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'All that is necessary for the triumph of evil is that good men do nothing.'

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Hartsville passes budget, awards A-Tax monies

By Samantha Lyles
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Hartsville City Council held its regular monthly meeting on June 12 and formally adopted all 2018/19 fiscal year budgets, totaling nearly \$20 million.

These budgets include a General Fund of \$10,029,796, a Water, Sewer, and Waterpark Enterprise Fund budget of \$6,443,857, an Infrastructure Fund budget of \$520,500, a

Solid Waste Fund budget of \$1,344,800, a Hospitality Fee Fund budget of \$995,100, an Accommodations Tax Fund budget of \$185,000, a Debt Service Fund budget of \$165,000, a Storm Water Fund budget of \$106,327, and a Recreations Concessions Fund budget of \$105,000.

The new budgets include no tax increases, and will go into effect on July 1, 2018.

Also on the agenda, Council held a public hearing and

passed final reading of Ordinance 4335, which will implement a new and more flexible purchasing policy. Under these policies, department heads will have discretion to make small purchases up to \$9,999 without using competitive bidding. Purchases ranging from \$10,000 to \$24,499 will require written quotations and competitive pricing.

HARTSVILLE ON 3A



Members of Hartsville City Council, including (left to right) Tre Gammage, Mayor Mel Pennington, Mayor Pro Tem Johnny Andrews, Bob Braddock, and Bernice Wilson voted to approve the city's \$20 million budget for the coming fiscal year



Community Changers volunteers (left to right) Jakob Whitfield, Taylor Greene, Jerry Faile, Jordan Dority, Harry Mims, Myra Mims, Landen Allen, Deonte Wright, Noah Webb, and Vince Soto. Photo by Samantha Lyles

Community Changers volunteers revamp Darlington House

A team of youth volunteers worked with skilled adult supervisors to renew the appearance of a Darlington home last week.

Through the Community Changers program, staged each summer by the Welsh Neck Baptist Association and hosted at Mechanicsville Baptist Church, teen volunteers from churches around the state visit Darlington

County for two weeks and take on a variety of home improvement projects to help sick, elderly, and disadvantaged persons.

Vince Soto, a painter with fifty-four years of experience, served as the team leader for one project, which pressure washed and painted a home on Cannon Drive in Darlington. Soto began volunteering with Community

Changers nine years ago and has seen the program grow from a few small teams to over 100 volunteers each year.

"The concept is for unskilled labor - the teenagers - to work with skilled supervision," says Soto. "This concept is a good thing for the community. People see what you're doing and they want to find out

what's going on and who's paying for it. We tell them that God is paying for it; we're going this for the love of the Lord. It teaches the teenagers that if you do God's work, he will bless you abundantly."

To learn more about Community Changers, visit them on Facebook or call Mechanicsville Baptist Church at 843-393-1029.

DCSD Board approves \$89 million dollar budget

By Melissa Rollins
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The Darlington County Board of Education gave the final reading of the 2018-2019 budget during their June 11 meeting, passing it with little fanfare. The board has held several workshops over the last few months to go over the specifics of the budget with Chief Financial Officer Renee Douglas. The approved budget is \$89.5 million for this coming year. The approval was unanimous with two board members, Jamie Morphis and Wanda Hassler, not present for the vote.

Though the budget was approved, Douglas said that there is still a chance that changes will need to be made based on the fact that the South Carolina General Assembly has not passed their own budget yet.

"We have used the Senate version of the budget, right now," Douglas said. "Until we know anything else that is really our best guess."

DCSD Superintendent Tim Newman, attending his first meeting in his official capacity, said that many districts are relying on the Senate version of the budget to craft their own budgets because it years past it has tended to be closest

to the final budget that gets approved by state lawmakers in the General Assembly.

This coming school year, \$275,000 will be used from the district's general fund balance to implement block scheduling at the district's three high schools.

"We'll have to figure out a way in the future to incorporate that into the regular budget," Douglas said. "That was to get the block scheduling started."

Board member Warren Jeffords questioned whether the district planned to use savings from school operation budgets after six schools were consolidated into three in new school buildings in Lamar, Hartsville and Darlington.

"Do we feel like we can save enough from this school consolidation to make up for that," Jeffords asked.

Newman said that he and other district staff feel comfortable with using fund balance money this one time, knowing that other funds will be freed up in the consolidation.

"We feel very comfortable that by this time next year we'll find a way to absorb that into the budget," Newman said.

EDUCATION ON 3A

Lamar sees expanded summer recreation

By Samantha Lyles
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At their June 11 regular meeting, members of Lamar Town Council received an update on activities and plans from Chris Weaver, director of Lamar Area Recreation for the Darlington County Parks and Recreation Department.

Weaver said that the Dixie Youth Baseball program had 134 kids this year, which is a slight increase over the previous season when about 125 kids played in the league. He noted that the county rec department is building a new concession stand and restrooms at the Dixie Youth fields.

"That's something that we've needed for a while, and hopefully we can get

more kids out there to play," said Weaver. "We are planning on doing tournaments out there in the fall when the traveling baseball and softball teams come into town."

Once the concessions and restrooms are completed, Lamar Rec will begin hosting a monthly movie night at the fields using the county's inflatable movie projection screen. Weaver said the movie night schedule should be firmed up once temperatures begin to cool off, perhaps toward the end of October.

He also spoke about a football clinic for kids in grades 1 through 8, conducted by Lamar High School football coach Corey Fountain. An offensive skills clinic will be held July 9 and a defensive clinic on July 10. The program will last from noon until 2 p.m. with a free lunch provided at Spaulding Middle School's cafeteria.

LAMAR ON 3A

Miss Liz writes her next chapter

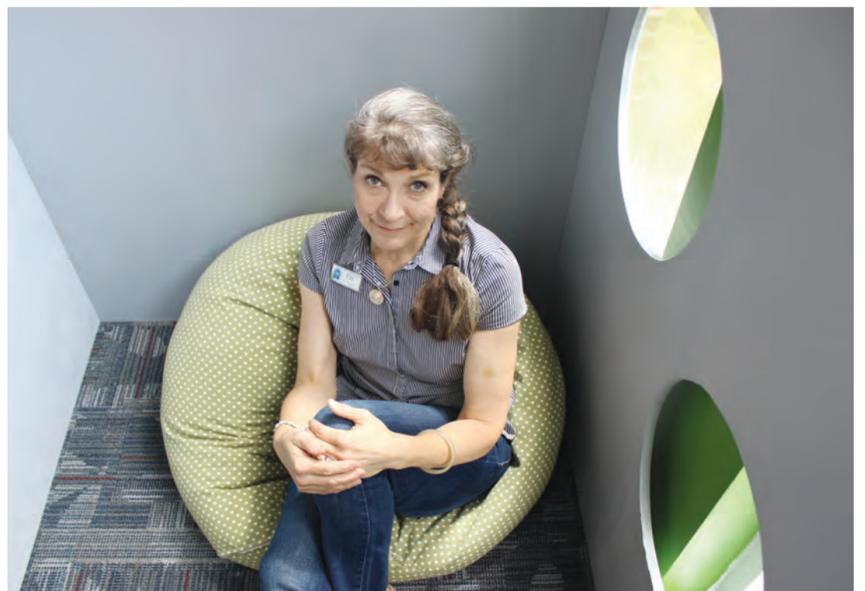
By Melissa Rollins
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The summer reading program has kicked off for the Darlington County Library System. For kids visiting the Darlington Branch, one face will be missing this summer as Children's Librarian Liz Davis says farewell. After nearly a decade of working with kids in the library system, Davis is moving to Maine.

Davis, who is married to a native Florentine, said that the move was necessary for family health reasons.

"This is a big leap," Davis said. "My husband and I talked and he said that we needed to move, we knew this, and asked me where I wanted to go; where would I feel like I had a support system. He has friends in Asheville but I don't really know anyone there. I asked if he would consider Maine and he said, yes. I was shocked because I didn't think he'd say yes. He was born in Berkeley County but was raised in Florence. He's an adventurer."

Davis said that leaving behind the life they built in



Darlington Children's Library Liz Davis sits inside the book nook that she designed for children to use. Her last day at the library will be June 22. Photo by Melissa Rollins

South Carolina was not a step that they took lightly.

"We decided on Maine and we prayed about it," Davis said. "We said that if we were supposed to do this, we would

put our house on the market and it would sell. We contacted a realtor and she came out. We filled out the paperwork on a Monday night and that evening she put the sign in the

yard. We went to bed and we saw lights. Somebody pulled up and wrote down the information.

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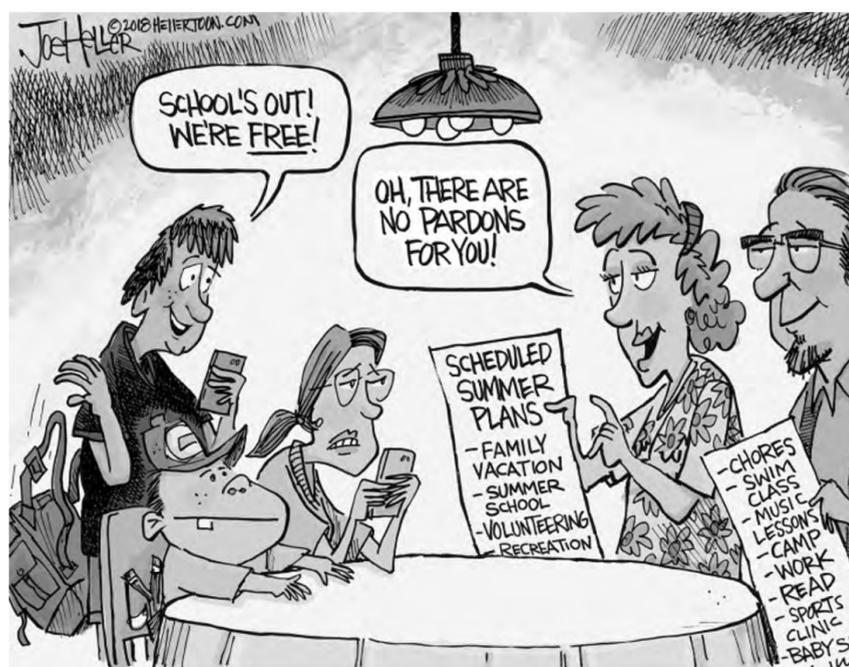
Word of the Week

abrogate: 1 : to abolish by authoritative action : annul
2 : to treat as nonexistent

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OP-ED

The End of the Row

By Bill Shepard

The gardening season is upon us. Here in the Upstate, it is a little late this year. Winter stayed over into spring, causing folk to be a little slow about getting outside. One white rose bush that has never failed to furnish me with a white rose bud to wear on Mother's Day, failed me this year.

The past few days of slow rain falling, followed by bright sunshine, have been helpful in getting seed to germinate, making the future look promising for a good crop of vegetables in my garden. If the rabbits, deer, groundhogs and ground moles will spare me, I should have a good crop of vegetables, even if they are a little late.

At the age of 96-years-old, I ask myself why I am planting another garden. I suppose the answer is that which I have heard so many times; you have heard it also. Just in case you haven't, here it is again:

"You can take the boy out of the country, but you can't take the country out of the boy."

My dad was a country boy and spent a large part of his life working another man's land (called sharecropping), before he moved to Darlington and began working at the mill. I never knew a year that my dad did not plant a large vegetable garden. Besides the food being good and healthy for his family, he enjoyed planting and seeing his garden grow.

I suppose Dad gave me his "garden gene" and I have nurtured it and kept it alive. I have loved gardening, since I was a little boy. The seed Dad would have left over from his planting, he would give to me and I would dig a place near the house and plant them. It was a pleasure to water them and watch them grow. Except for the time I spent in the military, I have planted my garden each year and I have already begun one for this year.

At this age I ask as well as others, why? I think I have answered that question already. Now you know the story behind this poem-

At the End of The Row
When you come to the end of the row
And the sun is going down,
You know its time for quitting
But you want to make one more round.

Just one more round, you say to yourself,
And then my work will be done.
One more round and then I'll quit
Twill be the setting of the sun.

So you wipe the sweat from your face,
Pick up your hoe and make a start,
You know full well before you return
It will already be dark.

When you come to the end of life's row
And the sun is in the west,
Can you look back over the place you've been
And feel you've done your best?

Or would you like to start again,
Perhaps plant another row,
Make some changes here and there
And a better garden grow.

It matters little what we'd rather,
The Master calls at will
The sun will soon be going down,
And all will then be still - So still!

(7/08/07) At the end of a row in his garden, the words came and he wrote them down.

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Down South: Life Without Fathers

By Tom Poland

There's something about being a writer that makes people confide in you. Why tell a writer, who uses life as raw material, your deepest secrets. But tell me they do, and sometimes their secrets break my heart.

I've known women who confided how much they hated their father. They had reason, they say. Several told me how hard life was with an alcoholic father. Others talked about how abusive their dads were, and some felt their father never gave them all they expected.

The extent to which these women vilified their dad shocked me. One woman changed her name legally so fervent was her hatred. She made up her mind to never speak to him again and never did. She didn't even attend his funeral.

A brunette with brilliant blue eyes told me she faked love for her dad her entire life. Another woman never missed a chance to put her dad down. No matter what you discussed, she would work the conversation to a place where she could insult him. That stopped when he died. Only then did she consider that life had been tough on him. After all, life shapes us as surely as winds shape dunes. Only after he died did she realize he had had a hard life. For the first time, I saw tears in her eyes when she brought her dad up. It was too late to say, "I'm sorry" or

"I love you." The train had run.

Today, none of the sad women have fathers. They've all passed on. I write about these unfortunate women and their fathers because I think about my dad all the time. He passed away November 15, 2003. Unlike the women who heaped scorn on their dads, I realize, more than ever, that Dad gave me a wonderful life. I look across the years with the knowledge that I was loved and that I loved and respected my father. And I still do.

But some people hate their fathers. No one ever said life is supposed to be easy, and one way or another life dishes out pain. There's the pain of living with a dad you don't care for and there's the pain of watching a dad you love die.

When Earth's travels around the sun bring me to November, I can't help but recall Dad's final days. As Harry Crews wrote about his childhood, it was "just like a nightmare." Dad's death was a thing we could do little about. We tried mightily but all the love in the world could not stem the tide that drowned the life out of my father, and the long nights past midnight were the worst.

The horrors of cancer make you long for a case of selective amnesia. There's only one thing you can do. Remember the good times. Not a day passes that I don't

see Dad working in the yard, in the kitchen with Mom, sitting at the table, or driving my family through the mountains.

Among our blessings are parents and the memories they leave. And so I wonder how these women deal with their father's death when the anniversary rolls around. What do they think about? Do they wish they could see their father one more time?

There's not a day goes by I don't remember Dad and all he did for me and I would give anything to see him again. In the great heap of days that make up a year, four days jump off my calendar: Dad's birthday, Father's Day, November 15, and November 18, the day we laid him to rest. These days punch holes in my calendar.

Gregg Allman recorded "These Days," a song Jackson Browne wrote about a man who knows a special relationship has died, one he could have done more for. "These days I seem to think a lot / About the things that I forgot to do / For you / And all the times I had the chance to."

I would love for the women to hear this song, realizing it's written for them. I'd like for them to let the lyrics soak in and think about the man who brought them into this world.

Perhaps the women will recall that to err is human as they listen to the song's conclusion. "Please don't confront me with my

failures/I'm aware of them." Maybe their dads would have discussed their failures if they'd just had a chance. Perhaps all could have come to an understanding.

Life without fathers is hard, but so is a life rife with guilt and things left unsaid. If you still have your dad but things aren't right, do something about it. And if you're a dad who has a child that's drifted away, you need to act too. Don't put it off. Once that midnight train runs and you hear its mournful whistle trailing away, it's too late.

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OP-ED

Lawmakers propose statewide data warehouse

By SC Policy Council

A little-known proviso (117.155) in the House budget would create a statewide personal information data warehouse. The proviso's language is vague, the permissions are sweeping, and the accountability mechanisms are completely absent.

This proviso is currently in conference committee – and unless it is taken out in the committee, this all-encompassing data warehouse will be created.

A "universal identification system" to track everyone in the state

The enabling law for this data warehouse was passed last year in a bill that primarily focused on student testing and school rating methodology. Last year's bill created a "universal identification system" to track individuals from preschool to employment and beyond.

Specifically, the system will track (at a minimum):

- High school graduates entering college with no need for remediation
- Working-age individuals who have college degrees or industry credentials
- High school graduates who obtain jobs within five and ten years of graduation
- Data on student achievement and growth that will help colleges and universities to train better teachers

The law requires the following agencies to provide information to the data warehouse:

- Office of First Steps to School Readiness
- Department of Education
- Department of Social Services

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Hartsville

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For purchases ranging from \$25,000 to \$99,999, requests for proposals and solicitations for competitive bids will be issued. In the case of a \$100,000 or greater purchase sealed bidding will take place, along with formal requests for proposals and quotes.

Council held a public hearing and decided to table final reading for Ordinance 4337, increasing the water rates for in-town customers to a minimum monthly bill of \$19.57 for the first 2,244 gallons and \$3.48 for every 1,000 additional gallons. Out of town customers will see minimum monthly bills of \$35.82 and \$6.37 for every addi-

tional 1,000 gallons. Sewer rates will also be increased for in-town customers (monthly minimum of \$17.97 plus \$3.54 per 1,000 gallons of usage) and out of town customers (monthly minimum of \$32.89 plus \$6.48 per 1,000 gallons of usage).

Ordinance 4338 passed its public hearing and final reading. This ordinance approves continuing the rate structure for commercial solid waste fees. A roll cart emptied once per week will cost \$38.63, an extra roll cart will cost \$17.43, and dumpster rates will range from \$76.67 for a four-yard container dumped once per week to \$1,268.56 for an eight-yard container dumped ten times per week.

Council also passed final reading of Ordinance 4334, leasing a portion of the property at

321 Bell Avenue from Darlington County Habitat for Humanity. This lease carries a one-time cost of \$1, and will allow the city to install a security camera at the property to monitor for illegal activity.

Finally, Council approved distribution of state-local Accommodations Tax revenue based on the recommendations of the city's A-Tax Advisory Committee. From a \$131,710 funding pool, their recommendations include a disbursement of \$28,832 for the HCDF Hartsville Tourism Office and Neptune Island Waterpark, \$25,407 for the Hartsville Community Center Building Commission / Center Theater's Phase II Stage Lighting upgrade, and \$15,000 for the EdVenture Children's Museum.

Education

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"Both Ms. Douglas and myself being new to the process, you know where we were (in estimated block scheduling expenses) in the first work session and how much we were able to work through. We were able to whittle it down to where we are now so it has been a lot of

steady work by the finance department."

When the subject was first discussed in a board work session, the estimate to implement block scheduling was over two million dollars. Newsman said that he worked with district and school staff to find a bare bones base number that would allow the scheduling change to start now rather than be pushed off another year.

The budget does include a millage increase of 3.75 on property taxes. The district was capped at increasing by 2.13 percent based on the Consumer Price Index.

Also included in the budget are step increases for teacher pay and a one-percent pay increase for all employees. Teachers will receive both the one-percent increase and the step increase.

Data

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- Technical College System
- Commission on Higher Education

- Department of Commerce
- Department of Employment and Workforce
- Colleges and universities

While this law generally establishes the system, the funding and the actual details of what it is and how it will operate are contained in this year's proposed budget (as passed by the House). It is important to note that these specific details – the most egregious element of the system – were never presented as a standalone bill that would have gone through the committee process. Instead, they were inserted into the state budget, where they would be hidden from citizens.

The data warehouse will be housed in the Revenue and Fiscal Affairs Office (RFA) – state government's research agency.

What is the purpose of this data warehouse?

Simply put, the main purpose of the data warehouse is to track children and funnel them into the workforce.

The data will be used to "shape policy and funding decisions" on everything from preschool to the workforce. It will "link workforce, industry and education data" to meet the goals of the state's economic development agency – the Coordinating Council for Workforce Development (CCWD) – whose mission is to "enhance the economic growth and development of the State". The CCWD is tasked with developing a state economic development plan, as well as making policy recommendations to lawmakers (among other things).

The dangers of a statewide data warehouse

While a statewide data tracking system would be concerning enough, the details laid out in

this particular proviso are chilling.

