Seven Lakes area over the next ten years. Initially, the County had planned a project with a thirty-year horizon, but was forced to scale back when a hoped-for \$11 million zerointerest state loan failed to materialize.

That plan included a new water tower in West End, a project that will be pushed further into the future.

The centerpiece of the

County's water supply plan was the execution of a contract with Harnett County that gives Moore County a stake in the expanded Harnett water treatment facility. For \$5.25 million, Moore bought the right to pump up to three million gallons per day from Harnett.

But Moore County currently lacks the infrastructure to move that much Harnett County water. The new NC Highway 73 water main will allow an additional one million gallons per day to be moved from Harnett to Moore County customers.

Seven Lakes uses less than 500,000 gallons per day on average, but has, in the past, used nearly 900,000 gallons per day on hot Summer days when lawns are being irri-

Chairman Larry Caddell said that he and fellow Commissioner Jimmy Melton had been able, in their eight years on the Board, to accomplish all the goals they set for themselves when taking office, save one: bringing more water to Seven Lakes. Caddell and Melton are retiring from the Board: November 18 marked their last regular meeting as commissioners.

"The growth is going to be in an around Seven Lakes," Caddell said. "After this, the only thing left to do is put in the water tower. This will fulfill what we started out to do eight years ago."

Noting that initial bids for the new water line had come in at \$3 million and up, Caddell praised the work of Gould and county staff in driving down the price.

\$430.000 settlement approved

After discussing the matter in closed session, the Commissioners approved a \$430,000 settlement with Thinc Management, which the County will pay in three installments: \$200,000 this year and \$115,000 in each of the next two years.

County Attorney Misty Leland told The Times that Moore County had contracted with Thinc in 1999 to recruit cellular companies that might be interested in placing antennas on County water tanks and other structures.

Leases from T-Mobile and US Cellular were secured on two Pinehurst water tanks, with Thinc having responsibility for collecting the payments, taking their one-third commission, and forwarding the balance to the County. Because the flow of payments from the company was uneven, Leland said, the County took over management of the lease payments, continuing to pay Thinc through 2011.

The county planned to demolish the aging water tanks, but the cellular companies offered to pay more

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West End Elementary shows off its Spanish



MCS Superintendent Dr. Robert Grimesey gets some pointers on Spanish from a West End first grader

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Happy Holidays! by Greg Hankins Times Editor

A bunch of English-speaking kids are spending their entire school day speaking Spanish at West End Elementary School [WEE].

It's called "language immersion," and WEE is halfway through its second year as Moore County's trailblazer in using the innovative approach to language education.

On Friday, November 21, the school hosted a group of education leaders drawn from districts across the country — including former Moore County Schools [MCS] Superintendent Dr. Aaron Spence, who is now superintendent of Virginia Beach Schools.

The site visit was arranged by VIF International Education, the Chapel Hill-based company that provides native Spanish-speaking teachers for WEE's immersion class-rooms.

VIF's Nathan Tomasini told the group that language immersion "requires a leap of faith."

Teachers, coming from other countries, have to get acclimated to their new communities, and students have to get acclimated to constantly speaking a language that is not yet their own, he

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Immersion Kindergarten Teacher Alexandra Quintero



Kathy Farren, who chairs the Moore County Board of Education, helps out with an assignment



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Immersion classes to distinguished group

(Continued from page 4) explained.

"Around Thanksgiving, something clicks with the students," he said. "All of the sudden, they are speaking Spanish, and they're going home speaking Spanish to their families. They're learning all kinds of new concepts, and it's just amazing."

Tomasini praised WEE Principal Leigh Ann McClendon for "taking that leap of faith.'

McClendon said her interest in the program started with a visit to a Spanish immersion class in Union County.

"Just the excitement and the opportunity that this program brings," McClendon said, "I thought 'Our children deserve that. Moore County deserves that.""

"There are hurdles along the way," McClendon said. "But this year everything has gotten off so smoothly. We have learned a lot from our parents."

She said the school holds meetings for Spanish Immersion parents one a month.

"The last meeting, they got a Spanish language dictionary," she explained. "This month they will make labels that they can put on objects around the house."

Seven Lakes South resident Bill Baker told the group about his daughter Kiona's experience in the program.

"She started in the Spanish Immersion program last year," he said. Baker noted that he was a Peace Corps volunteer and understands the value of being immersed in a culture in order to gain fluency in its language.

"The learning that has gone on is phenomenal," Baker said. "My daughter is reading in English and Spanish now. She's getting to the point where it is really starting to click. And the whole family has been involved — which I think is one of the neatest things about it."

McClendon said that student performance data recently received shows students in the Spanish Immersion classes outperformed students in traditional classes

(See "WEE," p. 24)



Lisa Troutman, MCS Associate Superintendent for Elementary Education, receives a firsthand report on first grade
Spanish Immersion [Photo by MCS Digital Arts Technician Damon Clark]



WEE Principal Leigh Ann McClendon [Photo by MCS Digital Arts Technician Damon Clark]



WEE Kindergarten students practice spelling - in Spanish





Seven Lakes Times November 28, 2014 **Events**

Pinecrest High students explore options

by Ellen Marcus Times Reporter



Spiffed, polished, and professionally-outfitted Pinecrest Juniors and

Seniors explored their future beyond high school at the annual Career Day held on Thursday, November 13.

Whether they had mapped out their career path or were still looking for a guide, students gained some real-world

business owners, professionals, local government departments, colleges, and non-

Sue Gillis, Program Coordinator with Southern Pines Parks and Recreation, not only promoted a career in parks and recreation, but encouraged students to turn applications in for part-time afterschool and summer positions. Juniors Jayla Wall and Jasmine Stevenson were

experience talking with area excited to learn that they might be considered for parttime summer employment.

> Many students had prepared questions and notes in advance and were careful to put their best foot forward.

> "It's great they came over and introduced themselves," Gillis said. "They were dressed professionally and asked good

questions. All they have to do now is follow through."

Pinecrest Future Farmers of America President, Madison Adams, a senior from West End, said she hopes to attend North Carolina State University, with the goal of becoming a large animal veterinarian for livestock.

"I live on the McKenzie Cat-

tle farm and work part time at Travis Farms," Adams explained.

Depending on the career they choose, many students can plan to stay in Moore County. For those interested in fire prevention, Michelle Bauer is the woman to see.

"Sandhills Community Col-

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Monarch Creative Arts and Community Center's Program Manager Rhanelle Rosado with Vanessa Morgenson



Madison Adams, Taylor Cohen, Hunter Burns, and Chelsea Black



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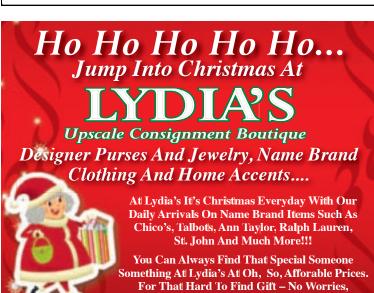
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for their futures at Annual Career Day

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lege offers an intensive, thirty-six-week, full-time program at the public training facility located in Moore County," she said. "On completion you are certified and employable."

