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#### **Caldwell Journal Weather**

Thursday (24th): Sunny. High 68 Low 44 Precipitation: 0%

Friday (25th): Cloudy. High 64 Low 54 Precipitation: 25%

**Saturday (26th):** Mostly cloudy. High 65 Low 61 Precipitation: 25%

**Sunday (27th):** Warmer; morning rain. High 76 Low 55 Precipitation: 72%

**Monday (28th):** Mostly cloudy & comfortable. High 72 Low 57

Precipitation: 25%

**Tuesday (29th):** Intervals of clouds & sun. High 68 Low 40 Precipitation: 25%

Wednesday (30th): Cloudy with a shower possible.

High 64 Low 44 Precipitation: 30%

## One-Stop (Early) Voting Begins October 16 for Municipal Elections

LENOIR, NC (October 14, 2019) -- One-Stop (Early) Voting for the 2019 Municipal Elections will be held Wednesday, October 16, through Friday, November 1, at the Caldwell County Resource Center (formerly Caldwell County Library) 120 Hospital Avenue, Lenoir, and the Shuford Recreation Center, 51 Pinewood Road, Granite Falls.

Hours for One-Stop Voting are from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Mondays through Fridays and on Saturday, October 26, from 8 a.m. until 1 p.m.

At One-Stop Voting, citizens may register to vote and cast their ballot the same day. To vote in the municipal elections, citizens must live inside the city/town limits of one of the county's municipalities.

Applications for absentee voting may be picked up at the Caldwell County Board of Elections located in the Caldwell County Resource Center, Lower Level, 120 Hospital Avenue, Lenoir, or online at www.NCSBE.gov/Voting-Options/Absentee-Voting. The deadline to apply for an absentee ballot is Tuesday, October 29.

Voters who choose to cast their ballot on Election Day, Tuesday, November 5, must go to their regular precinct between 6:30 a.m. and 7:30 p.m. For more information on precinct locations or about One-Stop (Early) Voting, call the Caldwell County Board of Elections at 828-757-1326.

## Handmade Holiday Sales -Indoor Artisan Markets-

LENOIR, NC (October 23, 2019) -- The Caldwell Arts Council will host local and regional artisans selling their hand-crafted gifts Fridays and Saturdays November 1-2, November 8-9, and November 15-16. Friday hours are 12noon-7pm. Saturday hours are 10am-4pm.



Handmade items include folk art, hand tied trout flies, ornaments, holiday decor, pottery, woodworking, paintings, gold, silver and semiprecious stone jewelry. Several different artisans will set up each weekend. Please be prepared to pay with cash, as some artisans do not accept checks or credit cards.

The Handmade Holiday artisan craft markets are sponsored by LifeStore Banking and Insurance.

The Caldwell Arts Council is located at 601 College Ave SW in Lenoir; 828-754-2486; https://www.caldwellarts.com

#### Granite Falls man convicted breaking and entering, flee to elude arrest and admission of habitual felon status

LENOIR, NC (October 22, 2019) -- A Caldwell County man will spend five to seven years in prison following his conviction for two counts of felony breaking and entering, one count of felony flee to elude arrest and admission of his habitual felon status.

Jamie Todd Miller, 38, of Granite Falls, was given the active prison term by the Honorable David A. Phillips, Superior Court Judge from Gaston County, following his guilty plea during Caldwell County Superior Court on Monday, October 21, 2019.

Miller will serve his sentence in the custody of the North Carolina Division of Adult Corrections.

He had previous felony convictions for breaking and entering in Caldwell County (2002), breaking and entering in Burke County (2005), and breaking and entering a motor vehicle in Caldwell County (2012).

On November 18, 2017, Miller broke into a Granite Falls secured storage business and stole various tools, electronics and a generator. Investigators with Granite Falls Police Department tracked the defendant through Caldwell County and identified him via business surveillance footage and store receipts as Miller used a credit card stolen from one of the storage units.

A surveillance camera captured video footage of a distinctive SUV pulling into the parking lot of a Lenoir civic organization on January 13, 2018. It showed Miller exiting the vehicle and breaking into several vehicles by smashing a window on each. He took cell phones, coins and other items from the vehicles.

Officers from Lenoir Police Department located the vehicle at a restaurant that same day. The defendant fled in the vehicle and led officers on a chase through Lenoir. He ultimately abandoned the vehicle and ran away on foot. Officers located the SUV and found Miller's wallet inside.

The cases were investigated by Sgt. Ferguson of Granite Falls Police Department, and Officers Nichols and Sanders of Lenoir Police Department. Assistant District Attorney Jennifer C. Mathews prosecuted matters for the State.

