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Museum to Host Free Screenings

Released by Jennie Schindler Graham, curatorial director, schindlerj@ecu.edu

The Country Doctor Museum in Bailey will host the NC Lions' Mobile Screening Unit on February 26, 2015, from 9am until 3pm. Free vision and hearing screenings will be offered.

The Nash County Health Department will also be on-site offering free blood sugar and blood pressure checks from 9am until 11am.

The free screenings are sponsored jointly by the Rocky Mount Evening Lions Club, the Nash County Health Department, Wilson Eye Associates, and the Country Doctor Museum.

No appointment is necessary, and complimentary refreshments will be provided.

Created in 1967, the Country Doctor Museum is the oldest museum in the US dedicated to the history of American rural health care. The museum showcases more than 5,000 medical artifacts and volumes of historic texts relevant to the practice of medicine between the late 18th century and the first half of the 20th century. Nursing, pharmaceuticals and home remedies are also included.

Located at 6642 Peele Road in Bailey, the museum is managed as part of the History Collections of Laupus Library at East Carolina University (ECU) through an agreement with the ECU Medical & Health Sciences Foundation. For details, call 252.235.4165 or visit www.countrydoctormuseum.org.

Donations Requested for Easter Food Boxes

The Nash County Senior Center is in need of assistance and participation in their Annual Easter Food Box Drive. The purpose of this program is to collect and distribute non-perishable food items to needy senior citizens throughout Nash County.

They will be collecting non-perishable food items from Feb 16-March 16. Monetary donations are also accepted and appreciated. Checks may be made payable to "Nash County" and should be received by March 16. Volunteers are needed to help assemble the boxes on March 20, and to deliver them on March 24 and 25. Food and monetary donations should be delivered to the Nash County Senior Center at 103 N Alston Street in Nashville. Please call 252.459.7681 for more information.

Old Coffee Mugs Needed in Nashville

If you're like most of us, then your cabinets are full of coffee mugs that you rarely ever use. New mugs are bought, and the old ones get pushed to the back of the shelf. Why let those unused mugs continue to sit and collect dust? Bring them to *The NASH* instead! Their supply of mugs is getting low, and they gladly welcome any new additions. All coffee mug donations may be dropped off at Nash Senior Center in Nashville, to Michele McKnight, Senior Center Coordinator.

Upcoming Workshops

Rocky Mount SCORE is presenting a Small Business and Non-profit Workshop Series. Programs will be held at Braswell Memorial Library, 727 North Grace Street Rocky Mount, on the first Tuesdays of March, April, May, and June. Join us March 3 from 5:30pm to 7:30pm, for the first program in the series, featuring Scott Radosevich: Demystifying Cloud Computing. All programs in the series are free and open to the public; for more information contact Joetta Pittman by phone at 252.442.1951 x.239 email or ipittman@braswell-library.org.

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.

You volunteer at your church. You believe in their work, and are happy to provide your time. Unfortunately, as the months go by, you find more and more of your time being taken. You also start feeling more stressed as there

seems to be no end to the tasks to do.

Despite your hints that you are overly busy and want more family time, the tasks keep getting assigned to you. Sure, the church members make you feel appreciated; however, you wish someone else could take over for you. You know they are good people, but that they are not seeing how you are overwhelmed.

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Zebulon Lacrosse Exhibit Scheduled

Contributed by Josh Hardin, Zebulon Parks and Recreation

There will be an exhibition Lacrosse Game with Heritage High School taking on Panther Creek High School at Wakelon Elementary School hosted by the Zebulon Parks and Recreation Department.

The game is set to begin at 11am on February 28, 2015. Admission is *free* and there will be concessions serving warm food and drinks to keep you full throughout the excitement. Come re"LAX" and enjoy the fun.

Museum Continues Bringing History to Life

The Stepping Into The Past series continues for 2015 at the Tobacco Farm Life Museum, located at 709 North Church Street in Kenly.

Each Saturday from 10am to 3pm, the museum holds demonstrations and displays of traditional arts, crafts and trades. Visitors may see how things used to be done, or participate in old-style activities. Upcoming topics include: Candle making (February 14), Butter making (February 21), Blacksmiths (February 28), Antique tractor displays (March 7), and Broom and rug making (March 14).