The program focuses on fire and rescue. Controlled burning of longleaf pine forest falls under the forestry department.

"There is no controlled burning in the program. We put out fires; we don't start them," Bauer said laughing.

Friends Jillian Glyder and Jessica Jones have all their ducks in a row. Jones plans to complete the six-year architectural design program at UNC-Charlotte. A full time student, she is also self-employed as house and pet sitter. She will graduate early, in January, and go to work full time to earn money for college.

"I sincerely want to do my best," Jones said. "It will take six years to get my masters, and that is a long time, and I need money for it. I also have my Dad's GI Bill to help

Glyder is a dual student at Pinecrest and Sandhills Community College, where she is also completing her associates degree.

"I want to do anything technical in theatre or fashion, including marketing, management, and set design," she said.

After graduation she is destined for Spain. "I have been offered a job in Spain as a nanny," Glyder said. "It will give me a chance to study and visit lots of museums. When I get back, I will continue my education."

"It's a great opportunity and helps transition students toward independence," PTSA board member Rebekah Harper said.

"A lot of businesses and professionals have shown up today and volunteered their time," she added, "We hope that more business will sign up for next year and would like to encourage businesses from the outlying areas, including West End, Seven Lakes, and Vass."



Jayla Wall and Jasmine Stevenson check out opportunities with Southern Pines Parks & Recreation

Jessica Jones and Jillian Glyder have their career plans well mapped out



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In memory of

85, of Seven Lakes, died Wednesday, November 19, at Fox Hollow Assisted Living Facility, Pinehurst.

A memorial service was held on Tuesday, November 25, at St. Mary Magdalene Episcopal Church. The Rev. Fred Thompson officiated. Burial followed at Seven Lakes Cemetery.

Mrs. McCalman was a member of the Order of the Eastern Star.

She was preceded in death by her husband John M. McCalman.

Survivors include her son, Robert McCalman of Moulton, AL; daughter, Barbara Collins of High Point; sister, Helen Wells of Strongsville, OH, four grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Shriner's Childrens Hospital, 950 W. Faris Road, Greenville, SC 29605.

Boles Funeral Home of Seven Lakes assisted the family.

Rebecca "Beckie" Garner **Cheek**. 76. of West End died Thursday, November 13, at her home surrounded by her family.

Funeral services were held Saturday, November 15, at Seven Lakes Baptist Church.

Jean Isabel McCalman, Cemetery. The Rev. Darrell Cheek, Rev. David Reynolds and Rev. Bucky Hendricks officiated.

> Born in Moore County she was the daughter of the late Dewey and Mamie Peele Garner. She graduated from West End High School Class of 1955 and retired from JP Stevens. Mrs. Cheek was a charter member of Cornerstone Baptist Church and served in many roles.

In addition to her parents she was preceded in death by her son Dale, and sister Helen Glasscock.

Survivors include her husband Pete Cheek; son, Greg Wuschke of Southern Pines; David Cheek (wife Jerry) of West End; and Rev. Darrell Cheek (wife Donna) of GA; brothers Brackmon Garner of Jackson Springs; Thomas Garner of Lake Tillery; Pete Garner of Carthage; sisters; Mary Russell of Aberdeen; Gerry Garner of Pinehurst; Wanda Wilson and Joan Phillips both of Sanford; eight grandchildren and six greatgrandchildren.

Memorials donations may be made to: Cornerstone Baptist Church, 656 Hoffman Road, West End, NC 27376

F. Wayne Arnold, 86, longtime resident of New Milford. and formerly of Seven Lakes Burial followed at West End died Tuesday, November 11.

Mr. Arnold was an active member of the community, where he was the President/CEO of New Milford Savings Bank.

He served on the New Milford Board of Finance, Board of Trustees for the New Milford Hospital and New Milford **Center Cemetery Association** and also served for St. Peter's Masonic Lodge in New Milford. Mr. Arnold served as the Community's Finance Officer and Mayor as well as serving on the Village Coun-

He and his wife Barbara retired to Seven Lakes in 1991, where they enjoyed an active lifestyle in a golfing community.

Survivors his wife Barbara Ford Arnold; son, Brian Arnold and wife Kitty of Sanibel, FL; daughter, Lynn Arnold of Union, ME; son, Peter Arnold and wife Lynda of Sherman, CT; daughter, Jill Tremont and husband Bill of New Milford, CT; son, Blair Arnold and wife Sharoan Westervelt of Gaylordsville, CT; and grandchildren.

A private gathering for the family will be held.

Memorial donations be made to: New Milford VNA Hospice Patient Care, 68 Park Lane, New Milford, Ct 06776.

Hazel Sizemore, 96, of

West End, died Tuesday, November 11 at FirstHealth Hospice House.

Kentucky, the daughter of the late Jerry and Jewell (Pope) Ison. She was a member of the Alpha Ministries in South Greensburg PA.

Mrs. Sizemore raised her She was born in McCarr family in Blackberry City WV, moved to Greensburg in 1959, and retired from West-

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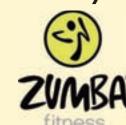
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moreland Regional Hospital with twenty-two years of service. She then moved to Seven Lakes, to be close to her family.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by her husband, Roy C. Sizemore and her son, Jerry B. Sizemore; two brothers, Ralph Ison and Dennis Ison. Survivors include her son. Larry Sizemore and his wife, Jerry of West End; five grandchildren and eight great grandchildren. Funeral services were held on Monday, November 17 at the Kepple-Graft Funeral Home, 524 N. Main Street, Greensburg PA. The Rev. James Lyons officiated. Interment followed in St. Clair Cemetery, Hempfield Township.

Boles Funeral Home of Seven Lakes assisted the family.

Claire Louise Behre, of Seven Lakes, died Monday, November 10.

She was born Claire Nicholson in Hackensack, New Jersey and lived her childhood in Teaneck with her parents and brother.

Mrs. Behre attended the Fisher school in Boston and obtained her diploma in office management. She worked for Lyons and Associates, talent agents, where she interacted with many of the popular entertainers of the time. She enjoyed volunteering in community theatre in both New Jersey and North Carolina and sang in the church choir. She spent time volunteering with local hospitals, schools, and her church both in New Jersey and North Carolina. She and husband Roger, raised their family in New Providence, New Jersey. In 1993, they retired to Seven Lakes.

Mrs. Behre supported the building of Our Lady of the America's Church.

Survivors include her husband, Roger E. Behre of the home; sons, Walter Behre of Moscow, ID; James Behre of John's Creek, GA; Steven Behre of Sunset Beach and Charles "Chip" Behre of

Thousand Oaks, CA; daughter, Karen Halada of Middlesex, NJ; and eleven grandchildren.

