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Shamrock Hotel demolition evokes memories, opinions



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The middle arch of a window on the lower level of the Shamrock Hotel is left amongst the rubble.

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Many Blackville residents felt the Shamrock Hotel was either an eroding eyesore or a homage to history. The long-anticipated demolition of the former 'handsome hotel' on October 25 left the town divided over what to do with its ruins.

"People have mixed emotions," said Blackville Mayor Ronnie Pernell.

Town council accepted a \$170,000 bid from LRB Site Prep & Hauling, LLC in October to demolish, remove, grate, lay and level new dirt. Mayor Pernell explained the terms of this bid gave the contractor until December 31 to accomplish this work.

"We do not set boundaries on the contractor on when they start or how long [it takes], as long as they meet that deadline," said Mayor Pernell.

Blackville residents, and even



This old postcard shows the Shamrock in its heyday.

some county and town officials, did not know the Shamrock Hotel was coming down until demolition equipment moved in and bricks began falling.

The date of demolition was not known by community members who had conversations with Mayor Pernell once the bid was placed about preserving the Shamrock Hotel, or even parts of it.

"We lost the history of it based

on the way it looked and I think that it's disappointing that we allowed it to get to this point," said Mayor Pernell. "Now we have the opportunity to rebuild something to try to preserve some of the history."

Ideas like a walking path with historical markers displaying information about the building were pitched to the mayor. A

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Dr. A.V. Strong asks volunteers from Blackville-Hilda High School to dump out the bandanas of gang members whose lives he helped reform throughout his career.
 Alexandra Whitbeck / Reporter

Students hear 'life-changing' message about gangs

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Stapleton.

Rather than a predetermined speech, Dr. A.V. Strong had a candid conversation with Barnwell County students about his former life as a gang member on Oct. 10 and Oct. 19.

"I'm not here to preach to you, I'm here to have a conversation," said Dr. Strong.

Dr. Strong is an FBI-certified gang culture and behavior expert with many years of law enforcement and military experience, as well as a former member the Bloods—a street gang originated in Los Angeles, CA.

Now in his retirement, he travels nationwide to advocate against gang violence and raise awareness about gang activity.

"Dr. Strong is a dynamic individual and engages adolescents as he speaks from the heart about what's happened in his life. His message is truly life-changing," said BSD 45 Superintendent Dr. Crissie

On Oct. 10, Dr. Strong spoke with two groups of Barnwell High School students and Guinyard-Butler Middle School (GMBS) students. Dr. Strong then spoke with Williston-Elko High School and Blackville-Hilda High School (BHHS) students at their respective schools on Oct. 19.

First introduced by Barnwell County Sheriff Steve Griffith, Dr. Strong began the conversation with students at BHHS saying, "I'm being real with you, so you've got to be real with me."

Dr. Strong asked BHHS students to raise their hands if they knew a gang member, or knew a wannabe gang member; the auditorium quickly became a sea of raised palms.

He told stories of loss and light as he navigated gang-life in his youth on the West Coast. He explained to students that young people losing their lives to gang-violence is not God's will.

"It is great for young people to hear how choices they make

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Local veterans honored at annual luncheon

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Veterans from Barnwell County and beyond were honored for their valor and celebrated for their service at the Veteran's Day Program held by the Veterans Affairs Office at the Barnwell County Museum on November 3.

After hands crossed over hearts for the Pledge of Allegiance, Marine Corps. veteran Sheriff Steve Griffith expressed his everlasting gratitude for each individual's service.



Afghanistan War Veteran Dr. Shaneen Dials-Corujo thanks participants for their involvement in the Veterans Day program.
 Alexandra Whitbeck / Reporter

"I thank each and every branch that has come today," said Sheriff Griffith.

The event was organized by Barnwell County Veterans

Affairs Officer Joyce Nickens-Brooks, who felt it was successful in showing Barnwell County veterans they are appreciated.

"If it wasn't for the veterans, we wouldn't have what we have today," said Nickens-Brooks, "They put up their lives to protect this country

and without the veterans, we wouldn't have what we have today. No jobs, no food, no nothing."

Gulf War veteran Reverend Albert Pressley provided the invocation where he led the room in a prayer for past, present, and future veterans.

Before Afghanistan veteran Marlon Hinds recognized the distinguished guests, he asked the spouses and children of veterans to stand. Hinds expressed how essential a solid support system is either on active duty or as a veteran.

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Consolidated school district unveils new logo

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BCCSD

As a new year approaches and with district consolidation, Barnwell County Consolidated School District has unveiled a brand identity via a district logo.

The new visual identity conveys the district's core values: scholar-

focused, unity, and a focus on academics. The new iconic logo featured in the visual identity includes a color palette for the newly consolidated district.

For the past several months, BCCSD partnered with Rhodes Branding, and worked diligently to design the district's identity.

"Throughout this process, we have engaged a

diverse group of voices from across the district to inform the direction of the new visual identity," said BCCSD Interim Superintendent, Dr. Marcella Shaw.

The process included:

- Conducting research and completing an audit of the neighboring school districts;
- Facilitating a workshop with 12 various members of the dis-

trict where we established a path forward that would inspire the logo;

- Presenting the logo and soliciting feedback from the focus team; and
- Disseminating a survey to the community for feedback.

The new Consolidated Crest, which was voted upon by 71% of the respondents, and ultimate-

ly approved by the BCCSD Board of Trustees, aligns with our mission to provide every scholar in BCCSD with access to academic opportunities to reach their fullest potential. The logo employs a shield to tie in symbols of unity, excellence, and scholastic achievement. The logo will also be utilized as a district seal for formal communications.



The new logo for the Barnwell County Consolidated School District.

Veterans: Barnwell County Veterans Affairs Office celebrates veterans

FROM PAGE 1A



ABOVE: Veterans gather at the Barnwell County Museum for a special luncheon and ceremony hosted by the Barnwell County Veterans Affairs office on Nov. 3.

AT LEFT: Veterans are served a catered lunch at the Nov. 3 Veterans Day event in Barnwell.

"It is as, or more important, than the boots on the ground," said Hinds.

Hinds recognized SC Representative Lonnie Hosey, Barnwell County Administrator Tim Bennett, Chief Veteran Experience and Employee Service at Charlie Norwood Veterans Affairs Medical Center (VAMC) Eric D. Bryant, Sheriff Griffith, and Lowcountry Regional Integration Officer at Columbia Veterans Affairs Bennen Beck as the program's distinguished guests.

Another guest of honor was Sally Grill. Grill served as a Captain in the Air Force in Thailand during the Vietnam War for four years, nine months, and four days from February 1968 to November 1972. One of Grill's many awards is the Air Force Commendation Medal with one gold leaf cluster.

She was one of the first women to hold the many positions she did, as there were so few women actively enrolled in the armed forces during this time.

"I had the chance to end stereotypes, and that's what I did," said Grill.

In her speech, she detailed the various roles of women in war and how they would serve both on and off the battlefield. In the Air Force, women first entered pilot training in 1976, navigator training in 1977, and fighter pilot training in 1993.

As Grill told the crowd of the places she had been, she jokingly added how most military facilities did not come equipped with women's restrooms at the time and what an obstacle it commonly was to find one.

She also told the story of how she and her husband, Air Force veteran and Captain Jim Grill, fell in love while on assignment.

Today, the Air Force is



Vietnam Veteran Sally Grill shares her story at the Veterans Day Program held by the Barnwell County Veterans Affairs Office.



Vietnam War Veteran and SC Representative Lonnie Hosey provides the closing remarks at the Veterans Day Program held by the Office of Veterans Affairs on Nov. 3.



Marine Corps veteran Sheriff Steve Griffith gives the opening welcome at the Barnwell County Veterans Affairs Veterans Day Program on Nov. 3.

21.4% women, according to the active duty military demographics of the Air Force as of Sept. 30.

Grill is currently a Sunday School teacher at First Baptist Church and a retired school teacher and vocational rehabilitation counselor. She is also the past president of Friends of the Libraries of Barnwell County.

Raffle tickets were drawn throughout the event and prizes were donated by local businesses. Gas stations of Shell, BP, and Sports and restaurants like Lucy Lu's and Chrome Dome & Nutt's both donated gift cards. Tina Brooks donated a red, white, and blue wreath to be a prize in the raffle, and a cake was donated from Adrian Robinson and Tiffany Wilson of Aaron's.

Lunch was catered by Michael Morrow and served by Mary Robinson, Annie Hallingquest, Dorothy Clark, Tammy Fireall, Latvia Gin, Tina Brooks, Wanda Jones, and Elouise Dunbar.

Representative Hosey's closing remarks brought the room together in song when he began singing the first words of The Marine's Hymn.

He encouraged veterans to continue being

active members of Barnwell County by reciting the Veterans Creed, an eight-point mantra meant to inspire veterans to continue being leaders in their communities. Rep. Hosey served in the Marine Corps. from 1966 to 1967.

The Veterans Creed was created and is recognized by many veterans advocacy groups including the Veterans of Foreign Wars, Iraq and Afghanistan Veterans of America, Military Order of the Purple Heart, and the Wounded Warrior Project.

This is one of the first events honoring veterans in the county this year. Williston-Elko High School (WEHS) is holding a program on Wednesday, Nov. 9 from 2 p.m. - 3 p.m. in the high school gymnasium. WEHS also held a Veteran's Day Poetry Contest where students were asked to submit a piece of poetry reflecting the sentiment of service.

Barnwell School District 45 is holding a breakfast followed by a program on Nov. 11 at the Barnwell Elementary School Multipurpose Room to honor all local veterans and their families. 'Barnwell School District 45 Salutes

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2. I proudly served my country.
3. I live the values I learned in the military.
4. I continue to serve my community, my country, and my fellow veterans.
5. I maintain my physical and mental discipline.
6. I continue to lead and improve.
7. I make a difference.
8. I honor and remember my fallen comrades.

the program at 9 a.m.

Nickens-Brooks holds Let's Talk: Veterans Supporting Veterans on the third Thursday of each month to provide Barnwell County veterans with a place for support and conversation. November's discussion will be around housing options through Veterans Affairs and will be held at the Barnwell County

Veterans Affairs Office located at 34 Pechman Street in Barnwell.

Although there are many ceremonies held for veterans in the first weeks of November, Nickens-Brooks hopes community members and local businesses will continue to support initiatives and efforts around the needs of veterans in Barnwell County.

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Barnwell native recognized for 'giving her best'

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Ashley Culp loves Barnwell for all that it is, and all that it could be. In recognition of her dedication to the county, Culp was named one of the twelve recipients of WJBF NewsChannel 6's 2022 Giving Your Best Award.

"It's beautiful," said Culp upon receiving this award. "It's nice to know that somebody cares, and it's nice to know that somebody recognizes your efforts when you are trying your best to give to your community."

WJBF weekday anchor Jennie Montgomery and camera crew met with friends and family of Culp in the Barnwell City Hall council chambers before surprising Culp with the award.

Culp did not know she was going to be the recipient of the Giving Your Best Award when walking into the city council chambers. She only knew she was nominated over a year ago by friend and fellow Barnwell Development Association (BDA) member, Melissa Roberts.

