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Common Core Debate Focus of National Live-Movie Event

The debate over Common Core in NC schools is moving to theatres. A special live and interactive movie showing is planned in movie theatres across the US, with more than a dozen showings across NC.

July 22 at 8pm the movie “We Will Not Conform” will be shown, and the audiences engaged, around the Common Core film centerpiece.

Fathom Events and Glenn Beck arranged this event, which includes these NC viewings:

Stonecrest 22 @ Piper Glen with IMAX - Charlotte
Concord Mills 24 with IMAX - Concord
Brassfield Cinema 10 - Greensboro
Greensboro Grande Stadium 16 - Greensboro
Greenville Grande Stadium 14 - Greenville
Brier Creek Stadium 14 - Raleigh
North Hills Stadium 14 - Raleigh
Tinseltown - Salisbury
Mayfaire Stadium 16 with IMAX - Wilmington
The Grand 18 Winston Salem IMAX - Winston-Salem
The Carolina - Asheville
Crossroads Stadium 20 with IMAX - Cary

To purchase tickets or check for additional locations, visit the film website at wewillnotconform.com.

A Little Bit of History

Wesley Privette Memorial Library

This Nash County library, close to 80 years old, is located at 6280 Main Street in Bailey. Originally built on land donated by Mr. Privette, in 2013 the library became a Branch of the Braswell Memorial Library.



Blount-Bridgers House, Tarboro NC

Built in 1808, this beautiful, Federal-style mansion houses important historical document collections, and serves as the town’s art and civic center.



Prep for Longest Yard Sale

The 301 Endless Yard Sale covers multiple NC towns, with sellers in business parking lots and lawns all along the road.

Whether visiting yard sales close to home, or stopping by to buy in all four counties, the organizers suggest that precautions and preparation may help make the day more enjoyable.

First, drive safely! There will be much to see along the road. Be cautious of the cars around you and people on the side of the road. Please park off the road to avoid restricting traffic.

Bring water and keep hydrated. The weather is expected to be quite hot.

Finally, have fun! Four counties, dozens of sellers, and hundreds — if not thousands — of shoppers are coming together for this event-of-many-miles. Enjoy the experience and the experience of meeting “neighbors” along the way.

The yard sale takes place June 20-21, 2014 starting at 7am and — for most sellers — ending around 6pm.

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Things to Do in NC
When You’re Bored

* Bunn *

06/24 Art Classes (Tuesdays)
07/01 Taught by Billy Farmer. At Common Grounds Coffee (and Fun) House, 20 Cheves Road, Bunn. Call 919.340.4477 for info.

* Knightdale *

06/21 Military Day (June 21 @ 8am-12pm)
Knightdale Farmers Market hosts each branch of the military to honor them & allow them to share info. At Knightdale Farmers Market, Knightdale Station, 810 N First Avenue, Knightdale.

* Nashville *

06/20 2014 Outdoor Movie Series
07/18 (June 20 & July 18 @ 8:30pm)
Monsters University on June 20th. *Add'l dates: Aug 5, Oct 31 (Glover Park), & Dec 6.* Start time varies. Most movies at Stony Creek Environmental Park, 544 W. Washington Street, Nashville.

06/27 Friday Afternoon Popcorn & a Movie (June 27 @ 2pm)
Join us on the 4th Friday of every month & enjoy popcorn & a great movie. Free movie. Popcorn 25 cents/bag. June 27th viewing *Saving Mr. Banks*. At Nash County Senior Center, 103 N. Alston Street Nashville. Call 252.459.7681 for info.

* Rocky Mount *

06/20 Lawn Chair Theatre
07/11 (June 20, July 11 @ 7-10pm)
Free family movie nights. Before movie, kids can enjoy free activities. Movies begin at dusk. Concessions available. Bring blanket or lawn chair. *Add'l dates: Jul 25, Aug 1, & Aug 15.* At Imperial Centre, 270 Gay St., Rocky Mount. See www.imperialcentre.org.

