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

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Complaints about City of Darlington election land on SLED's desk

There have been at least two reports of absentee voter intimidation in the recent City of Darlington election and the State Law Enforcement Division (SLED) is taking a closer look.

The race for Ward 1 ended in a run-off between Sheila Baccus and Coleman Cannon, who currently holds the seat. Baccus had 222 votes to Cannon's 129 votes. Audrey DuBose-Gore came in third with 114 votes.

Hoyt Campbell, Director of the Darlington County Board of Voter Registration and Elections, confirmed that SLED was asked to look into complaints of voter intimidation.

"They had two complaints that were filed with them that voters were intimidated by someone," Campbell said.

"Absentee voters is what they are investigating."

The numbers reported by the Board of Voter Registration and Elections show that of Baccus' 222 votes, 140 of them were absentee votes; of Cannon's 129 votes, 34 were absentee. Gore had 46 absentee votes out of her total 114 votes.

Campbell said that in recent years, the county has seen an increase in absentee voting.

"The bad thing is that we had an unusually low number of voter turnout at the precincts," Campbell said. "In Darlington (precinct) 6 we had 170 some people registered to vote in the city and only three people voted out of that precinct."

SLED ON 3A

Two races in Darlington County head to run-off election

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The voters in Darlington County did not come out in droves Nov. 7; quite the opposite in fact. Only 20 percent of registered voters cast their vote, though there were elections in all four corners of the county. Lamar and Society Hill had the highest voter turnout where voters had a decision to make about who they wanted to be their mayor. Two races, one each in Hartsville and Darlington, will go to a runoff.

In Lamar, Darnell Byrd-McPherson took 204 votes (52.31 percent of the vote) against 186 votes (47.69 percent) for Guy Clements. Lamar Town Council will have Lang Howell (218 votes) and Tamron McManus (184 votes) as repre-

sentatives after the two garnered the two highest percentages of votes in a three-person race for two available seats; Sherry Besecker came in third with 83 votes. Eight write-in votes were cast in this race.

Society Hill Mayor Tommy Bradshaw won re-election, getting 180 votes (89.55 percent) to councilmember and challenger Michelle Steen's 21 votes (10.45 percent). Town councilmember Carolyn Oliver kept her seat after getting 119 votes (34.8 percent) while councilmember Denise Douglas' 87 votes (25.44 percent) meant that she lost out to challenger Tammy Tucker Gandy's 136 votes (39.77 percent) in a three-way race for two seats with expiring terms.

ELECTION ON 3A

Author visits Hartsville Library to talk John Jenrette, Abscam sting

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When John F. Clark visited the Hartsville Memorial Library to talk about his book Capitol Steps and Missteps: The Wild Improbable Ride of Congressman John Jenrette, it was a little bit of a homecoming and a little bit of a gossip session featuring players in the Darlington County community and the Pee Dee Region.

Clark grew up in Kingstree but has a strong connection to Darlington County.

"My mama is from Dovesville; only in this room can I say that and people know

where Dovesville is," Clark joked. "Her father was a farmer and at one time he ran the airport out there. That main house there at the intersection of Highway 52 and Mont Clare Road, that was her family house; I spent a lot of summers in Dovesville and have a lot of fond memories of it."

Clark said that he was one of a large brood of cousins who roamed around Dovesville. "There were sixteen of us first cousins and we hung out there a lot," Clark said. "There were several stores there and you'd go in and they'd say 'Which one are you? Who do you belong to?' In Dovesville, my mama was known as Cooter so they'd say 'That there is Cooter's boy.'"

After leaving Kingstree, Clark went to college and into the military before his paths would cross with John Jenrette.

AUTHOR ON 3A



Over the weekend, several organizations in Darlington County held ceremonies to honor local and national veterans for the sacrifices they have made to preserve the freedoms Americans enjoy. See a story and more photos on 1B.
PHOTO BY SAMANTHA LYLES

DCIT panel discusses women in manufacturing

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The Darlington County Institute of Technology convened a panel discussion on Monday, November 6 to brainstorm new methods for bringing more young women into the fields of industry and manufacturing.

"We're trying to teach our teachers and the guidance counselors at the middle and high schools a little bit more about non-traditional students and non-traditional employees, which in our specific case is females in areas that are traditionally male dominated, like manufacturing, carpentry, electricity, machine tool, auto tech and auto collision," said DCIT director Robbie Smith. "We want to be able to better recruit and retain more female students in these fields."

The panel included Penny Watson and Sue St. Amour from Nucor, Adrienne Temple of South Carolina Manufacturing Extension Partnership, Tracy Kuhn of Gregory Electric, Joyce Hill of KPI/Fusion, Andrea White of Sonoco, Keri Taylor of North Industrial Machine, and Cheryl Lewis from the SC Department of Commerce.

Temple discussed the changing perception of manufacturing, as factories have become more automated, cleaner,



Penny Watson and Sue St. Amour talk about their experiences working in a male-dominated industry.
PHOTO BY SAMANTHA LYLES

and safer for workers in the modern era. She observed that wages have improved as well, noting that while manufacturing comprises only about 4.5 percent of the total businesses in South Carolina, it is responsible for about 20 percent of our state's total wages. She said that worries some parents and students have over whether they would make a good wage with an entry level manufacturing job are unfounded, saying that the pay is actually better than average.

"These students can actually make a good living... The average manufacturing job in our state pays a little over \$54,000 a year. Other jobs that are not manufacturing pay about \$40,000 per year. And you've got ranges with some technical skill sets that are very much in demand," said Temple, adding that "trade skills, work ethics, and communication skills" are highly prized by industry employers.

DCIT ON 3A

Darlington Library program gives kids hands-on cooking lessons

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Thanksgiving is going to be here before you know it. On Nov. 8, children tried their hand at a green bean dish perfect for the holiday table during the Homeschool Hub program at the Darlington Library.

Hosted by Liz Davis, with the library's children's services, students were able to try out their crescent rolling, seasoning and stirring skills with a tasty outcome awaiting them.

"We are going to pan sear these frozen green beans in a pan with some extra virgin olive oil and some seasoning, lemon pepper seasoning; we will add some fried onions on the top and it will be really yummy," Davis said. "This doesn't take but a few minutes. The first thing we are going to do is read the instructions on these crescent rolls and then we are going to roll them out and get them ready to go in the oven."

Davis joked that they could have made green bean casserole but she figured the kids wouldn't eat it so they were going to make something a little more kid friendly.

Each student rolled their own crescent roll, even giving it those signature curved ends. As they were rolling, Davis talked to the students about an important information to look for when grocery shopping.

"What would be important about buying crescent rolls," Davis asked. "What might be something you might want to do? If it is already on the shelf, there might be something called an expiration date on it. Sometimes businesses don't pull things in time so, when you buy something, you want



A student helps his younger sister stir the green beans in the kitchen of the Darlington Library. See 6B for more photos.

to look at the expiration date. That would not be a fun Thanksgiving if you had expired food."

Cooking always involves a little science, such as using measuring cups, and Davis took the opportunity to point out a chemical process occurring in their food.

"Are the crescent rolls getting bigger or smaller in the oven," she asked. "They are getting bigger. Most bread when you put it in the oven has a chemical reaction. This has layers of fat and flour and some type of leavening that, when it is heated, it separates and puffs up."

During the program, Davis reminded students of the importance of kitchen safety and making sure to read directions

when cooking. "If we had this pan that is cooking pretty good now and the handle was facing out and I had to go run out and I hit it, what would happen to the pan," Davis asked. "It would go flying and it would fall and it could burn somebody else or whatever was in the pan could come out and burn you. It is best to keep the handle over (the side of the oven without other burners). Then when we open it up and stir it, which we are going to do in a minute, it is best to have one hand on the handle and the other on the utensil."

In the end, the green beans got pretty good reviews, though the crescent rolls were by far the thing that the students enjoyed the most.





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Word of the Week

Esemplastic: shaping or having the power to shape disparate things into a unified whole

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OP-ED The Rabbit Hunt

By Bill Shepard

November is here and turkey is on the mind of a lot of folk. I got to wondering when I turned the calendar to November as to how the turkey came to be synonymous with Thanksgiving. The best answer I could find was that the Indians introduced the turkey to the Pilgrims. I suppose that is about as good an answer to my wondering as any. Of course when I was a boy turkeys were not as easy to

get as they are today. Folk didn't hunt for them in the wild and they didn't sell them at the Company Store where mama bought our groceries, so that meant we didn't have turkey at our house for Thanksgiving dinner. We had rabbit instead!

Rabbit season opened on Thanksgiving Day when I was a boy. It has been a lot of years since I knew of anyone going on a Rabbit Hunt! My older brother was the "hunter" in our family and just as sure as Thanksgiving carne around we would have rabbit for dinner.

The only turkey I had when I was a boy was the one I colored at school and brought home to show to mama. I would be so proud of the pretty colors of the feathers. Anyway we always had a big dinner at Thanksgiving time even if we never had a turkey. Mama usually sacrificed one of her big fat hens and we had a

feast. Late in the afternoon my brother would return from the rabbit hunt and we would have fried rabbit and hot grits for supper. It would be a meal worth talking about and my brother would do that. He liked to tell how his dogs "jumped" the rabbit and chased it across the cotton field and how he waited for the cotton-tail to come into view and how he brought him down with the first shot! Listening to my brother tell the story was about as good as the rabbit and he would tell it over and over, especially if he had shot more than one rabbit and he usually did!

My uncle lived on a big farm near Timmonsville and the rabbit hunt would usually take place on his farm every Thanksgiving Day. My brother would invite several of his friends to take part in the hunt and they would talk about it over and over before it ever happened, and just as

long after it happened.

There was a story I heard often during those days and it always brought laughter when it was told. This all happened a way back in the time of the Great Depression and Mr. Hoover was the President of the United States. Everybody knows that was a hard time in our country. Someone would ask the question, who was the greatest President that ever lived? Then the fellow doing the asking would answer, "Mr. Hoover!" The reason he was such a great President was that he made a rabbit taste just as good in August as it did in November! I've remembered that tale and told it a lot of times and now I have told it again.

There is another tale I like to tell at this time each year that happened on the square in Darlington when I was a boy. It's about the turkey that got away. It happened a long time ago. Some of the town

merchants decided to give away some live turkeys and spread the word around that it would happen on the day before Thanksgiving. Of course there was a large crowd gathered on the courthouse lawn for the occasion. After all, it wasn't every day that a person had a chance to get a free turkey! At the time of which I write, the courthouse had a large dome on its top where folk could walk on. On the day of the event the merchants took their live turkeys to the top of the courthouse and after making some announcement, turned the large birds loose and let them fly downwards, over the heads of those gathered on the courthouse lawn. The big birds would start flopping its wings as it headed downwards. Yes! I was there! I got a huge one by the tail as it flew overhead but the bird kept going. Someone else got the turkey and I got a handful of feathers!

The late Mr. Thomas, Publisher of this newspaper at the time, in writing about the event titled his article -- All he got was tail feathers! I reckon that was about a close as we ever came to having a turkey for Thanksgiving!

Turkeys are plentiful nowadays, and easier to get than when was a boy. As for rabbits, it has been a long, long time since I had fried rabbit and grits for supper!

Next time, Bill Shepard

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OP-ED

The State Budget Process: Law vs. Reality

By the South Carolina Policy Council

On November 1, state law requires that the annual budget process begins. Every step is spelled out, but for decades South Carolina lawmakers have simply ignored the laws that don't suit them in favor of a non-transparent, illegal process that keeps the power firmly in the hands of the legislature.

What the budget process is supposed to look like

According to the law, the process is streamlined, transparent and allows for maximum citizen involvement. It also begins with the governor, who is meant to be an effective check on legislative spending. Here's a rundown:

November 1: Governor collects agency budget requests.

The governor is required to start the process with a survey of the state agencies that receive state funding. On forms supplied by the governor's office, agencies are required to justify every dollar they are requesting, including old and new expenses, with details for every program and service they provide.

Each agency is also required to disclose the sources of all federal funds in the agency budget and the strings or conditions attached, as well as the available federal funds not being requested at that time.

Finally, the agency must disclose any "Other Funds" it receives and their source. "Other Funds" are the categorical term for the fines and fees already appropriated in state law. Lawmakers do not discuss "Other Funds" or federal funding in the budget process, although together they comprise roughly two-thirds of the entire state budget (the remaining third is the general fund, the only budgetary category that is discussed).

