

Obituaries

Miss Robin Dennen Rogers

Miss Robin Dennen Rogers, 53, died Monday, June 4, 2018, at her home.

Robin was born August 12, 1964, in Forsyth County, NC, a daughter of Gloria Jean Teal Lewis and the late Chester Avery Rogers. She was a 1982 graduate of Bowman High School, and had worked as a correctional officer with the NC Department of Corrections.

Surviving are her mother Jean Teal Lewis of Wadesboro; her step-mother Beth Watson

Rogers of Wadesboro; her brothers and sister, Chester "Chucky" Rogers, Jr. and Jason (Kristi) Rogers, both of Wadesboro, Janie (Smitty Watson) Rogers of North Myrtle Beach, SC; her nephews, Nickolas Fynaut and Rylan Rogers; and her niece Aubree Rogers.

In addition to her father, she was preceded in death by her brother Chad Rogers.

Private services were held on Wednesday, June 6, 2018, by the graveside at Deep Creek Baptist Church Cemetery.

The arrangements were in care of Leavitt Funeral Home. Online condolences may be made at www.leavittfh.com.

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Report on Women's Employment and Earnings

The North Carolina Council for Women and Youth Involvement and North Carolina Department of Administration Secretary Mabelle Sanders have announced a key report on women's employment and earnings. The Status of Women in North Carolina report on Employment and Earnings includes research conducted by the Institute for Women's Policy Research to provide key data and policy recommendations to improve the lives of North Carolina women.

Key findings from the report include:

- Two thirds of NC mothers with children under age 5 work to support their families and nearly 75 percent of mothers with children under age 18 work.
- The share of women in the labor force decreased 3 percent from 2002 to 2016. The labor force participation rate for NC women in 2016 was 57 percent.
- Women make up more than half of the state's population. Eliminating the gender wage gap would reduce the poverty rate among NC women by more than 50%.
- The gender wage gap has narrowed from 26.3 percent in 2002 to 19.1 percent in 2016.
- There are huge geographical disparities in women's median annual earnings, ranging from \$25,000 in Washington County to \$47,555 in Orange County.
- If working women were paid comparable to men, the increase in pay would amount to \$15.6 billion, which is equivalent to 3% of the state's Gross Domestic Product.

"The status of women in North Carolina is an issue for all of us because women are key parts of our families, our communities, our workforce, and our economy," said NCDOA Secretary Mabelle Sanders. "Bringing more women into the labor force, helping women succeed in a wider range of jobs, and continuing to close the gender wage gap will help North Carolina women, their families, and our communities overall. When women thrive, North Carolina thrives."

Women make up 57.3 percent of North Carolina's workforce, and the report underscores many of the key priorities of NC Job Ready, Governor Roy Cooper's initiative to make sure North Carolina's workforce is ready for the jobs of today and tomorrow. For example, access to affordable quality child care is critical to women's participation in employment and to North Carolina's workforce overall. Efforts to provide women with more opportunities to acquire skills in high-demand jobs with low participation by women would also help women and North Carolina's economy overall.

"It important to the success of North Carolina's economy that businesses embrace diversity and inclusiveness by creating a workforce where women are key contributors and members at all management levels, including the boardrooms," said Sanders.

Gov. Cooper's recommended budget included new investments in child care and early childhood education; free training for jobs that are in high-demand by employers across the state; and opportunities for students to receive emergency funding when they find themselves at risk of dropping out of post-secondary education programs due to unexpected financial hardship.

As follow up to the report, leaders from the North Carolina Council for Women and Youth Involvement and the Department of Administration will visit areas across the state to share the report findings and hear local community input on the status of women. The Council will also create a website aggregating resources and organizations that are working to provide services to women.

Future annual Status of Women in North Carolina reports over the next three years will focus on health and reproductive rights, poverty and opportunity, and political participation. More information is available at ncadmin.nc.gov/statusofwomenNC2018.

The NC for Women and Youth Involvement is a division of the NC Department of Administration. The mission of the Council is to advise the Governor, state legislators and state leaders on issues that impact women and youth.

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Sealed proposals will be received by the Architect on behalf of **Anson County Schools** in the **Administrative Conference Room (ACR), 320 Camden Road, Wadesboro, North Carolina on Thursday, June 14, 2018. All bids will be publicly opened and read for the construction at 4:00 p.m. on this date.** Bids will be received for a Single Prime Contract for the construction as shown and noted in the contract documents. All Contractors are hereby notified that they shall be properly licensed under the State Laws of North Carolina governing their trades. All Contractors will be required to submit a Statement of Qualifications (AIA Document A305 or equivalent) twenty-four (24) hours before requesting Bid Documents.

Proposal must be on standard forms furnished by the Architect and must be addressed as follows:

Bid: **Anson High School – Track Replacement**
Attn: **Mr. Michael H. Freeman, Superintendent**
C/O **Pinnacle Architecture**
320 Camden Road
Wadesboro, North Carolina 28170

Proposal forms, plans and specifications may be obtained from the office of the Architect, **Pinnacle Architecture, P.A., PO Box 187, (630 Team Rd. Ste 200), Matthews, NC 28106 (28105) (704) 847-9851 or email stacey@pinnaclearchitecture.net.** A deposit will be required for each set of plans and specifications (Limit 4) along with shipping account information or prepaid shipping label, prior to plans and specifications being sent out. Deposits for plans and specifications will be \$100.00 for each set. The full deposit is refundable to contractors submitting a Bona Fide bid and returning the plans and specifications in satisfactory condition within ten (10) days of the bid date. All subcontractors and suppliers will be required to purchase plans and specifications. Individual sheets or partial sections of specifications will not be issued.

A brief summary of the project scope:

This Project consists of the construction of a new track with supporting infrastructure. The total disturbed area is 2.23 acres. The scope of work includes installation of erosion control measures, clearing, demolition of existing track, grading, new track construction, new concrete sidewalk construction and storm drainage.

Each proposal must be accompanied by a deposit of cash or a certified check on a bank or trust company insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation in an amount equal to not less than five percent (5%) of the proposal; or, in lieu of the deposit of cash or certified check, a bid bond in the above amount. Successful bidder may not withdraw his bid within thirty days after the opening thereof without forfeiture of his bid bond. In the event of the failure of the successful bidder to execute the contract within ten (10) days after the award or to give satisfactory surety as required by law, the above deposit will be retained by the Owner as liquidated damages.

The Owner reserves the right to accept or reject any and/or all bids, to waive informalities, and to award the contract to other than the low bidder should it be deemed in the best interest of the project or the Owner.

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