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06/26 Downtown Live! (June 26 @ 6-8:30pm)
Free Summer concert series on the lawn. Dance, or relax. Bring lawn chair or blanket. Concessions available. No coolers, please. At Imperial Centre for the Arts & Sciences, 270 Gay St., Rocky Mount. www.downtownrockymount.com.

06/27 Youth Conference -28 (June 27-28 @ 7pm)
Life changing conference with a goal to invoke in youth & community a fervor for change. Theme for the conference is “The Change Initiative, Not Just Another Conference, But A Movement”. At 1740 East Raleigh Boulevard, Rocky Mount

* Tarboro *

06/28 Family Fun Day (June 28 @ 11am-4pm)
Free community event. At M. A. Ray Park, 1405 Martin Luther King, Tarboro.

* Wendell *

06/26 Having & Creating a Healthy Garden of Your Own (June 26 @ 7-8pm)
Free. Part of the “Living Well in Wendell” program. At Wendell Community Center in Wendell Park at 601 W Third Street, Wendell.

* Wilson *

06/25 Downtown Alive Free Concert (June 25 @ 5:30pm)
Beach music bands every other Wed. Bring chairs, blankets, sunscreen, & dance moves. June 25th features *Band of Oz*. No coolers or pets. At the grassy lot, 201 Tarboro Street, Wilson.

06/28 Emergency Field Day (June 28 @ 10am-4pm)
Includes demonstrations of emergency communications capabilities. experienced operators test their emergency skills by setting up voice & digital radio stations at remote locations. At the Emergency Operations Center, 1817 Glendale Drive, Wilson.

* Zebulon *

06/20 Pickleball
06/27 (June 20 & 27 @ 11am-1pm)
Free to all. Pickleball is easy for beginners and a blast to play. Learn to love this competitive, fast paced, & fun game! At the Zebulon Community Center, 301 S. Arendell Avenue, Zebulon.

07/11 Family Movie Night
08/08 (July 11 & Aug 8 @ 7pm)
Zebulon Parks & Recreation Department presents free movie & popcorn for all ages. Parent/guardian must attend. At Zebulon Community Center, 301 S Arendell Ave., Zebulon. Call 919.823.0432 for film title.

* Elsewhere *

06/21 Spring Hope Family Fun Day (June 21 @ 10am-1pm)
Bounce house, slide, crafts, puppet shows, games, free food, & other activities. All are invited. At First Baptist Church of Spring Hope, 111 N Walnut Street, Spring Hope.

06/22 Sunday in the Park 2014 (June 06/29 22 & 29, July 6 & 13 @ 7pm)
07/06 A Greenville tradition since 1973!
07/13 Free family fun & entertainment. At the Town Common, Greenville Toyota Amphitheater, 100 E First St, Greenville. Info contact skriewall@greenvillenc.gov.

06/23 Movie “Five People You Meet in Heaven” (June 23 @ 10am)
Take part in programming & services for senior adults. Special movie event June 23rd. At Mount Pleasant Community Center, 7637 Harris Road, Bailey. For info, please contact Holly Edwards at 252.459.7681.

06/26 Fall Writing Retreat (June 26 @ 4pm)
FCAC Writers Guild is planning a fall writing retreat New members are welcome. Also taking submissions for the 2015 *County Lines: A Literary Journal* until September 15th. At the FCAC Headquarters at 22 S Main St. Franklinton.

06/28 Stepping Into The Past (Jun 28, 07/05 July 5, 12 & 19 @ 10am-3pm)
07/12 History-oriented activities free with admission (\$6-\$8; under 2 yrs free). *June 28th Capturing our Past. July 5th Celebrate US freedom with free scoop of ice cream. July 12th Let the Games Begin. July 19 Rural farm life films.* At Tobacco Farm Life Museum, 709 N Church St., Kenly.

