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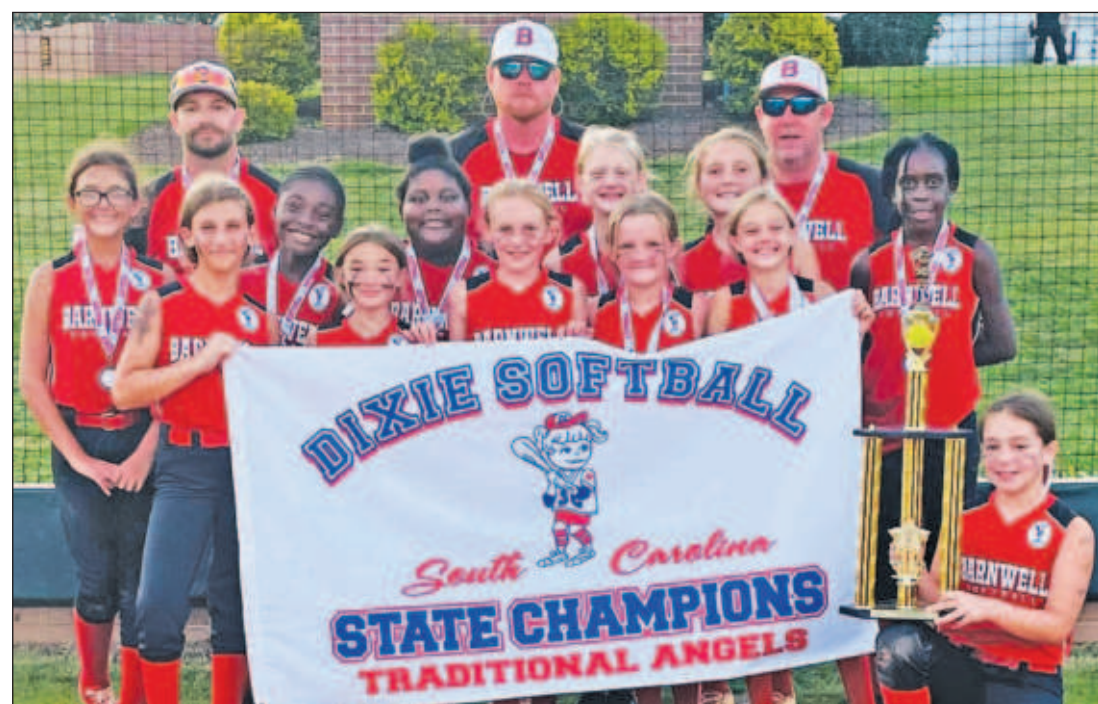


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Barnwell Angels All-Star Team: (top left to right) coaches Michael Terrapin, Brad Whitehead, and Robert Scott; (middle row) Emily Vanacore, Shalayah Badger, Genesis Walker, Ashby Heltibridle, Mary Sanders Reece, and Rekeyah Roberts; (bottom row, holding flag) Isabella Kent, Isabella Rutland, Sadie Whitehead, Naomi Scott, McKaylee Padgett, and Kensley Terrapin. Contributed Photos

STATE CHAMPS Barnwell Angels All-Star team heading to national softball championship

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Brad Whitehead knew his softball team had the potential to become state champions. Now the Barnwell Angels All-Star team is headed to nationals.

The team of 12 girls remain undefeated after first winning the district championship in June and then the state championship on July 12. They are preparing and fundraising for the Dixie Youth World Series being held July 29 through August 4 in Alexandria, Louisiana.

“This is a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity. A lot of girls never have and never will get this opportunity,” said Whitehead, who has coached most of the girls for several years.

However, he said all the credit goes to the girls.

“This group of girls worked extra hard this year, going undefeated in district and state. What makes them a team is that all 12 girls contributed. The whole team put in the work,” said Whitehead.

At the state championship in Iva (Anderson County), the Barnwell Angels won their first game on Saturday, July 9 against Colleton with a score of 21-0. They later played and beat Midland Valley 13-0. On Sunday, July 10, they won 9-5 against Saluda. This was followed by a 10-0 win against Colleton on Monday, July 11.

The championship game was played Tuesday, July 12, the team once again played Saluda for the state title. At one point



Members of the Barnwell Angels All-Star team celebrate after winning the state title on July 12 in Iva.

they were down 5-0. Following a pitch and dual battle, the Barnwell Angels All-Star team came out on top with a score of 9-5.

“It came down to the wire,” said Whitehead. “They never gave up.”

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Fire victim remembered for heart of service

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Ricky Creech dedicated his life to helping other people.

The Barnwell native worked a couple years with the Barnwell City Fire Department before heeding a call into the ministry. For the past 31 years, the ordained minister served in various leadership positions among communities of faith, faith-based non-profits, and for-profit organizations and agencies in multiple states.

“Ricky never lost sight of being a Christian, the fire service, and helping kids,” said Neal Morris, a long-time friend who previously worked with Creech at the Barnwell City Fire Department.

Creech died on Saturday, July 16 during an early morning fire at his home in Lake Waccamaw, N.C., where he was President/CEO of the Boys & Girls Homes of North Carolina. His family was not injured as they were out of town at the time of the fire,



Ricky Creech

but the family’s two dogs perished.

Creech’s character and heart for service was evident from a young age.

“Ricky was a leader in his youth at Barnwell High class of 1981. He had so much energy, a big smile, and always willing to lead for the betterment of others and for His (God’s) kingdom,” said Angela Williams.

According to Morris, Creech was a pleasure to be

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Blackville seeks Shamrock demo, new town signs

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The Shamrock Hotel

When construction was completed on the Shamrock Hotel in 1912, it cost \$20,000 and was known as ‘Blackville’s handsome new hotel.’ It had 30 rooms and served as a local hub for conversation and card games. Blackville museum member, Myrtle Quattlebaum, documented this history in a 2009 report.

Over a century later, it sits on Main Street overgrown with vines and crumbling brick-by-brick. “As you know, it’s been a long process for the Shamrock town’s sign.

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The old Shamrock hotel has been crumbling for years.

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Williston recognizes educator, raises waste fees

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"We've been trying to get a crowd like this in here for years," said Mayor Brett Williams as he and the other council members sat in front of roughly 20 people at the July 11 regular meeting of the Williston Town Council.

Although some were in attendance to be privy to all town happenings, most were there to celebrate only one. Dr. Marcella Shaw, superintendent of Williston-Elko School District 29 and now the Barnwell County Consolidated School District, was recognized for excellence in education by the council.

"We wanted to set aside time to recognize all you've done," said Mayor Williams, who spoke of Dr. Shaw's willingness to serve and dedication to the community. Mayor Williams retold a quote by South Carolina Association of School Administrators Executive Director, Beth Phibbs, which he deeply agreed with; "Dr. Shaw is a champion for children."

Dr. Shaw was presented with a plaque honoring her continued dedication to Williston-Elko scholars. In the crowd sat her father, step-mother, aunts, uncles, and her supportive school team.

"I vowed to you all that I would serve the scholars of Williston. I pray I have done that," said Dr. Shaw.

She thanked God, she thanked her family, she thanked her school team, she thanked the community, and lastly, she thanked Councilman Moody.

"I appreciate how you keep my feet to the fire," said Dr. Shaw, who explains Councilman Moody and parents alike, keep her accountable and inspire her to keep providing the best she can for their children.

"We again will continue to make you all proud," said Dr. Shaw in reference to her position as Barnwell Consolidated School District Superintendent.

Before Dr. Shaw was



Richard Stanton (center) presents Williston Police Chief James Gainey a check to be used to better community relations. The check came from the Bridging the Gap organization. Also pictured are Judge Pope and Vickie Benjamin. Photos Courtesy: Town of Williston

recognized, the June 2022 Financial Report was approved alongside last week's minutes with two minor transcription amendments. There was no public comment.

The first reading of Ordinance 2022-02 to amend solid waste fees was approved. The current rate of residential roll-out carts is \$13 for each cart picked up, the new rate will increase to \$16. The current rate for non-residents (outside corporate limits) is \$19 for each cart picked up, the new rate is \$22 per cart.

These fees are set by commercial waste collection services, and not established by the Town Council. Ordinance 2022-02 will be in effect upon adoption.

Bridging the Gap was created in 2014 and serves as a public liaison committee between the police and community. At the meeting, Bridging the Gap presented the Williston Police Department with a check.

Richard Stanton, Bridging the Gap volunteer and Barnwell County Consolidated School Board member, stood with volunteers Vickie Benjamin and Judge Pope.

Benjamin and Stanton explained how the committee was in discussion about disbanding at a recent meeting, but decided against it as they felt their cause was still worth addressing in the community.

Stanton explained how Bridging the Gap aims to help others in understanding the structure of law enforcement as well as help law enforce-



Mayor Brett Williams (right) presents Dr. Marcella Shaw a certificate for her excellence in education. She has led Williston District 29 as superintendent and is now interim superintendent of the Barnwell County Consolidated School District.

ment better understand the needs or concerns of the community. He explains how the group was helpful in his own understanding of how jurisdiction breaks down and the structure of the department.

Due to the organization being volunteer and communication based, the group felt it beneficial to give funds they had directly to the Williston Police Department. The money is meant for improving the relationship between police and the public in any way the department sees fit.

"We'll use this to bring the community together with the police department," said Chief Gainey.

Bridging the Gap meets on the 3rd Monday of every month at 6pm at Williston Town Hall. According to Benjamin the meetings are informal.

While on the topic of community engagement, the council transitioned to discussing the First Baptist Church hold-

ing an outdoor field day in the field behind the church on Dick Street in Williston on Saturday, July 23 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Town Administrator Michael Beasley informed the council that the event would give kids an opportunity to enjoy summer recreational activities while interacting with their community.

The recreational event was approved and is open to the public.

Williston Fire Department Chief John Melton gave a detailed report of the last year, which for the department, spans from December 1, 2021 to June 30, 2022. The Williston Fire Department received a total of 145 calls, 105 of which were in town.

The department responded to 12 structure fires in total.

"Six were true working fires," said Chief Melton, who explained that the rate of structure fires is out of character for this

area.

They aided in four mutual aid calls, responded to 16 vehicular wrecks, and many others including car fires, heavy engine fires, a child locked in a car, and gas leaks.

Seven Williston Fire Department volunteers have completed courses related to fire safety and protocol and two are currently enrolled.

Using American Rescue Plan Act funding from the town, the department was able to order a new emergency networking system which is a "one stop shop website for all fire department information," according to Chief Melton.

Chief Melton said the last smoke alarm blitz installed 115 alarms in 33 homes. He hopes to serve all 50 of the pending applicants in the next blitz.

"Chief Melton does a very good job with managing his department," said Administrator Beasley. "I want to commend Chief Melton and his staff for the work they do."

Williston Police Department Chief James Gainey took to the podium and updated council on the PD.

For around three weeks, the Williston Police Department has been training with the Barnwell County Sheriff Office in preparation for a potential active shooter scenario.

"Hopefully we can cut it off before it gets here," said Chief Gainey. "We're working on getting equipment to prepare if that day ever comes."

Chief Gainey also discussed how the department is working on

a grant to fund department wide walkie-talkie replacement. The current walkie-talkies are 10 to 12 years old and if they break the parts no longer exist to fix them.

The Williston PD received compliments on the increased patrol and coverage of cruisers. Chief Gainey hopes the recent lull in crime is due to the raised prevalence of officers.

"Our guys are being more proactive than they are reactive," said Chief Gainey.

Administrator Beasley commended Chief Gainey for his efforts to be more efficient within the community.

Chief Gainey currently has three PD employees out due to COVID.

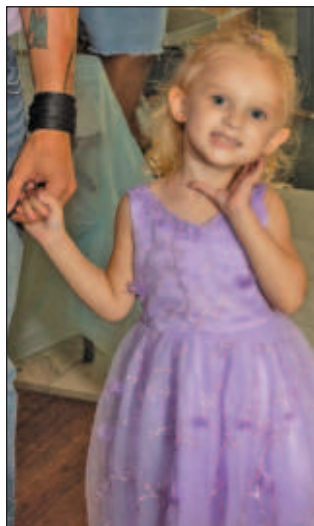
Administrator Beasley drafted a town newsletter containing updates on town happenings to propose to council. The newsletter includes information about the Recreation & Activities Committee, the police department, the fire department, a 'history tidbit' section, and an update on town news.

Although it is currently just a draft, Administrator Beasley proposed the final product be distributed in water bills when it is completed.

Majority of council members will be attending the Municipal Association of South Carolina's 2022 Annual Meeting in Charleston. This event is held to give municipal leaders an opportunity to share ideas in a focused environment ultimately to better the region they serve.

Administrator Beasley provided information on an upcoming welcome reception before adjournment. Hosted by the Southern Carolina Alliance, Southern Palmetto Regional Chamber of Commerce, and Barnwell County Economic Development Coalition, a welcome reception honoring new businesses will be held on Thursday, July 14 from 5:30 p.m. to 7 p.m. at Sweetwater Country Club.

Koch & Co., Inc., Monmouth Rubber & Plastic Corp., and Tiva will all be welcomed as new Barnwell County industries at this business casual networking event.



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Inaugural kiddie prom held

ABOVE: Children enjoy the first Kiddie Prom hosted by Brighter Beginnings Child Development Center on June 18 at the Barnwell State Park Community Building.

AT LEFT: Mr. & Ms. BBCDC Anya Schultz & Konnor Morgan.


BELOW: BBCDC staff.



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Story time promotes bullying awareness

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to spot a bully and explained some characteristics bullies have.

Alongside Lt. Kirkland was BCSO Deputy Elizabeth Bozard who aided in a demonstration on how to confront a bully and turn the situation around. At next week's storytime, Officer Bozard will be taking the lead on the read covering mental health and trauma response.

Each attendee left with a book, candy, a fidget spinner, and a free meal voucher. The next sto-

Bullies beware! Lieutenant Eric Kirkland and the Barnwell County Sheriff's Office hosted their third storytime event at the Barnwell McDonald's on Monday, July 18, teaching youngsters all about how to handle a bully.

'The Recess Queen' by Alexis O'Neill tells the tale of Mean Jean, who bullies other kids on the playground until she meets a friend. As Lt. Kirkland read, he encouraged the children to participate by asking questions about bullying with the incentive of a lollipop per answer.

New Jerusalem Baptist Church Child Day Care students were in attendance alongside seasoned participants. Also in attendance was County Councilman Ben Kinlaw who sat in on the story to show his support for the event.

After the story, LaCinda McCormick, program director at the Aiken-Barnwell Mental Health's Polly Best Center, worked with the kids on how

rytime will be held on Monday, July 25, at 10 a.m. at the Barnwell McDonald's.



A large crowd attended story time, including a group from New Jerusalem Baptist Day Care Center.



Photos By: Alexandra Whitbeck / Reporter

ABOVE: The event brought smiles to the children's faces. **AT RIGHT:** Deputy Elizabeth Bozard and Lt. Eric Kirkland talk to the children about bullying.



