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TV Review of the Issue

By Frank and Kay Whatley

Yes, TV review. As we wrote in March, the NC Film Industry is growing. Part of that growth brought the CBS *Under The Dome* TV series to Wilmington. June 20th a special red carpet premiere gathered the actors, author Stephen King, the producers and crew for a special showing of *Under The Dome* at Thalian Hall Center for the Performing Arts, Inc.



This premiere event began with red carpet entry of the *Under The Dome* actors. Every few minutes, another actor was brought out, to the delight of those filming and taking photos. Each actor patiently spoke with the press as they rotated from reporter to reporter like partners in a square dance.

Meanwhile, lucky folks with tickets for the screening were led into the balcony and Thalian Hall screening room.

For close to an hour Mike Vogel, Rachelle Lefevre, Nicholas Strong, Colin Ford, Natalie Martinez, Dean Norris, Jolene Purdy, Britt Robertson, and Aisha Hinds met the press. Then, the man himself — Stephen King — appeared for interviews and photos.

Soon after, Kristen (one of those managing the event) came through the room to sweep some of us press into the



screening room. Our seats were great, and just behind the cast and crew.

Before the screening, local officials presented the Key to the city to King, and read a proclamation making June 24th "Dome Day".

For those who have read the book *Under The Dome*, know that things are going to be a bit different in the CBS television series

For those who have not read the book, you get to watch the story unfold.

The audience at Thalian Hall viewed the complete first episode. Thirteen episodes are planned for the TV series. Throughout the showing, gasps and laughs escaped from the captivated audience.

Episode One introduced the series' main characters, then with incredible special effects dropped the invisible dome over the town. This small town — not unlike many across our state — finds itself trapped beneath the dome without warning. Immediately, the townspeople and visiting strangers find themselves in a situa-

tion both horrifying and confusing. As an audience, we get to sit back from the safety of our chairs and watch the people bind together or fall apart.

After the film, the actors joined Stephen King and the producers on-stage. The audience glimpsed into the mind of Stephen King, as the group participated in a question and answer ses-



sion. The cast in-person seemed to have a great rapport. They joked around and seemed very comfortable together as they answered questions. Some of this camaraderie came through on-screen and should make for a great series as the characters develop. Stephen King summed it up when he closed by saying, "This is the best, most talented, committed cast I've ever worked with."

From this first look, the

CBS series *Under The Dome* has us hooked. We thought it had good cast performances, a suspenseful plot, and outstanding special effects. I mean, really outstanding for being an invisible nothing! We hope you'll like this new series, whether you are a fan of Stephen King, of producers Brian K. Vaughan (*Lost*) and Neal Baer (*ER*), or you are just looking for something new.

Shades of Grey

Some situations are viewed in black and white; right and wrong. Yet, many people think situations also have a **grey area** where solutions are not so easily discerned. This is not just about the choices people make, but the thought process they go through to arrive at their decisions.

Submitted for Your Discussion & Consideration

You're wandering through the Mall, enjoying the air conditioning on a hot day. Suddenly, you see your brother-in-law walking, holding hands with a woman you don't know.

Do you think that you would confront him right there in the Mall? How do you think you would approach your sister? Could you live with yourself if you said nothing?



Fish Free July 4th

By Jodie B. Owen, jodie.owen@ncwildlife.org

Anglers — young or old, novice or experienced, North Carolina residents or non-residents — are invited to fish for free on July 4. No fishing license required.

Fishing for a fun way to celebrate Independence Day? The NC Wildlife Resources Commission invites anglers and would-be anglers of all ages to go fishing — for free.

On July 4th from 12:01am until 11:59pm, everyone in NC — resident and non-residents alike — can fish in any public body of water, including coastal waters, without purchasing a fishing license or additional trout fishing privilege. Although no fishing license is required, all other fishing regulations, such as size and creel limits and lure restrictions, still apply.

To give anglers a better chance of catching fish, the Commission stocks a variety of fish in waters across the state — including trout and channel catfish. The agency also provides access to fishing sites across the state, including public fishing areas and boating access areas. The interactive fishing and boating maps on the Commission's website list more than 500 fishing and boating areas, many of which are free, that are open to the public.

Authorized by the NC General Assembly and started in 1994, NC's annual Free Fishing Day is always July 4th. On all other days of the year, a fishing license is not required for anglers 15

years and younger, but anyone age 16 and older must have a fishing license to fish in any public water in NC, including coastal waters.