Also by November 1, the

comptroller general must submit to the governor a complete spending and financial report, which includes each agency's leftover funding from the previous year's budget.

January 16: Governor submits first draft of the state budget to the General Assembly.

Within five days of the start of session (which, in 2018, starts on January 9), the governor must provide to the House speaker and Senate president pro tem a detailed budget draft.

*This is an approximate date, as the law does not specify whether the five days are calendar, business or legislative days.

January 23 (approximately): Joint (House AND Senate) budget hearings begin.

Within five days of the governor's budget submission, the House and Senate appropriations committees must begin holding joint, open hearings on the governor's budget.

March 31: House passes the budget and sends it to the Senate.

If the budget does not receive third (final) reading in the House by March 31, session is extended by one day for every day the budget is not passed. Once it has passed the House, the budget goes to the Senate, and finally to the governor for his signature or line-item vetoes.

This process is designed to be as transparent as possible and if it were followed, citizens and their elected officials would be able to track every dollar and follow the entire debate over spending decisions, instead of relying on the brief explanations of the Ways and Means Committee members. In addition, the budget process would be much quicker: If the law were followed, legislators would be openly

debating a full and coherent budget at the beginning of session. A quick budget process would also limit lobbyists' and special interests' window of opportunity to influence state spending.

Finally, the governor – the only elected official with a statewide perspective on spending and governance – could help guide spending priorities and serve as a check to the legislature, preserving the balance of power.

Unfortunately, lawmakers simply ignore most of these laws, effectively excluding citizens as well as the governor from spending discussions.

What the budget process actually looks like

November 1: Governor collects incomplete agency budget requests.

The governor collects and posts online what each state agency is asking for in the upcoming fiscal year. However, those requests are not what state law requires and typically include only the requested changes to last year's funding. They do not include funding sources, federal funding details, or justification for every dollar the agency seeks to spend. However, state law places the responsibility for state agency budget requests squarely within the governor's office, as the governor is directed to collect this information on budgetary request forms that he supplies.

January 16: Governor submits first draft of the state budget to the General Assembly.

South Carolina's governors have not always complied with this law. Governor Mark Sanford (2003-2011) was the first governor, at least in recent history, to submit full executive budgets to the legislature at the outset of the legislative session. Unfortunately,

the legislature invariably ignores the executive budget. During Governor Sanford's administration, those phone-book-sized budgets were often referred to in and around the Statehouse as "door stoppers."

*This is an approximate date, as the law does not specify whether the five days are calendar, business or legislative days.

Sometime after the beginning of session: House Ways and Means subcommittees begin drafting the budget.

Instead of starting with the governor's spending plan, the House Ways and Means Committee begins crafting their own from scratch in an array of subcommittees. The subcommittee meetings are usually held simultaneously and are neither streamed nor recorded, making it impossible for both citizens and other lawmakers to track the budget's development.

In general, lawmakers base their decisions on the previous year's budget, shifting revenue around to fund the issue du jour. The budget doesn't take any kind of overall shape as a spending plan until it's passed by the House Ways and Means committee. Even then, it is more of an incoherent assortment of spending items than a logical, carefully measured spending plan from a statewide perspective.

This is not a quick or efficient process. Last year, lawmakers had to extend session as the budget conference committee worked to resolve differences in the House and Senate budgets.

By March 31: House passes the budget and sends it to the Senate.

When the budget finally reaches the floor, only the members of the Ways and Means Committee have any understanding of the state

budget and the reasoning behind the various appropriation decisions. The real spending discussions happen in the subcommittee meetings, which for the most part are impossible to track. This forces lawmakers to accept House leaders' assurance that these decisions are in the best interest of the state.

The House sets aside a legislative week to "debate" the budget, although very little actual debate takes place. The House votes through the budget, section by section, with only a brief overview of each. Two-thirds of the budget – federal funds or "Other Funds" – are not discussed, with the conversation primarily limited to the general fund. Lawmakers do comply with the state law

requiring a roll call vote on each section, but recently there has been a push to eliminate even that modest transparency requirement.

Finally, the budget goes to the Senate and the process is repeated, except that the Senate starts with the House budget rather than creating their own, as the House did. Any differences in the House and Senate budgets are resolved in conference committee, after which the final budget lands on the governor's desk. The governor can line-item veto any item in the budget, but these vetoes are typically overridden by the legislature.

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It's Turkey Time

The annual Turkey Giveaway will be on Nov. 21 at 6 a.m. on the Public Square. Thank you for your support in the past and we look forward to your help this year. Checks can be made out to The Lord Cares and send to:

Dr. David Eads
208 Cashua St.
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Event sponsor: \$1,500
Gold sponsor: \$500
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We hope to give out 1,500 turkeys this year as well as canned foods and drinks.

Darlington County First Steps receives national recognition as Blue Ribbon affiliate

Darlington County First Steps (DCFS) earned a prestigious endorsement by Parents as Teachers national center as a Blue Ribbon Affiliate, making it one of the top performing early education and home visiting affiliates within the international Parents as Teachers network. The official designation was made on October 1, 2017.

Being named a Blue Ribbon Affiliate affirms that DCFS is a high-quality member of the home visitation and parent education field, implementing the evidence-based Parents as Teachers model with fidelity. Families in the Darlington County community are positively impacted by the services delivered by this program, which include home visits, group connections, child screening and

connections to community resources, equipping parents with knowledge and resources to prepare their children for a stronger start in life and greater success in school.

To earn this recognition, over the past year staff at DCFS completed the intensive Quality Endorsement and Improvement process through the Parents as Teachers national center. The organization's program demonstrated that it meets all of the Parents as Teachers Essential Requirements and at least 75 percent of the Parents as Teachers Quality Standards. The designation as a Blue Ribbon Affiliate is good for five years, until September 30, 2022 as long as the program continues to meet the Essential Requirements.

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Thom Berry, spokesperson for SLED, said that because they received the citizen complaints directly from the Darlington Police Department they chose to look in to the complaints but they have not launched an investigation.

"We received two reports from Darlington PD late Thursday last week with allegations about the municipal election in Darlington," Berry said. "We have assigned an agent who is going to look into the matter and try to get in touch with the individuals who filed the reports to determine whether or not there is anything of a criminal nature to be investigated. So at this time, no, we are not officially

investigating. We are just following up the reports we had gotten from Darlington PD."

Berry said that SLED's regional office received the information rather than the state election commission office.

"Normally when someone files a complaint it would go to the state election commission first," Berry said. "They would look at it and see if there had been any criminal activity involved. If that were the case, they would contact us to begin an investigation. In this particulate case, our regional office got the information directly from Darlington PD so we decided to go ahead and look into it. We did talk to the elections commission so we're just going to see if there is anything there. If there is, we will proceed accordingly."

Election

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The three-person race for longtime Darlington City Councilman Coleman Cannon's seat representing Ward 1 will go to a runoff after the top vote-getter, Sheila Baccus with 222 votes (47.64 percent), did not meet the threshold to be declared the winner. Cannon garnered 129 votes (27.68 percent), while third candidate Audrey DuBose-Gore got 114 votes (24.46 percent). This race also had one write-in vote. The races for Ward 2 and 3 were uncontested with Elaine Reed and John Segars winning another term. Gore has announced her support for Cannon going in to the runoff.

Also of note on the ballot in the City of Darlington was the Sunday Alcohol Sales question. Voters were asked: "Shall the South Carolina Department of Revenue be authorized to issue temporary permits in this City of Darlington, South Carolina for a period not to exceed twenty-four hours to allow the possession, sale, and consumption of alcoholic liquors by the drink to bona fide nonprofit organi-

zations and business establishments authorized to be license for consumption-on-premise sales and to allow the sale of beer and wine at permitted off-premises locations without regard to the days or hours of sales." Voters gave a resounding affirmative answer to this question with 518 votes (73.68 percent) in favor with only 185 persons (26.32 percent) voting no.

Hartsville City Council District 1 voters were split on candidates Tre Gammage, Carolyn Govan and Adlena F. Graham who brought in 46 (42.2 percent), 26 (23.85 percent), and 36 (33.03 percent) votes respectively. One write-in vote was cast. For Hartsville City Council District 3, voters were a little more decisive with Teresa L. Mack winning with 137 votes (58.05 percent) to Trevor McDonald's 99 votes (41.95 percent).

Darlington's Ward 1 and Hartsville's District 1 will have a run-off on November 21. Voters will cast their vote in the same location as the first time. Voters with any questions can contact the Darlington County Elections and Registrations at 843-398-4900.

DCIT

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Smith said that the perception remains common among some parents that their kids must attend a four-year college if they are to have any kind of stable financial future, despite the shrinking job markets for those with four-year degrees and the broadening prospects for students with high-level trade and technical training.

"We still have a tough time getting the message through to parents to allow their students to come to a school like DCIT, because the thought process is that they've got to go to a four-year college or they're never going to make any money," said Smith.

Hill cited data from the Deloitte Study on Technology and Jobs, which predicts a "skill gap" opening up in manufacturing as technology takes a greater role and older employees retire from the workforce.

"Women are the largest untapped resource in this area. We only have about 29 percent of women working in this area and women make up about 45



Joyce Hill of KPI/Fusion
PHOTO BY SAMANTHA LYLES

percent of the population, so there's a lot of opportunity for women to fill those jobs that are going to be lost when the

Baby Boomers leave," said Hill. Watson and St. Amour discussed the ways that companies like Nucor encourage

merit-based pay and fair employment practices by using open hiring pools and uniform compensation for jobs, regardless of the worker's gender. They spoke about the diversity at Nucor and the number of jobs available to women in every field from sales to production.

As a point of contrast, St. Amour shared a story of how the average industrial workplace has changed for the better since she trained as a welder and tested for a job 20 years ago. She recalled that even though she passed her stick welding test with flying colors, she was still refused employment (with an unnamed company) because she would have been "too much of a distraction" for her male co-workers.

One guidance counselor in attendance asked if the panelists might consider speaking to students in person, or even making a manufacturing/industry informational video that students and parents could watch together when they are considering options for their career track. Most panelists spoke up immediately and said

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For instance, in 2016 Governor Haley vetoed \$33.3 million of budgetary spending, and the legislature overrode all but \$75,000.

Last year the General Assembly shortened session by three weeks, and one legislative leader blamed that minor reform for their failure to pass the budget on time. Of course, the budget would likely have been passed with time to spare if lawmakers had simply followed the law.

Conclusion
In South Carolina, localized legislative concerns dominate the process from beginning to end, with only the governor's historically impotent budget vetoes standing in the way. The consequences have been predictable: notoriously wasteful spending as the budget grows from year to year; rampant duplication of services; budgets full of favors for well-connected companies; and a lack of both transparency and accountability throughout the entire process.

The General Assembly still possesses enormous power over the state budget – as it should – but it does not have

the authority to set the state's spending priorities. The law gives the governor that authority. Nor does the law simply allow the governor to write a detailed spending plan – it is a requirement. And every year in early November, citizens should start seeing agency budget requests (that meet the requirements of the law) appear online as the governor begins the budget process spelled out in the code.

The law also requires the two chambers' appropriations committees to hold joint and open hearings on the governor's budget five days after that budget is submitted. These hearings are not suggested as "best practices." They are required by law.

This process would keep the power over South Carolina's spending accountable to the taxpayers. However, the budget process typically followed by the General Assembly squanders that power away into the hands of a few lawmakers. Transparency and accountability in the state budget process will only occur when citizens demand that their governor and lawmakers follow the budget law.

Author

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"I went to Davidson College, Syracuse University...and went into the Army for a couple of years," Clark said. "I was down in Florida teaching political science. My dad was telling me about this young progressive congressman who had just gotten elected...I wrote a letter and said that I would like to come work with him in Washington. I got a call from his mentor, a guy named Rob Floyd...I get in the office there and Rob says 'We can talk a little bit but I'm telling you right now we're hiring you.'"

Clark went on to serve as a top aide for Jenrette during his six years in office and had a front row seat to all of his political successes and personal failures.

Clark said that Jenrette was an unusual politician, courting minority voters and seeming to genuinely care about them at a time when most politicians acted as though they didn't exist. He was well-liked, both in South Carolina and in Washington, earning himself a seat on the House Majority Leadership Team as a freshman congressman.

