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# Caldwell Journal

## Caldwell Journal Weather

**Thursday (20th):** A damaging pm t-storm.  
 High 82 Low 62  
 Precipitation: 0.15 in.

**Friday (21st):** Mostly sunny; pleasant.  
 High 85 Low 62  
 Precipitation: 0.00 in.

**Saturday (22nd):** An am t-storm in the area.  
 High 85 Low 65  
 Precipitation: 0.12 in.

**Sunday (23rd):** A shower & t-storm around.  
 High 85 Low 65  
 Precipitation: 0.15 in.

**Monday (24th):** Sunny to partly cloudy.  
 High 90 Low 65  
 Precipitation: 0.00 in.

**Tuesday (25th):** A shower & t-storm around.  
 High 88 Low 60  
 Precipitation: 0.25 in.

**Wednesday (26th):** Partly sunny; pleasant.  
 High 89 Low 62  
 Precipitation: 0.00 in.

## Pottery classes at Lenoir High School

LENOIR, NC (June 17, 2019) -- Did you know that you can throw, finish, and fire pottery in Downtown Lenoir? Caron Baker teaches a pottery class on Monday's at the Lenoir High School Gym. "You do not have to be artistic to become a potter," Baker said. "You just need a willingness to learn and get your hands dirty." Baker welcomes new students on the first Monday of the month. Beginner and experienced students can learn new techniques at a relaxed pace. Students have access to potter's wheels, slab rollers, extruders, kilns, glazes, and all the tools they need to create a masterpiece. Classes are held Mondays from 12:30 to 3:00 pm and 5:30 to 8:00 pm in the basement of the Lenoir High School Gymnasium, 1128 College Ave. The class costs \$50.00 per month and \$15.00 for a 25-pound bag of clay. For more information, visit: [www.cityoflenoir.com/potteryclass](http://www.cityoflenoir.com/potteryclass) or call 828-758-0897.

## Furman University tenor Bergsvein Toverud wins top prize at national competition

GREENVILLE, SC (June 19, 2019) -- Bergsvein Toverud, a 2019 Furman University music education graduate, has won first prize in the Advanced Classical Division at the Classical Singer Competition, which took place recently in Chicago, Illinois.

Toverud, of Lenoir, North Carolina, prevailed through several rounds (state, national second round, and semi-finals) before being chosen as one of four to matriculate to finals, where he bested students from the nation's most prestigious conservatories and schools of music.

Said Toverud, "It's exciting to win a competition, but winning is second to the pursuit of musical excellence. My drive as a musician comes from a reverence of the art and the intense human expression that music carries."

Last summer, Toverud was a finalist and winner at the National Association of Teachers of Singing Competition in Las Vegas, Nevada.

While at Furman, he studied voice with Associate Professor of Music Grant Knox, who said, "This award is quite an accomplishment, not only for Bergsvein, but for the entire Furman Department of Music."

Active in many aspects of the music program, Toverud sang Ralph Rackstraw in "H.M.S. Pinafore" and the Witch in "Hansel and Gretel" with Furman Lyric Theatre, directed by Knox. He was a featured soloist in numerous concerts with the Furman Symphony Orchestra and was a member of both the Furman Singers and Furman Chamber Choir.

Toverud was the recipient of the DuPre Rhame Scholarship and the Hartness Scholarship at Furman. Outside of the department, Toverud held the Herring Church Music Internship at First Baptist Church in Greenville.

Toverud will continue his studies in vocal performance this fall at the Eastman School of Music, where he has received a substantial merit award and graduate teaching fellowship.



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### Hudson Dinner Theatre Auditions for Bright Star Announced

HUDSON, NC (June 18, 2019) — The Town of Hudson announces auditions for their fall musical, Bright Star. The auditions will be held Monday and Tuesday, July 8th and 9th at 7:00 PM in the HUB Station Auditorium, 145 Cedar Valley Road, Hudson, NC.

Bright Star is based on a true event and is set in western North Carolina in 1946, with flash backs to the 1920s. It has beautiful acoustical/bluegrass/folk music and weaves a story of redemption and renewed hope. The show was written by Steve Martin and Edie Brickell and was nominated for a Tony on Broadway. The production will run October 17th, 18th, 19th, 24th, 25th and 26th. Rehearsals will begin in late August.

There are parts for 4 women, ages 22 – 65 and 9 men, ages 22 – 70, as well as an ensemble. Those who audition need to bring a prepared song, and be ready to read from the script. There will also be some dance moves and rhythm exercises. For more information, please call Director Keith Smith at 728-8272.

