

Granite Falls Garden Club “Yard Of The Month” For May Awarded

GRANITE FALLS, NC (May 7, 2019) -- The Granite Falls Garden Club presented the May Yard Of The Month to home of Terry Lee on Lane Harbor Drive in Granite Falls. Terry has beautiful garden beds containing lupines, iris-es, coreopsis, hosta, purple clematis, candytuft, hydrangea plus eye catching additions of driftwood, birdhouses and metal art. The entire yard was delightful. The award was presented by members Debby Annas, Nora Jean Smith.



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Caldwell Journal Weather

Thursday (9th): Periods of sun; nice.
 High 78 Low 62
 Precipitation: 0.00 in.

Friday (10th): A t-storm in spots.
 High 78 Low 61
 Precipitation: 0.09 in.

Saturday (11th): A shower & t-storm around.
 High 73 Low 60
 Precipitation: 0.51 in.

Sunday (12th): Cloudy, t-storms possible.
 High 73 Low 53
 Precipitation: 0.42 in.

Monday (13th): Clouds & sun; pleasant.
 High 73 Low 42
 Precipitation: 0.00 in.

Tuesday (14th): Plenty of sunshine; beautiful.
 High 79 Low 48
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Wednesday (15th): Partly sunny.
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Teacher to Teacher – visiting teacher tells her story

LENOIR, NC (May 1, 2019) -- Sometimes hearing it from another teacher makes all the difference in the world and in this case, there is a world of difference in the learning environment, resources and expectations from this teacher's perspective.

Please join us in welcoming and hearing from Temwani Chilenga a teacher from Lilongwe, Malawi, who is visiting Davenport A+ School.

The Education Foundation is hosting a presentation with Temwani as the guest speaker on May 8, 3:00-5:00 pm at the Education Center in the Board Room.

More on Temwani:

Temwani and her students walk an average of 90 minutes to get to school. They are not fed breakfast or lunch. Sometimes a student dies of starvation.

They have no electricity. Temwani's link to the outside world is her phone, which is solar powered. Her students have never seen a television or watched a movie. Temwani is the guest of Carly Swartz, 3rd-grade teacher at Davenport, and her 3rd graders are learning about, "The Boy Who Harnessed the Wind." They are reading the children's book and learning about the boy who brought electricity to his area of Malawi after reading a book and salvaging parts for a windmill.

Since she's been here visiting in the Caldwell County Schools, Temwani is already touching lives and hearts!



Students compete in NC SkillsUSA competition

LENOIR, NC (May 1, 2019) -- As students successfully prepare for the workplace and learn employability skills through high school Career Technical Education (CTE) courses, they also have the opportunity to enter industry-designed competitions organized through SkillsUSA.

High school students at Hibriten, West Caldwell, South Caldwell and the Caldwell Career Center Middle College participated in the North Carolina SkillsUSA competition with 20 top 10 finishers and two state champions. Riley McNeil of South Caldwell finished first in Construction Estimating and Caleb Crisp, senior at WCHS, won the state championship in plumbing for the third consecutive year. Crisp will compete at the national SkillsUSA competition this summer in Louisville, Kentucky.

Congratulations to the following CTE students:

Caldwell Career Center Middle College:

Adobe Video Design - Garrett Lawrence - 4th place
American Spirit - Emori Lipford, Aaliyah Martin, and Caylan Johnson - 2nd place

Electronics Technology - Zackary Atkins - 2nd place
Engineering Technology & Design - Caleb Chucci, Dorian Honer, and Wesley Yates - 2nd place
Extemporaneous Speaking - Alan Clark - 5th place
Information Technology Services - Amber Atkins - 3rd place

Robotics: Urban Search & Rescue - Isaac Bast and Garrett Barlowe - 4th place

Television (Video) Production - Megan Conley and Jennifer Dominquez - 3rd place

Hibriten High School:

Maggie Willis - Job Interview Competition - 4th place

South Caldwell High School:

Trenton Johnson - Masonry Estimating - 3rd place
Riley McNeil - Construction Estimating - 1st place
Austin Teague - Construction Estimating - 5th place

West Caldwell High School:

Caleb Crisp - Plumbing - 1st Place
Luke Norris - Plumbing - 4th Place

Extension Master GardenerSM Volunteers show off the first harvest

LENOIR, NC (May 7, 2019) -- Extension Master GardenerSM Volunteers show off the first harvest of the season from the Unity Park Community Garden. A total of 11 lb 9 oz of lettuce, kale, and spinach was harvested. This was donated to Yokefellow and the Lenoir Soup Kitchen.

