**Cumberland County's Employee Newsletter** 

# Connection >April 11, 2018

Manager's Message



# **Serving the Underserved**





# SERVING THE UNDERSERVED









We celebrate National County
Government Month during April.
This year, the theme is consistent with
the National Association of Counties
(NACo) initiative, "Serving the
Underserved." The theme encourages
counties to feature programs and
services that are making a difference
in families' lives and helping to break
multigenerational cycles of poverty,
especially with our children.

You will find short videos on the County's Facebook and YouTube platforms that feature employees sharing how their County department is "Serving the Underserved." These departments include Public Health, Social Services, Community Development, the library, Community Transportation and NCWorks Career Center.

Take pride in your job as a Cumberland County employee, knowing you are helping citizens in their daily lives. Each person contributes to an important mission and I am thankful for all you do every day to serve our county.





The 10th Cumberland County Citizens' Academy concluded on March 27. Twenty-nine people graduated in a ceremony in the Historic Courthouse. The Citizens' Academy Class of 2018, pictured from left, (front) Barry Simmons, Yolonda Gaylor, Angela Lenard, Bettye Glenn, Marie Callender, Tami Botello, Sharon Sanders, Mark Yarboro, (middle) Clyde Cobb, Luciana Yarborough, Dineen Morton, Sonya

Oates, Deidra Hadley, Wilbert Stokes, Westana Williams, Tony McKinnon, (back) Commissioner Glenn Adams, Gary Horne, Cory McBryde, Stanley Ford, Antonio Jones, Shedrick Bland and Fredrick Barber. Graduates not pictured are Gaddy Bradford, Bernard King, Diane King, Wanda Lewis, Charday Lewis, Christopher Nelsen and Larry Smalls.

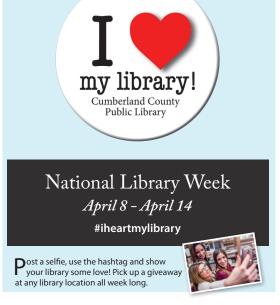
# Congratulations to the Graduates!



From left, Commissioner Glenn Adams, Tami Botello of Tax Administration, and Chairman Larry Lancaster.



From left, Commissioner Glenn Adams, Deidra Hadley of Social Services and Chairman Larry Lancaster.





# Kudos

# March to Work Job Fair a Success!

**1,400** Job Seekers **98** Vendors **210** People Used Free Transportation

### Of 256 job seeker survey respondents:

11 Hired on the Spot91 Scheduled Interviews59 Interviewed on the Spot

### **NCWorks Career Center**

Provided Services to 79 Job Seekers

### **Internet Job Café**

Provided Services to 117 Job Seekers



Niambi McLaurin, left, of the Cumberland County Public Library, assists Katie Morales at the March to Work Job Fair.



Sabrina Taylor, left, of the Cumberland County Public Library, assists Dorothy Robertson at the Library's Internet Job Café during the March to Work Job Fair.



Interim Community Development Director Dee Taylor, front, is recognized by the Board of Commissioners April 3 after Gov. Roy Cooper appointed her to serve on the Governor's Interagency Council for Coordinating Homeless Programs.

## **Dee Taylor Appointed to NC Council**

Ov. Roy Cooper has appointed Cumberland County Community Development Interim Director Dee Taylor to the North Carolina Interagency Council for Coordinating Homeless Programs. The governor sent Taylor a letter declaring her appointment effective immediately March 15. Her term expires March 21, 2021.

Gov. Cooper's appointment letter thanked Taylor for her "willingness to serve the people of North Carolina." The letter also reads, "I am grateful that you are willing to share your time and talent to move North Carolina forward."

Gov. Cooper established the N.C. Interagency Council for Coordinating Homeless Programs by executive order on May 26, 2017. The 26-member council is comprised of people from various state agencies, public education system, faith-based community and one member each from a county and city government.

# "It is an honor to represent our community and be the voice for the homeless."

Taylor joined Cumberland County Community Development in 1999 as a technician responsible for outreach and marketing. Taylor then served as compliance officer and was community services manager when she was appointed interim director in July 2017.

# **United Way Campaign Recognitions**



The United Way of Cumberland County recognized County
Departments for employee support of the annual United Way
campaign. Central Maintenance and Veterans Services received
the Campaign Excellence Awards; Finance received the Campaign
Leadership Award; and Administration, Cooperative Extension,
Print Mail & Design, Register of Deeds and Workforce Development

received Campaign Achievement Awards. Pictured from left are County Manager Amy Cannon; Shelia Dail and Andra Brewington (Register of Deeds); Angie Cunningham (Print Shop); Jessica Drake (Extension); Chairman Larry Lancaster; Peggy Aazam, Amy Karpinski and Christy Didion (NCWorks).