Service: Ricky Creech dedicated his life to serving others, especially children

FROM PAGE 1A

around and had the gift of gab. It's a gift he used countless times, including to go to Columbia to talk to lawmakers about the needs of the fire service. "It didn't matter who you were; from the smallest kid to the oldest person, he could sit there and talk and listen," said

Morris. Creech was also always helping people. After ending his shift at the fire department one Sunday morning, Creech was changing clothes to go to church when a fire call was toned out. He grabbed a fire truck and went to the scene. "I

looked up and he was in a three-piece suit and air pack. He grabbed a helmet and said, 'I'm going in,'" said Morris.

Rev. Billy Vaughn, former pastor of Barnwell First Baptist Church, remembers Creech working at the fire department since the parsonage was

located behind the fire department at the time. He also remembers how Creech was an involved member at Friendship Baptist before feeling led into the ministry, which took him away from Barnwell.

"I watched Ricky's life from afar as he first became a Director of the Birmingham Association in Alabama, and would later serve children through being the head of Children's Homes in Kentucky, Washington, D.C. area and finally here in North Carolina where we live," said Rev. Vaughn.

Rev. Vaughn said his own pastor and another member of his church in Rutherfordton, N.C. both knew Creech from when he was in seminary or held another position. Both talked of how he involved the church in local community ministries, no matter what his title was.

"Ricky made an impression on all who knew him. And our world was blessed by this man of God, as were Baptists. We mourn Ricky's death, and should rededicate our lives and our churches to being influencers in the lives of all those in need," said Rev. Vaughn.

Before coming to the Boys & Girls Homes of North Carolina in October 2020, Creech served as the Director of Church and Community Ministries at Montgomery Baptist Association, Ex-



Ricky Creech organizes a group of Baptists for briefings at the Dwight Eisenhower Building in Washington, D.C. in 2012 when he was executive director for the D.C. Baptist Association.

ecutive Director of the Birmingham Baptist Association, Minister of Administration and Missions at Oak Grove United Methodist Church, Executive Director of the D.C. Baptist Convention, President/CEO of Buckhorn Children and Family Services, and Chief Executive Officer of Southstone Behavioral Health Center.

He came to the Boys & Girls Homes of North Carolina during a period of transition as the national landscape of childcare was changing drastically. Creech brought a background of service and compassion, including through children's organizations, to help the organization that helps children who are removed from their homes for abuse, neglect, and other issues. He was a hands-on leader who strived to provide health, healing, and hope so the kids in their care could have a brighter future, said Ray Cockrell, temporary acting President/CEO of Boys & Girls Homes of North Carolina.

"President Creech's fearless leadership and passion for the youth and families in our care will be sorely missed," said Board Chairman Dave Wyatt. "We keep his family in our prayers. We know that the children served by BGHNC

were his priority and he would want the work to continue."

Creech leaves behind his wife Donna, three daughters and two sons-in-law, four grandchildren, his mother Martha Creech Boineau of Barnwell, and two sisters, Cynthia Ray and Tammy Still of Barnwell. The family appreciates the outpouring of love and support as they process the tragedy.

"We are so very thankful to you all for the texts, Facebook messages, your stories, food, calls, visits, and much more. Continue to pray for us as we process this with heavy hearts," said Still.

In lieu of flowers, the family prefers a monetary donation be made in his memory to either the Boys & Girls Homes of N.C. (400 Flemington Drive, Lake Waccamaw, N.C. 28450) or the Lake Waccamaw Fire Department (203 Flemington Drive, Lake Waccamaw, N.C. 28450) designated for their Water Rescue Equipment Fund.

"Both of these organizations held a special place in my dad's heart. Always the fireman and always the minister with a heart for our foster care and community," said daughter Sarah Creech.

As fire officials investigate the fire and Creech's family plan his funeral, his legacy of service lives on in all he impacted.



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Keeping costs down when inflation hits

Inflation is higher than it has been since the 1980s. With prices rising on everything from gas to groceries to housing costs, how can you buy what you need and still stay on budget?

Inflation is impacting every household. The same amount of money buys less than it did just months ago, so paychecks don't go as far. When price hikes hit people who already have limited budgets, covering basic monthly expenses becomes difficult. Parents may find themselves having to choose between healthy meals and cheaper, less nutritious options. Young people must decide whether to put gas in their tanks or pay tuition. However, all income levels are showing signs of financial stress. Even high earners are cutting back.

Tips for dealing with higher prices

- **Know what you're spending.** Compare your 2021 bank and credit card statements to your 2022 statements to see how inflation is impacting you. This will also give you an idea of where you might be able to make cuts. If your spending in some areas has dramatically increased this year, you can figure out specific strategies for reducing costs.

- **Stick with your current vehicle.** Both new and used cars are expensive and in limited supply right now. Keeping your current ride is likely more economical if you don't need a new car. If you are leasing a car, the Wall Street Journal recommends buying it. That's because the car's price was set at the start of your lease – before the high inflation began.

- **Get smarter with your grocery shopping.** Meat and fish have seen some of the highest price increases. Eating vegetarian a few nights a week will help reduce food costs. Also, getting serious about meal prep, shopping your pantry, and reducing food waste will help lower grocery bills.

- **See a sale? Jump on it.** Stock up if you see a good price on an item you regularly use, such as soap or paper towels. Don't wait until you run out.

- **Cancel subscriptions that you aren't using.** It's easy to lose track of what subscription services you are paying for. Forbes reminds consumers to review their subscriptions to ensure they're still using them. If you are signed up for multiple subscriptions, a subscription management app can help you keep track of and manage them.

- **Negotiate better prices.** It's possible you could get a better rate for things like insurance, cable bills, gym memberships, and credit card interest. Start by being nice to the company rep and "ask if there are any programs or discounts you qualify for," advises CNBC.

- **Take advantage of gas price savings.** Sign up for fuel reward programs or use fuel comparison apps to find the lowest gas prices in your neighborhood. See these tips for how to save on gas from The Penny Hoarder.

- **Watch out for shrinkflation.** Some manufacturers won't raise prices; they will put fewer products in the same packaging. Read labels and choose options that give the most value for your dollar.

- **Enjoy what you already have.** Take a walk with a family member instead of driving to the movie theater. Clean out your closet to rediscover lost items instead of buying new ones. Finish the project you started instead of spending on something different.

- **Watch out for scams.** Con artists know that shoppers are concerned about prices and will take advantage of the situation. Beware of deals that sound too good to be true. They probably are! Always research unfamiliar vendors to make sure you're dealing with a legitimate business before you make a purchase or give them your personal information.

For more information, see BBB's tips on creating a budget, finding sold-out products and smart online shopping.

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HOMEMAKER'S COLUMN

Preserving summer squash

Are you looking for ways to preserve the yellow or zucchini squash that grows so abundantly in summer gardens in South Carolina? The best options are to either freeze or pickle summer squash.

The USDA has withdrawn recommendations for canning summer squash, including zucchini, that appeared in previous editions of So Easy to Preserve or USDA bulletins. The reason for withdrawal is uncertainty about the determination of adequate processing times. Squash are low-acid vegetables; they require pressure canning for a known period to destroy the bacteria that cause botulism.

Documentation for the previous processing times cannot be found, and available reports do not support the old process. Attempts to reproduce the old process did not result in adequate heating to ensure safety. Slices or cubes of cooked summer squash will get quite soft and packed tightly into the jars.

The amount of squash filled into a jar will affect the heating pattern in that jar and may result in inadequate processing and an unsafe product. (Reference: http://nchfp.uga.edu/questions/FAQ_canning.html#24)

Summer squash is good for you. It is low in calories and many varieties provide vitamin C, potassium, and if the skin is eaten, beta carotene. Preserve summer squash by freezing, pickle them for can-



Christine Patrick

Clemson Extension

ning or dry them.

Freezing Summer Squash: Choose young squash with tender skins. Wash and cut into ½-inch slices. Blanch in boiling water for 3 minutes; cool in ice water for at least 3 minutes. Drain and package into freezer bags or freezer containers, leaving ½-inch headspace.

- **For frying:** Follow the above instructions, but before packaging, dredge in flour or cornmeal, spread in a single layer on a cookie sheet, and freeze just until firm. Package quickly into freezer bags or containers, leaving ½-inch headspace.

- **Grated zucchini (for baking):** Choose young tender zucchini. Wash and grate. Steam blanch in small quantities for 1 to 2 minutes until translucent. Pack in measured amounts into containers, leaving ½-inch headspace. Cool by placing the containers in ice water. Seal and freeze. If watery when thawed, discard the liquid before using the zucchini.

Summer Chili

¾ lb. lean ground beef or ground turkey
1 cup chopped onion
1 cup diced carrots

¾ cup chopped green bell pepper
2 garlic cloves, minced (or ½ tsp. garlic powder)
1 28 oz. can tomatoes (or 3½ cups fresh tomatoes, chopped)

1 16 oz. can chili or kidney beans, drained (or 2 cups, cooked from scratch)

2 cups water
1½ Tbsps. chili powder
¾ tsp. dried oregano
½ tsp. salt, if desired
2 cups diced yellow or zucchini squash

Directions:

Cook ground beef or ground turkey in a large pot over medium heat until no longer pink.

Drain off fat. Add onions, carrots, green bell peppers and garlic. Cover and cook over low heat until onion is softened, about 8 minutes.

Stir in tomatoes, beans, water, chili powder, oregano, and salt. Cook, uncovered until chili comes to a simmer. Reduce heat and simmer, uncovered, for 20 minutes. Stir occasionally. Add squash and simmer, uncovered, for about 10 minutes longer. Serves 8

Calories: 210 per serving, fat: 4 grams per serving

(Source: University of Illinois Extension fact sheet; originally developed by Michigan State University Extension)

For more information about preserving summer squash, visit the Clemson University Home and Garden Information Center on the web at <http://hgic.clemson.edu>.

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Ed Darnell was loved & respected

Dear Editor,

I've just returned from the funeral for Sheriff Ed Darnell of Bamberg.

I met Ed twenty years ago when his twin brother Buddy hired me at the Barnwell Police Department. At the funeral one of Ed's granddaughters said her Papa treated everybody he met like family, and I can attest to that. After our first meeting, during which Ed had me

convinced he was Buddy until Buddy walked up behind me, Ed always spoke to me like a close friend and asked about my family.

Ed loved and respected the people of Bamberg County and they loved and respected him back. Several years ago, the mayor and a city councilman from one of the municipalities in Bamberg showed up at my house to offer me the job of police

chief for their town because their chief was retiring.

I thanked them for the offer but turned them down. Then I asked what had brought them to my door with the offer. The mayor said, "Sheriff Darnell recommended you. That's good enough for us."

We've lost a good man with the death of Ed Darnell.

Deputy Drayton Gantt,
Barnwell County Sheriff's Office

MIND MATTERS

What if I stop my antidepressants?

There is an issue that comes up a lot in my community mental health center practice. Invariably, someone will experience transient side effects not long after starting a new antidepressant medication, or they will feel very good after being on a medication for a long period of time, and they decide to do exactly the same thing. They abruptly stop taking the meds. They may not understand that the initial side effects will be transient and manageable, or they may feel that their depressive symptoms are so well con-



Dr. Greg Smith

Aiken-Barnwell Mental Health

trolled that they no longer need to take medication to maintain their recovery. In both cases, if they stop the meds abruptly, something called Antidepressant Discontinuation Syndrome may result.

This syndrome, which I will abbreviate to ADS, is

listed in the Diagnostic and Statistical Manual of Mental Disorders, Fifth Edition Text Revision (DSM-5-TR), published by the American Psychiatric Association. It is at the very back of the regular section of this "diagnostic bible" that we providers in mental health use to help make sense of the myriad symptoms and syndromes and illnesses that people come to our offices and tell us about. It is almost an afterthought in the DSM-5-TR, but believe me, the syndrome is real.

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Barnwell County Arrest Reports

Arrest reports listed below are public record and have been provided by local law enforcement agencies. All persons named are presumed innocent until their cases are determined in a court of law.

Ra'Marja Zy'Narion Daniels, 19, of 66 Bay Street Barnwell, S.C. was arrested on July 14, 2022 by BCSO for Unlawful Carrying of a Pistol, Possession of a Quantity of Controlled Narcotics with Intent to Distribute within Proximity of a School, Possession of Cocaine with Intent to Distribute within Proximity of a School, and Possession of Marijuana with Intent to Distribute within Proximity of a School. Daniels was booked and released to Barnwell County Jail.

Steven Lamont Dowling, 49, of 334 Walker

Street Blackville, S.C. was arrested on July 12, 2022 by BCSO for Failure to Pay Child Support. Dowling was booked and released to Barnwell County Jail.

Jose Flores, 72, of 2722 Lyndhurst Road Barnwell, S.C. was arrested on July 17, 2022 by BCSO for Assault & Battery and Malicious Injury to Personal Property. Flores was booked and released to the Barnwell County Jail.

Alexis Hiers, 20, of 124 Sherwood Forest Drive Graniteville, S.C. was arrested on July 17, 2022 by BCSO for Malicious Injury to Real Property. Hiers was booked and released to Barnwell County Jail.

Justin Jamal Hoover, 18, of 569 Gray Road Fairfax, S.C. was arrested on July 14, 2022 by BCSO for Unlawful Carrying

of a Pistol, Possession of a Quantity of Controlled Narcotics with Intent to Distribute within Proximity of a School, Possession of Cocaine with Intent to Distribute within Proximity of a School, and Possession of Marijuana with Intent to Distribute within Proximity of a School. Hoover was booked and released to Barnwell County Jail.

Everett ONeal Hutson II, 47, of 122 Sapphire Ln Barnwell, S.C. was arrested on July 6, 2022 by BPD for Driving Under Suspension. Hutson was booked and released to BCDC.

Lonnie Ingram Jr., 53, of 6545 US 278 #8 Barnwell, S.C. was arrested on June 26, 2022 by BPD for Trespassing after Notice. Ingram was booked and released to BCDC.

Clifton Eric Jones, 62,

of 272 Eberta Cr Barnwell, S.C. was arrested on June 26, 2022 by BPD for Shoplifting. Jones was booked and released to BCDC.

Kenneth Neal Lott Jr., 41, of 5011 Sara Marie Ct. New Ellenton, S.C. was arrested on July 16, 2022 by BCSO for Failure to Appear. Lott was booked and released to the Barnwell County Jail.

Tyrese Maurtavius Montgomery, 23, of 5618 Charmaine Bnd Norcross, G.A. was arrested on June 25, 2022 by BPD for (2) counts of Drugs and Manufacturing, and Possession of Other Substances. Montgomery was booked and released to the BCDC.

Anselme Ore, 34, of 217 Canna Street Barnwell, S.C. was arrested on July 11, 2022 by BCSO for Failure to Pay Child

Support. Ore was booked and released to Barnwell County Jail.

Allison Janine Palmer, 36, of 414 Monarch Road Williston, S.C. was arrested on July 13, 2022 by BCSO for Failure to Pay Child Support, (2) counts of Grand Larceny, (2) counts of Burglary, and Malicious Injury to Real Property. Palmer was booked and released to the Barnwell County Jail.