- The scope of possible data collection includes nearly everything. While the data to be collected and tracked primarily consists of education (preschool to college) and workforce/employment, the RFA, Workforce and Education Data Oversight Committee (WEDOC), and CCWD could compel any other state agency to submit information to the warehouse – such as health records, criminal records, entitlement and welfare records, etc. The data could be used to create invasively detailed profiles of nearly every individual in the state.

- The data warehouse would be controlled by an unaccountable board of government officials. The RFA (whose board is controlled by lawmakers) would design, control and regulate the data warehouse, answerable only to the WEDOC. This board, created through the budget proviso, would consist of a plethora of agency heads and education officials, chaired by the CCWD chairman (or his designee). This structure would be practically impossible for any single entity in government to hold accountable, and the citizen would have zero influence over the council in control of state data mining.

- Lawmakers and their staff would have direct access to this data. The proviso specifically states that members of the General Assembly and their staff would have access to the data. The possibilities for misuse of private information by legislators – who have virtually unlimited power already – have dangerous implications, not the least of which could involve the use of private data for political purposes.

- Anyone in government could access the data and do practically anything with it. The RFA and the WEDOC would be allowed to strike agreements or

make transactions with any federal, state, or municipal agency, public institution, or any private individual, partnership, firm, corporation, association, "or other entity" to service, research and monitor the data. In other words, individuals' private information could be provided to anyone from the National Security Administration (NSA) to Google, and nothing in this proviso would protect data from being sold to marketing companies.

- The accountability and privacy protections are vague, weak, and – in some cases – nonexistent. The only privacy protection built in to the system is that it must comply with state and federal privacy laws – which are full of loopholes. The proviso states that individual data could not be "released" – a term that is not defined. Given the sweeping research and access permissions spelled out in the proviso, this "protection" is practically worthless. The regulations for how and by whom data could be accessed would be jointly developed by the RFA, the WEDOC, and the state agency supplying the data, with no outside, independent oversight.

From the Department of Revenue hack to the improper disposal of sensitive medical records, South Carolina does not have a reassuring history when it comes to citizen data. This data warehouse is part of a large, dangerous project that would pose multiple threats with absolutely no discernible benefit. South Carolina politicians are the last people who should be determining the future of children and gathering sensitive personal information for any reason – and definitely not to execute their vision of the economy.

Lawmakers will likely consider the conference committee's budget compromise (which may include this proviso) when they come back for the June 27-28 special session.

Miss Liz

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The next day I got home from work and my husband was talking to some people on the back porch. I thought, 'Oh, do I know them?' and I didn't. He had shown them the house and they wanted it. We were shocked; they wanted the house. We close on the 29th. They were the first people that wanted the house and they wanted it that bad. So, it was meant to be."

Davis said that she stumbled into her job with the Darlington County Library System but she has loved every minute of it.

"We ended up having my mom come and live with us," Davis said. "I couldn't work a full week so I left my full-time customer service. I was taking care of mom and one day I went into the library in Lamar. Rose Stevens, one of the wonderful clerks who has been there forever, was there and I told her that working at the library would be the perfect job. She perked up and said that I should put my application in because they had an opening. I worked six

years in Lamar and by the time the full-time opening came up mom had already gone on to be with the Lord and I applied and got this position. I found that this is the perfect fit for me."

Anyone who has ever met Davis would agree that the job was the perfect fit. One any given day she could be found reading to children, using different voices for each character, of course, singing silly songs or even teaching them how to cook.

"I love kids," Davis said. "I've got a son and stepsons but I never figured myself to be a Children's Librarian. I have music experience. I have theater experience. I love to read but I've never had any formal training. I've almost got my associate's degree from Florence-Darlington Tech. I am self-taught. I have had a lot of wonderful people, my managers and the state library staff, they've poured into me and I've just soaked it up; I really love it. Serendipity."

Davis said that there have been very memorable moments during her tenure but helping to develop a love for reading will always top the list.

"When I see the light

come on for a reluctant reader and they start to love reading, that is win, win, win," Davis said. "Also, when I see a parent who is pulling their hair out and I can calm them and help them think of a different route to go. When those things click, it's fabulous. I recently had one of my students from back in Lamar graduate from Darlington High School, not only with honors and cords but also with her associate's degree. That is pretty fabulous and I think any educator feels that way. She was one of my first kids in my afterschool program in Lamar. When you find somebody who is an adult and is looking for their 'tribe' and you can steer them toward the library, that is so rewarding. Libraries are so much more than a place with books and a place to read now. We are a community center and it is going to reflect whoever is here. I am confident that the public will receive whoever is chosen with an open heart and will give them an opportunity. I will miss everyone. I think there will be a book that comes from all of this."

Miss Liz's last day will be June 22.

Lamar

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Free Gym Days will be offered this summer beginning on June 18. The Spaulding Middle School gym will be open for free play on Mondays and Tuesdays from noon until 2 p.m., and the Lamar Elementary Gym will be open for free play on Fridays from 10 a.m. - 2 p.m.

Weaver said a Fellowship of Christian Athletes softball camp will be held this summer, possibly in the first two weeks of August. He said a similar camp last year drew over 60 kids from as far away as Greenville and Charleston.

Mayor Darnell McPherson

asked about the possibility of other offerings, such as chess lessons and tournaments, and Weaver said space is a concern at present. His offices are located in the former Lamar Magistrate's office, and there is little room to use for group activities. Weaver did say they are investigating whether they could start a small yoga class in the Lamar Rec common room.

To learn more about these and other programs offered in the Lamar area, contact Darlington County Parks and Recreation at 843-398-4700.

Desiree Johnson spoke to Council regarding the cheer-leading camp her daughter hosts at Spaulding Middle School. About 50 girls age 5 to 12 enrolled in this year's

camp and learned cheers, dances, etiquette, and made arts and crafts projects. The camp included a sleepover at the gym, with security provided by the Lamar Police Department.

Also at this meeting, former Town Council member Mike Lloyd voiced concerns over the growth of grass and weeds in the downtown area. Mayor McPherson explained that the town employee who oversees these duties has been plagued with health problems recently. She added that the town does not receive as much inmate labor help from the Prison Farm as in previous years, which has made progress on grass cutting especially slow.



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Thursday, June 28, 2018, at 6:00 pm
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Current Fiscal Year Revenue	Projected Revenue 2018-2019	Percentage Change in Revenue	Current Fiscal Year Millage
\$8,894,649	\$9,115,846	+2.48%	125 mills
Current Fiscal Year Expenditures	Projected Expenditures 2018-2019	Percentage Change in Expenditures	Estimated Millage for 2018-2019
\$8,410,733	\$9,115,846	+8.38%	131.4125

Estimated Millage Equals \$131.4125 per \$1,000 of Assessed Property Value.

QUOTE

[For the choir director: A psalm of David.]
The heavens proclaim the glory of God.
The skies display his craftsmanship. Day
after day they continue to speak; night
after night they make him known.

PSALM 19:1-2

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Kenneth Lawrence Evans

Graveside services were held for Kenneth Lawrence Evans at 4 p.m. Sunday, May 27, 2018 at Evergreen Perpetual Care Cemetery directed by Cooper Funeral Home. Visitation was held 6-8 p.m. Saturday at Cooper Funeral Home. M. R. Evans, 65, passed away Wednesday, May 23, 2018 from an illness, surrounded by his loving family and friends.



ers, Kathleen Berry, Ora Lee Flowers, Ellen Rouse, all of Hamer, G.L. Evans (Joyce) of Florence, Ray Evans (Diana), and Alinda Craig (Jerry) both of Hamer; many great sisters-in-laws, brothers-in-law, nieces and nephews. Mr. Evans was preceded in death by his sister, Hesteen Jackson.

Martha Steen Lima

Martha "Tiny" Steen Lima, age 56, passed away Wednesday, June 6, 2018. A memorial service was held 3 p.m. Friday, June 15 at Freedom Baptist Church, directed by Belk Funeral Home. The family received friends from 2-3 p.m. Friday at the church.

Born April 18, 1962, Martha is the daughter of Robert Steen and the late Ann Campbell Steen. She enjoyed playing pool, bowling, going to the beach, walking her dog Chloe, traveling with her husband, and spending time with her family. She attended Freedom Baptist Church in Darlington.

Surviving are her husband of 25 years, William Joseph Lima of Darlington; her children, Crystal Lima of Orlando, Jennifer Mello, and Jeff Lima, both of Massachusetts, and Delia Mulvihill who was like a daughter to Martha; grandchildren, Samira and Mason Brandon, and Amelia Lima; sisters, Linda Jackson, Becky Allen, and Lisa Carter; brothers, Bobby Steen and Mitchell "Rat" Steen.

In addition to her mother, Ann Campbell Steen, Martha is predeceased by her sister, Cathy Wright; her mother and father-in-law, Olive and Seraphin Lima. Memorials may be made to

McLeod Hospice Foundation, PO Box 100551 Florence, SC 29502-0551. A guestbook is available online at belkfuneralhome.com.

Timmy Drew

Charles Timothy "Timmy" Drew, age 51, died at his home on Monday, June 11, 2018. A Memorial service was held at Belk Funeral on Friday, June 15 at 6 p.m., and at Timmy's request, everyone should dress casual. The family received friends from 5 until 6 p.m. Friday at the funeral home and other times at the home, 1137 Bonnoit Street.

Born in Florence on July 19, 1966, he was the son of the late Rev. Charles Hagood Drew and the late Bobbie Jean Weatherford Drew Langston. A beloved son, brother, uncle and friend, Timmy was a fixture of the Darlington NAPA Store for over 30 years. As an avid hunter and fisherman, he enjoyed sharing his love of the outdoors with others. Timmy will be remembered as a friend to all, who looked beyond outward appearances to care for others on a personal level.

Surviving are two sisters: Melanie (Wayne) Hale of New Castle, DE, Christie (Mark) Happ of Darlington, a niece, Candice (P.J.) Puccio and their children, Ashlyn and Aubrey, nephews, Hayden and Hunter Happ, a step-niece, Emily Hale and her children: Katelyn, Megan and Olivia Auty, a step-sister, Janet Langston (Frank) Wooten of Irmo, SC, a step-brother, John (Stacey) Langston of Boone, NC and step-nieces Amanda, Hope and Spencer Langston and special friends, Adam Buck and Ken Garland.

To honor Timmy's life, take a kid fishing or take the time to teach someone about the outdoors....God's beautiful Creation. A guestbook is avail-

able online at www.belkfuneralhome.com

Bessie Kent Dudley

Bessie Kent Dudley, 86, died on Thursday, June 14, 2018.

Funeral services were held on Saturday, June 16, 2018 at 2 p.m. in the Chapel of Kistler Hardee Funeral Home. Burial followed in Zion United Methodist Church Cemetery. The family received friends from 1 until 2 p.m. on Saturday, June 16, 2018 at Kistler Hardee Funeral Home and other times at the home of her daughter, Toni D. Watford, 620 Gilchrist Road, Darlington. Mrs. Dudley was born in Darlington County. She was the daughter of the late Walter Kent and Bonnie Munn Kent. Mrs. Dudley loved watching TV, flowers and raising children.

Surviving are her children, Toni D. Watford and husband, Jimmy; and Patricia D. Boseman and husband, Hayward; her grandchildren, Sabrina Watford Vincent, Shannon Watford Duncan (Shawn), Tonya Boseman Blackwell, Billy Boseman, Jonathan Boseman, Chad Gray (Ashley), Christina Gray, Travis Gray, Amy Gilbert, April Gilbert, Brittany Dudley, Benjamin Dudley and Ashley Boseman; numerous great grandchildren and her great great grandchild, Jax Edwards, Jr.

Mrs. Dudley was preceded in death by her parents, Walter Kent and Bonnie Munn Kent; her children, Kathy D. Gray, and Wade Dudley; her brother, Benjamin Kent; and her sister, Zada Kent Bell.

Family and friends are invited to sign the online guest book at www.kistlerhardeefuneralhome.com.

LIVING ON PURPOSE
It's a beautiful day in the neighborhood

By Dr. William Holland

I'm sure that many of you remember the man who portrayed the friendly neighbor in the popular children's program known all over the world as Mister Rogers. Who can forget the childlike song that asked the question, "Won't you be my neighbor?" With the macho crowd, he was labeled a sissy and downright creepy but, to children, he was always a nice, polite, and comforting role model. There have been many false accusations about him through the years like the rumors about him having to wear long sleeve sweaters to hide his offensive tattoos. But these have all been proven to be nothing more than overactive imaginations and a display of how cruel our human nature can be. How sad to witness the moral convictions of our society falling so far away from God's standards that when someone is acting normal the world believes they are weird. This reminds me of the scripture found in Isaiah chapter five that warns, "Woe unto them that call evil good, and good evil; that exchange darkness for light, and light for darkness; that trade bitter for sweet and sweet for bitter." Unfortunately, this is another example of how the harsh attitudes of the oppressors are always seeking to bully and criticize decent individuals who are trying to make the world a better place.

mention a few. There is a movie being made about his life and I for one certainly hope this represents Fred Rogers in a favorable expression of honesty and integrity. In 2002 he was diagnosed with stomach cancer and quietly passed away in 2003 with his wife Joanne at his side.

As an ordained Presbyterian minister, Fred Mcfeely Rogers graduated from Pittsburgh Theological Seminary in 1963. I'm sure that most people did not think about it, but he was more like a Sunday school teacher that used simple props and themes to tell stories about everyday life. He was a puppeteer and used his own voice for the many characters in the show. With a degree in music composition, he actually wrote over 200 songs including, "I'm proud of you" and "You are special." As the character Mister Rogers, Fred was not necessarily acting like someone else but was simply being himself. He was simply devoted to his Christian faith and used his platform to demonstrate and communicate conservative Christian values. As we acknowledge and appreciate certain modern spiritual leaders and their message of hope and inspiration, we can see that Fred Rogers was a pioneer of the encouragement movement. Instead of traditional religious sermons that focus on how bad we are, Fred wanted to build self-esteem and emphasize how everyone is loved and how we are all unique and important to God. He is quoted, "When I was a boy and I would see scary things in the news, my mother would say to me, look for the helpers. You will always find people who are helping." This optimistic outlook and positive thinking approach is a choice we all make every day. We can be like Eeyore and always complain about the glass being half-empty, or we can develop a humble awareness to value our blessings and thank God not only for the glass but also for it being half-full.

Dr. Holland is a Christian author, an ordained minister, and a community chaplain. Read more articles at billyhol-landministries.com

CHURCH NEWS

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VBS 2018

St. Luke United Methodist Church in Hartsville will hold their Vacation Bible School June 18-22. The theme is Rolling River Rampage. The event will take place from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. For more information, call 843-332-6571.

First Presbyterian Hartsville VBS

Vacation Bible School will be June 18-22 with the theme "Clean Water for All God's Children," a curriculum developed by Living Waters for the World. The Living Waters for the World is the group that we worked with for the Dominican Republic trip several years ago. Our focus for the week is to enable children to understand the importance of clean water for health and to show them ways to share in the mission of taking clean water to all the children of the world. First Presbyterian Church is located at 213 West Home Ave. For more information, call 843-332-3622

First Baptist Church VBS

First Baptist Church, 216 S. Main Street in Darlington, will hold their Vacation Bible School June 18-21 with the theme Game On. For more information, call 843-393-2874.

Kelleytown Baptist Church VBS

Kelleytown Baptist Church will hold their Vacation Bible School June 18-21 with the theme Game On. The church is located at 2609 Kelleytown Rd in Hartsville. For more information, call 843-332-8092.

Youth Appreciation Day

The Salem Missionary Baptist Church of Darlington will celebrate Youth Appreciation Day Sunday, June 24 beginning at 11:30 a.m. The speaker will be Rev. Marcia Hall. Services are being held at The Pine Recreation Center, 310 Jessamine Street, Darlington.

St. James United Methodist Church

The United Methodist Men will hold their annual Men's Day Program Sunday, June 24, 2018 at 9:45 am. The guest speaker will be Kristopher Jones from Atlanta. He is the grandson of Earl and Hilda Johnson.

VBS at Trinity UMC

VBS will be held at Trinity UMC in Darlington June 24-28 from 5:30-8:15 p.m. Join us for Rolling River Rampage enjoy a light supper, music, games, crafts, and learning about God's love! Trinity is located at 126 Pearl St, Darlington. For more information, call 843-393-4852.

VBS at Darlington Presbyterian Church

Faith Expedition VBS will be held at Darlington Presbyterian Church July 16-19 from 9 a.m. until 12 noon. The camp is for rising 5k - 5th graders. Registration forms available at the church office. Darlington Presbyterian Church is located at 311 Pearl St, Darlington. For more information, call 843-393-4851

Central Baptist VBS

Game On! Vacation Bible School will be held July 29-August 1 from 6-8:30 p.m. nightly. The program is for children ages 3K - 5th grade. As kids get ready for the big game, they will learn that the goal is not competing in their own strength because

God has already equipped them with everything they need! Registration will be held July 29 at 5:45 p.m. Central Baptist Church is located at 512 Spring Street, Darlington. For more information call 843-393-8581 or email: cbcdarlington@bell-south.net.

Prayer Service

St. James will hold a Noon Day Prayer Service every Wednesday. Please join us or give your prayer requests to Judy Alexander.

The Upper Room Holy Ghost Mission

Sunday morning worship is at 11 a.m. Bible study Thursday night is at 7 p.m. at 109 Main St. in Darlington Come worship under the leadership of Pastor Warren D. Spearman. Call 843-250-0418 for prayer.

Bible Study

Bible study at Mt. Zion Tabernacle Believers Church 426 W. Broad St. Darlington, on Tuesday nights at 6:00 p.m. Bible study led by Rev. Larry Scipio. Contact Deacon Z. Frierson at 843-992-3158 or church 843-992-8125. Come join us.

Covenant Baptist Church Prayer Line

Anyone who needs prayer for healing and deliverance is welcome to call the Covenant Baptist Church Prayer Line at 843-393-8555. The prayer line is open Tuesdays and Wednesdays from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.

St. Catherine's Episcopal Church

3123 W. Palmetto St., Florence. Worship Time: 11 a.m. (4th Sunday 8:30 a.m.) Sunday School: 9:45 a.m. Phone: 843-601-3672
Facebook: St.Catherine's EC

Vicar: The Rev. Jeffrey R. Richardson

Lawson Grove Baptist Church

3585 Lawson Grove Rd, Hartsville. Sunday-- Church School at 9:45a.m. and Worship Service at 10:45a.m. Wednesday- Prayer 6:30 p.m. Bible study 7p.m.

Streaming Available at lawsongrovebaptistchurch.com

Black Creek Baptist Church

Black Creek Baptist Church, located 139 Mont Clare Road, Dovesville, announces their hours: Sunday: 10 a.m. Sunday School, 11a.m. Worship Services and 6 p.m. Evening Worship. Wednesday: 6:30 Adult Bible Study; Youth Bible Study, Children (Children In Action) 7:30 Adult Choir Practice

Covenant Baptist Church

Covenant Baptist Church, located at 628 Pocket Road, announces their hours: Sunday: 10 a.m. Sunday School, 11a.m. Spoken Word Service. Wednesday: 6 p.m. Bible Study. Need a ride to church? Call 843-393-7872.

Mt. Zion Tabernacle Ministries

Mt. Zion Tabernacle Ministries 426 W. Broad St. in Darlington announces their hours
1st/3rd Sunday Pastoral Sunday: Sunday School at 9:30 a.m. Church Services 11:00 Elder M. Frierson 2nd/4th Sunday: Sunday School at 9:30 by Deacon Z. Frierson Service at 11:00 a.m. Min. Gerald Green. The community is invited to attend. Come expecting to hear the anointed Word. Contact Deacon.Z.Frierson 843-229-3158.

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PETS OF THE WEEK



Our sweet boy Tyson has been described as a silly, kissy, happy Bully blend, that everybody loves. Tyson will play ball for HOURS, it's just the most fun ever! He enjoys doggy friends but loves human company too. He's as affectionate as they come and is ready to find a family of his own, 1-2 yrs old; 60lbs; bull mix; male



Chrissy sports a stunning brown and orange striped jacket and while she is turning all the heads here at the shelter, she's not one to jump into the spotlight. Best suited for a quiet home where she has time to settle and meet her new best friends, this shy little lady is as sweet as they come. We think she's a real diamond in the ruff and hope soon, you'll stop on by and give her that second chance every animal deserves. 1 yr old; female; orange tabby

The Darlington County Humane Society is located 0.5 miles from Darlington Raceway off Highway 151 in Darlington.

Have you lost or found a pet?

