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Woman recovering after dog attack

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A Barnwell woman is grateful to be healing at home after five dogs attacked her.

Rose Hartzog, 48, regularly walks from her home on Country Park Manor to her job at Subway in Barnwell where she's worked since 2008. She had just started her journey to work on July 18 when she was attacked by five dogs near the Bi-Rite store.

"They bit her everywhere," said Jennie Ann Brown, 74, who was nearby when she

heard Hartzog's screams.

Brown and Hartzog have known each other for years. They often see each other when Brown comes to Hartzog's neighborhood to feed stray cats. Just minutes before the attack, Brown saw Hartzog walking to work and stopped for a quick chat before heading down the road.

"I drove up and all the pit bulls were out. They are not all usually out," said Brown of the dogs that live at a home on Country Park Manor.

After hearing screams, Brown turned around and saw



Rose Hartzog

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Dog owner facing charges

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Charges are pending against a Barnwell woman whose dogs attacked and injured two people.

On Monday, July 18, Barnwell police officers responded to 130 Country Park Manor in reference to an animal attack. Rose Hartzog had been bitten on her hands, arms, legs, face, and back while Jennie Ann

Brown, who stopped to help Hartzog, had been bitten in the leg. Both are now home and healing.

The owner of these dogs is Angela Ray, 52, of Barnwell, according to the police report. Barnwell Police Chief Lamaz Robinson and Captain Mark Howard said 19 dogs were seized by the Barnwell Police Department (BPD) the night of the attack from Ray's home with aid from Barnwell County

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Barnwell County Council members joined economic development officials, Chamber of Commerce officials, and representatives from the three new industries for a reception on July 14
Laura McKenzie / Contributed

County celebrates nearly 300 new jobs

Laura J. McKenzie
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Families are those who share a common bond, relationships and interests. They are comprised of individuals who rely upon each other for strength, support and guidance.

Three new industries in Barnwell County share one common bond – they are all family-owned and operated.

Koch & Company, Monmouth, and TIVA each started with the vision of one person, worked to establish places where employees feel like family, and created a legacy of family ownership.

All are coming to Barnwell County in hopes of expanding their families' businesses and becoming part of the local community, joining a family of residents and businesses.

Southern Carolina Alliance (SCA), the regional non-profit regional economic development organization representing Barnwell and six other counties in the area, was pleased to welcome these family-owned companies to the local industrial community. SCA works to recruit industries that provide good jobs to local residents to improve our quality of life in the region. These newly re-

cruited industries will directly affect three communities in Barnwell County.

Representatives of the three industries were the guests of honor at a reception held Thursday, July 14 at Sweetwater Country Club hosted by SCA, Southern Palmetto Regional Chamber of Commerce and Barnwell County Economic Development Corporation. Attending were Chamber members, county and municipal leadership and special guests.

TIVA Building Products
 Attending from TIVA were CEP Terry Fangrad, Director of Sales & People Akaashi Khan, and General Manager of North American Manufacturing Chuck Zhou.

TIVA Building Products was founded by Terry Fangrad, who serves as his company's CEO. Headquartered in Canada, TIVA Building Products Corp. manufactures leading PVC decking and dock boards using adaptive security appliances (ASA) technology. The company's TIVADEK, TIVADOK and TIVACOAT product lines offer quality performance for outdoor spaces.

"I started designing and building decks in 1986," said Fangrad. In an effort to showcase multiple products in one

place, he started "The Deck Store" in 2008 in Mississauga, Ontario. Later he moved the headquarters to Oakville, Ontario.

After working with various products over time, he "decided to create a product he could really stand behind," said Megan Fangrad, Terry's daughter who is also the Sales and Marketing Manager for TIVA.

The result was TIVA Building Products.

"We have a very distinct culture," said Terry. "We are all very family-oriented. We all get along very well. We are all very comfortable with one another."

Fangrad announced in April 2022 that the company is expanding to a location at 44 Bradley Drive, just off Highway 78 in Blackville. TIVA's Barnwell County operations will manufacture PVC decking and other building materials using the extrusion process. The company's \$8.3 million investment will create 122 new jobs. Operations are expected to be online by August 2022.

Monmouth Rubber & Plastics

Attending from Monmouth were President John M. Bonforte Jr. and his wife, Katie.

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Woman arrested for murder

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An arrest has been made in a two-month-old murder.

Mateka Destanique Williams, 29, of Aiken was arrested by State Law Enforcement Division (SLED) on the morning of Wednesday, July 20 for the murder of William Henry Dunbar, 29, in Williston. Dunbar was killed on May 29, 2022 at his residence at 241 Marie Street in Williston.

Williston Police Department (WPD) responded to Marie Street in reference to a gunshot wound victim. WPD located Dunbar by the front door area to the residence upon arrival. He was lying in a pool of blood near two female acquaintances, according to a report released by SLED.

Barnwell County EMS pronounced Dunbar dead at the scene. Dunbar had sustained multiple gunshot wounds.

The arrest warrant on Williams issued by SLED investigators states there is probable cause to believe Williams was involved with the crime as she "acted in concert with unknown co-defendants." It states Williams "willfully, unlawfully, feloniously, and with malice aforethought, assist[ed] in the shooting" of Dunbar.

Through video footage that captured the murder of Dunbar and robbery of his home, investigators were able to prove Williams was involved in the crime alongside three masked co-defendants.

According to the warrant affidavit provided by SLED, their investigation compared

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City moves forward with fire department renovations

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The Barnwell Fire Department will soon receive some long-awaited help to its aging facilities.

During their July 11 meeting, Barnwell City Council unanimously approved to move forward with requests for proposals to renovate the existing fire department.

"It's not what we need in the long run, but it's a step in the right direction," said Barnwell Fire Chief Tony Dicks.

Council amended the city's procurement ordinance in early 2021 to make the process



easier and cheaper for smaller projects. The amendment allows the city to contract with construction managers and contractors in a way like they do with engineers and architects. Once a bid is accepted

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Cook-offs and kickball proposed for Williston

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From left to right: Committee member Ronnie Tobin, treasurer/secretary Alyson Collins, Williston Town Councilman Scott Valentine, Chairman Joe Welch, Vice Chairman Alison Brady, and committee member Dalton Mundy. Alexandra Whitbeck / Reporter

A slew of new recreational sports, activities, and events are coming to Williston.

The Town of Williston Recreation & Activities Committee held their second community input meeting on Thursday, July 21 in the Williston-Elko High School gymnasium at 6 p.m. to discuss these additions with the community.

SPORTS

The committee is working closely with Williston Recreation Director and Coach James Hewitt to provide improved and affordable sports for both girls and boys.

Chairman Joe Welch informed the crowd that girls softball and basketball will be offered in their respective seasons. The committee aims to also offer volleyball in the next calendar year as they first need to gauge interest.

"We have to have enough girls in town who are interested to have more than one team," said Welch.

This fall, flag football, tackle football, and cheerleading will be offered to Williston youth.

Flag football is offered for kids ages five to eight and requires a birth certificate at registration. Tackle football also requires a birth certifi-

cate at registration and is offered to kids ages nine to 10, and 11 to 12. Cheerleading is offered for ages eight to 12 and does not require a birth certificate to register.

There are currently not any plans to move registration online. The committee expressed concerns on how to implement the online payment process. Town Councilman Eric Moody said it might be possible through a similar method used by the town for online water bill payment.

Registration is held at the Town Hall on July 30 from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m., August 1 and 2 from 4 p.m. to 6 p.m., and August 3, 4, and 5 from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m.

In prior years, the cheerleader's uniform was a T-shirt and shorts. This season, the committee plans to get them official uniforms.

"Our goal is for them

to have cheerleading uniforms," said Vice Chair Alison Brady.

Boys football uniforms will not be updated this year due to limited time and the high cost of

"We want to revamp all sporting activities for the youth."

Joe Welch,
chairman of the Williston Recreation & Activities Committee

equipment. Welch guaranteed the crowd that Williston recreation football players will have an updated uniform by next year.

In the realm of baseball, Welch explained the committee plans to expand and play games against Blackville, Bamberg, and Barnwell. Last season, players only competed in six games. The committee also is aim-

ing to get involved with a recreational league like Dixie Youth.

"We're gonna need coaches for all of these sports," said Welch, who is searching for coaches

who supported the idea of vetting potential coaches.

Williston resident Judy Taylor proposed the idea of local businesses or individuals sponsoring teams. The committee plans to look into how to facilitate team sponsorships.

Multiple individuals at the meeting proposed co-ed sports such as an adult kickball league to the committee, which they quickly accepted.

EVENTS & ACTIVITIES

The Williston Best on the Block Cook-off will be held Saturday, September 17 in the field on Academy Street.

There will be three categories to compete in—chicken, ribs, and pulled pork. The event will begin in the morning and judging will be held in the afternoon.

Interested individuals can pre-register for a cooking spot at the

town hall closer to the date of the event. However, anyone interested the day of will not be turned away. Each cooking spot will be \$20 and entering a category will be \$10 per category. Vendors can sell plates if they choose.

Also proposed at the meeting was a community yard sale, an arts and crafts show, and a concert series. All of these ideas are being considered by the committee.

A recreation center is still a major goal of the committee.

Committee member and founder of the Williston Disc Golf Club, Dalton Mundy, explained he and other disc golfers are organizing a disc golf clinic to teach the community how to play and utilize the 18-hole course in the town park.

The Williston Recreation & Activities Committee's Facebook page is now up and active. Here, community members can find up-to-date information about recreational activities. This page will serve as the communication hub for recreation in Williston. Search 'Williston Recreation & Activities Committee' on Facebook to keep updated.

The committee is also considering streaming the meetings on Facebook Live to allow those who cannot attend physically to still be a part of the process.

Williston's 'Wild Child' returns home

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The Buice's two-year-old cat, Wild Child

Laura and Jim Buice never expected that servicing their heating and cooling system would lead to their beloved cat going missing for three weeks.

Two years ago, a small kitten with bright green eyes showed up in a building on the Williston property of Laura and Jim Buice. Wild Child, named for her rambunctious nature, quickly became part of the family.

On the morning of June 28, the Buices' heating and cooling system was being serviced by SRS Heating & Cooling Co., located in Blackville, as it has been for years. A few hours later, Laura noticed Wild Child was nowhere to be found.

"The guy came from SRS to service the air conditioning unit. He came early that morning around nine. Well, late that afternoon, probably about three or so, I realized she was missing," said Laura.

As an indoor/outdoor cat, Wild Child is known to venture around their property but comes when called. Laura immediately called SRS Heating & Cooling Co. once she realized Wild Child may have taken an unintentional ride.

"She said, 'Let me call the tech and see.' She called me back about five minutes later and said, 'He said that when he left your house, he went to Meeting on Main and a cat jumped out, but he thought it was one of theirs,'" said Laura.

With confirmation that a cat had jumped out of the technician's van at the Williston restaurant, Laura immediately informed her husband, Jim,

who was quick to aid in the search.

The couple began checking their property while calling her name, before expanding their search.

"I went outside, called for her and couldn't find her," said Laura. She and Jim spent the next three weeks putting food out by Meeting on Main alongside a game camera to hopefully catch a glimpse of Wild Child

to determine her whereabouts.

All they saw was a possum and other stray cats, but none were Wild Child.

"I made the flyers and offered a \$300 reward," said Laura. "I started going door to door with those flyers."

At each door she knocked on, she was met with a concerned and compassionate neighbor who assured her they would keep an eye out for Wild Child.

"I researched that when a cat is lost, they in fact do have a really good internal GPS, so I figured she was between here and Meeting on Main," said Laura. The distance between the Buice's home and the restaurant is 2.1 miles and this information al-

lowed for a narrowed search area.

The Buices enlisted help from their animal-lover friends to spread the word on Facebook. The post quickly gained popularity and was shared over 50 times.

Wild Child has distinctive markings. She has white paws and white under her chin as well as stark green eyes. Her fur is ticked, meaning each individual hair is banded with light and dark colors.

These markings were recognized by Jill Fertig, who lives less than two miles away from the Buices home. Fertig quickly called Laura.

"The whole time I was calling toward the corn field, I kept thinking I heard something. And then it kept getting

louder, louder, and it was her meow," said Laura. "She kept getting closer and closer, and so I kept hearing her louder and louder."

"I walked into the corn field toward her and eventually she came," said Laura. "I picked her up and she just collapsed against me."

Wild Child did not sustain any major injuries during her three-week hiatus from home aside from weight loss and a slight limp.

The Buices profusely "thank everyone that said a prayer, or shared it, or even cared," said Laura.

SRS Heating & Cooling Co. declined to comment.

After this incident, Laura "hopes that all service people know to check their vans for pets before they leave."

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G&M Farms Quality Meats opens storefront in Barnwell

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Michael Hiers has been working in the meat industry since he was a teenager cutting meat at the local grocery store. These years of experience led to him opening G&M Farms Quality Meats in Barnwell as well as the slaughterhouse in Ehrhardt that stocks it.