07/05 Bluegrass in the Village (July 5 @ 12-3pm)
Come by for music & more. At Waynesborough Historical Village, US 117 Alt, Goldsboro. More info, call 919.731.1653.

07/11 Movies In The Park
08/15 (July 11 & Aug 15 @ Dusk)
Miss spending a little quality time with the family? Take a couple of hours out of a busy schedule to bring them to free movies. Concession stand open for snacks & drinks July 11th features *The Lion King*. August 15th is *Monster’s Inc*. At Ennis Park, 4605 N. Old Carriage Rd, Red Oak.

These “Things 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 space to provide more details for events.

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Edgecombe County Things To Do & Announcements

★ Edgecombe County Cultural Arts Council (Edgecombe Arts) is hosting Summer Art Camps throughout the summer. Discounts are available for Arts Council members as well as for families. We also offer scholarships. For more information, contact Joyce Turner at jturner@edgecombearts.org or 252-823-4159. You may also view all of the camp listings at www.edgecombearts.org.

★ Edgecombe Arts and the Town of Tarboro present 2nd Saturdays in Historic Tarboro, July 12th! Join us in downtown Tarboro for a day of shopping, music, and crafts! We will wrap up the evening with an outdoor concert with Music At The Square featuring Milton Bullock of The Original Platters. For more information contact Joyce Turner, jturner@edgecombearts.org or 252-823-4159 or find us on Facebook at Edgecombe Arts.

★ Tar River Players present a timeless classic production, *The Wizard of Oz*, June 27, 28, 29 8:00 (F & Sat) & 2:00 (Sun) Keihin Auditorium, Edgecombe Community College, Tarboro campus, For more information, contact Edgecombe Arts at 252-823-4159.

★ Edgecombe County Memorial Library Summer Reading Program kicks off June 20th and runs throughout the summer! For more information, contact the Library at 252-823-1141 or go to website, www.edgecombelibrary.org.



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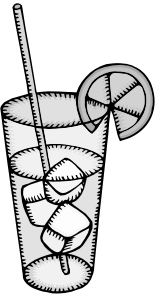
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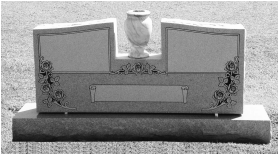
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Independence Day Special Happenings

Wendell Independence Day Celebration (July 4)

The Wendell Historical Society hosts this annual celebration filled with red, white & blue fun. The event is free to the public & is a great day filled with family fun. At J. Ashley Wall Town Square, 17 W. Third Street, Wendell.

Independence Day (July 4th @ 9am-9pm)

Come Celebrate with us and enjoy our Small Town Atmosphere! Festivities begin at 9am with car show, crafts & food. Parade at 2pm followed by Stage Show. Fireworks around 9pm. Proceeds go toward building Castalia Neighborhood Park, which will include a community center, ball field, walking trails, and gardens! In Castalia.

Independence Day Fireworks Extravaganza (July 4 @ 7pm)

What's the best way to celebrate our nations independence day with 3 straight days of fireworks shows at Five County Stadium. Come watch as the sky above the stadium lights up after the Mudcats game with one of the best fireworks shows in Wake County. At Five County Stadium, Zebulon.

Fourth Of July Celebration (July 3-4)

Fireworks, games, live entertainment, & a whole lot more! A two-day affair. Fireworks Spectacular July 3 at Wake Forest High School, 420 W. Stadium Drive. (Gates open 5:30pm). Children's Parade July 4th at 10:30am at N Main Street & West Juniper Ave. Art & Games July 4th in Holding Park, 133 W Owen Ave., Wake Forest.

Independence Day Olde Time Celebration (July 4 @ 7:30am-noon-ish)

Start Independence Day celebrations early! Come for a parent and child Fishing Tournament, decorate for & enjoy the Parade in the Park, & join in fun family contests for all ages. Canine Talent Show & more. At Fred G. Bond Metro Park, 801 High House Road, Cary.