If you have lost or found a pet, go online to www.darlingtonhumane.org and click on the link **Lost/ Found Pets**. You will be directed to the www.thelostpets.com Web site where you can register your missing pet.

You will be able to provide a detailed description of your missing pet, as well as attach a photo. Upon registering your lost pet, an e-mail alert will be sent to the Darlington Shelter's e-mail address. This will allow the Shelter staff to recognize your lost pet should it arrive at the facility.

Area Happenings

Weekly Events

Centennial Farmers Market

This market features fresh, organic gourmet foods, free-range eggs and homegrown, healthy foods including homemade breads and sweet treats and as always, live music and entertainment! Every Thursday from 4 – 7 p.m. Location: Corner of 5th St. and Carolina Ave. in Hartsville.

Darlington Elks Lodge

Tuesdays: Swing/Shag dance lessons, "New" line dance lessons from 8-10 p.m.

Wednesdays: Karaoke from 8-10 p.m.

Thursdays: Bingo at 7:30 p.m. Darlington Elks Lodge is located at 836 Timmonsville Hwy. For more info: 843-393-1451.

BNI

Meets each Tuesday at 7:30 am in the conference room of the TB Thomas Sports Center, 701 W Washington St, Hartsville.

Hartsville Kiwanis Club

Thursdays at 12:15 p.m. at the Hartsville Country Club

Hartsville Lions Club

Thursdays at 12:30 p.m. at Mr. B's Restaurant

Hartsville Rotary Club

Tuesdays at 12:30 p.m. at Hartsville Country Club

Paws to Read

Paws to Read is a literacy program where emerging and reluctant readers can create positive emotional connections with reading. Therapy Dogs International with their trainers come for one-on-one reading sessions on the first Saturday and third Tuesday of each month at 12:30 pm. and 3 p.m. respectively at the Darlington Library Branch.

Story Time

Darlington: Thursdays at 10 a.m. Info: 398-4940 ext. 305.
 Hartsville: Tuesdays at 10 a.m. Info: 332-5115 ext. 7.
 Society Hill: Thursdays at 11:00 a.m. Info: 378-0026
 Lamar: Thursdays at 11:30 a.m. Info: 326-5524

Library Programs

Teen Program - Mon at 5pm
 After School Club - Tues. at 4pm
 Homeschool Hub - Wed. at 2pm
 Family Movie - Thurs. at 4pm

Crochet & Knit Clubs

Lamar: each Monday at 4:30 p.m. 326-5524
 Society Hill: each Friday from 2-4 pm 378-0026
 Darlington: 2nd Friday of the month 10 a.m. - noon 398-4940
 Hartsville: "The Stitchers"

group meets the 1st & 3rd Mondays and 2nd & 4th Thursdays at 5 pm.

Pee Dee SCORE

Pee Dee SCORE (Service Corps of Retired Executives) offers Free confidential counseling to America's small business, serving Darlington, Florence and surrounding areas. Existing and start-up businesses can schedule an appointment by calling the Hartsville Chamber of Commerce at 843-332-6401.

Alcoholics Anonymous

Alcoholics Anonymous will hold an open meeting of big book and traditions studies weekly at 8 p.m. Monday nights at Trinity UMC on Pearl Street. Use Orange Street entrance. Info: 843-395-6897. AA meets at the Hartsville AA Hut, 310 S. McFarland Street: 12 noon and 6 p.m. Monday/Wednesday; 12 noon and 8 p.m. Tuesday, Thursday, Friday, Saturday; and 8pm Sunday.

Al-Anon Meetings

Al-Anon is a fellowship of adult relatives and friends of alcoholics for mutual support. Visitors are welcome. Childcare is not available. Al-Anon meetings:

Thursdays at 8p.m. at the Hartsville AA Hut, 310 S. McFarland Street. Info: 843-992-2981.

Monthly Events

Hartsville Pilot Club

Fourth Monday each month at 6 p.m. at their clubhouse across from the Lawton Park Tennis Courts

Hartsville Toastmasters

2nd and 4th Monday each month at 7 p.m. at the Black Creek Arts Center

Water and Soil Conservation Board

The Darlington Soil & Water Conservation District Board will meet at 7 p.m. the fourth Monday of the month in the Clemson Extension Kitchen

at 300 Russell Street, Room 207 in Darlington. Meetings are open to the public. For more information call 843-393-0483.

Darlington County First Steps

2nd Tuesday each month at 5:30 pm in the Chamber of Commerce Boardroom, 214 N 5th St, Hartsville.

DC Disabilities and Special Needs Board

Holds monthly meetings on the last Tuesday of each month at 2 p.m. The public is welcome to come to the meetings. The meetings are held at the Scott Center 201 N. Damascus Church Road in Hartsville.

Darlington Branch NAACP

The Darlington Branch NAACP meets on the second Tuesday every month, 7:00 p.m. at 109 Pearl Street. New members are always welcomed. For more information contact President Anthony Hall at 843-229-1274 or email to darlingtonnaacp@yahoo.com. Please visit our Facebook page: Darlingtonnaacp.

Darlington Professional Women

Darlington Professional Women (DPW) will meet on the 3rd Wednesday of each month at noon at the Darlington Country Club. DPW is an association for local businesswomen to share lunch, enjoy a presentation and network.

Historical Commission Meeting

1st Thursday of the month, 10 a.m. at the Historical Commission, 204 Hewitt St., Darlington.

American Legion Post 13

American Legion Post 13 of Darlington meets the second Thursday of each month at the Post on Harry Byrd Highway next to the South Carolina National Guard Armory. A meal is served at 6 p.m. with a monthly meeting that follows. The nation's largest Veterans organization invites its members, eligible Veterans, and active National Guard/Reserve

personnel to attend.

Darlington County Coordinating Council

The first Friday of every month at 11:30. Alternating months between Carolina Pines in Hartsville and Medford Nursing Center in Darlington. April, June, September, and November at Carolina Pines; May, August, October, and December at Medford Nursing Center in Darlington.

Darlington Library

Needle Nuts - 2nd Fri. each month
 Book Club - 3rd Sat. of each month

Yoga for Beginners

Yoga will be held at the Darlington Library the 1st and 3rd Saturday each month from 12:30-2 p.m.

Book Club

The Darlington Library Book Club meets the 3rd Saturday of each month 12pm-1 p.m. Stop by the library to pick up each month's selection.

Summer Camps

4-H at New Vision Center

Explore food and fitness, launch paper rockets, build and race balloon cars, and much more. Lunch provided .June 11-July 27

Who: For all youth ages 5 – 18

When: 8a – 1p daily
 Where: New Vision Center, Bethlehem Rd, Hartsville
 Cost: Free
 Contact: Wayne Brown, 843-206-5487, to register.

Fashion Diva Day Camp with Girls University

June 18-22
 Home decorating, fashion and modeling, etiquette, food and nutrition!

Who: For rising 6th-8th grade girls
 When: 8a-12p daily
 Where: Coker College
 Cost: \$80
 Register at Girls University online:
<https://girls-university.com/camps/darlington-4h-camp/>

4-H Farm Animal Paint Class

June 25
 Learn to paint a rooster from a professional artist!
 Who: all youth grades 1-5
 When: 10a – 12p
 Where: ArtBug Studio, Hartsville
 Cost: \$25 (+ \$10 4-H membership)
 Register by: June 18 at eventbrite.com

Wildlife Wednesday

June 27
 Fish, peek into bird nests, learn to measure a tree, and identify plants.

Who: For all youth 9 – 13 years old
 When: 8:30a – 4:30p
 Where: Sandhills National Wildlife Refuge
 Cost: \$20 (includes transportation from Darlington/Hartsville, snack, and supplies).
 Register by: June 20 at eventbrite.com

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4-H Farm Animal Paint Class

July 9
 Learn to paint a goat from a professional artist!

Who: all youth grades 1-5
 When: 10a – 12p
 Where: ArtBug Studio, Hartsville
 Cost: \$25 (+ \$10 4-H membership)
 Register by: July 2 at eventbrite.com

Girls University Summer camps at DCIT

Divya Coding and Video Game Design
 July 16-19, 8 a.m. to 12 p.m. (7:30 a.m. dropoff)
 Each camp includes an industry and college tour. The cost is \$60 per girl. The camp is for Grades 6-9.

Girls University Summer camps at DCIT

3D World Design and Engineering Innovation
 July 23-26, 8 a.m. to 12 p.m. (7:30 a.m. dropoff)
 Each camp includes an industry and college tour. The cost is \$60 per girl. The camp is for Grades 6-9.

4-H Farm Animal Paint Class

July 30
 Learn to paint a pig from a professional artist!

Who: all youth grades 1-5
 When: 10a – 12p
 Where: ArtBug Studio, Hartsville
 Cost: \$25 (+ \$10 4-H membership)
 Register by: July 23 at eventbrite.com

4-H Club Camp at Camp Bob Cooper

When: July 22-26
 Who: For all youth ages 7-14

Where: Camp Bob Cooper
 Cost: \$270 members; \$280 non-members
 Swimming, hiking, crafts, skits, group games, and plenty of summer adventure.
 Register at the Darlington County Extension office.

4-H Farm Animal Paint Class at ArtBug Studio

August 6 learn to paint a cow from a professional artist!
 Who: all youth grades 1-5
 When: 10a – 12p
 Where: ArtBug Studio, Hartsville
 Cost: \$25 (+ \$10 4-H membership)
 Register by: July 30 at eventbrite.com

June 2018

Beautification Board

The Board will meet at 5 p.m. on Wednesday, June 20 at City Hall, 400 Pearl St., Darlington. For information, call 843-398-4000x103 or email darlingtonplanner@gmail.com

Local Work Group

The annual Darlington county local work group meeting will be held 9 a.m. June 26 at 300 Russell Street,

Darlington room 207 (upstairs kitchen). Meetings are open to the public. For more info call 843-393-0483.

Darlington County Airport Commission

June 28, 8 a.m. at 313 G. Graham Seagars Parkway, Darlington. Call 843-393-9928 for more information.

Freedom Fest

This family-friendly event is back at Darlington Raceway June 30 for the annual Independence Day celebration. The event, presented by the City of Darlington, is FREE and will include food and beverage vendors, merchandise vendors, kids carnival, live music, and FIREWORKS-- all at the track Too Tough To Tame. The event will start at 5 PM; fireworks will begin around 9:30 PM.

July 2018

Darlington County Council Meeting

The Darlington County Council meets on July 2 at 6 p.m. and the first Monday of each month at 6:00 p.m., at the Courthouse Annex/EMS Building, 1625 Harry Byrd Highway (Highway 151), Darlington, SC. The Council encourages citizen participation and provides an opportunity for citizens to present their concerns at the beginning of each regular meeting. Those wishing to make a presentation should contact the Clerk to Council at 843-398-4100 or jbishop@darcountsc.com.

Darlington City Council Meeting

The Darlington City Council will hold their monthly meeting July 10 at 6:30 p.m. in the City of Darlington Council Chambers at City Hall, located at 400 Pearl Street.

Darlington County Board of Education

The Darlington County School District Board of Education will meet at 6 p.m. July 9 in the Training Room of the Administrative Office located at 120 E. Smith Avenue in Darlington.

Lamar Town Council

Lamar Town Council will meet at 6:30 p.m. July 9 at town hall.

Hartsville City Council Meeting

City Council holds their regular council meeting July 10 at 5:30 p.m. in Council Chambers, found on the first floor of City Hall, 100 E. Carolina Ave.

Society Hill Town Council Meeting

The Society Hill Town Council will hold their monthly meeting July 10. All monthly meetings will be held at 6:30 p.m. at Town Hall of Society Hill 280 South Main Street.

Bringing Downtown Alive Concert

July 14, 7 to 10 p.m. at Liberty Lane. Concert by Dustin James and Hank Edwards. For more information email info@buildupdarlington.org or call 843-398-4000 extension 103.

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Two Darlington County students graduate from GSSM

McAlister Bullard and Scott Driggers of Darlington County graduated from the SC Governor's School for Science & Mathematics (GSSM) on Saturday, June 2, 2018, at the DeLoach Center in Hartsville.

Bullard, child of Kelly and Robert Bullard, Jr. of Hartsville, and Driggers, child of Karen and Martin Driggers, Jr. of Lamar, will both attend Clemson University.

The 120 students who comprise the GSSM Class of 2018 hail from 34 different South Carolina counties and 76 high schools. Graduates will attend a variety of public and private colleges and universities across the country, including Agnes Scott College, Brown University, Davidson College, MIT, Princeton, Reed College, Rice University, University of Alabama-Huntsville, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, University of Notre Dame, US Naval Academy, University of Virginia, Washington and Lee University, Wellesley College, and Yale University.

Nearly 70 percent of the graduates will remain in state to pursue undergraduate degrees, enrolling in the following SC institutions: Anderson University, Clemson University, College of Charleston, Furman University, Presbyterian College, University of South Carolina, and Wofford College.

In total, the Class of 2018 received \$14.6 million in scholarship offers. "Our wonderful students continue to do wonderful things, and we are proud of the hope and bright future they represent for our state," says Dr. Hector Flores, GSSM President.

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DCSD hires Dawn Johnson to be new district food services director

The Darlington County Board of Education approved the hire of Dawn Johnson as the Darlington County School District's (DCSD) new food services director. The approval came during the board's monthly meeting on June 11.

DCSD Superintendent Dr. Tim Newman said the district looks forward to Johnson bringing her experience and passion to Darlington County.

"We are excited for Dawn Johnson to join us in the Darlington County School District," Newman said. "Providing tasty, nutritious and appealing meals to chil-

dren is essential, and we believe she will bring outstanding leadership in her new role."

Johnson spent the past 10 years as the food service director for Dillon School District Four. Prior to that, she served as the assistant to the food service director. She also has several years of professional office experience.

Johnson will take over for longtime DCSD Director of Food Services Pamela Vaughan, who is retiring at the end of June.

Francis Marion grows downtown Florence presence with new acquisition

Francis Marion University's already significant presence in downtown Florence is set to grow again.

The City of Florence recently transferred ownership of the LS Rainwater Building at 142 North Dargan Street to the FMU Educational Foundation. FMU will begin work to transform the three-story structure into the new home of the Francis Marion University Kelley Center for Enterprise and Innovation and a first-floor art gallery, to be curated by the FMU Department of Fine Arts with day-to-day management through the FMU Performing Arts Centers.

The Kelley Center will operate a business incubator for entrepreneurs and support the City of Florence with research for business recruitment. In its expanded role the Kelley Center will provide critical assistance for business owners in the region.

The Drs. Bruce and Lee Foundation will be providing funding for the renovation of the building.

FMU's president Dr. Fred Carter hailed yet another step in the University's ongoing partnership with the city, and with the revitalization of Florence's downtown.

relationship between FMU and the City of Florence cannot be understated," Carter said. "Collaborations between these two entities have led to new programs, new facilities and new achievements that continue to benefit the community and its people. The new, expanded Kelley Center, and this extraordinary art gallery will be terrific additions that will further enhance this tradition. And, as usual, our friends at the Drs. Bruce and Lee Foundation will help provide resources to make this happen. It's a great partnership."

Florence Mayor Stephen J. Wukela added, "This project represents yet another example of the successful partnership between FMU, the Drs. Bruce and Lee Foundation, and the city advancing the community."

The Rainwater Building will be the University's fifth downtown facility. FMU has already completed the FMU Performing Arts Center, the Luther F. Carter Center for Health Sciences and the FMU Recording Studio. Renovation work on the Old Post Office Building, which will be used for additional classroom space by the FMU School of Health Sciences, is set to begin soon.

The historic Rainwater

building is a three-story, 17,000 square-foot building. The city obtained the building several years ago as part of its downtown revitalization plan, and has already invested in an initial phase of renovations on the first floor of the building.

A significant donation from the Drs. Bruce and Lee Foundation will allow the remaining renovations to be completed within a year. When complete, the project will reflect a \$2.7 million investment into downtown Florence.

The Kelley Center for Enterprise and Innovation has operated in downtown Florence since 2016, providing business incubation services, post-launch assistance, technical support, and enterprise development aid to new and expanding businesses throughout the Pee Dee.

The facility will formally be owned by the Francis Marion University Education Foundation and operated by FMU.

The new art gallery will provide exhibition space for local artists across a spectrum of artistic disciplines to showcase their work. The gallery will also serve as another downtown event space.

2017 Darlington County Water and Sewer Authority Annual Drinking Water Quality Report DHEC 1620001

We're pleased to present to you this year's Annual Water Quality Report. This report is designed to inform you about the quality of the water we deliver to you every day. Our constant goal is to provide you with a safe and dependable supply of drinking water. We want you to understand the efforts we make to continually improve the water treatment process and protect our water resources. We are committed to ensuring the quality of your water. Our water is produced from 12 wells in Darlington County. Our Source Water Assessment Plan is available for your review at <http://www.scdhec.gov/HomeAndEnvironment/water/SourceWaterProtection>. If you do not have internet access, please contact Jerry Stutts, Operations Manager, 843-393-8131 EXT. 303 to make arrangements to review this document. We are pleased to report that our drinking water is safe and meets federal and state requirements. This report shows our water quality and what it means.

If you have any questions about this report or concerning your water utility, please contact Jerry Stutts, Operations Manager, 843-393-8131 EXT. 303. We want our valued customers to be informed about their water utility.

Darlington County Water and Sewer Authority routinely monitors for constituents in your drinking water in accordance with Federal and State laws. The tables below show the results of our monitoring for the period of January 1 to December 31, 2017. As water travels over the land or underground, it can pick up substances or microbial contaminants, such as viruses and bacteria, which may come from sewage treatment plants, septic systems, agricultural livestock operations, and wildlife; inorganic contaminants, such as salts and metals, which can be naturally-occurring or result from urban storm water runoff, industrial or domestic wastewater discharges, oil and gas production, mining, or farming; and organic chemical contaminants, including synthetic and volatile organic chemicals, which are by-products of industrial processes and petroleum production, and can also come from gas stations, urban storm water runoff and septic systems; Pesticides and herbicides, which may come from a variety of sources such as agriculture, urban storm water runoff and residential uses; and radioactive substances, which can be naturally-occurring or be the result of oil and gas production and mining activities.

Our water system has sampled for a series of unregulated contaminants. Unregulated contaminants are those that don't yet have a drinking water standard set by EPA. The purpose of monitoring for these contaminants is to help EPA decide whether the contaminants should have a standard. As our customers, you have a right to know that these data are available. If you are interested in examining the results, please contact Jerry Stutts at 843-393-8131 EXT 303 or Post Office Box 968, Darlington, SC 29540-0968.

In the tables that follow you will find many terms and abbreviations you might not be familiar with. To help you better understand these terms we've provided the following definitions:

Non-Detects (ND) - laboratory analysis indicates that the constituent is not present.

Parts per million (ppm) or Milligrams per liter (mg/l) - one part per million corresponds to one minute in two years or a single penny in \$10,000.

Parts per billion (ppb) or Micrograms per liter - one part per billion corresponds to one minute in 2,000 years, or a single penny in \$10,000,000.

Picocuries per liter (pCi/L) - Picocuries per liter is a measure of the radioactivity in water.

Action Level - the concentration of a contaminant that, if exceeded, triggers treatment or other requirements that a water system must follow.

Highest Level Detected (HDL) - maximum amount found in any one sample

Maximum Contaminant Level Goal (MCLG) - The "Goal" (MCLG) is the level of a contaminant in drinking water below which there is no known or expected risk to health. MCLGs allow for a margin of safety.

Maximum Contaminant Level (MCL) - The "Maximum Allowed" (MCL) is the highest level of a contaminant that is allowed in drinking water. MCLs are set as close to the MCLGs as feasible using the best available treatment technology.

Maximum Residual Disinfectant Level (MRDL) - The highest level of a disinfectant allowed in drinking water. There is convincing evidence that addition of a disinfectant is necessary for control of microbial contaminants.

Maximum Residual Disinfectant Level Goal (MRDLG) - The level of a drinking water disinfectant below which there is no known or expected risk to health. MRDLGs do not reflect the benefits of the use of disinfectants to control microbial contaminants.

