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Senate saluting 'forgotten' victims of 1970 Lamar Riots

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David Lunn calls them "The Sad Six."

They are the six black Darlington County students who, on March 3, 1970, were terrorized and banged up when a white mob overturned their school bus in Lamar to protest the court-ordered desegregation of county public schools.

Lunn, now 67 and living in Detroit, was one of them. "We felt that it was the end for us," Lunn remembers. "You're talking 200 people or more in a mob. ... I'm so glad to be alive.

... (But) we were the six people on the school bus that nobody asked about (later). It was almost like we were forgotten. We have never been recognized."

That's changing now. On Tuesday, April 30, Hartsville Sen. Gerald Malloy was planning to have the S.C. Senate honor the students who fell victim to what is now called the Lamar Riots.

Malloy, aided by his wife, Davita, have been locating and contacting the five surviving people aboard the bus that the mob overturned and inviting them to visit the state Senate and be recognized. Davita

Malloy said they have also been trying to contact several people aboard a second bus that was attacked but not overturned.

It was set to be a brief ceremony. Malloy was to introduce his guests in the Senate visitors' gallery, the Senate was to applaud them, and a resolution honoring them was to be read into the record.

For Lunn, that recognition will be more than enough.

Lunn lists the six students on the bus as himself, his brother Edward Lunn (now living in Texas), Ronald Bacote (now living in Virginia), Clarence Brunson (now living in Hartsville), Woodrow Wilson

Jr. (now living in Columbia) and Sally Wilds, formerly living in North Carolina and now deceased.

Lunn told the News & Press last week that he was planning to be in Columbia for the Senate's recognition. He said at least three of the surviving five who were on the overturned bus were expected to attend.

Sanitized accounts of the Lamar Riots have long maintained that the buses the mob overturned were empty. Lunn knows that was not the case.

He was a senior at Spaulding High School in Lamar when he was caught in that day's events. Lunn remem-

bers people in the crowd smashing out bus windows with ax handles; he estimates the mob at 200.

"It was a scary day," says Lunn, who is now a pastor. "It happened so fast." He says he saw 40 or 50 state Highway Patrol troopers nearby who made no move to stop the protesters from overturning his bus: "They just watched everything."

The students crawled out of the overturned bus, Lunn says, and the mob didn't try to attack them: "They let us crawl out."

After the incident, Lunn says, the six students were pretty much forgotten very quickly: "I

was almost shut out altogether."

Although glad they escaped serious injuries, Lunn says some of the six have always felt that they were done wrong — only a handful of men ever went to jail in connection with the Lamar Riots. Thus Lunn's creation of the "Sad Six" name, which he had put on a T-shirt.

Lunn said he would welcome his moments of recognition from the Senate, but "it's not only the recognition. That whole area (Lamar) still needs some healing."

"The whole purpose," Davita Malloy said, "is just to aid in the healing process."

National Day of Prayer



PHOTO BY SAMANTHA LYLES

On April 24, Darlington Mayor Gloria C. Hines (seated in photo) signed a proclamation naming May 2 as National Day of Prayer in Darlington.

Several pastors from local churches joined Hines, including (left to right in photo) Juan Gonzalez and Pastor Frankie L. Tanner of Mechanicsville Baptist Church, Rev. Alan Waibel of First Church of God, Dr. Brian Sherwood and Renny Johnson of First Baptist Church, Joe Willard of Welsh Neck Baptist

Association, Rev. LaTonya Dash of St. James United Methodist Church and Rev. Dr. Laura Canine of Trinity United Methodist Church.

"Everybody needs prayer," said Hines as she signed the document.

"With all the things happening in the world today, we need to come together. We need unity for the city of Darlington and all over the world."

"My heart is that we won't use this as a formality, as just a

program," said Sherwood. "I really want us to cry out to God on behalf of our cities, our state, our nation and ourselves. That's what my prayer is this year."

The city's National Day of Prayer ceremony will take place May 2 at noon on the grounds of the Darlington County Courthouse.

The program will feature prayers for national, state and local government leaders, as well as first responders, educators, churches and families.

Prayers will be delivered by a diverse group of pastors from area churches, and their messages will focus on this year's national theme of "Love one another," referencing John 13:34.

All are welcome to join in prayer and song.

In case of rain, the event will be moved to First Church of God, 620 North Main St., Darlington.

-- Samantha Lyles

Cowick death-penalty trial set for August

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The Darlington County Courthouse is expected to get its first death-penalty case in at least 10 years this summer when a local man stands trial in the killings of a Darlington woman and her 9-year-old granddaughter.

Prosecutors are seeking the death penalty for Cephas M. Cowick, who is charged in the 2016 slayings of Denise Couplin, 52, and her granddaughter Deziyah Davis, 9.

Cowick's trial is expected to begin the week of Aug. 19, and three weeks of court time have been set aside for the case, said Darlington County Clerk of Court Scott Suggs.

Circuit Judge Thomas Russo is expected to preside over the trial, Suggs said.

Cowick's wife, Katherine Baucom-Cowick, also faces two murder charges in the case, but she will be tried separately and no trial date has been set. Both were in their early 20s when they were arrested in the case.

The two victims were shot to death at their home off Bobo Newsome Highway in July 2016. The front door had been forced open and the home was "ransacked," officials said. Couplin's car was stolen and later found burned.

The death penalty is being sought in this case because of aggravating circumstances, including the fact that one victim was under 11 years old and more than one person



Cephas Cowick



Katherine Baucom-Cowick

was killed. Darlington attorney James Scruggs is listed as Cephas Cowick's lawyer, officials said, but Scruggs could not be reached for comment.

COWICK ON 3A

Major makeover planned for DHS' locker rooms

By Bobby Bryant
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The locker rooms at Darlington High School are about to get a four-month-long, \$1.4 million makeover.

The Darlington County school board approved the renovations April 22 and awarded the contract to the "overall low bid(der)," FBI Construction of Florence.

The work involves far more than just fitting in shiny new lockers. In the solicitation for bids put out by the school district, the work was described as a "complete renovation of the existing one-story, 14,300-

square-foot locker-room areas, to include demolition and renovation of athletic locker and classroom areas per plans and specifications."

A detailed breakdown of the work to be done was not immediately available because the school district was shut down for spring break. But the work, in general terms, was to involve a virtually total makeover of the boys' and girls' locker rooms and nearby areas, with new plumbing, lighting, heating and cooling. Communal showers are to become stalls for more privacy.

The overall look of the locker rooms should not be radically different when the work is done.



Residents are ready to clean up Darlington. See 1B for more photos. PHOTO BY SAMANTHA LYLES



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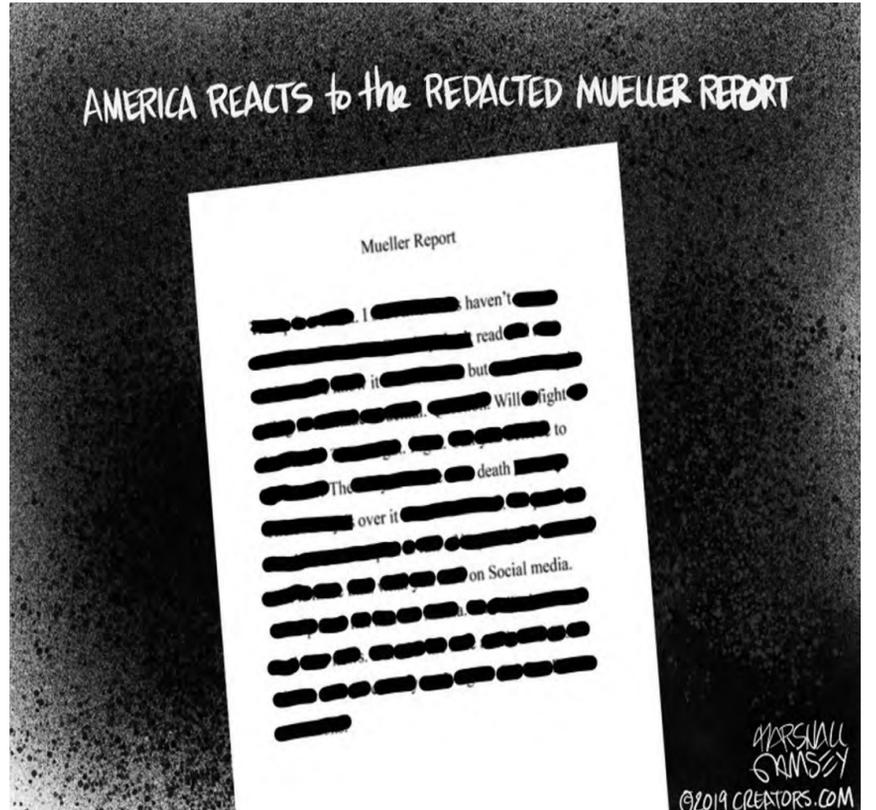
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OP-ED

That library over in Bishopville

By Tom Poland

Once known as Singleton's Crossroads, Bishopville, you should know, sits between Camden and Florence.

When you enter this region, you drive past and through cotton fields.

The land here, flat and framed by wide horizons, was sea bottom once, and when I drive here I imagine sharks, dolphins, and whales cruising alongside me. Well, that's what imagination will do sometimes. Make you a tad crazy.

Of course, I see instead tractors, horses, cattle, and old tobacco barns, ashen ghosts of themselves.

The sky seems bigger here, something folks from Montana would appreciate. Blue and spacious, it floods this flatland with a light that's



different, paler, but altogether the effect is one of pastoral beauty. Thank heavens, we've yet to pave over the world entire.

An author-friend and I drove into this pleasant setting on a balmy April after-

noon. For Tammy Davis, it was a return to her hometown. For me, it was a return to a town I drive through on my way to Hartsville and North Carolina. For both of us, it was a chance to meet people and talk about books, and sign more than a few books at this beautiful library.

Tammy and I mingled with folks at the Bishopville Public Library.

The hometown girl has a book out, "Chin Up, Buttercup," a collection of essays on the power of faith, perseverance, and a positive attitude.

The local folks showed up big for the hometown girl, and we all had a splendid time, surrounded as we were by books and fabulous refreshments.

Bishopville, you should know also, now takes its name

from Jacques Bishop. At the corner of Main and Council Streets, you will find the public library, once a furniture store. Tammy and I signed books there and I talked about "a place called obscurity," the back roads of South Carolina. The people were wonderful and the setting was unique, a library unlike most others, and I see a lot of libraries.

Within the red brick interior of this onetime furniture store you'll find track lighting, floral arrangements, and colorful comfy seats. Banks of flatscreen computers sit beneath lights that cast reflections onto the polished floor. And books.

Lots of books. Up near the front, where Tammy and I sat is a sight that fits nicely with that furniture store past, an old card catalog turned into what else, a piece of furniture.

Nearby is a flatscreen computer. The old and new, peacefully co-existing.

As for old things, well, the Lee County Public Library goes back to 1901.

Back then it was a small building next to the opera house "down on Main Street," as Bob Seger sang. Too small to be a barbershop, the little library struggled and moved many times.

Throughout the years, however, the people of Lee County worked hard to advance their library, and today in its own words it's grown "from humble beginnings as a tiny library society to become an asset to the Lee County community as a host and participant in diverse neighborhood events and cultural happenings." Indeed it has.

Well, the furniture store is

no more but there's furniture here waiting for you and me. That library over in Bishopville is a warm, cozy place, a place perfect for book lovers, and a welcoming place for those who write books. We'll be back.

You can be sure of that. In fact, whenever I pass through the town once known as Singleton's Crossroads, I'll stop and say hello to Dawn Ellen, Deana Rollins, and others in this library that feels more like a well-appointed studio.

I know I'll see others like Gloria Lewis who are eager to turn more than a few pages.

Books, readers, libraries, and writers — it gets no better and that's what you'll find down on Main in Bishopville.

OP-ED

Living on the West End: Worship time!

By Bill Shepard

When my dad moved with his family to the mill village in Darlington in 1922, there were no churches on the mill village where he lived.

It would be 10 years before a small group of worshipers would come together and organize a church and erect a small church building on Phillips Street in Darlington. That church, known as The Church of God, grew and later moved to its present location on Smith Avenue in Darlington. In later years, the words "of Prophecy" were added to its name.

The first Sunday school that I can remember attending was held inside an empty store building on Phillips Street in Darlington. The owner had moved into a new building and allowed a church group to use the old building for Sunday school. The children looked forward to each Sunday afternoon when the teacher would come to the village and teach the children about Jesus.

I was a little boy and I could hardly wait for Sunday afternoons to come. I don't recall anything happening at these times, no singing or preaching, just the kind little gray-haired lady telling the children about Jesus. I don't recall ever going to a real church by that time.

The teacher would hand each of us a card with a pic-

ture on it. At the bottom of the card were the words "The Golden Text." Of course, I did not know what they meant. One Sunday, she read the Golden Text to us and asked us to read it with her. Then she asked us to memorize the verse we had just learned to read. She said if we would memorize it, she would give us a candy sucker.

I did and she gave me a sucker at the next Sunday school. Not many Sundays later, the owner of the building had come back to his old building; his new one had burned.

We were without a church again! Years later I wrote an article titled "All that I need to know about God, I learned in Sunday school." I was thinking of the little old lady who gave me that sucker. Someday I hope to see her in heaven!

On another part of the village on the far end of West Broad Street there was a Pentecostal Holiness Church. It was and is one of the oldest churches in Darlington. It was a flourishing church with a large attendance. When I was old enough to go to church alone I went there sometimes.

Especially at Christmastime, I would make certain that my name was written in the book where the teacher kept the names of her students. That would mean I received a large sack of fruit for Christmas! If a person had perfect attendance for the

year, they would find an extra gift inside the sack of fruit.

I never found a surprise in my sack. I have a picture of that church showing the large crowd in attendance that day. I still remember the names of many of those who attended there throughout the years. I remember the names of some of the early preachers who preached there.

