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## The Strange-ness

### Potential trash eater in *Pestalotiopsis microspora*

A new fungus, one which can live symbiotically on some plants without harming them, has been found to “digest” — even survive just “eating” — polyurethane.

For decades, scientists have looked for ways to make plastics break down. Plastics don't completely break down back into the earth, but some have been developed that break into smaller pieces. The possibility that a fungus could be used to get rid of the plastics humans throw away is a big discovery.

Plastics fill landfills and float in the ocean, often choking sea life or poisoning it from the inside. Being able to get rid of the tons and tons of plastic sitting around could mean a cleaner earth down the road.

For now, scientists are working with the fungus and determining how it can work, and which plants it can harm. It is hoped the testing will be broad and safety/health issues reviewed prior to potentially placing this fungus in US landfills.

## ACT! For Youth Kicks off Season

*Contributed by Elisabeth Farnsworth,  
Arts Council Of Wilson, Inc.*

For their first production of the 2014-15 season, ACT for Youth presents the musical comedy, “Bye Bye Birdie”. This Tony award winning show — from a book by Michael Stewart with lyrics by Lee Adams and music by Charles Strouse — was set in 1958 and inspired by the popularity of Elvis Presley.

Agent and songwriter Albert Peterson finds himself in trouble when the hip-thrusting rock and roll superstar, Conrad Birdie, whom he brought to stardom, is drafted into the Army. Albert's secretary and sweetheart, Rose “Rosie” Alvarez, wants Albert to give up show business and become the English teacher he planned to be when they met. She agrees to help him when he promises to break the news to his overbearing possessive mother. They come up with a last-ditch publicity stunt to have Birdie record and perform Albert's new song “One Last Kiss” and give one lucky girl from the fan club a real “last kiss” on *The Ed Sullivan Show* before Birdie is

sent overseas. The lucky girl chosen randomly from Conrad's fan club is fifteen-year-old Kim MacAfee from Sweet Apple, Ohio. Albert and Rose accompany Birdie to Sweet Apple, where Kim and all the teen-aged girls are ecstatic to welcome him; but, their boyfriends are jealous and their parents are not impressed with his rude and selfish behavior.

Albert's mother arrives to break up Albert and Rose's relationship, and hilarity ensues when the broadcast is ruined and Rose decides to leave Albert

and stumbles into a den of Shriners — and Kim takes off with Birdie.

Audiences will laugh and sing along with songs like “Put On a Happy Face”, “Kids” and “A Lot of Livin' To Do”, to name a few.

Dates are October 17, 18, 24, and 25 at 7:30pm, and October 19 and 26 at 3pm at the Edna Boykin Cultural Center.

All of the ACT for Youth plays are only \$13/ \$10 for students and seniors. Tickets may be purchased online at [www.wilsonarts.com](http://www.wilsonarts.com).



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## Donation Drive to Provide Therapy to Local, Socially Challenged Children

Contributed by Kim Haselhuhn, Kindred Spirits Farm Nonprofit Director

Children struggling with school, home, or community issues are being helped to a better path through innovative therapies in Zebulon.

Kindred Spirits Farm is a 501c3 non-profit that helps individuals and families make positive, life-lasting changes through activities with horses. They are running a fundraising drive to help children and teens who can then participate in their after school program. The program covers ages 6-18.

Kids from low income families, single parent homes, and kids who are struggling — excessive absences from school, fighting, anger issues, and discipline issues (school/home). The therapy is also able to teach tweens and teens with signs of depression, social issues, or those who just need a little support to cope with every day stresses in their lives.

Participants are eligible when referred by a teacher, counselor, parent, aunt, uncle... someone who thinks the child may benefit from immediate, positive, changes in their behavior.

Working with horses offers the perfect opportunity to overcome fear, develop confidence, and provide tools for dealing with some of life's other intimidating and challenging situations. Horses are very sensitive and intuitive, they are aware of, and listen to what we

do not what we say. They are unbiased, honest and will give immediate feedback. The activities are structured to encourage exploration of how we develop trust, manage our anxieties and deal with uncertainty. Working with the horses allows each child to reflect on their own behavior and how it affects those around them.