Roberts nominated Culp because of "every-



Ashley Culp (center) was surrounded by family and friends as she received the WJBF Giving Your Best award.

thing that she does and the energy she has," said Roberts.

"She is always wanting to help Barnwell grow and thrive both socially and economically," said Roberts. "This woman never slows down."

Many people in Barnwell know Culp by her nickname, 'Happy,' which accurately fits her personality. Chad Grumbling, long-time friend of Culp, often refers to her as 'Happy' rather than her actual name.

"She's got a nickname of 'Happy' and it just fits her perfectly," said Barnwell City Administrator Lynn McEwen. "It's hard not to be friends with



WJBF News Channel 6 anchor Jennie Montgomery (left) congratulates Ashley Culp for winning the Giving Your Best award from the Augusta, Ga. television station.

Ashley, she's so energetic, so spontaneous."

Drive and enthusiasm have been character traits

Culp has always had. Her parents, Kenneth and Phylis Kearse, are proud their daughter's ambition

has manifested in public service.

"She's always been her own person, and we are proud she is doing stuff like this," said Kenneth. Neither he nor Phylis knew their daughter was receiving this award until about 10 minutes before they were meeting the WJBF crew.

Culp is the owner of the Barnwell hair salon, Shear Perfection, a member of the Barnwell Development Association, and in 2020 became a driving force behind The Sundial Festival.

"We started the Sundial Festival in 2020 during a very scary time," said Culp of beginning this

event in the midst of the COVID pandemic.

The Sundial Festival took a hiatus in 2022 due to a lack of volunteers. Culp, Roberts, and other dedicated BDA members and volunteers could not tackle the major undertaking without a much wider breadth of support.

Some of the individuals who played a role in bringing The Sundial Festival to fruition stood right beside Culp as she received this award. Ronnie McClain, McEwen, and Roberts were only a few.

The lack of volunteerism from the community for The Sundial Festival left Culp asking herself, "Are my efforts really working?" she said.

According to Culp, receiving this award reenergizes her passion for Barnwell County.

"It's nice to have this because it makes me go, 'Alright maybe it's time to get the ball rolling again,'" said Culp.

Culp's feature on WJBF aired on Monday, November 7, but is also available online. Award winners will also be honored at the Annual Giving Your Best Jefferson Awards Banquet.



Lavender farm hosts fall fun

King George Lavender Farm's second annual Fall Festival was fun for all ages on Oct. 22. Pumpkin picking, bouncy houses, wine slushies and live music from Tori Snyder Music were enjoyed by guests.



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Editorial

Time is running out to save local news

Local journalism is a cornerstone of democracy and a vital source of information for communities across the country, with newsrooms covering local politics, high school sports, local business openings, cultural events, and other matters that help a community remain vibrant and connected. But the industry is facing an existential crisis because of the unyielding power of Big Tech platforms such as Google and Facebook.

With less than four weeks left in this Congress, now is the time for the Senate to pass the Journalism Competition and Preservation Act (JCPA) (S. 673 and H.R. 1735). The JCPA was favorably reported out of Committee on September 22 with strong bipartisan support and now must head to the floor for a vote. The JCPA will hold tech giants accountable and provide a necessary lifeline for local papers, requiring Big Tech to compensate small and local outlets for the use of their content.

Big Tech benefits tremendously from journalism content, yet they refuse to pay local publishers fairly for the journalistic content that fuels their platforms. As a result, local papers are being replaced by tech platforms using black box algorithms designed to keep users inside their walled gardens – all while charging exorbitant ad fees – up to 70 percent of every advertising dollar.

Since 2000, U.S. newspaper circulation has dropped by half, with 31 million fewer daily newspapers in circulation in 2020. The vast majority of U.S. counties with no regular newspaper – “news deserts” – are in rural areas. Despite record audiences, since news outlets transitioned to digital, revenue has drastically declined.

The tech giants have built their empires by profiting off the hard work of journalists without fairly compensating them. And as local publications struggle to stay afloat, Big Tech has only doubled down on their anticompetitive practices, further consolidating their control over the flow of information.

This is fundamentally unfair, and the JCPA will bring about much-needed change.

The JCPA will benefit small and local publishers exclusively and impose severe penalties if the tech platforms do not negotiate with them in good faith. The bill has a limited scope of six years to address a broken marketplace, while the broader competitive landscape is fixed through other legislation and the courts. The JCPA also incentivizes publishers to hire more journalists and protects our Constitutional freedoms of speech and the press. The bill's scope is limited to compensation and does not allow for negotiations around up/down ranking or display – it serves only to ensure fair compensation for local news outlets. The JCPA has strict transparency requirements on the terms of each agreement reached between tech platforms and journalism providers and establishes clarity in how news outlets spend the funds they receive.

News publishers around the world are being compensated by Big Tech. Australia passed a similar policy to the JCPA, the News Media Bargaining Code, for media organizations to bargain for payment, which has produced significant revenue (billions of dollars, if translated to the U.S. market) for hundreds of publications of all sizes. One Sydney journalism professor noted that she hadn't seen her industry so financially robust in decades. There are so many open positions for reporters, they cannot all be filled, a signal of the improved economic health of the industry. The swift and clear successes of the Australian Code – and efforts in other countries such as Canada, the UK, European Union, and more – should serve to encourage the passage of the JCPA in the United States.

Thousands of hometown papers from across the political spectrum, as well as both Democrats and Republicans in Congress, support the JCPA. Moreover, in these highly polarized times, polling data found that 70 percent of Americans support the JCPA. The JCPA has such broad support because ultimately, it is about basic fairness.

Local papers cannot afford to endure several more years of Big Tech's use and abuse, and time to take action is dwindling. If Congress does not act soon, we risk allowing social media to become America's de facto local newspaper. The Senate must advance the JCPA to the Senate floor for a vote before the end of the year to rein in Big Tech and restore fairness to local journalism – one of the most important checks and balances we have against corporate power and government corruption – before it's too late.



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Weekly Column

Ellen Wittel's life honored on beach where she vacationed



Phil Hudgins
Columnist

It was the summer of 1963 when Bill Wittel met Ellen McDonald Burke Bowers. They were taking a Spanish class at Roanoke College in Salem, Virginia. Ellen had spent the first four years of her life in Chile, so for her Spanish was juego de niño (a piece of cake). It wasn't as easy for Bill.

Ellen was smart, pretty, and funny. Naturally, Bill was interested, and he asked her out. And that was the beginning of a romance and an adventure that led to four years of dating, 54 years of marriage, two daughters and two granddaughters.

Ellen was unlike any woman Bill had ever known. She was fun to be around. She had a wry sense of humor. “She could say something funny and never crack a smile,” Bill said. “We were always laughing.”

But then, about 2014, Ellen began to change. At first, it was

little things. She would repeat herself. Over and over. The signs were there, but Bill was in denial. She'll be all right, he thought to himself. Then, during a routine physical examination, her doctor administered a cognitive test – you draw a picture of a clock and show me 10 minutes after 11, the physician said.

Ellen couldn't do it. It's just a mild cognitive impairment, the doctor suggested, giving denial a little hope. But then a battery of tests by a neurologist confirmed Bill's lingering suspicion: Like her mother, Ellen Wittel had Alzheimer's.

Ellen disguised her problem well. I remember being with her at parties of our exercise group, and she seemed just fine. She laughed when everyone else laughed; he carried on small conversation.

But her disease persisted. Ellen devised certain rituals. One of them was picking up rocks during walks with Bill, wrapping them in tissue, and taking them home to her collection.

And she loved hiding things. She had her jewelry hidden all over the house.

Bill kept Ellen entertained

as best he could. She loved the song “Key Largo.” He played it a million times, he said, and even when she could hardly move her body, she moved her fingers with the music.

On Sept. 12th of this year, Bill received a message from Rebecca Kitchens of Tifton, Georgia. Essentially, the message said she possessed items found in a rental home she and her husband, Richard, once owned on St. George Island. Since you and your wife were our last renters in 2016, we believe these items belong to you. The couple had packed up everything that year, but didn't discover the items until recently.

She mailed everything to Bill: seven rings and 20 necklaces.

Bill rented that same beach cottage the first week of June of 2021. He, along with his daughters, granddaughters and son-in-law, held a ceremony on the beach for Ellen, who had died Feb. 10, 2021. They said a prayer, read scripture and scattered part of Ellen's ashes on the beach, near where she loved sitting in a foldup chair.

And then, one more time, they played “Key Largo.”

Letters to the Editor

Do you want a new high school or a new career center?

Dear Editor,

Barnwell County has been awarded a 100-million-dollar settlement by the Department of Energy. The county will never get another opportunity like this again and we need to spend this money wisely to get the best return on our investment.

Our legislators want to use this money to build a county-wide consolidated high school. Granted, it will look new and impressive for 4-5 years, but after the novelty and shine wears off, you will have just another school building. Unfortunately, a building doesn't make students smarter. The quality of the teachers, the learning environment, and the student's quest for knowledge determine scholastic success.

The one-time money would be much better spent on a new consolidated state-of-the-art career center. Not a typical career center, but instead, the best in

South Carolina. It would give our children a place to learn skills that lead to high paying jobs such as plumbers, welders, electricians, nurses, cyber security specialists, and truck drivers. Students who prefer agriculture would become proficient in the technology required for today's farmers.

The new career center could also be used for adult education. This would help the unemployed in our communities learn a trade and improve their quality of life. We would look to be affiliated with either Aiken or Orangeburg Tech and use the additional funds to hire some of the best instructors in the state to go along with the excellent staff we currently employ.

The new career center will also make Barnwell County more attractive to prospective industry. The main reason industries move to an area is access to an educated workforce.

Despite what most people think, it is not tax incentives that determine where industries locate. Instead, it is the pool of skilled workers available.

Our legislators are mistaken when they say we have enough money to build both a new consolidated high school and a career center. Not if we want the transformational state-of-the-art career center needed to notice business and change the direction of our county.

The choice is ours. Do we want a new consolidated high school that will look nice for a few years, yet not make one student smarter or build the best career center in the state and change the dynamics of Barnwell County forever?

Sincerely,
Rhett Richardson,
Barnwell School District 45
board member

Thank you from the Gunnells and Smoak family

The family of Jessica Gunnells and Richard Smoak would like to extend our deepest thanks and appreciation to all our family and friends during the loss of Jessica and Richard. Your support was very much appreciated, and it will always be remembered. You brought light and comfort to our family during this very difficult time.

With love,
Liz Smoak, Madison Able and family



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Barnwell County Arrest Reports

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

Guinevere Erika Brown, 46, of 41 Roy

Street, Williston, was arrested on November 3 by Barnwell County Sheriff's Office (BCSO) for Disturbing Schools. Brown was booked and released to Barnwell County Detention Center (BCDC).

Brad Keith Dale, 40, of 3257 Highway 70, Barn-

well, was arrested on November 6 by BCSO for Assault & Battery. Dale was booked and released to BCDC.

