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Mrs. Allie Sue Harward Thomas

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On Thursday, February 16, 2023, Mrs. Allie Sue Harward Thomas, 76, passed away peacefully to be with her Lord and to be reunited with her beloved husband and son.

Sue was born January 30, 1947, in Anson County, and was a daughter of the late Robert Rankin Harward and the late Jennie Mae Polk Harward. She attended Burnsville Schools until the schools were consolidated and she graduated from Anson High School. She worked for a number of years with Polkon Shirt Factory and later retired from ASSA ABLOY, formerly Yale in Monroe.

She was a lifelong member of Hopewell United Methodist Church where she remained active until her passing, having served on numerous committees and areas of service in the church's ministries.

Sue was a gifted artist, cake decorator and seamstress. During the time her son was battling cancer she quilted three quilts to be raffled off to raise money for the American Cancer Society.

She enjoyed traveling with her family and friends and especially enjoyed trips to the mountains and Tennessee.

Those left to cherish her memory are her daughter-in-law and her husband Jenny and Donovan Evans of Monroe; her granddaughter Ember; her sister Mary Jordan of Polkton; her brother and sister-in-law, Clinton and Jewel Harward and of Peachland; her sister-in-law Shirley Harward of Polkton; her Thomas brothers-inlaw and sisters-in-law, Clyde and Lois Thomas of Charlotte and Heath and Norma Thomas of Peachland; her nieces and nephews and their families; and her dear friend Myra Dalgleish of Polkton.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by her husband of nearly 52 years, Joe Leonard Thomas, her son Joe Leonard Thomas, Jr. and her brother and sister, Robert Harward and

Betsy (Bill) Lanier. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to Hopewell United Methodist Church, c/o Susie McSwain, 424 Pork Rd., Peachland, NC 28133 or to the American Cancer Society, 1901 Brunswick Ave #100, Charlotte, NC 28207.

NC Revenue Forecast Projects \$3.25 Billion Surplus and 10.7% Revenue Increase for Fiscal Year 2022-23

Updated forecast reflects historic opportunity to continue making progress for all North Carolinians

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"These increased funds are needed desperately to pay our teachers more, fund our schools, provide quality child care for parents in our workforce and to pay for the tax cuts for working families that we put in place last year," said Governor Roy Cooper. "I hope we can negotiate a bipartisan budget that makes these investments without more tax breaks for the wealthiest among us.

The revised consensus forecast for FY 2022-23 anticipates overcollections of \$3.25B (10.7%) relative to certified revenues of \$30.51B, putting total state General Fund revenue collections at \$33.76B. The revised forecast anticipates a total of \$67.35 billion for the next biennium, with \$33.71 billion in FY 2023-24 and \$33.65 billion in FY 2024-45.

The primary drivers of the anticipated surplus are smaller-than-expected decline in individual income tax collections,

especially due to larger-than-expected tax payments from pass-through businesses electing to be taxed at the entity level; persistently high corporate profits, particularly among large multi-national corporations; resilient consumer spending despite longerlasting inflation in goods and services subject to sales tax; and higher-than-expected investment returns on the General Fund balance.

NCDOT Urges Safety Around Railroad Tracks

State transportation officials are reminding people to stay off railroad property because it is illegal and dangerous. "Railroad property and tracks are for trains and are not for walking, jogging or any form of trespassing," said Jason Orthner, director for the N.C. Department of Transportation's Rail Division. "This time of year, students are also taking senior and prom pictures. We strongly urge photographers to not trespass on railroad property.

NCDOT's Rail Division also urges people to follow these tips:

 Pedestrians should always cross the railroad at safe, legal crossings such as bridges, underpasses, and railroad crossings with signage.

• Never walk or jog on railroad property or along a railroad track. Railroads are private property and are not walking paths.

• Never stop your vehicle on railroad tracks at a crossing; make sure you have room for your vehicle before proceeding across.

• If there is an emergency at a railroad crossing, call the number on the blue sign at the crossing. This is the fastest way to alert officials who manage the railroad.

The division's BeRailSafe program provides important rail safety information to the public, schools, law enforcement and first responders. Please visit www.berailsafe.org for more information.

The N.C. Department of Transportation's Rail Division urges the public to call 1-800-232-0144 to report a problem or emergency at any railroad crossing throughout the state.