Last Days to Enter Essay Contest

The Grey Area newspaper is holding an Essay Contest for local writers! If you live or go to school in Eastern NC, you are invited to enter. The essay topic is "My Country, 'Tis of Thee". Essays may refer to the writer's view of the USA in the present, or as experienced across a lifetime.



Length is 300 to 750 words. Please limit to one submission per writer. Spell check and edit. Since the winning essays will be published in *The Grey Area* newspaper, spelling and grammar are important.

Submit your essay to sales@greyareanews.com, or mail to The Grey Area newspaper, 70 Harrison Street, Zebulon NC 27597. Mailed essays will not be returned; please keep a copy. Essays should be submitted to arrive by June 22nd (Saturday). Judges will review essays and winning entrants will be notified by the end of June. Winning essays will be published in the issue distributed for the week of July 4th.

In addition to having their essays published, the winning three essay writers receive cash prizes. First place essay wins \$50, Second and Third place winners receive \$25.



Things to Do in NC When You're Bored

* Bunn *

6/22 Bunn Berry Social (June 22 @ 11am-3pm)

Bunn Centennial Celebration event. Cornhole tournament, hot dogs, & much more. At Vollmer Farm, 671 NC 98 Hwy E, Bunn Info, call 919.426.5806 or email sherry.mercer@jacobs.com.

6/24 Poetry Club

7/01 (June 24, July 1 & 8 @ 6-8pm)

7/08 Every Monday. Hosted by Jeannette Van Gogh. Bring your poems. At Common Grounds, 20 Cheves Road, Bunn

6/27 A Blessing Soup Kitchen (June 27 @ 11:30am)

Thursdays free meals served to residents in need. Collaboration of local nonprofits using donations & volunteers. Donations welcome. Broad Building, Bunn

6/29 Quilt Trail of the Tar River Dedication (June 29 @ 10am-4pm; ribbon cutting 11am)

Activities throughout the day including quilting bee, corn hole tournament, games, music, food, & vendors. Musicians: bring instruments & join bluegrass jam. By Franklin County Arts Council. At Bunn Depot, Railroad Street, Bunn

* Knightdale *

6/26 PWNG - Professional Women's Networking Group (June 26 @ 11:45AM-1PM

Meet professional women in a friendly environment. Network & give a 30-second commercial. RSVP required by June 24th. Fee \$10-\$20. Knightdale Chamber event. At 207 Main Street, Knightdale

7/16 Networking in Knightdale (July 16 @ 11:30am-1pm)

Connect with other businesses. All welcome to attend. Members: pay for meal order. Not-yet members, \$10+meal order. At Applebee's, 6609 Knightdale Blvd., Knightdale

* Wendell *

7/17 East Wake WIN

(July 17 @ 11:45am-1pm)

Joint meeting of Wendell & Zebulon Chambers. Members: pay for lunch order; Non-members: \$5+lunch order. July meeting at Boulevard Pizza, 2925 Wendell Blvd., Wendell RSVP by calling 919.269.6320.

* Zebulon *

6/21 Movie on the Lawn (July 21 @ 8:30pm)

Free showing of Madagascar 3. At the Town Municipal Complex, 1003 N Arendell Ave., Zebulon

6/21 Pickleball

6/28 (June 21 & 28 @ 11am-1pm)

A net, paddle, & whiffle ball! Instructions given. Free. At Zebulon Comm Ctr, 301 S Arendell Avenue.

6/24 Mudcats Baseball -27 (June 24-27)

Baseball, hot dogs, & more. Small ticket fee. At Five County Stadium, 1501 NC-39, Zebulon

Online at www.gomudcats.com.

7/12 Family Movie Night (July 12 @ 7:30PM)

Free film. Bring the family for a fun evening & popcorn. Parent or guardian must be present. At Zebulon Community Center, 301 S Arendell Avenue, Zebulon Call 919.823.0432 for movie info.

* Elsewhere *

6/26 Set The Woman Free -28 (June 26-28 @ 7:30pm)

Conference. At Salvation & Praise Full Gospel Church, 9243 Marlboro Road, Farmville

6/28 Archer Lodge Comm. Center -29 Family Fun Day (June 28-29)

Friday, crowning of Little Miss Archer Lodge & beginning of BBQ Pig Cook-off. Saturday, road race & patriotic parade. Concessions & inflatables, corn hole, bingo, cake walk, & Archer Lodge Fire Dept afternoon splashdown. Army Ground Forces Band free patriotic concert leads into fireworks. At Archer Lodge Community Center, corner of Archer Lodge & Buffalo Road, Archer Lodge Visit www.archerlodge.org.