Master Gardener Volunteers partner with the City of Lenoir to manage the production beds to grow produce and for hands-on workshops. To learn more contact to Caldwell Extension Center or visit <http://caldwell.ces.ncsu.edu>



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Caldwell Journal Weekly Recipe Loaded Grilled Cauliflower

Ingredients

2 large heads cauliflower
1/4 c. extra-virgin olive oil
1/2 tsp. garlic powder
1/2 tsp. paprika
Kosher salt
Freshly ground black pepper
2 c. shredded cheddar
Ranch dressing, for drizzling
8 slices cooked bacon
2 tbsp. finely chopped chives

Instructions

Remove and discard leaves from each cauliflower head, then trim stem so that the cauliflower can lay flat on cutting board. (Leave the core intact!)

Cut each cauliflower into thick "steaks" about 3/4" thick. Reserve any loose florets to cook with the steaks. In a small bowl, whisk together olive oil, garlic powder, and paprika. Season mixture with salt and pepper.

Heat a grill or a grill pan to medium. Brush one side of each steak with olive oil mixture and place the brushed side down on a grill. Brush the top sides with olive oil mixture and cook until tender and charred in spots, about 8 minutes per side. Top each cauliflower with cheese and cook until melted.

Toss extra florets in the olive oil mixture and grill, turning often, until charred and tender, about 6 minutes.

Drizzle cauliflower with ranch then sprinkle cooked bacon and chives on top.



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New Hoods for City of Hickory Firefighters

HICKORY, NC (May 2, 2019) -- What do you wear when you go to work? For firefighters to be effective, they must be properly equipped. That means boots, pants, coats, helmet, gloves, and hoods. More than ever before, firefighting hoods are being developed to be a key component of standard firefighting gear. Hickory firefighters have worn hoods for years but recently have acquired "Particulate Hoods". These hoods not only provide thermal protection on the particularly sensitive head, face and neck areas of a firefighter's body, but also potentially carcinogen-carrying soot and other particles can collect in significant quantities in these areas.

There are many chemicals in today's fire environment, and some include polycyclic aromatic hydrocarbons (PAHs).

These known carcinogens are absorbed through the skin at rates of 20% to 56%, with faster absorption for thinner skin, such as the neck. Skin absorption increases up to 400% with each 5 degree increase in skin temperature.

Chief Hutchinson said "Recent statistics and studies show the number of firefighters dying of cancer has skyrocketed since 1950. The Firefighter Cancer Support Network (FFCSN) notes that there is a cancer epidemic among firefighters. Our goal has always been safety and with the implementation of these newer hoods, we will hopefully better protect our firefighters."

Interesting Fact: Did you know? In year's past, North Carolina State University's Textile Protection and Comfort Center received funding from the Assistance to Firefighter Grants program to improve understanding of the effects of particulate-blocking materials on the performance attributes of firefighter protective hoods. This research program (and others like it) seeks to further contribute to both the short-term effectiveness and long-term safety of firefighters in the evolution of protective barrier hoods and the rest of firefighters' turnout gear.

Caldwell Hospice Volunteers Honored At Annual Banquet

LENOIR, NC (May 1, 2019) -- Caldwell Hospice and Palliative Care recently honored its volunteers with a "Volunteers are Eggstravagant"-themed banquet at The Jack & Shirley Robbins Center in Hudson. Approximately 200 people attended the annual appreciation event, which included dinner, entertainment by Blackberry Jam and a recognition ceremony.

A number of volunteers were recognized for years of service to Caldwell Hospice, including six long-time supporters who together have given a combined 150 years of service to the organization. Betty Brown and Peg Broyhill were both recognized for 35 years of service; and Marlene Alexander, Marti Kardol, Gloria Reese, and Sadie Woods for 20 years of service each.

Caldwell Hospice volunteers contributed 10,633 hours of service during the 2017-18 fiscal year, accepted 268 patient and family assignments, and presented 58 Veterans Honoring Veterans ceremonies.