Years ago, Hiers noticed an increase in walk-ins from Barnwell at G&M Farms Slaughterhouse in Ehrhardt. He played with the idea of opening a storefront based on this demand for three years, and it took another two years to find a suitable location.

Since G&M Farms Quality Meats opened their doors on May 27, 2022 on Dunbarton Blvd in the old Taco Bell building, they have received resounding support from the community.

"It's been really good, I can't complain," said Hiers, who aims to stock his shelves with "stuff that you can't find at your regular grocery store."

The storefront is stocked with a variety of quality meats such as beef, chicken, pork, and even some fish. In the beef section, they sell New York strip steaks, prime rib, filet mignon, brisket, and much more, all processed at G&M Farms Slaughterhouse.

"We sell a lot of steaks," said Hiers. "Big steak-people following."

In addition to the meats, G&M Farms Quality Meats sells prod-



G&M Meats Crew: From left to right, Owner Michael Hiers and his daughter, Catrina Arbogast, and granddaughter, Caroline Arbogast.

Photos By: Alexandra Whitbeck / Reporter

ucts made by Blue Moon Specialty Foods based in Spartanburg. Blue Moon Specialty Foods sells pre-made, healthy meals and products, and also has a restaurant in Spartanburg.

"I never realized it but there's a huge market for that," said Hiers in regard to pre-made but healthy food options.

"The compound butter is going over really well," said Hiers about the Blue Moon Specialty Foods flavored butter. G&M Farms Quality Meats carries bourbon, blue cheese, garlic, and many more Blue Moon flavored butters.

"We're trying to be unique with stuff you don't see in stores," said Hiers. They also sell a variety of seasonings also made by Blue Moon.

G&M Farms not only sells their meat at the



G&M Meats carries a wide selection of items outside of meats.

storefront in Barnwell, but does both wholesale and retail selling in Aiken and surrounding

areas. Hiers also offers custom kills.

Although the 'G&M' of G&M Farms Quality

Meats stands for Gracie and Michael Hiers, their family is very involved. Hiers' daughter, Catri-

na Arbogast, and granddaughter, Caroline Arbogast, are the friendly faces you'll be assisted by when entering G&M Farms Quality Meats. They run the store while Hiers works at G&M Farms Slaughterhouse in Ehrhardt during the day.

"We've gotten a lot of positive feedback," said Catrina Arbogast.

Arbogast explains that she takes note of cuts of meat or certain products people ask for and they make an effort to get it into the store.

At a recent Barnwell City Council meeting, G&M Farms Quality Meats and Hiers was recognized for bringing new business into the region.

"It was great they recognized a new business," said Hiers. "We appreciate it, we really do."

The Hiers and Arbogasts are making an effort to support other local efforts through their business.

On July 23, they held a fundraiser selling boston butts to help the Barnwell Angels All-Star Team to go to the Dixie Youth League National Softball Championship in Louisiana. Orders were taken ahead of time on Facebook by Coach Brad Whitehead, who is also the son-in-law of Hiers.

Within the first hour, 40 boston butts were sold and all the profits will go toward the Angels' trip to Louisiana.

G&M Farm Quality Meats is open Tuesday through Friday from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. and on Saturday from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. The store is located at 11365 Dunbarton Blvd, Barnwell.

Jobs: Barnwell Co. celebrates nearly 300 jobs, 3 new industries in 2022

FROM PAGE 1A

In May 2022, Monmouth Rubber & Plastics announced plans to establish operations at 4445 Barnwell Road in Williston. The company's \$5.6 million investment will create 65 new jobs. The expansion is expected to be complete by January 2023.

Monmouth Rubber & Plastics is a family-owned and managed Rubber and Plastic Foam company headquartered in Long Branch, N.J.. It was started in 1964 by John M. Bonforte, Sr.

He is married to Barbara Bonforte who is a retired school teacher. They have four grown children - Kristin and Scott run the family food business, Kelly Ann teaches in Rumson and John Jr. is president and COO of Monmouth Rubber & Plastics. They also have ten grandchildren.

"Monmouth Rubber supplies products and solves problems for customers on a global scale," said John Bonforte Jr. "While there are other companies that supply products similar to ours, none have a people team more devoted than ours. When it comes to the quality of our people and the extra effort they give when servicing custom-

ers' needs - Monmouth excels."

Koch & Company Representing Kock & Co. was HR manager Brandi Handberry and General Manager Dean Campbell.

In March 2022, Koch & Co., Inc., an American-made door and cabinet manufacturer, announced plans to establish operations in Barnwell County. The company's \$5.1 million investment will create 101 new jobs.

When Jim Koch was a teenager in Baileyville, Kansas, he already knew he loved working with wood. He and his eight siblings grew up on a farm where hard work and dedication were instilled in them by their parents.

While driving a tractor and working the fields, Jim would daydream about woodworking projects. After work and on weekends, he and his brother Dan would take lumber and try to create things. "When we were in high school, we made cedar chests and sold them," said Jim Koch (pronounced Cook) recently. "I just loved the craftsmanship."

When he was 20 years old, Jim and Dan with the support of their uncle

Fred joined forces to start a company in 1989. "Since 1993, we figured it out and haven't looked back."

Now Koch and his brother Barry are the driving force behind Koch & Company which makes fine cabinets and doors at 11 plants, all in the United States. On Thursday, May 26, he and Tricia, his wife of 36 years, cut a bright blue ribbon on the newest cabinet division in Barnwell located at 11200 Dunbarton Boulevard. The facility is already in operation.

The Barnwell plant will produce the Midland line of cabinetry for the Koch Cabinets division of Koch & Co. Their corporate headquarters is in Seneca, Kansas, and manufacturing facilities in various locations throughout Kansas and eastern Tennessee.

Koch & Co employs 915 employees throughout its locations and is planning to add 105 jobs in the Barnwell community within the next few years.

Koch said many members of his family work in the company and they have striven to make their staff feel like family.



Photos By: Alexandra Whitbeck / Reporter

Bargain Bins of Barnwell opens doors to discounted shopping

Jake Kilgus, owner of Bargain Bins of Williston, opened another location selling name-brand items at a discounted price. Bargain Bins of Barnwell is located at 11570 Dunbarton Blvd., Barnwell. Open from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday, 2 p.m. to 5 p.m. on Sunday, and closed on Saturday. From left to right: Barnwell City Council members Peggy Kinlaw and Ron Still, and owner Jake Kilgus with his wife, Teresa Kilgus, and daughter, Taylor Kilgus, open the Bargain Bins of Barnwell on July 8.

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One of my favorite quotes, but who said it first? It has been attributed to Thomas Paine, but it was also used by General George S. Patton, presidential candidate and now senator Mitt Romney, and my favorite, Lee Iacocca on his iconic Chrysler television commercials.

It will not surprise you to hear me say that we are living in turbulent times. Inflation recently topped nine per cent, there is a war going on in Ukraine that is affecting the entire world's ability to feed itself, politics has become more of a blood sport than ever, and climate change has given us the hottest single day the country of Great Britain has ever recorded. We all feel stressed, anxious, at a loss for how to make sense of this craziness that surrounds us, and we need direction to know how to deal with the angst and inertia we feel. We must move forward, but we don't know how. We desperately need good leaders.

Are you a leader, or do you aspire to be? If so, I have a book recommendation for you this week. *Hearts Touched With Fire, How Great Leaders Are Made*, by David Gergen, offers a wonderful mixture of storytelling, anecdote analysis, didactics and advice from an eighty year old veteran of four presidential administrations, television news and the classroom, where he has taught students for more than two decades. In his book, Mr. Gergen shows us how to be leaders, if we will follow the proven path that he sets out. Where do you start? Note that these principles apply to all of us, at any age, but most especially those of you who are in your early adulthood, just beginning your life and work journey.

Leadership starts from within, he tells us. You must first become self aware, a very hard thing to do in this modern world, and then achieve mastery of yourself before you can be of service to others. Next, you must also master your field if you are to be an expert and a leader. The bottom line here? You cannot lead others until you can lead yourself.

Next, usually when you are in your twenties or thirties, you begin what Gergen calls your outward journey. In this time of your life, you must overcome setbacks (think COVID-19 pandemic, recessions, and inflation, just to name three) in order to thrive. You must learn to persuade others and empower them to be better at the same time. You will also be challenged to rise above what he calls your

crucible moments, which are very powerful emotionally and sometimes physically challenging crises that you must pass through in order to grow and develop your leadership skills. Crucible moments are some of the hardest things we will ever have to get through, but they will also harden us in ways that nothing else can.

Finally, you learn to be a good leader if you have four things.

The first is a sense of history. We cannot know where we are going if we do not know where we came from. It constantly amazes me these days that so many people, our leaders included, make such glaring mistakes and misjudgments that they could almost certainly have avoided if they had only taken the time to study those who went before. History teaches us what to do, and what not to do. We ignore it at our peril.

Second, you must have a sense of humor. Gergen often references Ronald Reagan in his book. One of Reagan's crucible moments was the time he was shot and wounded by John Hinckley, Jr. on March 30, 1981 as he was exiting a Washington, DC hotel. He had only been president for a little more than two months. As he was being wheeled into the operating room for the surgery that would save his life, he looked up at all the faces surrounding him and quipped, "Please tell me you're Republicans!" And later, when his wife Nancy arrived at the hospital, the first thing he said to her was, "Honey, I forgot to duck." Reagan knew that even in this darkest hour of his presidency to date, that humor was one way to diffuse the fear, anger and uncertainty that surrounded the failed assassination attempt.

Third, you must have a passion for what you believe, what you do, and the people you serve. No leader can direct others to action, stimulate creativity, or generate hope unless he or she is passionate about the calling of leadership.

Last, a leader must have a sense of purpose. Again, we are living through turbulent times, but we must have hope that we can weather these storms, both the figurative and the literal ones, and come out better and stronger on the other side. Strong leaders know what they want to accomplish, how they are going to get there and the reason behind the whole effort.

If you are already a leader in your school, your family, your church or synagogue, your peer group or anywhere else in your life, or if you aspire to be one, I challenge you to pick up David Gergen's book, *Hearts Touched With Fire, How Great Leaders Are Made* and soak up all the wisdom that it offers. It will be time well spent.

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July celebrates our homeland. Honor the Red, White and Blue. So proudly now we make our stand. United strength tried-and-true.

Fireworks abound, light the midsummer sky. Neighborhoods aromatic of bbq and apple pie. July praise this life we live with pride. We know God's always on our side.

From the 1993 poem *A Year of Hope* by Donna-Maria Conzalina

Watching the fireworks earlier this month, I couldn't help notice the smile on my granddaughter's face. Her joy lit up the evening for me, brighter than the extravagant, streaming celebration. Her youthful outlook radiated a beautiful, welcome light of hope in the surrounding midsummer sky.

I wished I could have captured and shared her glee for all to enjoy since so many adults in our country found themselves more divided than ever this 4th of July. Some even argued that we Americans had "nothing to celebrate."

Seems to me, through a child's eyes, there's always something to celebrate. Personally speaking, I truly believe that's one of the things this world needs mostly now. More of that innocent, childlike hope and trust.

Yes, the world has changed. America has changed. I wonder, have we forgotten that none of us were originally created to be better than another? Division was always part of the enemy's plan to weaken us. We were created to love, honor, trust and serve The One Who gave us life.

Matthew 18:1-5 (ESV) says: At that time the disciples came to Jesus, saying, "Who is the greatest in the kingdom of heaven?" And calling to Him a child, He put him in the midst of them and said, "Truly, I say to you, unless you turn and become like children, you will never enter the Kingdom of Heaven.

Take note, the Scripture says, unless you "become like children." Did you ever stop to think about that verse? What makes a child different from an adult? Basically, children are dependent. And I believe The Lord's still instructing us, as a people, to faithfully become dependent on God again if we hope to get into Heaven. And if we ever want a renewed taste of Heaven on Earth, a unified, blessed America, we need to unashamedly show others we depend on Him here and now too.

I don't know about you but, I remember the 4th of July holidays from my childhood and long for that happiness, unity and pride in America to return.

So many folks tell me they miss the America they used to know. It was a time when God was welcome in our home, schools, music, media and land. Clearly, that's the difference between then and now. We were Blessed then because we Blessed Him.

I know I'm certainly not the first one to have this conversation, and I won't be the last. I just pray those of us that do feel the same, will do more than simply talk. We all need to take action. No matter how small or large our circle, we can stir up a healing, ripple effect. One candle can break the darkness. We need to bring Him back as the center of our lives and land. It's up to each of us to spread The Good News, be a Light on the Hill and brighten up the world around us with childlike hope, faith, love, honor and dependence. It's time to let the child within us seek His will for our part of His Plan. He never turns away from those who seek Him.

May God bless each and everyone and this land He gave us.



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DHEC encourages parents to get children vaccinated now for new school year

Contributed
S.C. DHEC

In a few weeks South Carolina students will return to school, and the South Carolina Department of Health and Environmental Control (DHEC) reminds parents to be sure vaccines are on their child's back-to-school list.