There are both direct and subtle changes that will take place in those that take part in our after school program.

Kindred Spirits Farm is asking for donations for their youth After School Program. The cost for one child to attend may reach \$2,400 per year. Donation of any amount help cover those costs, and help the community through its positive impact on local youth.

The farm uses 100% of the funds donated directly for the After School Program. Many of the families that are a part of Kindred Spirits Farm would be unable to participate without donations from the people and businesses in the community.

Kindred Spirits Farm will be holding a plates in October too. Watch for this event, and check the farm out at Winterfest at East Wake Academy.

Please contact at 919.215.0811 or email [kstf.nc@hotmail.com](mailto:kstf.nc@hotmail.com) for more information. The nonprofit is online at [www.kindredspiritsfarmnc.com](http://www.kindredspiritsfarmnc.com)

## Prince Royce Outsells Venue

Ticket sales for the recent Prince Royce concert exceeded expectations so much that the event had to be moved from The Ritz to the larger Red Hat Amphitheatre.

Prince Royce performed September 5, 2014 in Raleigh's Red Hat. Hundreds surrounded the stage from the start, while the DJ spun up the crowd. By the time Prince Royce took the stage, thousands were surrounding it.

The songs were a mix of English and Spanish, with songs from the *Soy el Mismo* ("I am the same") album meshing nicely with old standards like "Stand By Me". The music ranged from Reggaeton to Bachata to R&B tunes.

Royce has been performing since he was young, and is touring and performing songs from *Soy el Mismo*, which is his third album. Of Dominican background, Royce was born and raised in The Bronx, NYC. His mix of English and Spanish lyrics has led to all three of his albums reaching *Platinum* sales levels.

The Raleigh concert-goers gathered around the stage not only had a great view of the band and flashy special effects, they were also treated to red roses tossed into the crowd by Prince Royce. At one point in the concert, a woman from the audience was selected to come on stage. Then, Prince Royce sung a new song to her as she blushed and people cheered.

After thanking Raleigh, Prince Royce seemed to leave the stage. The crowd cheered for an encore. What followed was much more!

Prince Royce returned with new attire and he and his band rocked through 4-5 more songs while smoke jetted into the air, followed later by clouds of confetti.

The concert crowd was massive, showing that the local draw for this event benefitted from the move to a larger venue, where more folks could spend the evening enjoying this positive, mixed musical offering.



Photo by Nadia Ethier

### Edgecombe County Things To Do & Announcements

★ Join us September 20th, 10 a.m. - 5 p.m. Edgecombe Arts will host our 3rd Annual Bluegrass Festival at Indian Lake Park, 3202 Western Blvd., Tarboro. Purchase your tickets today for a discount! For more information, contact Joyce Turner at 252-823-4159 or [jturner@edgecombearts.org](mailto:jturner@edgecombearts.org) or [www.edgecombearts.org](http://www.edgecombearts.org)

★ Save the Date! Historic Tarboro Ghost Walk-Walking Ghost Tours will begin November 1st at Courthouse Square, Tarboro. Tours begin at 5:30 p.m. Tickets can be purchased at the tour. More details are available through Edgecombe Arts. Contact us at 252-823-4159 or [jturner@edgecombearts.org](mailto:jturner@edgecombearts.org).



Listing courtesy of Joyce Turner  
Executive Director @ Edgecombe Arts  
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An Elegant Affair Inc, 501C3 Non-Profit Organization who assists Cancer Victims with Wigs, Students with Formal Attire & Senior Citizens with Pearls and Handkerchiefs will have an Grand Opening Celebration **Oct 3 & 4th From 10-8pm**. There will be Light Refreshments & Door Prizes  
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## Things to Do in NC When You're Bored

### 09/12 Family Movie Night (Sept 12 @ 7pm)

Zebulon Parks & Recreation Dept presents FREE movie & popcorn for all ages. A parent/guardian must be present for all children. *Other dates: October 10, November 14, & December 12.* Call 919.823.0432 to find out what is showing. At the Zebulon Community Center, 301 S Arendell Ave, **Zebulon**.