Some of the things I learned at that church have followed me through the long journey since.

One of my childhood friends, and later an older friend, was a lasting influence on my life. Charles Bradshaw introduced me to Emmanuel College, where I in later years attended.

We had no churches on our village in the beginning, but twice each year I could expect the traveling evangelists to show up. They would erect a large tent at the end of Phillips Street and hold a camp meeting that would sometimes last for weeks.

That would be an exciting time on the village. Weeks before the meetings would begin, the village would be busy preparing for the event. It would be talked about wherever there was a group gathered. The children would make posters and nail them on fence posts and tree trunks, every place that was available.

There were no telephones and no Facebook in those

days, but the word would get around. The men on the village joined in and helped the preachers prepare the ground where the tent would go up. Sawdust would be hauled from the sawmill and spread over the area where the tent would be placed. Rough benches would be built, also a place for an altar where mourners could kneel and pray. No large choir loft was needed as the entire congregation would do the singing.

After days, even weeks, of preparations, the opening night would be set and the long-awaited meeting would begin. They came, yes, they came! The tent would be filled each night and as many more would be standing and sitting outside. This writer would have his seat at the edge of the tent and near the front. In the early fall, the nights would be chilly and I would hide my bare feet under the sawdust where they would be warm.

Sitting there, near the front, I could see and hear all that was going on. There would be singing and shouting, hand-clapping and weeping all at the same time! The things I saw and heard have remained with me to this day. Some of them I would like to see again!

The preacher would preach about Heaven and Hell, and when he was finished, an invitation was given for the sinners to come to the altar and repent of their sins. I watched

hardened sinners fall on their faces and cry as they prayed for forgiveness. No doubt but there are some in Heaven as I write who found forgiveness in some of those meetings.

When the revival finally came to an end, there was a baptismal service held at a millpond near the village.

Another time of rejoicing and worship was held. It would be a day to be remembered!

It was from the results of some of those meetings that the first church on the village was born. The year was 1932.

And that's the way it was on the village when I was a boy.

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An impact beyond words

USC instructor faces uncertain future after rare diagnosis

University of South Carolina

COLUMBIA -- "Some of you may have noticed something is wrong with me."

The message Lisa Sisk sent in October 2018 explained that for the past six months, something had been happening to her.

At first, it was hesitations, long stretches of silence. Words rose to the tip of her tongue — then stopped. But it wasn't that different from the brain fog she sometimes got with her fibromyalgia, so she found different words. People jumped in to complete her sentences. As Sisk says, she "always could cover for it."

But unlike brain fog, what was happening to her kept getting worse.

A few days before sending the message to her colleagues in the School of Journalism and Mass Communications, the senior instructor met with a specialist and got an official diagnosis: primary progressive aphasia, a degenerative neurological disorder that affects communication. Cognitive therapy may slow the symptoms, but Sisk will eventually lose the ability to speak.

Her email was brief and her closing was subdued. "It's ironic that I make my living with words but can't find them," she said. She was still trying to process the news herself.

Scroll through Sisk's social media and you'll notice a trend.

"Dinner with my favorite

professor and mentor," reads a post from one alumnus. His arm is draped around her shoulders in the accompanying photo.

"Someone recently asked me who was my best teacher in the J-school," reads another. "My response was, 'Oh, that's easy... Lisa Sisk.'"

Since joining the faculty nearly 20 years ago, she's made her mark on thousands of budding public relations practitioners — and on their writing.

In Sisk's public relations campaign and writing classes, grades hinge on the memorization of her infamous 18-page grammar document. Its rules are straightforward. Misspell a client's name and earn a zero. New events are inaugural, not first annual. Use "because," not "due to."

Corrected assignments — and there are always corrections — come back with "SMGD" scrawled across the top: "See my grammar document." Wise students heed her warning: mistakes cost more as the semester progresses.

"I'll never forget the first paper I handed in to her," says Chris Suggs, Class of 2014. "You couldn't see it there was so much red on it."

Another former student, Chris Heubner, bought Sisk a custom-made "See My Grammar Document" stamp to save her some time.

"He said that I bled on his papers," Sisk says, laughing.

Hers is a no-excuses, sink-or-swim approach to teaching the art of public relations. For

many students, it stokes frustration, even anger.

But coming from Lisa Sisk — the person who dedicated a previous career to rehabilitating wildlife, who secretly raised litters of rescue kittens out of her old office in the Carolina Coliseum, who fights her way to the front of the faculty line at graduation so that she can hug each of her students — it also pushes them to be better.

"Her heart — it's one of the biggest hearts I've ever seen," says Nathan Haber, Class of 2005. "She cares so deeply about life, about the world and her students. She makes those connections with all of her students, but she always makes you feel like you are the most special one."

It was during a visit with her brother's family in September that Sisk realized she could no longer ignore what was going on.

"I just couldn't get the words out," she says. "I just broke down crying. And my brother said, 'Something is seriously wrong.'"

Back at home, an MRI detected atrophy on the left side of her brain. Sisk was referred to a neurologist, then sought a visit with Julius Fridriksson, director of the university's Aphasia Lab. Each appointment revealed more answers.

Aphasia isn't a one-size-fits-all diagnosis. Doctors have told Sisk she has the logopenic variant, a type associated with impaired word retrieval and slower speech.

Her mind will continue to function just as it always has, but she will gradually have more difficulty recalling specific words. For now, her language issues occur mostly when speaking, but written words will slowly leave her, too.

Though the prognosis has been devastating, she acknowledges that, in her case, it could be worse — another variant causes issues with grammar.

"Thank God it's not the grammar one," she says with a laugh.

But language is a critical part of her job. The grammar document even has a section on the importance of the spoken word. An entry on page 15 reads: "As public relations professionals, we must be highly articulate."

Fridriksson helped her begin treatments at the university's Speech and Hearing Research Center. But there are still many unknowns. Sisk worries that the condition could be passed to her children or granddaughter — whether it's hereditary still remains to be seen. And because no one can tell her how quickly it will progress or how effective therapy will be, she's left to navigate an uncertainty that's as unsettling as the silences that got her there.

Then there's her future in the classroom.

"What she's most concerned about, I think, is her ability to still impact kids," Suggs says. "I want every kid to get the experience I did with her. And that's what she wants."

Sisk was determined to do everything she could to keep teaching. And for Andrea Tanner, then-director of the SJMC, the feeling was mutual.

"Lisa is one of our most beloved professors," Tanner says. "She's been instrumental in the lives of so many students and faculty during her many years with us. I wanted to do whatever I could to help her."

Cowick

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Cowick has been held in the Darlington County jail since he was booked July 18, 2016, according to online jail records.

Jail records indicate that no bond was ever set for nearly all of the offenses he is charged with, including two counts of murder, arson, criminal conspiracy, armed robbery with a deadly weapon, burglary, grand larceny, possession of a weapon during a violent crime and causing damage to the courthouse.

During a December 2017 hearing, 4th Circuit Deputy Solicitor Kernard Redmond argued successfully that Cowick should be denied

bond.

"The seriousness of the crime in this situation, the state contends, would, in my mind, eliminate any right to this defendant to have a bond," Redmond told Judge Russo, who was presiding at the hearing.

"There are some very raw feelings regarding the nature of what transpired at Denise Couplin's house."

Russo told the court: "The possibility of being put to death -- I think that raises the risk of flight beyond the capabilities that we have to secure someone's presence for trial. ... I'm going to respectfully deny the motion for bond."

Jail records indicate that Cowick's wife also is still in the county detention center, with no bond set for any of the

charges she faces.

Her charges are the same as her husband's, but she is not accused of somehow damaging the courthouse.

Cowick and Baucom-Cowick both were named as defendants in a wrongful-death lawsuit filed by the mother of the child who was killed, according to local media reports.

The suit also targeted the estate of Couplin, the girl's grandmother.

The suit said Couplin had "questionable involvement with illegal activity including drug use and associating with individuals who sold and used drugs, including Cephas Cowick and Katherine Baucom," media reports said.

Locker rooms

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At the school board's meeting, officials indicated that the renovations were to be finished by the time the fall semester begins. The work was set to begin immediately to meet that schedule.

In other business at its April 22 session, the board was told that, based on a preliminary state budget moving through the Legislature, starting pay for S.C. teachers would be set at \$35,000 a year, which is already the starting salary for Darlington County

teachers, officials said.

The early version of the state budget also would allow teachers a 4 percent pay raise, the board was told. But that

figure might change significantly before the Legislature finishes the budget bill and sends it to Gov. Henry McMaster for consideration.



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Arthur B. Mooneyhan

LAMAR – Arthur B. Mooneyhan of Northport, Fla., died March 1, 2019, at Venice Regional Bayfront Health. He was a Navy veteran and former resident of Conway.

Art was born Aug. 2, 1932, the son of the late Advil Barney Cassel and Rosa M. Mooneyhan. He was preceded in death by his wife, Alice C. Mooneyhan; sister, Wilma Crane, and brothers, Earl, Jerry, A.Q. and Jacky.

Art is survived by his sister, Nell Nichols of Lamar; stepsons, Ron and Joe Holmes; step-grandchildren, nephews, nieces and special friend Mary Weldy.

A memorial service was held April 27 at First Baptist Church, 303 Main St., Lamar, directed by Belk Funeral Home. The family received friends at the church. A private graveside service for family was held at St. Luke Cemetery following the service.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to a charity of one's choice. A guestbook is available online at belkfuneralhome.com.

Jonna Michelle Huggins

DARLINGTON – Jonna Michelle Huggins, 28, was

called by Jesus to sit in His lap Tuesday, April 23, 2019.

Funeral services were Saturday, April 27, at Mechanicsville Baptist Church (old building) with burial at the church cemetery, directed by Belk Funeral Home. The family received friends Friday at Mechanicsville Baptist Church (new building).

Jonna was born in Florence County July 22, 1990, the daughter of Mitch and Barbara Huggins. She was a member of Mechanicsville Baptist Church, where she loved to attend Sunday school and singing.

She enjoyed Darlington Falcons baseball, where many baseball players and parents became lifelong friends. She loved the beach and family vacations with her Nana, Papa, aunts, uncles and beloved cousins.

Jonna loved being outdoors, taking walks, riding her pink bicycle, swimming in the pool, visiting the goats and especially hunting with her Daddy. She loved telling everyone she met that Jesus lived in her heart and that he loved her.

Jonna was never shy to ask anyone if they knew Jesus and did He live in their heart? She was a great witness singing and sharing Jesus' love with everyone.

In addition to her parents of Mechanicsville, she is survived

by her brother, Bryant (Cortney Turner); maternal grandmother, Joann J. Bryant; paternal grandmother, Peggy M. Huggins; aunts and uncles, Jimmy (Rene) Bryant of Mechanicsville, Laurie (Lin) Keesey of Lexington, Joe Bryant, Karla (Kurt) Sullivan, all of Mechanicsville, and Janet Frederick of Beaufort; cousins, Laurin (Ian) Headley, Janici (P.J.) Cannon, Joshua (Elizabeth) Keesey, Carol Anne (Kyle) Taylor, Frannie (Drew) Clark, John Eric (Morgan) Sullivan, Charlie Bryant, Landon Bryant, Emilye Bryant, Lawson Bryant; and special caregivers, Latosha Redden and Alex Poole.

She was preceded in death by her maternal grandfather, Roy Bryant; paternal grandfather, Alton Huggins; uncles, Paul Frederick and Eric Sullivan. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to the Ronald McDonald House Charities of Charleston, 81 Gadsden St., Charleston, SC 29401; or to the McLeod Hospice Foundation, PO Box 100551 Florence, SC 29502. A guestbook is available online at belkfuneralhome.com.

Michael Andrews

DARLINGTON -- Michael "Mike" Vernon Andrews, 69, died Friday, April 26, 2019, at

MUSC-Florence.

A memorial service will be held at First Baptist Church in Darlington at 4 p.m. on Wednesday, May 1. The family will receive friends at Belk Funeral Home from 6-8 p.m. Tuesday evening, and other times at the home.

Born in Darlington Oct. 28, 1949, he was the son of the late Orin Andrews and Macie Sims Andrews Witherspoon. He served in the Navy from 1969-74. He then went to work at Nucor, retiring in 2012 after 38 years of employment.

Mike enjoyed playing softball and golf and was a fan of the Lady Falcons softball team, especially when his nieces Gracie and Madie were playing. He was a member of Darlington First Baptist Church.

He is survived by his wife, Karen Patterson Andrews, and their son, Ryan Andrews, both of Darlington, and a sister-in-law, Carolyn Andrews. Also, he will be remembered as the "fun uncle" by nieces and nephews.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by his brother, Terry Andrews, and his sister, Diane Andrews.

Memorials may be made to Darlington First Baptist Church, PO Box 297, Darlington, SC 29540; The Lord Cares, PO Box 1457, Darlington, SC 29540; or the charity of one's choice.

Living on Purpose

Praying and waiting for our miracle

By Bill Holland



I received a letter the other day from a reader who wanted to know more about praying for miracles and how long a person should keep asking.

My first response is to ask, "Just how serious are you about receiving your request?"

I realize the subject of faith is actually more complex than it seems and one that I have attempted to address in my new book, "Convictions and Considerations," which will be released this summer.

There are many people including myself who are seeking and waiting on miracles for everything from financial breakthroughs to physical healing. Most Christians understand the warnings against praying amiss and how God is not to be seen as a genie in a bottle, but at the same time, the Bible encourages us to step forward and not be afraid to present our petitions for needs that are important to us.

Hebrews 4:16 reminds us, "Let us, therefore, come boldly unto the throne of grace, that we may obtain mercy, and find grace to help in time of need." Before we approach any situation with prayer, let us seek discernment and invite God to speak to our hearts as we listen and advance according to His directions.