Christopher Dondrae Johnson, 32, of 90 Kelly Street, Williston, was arrested on October 29 by Williston Police Depart-

ment (WPD) for Operating an Unregistered Vehicle, Open Container, and Driving with an Unlawful Alcohol Concentration.

Daniel Joseph Mack, 45, of 110 Huntington Drive, Barnwell, was arrested on November 2 by BCSO for Burglary and

Grand Larceny. Mack was booked and released to BCDC.

John Wilson Seabrook, 40, of 1536 Patterson Mill Road, Barnwell, was arrested on October 31 by BCSO for Burglary and Grand Larceny. Seabrook was booked and released

to BCDC.
Dominique Marie Sommese, 27, of 1536 Patterson Mill Road, Barnwell, was arrested on October 31 by BCSO for Burglary and Grand Larceny. Sommese was booked and released to BCDC.

USDA Forest Service signs \$50 million agreement with NWTf for Stewardship Agreement

National Wild Turkey Federation

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On Oct. 28th, the Biden-Harris Administration announced that the U.S. Department of Agriculture's Forest Service and the National Wild Turkey Federation (NWTf) have signed a landmark 20-year national master stewardship agreement.

This first-of-its-kind agreement paves the way for these partner organizations to work together to address the wildfire crisis in the West and promote healthy forests across the U.S. It also includes an initial \$50 million commitment from President Biden's Bipartisan Infrastructure Law as well as regular agency

appropriations and other sources.

"This agreement reflects our strong, longstanding relationship with the National Wild Turkey Federation and its four decades of forest restoration work on national forests and grasslands," USDA Forest Service Chief Randy Moore said. "Larger wildfires, more frequent natural disasters, and other disturbances that continue to threaten the health of the nation's forests and grasslands, and the wildlife habitat they provide, means the work we do together is even more vital."

When Agriculture Secretary Tom Vilsack announced the Forest Service's wildfire crisis strategy at the beginning of this year, the NWTf began to identify areas where they could assist. Using funding made possible by this agreement, the NWTf will develop regional

projects to protect communities, reduce wildfire risk, and improve forest health, wildlife habitat, and water quality on national forests and grasslands.

This agreement is largest in the NWTf's 50-year history and is one of the first long-term agreements of its kind between the Forest Service and a conservation partner. The NWTf is the largest and longest-serving non-governmental partner involved in Forest Service stewardship agreements. A master stewardship agreement will expand funding and partnership opportunities with other federal and state agencies, and Tribes, as well as with the timber industry, municipal water providers, and volunteers.

"Our partnership with the Forest Service is central to our mission," said Kurt Dyroff, co-chief executive

officer of the National Wild Turkey Federation. "Wild turkeys, as well as other wildlife, rely on healthy habitats and healthy forests for their long-term sustainability. Likewise, hunters rely on the same for a quality and successful hunting experience. Our work focuses on the shared values of water, forests/wildlife habitat, recreation, and resilient communities. This partnership enables us to make greater investments at a greater scale to keep forests healthy, water clean and stop critical habitat loss."

"This long-term master stewardship agreement builds on a 40-year history of successful regional conservation partnerships between the NWTf and the Forest Service that have delivered on our organization's mission of conserving habitat for wild turkey and preserving our na-

tion's hunting heritage," said co-CEO Becky Humphries. "NWTf is proud to work with the Forest Service to enhance habitat and make America's forests healthier and safer, and to accelerate the pace and scope of this vital work."

The NWTf's work under this new agreement includes vegetation management and prescribed fire, aiming to improve forest health and fish and wildlife habitat while reducing wildfire risk. Through the agreement the NWTf will also support Forest Service efforts to promote commercial use of forest products, including transporting wood fiber from over-supplied areas to areas it can be used.

The NWTf will ensure investments are designed equitably and inclusively and support underserved communities and diverse part-

ners.
About the National Wild Turkey Federation

Since 1973, the National Wild Turkey Federation has invested over half a billion dollars into wildlife conservation and has positively impacted over 22 million acres of critical wildlife habitat. The NWTf has also invested over \$8.5 million into wild turkey research to ensure the wild turkey population remains healthy. The organization continues to deliver its mission by working across boundaries on a landscape scale to increase clean and abundant water, healthy forests and wildlife habitat, resilient communities, and robust recreational opportunities across the U.S. With the help of its dedicated members, partners and staff, the National Wild Turkey Federation will continue its work to provide Healthy Habitats and Healthy Harvests for future generations.

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BBB Tips: Don't let ransomware hold you hostage

Kelvin Collins

Better Business Bureau

Ransomware scams are again becoming popular and seem to be more vicious than ever. Just look at what happened with our gas prices. Ransomware is a virus that freezes your computer, holding it hostage until you pay a "ransom" to unlock it. Victims are consumers, businesses, and even government offices. Victims are reporting losses in the tens of thousands in versions of this scam that encrypts their files. The larger losses are incurred by businesses due to requirements to

protect their network and their customers' personal information.

The scam begins when you click on an infected advertisement, link or open an email attachment. Suddenly, a pop up appears. The screen tells you that all the files on your computer have been encrypted, making them useless unless you have a key to decode them.

For victims of ransomware, decoding your files doesn't come free or cheap. Victims report that total losses from the different versions range anywhere from \$200 to \$500,000.

Most versions of this scam demand payment in Bitcoin. Bitcoin is an online currency that is

decentralized, unregulated and anonymous, making it a new favorite method of payment for scammers. Like pre-paid debit cards and wire transfers, if you pay with Bitcoin, it's like paying in cash because it isn't tracked.

To remove the virus without paying the scammers, try running a full system scan on your computer to identify and delete the malicious files. If you are unable to remove the malware, you may need to contact a trustworthy computer repair shop for assistance. Victims may even have to wipe the machine's hard drive and reinstall files and software.

While completely avoiding ransomware scams may not be possible, you can take steps to minimize your risks by not downloading one. Here are some suggestions:

- Always use anti-virus software and a firewall. Protect your computer (and your cell phone) by using anti-virus software and a firewall from a reputable company.
- Update your software regularly. The regular reminders to update your browsers and other software are annoying, but they are for a good reason. These patches and updates protect against the constantly evolving viruses and system vulnerabilities. Most of these have automatic updates available.
- Enable popup blockers. Popups are regularly used by scammers to spread malware. Prevent them from appearing in the first place by adjusting your browser settings.
- Be skeptical. Don't click on email links or open attachments you don't recognize and

- avoid going to suspicious websites.
- Always back up the content on your computer. If you back up your files, ransomware scams will have limited impact. If you are targeted, you can simply have your system wiped clean and reload your files.
- Change default passwords on devices connected to your network. Some hackers troll the Internet looking for easy access to devices that still have the default passwords. Take the time to change any factory default passwords to a stronger unique password that cannot be easily guessed.
- Victims of ransomware scams can file complaints with the FBI's Internet Crime Complaint Center (IC3) at www.ic3.gov and find trustworthy computer repair shops at BBB.org.

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BIRTH



Chapel May Gleaton was born October 25, 2022.

Chapel May Gleaton

Chesley and Grace Gleaton of Springfield are proud to announce the birth of their daughter, Chapel May Gleaton. She was born at 4:05 p.m. on October 25, 2022 at Piedmont Augusta Hospital. She weighed 7 pounds, 12 ounces and was 21 inches long. Paternal grandparents are Chesley and Caren Gleaton of Denmark. Maternal grandparents are Luther and Kathy Gooze of Barnwell. Paternal great-grandparents are Elaine Cope of Denmark, the late Carl Cope, and the late Fritz and Jane Gleaton. Maternal great-grandparents are Victor and Sara Gooze of Allendale, Cecil Ayers of Barnwell, and Dennis and Judy Singleton of Wagener.

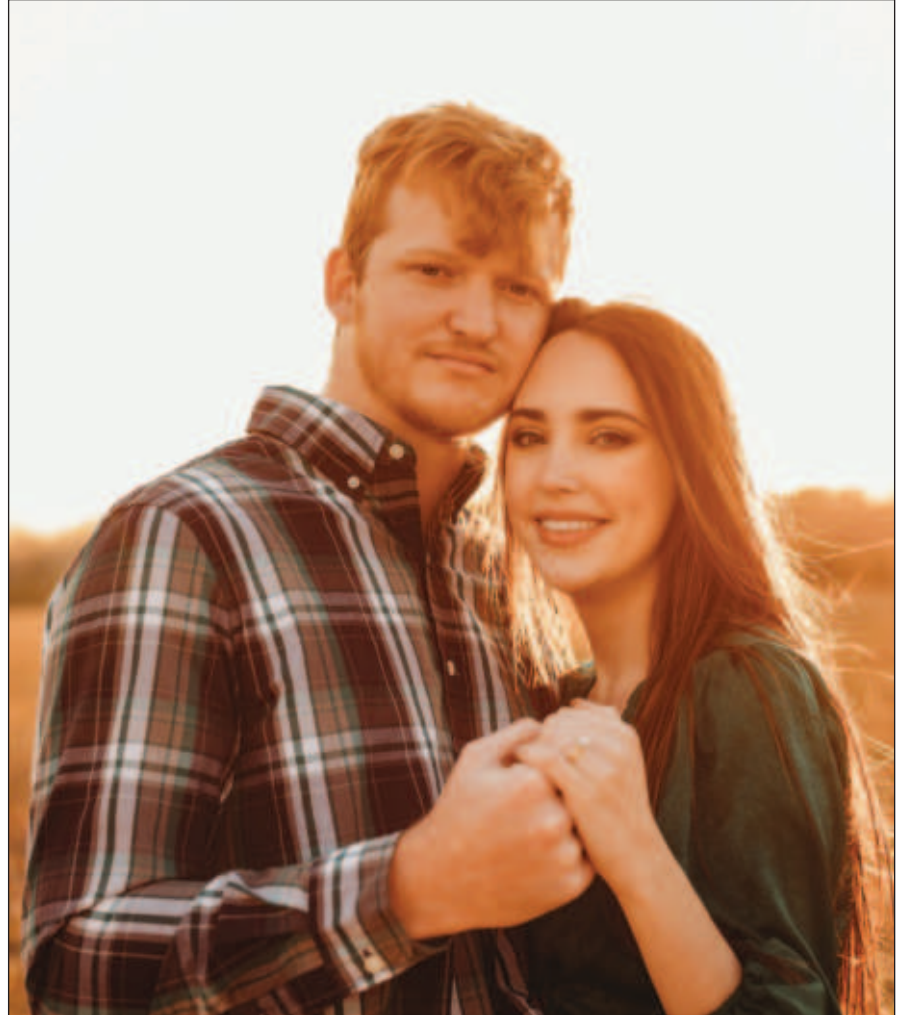
BIRTH

Agnes Winslow Alexander



William Hunter Alexander and Carson Masters Alexander of Barnwell are proud to announce the birth of their daughter, Agnes Winslow Alexander. Paternal grandparents are Don A. Alexander and Garnette Swann Alexander of Barnwell. Maternal grandparents are Ronald Masters and Ronda Masters of Evans, Ga., and Dr. Brian Phelan and Donna Phelan of North Augusta.

