

Board of Education honors Governor's School students

Two Alexander Central High School students were recognized as 2017 Governor's School Selections at the Alexander County Board of Education meeting held on Tuesday, April 11, 2017 at Central Office. Kylie Brown was selected to attend the 2017 session of NC Governor's School East in the area of Natural Science. She will be on the campus of Meredith College. Kylie is the daughter of Stephen and Ginger Brown of the Bethlehem Community. Avery Bishop was selected to attend the 2017 session of NC Governor's School West in the area of Natural Science. He will be on the campus of Salem College. Avery is the son of Mark and Kim Bishop of Bethlehem.



GOVERNOR'S SCHOOL SELECTION — Two ACHS Students were recognized during the Alexander County Board of Education meeting on Tuesday, April 11, 2017 as 2017 Governor's School Selections. Pictured above, from left: Board Member Sally Hartis, Kylie Brown, Avery Bishop, and School Superintendent Dr. Jennifer Hefner.



DANCERS PERFORM AT BETHLEHEM LIBRARY — The St. Joseph School of Irish Dance from Hickory performed on March 14, 2017, at the Bethlehem Branch Library. Instructor Meg Barretts (above left) led the group.



SHILOH MAKES DONATION - On Saturday, March 18, Shiloh Lutheran Church Parish Activities held a country breakfast to raise money for Special Olympics Alexander County. The group raised \$1,370. This money will be used to support the spring games to be held Friday, May 5. Nancy Bowman presented the check to Special Olympians from West Alexander Middle School. Pictured are: Back row: Heather Fox, Bryan Saffin, Beverly Garrett, and Marissa Pennell. Front row: Justin Echerd, Kert Long, Geneva Maynard, and Nancy Bowman.

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Alex Hospice & Home Care recognize volunteers in April

"Hospice and Home Care of Alexander County, Inc. is fortunate to have many dedicated volunteers," stated Tina Mitchell, Volunteer Coordinator for Hospice & Home Care of Alexander County, Inc. "During the month of April, we celebrate their contributions and the ways they enrich the lives of our patients and families. This week's Volunteer Spotlight features Diane Barnes, of Taylorsville. Diane has been a hospice volunteer for nearly three years. She serves as a direct patient care volunteer and also helps out with community events."

Why did you become a Hospice Volunteer? My family and I have been helped by hospice many times. My loved ones were cared for with love and compassion. This is my time to repay those many acts of kindness.

What do you like most about volunteering for Hospice? To be invited into a home where a loved one is finishing their time here. It's a great honor that I can be just a small part of helping the family during such a personal time.

What is your favorite volunteer memory? For over a year, I visited with a beautiful lady that was well past 100 years. To listen to her memories, to sing with her, and to relive her childhood will stay with me forever.

What has been the most rewarding experience? To go out and about in town and have someone stop me and say "Thank You," to see in that person's eyes that I had made a difference.

What would you tell someone who is considering Hospice Volunteering?

You get back more than you could ever give. To connect with a patient and their family, and to get to know the great staff and Alexander Hospice will be a joy not soon forgotten.

Any advice for new volunteers? Be yourself. Be kind. Listen. Go with love.

Serving residents of Alexander and surrounding counties in North Carolina since 1985, Hospice & Home Care of Alexander County, Inc. specializes in easing the physical, emotional and spiritual discomforts that each patient and their family face as the end of life nears. Hospice & Home Care of Alexander County, Inc. is committed to helping both patients and their families live life to the fullest with optimal comfort and support. For more information about hospice, transitions care, and advance care planning in Alexander County, contact the office at 828-632-5026 or visit www.hospiceandhomecarealexander.org.

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- Residential (including work from home)
Are there students in the household? Yes No
- Non-residential (business, institution, etc.)

2. Address: (physical address, no PO Boxes)

Note: location information may be shared with Internet service providers for service planning purposes.

3. Do you currently purchase internet service? Yes No

If not, why?

- Not Available Don't Need Too Expensive Other

If yes, what type?

- Cable Telephone (DSL, dial-up) Cellular Satellite Other

Please specify provider _____

4. Is the quality of service adequate? Yes No

If not, why?

- Speed Reliability Other

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