

DISPATCHES

New Chatham Justice Center opening set



The new Chatham County Justice Center in Pittsboro is nearing completion, with the moving process underway between Dec. 13 and Jan. 2, 2013. The county invites the public to attend the grand opening and ribbon cutting on Jan. 4, 2013 at 2 p.m.

The new Justice Center is located at 40 E. Chatham Street in Pittsboro, adjacent to US

15-501 just south of the traffic circle. Starting Jan. 2, 2013 all court sessions other than Siler City Criminal District Court will be in the new Justice Center.

During the transition period, the following December sessions of court will continue in their current locations:

Civil District Court (Dec. 17 and 31), Small Claims Court (Dec. 18), and Child Support Court (Dec. 21) will be in the current District Courtroom in the Courthouse Annex in Pittsboro.

Criminal Superior Court (Dec. 17 and 20) will be in the current Superior Courtroom at 158 West Street in Pittsboro.

"It will take some time to get everyone

'Wishmus Tree' Helps Chatham's Sheltered Dogs and Cats

Chatham County's Animal Shelter is hosting a 'Wishmus Tree' to collect much-needed donations to help furry friends housed in the shelter. Gifts are accepted any time that the shelter is open.

"We especially need donations of safe play toys, such as Kong Chew Toys," said Leigh Anne Garrard, director of Chatham County Animal Control. "Fabric toys should be washable and rugged."

Garrard said that enrichment toys that help dogs and cats pass the time is good for their health. "Any donation of rugged toys of all sizes is greatly appreciated."

Toys can be brought to the Animal Shelter on Monday through Friday, 11 a.m. to 4 p.m., and on Saturdays from 8 a.m. to noon. The shelter is located about five miles west of Pittsboro just off US 64 on Landfill Road.

Garrard added, "Giving someone a pet for the holiday should be done with a great deal of thought about what is involved in caring for the new family addition. However, if your household is considering a pet, we hope that you will come visit the very deserving dogs and cats in our shelter."

— Debra Henzey, County Manager's Office



moved in and operational with as few inconveniences as possible," said Clerk of Superior Court Sam Cooper.

Cooper said that on Dec. 13-14, all court filings and payments will be accepted and processed behind the current District Courtroom in the Courthouse Annex Building. However, public access to the Clerk of Superior Court's records will be limited on these two days.

Starting Monday, Dec. 17, all Clerk of Superior Court functions will be handled in the new Justice Center. The Office of Superior Court's phone number 919.545.3500 and mailing address (P. O. Box 369, Pittsboro, NC 27312) will remain the same, but the street address changes to 40 E. Chatham Street.

The District Attorney's Office will be closed to the public on Dec. 13 during the move. They expect to have limited services in the Justice Center on Dec. 14, but hope

to be fully operational by Dec. 17.

More information on the Jan. 4 ribbon cutting and grand opening will be announced in early December.

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BRIEFS

Art & Craft Fair at Pittsboro Elementary

Pittsboro Elementary School will have its annual Holiday Art & Craft Fair on Saturday, December 15 from 8 a.m. until 2 p.m. There will be vendors selling a variety of handmade and unique Christmas gift ideas. There will also be a bake sale, 50/50 raffle, kids' Create-A-Craft while you shop and more. Vendors can get an application from the Pittsboro Elementary School office. This is a PTA fundraiser to ensure funding for

field trips, fun events for the students and needed educational materials.

Food Drive for CORA at New Branch Chiropractic

New Branch Chiropractic will be holding its annual food drive to help stock CORA's shelves for the holidays.

CORA is the largest food pantry in Chatham County and is able to work with not only families but with school children who have no meal replacement during the summer months through their SNACK! program. CORA also aids other local schools with their Backpack Program, which helps feed children during the weekends. During the fiscal year of 2011 it was estimated that

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