43rd annual Independence Celebration (July 3 @ 6-9:30pm)

Event free to the public, & includes lots of family fun! At Rocky Mount Athletic Stadium, 1400 North Church Street, Rocky Mount.

NC 4th of July Festival Arts and Crafts (July 2, 3 & 4th @ 10am-6pm)

Over 100 artists & craftsman. Food & drink. At Franklin Square Park, 130 E. West Street, Southport. See www.nc4thofjuly.com for more details.

The 'Works! (July 4th @ noon-11pm)

Once again, Downtown Raleigh hosts the City's Fourth of July fireworks extravaganza. This is a free event. live music, Beer/Wine tent, kids rides and games, Circus Maximus, street performers, eating contests, food and art vendors, Picnic on Fayetteville Street and much more! Fireworks will light up the sky around 9:30pm. On Fayetteville Street & at the Red Hat Amphitheater, Raleigh

Free Fishing Day (July 4th @ 12:01am-11:59pm)

On July 4, the NC Wildlife Resources Commission invites anglers and would-be anglers of all ages to go fishing — for free. Everyone in North Carolina — resident & 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.

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 at a baseball game, and have been cheering on the home team. You and your family are looking forward to the fireworks after the game.

A section of people below you are also enjoying the game, but partying quite a bit. They get louder and more boisterous with every inning. By the 7th inning stretch, they are out of control and you'd like your kids not to see any more of their behavior.

Fireworks are still an hour or two away. Do you think that you would take your family and go? Or do you think it more likely that you would report them and ask they be removed? What do you think is the best way to deal with the situation with your family watching?

Tarboro Nursing Center Receives Bronze National Quality Award

Release by Robert Vernon, Contributed by

Tarboro Nursing Center has been recognized as a 2014 recipient of the *Bronze – Commitment to Quality Award* for its dedication to improving the lives of residents through quality care. The award is the first of three distinctions possible through the National Quality Award program, presented by the American Health Care Association and National Center for Assisted Living (AHCA/NCAL). The program honors centers across the nation that have demonstrated their commitment to improving quality care for seniors and individuals with disabilities.

“I applaud *Tarboro Nursing Center* for its commitment to delivering quality care,” said Mark Parkinson, President and CEO of AHCA/NCAL. “This award represents the dedication that each Bronze recipient has given to improve quality in the long term and post-acute care profession.”

Implemented by AHCA/NCAL in 1996, the National Quality Award Program is centered on the core values and criteria of the *Baldrige Performance Excellence Program*. The program assists providers of long term and post-acute care services in achieving their performance excellence goals.

The program has three levels: Bronze, Silver, and Gold. Centers begin the quality improvement process at the Bronze level, where they develop an organizational profile with essential performance elements such as vision and mission statements and an assessment of customers’ expectations. Bronze applicants must also demonstrate their ability to implement a performance improvement system. Trained Examiners review each Bronze application to determine if the center has met the demands of the criteria. As a recipient of the *Bronze - Commitment to Quality Award*, Tarboro Nursing Center may now move forward in developing approaches and achieving performance levels that meet the criteria required for the *Silver - Achievement in Quality Award*.

The awards are sponsored by AHCA/NCAL Associate Business Members My InnerView, by National Research Corporation and PointRight. My InnerView represents the true voice of nursing home and assisted living residents, families,

and employees with the most insightful quality measurement solutions and satisfaction surveys in the healthcare continuum. PointRight is the recognized leader in data-driven analytics for health care and insurance. *Tarboro Nursing Center* was one of 390 centers to receive the Bronze level award. The award will be presented to *Tarboro Nursing Center* during AHCA/NCAL’s 65th Annual Convention and Exposition, October 5-8, 2014, in Washington, D.C.