Arg - Regulatory compliance with some MCLs are based on running annual average of monthly samples

LEAD AND COPPER TEST RESULTS						
Contaminant	Violation Y/N	90 th percentile	Unit measurement	Action level	Sites over action level	Likely source of contamination
Copper 2017	N	0.14	ppm	1.3	0	Corrosion of household plumbing systems; erosion of natural deposits; leaching from wood preservatives
Lead 2017	N	4.10	ppb	15	0	Corrosion of household plumbing systems, erosion of natural deposits

If present, elevated levels of lead can cause serious health problems, especially for pregnant women and young children. Lead in drinking water is primarily from materials and components associated with service lines and home plumbing. The Darlington County Water & Sewer Authority is responsible for providing high quality drinking water, but cannot control the variety of materials used in plumbing components. When your water has been sitting for several hours, you can minimize the potential for lead exposure by flushing your tap for 30 second to 2 minutes before using water for drinking or cooking. If you are concerned about lead in your drinking water, you may wish to have your water tested. Information on lead in drinking water, testing methods, and steps you can take to minimize exposure is available from the Safe Drinking Water Hotline or at <http://www.epa.gov/safewater/lead>.

Disinfection By-Products						
Contaminant	Violation Y/N	Range of levels detected	Unit measurement	MCLG	MCL	Likely source of contamination
Haloacetic acids (HAA5) 2017	N	0-1.43	PPB	No goal for the total	60 PPB	By-products of drinking water disinfection
Trihalomethanes (TTHM) 2017	N	0-2.15	PPB	No goal for the total	80 PPB	By-products of drinking water disinfection

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Inorganic Contaminants						
Contaminant	Violation Y/N	Range of levels detected	Unit measurement	MCLG	MCL	Likely source of contamination
Fluoride 2017	N	Range 0.35-1.00	ppm	4	4	Erosion of natural deposits; water additive which promotes strong teeth; discharge from fertilizer and aluminum factories
Nitrate (as Nitrogen) 2017	N	Range 0.082-0.77	ppm	10	10	Runoff from fertilizer use; leaching from septic tanks, sewage; erosion of natural deposits

+Disinfectants						
Contaminant	Violation Y/N	Range of levels detected	Unit measurement	MCLG	MCL	Likely source of contamination
Chlorine 2017	N	Range 0.30-0.80	ppm	MRDL-4	MRDLG-44	Water additive used to control microbes

Radioactive Contaminants						
Contaminant	Violation Y/N	Range of levels detected	Unit measurement	MCLG	MCL	Likely source of contamination
Combined radium 2017	N	Range 0.0-2.0	pCi/L	0	5	Erosion of natural deposits
Alpha emitters 2017	N	Range 0.0-3.5	pCi/L	0	15	Erosion of natural deposits

What does this mean?

In order to ensure that tap water is safe to drink, EPA prescribes regulations which limit the amount of certain contaminants in water provided by public water systems. FDA regulations establish limits for contaminants in bottled water which must provide the same protection for public health. As you can see by the table, our system had no violations. We're proud that your drinking water meets or exceeds all Federal and State requirements. We have learned through our monitoring and testing that some constituents have been detected. The EPA has determined that your water IS SAFE at these levels.

All sources of drinking water are subject to potential contamination by substances that are naturally occurring or man made. These substances can be microbes, inorganic or organic chemicals and radioactive substances. All drinking water, including bottled water, may reasonably be expected to contain at least small amounts of some contaminants. The presence of contaminants does not necessarily indicate that the water poses a health risk. More information about contaminants and potential health effects can be obtained by calling the Environmental Protection Agency's Safe Drinking Water Hotline at 1-800-426-4791.

Some people may be more vulnerable to contaminants in drinking water than the general population. Immunocompromised persons such as persons with cancer undergoing chemotherapy, persons who have undergone organ transplants, people with HIV/AIDS or other immune system disorders, some elderly, and infants can be particularly at risk from infections. These people should seek advice about drinking water from their health care providers. EPA/CDC guidelines on appropriate means to lessen the risk of infection by cryptosporidium and other microbiological contaminants are available from the Safe Drinking Water Hotline (800-426-4791).

The Authority's Source Water has been tested under EPA's Unregulated Contaminant Monitoring Rule 3. The results of these tests are available for review at the Darlington County Water & Sewer Authority's office.

Please call our office if you have questions.

Darlington High School hires Michael Jordan as new athletics director

Darlington High School hired Michael Jordan to be its new athletics director, the Darlington County School District announced last week. The Darlington County Board of Education approved the selection during its meeting June 11.

Darlington High Principal Cortney Gehrke said she is excited for the experience Jordan brings to the school.

"Coach Jordan's extensive athletic experience is going to be an asset to Darlington High School's athletic program," Gehrke said. "He is committed to the success of our student-athletes and looks forward representing the Darlington community. We are happy to welcome him to our Falcon Family."

Jordan served most recently as the district director of athletics for the Jasper County School District. He has more than 30 years of experience working in public school education and athletics, including as a head coach for football, track and wrestling. He has served as a physical education teacher and a health teacher in Virginia, North Carolina and South Carolina.

He also played collegiate football for Livingstone College in North Carolina.

Jordan holds a master's degree in School Administration from Gardner-Webb University and a bachelor's degree in Physical Education from Livingstone College.



Johnson adds three to 2018-19 roster

Coker College head women's basketball coach Shannon Johnson has announced the signing of Avahna Baker, Jahlah Horton, and Janell Horton to the 2018-19 roster.

Baker, a native of Florence, S.C., attended Wilson High School where she was a member of the girl's basketball team for the Tigers. On the court, Baker earned the "Tenacious Tiger" award, Coaches award, "Gotta Have Heart" award, and the FSD1 Female Athlete of the Year award. In addition, the 5-4 guard was named to the 4A All-Region team twice. In the classroom, Baker made Honor Roll and

was named to the Dean's List. Furthermore, Baker was a member of the Beta Club and National Honors Society.

She is the daughter of Anthony and Vonda Baker. She plans to major in exercise science while attending Coker.

"It is a delight to sign Avahna and keep her close to home for her fans to watch her grow as a player," said Johnson. "Avahna is very discipline on the court and will be a defensive pest to opposing players."

Horton (Jalah) heads to Coker from Myrtle Beach, S.C., where she attended Myrtle Beach High School. While attending Myrtle

Beach HS, Horton was a member of the girl's basketball and tennis teams for the Seahawks.

The 5-7 guard is the daughter of Chenise Butler and George Horton. She plans to major in Biology at Coker.

"We are thrilled to sign Jalah along with her twin sister Janell," stated Johnson. "Jalah has a high IQ on the court and will be able to make her teammates better. She can create offense for others and she shoots the three-ball very well."

Horton (Janell) is a native of Myrtle Beach, S.C., where she attended Myrtle Beach High School and competed

on the girl's basketball and tennis teams for the Seahawks. On the basketball court, Horton averaged 12 points per game, six rebounds per game, three assists per game, and was named the Player of the Year in class AAAA.

She is the daughter of Chenise Butler and George Horton. The 5-11 guard plans to major in biology at Coker.

"We are very excited about adding Janell to our program," said Johnson. "She's a long and athletic player, and will be able to play multiple positions for us. I'm looking for her to be aggressive offensively and a tough defender."

Law change will protect spawning trout in Saluda River

A new law passed by the S.C. General Assembly establishes a catch-and-release-only zone for brown and rainbow trout on the Saluda River near Columbia.

Changes to state law regarding trout fishing will soon be in place to protect spawning trout in the Lower Saluda River.

Anglers in the Midlands of South Carolina have long enjoyed a unique "put-and-take" trout fishery in the lower Saluda river below the Lake Murray Dam, thanks to the fact that water released from the bottom of the dam is cold enough to support, at least temporarily, hatchery-reared rainbow and brown trout. These fish are grown at the South Carolina Department of Natural Resources cold-water fish hatchery in Oconee County. From the 1960s, until the mid-2000s, anglers enjoyed catching rainbow and brown trout stocked – sometimes by helicopter – during the fall and winter and into the spring. During Columbia's extremely hot summer and early fall, those stocked trout that weren't caught by anglers would typically die due to decreased oxygen levels in the river.

In the late 2000s, after the SCDNR and other conservation groups negotiated with dam operator SCE&G for a more regular minimum flow of water through the dam, local trout anglers and SCDNR fisheries biologists began to notice something interesting. With the new water flows and new equipment designed to increase oxygen levels providing a more consistent supply of cool, oxygenated water

downstream, some stocked trout were beginning to survive and grow to trophy size. During 2014, it was also discovered that these "holdover" fish had begun reproducing, with young-of-the-year surviving in a section of the river between Saluda Shoals Park and Riverbanks Zoo.

The SCDNR held a series of public meetings to discuss the possibility of creating a "catch-and-release-only" zone to facilitate the reproduction in the river. Feedback from anglers and other stakeholders was positive and a bill was drafted for consideration by the South Carolina General Assembly during the session that recently ended.

"The establishment of the catch and release zone between I-20 and Stacey's ledge on the Lower Saluda will provide an opportunity for anglers to experience a very good trout fishery in a very unique location," said SCDNR Fisheries Chief Ross Self. "This area should have very good access and is the best area for anglers to wade and fish of any location along Lower Saluda."

Senate Bill 1044, modifying section 50-13-260 of the S.C. Code of Laws, was passed by the legislature in May and signed into law by Gov. Henry McMaster on May 17, 2018.

As a result, effective July 1, 2018, "the lower reach of the Saluda River, from the east-bound I-20 bridge downstream to Stacey's Ledge, is year round catch and release fishing only for all species of coldwater trout," and it will be "unlawful to take and retain trout at any time" in this section of the river.

FDTC Spring 2018 President's And Dean's Lists released

Florence-Darlington Technical College Interim President Edward Bethea is pleased to announce the local student named to the President's and Dean's Lists for the Spring Semester of 2018. To be named to the President's List, an FDTC student, must achieve a 4.0 grade point average (GPA) and a Dean's List student must carry a 3.5 GPA or higher.

President's List

Bennettsville

Frank Clark
Hollie Lackey
Bishopville
Joshua Fountain
Cheraw
Joshua Taylor
Molisa Clark
Precious Johnson

Chesterfield

Logan Owens

Columbia

Jakeimia Burch

Coward

Felix Lazo
Dalzell
Christopher Tention

Darlington

Ebony Wingate
Edwin Mills
Jerry Cannon
Johanna Yarborough
Katlyn Travers
Nashwahl Morris
Nikki Bennett
Oya Small
Salyta Sims
Samuel Gibson
Tiffani Wilson

Dillon

Chelsea Williams
Karen McCrimmon
Katie Vance
Sindy Martin

Effingham

Adahy Oropeza
Christina Howze
Courtney Sanders
Jesse James
Margaret Kennebeck

Florence

Adrienne Carroll
Amber Felder
Anthony Melton
Arielle Betts
Blaise Haddock
Brittney James
Brittany Legge
Caroline Smith

Charles Godwin
Chelsea Witt
Courtney Rogers
Deron Medley
Dominique Hines
Elaine Ostrander
Eric Bailey
Frederick Wheeler
Genai Laws
Glen Roberson
Heather Perdue
Jacob Lee
Jada Welch
James Green
Jamie Streett
Jason McCoy
Jennifer Boswell
Jerome Wilson
Jesse Jordan
John Rardon
Kaitlyn Allred
Kevin Czarnecki
Kristen Richardson
Kyra March
Leven Lee
Mariana Picon
Mykeha Davis
Rebecca Smith
Reginald Legette
Richard Driggers
Robert Parrott
Russell Hurst
Scott Dixon
Sharina Jenkins
Stefano Battafarano
Tia Avery
William Horne
Yidi Gao
Zykira Mobley

Fork

Staci Humphrey

Green Sea

Blake Williamson

Hartsville

Caroline Folk
Christopher Hayes
Destiny Hucks
John Huggins
Joseph Bateman
Kathy Hubert
Michael Lewis
Stephanie Rhodes
William O'neal

Hemingway

Janice Marshall

Lake City

Bernell Fulton
Clarissa Majors
Jonathan Humphries
Kelley Lynch
Tatiana Speights
Terri Feagin

Lamar

Kara Bailey

Latta

Jonathan Ray
Meagan Davis
Michael Purvey
Loris
Michelle Rice
Marion
Ashlee Loveless
Kyla Williams
McBee
Miracle Trotter
Mullins
Amanda Rogers
Brittany George
Shaquanta Davis
Wendy Bueno
Murrells Inlet
Eric Shelton

Nichols

Aidan Humphrey

Pamplico

Hannah Hyman
Hunter Elmore
Sarah Yow

Ruby

David Faile

Scranton

Brandon Blakeley
Justin Shady

Timmons

Erica James
Ikeshia Shephard
Janice Taylor
Joseph Langston
Joshua Amerson
Tiffany Kelly
Tyler Adams

Dean's List

Alcolu

Emily Matthews
Beaufort
Brahm Gideon

Bennettsville

Gualmeeka Neal
Haleigh Elliott
Megan Wilkes

Bethune

Megan Marshall

Bishopville

Jennifer Wald
Megan Skinner
Megha Patel
Mehershall Gregg
Shavonte Peterson

Camden

Odre'aunna Watkins

Catawba

Rodney Burt

Chesterfield

Ava Moss
Isaiah McManus

Conway

Samuel Santopietro

Coward

Cassandra Bell
Johnathan McGee
Darlington
Brittini Anderson
Daniel Lamonds
Ilene Davis
Kirby Pegram
Matthew Street
Melissa Coleman
Melissa Waiters
Nicholas Graves
Sarah Blue
Savannah Paquette
Stacy Truett
Trenille Jackson

Dillon

Austin Moody
Dawson King
Thomas Huggins

Effingham

Eric Barlow
Karla Webb
Tiffany Johnson

Florence

Adam Graham
Alan McLeod
Alexander Lewis
Allen Fraley
Andrea Smith
Ashley Miller
Austin Boatwright
Austin Bull
Bailee Wilson
Bethany Funkhouser
Bobby Winland
Brad Douglass
Bradley Stephens
Bruce Hinson
Bryce Gibson
Carolina Perez Uran
Cassandra Howle
Chelsea Branton
Christian Lutcken
Christine Van Laarhoven
Christopher Atkinson
Corbin Crosby
Crystal Hanna
Danasia Spears
David Roberts
Gregory Hurliman
Hallsy Kellar
Henry Bao
Hunter Collins
Janice Little
Janina Steels
Jason Ferrell-Byrd
Jayda Evans
Jazmine York
Jonathan Thomas
Judy Peterson
Julian Horvath
Kara Gerald
Kellie Hinson

Kyre Graham
Laneau Turbeville
Lindsey Barnio
Lionetta McClain
Mary Evans
Matthew Graham
Meagan Moseley
Michael Jeffery
Nicholas Lawson
Pontheola Chapman
Raymond Worthy
Ryan Gregg
Savanna Medford
Shannen Byers
Soladad Scott
Stephanie Chapman
Susan Bailey
Sylvia Pickelsimer
Terrie Matthews
Tiffany McCants
Tony Miles
Trysten Herbert
Tyrina Barr

Galivants Ferry

Seals Johnson

Hamer

Joseph Boykin

Hartsville

Bradley Wilkerson
Brooke Hartz
Charessa Thomas
Chase Herron
Clayton Peake
David Ludlum
Jena Engelbert
Jimmy Le
Jonathon Langdon
Justin Steeves
Kelsey Cassidy
Kenneth Gulleddge
Kristen Chukes
Larinda Prince
Mallory De Leon
Michael King
Rebecca Parker
Simon Brailey
Tanner Adams
Teagen Gainey
Terry Allen
Tristan Stamey

Hemingway

Freddie Rowe

Johnsonville

Erin Altman

Kershaw

Hunter Broughton

Lake City

David Silva
Melissa Timmons

Lamar

Ashleigh Windham
Kelsey Crawford
Quincy Maple

Lancaster

Ryan Griffin

Latta
Brandy McNair
Kitoria Kimbrow

Longs

Heather De La Cruz

Manning

Kelley Coker

Marion

Angel Green
Brianna Jones
Christian Stroud
Hannah Merritt
Kintoria Wilson
Lacianne Lowrimore
Phillip Williams
Taylor Johnson
Tyler Nichols
Whitney Stackhouse

McBee

Laura Lafreniere

Mullins

Alexius Williams
Courtney Davis
Selena Willis

Myrtle Beach

Klevis Pane

Olanta

Tyler Horton

Pamplico

Austin Ard
John Murtha
Logan Poston
Madison Miles
Matthew Wasser

Patrick

Cameron Barefoot

Scranton

Brianna Gunnells

George

Jacob Byrd

Summerville

Chet Crowley

Sumer

Ashleigh Gainey
Brittany Pack
Dalton Griffith
Derrick Deaton
Gary Murray
Jenna Avins
Ryan Moore
Tradd James

Swansea

Cameron Wooten

Timmons
Barrick Smalls
Cody Plummer
Dortha Sipp
Jacob Parnell
Jasmine Huggins
Michael McLaughlin
Michael Rush
Jessie Stevenson

Stay safe on wet roadways all year long

Weather plays a role in driver safety regardless of what time of year it may be. From wind and rain to snow and ice, travelers routinely navigate roads when conditions are far from ideal.

Wet roadways are a common occurrence. The automotive resource AAA advises that wet pavement contributes to nearly 1.2 million traffic accidents each year. Many crashes occur when drivers do not recognize the need to change their driving habits in wet conditions. Mastering driving techniques on slick, water-logged roads can help motorists avoid accidents and injuries.

See and be seen

Before they even get behind the wheel, drivers should inspect all headlights and taillights to ensure they are in working order. Replace any bulbs that have burned out, and clean cloudy lens covers.

Drivers need to see roadways clearly, so they should make sure their windshields are free of streaks, debris and water. Periodically replacing windshield wiper blades can ensure they're working optimally when drivers need them most.

Slow down and give other motorists space

Slowing down and stopping can take extra time when roads are wet.

AAA notes that, with as little as 1/12-inch of water on the road, tires have to displace a gallon of water a second to keep the rubber in contact with the street. Driving slowly can make it much easier for vehicles to stop. Plus, driving slowly enables drivers to see obstacles or pedestrians more easily, especially in heavy rains.

Exercise caution with puddles and running water

It may be difficult to gauge the depth and ferocity of water flowing in a roadway. Quickly moving water can cause a vehicle to hydroplane or even move a large vehicle. A deep puddle also can affect drivers' ability to steer or cause vehicles to stall. Take another route rather than risk driving through large puddles or areas where water is flowing on roadways.



Buyers may be waiting in the wings to purchase used vehicles that have been well-maintained.

Skidding

Do not slam on the brakes if a car begins to skid or hydroplane, advise experts. Instead, ease up slowly from the accelerator and then steer the vehicle into the skid or straight. Then accelerate smoothly once more. Sudden, jerky movements when a car begins to skid can exacerbate the situation.

Maintain tires

Tire treads should be checked at the start of a new season to ensure the rubber will be able to grip the road. Rotate tires according to the manufacturer's requirements, or every 5,000 miles. Properly inflated tires will improve traction as well.

Wet weather can make driving challenging. Driving slowly and modifying other habits when roads are wet can make for safe road trips.

Factors that impact auto insurance premiums

Auto insurance rates vary from person to person, even though it may seem like the offerings are the same. But no two drivers are the same, and certain factors may be affecting drivers' auto insurance premiums without the motorists even realizing it.

Automotive insurance provider State Farm says most insurance companies consider several factors when calculating the cost of car insurance. Recognizing which situations can increase or lower costs can help drivers get the best rates and coverage needed. Although it can be tempting to reduce the price of insurance by choosing lower amounts of coverage, there are other ways to make insurance more affordable.

• Move. Insurers typically look at where a person lives when calculating rates. Those people who live in highly populated, urban areas likely will have higher premiums than others who live in more rural



towns. That's because greater population density often translates into more people on the road — and a greater chance for insurance claims due to fender benders or theft. By moving, a person may be able to cut rates.

• Gender and age are factors. One can't step into a time machine, but it's helpful to know that growing a little older can lower insurance premiums. The financial advice source Money Crashers say that young

men usually incur higher rates than young women because statistically men get into more accidents. However, as a person moves into his or her senior years, the roles reverse. Older women may see higher rates than men the same age.

• Keep make and model in mind. The type of vehicle driven can affect insurance premiums. Certain insurance carriers will increase premiums on vehicles that are more susceptible to damage. Flashy sports cars or those that do not score as highly on vehicle safety ratings calculated by industry experts may result in high premiums. Vehicles that are desirable to car thieves also may cost more to insure. Researching vehicles prior to purchase and checking the rates for those cars or trucks with insurance companies can help keep costs low.

• Commuters may pay more. Individuals who use a car for business or frequent commuting may pay more than people

who drive less because statistically there is a greater risk for an accident, says State Farm. Reducing commute times can lower premiums.