Funeral services were held on Friday, November 14 at Briggs-Candor Funeral Home. Memorials donations may

be made to Mrs. Behre's favorite charity, The Wounded Warrior Project, PO Box 758517, Topeka, Kansas

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Briggs-Candor Funeral Home assisted with the arrangements.



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Chapel Lunch Bunch

Seven Lakes Chapel in the Pines "Lunch Bunch" will have their Christmas Luncheon on Wednesday, December 10 at noon.

All single seniors are invited to attend the luncheon at Chapel in the Pines Fellowship Hall.

Following lunch, Susan Rush of Pinehurst will provide the musical entertainment. Rush is an accomplished pianist and vocal artist who has performed on and off Broadway. She

has also taught acting, directing and musical theatre for sixteen years.

Community members are welcome to come at 12:30 pm, for the entertainment. There is no cost for the meal.

To make a reservation or if transportation is needed, please call the Chapel office at 673-2156, between 9 am and 1 pm Monday through Friday, or leave a message on the answering machine during non-business hours.

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Women of 7 Lakes host Annual Fashion Show



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The Women of Seven Lakes held their annual Fashion Show and Luncheon on November 6 at the Seven Lakes Country Club.

After the attendees dined on a green salad, chicken piccata and apple pie ala mode, fashions were presented by Jennifer Wagley from Stein Mart.

Wagley outfitted five models with two ensembles each, including jewelry and handbags. The outfits were modeled by: Paula Taggart, Lee Connelly, Joyce Charles, Lana Schempp and Joyce Freiert.

Many of the ladies that attended stayed after to enjoy an afternoon of cards. Proceeds from the Fashion Show will be donated to the West End United Methodist Church Food Pantry.

West End United Methodist offers Christmas Cantata

Join West End United Methodist Church on Sunday, December at the 11:00 am Worship Service as the Chancel Choir presents their Christmas Cantata entitled "Were You There on That Christmas Night?" Mark your calendar for this special worship service.





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Don Welch named 'Pastor Emeritus' at Chapel

by Rollin Tomberlin

Seven Lakes Chapel in the Pines

On Sunday, November 9, the Chapel in the Pines appointed the Reverend Don Welch to the post of Pastor Emeritus.

Welch joins Reverend Cecil Callis and Reverend Charles Hinson as the only other appointees to this position over the thirty-four year history of the Chapel.

Reverend Welch, along with wife, Nancy, retired to Seven Lakes in 1999. Shortly after his arrival, he became the Minister at nearby McDonald's Chapel Presbyterian Church. Later, he was added as part-time Associate Minister to the staff at West End Presbyterian Church.

In July 2005, Welch was hired as a full-time residential minister for The Chapel in the Pines.

Prior to Don's new appointment, the Chapel, an interdenominational church, was served by a wide range of rotating ministers. Noting the accelerating growth of the area and the demographic changes toward more young families with children coming into Seven Lakes, the Chapel's Board moved in a timely manner to invest in their own leader.

Welch, an ordained United Methodist minister for more than fifty-five years, has had a lengthy and illustrious career. A graduate of Duke University's Divinity School, he has taught at Union, Berea, and Cumberland Colleges in Kentucky, his native state. He served on the faculties at Duke and at Wofford College in South Carolina.

For nine years, he was a Dean and President of Scaritt

Graduate School, in Nashville, TN. He also served four years as Vice President at Wesleyan College in Georgia. He has won a host of educational awards, including a Doctor of Humanities by McMurray College in Illinois.

Reverend Welch has a wide range of personal interests: music, writing, golf, reading, and drama. He has been a star performer at country-club events and in "Show-time" productions. He was the leading character in the "Fairfield Falls" show in the year 2000 performed at the Sandhills Community College. His singing voice is "professional quality," as are his skills as a writer. Many will

remember his thoughtful, well-written columns in *The Seven Lakes Times* called "Ask the Rev."

During his time at the Chapel, Welch initiated and oversaw a huge addition to the church's facilities — more than doubling its size. The new expansion included Sunday school rooms, a spacious central meeting area complete with large kitchen and appliances, and plentiful office space. Because of Welch's experience in fund-raising, only a short time after its completion, the venture is virtually debt-free.

Reverend Welch's penchant for outreach service is well known. In concert with the Chapel's Associate Minister, Fran Stark, Don was also an enthusiastic and dedicated chaplain, offering good cheer and hope to hospital patients and home-bound Seven Lakers. He served as a first-class personal counselor, and delivered worthwhile, thought-provoking sermons.

Some years ago, Reverend Welch inaugurated a monthly "Seven Lakes Forum" in which major topics of the moment were presented by knowledgeable authorities and were open for public discussion afterwards.

Don and Nancy Welch now make their "second retirement" home in Spartanburg, SC.



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Women of Seven Lakes Holiday Open House

The Women of Seven Lakes will be holding a "Holiday Open House" for members of the community interested in finding out more about the Women of Seven Lakes. Join the women on Thursday, December 4 from 1:30 - 3 pm for appetizers, desserts, and hot apple cider at the Chapel in the Pines Fellowship Hall.

The Women of Seven Lakes was organized about 35 years ago by a group of ladies who not only recognized a need to help local charities, but saw an opportunity to meet and socialize with other members of the community.

The women have donated countless hours, money and goods to many local charities, such as the WEUMC Food Pantry, Toys for Tots, Back-Pack Pals and the Seven Lakes EMS, and in the process have formed lifelong friendships.

Barbara Barnes, Premier Jewelry, will be at the meeting and will be displaying beautiful and affordable pieces of jewelry. This is your chance to start Christmas shopping for those special ladies in

United Methodist Men's Breakfast

The Men at West End United Methodist Church will meet and enjoy a home-cooked breakfast and a time of fellowship on Saturday, December 6 at 8 am. After breakfast, there is a brief devotional and the men discuss projects to assist both the church and the community. Any man of the church or community is welcome to attend.

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your life. Barnes has a wonderful program that allows the Women of Seven Lakes to earn money from the sale of her jewelry for the charities the women support.

The Women of Seven Lakes

are also offering their support for the "Toys for Tots" program by having a donation box at the Holiday Open House. If anyone would like to participate, please bring an unwrapped gift for girls

or boys up to 12 years old. a small purse, small clock Purchase an item that you would consider appropriate for your own child or relative. Some ideas are: sports equipment, team sweatshirts, or action games for boys, and

radio, games or jewelry for girls.

If you would like more information about the Women of Seven Lakes, contact Pat Weber, 673-1457.



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HIS DO IN REMEMBRANCE

The service began with the blowing of a shofar and ended with the sounding of a temple bell



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Thanksgiving service unites

Moore County's annual Prayers of Thanksgiving Interfaith Service was observed this year at Seven Lakes Chapel in the Pines. The service, which is in its ninth year, brings together worshippers from many faiths.

