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Quick Read

Young Farmers to meet

The Renan Young Farmers will meet Thursday, Jan. 10 at the Renan Volunteer Fire Department. Bedford Southern States Manager Sam Williams will be guest speaker. All area farmers are invited to attend the meeting that begins at 7 p.m.

Turkey shoot

The Hurt-Motley Ruritan Club will sponsor turkey shoots starting January 11 at the Hurt-Motley Community Center and continuing each Friday night at 7 p.m. until March 29. For more information call 434-426-9976.

Stew

Ringgold Volunteer Fire and Rescue will hold a stew on Saturday, January 12. Stew will be ready by 9 a.m. and will be \$6 per quart. Call 434-822-6989 to pre-order. Ringgold Volunteer Fire and Rescue is located at 3880 Tom Fork Road in Ringgold. All proceeds benefit Ringgold Fire and Rescue.

Brunswick stew fundraiser

The Gretna High School band will host a Brunswick Stew Fundraiser in the parking lot of First Baptist Church of Gretna on Saturday, Jan. 19. Stew can be picked up between 11 a.m. and 12:30 p.m. Pre-orders can be placed by calling 434-251-8654. The stew sells for \$6 per quart.

Winter Market

Competition Alley Winter Market is at the Chatham Public House, Tuesdays, 4 p.m. - 6:30 p.m., featuring hyper-local artisan breads and sauces, pasture-raised meats, all-natural body products, and handcrafted gifts. Pitt's Pub is open during market hours!

Historical Society to meet

The Pittsylvania Historical Society will meet on Monday, Jan. 21 at the train depot in Chatham. The meeting is open to the public and begins at 7 p.m. The speaker, noted archaelogist, Dr. Michael Johnson, will talk about the archeologicial digs of the Saponi Indian Villages at Smith Mountain and the Staunton River near Leesville Lake.

Stew

Kentuck Volunteer Fire Department will have a stew on Saturday, Jan 12. Cost is \$6 per quart. Stew can be reserved ahead by calling the station at 822-8026 and leaving a message with your name, phone number, and number of quarts. Stew will be ready at 10 a.m. and must be picked up no later than 1 p.m.

4 shootings, 6 dead

"This has been the deadliest and most tragic 120 hours I've experienced in my career." — Sheriff Mike Taylor



Photos by Matt Bell/Star-Tribune

Law enforcement officials from Pittsylvania County and the Virginia State Police gather information from a crime scene Tuesday at the Circle K gas station in Blairs.



Police searched this car during the investigation at Circle K. James Roland Hooper III was trans-



Altercation leaves 1 dead

By MATT BELL

Star-Tribune Senior Staff Writer

The Pittsylvania County Sheriff's Office announced Tuesday night that James Roland Hooper III, 46 of Lynchburg, has been charged with first degree murder and use of a firearm in commission of a felony in the death of Jacob Steel Robertson, 27 of Lynchburg after a shooting Tuesday, Jan. 8 at the Circle K in

Around 12:20 Tuesday, the Pittsylvania County 911 center received a call reporting a shooting had occurred at the Circle K in

Pittsylvania County Sheriff Mike Taylor said officers arrived and

found a person lying behind a vehicle between gas pumps.

CPR was administered, and a short time later Robertson was pronounced dead.

"I was coming the highway at Dollar General and

heard the shots. I came to check on fellow employees at Bojangles. The employees said they heard several shots and heard people screaming," Amber Coleman said.

Another employee at Bojangles said they heard the shots.

"They were arguing and then the shots were popped off," the employ-

A truck driver at the scene said he frequents the Circle K during his travels and has never seen anything like the scene Tuesday. "It's always so quiet and peaceful

here. It's shocking. You see people get pulled over for speeding here, but nothing like this. Never would have thought it would happen," the

Four people were involved, but only Robertson was injured.

An exact timeline was not immediately known, but Sheriff Taylor said it is believed the shooting occurred after a road rage incident on U.S. 29 between the two indi-

"Investigators are still going

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Twana



Davis

Friday shooting leaves 3 dead

Shooter's 12-year-old son among dead

By MATT BELL

Star-Tribune Senior Staff Writer

Pittsylvania County Sheriff Mike Taylor said he was at a loss for words after Jason Owen Davis, 44, killed his wife, Twana Rhodes Davis, 42, and son Ramand K. Davis, 12, Friday, Jan. 4.

Jason Davis was also found dead in the home located at 3197 Shula Road.

