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MONTHLY NEWS FROM THE MOORE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

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INTERNS RECOGNIZED FOR PROGRAM COMPLETION

Participants of the 2015 County Government Leadership Academy were recognized by the Board at the August 18th meeting.

The program, in its sixth year now, places high school and college students in internships throughout County government, and is sponsored by Moore County Administration and Moore County 4-H. Interns are assigned to departments based on their career interests and gain leadership skills

while learning how government affects citizens and how citizens can impact government.

Departments hosting an intern were Animal Operations, Cooperative Extension, GIS, Parks and Recreation, Public Safety, and Social Services. There were seven participants this year (including two sets of twins!!): Michael Campbell, Christian Hickman, Cole Kirkpatrick, Hari Patel, Yogi Patel, Nathaniel Reeves, and

Nicholas Reeves. They completed the program with a service learning project, assisting with the Dixie Youth Softball World Series held at Hillcrest Park this month.

Intern Michael Campbell summarized for the commissioners what the group experienced and learned throughout the summer, and said they all hoped the program would continue and expand.

UPCOMING MEETINGS

- **September 1, 2015**
at 5:30 p.m.
(Regular Meeting)
- **September 10 and 11, 2015** at 8:30 a.m. (Special Meeting)
- **September 15, 2015** at 5:30 p.m.
(Regular Meeting)

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MAKE PLANS TO ATTEND THE CRITICAL ISSUES SUMMIT!

The agenda has been finalized for the "Critical Issues Summit," a special meeting to be held by the Board of Commissioners on September 10th and 11th at the Rick Rhyne Public Safety Center in Carthage.

It will be a very full and informative couple of days with a great opportunity for citizen engagement via the "Town Hall Meeting" portion of

the agenda scheduled to begin at 7:00 p.m. on Thursday, September 10th. During this time, the Board of Commissioners, Board of Education, and local legislative delegation will join to discuss issues of mutual interest and to field questions from citizens.

Several additional topics will be covered over the course of the

meeting under Finance, Planning, Public Safety, Public Works, the Sheriff's Office, Information Technology, and Property Management.

Click here to view the full agenda, and make plans to attend!



Don't Miss

NURSING/ADULT CARE CAC RECRUITING MEMBERS

The Moore County Nursing and Adult Care Home Community Advisory Committee seeks additional members to assist in the important and rewarding work they do for our community's long-term care residents and their families.

The Nursing and Adult Care Home Community Advisory Committee maintains the intent of the Nursing Home and Adult Care Home Resident Bill of Rights and promotes community involvement and cooperation with these homes to ensure quality of care for older adults. Members visit these homes in Moore County several times a year and report their findings to a regional ombudsman so that concerns can be addressed. Carolyn Pennington is the ombudsman for the Triangle J region, of which Moore County is a part. She recently said, "The Moore County Community Advisory Committee volunteers are

an integral part of Triangle J's Ombudsman program, and are very valuable to me and to the residents in the long term care facilities.

Without the Community Advisory Committee's regular presence in the nursing homes, assisted living, and family care homes, many residents would have their rights violated, without an advocate to speak for them. I am honored to be able to work with such a loyal and dedicated committee."

The Committee is chaired by a very devoted member, Barbara Venditti, and meets together quarterly for a public meeting. Visits to the long term care homes are made at least quarterly also, by subcommittees. The next public meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, September 1st at 10:00 a.m. at the Senior Enrichment Center. It will feature a program titled, "Who is Looking After Me in a Nursing Home," and the

panel of speakers will include a nursing home administrator, a recreational therapist, a social worker, a dietary manager, and the regional ombudsman. Anyone interested is welcome to attend.

Committee members are appointed by the Board of Commissioners and receive training from the Department of Health and Human Services, Division of Aging. Initial terms of service are for one year and each subsequent appointment is for three years.

If you are interested in serving, please submit an application (click here) to the Clerk to the Board, or call 910-947-6403 for additional information. If you know someone who might be interested in serving, please pass along the word!





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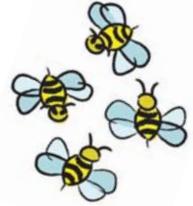
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Former county commissioner Jimmy Melton made beekeepers out of some County employees before he left office, and recently spent some time checking on their hives.

The buzz is...so far, so good!

Appointments

The following appointments will be considered by the Board over the next few months:

- ◆ Aging Advisory Council (Nov.)
- ◆ Animal Cruelty Officer (Oct.)
- ◆ Fire Commission (Nov.)
- ◆ Local Emergency Planning Committee (Dec.)
- ◆ Nursing/ Adult Care Home CAC (Oct., Dec., ongoing)
- ◆ RSVP Advisory Council (Oct.)

[The appointment application is available here.](#)