### 09/12 33rd Annual Greek Festival -14 (Sept 12-14)

Dancing, food, cooking demos, & much more... Authentic, handmade Greek food with a side of culture! (Some free tickets available from [www.holy-trinityraleigh.org](http://www.holy-trinityraleigh.org).) Friday 5-10 pm, Saturday 11am-10pm, & Sunday 11am-6pm This year at new, larger location: The Jim Graham Building, NC State Fairgrounds, 1025 Blue Ridge Road, Raleigh.

### 09/13 Stepping into the Past (Saturdays @ 10am-3pm)

Vendors demonstrate traditional skills & often sell items. All activities included with \$6-8 admission. At Tobacco Farm Life Museum, 709 N Church Street, **Kenly**.

### 09/13 Knightdale Community Day (Sept 13 @ 11am-6pm)

Free event offers games, inflatables, music, local vendor products, food trucks, local acts, & more. WakeMed's helicopter will land on Field 1 at 10:30am. To be a vendor or for more info, Contact Megan Thornton at 919.217.2236. At Knightdale Station Park, 810 N First Avenue, **Knightdale**.

### 09/13 The Falls Lake Festival (Sept 13 @ 10am-2 pm)

Get to know & love everything about Falls Lake & the Upper Neuse River. Join the Neuse RiverKeeper Foundation as they hold their first annual "Jug-Oar-Knot" paddle race, or just enjoy the free family fun provided. At the Falls Lake dam, 13304 Creedmoor Rd, **Wake Forest**.

### 09/13 Middlesex Fundraiser (Sept 13)

Middlesex Volunteer Fire Dept is holding a plate-sale fundraiser during the Warren SNEAK Lewis 5k Memorial Run. Visitors may participate in a walk or run, & support the fire department's new building fund — all in the same day. Both events at the Middlesex Volunteer Fire Dept., 13081 W Hanes Ave, **Middlesex**.

### 09/16 SCV September Meeting (Sept 16 @ 6:30pm)

The Col. Henry K. Burgwyn/East Wake Camp of the Sons of Confederate Veterans mtg. Bill Vaughan speaks on local families with members who fought in the Civil War. Everyone invited. Meal at 6:30pm, program at 7:15pm. For info, call 919.365.5206. At the Boulevard Pizza, 2925 Wendell Blvd., in **Wendell**.

### 09/16 Wilson County Fair -21 (Sept 16-21)

Great fun-filled, family event! The mission of the Fair is to encourage agriculture, education, commerce, industry, & patriotism. Provides thrilling, educational, and exciting activities and events. Visit [www.wilsoncountyfair.org](http://www.wilsoncountyfair.org). At Wilson County Fairgrounds, 2331 US 301 South, **Wilson**.

### 09/17 Free Computer Classes (Sept 17)

Wilson County Public Library offers free "Computer Basics" class 5-6:30pm. Free "Internet Basics" computer class 7-8:30pm. Contact the circulation desk at 252.237.5355 for info. At Wilson County Library, 249 Nash Street, **Wilson**.

### 09/18 Downtown Live! (Sept 18 @ 6pm)

Free Summer concert series on the lawn. Bring lawn chair or blanket. Concessions available. No coolers. Doors open 5pm. At Imperial Centre, 270 Gay Street, **Rocky Mount**.

### 09/19 Movie on the Lawn (Sept 19 @ 8:30pm)

Free outdoor movie! Bring the family & enjoy the flick. At the Zebulon Municipal Complex, 1003 N Arendell Ave, **Zebulon**.

### 09/20 History Alive! (Sept 20 @ 10am-4pm)

Free horse drawn carriage rides (11am-2pm), free tours, Pelican's SnoBalls, Music by Nine Pound Hammers, food, activities, & more! At Country Doctor Museum, 6642 Peele Road, **Bailey**.

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### 09/20 International Food & Music Festival (Sept 20 @ 11am)

Annual fest offers a wide variety of foods & many, many performances through the day until 6pm. Worth the trip! At J. Ashley Wall Towne Square, W Third St. & W Cypress St., **Wendell**.