Tyahna Rahshay Payne, 26, of 6 Yorktown Ct #APT B, Columbia S.C. was arrested on June 27, 2022 by BPD for Obstructing Justice. Justice was booked and released to BCDC.

Wade Aaron Sweat, 39, of 240 Whittle Pond Road Williston, S.C. was arrested on July 16, 2022 by BCSO for Failure to Pay Court Fines. Sweat was booked and released to

the Barnwell County Jail.

Whitney Nicole Trowell, 30, of 651 Old Tory Trl Aiken, S.C. was arrested on June 30, 2022 by BPD for Driving Under Suspension. Trowell was booked and released to BCDC.

Jacqavian Kayeshawn Williams, 25, of 45 Jay Street Barnwell, S.C. was arrested on July 14, 2022 by BCSO for Possession of a Firearm by a Convicted Felon, Possession of a Quantity of Controlled Narcotics with Intent to Distribute within Proximity of a School, Possession of Cocaine with Intent to Distribute within Proximity of a School, and Possession of Marijuana with Intent to Distribute within Proximity of a School. Williams was booked and released to Barnwell County Jail.

Blackville: Old hotel demo, new town welcome signs eyed by council

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rock," said Mayor Pernell. "We do have to put out another bid. We plan to do that within the next week or so."

"Hopefully we can put something in its place," said Mayor Pernell, who hopes to bring more businesses into the town and address rundown buildings.

To read Myrtle Quattlebaum's full history on The Shamrock Hotel, visit <https://www.bcvn.org/blackville/shamrock/index.htm>.

Recreation

Pickleball is a growing recreational sport in Barnwell County, and courts may be coming to

Blackville.

Tykesha Jenkins, Blackville recreation director, has been in conversation with the Axis I Center and has secured a grant to cover the entire cost of the pickleball courts if the council approves.

Currently, there are two vacant tennis courts on Blackville-Hilda school property. The courts themselves are owned by the town. The town will be responsible for court upkeep and beautification after construction, if approved.

"The tennis courts are on the school property, and what we've been presented with is a chance to have the courts that we have now converted into pickleball courts, and we need your approval to go any further," said Jenkins.

Jenkins informed the council that one court is in better condition than the other, so the grant would be to revamp the better of the two courts.

"My vision is to bring more unity and collaboration."

- Blackville Mayor Ronnie Pernell on moving the town forward

Inside each fenced tennis court are two sides, each with a net. Each side to the tennis court can be converted into two pickleball courts. Therefore there would be four pickleball courts being installed inside one fenced tennis court.

If approved, the Blackville pickleball courts will be listed as an official place of recreation in South Carolina. Jenkins has involved Mo Garcia, U.S.A. Pickleball Association Midlands Ambassador, in the process of bringing the sport to Blackville.

Jenkins also informed the council that registration is open for recreational football, volleyball, and cheerleading. More information can be

found at the Blackville Town Hall by calling (803) 284-2444.

Councilman Enterick Lee commended Jenkins for her volunteer work as recreation director.

"A big thank you to Ms. Tykesha. If we didn't have someone to step up for [recreation], it would go by the wayside," said Councilman Lee. Although Jenkins is not being paid for her work as head of recreation, Mayor Pernell ensured a stipend is soon to come.

New Town Sign

In line with Mayor Pernell's hope to get more people coming to Blackville, the council plans to revamp the town signs on Route 3 and Route 78.

Councilman Lee presented three new looks

for the Blackville signs seen as you are leaving or entering the town. Each sign displays a welcome, the town's year of establishment, and the historic railroad with a steaming train.

Councilmembers plan to vote on one of the three options in the near future.

In his closing remarks, Mayor Pernell explained that the council is beginning to look at new locations for the town hall to be built.

"My vision is to bring more unity and collaboration," said Mayor Pernell. "Also, I see development downtown."

Mayor Pernell emphasized the need to grow Blackville in both population and businesses. He believes if there are more things to do and easily accessible amenities, people will begin to move to Blackville as well more businesses.

"The best way to grow a town is to use its natural resources," said May-

or Pernell, who mentioned activities along the lines of walking trails that utilize the nature Blackville already has.

Mayor Pernell informed the community that there were conversations about Dollar General moving a DG Market to Blackville, but the corporation felt it wasn't a good fit and will not be putting a DG Market in the area.

"But we got the thing we always get, they think we're too small," said Mayor Pernell.

Due to computer issues resulting from bad weather, there was no financial report for this meeting, according to Mayor Pernell who hopes to discuss the report in the next meeting.

The next Blackville Town Council meetings are held the third Monday of each month at 6:30 p.m. in the Blackville Community Center (19464 Solomon Blatt Avenue, Blackville).

Notice



Holly Hill Complex at Cribb Street, Holly Hill, SC

North Complex at Palmetto Ave., North, SC

Allendale Complex at Bluff Road, Allendale, SC

Blackville Complex at Hampton Ave., Blackville, SC

Branchville Villa complex at Branchville Lane, Branchville, SC

Denmark Gardens Complex at Mimosa Avenue, Denmark, SC

Fairfax Boundary Complex at Boundary Street, Fairfax, SC

Williston West Main Complex at West Main Street, Williston, SC

Barnwell Arms Complex at Thomas Street, Barnwell, SC

Bamberg Villa Complex at Race Street, Bamberg, SC

Hampton Gardens Complex at W. Holly Street, Hampton, SC

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Antidepressants:

The information I will share with you is taken directly from the DSM-5-TR text.

ADS can happen with all sorts of antidepressants. If you have ever taken these medications you know that your provider will usually start off with a very low dose, working it upwards to a more therapeutic dose over time, allowing your body and mind to get used to the effects of the drug. If you are taking a medication that has a very short half life, that is, clears from your body

pretty quickly, or if you are taking it at towards the top of the dosing range for that medication, then abruptly stopping it may more likely lead to ADS. The short acting medications Paxil (paroxetine) and Effexor (venlafaxine) are two that commonly lead to ADS if stopped too quickly. I usually make it a point to warn folks about these two in particular. If you are one of those folks who might forget to take your meds from time to time, you might even experience

ADS just in the interim when the med is not at its usual level in your body. Now, if you are on a very long acting med like Prozac (fluoxetine) and you miss a dose or three, it may not be as big an issue because the very long half life of that drug keeps the levels in your bloodstream consistent more easily.

ADS is not like withdrawal from alcohol or opiates, which have very definite, expected symptoms. ADS can start from 2-4 days after stopping the antidepress-

sant, and the symptoms may be quite vague and vary from person to person. When someone stops a medication like Paxil, dizziness, ringing in the ears, "electric shocks in the head", insomnia, and acute anxiety may occur. I used to think the "electric shock" sensations were a little weird and odd until I heard the first dozen people complain of exactly that. I now know that they are fairly common. It is important to note that the discontinuation syndrome for antidepressants is not like that of alcohol or opiates, where the withdrawal effects are based on the reinforcing effects of taking the drug itself. One does not have traditional cravings for antidepressants, and the ADS is based purely on pharmacology.

The exact prevalence of ADS is unknown, but it is based on the risk factors I outlined above, plus perhaps the person's individual genetically based rate of metabolism for a particular medication. The symptoms appear to abate over time with

very gradual reduction of dose. They will usually be gone in two to three weeks.

Takeaways for this week?

If you start an antidepressant, follow your prescriber's suggestions about gradually increasing the dose of the medication to a therapeutic level. In most cases, ramping up the dose very rapidly will not treat your depression any faster, but will certainly cause more side effects. Once at that therapeutic dose, work with your provider around how long you both think you need to take the medication, which in the case of antidepressants might be anywhere from six months to several years. Do not stop the medication on your own, especially cold turkey. Finally, when it is time to think about getting off the meds, work with a plan for gradual tapering and discontinuation of the antidepressant so that your symptoms do not rebound, but neither do you experience symptoms off ADS.

See you next time.

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PUBLIC NOTICE OF CANDIDATE FILING

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

BARNWELL COUNTY

Candidate Filing Period:

The Candidate filing period for The Barnwell County Consolidated School District (formally known as District #19 and #29) will open at noon on Monday, August 1, 2022, and close at noon on Monday, August 15, 2022. Even-numbered Districts 2, 4, and 6 will initially be on the ballot for two-year terms. Odd-numbered Districts, 1, 3, 5, and 7 will be on the ballot for four-year terms.

The General Election will be conducted on Tuesday, November 8, 2022. Residents who are qualified electors desiring to be a candidate must file a Nonpartisan Statement of Intention of Candidacy during this period.

Filing Hours:

Weekdays: 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Filing Fees: There will be no filing fees.

Filing Form: The Statement of Intention of Candidacy (Nonpartisan) form required for filing is available in the "Candidate Information" section of scVOTES.gov and at the Voter Registration and Elections Office of Barnwell County.

State Ethics Filings: Candidates are required to file a Statement of Economic Interests and a Campaign Disclosure online with the State Ethics Commission at <http://ethics.sc.gov>. Failure to file these documents may result in a candidate fine but will not disqualify a candidate from the election. Contact the State Ethics Commission for more information AT 803-253-4192.

NOTICE

Manifest Ventures, previously of Laplata, MO, has moved their office to Barnwell, SC.

More information will be posted at a later time or contact Allen Searson at 803-963-6695.

WEDDING



Shirley Kaney and Anthony Perry were united in marriage on June 25, 2022.

Shirley Kaney, Anthony Perry unite in marriage

Shirley Joye Kaney of Windsor (originally from Barnwell) and Anthony Scott Perry of Blackville were united in marriage on Saturday, June 25, 2022 at Barnwell State Park. The Rev. Harry Adkins & Rev. Anthony Taylor officiated.

The bride was given in marriage by her father, Grady Kaney; her mother in heaven, Terry Kaney; and brothers, Justin Kaney and Mathew Kaney.

The bride carried a bouquet of white cala lilies with a mixture of light blue and white roses. Small portraits of the bride's mother, the late Terry Kaney, were adorned to the bouquet.

Olivia Kaney (bride's daughter) served as matron of honor.

Bridesmaid was Hannah Kaney (bride's sister-in-law).

Brinkley Taylor served as flower girl.

Jonathan Taylor served as ring bearer.

Todd Laird was best man.

Groomsmen were Artie Perry (groom's brother) and Justin Kaney (bride's brother).

Following the wedding a reception was held at the community building at the Barnwell State Park.

The bride is the daughter of Grady and the late Terry Kaney of Windsor. She is employed by Russell's Pizza in Williston.

The groom is the son of Arthur Perry of Beaufort and Cheryl Long of Blackville. He is employed by Genisys Net, LLC.

Following a wedding trip to Greenville, the couple will reside in Blackville.

BIRTHDAY

Skylar Isabella Smokes celebrates first birthday

Skylar Isabella Smokes celebrated her first birthday on July 15, 2022.

She is the daughter of Kayla Smokes of Barnwell.

Skylar has one brother, Major Smokes of Barnwell.

Grandparents are James and Mildred Smokes of Barnwell.

Great-grandparents are the late Paul L. Brooks, the late Clarease Murdaugh, the late Wilbur Smokes, Avis Westbrook Smokes, and the late Carrie Washington.

Godparents are Ferdinand and Liller Hamilton of Blackville.



Skylar Isabella Smokes turned one on July 15, 2022.

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Wednesday, July 20, 2022

Onnie Bodiford



BARNWELL - Mrs. Onnie Love Bodiford, 91, passed away on Sunday, July 17, 2022 at her home surrounded by her children. Born on May 21st, 1931 in Bamberg County, she is the daughter of the late Cronie N. Still and Esther Still. She was a retired homemaker and taught Sunday

School for over 50 years.

Onnie loved everyone and her sense of humor and love of life was always present. Her friends, flowers, and grands brought her joy. She loved and studied God's word so much that she owned over 15 "falling apart" Bibles and raised her children to honor and glorify God. She was a member of Friendship Baptist Church and helped on numerous committees. She was a Christian and we know that she is rejoicing in Heaven with Jesus, whom she loved. Onnie was a prayer warrior.

She leaves behind children, Francis Wayne Bodiford, Calvin Nicholas (Terri) Bodiford, and Rhonda Bodiford Little; as well as three grandchildren and five great-grandchildren. She is predeceased by daughter, Bonnie King; and one grandchild.

Funeral services for Onnie Love Bodiford will be held at 3 p.m. Wednesday, July 20, 2022 at Friendship Baptist Church with Rev. Marshall Still officiating. Burial will follow in the Friendship Baptist Church Cemetery. The family will receive friends one hour prior to the service at the church on Wednesday.

Mole Funeral Home is assisting the family. Sign the online guestbook at molefh.com.

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Albert Clark



WILLISTON - A Celebration of Life Service for Albert Chester "Bert" Clark, 67, of Williston, will be held at 5 o'clock p.m., Saturday, July 23, 2022, in the Folk Funeral Home Chapel, Williston, with military honors accorded; the Reverend Charles Morris will be officiating. The family will receive friends one

hour prior to the service at the funeral home on Saturday. Memorial contributions may be sent to Folk Funeral Home, P.O. Box 367, Williston, S.C. 29853.

Albert passed away on Wednesday, July 13, 2022.

Born in Augusta, GA, he was a son of the late Lawrence Clark and Blanche Koon Clark. Albert was a 1972 graduate of Williston-Elko High School. He previously worked at Dixie-Narco, O'Reilly's, Advanced Auto Parts, and Dayco. Albert enjoyed deer hunting, fishing and "fixing-up" old cars. He was a U.S. Army veteran.

Survivors include Lynnette Carroll of Barnwell, the loving mother to their children; sons, Christopher (Megan) Clark of Williston, Thomas (Kia) Still and Taylor (Autumn) Still, all of Barnwell; half-sister, Vicki Buchelt; half-brothers, Michael and Jason Clark; grandchildren, Rayelyn, Anthony, Leo, Keaston, Landon, Ryder and Madilyn; a special niece, Jeannie Bolen; numerous nieces and nephews; and his baby "Jasper" his four-legged grandson.

He was preceded in death by his sisters, Norma Jean Bolen, Charlene Richardson and Virginia Dale Boyle.

Folk Funeral Home Inc. and Crematory is assisting the family with arrangements. Visit the online registry at www.folkfuneralhome.com.

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James Hall Sr.



BARNWELL - James Lee Hall Sr., 61, of Barnwell, passed away on Wednesday, June 15, 2022 at Baylor St. Lukes Hospital, Houston, Texas. James was born in Flint, MI on November 29, 1960. He was the son of the late Basil Eugene and Mary Elizabeth Hall and the stepson of Lois Hall.

Surviving are his two sons, James Lee Hall Jr. (Michelle) and Brian Eugene Hall (Christy); two grandchildren, Micheal James Hall and Haley Brooke Neis (Phillip); brothers, Basil Hall (Pam), Donnie Hall (Johnny), Darwin Beckett (Pat); and sisters, Marion Fritcher and Debbie Mason; along with nieces and nephews.