Children enrolled in school and child care are required to be current on certain vaccinations at the start of each school

year. This helps protect the health of children and teachers who are in group settings every day, as vaccines are one of the most successful public health interventions for reducing disease spread and preventing complications or death from vaccine-preventable diseases.

"Vaccinations are an important part of a normal preventive health regimen," said Dr. Brannon Traxler, DHEC Public Health Director. "Keeping our children current on vaccinations

for chicken pox, whooping cough, mumps and measles are why we're able to safely send them to school settings with little risk of exposure to these vaccine-preventable diseases."

Current vaccination requirements for the 2022-2023 school year are available at [scdhec.gov/](https://www.scdhec.gov/) vaccinations. Updates for this school year include:

- 2nd graders are now required to have two doses of hepatitis A vaccine with both doses received on or after the first birth-

day and separated by at least 6 months.

- 8th graders are now required to have two doses of varicella (chickenpox) vaccine. A child with a positive history of the disease is considered immune and is exempt from this requirement.

- 10th graders are now required to have three doses of oral and/or inactivated polio vaccine with at least one dose received on or after the fourth birthday.

- None of these are new vaccines, but rather

the existing requirement has been extended to additional grade levels.

DHEC also urges parents not to forget that preteens age 11-12 years old are recommended to get a booster against tetanus, diphtheria, and whooping cough (pertussis), called Tdap, human papillomavirus (HPV), and meningitis vaccines. As of the 2020-2021 school year, there has been a new hepatitis A vaccine requirement for children enrolled in child care and kindergarten.

Appointment slots typically fill up quickly in August, so now is the time to call your health care provider to schedule a well visit and make sure your child is up to date on required and recommended vaccinations. Appointments for certain vaccines, including for flu, pneumonia, and tetanus, can also be made at one of DHEC's county health departments.

Visit [scdhec.gov/](https://www.scdhec.gov/) healthclinics or call DHEC's Care Line at 1-855-472-3432 to make an appointment.

DHEC announces CDC authorization of new COVID-19 vaccine for ages 18 and up

Contributed
S.C. DHEC

On July 19, the Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices (ACIP) and the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) officially approved the Novavax vaccine for use against COVID-19 for those ages 18 and up. Novavax is the fourth COVID-19 vaccine to be authorized by the Food and Drug Admin-

istration and is unique in that uses protein technology rather than mRNA technology.

Following this federal announcement, the South Carolina Department of Health and Environmental Control (DHEC) provided notification to all of our state's vaccine providers with information about Novavax's current Emergency Use Authorization (EUA) from the U.S. Food and Drug Administration the vaccine

to those 18 and older.

In approving Novavax for use, the United States joins 40 other countries, including Canada, who already have done so.

Currently, Novavax is only authorized to be administered as a two-shot primary sequence, not as a booster. That means only unvaccinated individuals can receive it. And while currently only available to those ages 18 and up, studies are underway to determine its

usefulness in adolescents as well.

Novavax differs from previous vaccines in that it uses a traditional virus-blocking technology, one already widely used in vaccines used to prevent conditions such as shingles, the human papillomavirus and others.

The first doses of Novavax could begin arriving in South Carolina as early as next week, said Louis Eubank, DHEC's COVID-19 director.

"This is one more tool we have to combat COVID-19 in South Carolina," Eubank said. "It offers a vaccine alternative for those who may have chosen not to take the Pfizer or Moderna mRNA vaccines."

"Novavax is a protein-based vaccine that works differently than mRNA vaccines, but is also highly effective. This vaccine is very similar to the childhood vaccines that most people take before enrolling in school, or

the kind you take before traveling abroad. It has been used safely in 40 other countries and we expect it will benefit many here at home in South Carolina."

As supplies allow, DHEC expects to have doses available at a limited number of health departments in the coming weeks. Find a vaccine location near you using DHEC's Vaccine Locator at vaxlocator.dhec.sc.gov.

Dogs: 19 dogs taken by police, dog owner sought

Animal Control officer Tyler Morris and Aiken County Animal Control.

Out of the 19 dogs, nearly half were unweaned puppies. Captain Howard and Chief Robinson both believe the larger dogs to be juveniles, meaning they were only a few years old.

"When we say 19 animals that we recovered from there, we had maybe eight adult dogs, and then

the other ones were just puppies that were newly born. It was two different sets of litter if I'm not mistaken. From what I gathered from the animal shelter...we had two female dogs that had litters at the same time," said Chief Robinson.

According to Captain Howard and Chief Robinson, Ray has not been located at the time of pub-

lication.

"Her animals haven't been home and she hasn't even contacted us or the animal shelter to inquire about these animals," said Chief Robinson in regard to Ray.

On the scene, Brown called Ray to inform her of what had just happened to Hartzog, and told Ray she needed to contain the dogs.

All 19 dogs are being held at the Barnwell County Animal Shelter per Department of Health and Environment (DHEC) order until the investigation is closed.

BPD has applied for a warrant affidavit, meaning the department applied to the judge for a warrant on Ray, according to the police report.

BPD is working with the solicitor's office to pursue multiple charges around neglect as well as violent animals at large, according to Captain Howard.

He noted when on the premises, the dogs were living in bad conditions and were left to freely roam in and out of the house. They had food as well as water, according to Captain Howard. He also did not notice any injuries on the animals indicative of dog-fighting and described this living situation as neglected dogs breeding on their own.

"What I believe happened is that these animals were always together, and I think when we recovered these animals, I think we only had one adult male. So, I think he was basically fertilizing all these females," said Chief Robinson, who concurred with Captain Howard on the living situation of the animals.

According to Captain Howard and the police report, Ray has been told on numerous occasions to keep the dogs locked up by law enforcement alongside complaints from community members.

Chapter 4, Article II, Section 4-19, Nuisances, of Barnwell City Code of Ordinances states:

"It shall be unlawful for any dog owner to keep or have within the city a dog that habitually or repeatedly chases, snaps at, attacks or barks at pedestrians, bicyclists or vehicles, or turns over garbage pails or damages gardens, flowers, or vegetables, or conducts itself so as to be a public nuisance. Once the city police department receives three individual complaints about the same dog for the same activity, the dog will be deemed a public nuisance and the owner, upon notification,

will be given ten days to remove the dog from the city limits or surrender it to the animal control center. If the dog is surrendered, it will be placed at the animal shelter with instructions it not be adopted out to anyone living within the city."

Chief Robinson finds this ordinance does not clarify if the 'three individual complaints' referenced in the above section are complaints from three individual people or about three individual incidents and expressed his discontent with this phrasing.

"It tells you if it's three or more incidents, that the city may send a letter to the owner to have the dog removed or for the owner to surrender it to the animal shelter, but there's nothing in the ordinance to address what happens if that person do not choose to surrender their animal," said Robinson. "It doesn't say that if you don't choose to do it, then law enforcement may come and seize those animals or anything of that sort. It never said that. I don't think that we have enough teeth in those ordinances."

Chief Robinson has been in conversations with the city administrator and city council to make effective changes to the ordinance to make it more enforceable.

Chief Robinson maintains the idea that these issues are situational, and hopes the ordinances will reflect that. He notes that any diligent pet owner whose animal gets off their property by mistake and is concerned for their well-being is vastly different from what occurred on July 18.

"I think it's incumbent upon us as law enforcement officers to do our due diligence to try to find the owner. Not just take it and put it in the pound because it wandered off from the house and that's not something that normally occurs," said Chief Robinson. "Now, if you have a habitual person who does that, then that's something different."

The last time the City of Barnwell had an assigned animal control officer was

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in January. Officer Drayton Gantt served in this position until he retired from the BPD and began working for another agency.

When Officer Gantt left the force, the duty of animal control was then given to all officers.

Chief Robinson explained that only having one specific animal control officer presented issues when animal complaint calls came in after hours.

"Instead of having just somebody only covering animal control from that time to that time, when he left, myself, along with the city administrator, had a discussion and we just decided that all our officers were after animal patrol calls and then that way they would have it 24 hours," said Chief Robinson.

Law enforcement officers are not required per state law to be trained in animal control strategies, and BPD officers are not.

"There's no state certification whatsoever," according to Chief Robinson.

However, the National Animal Care & Control Association (NACA), a non-profit dedicated to aiding animal welfare and public safety, provides training webinars and courses specifically for law enforcement officers.

To read more about NACA's programs, visit <https://nacatraining.org/animal-control-law-enforcement-officer-training/>.

Also, the Charleston Animal Society collaborated with the Charleston County Sheriff's Office to conduct training with Code 3 Associates, an organization providing professional animal disaster response. According to the press release, the completion of this training marked over 20 Certified Animal Control Officers and Certified Animal Cruelty Investigators in South Carolina. Local Charleston law enforcement agencies were in attendance.

To read this press release, visit <https://charlestonanimalsociety.org>.

The People-Sentinel will continue to update the public on animal control related series in upcoming issues.

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

City of Barnwell

Notice of Hearing Concerning Community Needs and Priorities

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on Monday, August 8, 2022 at 5:30 PM, the City of Barnwell will hold a public hearing at City Hall (130 Main St. Barnwell, SC 29812) to solicit public input on community needs and priorities for housing, public facilities, and economic development. At this public hearing, the City of Barnwell will conduct a community needs assessment, addressing development activities which might be undertaken to meet identified needs, including the estimated amount proposed to be used for activities that will benefit persons of low and moderate income.

This public hearing and the matters to be discussed are subject to the provisions of the Citizen Participation Plan, developed in anticipation of participation in the State of South Carolina's Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program and the Federal HUD HOME program, providing for the participation of the citizens of the City of Barnwell in the planning and implementation of community and economic development projects which will involve HUD funds.

The Citizen Participation Plan is available for review at the Barnwell City Hall, 130 Main St. Barnwell, SC 29812 Monday-Friday, during normal business hours. Persons with questions or comments concerning the public hearing or the Citizen Participation Plan may contact Lynn McEwen, City Administrator (130 Main St. Barnwell, SC 29812) or Brooke Morris, Community & Economic Development Manager, Lower Savannah Council of Governments (P.O. Box 850, Aiken, SC 29802; phone number 803-508-7069).

The City of Barnwell does not discriminate on the basis of handicapped status in the admission or access to, or treatment or employment in its federally assisted programs or activities. Lynn McEwen (130 Main St. Barnwell, SC 29812; phone number 803-259-3266), has been designated to coordinate in the compliance with the nondiscrimination requirements contained in the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development's regulations implementing Section 504 (24 CFR Part 8, dated June 2, 1988). Assistance will be provided to accommodate the special needs of handicapped persons attending the meeting upon request. Persons needing special assistance or auxiliary aids should contact City of Barnwell at 803-259-3266 seventy-two (72) hours before the public hearing.

BIRTH



Alexander T. Burke was born on June 30, 2022.

Alexander T. Burke

Drs. Andy and Erin (Ringus) Burke of Houston, Texas are proud to announce the birth of their son, Alexander T. Burke. Xander was born on June 30, 2022. He weighed 6 pounds, 14 ounces and measured 20 inches long. Maternal grandparents are Paul and Elizabeth (Liz) Ringus of Barnwell. Paternal grandparents are Cindy Burke and the late Andrew Burke of Charlotte, N.C.

ANNIVERSARY



Paul and Elizabeth Ringus celebrated their 50th anniversary on July 22, 2022.

Mr. & Mrs. Ringus celebrate 50 years of marriage

Paul and Elizabeth "Liz" (Whelpley) Ringus of Barnwell celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary on July 22, 2022. They enjoyed an early celebration with their whole family while visiting relatives in Houston, Texas. The Ringuses have two children and two grandchildren. The couple owns the Little Red Barn Pottery & Art Gallery in Barnwell.

Leadership Salkehatchie meets with lawmakers in D.C.

Stephanie Gruber
USC Salkehatchie

After nine months of learning about the Salkehatchie region, the Leadership Salkehatchie group reported their findings to South Carolina's congressmen during a trip to Washington, D.C.

"The trip to Washington D.C. is always a highlight for each Leadership Salkehatchie class," said Jackson Alexander, director of the USC Salkehatchie Leadership Institute. "These meetings are a great opportunity to convey areas of concern for the Salkehatchie region, as well as to relay good news from the area."

This year the class was able to meet in-person with Senator Lindsey Graham and Representative James



The Leadership Salkehatchie group meets with U.S. Senator Lindsey Graham (center).

Clyburn, the House Majority Whip. The group also met with staff members from Senator Tim Scott's and Representative Joe Wil-

son's offices. Leadership Salkehatchie is a year-long, intensive leadership program sponsored by the USC Salkehatchie

Leadership Institute and the Southern Carolina Regional Development Alliance. The program empowers its emerging leaders to im-

prove their communities. Since its inception, more than 200 men and women have participated in the program with most of those par-

ticipants currently residing in the area.