I believe every circumstance is unique and once we have His instructions we can confidently press forward, knowing that He is orchestrating control of the situation.

When praying for miracles, some believe that we are only to ask God for something once and never mention it again. The idea is that He heard us the first time and will make His decision when He's ready without us having to continually aggravate Him about it.

Others are convinced that a person should keep asking until they receive an answer because they believe God honors perseverance. In Matthew Chapter 15, there just so happens to be an interesting account about persistent and relentless prayer.

In Verse 22, we find a woman begging Jesus to heal her daughter, but the Lord did not immediately acknowledge her. She kept following Him and crying even louder saying, "Son of David have mercy on me!"

The disciples told Jesus to send her away because she was being irritating and getting on everyone's nerves, but He did not. Eventually, she was in His presence and continued to worship and plead with Him to intervene as she was absolutely not going to take no for an answer.

Finally, Christ spoke to her and announced, "O woman, great is thy faith: be it unto you as you desire." The text con-

cludes with confirming that her daughter was healed from that very hour. May we notice here that persistent intercession has nothing to do with God growing weary of our constant asking, but has everything to do with the substance of things hoped for and the evidence of things not seen.

When planting seeds of prayer, it's the individual's responsibility to water them with constant confessions and confirmations. The nail is not driven in with one blow, but rather with a steady and continual driving force of fervency, tenacity, focus and determination.

We can increase the intensity of our prayers even more with fasting which will draw us nearer to His presence and enable us to have a magnified spiritual clarity.

It's evident that most people at least subconsciously believe that God can manifest a miracle because when something tragic happens, we hear them say, "I'll be praying for you," which of course is wonderful.

Allow me to ask, when you pray, do you really believe God is going to create a miracle or do you include, "if it is His will?" There is nothing wrong with approaching our Creator and acknowledging His sovereignty because if you recall, Jesus prayed with this spiritual awareness when He was in the garden just a few hours before He was arrested.

"And He was withdrawn from them about a stone's cast, and kneeled down and prayed, saying, Father, if thou be willing, remove this cup from me: nevertheless not my will, but thine be done." -- Luke 22:41-42.

May we consider that an important aspect of prayer is humbly agreeing with His decision. This does not cancel the concept of submitting our petitions or speaking God's Word boldly with faith and authority, but instead emphasizes the need to respect His plans and to hear His voice before we proceed and react. "Jesus looked at them and said, with man this is impossible, but with God all things are possible." -- Matthew 19:26.

Jane Windham's recipe for Blueberry Lemon Pound Cake

A delicious, moist cake bursting with zesty lemon flavor and blueberry goodness!

Prep Time 15 minutes
Cook Time 1 hour
Resting Time 15 minutes
Total Time 1 hour 15 minutes

Author Jane Windham

Ingredients

- 1 cup unsalted butter softened
- 1 3/4 cup granulated sugar
- 1 lemon zested
- 1/2 cup fresh lemon juice
- 1 1/4 tsp lemon oil
- 4 large eggs at room temperature
- 2 3/4 cups all purpose flour
- 2 tsp baking powder
- 1/2 teaspoon salt
- 1/2 cup buttermilk
- 2 cups blueberries

• 1/4 cup powdered sugar for garnishing

Instructions

1. Preheat the oven to 350 degrees.
2. Spray a large bundt pan with baking spray.
3. In a stand mixer fitted with the paddle attachment, cream the butter and sugar until smooth.
4. Add the lemon zest, vanilla extract, lemon oil, and eggs one at a time to the creamed butter and sugar mixture. Mix until just incorporated.
5. In a medium bowl, whisk together the flour, baking powder, and salt. Set aside.
6. In a small bowl, mix the fresh lemon juice and the buttermilk.
7. Starting and ending with the flour mixture, add the flour mixture alternatively with the buttermilk mixture and blend

after each addition. Do NOT over mix.

8. Stir in the blueberries and pour the batter into the prepared bundt pan and spread until smooth.

9. Bake for 60 minutes. Sides should be golden brown and a wooden skewer inserted in the middle should come out clean. Do NOT overbake!

10. Allow to cool for 15 minutes before you invert the cake over a serving plate.

11. If desired, dust the top of the cake with powdered sugar.

Frozen blueberries may be used. Thaw them in a colander and allow the liquid to drain before using.

If you cannot find buttermilk, you can make buttermilk by adding a

teaspoon of white vinegar to 1 cup of milk. Let sit for a few minutes before using.



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Singing Couriers

Oates Baptist Church, 3569 Oates Highway, Lamar, will welcome The Singing Couriers from Bennettsville on May 19 at 6 p.m. Admission is free and open to everyone.

Women's Day

Cherry Grove Missionary Baptist Church, 552 E. Billy Farrow Highway, Darlington, will celebrate Women's Day May 5 at 10 a.m.

Revival

Second Missionary Baptist Church, Hartsville, spring revival services, May 15-17.

Homecoming

Bible Truth Holiness Church, 5360 Indian Branch Road, Lydia, will have Homecoming May 5. Sunday school starts at 10 a.m. and preaching begins at 11. Dinner

will start around 12:45 p.m. At 1:45 p.m., singing with Forever Redeemed from St. Stephens. 843-332-3442 or 843-858-1209.

Day of Prayer

The 68th National Day of Prayer will be observed Thursday, May 2, at noon. The event will be held on Darlington Square in front of the county courthouse. The theme this year is "Love One Another" taken from John 13:34. All are welcome and invited to come.

Mechanicsville Baptist Church

2364 Cashua Ferry Rd., Darlington. 843-393-1029.
Sunday: 9:30 a.m.-Sunday School; 10:30 a.m.-Worship Service

4 p.m.-Prayer Closet; 5:30 p.m. Evening Worship Services
Monday: Monday Night Ministry (MNM)-Youth Fellowship & Meal
Wednesday: 10:30 a.m. - Old Fashion Chapel Service & Fellowship Meal; 6:30 p.m. -

Small Group Bible Study (all ages) and Youth Group Meeting

Upcoming events:
May 7: Cookie Cawthon, founder of Tenacious Grace, will be guest speaker at Ladies Grace Moments starting at 6:30 p.m. Free.

June 16-21: 10th Annual Community Changers Camp. Call 843-393-1029.

The Upper Room Holy Ghost Mission

Sunday morning worship is at 11 a.m. Bible study Thursday at 7 p.m. at 109 Main St. in Darlington.

Covenant Baptist Church Prayer Line

Anyone who needs prayer is welcome to call Covenant Baptist Church Prayer Line at 843-393-8555.

St. Catherine's Episcopal Church

3123 W. Palmetto St., Florence. Worship Time: 11 a.m. (4th Sunday 8:30 a.m.) Sunday School: 9:45 a.m.

Phone: 843-601-3672.

Lawson Grove Baptist Church

3585 Lawson Grove Rd., Hartsville. Sunday - Church School at 9:45 a.m. and Worship Service at 10:45 a.m. Wednesday.

Prayer 6:30 p.m. Bible study 7 p.m.

Black Creek Baptist Church

The church, 139 Mont Clare Road, Dovesville, announces their hours: Sunday: 10 a.m. Sunday School, 11 a.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

Covenant Baptist Church, 628 Pocket Road, announces their hours: Sunday: 10 a.m. Sunday School, 11 a.m. Spoken Word Service. Wednesday: 6 p.m. Bible Study.

Need a ride to church? Call 843-393-7872.

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PETS OF THE WEEK



Your new best friend! Edna is such a sweet, lovable mid-sized lady. Just as friendly and snuggly as she can be, Edna is equally at ease in meeting new humans as she is other dogs. She's ready to go and do and explore and head out on adventures. Her broad, infectious smile and eagerness to say "Hi" are just what the doctor ordered in YOUR quest for your new best friend! Won't you come by today and see why we think Edna has what it takes to the perfect pet? 35 pounds; 4-5 years old; female; bully mix



Dressed to impress! Cricket is stunning with her shiny white coat and wide swatches of black. Known for her swiveling hips and happy, smiling face, Cricket is pure joy to have by your side. A great choice for a family with other dogs in stock and kids of most ages, we recently had her at a busy off site event and gosh, she had such fun making friends wherever she went. Cricket is the perfect companion pet for a busy home where she can be part of the action! 1 year old; 45 pounds; hound/lab mix

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

Board of Zoning Appeals

5:30 p.m. on Mondays on an as-needed basis, coordinated through the Codes Enforcement Office.

Hartsville Rotary Club

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

Darlington Elks Lodge

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

Thursdays: Bingo at 7:30 p.m.

Darlington Elks Lodge is located at 836 Timmonsville Hwy. For more info: 843-393-1451.

BNI

Meets each Tuesday at from 7:30-9 a.m. at Black Creeks Art Council, 116 W College Ave in Hartsville.

Hartsville Kiwanis Club

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

Hartsville Lions Club

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

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.

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

Summer Reading Program, Darlington Library, Tuesdays at 10 a.m.

Family Movie - Thurs. at 4pm

Accelerated Reader Testing, Available ALL Summer

Potluck Club [What the Fork?], Monthly Event, 4th Wednesday at 5:30 pm, bring one dish and feast on many...theme changes monthly, call 843-398-4940 for more information.

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:
 Sun: 6pm
 Mon: noon
 Tues: 8pm
 Wed: noon, 6pm

Thurs: 8pm
 Fri: noon, 8pm
 Sat noon, 8pm

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

Monthly Events

Hartsville Pilot Club

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

Head Start

Darlington County Head Start program policy council meetings, 4th Monday of each month, 5:30 p.m. at Butler Head Start Center, 1103 S. 6th St., Hartsville. Darlington County Community Action Agency board meetings, 4th Thursday of every month at 5:30 p.m., Butler Head Start Center, 1103 S. 6th St., Hartsville.

American Legion

American Legion Post 13 of Darlington meets the second Thursday of each month at the Post on Harry Byrd Highway next to the S.C. National Guard Armory.

DDRA Board of Directors Meeting

The DDRA Board of Directors will meet at City Administration, 410 Pearl Street, at 8 a.m. on the first Tuesday of the month, except in July and September.

Darlington County First Steps

2nd Tuesday each month at 5:30 pm in the Chamber of

Commerce Boardroom, 214 N 5th St., Hartsville.

Williamson Park Committee

The Williamson Park Committee meets at 5:30 p.m. on the second Tuesday of the month at Harmon Baldwin Recreation Center, 300 Sanders Street.

DC Disabilities and Special Needs Board

The Darlington County Disabilities and Special Needs Board will meet on the following dates and times in 2019. All meetings will begin at 2 p.m. The agenda and meeting location will be posted monthly.
 Meetings: April 30, May 28, June 25, July 30, Aug. 27, Sept. 24, Oct. 29, Nov. 26.
 No meeting in December.

Darlington Branch NAACP

The Darlington Branch NAACP meets on the second Tuesday every month, 7 p.m. at 109 Pearl St. For more, please contact President Anthony Hall at 843-229-1274.

May 2019

Touch-A-Truck

Join the Junior League of Florence Saturday May 4, 2019 from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Darlington Raceway! Children of all ages can explore their favorite big trucks, emergency vehicles and MORE! Climb on, explore and discover at this unique outdoor festival.

Historic Landmarks Commission

5:30 p.m. Monday, May 6 at City Hall, 400 Pearl Street, Darlington.

Darlington County Council Meeting

The Darlington County Council will hold their monthly meeting May 6 at 6 p.m. at the Courthouse Annex/EMS Building, 1625 Harry Byrd Highway (Highway 151), Darlington. 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@darcountyc.com.

Darlington City Council Meeting

The Darlington City Council will hold their monthly meeting May 7 at 6:30 p.m. in the City of Darlington Council Chambers at City Hall, located at 400 Pearl Street, Darlington.

Darlington Tree Board

May 13 at 5:30 p.m. at City Hall, 400 Pearl Street, Darlington.

Darlington County Board of Education

The Darlington County School District Board of Education will meet at 6 p.m. May 13 in the Training Room of the Administrative Office located at 120 E. Smith Avenue in Darlington.

Local Emergency Planning Committee

May 16 at 8 a.m. at the Courthouse Annex/EMS Building located at 1625 Harry Byrd Highway, Darlington.

Darlington Planning Commission

Tuesday, May 21 at 9 a.m. at City Hall, located at 400 Pearl Street, Darlington.

June 2019

Darlington County Council Meeting

The Darlington County Council will hold their monthly meeting June 3 at 6 p.m. at the Courthouse Annex/EMS Building, 1625 Harry Byrd Highway (Highway 151), Darlington. 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@darcountyc.com.

Darlington City Council Meeting

The Darlington City Council will hold their monthly meeting June 4 at 6:30 p.m. in the City of Darlington Council Chambers at City Hall, located at 400 Pearl Street, Darlington.

Darlington County Board of Education

The Darlington County School District Board of Education will meet at 6 p.m. June 10 in the Training Room of the Administrative Office located at 120 E. Smith Avenue in Darlington.

July 2019

Darlington County Council Meeting

The Darlington County Council will hold their monthly meeting July 1 at 6 p.m. at the Courthouse Annex/EMS Building, 1625 Harry Byrd Highway (Highway 151), Darlington. 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@darcountyc.com.

Darlington City Council Meeting

The Darlington City Council will hold their monthly meeting July 2 at 6:30 p.m. in the City of Darlington Council Chambers at City Hall, located at 400 Pearl Street, Darlington.

Darlington County Board of Education

The Darlington County School District Board of Education will meet at 6 p.m. July 8 in the Training Room of the Administrative Office located at 120 E. Smith Avenue in Darlington.

Darlington Planning Commission

Tuesday, July 16 at 9 a.m. at City Hall, located at 400 Pearl Street, Darlington.

August 2019

Historic Landmarks Commission

5:30 p.m. Monday, Aug. 5 at City Hall, 400 Pearl Street, Darlington.