A medical examiner is expected to rule if Jason Davis died of a self-inflicted gunshot wound.

"Why this person would shoot a child," Sheriff Taylor paused, "I can't comprehend that."

"This was the most tragic weekend in many years," Captain Corey Webb with the Pittsylvania County Sheriff's

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Sheriff's office investigates 2 Sunday shootings

By MATT BELL

Star-Tribune Senior Staff Writer

The Pittsylvania County Sheriff's Office is investigating following two shootings that occurred Sunday afternoon according to investigator Devin Taylor.

Around 4:09 p.m. Sunday, the Pittsylvania County 911 center received a call from 2521 Martin Drive in Axton for a reported male with gunshot wounds.

According to the criminal complaint obtained from Pittsylvania County General District Court, Deon Jawan Peatross, 23 of Eden, North Carolina, De'Von Dre'Col Smith 27, of Amy Avenue in Martinsville, and Veronica Peatross were having an argument over text messages and Facebook messenger about an altercation between Smith and Veronica Peatross' daughter, Shameka Smith.

De'Von Smith is Veronica Peatross' son-in-law according to the complaint.

Veronica Peatross and Deon Peatross arranged a meeting with De'Von Smith to settle the dispute.

Veronica Peatross was concerned there could be violence involved and brought a revolver with her before giving it to Deon Peatross.

In the driveway of the home on Martin Drive, Deon Peatross kept the revolver in his pocket as De'Von

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Smith

Supervisors reorganize, elect Davis chairman

By MATT BELL

Star-Tribune Senior Staff Writer

The Pittsylvania County Board of Supervisors by a vote of 4-3 elected Joe Davis, supervisor for the Dan River District, as chairman for 2019 during the Thursday, Jan. 3 reorganizational meeting.

Dr. Charles Miller was elected

vice-chairman by a 4-3 vote. "The county is going in a new direction and we're looking for success in the future. I do believe success is very close on the horizon,"

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Climax community learns about possible solar farm

By LANIE DAVIS Star-Tribune Staff Writer

On Monday night, several members of the community gathered at the Climax Ruritan Club to discuss a popular solar farm

near the intersection of Climax Road and Toshes Road.

Representatives from Open Texas-based Road Renewables, of which Maplewood Solar I, LLC is an affiliate, met with the citizens

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Investigators search a car at the scene of Tuesday's shooting.

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through the information at this time," Sheriff Taylor said shortly after 2 p.m. Hooper was transported from the scene for questioning. There are no indicators that Hooper knew the victim according to police.

The mother of the victim was on

Police say Robertson leaves behind his parents, fiancée, and an 8-year-old

Anyone information is asked to call the Pittsylvania County Sheriff's Office at (434) 432-7931 or Pittsylvania County Crimestoppers at 1 (800) 791-0044.

Supervisors

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Davis said.

Davis has been an employee at Goodyear for the past 30 years and said he is nearing retirement. As for his time as a supervisor,

Davis described his first two years beginning in 2016 as a 'honeymoon.' "The past year was tough with having to raise revenue. It was very

tough, but I believe we're still headed in the right direction," Davis said. Going into 2019, Davis said he

has full confidence in the county staff and county administrator David Smitherman. "I appreciate the confidence of those

voting me in. I'm looking forward to building on economic development as well as the parks and recreation centers. I look forward to success in Pittsylvania County," Davis said. The meeting Thursday began with

David Smitherman sitting in the chair-

Dr. Miller nominated Davis and Ben

Farmer nominated Elton Blackstock.

Davis received the votes of Bob Warren, Ron Scearce, Miller, and him-All board of supervisors meetings

will be held on the third Thursday of the month expect for March and May which will be held on the second Tuesday. Work session meetings begin at

4:30 p.m. in the main conference room of the county administration building. Business meetings begin at 7 p.m

in the Pittsylvania County General District Courtroom. Davis and the board encourage all

citizens to attend the meetings and to be vocal about any issues that may be facing the county. "Anything I can do to help propel

Pittsylvania County forward. I want the county to be successful," Davis

Lanie Davis/Star-Tribune Representatives from Open Road Renewables met with the Climax community on Monday night to discuss a proposed solar farm.

Climax

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to discuss what exactly the solar farm would entail and what it meant for their community.

The 120-Megawatt proposed solar energy generation facility would be the largest in the area, spreading across 1,520.96 acres. A 138-kilovolt power line would run through the middle of the project that would provide energy to American Electric Power.