ENGAGEMENT



Jasper Lott and Catherine Arbogast are engaged to be married.

Catherine Arbogast, Jasper Lott

Charles and Catrina Arbogast of Barnwell are proud to announce the engagement and forthcoming marriage of their daughter, Catherine Marie Arbogast, to Jasper Samuel Lott. He is the son of Clint and Jan Lott of Williston. The couple got engaged on January 15, 2022 at Folly Beach. The bride-elect is a 2020 graduate of Williston-Elko High School. She is currently attending Lander University to study nursing and is employed by Lander University. The groom-elect is a 2022 graduate of Clemson University and earned his bachelor's degree in biological science from Clemson University. He is currently employed by Greenwood Commissioners of Public Works. The wedding ceremony will be held at 5 p.m. on December 17, 2022 at Barnwell First Baptist Church with reception following at Sweetwater Country Club in Barnwell.

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Secret Santa

If you live in Barnwell County and need assistance with Christmas for children ages 2-10, applications are available through the Barnwell County DSS office through November 11, 2022 (deadline). Must live in Barnwell County. This is not a government program, but a community program conducted by the Rotary Club of Barnwell County each year. If you (or your business, organization or church) are interested in sponsoring a child for Secret Santa, please email BarnwellRotary@gmail.com, contact any Rotarian you may know, or call Lynn S. McEwen at 803-300-2083. If you have eligibility questions, contact Barnwell County DSS at 803-541-1200.



Obituaries

Charles Richard Fail



worked at Milliken, and was a jack of all trades. Charles was always willing to help people out, and he will be greatly missed by his family and friends. He was a member of Memorial Baptist Church in Olar.

He is survived by his sons, Adam (Megan) Fail of Blackville and Troy Stevens of Bamberg; daughter, Mandy Fail of Orangeburg; grandchildren, Karley Fail, Weldon Fail, Benjamin Jenkins, Gracie Stevens, Lexi Laird, Samantha Stevens, and Bubba Stevens; sisters and brothers, Brenda McKesson of Greenwood, Lester and Shirley Fail of Barnwell, Marlene and Ronnie Elkins of Olar, Wayne and

BAMBERG - Charles Richard Fail, 62, of Bamberg, passed away October 31st, 2022. He was born on July 29th, 1960, to the late Charles Mack Vernon Fail and Chlotilde Fail.

Charles was an avid fisher and hunter. He loved his family. He was a diesel mechanic for Bamberg County and a millwright for Denmark Lumber Company. He also

Yvonne Birt of Olar, and Michael (Mickey) Fail of Olar; as well as numerous nieces and nephews. He is predeceased by his brother-in-law, James H. McKesson.

A visitation was held Sunday, November 6th, 2022, at Memorial Baptist Church in Olar at 2 p.m. followed by funeral services at 3 p.m. officiated by Rev. Charles Mosier. Pallbearers were Trace Baxley, Jeffery Baxley, Dylan Elkins, Charlie Birt, Daniel Elkins, and Shawn Fail.

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

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Rachel Ann Still

family dearly and she was an avid reader and bird watcher.

She is survived by her husband, Ruby Luther Still; children, Mark (Ami) Still of Barnwell, Patricia (Jamie) Fail of Olar, Martin (Jennifer) Still of Neeses, and Kimberly (Chris) Fail of Olar; grandchildren Tiffany (Alex) McCoy, Ciera Still, Alyssa Still, Brandi Padgett, Dustin (Christina) Fail, Heather (Greg) Briggs, Heath Still, Hunter (Courtney) Still, Maranda (Nicco) Kollar, Ryan (Rebekah) Fail, and Nick Fail; great-grandchildren Hartlyn Still, Asa Still, Teal McCoy, Wyatt McCoy, Zander Padgett, Jax Padgett, Kynley Fail, Judson Briggs, Lawson Still, Zoi Kollar, Mila Kol-

BARNWELL - Rachel Ann Still, 75, of Barnwell, passed away on November 3rd, 2022. She was born on February 26th, 1947, to the late James G. Powell and Rachel Barley Powell of Edgefield.

She was a member of Mt. Lebanon Christian Church and Friendship Baptist Church. She was dedicated to her church, taught Sunday School, and headed the nursery at one time. She loved her

lar, Iva Kollar, Casen Fail, and Rynlee Fail; brother, Warren (Carolyn) Powell of Summerville; sister, Frances Quarles of Edgefield; and many nieces and nephews.

A visitation was held Sunday, November 6th, 2022, from 5 to 7 p.m. at Mole Funeral Home. On Monday, November 7th, 2022, a visitation was held at 1 p.m. at Mt. Lebanon Christian Church, with funeral services following at 2 p.m. with Rev. Ron Franklin and Rev. Marshall Still officiating.

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

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Philip Calvin Grubbs



of Barnwell First Baptist Church. Phil was the owner of City Loan Company, he loved the outdoors, was an avid Gamecock Fan, and loved his family.

Funeral services will be held on Wednesday, November 9, 2022 at 3 p.m. in the Barnwell First Baptist Church with Dr. Bart Kelley officiating. Burial will follow in the Barnwell County Memorial Cemetery by the airport. The family will greet guests from 1:30 p.m. until 2:55 p.m. in the church on Wednesday. In lieu of flowers the family ask that memorials be made to the Barnwell First Baptist Church Soup Kitchen, 161 Allen St., Barnwell,

BARNWELL - Philip Calvin "Phil" Grubbs, 65, went to be with his Lord on Friday, November 4, 2022.

Phil was born on March 25, 1957 in Barnwell to Arden B. Grubbs and the late Mary Ann Hiers Grubbs. He graduated from Barnwell High School and attended Orangeburg-Calhoun Technical College. He was a faithful member

SC 29812 or the St. Jude's Children's Hospital at stjude.org.

Phil is survived by his son, Orry (Cortney) Grubbs of Barnwell; granddaughter, Cora Grubbs of Barnwell; father, Arden B. Grubbs; and many cousins and friends. Phil was predeceased by his mother, an uncle, Philip Jasper Hiers Jr., and grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. J.C.R. Grubbs and Mr. and Mrs. Jasper Hiers.

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

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Ms. Dorothy Reid



and Rehab, Williston.

Home Going Celebration for Ms. Dorothy Reid will be conducted on Friday, November 11, 2022, at 11 a.m. at Simmons Funeral Home of Williston, Inc. & Cremation Service. Burial will be in Ebenezer Baptist Church Cemetery. Visitation will be on Thursday, November 10, 2022, from 1 p.m. to 7 p.m. at Simmons Funeral Home of Williston, Inc. &

Cremation Service.

Family and friends may call the residence of her nephew, George Childs, at 108 Harold Street, Williston, S.C. 29853 or Simmons Funeral Home of Williston, Inc. & Cremation Service (14188 Main Street, Williston, SC 29853, 803-266-7808).

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Zany Zoo

How many differences can you find between the Zebratown Zoo and the Zanytown Zoo?

My Rhyme Time
Z is for the zebra
That kept Zoe busy.
She counted his stripes
Until she felt dizzy.

My Letters

Z is for Zebra
z is for zebra

Learning Buddies: Spell your child's first name, using the lines to write large letters. Use an uppercase letter for the first letter in the name and lowercase letters to spell the rest. Have your child trace the letters with a finger, crayon or pencil.

My Numbers

How many ?

How many ?

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.

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Healing Springs Baptist Church celebrates 250 years of faith



Donna-Maria Conzalina
Columnist

Imagine the world back when the Declaration of Independence was adopted by the Continental Congress in 1776. Now let your mind step back four years earlier, 1772 when, according to documented history, Healing Springs Baptist Church was organized.

As people from near and far gathered inside Healing Springs Baptist Church to celebrate its 250th Anniversary and Homecoming, Pastor Jeffery Ray prayed, "This is the oldest church in this area and I think most of us aren't going to be able to celebrate a 250th anniversary anywhere else anytime soon. So, this is a very special day that God is allowing us to be part of on this October the 9th (2022). We thank You Lord, as this church continues to thrive. What a blessing it is for me to be the pastor of this fellowship each week. Lord, let this be a day that is centered around You. We thank You for all Your blessings. We thank You Jesus, for coming and dying on that cross and changing lives so that we can be different."

"Different" was the morning's song selected and sung by the praise team. Lyrics in part stating, "...Take this beating heart and come and finish what You started. When

they see me, let them see You, cause I just want to be different ..."

Pastor Ray continued addressing the crowd by saying, "We're thankful for those who served and fought the good fight and they kept the faith over these last 250 years. We're thankful for those who presently serve; who continue to press on towards the mark and the finish line. And then we're also excited about the future, about what

grant from King George the Third.

The first congregation met on the banks of the Reeves Creek and they built a log structure around 1796 which later burned. Four other framed building structures were built for meetings before 1855 when construction on the present sanctuary began.

Within two years services were held inside. The church was designed and supervised by Israel



Contributed Photo

Photos By: Donna-Maria Conzalina



Pastor Ray and some of the church's devoted members.

God is doing and how He is working in our midst in this little country church called Healing Springs today."

The church is the oldest not only in Blackville but in Barnwell County. Originally called Edisto Church, and later renamed to reference The Healing Springs that flow on the land next to the church. Established by Reverend Nathaniel Walker, the first pastor who provided the land that was given to him; a deputy surveyor, by a

Walker, a descendant of Reverend Nathaniel Walker. Rooms were added in 1940 and 1967 along with the remodeling of the sanctuary. The original pews, sills and much of the lumber were hewn with broad axes. Some of the lumber was sawed at nearby Thomas Old Mill, where a water-powered sawmill was located. The original brick columns which stand so proudly in front of the sanctuary to this day were also handmade and continue

withstanding the ravages of time. And the lovely pulpit, unique in its design, was hand carved by Israel Walker himself.

At 93 years old, and a 50-year member, Elaine Sheldon said, "I love homecoming and this church. I've done just about everything here but preaching."

Sheldon's aunt originally owned most of the property nearby The Healing Springs and the Baptist Church, excluding The Healing Springs store. The springs, it's well known, are deemed to God. Going back a few years, Sheldon said she "donated roughly an acre of land behind the church for the little ones so they don't run out into the street. We have a lot of little children and without them a church won't grow."

Stephen L. Jowers Sr., whose dad used to hunt on the property where the church was originally founded at Walker Station, added "The Good Lord has blessed this church with young people who have young kids that continue to make our church grow. It's still standing and going when others are closing. It's a loving family fellowship here and we love to have people come in. We don't dress up pretty, we're just family."

Truitt Templeton, another proud member of the congregation, said, "I've been coming here from the time I was in my mother's womb." Quite literally as his mother was also a member.

Loose Stone Music inspirationally performed during the service with Mark Griffin on lead and rhythm guitar, harmony and lead vocals. Frontman John Rutland was on bass, lead and harmony vocals as well. He said, "My prayer is that if the Lord carries another 250 years that Healing Springs Baptist Church will be right here serving as soldiers for the Lord. It's a testament of God's providence for His people that we are here today. A lot of things have changed in 250 years, Some not for the better, but it's folks like us here today, striving on, praying, being the soldiers for the Lord that He called. That's how God's gospel

is going to go forth. And needs to go forth. Cause it's time for America to come back around."