Saturday activities are included with Museum admission. For details, visit www.tobaccofarmlifemuseum.org .

Fly-Tying Lessons

A Beginning Fly Tying Clinic is being taught in March, followed by a more advanced Forum. All are welcome to learn this skill.

The course is designed to provide the student with a basic knowledge of fly tying tools, materials, patterns, and tying techniques. It is taught in progression, allowing the students to build on their skills and steadily advance toward more complex flies. Students will complete 6 fly patterns over 8 hours of instruction.

The course is March 17, 18, & 19, 2015, from 6:30pm until 9:00pm, each evening. In order to assure that each student receives proper instruction this course is limited to 20 participants. All tools and materials are provided. In addition, participants will receive a Flytying Handbook that provides them with reference to the patterns tied in class.

Following the Basic training, a fly-tying forum is scheduled for March 26, 2015, also 6:30-9pm, The Fly-Tying forums expand on skills taught in the Basic Fly-Tying Clinic. Handouts will be provided that include the materials list and tying instructions for each pattern. These instructional guides may be added to the fly-tying handbook that the students received in the basic tying course. Participants are encouraged to use their own equipment; however, some equipment will be available. All materials will be provided for the created patterns.

Both events are at John E. Pechmann Fishing Education Center, 7489 Raeford Road, in Fayetteville. Park in the upper parking lot behind the main building.

All are welcome; however, first time tyers are encouraged to take the Beginning Fly-tying Course in which a portion of the time is dedicated to indepth discussion of materials, tools, and basic tying techniques. This gives the tyers a good understanding of terminology and practice using techniques that will be helpful in completing more advanced flies.

If you have any questions about this registration, contact Tom Carpenter at thomas.carpenter@ncwildlife.org.
Attending costs nothing, but reservations must be made. When space is gone, it's gone.

Library Mourns Educator

Contributed by Traci Thompson, Braswell Memorial Library

Braswell Memorial Library is sad to announce the passing of a great educator Dr. Thomas Randall "Mac" McIntosh.

Dr. McIntosh was a faithful library supporter of Braswell Memorial Library in Rocky Mount, and was always kind and willing to share his many talents, stories, collections, and historic treasures with the library for displays and programs. He truly enriched the lives of those he came in contact with, and we will miss him greatly. Condolences to his friends and family.

With Dr. McIntosh's passing, it is necessary to cancel two programs that he was scheduled to present: Happy Birthday Charles Dickens (was Feb 7), and Meet Mark Twain (was March 19)

Dr. McIntosh, age 75, was a historian and social studies teacher at Harrisburg

High School. He passed away on January 23, 2015. in Rocky Mount, from injuries sustained during a fire.

Macabre Film Festival Returns

The NEVERMORE Film Festival was created in 1999. NEVERMORE is dedicated to screening brand new horror features and shorts from around the world, as well as some fan favorites. Many of these films will never receive a theatrical release in the United States. Classic suspense movies, hyper-violent Hong Kong cinema and everything in between are included. NEVERMORE is an exciting three-day feast of the macabre! The 16th Annual Nevermore Film Festival will take place February 20-22, 2015.

Films will be shown at The Carolina Theatre Of Durham, located at 309 W Morgan Street in Durham.

Tickets range from \$10 to \$80, and may be purchased for individual films or for the entire event.

More information on the theatre and NEVERMORE may be found online at www.carolinatheatre.org/films .



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Things to Do in NC When You're Bored

02/13 Family Movie Night (Feb 13 @ 7pm)

Second Friday of each month. For all ages. Parent or guardian must be present. Call 919.823.0432 for movie title. At the Zebulon Community Center, 301 S Arendell Ave, **Zebulon**.

02/13 Pickleball 02/20 (Fridays @ 11am-1pm)

Free fitness fun for grown-ups, teens, & seniors. Easy for beginners & a blast to play! A great workout too. At Zebulon Community Center, 301 S Arendell Avenue, **Zebulon**.