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July 4
6:00-9:30pm
Braswell Park

Independence Day Celebration

Join us at Braswell Park, located at 1500 Western Blvd., for July 4th on the Lawn. Beginning at 6pm, play in the park with children's games, inflatables, DJ with line dancing, food vendors and more summer fun. Bring your lawn chairs and entire family to enjoy playing in the park and then viewing the fireworks. Around 9:15 pm, the fabulous fireworks will be displayed from Tarboro High School grassy parking lot. For safety reasons, spectators will have restricted access within 500 feet (safety drop zone) of the display set-up area. No personal fireworks (open flames) or pets allowed, thank you.

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Little Bits

Chuckle of the Issue

A burglar broke into a house one night. He shined his flashlight around, looking for valuables, and when he picked up a DVD player to place in his sack, a strange, disembodied voice echoed from the dark saying, “Jesus is watching you.”

He nearly jumped out of his skin, clicked his flashlight out, and froze. When he heard nothing more after a bit, he shook his head, then clicked the light back on and began searching for more valuables.

Just as he pulled the video game console out so he could disconnect the wires, clear as a bell he heard, “Jesus is watching you.”

Freaked out, he shined his light around frantically, looking for the source of the voice. Finally, in the corner of the room, his flashlight beam came to rest on a parrot. “Did you say that?” He hissed at the parrot.

“Yep,” the parrot confessed, then squawked, “I’m just trying to warn you.”

The burglar relaxed. “Warn me, huh? Who in the world are you?”

“Moses,” replied the bird.

“Moses?” the burglar laughed. “What kind of stupid people would name a parrot Moses?”

The bird promptly answered, “Probably the same kind of people that would name a Rottweiler “Jesus”!

Quote of the Issue

Woodrow Wilson (President, b.1856 - d. 1924)

“Liberty has never come from Government. Liberty has always come from the subjects of it. The history of liberty is a history of limitations of governmental power, not the increase of it.”

Word of the Issue: Boisterous

Definition: Noisy, cheerful, or rowdy.

Example: The boisterous celebration continued into the early hours of the morning.

Translation of the Issue

English — “Freedom” or “Liberty”

German — Freiheit

Spanish — Libertad

Latin — Libertas

Italian — Libertà

Irish — Saoirse

Translations for these and many languages may be found in online (translate.google.com, babelfish.com, etc.) and print resources. Note that for some words or phrases, the context may matter. Formal, casual, and even masculine and feminine variations may be used instead.



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Hint: R = E.

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Answer to the previous issue’s cryptogram:

*Thousands of
candles can be
lighted from a
single candle, and
the life of the
candle will not be
shortened.
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decreases by being
shared. -- Buddha*

Cryptogram Note:

For a second hint, email trivia@greyareanews.com or visit www.greyareanews.com.

The Strange-ness

Rumors Abound, but US Dollar Coins Were Not Made without “In God We Trust”

The Presidential \$1 Coin Act of 2005 led to release of new dollars featuring prominent images of US Presidents. The first few coins released in the series included the motto “In God We Trust” pressed into the edges of the coins alongside the date and other details.

During some of the first releases, a small number of coins were misprinted, leading to a few dollars with no edge pressing — no motto or date.

The combination of edge design and few misprinted coins may have fueled the rumor that this inscription was removed from the new dollars. In fact, all of the new dollars did include “In God We Trust.”

After the first years of Presidential dollar coins, the design was revised to move “In God We Trust” from the edge to the coin surface so it was easier to see.

“In God We Trust” has appeared on many US coins since the mid-1800s, and on all US coins since the 1930s. The inclusion in all coins — and paper money — has been mandatory since 1956.

News from The Grey Area

This June 20th issue is a special Extended Edition and will be out in Eastern NC through July 17th. On July 18th, The Grey Area newspaper will hit the scene with updates and additions to help us serve towns within our distribution area.

Distribution continues every-other Friday through 2014 with even more strange news and local events!

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