Capitol Steps and Missteps chronicles the years leading up to the Abscam sting, run by the FBI, that was the misstep Jenrette could not smooth talk his way



John Clark reminisces about his days in the Pee Dee Region before joining the office of John Jenrette in Washington, D.C.
PHOTO BY MELISSA ROLLINS

out of.

Clark said that there are several names in the book that people in Hartsville will recognize.

"In my book, there are a few Hartsville characters like Bill Craig who ran for Congress and was a major player in 1972," Clark said. "Later, we have some mention of Ed Saleeby; Ed knew what he was doing

and he didn't get too close to any of this but he was certainly a power back in the day. There is also a sad story, in my opinion a sad story, about a Hartsville fellow Billy Lowe. I didn't really know Billy Lowe but everything I knew about him was generally good and I think he was a victim in some of the stuff that was going on and an unknowing victim at that."

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Betty M. Kirven
Betty McCaskill Kirven, age 87, passed away Tuesday, November 07, 2017. Funeral services were held at 3 p.m. Friday, November 10th in the chapel at Belk Funeral Home, with burial following in Swift Creek Cemetery.



Born September 19, 1930, Betty is the daughter of the late Joseph Marion McCaskill and Ola V. Hall McCaskill. She worked at Dixie Cup for over 30 years, and she enjoyed playing in the Good Time Band. She was known for having a green thumb, and was the glue of her family. She was a member of Praise Temple Church in Hartsville.

Surviving are her children, Sarah K. (Bill) Garland, Lewis D. (Kathy) Kirven, Cathy Y. Kirven (Wayne Stuart), and Leon M. Kirven; her grandchildren, Billy (Dana) Garland, Shawn (Connie) Garland, Sarah Lehr (David) Gandy, Russ (Sharon) Rogers, Kelly (Les) Galloway, Caren (Austin) Oates, Jay Jay (Martin) Stark, Lon (Sydney) Kirven, Matthew Kirven, Marion Kirven, and Marlon Kirven; 14 great-grandchildren, her brother-in-law, R.L. Kirven, and her sister-in-law, Arcola Stokes.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Delmer Kirven; her sister, Inez Turner; her brothers, A.W., Ernest, Joseph, Harold, and James McCaskill.

The family received friends from 5-7 p.m. Thursday at Belk Funeral Home, and other times at the home of Sarah and Bill Garland, 127 Alabama Dr. Darlington.

The family would like to thank Dr. Parker Lilly and the staff at Medford Nursing Home and McLeod Hospital. Memorials may be made to the Good Time Band in care of Mary Della Anderson, 491 Anderson Dr. Darlington, SC 29532; or to the Alzheimer's Association, South Carolina Chapter, 1039 44th Ave North,

Myrtle Beach, SC 29577. A guestbook is available online at www.belkfuneralhome.com.

Bobby H. Byrd, Jr.
Robert "Bobby" H. Byrd, Jr., age 75, passed away Wednesday, November 8, 2017. Funeral services were held 2 p.m. Saturday, November 11th in the chapel at Belk Funeral Home, with burial following in Darlington Memory Gardens.



Born July 5, 1942, Bobby is the son of the late Robert H. Byrd, Sr., and Corrie Privette Hill. He served in the U.S. Army National Guard, and was the owner and operator of Mobile Auto Supply for 34 years. Bobby enjoyed baking, collecting classic cars, looking for "quality merchandise" at yard sales, and spending time with his children and grandchildren. In his later years, Bobby enjoyed watching birds and squirrels in his yard, and checking on his neighbors. He was a member of Emmanuel Baptist Church in Hartsville.

Surviving are his wife of 50 years, Brenda Davis Byrd of Hartsville; his daughters, Fran A. Byrd of Columbia and Amanda (Andy) Matthews of Florence; two grandchildren, Stokes and Piper Matthews; his sister, Faye (Gene) Bilton of Orangeburg. He was preceded in death by his son, Robert "Kevin" Byrd.

The family received friends from 5-7 p.m. Friday, November 10th at Belk Funeral Home.

Memorials may be made to Emmanuel Baptist Church, 949 N. Marquis Hwy. Hartsville, SC 29550; or to the South Carolina Kidney Foundation, 508 Hampton Street Suite 200 Columbia, SC 29201.

A guestbook is available online at www.belkfuneralhome.com.

Donald L. Glock
Donald Larry Glock, age 66, passed away Monday, November 6, 2017. The family

will hold a private memorial service at a later date.

Born December 2, 1950 in Dayton, Ohio, Larry is the son of Peggy McKeown Bagwell, and the late Donald Leroy Glock. He worked as a pharmacist for many years until his retirement. Larry was an avid Carolina Gamecocks fan and he enjoyed ocean fishing.

Surviving in addition to his mother, Peggy (Burl) McKeown Bagwell, are his son, Brian D. Glock of Charlotte, NC; his siblings, Ronnie Glock of Florence, DeNiece (Eddie) Jackson of Darlington, Martha (Sergio) Parra of Lancaster, and Dr. Pablo (Maria) McKeown of Guatemala. Also surviving are four grandchildren, and many nieces and nephews.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to a church or a charity of one's choice.

A guestbook is available online at www.belkfuneralhome.com.

Harry L. Harrington
Harry Lear Harrington, age 79, passed away Saturday, November 4, 2017. The family received friends from 6-8 p.m. Thursday, November 9th at Belk Funeral Home.

Born January 16, 1938 in Wadesboro, NC, Harry is the son of the late Watt Harrington, and Grace Clark Harrington. He worked for Bristow Oil Company and as a salesman for over 30 years. He loved golf and was a North Carolina Tar Heels football fan.

Surviving are his daughter, Rachel (Ricky) Langley of Darlington; his grandson, Scott Smith of Cheraw. He was preceded in death by his brother, Jay Harrington, and his sister, Patricia Jacobs.

A guestbook is available online at www.belkfuneralhome.com.

Julia Weaver
Julia "Judy" Nelson Weaver, of the Lake Swamp Community, died Tuesday Night, November 7, 2016. A graveside service was held at 2 p.m. on Friday, November 10th at Lake Swamp Cemetery, directed by Belk Funeral Home. The family received friends in

the fellowship hall of Lake Swamp Baptist Church following the graveside service.

Born in Darlington on September 12, 1938, she is the daughter of the late George and Margaret Tarte Nelson. Judy was a devoted housewife who enjoyed knitting and crocheting, then giving her work away to friends. Mrs. Weaver was faithful in reading her Bible, and a member of Lake Swamp Baptist Church.

She is survived by her husband, Chandler "Chan" Weaver, a daughter, Vicki (Jim) Avin all of the Lake Swamp Community; and a half-sister, Martha Broome.

She was preceded in death by her siblings, Diane Atkins, Rocky Nelson and Janice Nelson.

In lieu of flowers memorials may be made to Lake Swamp Baptist Church Building Fund, 6558 Oates Highway, Timmonsville, SC 29161.

A guestbook is available online at www.belkfuneralhome.com

George Kornegay
George William Kornegay, age 72, died Wednesday, November 8, 2017. A Memorial service was held at 2 p.m. on Sunday, November 12th in the chapel of Belk Funeral Home.

Born in Providence, RI on June 20, 1945, he is the son of the late George and Martha Forrester Kornegay, but was lovingly raised by his Aunt Bessie. George served his country in the United States Navy, where he worked as an electrician, repairing planes aboard an aircraft carrier during the Vietnam War. He then went to work for Ben Arnold-Sunbelt, retiring after forty years as a salesman. He enjoyed watching Gamecock football and will be remembered as a man who worked hard to provide for his family.

He is survived by his wife, Nancy, his sons and daughters-in-law, Sean and Melanie of Summerfield NC and Brian and Ann of Singapore, and his grandchildren: Reagan, Addison, Kruz and Karmen.

A tribute page for Mr. Kornegay is available at www.belkfuneralhome.com

LIVING ON PURPOSE

Letting go of hatred and unforgiveness

By Dr. William Holland

How much grace does it take to love our enemies? Well, that is a good question. Tragedies are happening all around us and it's true we are very heart-broken and alarmed, but what if one day our family is harmed? I admit that I do not always have the character of Christ when I'm being threatened or provoked to anger. Many times, my first reaction is to retaliate because that's a strong part of our human nature. I realize that people need to be punished for their terrible acts of violence but the problem within our soul is the temptation to hold unforgiveness against them. Life is filled with challenges and situations that attempt to lure us into bad attitudes but for the serious Christian, it's the forgiveness of Christ that can teach us and lead us into the peace that passes all understanding.

When we fall into a negative mind-set, our joy (which is our spiritual strength), evaporates and we become weak and discouraged. Anger and the desire for revenge can emotionally, mentally and spiritually hold us in the bondage of misery. If we allow ourselves to become weighed down with animosity, our relationship with God suffers which is why it's so important to not become entangled with resentment and hatred. To those around us, everything may seem fine but inside we are full of anger and contempt. The battle we choose to fight in our conscience is something we want to do because we feel we are justified in our hatred. However, if we continue to embrace the desire for vengeance we are allowing the darkness of sin to control our thoughts and hold our soul hostage to contempt. Sadly, many would rather live in agony, brooding thoughts of hostility instead of releasing them to God and allowing Him to execute justice His way.

I was called to pray for an elderly gentleman the other day that was near death. He was barely able to understand or communicate because of the heavy doses of morphine. His son was sitting next to the bed and after a while he started to talk about his dad. They were not close and he began to describe a

man that was not only harsh and uncaring but actually abusive. I could sense the deep emotional pain as he revealed the sad story of a disappointed and wounded family. The son was a Christian and had been dealing with resentment for years and as he continued to share about forgiveness, amazingly I could see the love and peace of God in his countenance. This type of emotional pain is truly a heavy burden, but if we sincerely ask the Lord to step into our situation, He is the only one who can bring inner healing to our heart and mind.

If you watch a toddler you will notice they react to basic experiences of hunger, affection, disappointment, happiness and anger but have not yet learned the dangers of being offended. Resentment is one of many attitudes we naturally develop as we grow older and it's only through inviting Christ to become our Lord and allowing His Word to transform our mind that we can be molded into His way of merciful thinking. God wants us to be open and honest with Him and not suppress these ugly imaginations, which can damage our personal relationship with Him. The opportunity to call on Christ is always available as Psalm 46:1 declares, "God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble." Holding on to these negative attitudes becomes like a growing infection that can also desensitize us from having sympathy about other people's pain and caring about their needs. This is a very serious problem because it involves the Christian's most precious asset - our love. The enemy of our soul will use anything he can to hinder our love and discourage us from praying for others. May we never lose our focus to humbly serve and obey Christ because we are blinded by our own misery. Whatever someone has done to hurt us, may we remember that living in the peace of God's love and forgiveness is possible. Some may say they will not or cannot forgive but the Bible reminds us in Philippians 4:13, "I can do ALL things through Christ which strengthens me."

To read more articles and stories please visit: billyholandministries.com.

"Still I Sing" concert to benefit Coker College's Cobra Cupboard

On November 16, from 7-8 p.m., the Coker Singers will host a benefit concert at St. Bartholomew's Episcopal Church to support the Cobra Cupboard, an on-campus food pantry available to Coker students who experience food and care product insecurities by providing them with supplemental food and basic necessities. The concert is free and open to the public, but the

Coker Singers are asking attendees to bring non-perishable food items in lieu of admission for the Cobra Cupboard. Still I Sing will be a concert featuring music and text by and about marginalized communities, lending a platform to groups whose voices have been traditionally underrepresented in the classical arts. The three-part concert will address issues of immigration, race, religion,

and even age discrimination, ultimately ending with a set of songs in search of common ground and understanding, a plea for peace. The music will include a variety of selections from the canon of choral repertoire including spirituals, classical, and contemporary choral standards. Jerron Jorgensen, assistant professor of music at Coker College, says, "We're trying to make

this a very socially relevant concert. Because we're addressing so many different communities that otherwise tend to be overlooked, we're hoping it hits close to home."

"I think it's going to be a pretty special concert," says Jorgensen. "The pieces are about finding an understanding between all the different social groups that we have in our country."

Church News

Please send your church news and photos to: editor@newsandpress.net

Choir Anniversary

The Gospel Choir of Savannah Grove A.M.E. Church located 1401 Andrews Mill Rd., Lamar, will celebrate their 48th Anniversary, November 19 at 4 PM. Rev. Johnnie O. Coe and the St. Matthew A.M.E. Church Family from Hamer, SC will be the special guests. Rev. Steven C. Gilchrist is the Pastor.