02/14 Pruning 101 (February 14 @ 9am)

Prune like a pro! Free. Learn the basics of why, when, & how to prune shrubs, trees, & perennials. Register by emailing info@logantrd.com. At Logan's, 707 Semart Drive, **Raleigh**.

02/14 NITE OWL at Heroes (Feb 14 @ 9pm-2am)

Nite Owl's rock & blues debut at Wilson's newest hot spot! At Heroes Sports Oyster Bar and Grill, 124 Barnes St, Wilson.

02/16 Tunnel Greenhouses and CSA (Feb 16 @ 5-6pm)

Karen Coleman, works at her family farm, is the owner of Absolute Affordable CSA, is presenting the program. At Wilson County Agricultural Center, 1806 SW Goldsboro St., Wilson.



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02/16 Tax Planning, Preparation & Legal Tax for Small Farmers (Feb 16 @ 5:30-7pm)

Free public workshop presented by Doctor Osei Yeboah. To sign up, contact Eunice M. Carrasco-Hill at 252.437.1723. By A & T University Agricultural Education Farmers Outreach Solutions, Inc. At the Franklinton Center at Bricks, 281 Bricks Lane, Whitakers.

02/16 Kids Story Time 02/23 (Mondays @ 10:30am)

Stories and songs for Kids ages 2-5. At The Nashville Library, 114 W Church St., Nashville.

02/17 Bibi Eshe (Feb 17 @ 4:30-5:30pm)

Black History Month Storytelling and Djembe drumming! In the Warner Meeting Room at Braswell Memorial Library 727 N Grace St, Rocky Mount.

02/17 Teen Movie Night (February 17 @ 6-8:30pm

Monthly on the third Tuesday, in Assembly Room. Feb 17 *Maleficent*, & Mar 17 *Giver*. Info, call 252.237.5355. At Wilson County Public Library Main Branch, 249 Nash St. W, **Wilson**.

02/17 SCV Monthly Program (Feb 17 @ 6:30pm)

The Col. Henry K. Burgwyn/East Wake Camp of the Sons of Confederate Veterans Program features Byron Brady on "The Escape of John Wilkes Booth." All invited. Meal 6:30pm, program 7:15pm. Call 919.365.5206. At Boulevard Pizza, 2925 Wendell Blvd, **Wendell**.



02/17 Gamers & Dart League Night (Tuesdays @ 6-9pm)

Board games kick off at 6pm, darts at 7pm. At Common Grounds Coffee & Music House, 20 Cheves Road, **Bunn**.

02/17 5 County Beekeepers Assc. (February 17 @ 6:30pm)

Speaker is Cameron Johnson. Topic: Bringing the bees out of winter & Prepping the bees for the nectar flow. Refreshments first, then meeting start 7pm. At Bennett Bunn Plantation, 1915 Old Bunn Rd, Zebulon.

02/18 Regional Grains Meeting (Feb 18 @ 7:30-10am)

Come for the latest updates relating to grains production in the area. Call 252.641.7821 to reserve a seat. At East Carolina Ag & Education Center, 1175 Kingsboro Rd, **Rocky Mount**.

02/19 Brainstormer Trivia 02/26 (Thursdays @ 7:30-10pm)

> Not too hard, not too easy - just right! Team registration begins at 7:30pm & game kicks off at 8pm. At Underground Pub, 101 E Church Street, **Tarboro**

02/20 Public Star Parties February 20 @ 7-9pm)

All ages. Free. Close-up telescopic views of planets, moon, stars & distant nebulae. Contact 252.972.1586, see www.imperialcentre.org. At City Lake & Imperial Centre: City Lake Park, 1701 Sunset Avenue, **Rocky Mount**.

02/20 Princeville 130th Birthday Celebration – Candlelight (Feb 20 @ 5:30-6:30pm)

Candlelight service & walk from Town Hall to the original Freedom Hill site two blocks away. (NOTE: A copy of the Preliminary Emancipation Proclamation is on view at Princeville Museum & Welcome Center Feb 16-March 14, 2015.) Start at Town Hall. Princeville.

02/21 Food Truck Rodeo (Feb 21 @ 11am-2pm)

Stop by for lunch & enjoy a variety of foods in one spot. See www.knightdalenc.gov. At Knightdale Station Park, 810 N First Ave, **Knightdale**.