This year's service began with the blowing of the shofar, a musical instrument made of ram's horn used to announce Jewish Holidays and welcoming the Jewish New Year Rosh Hashanah.

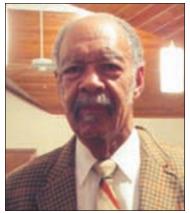
The celebrants included members from many area congregations: The Chapel in the Pines, Congregational Church of Pinehurst, Jackson Springs Presbyterian Church, McDonalds Chapel Presbyterian Church, Community of Mindful Living in the Pines, Sandhills Jewish Congrega-

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tion/Beth Shalom, and the paid tribute to Native Americans with a Mohican Prayer of Thanksgiving. A Litany of Reverend Elizabeth Forester Gratitude for the Diversity



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Fellowship Hall

Community musicians performed traditional American cultural history, while hymns on the bass, banjo, guitar, and fiddle. Reverend Robert Whitehouse challenged the audience to be active in the community and

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FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 28

- SunFlix at the Sunrise 7 pm, Birdman, stars: Michael Keaton, Zach Galifianakis, Edward Norton, and Emma Stone. Sunrise Theater, 250 NW Broad Street, Southern Pines.
- Taylor Dance Nutcracker Ballet Performance at 7:30 pm, Pinecrest High School's Lee Auditorium. Advance tickets available by cash or check through The Campbell House, 910-692-2787 (M-F, 9 am to 5 pm), or credit card through Taylor Dance, 910-695-1320 (M-Th, 4-7 pm). An on-site box office opens at the theater one hour prior to performance.

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 29

- Paylor Dance Nutcracker Ballet Performance at 2 pm, Pinecrest High School's Lee Auditorium. Advance tickets available by cash or check through The Campbell House, 910-692-2787 (M-F, 9 am to 5 pm), or credit card through Taylor Dance, 910-695-1320 (M-Th, 4-7 pm). Box office opens at the theater one hour prior to performance.
- SunFlix at the Sunrise 2:30 & 7 pm, *Birdman*. Sunrise Theater, 250 NW Broad Street, Southern Pines (910) 692-3611.
- Turkey Shoot 7 pm, (weather permitting). 12 Gauge Shot Guns only. Win prizes or cash. Proceeds benefit Sandhills Animal Rescue League. Alec Creek Farm, 396 Thomas Road, Jackson Springs. 910-974-4468 or 910-638-1921.

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 20

- 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.



- Taylor Dance Nutcracker Ballet Performance at 2 pm, Pinecrest High School's Lee Auditorium. Advance tickets available by cash or check through The Campbell House, 910-692-2787 (M-F, 9 am to 5 pm), or credit card through Taylor Dance, 910-695-1320 (M-Th, 4-7 pm). Box office opens at the theater one hour prior to performance.
- Seven Lakes Business Guild Christmas Tree Lighting – 3 to 6 pm, Santa will visit, hot chocolate, cider, and cookies provided. Community is invited to attend this annual event. Grant Street, Seven Lakes.
- West End United Methodist Church Explorers – 5 pm – 6:30 pm, for children grades K-5. Learning, crafts and activities before eating dinner with the youth from 6 – 6:30 pm. West End United Methodist Church, 4015

NC Highway 73, West End.

- West End United Methodist Church Youth Group 6 7:30 pm in the Youth Room. Open to all youth in 6th 12th grades. Fellowship, study and a meal. West End United Methodist Church, 4015 NC Highway 73, West End,.
 - SunFlix at the Sunrise

- 7 pm, Birdman. Sunrise Theater, 250 NW Broad St., Southern Pines (910) 692-3611.

MONDAY, DECEMBER 1

- 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 5:30 pm. Moore County Schools Administration Building, NC 15/501 Carthage.
- Moore County Board of Commissioners – 5:30 pm, Oath of Office; Reorganization and Board of Commissioners Meeting. Historic Courthouse Meeting Room, Carthage
- SunFlix at the Sunrise 7 pm, *Birdman*. Sunrise Theater, 250 NW Broad Street, Southern Pines.

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 2

• Zumba Class – 10:30 to 11:30 am, free class at Seven Lakes Baptist Church, Hankins Family

- Life Center, 1015 Seven Lakes Drive, 673-4656.
- 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 – lunch at 11:30, meeting begins at 12:05, Seven Lakes Country Club. Visitors welcome.
- Women's Volleyball at Seven Lakes Baptist Church – 6 pm to 8 pm, open gym for Women's Volleyball. Seven Lakes Baptist Church, Hankins Family Life Center, 1015 Seven Lakes Drive, 910-673-4656.
- SunFlix at the Sunrise 7 pm, *Birdman*. Sunrise Theater, 250 NW Broad Street, Southern Pines.

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 2

- Rosary at Our Lady of the Americas Church – 8:50 am, 298 Market Rd. Biscoe, 974-3051.
- Gallery at Seven Lakes 1 - 4 pm, at St. Mary Magdalene Episcopal Church, 1145 Seven Lakes Drive.

- AWANA Youth Group 6:30 to 8 pm, Hankins Family Life Center. Children age 3 to 5th grade. Seven Lakes Baptist Church, 1015 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 pm, *Birdman*. Sunrise Theater, 250 NW Broad Street, Southern Pines.

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 4

- Bread of Life Ministry –
 West End United Methodist
 Church, 11 am until 1 pm.
 Ministry is for seniors (widows, widowers, and the elderly). Fellowship, devotion
 and a meal provided at \$5.
- 1 4 pm, at St. Mary Magdalene Episcopal Church, 1145 Seven Lakes Drive.
- Women of Seven Lakes "Holiday Open House" – 1:30 – 3 pm for appetizers, desserts, and hot apple cider at the Chapel in the Pines Fellowship Hall. Barbara Barnes, of Premier Jewelry, will be selling affordable pieces of jewelry.

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- · Sandhills Winery Wine **Tasting** – 5:30 pm to 8 pm. 1057 Seven Lakes Drive. (910) 673-2949. www.sandhillswinery.com
- · SunFlix at the Sunrise -7 pm, Birdman. Sunrise Theater, 250 NW Broad Street, Southern Pines.