### Upcoming Events At Christ United Lutheran Church

#### **What: 9-Week Study on the Book of Jeremiah**

Where: Christ United Lutheran Church

When: June 23 for 9 weeks at 9:30 a.m./ Sundays

Details: 9-week study-Materials furnished

Cost: Free

Address: 4681 Grace Chapel Road, Granite Falls

Contact: Pastor Heidi Punt 815-883-4883

Website: [www.christunitedlutheranchurch.org](http://www.christunitedlutheranchurch.org)

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Where: Christ United Lutheran Church

When: June 23 for 9 weeks at 9:30 a.m./ Sundays

Details: 9-week study-Materials furnished

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#### **What: Vacation Bible School**

Where: Christ United Lutheran Church

When: July 21-26 6:00 p.m.-8:30 pm.

Details: Theme: "Super Hero's"

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## Caldwell Journal Weekly Recipe Italian Sausage Stuffed Zucchini

### Ingredients

4 large zucchini, halved lengthwise

2 tsp. extra-virgin olive oil

4 links chicken sausage links, thinly sliced

1/2 c. Italian breadcrumbs

3/4 c. shredded mozzarella

1/2 c. shredded fontina

2 cloves garlic, minced

1/4 c. chopped fresh basil

### Instructions

Preheat oven to 350 degrees F. Score zucchini (like you're dicing an avocado) and scoop out insides into a large bowl.

In a large skillet over medium heat, heat oil. Add chicken sausage and cook until seared, 6 minutes.

Transfer to a large bowl and add breadcrumbs, 1/2 cup mozzarella, fontina, garlic, and basil.

Spoon mixture into zucchini and top with remaining 1/4 cup mozzarella.

Bake until zucchini is tender and cheese golden, 15 minutes.



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## Fox Sightings Rise as Kit-Rearing Season Peaks

RALEIGH, NC (June 19, 2019) -- Seeing foxes during the day recently? If so, it is likely because kit-rearing season is peaking. Young foxes, called kits or pups, are maturing and spending more time outside of the den, making sightings more likely.

For homeowners and others concerned about foxes and their kits being too close for comfort, biologists with the N.C. Wildlife Resources Commission advise them to remove all food attractants from around a home and to use non-lethal deterrents to encourage foxes to leave on their own.

"This time of year people are seeing families of foxes roaming around, exploring their environment," said Falyn Owens, the Commission's extension biologist. "And while seeing foxes, even during the daytime, is usually no cause for concern, we understand that most people don't necessarily want a family of foxes living so close to them."

Owens recommends the following tips to keep foxes from making a home near your home:

- Never intentionally feed foxes; doing so rewards them for coming near humans. This can lead to habituation, where a wild animal loses its natural fear of humans, and in some cases may become bold or aggressive.
- Feed pets indoors or remove all food and dishes when your pet is finished eating outside. Foxes and other wildlife are attracted to pet food left outdoors.
- Secure garbage in containers with tight-fitting lids and take them out the morning of pick-up rather than the night before.
- Keep bird-feeder areas clean and use bird feeders that keep seed off the ground. Removing bird feeders entirely may be necessary if fox sightings are frequent.
- Clear fallen fruit from around trees.
- Close off crawl spaces under sheds, porches, decks, and homes so foxes, and other wildlife, can't use those areas for resting or raising young.
- Install fox-proof fencing around home, chicken coop, or rabbit pen to protect unsupervised domestic pets and poultry.

It is illegal to relocate foxes in North Carolina, in part to prevent the unintentional spread of diseases. Homeowners should try non-lethal deterrents to make foxes uncomfortable enough to want to leave on their own.

Owens suggested placing a flashlight or spotlight on the ground and pointed toward the den entrance. Another suggestion is to play a radio on a talk show station, 24 hours a day, 7 days a week until the foxes are gone.

"Yelling, banging pots or using other noise-making devices, such as airhorns and whistles, may be enough to scare foxes away," Owens said.

Not everyone, though, wants to scare away foxes. Leaving a fox den alone is an option for homeowners, as long as they stay away from the den site, leave the kits alone, walk pets on a leash, and teach children to enjoy wildlife from a safe distance.

North Carolina is home to two species of foxes: the gray fox and the red fox. The gray fox is the state's only native fox species; red foxes were originally imported from Europe. They are both relatively small canids, standing between 12 to 16 inches high at the shoulder and weighing between 7 to 15 pounds – much smaller than an average-size Labrador Retriever.

Both species are found throughout the state, including in urban areas and suburbs. As with other wildlife species, foxes are very adaptable to changes in habitat and often see residential areas as excellent places to forage for food and raise their young.