Kindergarten Registration

Pre-Kindergarten registration will be held at the elementary school located in the attendance area where the child lives. Please check the dates and times below for the school your child will be attending. To attend Kindergarten, your child has to be 5 on or before August 31, 2023. North Carolina Law requires a certified birth certificate hospital/mother's copy birth certificates will not be accepted. Prior to the Pre-Kindergarten registration clinics, forms can be picked up at the elementary school or on the Anson County Schools website under the Parent Portal button, ansonschools.org. Anson County also requires at least 2 proofs of residence (911 address on Driver's License, address on a bill, etc.) to place the child in the proper attendance area. They encourage you to bring your child with you to the registration clinic! Do not forget to bring these items: 1. Certified Birth Certificate for your child; 2. Shot Record; 3. Health Assessment (if already completed); 4. At least two (2) proofs of residence showing your 911 address Additionally, beginning with the 2022-2023 school year, the Anson County Board of Education approved school choice for Kindergarten only (Policy 4150). Families are allowed to choose which elementary school their child attends. If you decide to send your child to a school outside of their attendance area, transportation will be the responsibility of the parent/guardian. Anson County Schools looks forward to seeing you as you register your child for Pre-Kindergarten. If you have questions, please call the school in your attendance area and speak to the school nurse.



FULL-TIME DOMESTIC VIOLENCE / SEXUAL ASSAULT **ADVOCATE**

Anson County Domestic Violence Coalition (ACDVC) is seeking a full-time Domestic Violence / Sexual Assault Advocate.

The hours are Monday through Friday, 8:00 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Requirements: Must be at least 18 years old, high school diploma, NC driver's license, be able to pass drug test, and pass criminal background check.

We are seeking an applicant who is compassionate and non-judgemental

If interested you may bring resume to the office:

Anson County Domestic Violence Coalition 204 East Wade Street in Wadesboro Office hours are Monday through Friday 8:00 a.m. until 4:00 p.m. Please do not submit resume by social media. It will not be accepted.

> For any questions please call 704-694-4499 and ask for Karen. EOE

TOWN OF POLKTON

FATS, OILS, AND GREASE (FOGS) EDUCATIONAL INFORMATION

In an effort to reduce the potential for Sanitary Sewer Overflows (SSO), the Public Works staff of the Town of Polkton has compiled the following information to help educate our water and sewer customers concerning the best management practices for the disposal of household Fats, Oils, and Greases (FOGs).

How to dispose of Fat, Oil & Grease

1) Allow to cool 2) Use a container with a lid. 4) Place lid on container **3**) Pour the cooled grease or oil into a container 5) Scrape or wipe cookware using paper towels or spatula into the garbage before washing.



Registration Dates/Times

- Ansonville Elementary School, March 24, 2023 (9:00 –11:00 a.m.)
- Wadesboro Primary School, March 24, 2023 (9:00 1:00 p.m.)
- Lilesville Elementary School, March 29, 2023 (9:00 11:00 a.m.)
- Peachland-Polkton Elementary School, March 31, 2023 (9:00 1:30 p.m.)
- Morven Elementary School, April 5, 2023 (9:00 11:00 a.m.)

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- Remove oil and grease from kitchen utensils, equipment and food preparation areas with scrapers/towels/brooms
- Keep grease out of wash water
- [^] Place food scraps in collection containers



- S Pour oil and grease down drains
- 🛇 Wash fryers/griddles, pots/pans and plates with water until oil and grease are removed
- 🛇 Use hot water to rinse grease off surfaces
- O Put food scraps down drains



- Ponga la grasa en contenedores apropiados
- Remueva el aceite y la grasa de utencilios de cocina, equipos, y areas de preparación de comidas con espatulas/toallas/escobas
- 🗸 Me<mark>ntenga la grasa fuera de el agua de lav</mark>ar
- Ponga los desperdicios de comida en contenedores adecuados



- No tire aceite o grasa en los drenajes
- No lave con agua freidora/planchas, 0 ollas.cacerolas y platos hasta que el aceite y la grasa hayan sido removidos
- Noe use aua caliente para limpiar la grasa de las superficies
- No tire desperdicios de comida en l os drenaies

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