Women Of Worth

Women of Worth, the ladies of Great Commission Ministries in Darlington, invites all ladies to attend its monthly meeting on Monday, November 20, 2017 at 6 p.m. The address is 757 Wire Road Darlington SC, 29532. The Church is positioned at the corner of Billy Farrow Highway and Wire RD. Light Refreshments, fellowship, and

devotional. Come on out and share in Fellowship 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.

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

The Lord Cares

Please continue to assist The Lord Cares in caring for those in need in the Darlington area. T.L.C.'s food bank is located at 201 Grove Street in Darlington. They are open Monday, Wednesday, and Thursday from 10 a.m. until 12 p.m. Donations of non-perishable food items (especially canned meats) are needed, as are toiletries, bathroom tissue, and paper towels. Mail monetary donations to: The Lord Cares PO Box, 1457, Darlington, SC 29540.

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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

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

Youth Summer Reading Program - Tuesdays at 10 a.m.
American Sign Language Class - Mondays 6 - 8 p.m.
Free Computer Classes (call to reserve your spot) - Tuesdays 6 -7:30 p.m. and Fridays 10-11:30 a.m.

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.

Free STEM Friday at Girls University

For girls grades 5K - 8th grade. The event is 100 percent free and will take place from 6:30 - 7:30 pm at the Girls University Lab, 1249 Celebration Blvd. in Florence. Girls will complete a variety of Girls U signature STEM and STEAM (science, technology, engineering, arts and math) enrichment activities. Each month, there will be a different activity. Only 20 slots available so girls must be registered to attend. Register online at <https://free-fridays.eventbrite.com>.

Monthly Events

Yoga for Beginners

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

Darlington County Coordinating Council

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

Hartsville Pilot Club

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

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

Hartsville Toastmasters

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

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.

Darlington County Board of Education

The Darlington County Board of Education meets on the second Monday of each month. Additional meetings may be called for worksessions and information sessions. The meeting will begin at 6 pm for regularly scheduled meetings. The Darlington County Board of Education in the Training Room of the Administrative Office located at 120 E. Smith Avenue in Darlington, except where noted on the schedule.

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Youth Basketball Registration

Darlington Recreation will hold youth basketball registration Nov. 1- Nov. 30. The cost is \$25 per child. Children ages 5-14 are eligible. Registration can be done at the recreation center, 300 Sanders Street. For more information, call 843-398-4030.

Beautification Board

The City of Darlington Beautification Board will meet Nov. 15 at 5 p.m. at City Hall, 410 Pearl St, Darlington.

Centennial Tree Lighting

Join us in downtown Hartsville on Thursday, November 16th from 6-9 p.m. for this hybrid City of Hartsville and Main Street Hartsville event. Enjoy extended shopping hours at local retailers for Downtown Holiday Open House, warm up with hot chocolate and cookies, grab a picture with Santa Claus, and end the night lighting up our city at the Centennial Tree Lighting.

League of Women Voters of Darlington County and Friends

The public is invited to our local work meeting Nov. 16 from 7-8 p.m. at Hartsville's Coker College Library, 2nd floor's room 228. The topic is redistricting, or gerrymandering as it is also called, in our state and nation. The agenda begins with a brief orientation, and how we can support a bill recently filed most effectively. Two work groups will complete contacts of different populations and plan follow-up. For more information, contact Sheila Haney, 843-332-6468, haneys@yahoo.com.

Entrepreneurial Forum Gala

The Florence-Darlington Technical College Educational Foundation will present the 3rd Entrepreneurial Forum Gala on November 16. Seven new individuals will be inducted into the Forum, which honors and recognizes outstanding leaders who have contributed to the prosperity of our region through their entrepreneurial activities, business leadership, and involvement in the community. There will be a reception and dinner, followed by a video presentation on each honoree. College president Dr. Ben Dillard will present each honoree with an award. Call 843-881-8002 for tickets.

Concert to Benefit the Cobra Cupboard

On Thursday, November 16, the Coker Singers will host a benefit concert at St. Bartholomew's Episcopal Church to support the Cobra Cupboard, an on-campus food pantry available to Coker students who experience food insecurities. The concert is free and open to the public, but attendees are asked to bring non-perishable food items for the Cupboard. The event is from 7-8 p.m.

Catfish Festival

The Society Hill Catfish Festival will be Nov. 18 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Solar Energy Meeting

The New Alpha Community Development Corporation will hold a community meeting on solar energy, job opportunities and energy efficiency Nov. 20. The meeting will be in the Stukes Meeting Room at the Drs. Bruce and Lee Library, 509 S. Dargan Street in Florence from 6 to 8 p.m.

Rosenwald Foundation Meeting

Tuesday, November 21 at 4 p.m. at the Society Hill Community Center. The public is invited to attend.

Harvest Fest

Kingdom Living Temple, 2056 Second Loop Rd. Florence, will host their second annual Harvest Fest Nov. 25 starting at 10 a.m.

Museum Commission

The Hartsville Museum Commission will meet Nov. 21, 6 p.m. at the Hartsville Museum.

Author Fair

The Darlington Library will hold an Author Fair from 1 to 6 p.m. on Nov. 21

Bake Sale

The Darlington Library will hold a Bake Sale Nov. 21 from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m.

Darlington County Ambulance Commission

The Darlington County Ambulance Commission will meet on Tuesday, November 28 at 6 p.m. at the EMS/EPA Building Courthouse Annex, 1625 Harry Byrd Highway. For questions, contact: 843-398-4450.

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Disney on Ice: Frozen

Your favorite Frozen characters come to the Florence Civic Center, 3300 W Radio Dr, Florence, December 2 at 1 p.m. Tickets can be found at www.florenceciviccenter.com.

Darlington Christmas Parade

The parade will be held Sunday, December 3 at 4pm. The lineup for cars will be on S. Spain St and for floats on N. Spain St starting at 2 p.m. Float rentals must be paid for by November 24th. For any questions, call Jacqueline Muldrow at 843-639-3315 or Anna DeWitt at 843-616-2629.

Kalmia Gardens Christmas Open House

On December 3 the Hart house will be decorated in period style; there will be light snacks and a visit from Old Saint Nick. Along with the Hart House tour the Jacob Kelly house and Hart cottage will also be open free of charge. The free event will take place from 3 to 5 p.m. For more information, visit Kalmiagardens.org or call 843-383-8145.

Darlington County Council Meeting

The Darlington County Council meets on Monday, December 4, 2017 at 6 p.m. at the Courthouse Annex/EMS Building, 1625 Harry Byrd Highway, 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@darcosc.com.

Darlington City Council Meeting

The Darlington City Council will hold their monthly meeting on December 5 at 6:30 p.m. in the City of Darlington Council Chambers at City Hall, located at 400 Pearl Street.

Shop Small Downtown Open House

Mark your calendars for the Shop Small Downtown Open House on Thursday, Dec. 7! Enjoy shopping, music, games, photos with Santa, and snow on the Public Square and at area businesses from 5 to 8 p.m. The Darlington Downtown Revitalization Association will provide Shop Small tote bags to the first 200 guests.

Coker College Informal Dance Concert

The Coker College Dance Program presents the Informal Dance Concert December 7, at 7:30 p.m. at the Watson Theater of the Elizabeth Boatwright Coker Performing Arts Center. This concert features performances and choreography by the dance classes and students of Coker College. The Coker Repertory Dance Company and Venomous Hip Hop Dance Club will perform as well. This event is FREE and open to the public.

2017 Mingle and Jingle

Join in an evening of holiday cheer to support the Hartsville Boys and Girls Club. The event on Dec. 8, from 6:30 to 9 p.m., is aimed at raising awareness of the needs of our local club, while also celebrating all of the successes that the group has had impacting youth in our area. Last year's event raised \$5,000. This year our goal is to raise \$10,000!

Tickets are reserved for adults 21 and older. The event will be held at the Black Creek Arts Council, 116 W College Avenue in Hartsville. Cocktail attire.

Hartsville Christmas Parade

The Hartsville Christmas Parade will take place Saturday, December 9th, beginning at 10:30 a.m. Applications to participate in this year's parade will be accepted until Friday, November 17th at 5 p.m. Applications can be submitted online and in person at Hartsville's Visitors Center, 106 E. Carolina Avenue.

Blue Cross Blue Shield RV Stop

The SC Blue RV will stop in Florence from Dec 11-Dec. 15. The RV will be open to customers from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. at Doctors Care, 2200 S. Irby Street.

Holiday Pops-Florence Symphony Orchestra

December 11 at 7:30 p.m. at the Francis Marion University Performing Arts Center. Tickets will be available at fmupac.org or by calling or visiting the PAC Ticket Office at 201 S. Dargan St., (843) 661-4444. Featuring The Masterwork's Children's Choir and Holiday Favorites Including: The Nutcracker

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Lamar smashes HKT quickly in second round of playoffs

By Drake Horton
Contributing Writer

Quick, fast and dominate; those are the three words used to describe Lamar this past Friday as the Silver Foxes began their quest to make a third straight state championship appearance.

Behind a fast striking offense and dominate defense, the Silver Foxes jumped on Hunter-Kinard-Tyler as quick as possible as Lamar, coming off an opening round bye, cruised to an easy 55-8 victory over the Trojans in the second round of the 1A playoffs.

"I'm just proud of these guys; they came out ready to play," Lamar head coach Corey Fountain said. "We had a good week of practice so I knew they were focused. Hopefully we can just keep working hard and take it one practice at a time, one game at a time."

Lamar was scoring so quick that by the 8:15 mark in the first quarter the Silver Foxes already had 21-0 lead and that was just the beginning. By the time the opening period was over it was 35-0.

The game was such a dominating performance that Lamar brought in the backups to start the second quarter all while the officials instituted a running clock in the same period because of lopsidedness of the game.

And while the second team may not have had a 35-point quarter, it proved to be just as effective against the HKT defense, scoring a touchdown a piece in the sec-

ond, third and fourth quarters.

The Trojans, who had upset Whitmire the week before in the opening round of the 1A playoffs by a score of 50-10, was never in the same class as Lamar when it came to on the field play.

On the Trojans first offensive possession, HKT fumbled and Lamar's Jebblonski Green recovered it returning it for a touchdown.

If that was not bad enough, the Trojans didn't convert their first first-down until the second quarter after the Silver Foxes' score had already gone up 42-0.

The first quarter was basically a two-man show as Green and Jacquez Lucas scored all five of the Silver Foxes touchdowns. Lucas had three scores, a 50-yard run on the first drive of the game, a 25 yarder at the 8:15 mark and a 30-yard scamper that capped the scoring off in the first quarter.

Green, to go along with his scoop and score on defense, also added a 55-yard touchdown run that put the Silver Foxes up 28-0.

With the starters on the bench to start the second quarter, backup quarterback Cam Galloway kept Lamar's offense ticking, connecting with Tjuan Burroughs for a five-yard touchdown reception, his first of two on the game. Burroughs added a 15-yard touchdown run in the third quarter.

HKT finally got itself on the scoreboard in the fourth quarter, but Lamar answered that touchdown with another,



er, its last of the game. The win, which improved Lamar to 11-0 overall, also advances the Silver Foxes to the third round of the playoffs.

Unfortunately, due to predetermined brackets based on region winners, Lamar is going on the road this week to take on Williston-Elko with the winner advancing to the upper state championship.

County Recap
The Hartsville Red Foxes stayed alive in the 4A playoffs defeating Cane Bay 35-7. The Red Foxes take on Lower Richland this Friday at home with the winner moving on to the lower state championship.



Pregnant tiger shark tagged off SC coast

The distinctly striped tiger shark is one of the largest predators in coastal South Carolina waters – and now you can follow the movements of one through her pregnancy.

This week, South Carolina Department of Natural Resources (SCDNR) biologists working in St. Helena Sound caught and satellite tagged "Harry-Etta," a female tiger shark clocking in at 12'2" long and 820 pounds. By providing real-time data as she cruises Southeastern waters, Harry-Etta could help researchers answer important questions about how long sharks of this little-studied species live, how often they reproduce, and where and when they migrate.

Two years ago, the same SCDNR team affixed a satellite to Harry-Etta's predecessor – another female tiger shark, dubbed "Harry-Ette," whose satellite tag was also sponsored by the Harry Hampton Wildlife Fund. In South Carolina, adult tiger sharks typically range between 10 to 13 feet in length, with females reaching larger sizes than males.