Foxes only use a den while raising their young, so once the kits are old enough to fend for themselves, usually by mid to late summer, they will abandon the den and move on.

If foxes are causing property damage and non-lethal methods have been ineffective, additional removal options are available. For more information, read the Commission's "Coexisting with Foxes" handout.

For questions regarding human interactions with foxes or other wildlife, visit [ncwildlife.org/Have-A-Problem](http://ncwildlife.org/Have-A-Problem) or call the Commission's N.C. Wildlife Helpline toll-free at 866-318-2401. The call center is open Monday through Friday (excluding holidays) from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.



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## Amateur Radio Holds Public Demo of Emergency Communications - June 22 & 23

LENOIR, NC (June 18, 2019) -- Despite modern communications -- Internet, cell phones, and email, every year whole regions of the country find themselves in the dark. Tornadoes, fires, storms, ice and even the occasional cutting of fiber optic cables leave people without the means to communicate. In these cases, the one consistent service that has never failed has been Amateur Radio. In Caldwell County, amateur radio operators provide emergency communications for the Caldwell County Emergency Operations Center, the American Red Cross, and others. The Lenoir Amateur Radio Club "hams" will join with over 40,000 other Amateur Radio operators nationwide in showing their emergency capabilities at Field Day 2019 to be held at Redwood Park, 470 Redwood St, Hudson NC. The event begins at 2:00 pm, Saturday June 22 and continues for 24 hours -- through the night and wee hours of the morning--until 2:00 pm, Sunday June 23. The public is invited to come see ham radio's capabilities and disaster readiness as well as have a look at the Club's Communication and Antenna trailers that can be deployed when needed.

Over the past year, the news has been full of reports of ham radio operators providing critical communications during unexpected emergencies in towns across America, including flooding, wildfires, winter storms, and other events. When trouble is brewing, amateur radio operators are often the first to provide rescuers with critical information and communications. "The fastest way to turn a crisis into a total disaster is to lose communications," said Thomas Land, President of the Lenoir Amateur Radio Club. "Our local hams work closely with Caldwell County Emergency Management and area Skywarn to be ready to provide the most reliable communications in the first critical hours of an event. Because ham radios are not dependent on the Internet, cell towers or other infrastructure, they work when nothing else is available. All our support is free to the served agencies."

In addition to emergency situations, the Lenoir Amateur Radio Club provides communications support for many local public events such as bike races, festivals, and run/walks.

Amateur Radio is a lifetime hobby as well as a critical resource during emergency situations. Entire families are getting their amateur radio licenses so that they will be able to communicate should an emergency event impact their community. Amateur radio skills transfer into employment in the electronics and communications workforce. Come out and get on the air with the help of a local ham and learn how to get your amateur radio license.



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**15th Annual Wildlife in N.C. Magazine Photo Competition Now Accepting Entries**

RALEIGH, N.C. (June 19, 2019) – The N.C. Wildlife Resources Commission will accept entries to its 15th annual Wildlife in North Carolina Photo Competition until 5 p.m., Sept. 1, 2019. Entries can be submitted at [ncwildlife.org/contest](http://ncwildlife.org/contest) and past winners can be viewed on the Commission's website.

The contest is open to amateur and professional photographers of all ages, except for employees of the Commission, the N.C. Museum of Natural Sciences and their immediate families (children, siblings and spouses).

Entrants must be either current magazine subscribers or younger than 18 years old. The Commission will only accept online entries — no slides, negatives or prints will be accepted by mail. Entrants may submit a maximum of two photos per category, and each photo must be in JPEG format and no larger than 2 megabytes each.

Only photographs taken in North Carolina since Sept. 15, 2015 are eligible for the competition.

The categories are:

- Birds
- Invertebrates
- Mammals
- Reptiles and Amphibians
- Animal Behavior
- Outdoor Recreation
- Wild Landscapes
- Wild Plants and Fungi
- Youth Photographer: Any of the above subjects, shot by photographers ages 13-17.
- Youth Photographer: Any of the above subjects, shot by photographers age 12 and younger.

Photos of captive native animals are allowed, but photos of animals that are both captive and non-native to North Carolina will not be accepted. No pets or domestic animals will be accepted, except animals participating with people in an outdoor activity, such as hunting dogs or horses with riders.

Entries will be judged by a panel comprising staff from the Commission and the N.C. Museum of Natural Sciences, as well as professional wildlife photographers. The grand prize winner will have his or her photo published on the cover of the January/February 2020 issue of Wildlife in North Carolina and will receive a check for \$200. All winning photographs will be published in the magazine and exhibited at the N.C. Museum of Natural Sciences in Raleigh. Winners will also receive a print of their winning entry from JW Image Company. First place in all categories pays \$100; second place, \$75; and third place, \$50.