"The larger projects are meant to put the power more into the regional system and sell it at wholesale, rather than a specific identified local customer," David Savage, vice-president of Open Road Renewables, said. "The power here will travel on the AEP line, and plenty of it will end up being used in Pittsylvania County, but you can't follow the electrons, so some of it will clearly also leave the county and provide power in the general area.'

This solar farm, which has been in the works for approximately 2 and a half years, could be an economic development for the county, since it is not tax exempt.

"Projects over 20-MW in Virginia pay local taxes," Patrick Buckley, director of development for Open Road Renewable, said. "There's an 80-percent abatement for projects over 20-MW, so we would pay 20-percent of that

The solar farm would pay construction taxes to the state and county totaling \$412,000 and accumulate \$2.7 million in state taxes over 40 years of operation.

Community members, such as Brenda Brooks, had several questions about what a possible solar farm could mean for their property. Brooks' home could possibly be across the road from the farm, and she had some

Golf Club still open for play

By LANIE DAVIS Star-Tribune Staff Writer

A long time staple in the community, the Ringgold Golf Club is still open for business, despite the planned solar farm proj-

Pete Ford, golf club owner, is uncertain of how long the golf club will remain open, but he thinks they will be operating through the late part of summer, or until the sale of the property is com-

"We're open hopefully to bring in some more revenue, but it's been hard with the rain," Ford said.

Ford said the contract for the sale of the golf club is signed but has the property has not been closed on yet.

concerns about whether her house would feel the heat from the panels and how the value of her property might be changed.

"If they had it down the road, I would not care too much," Brooks said.

According to Rick Thomas with the Timmons Group, a civil engineering consulting firm assisting with the project, there have been no findings of solar farms decreasing property values and said that Maplewood is "strongly committed" to being good neighbors.

"About the property values, there have been lots of studies to that effect because it's been a common thing for people to be concerned about." Thomas said. "There has been a fair amount of researching, studying, appraisals and so on, and

there has been no finding of decreasing property values." Another concern raised

was the solar panels being

an "eyesore" for the community. However, Maplewood is planning on having the panels placed 40-feet back from the roadway. They are keeping the natural vegetation along the roads as well as planting new trees to conceal the farm from the busy roadways and neighbors.

According to Savage, the primary challenge they have with solar projects is educating people about them and answering those uncertain-"The main message I have

for people that are nearby is that once construction is over, the process will be pretty passive," Thomas said. "It won't have any of the things that normally get people upset about projects. No odor, no light, no traffic, no dust, no noise. In fact, once it's up and running, it'll be quieter and less dust than even farming."

Maplewood still has to get various permits from the county, and then get permits from the state. Buckley expects this process to take about a year, then construction of the farm itself would take 10-12 months.

"That is the busiest time of the project, and the best thing about these projects is that once they're up and running, they're quiet," Buckley said.

Buckley called the project a unique economic development opportunity a lot of counties don't get to see.

"It's a fantastic opportunity I think for the community and the county to get a project that doesn't require any services, so we would not need any water hookups or trash pick ups," Buckley said. "It's very low impact in terms of its needs."

Committee Assignments for 2019

Standing Committees Finance / Insurance Committee Ron Scearce - Chairman

Dr. Charles Miller Ben Farmer • Bob Warren

Personal Committee

Joe Davis - Chairman Ben Farmer Dr. Charles Miller

Property/ Building Committee Tim Barber – Chairman Elton Blackstock Dr. Charles Miller

.egislative Committee Ben Farmer - Chairman Ron Scearce • Tim Barber

Special Committees Solid Waste Committee Bob Warren - Chairman Ron Scearce •Ben Farmer

Computer/Radio/ Telecommunication Elton Blackstock- Chairman Ron Scearce • Ben Farmer

School Board Liaison Dr. Charles Miller- Chairman Tim Barber •Elton Blackstock

Fire and Rescue Committee Ron Scearce - Chairman Dr. Charles Miller • Bob Warren

Economic Development Bob Warren - Chairman Ron Scearce • Tim Barber

Animal Welfare Facility Elton Blackstock - Chairman Tim Barber • Dr. Charles Miller

Other Chairman Appointments

Danville - Pittsylvania County - Regional Industrial Facility Authority

Bob Warren 4 Year Term Ron Scearce 1 Year Term Elton Blackstock - Alternate

Staunton River Regional **Facility Authority** Elton Blackstock - Primary Ben Farmer – Secondary Dr. Charles Miller - Alternate