Darlington City Council Meeting

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

Darlington County Board of Education

The Darlington County School District Board of Education will meet at 6 p.m. Aug. 12 in the Training Room of the Administrative Office located at 120 E. Smith Avenue in Darlington.

Darlington County Council Meeting

The Darlington County Council will hold their monthly meeting Aug. 12 at 6 p.m. at the Courthouse Annex/EMS Building, 1625 Harry Byrd Highway (Highway 151), Darlington. 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@darcountyc.com.

Local Emergency Planning Committee

Aug. 15 at 8 a.m. at the Courthouse Annex/EMS Building located at 1625 Harry Byrd Highway, Darlington.

Sept. 2019

Darlington City Council Meeting

The Darlington City Council will hold their monthly meeting Sept. 3 at 6:30 p.m. in the City of Darlington Council Chambers at City Hall, located at 400 Pearl Street in Darlington.

Darlington County Board of Education

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

Darlington County Council Meeting

The Darlington County Council will hold their monthly meeting Sept. 9 at 6 p.m. at the Courthouse Annex/EMS Building, 1625 Harry Byrd Highway (Highway 151), Darlington. 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@darcountyc.com.

Darlington Planning Commission

Tuesday, Sept. 17 at 9 a.m. at City Hall, located at 400 Pearl Street, Darlington.



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Letter carriers' food drive set for May 11

This year's edition of the National Association of Letter Carriers' Letter Carriers Food Drive is May 11.

This is the 27th annual Food Drive that the group has sponsored. Aiding the group's efforts are the U.S. Postal Service, the Rural Letter Carriers Association, United Way and the AFL-CIO.

The event is the largest one-day food drive in the nation. Last

year, more than 71 million pounds of food were donated. That brings the total donated during the history of the event to more than 1.6 billion pounds.

Customers are asked to leave donations of non-perishable food on their mail box May 11, and the letter carrier will pick them up when delivering the mail.

All donations will be distributed to local food banks.

Veterans' cookout is May 24

The Darlington Veterans' Affairs Office will host its fourth annual Cook-Out on May 24 at American Legion Post 13 at 1752 Harry Byrd Highway, Darlington.

The event will take place between 11 a.m. to 2 p.m.

The American Legion posts in the county have

partnered in this event.

There will be hot dogs, sausage dogs, barbeque sandwiches, chips, drinks and door prizes.

Call the Darlington County Veterans' Affairs Office at 843-398-4130 with any questions.

Mother's Day ideas for moms from all walks of life

Mother's Day is a celebration of women who devote so much of their effort and energy to their families. Celebrating Mom on Mother's Day lets her know all of her efforts haven't gone unnoticed.

Mothers may perform similar tasks, but no two moms are the same. Finding ways to celebrate Mom's uniqueness can make the day that much more meaningful and memorable.

The Crafter

Mothers who are avid crafters may enjoy a craft-themed Mother's Day. A family crafting project can make for a fun afternoon and produce mementos that Mom will cherish for years to come. Dads and kids can plan the project in advance without Mom's knowledge, arranging all of the materials ahead of time and setting up the crafting station the night before or while Mom is relaxing on Mother's Day morning. Kids can even get a head start on the day by making their own craft for Mom and giving it to her as a Mother's Day present. Dads can keep the craft theme going at dinner and get a laugh out of Mom by pouring her a craft beer when dinner is served.

The Reader

A 2017 survey from the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics found that women read more than men. Women read an average of 19.8 minutes per day, which can make a Mother's Day focused on Mom's love of books an ideal

and unique way to spend the day. Kids can write Mom their own books, and Dad can help put them together. Dads can visit rare bookstores and look for original copies of Mom's favorite books that she might not find elsewhere.

The Nature Lover

Fishing and other outdoor activities might have a reputation as predominantly male hobbies, but studies show that's not really the case. A 2016 report from the Outdoor Foundation found that 46 percent of people who participated in outdoor activities were women. If Mom is a nature enthusiast, families can plan a Mother's Day enjoying the great outdoors, even giving Mom a new fishing pole, hiking gear or other items that align with her favorite nature activity.

The Relaxation Specialist

Of course, some mothers may want to simply unwind with a relaxing morning at the spa on Mother's Day. In fact, the 2018 U.S. Spa Industry Study found that the spa industry has enjoyed seven consecutive years of consistent growth, with more than 187 billion spa visits in 2017 alone. A relaxing morning at the spa can be the perfect way for moms to begin Mother's Day before they enjoy a brunch of dinner out with their families.

Mother's Day celebrations can be as unique as the women being celebrated.

CareSouth formally announces its Society Hill expansion



CareSouth Carolina formally announced last Thursday the addition of a new facility in Society Hill.

During a CSC board meeting at Society Hill's Town Hall, a resolution was presented and agreement signed to allow CareSouth Carolina to move into the vacant St. David's Academy building. The facility will be used for administrative offices and will free up space in other CareSouth Carolina locations to provide a more efficient patient experience.

Town Council finalized the deal April 9.

"I'm really excited in what has culminated in our ability to expand and grow as an organization," CareSouth Carolina CEO Ann Lewis said. "We call it a purchase, but the purchase is almost a token amount and in reality, the town of Society Hill and the Darlington County School District have essentially donated it to us. We are in desperate need of more space, and it means we'll be able to centralize many of our

administrative services here in Society Hill."

"As I think about the future and about driving down Main Street in Society Hill, seeing the legacy of St. David's Academy and seeing CareSouth Carolina's name with that facility, that's going to be a real thrill and it's going to mean a lot to many different people," Lewis said.

Society Hill Mayor Tommy Bradshaw said he was excited to see what the future holds with CareSouth Carolina and the healthcare provided in

Society Hill.

"It's a win-win situation," Bradshaw said. "This is going to provide more administrative space for CareSouth Carolina and we're excited to see them expanding here in Society Hill where it all started. The town is kind of the geographic center of where they provide services, so it makes a lot of sense. It's going to give them a chance to develop a campus here in Society Hill."

McLeod nurses receive Palmetto Gold Award

McLeod Health announced Catherine Huggins and Elaine Stone, Registered Nurses with McLeod Health Darlington, as well as Lisa Page, Chief Nursing Officer, McLeod Health Darlington, have been selected to receive the 2019 Palmetto Gold Award.

Huggins, Stone and Page were part of 17 McLeod Health Nurses to receive the award for 2019.

The Palmetto Gold Award was created by various nursing organizations throughout South Carolina as a platform to recognize nursing and support nursing education with scholarship funds.

Each year, employers from a variety of South Carolina health care settings nominate outstanding nurses from their organizations to be considered as one of the 100 nurses honored with this prestigious award. The nominators are asked to provide evidence of how the nominee demonstrated excellence to the profession by addressing the following criteria: promoting and advancing the profession of nursing; displaying caring and commitment to patients, families, and colleagues; and demonstrating leadership by assisting others to grow and develop.

Huggins, a resident of Darlington, has four years of nursing experience and currently serves as a Patient Care Supervisor on the Medical/Surgical Swing Bed Unit.

"Catherine is a jewel," said Lisa Page, Chief Nursing Officer, McLeod Health Darlington. "She just started in her new role as Patient Care Supervisor and already has made improve-

ments in the unit. Her creativity never ceases to amaze me. We have improved communication with our Occupational Therapy team, thanks to Catherine, and our patients receive their treatments in a timely manner. Often, you'll find a picture drawn by Catherine as she is a great artist and her sketches are enlightening.

Stone, a resident of Effingham, has five years of nursing experience and currently serves as a Patient Care Supervisor on the Medical/Surgical Swing Bed

Unit.

"Elaine does more than go out of her way for patients; she's truly every patient's dream," said Page.

"I have seen her at the local grocery store with a cart full of snacks for our patients, and she is known to make meals for the staff without any reason except that she is passionate about her job and co-workers. She has a heart of gold and quickly recognizes and responds to her patients."

Page, a resident of Hartsville, has 31 years of nursing experience and cur-

rently serves as the Chief Nursing Officer for McLeod Health Darlington. Page has served as an Oncology staff nurse, a nursing supervisor, and a director of nursing.

"Lisa has been a successful nursing leader and because of her support, direction and leadership, nursing turnover in her areas of responsibility is less than 3 percent," says Virginia Hardee, Administrator, McLeod Health Darlington. "The patient population has also shown satisfaction with the care they receive."

2019 Darlington County Rabies Clinics

Dr. John W. Davis, DVM
Town and Country Veterinary Clinic

Vaccination Fee: \$10 per shot

Note: Only vaccinations will be given; dogs must be on a leash, cats in a box or carrier.

May 4, May 11, May 18, & May 25

9-11 AM

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The South Carolina Rabies Control Act requires that all dogs and cats have a current rabies vaccination. For the majority of vaccines, the minimum age to vaccinate puppies and kittens is four (4) months of age. Upon vaccination, the pet should wear the numbered rabies tag provided by Dr. Davis around its neck. Dr. Davis will also provide you with a certificate of vaccination.



NOTICE OF MEETING

Darlington County Planning will hold a Public Hearing at 5:30 p.m., on May 21st, 2019, in the Emergency Operations Center, 1625 Harry Byrd Highway (Hwy 151), Darlington, South Carolina to discuss renaming Animal Control Blvd to Adoption Way.

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'Frankies' unveiled at FMU Athletics Gala

Francis Marion University's Athletics Department recently unveiled the "Frankies," a special award for special performances in the past year of FMU athletics.

The awards debuted at Monday's Athletic Awards Gala at the FMU Performing Arts Center where 13 recipients were honored, receiving a shiny gold statuette that bears a striking resemblance to FMU's wily mascot, Frank the Fox.

The inaugural Frankie award winners were as follows:

Swamp Fox Academic Award – junior Emma Driggers (Mauldin) (Women's Cross Country/Track and Field)

Ray E. Thames Memorial Raise the Roof Award – junior Ivan Henderson (Jackson) (Men's Cross Country/Track and Field)

Mark Haselden Sportsmanship Award – senior Julian Kersting (Oldenburg, Germany) (Men's Soccer)

Assistant Coach of the Year – Blake Butler (Baseball)

Head Coach of the Year – Gary Edwards (Men's Basketball)

Male Rookie of the Year – freshman Will Hardee (Florence) (Baseball)

Female Rookie of the Year – sophomore Katelyn Ellard (Cary, N.C.) (Softball)

Male Breakout Performance – freshman Kailex Stephens (Tuscaloosa, Ala.) (Men's Basketball)

Female Breakout Performance – senior Taylor Johnson (San Diego, Calif.) (Softball)

Comeback Player of the Year – senior Chelsea Welty (St. Helena) (Softball)

Male Athlete of the Year – senior Brandon Parker (Sumter) (Men's Basketball)

Female Athlete of the Year – senior Shaunice Fulmore (Lake City) (Women's Basketball)

Most Outstanding Team – Men's Basketball

Other award winners from the from the gala were as fol-

lows:

Most Valuable Player Award for baseball – senior Cole Hinnant (Clayton, N.C.)

Most Valuable Player Award for men's basketball – senior Brandon Parker (Sumter)

Carolyn Bishop Frate Most Valuable Player Award for women's basketball – senior Shaunice Fulmore (Lake City)

Dr. Tom Whiteley Most Valuable Player Award for men's cross country – freshman Parker Calvert (North Charleston)

Women's Cross Country Most Valuable Player Award – junior Andrea Liddell (Manning)

Golf Most Valuable Player Award – freshman Grant Sellers (McBee)

Men's Soccer Most Valuable Player Award – senior Julian Kersting (Oldenburg, Germany)

Folly Carter Most Valuable Player Award for women's soccer – freshman Rachael Hennenkamp (Wake Forest, N.C.)

Ashley Lynn Most Valuable Player Award for women's softball – senior Taylor Johnson (San Diego, Calif.)

Men's Tennis Most Valuable Player Award – sophomore Matt Astell (Johannesburg, South Africa)

Gladys Hite Most Valuable Player Award for women's tennis – sophomore Fredrika Regner (Langaryd, Sweden)

Jerry and Jean Lee Track and Field Most Valuable Player Award for men's track & field – freshman Tucker Wheeler (Moncks Corner)

Women's Track and Field Most Valuable Player Award – junior Alexis Patterson (Cheraw)

Joseph B. Durant Most Valuable Player Award for women's volleyball – senior Carrie McGinnis (Knoxville, Tenn.)

Coker College Vice President of Athletics and Athletic Facilities Lynn Griffin has announced Jarred Merrill as the new head coach of the Coker men's basketball team.

"Coker partnered with Athletic Staffing and Consulting to conduct a national search for our next basketball coach and Jarred rose to the top of an exceptional list of candidates," stated Griffin.

"He has been successful at his previous institutions and brings the recruiting connections that are essential to the success of the program. We are all excited about the future of Coker men's basketball with Jarred at the helm."

Merrill comes to Coker after spending the past four seasons as an assistant coach at Mercer University.

While at Mercer he helped guide the Bears to two post-season appearances, including a spot in the quarterfinals of

the 2018 College Basketball Invitational (CBI).

He recruited and developed more than nine All-SoCon players during his time at Mercer, including two-time selection Stephon Jelks.

In addition to his coaching duties, Merrill was in charge of the Mercer Basketball Annual Coaches Clinic and Bob Hoffman summer basketball camps.

"My family and I are grateful to call Hartsville our new home and we are so honored to help lead the Coker men's basketball program into the future," said Merrill.

"We are very appreciative to President Wyatt and Dr. Griffin for this amazing opportunity.

"Our family is excited to ingratiate ourselves into this remarkable community and build as many new relationships as possible. We are so happy to be Cobras!"

Prior to his time at Mercer,

Merrill spent three seasons as an assistant coach at Southern Nazarene University where he led the Storm to a third-place finish at the NCCAA National Tournament in 2014.