02/21 Talkin' Tar Heel: The Dialect Legacy of North Carolina (Feb 21 @ 2-3pm)

Members of the NC Language & Life Project present & illustrate the rich assortment of dialect diversity in NC. Register: 919.217.5300. At East Regional Library, 946 Steeple Square Ct, **Knightdale**.

02/24 Allowable Business Deductions for Small Business Owners (Feb 24 @ 6-9pm)

Small business owners will gain an understanding of common business expenses, comprehend the general deductibility rules, & learn how to track those that require documentation. Register by Feb. 23. At Wilson Community College, Small Business Center (Room G-240), 902 Herring Ave, Wilson.

02/24 Gamers & Dart League Night (Tuesdays @ 6-9pm) Board games kick off at 6pm, darts at 7pm. At Common Grounds Coffee & Music

02/26 Dynamite Marketing on a Firecracker Budget (Feb 26 @ 6-9pm)

Seminar covers tips for prospective & existing business owners. Learn about customers, competitors, & overall market opps. Phone 252.451.8233. At Nash Community College, 522 N Old Carriage Road, Rocky Mount.

House, 20 Cheves Road, Bunn.

02/27 Friday Afternoon Popcorn & a Movie (Feb 27 @ 2pm)

Fourth Friday of each month in room 112. Enjoy popcorn and a great movie. Feb 27 is *Inception*. Free movie; popcorn 25¢ per bag! Info 252.459.7681. At Nash County Senior Center, 103 N Alston Street, **Nashville**.

Visit us at businessalliancenc.com

And More Things To Do

02/28 See Spot Read (Feb 28 @ 11am-12pm)

Practice reading to a therapy dog! At Zebulon Library, 1000 Dogwood Dr, **Zebulon**.

02/28 Annual Pancake Event (February 28 @5pm – 8pm

The Kiwanis Club of Tarboro is holding its Annual Pancake Supper & Breakfast. Tickets available at Bryan Drug & the Library or through Kiwanis or Golden K members. Tickets \$7 in advance, \$8 at the door. Take-out too. At Tarboro High School, 1400 W Howard Avenue, **Tarboro**.

03/01 Storytime in the Galleries (Mar 1 @ 2pm)

Grab a spot on the rug and listen to a story. On the first Sunday of each month find the Storytime rug in the Arts Center Galleries. Info online at www.imperialcentre.org. At Imperial Centre, 270 Gay Street, **Rocky Mount**.

03/02 Diabetes Support Group (Mar 2 @ 6-7pm)

The Edgecombe County Health Department's Chronic Disease Self-Management Program is sponsoring monthly Diabetes Support Group meetings the first Monday of each month. For info, call 252.641.7588. At the Edgecombe County Human Services Building, 122 E St. James Street, downtown **Tarboro**.

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03/03 Veterans Memorial Flag Raising (Mar 3 @ 11am)

Golden K honors a deceased soldier on the first Monday of each month by raising a flag in his/her name. At Veterans Memorial on Town Common Wilson Street & Albemarle Avenue, **Tarboro**.

03/05 Senior Games Fundraiser (March 5 @ 5-8pm)

The Upper Coastal Plain Council of Governments' Area Agency on Aging is holding a fundraiser. Funds raised go toward the Down East Senior Games & Adaptive Events coming in April and May. For more info, contact Kendra Dixon at 252.234.5959. Purchase eat-in or to-go. At Chick-fil-A, 2407 Forest Hills Road West, **Wilson**.

03/06 First Friday Coffee (Mar 6 @ 7:30am)

Stop by to network & have a cup or two. At Nashville Exchange, W Washington Street, Nashville.

03/07 Dig In (March 7 @ 8:30am-1pm

Advocates for Health in Action (AHA) hosts the annual Dig In, a community gardening and urban ag workshop. Optional farms service, 2pm. See www. advocatesforhealthinaction.org. At Marbles Kids Museum, 200 East Hargett Street, Raleigh.