He was a medically retired law enforcement officer for the Williston Police Department in Williston. He also volunteered as a firefighter for Station 3 (Elko Fire Department) in Elko.

Memorial services will be held at 2 o'clock p.m. Saturday, July 23, 2022, at Folk Funeral Home, Williston. The family will receive friends from 12 noon until the time of the service at the funeral home on Saturday, July 23rd.

Folk Funeral Home Inc. and Crematory is assisting the family with arrangements. Visit the online registry at www.folkfuneralhome.com.

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John "Ed" Darnell



John Edward "Ed" Darnell, 85, passed away on July 12, 2022 in Denmark, South Carolina.

Born in Bamberg County, South Carolina, he was one of eight children born to Joseph Nathaniel and Annie Eliza Darnell. He attended Bamberg County public schools, graduating from Denmark High

School in 1954.

His law enforcement career began in 1972 when he joined the Denmark Police Department. In 1973, he graduated from the South Carolina Criminal Justice Academy and served as a police officer with the Denmark Police Department, advancing to the rank of Assistant Chief, before being appointed Sheriff of Bamberg County by Governor James B. Edwards in 1978 after the death of former Sheriff A. L. Strickland and he was officially sworn in on May 4, 1978, by Judge R. W. Kemp. He has received numerous honors that include serving as President of the South Carolina Sheriff's Association in 1986 and being selected as Sheriff of the Year in 2001, which was voted on by his peers. He was also elected Sheriff of the Year in 2008 by the South Carolina Law Enforcement Victim Advocate's Association due to his strong support for victims' rights both in Bamberg County, and in South Carolina. Sheriff Darnell proudly served the citizens of Bamberg County for 42 years, retiring in 2021 as the longest serving sheriff in South Carolina, and the third longest serving sheriff in the United States by the National Sheriff's Association in Alexandria, Virginia. He retired from the South Carolina National Guard where he proudly served for 31 years in the Bamberg Unit, obtaining the rank of platoon sergeant. He was a member of Denmark First Baptist Church, Denmark Masonic Lodge #246, and Omar Shriners of Mount Pleasant, South Carolina. Sheriff Darnell dedicated his life to serving the citizens of Bamberg County, he believed in treating every person the same, and that people deserved second chances, and sometimes third and fourth. In December 2019 the Bamberg County Council passed a Resolution naming the law enforcement wing the "Ed Darnell Law Enforcement Center."

Surviving are his wife, June Darnell, sons Tommy (Debbie) Darnell of Chapin, South Carolina, Jonathan (Emily) Darnell of Aiken, South Carolina, Stephen (Angie) Darnell of Gilbert, South Carolina, and William Darnell of Denmark, South Carolina; grandchildren Machel Simmons, Matthew Darnell, Betsy Darnell (fiancé Seth Frazier), Emily (Jared) Collins, Anna (Ben) Gardner, Noah Darnell, and Nicholas Darnell; great-grandchildren Danielle Simmons, Michael Simmons, Jr, Kaleigh Simmons, McClaine Collins, and Neely Ruth Collins; great-great grandchildren Madielyn, Haelyn, and Arielyn Simmons; stepsons Robert (Tori) Simmons Jr. of Summerton, South Carolina, Richard (Eve) Simmons, of North Augusta, South Carolina, Emily Heape (Carl Oberg) of Denmark, South Carolina, and Angela (Jim) Ice of Edmund, Oklahoma; step-grandchildren Bradley (Ann) Simmons, Ashley Simmons, Dylan Alford, Chet Simmons, Bryson Simmons, Hannah Simmons, Mia Larkin Simmons, Karly Morgan Nettles, and Matthew Ice, step-great grandchildren Avery Simmons and Luna Simmons, along with many cousins, nieces, and nephews who he loved dearly. He is also survived by his identical twin brother, Eugene "Buddy" (Jeaneece) Darnell of Barnwell, South Carolina.

He was predeceased by his parents, wife, Betty Ruth Darnell, brother, Hardy "Buck" Darnell, and sisters, Hazel Sharpe, Helen Ayer, Annie Lou Walters, Modelle Gibson, and Betty Jo Camp, and great granddaughter, Madison Simmons.

Visitation took place at the First Baptist Church of Denmark on Friday, July 15 from 5 to 8 p.m. with the funeral taking place on Saturday, July 16 at 11 a.m. at the First Baptist Church of Denmark, Denmark, South Carolina, with burial following at the Bamberg County Memorial Gardens. Dr. Matt Thomas officiated. Pallbearers were Matthew Darnell, Noah Darnell, Nicholas Darnell, Chet Simmons, Bryson Simmons, Ashley Simmons, Bradley Simmons, and Matthew Ice. Honorary pallbearers were current and former Bamberg County Sheriff's Department officers, as well as all law enforcement officers.

The family has requested memorials be sent to the First Baptist Church of Denmark (Post Office Box 325, Denmark, South Carolina 29042) or the MS Society (2610 Wycliff Road, Unit 101, Raleigh, North Carolina 27607).

Folk Funeral Home, Inc., Denmark is assisting the family with arrangements. Visit the online obituary at www.folkfuneralhome.com.

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Buddy Myrick



ALLENDALE - William Edwin ("Buddy" to everyone) Myrick Jr., age 88, of Allendale, South Carolina, widower of Sue Welch Myrick, passed away on July 8, 2022.

Born on July 13, 1933, he was the son of the late Sen. William Edwin Myrick and Emily Best Myrick of Ulmer, South Carolina. He is predeceased by a son, William E. Myrick III (Linda); a daughter, Jane Ashley Myrick McMillan; and his brother, Grover Morrison Myrick.

He is survived by his two sons, James D. Myrick (Bett) of Charleston and John Morrison Myrick (Sandra) of Beaufort; seven grandchildren, including William E. Myrick IV (Gracy), John Justin Reeves McMillan, James Lawrence McMillan (Erin), Frances Dunbar Myrick, James Dunbar Myrick Jr., Sophie Joyner Myrick, and Georgia Jaudon Myrick, Rebecca Gallagher Brandon (John), Savannah Kate Graham; and two great-grandchildren, William E. Myrick V and Hudson Reeves McMillan.

A practicing attorney for more than 50 years, Mr. Myrick began his career in Alabama as a Captain in the Judge Advocate General's Corp., the military justice branch of the U.S. Air Force, a role he enjoyed and deeply respected. Once shuttled to a covert airplane hangar in the desert, the doors opened and there stood a revolutionary spy plane, a Lockheed SR-71 Blackbird. He was awestruck.

Returning to South Carolina, he practiced first with McNair, Lawton, and Myrick, with future governor Robert McNair, then Lawton and Myrick, and finally Myrick and Myrick, all on Memorial Avenue. By appointment of Governor John West, Buddy served on the South Carolina Public Service Commission beginning in 1972. In this role, he placed the first telephone call from Daufuskie Island. He also served on the South Carolina Human Affairs Commission from 1972-1979, helping to bridge racial divides in South Carolina during the period of desegregation. Unquestionably and by his own narrative, his most difficult role was his service as a Member of the State Board of Draft Appeals from 1968-1975 during the Vietnam War.

He was a member of the American Bar Association and the Allendale County Bar Association, having served as President of the latter in 1989. In 1993, he commenced his role as Municipal Judge for the City of Allendale where he served for many years.

One cause close to his heart for decades was the development, advancement, and protection of the Salkehatchie Campus of the University of South Carolina. He served over 30 years on the Western Carolina Board of Higher Education and as its Chairman in 1976. In 1991, he was awarded the South Carolina Education Foundation Distinguished Service Award for his work. He advocated tirelessly for the access to a better life this important branch of USC provides.

Known for his wit and love of the great outdoors, he instilled a respect and appreciation for nature in all of his sons, though his beloved daughter much preferred the city. He was an excellent shot and loved the amazing and mostly true stories of the Salkehatchie River swamp. He created a game dish, famous across generations, but never disclosed his recipe.

Funeral services were held on Tuesday, July 12 at Great Saltkeahatchie Baptist Church in Ulmer at 11 a.m. with internment to follow. The family received friends and family at 10 a.m. prior to the service at the church.

Memorials may be made to University of South Carolina Salkehatchie Campus, Post Office Box 617, Allendale, S.C. 29810 or Great Saltkeahatchie Baptist Church, Post Office Box 8, Ulmer, S.C. 29849.

Keith Smith Funeral Service of Allendale was in charge of arrangements. Sign the online guestbook at www.keithsmithfuneralservice.com.

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Watermelon Field Day returns after COVID hiatus

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Gilbert Miller, Clemson Extension vegetable specialist, speaks to audience at the Watermelon Field Day.



Matt Cutulle (right) addresses the crowd on anaerobic soil disinfestation alongside Gilbert Miller.

After a two-year hiatus, Watermelon Field Day has returned to present its cucurbit related findings at the Clemson University Edisto Research and Education Center in Blackville.

Covering topics like herbicides, fungicides, and pollination, the purpose of the event is to bring local growers together to share information and ideas that will better their crops and spur more research.

"We're restarting the field day, so there will be some growing pains," said Gilbert Miller, Clemson Extension vegetable specialist and Watermelon Field Day organizer.

The Edisto Research and Education Center holds field days throughout the year for various vegetables to present research with local growers. However, the program has been on hold for two years due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

"I am certainly glad to have it back," said Miller. "And certainly glad to have the response we have. I wasn't sure how many to expect but it looks like there's a good bit of interest."

In prior years, field days would yield 300 participants. Some of which were eager to learn about watermelons, and some who were earning credit toward their state required pesticide application certification allowing them to spray their own fields.

"The main reason is for my pesticide license because there are not a lot of places you can go," said muscadine grape farmer Alonzo Fraizer, who attended the event alongside his wife, Elizabeth. "And I'm interested in watermelons too."

The center itself is home to 74 varieties of cucurbit cultivars such as Red Amber (seedless), LaJoya (seedless), Petite Perfection (mini), Scarlet Crisp (firm-seedless), Jubilee (heirloom), Grand Slam (Eastern cantaloupe), and Caribbean Gold (Caribbean type).

"We're fortunate we have a wide variety of good varieties," said Miller, who explained some varieties during the field test will be past ready, not ready yet, or just right.

The day began with three different ologists taking to the podium to discuss their research in the world of cucurbits. Cucurbits are members of the gourd family and are typically vining, flowering vegetables like melons, cucumber, squash, and pumpkins.

Miller, Clemson Extension vegetable specialist and watermelon aficionado, hosted the event and introduced each Clemson expert.

First was Matt Cutulle, assistant professor of vegetable weed science at Clemson University. Cutulle spoke about effective pre-emergent herbicide use in watermelon production and the consequences of herbicide carryover for subsequent crops.

He displayed charts showing usage rates for prominent herbicides used with watermelons and important information to consider when spraying crops.

Cutulle expressed that weed identification is important to be somewhat fluent in and provided book recommendations for weed identification. He referenced Nikolai Vavilov, calling him "the father of integrated



Attendees pick their watermelons.



Clemson University graduate students Jyo Ti and Jerry Han (right) and others walk away with their melons after picking them from the field in Blackville.



Attendees scan QR codes to access the Clemson University Weather Station website.



A couple asks questions regarding anaerobic soil disinfestation.

weed management," and Vavilovian Mimicry in his presentation.

Nikolai Vavilov was a Russian botanist and geneticist whose focus was on improving horticultural crops. He developed the concept of Vavilovian Mimicry which examines how a weed will evolve to share similar characterizations of another crop.

Cutulle explained the importance of identifying what you're trying to eradicate with examples from Vavilovian Mimicry, so you can be sure to use the proper herbicide.

When dealing with the weed nutsedge, Cutulle suggests 75 gallons per acre of the selective herbicide Sandea, to control the weed. Regarding the application, Cutulle also found it beneficial to use an extended range nozzle when spraying herbicide.

"For most products, you'll need a quarter to a half inch of rain to activate it," said Cutulle when breaking down the use requirements for various herbicides in his presentation.

In the packets handed to growers upon entry was a chart detailing Miller's personal spray schedule.

"I have a fairly aggressive spray program," said Miller.

The conversation shifted to fungicide once Clemson Extension plant pathologist and vegetable pathologist Tony Keinath took to the podium to talk about gummy stem blight.

Gummy stem blight (GSB) is caused by a fungus that affects everything on a plant but the root. The disease is also known as black rot, as it causes the stems to go to mush and the fruit to rot. GSB causes major production and therefore financial losses.

Keinath studied the

growing resistance of GSB to popular fungicide ingredients such as tebuconazole. Tebuconazole is an active ingredient in many fungicides commonly used on watermelons.

"We know whether [herbicides, fungicides, insecticides] work or not and can advise the farmers," said Miller, in regard to why speakers conduct their research.

Keinath collected over 200 samples of gummy stem blight fungus from Barnwell, Bamberg, Beaufort, and Hampton counties in 2019 and 2021. His findings concluded that 93% of GSB plants are now resistant to tebuconazole.

"How did we get here? I think it's frequent use of tebuconazole on watermelons in South Carolina," said Keinath.

Common tebuconazole use in Georgia and South Carolina started in 2008, and resistance began in the spring of 2015, according to Keinath. By fall 2019 there was widespread resistance in GSB plants to the chemical in S.C. and G.A., due to frequent use.

Tebuconazole as a chemical still works on watermelons to an extent, just not as well as it may have a decade ago or as the only fungicide being sprayed.

"Unfortunately the takeaway is watermelon production will be more expensive," said Keinath. "I'm sorry to say we're in a situation where cheapest isn't the best."

To manage gummy stem blight, Keinath recommends one spray with a tebuconazole fungicide early in the season, and then fungicides Miravis Prime and/or Inspire Super in the mid to late season. He also found the fungicide Luna Experience contains high levels of tebuconazole and will

not work best in difficulties with gummy stem blight.

"A good fungicide is like a sharp knife- use it carefully," said Keinath.

As Ben Powell, apiculture and pollinator program director, walked to the podium, he asked the crowd of nearly 100 people in front of him, "How many of y'all keep bees?" Powell's presentation was centered around contract pollination for cucurbits and how to ensure pollination of watermelon crops.

"If you're going to use honey bees to pollinate cucurbits, you need to handle a couple things first," said Powell.

Powell explained the best scenario for ample pollination and it begins with placement of the hive. The new hive should be placed in the middle of the field when the watermelons are flowering to ensure pollination. He suggests two colonies per acre with each colony containing at least 6 active frames.

Honeybees are after nectar and watermelon flowers do not have a lot of it, so Powell recommends eliminating competing flowers in the direct area because honeybees will gravitate toward those instead.

He identified some of the major native pollinators of cucurbits in S.C. such as squash bees, sweat bees, wasps, and the watermelon's favorite pollinator, bumble bees.

Bumble bees, unlike honeybees, are after pollen in which watermelon flowers are abundant. Powell believes the bumble bee to be the most effective native pollinator of cucurbits, while honeybees are the best managed pollinator.