Pittsylvania County Planning Commission Dr. Charles Miller

Virginia Association of Counties Joe Davis

Metropolitan Planning Organization Ron Scearce • Ben Farmer Charles Miller

SARA Title III Ron Scearce County Administrator

Pittsylvania County Social Services Board • Bob Warren

Roanoke River Basin Asso. Dr. Charles Miller

> **Dan River Business** Development Joe Davis

West Piedmont Planning Ben Farmer • Ron Scearce

Fire/Rescue Emergency Medical **Advisory Committee** Ron Scearce

> **Local Elected Official** Joe Davis

Tri-County Lake Administrative Commission Ben Farmer

Full Board Appointments

Community Policy Management Team Ron Scearce

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and Analytics prepared an independent employment and fiscal impact analysis of a casino resort that includes a hotel, restaurants, entertainment and convention space.

The study found that a one-time economic impact of \$118.7 million and 182 jobs for the renovation and construction of a casino resort. In 2022, the project would generate 2,534 direct and indirect/induced jobs. By 2028, the project would grow to 5,426 direct jobs and 1,408 indirect/induced jobs. In 2022, the project would generate a direct and indirect/induced economic impact of \$384.8 million. By 2028, the direct economic impact would grow to \$909 million, with another \$183 million in indirect/ induced impact. In 2022, the project would generate \$12.1 million in local taxes. By 2028, the local taxes would

grow to \$20.3 million.

In other business, city council approved a special use permit for The King's Cudgel, a gaming room and small bistro/sandwich shop, to operate on Westover Drive next to the Sunrise convenience store. The gaming room would feature

tabletop, virtual reality, Play Station and Xbox games. Owner James Shaw stated at the council meeting that no type of gambling or alcohol allowed in his business.

Shaw and his wife, Wendy, stood before the council during the public hearing in support of their business, saying that they wanted it to be a place that families could enjoy.

"It is going to be a place to where you can come and have a family environment," Wendy said. "You can sit at a table and play a game, all while feeling safe."

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station to call for mutual aid due to a detour to reach calls.

With Countryside Drive out, Neal said a detour has sent crews to Kentuck Road at Chasity's Restaurant then to Kerns Church Road.

"I've been told it's going to take two years to get the Countryside bridge repaired," Neal said.

While the closures have caused issues, Slemp lauded Neal and the Ringgold crew for their knowledge of the roadways for their coverage

"Mike and most of the volunteers down there know those roads and know a second or third way to get to a call. It helps they know the area," Slemp said. After the storm damage

from Michael, Slemp said county emergency services worked diligently to plot which roads were out and reroute calls. Neal said the worst so far

has been a mutual aid call for a structure fire for Halifax County on Kerns Mill Road just off of Kerns Church Road on the Pittsylvania County side. After taking Hackberry

Road to reach the fire, Neal had to turn around because of a bridge being out and take a lengthy detour.

"I was within a football field of being to the fire, and would have been first on the scene, but because the bridge was out, I had to take

a 12 and a half mile detour. Instead of being first, I was

fifth," Neal said. Paula Jones, communications manager for VDOT's Lynchburg district which includes Pittsylvania County, said Monday that some adjustments in the repair schedule could happen around the end of the week.

Jones said a final report is in the process of being finalized following a meeting

Countywide, VDOT's closures and most recent traffic alerts include:

Route 58 east and westbound lanes (Sandy Creek) Closed for bridge repairs. Detours through Milton, North Carolina.

Route 607 over Little Straightstone Creek - Closed starting January 3, 2019 for drilling. Detour in place. Route 618 (40-892) -

Closed for pipe replacement. Detour via 606, 927 & 40. Route 655 (726-734)

- Closed for pipe repairs. Detour via 655, 726, 58, 734 & back to 655. Route 656 (688 to Halifax

Co line) - Closed for pipe repairs. Detour via 656, 713, Route 667 (657-649) -

Closed until March for pipe repairs. Detour via Routes 650, 603 and 649.

Route 685 over Georges Creek (927-868) - Road closed until late April for bridge replacement. Detour

via 40, 686 and back to 685.

Route 713 over Birch Creek - Road closed for drilling. Detour in place. Route 723 (723 - 360) -

Closed for pipe replacement until Feb. 28, 2019. Detour via 729 & 732. Route 729 over Birch

Creek - Closed-bridge repair.