With that said, applause and a sigh of 'Amen' echoed throughout the church.

Pastor Ray's wife, Joy Ray, who sings on the praise team and teaches the children, commented after the service, "To sit in a congregation that's older than the country we call home is a testament to God. I believe that we were founded as a Christian nation. God's Word does not go out void. Like today's message explained, God will build his church and a 250-year-old church proves it."

The day's message was given by Reverend Gary Anderson, Director of Missions for Edisto Association.

With highlights based on Matthew 16:13-18, he told the congregation, "God never intended for Christians to live in isolation. Just as sheep are to stay with the flock, kids are supposed to stay with the family, Christians are to be intimately involved in the church and it warms my heart today to see this church filled on this 250th anniversary."

Not only was the church filled, with extra seats placed in the aisles and some still standing, it was literally overflowing. People were standing outside around the church and in the parking lot. Many were listening on FM radio 105.9.

Three things Reverend Anderson highlighted on how to be rightly related with the church. "First, exalt the founder of the church. The Lord Jesus Christ." He continued saying, "Jesus asked His disciples 'Who do men say that I am?' Today, as it was 2,000 years ago, he explained, "There are all kinds of opinions about Jesus. But Jesus wasn't concerned about public opinion, Jesus just cared about personal conviction. So, He asked the second question: Who do you say that I am? And that's a deep question," the Reverend said. He then asked the congregation, "Who do you say Jesus is? The Apostle Peter got the answer right by saying 'You're the Christ, The Son of the Living God.' (Matthew 16:16). 'Peter's personal conviction led to his public confession. He confessed Jesus the same way we need to, to confess Jesus: publicly, boldly, outwardly and automatically.'"

Secondly, he told the crowd, "We need to express the faith of the church. It's not a matter of human reasoning, it's a matter of heavenly revelation. You don't come to Jesus by figuring, you come to Jesus by faith. You see, only God can open the eyes of the spiritually blind, open the ears of the spiritually deaf, and only God can give life to the spiritually dead."

"Thirdly" he said, "We need to be excited about the future of the church. The first mention Jesus made about the establishment of the church was when He said, 'I will build my church.' He gave the strongest possible guarantee. He didn't say I will build your church. He didn't say, you will build My church. He said, I will build My church. See, we're not building the church for Jesus Christ. Jesus is building the church for us. That's why we need to be excited about the church's future. Because Jesus is not only the founder of the church, He is the foundation of the church. What a privilege it is to be a part of what Jesus Christ Himself is building."

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After his message, Rev. Anderson gifted Pastor Ray with a small, glass encased and engraved globe for the church's 250th anniversary. The significance being, as he said, "One of the things Healing Springs Baptist Church has always been faithful about doing is carrying the message of Christ to not only this community but to the world. You have given almost half a million dollars in mission work to tell the world about Jesus. And so, as a little remembrance, I want to give you this globe in honor of your 250th anniversary. Let it be a reminder that the world may seem like a big place, but in Jesus' eyes, it's small because we have such a big God."

As the congregation prepared to go outside and celebrate under the tents with a wonderful picnic lunch catered locally by Dukes BBQ and members of the church, Pastor Ray said, "I appreciate all of you being here and in relation to our big day today there's so many I want to thank. I appreciate all their work, all they're planning, all their building, cleaning, and a lot of projects. It takes a lot of people to get things done; so, we appreciate each and everyone for being a part of this very special day."

And a very special day in this modern century it was.

Faith Column

Kindness is a Christlike attribute



Richard D. Lusby
Barnwell Branch President of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints

Recently I was in the parking lot of a local grocery store, when another driver parked, saw me, gave me a vulgar hand gesture, and began shouting various obscenities for all to hear. Clearly, I had done something to upset him, but I did not know what it was. This experience, along with watching world events, helped me to realize how badly the world needs to follow our Savior Jesus Christ's example of kindness.

The Savior was kind to all, condemning sin, not the sinner. The world needs more kindness and patience. Don't you feel better when you are kind to others? The Savior's greatest act of kindness is found in His atoning sacrifice. He did for us what we could not do for ourselves, freeing all from the effects of death and sin on condition of repentance.

We seem to live in an age when people are

embarrassed to admit they love God and desire to follow His example. Why are so many people critical of others? What purpose does it serve? Criticism becomes a habit, so natural people do not even think about it. They criticize others for insignificant things. We can be better.

I do not believe any of us are perfect people who will always say perfect things, have perfect thoughts, or perfect feelings. Being treated unkindly by another is no excuse to be unkind in return. We need to remember we are all children of the same God; we can provide encouragement, support, forgiveness, and service to each other as we press forward on our journey to return to our Heavenly Father. Kindness can change the destiny of another person.

The greatest work we will ever do is within the walls of our own homes and no amount of success outside the home will compensate for failure inside the home. Therefore, the greatest acts of kindness should be demonstrated within the walls of our own homes.

There is no substitute for kindness in the home. Our children need to witness love and kindness between their parents. The things you say, the tone of your voice, the anger or calm of your words—these things are noticed by your children. Nothing exposes our true selves more than how we treat one another in the home, especially how we treat our spouses. If children do not experience kindness from their mother and father, where should they expect to experience it? Home should be a place of emotional peace and safety where the spirit of God's love is felt and where kindness is certain.

Kindness is a Christlike attribute. It is when we yield to God's will and follow His example that His Spirit is felt. The Savior taught, "By this shall all men know that ye are my disciples, if ye have love one to another." This principle of having love one to another and developing our ability to be Christ-centered in how we think, speak, and act is fundamental in becoming disciples of Christ and teachers of His gospel by example.

Museum reports Smithsonian "Voices & Votes" exhibition a resounding success in Allendale

Laura J. McKenzie
Contributing Writer

USC-Salkehatchie reports that its six-week showing of the Smithsonian Institution traveling exhibition "Voices and Votes: Democracy in America" was a resounding success.

USC Salkehatchie was expressly chosen by South Carolina Humanities to host the exhibition as part of the Museum on Main Street project—a national/state/local partnership to bring exhibitions and programs to rural cultural organizations. The Allendale Rural Arts Team, Southern Carolina Alliance and USC-Salkehatchie worked together to bring the exhibit to Allendale as well as host the S.C. Humanities Festival.

Through a selection of photographs, objects, film, audio and interactive, "Voices and Votes" takes a broad look at the nearly 250-year-old American experiment of a government "of, by and for the people." From the revolution and suffrage, to civil rights and casting ballots, everyone in every community is part of this ever-evolving story—the story of democracy in America. Exhibition sections explore the origins of American democracy, the struggles to obtain and keep the vote, the machinery of democracy, the right to petition and protest beyond the ballot and the rights and re-

sponsibilities of citizens. "We're thrilled with the community's reaction to 'Voices and Votes,'" said event co-chair Lottie Lewis. "By hosting a Smithsonian exhibition at our institution, we were able to increase our attendance numbers and garner more exposure for Allendale County."

Anne Rice, event co-chair, said, "By working with South Carolina Humanities, local cultural organizations and businesses we were able to offer a wide variety of educational programs for the entire community. We hope to build on these experiences in future program plans."



Gloria P. Wright (right) won the Front Porch Decorating Contest hosted during the SC Humanities Festival and the Voices & Votes traveling exhibit. Wright was presented her prize by event co-chair Lottie Lewis.

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The porch of Gloria P. Wright was selected as winning entry in the Front Porch Decorating Contest.



Closing ceremonies were held at USC Salkehatchie on Oct. 21 for the Smithsonian traveling exhibit "Voices & Votes". Visiting the exhibit one more time before it was dismantled are (left to right) Dr. Sarah Miller of USC Salkehatchie, co-chairs Anne Rice (Southern Carolina Alliance) and Lottie Lewis (Allendale Rural Arts Team) and Jackson Alexander of USC Salkehatchie's Leadership Institute.

During closing ceremonies held on October 21 in the Atrium of USC

Salkehatchie, three Allendale County students and one resident were recog-

nized. Third grader Zoe Bunch, sixth grader Aid-

en Isham and 11th grader Trinity Mickell were presented first place awards for essays they had written on the exhibit and Democracy. Each of the students read their essays to the group assembled for the event.

Gloria P. Wright of Barnwell (a native of Allendale County) was presented with a \$100 prize as part of a Front Porch Decorating Contest.

Lewis and Rice also thanked USC Salkehatchie, Dominion Energy, SC Humanities, the Allendale County Historical Society, Allendale County Library, and the many volunteers and supporters who made the events possible.

"Voices and Votes" is

now on view at Clafin University in Orangeburg from Oct. 29 until Dec. 10.

The entire tour schedule can be found at: SITES Tour Schedule

"Voices and Votes: Democracy in America" is part of Museum on Main Street, a unique collaboration between the Smithsonian Institution Traveling Exhibition Service (SITES), state humanities councils across the nation, and local host institutions. To learn more visit museumonmainstreet.org, sites.si.edu, or South Carolina Humanities / Inspiring. Engaging. Enriching. (schumanities.org).

Support for Museum on Main Street has been provided by the United States Congress.



Trinity Mickell, an 11th grade student at Allendale-Fairfax High School, wrote the winning essay in the Voices & Votes contest. She was presented her prizes from Lottie Lewis of the Allendale Rural Arts Team and Sarah Miller of USC Salkehatchie.



Aiden Isham (center), a 6th grade student in Allendale County Schools, is presented his prizes for his winning essay in his age group from Sarah Miller of USC Salkehatchie (left) and Lottie Lewis of the Allendale Rural Arts Team.



Zoe Bunch (center) is a 3rd grade student in Allendale County who wrote the winning essay in her age group after visiting the Voices & Votes exhibit at USC Salkehatchie. Bunch was presented her prizes from Lottie Lewis of the Allendale Rural Arts Team and Sarah Miller of USC Salk.

South Carolina Farm Bureau women celebrate ladies and leadership

Allendale County residents Angel Brabham, Beverly Allen, Jordan Allen, and Dianne Duncan joined more than 100 women from across the state in Georgetown, October 2-4, for the South Carolina Farm Bureau Federation's annual Women's Leadership Conference. The group of women participated in workshops that highlighted Ag in the Classroom programs, offered personal development, and provided tools to promote agriculture in their counties.

The program opened with keynote speaker Kalena Bruce, a farm mom, former American Farm Bureau Young Farmer and Rancher committee chair and a CPA. Bruce recently ran for the United States House of Representatives, and she shared her story of volunteer leadership and inspired attendees to be advocates for agriculture. Following the keynote speaker, attendees heard from four county Women's Committee chairs as



Allendale County residents (L to R) Angel Brabham, Beverly Allen, Dianne Duncan and Jordan Allen (not pictured) joined more than 100 women from across the state in Georgetown, Oct. 2-4, for the S.C. Farm Bureau Federation's annual Women's Leadership Conference.

they shared insight into their success with their local programs.