For several years, SCDNR biologists have worked to better understand these large predators through collaborative work with the shark-tagging nonprofit OCEARCH, charter captain Chip Michalove, and College of Charleston researchers. The work has shed light on the importance of South Carolina's southern sounds (particularly St. Helena and Port Royal Sounds) as foraging and potentially nursing grounds for tiger sharks.

"This is actually the third time we've encountered Harry-Etta," said SCDNR biologist Bryan Frazier, who leads the agency's shark-tagging efforts. "She was tagged with a conventional tag in 2013 by charter captain Chip Michalove and again by SCDNR in 2015 in Port Royal Sound. This time, we were able to apply a SPOT tag, allowing us to follow her movements over the next year."

SPOT (Smart Position or

Temperature) tags are small devices secured to a shark's dorsal fin that track movement by sending signals to a satellite, or "pings," each time they're above water for more than 90 seconds. Like humans, each shark is unique in their habits of movement – so some animals ping frequently, while others surface only rarely.

There was something else noteworthy about Harry-Etta this time around, Frazier said: "We also confirmed she was pregnant by ultrasound, so we can gain insight into what habitats she uses during gestation."

Harry-Etta is the fifteenth tiger shark Frazier's team has fitted with a satellite transmitter in South Carolina – but the first one known to be pregnant. In recent years, fresh mating wounds found on other tagged tiger sharks have led the team to believe that South Carolina's southern sounds and nearshore waters could be important locations for tiger shark reproduction.

About Harry-Etta's name: The Hampton Wildlife Fund was established in 1981 and named for South Carolina conservationist Harry R.E. Hampton. Dedicated to the conservation and protection of the state's natural resources, the Fund has now sponsored two satellite tags for tracking tiger sharks, both of which have been named in Harry Hampton's honor.

"I'm happy our board, led by Chair Deidre Menefee, unanimously voted to fund a second tag," said Hampton Wildlife Fund executive director Jim Goller. "We're proud to support SCDNR in their efforts to study these magnificent creatures that frequent South Carolina waters. I fish St. Helena Sound where Harry-Etta was tagged, making this tiger very special to me. We are all super excited and can't wait to follow her on the OCEARCH website."

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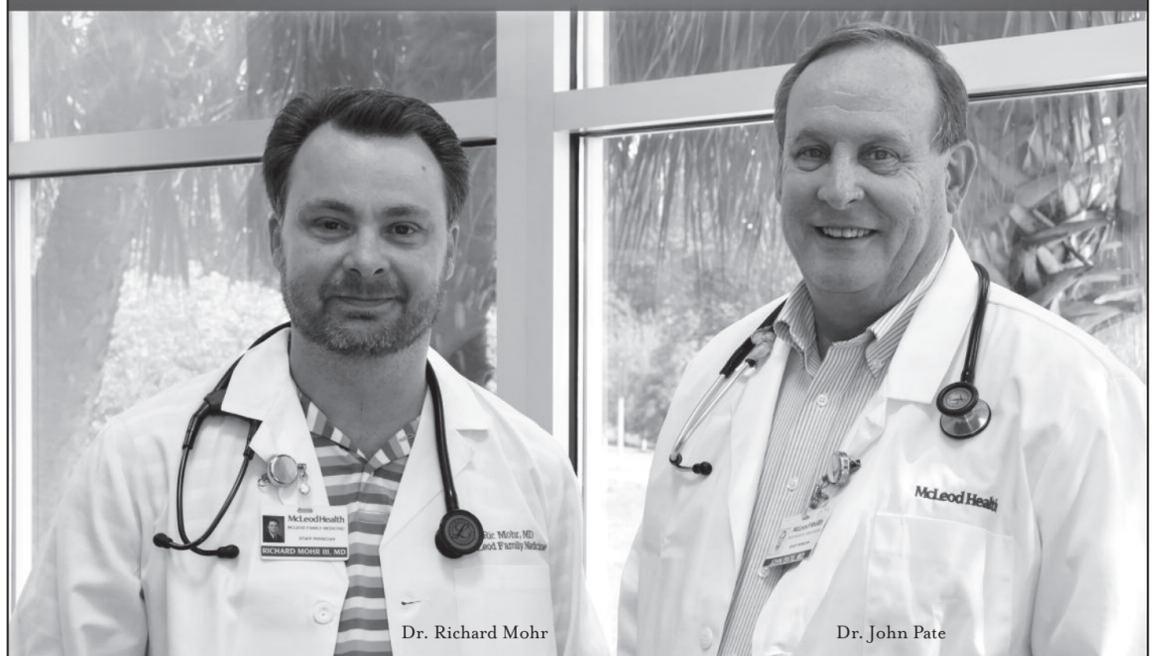
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Cobra Softball signs seven in early signing period

Coker College Head Softball Coach Travis McCall announced the signing of Ashley Meckley, Ava Jay, Jordyn Goodman, Chloe Pelham, Cierra Watts, Isabelle Mullen, and Olivia Varella for the 2018-19 season.

Ashley Meckley hails from Hanahan, S.C. and played for Hanahan High School at third base. Meckley was a two-sport athlete for the Hawks in softball and basketball. Her softball accolades include: most improved in the eighth grade, best defense her freshman year, and AAA All-State and state champion as a junior. She is successful in the classroom, as well as on the softball field, being a member of the National Honors Society and being named to the honor roll. Meckley played travel softball for the Carolina Fire. She is the daughter of Virginia and Robert Meckley, and she plans to major in business.

According to McCall, "Ashley is a fierce competitor who commands the infield. Her versatility and athleticism allow her to play anywhere on the field. She has great presence on the field and is one of the best dugout leaders I've ever seen. We are so excited about Meck!"

Ava Jay is an outfielder from Matthews, N.C., where she played for the David W. Butler High School Bulldogs. She was named to the Southwestern 4A

All-Conference team and is a member of the Black Student Union. Jay also plays travel softball for the Lady Lightning. She is the daughter of Katherine Judge and plans on majoring in exercise science.

When asked about Jay, Coach McCall said, "Ava can really go get it in the outfield. Her size and arm strength will have an immediate impact on our outfield play. At the plate, her speed and ability to put pressure on the defense in numerous ways will make our lineup more versatile. I'm very excited to add Ava!"

Jordyn Goodman is a pitcher from Arbutus, Md. where she attended Lansdowne High School. She played volleyball and softball for the Vikings and was a three-time varsity softball MVP and captain. Goodman garnered Second Team All-Baltimore County honors in 2017 and she was tabbed as a All-Baltimore County

Honorable Mention pitcher in 2016. She also broke Lansdowne's single season strikeout record with 190 during the 2016 season. In 2015, she was named the First-Team All-Division pitcher, while leading the Hawks to the 3A North Regional Championship.

Goodman has three perfect games to her credit, two being back-to-back in the Maryland 3A North Playoffs. As a batter, she has a batting average of

.600 every season. Goodman has been a member of the president of Lansdowne's Student Athlete Advisory Committee and is a member of the Senior Steering Committee. She has been on the honor roll since the sixth grade and has been a National Honor Society member for the last two years. Goodman is the daughter of Ken and Donna Goodman. She plans to major in business administration. Her sister Hannah is a sophomore on the Cobra softball team.

According to McCall, "Jordyn brings us a look that we haven't had here with our pitching staff. She brings a different dynamic from the left side of the circle and a power left handed bat. She has great command of all her pitches and her attacking mentality will be huge for our staff. We can't wait for Jordyn to be on campus!"

Chloe Pelham is a Goose Creek, S.C. native who plays infield for the Stratford High School Knights. Pelham was named All-Region, All-Low Country and All-State in 2017. She was also a member of the 2017 state championship team for Stratford. The daughter of Tonya and Jimmy Pelham, and she plans to major in education.

When asked about Pelham, McCall said, "Chloe is an extremely hard worker who will add depth at numerous positions on our infield. Her arm

strength can change ball games and she's a proven winner. Offensively, she has great pop and can drive the ball to all fields. We are thrilled to have Chloe!"

Cierra Watts is an outfielder for West Brunswick High School, where she was a two-sport athlete playing softball and volleyball. On the softball field, Watts was named First-Team All-Area, Second-Team All-Conference, was the All-Tournament Team MVP, and her team was East Regional Runner-Up for North Carolina. She is a member of the National Honors Society, Junior Beta Club, and the A and A/B honor roll. Watts earned Daughters of the American Revolution Citizenship Award and the Duke Tip Award. She also played travel softball for the Carolina Flames Elite 18U team. The Shallotte, N.C. resident is the daughter of Billy and Sonni Priest Noble, and David Ray Watts. She plans on majoring in biology.

According to Coach McCall, "Cierra gives us another left handed bat in our lineup with some great pop. She has great instincts in the outfield and reads the ball well off of the bat. She adds depth to our corner outfield positions. We are excited about Cierra!"

Isabelle Mullen is a Huntersville, N.C. native, where she attends Pine Lake

Preparatory. While playing softball for the Pride, Watts earned 1A All-State and All-District honors. She was also a two-time Southern Piedmont All-Conference selection. She played travel softball for the Carolina Cardinals. Watts is a member of the Tri-M Music Honors Society, the Spirit Club, is a member of the Praise Band, and the Pride Singers. The pitcher is the daughter of Ashley and Stephen Mullen and she is currently an undecided major.

"Isabelle gives us even more depth in the circle. She spins the ball all over the zone and has a very high softball IQ. She commands her pitches and really does a great job of throwing strikes and making hitters hit her pitch. We are very excited to have her at Coker!" said McCall.

Olivia Varella, a Summerville, S.C. native, where she attends Fort Dorchester High School. She was named Fort Dorchester's Athlete of the Year, Softball MVP and earned the Offense Award in 2017. She was also named to the 2017 All-Region team. Varella is a two-time Academic Excellence Award winner and she is a member of the Leadership Advisory Board and the BETA Student Council. Varella played travel softball for the Carolina Fire as well. The catcher plans to major in

exercise science while playing for the Cobras. She is the daughter of Buzz and Lori Varella.

When asked about Varella McCall said, "Olivia adds depth behind the plate and up the middle for us. She has great presence as a catcher and does a tremendous job of managing the game. She is a gap-to-gap hitter who has a great understanding of the zone. I can't wait for Olivia to be a Cobra!"

"I'm really excited about the caliber of student-athletes we have been able to sign with our 2018 class," said McCall. "We've added depth at every position on the field with players that can come in and make an immediate impact when they step foot on campus. More importantly, all of them are high character people who come from awesome families and are all about Coker. They will be great additions to what we return to our team next year. The future of Coker softball is very bright."

The 2018 Cobra squad returns 18 players from the 2017 team that went 41-17 and finished runner-up in the South Atlantic Conference Softball Championship. The Cobras will be looking to have another great year when they begin the season on Feb. 3, with a non-conference doubleheader at home against Southern Wesleyan at 1 p.m. and 3 p.m.



GSSM Wins 2017 Cross Country State Championship

The South Carolina Governor's School for Science & Mathematics' Men's Cross Country team won the 2017 1A Cross Country State Championship on Saturday, November 4, 2017.

"Winning a cross country state championship is a team effort. We saw the fruit of that after our regional championship where all five men were named all-region runners. We went on to have four of our five boys achieve all-state recognition, which is exactly what we needed to beat Dixie," said Mike Rhodes, GSSM Residence Life Coordinator and Coach of the Men's Cross Country team.

"The hard work and determination this team displayed all season was fully rewarded with this championship. It feels good for us to be able to bring this home to GSSM."

The team competed against strong runners from twelve other 1A teams from across South Carolina.

Members of the Men's Cross Country Team are Michael Bertram, Kollin Campbell, Austin Geer, Noah Klimkowski Arango, Brendan McManamon, Landon Nelson and Richard Sandvoss.

In addition to an overall win, McManamon placed first in the meet with a time of 16:13.

"Our student athletes understand that the joy of learning does not stop in the classroom," said Hugh O'Connor, GSSM Athletic Director. "They recognize that there are lessons to be learned through Athletics that can and will last a lifetime."

GSSM President Hector Flores congratulated the team, "In addition to the academic leadership we are known for, these young men demonstrate the hard work, courage, and determination to compete hard that is embodied in the spirit of this school. We are very proud of them and their achievements."