Detour via 360, 660 and 820 back to 729. Route 730 (713-655) Closed-bridge repairs through mid-Jan. Detour 730,

728, 729, & 713. Route 732 (728-725) -Closed-pipe repairs. Detour via 732, 725, 726, 729, 728

Route 745 (863-718) -Closed-culvert replacement through late January. Detour via Routes 863, 744 and 719,

back to 745.

Route 787 (799 - 605) -Closed until Feb. 22, 2019 for pipe replacement. Detour via 605, 705 and 799.

Route 803, Rondo Area headquarters - Crew will install cross line pipe. Route 822 (1428-703) -

via Routes 823, 57, 1428 & Route 825 (717 - 716) -

Closed-pipe repairs. Detour

Closed- repairs until mid-Route 912 (360-660) -

Closed-pipe repairs. Detour via 912, 660, 360 & back to Route 1502 - Slope stabili-

zation underway.

Crews battle house fire Tuesday afternoon

By MATT BELL Star-Tribune Senior Staff Writer

Blairs, Riceville Java, and Gretna Volunteer Fire Departments battled a house fire Tuesday afternoon at 5473 Halifax Road that according to officials was about 30-percent involved upon their arrival.

The call about the fire came through at 4:04 p.m. after Jayson and Elizabeth Harris saw smoke coming from the residence.

"We saw smoke rolling out of the gutters. I knocked on the windows and yelled 'is anybody in there,' but no one answered. Elizabeth called 911. I went around back and saw the flames," Jayson said at the scene.

Flames and heavy black smoke rolled off the back of the Halifax Road home as firemen made an initial attack through the front door and side door off a carport.

As crews began to fight the blaze, fire and smoke began to show from both eaves of the home.

The fire was under con-

trol in a matter of minutes as firemen began a search of the residence.

No one was found inside according to Frankie Fowler of Blairs Fire Department who was in command.

"All searches were clear. There is extensive heat and smoke damage throughout the home," Fowler said.

At least 20 firemen and women responded to the scene.

"It looks like the fire started in the kitchen and dining room area of the home," Pittsylvania County Emergency Services Director Chris Slemp said.

Halifax Road was shut down and traffic detoured while crews battled the fire. As more help arrived,

the firefighters inside were swapped out as hot spots continued to be detected as the sun set. Homeowner

Randy Flanagan and his wife were not present at the scene.

According to Slemp, two pets also lived in the home with the Flanagan's, but they were not found.

Crews remained on scene



Matt Bell/Star-Tribune Fire crews from Blairs, Riceville Java, and Gretna Volunteer Fire Departments battled a house fire Tuesday afternoon on Halifax Road. No one was found inside and Frankie Fowler said the home was a total loss.

Matt Bell/Star-Tribune A Blairs fireman makes entry to a home on Halifax Road. Crews battled the fire Tuesday afternoon. No one was found inside and Frankie Fowler said the home was a total loss.

until 6:45 p.m. Tuesday and Slemp said they will return Wednesday for further investigation.

"Those guys did a tremendous job getting that fire knocked down when you're dealing with a rural home and you have tankers instead of fire plugs," Slemp said.

The cause of the fire has not been determined.

Sunday

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Smith arrived.

According to Veronica Peatross, De'Von Smith started yelling at her son, "you got a gun," before throwing up his hands and stating, "we gon [sic] to fight.'

De'Von Smith returned to his vehicle, took out a rifle, pointed it at Deon Peatross, and fired the rifle. "Veronica Peatross stat-

ed Devon Smith [sic] shot several times. Veronica Peatross stated she turned and saw her son lying on the ground deceased with blood coming fro this head," the criminal complaint states.

County deputies found the body of Deon Peatross

upon arrival.

Smith was later arrested in connection to the shooting death.

Smith is charged with one felony count of first degree homicide and one felony count of use a firearm in the commission of a felony. Deon Peatross' body was

transported to the medical examiner's office in Roanoke where the official cause of death will be determined.

Smith is being held in the Pittsylvania County Jail under no bond. Neighbors surrounding

the Martin Drive home did not wish to comment. One neighbor who did not give his name said he was not familiar with Smith or Peatross.

The Axton homicide remains under investiga-

A hearing is scheduled in general district court for March 5, 2019 at 10:30 a.m.

Another call was received at 5:24 p.m. Sunday by the county 911 center for a report for service in the 1300 block of Reeves Mill Road in Keeling.

The caller reported a male having breathing problems.