• Tie the knot. Insure.com says married couples have been found to be less of a risk to insurance providers statistically than those who are single. A study by the National Institutes of Health found that single drivers were twice as likely to be in an auto accident as married drivers. Combining policies also can help married people save.

• Follow the rules of the road. Drivers who have moving violations, drink and drive or engage in otherwise risky behavior behind the wheel may see their rates soar.

Insurance companies weigh factors such as driving record, age, locality, and more when assessing premium costs. Drivers have some room to get lower rates by knowing the factors that determine their premiums.



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Libraries Rock: Summer reading fun begins in Darlington County



Wallace to Boyd as he retires after 50 years in DCSD: *'You have been a joy'*

By Melissa Rollins
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Peter Strople said that a 'Legacy is not leaving something for people. It's leaving something in people.' Judging by the crowd gathered to wish Dr. Willie E. Boyd well in his retirement, it is clear that he leaves a legacy behind in the Darlington County School District. After serving for half a century, Boyd retired at the end of the 2017-2018 school year.

During the reception at Mayo High School June 13, several board members and local officials spoke about the impact that Boyd made during his tenure.

School board member Maureen Thomas presented Boyd with a plaque recognizing and thanking him for his service.

"He had made an impact on the community and the school district of Darlington County," Thomas said. "We won't know how many people have been inspired, mentored, taught or use him as an example. We just know that that imprint is still here."

Board member Connell Delaine gave Boyd the medal that he received when he retired from the military. He also gave Boyd's wife Pat a commemorative coin given to military spouses.

New DCSD Superintendent Tim Newman spoke about the vast knowledge Boyd has acquired over the years he has

been part of the school district before thanking him for his mentorship during the transition to Newman's leadership.

"Rarely do you get the chance to work with someone with the experience that Dr. Boyd has," Newman said. "The transition, for me, to the school district has been incredible because of Dr. Boyd. It is not just from the standpoint that it is his job but, as you all have known for a long time, he has that servant heart and he has students first and foremost in his mind. When he's talking to me about transitioning to a job, he's talking to me about kids. You can tell that with all of the ceremonies that we've been to and all the graduations that we've been part of: he has a genuine care for these students."

Legislators Jay Lucas, Robert Williams and Gerald Malloy wished Boyd well, with the two representatives presenting Boyd a piece of legislation that cements his legacy in South Carolina history.

"What Robert (Williams) is holding in his hands is a piece of legislation that we passed in Columbia; a lot of people don't think we ever do that," Lucas joked. "Every now and then we pass legislation to contemplate South Carolinians who have not only gone above and beyond but who have made a difference with children and people in the state of South Carolina. What we wanted to do was encapsulate your life in this resolution so that 200

years from now when somebody wants to know who Dr. Bill Boyd was, they can go back and read the history of an extraordinary man...Its an honor that we can give this to you, Bill. At the end of the day it talks about the admiration that the citizens of South Carolina, and especially Darlington County, have for you and your service."

Gloria Hines, the Mayor of Darlington, and the city council issued a proclamation naming June 13, 2018 at Dr. Willie 'Bill' Boyd Sr. day. She also presented him a key to the city.

Mayo Principal Arlene Wallace closed the program.

"It is fitting that you started your career in Darlington County School District here at Mayo and you will close it out here tonight at Mayo," Wallace said. "It has been a pleasure, a pleasure, working with you. I always said that when I grew up, I wanted to be just like you. You have been a bridge, especially this year, for our district. Everyone has said such great things about you and it is because you have such a calm demeanor that we've flourished under your leadership; all of us here have been touched by you. We've called you late at night to help us and get us out of trouble. Or there was a situation that we didn't know how to work out and you have guided us. We appreciate your service. You have been a joy. You have been a staple in this district keeping us as one and we are going to miss you."



Miss Darlington and Miss Darlington Teen set to compete for the state's top crowns

Miss Darlington Sarah Floyd and Miss Darlington Teen Saviah Miller have waited for more than a year to get their shot at the Miss South Carolina and Miss South Carolina Teen crowns. Both ladies were crowned last May at St. John's Elementary School in Darlington and are ready to show the public just how hard they have worked over the last year.

Both girls have had a whirlwind of a year making over 50 appearances, received the keys to the City of Darlington and have been able to spread the message of their platforms to the entire Pee Dee area.

Miss Darlington Sarah Floyd, a Hartsville native and a recent honors graduate of Coker College with a degree in vocal performance, has worked diligently with her platform "Imagination of a Creation" promoting the arts in schools and the community. She has spoken to children in numerous elementary schools about the importance of being involved in the arts and even held a fundraiser concert with all monies raised going to the Darlington County School District Arts programs.

Floyd sang the national anthem at the Darlington High School vs. Marlboro County High School football game, which was aired live on ABC15's Thursday Night Lights, and also at the Darlington High School Holiday Basketball Tournament. She also performed the National at Manheim Auction's 75th Anniversary Sales Event and sang last year at the Florence Red Wolves July 4th baseball game at Sparrow Stadium on the campus of Francis Marion University. Another one of the

highlights of her year was riding in the Bojangles Southern 500 parade and also riding in the Darlington Christmas parade and participated in the City of Darlington Christmas Tree Lighting ceremony just to name a few.

Floyd, a classically trained singer, will attend the University of South Carolina in the fall to pursue her Master's Degree in Opera Theater. Her SC Princess this year is Virginia Anne Chapman of Hartsville.

During the week of Miss South Carolina, Floyd's private interview with the judges will take place on the morning of June 25th, she will compete in on-stage question competition on June 26th, swimsuit and evening gown on June 27th and talent on June 28th and the finals of Miss South Carolina on July 30th which will air on ABC at 8 p.m.

Floyd will present a classical aria for her talent.

Miss Darlington Teen Saviah Miller, a Florence native, is a rising junior at Trinity-Byrnes Collegiate School in Darlington, and ironically the first cousin of Floyd. She has worked this year to promote her platform "Read Across America" promoting literacy to children and adults. She has read to numerous classrooms in the Darlington County School District and was even invited to the Montessori School in Florence to read to several classrooms. She also performed at the Darlington Library last summer as part of their youth reading program.

Her brother Drayton, who is her SC Prince, is the inspiration for her platform. Miller has also partnered with the "Little Free Library Association" and has set up sev-



eral "Little Free Libraries" in the Pee Dee area, including one at Merle Norman in Darlington.

The "Little Free Library" allows individuals to pick up a book and take it with them to read and then return it after they are done.

Miller has raised over 1,000 books this past year and have donated them to area schools and McLeod Children's Hospital.

Miller's reign has allowed her to make many appearances this year including performing at the Lamar Egg Scramble Jamboree Pageant, singing at the Darlington Market on the Square, participating at the Scare on the Square during Halloween, lending a helping hand with the Darlington Sheriff's Department last summer when they assisted the less fortunate in receiving cooling devices. She also was able to

attend the Bojangles Southern 500 at Darlington Raceway.

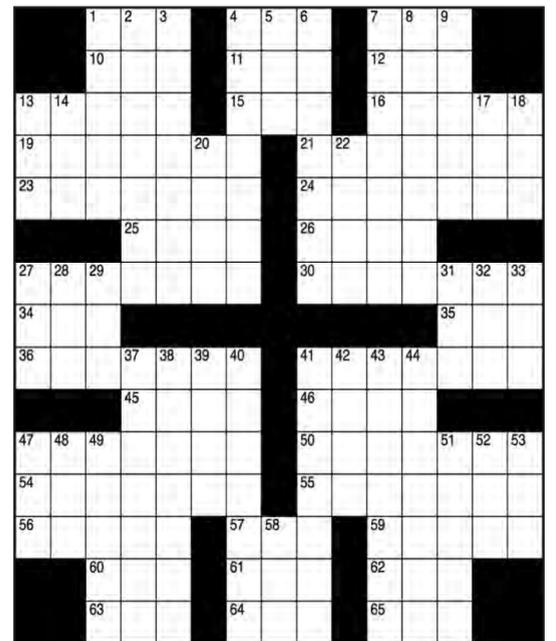
Miller's Miss South Carolina Teen preliminary week schedule will begin on June 25th with her private interview, on June 26 she will compete in talent, on June 27th she will compete in physical fitness and June 29th she will compete in evening gown and on-stage question competition.

Miller will present a Broadway vocal for her talent.

All of the Miss South Carolina and Miss South Carolina Teen preliminaries will be aired via the Miss South Carolina website at www.miss-sc.org beginning at 7 p.m. each night. The Miss South Carolina Teen finals will also air via the web at 7 p.m. on June 29th.

The pageant will be held at the Township Auditorium in Columbia.

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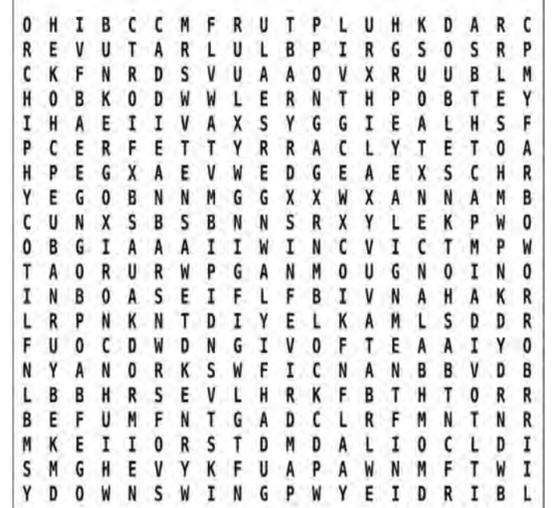
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26. Small freshwater fish
27. Muscular weaknesses
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34. One-time EU currency
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7. Ornamental molding
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9. Electric car company
13. Decimal digits in binary (abbr.)
14. Gibbon
17. Sun up in New

18. __ the line
20. A vale
22. Old Irish alphabet
27. A type of band
28. A team's best pitcher
29. Floor covering
31. A __ in the machine
32. Supplement with difficulty
33. Prosecutors
37. Place in order
38. Japanese lute
39. Mongolian city __ Bator
40. Perceived
41. A cloth for washing dishes
42. Chocolate cookie with white cream filling
43. Grassy plain
44. Barometer
47. Father
48. Of the ear
49. Thomas __, British dramatist 1652-85
51. After eighth
52. Where golfers begin
53. Time units (abbr.)
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McLeod Health Physicians and Hospitals recognized for Excellence in Healthcare

McLeod Health physicians and hospitals were recently recognized for providing excellence in healthcare by national healthcare research leader Professional Research Consultants, Inc. (PRC). The awards were presented during PRC's 2018 Excellence in Healthcare Conference in May.

Dr. Aundrea Loftley, a McLeod Endocrinologist, and Dr. Timothy Spurling, a McLeod Gastroenterologist, were recognized as Top Performers for Overall Doctor Rating. They are ranked at or above the 100th percentile, which equates to the highest scoring physicians in the nation. The following fifteen McLeod physicians were also honored for being ranked in the top ten percent in the nation as 5-Star recipients: Dr. C. Richard Alexander, Dr. Gary Barrett, Dr. Paul Chandler, Dr. James Garner, IV, Dr. Keith Harkins, Dr. Eric Heimberger, Dr. William Jackson, Dr. Patrick Jebaily, Dr. Marie LiVigni, Dr. Ansel McFaddin, Dr. Alex Newsom, Dr. Gilliam Skinner, Dr. Christopher Stanley, Dr. Neil Trask, and Dr. Weave Whitehead.

The honors received by hospital include:

- McLeod Health Cheraw Silver Achievement Award: Emergency Care, McLeod Cheraw VSA/SE Re-evaluated
- McLeod Health Clarendon Top Performer Award for Inpatient Services - Communication About Medications
- McLeod Health Dillon Top Performer Award for Inpatient Services - Communication with Doctors
- 5-Star Award for Inpatient Services - Communication

About Medications

5-Star Award for Inpatient Services - Communication with Nurses

5-Star Award for Inpatient Services - Responsiveness of Staff

Platinum Achievement Award for Effective Care Transition - HCAHPS

Gold Achievement Award for Emergency Care, McLeod Dillon VSA Re-evaluated

- McLeod Health Lorris 5-Star Award for Inpatient OB/GYN Services - Overall Quality of Care

5-Star Award for Inpatient Services - Overall Hospital Rating

Platinum Achievement Award for The No Pass Zone (HCAHPS)

- McLeod Health Seacoast 5-Star Award for Inpatient Orthopedic Services - Overall Quality of Care

4-Star Award for Inpatient Services - Overall Quality of Care

4-Star Award for Emergency Department Services - Overall Quality of Care

Platinum Achievement Award for The No Pass Zone (HCAHPS)

- McLeod Health Regional Medical Center 5-Star Award for Inpatient Medical Services - Overall Hospital Rating

5-Star Award for Inpatient Surgical Services - Overall Hospital Rating

"It is an honor to recognize the hospitals and physicians of McLeod Health with these Excellence in Healthcare Awards for their deserving work," said Joe M. Inganzo, Ph.D., President and CEO of PRC. "It takes true dedication and determination to achieve

this level of excellence in healthcare and McLeod Health has shown their commitment to making their hospitals a better place to work, a better place to practice medicine and a better place for patients to be treated."

"It is exciting that our patient satisfaction survey results have earned our hospitals and physicians such prestigious recognition," said Cathy Lee, Vice President of Service Excellence for McLeod Health. "However, scores are not the true reason we celebrate. What makes these awards meaningful is the fact that our doctors, nurses and staff make the needs of our patients, their number one priority. The survey scores simply reflect that patient-centered philosophy."

For 18 years, PRC's annual Excellence in Healthcare Conference has brought together hundreds of healthcare leaders to focus on transforming the patient experience. The awards recognize organizations and individuals who achieve excellence throughout the year by improving patient experiences, healthcare employee engagement and/or physician alignment and engagement based on surveys of their patients.

Explanation of Awards for Facilities:

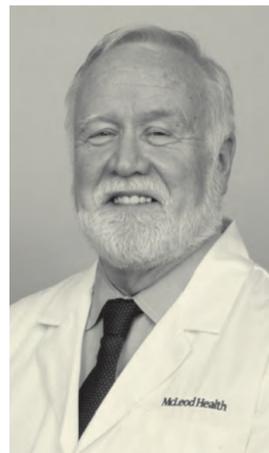
Top Performer Awards are presented to facilities that have scored in the 100th percentile in a given category.

5-Star Awards are presented to facilities that have scored in the top ten percent within PRC's national database.

4-Star Awards are presented to facilities and emergency departments that have scored in the top 25 percent within

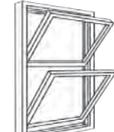


Dr. Aundrea Loftley



Dr. Timothy Spurling

PRC's national database. Achievement Awards recognize organizations at the hospital, facility, department or unit level for enhancing their patients' perception of care by focusing on Key Drivers of Excellence.



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Hartsville Police Department issues phone scam alert

A few people have reported being called by a computer voice pretending to be AT&T. A typical message says something like, "Your wireless account is being suspended pending verification. Please enter the last four digits of the account holder's social security number." It's fraudulent; they are of course only trying to get part of your social security number. Thankfully, phones have a blocking feature. There are apps like HiYa that will intercept and block spoofed and spammed numbers, but some numbers will continue to get through, like those never ending Car Warranty sales calls. Thanks to "spoofing", which

is the ability to make a false number show up on your phone, scammers and salesmen are able to make their calls look legitimate. If you receive a phone call from a company that you deal with, like AT&T, American Express, etc., and they start asking for personal information, the best thing to do is hang up and call the company directly. Until the government makes a law that makes number spoofing illegal (which may not happen for a long time - call your state representative), scammers and spammers will continue to try to trick you into taking their calls for their own nefarious gains.

Sheriff's Department conducts investigation

The Darlington County Sheriff's Drug Enforcement Unit has completed an investigation of the distribution of illegal narcotics in the Hartsville area of Darlington County. Investigators arrested Marion Wendell Brown, Jr., 32, of Hartsville, on June 6 at his

residence on Westover Drive. Brown has been charged with two counts of distribution of methamphetamine, first offense. Brown appeared before a Darlington County Magistrate on June 8 and received a \$10,000 bond and has been released.

Sheriff's Department completes narcotics investigation

Darlington County Sheriff Tony Chavis has announced the completion of a Drug Enforcement Unit investigation into the trafficking and sale of illegal narcotics at a residence on Amberwood Drive. According to Sheriff Chavis, investigators served a search warrant on Amberwood Drive in

Marlowe Mobile Home Park on Friday, June 8. During a search of the residence, investigators located 11.5 grams of heroin, 2.5 grams of cocaine, 16 schedule II and IV pills, \$3881 in currency and weight scales. "Investigators with our Drug Enforcement Unit obtained evidence showing Amber Ellis was trafficking

illegal narcotics from her residence," Sheriff Chavis said. "I am proud of my Drug Enforcement Unit's continued effort of getting this poison out of our community. Investigators arrested Amber Joye Ellis, 31, of Darlington, on June 8. Ellis has been charged with trafficking in heroin, two counts of distribution of heroin, pos-

session with intent to distribute cocaine, possession of a schedule II narcotic and possession of a schedule IV narcotic. Ellis appeared before a Darlington County Magistrate on Saturday, June 9. Ellis has been released on a \$19,000 bond, as set by the Magistrate.

Sonoco joins Amazon APASS supplier network

Sonoco is now an official participant in the Amazon Packaging Support and Supplier Network (APASS). The APASS program was designed by Amazon to help support vendors, sellers and manufacturers to obtain certification of their products as Frustration Free Packaging (FFP), Ships-in-Own-Container (SIOC) or Prep-Free Packaging (PFP). Sonoco now provides APASS services directly to vendors, sellers and manufacturers related to package testing in compliance with Amazon's certification test methods. In this capacity, Sonoco partners with brands to design and certify packaging that meets Amazon's unique requirements and helps companies protect and sell products more cost effectively. "Global ecommerce sales are

expected to increase 246 percent by 2021, to \$4.5 trillion," said Marcy Thompson, Sonoco vice president of marketing and innovation. "Consumers want the convenience of easy comparison shopping and having a product delivered to their doorstep. We know that this makes packaging an even more essential part of the equation, because the correct packaging streamlines the fulfillment process, ensures that the product arrives to the consumer in prime condition, and provides the optimal introduction to the brand itself. Jim Lowry, our director of new business development for Sonoco Protective Solutions, and his team have worked with Amazon to achieve this certification, which is one more way we can partner with our customers to help them

grow and develop new solutions as the global marketplace evolves." Sonoco is a global provider of both primary and secondary packaging products and services, delivering innovative solutions to industrial and consumer businesses. Sonoco's Protective Solutions Division is a fully integrated, full-service, multi-material packaging provider that includes in-house design and prototyping capabilities, along with ISTA certified testing. Sonoco's design and testing experience is especially tailored to help companies meet Amazon Prep-Free Packaging, Ships-in-Own Container, Frustration Free Packaging and Over Box packaging needs for medium to heavy bulky goods that require shipping through e-commerce channels.

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Editor's note: The booking report represents a list of persons arrested given to the media from the W. Glenn Campbell Detention Center under the S.C. Freedom of Information Act.

All people are presumed innocent until proven guilty. Please be advised there are many people with similar names.

If listed here erroneously, please contact the detention center, which will send us any corrections. If a person is found not guilty in a court of law, that person may have that printed here as well by providing court documents to us to that effect.