**Meadowbrook Baptist Church** located at 914 Meadowlane Drive in Lenoir will have a Community-Wide Truck-or-Treat on Wednesday, October 30. Hotdogs with all the fixin's and smores will be served at 5:30pm with truck-or-treat beginning a 6:15. For more information call 754-7656.

**College Avenue Baptist Church** will host trunk or treat on Wednesday, October 30 beginning at 6:00pm. Cars will be in the church parking lot behind the Lenoir Soup Kitchen with treats for children. All children are invited! For more information call the church office at 828-754-7482. The church is located at 1201 College Avenue SW, Lenoir.

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#### **CCC&TI Student Featured in National Publication**

HUDSON, NC (October 22, 2019) -- Caldwell Community College and Technical Institute student Stacey Price of Granite Falls is one of 26 students nationwide chosen for the soon-to-be published Phi Theta Kappa Honor Society online literary journal, Nota Bene. The national publication showcases the outstanding writing of Phi Theta Kappa members. Price's short story "Under The Stars" was chosen from among 550 entries submitted for the 2019 competition. Pictured here with CCC&TI President Dr. Mark Poarch (left) and CCC&TI Vice President of Instruction Randy Ledford (right), Price is also the only student from North Carolina to be chosen for Phi Theta Kappa's publication. Price's story also was recently featured in Branches, CCC&TI's literary and arts magazine published annually.



## Western Piedmont Symphony Continues 55th Season With Family Concert and Masterworks 2!

HICKORY, NC (October 20, 2019) -- The Western Piedmont Symphony and soloist, Lucia Kobza, are double-teaming for The Four Seasons. Under the direction of newly- chosen Maestro Matthew Thomas Troy, the award-winning symphony will perform two concerts on November 2, 2019.

The first concert will be an abbreviated Family Concert at 3:00 p.m. in the Drendel Auditorium on the SALT Block. Fun for the whole family, it's a great opportunity to introduce kids to the symphony. An Instrument Petting Zoo, where kids can get an up-close look at symphony instruments, will be held at 2:00 p.m. in the Moretz Boardroom before the concert. Tickets for the abbreviated afternoon concert are \$10/adult and \$5/children.

The second concert of the day will be the full Masterworks 2: The Four Seasons at 7:30 p.m. in the Drendel Auditorium. The soloist for both performances is violinist and former WPS associate concertmaster, Lucia Kobza. The program includes Battalia (Biber), Pan og Syrinx (Nielsen), Jabberwocky (DiLorenzo) and The Four Seasons (Vivaldi). Also featured at this concert will be a special visual presentation by Sally Fanjoy and James Labrenz, which will accompany Vivaldi's Four Seasons.

Masterworks 2: The Four Seasons, will be held November 2, 2019 at 7:30 p.m. in Drendel Auditorium on the SALT Block. Tickets range from \$22 to \$42. Students of Lenoir-Rhyne University, Catawba Valley Community College and Western Piedmont Community College are admitted for free with valid ID. Tickets for teachers are \$10 with valid ID. All tickets are available in advance online at WPSymphony.org/tickets, by calling the office at (828) 324.8603, or by emailing tickets@wpsymphony.org. Season subscriptions are available to purchase and are the best way to save money and enjoy great music. You may also purchase tickets at the door.

Masterworks 2 is sponsored by the Millholland Family and the Friends of Sally and James. Western Piedmont Symphony is a grant recipient of the North Carolina Arts Council and a funded affiliate of the United Arts Council of Catawba County. Business offices are located on the SALT Block at 243 Third Avenue NE, Hickory. Box Office hours are 10:00 am until 4:00 pm daily.

For more information about the Western Piedmont Symphony, call 828-324-8603, visit www.WPSymphony.org, or email info@WPSymphony.org.



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## SBI Special Agents arrest human trafficking suspect

RALEIGH, NC (October 23, 2019) -- On Tuesday, October 22, 2019, special agents with the North Carolina State Bureau of Investigation's (SBI) Southeastern District Office in Fayetteville arrested 28-year-old Andrew Francisco Daw of Fayetteville. Daw was arrested in Robeson County and charged with one count of human trafficking of an adult victim and booked into the Robeson County Detention Center on a \$250,000 secured bond. His mug shot can be obtained from the Robeson County Sheriff's Office.