New this year, two tracks were offered so the women could personalize their conference experience. The Agricultural Literacy track focused on Ag in the Classroom programs and resources while the Agribusiness and Advocacy track gave attendees tools for growing their business and being successful advocates for agriculture. The con-

ference concluded with a tour of the area, including stops at Brookgreen Gardens and Hobcaw Barony.

Farm Bureau Women at county, state and national levels coordinate agricultural education and promotional activities. Their work includes supporting important legislation for family farmers, youth programs, educational activities, leadership development and commodity promotions.

"Farm Bureau women

work hard to advance agriculture in South Carolina," said Agricultural Literacy and Women's Program director, Elizabeth Wood. "Their knowledge of and interest in family farms contributes so much to the organization, as they work for the future success of agriculture in our state."

The SCFB Women's Leadership Program works through the organization's volunteers to tell the farm story through education and advocacy with children and youth. The SCFB Women's Leadership program is one of many purpose activities sponsored by the South Carolina Farm Bureau Federation.

South Carolina Farm Bureau is a grassroots, non-profit organization that celebrates and supports family farmers, locally grown food and our rural lands through legislative advocacy, education and community outreach. The organization, founded in 1944, serves nearly 90,000 member families in 47 chapters. For more information, please visit www.scfb.org.

Show presents story of Harriett Tubman



Natalie Daise performed "Becoming Harriett Tubman, a one-woman, five-character show about Ariminta Ross' evolution into Tubman on Oct. 8 at the Carolina Theatre in Allendale. This was presented by the Allendale Rural Arts Team, S.C. Humanities, and USC Salkehatchie.



Butts 1st Place
Casual Smokers
Pitmaster: Jamie Mintz

Butts 2nd Place
Fallout BBQ
Pitmaster: Phillip Mason

Butts 3rd Place
Blazin' Bullets Barbeque
Pitmaster: Ken Hilliard

Butts 4th Place
Monkey Bottom Boys
Pitmaster: George Ray

Butts 5th Place and People's Choice
What A Pit BBQ
Pitmaster: Jerome Furnace

Ribs 1st Place:
Monkey Bottom Boys
Pitmaster: George Ray

Ribs 2nd Place
Blazin' Bullets Barbeque
Pitmaster: Ken Hilliard

Ribs 3rd Place
Casual Smokers
Pitmaster: Jamie Mintz

Ribs 4th Place
Sadie Beth Barbeque Company
Pitmaster: Gage Blue

Anything Butt 1st Place
Casual Smokers
Pitmaster: Jamie Mintz

Anything Butt 2nd Place
Holt Brothers BBQ
Pitmaster: Justin Holt

Anything Butt 3rd Place
All Smoked Up
Pitmaster: Gary Taylor

Winners

Alexandra Whitbeck
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Over 500 people attended the South Carolina Barbecue Association sanctioned event in total. Roughly 100 of those attendees came from surrounding areas like Aiken, Augusta, and North Augusta, according to online ticket pre-sales.

One person even flew into the Barnwell Regional Airport just to be at BBQ, Blues, & Boos.

"It was kind of neat to see that a big chunk of folks were coming from outside of the county," said Bob Snead, Director of Programming at the Palmetto Innovation Center, who put on the event in conjunction with the Southern Palmetto Regional Chamber and a handful of proud sponsors.

All proceeds from BBQ, Blues, & Boos will "go right back into the work that we're doing in the community here to grow businesses and create a thriving com-

munity here," according to Snead.

"We're having a program that we're starting at the beginning of next year, Propel Business Lab, which is a 12-week business accelerator for emerging entrepreneurs," said Snead. "Funds from this event will help support that."

Snead aimed to make this event a regional attraction rather than a local event, and built upon the past Palmetto Pig Pickin' run by Southern Palmetto Regional Chamber Director, Terri Smith, who played a major role in bringing BBQ, Blues, & Boos together.

"We had a big crop of

folks who were coming to play cornhole," said Snead.

The cornhole competition proved to be a success with 32 total players hailing from Barnwell and beyond. According to Snead, all are excited to compete again next year.

In the meantime until next year's BBQ, Blues, & Boos, Snead plans to explore other barbeque events in the state to learn how to make year two even better.

Winners of each category were awarded with a monetary prize and a wooden trophy handmade by Snead at the Palmetto Innovation Center.

Barbeque cooks from across the state loaded their trailers and stocked their smokers for Barnwell's inaugural BBQ, Blues, & Boos event held at the Gail Reyes Center on Oct. 28 and Oct 29.

Aside from a barbeque showcase with free food from the cooks, a cornhole competition, and an array of beers to try, guests also enjoyed music from talented blues singers.

SC legends like Mac Arnold & Plate Full O' Blues took the stage next to rising talent like 12-year-old local Rylan Thomas.



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Shamrock: Old Blackville hotel demolished

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Photo Courtesy: Blackville Heritage Museum and the Blackville Historical Society

The Shamrock Hotel in its heyday when Blackville served as a destination for travelers and businessmen along the train line from Charleston to Hamburg.



A mug the late Ray Miller had made to garner support for the revival of the Shamrock Hotel in the 1990s. Also shown is a bowl used at the Shamrock during its heyday throughout the beginning half of the 18th century which is marked with a signature four-leaf clover.

major part of this concept was the preservation of the octagonal tile mosaic floor with 'The Shamrock Hotel' written across in a dark green.

Although efforts were made to arrange preservation tactics prior to demolition, miscommunication between town officials, the demolition team, and community members, alongside uncertainty when it would be taken down, led to no solid plan being in place to save pieces of the hotel.

Only one of the cement pots that sat atop columns along the building's terrace was able to be preserved amidst the rubble of bricks and fragments of octagonal tiles. It currently sits at the Blackville Heritage Museum.

Mayor Pernell is open to ideas on how to save the history of the Shamrock, even post-demolition.

The Shamrock Hotel officially closed in 1967 and had been steadily decaying ever since. With its closure, and the societal switch from trains to cars, the town has been suffocated ever since.

The question of demolition or preservation has been in conversation since the 80s when the roof caved in early one Sunday morning. The People-Sentinel documented the collapse on the front page of that week's newspaper.

When current Barnwell County Councilman David Kenner was the mayor of Blackville from 1999 to 2003, he recalled securing funds to reconstruct the building into something entirely new.

However, the push to restore the Shamrock back to a hotel was strong and the community rejected Kenner's plan.

In 1995, The People-Sentinel reported the Shamrock Hotel was named one of the 11 most endangered historic sites in SC by the state department of Archives and History. The building was nominated to this list by former executive director of the Blackville Community Center, Charles Brooks.

The late Ray Miller, founder of Miller's Bread Basket in Blackville, tried to organize its revival through his non-profit, Historical Business Ventures Inc. and secured \$35,000 to build the trusses that later held the face of the building up for decades, according to an August 1997 article written by Pat Butler for The State.

Although Miller tried diligently to save the building, funding for the million dollar project could not be acquired to do so.

The recognizable face of the building was covered in four-leaf clover planted by Miller to pay homage to its Irish origin until its demolition.

Jack Farrell opened the Shamrock Hotel 110 years prior to "capitalize upon railroad travelers like traveling salesmen and produce buyers doing business in town," according to a historical marker in Blackville.

Blackville was on the rail line from Charleston to Hamburg, and the establishment of the Shamrock Hotel turned the small town into a desirable destination.

The three-story building with 30 rooms each with their own bathroom was described as elegant and handsome, and served as a hub for certain members of the community. Epp's Drug Store operated on the lower level and the hotel was in full-swing upstairs.

In 1958, Hugh W. Quattlebaum and his family bought the hotel. Hugh's wife, Myrtle Quattlebaum, documented the history of the building in 2009.

"During its heyday, the lobby of the Shamrock was a gathering place for

some of the locals as well as guests of the hotel. There were several tables for writing or playing games, and a pool table in the back of the lobby. A lively game of poker was often enjoyed after dinner in the convivial atmosphere. The built-in registration desk was near the front. The floor was of white ceramic tile with 'The Shamrock' spelled out in green tiles near the lobby entrance, and the ceiling was of white embossed metal. The front portion of the ground level contained two offices, the hotel main entrance, and a pharmacy on Main Street. There was an office on the Walker Street side which was occupied several times by beauty salons and finally an electronics shop. There was also a Walker Street entrance to the hotel," wrote Quattlebaum.

After the Quattlebaums ownership, the building was bought by the Phoenix Preservation Group who owned it briefly in an attempt to restore it. However, it was ultimately sold to the Town of Blackville.

For some, memories of the Shamrock Hotel are shrouded in fizzy drinks from the marble soda fountains in Epps Drug Store. For others, the building resembled a time where society wasn't as equal.

"That was the first time I experienced racism," said Blackville resident and Blackville Community Development Corporation member Pearlina Lee of her childhood memories of Epps Drug Store.

Lee explains in the early 1960s, less than a decade before the hotel closed, that Black residents would shop in town on the weekends while their kids would walk around the bustling town.

"We got a dime or something, so we just ran around to different stores, getting a little candy or stuff like that," said Lee.

"I went down to Epps Drug Store as a kid, the

little shiny bar stools ran in there and we were putting in our little orders for ice cream and stuff, and I got on the stool," said Lee. "This man came from behind the counter and told me to, 'get up and get out of that stool now, I'm gonna call the police on you.'"

"Oh, that traumatized me," said Lee, who was eight or nine at the time and is about to turn 67.

Lee never told her parents, and spent a long time looking over her shoulder out of fear the police were coming to arrest her.

"I was just so scared the police officers were coming to get me," said Lee. "I never went back in there."

For Lee, seeing the Shamrock come down was like seeing the Confederate flag voted to be removed from the state capitol building in July 2015.

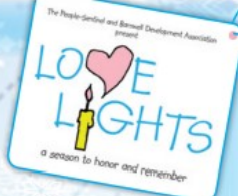
"We just didn't have the same place, the white kids could go in there with their friends and sit down, have milkshakes and sit around and enjoy," said Lee. "We couldn't do that."

"Most of the Black community, they didn't care too much for it," said Mayor Pernell. "I wasn't brought up in that era that they were not allowed to stay there, but they remember they were allowed to go in, pick up an item, and get out. They couldn't sit down, they couldn't stay there. So, it is a mixed emotion."

When the Shamrock Hotel closed in 1967, Blackville's economy began to slowly turn downward too. Some hope with its demolition comes revitalization.

"Blackville has existed a long time and we should be a little further ahead than we are now," said Lee.

The Shamrock Hotel is now a pile of bricks on Main Street. Its remnants hold memories of both joy and pain for Blackville residents, but regardless of sentiment many want to see a flourishing business rise where it once stood.



Let Your Love Light Shine

Welcome to the Love Lights Christmas Program!

Christmas is a special time to remember the people we love, either living or deceased. The luminary bags around the tree on the "Circle" in Downtown Barnwell will shine brightly as a reminder of that special love.

You may decorate a luminary bag with your loved ones name. The bags will be filled with sand & a tea light and placed around the Christmas tree during the Christmas Downtown Program. A donation of \$10 or more per bag will benefit our local elders.

