



### Southside Yule show Sat.

Southside Dance Center of Tabor City presents its annual Christmas Show this Saturday. Set for 6 p.m., the show will be presented in the auditorium at South Columbus High School. Admission is \$8. Opening the show will be “Land of Sweets” performed by Southside students who will take part in the Great Wilmington Nutcracker the following weekend. Additional performances from students of all ages will include all genres of dance. SDE is directed by Lori Gelezinsky and her staff of instructors, Sloan Blair, Jaclyn Ray and Laken Hammond.

## Tabor native takes Appalachian healthcare leadership position

A Tabor City native has taken a leadership post with a Watauga County based healthcare organization. Hannah Leonard Powell recently accepted a position as Director of Operations with Appalachian Regional Medical Associates (ARMA), a department of Appalachian Regional Healthcare System in Boone.

In that post Powell will be accountable for the financial, quality, and human resources management and growth of ARMA practices. She will be charged with providing direction and oversight to Practice Managers, Practice Clinical and Clerical Employees, and execution of the practice business plans.

Appalachian Regional Healthcare System is com-



prised of two hospitals, 13 medical practices, and a rehabilitation facility with a skilled nursing care wing serving the mountain region of northwest North Carolina, northeast Tennessee.

The daughter of Al and Suzette Leonard of Tabor City, Powell is a 2013 graduate of the University of North Carolina with a Bachelor of Science in Public Health, in Health Policy and Management.

Powell received her Master of Business Administration from UNC-Charlotte in 2016, graduating in the top 10 percent of her class. She is a Certified Medical Practice Executive through the Medical Group Management Association.

Powell has been employed by Lexington Medical Center in West Columbia, and most recently served as Practice Manager over a six provider family medicine practice in Ballentine.



### Bog-Off outreach

Loris Bog-Off Festival Queen Raganlynn Dennis and mascot Cluck Norris paid a visit to First Baptist Church in Conway recently, meeting with the 3- and 4-year-old class and enjoying festival favorite, Chicken Bog, with the children.

(Jenn Causey, TLT)

## Celebration of Memories Sat.

Twin City Memorial Gardens hosts its 10<sup>th</sup> annual Celebration of Memories program this Saturday.

Scheduled for 5 p.m., the program at 1830 Hwy 701 North, Loris is free for the public.

“This service is for families and friends to be encouraged by word and song, followed by the lighting of a luminary in memory of their loved ones,” Twin City manager Kevin Braswell

said. “Luminaries will also be placed along the walkway for loved ones cremated or buried elsewhere.

“We trust this will be a special way for you to remember your loved one during this holiday season.”

Special singing, coffee, sweets and hot chocolate will be served at no charge. Everyone is asked to bring a chair or lawn chair and a long lighter to light the luminaries.

### Fair Bluff Christmas Parade is Sat.

Fair Bluff’s annual Christmas Parade is this Saturday.

Stepping off at 10 a.m., the parade will travel from Enzor Street to Causey Road.

Entry fee is a new unwrapped toy, \$5 minimum value.

For details call Fair Bluff Fire/Rescue at 910-649-7099.

## Legion meets in Loris Monday

American Legion Post 41 in Loris meets on the second Monday of each month, September through May, with the next meeting on Dec. 10.

Meetings begin at 6 p.m. at the Legion Post, 2556 Main Street in Loris. First Vice Commander Dale Stevens says all veterans are invited.

# Obituaries



Harvey Labron Whisnant  
1942 - 2018

Harvey “Papaw” Labron Whisnant of Loris went home to be with the Lord on Saturday, Nov. 24. He was 76.

Born in Burke County, on Jan. 5, 1942, he spent most of his youth in the Church of God Orphanage in Concord. After joining the U.S. Army in 1960, he spent the majority of his service in Germany. Once leaving the Army, he returned to Western North Carolina where he worked in textiles for 40 years and retired in 2004. From 2004 - 2016 he was the owner of Johnnie’s Catering Company.

In 1969, he married his wife of 49 years - Johnnie Atkins Whisnant.

He was preceded in death by his sisters Sylvia Kay, Gail, Sharon, and one brother Larry.

He is survived by his wife, Johnnie Atkins Whisnant; daughter Tammie (Kevin) of Columbia; two sons Stephen (Sherry) of Loris, Billy (Lisa) of Black Mountain; and four grandchildren Allison of Summerville, William of Black Mountain, DJ of Charlotte, and Rebecca of Loris. He is also survived by many loving nieces and nephews.

As a member of Dogwood Hill Baptist Church in Loris, Harvey is remembered as a loving Papaw to many children other than his own. He loved fishing, football, puzzles, flea markets and especially telling stories. He never met a stranger and was remembered by most he met.

Memorial services were held at 6 p.m. Wednesday, Nov.

28, at Dogwood Hill Baptist Church, with Pastor Jimmy Floyd officiating.

In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to St. Jude Children’s Hospital at PO Box 1000, Dept. 142, Memphis, TN 38148-0142.

A guest register is available at [hardwickfuneral-home.com](http://hardwickfuneral-home.com).



Susan “Susi” Amanda Hughes  
1965 - 2018

Susan “Susi” Amanda Hughes of Loris age 53, passed away on Saturday, Nov. 24, at McLeod Loris hospital following a sudden illness. She was 53.

Ms. Hughes was born on March 22, 1965 in Conway, to the late Douglas McArthur Hughes and the late, Anna Margarete

Lehmann Hughes Gasque.

Susi was a loving homemaker, of the Baptist faith, and a friend to all who were blessed to have known her.

Survivors include her sister, Sandy Franklin and husband, Ronnie, of Loris; her step-sister, Annette Brown and husband Richard of Cottageville; niece, Josi Meerkamper and husband, Daniel of California and two very special friends Margaret Small Chestnut and Connie Prince both of Loris.

In addition to her parents, Ms. Hughes was predeceased by her sister, Janet “Jan” Ann Hughes Parkinson.

Funeral services will be held at 2 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 28 at Hardwick Memorial Chapel with Rev. Mark Hughes and Dr. Rev. Louis Venable officiating. Committal services will follow at Hughes Family Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to St. Jude Children’s Hospital at P.O. Box 1000, Dept. 142, Memphis, TN 38148-0142 or NMB Humane Society at PO Box 3369, NMB, SC 29582.

A guest register is available at [hardwickfuneral-home.com](http://hardwickfuneral-home.com).

(Continued On Page 8)

## Treat Yourself with Beautiful Nails!!



Mary Gore, Nail Tech

Mary Gore is back at Afterglow in Loris  
4118 Railroad Ave.  
Loris, SC 29569  
Call and schedule today!  
843-756-1100  
Cell 910-207-8074  
38 Years Experience

Gets you going. Faster and easier.



Authorized Dealer of



and many other name brands



100 West 8th Street  
Tabor City

Names You Know... People You Trust.

910-653-4121