"We have a problem, as you might expect, with keeping our plants pollinated," voiced Miller, to

express the importance of pollination.

Powell encouraged growers to visit <https://scstatebeekeepers.com/about/local-associations/> to find a local beekeeper and potentially work out a contract to bring bees to their fields.

"In general, herbicides are non-toxic to honey bees," said Powell. This rule comes with exceptions as soap-based-herbicides can potentially be harmful if sprayed when bees are most active. Powell suggested spraying herbicide in the early morning or evening.

"They may not forage well after a dose of fungicide," said Powell, who explains fungicides impact bee behavior.

After Powell's presentation, Miller welcomed nearly 100 participants to the growing fields.

"I'm sorry it's so wet, we can't get out there like we want to. But I am tickled to death that we're back," said Miller. The days of rain prior to the event made for muddy fields.

A lot of rain can be a big issue for growers, especially when they aren't anticipating it. The Clemson Extension Weather Station Network aims to address the lack of weather data in the state by providing rural weather information and on-farm weather data. It also provides users with a historical database of weather in the region.

Christopher Thomas of the Clemson Extension Weather Station Network passed around a home weather system as participants stood in the field. Tempest is a weather system made by WeatherFlow, a company aiming to mitigate the cost of weather and weather related issues.

It senses pressure, light, haptic rain, sonic wind, humidity, and lightning

up to 40 kilometers away. The device is roughly a foot long, cylindrical, completely wireless, solar powered, and can be mounted on a pole. One can be found between fields of watermelons at the research center.

Tempest is available to be purchased by local growers and aids in the Clemson Extension Network's collection of weather data. It will be used to continue updating the database, model predictions to then alert growers via text or email, and to perform further research.

Also held in the field was a discussion on Anaerobic Soil Disinfestation (ASD), a soil-borne disease management strategy. Cutulle led the study and subsequent discussion on ASD alongside Bhupinder Farmaha, assistant professor and nutrient management specialist at Clemson University.

"I always want to test products that watermelon growers might be interested in," said Miller.

After the in-field demonstration and discussion, participants took to the fields to pick watermelons free of charge.

"We work at the center and they told us to come out and get some watermelons," said Jerry Han, a Clemson University graduate student and research center employee, as he stood with co-worker and fellow graduate student Jyo Ti.

Miller has been researching horticulture for 42 years, and plans to continue doing so.

"I jokingly tell folks I've been practicing retirement, but I still enjoy it so much that I'm not planning on retiring anytime soon," said Miller, who had just finished up weighing a 100-pound watermelon.

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From Hawaii to Home: The return of Amy-Lauren Jones

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From capturing the adrenaline of reeling in a 650-pound marlin to the tranquility of hearing the whistle of a native South Carolina bobwhite, Amy-Lauren Jones expresses a range of feelings and experiences through her art.

The Barnwell County native moved home to South Carolina last year from Kauai, Hawaii, where she has lived since 2002.

Her return to the continental U.S. comes after an extensive career in art in Hawaii. In 2005, Jones opened Amy-Lauren's Gallery in Hanapepe, Hawaii which features multiple artists including her sister, Camille Fontaine.

In addition to running a successful art gallery, Jones discovered more life passions while living in Hawaii. She fell in love with sportfishing.

"I started in 2010 out there. I went on a whim with some friends and it just spoke to me," said Jones in reference to the sport. "I mean, to the point of like, I needed to sacrifice everything and buy a fishing boat. It just got under my skin."

"Every chance I got I would go [fishing]. I'd go with commercial fishermen. I'd go with sport fishermen. I just wanted to be out there. I mean it's an addiction I guess," she said.

From her 20-foot-long fishing boat she bought on a shoestring budget, Jones would reel in marlins and tuna weighing hundreds of pounds. A memorable catch was a 650 pound marlin, which Jones refers to as one of the first real fish she ever caught.

For reference, the average size of a full grown male grizzly bear is around 600 pounds. Jones was frequently catching fish of this size, and reveled in every moment of it.

"We would leave the harbor and you'd throw lures out. I mean the furthest you had to go was like five miles out," said Jones. "That's where I caught a 275-pound yellow tuna, and I was only out there an hour and a half."

While floating on salty water of the Pacific Ocean and reeling in the fish that call it home, Jones re-kindled her love for painting that had been paused in effort to open the gallery.

"Come 2017, I had gotten heavily into sportfishing," said Jones. "All of a sudden I felt like I had to put something on the canvas, that I had to capture kind of what it feels to be out there."

Jones explains how she can never quite describe in words the unique rush one gets from sportfishing the Hawaii coastline, but she aims to capture it in paint.

"I've tried and things like that come through in my art when I use the really bright colors and the bold brush strokes and the thick palette knife paint is just trying to catch that feeling," said Jones.

Jones finds the feeling she is aiming to convey through her art is deeply understood by other fishermen. Fishermen are drawn to her work because they resonate with the feeling she is creating within the dimensions of the canvas. She finds this adrenaline rush-like feeling is shared amongst people who have also cast a line.

"It speaks to fishermen because they've seen that. They get it," said Jones. She finds the feeling is how you remember the moment, even if some of the details are not precise or memorable.

"Other artists talk about how they have to create.



Amy-Lauren Jones loves fishing (at left) and hunting (above). She then turns those experiences into painted art (top and below).

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A lot of them just have a need," said Jones. "I never really felt it, until all of a sudden I just felt it really strongly, and I had to take those ideas and put them on a canvas."

In her sportfishing series, Jones paints the fish of Hawaii using bold colors of acrylic paint. Reds, blues, and yellows adorn the canvas and give the viewer a glimpse into the ocean as well as that adrenaline-filled feeling of reeling in a big one.

As she continued painting, her work caught the eye of many captains in Hawaii.

"I just started painting fish and didn't look back. Some of the top captains out in Hawaii started collecting my work and then they shared it," said Jones.

"Then from that, I got asked to be the painter for the Hawaii Marlin Tournament Series in 2019," she said.

Jones still remains as the official artist for the Hawaii Marlin Tournament Series. She has held the title for four consecutive years.

The passion she felt for depicting her experiences on the water served as a temporary oasis from the reality around her. The COVID pandemic created immense uncertainty in Hawaii. Jones explained how there were National Guard checkpoints just to go to the grocery store.

"My gallery that I'd had for 17 years was shut down and we were closed for pretty much a year. So, with no tourism coming in I still had to pay full commercial rent," said Jones. "I had to figure something out and I just wanted to get out of there."

Before moving back to Barnwell, Jones felt homesick in Hawaii. She recalls visiting her parents, Shirley and Richard Webb, in October 2020 and not wanting to leave the low-country.

"I sat in a tree-stand

pretty much every day and just wanted to breathe, be in nature and get away from all that stress out there," said Jones. "I kept extending my trip and just driving and seeing all the wisteria and dogwoods, it's just such a beautiful place."

"I went back and was so heartsick, I just could barely function. Being back in Hawaii just hit me like a ton of bricks and I very suddenly booked the ticket, came back June 3rd and didn't look back," she said.

Amy-Lauren's Gallery reopened once pandemic procedure allowed and is still open today although Jones herself is a 15-hour plane ride away. In her absence, it is being run by the dedicated artists that showcase their work there.

Upon her return to Barnwell, Jones is still creating art based on the wildlife around her. When she was in Hawaii, her painting depicted the intensity of a yellow fin tuna, and now in South Carolina her paintings show the feathers of local quails.

Jones has always been in tune with the plants and animals surrounding her. Growing up in Barnwell she remembers riding down dirt roads on the back of her horse, a memory she is now reliving.

"My parents have this one stand at the property where I'd go in the morning and I probably won't even see a deer there, but I just want to go see the wood ducks come in and just relax," said Jones. "They come up on the bank and I watch them go through all the pebbles."

"I just really enjoyed seeing nature and then I got inspired to start doing some local wildlife," she said. "And I started painting some of the native bobwhites."

The bobwhite quail is a reddish brown bird native to South Carolina. It is known for its whistle sounding similar to its name, bobwhite. The first

tone is lower and short, while the second is a bit longer and more high pitched.

"I just remember being a little girl and walking outside and that's all you hear," said Jones.

"When I'm painting the birds, that's coming from a more peaceful place. It just came from my time in the woods really searching for peace after the stress of what all happened in Hawaii," said Jones.

Her bobtail portraits are yielding a similar response from nature lovers just as her marlin paintings did.

Jones represented Quail Forever as Artist of the Year and attended the Southeastern Wildlife Exposition in Charleston in February 2022. Quail Forever is an organization dedicated to the conservation of quail, pheasants, and other wildlife through habitat improvements, public access, education and conservation advocacy, according to their website.

Their slogan is 'bring back the whistle.'

"It blows my mind what the organization is doing for the state in bringing these birds back because bobwhite quails were struggling," said Jones. "It was getting pretty dire. They've lost so much habitat, there's a lot of pressure from predators like feral cats and feral hogs, but mostly urban sprawl and the loss of the old farms and the unkept fence lines."

Jones explains how Quail Forever is able to keep a biologist on staff who serves as a tremendous resource. At one of their recent banquets, the organization announced they just purchased 700 acres in Sumter to be reserved as a quail habitat.

"The South Carolina chapter of Quail Forever is winning awards nationwide in what they're doing for habitat restoration," said Jones. "Landowners can contact South

Carolina Quail Forever if they want to have a biologist come out and look at your property and give you suggestions for what you can do to improve the habitat for quail."

She donated two paintings that the organization auctioned during the Southeastern Wildlife Expo.

"I'm really happy to be involved and to help them," she said. "I was really honored."

While painting fish, she preferred canvas. However, while painting quails, Jones is drawn to burlap and linens, and finds it to be more natural than other bases. Her most recent series of quails lives on Scottish tartans.

Jones' love for birds is not exclusive to bobwhites, she even foresees including other native birds into her work. Her form of ornithology is not exclusive to S.C. either, in Hawaii she was a volunteer for the state's pheasant program.

"I helped raise them and they would release males and females. Yes, people would hunt them, but there's a really good survivability rate because they did not have the predators. We had a really good wild pheasant population," said Jones.

The whistle of the bobwhite called her home to Barnwell. Here, Jones spends time bass fishing, watching wildlife walk through her parents' property, riding her horse, and finding inspiration for her art.

"I go bass fishing here almost every day. It's different from chasing big tuna, but honestly I love it just as much," said Jones. "I'm happy here inland. I just want to be on the farm and be with the horses and have the woods around me."

"It's a really beautiful place and it has a lot to offer to somebody like myself that's interested in fishing and painting wildlife," said Jones. "I

think it is the peace and solitude here. It's a special place and we're running out of places like this."

Although Jones is reassured in many ways that this move back to Barnwell was the right choice, she still feels unsure on occasion.

"It's scary. I'm not gonna say it's not scary. In a way I'm leaving a sure career in Hawaii, because the gallery has done really well for me, but I just want to paint and I'm just going to have faith that it's going to work," said Jones.

Returning home means being closer to her parents yet still being surrounded by other creatives. Jones finds her mother, Shirley Webb, to be a tremendous talent.

"She's a huge influence. She's an artist too and she was what really got me and my sister into art at a young age. She always kept art supplies out on the table and encouraged us to create," said Jones. "She never pursued it commercially but she's an incredible draftsman. I mean, one of the best I've ever known."

Jones believes she had to leave Barnwell to appreciate it. Although there are times where she thinks of the 'what-ifs,' her decision to come home is one she finds happiness in.

"I want to paint full time and I know it's probably gonna be a pay cut, but I just wanna be happy," said Jones.

A source of her happiness is being back in the place she learned to love art, but also being able to rekindle the relationships that grew her passion to start with.

"Jerry Morris was my art teacher. He was amazing and a huge influence," said Jones. Jerry Morris taught at Barnwell School District 45 for over 35 years and is now a local historian of sorts.

Morris and his wife own a couple of Jones' paintings, but there is one piece in his home that means the most to her. And until recently, she had no idea it existed.

"A very special piece that he has in his house is something I did when I was in like eighth grade or ninth grade. It was some block print of a cockatoo, I didn't even remember that I did in his art class and he kept it," said Jones.

Jones describes Morris and his classroom as a sanctuary. Within the walls of his art room, she and anyone else in search of support, felt wanted and accepted.

Her relocation back home will leave her missing a few things about Hawaii like the fishing and goat hunting, but she will not miss it enough to go back.

"There's a lot of things that I will miss, but this outweighs it so much to me," said Jones. "It's funny because they say there's so much 'Aloha' out there, but when I've had friends from Hawaii come here, they're like there's so much 'Aloha' here."

Her work can be found at Thibault Gallery in Beaufort, S.C., Southside Gallery in Aiken, S.C.,

Edingsville Grocery Restaurant in Edisto Island, S.C., and Amy-Lauren's Gallery in Hanapepe, Kauai.

Jones is at the Thibault Gallery in Beaufort the first Friday of every month, and plans to spend more time in the area.

The Southside Gallery in Aiken handles Jones' printing and publishing and carries on demand prints or reproductions on wood, metal, and other materials.

To view Jones' work online or to order a commission, visit <https://amylaurensgallery.com/amylauren/>.

Corder's Creative Corner: 5 popular series I haven't finished

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There are a lot of readers who love book series. Authors like them too. It's a good trick. Write a book, leave the ending open with a cliffhanger and sell the next book. Series are a good way to bring in money.

For myself, I'm not the biggest fan of series. I'd rather move on to another story in a new world. That being the case, I have quite a few series under my belt that I have started but haven't finished. So this week I thought I would discuss five of them and why I have yet to finish

them.

1. The Hunger Games by Suzanne Collins

This was a huge rave back when I was in high school. Everyone was reading The Hunger Games, and the first movie was on the horizon. I read the first book and enjoyed it. I started the second book, Catching Fire, but didn't finish it, because I got super busy with school. I ended up putting it down and never picking it back up. I do have the entire trilogy sitting on my bookshelf though, so perhaps one day I will get around to completing them.

2. The Twilight Saga by Stephanie Meyer

If The Hunger Games was the series that everyone was in love with in high school, then Twilight was the one everyone in middle school loved. I read the first book of the series to completion. I read about half of the second book, and then I read a quarter of the third book. I never touched the final book in the series. Now, I may get fun of for being a boy who read the series, but I did it to impress a girl I liked at the time. That was the only reason I picked up books about sexy, sparkly vampires. And, for the record, it didn't work.

3. The Chronicles of Narnia by C.S. Lewis

This will probably come as a surprise to a lot of my readers that I have not finished the famous books by C.S. Lewis. My mother read The Lion, the Witch and the Wardrobe to me and my brother, and then I tried to tackle the other books. However, in the series order, I could not get past the third book, The Horse and His Boy, as it was incredibly boring. Then I learned that the other way to read the books was in the order in which they were published, but then I couldn't get through Voyage of the Dawn Treader. In full, I've only read three Narnia books. I do hope to finish the series one day.