Cobras compete in Hokie Open

ROANOKE, VA- The Coker wrestling team traveled to the Berglund Center Nov. 5 for the 2017 Hokie Open, hosted by Virginia Tech. The event featured Division I, II, and club wrestling teams from the East Coast.

The Navy and Gold had five wrestlers compete at the Hokie Open, with Matthew Kieta, Luis Peguero, and Nathan Troutvine all earning victories.

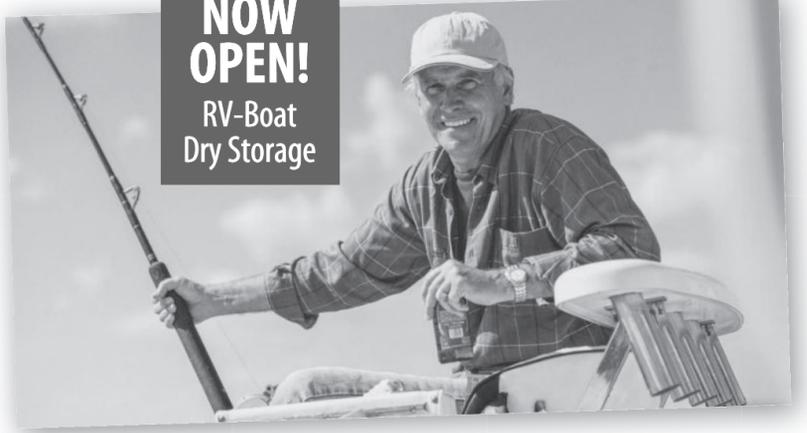
Matthew Kieta led the

Cobras by making it to the 149 consolation semifinals. In the round of 32, he defeated a Duke University opponent in a 6-3 decision. Kieta grabbed a technical fall over a Virginia Military Institute wrestler in 3:44 with a score of 19-1 to reach the quarterfinals. In the consolation quarterfinals, Kieta earned a close decision over a UT-Chattanooga representative 7-6, moving him to the consolation semifinals.

Luis Peguero had a round of 32 bye and earned a 7-2 decision over an unattached opponent in the round of 16.

Coker's Nathan Troutvine kept up with Kieta on the day as he finished in the consolation semifinals as well. He was given a pass in the round of 32, sending him straight to the round of 16, where Troutvine earned a victory over University of North Carolina at Pembroke's wrestler in a 4-2 decision.

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Darlington honors Veterans during annual ceremony

The annual Veterans Day ceremony held on North Main Street at the Darlington Veterans Memorial drew crowds of veterans, their families and friends, and many citizens who came to show appreciation for the men and women who serve in our nation's military.

Guest speaker Robert "Bob" Scherer, former South Carolina Department Commander of the American Legion was the guest speaker. His remarks centered on the enduring obligations - for medical and psychological

care, rehabilitation, employment, and basic respect - our nation owes to those military veterans who protect our cherished freedoms.

The ceremony also featured remarks from Grady Weaver, Commander of American Legion Post 13, and the presentation of colors by the Darlington High School JROTC. Veterans in attendance stood and received applause as the service themes of each military branch were played, and their flags were hoisted over the monuments of the Veterans Memorial.



Maxie Joy: I'm proud to be a veteran

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A native son returned to Lamar on Nov. 10 to serve as the keynote speaker for the Civitan's annual Veterans Day Celebration, held at the Lamar Veterans Park.

Before Maxie Joy's speech, Civitan's President Jim Windham reminded the audience the reason for celebrating Veterans Day.

"On Veterans Day, we take time to honor our veterans, Windham said. "When Francis Scott Key wrote the Star Spangled Banner almost 200 years ago, he called American the Land of the Free and the Home of the

Brave. Those words are as true today as they were then. Throughout this nation's history, American soldiers, sailors, airman, Marines and Coast Guard have bravely answered the call to defend our freedom, to aid our friends and allies and to turn back aggression. We can never fully repair our debt of gratitude to the more than 650,000 American service members who died in battle, or the 1.4 million who were wounded. We can, however, recognize and thank the 25 million veterans still living today."

As Windham spoke about the cost of living in a free country, he got emotional. "The price of freedom is

high; we cannot afford to forget those willing to pay it," Windham said. "Today we celebrate American veterans for keeping this nation the Land of the Free and the Home of the Brave."

Maxie Joy is a retired Colonel in the United States Army. He served for 27 years before retiring. His speech highlighted his journey from Lamar to the man he is today before talking about veterans and the impact they have on America.

"Throughout our history, veterans have played a key role in the growth of the nation," Joy said. "They explored the wilderness, helped build the canals and the railroads that knitted the

country together. They guarded the frontiers and on a thousand battlefields on land, at sea and in the air, veterans fought the brave battles to decide our fate as a people and country."

Joy said that veterans allow our country to continue on as it has for so many years.

"Even in the midst of the global war on terror, we enjoy a sense of peace because of the sacrifice of millions of veterans whose ranks are filled with heroes spanning every conflict from the Great War to our current war," Joy said. "Through a long and bitter cold war and countless places stricken by famine, veterans brought hope, help and a sense of peace."





On Sunday November 5, the Brothers of Alpha Beta Beta held their annual National Achievement Week program at Jerusalem Baptist Church in Hartsville. This year's theme was "When the World Calls, Omega Men Answer." The speaker for the event was Antonio F. Knox Sr. 40th National/International Grand Basileus of the Fraternity. From President Truman thru today Omega men have been in leadership roles. The Brothers presented annual Achievement awards to outstanding community leaders. They were Colonel Charles D. Young Military to Colonel Larry C. Boyd Sr., Founder's Lifetime Achievement Award to Sen. Gerald Malloy, Citizen of the year Award to Dr. Willie E. Boyd Sr. and Omega Man of the Year to Jerry A. Cheatham. The High School Essay winner was Asia Addison.

USDA names SC directors of Farm Service Agency and Rural Development

COLUMBIA – U.S. Secretary of Agriculture Sonny Perdue announced Friday the appointment of Boone Peeler to the Farm Service Agency (FSA) and Debbie Turbeville to Rural Development (RD), both as State Directors. Peeler and Turbeville serve as appointees of President Donald J. Trump.

"Our goal is to help rural America prosper, and these state leaders will be of great assistance in that task," Secretary Perdue said.

"Boone Peeler and Debbie Turbeville will be excellent representatives of the United States Department of

Agriculture (USDA) in South Carolina," SC Agriculture Commissioner Hugh Weathers said. "They will play an important role in agricultural policy and economic development in our state, and I'm delighted with their appointments."

Peeler is the Vice President of Harvey Peeler's Farm, Inc. in Gaffney, SC and a member of the Gaffney city council since 2006. He has worked at the South Carolina Department of Health and Human Services.

"Agribusiness is South Carolina's largest industry, and I will work tirelessly for our farmers as the state's FSA state

director," Boone said. "I look forward to working with the USDA and Secretary Perdue and thank President Trump, our state Congressional delegation, and Commissioner Weathers for trusting me with this important position."

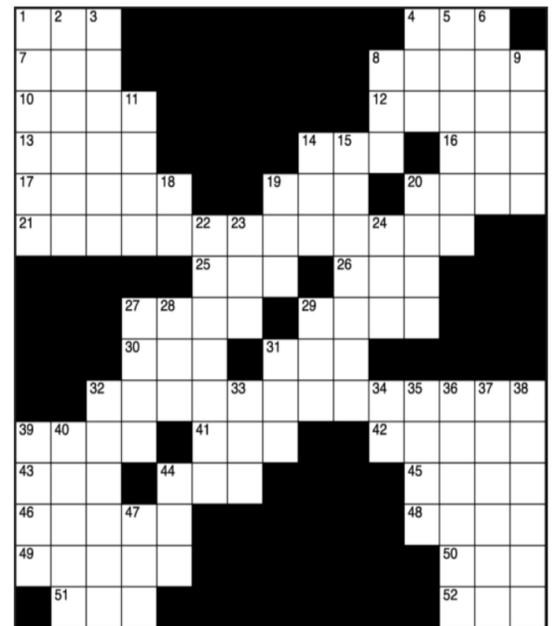
Turbeville of Lake City is a career-long employee of the USDA Rural Development and has served in almost every role at the state level of the agency. Most recently, she was the Area Director for Orangeburg/Aiken and surrounding counties.

"I am thrilled to put my 35 years of experience in Rural Development to work as State

Director," Turbeville said. "Strengthening the economy in rural South Carolina is my passion, and I appreciate the support of Commissioner Weathers for the opportunity to represent the USDA in this capacity."

FSA State Directors help implement USDA policies in planning, organizing, and administering FSA programs in their respective states. They are also responsible for running the day-to-day activities of the state FSA office. RD State Directors work to help improve the economy and quality of life in rural America.

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 7. Mineral
 8. ___ and gagged
 10. One of Lebron's former sidekicks
 12. Ivory Coast village
 13. Caffeinated beverage
 14. Without armies
 16. Intention
 17. Sulfuric and citric are two
 19. Supplement with difficulty
 20. & &
 21. George and Weezie
 25. Liquefied petroleum gas
 26. Immortal act
 27. Ancient Greek sophist
 29. Aids digestion
 30. Comedy routine
 31. Actress Thurman
 32. Adult beverage
 39. Amounts of time
 41. An awkward stupid person
 42. ___ Walker, "The Color Purple"
 43. Covers babies' chests
 44. Parts per billion (abbr.)
 45. Ottoman military title
 46. More skilled
 48. Natives to New Mexico
 49. Indigent
 50. Illuminated
 51. Very fast airplane
 52. Devoid of cordiality
- DOWN**
1. Comedian Goldthwait
 2. Worn by women
 3. "Naked Gun" actor Nielsen
 4. Processes fatty acids
 5. Mortals
 6. Not invited
 8. Show ___: entertainment
 9. Darkens
 11. Pilgrimage
 14. Danish krone
 15. Savior
 18. Midway between south and
 19. Electroencephalograph
 20. Henry's wife Boleyn
 22. Hairstyle
 23. Frames per second
 24. Sinclair novel
 27. Basics
 28. A person's life story
 29. Luxury automaker
 31. Ultrahigh frequency
 32. Island and antelope are two
 33. Taxi
 34. Farm state
 35. Fence part
 36. Rwandan capital
 37. Onomatopoeic
 38. In a state of turbulence
 39. Abba ___, Israeli politician
 40. Flowering plants
 44. Inquire too closely
 47. Sun up in New York



Mayo Fall Festival Royalty: Most Spirited Faculty member: Mr. Cole Davis; Prince: Gabe Gainey; Princess: Payton Bryant; King: Patrick Williamson; Queen: MyKenna Blankenship. Contributed Photo

Windham named to Harp Ensemble

GREENVILLE-- Bob Jones University recently named Kimberly Windham of Darlington to the 2017 Chamber Harp Ensemble, one of several small performing groups at BJU.

Windham is a junior majoring in Music Education.

The Chamber Harp Ensemble is typically comprised of 8-12 harps and the group is open to all students who have previous playing experience. Students desiring to participate in the Chamber Harp Ensemble perform an audition at the start of the fall semester.

"Our repertoire this semester has been very challenging work, but it's exciting to see students who are thrilled to work together for the glory of God," says Emily Waggoner, director of Harp Studies and assistant professor of music at BJU. "Team work is vital for musicians, and I'm excited to have this opportunity to further my student's musical progress."

The Chamber Harp Ensemble performs for a variety of campus events, including the annual High School Festival, Christmas Celebration, and Bible Conference, chapel services, and recitals, as well as several off-campus ministries.

Located in Greenville, South Carolina, Bob Jones University provides an outstanding regionally accredited Christian liberal arts education purposely designed to inspire a lifelong pursuit of learning, loving and leading.

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Answers on 5B



DHS Marching Falcons celebrated Oct. 21 in Columbia after the first W. J. Keenan High School BOTB Competition after winning Best Drum Major, Best Horn Line, Best Dance Line, Best Flag Line, Superior Rating, First Place in category 4A, and Grand Champions. Contributed Photo



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BOOKINGS REPORT

W. GLENN CAMPBELL DETENTION CENTER NOVEMBER 6 THROUGH NOVEMBER 13, 2017
INMATE NAME/AGE/BOOKING OFFENSE

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.