### 09/20 Fly-In & Open House (Sept 20 @ 9am-4pm)

Wilson Experimental Aircraft Assu open house. Pancake breakfast, helicopter rides, experimental aircraft, corvette car show, food & fun for all! Contact Garry Hodges 252.903.4219. At Wilson Industrial Air Center Airport, 4545 Airport Drive **Wilson**.

### 09/24 Wilson Health Fair (Sept 24 @ 9am-3pm)

Health fair for community members of Wilson. Free of charge to participants. Health screenings by comm health organizations & health info, plus The Lion's Vision Van & the NC Baptist Dental Van. Contact Becky Stottlemire at 252.293.4323. At the Wilson County Ag Center, 1806 SW Goldsboro St., **Wilson**.

### 09/25 2014 Business Expo! (Sept 25 @ 3-7pm)

Zebulon Chamber of Commerce Expo brings together business leaders from dynamic companies throughout the area. Largest local business-to-business event. At Zebulon Middle School, 1000 Shepard School Rd, **Zebulon**.

### 09/27 Scout Troop Fundraiser (Sept 27 @ 11am-5pm)

Boy Scout Troop 524 is holding their Annual BBQ Fundraiser! Plates are \$8 each & include half BBQ Chicken, potatoes, green beans, corn sticks & dessert. Drive thru or dine in. Sodas & water for sale. All funds raised stay with the Troop. Contact: Annie Burke at 919.606.9884. At Zebulon Baptist Church parking lot, 400 N Arendell Ave, **Zebulon**.

### 09/27 Latino Festival 2014 (Sept 27 @ 11am-9pm)

Celebrating diversity and sharing our cultures with Latin food, dancing, entertainment and more. Contact: 252.757.3916. At Greenville Town Common, 1st Street, **Greenville**.

### 10/10 Family Movie Night (Oct 10 @ 7pm)

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### 10/11 Black Creek Heritage Day (Oct 11 @ 9am-4:30pm)

Outside festival with the 9/11 Never Forget Mobile Exhibit from NY, live entertainment, arts, crafts & food vendors, NC Div. of Confederate Veterans campsite, cannon firing, yesteryear demonstrators, children's inflatables, face/hair painting, Smokey The Bear, car/tractor show, raffle/door prizes, hay rides & more. Contact Ellen E. Dawson at 252.243.3540. At 112 West Center Street, **Black Creek**.

### 10/16 NC State Fair -26 (Oct. 16-26)

Advance tickets are on sale now at [www.ncstatefair.org](http://www.ncstatefair.org). (More information on Page 5.) At the State Fairgrounds, 1025 Blue Ridge Road, **Raleigh**.

### 10/31 Outdoor Movie Series (Oct 31 @ 6:15pm)

Enjoy movies & fun in the park. *Hotel Transylvania* showing for Halloween. *Upcoming: December 6 film, which will be at Stony Creek.* Halloween showing at Glover Park, **Nashville**.

*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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## 2014 NC State Fair Blends Novelty & Tradition

*Release by Brian Long, NC State Fair*

The NC State Fair starts October 16, 2014, and visitors will find many of their old favorites mixed in with a variety of new entertainment and exhibits.

The Neon Anteaters may sound like an emerging rock ‘n’ roll group, but they are actually one of the fair’s newest roaming acts. These purple and blue creatures are quadruped stilt walkers and they will be doling out “slurpy kisses” at the flower show during their daily strolls.

In Kiddieland, Izzie, a face-painting fairy, will be moving around on Glitter, her bicycle dragon, while stopping to tell stories to fairgoers.

Near the rabbit barn, the family-friendly Tumbleweed Crossing Wild West Show featuring special effects, stunt performances and comedy gun-fight scenes will perform daily at noon, 3, and 6 p.m., with an additional show at 10 a.m. on Saturdays and Sundays.