Debbie Jones (Central Maintenance) with Chairman Larry Lancaster.

> Chairman Larry Lancaster, center, with Stacey Merritt, left, and Tonya McKinney (Finance).



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Welcome to the newest Cumberland County employees during orientation April 3 at the Health Department. Front row, from left, Jennifer Lewis, Employee Development Manager Patania Eiland, Eboni Barnes, Alicia Adamson, Gloria Carrasco, Gabrielle Hoyt, Heather Carr, Dominique Simmons, Jaime Otero Martinez. Back row, from left, John Holmes, Bridget Butler, Bobby Evans, Tynesha Williams, Alfred Spain, John Nielson, Phillip Norris, Jose Schelmety Segarra.

# Retirements



## **Laura Blackley**

Human Resources Employment Manager Laura Blackley retired March 29 after **16 years and four months** with Cumberland County. Blackley's career with the County followed 14 and a half years with the state.

The Robeson County native said she has no immediate retirement plans, but does plan a beach trip after leaving the County.

Congratulations Laura and Lorinda!



# **Lorinda Raynor**

Library Associate Lorinda Raynor will retire from the library May 7 after **37 years** of service.

Raynor started working at the library part-time in 1981 while still a student at Cape Fear High School. She went full-time in 1983 and has remained with the library. At the time of her retirement, Raynor was the longest-serving library employee. Raynor said she plans to enjoy spending time with her expected grandchild in retirement.

Raynor is also a graduate of Cumberland County Citizens' Academy.



ALL\*AMERICAN MARATHON IN Marathon

AND MIKE TO MIKE HALF-MARATHON

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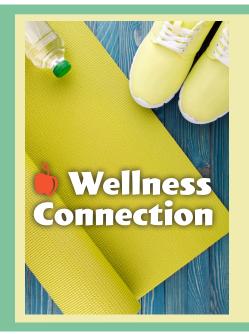
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Cumberland County employees participated in the 5th Annual All-American Marathon, the Mike to Mike Half Marathon and the All-American 5k races March 25. The annual event attracts thousands of runners.

On bike: George Hatcher, Planning & Inspections. Seated, from left: Justin Simonson, IS Technology; Krystle Mize, Finance; Tammy Gillis, Internal Audit and Wellness Services Director; Jaimie Walters and Aaron Barnes (Planning & Inspections); Carol St. Louis, Finance Retiree. Standing, from left: Yvonne Shakir, Michelle Stucky, Sarah Smith, Theresa Lofton, Derek Riley (Public Health); Jennifer Williams, Employee Pharmacy; Torica Applewhite Fuller, Public Health; Carolin Drost, Cherry Bekaert; Kim Barefoot, DSS; Felicia Harris, Public Health; Jae Yi, Courthouse & DSS Happy Deli owner; Rhonda Cherry, Tax Administration.



Patti Speicher, left, and Annie Melvin, right, of Planning & Inspections showed their team spirit for March Madness NCAA basketball. Speicher pulled for Kentucky and Melvin pulled for UNC.



## Join us for FREE classes!

# You

Wednesdays 5:30 p.m.

G.B. Meyers Recreation Center

1018 Rochester Drive

Free to employees and retirees. All experience levels welcome! Bring a mat.

## 740mba

Mondays & Thursdays 5:30 p.m.

Massey Hill Recreation Center

1612 Camden Road

Free to employees and retirees. All experience levels welcome!