- Howard NMN Cain, 58, of 325 Bell Ave Apt C, Hartsville, Operating Without a License; Unlawful Sale of Beer
- Darius Grant Dickey, 18, of 535 Clyburn Ave, Hartsville, Armed Robbery Armed with a Deadly Weapon
- Tyshaun Erving Freeman, 17, of 2415 Explorer Rd, Hartsville, Armed Robbery Armed with a Deadly Weapon; Poss of a Weapon During Violent Crime; Unlawful Carrying of Weapon
- Randriquez Lorenzo Hickman, 31, of 301 Marlboro Ave, Hartsville, Trafficking Cocaine/400G or More
- William Ray Paylor, 31, of 1502 Lily Circle, Darlington, Drugs/Man Dist Etc Cocaine Base 3rd or Sub; Drugs/Man Dist Etc Cocaine Base 3rd or Sub; Drugs/Dist Sell Manuf or PWID Near a School; Drugs/Dist Sell Manuf or PWID Near a School
- Edward Lamont Robinson, 36, of 620 Marlboro Ave, Hartsville, Poss 28G or Less Marij/10G or Less Hash 1st; Weapon/Sale/Poss by a Certain Person/Stolen Gun; Presence at Animal Fighting or Baiting 1st Off; Animals/ill Treatment of Animals 1st Offense; Animals/ill Treatment of Animals 1st Offense; Animals/ill Treatment of Animals 1st Offense; Fail to Appear DUS
- Devonte Montell Stuckey, 24, of 417 James Ave, Hartsville, Trafficking Cocaine/400 G or More
- Everette Kim Thomas, 53, of 351 Bayview, Hartsville, Driving Under the Influence
- Larry Thomas, 30, of 649 Calvery Church, Bishopville, Entering Premises After Warning
- Davion Latife White, 25, of 2798 Woodduck Dr, Hartsville, Poss 28G or Less Marij/10G or Less Hash 1st; Non Support

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

- Gregory Nygeri Bess, 31, of 2027 Una Rd, Lamar, Assault and Battery 3rd Degree
- James Alvin Dixon Jr., 38, of 411 West College Avenue, Hartsville, Driving Under Suspension
- Tammy Nicole Nichols, 26, of 516 Rio Dr, Darlington, Poss 28G or Less Marij/10G or Less Hash 1st; Fail to Pay; Fail to Pay
- Floyd Stewart Jr., 50, of 4225 Thornbriar Lane, Orlando FL, Shoplifting <\$2000
- Stanley Jack Wells, 43, of 2036 Garden Valley Drive, Hartsville, Trespassing
- Steve NMN White, 35, of 212 Wilkes Circle, Hartsville, Public Disorderly Conduct; Non Support
- Dale Brisbon, 49, 1638 Swift Creek Rd, Hartsville, Domestic Violence 2nd Degree
- Jessica Leann Cassidy, 34, of 2143 Hwy 38 W, Latta, Fail to Return Rented Objects >\$10,000
- Philip George, 32, of 1641 Country Manor Road, Darlington, Sentenced by General Session Court
- Jason Carlyle Hamilton, 39, of 805 E Home Ave, Hartsville, Criminal Domestic Violence
- Drayton Kirby Miller, 25, of 700 Beaverdam Dr, Florence, Poss 28G or Less Marij/10G or Less Hash 1st; Poss Other Controlled Sub in Sched I to V 1st
- Charles Patrick Perritte, 36, 901 Bethlehem Rd, Hartsville, Safekeeping; Shoplifting <\$2000
- Christopher Lee Rogers, 19, of 418 Logan Avenue, Hartsville, RSG Value \$2000 or Less
- Shatana Ceasar, 27, of 1774 Sandbox Rd, Lamar, Assault and Battery 3rd Degree
- Marcus Ellis, 23, of 1097 Malloy St, Florence, Poss Other Controlled Sub in Sched I to V 1st; Poss 28G or Less Marij/10G

- or Less Hash 1st; Manuff Possess Sch I II III WTTD 3rd or Sub; Traffic Cocaine 10G – 28G 3rd or More
- Charles D Gibbs II, 47, of 1148 Lydia Hwy, Hartsville, Driving Under the Influence; Driving Without a License
- Tashama Darrell Greer, 38, of 915 Crestwood Dr, Darlington, Shoplifting <\$2000
- Jejauncey Fernando Harrington, 33, of 305 2nd Ave, Bennettsville, Safekeeping
- Desmond Shanard Jackson, 30, of 822 H Street, Hartsville, DUS (License Not Susp DUI) 3rd or More; Habitual Traffic Offender; Poss 28G or Less Marij/10G or Less Hash 1st; Violation of Probation (Used by PPP Only); Fail to Appear DUS
- Levern NMN Jackson, 56, of 1405 E Old Camden Rd, Hartsville, Assault and Battery 3rd Degree
- Tornecia Lachell Jackson, 27, of 45 Patrick Hwy, Hartsville, Poss 28G or Less Marij/10G or Less Hash 1st; Poss Other Controlled Sub in Sched I to V 1st; Poss Other Controlled Sub in Sched I to V 1st
- Troy Dettrill Jackson, 44, of 826 H St, Hartsville, Poss 28G or Less Marij/10G or Less Hash 1st; Fail to Appear Simple Poss Marijuana/Hash; Fail to Appear DUS
- Ricky McDonald, 63, of 906 G St, Hartsville, Poss 28G or Less Marij/10G or Less Hash 1st
- Edward Dargan, 65, of 812 S Main St, Darlington, Violation of City Ordinance
- Timothy Lee Hall, 32, of 1625 Brewer Springs Road, Camden, Shoplifting <\$2000
- Michael Davon Hunter, 26, of 131 Campbell Loop Rd, Chesterfield, Domestic Viol 2nd Degree
- Travis E Kirkland, 54, of 208 Plaza Rd, Lamar, Weekender
- Daryl Reginald McCoy, 44, of 1283 Apts Cir, Darlington, Fail to Appear; Fail to Appear
- Antonio Truth Pooler, 35, of 405 Wells St, Darlington, Violation of City Ordinance
- Lindsey Brischelle Schavoni, 40, of 676 Willowtree Rd, Darlington, Driving Under Suspension; Fail to Return Drivers License After Susp
- Stanley Jack Wells, 43, of 2036 Garden Valley Drive, Hartsville, Assault and Battery 3rd Degree
- Jerome Antonio Kelly, 43, of 505 Pettit St, Darlington, DUI Per Se/DUAC >08 <10 1st Offense
- Robert E Maddox, 36, of 654 Andrew Hunter Road, Franklinville NC, Fail to Comply w/Direction of Police/Fireman
- Jonathan Alvin Poole, 35, of 113 Carriage Loop, Burlington NC, Public Disorderly Conduct
- Patsy W Price, 71, of 1204 W Old Camden Rd, Hartsville, Criminal Domestic Violence High & Aggravated

- Shannon Raines, 41, of 2225 Phoebe Lane, Darlington, Speeding; Driving Under Suspension
- Heyward Joshua Witherspoon, 32, of 2051 Blythewood Crossing Ln, Blythewood, DUI Per Se/DUAC >08 <10 1st Offense; Operating Motor Vehicle w/o License
- Mark Renee Boykin, 51, of 268 Spruce St, Hartsville, Public Disorderly Conduct; Fail to Appear
- Stephen Wayne Chapman, 37, of 1904 Suburia St, Florence, Driving Under Suspension (DUI) 2nd Offense; Fail to Appear Disorderly Conduct; DUI/Driving Under the Influence 08 4th & Sub; Fail to Appear Criminal Domestic Violence
- Michelle Dion Collins, 49, of 737 Rosie Cir, Hartsville, Poss Sched I B C LSD Sched II 1st; Open Container of Beer/Wine
- Ervin NMN Dudley Jr., 39, of 4589 Running Brook Rd, Darlington, Driving Under the Influence
- Darryl Lavern Gregg, 55, of 1005 S Six St, Hartsville, Violation of City Ordinance; Violation of City Ordinance
- Scott James Heisler, 31, of 1933 Gardens Dr, Hartsville, Open Container of Beer/Wine
- Delia Shandrica Johnson, 28, of 2205 Sunnyfields Dr, Hartsville, Weekender
- Rebecca Ann Rhoad, 30, of 901 S Seventh St, McBee, Poss Other Controlled Sub in Sched I to V 1st; Poss 28G or Less Marij/10G or Less Hash 1st; Shoplifting <\$2000
- Kimberly Nicole Rivers, 28, of 2517 Highline St, Hartsville, Shoplifting <\$2000
- Cari Renee Shaw, 27, of 1026 Nandina St, Hartsville, Shoplifting <\$2000
- Bobby Dean Shoemaker, 31, of 1705 N Fifth St, Hartsville, Petty Larceny <\$2000; Malicious Injury to Real Property <\$2000
- Brad Everette Smith, 25, of 2223 Ashley Rd, Hartsville, Poss <1 Gram of Meth or Cocaine Base 1st; Violation of Beginner Permit; Poss 28G or Less Marij/10G or Less Hash 1st
- Michael Gregory Smith, 28, of 100 Les Drive, Darlington, Poss 28G or Less Marij/10G or Less Hash 1st; Assault and Battery 3rd Degree; Public Disorderly Conduct
- Ray Kenneth Larymore Jr., 42, of 720 Wire Road, Darlington, Non Support
- Charles McCoy, 39, of 1720 Elisa Dr, Darlington, No Charge Data
- Billy Joe Rogers, 56, of 3114 Trellis Lane, Florence, Non Support
- Robert Keith Tilton, 39, of 3012 N Center Rd, Hartsville, No Charge Data

Deputies investigate Oates Hwy armed robbery

Darlington County Sheriff's Deputies responded to Yogi Mini Mart located at 3627 Oates Hwy. in Lamar at about 8 a.m. Monday in reference to an armed robbery. Investigators believe two males entered the store with their faces covered shortly before 8 a.m. One male was armed with a handgun wearing dark colored pants with a light colored hoodie. The

other male was unarmed and wearing a dark colored hoodie with light colored pants.

If you have any information you are asked to contact Darlington County Sheriff's Investigators at (843) 398-

4501 or Crime Stoppers of the Pee Dee at 1-888-CRIME-SC or text tip number 274637 (CRIMES). You do not have to reveal your identity to leave information.

Darlington County Sheriff's Office releases crime map to public

Darlington County Sheriff Tony Chavis has announced that the Darlington County Sheriff's Office has partnered with Southern Software, the records management software provider for the Sheriff's Office, and LexisNexis Risk Solutions to provide a new way for the public to stay informed about crime in Darlington County. The Darlington County Sheriff's Office now has an online map called Community Crime Map that analyzes crime data, alerts citizens about crimes in their area and allows the Sheriff's Office to quickly alert the public about crimes as they occur.

"People throughout Darlington County told me during the campaign they wanted to be kept informed and I promised to do that," said Chavis. "This is another way your Sheriff's Office will keep everyone informed about what is happening in our communities."

Darlington County citizens can view a map and grid with all of the crimes in their area, sign up for neighborhood watch reports that

automatically email a breakdown of recent criminal activity, and submit anonymous tips about crime directly to the Sheriff's Office. Community Crime Map automatically syncs with the Sheriff's Office's records management system to keep crime information updated online. Community Crime Map cleans and geocodes the crime data, then displays all of the incidents on a map, grid and analytics dashboard along with some basic information about the incidents, including the type of crime, a general locations, date and time.

This Community Crime Map is being provided at no additional cost to Darlington County and the Darlington County Sheriff's Office is the only law enforcement agency within Darlington County currently providing this service through LexisNexis. Community Crime Map is ad-free and LexisNexis Risk Solutions does not sell the data to third party vendors. To use the Community Crime Map, visit community-crimemap.com.

Sheriff to discuss church security with local religious leaders

Darlington County Sheriff Tony Chavis has announced that he will meet with Darlington County religious leaders of all faiths to discuss security for places of worship.

"Due to the recent deadly shooting at a Texas church and Mother Emanuel AME Church still fresh in my heart, I feel it necessary to meet with

church leaders to discuss security and services we can provide," said Chavis.

The meeting will be held on November 20 at 6 p.m. at the Darlington Middle School, 150 Pinedale Dr. Darlington. Religious leaders of all faiths and from all areas of Darlington County are encouraged to attend.