- Cari Renee Shaw, 27, of 112 Stonewall St, Hartsville, Poss 28G or Less Marij/10 Or Less Hash 1st; Open Container of Beer/Wine; Receiving Stolen Goods \$200 - \$999; Forgery Less Than \$10,000; Forgery Less Than \$10,000
- Otis Nathaniel Green II, 18, of 113 Pinapple Gate Dr, Florence, Violation of City Ordinance
- Kevin Starr, 42, of 1729 Salaman Rd, Hartsville, Violation of City Ordinance; Malicious Injury to Personal Property <\$2000
- Shannon Rendell Tindle, 40, of 427 Marlboro Ave, Hartsville, Driving Under the Influence
- Charles Darius Frazier, 27, of 213 Holly Dr, Hartsville, Assault and Battery 3rd Degree
- Kimberly Toni Gardner-Norris, 34, of 501 Coker Ave, Hartsville, Public Disorderly Conduct; Resisting Arrest; Glue Sniffing Aromatic Hydrocarbons Unlawful
- Carlos L Perez, 32, of 222 Carnival St, Charlotte NC, DUI/Less Than 10 But Greater than 16, 3rd Off; Open Container of Beer/Wine

CHARGES

- ABHAN:** Assault and battery, high and aggravated nature
- DUAC:** Driving under unlawful alcohol concentration
- DUI:** Driving under the influence
- DUS:** Driving under suspension
- CDV:** Criminal domestic violence
- CDVHAN:** Criminal domestic violence, high and aggravated nature
- PDC:** Public disorderly conduct
- PWID:** Possession with intent to distribute
- SPOM:** Simple possession of marijuana

- Derrick Demetrious Swinney, 49, of 1208 Plum Branch Road, Hartsville, Public Disorderly Conduct
- Milton Wade Gainey Jr., 29, of 1033 Howle St, Hartsville, Resisting Arrest; Hindering and Officer
- Milton Wade Gainey Jr., 29, of 1033 Howle St, Hartsville, Resisting Arrest; Hindering and Officer
- Alphonso Hudson, 59, of 103 S Foxworth Street, Timmonsville, Driving Under the Influence; Transp Alcohol in Motor Vehicle w/Seal Broken; Fail to Maintain Proof of Insurance in Vehicle
- Mark Alan Shaw, 54, of 2038 Tomahawk Rd, Lamar, No Charge Data
- Ernest Lee Brunson, 64, of 934 Mondora St, Hartsville, Assault and Battery 3rd Degree
- Carl James Chavis, 41, of 2533 Syracuse Comm Rd, Darlington, Petty Larceny <\$2000
- Eric Terrae Damon, 23, of 708 Joye Rd, Lamar, Driving Under Suspension; Reckless Driving
- Mary Grace Gardner, 38, of

BOOKINGS REPORT

W. GLENN CAMPBELL DETENTION CENTER JUNE 11-JUNE 18, 2018
INMATE NAME/AGE/BOOKING OFFENSE

- 405 W College Ave, Hartsville, Arson 2nd Degree
- Wallace George, 52, of 3405 Charles Drive, Darlington, Public Disorderly Conduct
- Derell O'Shay Johnson, 21, of 1009 Franklin St, Hartsville, Poss 28G or Less Marij/10G or Less Hash 1st; Driving Under Suspension
- Gregory James Lovelace Jr., 26, of 1406 Maurice Ave, Hartsville, Non Support
- Samantha Tyquisha Lyde, 27, of 405 Wells St Apt E3, Darlington, Operating Uninsured Motor Vehicle 1st Off
- Tasha Lashelle Parker, 40, of 144 E Old Camden Road, Hartsville, Giving False Information; Operating Motor Vehicle w/o License
- Thomas Adrian Tyson, 37, of 375 Mount Harmon Circle, Pageland, Safekeeping
- Regina Lois Wallace, 36, of 906 Verlie Drive, Hartsville, Grand Larceny; Probation Violation
- James Thomas Wilkes, 49, of 701 Steerfork Dr, Florence, Public Drunk
- Darryl Bernard Wilson, 55, of 431 Lincoln St, Hartsville, Non Support
- Matthew Allen Bissett, 25, of 1120 Plowden Mill Rd, Sumter, Shoplifting \$2000 or Less (Enhance 16-0-157)
- Leshone Lavell Broadnax, 40, of 1044 West McIver Rd, Darlington, Shoplifting \$2000 or Less (Enhance 16-0-157)
- Joshua Anthony Kelly, 31, of 1328 Tremont Cir, Hartsville, Malicious Inj Real Prop >\$2000 <\$10,000
- William David Calcutt, 38, of 1411 Crabapple, Hartsville, Assault and Battery 3rd Degree
- Ernest Edward James, 59, of 4438 Graham Street, Society Hill,

- Open Container of Beer/Wine; Petty Larceny
- Toby Lornza June, 52, of 415 Howard Street, Hartsville, Violation of City Ordinance
- Beverly Anne Winburn McIntyre, 54, of 1415 Crab Apple Lane, Hartsville, Assault and Battery 3rd Degree
- Britteany Chaerelle Smith, 22, of 1429 Cool Brooke, Darlington, DUS (License Not Susp DUI) 2nd; Giving False Information
- Ernest Tasby III, 29, of 2212 Jones Rd, Darlington, Safekeeping
- Shonta Antone Turner, 42, of 1301 S 5th Street Apt M4, Hartsville, Public Disorderly Conduct
- Deshaun Bernard Byrd, 17, of 409 Sumter Ave, Hartsville, No Charge Data
- Willie Louis Cottingham, 23, of 411 Southern Pine St, Darlington, Manuft Possess Other Sub Sch I II III WITD 1st
- Joseph Daniel Gainey, 20, of 1609 Tabernacle Church Road, McBee, Filing False Police Report
- Robert Brennan Graham, 36, of 513 Bedford Ave Apt A, Hartsville, Public Drunk
- James Wesley Hunt, 29, of 4972 Redhill Road, Maxton NC, Domestic Viol 2nd Degree
- Curtis Joe Jr., 30, of 625 Jamestown Avenue, Darlington, Fail to Stop for Blue Light; Driving Under Suspension; Poss 28G or Less Marij/10G or Less Hash 1st
- Dale Carroll Drew Oneal, 24, of 178 Lawance Cir, McBee, Forgery Less Than \$10,000
- Calvert Wright, 78, of 616 & 617 Howard Street, Hartsville, Driving Under the Influence
- Ernest Lamont Blakeney, 41, of 301 Bluff Road, Hartsville, Driving Under the Influence

- Rashad Brown, 27, of 1626 Baywood Circle, Hartsville, Indecent Exposure
- Jason David Felkel, 40, of 2949 New Market Road, Hartsville, Poss 28G or Less Marij/10G or Less Hash 1st; Driving Under Suspension; Fail to Comply
- Christopher Olando Hannah, 49, of 218 Quinby Circle, Florence, Operating Uninsured Motor Vehicle 1st Off; Driving Under Suspension; Violation ABC Law; Driving Under the Influence; Traffic/Expired Vehicle License
- Tiffany Danielle Walters, 27, of 2517 East Old Camden Rd, Hartsville, Poss <1 Gram of Meth or Cocaine Base 1st; Poss Other Controlled Sub in Sched I to V 1st
- Brandon Ricardo Cockfield, 32, of 1982 Bridgestone Circle, Conyers GA, Driving Under the Influence
- James Michael Dees, 21, of 751 Memory Ln, Hartsville, No Charge Data
- George Hayward Fields, 26, of 3595 Oats Hwy, Lamar, Driving Under Suspension; Poss 28G or Less Marij/10G or Less Hash 1st
- Kelvonta Leon Gregg, 29, of 1232 Kenollwood Dr, Hartsville, Violation of Probation (Used by PPP Only)
- Jeremy Demetrius James, 37,

- of 109 Pine Street, Darlington, Driving Under Suspension
- David Alexander Marlowe, 18, of 1122 High Hill, Darlington, Operating Uninsured Motor Vehicle 1st Off; No Vehicle License; Poss 28G or Less Marij/10G or Less Hash 1st
- Morgan Randell Oneal, 20, of 2078 Patrick Highway, Hartsville, Driving Under the Influence; Open Container of Beer/Wine
- Trent Lee Ritenour, 21, of 1821 W Carolina Ave, Hartsville, Give/Transfer Alcoholic Liquors to Minor; Poss 28G or Less Marij/10G or Less Hash 1st; Open Container of Beer/Wine
- James Scott III, 54, of 634B Rookwood Cir, Darlington, Driving Under Suspension; Speeding
- Jeremy Wayne Britt, 41, of 1240 Lamar Highway, Darlington, Petty Larceny <\$2000
- Joel Lee Harrelson, 23, of 1111 Old Ebenezer Rd Apt G, Florence, Violation of City Ordinance
- Janet NMN Robinson, 55, of 603 Simmons Street, Florence, Failure to Yield Right of Way; Driving Under Suspension; DUI/Driving Under the Influence .08 1st

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Operation: Youth Lunch dates

Sheriff Tony Chavis and Deputies will be serving lunch and hanging out with the youth of Darlington County this summer for Operation: Youth Lunch & Fun.

Sheriff Chavis and Deputies will be at the following Darlington County School District summer feeding locations from 11 a.m. until 1 p.m.:

- Brunson-Dargan Elementary School in Darlington – June 20
- Spaulding Middle School in Lamar – June 27
- Mt. Zion Baptist Church in Dovesville – July 18

Scott Helps Introduce Bill to Increase Access to Oral Health Care for Underserved Communities

WASHINGTON, D.C. – U.S. Senator Tim Scott (R-SC) helped introduce the Action for Dental Health Act of 2018, a bill that would reauthorize initiatives that increase access to oral health treatment and prevention services, particularly for underserved communities. Additional co-sponsors include Senators Cory Booker (D-NJ), Bill Cassidy, M.D. (R-LA), and Mazie Hirono (D-HI).

“Dental care is an important part of our overall health and we should work to make sure families have access to basic oral care,” Scott said. “I am confident this legislation

will help promote better education of dental services and improve availability of care across the country, even in our most underserved communities. I am proud to support the Action for Dental Health Act alongside Senators Booker, Cassidy, and Hirono and look forward to the Senate considering this important measure in the near future.”

“Everybody deserves good oral health. The Action for Dental Health Act will help Americans improve essential oral health care for low-income and other underserved individuals by breaking down barriers to care,” Dr. Joseph P.

Crowley, president of the American Dental Association, said. “It will also help organizations qualify for oral health grants to develop and expand programs that establish dental homes for children, adults, the elderly, blind and disabled at no extra burden to taxpayers.”

“We applaud the bipartisan efforts of Senator Cory Booker (D-NJ), Senator Bill Cassidy (R-LA), Senator Mazie Hirono (D-HI) and Senator Tim Scott (R-SC) for co-sponsoring this important bill that will help improve oral health education outreach programs and dental disease prevention in our communities and underserved

populations,” Crowley continued. “The Action for Dental Health Act will bring greater access to oral health care to all American families.”

Poor oral health is a risk, as it can lead to various conditions, including tooth decay, gum disease, and oral cancer. It can even be linked to other health issues, such as diabetes, heart disease, and adverse pregnancy outcomes. Many of these conditions can be avoided by preventive measures, such as regular cleanings.

Specifically, this legislation would:

- Reauthorize oral health promotion and disease

prevention activities at the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, such as school-based dental sealant programs and support for community water fluoridation

- Establish an Action for Dental Health Program to improve oral health education and reduce barriers to oral health care.

- Reauthorize and expand a grant program through the Health Resources and Services Administration that helps states increase their oral health workforce and provide needed dental care, particularly in underserved communities.

LEGAL NOTICES

NOTICE TO CREDITORS OF ESTATES

All persons having claims against the following estates MUST file their claims on Form #371ES with the Probate Court of Darlington County, the address of which is Room 208 Courthouse, One Public Square, Darlington, SC 29532, within eight(8) months after the date of the first publication of this Notice to Creditors or within one (1) year from date of death, whichever is earlier (SCPC 62-3-801, et seq.), or such persons shall be forever barred as to their claims. All claims are required to be presented in written statements on the prescribed form (FORM #371ES) indicating the name and the address of the claimant, the basis of the claim, the amount claimed, the date when the claim will become due, the nature of any uncertainty as to the claim and a description of any security as to the claim. Estate: Barney A. McEveen, Jr.

Date of Death: 4/30/2018
Case No: 2018ES1600271
Personal Representative: Kerrie Deanne Cordray
Address: 206 Adams Circle, Lamar, SC 29069

(47p3 leave in thru 6-20-18) SUMMONS AND SUMMARY OF COMPLAINT

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA COUNTY OF DARLINGTON IN THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS FOURTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT C/A#: 2017-CP-16-0879

Brenda F. Hickson, Plaintiff, vs. Lisa M. Herring, Defendant.

TO THE DEFENDANT ABOVE-NAMED: YOU ARE HEREBY SUMMONED and required to answer the Complaint in this action, a copy of which is herewith served upon you, and to serve a copy of your Answer to said Complaint on the subscriber at 814 West Evans Street, Florence, South Carolina, 29501 within thirty (30) days from the service hereof, exclusive of the date of such service; and in case of the failure to do so, judgment by default will be rendered against you for the relief demanded in the Complaint. SUMMARY OF COMPLAINT On March 20, 2017, the parties were traveling in the same direction on a private drive near Lamar Highway. When the Plaintiff slowed before entering Lamar Highway, she was struck in the rear by the Defendant. As a result of the Defendant's negligence, the Plaintiff was injured. Plaintiff seeks judgment against the Defendant for an award of actual damages, the cost of this action, and for such other and further relief as this Court deems just and proper. A complete copy of the Complaint may be obtained by contacting the undersigned or from the Darlington County Clerk of Court. May 1, 2018

Florence, South Carolina GARY I. FINKLEA Attorney for Plaintiff Finklea Law Firm 814 West Evans Street Florence, SC 29503 (843) 317-4900 (843) 317-4910 (fax) gfnklee@finklealeaw.com (47c3 leave in thru 6-20-18)

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(48c2 leave in thru 6-20-18) SPECIAL REFEREE'S SALE

CASE NO. 2017-CP-16-00625 BY VIRTUE of a decree heretofore granted in the case of United States of America, acting through the Rural Housing Service or successor agency, United States Department of Agriculture against Jamie Reynolds, I, the Special Referee for Darlington County, will sell on Monday, July 2, 2018, at 12:00 o'clock p.m., at the Darlington County Courthouse, Darlington, South Carolina, to the highest bidder: All that certain piece, parcel or lot of land, with improvements thereon, lying, being and situate North of Darlington, in the County of Darlington, State of South Carolina, being known and designated as Lot No. 3 as shown on a map of the

A. Pennstrom Address: 3848 West Lake Drive, Florence, SC 29501 (48p3 leave in thru 6-27-18)

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PUBLIC NOTICE

The Town of Lamar proposes to file an application for a loan/grant with Rural Utilities Service (RUS), and will hold a public meeting on July 9, 2018 at Town Hall on 117 Main Street, Lamar, SC 29069 at 6:00 pm. The purpose of the meeting is to give the citizens an opportunity to become acquainted with the proposed Rural Utilities Service project, consisting generally of a new water supply well, a new water treatment facility, demolition of an old water treatment facility, water tank rehabilitation, installation of a new control valve, new water meters and a gravity sewer system survey. Citizens will have the opportunity to comment on such items as economic and environmental impacts, service area and alternatives to the project. Projects funded by RUS are equal opportunity programs and discrimination in the program is prohibited by federal law.

(48c2 leave in thru 6-20-18) SPECIAL REFEREE'S SALE CASE NO. 2017-CP-16-00625 BY VIRTUE of a decree heretofore granted in the case of United States of America, acting through the Rural Housing Service or successor agency, United States Department of Agriculture against Jamie Reynolds, I, the Special Referee for Darlington County, will sell on Monday, July 2, 2018, at 12:00 o'clock p.m., at the Darlington County Courthouse, Darlington, South Carolina, to the highest bidder: All that certain piece, parcel or lot of land, with improvements thereon, lying, being and situate North of Darlington, in the County of Darlington, State of South Carolina, being known and designated as Lot No. 3 as shown on a map of the

Williams Estates Subdivision by Ervin Engineering Co., dated October 20, 1980 and record in the office of the Clerk of Court for Darlington County in Plat Book 93 at page 19 and being generally bounded and described as follows, to wit: on the South by Beth Drive on which it fronts and measures 114.66 feet; on the West by Lot No. 4 on which it measures 198.27 feet; on the North by property n/f McCown Land on which it measures 165.03 feet; and on the East by Lot No. 2 on which it measures 179.81 feet, all as shown on plan prepared for Jamie Reynolds by Lind, Hicks, & Assoc. Surveyors, Inc., dated August 2, 2004 and recorded in the office of the Clerk of Court for Darlington County in Plat Book 198 at page 630.

This being the same property conveyed to Jamie Reynolds by Deed of A. Leslie McLellan a/k/a Alton Leslie McLellan dated August 30, 2004 and recorded in the office of the Clerk of Court for Darlington County in Book 1034 at Page 9847.

Property Address: 104 Beth Drive, Darlington, SC 29540 TMS # 144-03-01-003 TERMS OF SALE: The successful bidder, other than the plaintiff, will deposit with the Special Referee for Darlington County at conclusion of the bidding, five percent (5%) of the bid, in cash or equivalent, as evidence of good faith, same to be applied to the purchase price in case of compliance, but to be forfeited and applied first to costs and then to plaintiff's debt in the case of non-compliance. If the Plaintiff's representative is not in attendance at the scheduled time of the sale, the sale shall be canceled and the property sold on some subsequent sales day after due advertisement. Should the last and highest bidder fail or refuse to make the required deposit at time of bid or comply with the other terms of the bid within thirty (30) days, the deposit shall be forfeited and the Special Referee for Darlington County may re-sell the property on the same terms and conditions on some subsequent Sales Day (at the risk of the said highest bidder). As a deficiency judgment is being Waived, the bidding will not remain open thirty days after the date of sale. Purchaser shall pay for preparation of deed, documentary stamps on the deed, and recording of the deed. The successful bidder will be required to pay interest on the amount of the bid from date of sale to date of compliance with the bid at the rate of 5.875% per annum. The sale shall be subject to assessments, Darlington County taxes, easements, easements and restrictions of record, and other senior encumbrances. GRIMSLEY LAW FIRM, LLC 1703 Laurel Street P. O. Box 11682 Columbia, SC 29211 (803) 233-1177 By: Edward L. Grimsley Benjamin E. Grimsley Attorneys for the Plaintiff W. Haigh Porter Special Referee for Darlington County (48c3 leave in thru 6-27-18)

AMENDED SUMMONS STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

COUNTY OF DARLINGTON IN THE FAMILY COURT FOR THE FOURTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT Case No.: 2018-DR-16-0073 JAMES DEAN BOOKER, PLAINTIFF vs. NANCY LYNN BOOKER and DANIEL EDWARD LAMB, DEFENDANTS A.L.L., age 4 DOB: xx/xx/2004 A minor under the age of 18 TO THE DEFENDANTS, NANCY LYNN BOOKER and DANIEL EDWARDS LAMB: YOU ARE HEREBY SUMMONED and required to answer the Complaint in this action, of which a copy is herewith served upon you, and to serve a copy of your Answer to the said Complaint on the subscriber at her office on 524 W. Carolina Avenue, Hartsville, South Carolina 29550, within thirty (30) days after service thereof; exclusive of the day of such service; and if you fail to answer the Complaint within the time aforesaid, the Plaintiff in this

action will apply to the Court for the relief demanded in the Complaint. AMENDED COMPLAINT FOR DIVORCE AND APPROVAL OF AGREEMENT STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA COUNTY OF DARLINGTON IN THE FAMILY COURT FOR THE FOURTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT Case No.: 2018-DR-16-0073 JAMES DEAN BOOKER, PLAINTIFF vs. NANCY LYNN BOOKER and DANIEL EDWARD LAMB, DEFENDANTS A.L.L., age 4 DOB: xx/xx/2004 A minor child under the age of 18, DEFENDANTS. The Plaintiff above-named, complaining of the Defendant herein, would respectfully show unto this Honorable Court as follows: JURISDICTION and VENUE 1. The Plaintiff is a citizen and resident of the County of Darlington, State of South Carolina and has been for more than three (3) months prior to the commencement of this action. 2. The Defendant, Nancy Lynn Booker is a citizen and resident of the County of Darlington, State of South Carolina and has been for more than three (3) months prior to the commencement of this action. 3. The Plaintiff is uncertain of the residency of the Defendant Daniel Edward Lamb. 4. Plaintiff and Defendant Booker were married on September 22, 2005, in the County of Darlington, State of South Carolina and are the natural parents of two (2) minor children, to wit: B. M. B., age 11, whose date of birth is xx/xx/2007 and A. B. B., age 7, whose date of birth is xx/xx/2011. No other children have been born of this marriage and none are expected. 5. The Plaintiff and Defendant Booker have resided in the County of Darlington, State of South Carolina for more than one (1) year prior to the commencement of this action, and they last lived together as husband and wife in Darlington County. 6. The issues raised in this Complaint are within the exclusive, subject matter jurisdiction of the South Carolina Family Court pursuant to §20-3-30 South Carolina Code of Laws, 1976, as amended; 7. The parties have not colluded in the establishment of this action for divorce. FOR A FIRST CAUSE OF ACTION (Divorce of the grounds of One Year Separation) 8. Plaintiff alleges that due to irreconcilable difference, the parties separated one from the other in May 2012 and have at all times remained separated. 9. Therefore, Plaintiff requests a decree of this Court granting him a divorce, a *vinculo matrimonii*, from the Defendant upon the statutory ground of One Year Separation. FOR A SECOND CAUSE OF ACTION: (Approval of Complete Property, Custody and Child Support Agreement) 10. Plaintiff states the parties executed a Complete Custody, Support and Property Settlement Agreement freely and voluntarily on January 11, 2018 resolving all issues of custody, support and equitable division of property. 11. There, Plaintiff is informed and believes that there are no issues of division of property for this Court to address and seeks an Order approving the parties' agreement. FOR A THIRD CAUSE OF ACTION: (Establish Paternity and Appointment of a Guardian ad Litem) 12. On information and belief, Plaintiff alleges that Defendant Booker and Defendant Lamb are the natural parents of a minor child, to wit: A. L. L., age four who was born during the Plaintiff and Defendant's separation. 13. Plaintiff is informed and believes that he is entitled to an Order of this Court establishing Plaintiff is not the biological Father to their minor child. 14. Plaintiff requests the appointment of a Guardian ad Litem to represent the Defendant's minor child. WHEREFORE, Plaintiff prays for an order of this Court: a. Granting him a divorce, a *vinculo matrimonii*, from the