This year's cohort includes 12 professionals from businesses and organizations within the region. They are: Michelle Altman (Hampton), William Barnes (Hampton), Maryann Blake (Colleton), Austri Bradley (Barnwell), Nathan Catoe (Barnwell), Leslie Holman-Brooks (Bamberg), Natalia Johnson (Barnwell), Marilyn Myrdal (Allendale), Kevin Smalls (Colleton), Dawn Stuckey (Hampton), Walter (Bo) White (Jasper), Elizabeth Wooten (Hampton).

If you are interested in participating in Leadership Salkehatchie or nominating someone to participate, please visit contact Jackson Alexander at (803)-812-7354 or ja89@mailbox.sc.edu.



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Randall Cunningham



BARNWELL - Family and friends gathered to celebrate the life of Mr. Randall Cunningham, 31, on Saturday, July 9, 2022, at 11 a.m., at the Blackville-Hilda High School auditorium in Blackville, with Elder Bobby Dukes, Reverend Bennie Wiggins Jr., Reverend Dr. Floyd Hughes Sr., and Reverend Eddie Williams Jr. officiating.

There are only a few people who distinguish themselves and impact our lives in a very special way. Randall Cunningham uniquely displayed his lively, humorous, outgoing, yet loving disposition very well. He took purpose everywhere he went and made himself known to all who came to know and love him.

To this end, we celebrate the life of our beloved son, brother, grandson, uncle, nephew, cousin, and cherished friend who was born April 25, 1991, at the Aiken Regional Medical Center, Aiken, South Carolina to Travain D. Cunningham and Epsom Mitchell Salley Jr.

Seeking God's direction and guidance, at an early age, Randall joined and became a baptized member of Macedonia Baptist Church, Blackville, South Carolina. Randall's family has been a part of Macedonia Baptist Church for many years.

Randall received his primary education in the Blackville-Hilda Public School System, Blackville, South Carolina and received his GED in Columbia, South Carolina.

Randall was employed at Autoneum Automotive in Aiken, South Carolina where he remained until his passing. He was also formerly employed at Masonite Doors in Denmark, South Carolina.

Randall was family oriented, and full of joy. He enjoyed traveling, cooking on the grill, playing cards and working. Many hearts were saddened when his life was marked "Well Done".

On Monday, June 27, 2022, while in Barnwell, South Carolina, God whispered Randall's name, beckoned for him to come and he answered God's call. Randall left this world we know as home and went from labor to reward. What a time he must have had when he reunited with his loved ones in Heaven. He lived his life to the fullest and now he rests from his labors.

He is preceded in death and now resting with his maternal grandfather: Mr. Charlie Joe Chatter; paternal grandfather: Mr. Epsom Mitchell Salley Sr.; maternal great-grandparents: Mrs. Willie Lou Swint-McCreary & Mr. Leonard McCreary and Mrs. Modester Battle-Chatter & Mr. John Chatter; paternal great-grandparents: Mrs. Lillie Mae Hightower and Mr. Sam Hightower & Mr. Hezekiah Salley and Mrs. Celine Sanders-Salley. Imagine them waiting on him at Heaven's gate with open arms!

Those remaining to celebrate his life, mourn his departure, continue his legacy and cherish fond memories are: his devoted mother: Travain D. Cunningham of Blackville, South Carolina; his loving father: Epsom M. Salley Jr. of Denmark, South Carolina; two sisters: Jasmine Smalls of Barnwell, South Carolina and Felicia Salley of Denmark, South Carolina; one brother: Desmond Salley Sr. of Aiken, South Carolina; maternal grandmother: Lena Mae Hutto of Blackville, South Carolina; paternal grandmother: Dorothy Hightower Salley of Denmark, South Carolina; four nephews: Noah Garvin, Desmond Salley Jr., Major Joyner and Maze Joyner; two nieces: Keylon Furtick and Kiren Salley; his God-father: Bryant Holland of Denmark, South Carolina; two special cousins: David Mcfalling of Denmark, South Carolina and Andre Hightower of Columbia, South Carolina; and a host of aunts, uncles, cousins and sorrowing friends that will miss him dearly.

Professional arrangements were entrusted to the Miller's Funeral Home of Aiken. Sign the online guestbook at millersfuneralhome.net.

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Nadine Hair Purvis



Nadine Hair Purvis went to her reward on July 19, 2022.

She was born February 10, 1930, in Blackville. Her family moved to Beaufort in her teens where she met and married Robert Searl Purvis on September 17, 1949. Nadine retired from the S.C. License Office in Beaufort in 1990. She was a lifelong member of Double Pond Baptist Church, Blackville.

She and Robert moved to Barnwell in 1990 and then to Effingham in 2005.

She is predeceased by her husband (2006), one sister, five brothers and one granddaughter, Tracey Purvis Phillips (2016). She is survived by one sister, Doris Whittington of Cayce; three children - Donna Lumsden (Larry), Wayne Purvis (Juanita Perkins) and Troy Purvis (Deana Chavers); five grandchildren - Donya Werts Cohen, Paul Purvis, Dale Purvis, Wesley Purvis, Cody Lumsden; eight great-grandchildren; and 3 great-great-grandchildren.

Mole Funeral Home of Barnwell assisted the family with arrangements. Her funeral was held at Double Pond Baptist Church, 357 Double Pond Rd., Blackville on July 23, 2022, at 2 p.m. with visitation at 1 p.m. at the church and burial in the church graveyard.

Sign the online guestbook at molefh.com..

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Jacob Williamson

BARNWELL - A funeral service for Mr. Jacob Williamson of Barnwell, South Carolina, was held at 3 post meridian, Tuesday, July 19, 2022 at Guinyard & Son Funeral Home Chapel, 756 Allen Street, Barnwell. Due to the pandemic and CDC regulations, social distancing and other guidelines were in place.

Jacob Williamson, son of the late John and Della Gathers Williamson, was born the eldest of twins with his brother, Esau, on December 5, 1942 in Barnwell County, South Carolina. The township of Ellenton, South Carolina, which is better known as the Savannah River Plant.

Jacob was the sixth of twelve with one still birth and was preceded in death by seven siblings.

He departed this life late Friday evening, July 8, 2022 at the Pruitt Health and Rehabilitation Nursing Facility in Bamberg, S.C.

He attended Butler Elementary, Junior High and High School until later when he left to work on various farms in the Slay Town community of Barnwell.

He was a devoted brother with all of his family and all known to him.

Jacob fought a good fight during his sickness the last six to eight months which was spent at the facility in Bamberg, S.C.

Jacob joined and became a member of the Bethlehem Baptist Church of Olar, S.C. in August 1957 under the leadership of the late Rev. C.D. Dowling.

He leaves to mourn his passing: one sister - Ms. Mary Lee Williamson of Brooklyn, N.Y.; two brothers - Mr. Earle Williamson of the home and Mr. Martin M. Williamson of New York; three nieces: Ms. Sylvia Ann Williamson of Columbia, S.C., Ms. Stephanie Rowley of Brooklyn, N.Y. and Mozell Williams of Olar, S.C.; and many grandnieces and grandnephews, many nephews; one sister-in-law, Ms. Mary Jane Williamson and family of Allendale, S.C. He also leaves many cousins and other relatives and friends.

Special acknowledgements: An unparallel thank you goes out to niece Ms. Sylvia Ann Williamson for keeping the family, relatives and friends well informed of Jacob's condition from week to week. For that we are truly grateful.

Thank you to Guinyard and Son Funeral Home and staff for all the wise counsel in our hours of bereavement.

Guinyard and Sons Funeral Home of Barnwell was in charge of arrangements.

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Reba Joyce Morris



JACKSON - Graveside funeral services for Reba Joyce Morris, 92, of Jackson, will be held at 11 o'clock a.m., Wednesday July 27, 2022 at the Olar First Baptist Church Cemetery with the Reverend Dale Hutto officiating. The family will receive friends following the graveside service at the cemetery on Wednesday. Memorial contributions may be given to the First Baptist Church of Olar, P.O. Box 127, Olar, SC 29843. The family would like to extend a heartfelt thank you to all of the CNA's, nurses, and staff of Crescent Hospice for all of the love, care, and compassion shown to Mrs. Joyce during these last few months.

She passed away on Friday, July 22, 2022.

Born in Greenville, she was a daughter of the late John Henry Lackey and Grace Barker Lackey; she was married to the late Elishia William "E.W." Morris for 64 years. She was a member of the First Baptist Church of Jackson as she made Jackson her home for the past 15 years. She was a former faithful member of the First Baptist Church of Olar, where she served as the church treasurer for many years. She served on the benevolence committee, active in the Women's Missionary Union (WMU), and was active in Sunday School. Mrs. Joyce lived in Olar for many years and was a friend to all, she was concerned about her neighbors, always made a point to check on them, and took care of them in any way that she could. Mrs. Joyce was an avid reader who enjoyed borrowing her books from the Bamberg County Book Mobile. She loved canning food that she gathered from her garden. She was a seamstress who enjoyed sewing her children's clothes, embroidering, crocheting, and making many different kinds of crafts. She retired from SRS after 15 years of service.

Survivors include her daughter, Barbara (Ronnie) Martin of Jackson; her grandchildren, Sherry (Darren) McIver, Leslie Sams, and Andy (Amy) Elkins; great-grandchildren, Hannah Grace (Cameron) Miller, John Hampton McIver, Madeline Sams, EmmaLee Sams, Ethan Elkins, and Emmaleigh Elkins; a great-great-grandson, Jack Ellis Miller; and a son-in-law, Jimmy Elkins of Barnwell.

She was preceded in death by a daughter, Lorraine Elkins; her sister, Margaret Hiers (James Milton); and her brother, Leonard (Frances) Lackey.

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

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Katlin Alfonzo Robinson



BLACKVILLE - Family and friends gathered to celebrate the life of Katlin Alfonzo "Al" Robinson on Thursday, June 30, 2022, at 2 p.m., at the Main Street Church of Christ of Williston, with Brother Ronnie Pernell and Brother Dennis Pernell officiating.

Mr. Katlin Alfonzo Robinson, 22, was born to Ms. Jennifer Pernell and the late Mr. Alfonzo Robinson on November 26, 1999, in Orangeburg.

Mr. Katlin was baptized into Christ at the Main Street Church of Christ of Williston. He attended the public schools of Blackville and graduated Blackville-Hilda High School in the Class of 2019. He was employed at Collum's Lumber Mill in Allendale.

On Friday morning, June 24, 2022, Mr. Katlin Alfonzo Robinson was summoned from this life into eternity in Early Branch.

The memory of "Al", as he was affectionately known, as a kind and loving young man will forever live in the hearts and minds of those who loved him dearly.

He leaves to cherish his fond memories: His devoted mother: Ms. Jennifer Pernell, Blackville; His daughter: Little Miss Kensley Albany; maternal grandparents: Mr. Willie and Mrs. Rushell Roberts of Allendale; three aunts: Mrs. Brenda L. Williams (who reared him as her own), Blackville, Mrs. Gertrude Allen, Allendale, and Ms. Nichole Robinson of Texas, along with a host grand aunts, uncles, cousins, other relatives, and sorrowing friends.

Professional arrangements were entrusted to the Miller's Funeral Home of Aiken. Sign the online guestbook at millersfuneralhome.net.

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Kenneth Hunter



HAMPTON, GA - Family and friends gathered to celebrate the life and legacy of Mr. Kenneth Hunter on Sunday, July 17, 2022, at 3 p.m., at the Macedonia Baptist Church of Blackville, with the Reverend Dr. Floyd Hughes Sr. officiating. Interment followed in the Hunter Family Plot in the Blackville Cemetery.

Mr. Kenneth Hunter, 61, began this life on February 3, 1961, to Mrs. Linda Livingston Hunter and the late Mr. Norman Robert Hunter Jr. in Brooklyn, New York.

He received his early spiritual upbringings at the Pilgrim Rest Baptist Church in Blackville. He was also educated in the Blackville-Hilda Public School system. He was employed as a fine dining chef, and he did some modeling as well.

On Monday, June 27, 2022, Mr. Kenneth Hunter completed His earthly chapter of life and entered eternity at the Piedmont Fayette Hospital of Fayetteville, GA, following an extended illness.

He was preceded in death by his father, Mr. Norman Robert Hunter Jr.; and one brother, Bruce Hunter.

His life and memory will forever live in the hearts and minds of all who knew and loved him.

His life and legacy will forever be cherished by his loving mother, Mrs. Linda Hunter, Atlanta, GA; his sisters: Ms. Jacqueline Hunter, Hampton, GA, and Ms. Shirley Tobin, Williston, S.C.; a brother: Mr. Norman Hunter III, Blackville, S.C.; an aunt, Willie Mae Smith; a niece: Portia Hunter of Atlanta, GA; along with a host of cousins, other relatives, and sorrowing friends.

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Obituaries

Billy Burke Sandifer

Billy Burke Sandifer, 91, went to his heavenly home on July 23rd, 2022.