He also spent time as a coach at Bishop McGuinness High School where he was instrumental in his team finishing the 2013 season as the Oklahoma State High School Finals runner-up with a 24-5 overall record.

In addition to his coaching prowess, Merrill was a stand-out player.

He finished his career at Oklahoma Christian University as the program's all-time leading scorer (2,189 points) and was a Hall of Fame Inductee in 2013.

Also, he is second in career rebounds with 1,120 and shares the OCU record with 59 double doubles.

He was named the NAIA Division I National Player of the Year and upon graduating

played professionally in Spain, Luxembourg, Saudi Arabia, Argentina, Bahrain, Lebanon and South Korea, as well as in the U.S. in the NBA Development League, the American Basketball Association and the United States Basketball League.

Bob Hoffman, former Mercer men's basketball head coach, says: "Coach Merrill has great experience at different levels of the pro ranks, which he brought to recruiting and individual workouts with our guys. His demeanor and attitude about the game is tremendous."

Merrill graduated from Oklahoma Christian with a Bachelor of Science in Physical Education and he holds a Masters of Science in Management from Southern Nazarene University. He and his wife, Candace, are the parents of Jaya, Mannix and Jarred Jr.

SCDOT's pothole projections have plenty of holes

By Rick Brundrett
The Nerve

Last fiscal year, the S.C. Department of Transportation estimated it filled more than 37,000 potholes in small, rural Kershaw County – the biggest number among the state's 46 counties.

In comparison, the pothole total was more than three times DOT's projected number of patched potholes in Greenville County – the state's most-populous county – and nearly 25 times the estimate for Charleston County, which has the third-largest population.

The Nerve found more seemingly inflated pothole numbers in a review of a DOT database.

After DOT in its last annual report claimed that it had filled a total of about 411,000 potholes statewide in fiscal 2018, which ran from July 1, 2017, through last June 30, The Nerve on Jan. 16 submitted a request under the S.C. Freedom of Information Act seeking records on how the agency arrived at the 411,000 figure.

In its answer, released on April 5, DOT indicated its 409,739 figure was not an actual count of every pothole.

Rather, according to the agency, it was an estimate based on the total amount of asphalt used last fiscal year – 97,313 tons – and the amount of asphalt – 475 pounds – needed to fill an "average" size pothole measuring 3 feet long, 3 feet wide and 4.75 inches deep.

The total cost of patching potholes statewide last fiscal year was \$20.6 million, DOT records show. The agency in its response noted that the "methods and materials used to patch potholes vary."

In passing a 2017 law that raised the state gas tax 12 cents per gallon over six years and increased other vehicle taxes and fees, legislators promised that the revenues would go toward fixing the state's deteriorating roads and bridges. But The Nerve has repeatedly pointed out that DOT has spent relatively little from revenues generated under the law, and that the

agency plans to use a good chunk of those funds for widening interstates.

In response to The Nerve's latest open-records request, DOT released a 350-page spreadsheet showing the total amount of asphalt used on individually listed state-maintained roads in every county last fiscal year.

Based on the agency's formula for determining the total number of patched potholes statewide, The Nerve broke that projection down to each listed road in the database and calculated county estimated totals.

Following is a list of the counties with at least an estimated 10,000 filled potholes in fiscal 2018, based on DOT's formula:

- Kershaw: 37,451
- Sumter: 35,863
- Williamsburg: 32,250
- Berkeley: 31,492
- Horry: 27,589
- Richland: 25,080
- Colleton: 20,023
- Georgetown: 13,474
- Dillon: 12,627
- Jasper: 12,246
- Florence: 11,839
- Lexington: 11,650
- Greenville: 10,086

Charleston County, with an estimated 1,515 patched potholes last fiscal year, was among 10 counties – the rest of them small and rural – with the lowest totals, The Nerve's review found.

McCormick County was at the bottom of the list with a projected 236 filled potholes.

And those rankings typically didn't match up with the total number of repaired roads by county last fiscal year.

The DOT database listed more than 15,000 roads statewide, including interstates, that were repaired in "both" directions, The Nerve's review found.

Below are the 10 counties with the highest total number of repaired roads in "both" directions, according to the database:

- Lexington: 1,041
- Richland: 954
- Florence: 695
- Orangeburg: 623

- Darlington: 597
- York: 590
- Sumter: 564
- Cherokee: 479
- Lancaster: 461
- Chesterfield: 457

Gerald Shealy, a former maintenance engineer who worked in Richland, Lexington, Newberry and Lee counties over 30 years before retiring in 1999, told The Nerve he doesn't believe that DOT is properly repairing potholes.

"There are a lot of things to patching a pothole that they don't do," he said.

"I don't think they know how to patch a pothole to be honest with you, not at least from what I've seen."

Shealy said he wouldn't be surprised if many of the same potholes are being repatched every month.

In contrast, he said potholes that his crews worked on typically lasted months longer.

"What people don't realize, a pothole is not the pavement failing," he said.

"The (road) base failed is what caused the pothole, and when you just throw some asphalt in it and that's all you do, you just repeat what happened."

According to a DOT engineering directive released to The Nerve in its latest open-records request, interstates are supposed to be inspected monthly during daylight hours, primary routes once every six months, and secondary routes once yearly.

"The purpose of these inspections is to detect deficiencies that could pose a hazard to motorists or pedestrians, thus creating a risk for the Department," according to the directive, which took effect March 3, 2011.

The agency has said 80 percent of the state's approximately 42,000 miles of roads needs to be resurfaced or rebuilt, and identified 465 out of 750 "structurally deficient" bridges to be replaced.

DOT head Christy Hall publicly has said that potholes are temporary fixes, particularly during "wet weather or winter months."

The agency in January

announced it was launching a "Pothole Blitz" to repair what it contended was a growing number of potholes statewide brought on by recent rains.

But as with the claim of 411,000 patched potholes last fiscal year, Hall at a February DOT Commission meeting acknowledged that the approximately 43,000 potholes filled statewide during the first month of the "blitz" was just an estimate "based on a calculation" by the agency's engineering division, as The Nerve reported then.

Her statements came two days after The Nerve submitted an open-records request to DOT for records on the "blitz."

Shealy said a big problem is that DOT is not cleaning out drainage ditches as frequently as was done in years past, explaining that when roads get more water on them, there is a higher likelihood that potholes will form.

On top of that, he added, the agency has been using outside contractors to patch potholes, which drives up costs.

In its response to The Nerve's latest open-records request, DOT said a total of 2,508 employees were involved in "pothole patching activities" last fiscal year.

For the fiscal year that starts July 1, lawmakers have proposed increasing DOT's maintenance budget by about \$53 million, or 21 percent, to \$301 million. But that amount would be \$10.7 million less compared to fiscal 2017.

DOT's total proposed budget for 2019-20 is about \$2.6 billion, which, if enacted, would be an increase of more than \$191 million, or nearly 8 percent, from this fiscal year.

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FMU's Sheheen Institute celebrates 17th graduating class

Twenty-four leaders from South Carolina non-profit organizations graduated in April from Francis Marion University's 17th Fred Sheheen Non-Profit Leadership Institute (NPLI).

The seven month-long program equips personnel from regional and statewide non-profit organizations to be more effective leaders in their organizations by providing

education and skill development through a series of monthly seminars.

Experts from public, private and non-profit sectors lead the sessions. Session topics include program development, human resources, financial resource management, data collection and managing external relations.

This year's class included: Joe Craig, United Way of

Florence; Michael Shirley and Sherri Childress, Children's Trust of S.C.; Andy Whipple, Sea Haven Inc., Kayla Jebaily, Boys & Girls Club of the Pee Dee; Clyde Nance, Circle Park Behavioral Health Services; Julie Maxham, House of Hope of the Pee Dee; Cookie Cawthon, Tenacious Grace; Ericka Bennett, Lake City Community Outreach; Joey Smoak, Eastern Carolina

Homeless Organization; Anny Gowdy and Kyle Jenkins, Eastern Carolina Homelessness Organization; and Chasidy Graham, Housing Authority of Florence.

Also, Monica Jeffcoat, Helping Hands Inc.; Nick Washington, The Original Six Foundation; Jordan Evans, Anderson Interfaith Ministries; Dawn Lavoie, Little Steps; Mandy Black,

Little Steps; Jennifer Powell, Clarendon County Council on Aging; Jesseca Horton, Senior Citizens Association; Rion Kennedy-Mcallister, Pee Dee Land Trust; Erin Walters, Habitat for Humanity of Horry County; Dorothea Bernique, Increasing H.O.P.E.; Joceyln Rogers, S.C. Campaign to Prevent Teen Pregnancy.

The institute began with

initial grant support from the Drs. Bruce and Lee Foundation of Florence.

FMU President Fred Carter and the late Fred Sheheen, former S.C. Commissioner of Higher Education, were instrumental in founding the NPLI.

FMU supports the NPLI by hosting the institute and providing funding support.

Rain Barrel Art Review winners announced

The Darlington Garden Club and the Governor's School for Science and Mathematics in Hartsville took top awards in the 2019 Rain Barrel Art Review sponsored by the Florence

Darlington Stormwater Consortium (FDSC). Open to schools and community groups in Florence and Darlington counties, the goal of the competition was to educate the public about the

benefits of using rain barrels to reduce runoff and protect water quality.

A total of eight rain barrels were entered in the competition.

Completed barrels were voted on by over 350 citizens online in celebration of Earth Day.

Prizes were awarded for the top three barrels in each category.

All of the barrels will be installed in public locations to serve as demonstrations of rainwater harvesting.

Darlington Garden Club member Sarah Jaillette, an experienced artist and art teacher, decorated the club's top prize winning barrel with Great Blue Herons.

Darlington Girl Scouts (working with club members to revitalize the Darlington Library's Youth Garden) painted the 3rd Prize winning entry with flowers, butterflies and a fish pond.

The prize awards, \$100 and \$50, respectively, will fund more community beautification projects.

- The winners are:
- School
 - 1st – Governor's School for Science and Mathematics
 - 2nd – Olanta Creative Arts and Science Magnet School
 - 3rd – Sneed Middle School

- Community Group
 - 1st – Darlington Garden Club
 - 2nd – The Healing Arts Exchange
 - 3rd – Darlington Garden Club Garden Therapy / Darlington Girl Scouts



Left to right: Darlington Garden Club's Ronda Brown and Lou Kirchen with Clemson University Water Resource Agent Sarah Rogers. PHOTO BY SAMANTHA LYLES



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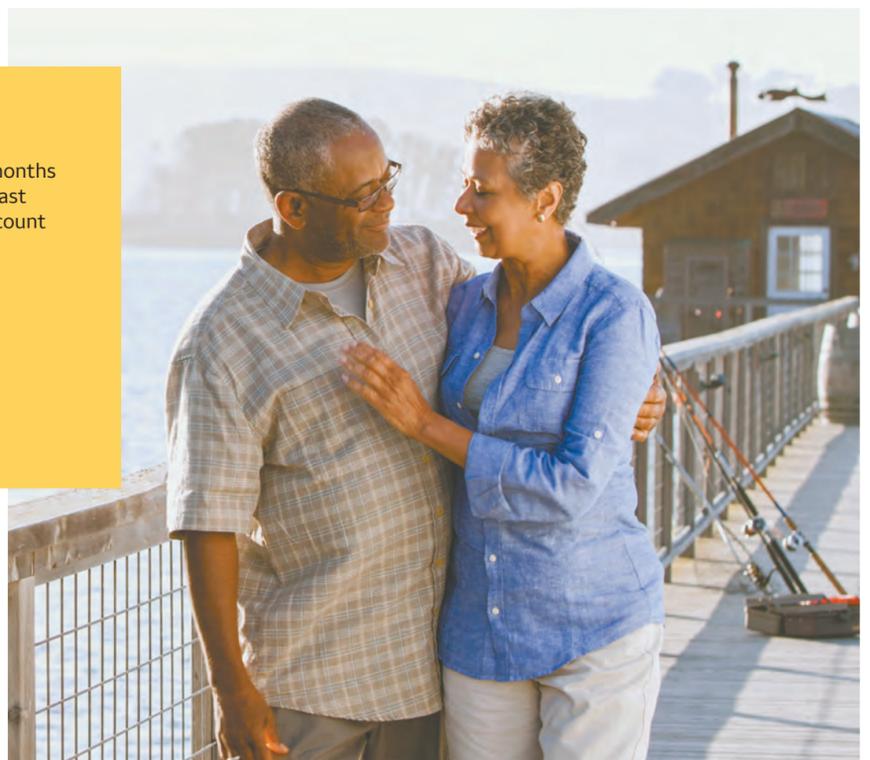
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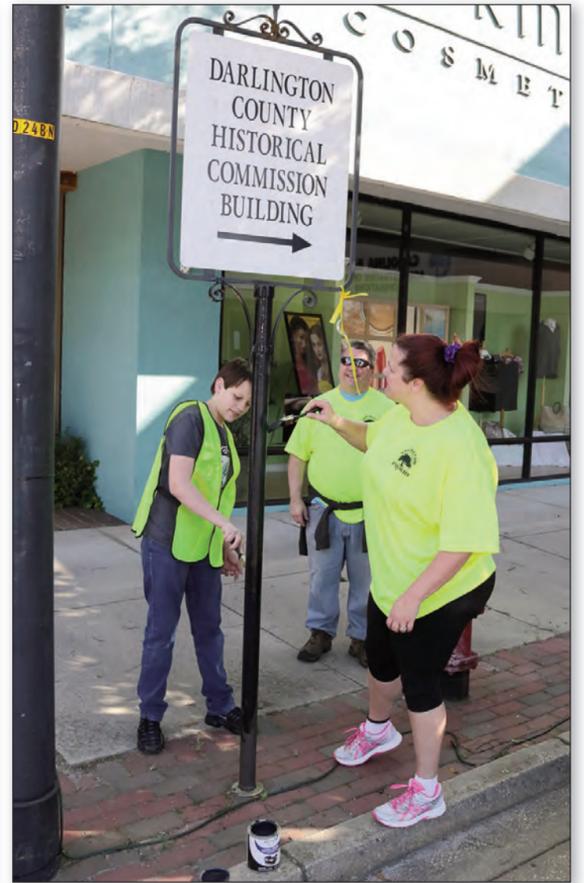


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Making Darlington cleaner, greener

Twice a year, Clean Up Darlington brings together dozens of volunteers to plant flowers and pull weeds, freshen paint, and sweep and wash away some of the grime that gradually accumulates throughout the city. Last Saturday, April 27, teams met up on the Public Square to pick up their free "Darlington Proud" T-shirts and get their work assignments. After a day of pressure washing, planting and carting away trash and debris, the Pearl of the Pee Dee definitely shone a little brighter. PHOTOS BY SAMANTHA LYLES





Community leaders joined CareSouth Carolina to celebrate a mortgage burning for the Rosa Lee Gerald Center in Society Hill last week. After more than 20 years, CareSouth Carolina celebrated paying off the center with a Mortgage Burning Ceremony. Ann Lewis, CEO of CareSouth Carolina, said the mortgage burning signified an important moment for the organization as it continues to grow. "Today we burned a mortgage on the Rosa Lee Gerald Center, which has really been the foundation of CareSouth Carolina as we've grown throughout the Pee Dee," Lewis said. Society Hill Family Health Clinic opened its doors in 1980 with five employees and provided services to 24 patients. CONTRIBUTED PHOTO



Darlington High School Gospel will perform at Gospel in the Park in Pride Park, 630 S. 6th St., Hartsville, on May 5. The event runs 5-8 p.m.