# Employment Anniversaries for March



Administration	Tracy Jackson	2015	<b>Register of Deeds</b>	Andra Brewington	1996
<b>Animal Control</b>	Tana Cannon	2012		Brenda Clark	2013
	Colleen Davis	2017	Sheriff's Office	Jose Aviles	2012
	Brandi Hill	2014		Carmen Barnes	2015
	Kathryn Koenig	2012		Keith Bates	2005
	Samantha Whitmill	2017		Margarette Baum	2015
Child Commont				Adam Bean	2006
Child Support	Doreca Goodman	2017		Stephanie Beck	2015
	Nicole Reinhardt	2013		Tiffany Bryant	2002
F	C D (1	2004		Dudley Buck	2013
<b>Emergency Services</b>	Gene Booth	2004		Anthony Cannon	1994
Engineering + Infras				Cletus Coston	2000
	Tyler Bellflowers	2017		Gary Dail	1996
	Joey Freeman	2016		Marc Devone	2010
	Zechariah Moore	2017		David Dowless	1989
	Oscar Phillips	1998		Jonathan Ellis	2015
	Allan Riddle	2017		Sara Falcon	2011
	Jason Vinson	2013		Peter Forthofer	2015
				Alberta Gillis	2006
IS Technology	Sabrina Patterson	2008		Doreen Gregoire	2015
Library	Heather Bessinger	2010		Linda Guedalia	2017
_	Jessica Ferron	2014		Stanley Hall	1997
	Pamela Kource	1999		Leroy Hayes	1995
	Wendy Olsen	2010		Crystal Holt Hernandez	2013
	Josefina Page	1999		Kelly Hott	2012
	Patricia Tew	2000		Avery Jones	2015
				Khaflani Jones	2012
Planning	Deloma Graham	2006		Steven Kelly	2015
_	Will Phipps	1995		Terry Kinkel	2015
				Bobby Lathon	2012
Print, Mail + Design	Angie Cunningham	1992		Lynn Lavallis	2002
<b>Public Health</b>	Asya Akins	2013		Adrian Lopez	2016
I done nearth	Birgit Ballard	2013		Edward McKoy	1999
	Sam Bean	2016		Jamie McLeod	2013
	Nina Bragg	2000		Edwin Ramos Mojica	2010
	Melony Cameron	2010		Gregory Moore	2000
	Steven Church	1999		James Morales	2016
	Lucy Cook	2006		Lem Morgan	1999
	Churonda Cowart	2012		Alisha Mundy	2013
	Linda Cusi	2008		Tammy Muza	2008
	Kimberly Davis	2008		Kevin Nichols	2011
	Orlando Diggs	2014		Terry Odom	2010
	Ann Larmond	2008		Ferdinand Panelo	2006
	Jennifer Naylor	2008		Morgan Ratley	2015
	Connie Owensby	1991		Rose Rivers	2014
	Iris Paul	2008		Amy Rodriguez	2010
	Malkia Rayner	2013		Barbara Siau	2003
	Sharon Stanley	2003		Natasha Smith	2016
	Lan Tran-Phu	1998		Christopher Sparks	1991
	Tyler Trimble	2017		Sean Swain	1993
	Crystal Walkup	2009		Robert Vanabel	2011
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# **Employment Anniversaries**



Sheriff's Office

Jesus Vias2017Jennifer Vinson1996Jessica Weber2017Charlene White2016Monique Wrenn2004Kenyanna Wright2017Kelly Berry2008

**Social Services** 

Kelly Berry 2008 Kristin Bonoyer 1997 Callie Brewington 1993 Brandy Briza 2014 Latanya Burgan 2000 Maritza Burgos 2014 Christine Carpenter 2016 Derrell Carter 2008 Wanda Chason 1993 Jessica Davis 2003 Danielle Farrior 2002 Nicole Fletcher 2016 Nancy Fountaine 1989 Haley Frank 2014 Brittany Gadsden 2017 David Gilmore 2015 Tracy Gist 2009 Pamela Gordon 2006 Shaunee' Gunnings 2001 Karen Hill 1990 Lucy Hudson 2014 Crystal Jackson 2008 2015 Elina John Laquesha Johnson 2011 Vanecia Kelly 2016 Uldine Lee 2014 Cortney McCray 2013 Wanda Nelson 1997 Krystle Newsome 2017 Ashley Patterson 2014 **Brittany Preston** 2017 Apryl Rivers 2015 Michael Saunders 2004 Pamela Tirado 2007 Alisha Valdez 2001

**Solid Waste** 

Chadwick Mclean 2017
Jo Belinda Pridgen 1997
Ann Walters 2004
Clarence Whetsell 2010
Karen Williams 2008
Angela Brown 2003

**Tax Administration** 

Angela Brown 2003
Gwendolyn Izzell 1994
David Robinson 2014
Kelly Smith 2017
Sharon Wheeler 1987

























# Foster Parent and Adoption Info Sessions

Make a difference by opening your heart and home to a child!

Third Thursday of every month Noon & 6:30 p.m.

First-floor conference rooms Department of Social Services

The next information session is April 19. For more information, call 677-2541.