"Our volunteers offered many other kindnesses that aren't captured in a report and can't be quantified. We are so grateful to all the volunteers who work tirelessly for our patients and families all year long," said Volunteer Coordinator Cyndi Akins. "We could not provide the level of service that we do without them."

More than 275 volunteers (including adults and volunTEENs) assist with clerical duties, patient-and-family visits, special projects, yard work, or whatever is asked of them. For information or to register for Caldwell Hospice's next adult volunteer training sessions, scheduled for June 17 and 19, call 828.754.0101 or email cakins@caldwellhospice.org.



Upcoming Caldwell Senior Center Events

Friday, May 10

If you enjoy making crafts, there is a FREE class offered by the Senior Crafters at the Caldwell Senior Center on May 10th at 2:00pm. They create different kinds of beautiful handmade items and would love to expand their group that meets every Tuesday morning at 10:00am. To register for the May 10th class or for more information, call 758-2883. The Caldwell Senior Center is a United Way participating agency.

Tuesday, May 14

The Alzheimer's Association will present a FREE program called "Healthy Living for your Brain and Body" on May 14th at 3:00pm. These education programs teach participants about the disease and coping strategies for persons with dementia and their caregivers. This program will focus on how lifestyle choices affect your brain. Please call 758-2883 to register. Caldwell Senior Center is a United Way participating agency.

Friday, May 17

The Better Breather's Club® will meet on May 17th at 11:00am at the Satie & J.E. Broyhill Caldwell Senior Center. This is a local support group that offers patient-centered, and community-based educational opportunities to persons with chronic lung diseases especially COPD, but also asthma, idiopathic pulmonary fibrosis [IPF], lung cancer and other chronic lung diseases. Family, friends and support persons are welcome. Volunteers facilitate the groups and work with a Lung Association staff member to provide the service. Please register at (828) 758-2883. The Caldwell Senior Center is a United Way of Caldwell County Agency.

Friday, May 17

Do you know the impact Polio had on the people of Western NC? Dan Kirby will offer this FREE program on May 17th at 1:00pm at the Caldwell Senior Center. He will talk about his journey after contracting Polio in 1944 and share a video of how people came together to save their children from this devastating outbreak. Please register at (828) 758-2883. The Senior Center is a United Way of Caldwell County Agency.

Tuesday, May 21

Are you new to Medicare? The Caldwell Senior Center is offering a Medicare 101-The Basics class on May 21st at 3:00pm. Please register at 758-2883. The Caldwell Senior Center is a United Way participating agency.

Friday, May 24

Cynthia Harmon, Hard of Hearing Services Specialist for the NC Division of the Services for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing, will be at the Senior Center on May 24th at 10:00am to present a FREE program called "What Caregivers Need to Know About Hearing Loss". She will teach caregivers to recognize signs of hearing loss, head find services, overcome safety risks, support hearing aid users and improve communication. Assistive listening devices will be discussed and available to use. Please call (828) 758-2883 to register. The Caldwell Senior Center is a United Way participating agency.

Friday, May 31

The Caldwell Senior Center is having a yard sale to raise money for the operating costs of the center on May 31st (7:00am-4:00pm) - June 1st (7:00am-1:00pm). Donations of sale items will be accepted from May 20th-30th (Mon.-Fri. 9am-5pm). No clothing will be accepted. Call 758-2883 with questions. The Caldwell Senior Center is a United Way participating agency.

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Caldwell Hospice Offers Finding Your Way through Grief

LENOIR, NC (May 6, 2019) -- Grief is a natural reaction to the death of people who matter to us. It can be exhausting and overwhelming but there is help available. Grief and its many facets will be the topic of discussion at an upcoming workshop by Caldwell Hospice and Palliative Care.

Finding Your Way Through Grief will be held from 6 to 7:30 p.m., Monday, May 13, at Ashewood Grief and Counseling Services, 1002 Ashe Ave., NW, Lenoir. This presentation provides an overview of the grief process, common responses to grief and suggestions for self-care. The workshop is open to anyone grieving the loss of a loved one regardless of how long ago. Individuals in the community who would like to learn more about grief are also welcome to attend. Facilitated by Chaplain John Robbins, MDiv, BCCC.

Caldwell Hospice is committed to providing grief support services to anyone who needs and wants help in coping with their grief, including those with no hospice affiliation. As such, this workshop is one of many grief services made possible through the generous support of the community.