Backyard Stargazer Meet the stars in May

By Francis Parnell



May is a good time to get acquainted with the stars.

A great way to start learning about the night sky is to visit the FMU Dooley Planetarium. The shows are free and are on the second and fourth Sundays at 3 p.m. Take the kids and get there by 2:30 because seating is limited.

Just before dawn on the 2nd, look east to observe Venus rise; 5 degrees lower right you might be able to spot a very thin crescent Moon.

On the 6th at dusk, the slim waxing crescent Moon is in Taurus, 3 degrees upper right of Aldebaran, the bright eye of the Bull.

Looking north-northwest one hour after sunset on the 9th, find red Mars on the edge of the beautiful open star cluster M35 in Gemini. Binoculars will give an unforgettable view.

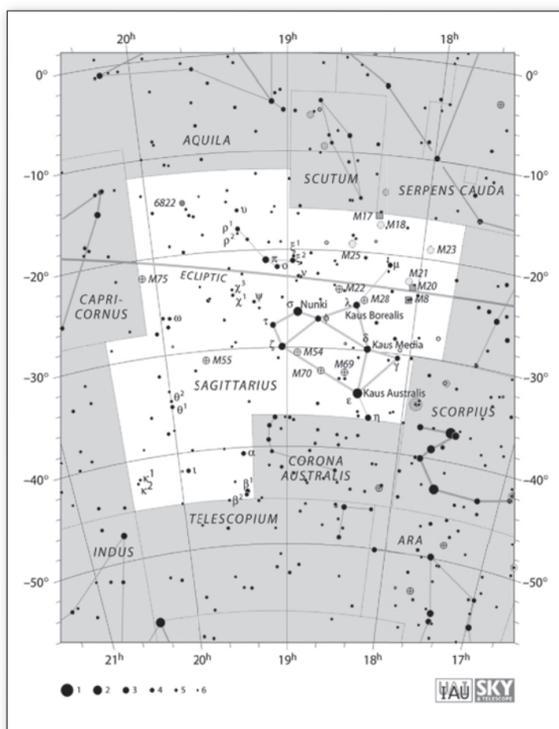
M35 is 2,800 light-years away.

On four mornings from the 19th to the 23rd, the Moon visits a Scorpion, a Centaur (Sagittarius), and two giant planets. Around 4 a.m. on the 19th, look south-southwest to see the waning gibbous Moon above the three stars that make up the head of Scorpion. The next morning the Moon has moved to 4 degrees right of yellow Jupiter, the king of the planets.

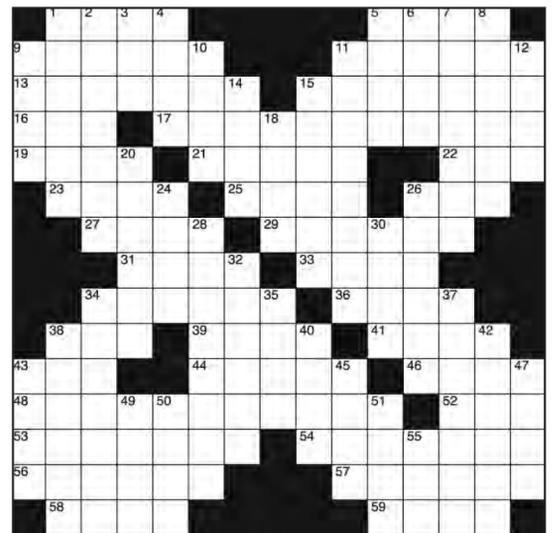
Around 4 a.m. on the 22nd, look south to find the Moon above the handle of the Teapot of Sagittarius, the Archer, and 7 degrees to the right of Saturn. On the 23rd, the Moon will be 5 degrees to the lower left of Saturn.

FAST FACT: Recently, cosmologists made an estimate of the number of stars in the universe. The number that they came up with is 40,000,000,000,000,000,000,000; that's 40 billion trillion stars. And that's a very conservative estimate!

"Keep looking up" and enjoying Mother Nature at her best.



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1. Type of fruit
5. Unit of time
9. Oil company
11. Benson's "partner"
13. Fictional mob boss Tony
15. Visual record
16. Small constellation
17. Popular family TV series
19. Tough outer layer
21. Cut
22. Vietnamese offensive
23. Horizontal mine passage
25. Greek war god
26. Have already done
27. Six (Spanish)
29. Remarks for the audience
31. Relaxing spots
33. Prevent from seeing
34. Disguised
36. Comedian Rogen
38. Afflict in mind or body
39. Sour
41. People native to N. Mexico
43. No seats avail-

- able
44. Ned __, composer
46. A fit of irritation
48. Ability to move objects mentally
52. Luke's mentor
53. Herbal medicine ingredient
54. Oscar-winning director Bigelow
56. Likes
57. In a sound way
58. Part of a staircase
59. Exemptions from play

DOWN

1. How will it play in __?
2. Grows
3. Swiss river
4. Canadian flyers
5. Affirmative! (slang)
6. Root of taro plant
7. Large, long-legged rodents
8. Recycled
9. Pre-1917 emperor of Russia
10. Sometimes it's on you
11. Contrary

- beliefs
12. Remain as is
14. Spicy stew __ podrida
15. Play time
18. Italian monetary unit
20. Type of fuel
24. Portable conical tent
26. Yazoo and Mississippi are two
28. What people earn
30. Insect repellent
32. After first
34. Plays the viola
35. Not good
37. Esteemed guest
38. Where rockers ply their trade
40. Office furniture
42. Ancient Greek oracles
43. Quantitative fact
45. Missing soldiers
47. Minute
49. This (Spanish)
50. Maintain possession of
51. Knife
55. What to say on New Year's Day (abbr.)

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6 ways to recognize autism awareness

Autism has become a household word because of the vast number of lives impacted by this highly scrutinized and often confusing series of conditions. In 2018, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention determined that 1 in 59 children currently has autism spectrum disorder in the United States.

ASD can affect the entire body, but it is typically marked by repetitive patterns of behavior, interests or activities. Difficulties with communication, intellectual disabilities and impaired social interactions also are noted. The autism awareness organization Autism Speaks estimates that one-third of people with ASD are nonverbal as well.

Research implicates genetics as the cause of ASD in the vast majority of cases. Generally speaking, children born to older parents are at a higher risk for having autism than those born to younger parents. Despite controversy, there is no definitive link between ASD and immunizations.

Each April is Autism Awareness Month. April also hosts World Autism Day (April 2). The Autism Society, one of the leading autism organizations, established the observance month to "promote autism awareness, inclusion and self-determination for all, and to assure that each person with ASD is provided the opportunity to achieve the highest possible quality of life." There are many steps people can take to help the group achieve that goal, both in April and throughout the year.

1. Wear blue. One of the significant markers of autism support and awareness is the displaying of the color blue. Many organizations sell blue t-shirts and other promotional items that help raise awareness and money for the cause.

2. Attend an event. There are many marches or fundraisers for ASD in April. Participating in such events shows those with ASD that people care about them.

3. Go to a sensory friendly event. Venues like movie theaters and amusement parks offer "sensory-friendly" days for individuals with ASD and their families.

4. Embrace the ribbon. The puzzle piece ribbon represents the complexity and diversity of those with ASD. Pin a ribbon to clothing or attach ribbon magnets to cars.

5. Learn more. Dr. Temple Grandin is an autism expert who is on the spectrum herself. Through her own words, Grandin shares unprecedented insights into what the autistic brain experiences. This education can be used in one's own life or in the classroom. There are other educators with ASD who also offer their expertise online.

6. Donate when possible. Although there is no cure for autism, researchers continue to work to learn more about it and any potential treatments that can improve the lives of those with ASD.

Learn more about ASD at www.autism-society.org.



Aiden Skaris plays a round of golf at the Hartsville Memorial Library on April 26, where a Mini-Golf course was set up through parts of the library. The golf course was outlined by books.

Sheriff donates to charities

Darlington County Sheriff Tony Chavis has presented five charities with donations totaling \$9,430.

The funds were raised through the wrestling event Clash of the Titans, held

March 23, and through a No Shave November campaign by the sheriff and deputies.

"These are great charities right here in our community providing amazing services to the less fortunate or those suf-

fering from ailments," said Chavis.

Chavis presented Andrea Pulling of Carolina Kids, Jackie Anderson of the Darlington County Council on Aging, Kathy McDonald of the

Darlington County Humane Society, Tifani Moore of the American Diabetes Association and Chinell Boateng of the American Cancer Society with the donations.

USC alumnus shares story of colleagues lost in Annapolis newsroom shooting

University of South Carolina

COLUMBIA -- University of South Carolina alumnus Jimmy DeButts stood in front of a class of aspiring journalists at his alma mater and stated these simple but chilling words:

"I'm standing before you today because I was on vacation on June 28, 2018."

Journalism school alumnus Jimmy DeButts, an editor and columnist at the Capital Gazette newspaper in Annapolis, Maryland, returned to his alma mater recently to talk about the importance of community news and about his colleagues killed in a newsroom shooting.

On that summer day, a gunman stormed into The Capital Gazette in Annapolis and shot and killed five of DeButts' colleagues in a newsroom where he has worked since March 2012.

DeButts, the paper's community news editor and columnist, is a 1996 graduate of the School of Journalism and Mass

Communications, and returned to campus to talk to students in public relations classes and the senior semester of broadcast and multimedia journalists.

The man charged in the killings had a long-running grudge against The Capital Gazette newspaper after a former columnist wrote about a 2011 harassment conviction. When he shot his way into the newsroom in 2018, DeButts was on vacation in Massachusetts.

Had he been at work, DeButts told the students, the desk where he sat would have been in the shooter's line of fire.

"I feel like it's my responsibility to shine their light, to share their light. They were great people who were only doing their jobs," he says.

They include assistant editor and columnist Rob Hiaasen, who hired DeButts and who he describes as "a mentor, a friend, the nicest person you've ever met."

Wendi Winters, the commu-

nity news reporter who seemingly knew everyone in town, and who threw a trash can and recycling bin at the shooter, distracting him and allowing others in the newsroom to hide.

Rebecca Smith, a "full of life" sales assistant who had been working at the newspaper only a few months.

Gerald Fischman, a columnist and editorial page editor who was one of the quietest and sharpest people in the newsroom.

And John McNamara, a sports reporter DeButts described as a "real newsman who would always come back with the story."

DeButts' message to the School of Journalism and Mass Communications students: The shootings in his newsroom changed everything for The Capital Gazette, but it changed nothing about the job he and his colleagues do every day.

While the deaths of five of their colleagues and friends caused the remaining journal-

ists to lose "a piece of their soul," the shootings did not change the newspaper's mission.

They continue to seek the truth and tell the stories of their community — stories about tax increases and high school sports and city council meetings.

"If we don't cover those things, they won't get covered. And we take that very seriously. We still serve our community. We still cover the 'boring stuff,' the city council and county council meetings. We also tell the stories of the people who are changing and having a positive impact on our community."

That work continued the day of the shootings when the journalists who were out of the office rushed back to tell the horrific story involving their friends and colleagues.

They set up a mobile newsroom in one reporter's truck bed in a parking garage across the street from the crime scene, and reported the story with

help from their sister paper, The Baltimore Sun.

Chase Cook, a reporter who covered the Maryland General Assembly, tweeted in the hours after the shootings: "I can tell you this: We are putting out a damn paper tomorrow."

The surviving staff members of The Capital Gazette appeared on the cover of Time magazine in December as some of its Person of the Year honorees.

The photo of the staff appears with the headline "The Guardians and the War on Truth."

On April 15 the Pulitzer Prize Board awarded a special citation to The Capital Gazette's staff for its work covering the June attack.

The citation was given "for demonstrating unflinching commitment to covering the news and serving their community at a time of unspeakable grief."

"I'm proud of the fact that from that day on we've continued to report. People were

fighting tears, literally, to put out the paper," DeButts told the USC students.

"While we are doing things with a heavy heart, we don't change what we do."

A Florida native, DeButts attended a journalism conference at South Carolina after his junior year of high school and fell in love with the campus.

"The luckiest and best decision I made was to come to school here," DeButts says.