Wildlife in North Carolina is published bimonthly by the Commission in both print and electronic formats. Subscribers to the magazine enjoy exceptional color photography and articles on hunting, fishing, natural areas, wildlife research and the state's environment in every issue. Subscribers also receive spring and fall outdoor guide special editions, with the latest hunting, fishing and sportsman information.

**Free summer meals for children and teens**

LENOIR, NC (June 14, 2019) -- Summer break is an exciting and relaxing time for students, but it becomes a worry for some children who are part of the 58% who qualify for free or reduced priced meals during the school year.

"Over the summer months, many children are at risk of hunger at home, which makes them more likely to experience a health or cognitive issue," said Child Nutrition Director Guy Garner. "The beauty of the Summer Feeding Program is that parents are not required to fill out any paperwork. Meals are free all summer long and are available to all children who show up at the site."

When schools are closed in the summertime, the Child Nutrition Department continues to support students' nutritional needs by offering a Summer Meals Program at eight different locations throughout the county. These meals are free to all children 18 years and under, and no registration is required.

The Summer Meals Program is supported by the U.S. Department of Agriculture, which provides funding for free summer meals to all children throughout the state. The summer program is similar to the School Lunch Program, but parents are not required to complete a qualifying application for free and reduced priced meals before receiving services.

Food served at the sites meet the USDA guidelines, and the sites have already opened. The following sites are operational Monday through Friday, from June 10 through August 16. All sites are closed the week of July 4th holiday from July 1-5.

Also, students enrolled in the Caldwell County Schools Summer Reading Camp, Rising Stars for entering kindergarten students, and the Summer WrapAround Program are provided breakfast and/or lunch at school during the summer months. **Complete Schedule On Page 13**



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### Lenoir Police Department make drug related arrests

LENOIR, NC (June 19, 2019) -- On June 18th, 2019 at 9:36 am the Lenoir Police Department's Narcotics Unit served a search warrant at 118 Carolina Drive Lenoir, NC. While conducting the search of the residence investigators found and seized 2.7 grams of methamphetamine, 0.1 grams of heroin, and various articles of drug paraphernalia. According to North Carolina State guidelines, the seized drugs were valued at \$430.00.

Mario Lee Garcia, Alysia Annette Taylor, and Carl Gabriel Coffey Jr. were arrested at the scene. Mario Garcia was charged with 1 count of Felony Manufacture, Sell, or Deliver Controlled Substance within 1000 feet of a School, 1 count of Felony Possession with Intent to Manufacture, Sell, or Deliver Methamphetamine, and 1 count of Misdemeanor Possession of Drug Paraphernalia. Alysia Taylor was charged with 1 count of Felony Possession of Methamphetamine, 1 count of Felony Possession of Heroin, and 1 count of Misdemeanor Possession of Marijuana up to 1/2 Ounce. Carl Coffey Jr. was charged with 1 count of Felony Maintaining a Vehicle/ Dwelling for the Purpose of Controlled Substance and 1 count of Felony Possession of Methamphetamine. All three subjects received a \$100,000.00 secured bond and an initial court date of 06/20/2019.

These arrests are the result of a month-long investigation. More charges may be forthcoming. Anyone with information relating to this or any other crime is asked to contact Crime Stoppers at 758-8300 or the Lenoir Police Department at 757-2100.



### Motorcycle Fatality near Milepost 355 along the Blue Ridge Parkway

BURNSVILLE, NC (June 15, 2019) -- On Saturday, June 15, 2019, at approximately 12:15 p.m., Blue Ridge Parkway dispatchers received a report of a single vehicle crash involving a motorcycle near the entrance to Mt. Mitchell State Park at Milepost 355 on the Blue Ridge Parkway.

When rangers and local rescue crews arrived on scene CPR was already in progress. Those efforts were unsuccessful, and the driver succumbed to his injuries. The operator of the motorcycle was identified as Bryant Chandler, age 60, of Columbia, South Carolina.

Preliminary investigations indicate that Chandler was traveling southbound with a group of other riders who were going to Mt. Mitchell State Park for lunch. The motorcycle in front of Chandler slowed to make the right turn when Chandler ran into the rear of the bike.

The investigation is ongoing, and no additional details are available at this time.

