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Terry replaces
Huddleston at
Industrial Devel-
opment Council

Cotina Terry has been selected to replace Gerald Huddleston as acting executive director of the Randolph County Industrial Development Council.

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Willadean Clifton, Wedowee
Kathryn Ramsey Griffin, Woodland
James H. Holliday, Carrollton, Ga.
Evelyn Faye Holloway, Wedowee
Benjamin E. Johnson, Woodland
Cynthia Mae Taylor Key, Heflin
Stella Phillips, LaFayette
General Frank Sims, Wadley
William Ben Traylor, Fort Payne
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county teams

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Rich grow richer in
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discuss road damage by trucks



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Rocky road

County engineer Burrell Jones (left) and Commissioner Terry Lovvorn place a large chunk of County Road 58 on the meeting room table to illustrate the damage loaded trucks leaving Wedowee Quarry are doing to county roads.

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WEDOWEE--Randolph County Commissioners met with representatives of Wedowee Quarry on Thursday of last week to discuss road conditions and truck routes near the quarry.

A centerpiece for the meeting room table was a large chunk of County Road 58, which is disintegrating because of the amount of truck traffic. County Road 58 runs from Old Highway 431 (near the former Messer's Bargain Barn) to Highway 48 (near the former Hog Wild BBQ).

Commissioner Terry Lovvorn said, "The road has really gone down the last two months."

County engineer Burrell Jones said the road, and others like it, has 6 inches of topsoil as a base and is not designed for the trucks, which have destroyed its base material and caused the road to sink. Most of the damage is in the lane in which the trucks are leaving the quarry loaded down.

Lovvorn said poultry farmers and

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Wedowee rezones for future business

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WEDOWEE--The Town of Wedowee conducted a public hearing as part of its council meeting on Tuesday, Feb. 1, and approved rezoning of three parcels of property north of downtown.

According to Mayor Tim Coe, the properties are known as the Kerr property north of WM Grocery, the mini-warehouses behind NAPA and a parcel behind the new Benefield Funeral Home.

All three were approved to be zoned highway business.

The town's planning commission recommended the public hearing to change the Kerr property from agricultural to highway business. The other two properties changed from residential to highway business.



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Preparing for growth

This vacant property north of WM Grocery in Wedowee was rezoned for business use along with two other parcels nearby.

Other business

The council approved sending Councilman Jerry Huddleston to a planning commission meeting and

elected Councilman James Harris as its voting delegate to the Alabama League of Municipalities convention.

Harris discussed a problem with

black vultures in his district. Coe said the problem is complicated by the vultures' being spread out into numerous trees and not just in one spot.

Atlanta college plans move to West Point

EAST POINT, Ga.--Student leaders and administrators announced Wednesday to the student body of Atlanta Christian College the 2012 relocation of its main campus to West Point, Ga., an expansion of athletics to include football, and a new name--Point University.

Point University's first semester of classes in West Point, located an hour southwest of Atlanta near the Georgia-Alabama state line, will be in fall 2012. The university will

maintain an adult degree program at its current East Point location, and its program for adult learners and dual-credit enrollment high school students in Peachtree City. Plans also call for launching a satellite location in Savannah in fall 2011.

The relocation of the main campus to West Point will enable Point University (name to take effect July 2011) to accommodate future growth of its student body, physical campus and increased athletic offer-

ings, as well as position it to draw students from more areas of the Southeast. Students meeting the academic requirements will continue to be eligible for Georgia's HOPE Scholarship.

Since the college trustees began searching for a new location for its traditional student programs in 2007, its enrollment has nearly tripled. Part of this growth is attributed to the take-off of the college's Access program for working adults seeking

degrees, which was launched in 2008.

In addition to its relocation and name change, Point University officials announced that it will add football, as well as softball and cross country, to its sports programs. The school will field a club team for football in fall 2011 and hopes to compete as part of the NAIA in fall 2012. The college won the 2010

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John W. Stevenson

Old hands

Several who have built and raced cardboard boats before show the novices how it's done Saturday morning at the cardboard boat building clinic at the old National Guard Armory in Roanoke. A second clinic was held last night in Lineville. The Paddlin' for Paws Cardboard Boat Regatta races to benefit Randolph County Animal Shelter will be at Chimney Cove in Wedowee on Saturday, May 14.

Bailey shooting case
goes to grand jury

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WEDOWEE--On a cold, windy day in December drinking and riding met up at the intersection of County Roads 692 and 45 and the death of Roger Bailey, 57, resulted.

Bailey was driving a white Dodge truck out the dirt road and met Alan Truman Higgins' blue truck head to head from CR 692.

In Tuesday's preliminary hearing District Judge Patrick Whaley found probable cause to bind the capital murder case of Higgins, 49, of Omaha, over to the next grand jury, which meets in the fall.

Higgins' attorney Thomas A. Radney Jr. requested bond, telling the judge his client would lose his disability if he was in jail for more

than three months but the judge denied bond. That is customary in capital murder cases although bond can be granted. This is a capital murder case for which the death penalty is possible because Bailey was shot inside his king cab truck.

Randolph County Sheriff's Investigator Gregg Dendinger testified from the investigation and the statements he gathered a confrontation occurred at the intersection the afternoon of Dec. 13 of last year.

Responding to questions, Dendinger said the one shot went through Bailey's chin, exiting through his shoulder. The shell casing was located at the intersection, as well as one of Bailey's

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