03/07 Nash County Recycles Day (Mar 7 @ 10am-1pm)

Bring recyclables to dispose of properly. At Nash County Courthouse Parking Lot, 222 W. Washington St, Nashville.

03/13 Family Movie Night (Mar 13 @ 7pm)

Second Friday of each month. For all ages. Parent or guardian must be present. Call 919.823.0432 for movie title. At the Zebulon Community Center, 301 S Arendell Avenue, **Zebulon**.

03/15 Kids Day Celebration (March 15 @1-4pm)

Join us in celebration of Youth Art Month and the annual Young At Art Exhibition. Enjoy fun, educational, family activities throughout the day. There will be plenty of handson activities for all ages. At Imperial Centre for the Arts & Sciences at 270 Gay Street in downtown Rocky Mount.

03/27 Friday Afternoon Popcorn & a Movie (Mar 27 @ 2pm)

Enjoy popcorn and a great movie. Mar 27 is *The Giver*. Free movie; popcorn 25¢ per bag! Info 252.459.7681. At Nash County Senior Center, Rm 112, 103 N Alston St, **Nashville**.

03/31 Super Salads Program (March 13 @12pm)

Free. Share a healthy lunch with friends at the Community Center. We will provide a "house salad" and you bring a healthy side. Register by March 6. At Zebulon Community Center, 301 S Arendell Avenue, **Zebulon**.

03/31 Food Service Business Start-up (Mar 31 @ 6-9pm)

Free workshop. Ever think of starting a restaurant, food truck, or catering business? Come to this informative seminar. Register via www.nashcc.edu/sbc. At Nash Community College Small Business Center, 522 N Old Carriage Rd, Rocky Mount.





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Dr. Nicholas' Corner: More on Eating Patterns for Health



Contributed by By Nicholas Pediaditakis, MD, DLFAPA

Once more: Back dieting...

Many friends and patients keep asking me: what is a good diet, regime, or program to follow, so they can finally lose weight? They have often tried everything in the past: miracle formulas of thick fluids, exclusive preparations made up

of exotic fruits, or powered extracts of this-or-that substance. These concoctions have three things in common: their exaggerated claims; their stiff cost; and their out-of-this-world ingredients — some times harmful. Plus, I will add a fourth one: often they taste terrible. Most importantly, they do not work.

Regimes do not work either. You know, such as, "Eat one egg at 7am, an apple at lunch, and fish at night" — that sort of thing. Usually after an initial success with regimes, you rebound, One re-gains the weigh just lost, and often gains some more.

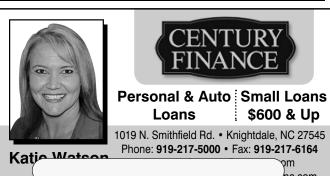
I tell you that these simply do not work. But then, What gives? No hope? No solution? No Help?

Oh, But there is! That is why I speak again this week to the subject. It is something that is so simple, and yet so difficult to follow through.

Simply it is this; Start eating normally. Yes, just normally. Begin now even if you are overweight! And, stick to it!

Just what do I mean? Normally! Just that. Eat like a human being:





- 1. Eat three times a day. Not two. Not four. No snacks in between.
- 2. Always eat sitting down.
- 3. Eat slowly. I mean take your time; no gobbling, and not attacking the food like a raptor — or a leopard over a freshly-brought-down deer, fearful that another fellow creature will snatch it away! No taste and aroma of what you eat.
- 4. Eat only what you put on your plate; a reasonable amount, one hopes — and no additional helpings from a common family bowl in the middle, from which everybody helps himself, or, shall I say, gorging, again and again.
- 5. Eat very good quality food. In our country food is a bargain relative to other expenses! Daily include fresh, boiled, or steamed greens — dandelions, pigweeds, poke salad, broccoli, green peppers, cucumbers, collards, and any other greens you can think off. That is all!
- 6. Of course, walk 10-20 minutes or do physical work after each meal. If it is not convenient, walk at any time of the day.

That's it! You will lose weight, you will not gain any, you will feel better, and your health will be protected.

I repeat: that's it! It is so simple and yet very few people do it and stick to it, and that is a pity. Since doing this sensible thing, you will feel well and protect yourself from future troubles like diabetes, heart trouble, stroke, high blood pressure — the majority of these self-made!