LEGAL NOTICES

SUMMONS AND NOTICE

(Non-Jury) FORECLOSURE (Deficiency Waived) STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA COUNTY OF FLORENCE IN THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS C/A NO.: 2017-CP-21-01648 United States of America, acting through the Farmers Home Administration, United States Department of Agriculture, Plaintiff, vs. Allen Louis Spears, Defendant. TO THE DEFENDANT(S): YOU ARE HEREBY SUMMONED and required to appear and defend by answering the Complaint in this action, of which a copy is herewith served upon you, and to serve a copy of your Answer on the subscribers at their offices, 135 Columbia Avenue, Chapin, South Carolina 29036, within thirty (30) days after the service hereof, exclusive of the day of such service; except that the United States of America, if named, shall have sixty (60) days to answer after the service hereof, exclusive of the day of such service; and if you fail to do so, judgment by

default will be rendered against you for the relief demanded in the complaint. 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. YOU WILL ALSO TAKE NOTICE that under the provisions of South Carolina Code 29-3-100, effective June 16, 1993, any collateral assignment of rents contained in the attached mortgage is perfected and Plaintiff hereby gives notice that all rents shall be payable directly to it by delivery to its undersigned attorneys from the date of default. In the alternative, Plaintiff will move before a judge of this Circuit on the 10th day after service hereof, or as soon

thereafter as counsel may be heard, for an Order enforcing the assignment of rents, if any, and compelling payment of all rents covered by such assignment directly to the Plaintiff, which motion is to be based upon the original note and mortgage and the Complaint which was filed in the Office of the Clerk of Court for Florence County on June 19, 2017.

NOTICE TO THE DEFENDANT(S): YOU WILL PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the Notice of Right to Foreclosure Intervention and/or Certificate of Exemption from Administrative Order 2011-05-02-1, Cover Sheet for Civil Actions, Certificate of Exemption/Withdrawal from Arbitration and Mediation, Summons and Complaint, of which the foregoing is a copy of the Summons, were filed with the Clerk of Court for Florence County, South Carolina on June 19, 2017.

NOTICE OF PENDENCY OF ACTION NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that an action will be commenced within twenty (20) days of the filing of this Notice upon Complaint of the above-named Plaintiff against the

above-named Defendant for the foreclosure of a Mortgage dated January 22, 1973 given by Allen Louis Spears ("Mortgage"), said Mortgage having been recorded in the Office of the Clerk of Court or Register of Deeds for Florence County on January 22, 1973 in Book C147 at Page 238A. The said mortgaged premises affected by the foreclosure are situate in Florence County, in the State of South Carolina, and described in said Mortgage as follows: All that certain piece, parcel or lot of land lying, being and situate in the County of Florence, State of South Carolina, and fronting on the south side of South Carolina Highway S-21-46 for a distance of 120 feet and being in depth 250 feet and being bounded as follows: North by S.C. Highway S-21-46; East, South and West by lands of Louis H. Spears and Tisby S. Johnson. The above designated property being the same shown on a plat thereof made by Ferrell J. Prosser, R.S. dated March 23, 1972 and recorded in Plat Book 13 at Page 87 in the Office of the Clerk of Court for Florence County. TMS No.: 00314-02-047

Address: 02 E Springbranch Road, Effingham, South Carolina 29541 HARRELL, MARTIN & PEACE, P.A. Donald W. Tyler #5664 Taylor A. Peace #100206 Post Office Box 1000 Chapin, South Carolina 29036 (803) 345-3353 ATTORNEY FOR PLAINTIFF (18c3 leave in thru 11-29-17) **SUMMONS** STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA COUNTY OF DARLINGTON IN THE FAMILY COURT OF THE FOURTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT CASE NO.: 17-DR-16-689 Kelly Smith and Allen Dustin Smith Plaintiffs, vs. Christa Hopkins, Shelby Barr, Shane Sumner and John Doe, Defendants. In Re Kylie N H (DOB: xx/xx/2012) A Minor under the age of 14 years TO: DEFENDANTS 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 the said Complaint on the subscriber at his office located at 702 W Carolina Avenue, PO Box 1408, Hartsville, South Carolina 29551, within thirty (30) days after the date of service hereof, exclusive of the day of such service; and if you fail to answer the Complaint within the time allowed, Plaintiff herein will apply to the Court for judgment by default granting the relief prayed for in the Complaint. Hartsville, South Carolina August 31, 2017 Cody T. Mitchell Attorney for Plaintiffs 702 W Carolina Avenue Post Office Box 1408 Hartsville, SC 29551 Tel: (843) 332-5050 Fax: (843) 332-5105 (18c3 leave in thru 11-29-17) **DARLINGTON COUNTY COUNCIL NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING** DECEMBER 4, 2017 6 P.M. COURTHOUSE ANNEX/EMS BUILDING 1625 HARRY BYRD HIGHWAY (HWY. 151) DARLINGTON, SC 29532 843-398-4100

www.darcom.com Notice is hereby given that there will be a Public Hearing held before the Darlington County Council on the date and time above stated to receive comments on the following proposed ordinances: Ordinance No. 17-17, Authorizing Pursuant To Title 12, Chapter 44 Of The Code Of Laws Of South Carolina 1976, As Amended, The Execution And Delivery Of Fee-In-Lieu Of Ad Valorem Taxes Agreements By And Between Darlington County, South Carolina And Certain Companies As Sponsor And Sponsor Affiliate, Respectively, Identified Collectively For The Time Being As Project Dates, To Provide For Fee-In-Lieu Of Ad Valorem Taxes Incentives And Certain Special Source Revenue Credits; And Other Related Matters Ordinance No. 17-18, To Amend The Existing Agreement Governing The Darlington-Florence Industrial Park By And Between Darlington County, South Carolina And Florence County, South Carolina To Enlarge The Boundaries Of The Industrial Park To Include Certain Property Now Or To

Be Hereafter Owned And/Or Operated By A Company Identified For The Time Being As Project Dates, Located In Darlington County, South Carolina; And Authorizing Other Related Matters Anyone wishing to present an opinion on these ordinances may do so at this time. Assistance will be provided to accommodate the special needs of handicapped persons attending the meeting upon request. Special assistance requests should be made to J. JaNet Bishop, Clerk to Council, at 843-398-4100, seventy-two hours prior to the scheduled public hearing. (18c1 leave in thru 11-15-17) **REQUEST FOR BIDS** Darlington County is accepting bids for the following: 1. IFB# 04-10-26-2017 Grooms Building Parking Lot for Pavement markings **Readvertisement** 2. IFB Carpet Squares - Vinyl Tile Please check the county website for more information, www.darcom.com/departments/purchasing/index.php (18c1 leave in thru 11-15-17)

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NEW LISTINGS
418 Spring Street—3 bedroom, 1 and one half bath brick ranch on corner lot in the City of Darlington. Partial Fenced yard with great curb appeal. The exterior has insulated windows and the boxing has been wrapped in vinyl for low maintenance. Great starter or retiree home. Conveniently located to Downtown Darlington, Post Office, Churches and walking distance to recreational fields and High School. New HVAC Unit replaced in March 2017.—**\$97,900**

634 Old Georgetown Road—Large brick executive home on 50 acres in a very private setting - wildlife including deer & wild turkeys are abundant and can be seen drinking from the pond. The custom built home features many extras including a large master suite with his & hers baths, an elevator to the attic, a full basement with fireplace, sub zero refrigerator, central vac, large patio, 2 car garage and a large outbuilding with bath.—**\$525,000**

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418 Spring Street—3 BR, 1.5 BA, 1300 SF—**\$97,900**
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111 Maryland Drive—4 BR, 3 BA, 2962 SF—**\$189,500**
419 N. Main Street—4 BR, 2F/2H BA, 2689 SF—**\$149,900**
1044 Harmony Hall—4 BR, 2.5 BA, 2475 SF—**\$184,900**
102 Wyandot Street—4 BR, 3 BA, 2589 SF—**\$225,000**
102 Woodcreek Road—3 BR, 2.5 BA, 1896 SF—**\$179,900**
150 Nez Perce Drive—3 BR, 3 BA, 3772 SF, 3 AC—**\$249,900**
401 Church Avenue-Hartsville, 5 BR, 4.5 BA, 4783 SF—\$350,000
106 Buchanan Street—3 BR, 1 BA, 1161 SF—**\$24,900**
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1011 Pearl Street—1.59 Acres—**\$89,900**
117.89 Acres New Hopewell Rd—**\$295,000**
Timmonsville Highway—25.74—**\$128,700**
TBD S. Main Street—56 Acres—**\$20,000**
TBD Pink Dogwood Street—2 Lots—**\$24,000 Per Lot**
Harry Byrd Hwy—9.62 Acres—**\$110,800**
Harry Byrd Hwy—7 Acres—**\$80,500**
Lot 43 Nez Perce Drive—1 Acre—**\$30,000**
Lot 65 Nez Perce Drive—1.2 Acres—**\$40,000**
TBD Swift Creek Road—60+ Acres—**\$223,900**
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Tract A, 52 By-Pass & Rd 409—70 Acres—**\$12,000**
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TBD Smith Avenue—7 Acres—**\$325,000**

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RESIDENTIAL
2200 Lides Springs Rd—3 bedrooms, 2 full baths, 2 half baths, 3,485 sq ft - **\$249,900**
4818 Lullwater Drive- 3 bedrooms, 2 baths, 2,066 sq ft—**\$209,900**
548 Mineral Springs Rd—3 bedrooms, 2 baths, 1,609 sq ft - **\$174,900**
122 Columbian St—3 bedrooms, 2 baths, 2,608 sq ft **\$174,900**
104 Florida Dr—3 bedrooms, 2 1/2 baths, 2,217 sq ft **\$174,900**
485 Anderson Drive-3 bedrooms, 3 baths, 1,967 sq ft, inground pool—**\$159,900**
4854 Lullwater Dr - 3 bedrooms, 2 baths, 1,460 sq ft - **\$139,900**
1700 Cashua Ferry Rd—3 bedrooms, 2 baths, 1,350 sq ft with pond **\$134,900**
3217 Winding Way Dr, Florence—3 bedrooms, 2 baths, 1,248 sq ft—**\$116,900**
3221 Winding Way Dr, Florence—3 bedrooms, 2 baths, 1,248 sq ft—**\$116,900**
1613 Lamar Hwy—3 bedrooms, 2 baths, 1,406 sq ft **\$109,900**
205 Woodhaven Drive-2 bedrooms, 1 1/2 bath, 1,248 sq ft—**\$104,900**
2381 Green Street Road-2 bedrooms, 2 baths, 1,957 sq ft—**\$59,900**

LAND AND LOTS
Twins Lane-Timmonsville-49.96 acres - **\$12,000**
Bobo Newsome Hwy (Hartsville)- 22.51 acres of wooded land. **\$66,700**
3053 Marcus Drive-(Hartsville)-1.98 acre lot. Lot has a home on it that has burned. **Sold "AS IS" Priced at \$19,900**
Lot K Jeffords Mill - .69 acres cleared - **\$12,000**
621 Delaware River Rd—47 acre lot, fenced with septic tank **\$13,500**
Redwood Drive—Nice lot located off of McIver Road. 92 acres—**\$13,500.00**
West McIver Rd - .58 acre wooded lot - **\$5,000**

COMMERCIAL
2244 Harry Byrd Hwy - Commercial bld. 11,684 sq ft metal building. Sits on 4+ acres of land. 6 ft fence around perimeter of property. Currently used as an office, warehouse, & Restaurant/ lounge. Plenty of office area. 5 restrooms. Lots of potential uses. Conveniently located 4 miles from Darlington Raceway. Close to Hartsville and I-20. Owner will finance with a \$150,000 down payment. Call today to see this property. **Priced at \$750,000 REDUCED - Motivated seller, bring all offers**

911 N. Governor Williams Hwy—30 X 60 commercial metal bld with 12 ft ceilings. Building sits on a 1 acre lot. Nice office area with half bath. Large work space in rear with half bath and 2 roll up doors. The whole building is heated and cooled. Would make a great mechanic shop, car lot or small church. Lots of possibilities with this property. **Priced at \$110,000.00**

1110 Lamar Hwy—2,299 sq ft bld currently used as a barber shop. Separate office and workshop with roll up door in rear of bld. **\$60,000**

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We skipped a week but our last photo was a student-made sculpture at the Darlington County Institute of Technology. Readers with a correct guess were Hoyt Campbell, Troy Abraham, Hoss Watford, Bill Segars and Dolores Talbert. Today you will find another location shot. Do you know where it is? Please let us know by sending your guesses to: editor@newsandpress.net or call 843-393-3811. Deadline is 5 p.m. Friday. Good luck!



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