# Open Enrollment for For Employee Benefits

May 15 - 25, 2018

We are happy to announce that we will continue to offer Blue Cross Blue Shield of NC as our medical carrier this year. More information on this and other benefits will follow.

All benefit eligible employees should plan to attend one of the following information sessions:

May 9 & 10

9 a.m., 10:45 a.m., 1 p.m. & 2:45 p.m.

Department of Social Services, 1225 Ramsey Street

## Please note:

- 1. We anticipate a few changes in benefits this year. More information to follow in coming weeks.
- 2. A new, more efficient on-line enrollment software system will be utilized.
- 3. In addition to the group info sessions, department heads will be scheduling dates and times for benefits counselors to meet with staff individually to provide details of any plan changes and new benefits, update dependents and beneficiaries, explain all benefit options, answer questions and assist with the new on-line enrollment process.
- 4. All employees are strongly encouraged to meet with a benefit counselor this year due to changes in benefits and the new enrollment software.





# **Protect your pet!**

\$10 Per dog or cat

### No checks accepted

Please bring exact change No rolled coins

Keep your dog on a leash.

Keep your cats in separate carriers or boxes or leave them in your car.

Owners may be held responsible for their pets and for any damage they cause.

#### **North Carolina Law**

"The owner of every dog and cat over four months of age shall have the animal vaccinated against rabies."

In Cumberland County, the owners of dogs and cats which have not been vaccinated in accordance with this law are subject to a civil penalty in the amount of \$100.

### To remain properly immunized

A dog or cat must receive **two** rabies vaccinations one year apart, then **one** vaccination every three years thereafter.

#### For more information, call

Cumberland County Animal Control at **321-6852** 

or

Cumberland County Public Health Department Environmental Health Division at **433-3600** 









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### Thursday, April 12 4 p.m. - 6 p.m.

Benjamin J. Martin Elementary School
430 North Reilly Road

Clear Path Recycling Parking Lot 3468 Cedar Creek Road (Formerly Monsanto)

### Tuesday, April 17 4 p.m. - 6 p.m.

**Massey Hill Classical School** 

1062 Southern Avenue

**Northwood Temple Church** 

4250 Ramsey Street, 401 N. at Andover Road

### Thursday, April 19 4 p.m. - 6 p.m.

**District 7 Elementary School** 

5721 Smithfield Road

**Stedman Elementary School** 

7370 Clinton Road (Highway 24), Stedman



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### **APRIL**

**C&E GUN & KNIFE SHOW: 4/7-4/8** 

ATLANTIC INDOOR ASSOCIATION CHAMPIONSHIP: 4/7-4/8

**FESTIVAL OF PRAISE: TEXTURE OF A MAN: 4/10** 

THE ALL-AMERICAN TATTOO CONVENTION: 4/13-4/15

THE COMMODORES: 4/14

**CAPE FEAR HEROES VS. ROCHESTER KINGS: 4/14** 

**FAYETTEVILLE 90S BLOCK PARTY: 4/19** 

**CAPE FEAR HEROES VS. UPSTATE DRAGONS: 4/21** 

**DANIEL TIGER'S NEIGHBORHOOD LIVE: 4/28** 

**CAPE FEAR HEROES VS. GEORGIA DOOM: 4/28** 

**MAY** 

**CHONDA PIERCE: GETTING BACK TO FUNNY: 5/9** 

THE ILLUSIONISTS: LIVE FROM BROADWAY: 5/10

**CAPE FEAR HEROES VS. CAROLINA ENERGY: 5/19** 

**JUNE** 

CHARLIE DANIELS BAND & MARSHALL TUCKER BAND: 6/1

PAW PATROL LIVE!: 6/5-6/6

TICKETS TO ALL EVENTS: CapeFearTix.com, 888-257-6208, Crown Complex Box Office, Leisure Travel Office on Fort Bragg

All Group events highlighted in red



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**Cumberland County Human Resources** 

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- 2. Under Shared Documents, select the "Training" folder
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# Training

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Recognizing that all people are different, we treat everyone with dignity and serve our diverse population with professionalism, respect, integrity, and excellent customer service.

### **Amy Cannon**

County Manager

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### **MISSION STATEMENT**

To provide quality services to our citizens while being fiscally responsible.

### **VISION STATEMENT**

To grow as a regional destination for employment, economic development, commerce and cultural pursuits.

### **CORE VALUES**

Serving Cumberland County citizens with **PRIDE** 

Professionalism

Respect

Integrity with Accountability

Diversity

Excellent Customer Service