Daw's arrest is the result of an operation conducted by the SBI and its Special Operations Division, Computer Crimes Unit, Human Trafficking Unit as well as SBI Intelligence Analysts. In addition to the arrest of Daw, three human trafficking victims were identified. Members of the non-profit organization 5 Sparrows were also present to assist those victims. 5 Sparrows helps victims of human trafficking as they recover and begin the healing process from the tragedy of sexual exploitation.

The SBI will work tirelessly with our law enforcement partners and non-profit organizations to bring the predators of human trafficking to justice and to provide healing opportunities to the victims of sexual exploitation. This investigation is ongoing. No additional information is available at this time.

#### Register of Deeds Offers Fraud Detection Alert System

LENOIR, NC (October 21, 2019) -- Caldwell County Register of Deeds Wayne Rash recently introduced the county's Fraud Detection Notification service to alert citizens when documents are recorded in his office matching their names.

"We often get calls from people asking about what has been recorded in their name," Rash explained. "With this system, citizens are notified immediately by email anytime anything is recorded matching their name."

The system sends alerts when documents like powers of attorney or deeds are filed with the Register of Deeds Office.

"In other counties deeds have been fraudulently filed in an attempt to take ownership of another's property, and people have also recorded powers of attorney without consent," Rash explained. "This system alerts residents to potential fraud, so they can take immediate action."

To sign up for this free service, visit www.CaldwellROD.org and click on "Fraud Detection Notification." The site asks citizens to enter their name and email and up to five names for the system to monitor for document filings.

For more information about the Fraud Detection Notification system, contact Wayne Rash at 828-757-1310.



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#### State Highway Patrol Conducts 2019 "Operation Stop Arm"

RALEIGH, NC (October 21, 2019) -- In support of Operation Stop Arm week the State Highway Patrol will be aggressively enforcing stop arm violations and other traffic violations in and around school zones. The operation will run daily from 6:00 am on Monday, October 21 through 5:00 pm on Friday, October 25. The Patrol expects Operation Stop Arm will decrease violations and reduce school bus incidents involving children.

The weeklong campaign was kicked off with a press event this morning at the NC State Fairgrounds in Raleigh. Members of the State Highway Patrol were joined by representatives from the NC Department of Public Instruction and the Wake County Public Schools. Remarks were provided by Colonel Glenn McNeill, Jr.

"The safety of our children is a constant priority for members of the State Highway Patrol, not just a topic to discuss at the beginning of each school year," said Colonel Glenn McNeill, commander of the North Carolina State Highway Patrol. "We gather today to make sure their safety is of paramount each and every day and to remind all road users that passing a stopped school bus will not be tolerated."

Passing a stopped school bus is a Class 1 misdemeanor. If convicted, a person will receive five driving points on their driver's license and is subject to fines up to \$500. Passing a stopped school bus is a Class I felony if the driver strikes an individual and a Class H felony should the violation result in a death.

For further information concerning school bus safety and illegal passing please visit the Department of Public Instruction's school bus safety web site at http://www.ncbussafety.org/.

Union Grove Baptist Church and Pastor Sam Craven invite you to the "FALL FESTIVAL" event on Saturday, October 26 from 3:00-5:30pm. Hotdogs, chips, desserts, ice cream from Myra's, and our famous Popcorn Bill's popcorn will be available. Other activities include five inflatables, children's games, face painting, picture booth, hayrides, horse rides, police cars, fire truck, smoke house, and a pumpkin area. There will be live Gospel music and a message from God's Word from Reverend Don Ingle. The church is located at 1808 Union Grove Road, Lenoir. A rain date has been scheduled for Saturday, November 9.

**Covenant Baptist Church** will have their annual Trunk or Treat on Thurday, October 31 beginning at 6:00pm. There will be plenty of games, prizes, candy and free hotdogs! All are welcome!



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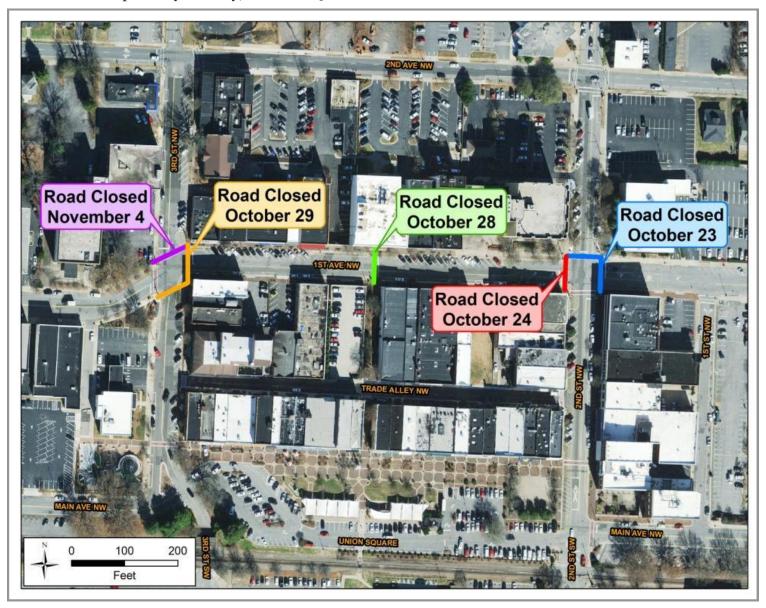