First responders from Blairs Volunteer Fire and Rescue arrived shortly after and found a deceased male in the yard of the residence.



According to the Pittsylvania County Sheriff's Office, a shooting occurred at this home located at 2521 Martin Drive Sunday afternoon, Jan. 6. "Veronica Peatross stated Devon Smith [sic] shot several times. Veronica Peatross stated she turned and saw her son lying on the ground deceased with blood coming fro this head," a criminal complaint states.

The sheriff's office reported the cause of death as firearm related, but foul play was not suspected.

The male's identity is

being withheld until next of kin was notified.

either shooting is asked to call the Pittsylvania County

Sheriff's Office at (434) 432-7931 or Pittsylvania Anyone information on County Crimestoppers at 1 (800) 791-0044.

Hurt

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Office said.

"Please keep the families of those impacted by these criminal acts in your prayers. I ask too to keep our personnel in your prayers. It's a stressful and difficult crime scene to work. The families of the victims will receive assistance from the county's victim witness personnel office," Sheriff Taylor said.

The first shooting occurred Friday evening in the Hurt community.

"Even if one doesn't personally know any of the people involved, and I didn't, a crime spree this heinous and utterly without excuse is bound to be deeply disturbing," Hurt mayor Gary Poindexter said about the Hurt shooting.

In a press conference held late Saturday afternoon, Jan. 5, Pittsylvania County Sheriff Mike Taylor said investigators were called to B&B #1 at 7333 Blue Ridge Drive in Hurt for two ladies with reported gunshot wounds.

Those ladies, Patricia R. Poindexter, 64, and Deborah Isabel Rhodes, 62, both of Lynch Station, drove to the residence at 3197 Shula Road with Twana Davis, who was the daughter of Poindexter.

While the exact timeline is unclear, Sheriff Taylor said an altercation occurred between Jason Davis, Twana Davis, Poindexter, and Rhodes.

Shortly after the ladies arrived, Jason Davis 'riddled' the vehicle with bullets, injuring Poindexter and Rhodes.

After being shot, Poindexter and Rhodes managed to flee to the B&B #1.

Law enforcement officials learned from Poindexter and Rhodes the shooting occurred at the

Shula Drive residence.

Warrants were being obtained for Jason Davis after law enforcement spoke to Poindexter and

After law enforcement arrived at the Shula Drive residence, they decided to enter and check to see if anyone else was in need of medical assistance.

Upon entry to the Shula Drive residence, Jason and Twana Davis were found dead in the kitchen of what was described as a 'compact' home.

Ramand Davis was found dead of apparent gunshot wounds in his bedroom.

There was no evidence to suggest that any of the victims were armed, but multiple firearms were found inside the residence.

"In this particular case, we do not feel there is an immediate threat to the community," Sheriff Taylor

According Commonwealth Attorney Bryan Haskins, Jason Davis was the only suspect being pursued.

"It's our belief at this point that the criminal acts center around domestic matters. As with any investigation discovered facts in the days to come may change this perspective,' Sheriff Taylor said.

Poindexter and Rhodes were transported from the B&B #1 and are expected to make a full recovery.

"Jason Owen Davis was known to law enforcement," Sheriff Taylor said.

According to information obtained from the Pittsylvania County Juvenile and Domestic Relations Court, Jason Davis had three assault and battery charges between April 18, 2007 and Nov.

16, 2007. The arrest warrant dated

Nov. 17, 2007 was dismissed after being in a pending fugitive status for 10 years.

According to court documents, a show cause was issued, and Jason Davis had family reply to the court stating he was in jail in Greensboro.

The charges Greensboro were not given to the county juvenile and domestic relations court.

After having objects thrown at her, Twana Davis' complaint states Jason Davis purchased a gun on Saturday, April 14, 2007.

"I was told that he purchased the gun for protection then he said that he purchased the gun to kill me with it," the April 18 criminal complaint states.

On April 15, while the Davis' kids were in the kitchen, Jason Davis pulled the gun on Twana Davis.

"Oldest daughter got up and went into the bedroom and put her hands over her ears," the criminal complaint states.

On Dec. 12, 2007 Twana Davis took out a protective order against Jason Davis that was in effect until Dec. 11, 2009.

"On [Nov. 16 he] put hands around neck, pushed me down on bed [and] threatened to kill me. On [Nov. 17 he] put hands around neck [and] tried his best to choke me and threatened to kill me," the affidavit states.

The Hurt shooting remains under investiga-

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