4. A Series of Unfortunate Events by Lemony Snicket

I've only read 4/11 books of this world-renowned series. I started them when I was 15 and soon realized that they were the most depressing books I had ever read. I was going through a very difficult time when I started reading the series, and the pessimism of the narrative was too much for me to bear. I just couldn't bring myself to continue reading the series.

5. Miss Peregrine's Home for Peculiar Children by Ransom Riggs

This is the series I regret not finishing the most, because I really enjoyed the

first book. I think I read the second book, or at least half of it, then I stopped, much to my chagrin. The series has expanded to six books, so now I would have to go back to the first book and read it in order to remember everything that happens. But I do plan to finish this series because of how much I loved the first book.

So those are five series that I have not finished. Have you read any of them yourself? What did you think of them?

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Champs: Angels All-Star team ready for nationals

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Kensley Terrapin pitched four good innings while Sadie Whitehead came in to close out the top of the fifth inning. The team only allowed 10 runs at the district championship and six runs at state.

"It's been amazing to watch them grow and see the results," said Whitehead of the girls he's worked with for years and considers family.

Whitehead thanks his assistant coaches, Michael Terrapin and Robert Scott, plus parent Randy Reece for his help. He is grateful for the parents and families of his players who have been supportive every step of the season.

"We thank the community for having our back," said Whitehead of how the community helped raise funds for their \$8,000 trip to state. Now they need help to fundraise for the national championship, which he said is about twice the cost of state.

Several fundraisers are planned to help the team, including pumping gas at BP, collecting donations at Walmart, selling Boston butts, and a gun raffle on July 27. The girls will also be waiting tables at Eat Street on July 20 from 5-9 p.m.

Business sponsorships are available for \$50, \$100, \$200, or \$300, which comes with a spot on the banner. Contact Bobby Heltibridge at (803) 571-5289. Checks can be made to the Barnwell Baseball Softball Association.

Donations can also be made via Venmo to @Brad-Whitehead-9 or through the GoFundMe page, www.gofundme.com/f/team-south-carolina.

A community recognition/sendoff is planned for Thursday, July 28 from 5:30 to 6:30 p.m. on the Circle in downtown Barnwell.

"We are asking everyone in our community to come show the girls that Barnwell is proud of them, cheering for them," said Whitehead.

The team's bus will be escorted from the sheriff's office to the Circle for the ceremony. The public can set up anywhere around the Circle with air horns, signs and other items to cheer on the team. The girls will have their names announced and photos taken in front of the courthouse. Gary Brantley will be playing music.

Barnwell Baseball Softball Association board members will be selling 50/50 money raffles that will be drawn that day to give these girls some spending money.

Jazz guitarist Terence Young to perform

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His career as a jazz guitarist has taken Elko native Terence Young all over the world, but it's always fun to come home.

Young, a 1991 graduate of Williston-Elko High School, will perform in a concert on Friday, July 29 at 7:30 p.m. at the Amentum Center for Performing Arts (126 Newberry Street, Aiken). He will be joined by special guests Edwin G. Hamilton and the Double Threat Quartet.

"It always feels good playing near home," said Young, who hopes to see many Barnwell County friends at the concert.

His uncles got him started in music while attending St. Peters Bap-

tist Church in Elko and things "flourished from there," he said. He now manages the Top 40 Finesse Band and travels the world as a solo urban guitarist.

While the other artists will be performing standard jazz, Young's specialty is urban jazz. He describes this style of music as "more upbeat and hip" with a rhythm and blues vibe. He will perform a variety of original instrumental songs that come from his upbringing and the things he went through as a person, as well as cover songs. His favorite cover song is "Purple Rain" by Prince.

"I love to express myself through music. Music is the best healer," he said.

Learn more about Young and his music at www.terenceyoungmusic.com.



Terence Young, a native of Elko, will perform in a concert July 29 in Aiken.

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Bamberg / Barnwell Adult Education Open House Registration Event



Barnwell Site:
10370 Ellenton Street
Barnwell, SC 29812

August 1st & 2nd
10:00am - 6:00pm

Bamberg Site:
3788 Faust Street
Bamberg, SC 29003

August 1st & 2nd
4:00pm - 7:00pm

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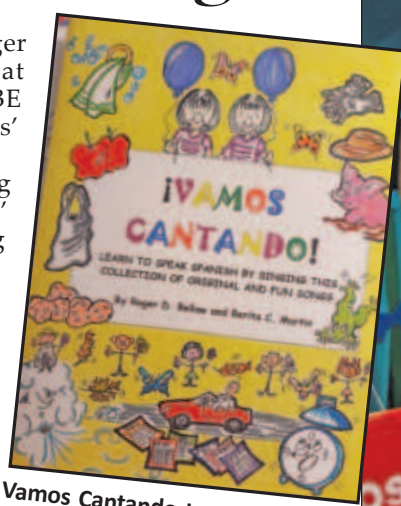
Vamos Cantando teaches children Spanish through puppets and fun songs

On Tuesday, July 12, Berita Martin and Roger Bellow of Vamos Cantando performed at the Blackville Branch Library in part of the ABBE Regional Library System's 'Ocean of Possibilities' summer reading program.

In an interactive program called 'Teaching Children Spanish Using Songs and Puppets,' Vamos Cantando encouraged children to sing along with the puppets and each other.

Vamos Cantando, or 'Let's Go Singing,' utilize stories, music, and puppets to make learning Spanish understandable and fun. Martin and Bellow have also co-wrote a book with the same initiative. For more information on Vamos Cantando, visit <https://rbvamoscantando.com/>.

To find out about more exciting programming from the Blackville Branch Library, call the library at (803) 284-2295 or make a visit to 19420 Solomon Blatt Ave., Blackville.



Vamos Cantando teaches Spanish through original and fun songs.



Lil Stoltzfus and Roger Bellow in front of the puppet stage.

Barnwell County Council discusses new ordinances

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In the Southern Carolina Alliance building's Edisto Room, the Barnwell County Council held their monthly meeting at 6 p.m. In the presence of the people listening in the room, and of those listening at home through a Facebook livestream, council members discussed three new ordinances.

"We hope that whatever we do will be beneficial to Barnwell County," said Chairman Harold Buckmon in his welcome address to those in attendance.

New Ordinances
County Administrator Tim Bennett introduced to council the first reading by title only of an ordi-

nance addressing scheduling events on county-owned property.

Bennett describes the current scheduling process as "haphazard to non-existent at best."

The first reading of an ordinance is first introduced to the council. When the first reading of an ordinance is title only, only the title is read to council members. No information on the ordinance is included and there is no debate or amendment. Per state law, an ordinance must be read three times by council members before voted on and a title only read counts as the first official reading.

The first ordinance introduced to the council addresses the process for non-county related events being held on county-

owned property. Recently, scheduling a non-county affiliated event on county land has proved to be difficult for local organizations.

The council was given examples of the City of Barnwell's and Darlington County's application process as a reference.

The City of Barnwell's application asks for general information on the event being requested such as the purpose of the event, location, date and time, and those involved. Both the city police chief and the administrator must sign off on the application if approved.

Darlington County's application for reservation is more detailed. It asks about admission costs and specifies what is allowed on county property in Chapter 54 of the county's Code of Ordinances.

This ordinance was prompted by a lack of consistency in scheduling these events and the need to ensure the "county's liability is covered," according to Bennett.

Next, Bennett introduced another First Reading of a Title Only ordinance to amend the permanent rules of procedure of the Barnwell County Council. This ordinance to amend would allow the council to conduct meetings electronically out of ample COVID-19 precaution.

The Emergency Ordinance and Resolution originally permitting electronic council meetings expired. The already established Rule No. 5, Time and Order of Meetings, does not "affirmatively permit electronic attendance," according to the proposed amendment.

County council approved the first-read amendment of Rule No. 5, Time and Order of Meetings, to permit such meetings "in the best interest of the county," stated the ordinance.

According to Bennett, council members "would be able to vote virtually via Zoom" as long as the public is given access to the meeting. County council meetings are available to the public via Facebook Live on the 'Barnwell County, SC' page.

Bennett also introduced the First Reading by Title Only of a proposed amendment to the Animal Shelter Ordinance No. 2010-08-262 regarding the composition and creation of the shelter's board.

"We are looking at all aspects of the ordinance to update where needed," said Bennett. "The ordinance simply needs review and updating."

The ordinance states, "the intent of the amend-

ment is to promote responsible ownership" of animals in Barnwell County. Listed among things to be considered when reevaluating the composition of the board were; emphasizing prevention and not destruction, promoting less unwanted births, and focusing on the people who are causing the problem.

Another point was "targeting habitual offenders who ultimately use public resources and taxpayer money," stated Ordinance No. 2010-08-262.

The three First Reading by Title Only Ordinances were all approved by the council. Each will move onto a second reading where council members have the opportunity to propose changes.

Committee Appointments
Councilman Freddie L. Houston appointed Ian Sanders to the Axis 1 Board representing District One and Councilman Don Harper re-appointed Julie Dempsey to the Axis 1 Board representing District Three.

Councilman David Kenner appointed Bill DeLoach to the Animal Shelter Board representing District Two and Councilman Harper re-appointed Kiran Waraich to the Recycling Board representing District Three.

Vice Chairman Jerry Creech, who was not present at the meeting, appointed Andy Sandifer to the Animal Shelter Board representing District Seven.

In regard to committees and commissions, Councilman David Kenner delivered the transportation report in Councilman Creech's absence. He relayed that multiple dirt roads are being rock and more are to come.

Councilman Kenner informed the council that bids are out for the paving of Dicks Street in Wil-

liston. He also stated that consideration for YMCA paving was moved to a later date.

"The transportation committee has been doing a lot of important work," said Councilman Kenner.

Councilman Harper reported on the safety committee and was informed by Councilman Ben Kinlaw that parts of the Savannah River Site are going back to mandatory masks in places where social distancing cannot be achieved.

The Barnwell County Animal Shelter requested either the grass on the facility be maintained by the county or they are provided with a lawn mower due to an increase in snake sightings.

Also, there have been talks of eventually building a new animal shelter to better serve the community. This topic will be discussed by the council at a future date.

Councilman Kinlaw informed the council that Edgfield is building an animal shelter. Previously, animals found in Edgfield were transported to Aiken County Animal Shelter.

In Councilman Creech's absence, Councilman Harper informed the council that construction of the pickleball courts set to be located near the Barnwell YMCA will begin the first week in August.

"We're still plugging along with getting the pickleball courts up and running," said Councilman Harper.

Honoring an Educator
Councilman Houston presented a resolution of recognition on behalf of council to Dr. Marcella Shaw for her dedication to Barnwell County scholars. Dr. Shaw served as the superintendent for Williston-Elko School District 29 and will serve as the new superintendent for the Barnwell County Consolidated School District.

Dr. Shaw was recently named the 2023 S.C. Superintendent of the Year by South Carolina Association of School Administrators (SCASA).

Councilman Houston said he felt Dr. Shaw "put Williston on the map."

Although Dr. Shaw was not in attendance due to a conflict, she expressed her gratitude to Councilman Houston who spoke on her behalf.

The plaque described Dr. Shaw's dedication to her students and community as well as her relentless pursuit for excellence of her students.

The resolution to honor Dr. Shaw was approved by the council.

Barnwell County Council meetings are open to the public and held on the second Tuesday of every month at 6 p.m. located at 54 Irving Street's Edisto Room, Barnwell. Meetings are available to watch via Facebook Live on the 'Barnwell County, SC' page.



The City of Barnwell and the Barnwell Development Association want to honor your Barnwell Veteran by displaying his/her flag photo on a banner in downtown.

We will begin with honoring our deceased veterans from WWII up to recent conflicts.

If interested in honoring a deceased Barnwell Veteran, please fill out the following information and send in the best possible photo you have of them for the banner.



These will be first come, first serve.

Once we have all the banners for downtown, we will then have garden flags made for other locations.

The cost for the banner is \$75.

Payment must be made for the order to be complete. To meet the veteran's Day Deadline, flag order form is due no later than September 1, 2022.

Name/Rank: _____

Branch: _____

Years of Service: _____ Died in Action? yes no

Our family veteran lived in the City of Barnwell from _____ (year) to _____ (year).

Please provide a clean copy of a photo to use for the banner. If you only have one copy of the photo, you may bring it to City Hall and we will scan a copy of it for you.

Name of Family member filling out this form. _____

Phone number of Family member. _____

Email of family member. _____

Form and payment should be turned in at City Hall no later than 9/1/22 for order to be complete.

Quality Legal Representation

Our experienced team is here to fight for you and your family.

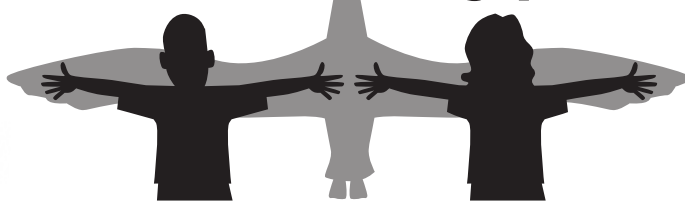
- Criminal
- Car Wrecks
- Divorce
- Wills and Probate Proceedings
- Medical and other advance directives
- Child custody and visitation disputes



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Albatross

Wide, Wide Wingspan



The wandering albatross is the largest member of the albatross family. This bird is one of the largest birds in the world. They have the largest wingspan, ranging from 8.23 to 11.8 feet.

ACTIVITY: Stretch your arms out wide. Have a family member measure your "wingspan" from fingertip to fingertip.

The albatross is one of the world's largest flying seabirds.

The most common North Pacific species is the Laysan albatross. There are more than 660,000 breeding pairs just on Midway Atoll in the northwest Hawaiian Islands.



Skip the Straw!
Plastic straws create huge problems for the environment. Use a paper straw or, better yet, just skip the straw!

How an Albatross Chick Eats

Number the steps below in order.

- The chick then pulls food out of the parent's mouth to eat.
- To feed its chick, the adult forces food up out of its stomach and into its mouth. This is called regurgitation.
- The adult flies back to its chick with the food in its stomach.
- An adult albatross scoops up food for its chick from the sea.



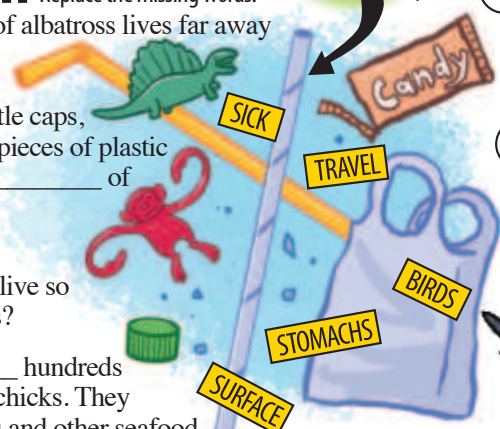
One bird researcher on Midway saw an adult regurgitate a toothbrush and its chick ate it. Chicks are not able to regurgitate food or other materials out of their stomachs and the plastic food stays there, making them sick and sometimes killing them.