And remember: sugary drinks are deadly. And, a double-decker hamburger, complete with french fries and a giant sugary drink, contains enough energy / calories for your needs for one-and-a-half days! That is aside from the grease lining up your arteries.

Oh, this ritual of normal eating habit has to be routinized! It means do it for each and every day.

If you decide to follow these steps, common sense will have a victory.



A Little Bit of History

From the Twin County Museum & Hall of Fame website, a little about a local Hall of Famer:

Sandra Langley

Sandra Langley graduated from South Edgecombe High School before attending Atlantic Christian (now Barton) College and East Carolina University. Ms. Langley was elected to the Barton College Athletic choking; instead, chew well and slowly. Enjoy the Hall of Fame in 1992. She became Athletic Director at SouthWest Edgecombe High in 1991 and has coached the girls' basketball team to four state championships. She is the only coach to be named North Carolina Coach of the Year by the Associated Press four times and has more wins than any other women's basketball coach in NC. Sandra was inducted into Hall of Fame in 2005.

Twin County Museum Accepting Nominations

To nominate a person, living or deceased, to be included in a future ceremony, a nomination form is available on the museum website (www.twincountyhalloffame.com) for download. Print and mail the complete form to: Twin County Community Pride, Inc., PO Box 8441, Rocky Mount, NC 27804. All Entries Must Be Received No Later Than 5pm on April 30, 2015.

The Twin County Museum and Hall of Fame is located inside the Rocky Mount Train Station. It is staffed by volunteers Fridays and Saturdays, 10am to 2pm, and Sunday 2 to 4pm. Other times by appointment, Call 252,977,1438 for details.



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NC Aquaculture Development Conference Planned in New Bern

Released by John Aydlett, NCDA&CS

The 2015 NC Aquaculture Development Conference will be held in New Bern, Feb. 25-28.

The NC Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services is one of the sponsors of the annual event, which includes presentations, workshops and tours of regional aquaculture farms.

"This year's conference has been extended to include an optional course on aquaponics on Wednesday, February 25," said Agriculture Commissioner Steve Troxler. "This session should be an interesting addition to this annual conference, which draws fish farmers, scientists and industry newcomers from across the Southeast."



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Aquaponics combines the use of recirculating aquaculture systems with the production of plants without soil. The introductory course, taught by representatives of Pentair Aquatic Eco-Systems, will provide an overview of various aquaponic systems and components.

On Thursday, February 26, there will be tours of local freshwater and saltwater aquaculture farms. Events Friday and Saturday will include research presentations, workshops and a trade show. Speakers will provide market insights, best management practices and industry updates for aquaculture operations across the Southeast. Keynote speaker will be Mike Freeze, president of the National Aquaculture Association and owner of Keo Fish Farm in Keo, Ark.

The conference also includes the AquaFood Festival, a dinner featuring NC farm-raised fish and shellfish, February 27 at 6:30pm.

The conference will take place at the Doubletree by Hilton in New Bern. Online registration and hotel information are available at www.ncaquaculture.org.

Crossing the Line?

Disclaimer: Crossing the Line? poses questions for readers to consider. Authors are not licensed medical or legal professionals. Consider the issues, and draw your own conclusions.

Arrests for Online Commentary

People say so many things on social media. Freedom of speech, right? Let them embarrass themselves, or express their views, or share news, OK? These days, however, people are getting arrested or in trouble for what they say online.

The idea is that you cannot yell "fire" in a crowded theater, or say the word "bomb" at the airport. The way the world is, it makes sense that some things should not be done; might even be punished, yes?

But, sometimes people joke around or they say things that they do not mean, or that describe their views without any plans to take violent action. Things like, "I'm going to kill you" or, in jest, other things that might be taken as serious or threatening.

Do you feel that a person should be arrested or questioned by authorities because they tweeted their opinion, or posted a joke photograph? How do you feel freedom of speech can be limited? Or, is any limit an infringement of the American right of free speech?