6/30 From Sea to Shining Sea - A Tribute to our Military (June 30 @ 11am-12pm)

Come for this tribute performance. At Knightdale Church of God, 4272 Old Faison Rd, Knightdale

7/03 July 3rd Fireworks Spectacular (July 3 @ 7pm)

Free fireworks spectacular! Bring your chairs, blankets, drinks & snacks. No glass containers, coolers, or alcohol. Music begins at 7pm. Fireworks show starts around 9:30pm. Vendors may be present. At Morrisville Community Park Fields, Morrisville (near RTP) For weather updates, 919.463.6215.

7/04 Rolesville 4th of July (July 4 @ 5pm; fireworks dusk)

Rolesville's annual Independence Day event. Bring lawn chairs & a little spending money. Alcohol-free, family-friendly. Music, hot dogs, cotton candy, pizza, funnel cakes, kids inflatables & more. On the ball fields at the Rolesville Community Park, Redford Place, Rolesville

7/04 Art-in-the-Park & Games-inthe-Park (July 4 @ 11am-1pm)

Children of all ages can create colorful arts & crafts projects & join games and activities. All of the Art & Games in the Park festivities are free and open to the public. In Holding Park, 133 W Owen Ave., Wake Forest

www.wakeforestnc.gov/july4.aspx

7/04 The 'Works! (July 4 @ noon- 11pm)

Downtown Raleigh hosts the City's 4th of July fireworks extravaganza. Free event. Live music, beer/wine tent, kids' rides & games, Circus Maximus, street performers, eating contests, food & art vendors. Picnic on Fayetteville Street! Fireworks light up the sky starting around 9:30pm. At Fayetteville Street & the Red Hat Amphitheater, Raleigh

7/04 Castalia's Annual July 4th Celebration

(July 4 @ 10am-10pm)

Food, handmade crafts, parade, stage show, antique and custom car show and fireworks complete the day. In Downtown Castalia More at www.castaliajuly4th.com.

7/04 Greenville's Fourth of July Celebration (July 4 @ 1am-9pm)

Bring the entire family as you celebrate the 4th with carnival rides, arts and crafts, music, vendors, food, and a fantastic display of fireworks. At the Town Common, Greenville

Info at www.visitgreenvillenc.com.

7/04 Belhaven's 4th of July Celebration

(July 4 @ 11am-10pm)

Free. Annual Independence Day Celebration since the early 1900s. Family day of festivities highlighted by a mile-long parade & fireworks display over the Pungo River. On Water Street, Belhaven Contact Belhaven Chamber of Commerce at 252.943.3770.

7/04 Independence Day Pancake Breakfast (July 4 @ 8-10am)

Pancakes, sausage & juice plus local jazz band live. Held by Morrisville Fire Department. Pre-sale tickets: youth (12 & Under) \$1, adult \$3. Day-of tickets if available: youth \$3, adult \$5. At Fire Station 1, 260 Town Hall Drive, Morrisville

Misc Notices

Zebulon Boys & Girls Club's Summer Basketball League

Registration is available to ages 10-12 & ages 13-15. Registration fee \$10. Also available, Summer Program (\$25/week). At Zebulon Boys & Girls Club, 1320 Shepard School Road, Zebulon. Call 919.404.1087 for info.







The Female Veterans Symposium 2013 "Care After Trauma"

The objective of this symposium is to address the complicated issues Female Veterans face in their lives as they return home from active duty military service. It is geared toward veterans from **Franklin**, **Vance**, **Warren**, and **Granville** county areas. The speakers will educate, empower, and encourage females to face their individual challenges and move to the next step in their individual recovery. The all-day event is free, refreshments are included, and advance registration is **not** required. Please bring DD-214 Discharge Papers and resume to the event.

Register: 252.432.9376 • nc97chapterserviceofficer@yahoo.com



Thursday, June 27, 2013 8:00 am to 4:30 pm

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To Do..." listings are free, at publisher's discretion, and as space allows. Up to 5 lines of description may be included with an event. Priority is given to free, public events. Sponsor names may not be included. Event organizers may purchase regular advertising spaces to provide more details for upcoming events.