"I immediately jumped in with The Gamecock. All the mentoring and all the guidance I got from my professors and from editors at The Gamecock really set me on a course."

He spent the first nine years of his career as a sports writer at newspapers in rural Virginia, Augusta, Georgia and Birmingham, Alabama.

He later switched to covering business and moved to Baltimore to work for a business journal, before landing at The Capital Gazette in 2012.

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LEGAL NOTICES

NOTICE OF SALE

Case No: 2013-CP-16-479
BY VIRTUE of that certain Decree of the Court of Common Pleas for Darlington County, heretofore granted in the case of Nixon Energy Solutions v. James Lamar Collins, Collins Chick Farm, LLC, ArborOne, ACA, Collins Energy, LLC and Green Energy Solutions, Inc., the undersigned Special Referee for Darlington County, South Carolina or my agent, will sell on May 6, 2019, at 12:00 pm, at the Darlington County Courthouse, Darlington, South Carolina, to the highest bidder, the following described property:

All that certain piece, parcel or lot of land lying, being and situate in the County of Darlington, State of South Carolina, being shown and designated as Tract A, 5.96 acres as shown on a map for Lamar Collins by David A. Nesbitt, PLS., dated December 28, 2010 and recorded in the Office of the Clerk of Court for Darlington County in Plat Book 209 at page 155. Reference being had to said map for a more complete, and accurate description.

This being a portion of the property conveyed to James Lamar Collins by Deed of Distribution for the Estate of Nellie G. Collins dated December 14, 1992 and recorded on December 14, 1992, in the Office of the Clerk of Court for Darlington County in Book D34 at Page 193. See also Probate Court for Darlington County, Probate Roll 92-ES-16-57-Estate of Nellie G. Collins. Darlington County Tax Map No.: 063-00-01-243

TERMS OF SALE: The sale shall be for cash and the highest bidder at the sale shall make a cash deposit of 5% of the bid as a guaranty of good faith and as security for compliance with the bid. If the highest bidder should fail to comply with the terms of the sale within 10 days after acceptance of the bid, the entire deposit shall be forfeited. Thereafter, the Special Referee shall re-advertise and resell the Real Property on the earliest possible date and on the same terms herein.

The sale shall be subject to real property taxes apportioned to the Real Property and existing easements and restrictions of record. Purchaser to pay for the preparation of the Deed, documentary stamps on the Deed, and recording of the Deed. If Plaintiff or its representative does not appear at the scheduled sale of the Real Property, then the sale of such property is null and void and of no force and effect. In such event, the sale will be rescheduled for the next available sales day. Attention is drawn to the Court Order on file with the Clerk of Court for Darlington County. The terms and conditions of the actual Court Order, to the extent of any inconsistencies, control over any terms or conditions contained in the Notice of Sale. No deficiency Judgment is sought, and the bidding shall be final on the date of sale. The Honorable Haigh Porter Special Referee for Darlington County Darlington, South Carolina _____, 2019

Walker H. Willcox, WILLCOX, BUYCK & WILLIAMS, P.A. PO Box 1909 Florence, SC 29503-1909 (843) 662-3258 Attorney for Plaintiff

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SUMMONS AND NOTICE
(Non-Jury)
FORECLOSURE
(Deficiency Waived)
STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA
COURT OF DARLINGTON
IN THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS

C/A NO.: 2018-CP-16-00684
United States of America acting through the Rural Housing Service or successor agency, United States Department of Agriculture, Plaintiff, vs.
Adam Trent Royall, Paige Erin Royall, and Synchrony Bank, Defendants.

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, Post Office Box 1000, 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 Darlington County on August 22, 2018.

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 Darlington County, South Carolina on August 22, 2018.

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 Defendants for the foreclosure of a Mortgage dated June 9, 2014 given by Adam Trent Royall and Paige Erin Royall ("Mortgage"), said Mortgage having been recorded in the Office of the Clerk of Court or Register of Deeds for Darlington County on June 10, 2014 in Book 1072 at Page 4918. The said mortgaged premises affected by the foreclosure are situate in Darlington County, in the State of South Carolina, and described in said Mortgage as follows:

All that certain piece, parcel or lot of land with the improvements thereon, situate, lying and being in Darlington County, State of South Carolina, designated as Lot No. 1 on a plat prepared for Cecil Laney Blackwell by Ervin Engineering Company, Inc., dated July 19, 1993, recorded in the Office of the Clerk of Court for Darlington County in Plat Book 213 at Page 86. Reference being made to the above referenced maps for a more complete and accurate description.

This being the same property conveyed to Adam Trent Royall and Paige Erin Royall by deed of Reed Blackwell as recorded in the Office of the Clerk of Court for Darlington County on the 10th day of June, 2014.

TMS No.: 163-00-05-033
Address: 844 Oleander Drive, Darlington, South Carolina 29532

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ATTORNEY FOR PLAINTIFF

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Notice of Sale

C/A No: 2018-CP-16-00756
BY VIRTUE OF A DECREE of the Court of Common Pleas for Darlington County, South Carolina, heretofore issued in the case of Deutsche Bank National Trust Company, as Trustee for Ameriquest Mortgage Securities Inc., Quest Trust 2005-X2, Asset Backed Certificates, Series 2005-X2 vs. Deandre C. Harris; Katasha D. Campbell-Harris; LVNV Funding LLC; Park Avenue Homes, Inc.; L. H. Stokes & Son, Inc.; South Carolina Department of Motor Vehicles, I the undersigned as Special Referee for Darlington County, will sell on May 6, 2019 at 11:00 AM, at the County Court House, Darlington County, South Carolina, to the highest bidder:

Legal Description and Property Address:
All that certain piece, parcel, or lot of land, situate, lying, and being in the County of

Darlington, State of South Carolina, being shown and designated as Lot No. 40, containing 0.79 acres, more or less, on that certain Subdivision Plat of Anderson Farm Subdivision, Phase 3, being prepared for L. H. Stokes & Son, Inc., dated January 30, 2004, and recorded March 3, 2004, in the Office of the Clerk of Court for Darlington County in Plat Book 197 at Page 131. Said lot having the following metes and boundaries, to-wit: on the North by Lot No. 41 on which it measures for a distance of 234.13 feet, more or less; On the East by Hayfield Road 50' R/W on which it measures for a distance of 150.00 feet, more or less; On the South by Lot 39 on which it measures for a distance of 227.52 feet, more or less; and On the West by a reserved area 20' plus 1/2 width of Ditch Private Drainage Easement retained by L. H. Stokes & Son, Inc. on which it measures for a distance of 150.13 feet, more or less. Reference is given to said plat for a more complete and exact description.

TOGETHER WITH a 2005 Cavalier Series VI Mobile Home 80x82 Serial Number BL05GA0212441AB located thereon.
This being the same property conveyed unto Deandre C. Harris and Katasha D. Campbell Harris by Deed of L. H. Stokes & Son, Inc. dated November 19, 2004 and recorded December 2, 2004, in Book 1036 at Page 3542, in the Office of the Register of Deeds for Darlington County, South Carolina. 1818 Hayfield Road Darlington, SC 29532 TMS# 168-00-10-040

TERMS OF SALE: For cash. Interest at the current rate of Nine and 25/100 (9.25%) to be paid on balance of bid from date of sale to date of compliance. The purchaser to pay for papers and stamps, and that the successful bidder or bidders, other than the Plaintiff therein, will, upon the acceptance of his or her bid, deposit with the Special Referee for Darlington County a certified check or cash in the amount equal to five percent (5%) of the amount of bid on said premises at the sale as evidence of good faith in bidding, and subject to any resale of said premises under Order of this Court; and in the event the said purchaser or purchasers fail to comply with the terms of sale within Thirty (30) days, the Special Referee shall forthwith resell the said property, after the due notice and advertisement, and shall continue to sell the same each subsequent sales day until a purchaser, who shall comply with the terms of sale, shall be obtained, such sales to be made at the risk of the former purchaser. Since a personal or deficiency judgment is waived, the bidding will not remain open but compliance with the bid may be made immediately. If the Plaintiff or the Plaintiff's representative does not appear at the above-described sale, then the sale of the property will be null, void, and of no force and effect. In such event, the sale will be rescheduled for the next available sales day. Plaintiff may waive any of its rights, including its right to a deficiency judgment, prior to sale. Sold subject to taxes and assessments, existing easements and restrictions of record.

Eugene P. Warr, Jr. Special Referee for Darlington County Darlington, South Carolina _____, 2019
Hutchens Law Firm P.O. Box 8237 Columbia, SC 29202 803-726-2700 (40c3 leave in thru 5-1-19)

Notice of Sale
C/A No: 2018-CP-16-00231
BY VIRTUE OF A DECREE of the Court of Common Pleas for Darlington County, South Carolina, heretofore issued in the case of Wells Fargo Bank, National Association, successor by merger to Wells Fargo Bank Minnesota, National Association, as Trustee f/k/a Norwest Bank Minnesota, National Association, as Trustee for Amortizing Residential Collateral Trust, 2002-BC6 vs. Sarah D. Sawyer; Stephanie A. Sawyer; and Felice Lemoine Sawyer Tomlin and if Sarah D. Sawyer; Stephanie A. Sawyer; and Felice Lemoine Sawyer Tomlin be deceased then any children and heirs at law to the Estates of Sarah D. Sawyer; Stephanie A. Sawyer; and Felice Lemoine Sawyer Tomlin and if any of the same be dead any and all persons entitled to claim under or through them also all other persons unknown claiming any right, title, interest or lien upon the real estate described in the complaint herein; Any unknown adults, any unknown infants or persons under a disability being a class designated as John Doe, and any persons in the military service of the United States of America being a class designated as Richard

Roe; Kathy R. Sawyer Ervin; Lenett F. Sawyer Mallory; Raymond Sawyer; Mark F. Sawyer; Terence Tomlin; Terence Tomlin, III; Alana Tomlin; Kaylen Tomlin; Antwan Jones; Marcus Jones; South Carolina Department of Revenue, I the undersigned as Special Referee for Darlington County, will sell on May 6, 2019 at 11:00 AM, at the County Court House, Darlington County, South Carolina, to the highest bidder:

Legal Description and Property Address:
All that certain piece, parcel or lot of land, together with the improvements thereon, situate, lying and being in the County of Darlington, State of South Carolina, on U.S. Route 52, near the Florence County Border being designated as Tract #2, containing 6.5 acres, more or less, as shown on a plat by Lind Surveying Co., Inc., dated March 8, 1977, and recorded in Plat Book 74, at Page 157, in the Office of the Register of Deeds for Florence County, South Carolina. Said tract of land is bounded as follows: on the Northeast by the right-of-way of the Seaboard Coastline Railroad; on the Southeast by Tract #1, as shown on said plat; on the Southwest by the run of Palmetto Branch; and on the Northwest by Tract #6, all as shown on the above reference plat. For a more complete and accurate description as to the metes, bounds, courses and distances, reference may be had to said plat. This is the same property conveyed to Willie R. Sawyer by deed of Deloris J. Sawyer dated June 24, 1977 and recorded July 14, 1977 in Book 764 at Page 52, in the Office of the Register of Deeds for Darlington County, South Carolina; and also by Deed of Deloris J. Sawyer, Linda Sawyer Dowling, Raeford Sawyer, and Marshall Sawyer dated April 11, 1977 and recorded July 14, 1977 in Book 764 at Page 52, in said records.

Thereafter, Willie R. Sawyer conveyed a one-half (1/2) interest of the subject property to Sarah D. Sawyer by that certain deed dated March 7, 1996, and recorded March 12, 1996 in Book D123, at Page 234, in the Office of the Register of Deeds for Darlington County, South Carolina. 2208 Sawyer Lane Florence, SC 29501 TMS# 186-00-01-033

TERMS OF SALE: For cash. Interest at the current rate of Nine and 150/1000 (9.150%) to be paid on balance of bid from date of sale to date of compliance. The purchaser to pay for papers and stamps, and that the successful bidder or bidders, other than the Plaintiff therein, will, upon the acceptance of his or her bid, deposit with the Special Referee for Darlington County a certified check or cash in the amount equal to five percent (5%) of the amount of bid on said premises at the sale as evidence of good faith in bidding, and subject to any resale of said premises under Order of this Court; and in the event the said purchaser or purchasers fail to comply with the terms of sale within Thirty (30) days, the Special Referee shall forthwith resell the said property, after the due notice and advertisement, and shall continue to sell the same each subsequent sales day until a purchaser, who shall comply with the terms of sale, shall be obtained, such sales to be made at the risk of the former purchaser. Since a personal or deficiency judgment is waived, the bidding will not remain open but compliance with the bid may be made immediately. If the Plaintiff or the Plaintiff's representative does not appear at the above-described sale, then the sale of the property will be null, void, and of no force and effect. In such event, the sale will be rescheduled for the next available sales day. Plaintiff may waive any of its rights, including its right to a deficiency judgment, prior to sale. Sold subject to taxes and assessments, existing easements and restrictions of record.

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being and situate in the County of Darlington, State of South Carolina, known as Lot C containing 1.00 acre, and Lot B containing 10.13 acres and being more particularly shown on that plat made for Derrick A. Smith by Lind, Hicks and Associates, Surveyors, Inc., dated January 19, 2006 and recorded in Plat Book 200 at page 313, Darlington County records. Reference being had to said plat for a more complete and accurate description of metes and bounds.

This being the same property conveyed to the D. Reagan Smith and Derrick A. Smith herein by Deed of Derrick A. Smith dated October 9, 2008 and recorded on October 10, 2008 in the office of the Clerk of Court for Darlington County in Book 1054 at page 7755.