NJ Teens Stopped from Shoveling Snow without a Permit

During January snowstorms in New Jersey, two snow shoveling teens were stopped by police. Versions conflict: either police told them to get a permit before going door-to-door, or police told them they couldn't be out due to a state of emergency. Either way, it produced backlash against the "Nanny State" for stopping these teens from shoveling their neighbor's driveways to make money.

NJ Senator Mike Doherty responded by introducing legislation that stops municipal ordinances from applying to snow shoveling services within 24 hours of a snowstorm. This may make it easier to get driveways cleared, since snow shovelers would not require permits.

Senator Doherty commented that all manner of childhood entrepreneurship are under attack. "I guess snow shoveling has joined lemonade stands as the new target of bureaucrats in the war against teaching kids the value of work," said Doherty. The Senator continued, "We shouldn't let government criminalise harmless childhood activities that were once rights of passage for tens of millions of American kids."

The ability of New Jersey teens to shovel snow will hopefully return, depending on if this legislation passes.

Whether or not kids will be able to cut grass is not addressed, nor their ability to resume lemonade stands in the summer.



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Brooks Pierce Files Class Action Lawsuit Against Syngenta on Behalf of NC Farmers

Lawsuit alleges that genetically modified corn marketed by Syngenta caused lower corn prices for NC farmers. Released by BrooksPierce.com

Brooks Pierce has filed a class action lawsuit against Syngenta on behalf of NC farmers who claim to have suffered substantial economic losses due to Syngenta's Agrisure Viptera and Agrisure Duracade genetically modified corn varieties.

Brooks Pierce partners Clint Pinyan and Bob King, along with co-counsel Bill Chaney (Gray Reed & McGraw, P.C.), Don Downing (Gray, Ritter & Graham, P.C.) and Scott Powell (Hare, Wynn, Newell & Newton), filed the lawsuit on January 21 in the United States District Court for the Eastern District of NC. The lawsuit alleges that Syngenta caused financial losses to NC corn growers after it commercially sold Agrisure Viptera and Agrisure Duracade. Neither strain was approved in China, a major buyer of US corn, during the relevant time period. China began rejecting shipments of US corn in November of 2013 after it detected Agrisure Viptera in one shipment.

"The financial harm that Syngenta has caused NC farmers and their families is significant and very damaging to our state's economy," said King. "We believe that Syngenta sold NC farmers

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corn seed that it knew would be rejected by China, and we look forward to representing our state's hardworking corn growers."

With the loss of the Chinese market, prices for US corn have plummeted. In 2014, the National Grain and Feed Association estimated the industry's losses to be between \$1 billion and \$2.9 billion because of the rejected corn. In NC, the USDA estimated that 860,000 acres of corn were harvested in 2014, producing 103 million bushels of corn.

The NC lawsuit is part of a larger group of national lawsuits coordinated by Gray, Reed & McGraw, P.C. of Dallas; Gray, Ritter & Graham of St. Louis; and Hare, Wynn, Newell & Newton of Birmingham, Alabama. To date, more than 360 lawsuits have been filed across the country by farmers and others in the US corn industry. Farmers who have filed lawsuits represent more than 20 states. The lawsuits contend that Syngenta was aware of the potential damages from its actions, but continued to sell the corn seed nonetheless.

The lawsuits were recently consolidated for multidistrict litigation proceedings before the Honorable John W. Lungstrum in the US District Court for the District of Kansas (Kansas City). On Jan. 22, Judge Lungstrum appointed Chaney, Downing and Powell, along with Patrick Stueve of Stueve Siegel Hanson in Kansas City, as plaintiffs' co-lead counsel in the litigation.

As co-lead counsel, Chaney, Downing, Powell and Stueve will lead the preparation and presentation of all plaintiffs' claims against Syngenta. Their duties include coordinating all discovery in the cases, and speaking on behalf of plaintiffs at all court conferences and hearings. Brooks Pierce, in conjunction with co-counsel Batts, Batts & Bell of Rocky Mount, will lead efforts in NC for the farmers.

Upcoming Auction Offers Vintage NASA Photographs of First Voyages Beyond Earth

Released by dnfa.com, London

A selection of prints from a previously unseen private collection of vintage photographs by NASA's pioneering astronauts, taken in space and on the Moon, are currently on exhibition in London at Mallett Antiques before the full collection goes under the hammer on February 26, 2015, at Bloomsbury Auctions in London.