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#### Road closures along First Avenue NW in Hickory

HICKORY, NC (October 22, 2019) -- City contractors will be installing new crosswalks along First Avenue NW, between Second Street NW and Third Street NW, beginning Wednesday, October 23. Roadways will be closed for the new concrete crosswalks to be completed as part of the downtown block streetscape project. The work will begin on the eastern side of Second Street NW and move west along First Avenue NW in a series of closures. Each closure will be in effect for one day. Work zones and detours will be established and clearly marked. Work in this area should be completed by Tuesday, November 5.



#### **Deer Season Safety from the NCDOT**

RALEIGH, NC (October 18, 2019) -- As the daylight hours get shorter and deer become more active, the N.C. Department of Transportation is reminding drivers to stay alert and pay extra attention.

Last year, there were nearly 19,000 animal related crashes across the state. Over the past three years, those collisions have killed nine people, injured about 3,000 and caused more than \$146 million in damages.

To keep you and your family safe, remember to:

- Slowdown in posted deer crossing areas and heavily wooded areas, especially during the late afternoon or early evening;
- Don't swerve to avoid a collision. This could cause you to lose control or veer into oncoming traffic; and
- Deer often travel in groups, so assume if one crosses the road in front of you there may be others following.



#### Bringing Smithsonian science education to elementary grades

LENOIR, NC (October 18, 2019) -- The Caldwell County Schools will participate in the Smithsonian Science Education Center's Early-phase Education Innovation and Research proposal titled Smithsonian Science for the Classroom: Improving Student Achievement Across State Borders and State Standards.

"For over 30 years, the Smithsonian Science Education Center has demonstrated an ability to use knowledge of research and best practices to work with school districts and states in implementing a systemic science education program that positively impacts student achievement," said Dr. Donald Phipps, Superintendent. "For this reason and for many others, the Caldwell County Schools is eager to participate in this Early-phase effort funded by the U.S. Department of Education."

The Smithsonian Science Education Center has demonstrated student gains through the implementation of its Science & Technology units, and the Smithsonian Science Education Center is now building the new Smithsonian Science for the Classroom line of Next Generation Science Standards-aligned science and engineering modules.

Participation in the Early-phase project will include the following for the Caldwell County Schools:

- \* Full participation of selected schools that enroll students in grades 3-5.
- \* Implementation of the fidelity of Smithsonian Science for the Classroom modules at grades 3-5.
- \* Teacher participation in two levels of professional development for each module taught.
- \* Stipends for teachers that will be funded by the school district.
- \* Evaluation of the program will occur through the five-year duration of the grant, which will also require access to student scores on state assessments.

"I look forward to realizing the positive impact that the Smithsonian Science Education Center's curricular and professional development programs will have on the science and engineering education of our students in elementary grades," said Phipps.

More on Smithsonian Science for the Classroom: Improving Student Achievement Across State Borders and State Standards:

A new 5-year \$4.5M grant (\$3.9M from US Department of Education plus a \$500K match) titled "Smithsonian Science for the Classroom: Improving Student Achievement Across State Borders and State Standards" will bring "Smithsonian Science for the Classroom" to more than 11,250 students in grades 3-5 in North Carolina and South Carolina in partnership with two community collaborators—the North Carolina Science, Math and Technology Center (CEO, Sam Houston) and the South Carolina Coalition for Mathematics & Science (CEO, Tom Peters)—and one external evaluator from the University of Memphis. Schools will receive differentiated science and engineering professional development aligned with SSEC's curriculum, 3-dimensional pedagogy, and content PD. Together these services can improve student outcomes in rural communities consisting largely of high needs populations. Expected outcomes include student learning in the disciplines of science, engineering, reading, and math, as well as increased teacher confidence and preparedness.

#### Caldwell UNC Healthcare Third Quarter Daisy Award presented

LENOIR, NC (October 22, 2019) -- The Daisy Award presentation took place recently, this quarterly award honors outstanding patient care and the recipient is nominated by a patient or family member/friend. Our third quarter recipient is Crystal Burch, RN at Caldwell UNC Health Care.