Billy was born on April 13 th , 1931 in the Big Fork Community, in Barnwell County, South Carolina. He was the son of the late Henry Buist Sandifer and Eva Creech Sandifer. Billy attended Barnwell High School. Professionally, Billy was a well-respected Construction Superintendent specializing in building bridges and relationships on all his projects. Most of his 40-year career, he worked for Crowder Construction Co. located in Charlotte, N.C. Billy loved to tell stories of times past. He was well liked by all who met him, and he never met a stranger.



Billy is pre-deceased by a brother, Jimmy Buist Sandifer.

Surviving are his two sons Michael Burke Sandifer and his wife Gelene of Oxford, N.C., Steven Burke Sandifer and his wife Christal of Orange County, N.C.; grandchildren, William Burke Sandifer, Melissa S. Clark, Walter Burke Sandifer, and Willow Elizabeth Sandifer; five great-grandchildren, Amber, Dillon, Alissa, Trey and Caleb.

Services for Billy Burke Sandifer will be held Wednesday, July 27th, 2022, at 11 a.m. at Allen's Chapel Baptist Church, 90 Allen's Chapel Road, Ulmer, S.C. 29849. Visitation will begin at the church one hour prior to the service at 10:00 AM, with graveside to follow at Creech Family Cemetery.

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

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Timothy 'Tim' Cope Ray Jr.

BARNWELL - Timothy "Tim" Cope Ray Jr., 54, passed away July 24th, 2022.

Funeral services will be held Wednesday, July 27th, 2022 at 5 p.m. at Friendship Baptist Church, with visitation one hour prior to service. A private burial will be held for immediate family only after the service.

Tim was born September 28th, 1967, in Barnwell. He was predeceased by his parents, Timothy Cope Ray Sr. and Sandra DeCarpio Ray. Tim was a graduate of Barnwell High School. He served for the South Carolina National Guard. Tim worked at Carolina Metals, Clariant, and was currently employed as a Senior Design Integrator at SRS.

He was a former Reserve Deputy with the Barnwell County Sheriff's Office, and a former volunteer fireman with Friendship Fire Department. Tim loved fishing, hunting and spending many holidays fishing with Mr. Jerry Bodiford at Land's End. He loved cooking and spending time with his family at the "Pond House". Tim was a very devoted person to his friends and family. He persevered through all of the many obstacles he lived through. He never stopped fighting for himself and his family until the very end. Tim will be remembered by all as a strong, courageous man. He will be deeply missed by his spouse, children, grandchildren, and friends.

He is survived by his spouse, Cynthia Creech Ray of Barnwell; sons, Andrew (Jenna) Ray of Barnwell, Benjamin (Summer) Ray of Barnwell, and Christopher Ray of Barnwell; daughter, Josie Ray (Dakota Edsall) of Martinez, GA; sisters, Debbie (Ron) Benson of Barnwell and Tracey (BJ) Baxley of Barnwell; nieces, Alexandra Bolen and Emily Benson; five grandchildren, Copelynn, Brittleigh, Banks, KB and Cope.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to Friendship Fire Department, 3391 Green Branch Rd, Barnwell, S.C. 29812.

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Lela M. Ezzell

WILLISTON - Lela M. Ezzell, 93, went into eternal rest on July 25, 2022. Funeral services will be held at Winfield Heights Baptist Church, Williston, SC on Saturday, July 30, 2022 at 4 p.m. with Rev. Jamie Wootten officiating. Visitation will be one hour prior to service. Burial will follow at Williston Cemetery.

Pallbearers; Eric Bottomley, Josh Adams, Jacob George, John King, Ryan Ezzell, Jeremy Stevens; honorary; Phil Huggins, Jack Hogan and Terry King.

Lela was born in 1929 to the late John and Alpha King in Whiteville, N.C. She was married for fifty years to the late George Ezzell. She was a member of Eastern Star. She loved to cook, bake, garden and spending time with her family. She was a loving mother and grandmother and will be missed by many.

Survivors include her son; Ervin (Ramona) Ezzell of Barnwell, SC; daughters, Karen George of Cantonment, FL and Beverly (Marvin) Jackson of Gaston, SC.; six grandchildren, twelve great grandchildren and numerous niece and nephews.

Memorials may be made to Winfield Heights Baptist Church, 435 Chester Street, Williston, SC 29853 or American Cancer Society, P. O. Box 6704, Hagerstown, MD 21741.

The family has entrusted Dyches Funeral Home and Crematory with arrangements.

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Thank you to the legislature and the Governor for enacting new election laws establishing early voting and making voting more accessible and secure.

Thank you to the members and staff of the county boards of voter registration and elections across the state who helped implement these changes in time for the primaries.

Thank you to the poll workers who volunteered their energy, time, and commitment to give every one of us the opportunity to vote. Poll workers are a vital part of our republic, and without them elections would not be possible.

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Former Snelling mayor honored for service

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A lifetime of dedication was recognized on July 3 in Snelling when a monument was unveiled to commemorate a crucial figure in the town's history.

Elbert Timothy Moore Sr. served the Town of Snelling from 1969 until his death in October 2009 at age 84. At the time of his passing, he was the longest serving mayor in South Carolina.

"It was a tremendous honor for the whole family," said Elbert Timothy "Tim" Moore Jr., son of the late mayor Moore. Family traveled from Texas, Atlanta, and other locations to Snelling to honor Moore Sr.'s legacy. "We started working on that project about two years ago," said Moore Jr., who credits Snelling Town Councilman Carl S. "Brookie" Anderson with spearheading the project to its completion.

Moore Sr. began his mayoral service upon the reorganization of the town government. The Town of Snelling was incorporated in 1906 thus establishing a mayor and council. Due to economic depression in a town with little to govern at the time, the recently made government slowly dissipated.

"Snelling didn't have a lot going on for a long time," said Moore Jr. "In 1969, some of the folks in town decided they wanted to reorganize the town government."

"They had a meeting over at Dad's house around the kitchen table, and decided who they were going to elect as council and the mayor, and they decided they were gonna elect Dad as the mayor," said Moore Jr.

During his service as mayor, Moore Sr. made many accomplishments to better Snelling and Barnwell County.

"His political philosophy was, 'is it good for the Town of Snelling?'" said Moore Jr. He explained his father grew up with the same philosophy he followed. He participated in politics not for honor or glory, but to make a difference for his town.

"He was an advocate for the town, he was an advocate for the county," said Moore Jr.

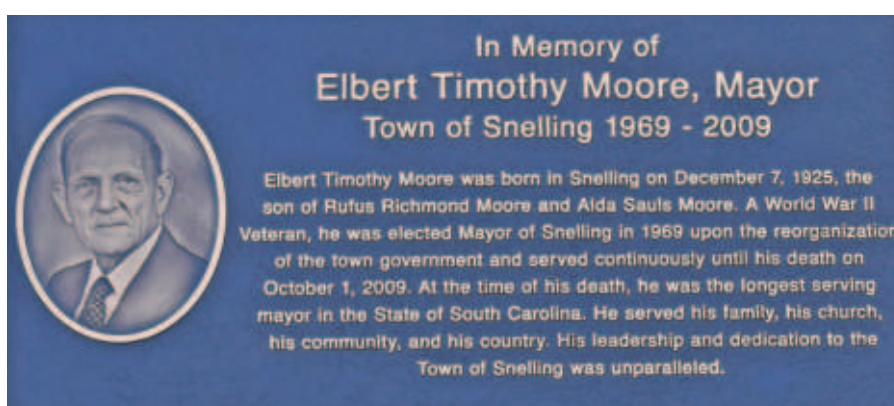
"A lot of stuff that got done people never knew about. He didn't go out seeking attention for himself, it was all about the town."

According to Moore Jr., one of the prominent things his father accomplished was negotiating



ABOVE: Graydon Moore (center) cuts the ribbon to a new monument in recognition of his great-grandfather, the late Snelling Mayor Elbert Timothy Moore Sr. Pictured with him is current Mayor Paul Moore (left) and his grandfather, Elbert Timothy Moore Jr.

AT RIGHT & BELOW: The monument tells about the life and service of Elbert Timothy Moore Sr. to his community.



a contract for a business license fee with Chem-Nuclear, who set up operations in the town and began bearing low level nuclear waste. The funds from that business license contract resulted in the creation of The Barnwell County Economic Development Commission which still exists today.

"He had the foresight to negotiate some good arrangements with businesses that came to enable the town to have some money to operate on," said Moore Jr.

During his time as mayor, Moore Sr. improved recreational facilities as well by developing the current Snelling Town Park in the early '90s. He also built up the fire department.

"He was instrumental in getting some grants for the rehabilitation of low-income houses through the Lower Sa-

vannah Council of Governments," said Moore Jr.

These are just a few of the long-lasting contributions made by the former mayor.

Snelling has a strong mayor system, according to Moore Jr. This means the mayor is directly elected by citizens and has executive power.

"Even though they had a strong mayor form [of government] and he could basically go do anything he wanted to do, he never did that. He didn't do anything that he didn't have the council's support to get it done," said Moore Jr.

"He was the sort of a guy that could go speak to people and get things resolved without making a big fuss about it," said Moore Jr. "He didn't have a lot of formal education, but he was one of the smartest people I knew, particularly when it came

to dealing with people."

"Only one time in the whole 40 years did he ever have opposition, and I think the fellow got two votes that ran against him," said Moore Jr.

Moore Sr.'s interest in politics grew from watching his family.

"Dad was always very interested in politics. His father, my grandfather, was quite active in the political world," said Moore Jr. "He had older brothers who were also attuned to that sort of thinking and just learning from them."

The Moore family has been in Snelling since its incorporation in 1906.

"Our family has always been kind of involved in politics," said Moore Jr. "Until about four years ago, there were seven mayors in Barnwell County and three of them were my cousins."

The Town of Snelling is home to 250 people,

according to the Municipal Association of South Carolina and the 2020 U.S. Census. Out of those 250 people, five are elected officials and three of them have the last name Moore.

Many members of the Moore family still reside in all 4.1 square miles of Snelling.

"On the town council, four to five are relatives," said Moore Jr. "Dad died in 2009, and Paul's been the mayor since then. And he's done a great job." The current mayor of Snelling, Paul Moore, is his first cousin.

"Brookie Anderson, who's another cousin, his mother was a Moore. She was daddy's first cousin," said Moore Jr. Anderson serves on the Snelling Town Council.

Moore Jr. himself is also very involved in Snelling and Barnwell County. He currently serves as the

town attorney and has been involved in various industries in the county.

Moore Jr.'s grandfather's name was Rufus Richmond Moore, and he was one of the first settlers in Snelling. He and his two brothers were instrumental in building the town around the railroad that ran through it.

Moore Sr. was born on December 7, 1925 to Rufus Richmond Moore and Alda Sauls Moore in his family home that is now Miss Alda's Inn, owned and operated by Moore Jr. and his wife, Scottie. He was the youngest of six children that survived to adulthood, four children passed away during infancy or at birth.

Moore Sr. joined the Navy when he was 17 during World War II after attending Barnwell schools.

"He ended up going to the Pacific and serving on a destroyer escort there until the war was over," said Moore Jr. A destroyer escort was the United States Navy mid-20th-century classification for a 20-knot warship. They were designed to endure escorting convoys of merchant marine ships.

After returning from the war, Moore Sr. took a job as a long-distance trucker driving from Florida to New York hauling produce and things of the like. He made a career change after an accident where the truck he was driving flipped.

He then worked on construction for the Savannah River Site until Milliken and Co., a woolen manufacturer, set up shop in the area. When he retired from Milliken and Co., he became a partner in Moore and Moore Cows of Snelling and did landscaping as well.

In the various avenues in which he was employed, Moore Sr. remained involved in local politics.

"He was very active in democratic politics over the years. It never was really about one or the other, it was about how we can get things done," said Moore Jr. "He grew up thinking that public service was a way to help your community or your country or your state."

He was also a member of the Seven Pines Baptist Church, Ellenton Agricultural Club, American Legion Post 46, and the Barnwell County Democratic Party Executive Committee.

Moore Sr.'s legacy will be remembered by each patron of the Snelling Town Park. To visit the monument erected in his honor, visit 400 Hill St, Barnwell.

Corder's Creative Corner: What I learned from my first convention

David B. Corder
Contributing Writer

I decided to take a jump into the pool of networking this past weekend and go to my first convention. So I grabbed my hobbit walking stick, dropped a fortune on gas, and drove to Winston-Salem, NC to attend ConGREGate, a Science Fiction and Fantasy convention featuring artists, authors, and musicians.

For those who don't know, a Science Fiction and Fantasy Convention is basically a conference for people who love pop culture so much it takes up a huge slice of their lives. While the convention wasn't huge, there were a good bit of people attending. This gave me the chance to interact with people and talk about fandoms, books,

and beyond. People dressed as their favorite Star Wars and anime characters, free snacks were provided, and vendors sold trading cards and books. It was a nerdy dream come true.