Other free and new acts include:

- The Farmer Phil Show
- Roberto the Magnificent
- Brad Matchett, comedy hypnotist
- Down to Earth Aerials

Grounds entertainment also includes more roaming acts such as Popping Penelope doing her balloon act in front of the Expo Center; stilt-walking by Zachari; Walking Tree Man; and Living Statues.

Music lovers will find a mix of pop, rock, country and Latin throughout the day on the Kitchen Craft Waterfall Stage and bluegrass performances in Heritage Circle.

Other returning favorites include The One Man Band, Kenya Safari Acrobats, K-9s in Flight, Fire Safety Show, Hansen’s Spectacular Acrobatic Sensations, Dale Jones Juggler, Circle C Racing Pigs and Melvin the Wacky Wheeler. At 9:45 nightly, fireworks presented by OneMain Financial will light up the sky.

The north lobby of Dorton Arena will feature a new exhibit honoring NC’s involvement in World War I. Historians in uniform will be on hand to answer questions and explain what NC doughboys experienced in the trenches.

The Ag Today tent on the south side of Dorton Arena will show the latest in precision agriculture, including an *unmanned aerial vehicle*.

New this year at the Hunt Horse Complex is a Year of the Horse Celebration. The schedule of events includes a variety of activities.

All grounds entertainment and exhibits are free with admission to the fair. While enjoying the fair, be sure to use #ncstatefair to share your memories on social media. Look for selfie stations scattered around the fairgrounds for a few suggested photo opportunities.

The NC State Fair runs October 16-26 at the State Fairgrounds. Advance tickets are on sale at [www.ncstatefair.org](http://www.ncstatefair.org). Advance tickets are \$7 for adults and \$3 for ages 6-12. Admission at the gate is \$9 for adults and \$4 for ages 6-12. Walk-up ticket sales begin October 2 in Burlington, Chapel Hill, Clayton, Durham, Wilson and Raleigh. Go online to [www.ncstatefair.org](http://www.ncstatefair.org) for more information on walk-up sites and hours.

## NASA’S MAVEN Spacecraft Arrives at Mars

*Released by Nancy Neal Jones & Guy Webster, NASA*

NASA’s Mars Atmosphere and Volatile Evolution (MAVEN) spacecraft, on approach to Mars, will fire six orbital insertion thrusters on Sunday, Sept. 21, slowing down so that Mars will gravitationally catch the spacecraft into orbit.

The orbital mission will investigate how Mars lost its atmosphere and abundant liquid water. By analyzing the planet’s upper atmosphere and measuring current rates of atmospheric loss, MAVEN scientists hope to understand how Mars transitioned from a warm, wet planet to the dry desert world we see today.

MAVEN is managed by NASA’s Goddard Space Flight Center, Greenbelt, Maryland, and is part of the broader NASA Mars Exploration Program managed by JPL. For more updates on the MAVEN activities, visit [www.nasa.gov/MAVEN](http://www.nasa.gov/MAVEN).

## Things We Did in NC When We Were Bored

### Rocky Mount Hog Rally Features The Charlie Daniels Band

Rocky Mount Harley Davidson played a big part in the September Hog Rally, including hosting a concert by The Charlie Daniels Band. The well-put-together event was an enjoyable, family event with a mix of local folks and motorcycle riders from far away.

Friday, September 5th, thousands gathered on the open area behind Rocky Mount Harley Davidson, off Winstead Avenue in Rocky Mount.

Festivities started in the morning and ran until late evening. Food and drink vendors served the crowd, estimated at 5200, while stunts, the hog rally, and more entertained the crowd.