For more information about Finding Your Way Through Grief or other grief support services, or to register, contact Bereavement Coordinator Kimberly Setzer, MSW, LCSW, at 828.754.0101, 1.844.MY.JOURNEY, or ksetzer@caldwellhospice.org, Learn more at www.caldwellhospice.org or Facebook.



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FCW Open House

GRANITE FALLS, NC (May 7, 2019) -- FCW will have an Open House on Friday, May 10, 4-9PM and Saturday, May 11, 10AM-6PM. Though visitors are welcome any time, at the Open House's there is food, tours, activities, and demonstrations. Invite friends and come out to see progress since the fire. This event is free and open to the public.

Foothills Community Workshop (FCW) is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization composed of people who enjoy making things. We are a Makerspace / Hackerspace for the North Carolina Foothills. For more information on Makerspaces / Hackerspaces in general, go to <https://www.makerspaces.com> or <http://hackerspaces.org>

FCW has the people, equipment, tools and resources to help you with projects involving Science, computers, technology, woodworking, electronics, metal working, digital or electronic art, robotics, models and other areas. We meet, socialize, collaborate, teach and build.

We hold classes for the community and learn from each other.

Our shops and space are available to members 24/7. Conveniently located in Granite Falls, North Carolina.

<https://www.granitefallsnc.com/>

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Current shops/areas include: a CNC machine shop; a woodworking shop; an electronics shop; a Ham Radio station (K4FCW); a model shop; a model railroad; a lounge area; Science Center, and a classroom. Our current membership is skilled in analog and digital electronics, woodworking, machining (both CNC and manual), construction, computer hardware, programming, robotics, model making, mask and costume making.

Additional equipment includes: welders, 3D printers, laser cutters, CNC wood routers, and HO and O scale model railroads.

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Reality store introduces real world scenarios

LENOIR, NC (May 2, 2019) -- Students in eighth grade are thinking about careers, financial security, and household responsibilities, topics reserved typically for young adults, but during the Reality Store, students walk through a simulation of outcomes introduced by their own career choices, expenditures, and goals in life.

"This is an interactive experience for every eighth-grade student to explore career options and to see what the future holds when a decision is made," said Dr. Donald Phipps, Superintendent.

Middle school students face real-world scenarios at the Reality Store, when teachers, community and business volunteers, as well as high school students, are assigned to different stations that represent banking, transportation, housing, family, or other areas that may affect financial stability. Students draw a salary based on a specific career and manage basic living expenses for themselves and a family.

Phipps said, "During the exercise, students get an unexpected life event, and they must discover whether their occupation provides the financial security needed in order to sustain the lifestyle they want. Even the best-laid plans sometimes go awry. Students are then required to reevaluate their situation and to find the best solution – just like real-world financial problem solving."

The Reality Store is an annual event sponsored by Communities in Schools in partnership with the Caldwell County Schools.

Student wins statewide poetry & art contest

LENOIR, NC (May 1, 2019) -- Rylee Carter, an eighth-grade student at Collettsville School, won 1st place in the Original Art Category 1 (Middle Division 6-8) in North Carolina's Career Development Month Poetry & Art Contest sponsored by the North Carolina Career Development Association (NCCDA).

The congratulatory letter to Carter said that "You are among a select few of North Carolina citizens who have demonstrated superior abilities in poetry writing and visual arts in this year's contest."

Carter's state-winning entry has been submitted to the National Career Development Association's Career Development Month Poster & Art contest and will be judged in the national competition. National winners will be announced late spring 2019.

Carter received a certificate of recognition and will be recognized by the Board of Education at the School Board meeting in May.

NCCDA letter of recognition to Carter said, "Through it, you have created a wonderful example of this year's contest theme, Using Careers to Break Barriers, Empower Lives & Achieve Equity."

Widow Of Fallen State Trooper Presented Replica Badge

RALEIGH, NC (May 2, 2019) -- During a memorial service to honor fallen law enforcement across the state, a special presentation was made to Mrs. Margaret Padgett, the widow of a fallen state trooper.