TMS Numbers: 119-00-01-068 and 119-00-01-069
Address: 1248 Bethlehem Rd. Hartsville, SC

TERMS OF SALE: The successful bidder, other than the plaintiff, will deposit with the Master-in-Equity, at conclusion of the Bidding, five percent (5%) of his bid, in cash or equivalent, as evidence of good faith, same to be applied to the purchase price in case of compliance, but to be forfeited and applied first to costs and then to plaintiff's debt in the case of non-compliance. Should the last and highest bidder fail or refuse to make the required deposit at time of bid or comply with the other terms of the bid within thirty (30) days, then the Special Referee may re-sell the property on the same terms and conditions on some subsequent Sales Day (at the risk of the said highest bidder). Purchaser to pay for documentary stamps on the Special Referee's Deed. The successful bidder will be required to pay interest on the amount of the bid from date of sale to date of compliance with the bid at the rate set forth in the Note. Deficiency having been demanded, bidding shall remain open for thirty (30) days after the date of sale. However, Plaintiff reserves the right to waive deficiency at any time prior to sale. Further, you will please take notice that if no representative of the Plaintiff is present at the sale, said sale shall be rescheduled for the next available sale date. THIS PROPERTY IS BEING SOLD ON AN "AS-IS, WHERE-IS" BASIS WITHOUT REPRESENTATION OR WARRANTY

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NOTICE OF APPLICATION
Notice is hereby given that Harriet Bonoit intends to apply to the South Carolina Department of Revenue for a license/permit that will allow the sale and on premises consumption of beer & wine at 306 Russell Street, Darlington, SC 29532. To object to the issuance of this permit/license, written protest must be postmarked no later than May 3, 2019. For a protest to be valid, it must be in writing, and should include the following information:
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2. The specific reasons why the application should be denied;
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Estate: Mary Louise W. Sansbury
Date of Death: 3/30/2019
Case No: 2019ES1600155
Personal Representative: Eric W. Rogers
Address: 1101 Timmonsville Highway, Darlington, SC 29532

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Estate: William Willis AKA William Willis
Date of Death: 3/7/2019
Case No: 2019ES1600169
Personal Representative: William Lee Willis
Address: 2816 Poor Farm Road, Florence, SC 29505
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SECOND AMENDED NOTICE OF SALE

Case No. 2018-CP-16-0457 BY VIRTUE of that certain Decree of the Court of Common Pleas for Darlington County, South Carolina, heretofore granted in the case of SAFE Federal Credit Union v. Wendy P. Rogers and Palmetto First Federal Credit Union, the Special Referee for Darlington County, South Carolina or his agent, will sell on **May 6, 2019, at 12:00 Noon, at the Darlington County Courthouse, Darlington, South Carolina**, to the highest bidder, the following described property:

All that certain piece, parcel or lot of land lying, being and situate in the County of Darlington, State of South Carolina, being shown and designated as Lot No. 3, containing 0.68 acres, on that Final Plat of The Palms Subdivision dated September 26, 2000, surveyed by Nesbitt Surveying Co., and being recorded in Plat Book 191 at Page 151, and also being a portion of that property surveyed for James A. Newsome by Lind, Hicks & Associates dated March 28, 1997, and recorded in Plat Book 169 at Page 39. Said Lot 3 being square in shape and having the following metes and boundaries, to-wit: On the North by a portion of Lot 1 and 2, on which it measures, for a distance of 120.02 feet; On the South by Lot No. 4 on which it measures, for a distance of 248.10 feet; and on the West by Palm Court, on which it measures for a distance of 120 feet, all measurements being a little more or less. Reference is also craved to a plat prepared for Lexus Development, Inc., by Nesbitt Surveying Co., Inc., recorded herewith in Plat Book 207 at Page 28. Said plats being incorporated herein by reference thereto for a more complete and accurate description.

DERIVATION: This being the same property conveyed to Wendy P. Rogers by Deed dated March 31, 2010 and recorded April 6, 2010, in Deed Book 1059 at Page 3542 in the Office of the Clerk of Court for Darlington County.
TMS No.: 187-00-06-003
ADDRESS: 2215 Palm Court, Florence, South Carolina 29501
TERMS OF SALE: The successful bidder, other than the Plaintiff, will deposit with

the Special Referee or his agent, at the conclusion of the bidding, five (5%) percent of the bid, in cash or equivalent, as evidence of good faith, same to be applied to purchase price in case of compliance, but to be forfeited and applied first to costs and then to Plaintiff's debt in the case of noncompliance. Should the last and highest bidder fail or refuse to make the required deposit at the time of the bid or comply with the other terms of the bid within twenty (20) days, then the Special Referee or his agent may resell the property on the same terms and conditions on some subsequent sales day at the risk of the said highest bidder.

The sale shall be subject to Darlington County taxes and assessments and to existing easements and restrictions of record. Purchaser to pay for the preparation of the Deed, documentary stamps on the Deed, recording of the Deed, and interest on the amount of the bid from date of sale to date of compliance with the bid at the contract rate of interest. Attention is drawn to the Court Order on file with the Clerk of Court for Darlington County. The terms and conditions of the actual Court Order, to the extent of any inconsistencies, control over any terms or conditions contained in the Notice of Sale. As a deficiency judgment is being waived, the bidding will not remain open and the sale will close on the day of the sale.

If the Plaintiff or its representative does not appear at the scheduled sale of the above-described property, then the sale of the property will be null, void and of no force and effect. In such event, the sale will be rescheduled for the next available sales day. The Honorable Haigh Porter Special Referee for Darlington County April 2, 2019
Florence, South Carolina
Kyle A. Brannon
NEXSEN PRUET, LLC
Post Office Drawer 2426
Columbia, South Carolina 29202
(803) 771-8900
Attorneys for Plaintiff SAFE Federal Credit Union
(40c3 leave in thru 5-1-19)
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Estate: Julia M. Bell
Date of Death: 1/7/2019
Case No: 2019ES1600132
Personal Representative: John Louie Hudson
Address: 142 Cardiff Street, Columbia, SC 29209
(41p3 leave in thru 5-8-19)
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Estate: Carl William Blackwell, Sr. AKA Carl William Blackwell
Date of Death: 3/22/2019
Case No: 2019ES1600180
Personal Representative: Barbara Jackson Blackwell
Address: 4200 Goldfish Drive, McBee, SC 29101
(41p3 leave in thru 5-8-19)
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Estate: Frankie Mae Wallace
Date of Death: 2/3/2019
Case No: 2019ES1600181
Personal Representative: Elaine Wallace
Address: 141 W. Laurens Avenue, Hartsville, SC 29550
(41p3 leave in thru 5-8-19)
SUMMONS AND NOTICES

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA COUNTY OF DARLINGTON IN THE FAMILY COURT CASE NO: 19-DR-16-19 KELIE ROSE ORR VS. ROBERT JAMES ORR, DEFENDANT, YOU ARE HEREBY SUMMONED and required to Answer the Complaint in the above action, a copy which is herewith served upon you, and to serve a copy of your Answers upon the undersigned at his office, 614 W. Palmetto Street, Florence, SC 29501, with thirty (30) days after service upon you, exclusive of the day of such service, and, if you fail to answer the Complaint within the time aforesaid, judgment by default will be rendered against you for relief demanded in the Complaint. NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN I this action was filed in the Office of the Family Clerk of Court for Florence County on January 9, 2019.

(41c3 leave in thru 5-8-19)
Office of the Minnesota Secretary of State Certificate of Assumed Name

Minnesota Statutes, Chapter 333
The filing of an assumed name does not provide a user with exclusive rights to that name. The filing is required for consumer protection in order to enable customers to be able to identify the true owner of a business.
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PRINCIPAL PLACE OF BUSINESS: c/o 704 Cashua Street Post Office Box 1453 Darlington South Carolina [29540] United States of America
United States of America
NAMEHOLDER(S): Name: Boyd, Alison Levon
Address: c/o 704 Cashua Street Post Office Box 1453 Darlington South Carolina [29540] United States of America

By typing my name, I, the undersigned, certify that I am signing this document as the person whose signature is required, or as agent of the person(s) whose signature would be required who has authorized me to sign this document on his/her behalf, or in both capacities. I further certify that I have completed all required fields, and that the information in this document is true and correct and in compliance with the applicable chapter of Minnesota Statutes. I understand that by signing this document I am subject to the penalties of perjury as set forth in Section 609.48 as if I had signed this document under oath.
SIGNED BY: Boyd, Alison Levon
(42p2 leave in thru 5-8-19)

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Estate: Eleise Lewis Floyd
Date of Death: 1/21/2019
Case No: 2019ES1600145
Personal Representative: John Dennis Floyd
Address: 135 Secret Cove Drive, Lexington, SC 29072
(42p3 leave in thru 5-15-19)
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Estate: Sallie Ann Hurst

Date of Death: 3/25/2019
Case No: 2019ES1600186
Personal Representative: Harold Hurst
Address: 1041 Jessamine Drive, Hartsville, SC 29550
(42p3 leave in thru 5-15-19)
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Estate: Amanda C. Oliver
Date of Death: 3/4/2019
Case No: 2019ES1600109-2
Personal Representative: Onda Owens Greene
Address: 16579 Choppee Road, Hemingway, SC 29554
(42p3 leave in thru 5-15-19)
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Estate: Margie H. Robbins
Date of Death: 3/26/2019
Case No: 2019ES1600192
Personal Representative: Cristal Len Robbins
Address: 621 E. Old Camden Road, Hartsville, SC 29550
(42p3 leave in thru 5-15-19)
REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL
Darlington County is accepting proposals for the following:
RFP 02-05-24-2019 Sheriff's Evidence Re-Advertise
Please check the county website for more information, www.darcosc.com
(42c2 leave in thru 5-1-19)
NOTICE OF APPLICATION

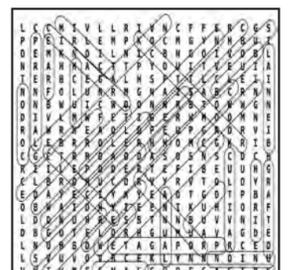
Notice is hereby given that Darshakta LLC intends to apply to the South Carolina Department of Revenue for a license/permit that will allow the sale and on premises consumption of beer and wine at 2904 Lamar Highway, Darlington, SC 29532.

To object to the issuance of this permit/license, written protest must be postmarked no later than 5/16/2019. For a protest to be valid, it must be in writing, and should include the following information:

- The name, address and telephone number of the person filing the protest;
- The specific reasons why the application should be denied;
- The person protesting is willing to attend a hearing (if one is requested by the applicant);
- The person protesting resides in the same county where the proposed place of business is located or within five miles of the business; and,
- The name of the applicant and the address of the premises to be licensed.

Protests must be mailed to: S.C. Department of Revenue, ABL SECTION, P.O. Box 125, Columbia, SC 29214-0907; or faxed to: (803) 896-0110. (42p3 leave in thru 5-15-19)
LEGALS ON 6B

Answers from 2B



Showdown in the Pee Dee III



A crop of promising South Carolina boxers mixed it up with rising talent from Pennsylvania and New Jersey at Saturday's "Showdown in the Pee Dee III" event, staged at Darlington's A.W. Stanley Gym by One More Round Boxing. Youth boxers and seasoned heavyweights entertained the crowd with 12 spirited amateur contests, and gained crucial experience that could sharpen their skills and improve their future prospects. Special guest Jacquan "Da King" Townes, reigning WBF Cruiserweight Champion, said that even though he cut short his own amateur experience (citing a dislike for the required headgear), he believes these fighters will benefit from competitive ring time. "This is just like in high school with JV and varsity – JV is where you learn and get experience, and varsity is where you showcase your talents. It's the same in boxing," said Townes. "As an amateur, you can lose a lot of fights while you're learning, and when you go pro, it's a clean slate."

PHOTOS BY SAMANTHA LYLES



Jacquan "Da King" Townes, reigning WBF Cruiserweight Champion (left) with One More Round Boxing Team coach Larry Frazier

Continued from 5B State of South Carolina In the Court of Common Pleas

County of Darlington
CA# 2017-CP-16-00609
James W. Cook, Beatrice A. Cooke and Diane C. Adams, Plaintiffs, vs. Jacquelyn C. Adams; Amanda D. Zeitlin; Sarah E. Dargan; Rosa D. Powers; Rosanne D. Brasington; W.E. Dargan, Jr.; Martha D. Harper; Annie Brasington; George Brasington; Dargan Brasington; and if any of the above-named then any

unknown heirs-at-law, distributees, devisees, and their spouses, if any, personal representatives, administrators, creditors, and all other persons with any right, title or interest in the real property described along with any unknown adults and those persons who may be in the military service of the United States of America, all of them being a class designated as John Doe, whose true name is unknown; any unborn infants, minors or persons under disability being a class designated as Richard Roe,

whose true name is unknown; Bradley K. Grimsley and the South Carolina Department of Revenue, Defendants. AMENDED SUMMONS TO THE DEFENDANT(S) ABOVE-NAMED: YOU ARE HEREBY SUMMONED and required to answer the Complaint in this action, a copy of which is herewith served upon you, and to serve a copy of your Answer to said Complaint on the subscriber at 814 West Evans Street, Post Office Box 1317, Florence, South Carolina,

29503 within thirty (30) days from the service hereof, exclusive of the date of such service; and in case of the failure to do so, judgment by default will be rendered against you for the relief demanded in the Complaint. NOTICE OF FILING TO: THE DEFENDANTS NAMED ABOVE: YOU WILL PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the original Summons and Amended Complaint, in the above entitled action was filed in the

office of Clerk of Court for Darlington County, Darlington, South Carolina on August 25, 2017 at 11:22 a.m., the object and prayer of which is for Plaintiff to assert claims for a prescriptive ease-

ment across certain property, for a declaration of rights, title and interest of all the parties named above to a strip of land utilized by the Plaintiffs as a right of way. s/ Ray Coit Yarborough, Jr.

Ray Coit Yarborough, Jr., Attorney for Plaintiffs
Florence, South Carolina
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