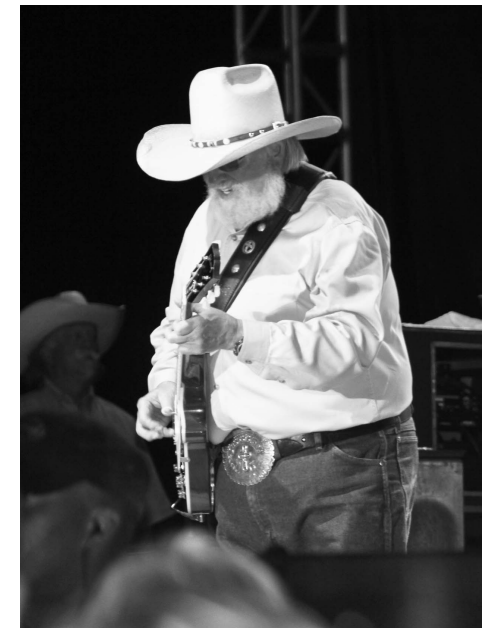
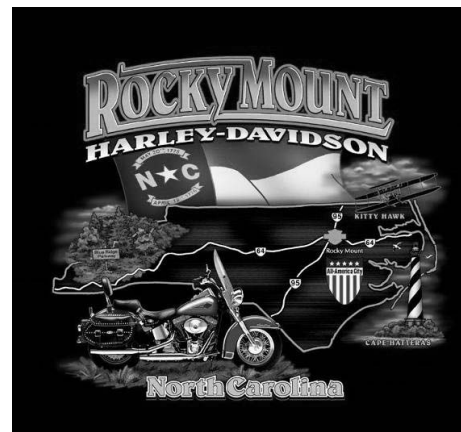
Before the musicians took to the stage, a special military tribute was held. The colors were presented, patriotic songs sung, and audience participation encouraged — especially by the many veterans peppering the crowd.

Live music from the American Hitmen — a band of all veterans — was

followed by Charlie Daniels and his talented band.

The day was overcast, the hosts gracious, the music awesome, and the crowd covered the area from stage back to the outside vendors! Even for those of us who arrived in cars instead of on motorcycles, it was a great place to be and the music engaging!

The NC Hog Rally is an annual multi-day event where motorcycle riders and groups gather and travel from the NC mountains to the sea, with stops in several cities. Rocky Mount Harley Davidson hosted the stop in their city, and organized the day’s activities — though all were welcomed to join the Hog Rally participants in Rocky Mount.



Photos by Frank Whatley, Sales Manager & Photographer

## Dr. Nicholas' Corner: Facing Old Age

Contributed By Nicholas Pediaditakis,  
MD, DLFAPA, ©2014



Our country's citizens are aging. The demographic bell curve is now rapidly moving to the right. Millions are now in their seventies or even eighties and beyond.

They are facing the inevitable signs of wear and tear and, as our present cultural and practical realities dictate, their children live apart from them in their own places attending their own children.

So millions old people are living alone trying to cope with their predicaments, especially feeling lonely and irrelevant.

Surprising a great, rapidly increasing number, see this seemingly grim predicament as an opportunity.

Here is an example of an old citizen now in his eighties turning the argument on its head.

### ***Ode to My Eightieth Year***

Granted, in the mornings the stretching of limbs is a little heavy now,  
And a whiff of melancholy, a permanent noise,

— A vortex of self-pity for the unwary  
— The competitive enthusiasm — a priority cancelled.

The feverishness for territoriality — stilled.

The rapacity for possessing —  
Attempts for clutching the rocks forever —

Thoughtless activity nullified.

The things that matter have now dwindled.

But the uncluttered list;

A discovery cherished.

Grace and generosity are revisited,

And affection has become a priority amplified.

The inner country;

A shimmering sea in a September morning.

I now feel free to count one by one,

The petals of flowers,

And in the evenings, while staring at the stars — myriads of quivering opals, thinking of the immensity and endlessness

To marvel!

I only wish to have felt eighty all my life! vlatas

## Nash Arts Offers Variety To Do

For more information on these happenings, visit [www.nasharts.org](http://www.nasharts.org), or stop by Nash Arts at 100 E Washington Street in Nashville.

### ***Meet the Author Reception with Mandy Bailey***

Free event hosted by Nash Arts, with light refreshments provided. Happening September 19, 6-8pm.

### ***Men in Black: Cash, Conway, & Elvis***

Music event featuring Alvin Smith (Elvis), Jeff Barnes (Conway Twitty), and Wrenn Mangum (Johnny Cash). Get ready for a good time at this September 20 event, beginning at 7pm. Tickets are \$27 reserved, \$22 General, and \$17 groups of 10 or more. The Nash Arts member discounts are applied according to the level of membership.