The main reason I was there, of course, was to learn more about writing, and what it means to be an author. I attended several panels to listen to Sci-Fi and Fantasy authors talk about their books and how they perform their craft. I participated in a character-creator workshop as well as a workshop focused around writing fight scenes. I got to talk to authors one-on-one and learn about networking, marketing, and publishing. The advice I received was truly invaluable.

And a plus to the entire trip was that I got to wander around down-

town Winston-Salem, which is truly a haven for the arts. I discovered a niche bookstore with a coffee shop inside, a tattoo museum, and saw a street performer. I'm partly tempted to move up there.

I truly enjoyed my first Fantasy Con, and I look forward to attending more. It's one of the best ways for writers to meet each other in person and for them to discuss the things they love so much. I look forward to attending my second, which may be any day soon!

Want to engage with me? Send me an email at dbcorderwriter@gmail.com or subscribe to my YouTube channel, Corder's Creative Corner.

AT RIGHT: This photo shows a mural in downtown Winston-Salem, N.C.



Recovering: Barnwell woman grateful to be alive after attack

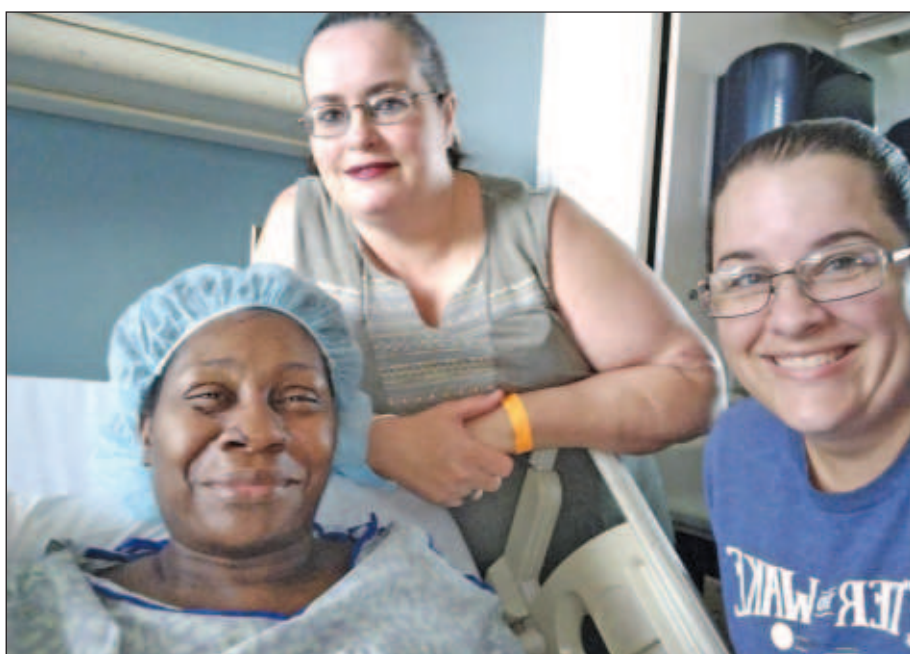
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Hartzog on the ground being bitten multiple times by multiple dogs. Without hesitation for her own safety, Brown jumped out of her truck to come to Hartzog's aid. She grabbed a stick and started fending off the dogs from further harming Hartzog. This allowed Hartzog chance to get away and seek medical attention.

"I think God put me there at that time," said Brown, who was bitten on both her legs. "I think the dogs would have gone for her throat."

Both ladies sought medical attention for their injuries. Brown was released after receiving stitches at the urgent care. However, Hartzog was hospitalized for four days while undergoing treatment for her wounds, including surgery. She came home July 22.

"Along with the members of our Barnwell community, we were devastated and outraged to learn of the brutal dog attack and subsequent injuries sustained by one of Barnwell's finest citizens,



Rose Hartzog (left) is home now, but is pictured here last week in the hospital where she was visited by co-workers Tracy Grubbs and Bethany Lewis.

Ms. Rose Hartzog," stated Hartzog's attorneys, Wil and Carson Alexander, on her behalf. "All members of our community should be able to walk the streets of the City of Barnwell without fear that they will be injured by vicious animals. Situations such as these are preventable. We will hold any and all

responsible institutions, agencies, and individuals accountable for their careless disregard which led to Ms. Hartzog's injuries." Though Brown said she does not need any financial help, she encourages people to help Hartzog. There are several ways for residents to help Hartzog, including:

-A donation box at the Subway on Main Street in downtown Barnwell.

-A special account at Enterprise Bank in Barnwell. Go by any branch to donate.

-Digitally via CashApp to \$rosehartzog1973 or Venmo to @FORROSE.

"Ms. Hartzog would like to thank each and every person from her local Barnwell community that has reached out and offered words of encouragement and support," said the Alexanders in their joint statement. "At this time, Ms. Hartzog wishes for her privacy to be respected as she takes time to rest and recover from her devastating injuries."

The dogs that attacked the two ladies have been nuisances for a while, according to Brown and others. The dogs have chased people and other animals.

"They are always running loose, but nobody does anything about it," said Brown. "The city has had so many complaints against those dogs. There has been a lot more than four reports against those dogs."

She said it's unfortunate that it had to take someone getting hurt to draw real attention to this issue, but Brown hopes it will bring about a change in animal control.

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After August 20, 2022, if no one has retrieved the records, the Department of Special Education will assume that they wish for the records to be destroyed.

Renovation: City of Barnwell moves forward with fire dept. project

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by the manager, they can do much of the projects themselves or bid out certain components.

"This will allow the city to contract with them for projects that are smaller in scope, like the fire department renovations, without having to hire an architect. This will help the city save money on smaller jobs by cutting out the middleman," according to online minutes of the January 2021 city council meeting.

Following the final approval of this amendment, council got bids for a Construction Manager at Risk to oversee the project. However, the city never selected anyone because they placed the project on hold in the hopes of securing a portion of the \$600 million settlement from a lawsuit involving the storage of plutonium at the Savannah River Site.

"It was worth the wait to see if we could get more funds," said Chief Dicks.

Ultimately, those funds were not awarded to the city. That's why council is now restarting the fire department project.

"We really were disappointed the state legislature didn't support us in that funding," said Chief Dicks.

The city originally hoped a new fire department would be funded by the county-wide 1 percent capital projects sales tax that was approved by voters in 2016; however, the allocated funding for a public safety building only funded the new police station. The city then planned to use \$350,000 in state funding, secured by Rep. Lonnie Hosey,



Isaiah Williams (left) was recognized as the Student of the Month. The Barnwell High grad originally played football at Limestone College but is now at Clemson where he's on the Dean's List. He's pictured with Councilwoman Alicia Davis.

to do a temporary fix to make the department more livable until a new building could be constructed. They now plan to go a bit further thanks to COVID relief funds the city received.

"What we do now will help us in the future," said the chief.

Asbestos was already removed from the fire department a couple years ago, leaving missing ceiling and floor tiles. The building is also riddled with other issues, including 1954 electrical wiring, old plumbing fixtures, and old HVAC equipment. Chief Dicks said they also want to use the front portion of the building, which was the police department many years ago, as an administration area. They also want to upgrade the kitchen and dormitory areas and add new lights and a roof.

"The idea is to fix the existing building for a few years and then add on,"

said Chief Dicks.

However, they must evaluate whether it's worth the long-term cost or if it's better to start fresh.

If voters renew the penny tax, which is set to expire in 2024, then the city wants to use it to fund the next stage of the fire department project.

In other news:

- The portion of Main Street between Jackson and Jefferson streets (in front of city hall) will be paved soon. This portion was left out when the other sections were paved because there was a discrepancy about ownership. The stretch of road has now been declared county property, so the county is using transportation funds to pave the road.
- Council heard from Kris Whiteside of Enterprise Fleet Management, which is a



Jonathan Vickery / Publisher

City Councilman Jimbo Moody (right) presents Michael Hiers (left), owner of G&M Meats, a certificate of appreciation for opening his new business in the city. The store is located in the old Taco Bell in front of Walmart.

division of Enterprise Rent-a-Car, which partners with government agencies for fleet management. After analyzing the city's fleet of 29 vehicles, Whiteside presented information on how Enterprise could help lower costs while getting the city on a better rotation cycle, which would help with maintenance. "It may be a good option to keep us on track for changing out vehicles, especially in the police department and to keep them updated.

This will bring our maintenance costs down," said City Administrator Lynn McEwen in a memo to council.

- Kevin Roberts, the city's new parks/recreation/tourism director, said the Barnwell Farmers Market at Fuller Park continues to draw strong crowds of approximately 200 people every Tuesday and Thursday from 8 a.m. to noon. He said he and his crew are working to keep up the parks. Registration for recreation football, cheer and

volleyball is underway until August 5 at city hall.

- Fire Chief Dicks said call volume was up in June, mostly due to EMS calls.
- Police Chief Lamaz Robinson said his department had 117 incidents, 17 arrests, 12 citations, and 66 warnings during June.
- Administrator McEwen reminds residents using the city's trash service that trees and large bushes are not considered yard debris that will be picked up. She also said trash can not be left on top of or beside trash bins. Furniture and construction/demo debris will not be picked up. Refrigerators and other white goods will be picked up the last Wednesday of the month.
- Resident Barbara Christian, who could not attend the meeting, sent a letter about police not responding to animal control calls since the animal control officer left earlier this year. However, Chief Robinson said, "I assure council that an officer is dispatched to every call that comes through dispatch."

Arrest: Aiken woman arrested for May murder of Williston man

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digital video footage, cell phone records and data, and witness identification to positively identify Williams.

The investigation was led by SLED Senior Spe-

cial Agents Jomar Al-bayalde and Jeff Croft.

Williams was charged with murder and is currently being held at the Barnwell County Detention Center.

SLED's investigation into the June 27 murder of 31-year-old Randall Cunningham in Barnwell is still open and actively being investigated.

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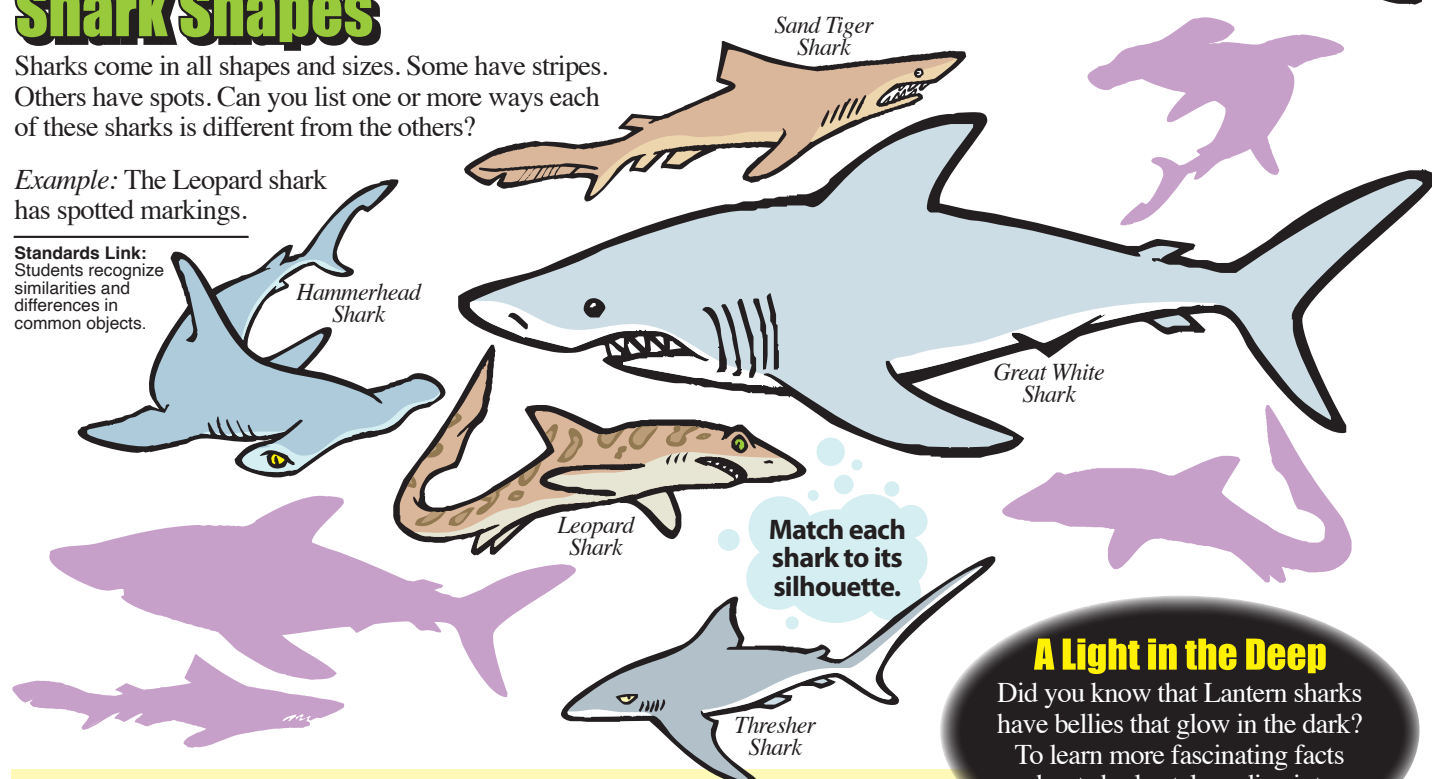
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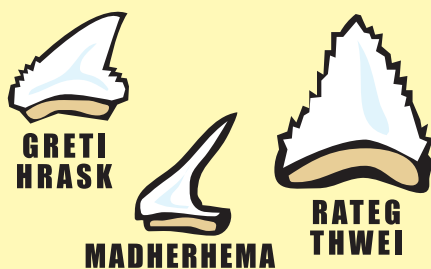
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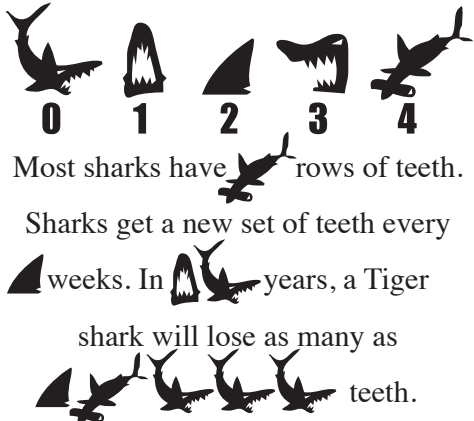
To find out what type of shark each tooth came from, unscramble the words.