On October 24, 1946 a V2 rocket rose 65 miles up, above the Earth's atmosphere, and captured the first photograph from space. Beginning with this photograph, *From the Earth to the Moon* encapsulates the epoch-making period when men and their machines first escaped Earth's gravity and ventured to another world. This major collection of over 600 lots is unusually comprehensive in its coverage of the space program, from the early days of Mercury, through the technical advances of Gemini and Lunar Orbiter, to the triumphs of Apollo.

The sale boasts both the iconic images from the golden age of space exploration, and a large number of rare photographs which were virtually unpublished at the time, including one legendary rarity: the only clear photograph of Neil Armstrong on the Moon.

As Neil Armstrong stepped onto the Moon on 20 July 1969, science fiction became science fact. For almost twenty years after Apollo 11 the only pictures known of Armstrong on the Moon were a few grainy images from the TV camera and the 16-mm motion picture camera. NASA believed that the only photographs taken on the lunar surface were of Buzz Aldrin and that no Hasselblad photograph existed of the first man on the Moon until this historic image was discovered in NASA archives at Houston, after languishing unrecognized for nearly two decades.

After each mission NASA released only a small proportion of the astronauts' photographs to the public and news media. The remainder were accessible only to accredited researchers in the archives of the Manned Spacecraft Center, Houston, from where most of this exceptional collection is sourced.

All the photographs wear the original NASA stamps, captions and identification numbers.

From the Earth to the Moon features photographs taken by the first American to orbit the Earth, John Glenn, who was also the first man to carry a camera into space, through to the last man on the Moon, Eugene Cernan. Cernan's portrait of Apollo 17 colleague, Harrison Schmitt, with the Earth above the US flag taken in December 1972, was described by Richard Underwood, the Apollo photographic supervisor, as; "One of the great photos ever to come out of the space program."

Cernan, commander of the final lunar mission, said; "I captured the Earth, the Moon, the man and the country all in one. I'm proud of this picture."

Star lots also include the first 'selfie' taken in space, snapped by Buzz Aldrin during a 1966 EVA (Extra Vehicular Activity) and the personal photograph album of Ed White recording his space walk, performed on Gemini 4 in 1965, the first by an American. Other exceptional items include extremely rare large-format photographs specially produced by NASA for presentation.

Sarah Wheeler, Head of Photographs at Bloomsbury Auctions said; "These photographs are more than merely documentary, many are simply sublime. They represent a golden age in the history of photography as well, when a few men went to the unknown to bring back awe-inspiring pictures. The view of the first Earthrise over the lunar horizon changed Man's relationship with the cosmos forever."

All the photographs in the sale are vintage, printed shortly after they were taken, on high-quality Kodak paper, with estimates ranging from £300 to £10,000.

From the Earth to the Moon will be held at Dreweatts & Bloomsbury Auctions' saleroom in London's Mayfair on February 26, 2015. The full catalogue is available to view on the website, alongside information regarding online bidding options.

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Chuckle of the Issue

John asked his friend, Brad, whether he had bought his wife anything for Valentine's Day.

"Yes," came the answer from Brad who was a bit of a chauvinist, "I've bought her a belt and a bag."

"That was very kind of you," John added, "I hope she appreciated the thought."

Brad smiled as he replied, "So do I, and hopefully the vacuum cleaner will work better now."

Quote of the Issue

Charles M. Schulz

"All you need is love. But a little chocolate now and then doesn't hurt."

Word(s) of the Issue

Discrete

Definition: Separate, unrelated things.

Example: The instructions break down into a series of *discrete* steps.

Discreet

Definition: Showing reserve in action or in words. **Example:** The cashier was *discreet* while sneaking in late.







Cryptogram of the Issue

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

Hint: K = I.

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Answer to the previous issue's cryptogram:

You have to learn the rules of the game. And then you have to play better than anyone else. --Albert Einstein

Cryptogram Note:

Second hint: X = E. For additional Cryptogram hints or help, email trivia@greyareanews.com.