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 5

- · Creative Christmas Table
- 10 am until 4 pm, at Chapel Hall, The Village Chapel, in Pinehurst. Admission is \$5. View decorated holiday tables, browse for handmade crafts, jams, jellies and more at the Country Store. Silent auctions. Demonstrations. Proceeds benefit Sandhills Community College. Moore County Extension & Community Association, 910-315-3276.
- SunFlix at the Sunrise -7:30 pm, St. Vincent, stars Bill Murray. Sunrise Theater, 250 NW Broad Street, Southern Pines.
- · Army Ground Forces Holiday Concert - 7:30 pm, "A Forces Command Holiday" featuring Broadway veteran and Moore County favorite, Janine LaManna. Held at R.E. Lee Auditorium, Pinecrest High School, 250 Voit Gilmore Lane, Southern Pines. Free, open to the public. Army Ground Forces Band, call 910-570-1752 or visit www.Army-GroundForcesBand.com

SATURDAY DECEMBER 6

- · United Methodist Men's Breakfast - 8 am, meet and enjoy a home-cooked breakfast and a time of fellowship. Brief devotional and the men discuss projects to assist the church and community. Any man of the church or community is welcome.
- · Moore Philharmonic **Orchestra Winter Concert** - 7 pm, Celebrate the holiday season by enjoying an afternoon of free holiday music. Held at Robert E. Lee Auditorium. Pinecrest High School (250 Voit Gilmore Lane, Southern *Pines*). No tickets required. donations are welcome. www.mporchestra.com
- SunFlix at the Sunrise -2:30 & 7:30 pm, St. Vincent, stars Bill Murray. Sunrise Theater, 250 NW Broad Street, Southern Pines.
- Turkey Shoot 7 pm. 12 Gauge Shot Guns only. Prizes and cash. Proceeds benefit Sandhills Animal Rescue League. Alec Creek Farm, 396 Thomas Road, Jackson Springs. 910-974-4468 or 910-638-1921.

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 7

- · Pearl Harbor Remembrance Dav
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- St. Mary Magdalene Episcopal Church - 9:30 am, Holy Communion, 1145 Seven Lakes Drive.

West End United Methodist Church - 11 am service, the Chancel Choir presents their Christmas Cantata entitled "Were You There on That Christmas Night?"

- Bolshoi Ballet at the Sun**rise** – 1 pm, La Bayadere in HD. Sunrise Theater, 250 NW Broad Street, Southern Pines.
- United West End **Methodist Church Explorers** – 5 pm – 6:30 pm, for children grades K-5. Learning, crafts and activities before eating dinner with the youth from 6 - 6:30pm. West End United Methodist Church, 4015 NC Highway 73, West End.
- West End United **Methodist Church Youth Group** -6 - 7:30 pm in the Youth Room open to youth in 6th – 12th grades. Fellowship, study and a meal. West End United Methodist Church, 4015 NC Highway 73, West End.
- The Rooster's Wife -6:45pm, doors open at 6:00 pm, in the gallery of Poplar Knight Spot. Music guest: Claire Lynch. Rooster's Wife. 114 Knight St., Aberdeen, www.theroosterswife.org
- SunFlix at the Sunrise -7:30 pm, St. Vincent, stars

Bill Murray. Sunrise Theater, 250 NW Broad Street, Southern Pines.

MONDAY, DECEMBER 8

- **Seven Lakes Landowners Association** – 9 am, work session. Seven Lakes North Clubhouse Game Room.
- **Weight Watchers Meeting** – 5 pm to 6 pm, at St. Mary Magdalene Episcopal Church, 1145 Seven Lakes Drive, Seven Lakes.
- SunFlix at the Sunrise -7:30 pm, St. Vincent, stars Bill Murray. Sunrise Theater, 250 NW Broad Street, Southern Pines.

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 9

- **Zumba Class** 10:30 to 11:30 am, free class, Seven Lakes Baptist Church, Hankins Family Life Center, 1015 Seven Lakes Drive.
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- Seven Lakes Kiwanis **Club** – lunch at 11:30, meeting begins at 12:05, Seven Lakes Country Club. Visitors welcome.
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- Foxfire Village Council -7 pm, meeting. at Foxfire Village Hall.
- SunFlix at the Sunrise -7:30 pm, St. Vincent, stars Bill Murray. Sunrise Theater, 250 NW Broad Street, Southern Pines.

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 10

- · Rosary at Our Lady of the Americas Church -8:50 am, 298 Market Rd. Biscoe, 974-3051.
- Seven Lakes Chapel in the Pines "Lunch Bunch" Christmas Luncheon noon, all single seniors are invited to attend in the Fellowship Hall. Susan Rush will provide the musical entertainment. Community members are welcome to come at 12:30 pm, for the entertainment. No cost for the meal. Call the Chapel office at 673-2156 for information.
- Gallery at Seven Lakes -1 - 4 pm, at St. Mary Magdalene Episcopal Church, 1145 Seven Lakes Drive, Seven Lakes.

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Nearly 40 years of steady business in West End

by Ellen MarcusTimes Reporter

Since 1975, Barney Cagle has sold tires and inspected cars in his little corner garage at the intersection of NC Highways 73 and 211 in West End

The old brick structure that houses Cagle's Auto Repair faces the intersection on the diagonal. On pretty sunny days, customers sit on the benches outside under the awning while they have their cars inspected, flats fixed, or new tires put on. In the winter, they can stand inside and warm themselves by the wood burning stove.

It's a good steady business, and Cagle services as many as twenty cars a day. It's a family affair: his daughter Delana and son-in-law Joshua Mabe help make repairs.

Granddaughter Rayleyn is not old enough to help, but is happy to coo and laugh on her grandfather's lap as Cagle takes a break and relaxes in the cool shade.

A Moore County native, Cagle spent his younger years working on his grandparent's farm. His grandfather hunted to provide game for his grandmother to cook.

Cagle reminisces about her home cooking, but he doesn't have time for hunting. In thirty-nine years, Cagle's Auto Repairs hasn't seen a lull in business.

"Stanley Furniture closed down, but I still keep busy," Cagle says. "I am in a good spot."

The traffic slows for the red traffic light. A car pulls in. The driver needs an inspection. "If we don't get them coming, we most likely will get them going," Cagle says.

It's a matter of fact: Inspections come a round one a year, and drive a car long enough and it will eventually need new tires.

Cagle hands off his grandbaby and walks back to the garage. In a few months, he will celebrate his fortieth year in business. By his fiftieth, Rayleyn might be ready to change her first tire.



Barney Cagle shows off his granddaughter Rayleyn Mabe

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White Christmas Fund

After twenty-six years, the Chapel in the Pines has renamed its Empty Stocking Fund. Henceforth, it will be called the "Community White Christmas Fund." The money collected will still be used for forty families who need additional support during the holiday season.

The Chapel has partnered with two Moore County Schools — West End Elementary and Robbins Elementary — to identify and choose the appropriate families.

In addition to receiving their gifts, as in the past, the recipients will be invited to the church Saturday, December 20, at 10 am, to attend a Christmas party. "Besides their presents, our guests will also enjoy a time of fun, food, and fellowship," said Cindy Holland, the Benevolence Committee Chairwoman.

"The source for the gifts is threefold: individual contributions, the Chapel's Benevolence Fund, and Seven Lakes' area businesses," Holland said.

"With the continuing and troubling local economic conditions, the need for aid has become urgent."