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Shark Teeth

Use this code to find out more amazing facts about shark teeth.



Standards Link: Life Science: Animals have features that help them survive in different environments.



How Do Sharks Float?

Shark livers are full of oil. To find out how oil helps sharks float, try this experiment.

- Put two tablespoons of cooking oil in a small jar.
- Fill the jar half full of water and put on the lid.
- Shake the jar.
- Set the jar down and watch what happens to the oil and water. Which one floats?

Standards Link: Physical Science: Conduct a simple investigation and analyze results to develop a logical conclusion.

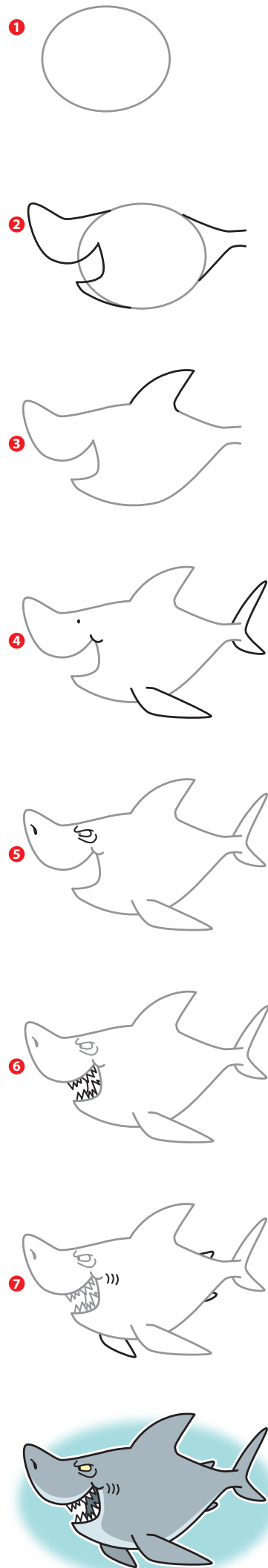
Extra! Extra!

Dive into the newspaper to find:

- A word that starts with "sh"
- Five words that describe a shark
- A headline that is as long as the smallest shark
- Something sharp

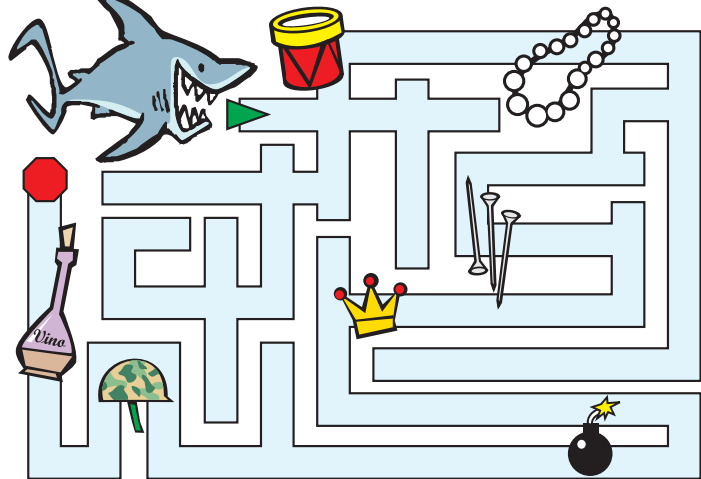
Standards Link: Reading Comprehension: Students follow simple directions.

HOW TO DRAW A SHARK



Kid Scoop Puzzler

Some sharks eat almost anything! Follow Chomper's trail to find some of the surprising things that have been found inside shark stomachs.



Standards Link: Environmental Science: Pollution in the environment can have detrimental effects on animals.

Double Double Word Search

- SHARKS
- SHAPES
- DANGEROUS
- STINGS
- TOOTH
- WATER
- WHITE
- OCEAN
- SPOTS
- SWIM
- TIGER
- LANTERN
- DIVE
- AFRAID

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: **SILHOUETTE**

The noun **silhouette** means an outline drawing of an object usually in solid black.

Jack appeared as a silhouette because of the light behind him.

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

FROM THE LESSON LIBRARY

Vicious Verbs

Find five sentences or headlines in the newspaper. Replace a verb in each sentence or headline with another that is more vicious. What verb would be kinder? How does a different verb change the meaning of a sentence or headline?

Standards Link: Grammar: Identify verbs; use of synonyms.



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Williston Disc Golf Club holds sanctioned tournament



Alexandra Whitbeck
Reporter
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The Williston Disc Golf Club hosted the first ever Professional Disc Golf Association (PDGA) sanctioned tournament played on the newly-built 18-hole course at the Williston Town Park on Saturday, July 16.

The Williston Classic had 72 participants from across S.C. and G.A., which was a larger outcome than the Williston Disc Golf Club founders had anticipated.

"With it being our first one, we filled it. 72 out of 72 players signed up from all over the state," said Dalton Mundy, founder of the Williston Disc Golf Club and assistant tournament director for The Williston Classic.

"We've got 72 players coming from Sumter, Columbia, Lexington, Augusta, Evans, Thompson, Aiken, North Augusta..." said Hal Mundy, founder of the Williston Disc Golf Club and lead of maintenance for the course. "We have about eight from local areas and the rest are from out of town and a couple from out of state."

Father and son duo Hal and Dalton Mundy have dedicated their time to growing the sport and created the Williston Disc Golf Club to foster interest in their hometown. Soon, a nine-hole course was constructed in the town park and then expanded to its current 18-hole layout.

"We had no clue when we started that it would be going where it's going now. So, we're excited about the future of it," said Dalton.

The Williston Classic was presented by Down South Discs, a disc golf company and tournament vendor. Down South Discs was present at the tournament with a range of disc and disc bags for sale.

The Williston Classic was a landmark event for Williston's disc golf community. It not only brought together players from across the state and beyond, but showcased the course.

Unlike other disc golf courses, the Williston course has the added obstacle of a lake in the middle of it. While walking from basket to basket, players venture through wooded areas shaded with bamboo like at hole 13, or make scenic shots by the water.

At the event was disc golf enthusiast Dave Sexton, who played an integral part in establishing the presence of disc golf in Williston. Sexton made the growth of the sport known to town officials and then designed the initial nine-hole course which was later expanded with input from the Mundys.

With a camera in hand, Sexton snapped action shots of players and encouraged them with 'good throw!' or 'nice shot!' if their disc landed where



Player Jake Lucas makes a shot at hole 14.

Photos By: Alexandra Whitbeck / Reporter



Local businesses have sponsored each hole.



Bubba Poole makes a long distance shot.



Disc golfer Craig Waits mid throw during the Williston Classic.

they intended.

Check-in for the tournament began at 7 a.m., and the first round began around 9 a.m. Players began to fill the parking lot and explore the many amenities the course has to offer.

"Once the first round finishes, we'll have an hour break and then we'll start round two," said Dalton.

As players make shots, they keep score through the PDGA website which automatically tracks the scores of all players at a particular event. These ratings are then readily available on the pdga.com under the name of the tournament. Scores for this tournament can be found under the heading 'Williston Classic-Presented by Down South Discs.'

Ratings are based on how others play a course, according to Dalton. The PDGA website explains that "a score for a player on a hole is the total number of throws, including penalty throws. The total score for the round is the sum of all hole scores." The method of scoring is similar to ball golf.

There were 13 divisions players competing in that ranged from pro to novice. The pro divisions were Open and Pro Masters 40+. At The Williston Classic, players in these divisions finished in the red, meaning they took less total throws than normally required for a particular hole or course.

The Williston course is a par 3 course, meaning experts may only need three shots to make a basket at each of the holes on the course. A 'par' is the number of strokes a pro

player requires to make a shot.

In the Open division, Tal Wambeke, a professional player from Columbia, came in first with a par of -19. Following Wambeke in the Open division was TomMac Garrett, a professional player from Aiken who finished with a par of -17.

The Pro Masters division was for players aged 40 years and older. Mel Dickerson, a professional player from North Augusta, finished with a par of -12, and Jimmy Hlavin, an amateur player from North Augusta, finished with a par of -7.

The Advanced division contained players from Augusta and Grovetown, G.A. to Sumter, S.C., and scores ranged from -14 to +3.

In the Amateur Masters 40+ division, two local players competed out of five total in the division. Timothy Summers of Williston finished with a par of +18, and Chris Blume of Williston finished with a par of +6.

In the Amateur Masters 50+ division, Hal Mundy finished with a par of -3.



Discs brought by Down South Discs.

Also in this division was amateur Matt Flynn from Augusta who finished with a par of -7, amateur Danny Howard who came in with a par of -7.

In the Intermediate division, amateur Craig Waits of Augusta came in with a par of -6, amateur Bubba Poole of Augusta finished with a par of -5, and amateur Jake Lucas of Florence finished with a par of +11.

In the Advanced Women division, amateur Marta Sand of Riga, Latvia finished with a par of -5. Sand has played in multiple tournaments in Georgia in the past year.

Although the Williston Classic was the first PDGA sanctioned event held on the course, the Mundys hope the tournaments will continue for multiple reasons. Not only has the event brought more people to Williston, but funding from it will go to the town's recreational efforts.

"All the sponsors. I just want to thank all of them," said Hal. "We've sold all 18 holes sponsor signs and we've sold five basket wraps."

Each basket is sponsored by a local business or individual. The basket wraps are seen around the top of the basket. There are 36 wraps in total available for sponsorship.

"Those sponsorship monies go to course maintenance, it goes to running tournaments, and just helping what we want to do [to help Williston recreation]" said Hal. "What we want to do is like maybe once a month or every couple of months we can have something for the kids to come out, to say get a free disc."

Hal explained that a portion of the sponsorships and club funds are allocated to the Williston Recreation & Activities Committee, where Dalton is a committee member.

"We are going to make a percentage donation for everything that comes to the recreation department to help those kids that want to play rec sports," said Hal. "We even talked about maybe if the funds are good, we could maybe buy uniforms for all the rec department kids one year, or we can pay all the

entry fees for one year."

"That's something that we have to build as the Williston Disc Golf Club to find out what we will be able to do," said Hal.

The Williston Disc Golf Club recently made their first donation as a club to the Williston cheerleading camp, according to Hal.

Not only is the growing support for disc golf giving back to the community, but the establishment of the course has led to a cleaner park, according to Hal who volunteers to handle course maintenance.

Hal does this "just to bring these people to Williston to play in this tournament, to bring revenue to the town, to grow the sport, and hopefully get more people active and involved," he said.

Although disc golf is a source of exercise, it provides fellowship too, according to Hal. He explains the "comradery of coming together" adds to his passion for the sport.

The future holds more PDGA sanctioned tournaments for the Williston Disc Golf Club and sponsorship opportunities for local businesses.

"We're going to do a main course sign at hole one and then put sponsor signs around that to give everybody an opportunity to become a sponsor," said Hal.

To view the scores of all the players involved, visit <https://www.pdga.com/tour/evt/60091>.

For more information on the Williston Disc Golf Club, contact Hal Mundy or Dalton Mundy via Facebook or join the Facebook group 'Disc Golf in Williston SC.'

Allendale County News

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The People-Sentinel

Wednesday, July 27, 2022



Wyatt Twitty, 16, of Barnwell raced blind when the hood flew up and blocked his vision of the track. He finished the event in 6th place with a time of 72:04 seconds.