Defendant upon the statutory ground of One Year Separation; b. Approve the Complete Custody, Support and Property Settlement Agreement; c. Establishing the paternity of the minor child born of Defendant Book and Defendant Lamb; d. An Order appointing a Guardian ad Litem to represent the interest of the Defendant's minor child; e. Granting such other and further relief as this court deems just and proper. NOTICE OF FINAL HEARING STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA COUNTY OF DARLINGTON IN THE FAMILY COURT FOR THE FOURTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT Case No.: 2018-DR-16-0073 JAMES DEAN BOOKER, PLAINTIFF vs. NANCY LYNN BOOKER and DANIEL EDWARD LAMB, DEFENDANTS. YOU WILL PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that a Final Hearing has been scheduled for AUGUST 20, 2018 at 9:30 a.m. at the DARLINGTON COUNTY COURTHOUSE located at 1 Public Square, DARLINGTON, SOUTH CAROLINA. YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED to be present, at that time the Plaintiff will seek the relief sought in his Complaint. Copeland-Little Law, LLC By: _____ Tonya Copeland-Little Attorney and Counselor at Law 524 W. Carolina Avenue Hartsville, South Carolina 29550 Telephone: (843) 332-3203 Fax: (843) 332-3295 (48c3 leave in thru 6-27-18)

REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS Darlington County is accepting proposals for the following: 1. IFB Environmental Fence Line 01-06-27-2018 2. IFB Airport Hangers Repairs 02-06-27-2018 Please check the county website for more information, www.darcosc.com/departments/purchasing/index.php. (49c1 leave in thru 6-20-18)

AMENDED SUMMONS AND NOTICE OF FILING OF AMENDED COMPLAINT AND AMENDED NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE INTERVENTION (NON-JURY MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE)

C/A NO: 2018-CP-16-00231 DEFICIENCY WAIVED STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA COUNTY OF DARLINGTON IN THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS Wells Fargo Bank, National Association, successor by merger to Wells Fargo Bank Minnesota, National Association, as Trustee f/k/a Norwest Bank Minnesota, National Association, as Trustee for Amortizing Residential Collateral Trust, 2002-BC6, PLAINTIFF, vs. Sarah D. Sawyer; Stephanie A. Sawyer; and Felice Lemoine Sawyer Tomlin and if Sarah D. Sawyer; Stephanie A. Sawyer; and Felice Lemoine Sawyer Tomlin be deceased then any children and heirs at law to the Estates of Sarah D. Sawyer; Stephanie A. Sawyer; and Felice Lemoine Sawyer Tomlin distributees and devisees at law to the Estates of Sarah D. Sawyer; Stephanie A. Sawyer; and Felice Lemoine Sawyer Tomlin and if any of the same be dead any and all persons entitled to claim under or through them also all other persons unknown claiming any right, title, interest or lien upon the real estate described in the complaint herein; Any unknown adults, any unknown infants or persons under a disability being a class designated as John Doe, and any persons in the military service of the United States of America being a class designated as Richard Roe; Kathy R. Sawyer Ervin; Lenett F. Sawyer Mallory; Raymond Sawyer; Mark F. Sawyer; Terence Tomlin; Terence Tomlin, III; Alana Tomlin; Kaylen Tomlin; Antwan Jones; Marcus Jones; South

Carolina Department of Revenue, DEFENDANT(S) TO THE DEFENDANTS, ABOVE NAMED: YOU ARE HEREBY SUMMONED and required to answer the Complaint herein, a copy of which is herewith served upon you, or otherwise appear and defend, and to serve a copy of your Answer to said Complaint upon the subscriber at his office, Hutchens Law Firm P.O. Box 8237, Columbia, SC 29202, within thirty (30) days after service hereof, except as to the United States of America, which shall have sixty (60) days, exclusive of the day of such service, and if you fail to answer the Complaint within the time aforesaid, or otherwise appear and defend, the Plaintiff in this action will apply to the Court for the relief demanded therein, and judgment by default will be rendered against you for the relief demanded in the Complaint. YOU WILL ALSO TAKE NOTICE that should you fail to Answer the foregoing Summons, the Plaintiff will move for an Order of Reference of this case to the Master in Equity for Darlington County, which Order shall, pursuant to Rule 53 of the South Carolina Rules of Civil Procedure, specifically provide that the said Master in Equity is authorized and empowered to enter a final judgment in this case with appeal only to the South Carolina Court of Appeals pursuant to Rule 203(d)(1) of the SCAR, effective June 1, 1999. TO MINOR(S) OVER FOURTEEN YEARS OF AGE, AND/OR TO MINOR(S) UNDER FOURTEEN YEARS OF AGE AND THE PERSON WITH WHOM THE MINOR(S) RESIDES, AND/OR TO PERSONS UNDER SOME LEGAL DISABILITY: YOU ARE FURTHER SUMMONED AND NOTIFIED to apply for the appointment of a guardian ad litem within thirty (30) days after the service of this Summons and Notice upon you. If you fail to do so, application for such appointment will be made by the Plaintiff immediately and separately and such application will be deemed absolute and total in the absence of your application for such an appointment within thirty (30) days after the service of the Summons and Complaint upon you. YOU WILL ALSO TAKE NOTICE that should you fail to Answer the foregoing Summons, the Plaintiff will move for an Order of Reference of this case to the Master in Equity in/for this County, which Order shall, pursuant to Rule 53 of the South Carolina Rules of Civil Procedure, specifically provide that the said Master in Equity is authorized and empowered to enter a final judgment in this case with appeal only to the South Carolina Court of Appeals pursuant to Rule 203(d)(1) of the SCAR, effective June 1, 1999. NOTICE OF FILING OF AMENDED SUMMONS AND AMENDED COMPLAINT TO THE DEFENDANTS ABOVE NAMED: YOU WILL PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the foregoing Summons, along with the Complaint, was filed with the Clerk of Court for Darlington County, South Carolina, on March 12, 2018; that the foregoing Amended Summons, along with the Amended Complaint, was filed with the Clerk of Court for Darlington County, South Carolina, on March 29, 2018. AMENDED NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE INTERVENTION PLEASE TAKE NOTICE THAT pursuant to the South Carolina Supreme Court Administrative Order 2011-

05-02-01, (hereinafter "Order"), you may have a right to Foreclosure Intervention. To be considered for any available Foreclosure Intervention, you may communicate with and otherwise deal with the Plaintiff through its law firm, Hutchens Law Firm, P.O. Box 8237, Columbia, SC 29202 or call 803-726-2700. Hutchens Law Firm, represents the Plaintiff in this action and does not represent you. Under our ethical rules, we are prohibited from giving you any legal advice. You must submit any requests for Foreclosure Intervention consideration within 30 days from the date of this Notice. IF YOU FAIL, REFUSE, OR VOLUNTARILY ELECT NOT TO PARTICIPATE IN FORECLOSURE INTERVENTION, YOUR MORTGAGE COMPANY/AGENT MAY PROCEED WITH A FORECLOSURE ACTION. If you have already pursued loss mitigation with the Plaintiff, this Notice does not guarantee the availability of loss mitigation options or further review of your qualifications. THIS IS A COMMUNICATION FROM A DEBT COLLECTOR. THE PURPOSE OF THIS COMMUNICATION IS TO COLLECT A DEBT AND ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE, except as stated below in the instance of bankruptcy protection. IF YOU ARE UNDER THE PROTECTION OF THE BANKRUPTCY COURT OR HAVE BEEN DISCHARGED AS A RESULT OF A BANKRUPTCY PROCEEDING, THIS NOTICE IS GIVEN TO YOU PURSUANT TO STATUTORY REQUIREMENT AND FOR INFORMATIONAL PURPOSES AND IS NOT INTENDED AS AN ATTEMPT TO COLLECT A DEBT OR AS AN ACT TO COLLECT, ASSESS, OR RECOVER ALL OR ANY PORTION OF THE DEBT FROM YOU PERSONALLY. NOTICE TO APPOINT ATTORNEY FOR DEFENDANT(S) IN MILITARY SERVICE TO UNKNOWN OR KNOWN DEFENDANTS THAT MAY BE IN THE MILITARY SERVICE OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA ALL BEING A CLASS DESIGNATED AS RICHARD ROE: YOU ARE FURTHER SUMMONED AND NOTIFIED that Plaintiff's attorney has applied for the appointment of an attorney to represent you. If you fail to apply for the appointment of an attorney to represent you within thirty (30) days after the service of this Summons and Notice upon you Plaintiff's appointment will be made absolute with no further action from Plaintiff. (49c3 leave in thru 7-4-18)

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NOTICE OF APPLICATION

Notice is hereby given that Shirlee Store of Darlington, LLC intends to apply to the South Carolina Department of Revenue for a license/permit that will allow the sale of off premises consumption of beer, wine at 438 N. Main Street, Darlington, SC 29532. To object to the insurance of this permit/license, written protest must be postmarked no later than 7/5/2018. For the protest to be valid, it must be in writing, and should include the following information: 1. the name, address and telephone number of the person filing the protest; 2. the specific reasons why the application should be denied; 3. that the person protesting is willing to attend a hearing (if one is requested by the applicant); 4. that the person protesting resides in the same county where the proposed place of business is located or within five miles of the business; and, 5. the name of the applicant and the address of the premises to be licensed. Protests must be mailed to: S.C. Department of Revenue, ABL SECTION, P.O. Box 125, Columbia, SC 29214-0907; or faxed to: (803) 896-0110. (49p3 leave in thru 7-4-18)

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TBD Pink Dogwood Street—2 Lots—**\$24,000 Per Lot**
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829 Cashua Ferry Rd - 2 bedrooms, 1 bath, 1,010 sq ft - **\$94,900**

2759 Cashua Ferry Rd - 2 bedrooms, 2 baths, 983 sq feet - **\$89,900**
212 Gardner Rd Hartsville - 3 bedrooms, 1 bath, 1,220 sq ft - **\$79,900**
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443 Phillips Street - 792 sq ft 3 bedrooms and 1 bath - **\$49,900**
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4+/- acres Cashua Ferry Boat Landing at the Great Pee Dee River—Land is located right beside the boat dock. 3 septic tanks and well. SOLD "AS IS" **\$100,000**
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8.20 acres Medford Drive **\$25,000**
621 Delaware River Rd—47 acre lot, fenced with septic tank. **\$13,500**
Lot 1 Great Pee Dee River—Little over 1/2 acre lot. Water frontage. **\$12,000**

Lot 11 Great Pee Dee River—A little over 1/2 acre. Water frontage. **\$12,000**
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Susan G. Komen South Carolina awards \$180,065 to support local programs that break barriers to care

Susan G. Komen South Carolina has announced \$180,065 in new grants for 2018. These awards help meet the most critical needs of the community, including projects that provide free and low-cost breast cancer screening, diagnostic and treatment support services to underinsured and uninsured women and men. These vital programs also support Susan G. Komen's bold goal to reduce current breast cancer deaths by 50 percent in the U.S. by 2026.

This year's community grants were awarded to:
Allendale County Hospital
• The Pink Prevention Program serves the rural counties of Allendale, Bamberg, Barnwell and Hampton counties with breast health education, clinical breast exams and screenings. The program also covers the cost of biopsies through a collaboration with

The Regional Medical Center of Orangeburg and Calhoun Counties.

Beaufort Jasper Hampton Comprehensive Health Services, Inc.

• A three pronged approach including education, screening and patient navigation is used to eliminate gaps of care and to reduce disparities in breast cancer outcomes for African American, Hispanic, and Migrant populations in Hampton, Jasper & Beaufort Counties (including men and women under 30) who live at or below 250 percent poverty or underinsured.

Lexington Medical Center
• Lexington Medical Center's Mammography Program provides free screening mammograms to underinsured and uninsured women of Lexington, Richland, Calhoun, Orangeburg, Aiken, Edgefield, Newberry counties.

McLeod Health

• Making An Impact 2018-2019 provides mammogram scholarships to women in Marion, Darlington, Florence, and Williamsburg Counties who cannot afford mammograms and fail to qualify for the Best Chance Network. Many Making An Impact participants may be eligible for treatment from the McLeod Cancer Clinic, the state's only remaining free hospital-based cancer clinic, which provides cost-free cancer care to uninsured residents of the Pee Dee.

Spartanburg Regional Healthcare System Foundation

• The Mammography Assistance Program reduces both the financial barriers and the transportation barriers for women in Cherokee, Spartanburg and Union Counties in need of mammography services. By reducing

these barriers to care, the program works to reduce the late stage diagnoses and high breast cancer mortality rates in our service area.

"The greatest challenges lie in rural regions where few, if any, breast cancer services are available. Our grantees are breaking barriers by bringing help to these communities. Any patient served through one of these grants can be assured of access to treatment should they need it. We're proud that in the past six years alone, our grants have provided more than 17,825 services for women and men in need," said Lucy Spears, Director of Mission.

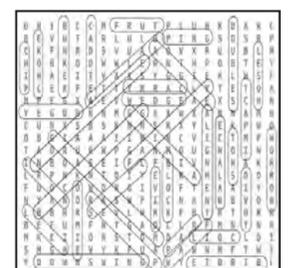
Since 1993, Komen South Carolina has funded over \$11 million to community projects serving local women and men, while contributing to the more than \$956 million invested globally in ground-breaking

breast cancer research through Susan G. Komen's Research Program.

"We are so thankful for the friends, family and neighbors who fight alongside us, helping to reduce the number of breast cancer deaths in South Carolina, both on the ground and through research," said Taffy Tamblin, Komen South Carolina's Executive Director.

Komen South Carolina has also announced that their Small Grant application will open on June 5th for the 2018-19 granting cycle. Small Grants are up to \$10,000 and to be used for support programs that: reduce barriers to care, provide breast health education, and build community trust leading to increased access to care.

Answers from 2B



City of Darlington contracts with Poolwerx to staff city pool

The City of Darlington has contracted with Poolwerx of Florence to staff the B.P. Gandy Swimming Pool this summer beginning Wednesday. The base contract for the summer is \$15,350 and does not include DHEC-required signage or repairs to the kiddie pool.

The issue came up because City Council moved the responsibility of the city pool out of the police department to the recreation department. While the police had a built-in extra staffing during the summer months using school resource officers, the recreation department had no extra help.

City Manager Howard Garland found just one vendor willing to take on the project of keeping the city pool open. That vendor, Poolwerx, while based in Florence, is run by a

Darlington native who wants to see the Darlington area continue to have opportunities for swimming during the summer.

Improvements have been made to the Junior Olympic-sized pool that should encourage residents and visitors to enjoy the pool. A safety rope will divide the deep end from the other side of the pool, and the kiddie pool will get cleaned up and repaired.

The city pool will be open from 11 a.m. to 7 p.m. weather permitting Wednesdays through Saturdays, June 20 through Sept. 1 at 115 Gary St. The pool is available to rent for parties on other days.

The pool is open to the public, and the cost is \$1 for the day. Concessions are available for purchase on site.

To start off the summer, the

City, the YMCA of the Upper Pee Dee, and Darlington Recreation will hold a Splash Station Introduction to Swim Lessons at the pool Tuesday through Thursday, June 19-21, from 10:15 a.m. to 11:20 a.m. Participants must pre-register with the Recreation Department as the program is limited to 50. These classes for non-swimmers ages 5 to 18 will be taught by Lillian Brunson.

Three lifeguards are on duty any time the pool is open.

The City has several safeguards in place to protect everyone who enters the pool area. These rules are read to each person who comes to the pool every time they enter regardless of whether they have been there one time or numerous times. Each person that enters the pool must take a

swim test prior to being allowed to swim in water deeper than the swimmer can stand up in. A band that identifies the person as a good swimmer or a novice swimmer must be worn at all times. Pool Werx staff will administer the swim bands.

City pool rules

- All children age 13 and younger must be accompanied by an adult 18 or older, and that adult must supervise the child 100% of the time.
- No adult may sign in more than two swimmers.
- No weak swimmers or non-swimmers allowed in the deep end of the pool.
- All children and adults who cannot swim must wear a wrist band identifying them as a non-swimmer.
- All swimmers must shower before entering the

pool.

• When signaled, all swimmers must exit the pool immediately upon lifeguard's request.

• All swimmers who wish to swim in the deep end must be approved by the lifeguard before entering.

• No diapers allowed in the pool. Children must wear a swimmer's diaper if needed.

• All swimmers must wear swimsuits.

Directions to the Gandy Pool 115 Gary St., Darlington

From Hartsville (US 52 Bypass / US 401): Take SC 151 into Darlington. Continue on Pearl Street approximately 1 mile. Turn right at the light at Piggly Wiggly onto Edwards Avenue. In about 6/10th of a mile, the road ends in front of Mayo High School for Math,

Science and Technology. Turn right onto Chestnut Street. In about 1200 feet, take a left onto Lighty Street. Continue straight about 500 feet and turn right into the parking lot on your right adjacent to the City Pool.

From Florence (I-95 & US 52 Business): Take US 52 Business into Darlington. Continue on South Main Street approximately 1 mile. You will see a sign for Mayo School and a planted median at Chestnut Street. Turn left at Chestnut Street. On Chestnut, you will pass in front of Mayo High School for Math, Science and Technology. In about 1200 feet, take a left onto Lighty Street. Continue on about 500 feet and turn into the parking lot on your right adjacent to the City Pool.



Army's Jazz Ambassadors to bring free concert to FMU BB&T Amphitheatre

The Jazz Ambassadors, the United States Army's premier big band, will bring its music to the stage of the BB&T Amphitheatre on Thursday, June 28 at 7:30 pm. The 19-member ensemble, formed in 1969, has received great acclaim both at home and abroad performing America's original art form, Jazz. The June performance is free and open to the public and will take place at the amphitheater, located on the Palmetto Street side of the main building of the Francis Marion University Performing Arts Center.

From Boston to Baghdad, Tampa to Toronto, The United

States Army Field Band has been thrilling audiences of all ages for more than six decades. As the premier touring musical representative for the United States Army, this internationally-acclaimed organization travels thousands of miles each year presenting a variety of music to enthusiastic audiences throughout the nation and abroad.

Through these concerts, the Field Band fosters the support of the American people for members of the armed forces and supports diplomatic efforts around the world. Concerts by the Jazz Ambassadors are designed to

entertain all types of audiences. Custom compositions and arrangements highlight the group's creative talent and gifted soloists. Their diverse repertoire includes big band swing, bebop, Latin, contemporary jazz, standards, popular tunes, Dixieland, vocals, and patriotic selections.

The band has appeared in all fifty states, Canada, Mexico, Japan, India, and throughout Europe. Notable performances include concerts at international jazz festivals in Montreux, Switzerland; Newport, Rhode Island; Toronto, Canada; Brussels, Belgium; and the North Sea Jazz Festival in the

Netherlands. In 1995, the Jazz Ambassadors performed in England, Wales, Belgium, Luxembourg, and the Czech Republic in commemoration of the fiftieth anniversary of the end of World War II. The band has also been featured in unique joint concerts with major orchestras, including the Detroit and Baltimore symphonies.

The June 28 PAC concert will include 75 minutes live entertainment. In the event of rain, the concert will move inside the FMU Performing Arts Center. For more information on the event, visit fmupac.org.