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Moore Philharmonic offers Winter Concert

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Complex invites the community to attend this free event featuring a concert by Fayetteville's own Coventry Carolers.

The Coventry Carolers will perform on the front porch of the Poe House at 1:30 and 3:30 pm.

The house will be elaborately decorated for a Victorian Christmas providing a beautiful backdrop for this festive event and will be open

between the caroling performances.

For more information about the museum, call 910-486-1330 or access www.museumofthecapefear.ncdcr.gov



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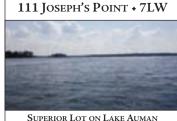
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OPINION

The many faces of retirement

Retirement has many faces. had a need for.

To some, it means the time to develop their latent talents, if any. To others, a chance to travel. To still others, the freedom to simply take life as it comes, without the stress of daily deadlines, conflicts on the job, and other irritations.

For retirees like myself, it's not what

we failed to accomplish up to this point in our lives, but what we can do to make the remaining years fulfilling that we should focus on.

There are choices facing

us. We can do what some of our ancestors did in the twilight of their lives and more or less vegetate on the front porch and, in essence, await death.

Or — and this is one of the most noteworthy phenomena in American society today we can look for missions to accomplish as many retiree's do these days, but in a way that's different from the way it was when we were in the work force.

Then, we were productive members of our communities by earning a living in exchange for providing a product or service that society

Now, there's no need for an exchange. We have something to give - time and sometimes talent - and we need nothing in return.

We can indulge ourselves and enjoy some of the things it has given us. The freedom that Americans enjoy imme-

Mason's -

Musings Mason Gould

diately comes to mind. Particularly, the benefits that resulted the struggles that many who came before us endured to establish that freedom and protect it for all of our citizens.

How can retiree's help repay society?

By coming forward with their experience, wisdom, talent, and enthusiasm to help solve - or alleviate some of the pressing problems we face in America today. All over the nation, there are skeleton staffs with meager budgets trying to provide desperately needed social

This is where retiree's can make a major contribution to the communities or areas in which they live. Thousands of volunteers in our state continue to make their mark. A large number are retiree's. But the need for more volunteers is, and will continue to be, acute.

Very few retired volunteers are in it because "it's the thing to do."

There has to be a better reason. That reason is simple: it's helping others. What a

wonderful way to be productive in retirement.

Enjoy your retirement. Do the things you always hoped to do, but didn't have the time during your working

But save some time to reach out beyond yourself. Society will be the better for

I'm reminded of a perky acquaintance in his late 60's living in my neighborhood. I said to him, "Well, you earned it. Are you going to take it easy now?"

"Oh, no," he replied. "I've got too many things to do. Life's just beginning!"

From 2005 or so until 2009, Mason Gould shared his gentle, thoughtful perspective on life with the readers of this newspaper. Mason died on October 31. Like most who knew him, we consider ourselves fortunate to have called him"friend," and fortunate to have been able to share him with our readers. – GH



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Commissioners

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than \$1 million to refurbish them, in order to not lose their antenna sites, which would have been hard to replace within the Village limits. New lease contracts were negotiated, and payments to Thinc ceased.

Thinc sued in federal district court, arguing that, under its original agreement with the county, it was entitled to continued payments based on the leases with the cellular companies.

The \$430,000 settlement and accompanying written agreement put an end to that legal action. Leland noted that the County continues to have revenue from the antenna leases that will more than cover the cost of the settlement.

MegaPark agreement approved

The Commissioners approved an interlocal agreement with Montgomery County and the Heart of North Carolina Megapark, Inc. that defines the roles of each in attempting to foster economic development by attracting large-scale businesses to the 3,000 acre site that sits astride the border between the two counties.

"Our main concern going in and, I think, the reason it has taken so long to get this approved is our concern that we not put Moore County taxpayer money into it," said Commissioner Nick Picerno, who is Vice Chairman of the MegaPark board."We need to give Pat [Corso] and Partners [in Progress] as many bullets in their gun as possible to pursue economic development for the coun-

Appeal of court rulings on same-sex marriage

The Commissioners approved, in a 4-0 vote, a resolution originally authored in Gaston County that lends support to an appeal of recent rulings in federal district court that, in effect, nullify the 2012 Marriage Protection Amendment to the NC Constitution.

In October, in two separate

decisions, federal district court judges rendered decisions that allow same-sex marriages in the state. Those decisions were based on an earlier decision by the Fourth Circuit Court of Appeals, which struck down a Virginia ban on same-sex marriage that is nearly identical to North Carolina's ban.

The resolution approved by the Commissioners notes that the NC ban was approved by more than 60 percent of voters.

"This is not a social issue to me," Chairman Larry Caddell said, explaining his support for the resolution. "This is a right to you and me as citizens."

Caddell told *The Times* after the meeting that he would support an appeal if the issue were reversed — that is, if a majority of North Carolinians had approved a constitutional

Bob Bierbaum

amendment allowing samesex marriage and a federal court had overturned that amendment.

"What I want to talk about is federal overreach," Commissioner Picerno said. Citing the Tenth Amendment to the US Constitution, he argued that the power to define marriage is not lodged with the federal government, but with the individual states.

"You, the people, have the right to a government that helps protect your rights," Picerno said, "not a government that creates new rights that you have to honor."

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In other business during their Tuesday, November 18 regular meeting, the Moore County Board of Commissioners:

• Held a public hearing on the County's application for

\$240,370 in FY 2016 Community Transportation Program funding from the NC Department of Transportation. The grant will require a \$36,056 local match.

- Approved a contract with Grace Paving with a not-toexceed value of \$60,000. The company will provide asneeded paving work related to the installation of water taps.
- Approved a five-year contract with Charles R. Underwood Inc. for water and sewer pump station electrical and mechanical repair. The contract is valued at \$65,000 in

FY2015 and \$85,000 in each of the succeeding years.

- Approved a set of mainly minor modifications to the Board of Commissioners' rules of procedure, which were last updated in 2008.
- Updated a 1993 resolution to place responsibility for designating a dog as "dangerous" with the Animal Operations Director, with the Board of Health serving as the appeals board in such
- Appointed Barbara Aldridge to the new Fire Commission.

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View magnificently decorated holiday tables, browse for handmade crafts, jams, jellies and more at the Coun- \$100 cash, donated by Filly

Get in the Christmas spirit try Store and local vendors' tables. A silent auction will include a selection of gift baskets, each containing a variety of items. Raffle tickets will be sold for \$1 each with prizes of cash and Gift Certificates.

For the first time this year a Peoples Choice award of & Colt's at Longleaf, will be given to the winning table.

Demonstrations include: Matt Hollyfield of The Shop on the Corner, table arrangements (1 pm); Bonnie Roberson, basket maker, How to weave a reed basket; Leonard Tufts, Chair Caning: Laurie Phillips, Color Me Beautiful; and Martin Brunner of The truffles.