LIGHTING CEREMONY

You are invited to join us for the lighting ceremony on Saturday, December 3, 2022 from 4-7 p.m. on the circle.

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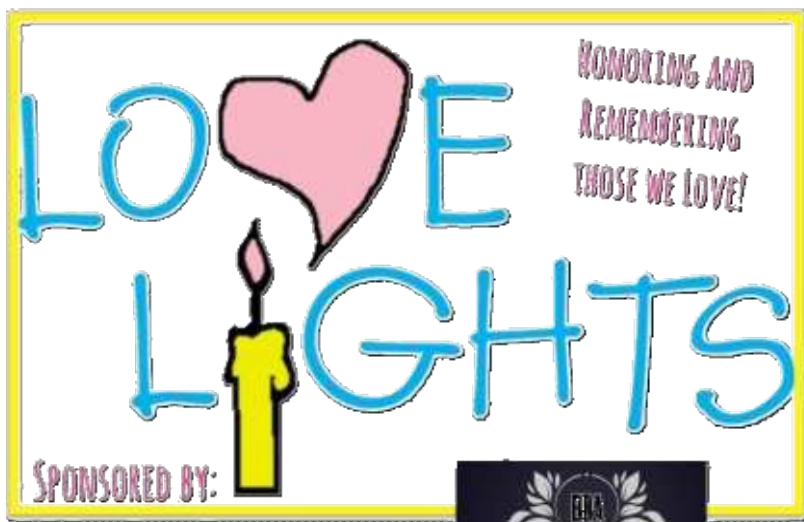
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YMCA Haunted Trail draws nearly 1,000 kids for spooky fundraiser



Sisters Ella and Adaline Poole of Barnwell pose for a photo with Chasity Still, Melissa Easterling, and Caroline Randall, who dressed as the Sanderson sisters from the "Hocus Pocus" movie.



The Barnwell County Family YMCA held its 3rd Annual Trick or Treat and Haunted Halloween Trail on Friday, Oct. 28. The event raised over \$1,000 for their YMCA's Annual Campaign which helps the community. "We are so appreciative and thankful for our staff, board members, and volunteers that help make this a success year after year," said Chantsie Pickelsimer, director of the Barnwell YMCA.



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Gangs: Barnwell County students learn lesson on gangs

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Dr. A.V. Strong asks volunteers from Williston-Elko High School to assist in his discussion around gang violence.



Dr. A.V. Strong speaks with Barnwell High School students about the dangers of gang influence.

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can affect, not just them, but others that are connected with them," said GBMS Principal Mike Beasley.

Dr. Strong carries a duffle bag of colored bandanas with him to events; each given to him by a gang member who opted to change their narrative after his influence.

Each bandana once held significance to its owner as it represented their gang affiliation. Now, it sits in Dr. Strong's duffle bag being used to show that leaving a gang is possible.

However, there are two bandanas in the bag that represent death rather than starting over— one belonged to an 18-year-old named Dwight, who died from 13 stab wounds by a rival gang.

"This young man died over a rag," said Dr. Strong. Dwight's death was the first Dr. Strong had ever witnessed, and he carries his friend's bandana to be reminded of his senseless death.

Some students gasped and winced at the experiences that Dr. Strong shared, others were focused on each word he said. Silence followed by shock fell upon the auditorium when he told the story of his brother,



Dr. A.V. Strong stands with BCSO Captain Darren Towne, Sheriff Steve Griffith, and BSD 45 Superintendent Dr. Crissie Stapleton.

Michael, who was beaten so badly by a rival gang that brain matter exited his skull.

Dr. Strong is in this line of work to honor his brother, and stand as a symbol for gang members who may want to change their narrative as he did.

"Dr. Strong is a living testimony that education is the best way to make your life better. Dr. Strong showed our kids that no obstacle in your life's journey is too big to overcome - not even a life of gang activities, crime, and poverty. Through the

power of education and faith, he went from a potential high school dropout to a man who has now received his doctorate," said BHS Principal Franklin McCormack.

Dr. Strong told BHHS students about the factors against him in high school as a young Black man, and how it was an active choice to defy those odds. He explains students today are facing the same gang-related challenges he faced in his youth.

"The only thing that changes about gangs is the year they operate,"

said Dr. Strong.

After the conversation, BHHS students began asking Dr. Strong questions such as, "Have you ever killed someone?" and "Did you ever feel like taking revenge?" all of which he answered honestly.

Students felt comfortable enough to ask the questions they wanted answers to, which spoke to Dr. Strong's initial goal of holding a conversation rather than a speech.

"Dr. Strong's presentation was informative, real, and impactful. He

reached our students on levels they could relate to and kept them engaged, and they were able to ask questions that were thought provoking and honest," said BHHS Principal Christina Snider. "We are glad that he was able to share his story with our students and let them know there is an alternative to gang life."

He thanked the educators and law enforcement who made this possible. Dr. Strong shares his story with students through a partnership with BCSO, Barnwell District 45, and Barnwell County Consolidated School District.

"Dr. Strong facilitated an engaging dialogue with our middle and high school scholars using his experiences with gang culture," said Williston-Elko High School Principal Tony Flowers. "Williston-Elko High School is thankful for the partnership as we continue to help promote a positive

culture and guidance for our scholars as they move through life."

"We're all partners trying to do whatever we can for the youth of this country," said Sheriff Griffith, who has coordinated these events alongside Reverend Donald Goode of St. Mary's Baptist Church in Martin and pastoral committees.

"We are so grateful to Sheriff Steve Griffith and Reverend Donald Goode who helped coordinate this opportunity for our students. We appreciate them always partnering with us and being champions for our children," said Dr. Stapleton.

In August, Dr. Strong spoke with BSD 45 and BCCSD educators and administrators about the signs and signals of gang influence in schools. BCSO, BSD45, BCCSD, and their partners in this effort all hope to continue bringing gang violence awareness programs to Barnwell County.

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PLAYER SPOTLIGHT
Molly Wilson
Guinyard-Butler Middle



Grade: 8th grade
Sports: GBMS Cheerleading & BHS Competition Cheerleading
Favorites...

***Food:** Chicken Tenders
***Movie/TV show:** To All The Boys I've Loved Before
***Snack:** Strawberries
***Coaches:** Amy Williams and Kenzie Parler

***Free time activity:** Spending time with my friends and my brother, Kaleb Wilson.

***Musician:** Tate McRae

Goal for this season: I plan to enjoy each moment on and off the mat with my team and create some unforgettable memories. I also hope to grow and improve in the sport that I love.

Coach's quote: "Molly is a super star in the making and already a huge asset to BHS cheer. She shows the drive, talent, and love for the sport that should take her anywhere she wants to go in the future." - Amy Williams, BHS competitive cheer coach

Te'shaun Sutton
Barnwell High School



Grade: 12th
Sport: Football
Favorites...

***Food:** Chicken Alfredo and Tacos
***Movie/TV shows:** Fast and Furious series, Family Guy, The Cleveland Show
***Snack:** Honey Bun, Strawberry Shortcake

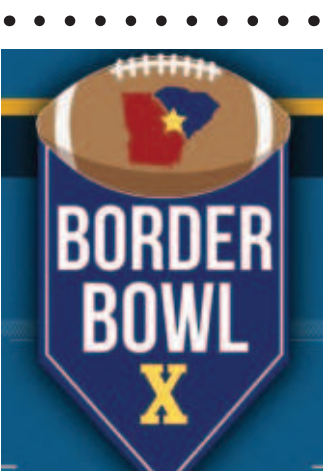
***Coaches:** Coach Garrick, Coach Corley, Coach Youngblood, Coach Davis

***Free time activity:** Watching Youtube and watching football

***Musicians:** Rod Wave, Lil Baby, Lil Durk, NBA Youngboy, Polo G

Goal for this season: Win the State Championship

Coach's quote: "Te'shaun has played well for us this year and is a big part of our success running the football. He comes to practice and works each week to get better. He has progressed as a player as much as anyone on our team." - BHS football coach Dwayne Garrick



Local football players selected to play in the Georgia/South Carolina Border Bowl:

- **Barnwell High:** Jaden James, Maurice Odom, Clay Pender, Tyler Smith
- **Blackville-Hilda:** Joseph Simmons
- **Williston-Elko:** Chris Davis

Selected for the cheerleading team is **Jayla Neal** of Barnwell High.

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Barnwell Bombers place second at tournament, Inside, 2B



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Barnwell blasts Bishops 42-7

Jeff Miller
 Sports Writer

For many years, the Barnwell Warhorse fans have hated hearing two words, Bishop England.

Bishop England meant losses for the Barnwell players, coaches, and loyal fans who made the trek to Charleston. It did not matter which sport. Volleyball, soccer, and definitely football teams from Barnwell would end their seasons playing Bishop England in the playoffs. But, oh how times have changed.

The Barnwell Warhorses were a heavy favorite against the visitors from Charleston on Friday, November 4. Barnwell entered the night undefeated at 10-0 while Bishop England entered the night as the big underdog. Barnwell did not disappoint, beating the Battling Bishops by an impressive 42-7 score to advance to the second round of the South Carolina AA playoffs.

Barnwell established their dominance early by scoring first and often in the first half. The Horses started their opening drive with great field position following a huge punt return from Clay Pender that gave the Warhorses possession on the Bishops' 42-yard line. Tyler Smith's first carry resulted in the first score of the game, when he took the handoff from QB Cam Austin and bolted 42 yards for the touchdown. Lane Evans added the extra point and Barnwell led 7-0. Smith scored again on a 48-yard run that put Barnwell up 14-0 after the Evans kick. The first quarter ended with Barnwell leading 14-0.

The second quarter started much like the first ended. Barnwell's defense stopped the Bishops' drive and then Smith ran for a 64-yard touchdown. The Evans extra point made it 21-0 in favor of the home Horses. Barnwell would score again on their next possession making the score 28-0 on another Smith rushing touchdown from 17 yards and another Evans extra point.

Bishop England did get on the scoreboard in the second quarter, but only after a Warhorse turnover and a short field starting position. Barnwell took a 28-7 lead into the half. The hard-hitting Warhorse defense did not have an easy time against the Bishops, but came up with big play after big play when needed, most of the night, but not on this drive. They would not allow them to score again for the rest of the game.

The second half was more of the first half, with Barnwell scoring on an 80-yard run from Smith. A few plays later, Clay Pender came up with an important interception that stopped a Bishop England drive. Barnwell went on to score on a drive that ended with a 6-yard touchdown run for Tyler Smith's sixth touchdown of the night.

Smith finished with 22 carries for 355 yards and 6 touchdowns behind a strong performance from the offensive line. The line was able to make good blocks up front and that was all Smith needed. Barnwell's offensive line has played well most of the year, but has really been performing at a high level over the last several weeks. The defense was led by Maurice Odom who had 9 tackles and a sack, Jaden James with 6 tackles, a sack, and 2 pass break ups, Seth Ray added 5 tackles, an interception, and 2 passes broken up, and Omari Hagood contributed 5 tackles and had 2 sacks. But there were many other Warhorse defenders that added to the



Photo Courtesy: Jerry Holmes

Warhorse's Jaden James makes a great play breaking up a Bishop England pass in Barnwell's 42-7 win.