The above "Things

301 Endless Yard Sale Draws Crowds to Johnston County

Contributed by Annette Dorman, Nettcycle

The weekend of June 14th and June 15th brought the first ever 301 Endless Yard Sale along Hwy 301 from Kenly to Benson in Johnston County; a total of 30 miles. What an event it was! It was fun for vendors and shoppers alike.

Sellers Enjoy the Day

I was a vendor. The temperature was very warm but a nice breeze continued during the two days. The shoppers were happy, visiting the variety of vendors. There was something for everyone. New stuff, old stuff and future antiques. Some people that visited my booth went the entire 30 miles. I saw them in the morning and they came back in the afternoon returning home.

People that lived along the 301 corridor held yard sales in their own yards, Businesses along the route rented spaces to vendors. A big thank you to Tim and Debbie Evans from Evans Tire in Smithfield, who rented me a space for the two days. What an amazing time I had! My customers were the best. The customers came in droves. I never slowed down in the two days. It was a bit overwhelming on Friday as I was alone until my friend. Lisa Fine, could get there at 4pm. I was selling everything. All my unfinished projects, projects I could never start and new projects were sold. Did I tell you that I am the Queen of Unfinished Projects?

I came home Friday hot and tired, but happy; most of what I'd taken to the sale had sold, and I wanted to get more onto my trailer for the second day. I went into my snaky storage barn in the dark carrying a little flashlight and a big stick for critters. I found five things that I could put into my little

garden cart to

roll back to the

house. Out of

those five things I brought from

storage barn to

sale

Saturday. I sold

I met some fun

people over the two days. One

woman bought a

1960's copper

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Photo: Donna Bailey-Taylor, Johnston County Visitors Bureau

was going to make and put on the cake plate. I asked her to bring me a slice.

The organizers of the 301 Endless Yard Sale spoke with vendors during the two-day event to get our feedback. My feedback was 200% positive. The organizers will be sending out surveys to vendors to get future ideas. There is a chance a similar event may happen in the fall. I vote fall and spring, maybe holding it in May next year.

Behind the Scenes

The 301 Endless Yard Sale was patterned after the 127 Longest Sale. That sale goes from Michigan to Alabama — a total of 690 miles — each August.

Donna Bailey-Taylor is with the Johnston County Visitors Bureau. She and a team spearheaded the 301 Endless Yard Sale. Towns along the route signed up and local businesses did all the organizing at each stop. Homeowners set up too. It was an effort spread across many hands and they pulled it together beautifully.

Not only did sellers come, but buyers too. And they did what the Johnston County Visitors Bureau had hoped: they came for the yard sales and patronized local antique stores, town shops, and area restaurants. Visitors spent the day at the event, and they helped the local economy mile after mile!

Ms. Bailey-Taylor said that the two-day event was so successful that different vendors came each day, and vendors who came for both ran out on Friday and had to restock!

As to a future event, Bailey-Taylor said, "Right now, there is a consensus by the people involved that we will hold the yard sale again next year." She and the team will be talking with more towns and deciding just how big this event might be through NC.

Surprisingly, this big turnout came from only four months of planning. In March, the visitor's bureau wrote the first press release to announce the event and created the website. Each month, they met with contacts from the participating towns.

A Day of Commerce

Unlike holding a festival where there are up-front costs, the towns gave effort without direct cost. The visitor's bureau handled most marketing. The individual merchants and landowners set up the spaces and incurred any related costs. Vendors and homeowners brought their own supplies. The health department involvement was minimized by each town limiting food vendors. The resulting commerce in the community benefitted all sellers and businesses open during the sale.

If you missed the 301 Endless Yard Sale this time, make sure you go next time. You will not be disappointed. And next time, there may be more towns to visit along the way.

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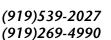
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The Backside

Little Bits

Chuckle of the Issue

A man asked a passerby: "What's the quickest way to Washington?"

- "Are you walking or driving?"
- "Driving."
- "That's the quickest way."

Quote of the Issue

"First make sure you're right, then go ahead." **Davy Crockett**

Translation of the Issue

English — "doctor"

German — arzt Spanish — doctor Italian — medico Irish — dochtúir Latin — medicus Welsh — meddyg Korean — 의사 (uisa) Russian — врач (vrach)

Translations for these words in many more languages may be found in online (translate.google.com, etc.).



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Word of the Issue

philtrum

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Example: "Philtrum length can vary from person to person.

Cryptogram of the Issue

Replace the letters in this Cryptogram with other letters to deduce the quote within the puzzle.

Hint: $J = \mathbf{E}$.

Answer to the previous issue's cryptogram:

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