Election period open for Community Action Agency board

The Darlington County Community Action Agency will hold a public election on June 27 2018 for the purpose of filling vacancies on its Board of Commissioners. State law requires that one-third of the board membership consists of representatives of low-income individuals in the county. Up to five positions are available. Nominees need not qualify as low-income themselves but must be able to represent low income individuals and families in the general areas in which they reside. Anyone interested in being placed on the ballot or nominating someone should contact the agency on or before June 20 either in person or by phone. The agency is located at 904 South Fourth Street, Hartsville. The telephone number is 843-332-1135.

The slate of nominees will be available by close of business on June 21 at the agency office, on the agency Facebook page and details about the election will also be announced through local news outlets serving Darlington County.

The on-site elections will be held from 4:00p.m. - 6:00p.m. on Wednesday, June 27, 2018 for the specific target areas at the following locations:

- Bethel AME Church Center, 1333 South Main

Street, Darlington- To elect the person(s) representing the Darlington area.

•Darlington County Community Action Agency, 904 South Fourth Street, Hartsville -To elect the person(s) representing the Hartsville area.

•The Grooms Building, 528 Cartersville Highway, Lamar - To elect the person(s) representing the Lamar area.

•Society Hill Neighborhood Center, 223 Hall Street, Society -To elect the person(s) representing the Society Hill area.

Absentee Voting: Persons from all areas may cast an absentee ballot at the agency office at 904 S. Fourth Street, Hartsville during normal business office hours (8:30a.m. to 5 p.m.) between June 22 and June 26. Absentee ballots will be secured and will not be opened until the issuance of the overall election results at the conclusion of the election process. Persons seeking to vote for a particular target area nominee must show proof of residency in the area.

Low-income residents of the areas listed above are encouraged to vote in this election. However, any resident of the target area may vote. An questions about eligibility to vote may be addressed to the agency.

'Eclipse Over Clemson' viewing event wins highest honors in international contest

CLEMSON— The Council for Advancement and Support of Education (CASE) has awarded Clemson University a grand gold for "Eclipse Over Clemson," a mega-viewing party for the 2017 total solar eclipse.

CASE announced its international 2018 Circle of Excellence Awards on June 13, giving Clemson highest honors in the category "Single-Day Events," which drew 70 total entries from around the nation and world. All told, the entire contest attracted more than 3,200 entries.

"Wow! We were so impressed with every detail of this mega-event," the CASE judges said. "They brought together the university community and the surrounding area. They made it easy and fun for people to participate. They incorporated the university's mission. And it was free to all. This was truly worthy of the Grand Gold Award."

"Eclipse Over Clemson" was a free event that celebrated the Aug. 21, 2017, coast-to-coast solar eclipse. About 50,000 peo-

ple came to the campus — which was virtually dead center in the path of totality — to witness the celestial spectacle. Tens of thousands of pairs of eclipse glasses were distributed free to spectators. In addition more than 25 local, national and international media outlets converged on Clemson's campus and broadcast their coverage to millions worldwide. National crews from NBC, CBS, FOX, The Weather Channel, C-SPAN, National Public Radio, British Broadcasting Corp., the Washington Post, The Wall Street Journal, The Atlantic, The Associated Press, USA Today and RFD-TV were among those who provided advance and live coverage.

More than 500 faculty, staff and students from across the university — including scientists; media strategists; student volunteers; and facilities, security, medical and parking personnel — played significant roles in planning and executing the extravaganza.

"Eclipse Over Clemson" was a complex endeavor that took months of preparation," said

Jim Melvin, director of communications and marketing for the College of Science and a co-coordinator of the event. "Yet, on Aug. 21, 2017, everything came together seamlessly. We had clear skies, the perfect totality — and the perfect crowd."

The article that was published on the Clemson website in advance of the eclipse was viewed nearly 45,000 times. On the day of the event, there were 59 posts to university Instagram, Facebook and Twitter accounts, along with 17 videos and 550 photographs. Within 24 hours, these posts received more than 7,261,974 impressions (people reached), 705,695 views of photos and videos, 240,829 likes and comments and 29,088 shares.

The College of Science partnered with Clemson University Press to produce a book titled "Eclipse Over Clemson: The day Tigertown will never forget." The hard-cover, keepsake book chronicled the day and can be found in more than two dozen public and school libraries throughout South Carolina,

North Carolina and Georgia. It includes a poem — written specifically for the book — by renowned Southern author Ron Rash.

"Eclipse Over Clemson" is a spectacularly illustrated commemorative book, which includes 15 chapters chronicling the planning, experience and reception of one of the most memorable events ever held on Clemson's campus," said John Morgenstern, publisher of Clemson University Press.

To celebrate the CASE award, Morgenstern announced that the book would be discounted \$10 from June 14 until 2:37 p.m. Aug. 21, 2018 — exactly one year after the eclipse reached totality over Clemson. The discounted book will be available on the Clemson University Press website. Proceeds go directly to the College of Science.

In addition to Melvin, the winning entry's team included:

- Amber Porter, a lecturer in the department of physics and astronomy who played the lead role in community outreach;



Image Credit Pete Martin / Clemson University

•Mark Leising, a renowned astrophysicist who was then interim dean of the College of Science;

•Media strategists Wanda Johnson, Pete Martin, Hannah Halusker and Clinton Colmenares.

The Council for Advancement and Support of Education

CASE is a professional organization that serves educational institutions and the advancement professionals — those in alumni relations, development

and communications — who work on their behalf. It includes more than 3,670 colleges and universities, primary and secondary independent and international schools, and nonprofit organizations in more than 82 countries around the globe. The Circle of Excellence Awards honor outstanding work in advancement services, alumni relations, communications, fundraising and marketing at colleges, universities, independent schools and affiliated nonprofits.

Darlington County voters weigh in at primaries

By Samantha Lyles
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Voters headed to the polls on Tuesday, June 12 to cast their ballots in local and state primaries, and weighed in on the future of medical marijuana, Medicare, and the tax code in South Carolina.

In the Democratic Primary, voters were asked (1) Do you support passing a state law allowing doctors to prescribe medical marijuana to patients? (2) Do you support passing a state law requiring the governor of South Carolina to accept all federal revenues offered to

support Medicaid and Medicaid expansion efforts in the state?

In the Republican Primary, voters were asked (1) Do you believe that voters should have the option to choose to affiliate with a political party when they register to vote or change their voter registration in South Carolina? (2) Do you believe that South Carolina's tax code should be brought into conformity with the new Trump tax cuts in the federal tax code for maximum simplification and to lower the overall tax burden on South Carolina taxpayers and businesses?

All of these ballot questions received overwhelming voter approval from their respective parties, and will be put to the test again in the fall general election.

Locally, two seats on Darlington County Council were on the ballot. District 8 incumbent David Coker topped challengers Eldon Henderson and Tim Bazen. Coker received 587 votes, Henderson received 373, and Bazen received 85 votes.

In the race for County Council District 6 (currently held by the retiring Mozella "Pennie" Nicholson), candidate

Albert Davis III topped Gerald Mack by a count of 378 to 270.

Republican incumbent Governor Henry McMaster failed to secure over fifty percent of the vote (155,723 = 42.32 percent) and will face his closest challenger John Warren (102,390 = 27.82 percent) in a June 26 runoff.

In the race for the Democratic nomination for Governor, James Smith was the statewide winner, with 148,633 votes (61.81 percent). Smith defeated contenders Marguerite Willis (66,248) and Phil Noble (25,587) and will be the party's nominee in the

November general election.

Secretary of State Mark Hammond handily defeated three Republican challengers and secured 218,215 votes, equaling 65.43 percent of the vote.

In the race for Attorney General, Republican Alan Wilson (166,860 = 48.63 percent) will face challenger Todd Atwater (102,038 = 29.74 percent) in a June 26 runoff.

Republican Congressman Tom Rice (US District 7) secured 83.58 percent of the vote (38,346) against challenger Larry Guy Hammond, and will face the winner of the

runoff between Democratic contenders Robert Williams (14,222 = 41.30 percent) and Mal Hyman (10,225 = 29.70 percent) in the fall general election.

Robert Williams easily won re-nomination for his State House District 62 seat, securing 63.30 percent of the 2,834 votes cast. Williams was challenged by candidates Linda Byrd Spearman (879 votes) and Joe Ard (161 votes).

To learn more about polling locations and voting procedures, contact Darlington County Elections and Registrations at 843-398-4900

Voters' Guide

Provided by the League of Women Voters of Darlington County

U.S. House of Representatives, District 7 Democratic Run-off
Run-off Election will take place June 26

Candidates:

Mal Hyman
Party: Dem
Biographical Info:
Mailing Address: 309 Deerwood Dr. Hartsville, SC 29550
Current job: Coker College Professor
Campaign Website: www.malhyman.com
Facebook: www.facebook.com/Mal4Congress/

Questions:

Q: What do you think are the most important issues in this election?

A: Jobs. Opportunity. Security. Creating jobs through a renewed commitment to improving infrastructure. Creating opportunity by investing in early childhood education and making college affordable. Creating long term and short-term security by enhancing access to affordable healthcare, investing in social security and committing to improving our relationship with the environment.

Q: What will you do to support a vibrant economy in our area?

A: We must invest in infrastructure. This will create jobs, and improve our tourism industry. We must invest in sustainable energy. This will create employment opportunities, protect the environment and boost our competitive advantage nationally and globally.

Q: Explain your stand on offshore drilling.

A: We must protect our beautiful coastline. Off-shore drilling threatens tourism and fishing industries and yields very few jobs in return. Continued dependence on oil is a step in the wrong direction. We must make strategic choices for the future of our planet's resources. I'm strongly opposed to disrupting our oceanic ecosystem for short-term gains.

Q: Would you support any changes to our country's gun laws? Explain.

A: Too many lives are lost as a result of gun violence. I believe it is common sense to require universal background checks for all gun purchases to better keep weapons out of the hands of felons, domestic abusers and others with dangerous backgrounds. I oppose the sale of automatic weapons, bump stocks, and high capacity magazines. Violence prevention efforts must be strengthened through conflict resolution training beginning in elementary school. Schools need funding for additional guidance counselors and resource staff in order to better identify and assist troubled students.

Q: Why do you believe you are well-qualified for this office?

A: I'm a good listener and I believe in common sense solutions for our state and nation. As a teacher for 40 years - in high schools, at Coker College, and for several years inside of a medium security men's prison, I bring an experienced perspective regarding much needed improvements to both our educational system and prison system. Having performed human rights work in 8 countries, I also bring a first hand global perspective to the table. My campaign is not

accepting corporate or banking donations, which allows me to freely and fairly represent the best interests of my constituents. I pledge to serve with honor and transparency.

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Current job: State Rep
Campaign Website: robertwilliamsforcongress.com

Questions:

Q: What do you think are the most important issues in this election?

A: The most important issue in this election is economic development for rural S.C. This also include the issue of oil drilling along the coast.

Q: What will you do to support a vibrant economy in our area?

A: - no response -
Q: Explain your stand on offshore drilling.

A: - no response -

Q: Would you support any changes to our country's gun laws? Explain.

A: Yes, we must up the age to 21 and do comprehensive background check on all purchases. We also must hold parents of shooter responsible to the death of others.

Q: Why do you believe you are well-qualified for this office?

A: I am well qualified for this office. I am a 12 years legislator with experience and political will to be the voice of the people.

Suicide research focuses on prevention

CLEMSON--When a celebrity like Kate Spade or Anthony Bourdain dies from suicide there's often a call for more research. But what does that research look like? Suicide, the 10th leading cause of death in the United States, is difficult to study. Unlike the first nine causes, it doesn't fit neatly into a single disease category, like heart disease (No.1), cancer (No. 2) or diabetes (No. 7).

A recent report by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention says the rate of suicide across the country rose nearly 30 percent between 1999 and 2016, and 54 percent of the victims did not have a known mental illness.

The key word in the CDC report is "known," said Martie Thompson, a psychologist at Clemson University. "Many who die by suicide had not recently sought treatment. Research shows that approximately three-quarters of those die by suicide did not visit a mental health professional in the preceding month and slightly over half did not do so in the past year."

But even counting suicides is difficult, said psychologist Heidi Zinzow, also at Clemson University. "Unless there's a note, it's difficult to know" if some causes of death, like drug overdoses, are intentional or unintentional, she said. Suicide attempts are even harder to count.

Suicide research at Clemson

Thompson and Zinzow recently completed a grant to implement college suicide prevention research and programming funded by the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration.

Clemson's Tigers Together to Stop Suicide, started in the fall of 2014, implemented a range of policy and programmatic initiatives. One of these includes a suicide pre-

vention advocacy program that trains students, faculty and staff to recognize warning signs, talk to someone about suicide and connect students to resources.

So far, the research shows that students who go through training are more knowledgeable of suicide warning signs and they are more comfortable talking about it and offering help. That's progress, Zinzow said, but to know if the program achieves its ultimate goal — preventing the rate of suicide — requires scaling up the study to include more students followed over a longer period of time.

Some warning signs and risk factors are well known: changes in behaviors that include talking about ending their lives, researching methods and depression. Screening for risk factors and warning signs has recently been implemented in Student Health Services' Redfern primary care clinic. But it's not known how multiple risk factors work together. Science knows that cancer doesn't have one cause; neither does suicide. Like in cancer research, science needs to understand how multiple risk factors work together to lead someone to suicide.

Social media When suicides are glamorized or portrayed in great detail, it can create a "suicide contagion" and a cluster of suicides, Zinzow said. Social media use has made this phenomenon easier to take hold and spread quickly. This includes viral social media challenges that encourage users to engage in dangerous self-harming behavior.

Zinzow is working with colleagues in psychology and civil engineering on a study of viral social media challenges in the United States and India and how they are connected to adolescents' participation in self-harming and suicidal behavior.

The Netflix show "13 Reasons Why" revolves around a teen suicide. Zinzow and Thompson lead a team of students who are working on a Creative Inquiry undergraduate research project as part of Tigers Together to Stop Suicide. The team is looking at social media posts using data from Clemson's Social Media Listening Center to examine the extent to which messages related to the show encourage people to engage in suicidal behaviors or promote help seeking.

Drugs and guns
Drugs and guns are two areas in which Zinzow and Thompson are not currently working, but they see a desperate need for research to understand their roles in suicide.

Firearms are used in more than half of all suicides, providing a very deadly tool for someone who might be in a temporary state of crisis — problems with relationships, finances, careers or being alone.

"If you can just get someone beyond that impulse, an hour or even a minute later they might not be suicidal," Thompson said.

Having access to a firearm increases the likelihood that someone will die by suicide, but researchers don't know enough about access to firearms or if restricting access would be effective because federal funding hasn't been available to study it.

Opioid overdose is an increasing problem. It's easier to overdose on opioids than on other substances because they are more potent and they work very quickly, narrowing the window of opportunity to receive care. Zinzow suspects there's a lot of overlap between opioid use and suicide, but that's another area that needs more funding and more research.



Delta Sigma Theta Sorority crowns 2018 Delta Princess

Hartsville Alumnae Chapter, Delta Sigma Theta crowned its 2018 Delta Princess during the annual fundraiser pageant. Jaimzee R Wingate was crowned the winner. Jaimzee is the daughter of Mr. Jammie Williams, and Mr. and Mrs.

Jerome Goodson. Other participants included Jaimzee's escort, Christofer Blathers, Journey Addison and her escort Daniel Taylor and Hazel Rose, along with her escort, Almus Rose.

Proceeds from this event will be used to present scholarships

to students in Darlington County. The Sorority thanks the public for helping and participating in the programs presented by the chapter. Keep watching to hear more as we began to plan our next year's programs.

Smith named South Carolina Primary Health Care Association Health Care Provider of the Year

Dr. Stephen Smith has been awarded the 2018 Health Care Provider of the Year by the South Carolina Primary Health Care Association at their annual Clinical Retreat in Charleston, South Carolina. The award recognizes the exemplary efforts by the provider in a community-based health care setting.

Smith was recognized for his immensely positive impact on those afflicted by the opioid epidemic in the Pee Dee region. He has been driving force in CareSouth Carolina's efforts to treat opioid addiction using Medication-Assisted Treatment. Under his leadership, approximately 453 patients received much-needed treatment through their Medication Assisted Treatment Program in 2017.

He accomplished this feat while still seeing a full panel of patients and while also holding the title of Chief Medical Officer of CareSouth Carolina.

Smith has been practicing at CareSouth Carolina for 24 years in the Society Hill office. He is known for his gentle and caring manner to his patients and the families in and around Society Hill.

"We so appreciate all he does and are very proud of him, and his receipt of this award," said Ann Lewis, CEO at CareSouth Carolina. "This award is an acknowledgment and recognition of his caring, compassion, devotion and commitment not only to CareSouth Carolina, the communities we serve and our patients but also to each of us on the staff. Dr. Smith is a special person. We are

very fortunate to have him at CareSouth Carolina."

CareSouth Carolina is a private, non-profit community health center delivering patient-centered health and life services in the Pee Dee region of South Carolina. CareSouth Carolina operates centers in Bennettsville, Bishopville, Cheraw, Chesterfield, Dillon, Hartsville, Lake View, Latta, McColl and Society Hill. Services provided by CareSouth Carolina include family practice, women services, pediatrics, dental, infectious diseases assistance and prevention program, chiropractic services, substance abuse prevention program, geriatrics, social services, clinical counseling, pharmacy, ultrasound, laboratory and X-Ray.



Darlington County Library System Summer Programs

Program Times And Locations:

Darlington
10 a.m. Tuesdays

Lamar
2 p.m. Tuesdays

Society Hill
8 a.m. Wednesdays

Hartsville
10 a.m. Wednesdays

The program will run June 13-July 25 (no program on July 4th). For summer reading registration or for more details visit www.darlington-lib.org.

Programs will include:
•Carlo L'Chelle Dawson (storyteller)
•RAPunzel by Pork Chop

Productions (children's theater)
•Music is Magic with John Tudor (Magician)
•Rock 'n RAWR by Dakota & Friends (Dinosaur Show)
•Music Festival by The 3 Nails (outdoor concert)
•SC Aquarium Rovers (Live Marine Animals)
Programs are not the same at every library branch location. Please check with your local library if you are interested in a specific show.

Lamar Library
103 E. Main Street
843-326-5524

Society Hill Library
114 Carrigan Street
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Library Locations:

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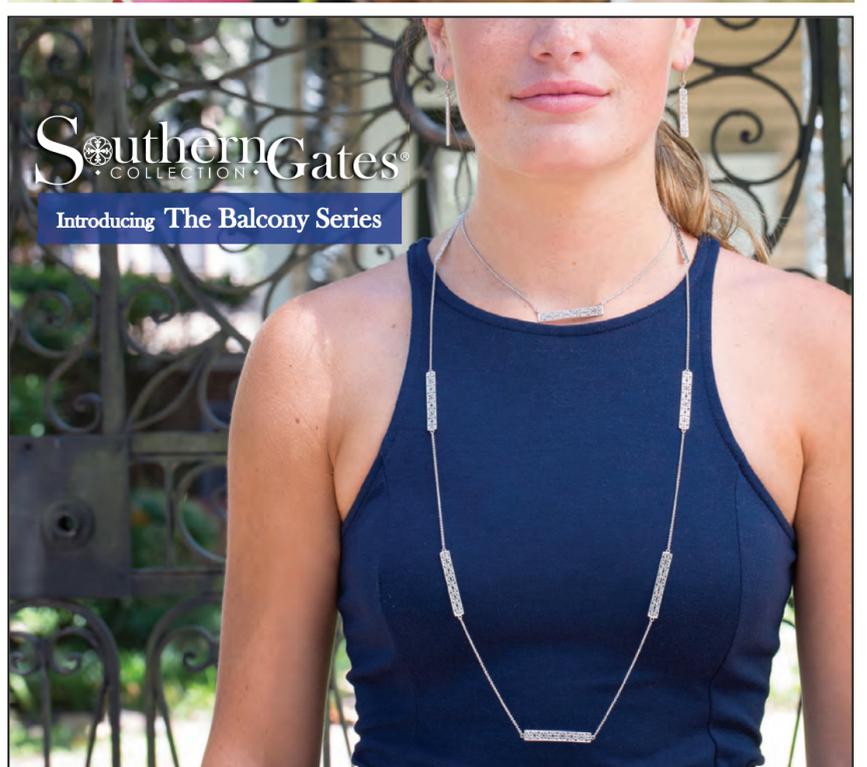
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