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Caddell & Melton

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missioner who were not just colleagues, but friends.

Members of the county staff continued the accolades for Caddell and Melton as they presented items on the meeting agenda.

Planning Director Debra Ensminger thanked both for the respect that they had shown her — and for pushing her to apply for the job of

Planning Director.

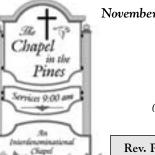
Public Utilities Director Randy Gould recalled working closely with Caddell and Melton — who served as the Commissioners two-man task force on water issues — in planing for the County's future water needs.

"You have made our department better and made Moore County a better place to work and live," Gould said.

County Attorney Misty Leland called Caddell "a man of many sayings and great wisdom." She called Melton "a humble and soft-spoken servant leader."

Newly-elected Commissioners Jerry Daeke and Katherine Graham — along with incumbent Commissioner Otis Ritter — will take the oath of office on Monday, December 1.

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Spanish Immersion students at WEE will continue to be taught primarily in

Spanish throughout their elementary school career, with an increasing portion of the day spent using English as they move up through the grades.

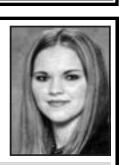
By the time students reach middle school, they spend twenty-five to thirty percent of their day in immersion classes.

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It's not Christmas without The Nutcracker

Taylor Dance welcomes the holiday season with its magical Nutcracker ballet, complete with snow swirling across the stage of Pinecrest's Lee Auditorium.

While children of all ages delight in the story of Clara, her prince, and their fairy-tale journey to the Land of the Sweets, it is with the ethereal snow scene at the end of the first act that Taylor Dance creates sheer fantasy. "The Snow Scene is the most magical in the Nutcracker," says Rita Taylor, Executive Director of Taylor Dance.

"Watching our dancers in the beauty of that moment, no one would know the backstage work required to accomplish the illusion. It's a combination of masterful scenery, subtle lighting, technical ingenuity, and physical strength."

The sets for Taylor Dance's Nutcracker were created by acclaimed designer Howard T. Jones, Director of the Scenic Art Program at the University of North Carolina School of the Arts. The snow scenery alone consists of an enormous hand-painted backdrop, four portals, and four removable legs. The lighting for the scene begins a wintry blue, but gradually warms to pink as Clara and her prince travel toward the fairytale Land of the Sweets on their gliding sleigh.

For attentive audience members, a mysterious glowing castle and road begin to appear as Clara travels further into her dream-like journey.

It is the snow falling on the stage, however, that elevates this fantasy moment. Just behind the proscenium, two huge bags of specially designed paper and plastic "snow" are suspended from the theater's trussing. "The real trick is to make it snow in a theater without a fly system," shares Taylor. While the dancers create the illusion of effortlessness on stage, four men simultaneously create the reality of snow through brute manipulation of rigging in the wings just off stage. Says Taylor, "It's really something to see from behind the scenes.'

The Nutcracker will be performed on Friday, November 28, at 7:30 pm, and Saturday and Sunday, November 29 and 30, at 2 pm at Pinecrest High School's Lee Auditorium. Advance tickets are available by cash or check through The Campbell House, 910-692-2787 (M-F, 9 am to 5 pm), or by credit card through Taylor Dance, 910-695-1320 (M-Th, 4-7 pm). An on-site box office opens at the theater one hour prior to each performance.



Taylor Dance mounts its annual production of The Nutcracker on Friday, November 28, at 7:30 pm, and Saturday and Sunday, November 29 and 30, at 2 pm at Pinecrest High School's Lee Auditorium. [Photo by Teri Blades]





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Lake management

Among the items on that agenda is the proposed renewal of a contract with Foster Lakes Management. The Lakes & Dams Committee has strongly recommended renewing the contract, but some Board members have suggested that the annual cost is an unnecessary expense.

Lakes & Dams Chair Dave Hill was only recently appointed to the Board of Directors, and is still getting his feet wet.

"I want to say I appreciate all the members of the Lakes and Dam Committee," Hill said during the Open Meeting. "They are knowledgeable and have experience. I would like for the Board to listen to them speak and be open minded when we go into session to discuss the Foster Lakes Contract."

"I came in late and am not familiar with it like they are," Hill said. "They can tell you the ins and outs of why and how we need it. I would like the Board to give them the opportunity to express their feelings about it too."

Second bocce court

For more than a year, the installation of a second bocce court has received a lot of talk and little action.

"The recreation committee has unanimously approved the extra bocce ball court," Director and Recreation Chair Mary Farley announced. "It was requested by the players, who have way too many players to play this game, and they need to expand."

"Hopefully, they will do this in a very short time. It has been recommended and unanimously approved by the recreation committee."

Pasture fence

The aging, rickety split rail fence around the SLLA horse pasture has recently been prone to failures, leading to escapes that put horses — and motorists — at risk.

After discussing different

fencing options with the Stable Manager Amanda Duggan, Farley said that the Recreation Committee was ready to recommend the installation of a new electric fence for the entire perimeter. It would be installed six inches behind the existing split rail fence.

"It would provide what is needed to keep the horses in while keeping both horses and people safe, which is our goal," Farley said.

The Architectural Review Board [ARB] voted against a similar concept in October, though no firm proposal was in hand at that time. ARB has expressed a strong preference for maintaining some sort of wooden fence along Seven Lakes Drive, be it split rail or paddock-style fence.

Farley also announced that Stable Manager Amanda Duggan has resigned.

"Her resignation is effective December 30th," Farley said. "We are sad to see her go and wish her well."

Christmas Party

The recreation committee has planned a Christmas Party on Sunday, December 14 at the North Clubhouse from 3:00 pm to 5:00 pm.

"We will have a little Christmas tree for the children to decorate," Farley said. "Everyone should bring an ornament."

"Also, Mr. and Mrs. Santa Claus are coming. There will be Christmas music, good food, and entertainment and should be a lot of fun." She also noted that a hardworking volunteer had collected more than a dozen door prizes to be given out.

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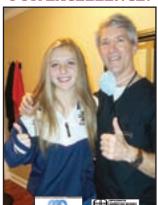


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the way things are going," he continued. "I am disappointed that we had to wait so long. Because of the availability of sub-contractors, we ran into problems."

"Once they started, it is amazing how fast they do the work there," Pierman said. "They start the work in the morning, and, by the afternoon, you can drive on

A pilot car was used to lead traffic around the active construction area, Pierman said.

"There was some hold-up — no more than you would expect, but the construction didn't impede traffic."

Living Fence

A new living fence has been planted along the border of Seven Lakes West, extending from BB&T past the truss plant, Treasurer Mercedes Herdrich reported.

During installation of the shrubs, which are expected to take two or three years to fill in to create a solid barrier, it was discovered that existing chain length fence did not extend as far as originally thought.