Plastic Problem

Replace the missing words!
Even though this large group of albatross lives far away from people, their young get _____ and die because of people. Small plastic toys, bottle caps, toothbrushes, and other small pieces of plastic have been found in the _____ of the chicks.

How did plastic end up in the stomachs of _____ that live so far away from populated areas?

Albatross parents _____ hundreds of miles to find food for their chicks. They scoop up squid, krill, fish eggs and other seafood from the _____ of the ocean. But these days, they also accidentally swallow floating plastic.



You Can Help the Albatross!

You can keep trash from traveling to the sea by recycling, putting trash in trash cans, and choosing reusable alternatives over single-use plastic. Less plastic on land means less plastic in the sea!

Extra! Extra!

Instead of Plastic

Look through the newspaper and find five things made of plastic. What could people use instead of plastic for each of these five things?

Example: Plastic bag—use a cloth bag instead.

Standards Link: Life Science: Understand renewable and nonrenewable resources.

Someone created litter by leaving this plastic bottle on the playground. Can you get it to the recycle bin in less than 60 seconds?



Kid Scoop Puzzler

How many pounds of plastic waste do scientists estimate albatross bring to Midway Atoll each year?

Color each odd number red to reveal the answer.

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Double Double Word Search

- ALBATROSS
- PACIFIC
- WINGSpan
- PLASTIC
- ISLANDS
- CAPS
- MIDWAY
- TOYS
- LITTER
- ATOLL
- SQUID
- OCEAN
- SICK
- BIRD
- EAT

Find the words in the puzzle. How many of them can you find on this page?



Standards Link: Letter sequencing. Recognize identical words. Skim and scan reading. Recall spelling patterns.

Kid Scoop VOCABULARY BUILDERS

This week's word:
ATOLL

The noun **atoll** means a ring-shaped island of coral reef surrounding a lagoon.

The Midway **Atoll** is a nesting site for many albatross.

Try to use the word **atoll** in a sentence today when talking with your friends and family members.

FROM THE Kid Scoop LESSON LIBRARY

Greater Than or Less Than

Cut six numbers from the newspaper. Paste two of them on a piece of paper with space between them. Make a number sentence by adding a "greater than" (>) or "less than" (<) symbol, such as 23 > 9. Repeat this with the rest of the numbers.

Standards Link: Math: Compare numbers using the < and > symbols.



Why did the teacher always carry bags of bird seed?

ANSWER: For parrot-teacher conference!

Write On!

If I Had Wings

What would it be like if you had wings like a bird? Use your imagination to write a short story about life as a person with wings.



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WARHORSE PRIDE



Participants and volunteers of the fine arts camp stand on the front porch of Emma's House in Allendale.

Photos By: Laura J. McKenzie / Contributor

Girls are "Be-You-tiful" at Allendale fine arts camp

Laura J. McKenzie
Contributed

Young ladies in Allendale County came away with a new image of themselves after attending the 2022 Fine Arts Camp at Emma's House in Allendale.

The July 6 event was sponsored by the Allendale Rural arts Team (ART) and Pelham Road Baptist Church, Greenville. Approximately 25 girls ranging in age from 6 to 16 were engaged in the program.

With the theme "Be-You-tiful", the fine arts camp emphasized self-awareness and beauty by using the arts.

The girls participated in the 3-hour camp that included music, dance and drawing of self-portraits led by 15 youth from Pelham Road Baptist Church.

ART also provided snacks and a pizza lunch for the participants.

"The camp was very successful," said ART Chairwoman Lottie M. Lewis. "We had wonderful participation by our local young ladies. I think they had a lot of fun."

"We want to thank the volunteers with Pelham Road Baptist Church and look forward to working with them again. We also hope area churches and organizations will consider partnering with us on future projects."

"We also want to thank Marlon Creech for his help in transporting most of the children to Emma's House and then returning them home. He is one of our community's leaders!"

The Allendale Rural arts Team provides and supports programs, events and endeavors in Allendale County using the arts as a stimulator. ART is supported in part by funding from the South Carolina Arts Commission through its Art of Community: Rural SC program.



Girls and youth leaders learn the steps to a prayer dance routine during a Fine Arts Camp held at Emma's House in Allendale on Wednesday, July 6. The camp was sponsored by the Allendale Rural arts Team (ART) and Pelham Road Baptist Church volunteers.



Allendale Rural arts Team (ART) Chairwoman Lottie Lewis gets a lot of smiles from girls participating in the 2022 Fine Arts Camp held at Emma's House.



Using photographs as a "mirror image", girls created self-portraits during the Fine Arts Camp held at Emma's House. The participants were assisted by ART members and volunteers from Pelham Road Baptist Church, Greenville.



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Eva Leaks wins July 4th decorating contest

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An Allendale homeowner has been selected as the winner of the July 4 Front Porch Art decorating contest.

Eva Leaks, 83, of 680 Razor Road, Allendale, has won the \$100 gift card to Hobby Lobby in the contest sponsored by the Allendale Rural Arts Team.

"I enjoy decorating my yard, not just to win a prize," said Leaks. "I like my yard to look nice."

Leaks used flags, porch pillows, garland and other red, white and blue décor to make her yard shine over the Independence Day holiday.

"You help people to shine," said ART chairwoman Lottie Lewis upon notifying Leaks of her win. "We appreciate your efforts."

Lewis said Allendale County residents and business owners will have another opportunity to decorate their surroundings in patriotic colors in September. "That is when the Smithsonian traveling exhibit will be in Allendale and the Allendale County Humanities Festival will be held," said Lewis. "We want everyone to participate by decorating and showing our patriotic pride."

The contest is only one of many events sponsored by ART which receives support from the South Carolina Arts Commission through its Art of Community Rural SC program.



The winning entry for the Front Porch Art decorating contest was on display at 680 Razor Road in Allendale. The contest was sponsored by the Allendale Rural arts Team (ART).
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AT RIGHT: Eva Leaks, 83, enjoys decorating her front porch and yard and was the winner of the recent Allendale Rural arts Team decorating contest.



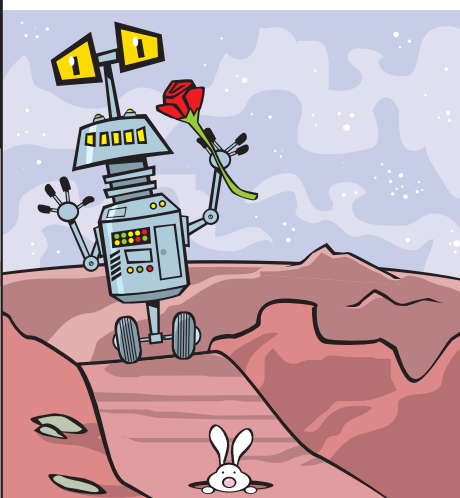
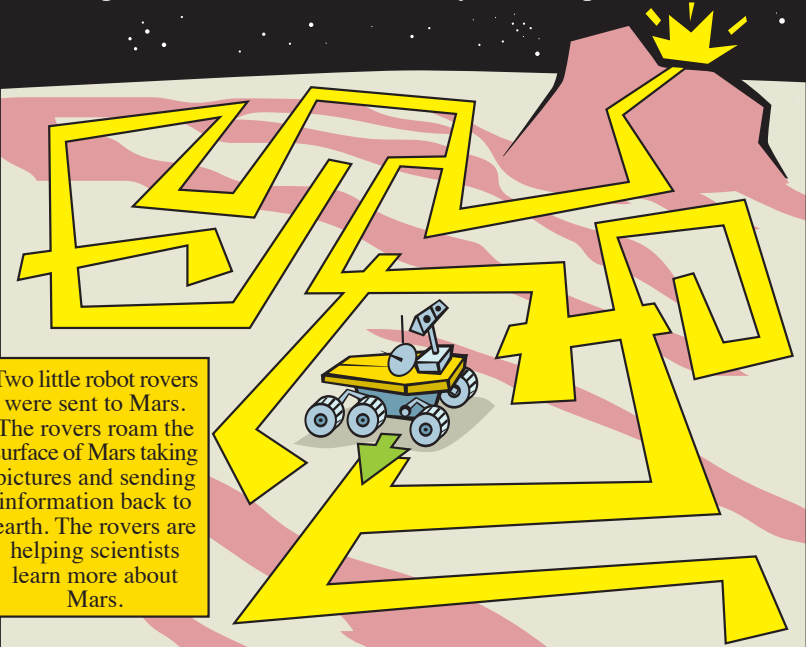
Newspaper reading adventures for little learners!

My name: _____

Kid Scoop Junior

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Help this robot rover find its way to the top of the rock.

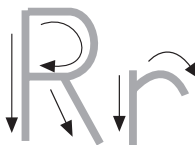


My Rhyme Time

Red sky at night,
Sailor's delight;
Red sky in the morning,
Sailor's warning.

My Letters

R is for Rover
r is for rover



Learning Buddies: Read the two phrases aloud. Have your child read with you. Trace the uppercase and lowercase letter R. Say the letter as you trace it.

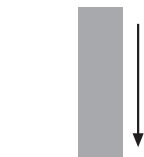
How many words or pictures can you find on this page that start with the R sound like the word rover?

My Numbers

How many roses?



How many robots?



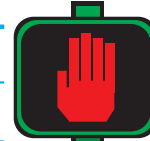
Learning Buddies: Trace and say the number. Read the questions. Touch and count to find the answers.

My Sentence

Learning Buddies: Read the first part of the sentence aloud. Ask your child to think of a way to finish the sentence. Write your child's words in the lines. Read the entire sentence to your child while pointing out that reading is done from left to right. Older children may want to trace all or some of the letters in the sentence.



Robot rovers help



Sunday

Letter Identification
With your child, look through the newspaper to find pictures of things that start with the same sound as the letter R in rover.

Monday

Math Play
Point to the number 1 in the newspaper. Have your child say the number and, if it's large enough, have your child trace the number.

Tuesday

Red Read
Tell your child that Mars is known as the red planet. Then find the color red in today's newspaper. What things can you find that are red?

Wednesday

Round in Red
Give your child a red crayon or marker. Have your child find and draw a red circle around:

- an animal
- a car
- a house

Thursday

Big R, Little r
On one page of the newspaper search for an uppercase letter R and a lowercase letter r. Draw a line to connect the two. Can you find more uppercase and lowercase R-r pairs?

Friday

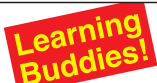
Little Eye
Look at something on a page in the newspaper and say, "I spy with my little eye something (give one little clue)." Let your child ask questions to try and discover what you spy. Take turns "spying" and guessing.

Saturday

What's Hiding?
Let your child find a picture of something he or she likes in the newspaper. Look at the picture for about 30 seconds. Then cover the picture and see how many details your child can remember about the picture.

Learning Buddy Sign Here
I have completed _____ activities with my Learning Buddy.

Learning Buddy's signature _____ Date _____



Kid Scoop Junior comes out once a week, but you can use the newspaper every day to prepare your child for success in school. Each daily activity focuses on a specific learning readiness skill.

Step by Step Success 1. Read the activity instruction aloud. 2. Show how to do the activity by doing it yourself first. 3. Ask your child to copy what you do.

Barnwell Belles finish third in state championship

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The People-Sentinel

The Barnwell Belles All-Star team finished third in the Dixie State Championship last week in Iva. The

girls played with great resilience, determination, and fought to the very last pitch.

In the first tournament game, Barnwell defeated Union County in a shut-out victory 4-0. Both Maddie Hutto and Jaidyn Devore pitched amazing on the mound recording a no-hitter with 19 strikeouts combined. Leading offensively was Rileigh York going 2-2 for the day. Kendall O'berry, Jaidyn Devore, Maddie Hutto, and Kinlee Ray all recorded hits.

In the second game, Barnwell lost a tough one to a very good Starr-Iva team 7-0. Leading offensively was Abigail Corley going 2-3 for the day. Jaidyn Devore, Kinlee Ray, and Maddie Hutto all recorded hits.

In the final game, Barnwell faced Star-Iva in a rematch game and played outstanding leaving it all on the field but coming up a little short losing 5-2. A great pitching performance by Maddie Hutto recording 7 strikeouts. Leading offensively was Jaidyn Devore going 2-3, Abigail Corley 1-1 with 2 walks and Brianna Croft going 1-2.

Head Coach Willis Devore stated, "This is one of the best teams I have coached and clearly one of the best in the state. Barnwell Dixie Softball was truly represented and the best is yet to come!"

He would like to thank his assistant coaches Rick Arnold and Felicia Devore for their amazing efforts and hard work with an amazing group of girls. He would also like to thank the entire community and parents for their donations and sponsorships.



Barnwell Belles All-Stars 2022: (front kneeling left to right) Brianna Croft, Jayda Still; (second row) Abigail Corley, Tiera Arnold, Kendall O'berry, Jamiya Mayes, Kinlee Ray; (third row) Coach Felicia Devore, Shaelyn Badger, Jaidyn Devore, Maddie Hutto, Jessica Williamson, Rileigh York.

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Barnwell Coaches Pitch team ready to finish what started



Barnwell Coaches Pitch All-Stars team (not in order) carries their District 6 flag back to home plate after losing to Lancaster: #6 Breed Folk, #22 Alex Nguyen, #5 Kipper Polk, #2 Maddox Ashby, #94 Rylan LaCroix, and #23 Wylie Bolen; (back row, left to right) #20 Dierks Bolen, #9 Marcus Allen, #1 Daniel Anastasia, #14 Konnor Carter, #13 Brogan Gunnells, and #3 Axel Myers; Coaches (left to right) Dave Anastasia, Chris Yancey, Jamie Ashby, and Michael Polk.



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Daniel Anastasia plays first base at state.

Jonathan Vickery
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The Barnwell Coaches Pitch All-Star team had a blast at the state tournament, despite coming up short

to claim victory.

"Anderson did an amazing job with hosting the state tournament from our opening ceremony to the last pitch. The kids felt like superstars," said Coach Jamie Ashby.

The team's first game was a tight one against Saluda. It was 3-0 until the fourth inning where a bunch of errors led the score to be 13-0 in Saluda's favor.

"Our kids never gave up and fought, but fell short 13-3," said Ashby.

Their next game was against Dillon. Barnwell regrouped and made a few position changes to win 3-1, giving them another game to play where they beat Clemson 6-1.

Errors got Barnwell again in their last game against Lancaster. They lost 6-3.

"I would like to note that our kids prove that size does not matter and our kids gave all they had on the field. I am so lucky to have the coaching staff and parents of these kids because they made this experience great. Our kids will be back for sure to hopefully finish what we started," said Ashby.

They look forward to one day bringing Barnwell a state championship in Dixie Youth Baseball.



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Brogan Gunnells receives congratulations from his teammates after making the final out of their first win.