### Caldwell County Sheriff's Office is seeking assistance

LENOIR, NC (June 13, 2019) -- The Caldwell County Sheriff's Office seeking assistance in an investigation involving multiple car breaking and entering cases in the area of Grace Chapel Road between Hwy 321 and the Adam Klutz Memorial Bridge. The incidents occurred during the early morning on Wednesday between the hours of midnight and 5 a.m. If you observed any suspicious persons or vehicles during that time frame, please contact Detective C. Greene at 828-759-1554. We are also asking residents of this area to please check home video surveillance systems and to notify the Sheriff's Office if you observe anything out of the ordinary on your home footage.

**Fellowship Baptist Church** is seeking a full-time Associate Pastor for children, families and youth. Please send resume to Fellowship Baptist Church, 2682 Fairwood Drive, Hudson to the attention of Pastor Sheldon Green or email [pastorsheldongreen@gmail.com](mailto:pastorsheldongreen@gmail.com).

**Oak Ridge Baptist Church** is seeking a part-time Youth Pastor. Please send resumes to Oak Ridge Baptist Church, Attention: Personnel Committee, 7449 Oak Ridge Church Road, Connelly Springs, NC 28612 or email to [orbc@oakridgebaptistchurch.net](mailto:orbc@oakridgebaptistchurch.net).

## IMPACT Manufacturing Training Program Announces Next Class

HUDSON, NC (June 18, 2019) -- Caldwell Community College and Technical Institute's IMPACT (Industrial Manufacturing Pre-Apprenticeship Customized Training) Institute will begin its next series of classes on July 16 on the Caldwell Campus in Hudson.

The 8-week IMPACT Institute helps individuals with little or no manufacturing experience acquire the basic training needed to qualify for a manufacturing apprenticeship or an entry-level job.

The program features a combination of certifications and courses that prepare students for jobs in a variety of manufacturing environments. Designed for entry-level positions with local employers, including program partners Bemis, Woodgrain Millwork and Bakers Waste Equipment, the IMPACT Institute will be offered Tuesday through Thursday from 6 p.m. to 10 p.m. from July 16 to Sept. 5. The program includes tours of local manufacturing facilities, and the opportunity for a job offer from partner employers.

IMPACT Institute training includes: LEAN manufacturing, OSHA certification, Human Resource Development, welding and fabrication, forklift certification, waste elimination, job and process terminology, sanitation, manufacturing principles and Material Safety Data Sheets training.

To qualify, students must have a high school diploma or high school equivalency. Limited space is available and the \$180 tuition for the institute is waived for those who qualify. To register, call 828-726-2242.

## Shop mallets to be topic at Western Piedmont Woodcrafters Club meeting

HICKORY, NC (June 18, 2019) -- A presentation on shop mallets will highlight the program on Saturday, June 22 at the Western Piedmont Woodcrafters Club meeting, 9:30 a.m. at Klingspor's Woodworking Shop, 856 21st St. Drive SE, Hickory. Meetings are open to the public.

Club member and woodworking hobbyist Bob Singletary will present a program on shop mallets, including methods of shop mallet construction. A video of a visit to a member's workshop will also be shown.

Members and visitors are encouraged to bring completed woodworking projects to present in the show-and-tell portion of the program. All will have an opportunity to comment and ask questions about presentations, items shown, and other topics. Members are encouraged to donate items such as tools and wood for raffle prizes at the meeting.

The club consists of about 70 Hickory-area woodworkers of all skill levels, from hobbyist to professionals.

The club usually meets on the fourth Saturday of each month at the Klingspor's Woodworking Shop in Hickory. The exceptions are our annual offsite picnic, the October Klingspor's Woodworking Extravaganza, and a combined November/December meeting. For more information, call 828-855-4941.



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Poplar St. Apts.	1711 Poplar St., Lenoir	11:15	11:45	6/10/2019 thru 8/16/2019
Redwood Park	450 Redwood St., Hudson	12:30	1:00	6/10/2019 thru 8/16/2019
Wood Crest Apts.	226 Wilson St., Lenoir	11:30	12:00	6/10/2019 thru 8/16/2019
Cross Creek Apt.	1902 HKY Blvd. Lenoir, NC 29645	11:45	12:15	6/10/2019 thru 8/16/2019
Mulberry Recreation Center	720 Mulberry St., Lenoir	1:00	1:30	6/10/2019 thru 8/16/2019
Martin Luther King Jr. Center	323 Greenhaven Dr., Lenoir	12:00	12:30	6/10/2019 thru 8/16/2019
Willow Brook Apt.	1205 Weaver Ct. Lenoir, NC 28645	12:45	1:15	6/10/2019 thru 8/16/2019