"We had to extend the

[chain link] fence to the property line," Herdrich said "We also had to cut through the nature trail and detour it 120 feet," Herdrich said. Resident Dan Lambert was thanked for his work on grooming the rerouted walking trail.

"It was all done this week," Herdrich said. "The new fence is now connecting to the property line. It was a surprise and took a big chunk of our fencing budget. But, if we had not continued the fencing, it would have left a big gap to where the shrubs existed."

Additional planting may be done along the West Side's border with Lucas Road, if an anticipated bid from the landscaping company Proscapes falls within the budget.

"We are waiting for the bid to see how much it will cost." Herdrich said. "We will go down Grace Court and hopefully use the same shrubs to finish that off, so that it will meet the regular fence. It should also keep some of the animal life out that has been going through that area."

New Year, New Budget

The proposed Fiscal Year 2015-2016 budget has been approved by the finance committee and is ready for the board's consideration. Herdrich announced. It will be

presented during the Tuesday, December 16 board meeting.

Director Chuck Watkins thanked the finance committee for their work in collecting from delinquent the finance committee."

"It's great to see the reduction of outstanding dues," he said. "To see that it is now under \$70,000 and headed down is exceptional; and I would like to thank

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Turning over the keys

The Board approved on first reading some changes to the rules and regulations recommended by the Architectural Review Committee [ARC] that aim to avoid a repeat of a recent situation in which a miscommunication allowed a homeowner to take possession of their home before receiving the Association's official Certificate of Completion.

The first motion was to amend ARC Standard 3.08 to make clear that the compliance application fee must be paid by the contractor with a contractor's check — not by the prospective homeowner.

"The ARC has run into how to best manage the construction process and encourage contractors to follow our standards and rules," ARC Director Dan Blue explained. "The reason for this separation is, it is easier to manage the contractor than dealing with a member."

The second motion made was to modify ARC Standard 6.08. Blue explained: "It is a simple clarification on an error in our current standards and says ARC will not issue its Certificate of Completion until such time as Moore County issues a Certificate of Occupancy."

The recommended change reads: "Upon successful completion of the Final Review by the ARC and receipt of the a copy of the Moore County Certificate of Occupancy the member or their representative will receive a Certificate of Completion issued in writing from the ARC, providing any outstanding fines have been paid and all work is completed to the satisfaction of ARC."

"It has been years since Moore County has respected the ARC Certificate of Completion, and this is to clean this up," Blue said.

The third amendment, to the ARC standard 7.04.2 – Landscaping after Occupancy, defined and broadened the standard, encouraging additions and or enhancements to existing landscaping within the owner's property lines rather than just the building envelope, as stated in the existing standard.

"The remainder of the rule remains same," Blue said.

Other business

In other business during

the Tuesday, November 18 meeting of the SLWLA Board:

• Director Mandy Goodman encouraged committees to share a brief biographical sketch of their members on the Association website. "It's nice to know who is doing what and their background," Goodman said.

- Mendence announced that the yard waste site will be closed Wednesday, November 26 through Saturday, November 29 for the Thanksgiving Holiday.
- Unwrapped children's gifts for Toy for Tots can be dropped off at the office.
- The Westside Holiday

Party is scheduled for Friday, December 5. Tickets may be purchased at the office.

- The Children's Holiday Party is scheduled for Saturday, December 6, from 2:00 pm to 4:00 pm. Santa will be on-site.
- Duane Coppeler was appointed to the ARC.









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This gorgeous lot combines 2.5 lots into one unbelievable property with 1.68 acres and over 200 feet of water frontage. Over \$200,000 of improvements include bulkhead, electric boat lift, outdoor kitchen with pergola, granite countertop, stove, and prep island. Cleared homesite, driveway, stone balcony, brick staircases.



126 Simmons Drive \$199,00

Lake Auman lakefront. Gently sloping. Beautiful wide water views. Lot beside this lot is also for sale wonderful chance to own over sized lakefront for your special house!



128 Simmons Drive \$199,000

Lake Auman lakefront. Gently sloping. Beautiful wide water views. Lot beside this lot is also for sale wonderful chance to own over sized lakefront for your special house!



126 Swaringen Drive \$395,000

Gorgeous wide water views —
eastern exposure for optimum
enjoyment of your late afternoon
entertainment — one of the best lots
on the lake! (.67 Acres)



128 Swaringen Drive \$375,000

Spectacular, wide-open water views. Site is perfect for walk out level. Eastern orientation for beautiful sunrises and cool shaded evenings on your deck! (.64 Acres)



107 Butterfly Court \$395,00

Enjoy wide water views from this wonderful waterfront lot on Lake Auman! Cul-de-sac location! The perfect spot to build your dream home!



Charming brick ranch w/front porch 3 BR / 2 BA 188 W. Devonshire Avenue



Seven Lakes West \$649,000
Gorgeous lakefront home w/wide water views
3 BR / 3.5 BA
109 Patman Court



Foxfire \$179,000 Lovely updated home on cul-de-sac 3 BR / 2 BA 3 Pine Ridge Court



Seven Lakes North \$219,900 Lovely lakefront home w/great updates! 3 BR / 2 BA 110 Fox Run Court



Seven Lakes West \$235,000
Beautiful all brick home w/great updates!
3 BR / 2.5 BA
287 Longleaf Drive



Seven Lakes West \$440,000 Custom home on wooded cul-de-sac 4 BR / 3 BA 109 Timber Ridge Court



Seven Lakes North \$198,000 Cute and affordable w/great living areas! 3 BR / 2 BA 129 Overlook Drive



Seven Lakes West \$224,500 Custom home w/stunning lake views! 3 BR / 2 BA 108 Sunrise Point



Seven Lakes North \$220,000 Updated home with a designer's touch! 3 BR / 2 BA 134 W. Devonshire Avenue



Seven Lakes West \$599,000 Custom water front home w/great views! 3 BR / 2.5 BA 121 Wertz Drive



Seven Lakes West \$251,000 Immaculate, cozy golf front cottage 3 BR / 2 BA



Seven Lakes West \$325,000

Beautiful golf front home overlooking pond

4 BR / 3 BA

230 Finch Gate Drive



Seven Lakes North \$279,500 Charming waterfront home on Lake Sequoia! 2 BR / 2.5 BA 105 Brown Bark Road



Seven Lakes West \$247,900 Beautiful home on wooded 1.26 acres! 3 BR / 2.5 BA 278 Lakeway Drive



Seven Lakes North \$375,000
Beautiful lakefront home w/great updates
3 BR / 3 BA
112 Overlook Drive



Seven Lakes West \$259,000 Recently renovated w/expansive lake views 3 BR / 3 BA 106 Sunrise Point



Seven Lakes North \$325,000
Beautiful lakefront home on large, serene lot
3 BR / 2 BA
175 Firetree Lane



Seven Lakes North \$165,000 Charming home w/large deck & private yard! 3 BR / 2 BA 136 E. Shenandoah Road

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