English Lane, 11, of Walterboro drove Under Construction. He was proud to finish 8th out of the field of 11 men. He's a veteran and has competed since he was 9.

Photos By: Linda Murphy Myrick / Contributor
Staff member Taylor Raber of Barnwell prepares to power wash pounds of mud from trucks finishing the race.

Cameron Porter of Allendale checks in all drivers and guests. Her father, David, is a sponsor of the event and enters two vehicles.

Clay flies at Twitty's Mud Bog

Linda Murphy Myrick
Allendale Co. Correspondent

It was bone dry for the opening race of the 2022 season at Twitty's Mud Bog in Ulmer on June 11, but the red clay was flying.

Close to 800 spectators and 70 drivers came from along the east coast. Bringing campers and tents, it was a family reunion for many who had been coming for years.

Races are classed by tire size from CLASS A, 35-inch DOT to the Race Mega any size, including tractor tires. At \$10 a gallon for special fuel and thousands for rebuilt racing trucks, it's an expensive sport

and at any race the vehicle can be severely damaged.

"It's the driest it's been in five years and we started filling the mud pits on Friday. We've been watering the track to keep the dust down," said Russell Twitty, owner of Twitty's Mud Bog.

Security guards, EMS, and rules for both drivers and spectators keep Twitty's Mud Bog family friendly. Drivers have safety rules and fans are warned against underage drinking, fighting, drinking and driving, and profanity.

The next event is scheduled for September 24 as a one-day race and November 18 for Class A&B starting at 7 p.m. and November 19 for all other classes.



Allendale Fire & Rescue were prepared to treat and evacuate injured drivers. From left to right: Josh Dell, Jamie Myrick, Natasha Green, Chief Tony Brown, James Balefoot, Chief Franklin Stanley, Sharon Summers, and Camden Stanley.



Not everyone finished the race. Michael Kehoe's F-150 truck was left disabled and in need of a tow after it rolled over. Kehoe was unharmed.



Russell Twitty meets with all race drivers before the event starts, laying out the rules to ensure a safe race was held. Safety equipment was also inspected.

Allendale County School Board holds retreat

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Allendale County Schools

On Tuesday, July 12, Dr. Margaret Gilmore, superintendent of Allendale County Schools, sponsored an in-person school board retreat for its members. The theme, "Ignite the Vision," focused on the characteristics of effective school boards and offered an opportunity for the board to reflect on its purpose and goals for success.

The board discussed its roles and responsibilities and collaborative engagement strategies to help the district meet goals. Guest speakers Dr. Annette Melton, Cognia senior director of the Mid-Atlantic; Mr. William Bowman, Chair, Colleton County School District; Attorney Vernie Williams, Halligan Mahoney & Williams Law Firm; and Dr. Darrell Johnson, retired superintendent and executive director of Salk

Consortium presented on the following:

- Board Relationships and Effective Governance
- Your Role & Support as a Board Member
- From Hiring to Hearing Implications / Local Board Issues
- Board Members: Do's and Don'ts

Dr. Gilmore and the district office cabinet members provided a State of the District update on finance and budget, curriculum and instruction, special education services, assessment and accountability, and human resources. The school board gleaned a plethora of amazing information from the retreat and looks forward to working with Dr. Gilmore to continue to move the district forward.

Allendale County School District is on the move! What a great day of learning!



Photo Contributed
Guest speaker Dr. Darrell Johnson (left) leads the Allendale County School Board in a motivational exercise during their retreat. Also pictured are board members Catherine Russell, Willa Jennings, Katrina Youmans, Hazeline Perry, and Elizabeth Gooding, as well as Superintendent Dr. Margaret Gilmore and Johnnie Miller, the assistant superintendent of curriculum & instruction.

Mike Beasley recognized for statewide service



Mike Beasley completes 15 years of service representing the S.C. Athletics Coaches Association of South Carolina.

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Barnwell District 45

Barnwell School District 45 Administrator Mike Beasley was recently recognized for completing fifteen years of service as a statewide leader of the South Carolina Athletic Coaches Association (SCACA). SCACA is a statewide organization with over 6,000 members across the state with the mission to promote, protect and teach the student-athletes of South Carolina through effective leadership and professional development of coaches.

In 2018, the SCACA Board of Directors selected Beasley to serve as their representative on the South Carolina High School League's (SCHSL) Executive Committee for a 4-year term lasting from 2018 to 2022. Beyond his service as the SCACA's representative on the SCHSL Executive Committee, Beasley has also served as a board member and served as the state organization's President for the 2013-2014 school year.

During his most recent term on the SCHSL Executive Committee, Beasley worked to execute the powers and duties that fall to that statewide governing body, including deciding all questions and performing duties not delegated in the constitution of the SCHSL and hearing appeals from school districts regarding athletic protests.

According to Beasley, "My experience throughout my service to the South Carolina Coaches Association and as the representative of the South Carolina High School League has been invaluable and rewarding."

Barnwell School District 45 commends Mike Beasley not only on his service to the district itself, but also his service regionally and statewide. According to Superintendent Stapleton, "Mike Beasley is such a valuable part of our district family, and he has so much knowledge in so many areas. We are so proud of his commitment to education within our state and commend him on his strong leadership and long tenure of service to both the SCACA and the SCHSL."

Staff Spotlight: Dr. Latrece Quattlebaum

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Williston District 29

Dr. T. Latrece Quattlebaum was born in Jamaica Queens, New York but proudly claims to be "southern raised" by her parents (Isaac & Patricia Quattlebaum) and loving family members in Salley. Dr. Quattlebaum currently resides in Graniteville.

Prior to seeking employment with Williston

School District 29, she served in the following roles or positions over a span of 25 years with Aiken County Public Schools District: classroom teacher for grades 5-8 in the content areas of English Language Arts, Social Studies, and Science; school-based instructional coach for grades 6-8; STEM instructional coach for grades 6-8; district-level curriculum and instructional



support for middle level English Language Arts. Additionally, she was an instructor for an alternative school program and Adult Education/GED courses.

She decided to work in Williston School District 29 (now Barnwell County Consolidated School District) to continue her professional growth as an educator in

order to enrich literacy experiences within K-12 English Language Arts classrooms.

Dr. Quattlebaum's immediate personal goals entail growing her consulting company, Dr. Q. Education Consulting, LLC. In fact, she spends a portion of summer breaks or whenever she can participate in courses or training sessions, exploring professional learning opportunities that will expand her knowledge and skills to provide educational services to positively impact teaching and learning experiences.

In her spare time, Dr. Quattlebaum loves to spend quality time with her daughter, family, and friends, along with reading books associated with various genres.



Williams wins "I Will Not Lose" award

Congratulations to Crystaisha Williams from Williston-Elko High School on winning the Officer Quincy Smith "I WILL NOT LOSE!" award. She's in the criminal justice class at the Barnwell County Career Center.

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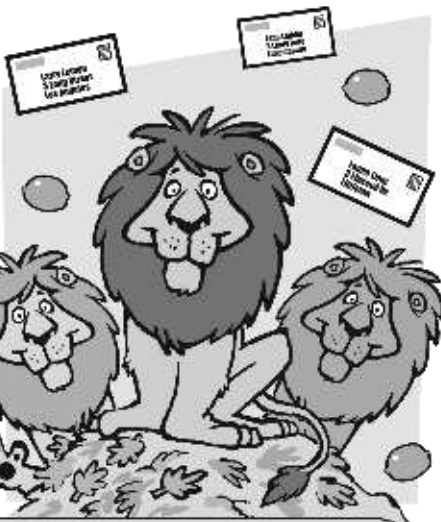
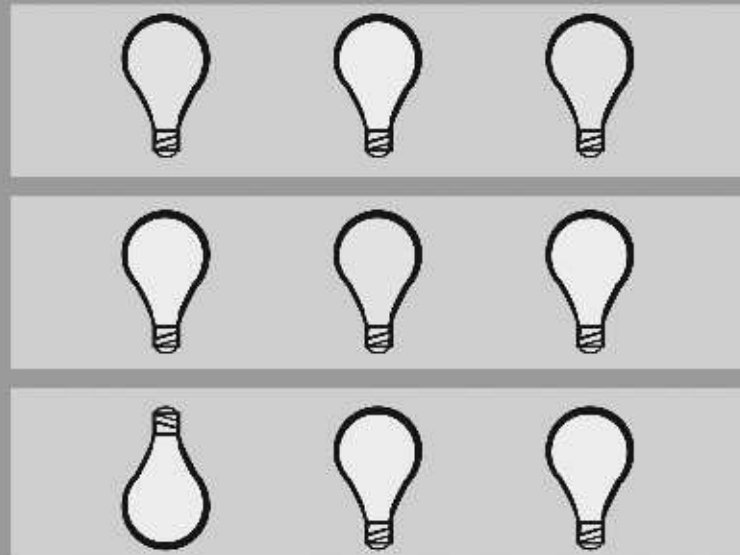
Newspaper reading adventures for little learners!

Kid Scoop Junior

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Lights on! Lights off!

Look closely at each row of pictures. One of the lightbulbs in each row is different. Put an X on that lightbulb.



My Rhyme Time

Little drops of water,
Little grains of sand
Make the mighty ocean
And the beautiful land.

My Letters

L is for Lightbulb
l is for lightbulb

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

How many words or pictures can you find on this page that have the sound that the letter L makes in the word lightbulb?

My Numbers

How many lightbulbs?

How many lions?

How many words?



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.



I like my



Sunday

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

Monday

Math Play
Point to the number 3 in the newspaper. Have your child say the number and, if it's large enough, have your child trace the number.

Tuesday

Open and Shut
Play a game using two pages of the newspaper. Ask your child to put a hand between the open pages when you say "open." Then ask your child to pull the hand out of the pages when you say "shut."

Wednesday

Where's the Light?
Look at pictures in the newspaper. Talk with your child about the light source in each picture. Is the light coming from the sun? From a lightbulb? From the moon? From a fire?

Thursday

Day and Night
Look at pictures in the newspaper. Ask your child if the pictures show daytime or nighttime. Ask, "What makes you think this shows daytime (nighttime)?"

Friday

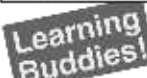
Following Directions
Say, "I am going to ask you to do some things. Listen and then do what I say." Then tell them to "Touch a picture in the newspaper, then clap your hands." Give them other directions to follow.

Saturday

Same and Different
Point to two uppercase **L**s in the newspaper. (Use headlines with large type in ads.) Ask, "Are these two letters the same or different?" Repeat with other letters.

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.

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Holidays: 4th Independence Day						

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Activities

Jul 4-Aug 14
Fall 2022 Soccer Club Registration is open.
se-barnwell@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.

AUG 6
Book Sale: Allendale County Library
Paperbacks, \$.10 | hardbacks, \$.25.
10:30am-1:30pm.

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.

Sep 10
Barnwell County Sheriff's Office: Law Enforcement Expo
Barnwell County Veterans Memorial (11094 Ellenton 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

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VBS

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

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

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



Sundays 10:00am
For more info: Pastor Elder Lamonte Boyd (803) 259-1385
www.facebook.com/SB-CBarnwell

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.

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 JAM 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

Second Baptist Church of Barwell
181 Church St, Barnwell, SC 29812
In person worship service. Masks and social distancing is encouraged. Temp. checks upon entrance.

Barnwell Library

- CHILDREN/TEENS**
- 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. 25**
K-5 to 5th Grade
Savannah River Ecology Lab SRIE presents live local animals. Learn about what makes each animal unique. And how to be good stewards of local wildlife and habitats. Seating is limited.
10:30 am
- 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
- Aug 2**
3pm-4pm
The Monster Book of Monsters is required this semester at Hogwarts. Make sure to stop by and make yours
3pm-4pm

Get Active in Your Community

- STORY TIME**
Jul. 28, Aug 4, & Aug 18
All Ages
VIRTUAL STORY TIME
Videos will be posted on Facebook
11:30 am
- ADULTS**
- Jul. 28**
POTLUCKBOOK CLUB
We will be meeting in the Community Room to discuss a cookbook of your choice.
4pm
- Aug 8**
Barnwell County Library Board Meeting
In the Community Room
3:30 pm
- Summer Reading ends on August 4th. Make sure you bring your completed reading logs in to receive a medal.*

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

ACTIVITIES
Jul 30
Pastor Elder Lamonte Boyd's Birthday Celebration
Second Baptist Church in Barnwell
Special musical guests and refreshments will be served. A Love donation will be taken up!
For more information, please inbox our Facebook page, SBCBarnwell or call 803.259.1385. Can't wait to share in this praise party, with you all!!
3pm doors open
4pm program start

Aug 4
Dinner with missionary update
Church of the Holy Apostles
Presentation from Jeff and Kristin Jacobs on trip to Cairo, Egypt.
Church Fellowship Hall
RSVP to 803-491-4022 or 803-259-3477(leave message)
6pm

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 - calltb02@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
mtlebanonce@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

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

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

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