While on a recent shopping trip at a Leland Walmart, Padgett's wallet was stolen out of her shopping cart which carried a patrolman badge once worn by her husband, Paul Winifred Smith. A WWII decorated war hero, Smith joined the Patrol in 1947 and was assigned to Stanley County. Shortly after reporting, he was involved in a single vehicle collision in 1948 where he succumbed to his injuries.

Since his untimely death, Margaret carried his shirt badge with her, in honor of her fallen husband and his service to North Carolina. Thousands have taken to social media attempting to spread the unfortunate news of the theft in hopes the missing family heirloom would be returned safely.

Today, Colonel Glenn McNeill Jr. along with Major Daryl Conley presented Mrs. Padgett with a replica badge in an attempt to offer closure while the search for the original badge continues. An inscription on both the original and replica badge reflects 'Paul W. Smith EOW 05-27-48'.

Authorities from both the Leland Police Department and the State Highway Patrol are requesting the public's assistance in locating the original badge. Anyone with information can contact Leland P.D. or their local State Highway Patrol office.



Climb Sugar Mountain Saturday, July 6 for Fun

SUGAR MOUNTAIN SKI RESORT, NC (Friday, May 3, 2019) -- Run, hike, climb, or crawl as fast as you can to Sugar Mountain's 5,300-foot peak by way of the Easy Street, Gunther's Way, and Northridge slopes on Saturday, July 6, when Sugar Mountain Resort hosts its third annual Summit Crawl.

Register online, by fax, phone, or snail mail until 4:00 pm, Friday, July 5 or in person until 9:30 a.m., Saturday, July 6. Entry fee includes a t-shirt and downhill transportation on the Summit Express lift. The start whistle blows at 10 a.m. for all categories.

Top finishers in each category win medals and prizes ranging from Merrell, Alpine Ski Center, Ski Country Sports, to Tweetsie Railroad. And for those who cross the mile-high finish line, complimentary water and fruit, sponsored by Lowes Foods, and a chance to win a winter season pass await.

The Summit Express chairlift operates from 10 a.m. until 6 p.m. and The Rockabillys jam from 11 a.m. until 2 p.m. Quench your thirst and satisfy your hunger with food and refreshments in the base lodge from 11 a.m. until 3 p.m. At some point between 10 a.m. and 6 p.m. visit Sugar Mountain Sports.

For more information call 800-SUGAR-MT or visit the webpage.

Granite Fall business robbed

GRANITE FALLS, NC (May 3, 2019) -- On Thursday, May 2, 2019 at approximately 9:32 pm, the Granite Falls Police Department received a panic alarm at Al's Gameroom located at 4075 Hickory Boulevard in Granite Falls. While Officers were responding to the business, the Caldwell County Sheriff's Office received a 911 call from the clerk stating that she had been robbed.

The clerk, Dolly Rodriquez, let two black males into the business and as she was walking away from the door, they followed her. The clerk wears a firearm on her waist while working. One of the males grabbed her gun and a struggle ensued. During the struggle for the gun, Dolly was pushed to the floor and the suspect was able to get her gun. The other black male produced another gun and they ordered her to give them the money.

The two males left the business in a vehicle with an undisclosed amount of money. The clerk was checked by EMS on scene and she was not transported to the hospital. The incident is still under investigation.

If anyone has any information about this incident, please contact Sergeant Rick Lail at lail@granitefallspolicenc.com or 828-396-3358.

Granite Falls High School Alumni Reunion Held

GRANITE FALLS, NC (May 8, 2019) -- Former Granite Falls High School students and teachers held their 6th Annual Dining with the Demons on Saturday, May 4, 2019 at the Caldwell County Fairgrounds. The event featured a potluck lunch, Pledge to the American Flag, recognition of military veterans, an invocation, a drawing for door prizes, and a live Facebook stream for persons who could not attend. Participants also brought 800 pounds of non-perishable food and \$300 in cash to be distributed to Pay It Forward Pantry and South Caldwell Christian Ministries. In addition, GFHS Blue Demons donated 40 pounds of hygiene products to SCCM.

The reunion was financed by donations, on site sales of raffle tickets, and online sales of DWTD logo apparel purchased prior to the event. Persons who missed the sale of apparel will be able to purchase t-shirts and sweatshirts online through midnight May 28, 2019 by going to <https://gfhsalumni.itemorder.com>. Additional sales will benefit the 7th DWTD scheduled for Saturday, May 2, 2020.

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