### ***Dancing with the Arts Fundraiser***

September 26: 7pm, come by and bid to raise funds for the arts. Fees are \$15 for admission, \$1 per bid.

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## And More Strange-ness

### ***Protect PIN Codes from Thermal Theft***

YouTube technology reviewer Mark Rober posted information on an infrared reader for iPhones that may help thieves capture PIN codes after customers check out.

The buttons light up based on the heat applied by fingers as the PIN is typed.

While it would be difficult for a thief to use a PIN code without having the card too, the suggestion for protecting the PIN code from being read in an infrared photo capture, place fingers over other buttons to transfer enough heat — without pressing the buttons — to obscure heat transfer on the buttons used for the PIN.



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## Zebulon Businesses Called to Participate in Halloween Activities

Article & photos contributed by Josh Hardin,  
Community Center Coordinator, Town of Zebulon

The Town of Zebulon Parks and Recreation Department invites local organizations to participate in the annual Trunk or Treat Night. The community will be invited to celebrate Halloween in the safe environment of the Zebulon Community Center on Friday, October 24, 2014, from 5pm to 7pm.

Participating organizations will be assigned a parking place to set up. Although it is not required, we urge participating organizations to have fun with this opportunity, decorate their vehicles, and wear costumes as they pass out candy to the smiling faces! Make it your own and have fun with this event! If your organization is unable to participate in the event, but would still like to contribute, we would be very appreciative of candy donations.

We will also be having a Best Costume, Best Truck and Best Carved Pumpkin contest.

If your organization would like to join us to celebrate Halloween, please call 919.823.0432, or email [Jhardin@townofzebulon.org](mailto:Jhardin@townofzebulon.org), to reserve a spot today.



## 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 about the choices people make, and the thought process they go through to arrive at decisions.*

### Consider: Submitted for Discussion

A colleague makes a mistake at work. You find it just before a big meeting and let her know. She seems thankful, but you get a funny feeling she is also upset.

Later that morning, after the meeting ends, you get called in by your boss. He tells you that your colleague informed everyone at the meeting of *your* mistake. Apparently, she laid the blame on you. You explain what really happened to your manager. Eventually, he believes you.

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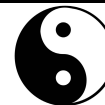
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## Little Bits

### Chuckle of the Issue

“Jimmy, where is your homework?”  
Miss Miller said sternly to the little boy while holding out her hand.

“My dog ate it,” was his solemn response.

“Jimmy, I’ve been a teacher for eighteen years. Do you really expect me to believe that?”

“It’s true! Miss Miller, I swear it is,” insisted Jimmy. “I had to smear it with honey, but I finally got him to eat it.”

### Translation of the Issue

English — “hope”

German — hoffe

Spanish — la esperanza

Korean — 희망을 (huimang-eul)

Italian — la speranza

Irish — tá súil

Russian — надеюсь (nadeyus’)

Latin — spem

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.



## Cryptogram of the Issue

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

**Hint: Q = N.**

A N U A J S P M C U

Z W A N N H F W Q V

H Q S G U Q

K W Q Y S R

B S P J X U W X

A N H A G U S G C U

Z W C C W Q X W X A

S Q B S K W Q V

H C S Q V H Q Y

A J O W Q V A S

G P A A N W Q V X

W Q W A

A U J J O

G J H A B N U A A

Answer to the previous issue’s cryptogram:

*Farming looks mighty easy when your plow  
is a pencil and you're a thousand miles  
from the corn field.*

--Dwight D. Eisenhower

### Cryptogram Note:

For a second Cryptogram hint, email  
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### Words of the Issue

#### Comprehensive

**Definition:** Including everything.  
Broadly covering.

**Example:** Her knowledge of  
wildflowers was comprehensive.

### Quote of the Issue

#### Albert Einstein

“When you are courting a  
nice girl and hour seems  
like a second. When you  
sit on a red-hot cinder a  
second seems like an  
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