In photo from left to right: Rebecca Smith (VP COO), Crystal Burch (recipient), Jerrell Suddreth (Clinical Nurse Mgr., 4-West, ICU), Leonora Mahoney (Clinical Nurse III).



**Yadkin Baptist Church**, 2044 Roby Martin Rd, Lenoir (Patterson), is hosting "Shine the Light Night!" on October 31 from 5-8pm. The event is free and includes a bounce house, hotdogs, drinks, candy, popcorn, face painting, and family friendly activities focused on shining the light of Jesus! For more information, go to facebook.com/yadkinbaptist and click on the event page.

## Caldwell County Schools to host financial aid information night

LENOIR, NC (October 21, 2019) — The Caldwell County School System and the Carolina College Advising Corps, in partnership with the Caldwell Community College and Technical Institute, will host a Financial Aid Information Night on Thursday, Nov. 7 at 6:00 pm on the campus of Caldwell Community College and Technical Institute in Building B. Doors will open at 5:30 pm.

The event is open to families of all Caldwell County high school seniors and CCC&TI students who are interested in financial aid opportunities available at community colleges and 4-year universities.

The event also will include an overview of the financial aid process by CFNC regional representative Skip Watts. Prior to the event, college financial aid representatives from Caldwell Community College & Technical Institute, Appalachian State University, Lees-McRae College, Lenoir-Rhyne University, Western Carolina University, and UNC-Chapel Hill will be available to discuss specifics of their financial aid programs and to answer questions. Following the event, families and students will have the opportunity to work on financial aid forms (RDS or FAFSA) in a computer lab with the help of Financial Aid Counselors.

Light refreshments will be provided, courtesy of Communities in Schools of Caldwell County.

For more information, contact Carolina College Adviser, Emma Kroll-Smith

(eksmith@caldwellschools.com) or Tania Vargas (tvargas@caldwellschools.com)

More on Carolina College Advising Corps:

The Carolina College Advising Corps helps low-income, first-generation, and underrepresented students find their way to colleges that will serve them well. By providing well-trained, enthusiastic advisers who are close in circumstance to the students they serve, the program aims to increase college-going rates at partner high

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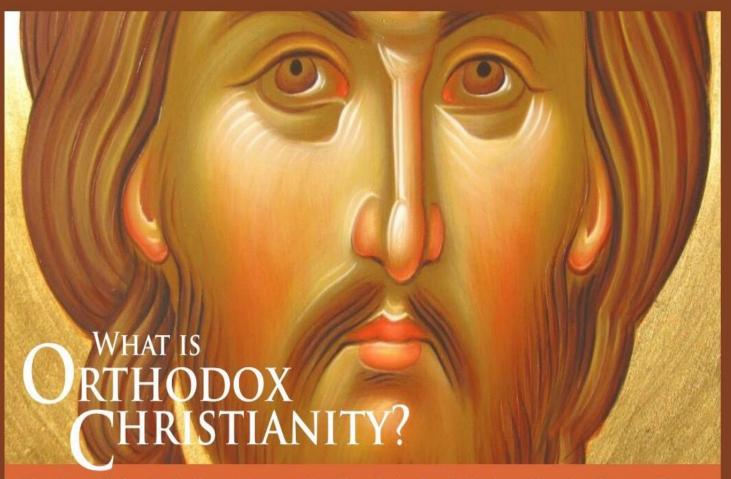
schools across North Carolina. College advisers are placed in high schools in Caldwell County and throughout the state and become immersed in the school setting. Advisers work closely with the schools' counseling staff and work with students both in one-on-one and group settings. College advisers facilitate campus tours, taking students to visit a variety of institutions. College advisers do not recruit students exclusively to UNC Chapel Hill but help students find their "best fit" institution, wherever that may be.

#### Western Piedmont Woodcrafters Club to exhibit at Extravaganza

HICKORY, NC (October 20, 2019) -- The Western Piedmont Woodcrafters Club will participate in the Klingspor's Woodworking Extravaganza, October 25-26, at the Hickory Metro Convention Center. Instead of our regular meeting, we will have a booth at the Extravaganza, where we will demonstrate scroll sawing, and show projects by club contest winners and other club members. Visitors will have the opportunity to ask questions and make comments about woodworking activities, projects, tools, and techniques. The Extravaganza will include many completed projects, and woodworking tool and technique demonstrations by woodworking enthusiasts and equipment vendors.

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.

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