

# LEGAL NOTICE

# Yancey's newest Deputy sworn in by Sheriff Banks

Yancey County Sheriff Office Detention Officer Jonathan Grindstaff completed his Basic Law Enforcement Training curriculum at Mayland Community College. Jonathan and his fellow Cadets attended classes in the evenings for the past eight and half months and passed the Certification Examination mandated by the North Carolina Criminal Justice and Sheriff's Standards Commissions to become a Law Enforcement Officer in North Carolina. Jonathan also continued to work in the Yancey County Detention Center while attending class, a testament to his work ethic and dedication to duty. Jonathan has been sworn in as a Deputy Sheriff this week and will start training with the Field Training Deputies of the Yancey County Sheriff Office.

The graduation was held at the Mayland Campus in Spruce Pine Friday evening, August 17th, 2018. While not only completing his Basic Law Enforcement Training satisfactorily, Jonathan was selected by his instructors as the Top Cadet in this class and achieved the highest scores on the Police Officer Physical Agility Test (POPAT) to receive the Physical Fitness Award also. Sheriff Gary Banks was present and presented Jonathan with the Top Cadet Award. Sheriff Banks stated "Deputy Jonathan Grindstaff is the type of person that every Sheriff is looking for. He is honest, loyal, hardworking and a pleasure to work with. Jonathan has worked for the Yancey County Sheriff's Office for over 3 years. During that time he has worked as a Detention Officer and now begins

in his new position as a Deputy Sheriff. It was an honor to recognize Jonathan Grindstaff as Top Cadet as well as see him also receive the P.T. Award for the 2018 Maryland Community College B.L.E.T. class."

Basic Law Enforcement Training (BLET) is designed to give students essential skills required for entry-level employment as a law enforcement officer. This program instructs State-commission-mandated topics. General subjects include, but are not limited to, criminal, juvenile, civil, traffic, and alcoholic beverage laws; investigative, patrol, custody, and court procedures; emergency responses; and ethics and community relations. Successful graduates receive a curriculum certificate and are qualified to take certification examinations mandated by North Carolina Criminal Justice and Sheriff's Standards Commissions.



**Yancey County Sheriff Deputy Officer Jonathan Grindstaff.**

## Remember to keep a lookout for kids and school buses

Yancey County Schools are off to a great start for the 2018-19 school year! Superintendent Dr. Tony Tipton states, "Student safety is our first priority and that begins the moment a student steps onto one of our school buses. As buses are now back on the roads, we just want to remind our community and motorists of the School Bus Stop Laws as they encounter school buses on our roads".

The North Carolina law regarding stopping for buses is contained in General Statute 20-217. A person passing a stopped bus can be charged with a Class 1 misdemeanor and fined \$500. Anyone striking or killing someone while passing a bus will be charged with a felony and fined from \$1,250 to \$2,500. Misdemeanor and felony charges can lead to the revoking of a license. Additional information can be obtained

at [www.ncbussafety.org](http://www.ncbussafety.org).

Motorists should also remember that all Yancey County Schools buses are equipped with cameras, some with additional cameras that assist in the identification of violators of school bus safety laws.

Please keep in mind these two school bus safety laws.



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## Cane River and East Yancey students enjoy TAPS program

Toe River Arts instructor and musician, Sam Maren held two concerts this past week to introduce 7th and 8th grade students at both East Yancey and Cane River middle schools to Traditional Arts Program for Students (TAPS) classes. For almost a decade, TAPS has been offered in the middle schools in both counties. Participants learn about the region's musical heritage while learning how to play the guitar. Classes are free as are

the loaned instruments that kids take home during the school year to practice. And as part of the program, the instructors and some students will take the stage at the 33rd Annual Music in the Mountains Folk Festival on September 22 in the Town Center.

For more information about TAPS, the Music Festival, or Toe River Arts, please call 828-682-7215 or visit the website, [toeriverarts.org](http://toeriverarts.org).



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## LEGAL NOTICE STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA UTILITIES COMMISSION RALEIGH DOCKET NO. G-9, SUB 727 BEFORE THE NORTH CAROLINA UTILITIES COMMISSION In the Matter of Application of Piedmont Natural Gas Company, Inc., for Annual Review of Gas Costs Pursuant to G.S. 62-133.4(c) and Commission Rule R1-17(k)(6) PUBLIC NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the North Carolina Utilities Commission has scheduled a public hearing to conduct an annual review of the cost of natural gas supply, storage and transportation for Piedmont Natural Gas Company, Inc. (Piedmont). The public hearing has been scheduled for Tuesday, October 2, 2018, at 10:00 a.m., in Commission Hearing Room 2115, Dobbs Building, 430 North Salisbury Street, Raleigh, North Carolina. The hearing is being held pursuant to the provisions of N.C. Gen. Stat.

§ 62-133.4(c) and Commission Rule R1-17(k)(6) for the purpose of comparing Piedmont's prudently-incurred gas costs with costs recovered from all of the utility's customers served during the test period. Public witness testimony will be received in accordance with Commission Rule R1-21(g).