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STATEPOINT CROSSWORD (THEME: SUMMER DAYS)

- ACROSS
- Candy bar Baby
 - New York baseball player
 - * ___ days of summer
 - Southern cuisine pod
 - Austin Powers' charm
 - Phlegms
 - Finish with plaster
 - Balanced
 - Shy
 - *Usually June 21
 - Wood sorrels
 - Between septet and nonet
 - Stir fry pan
 - *"Out" for most kids in summer
 - Popular white fish
 - Tsu
 - Pavlov's conditioned

- Heart" band
64. Typically 5 of these in a men's tennis match
- DOWN
- "Arabian Nights" bird
 - Luau strings
 - Crosby, Stills and Nash, e.g.
 - Attention-grabbing shout
 - *Summer blockbuster
 - DVD player button
 - Muscle quality
 - Russian parliament
 - "Sittin' On The Dock Of The Bay" singer
 - Cowboy's heel prod
 - Courage to carry on
 - Counter seat
 - *Summer activity; berry

- Part of cathedral
- Dwelling
- *It's often hot and muggy in summer
- Be in accord
- Physicist Niels
- Like some wedding cakes
- A Bobbsey twin
- Comparative of staid
- *Like waterskier's dream lake surface
- Jean-Claude ___ Damme
- Not our
- *Dangle them in the pool?
- *Tossing around, pl.
- Drunkard
- Falling out
- Like one deserving of a Christmas gift
- On and on (2 words)
- Black tropical cuckoos
- Bob ___ of boxing industry
- JFK's brother
- *Owner of a Lonely

- Game status
- Car wash option
- Granite store units
- Explorer John ___ a.k.a. Giovanni Caboto
- Commotion
- German mister
- Farm structure, pl.
- Part of an eye, pl.
- *Adjective for bikini?
- *County event
- Tall tale
- *#5 Down venue
- Improvise
- Sophomore's grade
- Antonym of ingests
- Old hat
- NBA venues
- Threesome
- No-distortion sound reproduction, pl.
- Arctic floater
- Augmented
- Brawl
- Republic of Ireland
- Hare's tail
- *Uninvited picnic guest
- Ambulance squad, acr.

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Holidays: 4th Independence Day						

BARNWELL POLICE DEPARTMENT

invites you to this year's

National Night Out and Back To School Rally

Tuesday, August 2, 2022
5:30 PM-8:00 PM
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Barnwell SC, 29812

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Activities

Jul 4-Aug 14
Fall 2022 Soccer Club Registration is open.
 sc-barnwell.ec.affinitysoccer.com
 Cost: U4-U8 (\$50) & U9-U13 (\$75)
 Additional information on the Barnwell Soccer Club Facebook page.
 Notes: - No late registration! - 3 year-old players must have 1 parent sign up to be an assistant coach - NO in-person registration. Help and payment needs to be made, then it will be scheduled one-on-one.

Jul 20
Celebration for Genealogy and National Hot Dog Day
 Sponsored by the Barnwell Banter.
 FREE family history classes and lunch.
 Classes: 10:30 a.m. (Introduction to Family Search), 12 p.m. (Family Fun Resources) and 1 p.m. (Using RootsTech to Dig Deeper).
 RSVP by calling 803-541-7676
10:30am-1pm

Jul 22
Blackville Community Back to School Giveaway & Family Movie
 Community Center Grounds
6PM

2nd Annual Summer Tech Camp
Jul 25-27
 Barnwell County Career Center
 Rising 6-9 grade students. The camp is free of charge. Breakfast and lunch will be provided. Number of participants is limited to the first 60 who register.
 Please register at <https://forms.gle/XypGPvYfSSD-WfS109>
Sam-3pm

Aug 26 - Deadline
Town of Blackville Recreation
 Flag and Tackle Football from ages 6 - 12
 Cheerleading from ages 6 - 12
 Volleyball from ages 7 - 12
Register at Blackville Town Hall
5983 Lartigue St.

Sept 10
Barnwell County Sheriff's Office: Law Enforcement Expo
 Barnwell County Veterans Memorial (11094 Klementon St., Barnwell)
 Free food for children
 Contact: Lt. Eric Kirkland: ekirkland@barnwellcountysheriff.net or 803-300-9883
10am-2pm

1st Friday
 Family Game Night
 Everyone is welcome for a community game night.
Country Cupboard
 6:30-8:00pm

VBS

Ashleigh Baptist Church
 (Hwy. 3, Blackville)
 Jul 18-20
 Back to School with Jesus VBS Games, supper, lessons, and school supplies provided.
 6-7:30pm

Long Branch Baptist Church
 in Williston will have VBS July 25-29th from 6 to 8:45 p.m. Classes for all ages from nursery to adults.

Hilda First Baptist Church
 will have VBS July 25-29 from 6-8:30 p.m. each night for children ages 3+.

Trinity Baptist Church
 (4721 Galilee Road, Barnwell)
 Aug 1-3 for all ages. Adults will be studying the book of Revelation. Pastor will lead the study. Supper served each night.
 Everyone welcome.
 6-8pm

Meetings

Jul 21
 Allendale County Council Meeting
 Allendale County Courthouse
 J.W. Wall, Jr.
 Council Chambers
 292 Barnwell HWY
 Allendale, SC
 This meeting will be live streamed on YouTube.
6:00pm

Aug 4
The Town of Blackville will have a Planning Commission Meeting
 Blackville Town Hall (5983 Lartigue St., Blackville)
4pm
1st Tuesdays

Barnwell Development Association:
 For small business owners & representatives with a passion to SHOP LOCAL. Would love to hear your ideas for promoting small businesses in Barnwell County.
20 Wall St, Barnwell
 8:00am

3rd Wednesdays
The Barnwell Non-Profit Roundtable
 All Non-Profits are invited to attend to get to know various organizations and serve our community. We discuss problems, hopes, what's working and what is not.
 218 Main St. Barnwell, SC
 8-9am

BARNWELL COUNTY CONSOLIDATED SCHOOL DISTRICT MEETINGS
 07/12/2022 - 6PM - Blackville
 07/26/2022 - 6PM - Williston High School Auditoriums

Unity Baptist Church
 Pastor Brian Howard
 5504 Hilda Rd Blackville, SC 29817
 Sunday School: 9:45am
 Sunday Worship: 11am and 6pm
 Mid week service: Thursdays [AM kids (supper provided) 6pm and Adult service 7pm]

Victory Baptist Church
 3361 Hwy 70
 Barnwell, SC 29812
 Sunday Worship at 11:00 am
 Interim Preacher Terry Woodside

Word Of Life Full Gospel Ministries
 6254 Hwy 278 Barnwell
 Wednesday Bible study / prayer Service 7pm
 Sunday school 10:45 am
 Worship Service 12pm
 Facebook @wordoflifefgm

Seven Pines Baptist Church
 Snelling, Small community church welcomes visitors
 Sunday School: 9:50am
 Service: 11am, 6pm
 Pastor Mark Watford

St. Paul Missionary Baptist Church
 Snelling
 Park & Praise Service
 2nd & 4th Sundays - 10:00am
 Face masks should be worn at all times.

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FREE Strengthening Families Program

Join us! Parents and their children are invited to participate in a 7-week and 14-session virtual series of interactive, fun, family nights.

LEARN HOW TO:
 - Listen more and yell less.
 - Prevent behavior problems.
 - Improve your relationship with your kids.
 - Build stronger relationships in your family.
 - Better manage stress.

Open to ALL families with a child who is 2 to 6-11.

PROGRAM MEETING DATES:
 August 23 - Orientation
 August 30
 September 6
 September 13
 September 20
 September 27
 September 24
 September 30
 October 7
 October 14
 October 21
 October 28 - Graduation

Orientation: August 23, 2022
 Start Date: August 30, 2022
 Time: 6:30-8:00 (Zoom sessions)
 Location: VIRTUAL

SFP Graduation: Families that complete the program will participate in a special ceremony and receive a certificate of completion.

Other Benefits:
 - FREE coffee and table place
 - Goodie bags to help with household chores and school supplies

Sign up here: <https://www.barnwellcountysc.gov/sfp>
AVAILABLE FOR THE FIRST 12 FAMILIES ONLY!

Contact Children's Place for more information:
 310 Barnwell Ave. NE, Aiken, SC 29801
 (803) 641-4144

Children's Place, Inc. Children's Trust of Aiken County

Barnwell Library

- CHILDREN/TRENS**
- Jul. 18-22**
 All Ages
 Shark Scavenger Hunt
 Stop by anytime during operating hours to enjoy this activity. Complete the challenge and win a small prize.
- Jul 20**
 Ages 2 and up
 Shark Sun Catcher Craft
 4pm-5pm

Free Resources

Aug 6
The Town of Kline 10th Annual Backpack Giveaway
 First come, first served. The child will need to be present. There will be refreshments.
 Town Hall (1031 Kings Avenue, Kline).
10am



- Jul. 28**
 Ages 3 and up
 End of Summer Movie Party
 Come celebrate the end of Summer Reading with us! We will be watching the movie Luca. Space is limited so please register by July 25th at the front desk. Registration begins July 11th.
 3pm-5:30pm
STORY TIME
- Jul. 21**
 All Ages
 In the children's room
 11:30 am

- Jul. 28**
 All Ages
 VIRTUAL STORY TIME
 Videos will be posted on Facebook
 11:30 am
- ADULTS**
- Jul. 28**
 POTLUCK BOOK CLUB
 We will be meeting in the Community Room to discuss a cookbook of your choice.
 4pm

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SUMMER MINISTRIES

K4 and up
 Wednesday evenings
 First Baptist Church Blackville
6pm - 7:30pm

Jul 20-21
Annual Revival
 Theme: **I know my Redeemer lives! (Job 19:25)**
 Long Branch Missionary Baptist Church
 922 Hopewell Rd., Gifford, S.C. 29923
7pm

SERVICES

Anglican Church of the Holy Apostles
 228 Hagood Ave.
 Sun - Holy Eucharist service 10:30am
 Sun School at 9:30am
 Wed Morning prayer/breakfast 8am
 Vicar Bill Clarkson

Barnwell United Methodist Church
 236 Main Street
 803-259-3331
 Sun Services & activities:
 9:15 Coffee Fellowship in Crenshaw Hall
 10:00 Adult Sunday School in Crenshaw Hall
 10:15 Youth Sunday School
 11:00 Traditional worship service and Children's Sunday School
 Monthly activities:
 United Methodist Women - date announced each month
 Barnwell Soup Kitchen - 10:45 every 3rd Monday at First Baptist
 Crochet Comforters - 10:00

on 4th Saturday
Bells Chapel Pentecostal Holiness
 83 Week Ave. Olar
 Sundays - 10:30am
 Pastor Thomas Caldwell - calth02@yahoo.com
 (803) 335-9121, (803) 671-6369
Boiling Springs Chapel
 5475 Boiling Springs Rd., Barnwell
 Sunday Worship 7 p.m.

Center of Hope Community Fellowship
 Winton Inn Conference Room
 8-9pm on Tuesdays
 7pm on Sundays

Christ Presbyterian Church
 848 Hagood Ave., Barnwell
 Sunday School 9:30 a.m.
 Sunday Worship 10:30 a.m.
 Bible Study Wednesday 6 p.m.
 803-259-5653

First Baptist Church of Barnwell
 161 Allen St, Barnwell, SC 29812
 Contemporary Service
 Sundays 9:00am
 Traditional Service
 Sundays 11:00am
 Sunday School at 10:10am
 Watch on facebook or listen in the parking lot over 90.5

Friendship Baptist Church Sunday School
 5801 Friendship Rd, Barnwell, SC 29812
 Sundays - Assembly 9:45am.
 Sunday School at 10am, Worship at 11am
 Discipleship Training
 Sundays - 6pm, Worship at 7pm

Hope Community Church of God.
 785 Main St., Barnwell.
 Sunday School 10:00am
 Sunday Worship 11:00am
 Wednesday Service 7pm

- Jordan Missionary Baptist**
 200 Skyland Farm Road, Williston
 Sunday School
 2nd - 5th Sundays 9:30am
 Worship
 2nd-5th Sundays 10:30am
 Please wear a mask.
Life Tabernacle Church
 1189 Clinton St.
 Barnwell, S.C.
 Sun School 10am
 Sun worship 6pm
 Wed service 7pm
 Mon night prayer 7pm
- Long Branch Baptist church**
 3223 Highway 37
 Williston, SC
 SUNDAY
 9:15am - Sunday school
 10:30am - Morning worship service
 5:30pm - Bible study
 6:45pm - Evening worship service
 WEDNESDAY
 7:00pm - Prayer service
- Mt Lebanon Christian Church**
 420 Christian Rd
 Barnwell, SC 29812
 (803)259-1438
mtlebanoncc@gmail.com
 Sunday School at 10am
 Sunday am worship 11am (blended music)
 Sunday PM Bible Study 6pm (mid July-April)
www.mtlebanonchristian-church.com
 Minister Ron Franklin
- Ned Branch Missionary Baptist Church**
 10620 Dunbarton Boulevard., Barnwell
 Inside Services: Sunday school at 9 a.m. and services at 10 a.m. Bible study is held Tuesdays at 6:15 p.m. Please wear a mask.
- Rosemary Baptist Church**
 151 Emerald Lane, Barnwell
 In-House service on second and fourth Sundays at 12:15

- p.m.
 CDC guidelines will be used.
 Pastor Sarah Perkins
- Second Baptist Church of Barnwell**
 181 Church St, Barnwell, SC 29812
 In person worship service. Masks and social distancing is encouraged. Temp. checks upon entrance.
 Sundays 10:00am
 For more info: Pastor Elder Lamonte Boyd (803) 259-1388
www.facebook.com/SB-CBarnwell

- Daily**
 Coffee Club & Current Events
 8:30-9:30am
- Mondays**
Tai Chi for Arthritis
 9:30-10:00am
Health Topic
 10-11am
AARP Topic
 10:30-11:00am
- Tuesdays/Thursdays**
Exercise with Ernie
 10-11am
Bingo
 11am-Noon
- Wednesdays**
ETV Movie/Craft
- Fridays**
Computer Tech
 9:30-10am
Book Read
 10-11am
Crafts
 11-11:45am

Local Directory

Barnwell Library
 40 Burr St. Barnwell
803-259-3612
Hours of Operation
 Mon, Tues, Wed, Fri
 10am-6pm
 Thurs
 10am-7pm
 Sat
 10am-2pm

Blackville Library
Hours of Operation
 19420 Solomon Blatt
Ave. Blackville
(803) 284-2295
 Mon, Tues, Thurs
 10am-1pm
 2pm-6pm

Williston Library
Hours of Operation
 5121 Springfield Rd., Williston
(803) 621-6000
 Mon, Tues, Wed, Thurs
 10am-1pm
 2pm-6pm

Museums

Barnwell Museum
 9426 Marlboro Ave, Barnwell
 Tues, Wed, Thurs
 Noon-4pm
 Self-guided tours are offered
 Register at the office building
803-259-1916

Blackville Museum
 655 Main Street, Blackville, SC
 Open by appointment only until further notice.
 Please call 803-284-3267 to schedule a visit.

BLACKVILLE SENIOR CENTER
 Mondays-Fridays
 8:30am - Noon
 Golden Retreat Activity Center
 (59 Callahan Circle, Blackville)
803-219-7056