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Sept. 11



Ten years later

Read our special coverage of the 10-year anniversary of Sept. 11 in Sunday's edition

Albemarle

Colony resident wins appeal

A Moyock man who refused to pay dues to the Tulls Bay Property Owners Association won his appeal before a state court this week. — 3A

Food assistance available

The state is seeking to help victims of Hurricane Irene with food assistance, with the application period starting today and continuing into the middle of next week. — 3A

Bats force rabies shots for 11

A bat-infested emergency pet shelter inside the former D.F. Walker High School gym during Hurricane Irene forced 11 people to undergo a series of rabies vaccinations and 15 dogs quarantined for six months — all at county expense. — 6A

Sports

ECSU still staying confident

Elizabeth City State's football team was a confident bunch heading into the season. After two games and two losses, it would be understandable if that confidence was waning. But coach Waverly Tillar says it is business as usual around the Vikings' facility. — 1B

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Police capture escaped inmate

Tip leads to peaceful capture of M.L. Moore

From staff reports

Elizabeth City police Friday evening captured an 18-year-old Albemarle District Jail inmate who escaped from the custody of an officer near the magistrate's office earlier this week.

Lt. John Etheridge said the

inmate, Marcus Lee Moore, was taken without incident in the Parsonage Street part of town at about 7 p.m.

He said a tip led police to Moore's location, and the department's Community Action Team (CAT)



Moore

was activated.

Moore, of the 700 block of Fleetwood Street, was arraigned on new charges of felony escape and resisting arrest and placed in Albemarle District Jail, in lieu of \$40,000 secured bond.

Police had been searching for Moore since late Tuesday night when he escaped custody and fled on foot.

Earlier that day, an officer had picked Moore up from the jail be-

cause a warrant had been issued against Moore for probation violation. He had been held in lieu of \$25,000 secured bond in connection with a charge of felony breaking and entering.

Moore appeared at the magistrate's office on Colonial Avenue, with his hands handcuffed behind his back. Moore, after appearing before the magistrate,

See **MOORE**, 3A

CHURCH RISES FROM THE ASHES

Sunday service will dedicate new building

By **PETER WILLIAMS**
Staff Writer

Fire destroyed the building. It couldn't destroy the spirit.

Mt. Carmel Baptist Church, which was consumed by a blaze in April 2010, will rise from the ashes and hold a dedication of a new building on Sunday at 3 p.m.

The church itself dates back to 1861, but the building at 836 Highway 158 West that burned was built in 1903.

Elizabeth City Fire Marshal Barry Overman said as best they can determine an electrical malfunction caused the blaze.

"We weren't able to determine exactly what malfunctioned, but we could rule out anything suspicious."

Because the fire involved a church, the State Bureau of Investigation, Bureau of

See **CHURCH**, 6A



STAFF PHOTO BY BRETT A. CLARK

The Rev. Michael Barcliff stands Thursday in front of the recently rebuilt Mt. Carmel Missionary Baptist Church, where the former building burned down in April 2010. The church will have its dedication ceremony Sunday.

Street project hits business hard

Olson: Project going as fast as possible

By **WILLIAM F. WEST**
Staff Writer

A co-owner of Colonial Restaurant says the ripping up of Colonial Avenue for utilities relocation work has cost her probably close to 75 percent of her business.

"It's about to kill it," Betty Meads said of the impact on the eatery, located at the corner of Colonial and McMorrine Street. "It's hurting us really bad. That's all I can say."

Foot traffic into the restaurant has so decreased that Meads said she is operating with two waitresses at a time, instead of three. "And that's pushing it," Meads said, noting she could operate with one waitress at breakfast time.

Meads said she does not know what she is going to be able to do in response to the situation, which she noted has resulted in a loss of elderly patrons, especially those who use walkers to move about.

Elizabeth City City Manager Rich Olson said the municipal government has been up front with all of the downtown businesses and merchants in ad-



STAFF PHOTO BY BRETT A. CLARK

Construction work continues down Colonial Avenue at the intersection of Martin Luther King Jr. Drive, Wednesday.

vising them the utilities work would cause a great deal of inconvenience.

"They're going as fast as they can," Olson said of the work, which is being done by George Raper & Son.

Olson said Colonial Restaurant is accessible by using McMorrine off of Elizabeth Street. He said the municipal government realizes some of the restaurant's patrons may not know this and said the municipal government is concerned.

"We've tried to mitigate that

any way we could," he said, noting the project is being done in a way to cause the least amount of effect.

Raper's crews have removed the asphalt and underlying brick from Colonial Avenue from Poindexter Street to Martin Luther King Jr. Drive and also are continuing to work on Poindexter from Colonial to Elizabeth.

Olson said that plans call for Raper's crews on Oct. 10 to begin putting down a layer of

See **PROJECT**, 6A

Council tackles nonprofit funding

Process under way to spend \$48.5K

By **REGGIE PONDER**
Staff Writer

An Elizabeth City Finance Committee plan to parcel out \$48,500 among 11 nonprofits will go before City Council for consideration next week.

The committee met Tuesday morning to consider funding requests from nonprofits in the wake of a recent Tourism Development Authority decision to provide \$23,500 in tourism funding for three nonprofits: River City Community Development Corporation, Port Discover, and Arts of the Albemarle. TDA funds are generated by the occupancy tax on hotel rooms.

Council this year budgeted \$50,000 for "community support

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