Piedmont filed testimony relating to the subject matter of this hearing on August 1, 2018. Further information may be obtained from the Office of the Chief Clerk, North Carolina Utilities Commission, 430 North Salisbury Street, Raleigh, North Carolina, where a copy of Piedmont's testimony is available for review by the public. Also, documents can be viewed on the Commission's website at [www.ncuc.net](http://www.ncuc.net).

The Public Staff is authorized by statute to represent consumers in proceedings before the Commission. Correspondence regarding the annual review proceeding and the hearing thereon should be directed to the Public Staff and should include any information which the writer wishes to be considered by the Public Staff in its investigation of the matter. Such statements should be addressed to Mr. Christopher J. Ayers, Executive Director, Public Staff, 4326 Mail Service Center, Raleigh, North Carolina 27699-4300.

The Attorney General is also authorized by statute to represent consumers in proceedings before the Commission. Statements to the Attorney General should be addressed to The Honorable Josh Stein, Attorney General, c/o Consumer Protection-Utilities, 9001 Mail Service Center, Raleigh, North Carolina 27699-9001.

Written statements are not evidence unless the writers appear at a public hearing and testify concerning the information contained in their written statements.

Persons desiring to intervene in this proceeding as formal parties should file a petition to intervene pursuant to Commission Rules R1-5 and R1-19 on or before Monday, September 17, 2018. Such petitions should be filed with the Chief Clerk of the North Carolina Utilities Commission, 4325 Mail Service Center, Raleigh, North Carolina 27699-4300. The direct testimony and exhibits of expert witnesses to be presented by intervenors should also be filed with the Commission on or before Monday, September 17, 2018.

This the 7th day of August, 2018.

NORTH CAROLINA UTILITIES COMMISSION  
Janice H. Fulmore, Deputy Clerk  
Published August 22, 29, 2018

## Meals on Wheels Volunteers needed

Meals on Wheels needs volunteers to deliver meals. any weekday from 10:30 to noon to Yancey County's shut-ins.

For information call the Senior Center at 682-6011.

## LEGAL NOTICE NOTICE OF TAX FORECLOSURE SALE

Under and by virtue of an order of the District Court of Yancey County, North Carolina, made and entered in the action entitled COUNTY OF YANCEY vs. THE HEIRS, ASSIGNS AND DEVEISEES of DONNA M. HINDS and spouse, if any, or any other person or entity claiming thereunder, CARRIE HINDS and spouse, if any, and all possible heirs and assignees of CARRIE HINDS and spouse, if any, or any other person or entity claiming thereunder, DANIEL HINDS and spouse, if any, and all possible heirs and assignees of DANIEL HINDS and spouse, if any, or any other person or entity claiming thereunder, SCOTT HINDS and spouse, if any, and all possible heirs and assignees of SCOTT HINDS and spouse, if any, or any other person or entity claiming thereunder, et al, 17-CVD-107, the undersigned Commissioner will on the 12th day of September, 2018, offer for sale and sell for cash, to the last and highest bidder at public auction at the courthouse door in Yancey County, North Carolina, Burnsville, North Carolina at 10:00 o'clock, the following described real property, lying and being in Jacks Creek Township, State and County aforesaid, and more particularly described as follows:

Being Lots 45, 46 and 47 of Poplar Hills as shown by a survey and plat by Ashley Engineering Co., dated 7 June 1977, a copy of said plat being recorded in the office of the Register of Deeds for Yancey County in Map Book 2, page 119.

Subject to restrictive covenants and easements of record.

Parcel Identification Number: 082300215882000

The undersigned Commissioner makes no warranties in connection with this property and specifically disclaims any warranties as to title and habitability. This property is being sold as is, without opinion as to title or any other matter.

This sale will be made subject to all outstanding city and county taxes and all local improvement assessments against the above described property not included in the judgment in the above-entitled cause. A cash deposit of 20 percent of the successful bid will be required. In addition, the successful bidder will be required, at the time the Deed is recorded to pay for recording fees and revenue stamps assessed by the Yancey County Register of Deeds.

This sale is subject to upset bid as set forth in N.C.G.S. Section 1-339.25.

This the 16th day of August, 2018.

Mark D. Bardill, Commissioner

P.O. Box 25  
Trenton, NC 28585

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## Become a Yancey Hospice Volunteer

There are currently hospice patients in your own community that could use the help from a volunteer, or they would just enjoy the companionship from their fellow neighbor. Many of you may have had a Yancey volunteer stay with your loved one when they had Hospice. If you can sing a song, hold a hand, read the Bible, share a memory, say a prayer, give an exhausted caregiver a break, or most importantly – just be a friend, that is all it takes to be a hospice volunteer. Volunteers are not allowed to give medications, lift a patient, assist a patient with toileting or help with transferring to another seat. The main purpose of being a volunteer is to provide relief for the caregiver, to run errands or to just sit with the patient and be nothing more than a friend. If an emergency should arise while you are with a patient you should call hospice, their staff is available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. Someone can fill in for you if you have an appointment or plan to be away if a visit is scheduled. Please call Angie Higgins, Volunteer Director at 682-9675 or email [angieh@hospiceofyancey.org](mailto:angieh@hospiceofyancey.org).

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## Help with reading

Yancey Literacy Council has volunteers ready to help adults and children with reading. If you need help or know of someone who does, call the Literacy office at 678-9646 for more information.