Photo Courtesy: Mindy Sandifer

Omari Hagood had two sacks against the Bishops.



Barnwell's Tyler Smith ran for a season high 6 touchdowns against Bishop England. Photo: Jerry Holmes

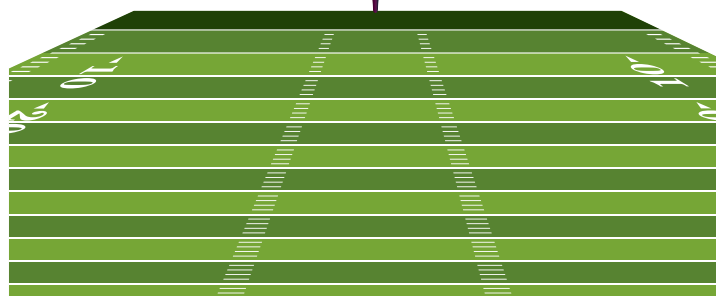
solid defensive effort. Twenty different Barnwell defenders recorded a tackle or an interception.

"Last week was a good win for us. The second-round game verses a 9-2 Andrews will be a tough physical game. They run out of the I formation and run the triple option so we will have to be disciplined," said Barnwell head coach Dwayne Garrick.

With the win, Barnwell remains unbeaten at 11-0 and will face Andrews High School Saturday, November 12 at Barnwell's W.W. Carter Field. Kickoff is set for 1 p.m. Come out and support your Barnwell Warhorses as they hope to advance in the AA State Playoffs.

FOOTBALL PLAYOFF SCHEDULE

Saturday, November 12
 Andrews at Barnwell - 1:00 p.m.



Barnwell Bombers place second at tournament

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The Barnwell Bombers 8u travel baseball team played in the Jay Criscione Select Super NIT tournament October 29-30.

There were 18 8u teams in the tournament and the Bombers finished second out of all of them. There were teams from three different states in this tournament, including South Carolina, North Carolina, and Georgia. They went 4-1, losing only in the championship game.

"Our young men didn't have an easy path the whole tournament, drawing two big teams on Saturday pool play and then playing two top teams in the state of South Carolina on Sunday to make it to the championship game. Our young men battled hard every single game and put everything they had into it," said Coach Chris Yancey.

The team has come a

long way in one year. "It comes from hard work with these players, dedication from the coaching staff, dedication from the parents, and all of our unbelievable sponsors that support these young men! I speak for all of our coaches in saying that these players represented our small town honorably and made us very proud! It was our last fall tournament and what a way to ended it," said Yancey.

The team will return to playing in the spring.

Barnwell Bombers (left to right): (bottom row) Kullen Polk (bat boy), Ryder Carroll, Maddox Ashby, Knox Bolen, Jackson Renew, Kipper Polk; (middle row) Breed Folk, Connor Still, Rylan Lacroix, Axle Myers, Daniel Anastasia; (top row) Michael Polk, Chris Yancey, Jamie Ashby, Dave Anastasia, Ed Jones (The Coach's Coach).



Blackville native named to Athletic Hall of Fame

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Blackville native Steve Lott will be inducted into the Athletic Hall of Fame at Western Carolina University (WCU) in November.

Lott, now retired, served as the head coach of women's golf at WCU from 1998 to 2010 as well as the Director of Golf beginning in 2004.

During his over two decades of coaching, Lott led two Southern Conference Women's Golf Championships in 2003 and 2007. He was also a three-time Southern Conference Women's Golf Coach of the Year.

"It means everything when you work at a place like that and put your heart and soul into it," said Lott. "After 12 years, it just kind of validates all the things that you did and if you have a love for the place, it really means a lot."

Before he led WCU women's golf to many victories, Lott's career in coaching started in a friend's restaurant.

"One day I was sitting in a restaurant that some friends owned and the golf coach was in there. He coached the men's and women's team, and he was looking for somebody to volunteer to take one of the teams to practice because he couldn't take them both," said Lott.

"And my friend that owned the restaurant recommended that I do it, and that's kind of how it got started," he said.

Lott and his wife, WCU

Professor of Psychology and Williston native Dr. Mickey Randolph moved to the Cullowhee, N.C. area of the Smoky Mountains where WCU is located 35 years ago and fell in love with the area.

"If anybody's ever been to Western Carolina University, they won't forget it, because it is the most beautiful place," said Lott. "It's probably one of the most beautiful campuses in the country."

Although his love for the mountains grew with his location change, Lott's love of golf grew in Blackville.

"I think golf in Barnwell County is about different than it is anywhere, especially back in the sixties, seventies and eighties, they just loved golf," said Lott.

Lott was growing up when the Savannah River Site (SRS) first opened, and he remembers Blackville being full of kids around his age and "just a great place to grow up."

When Lott was in second grade, his family was the first to move on to the Blackville Country Club, a nine-hole golf course established in 1959.

This club and course no longer exist, but Lott remembers a childhood filled with the sport.

"As little kids we went out and we played at the golf course, whether it was playing golf or just playing out there, so it's what I knew my whole life," said Lott.

"My whole world revolved around golf. In Barnwell County, golf was kind of like a cult back then. Each town had these



Blackville native Steve Lott, shown here receiving Southern Conference Women's Golf Coach of the Year a few years ago, will be inducted into the Athletic Hall of Fame at Western Carolina University.

people that were just die hard golfers that were very involved in their clubs and they were there three or four days a week playing against each other," said Lott.

The clubs Lott is referring to existed in Williston, Barnwell, and Blackville, each having their own course.

"Blackville had a little nine-hole course, and Williston had one, and Barnwell had one. You had all of this kind of middle class, upper middle class population that worked at Savannah River Plant. And it was just a big part of the

community," said Lott.

Lott explains both of his parents were avid golfers as well. His mother played in many club championships every year.

He feels the emphasis around the sport when he was growing up was due to a lack of other recreational opportunities.

Lott worked at SRS for 13 years before moving with his wife to the WCU area, and feels his position at coaching was true happiness.

"Really and truly, if they'd done a national search, they would never have hired somebody that

didn't have a college education. I was just determined that if I was gonna do it, to try to do it to the best of my ability," said Lott.

"Luckily the internet happened at that time, and by chance I learned how to navigate the Scandinavian Golf sites," said Lott. "I couldn't read a word of it. But I could read statistics and scores."

This discovery led the WCU women's golf team from being "worst to first" in only two years.

"I would stay up at three or four o'clock in the morning going through these European junior golf sites until I figured out how to start recruiting them," said Lott.

"We went from being the worst team in the nation, to the next year we were a lot better. And then the same in the third year, and this is after starting to recruit Scandinavian players," said Lott.

Lott was one of the first mid-majors to start recruiting players from Scandinavia.

He first attributed many accomplishments in the women's golf program at WCU to luck during an interview with *The People-Sentinel*, and then states, "There had to be a little more to it than luck."

Lott attributes these accomplishments to the dedication of the student-athletes he coached.

"Seeing the excitement when they achieve something they've worked so hard for, I mean it's pretty moving," said Lott. "I did a lot of crying as a coach and it wasn't because I was sad about something. It was

because I was excited for what they accomplished."

Lott finds that student-athletes have to learn how to manage their time between their sport and their education to be successful in both.

Aside from coaching the WCU team, Lott remained involved in many other areas of the sport.

"Once I retired, I continued to be the tournament director of the tournament for Wofford College," said Lott. "And I started a match play tournament for The Citadel down in Charleston, the whole tournament is based on an oyster shuck and barbecue."

This tournament-barbecue combination starts with a day of playing, and then a night of low country boiling and oyster shucking, followed by a championship round the next day.

"It's turned into a really big deal. We've got a waiting list for that tournament now. It's just kind of South Carolina hospitality and they really enjoy it," said Lott.

Lott has also served as the tournament director of the Southern Conference Championship for the last six years. He finds one of the strongest sports in the conference is women's golf.

Lott's love of the sport will continue throughout his retirement from coaching and now immortalization in the WCU Athletic Hall of Fame.

WCU's Hall of Fame Weekend is scheduled for November 18 to 19 during the Catamounts' home football game against Chattanooga.



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 Eleanor's Corner

Barnwell cross country finishes good season

Jeff Miller
Sports Writer

The Barnwell cross country team, coached by Luke Catoe, finished their 2022 season last Friday, November 4 at the Cross Country State Qualifying meet held in Newberry. Runners from many local and not-so-local schools ran, hoping to qualify for the State meet.

The Warhorses brought eight runners to the qualifying competition. BHS runners included Rashaun Buckmon, Josh Carillo, Antwan Williams, Kazor Morgan, Jacob Sanders, Peyton Wood, Hutson Harvey, and Kaydrian Poplin.

Several Warhorse runners posted good times, but did not qualify for the State competition. Barnwell's top runner was Rashaun Buckmon. Buckmon was Barnwell's fastest runner throughout most of the season.

Kaydrian Poplin was the only female runner



Members of the Barnwell Warhorse cross country team at their end of the season banquet. Jeff Miller / Sports Writer



Photo Courtesy: Luke Catoe
AT RIGHT: Rashaun Buckmon has consistently been Barnwell's top runner this year.



from Barnwell to go to this meet, but she has consistently been one of Barnwell's best runners over the last two years, often beating some of her male counterparts.

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Photo Courtesy: Sarah Poplin
AT LEFT: Kaydrian Poplin has been one of Barnwell's best runners over the last two years.

Former Warhorse selected as USA South Conference Defensive Player of the Week

Jeff Miller
Sports Writer

Ernest Smith II, a 2020 Barnwell High School graduate, was a defensive star for the Warhorses.

If the opponents did not know his name before the game, they sure would know it after, as Ernest was known for his hard-hitting play at defensive tackle, but more impressively, his never quit attitude. Ernest would get stronger and stronger as the game progressed. His toughness and ability to stop the run and rush the passer, got Ernest selected to the Georgia/South Carolina Border Bowl.

Ernest took his football game to the next level and now plays for the Brevard College Tornados of the USA South Conference. The conference selected Ernest as the USA South Conference Defensive Player of the Week last week. Ernest Smith II recorded 2.5 sacks for a total of 17 lost yards in the Tornados 24-21 win over Maryville. Smith was a huge factor in the win.

When asked about playing college football and the recent award, his response was a typical Ernest Smith II answer, very humble and very sincere. "First I would like to thank you for giving me this opportunity to have this article in my local newspaper," he started, then wanted everyone to know where he started and said, "Once a Warhorse, always a Warhorse!" which Barnwell players and fans understand.



Ernest Smith II was a strong defensive presence for the Warhorses.

Michael Young / Sports

Ernest's mother, Sheila Smith, said he often goes back to BHS to visit with coach Dwayne Garrick, who she says is "...a positive influence and role model for him as they continue to stay in contact."

"He is the toughest kid who has played here since I have been at Barnwell. He is dependable, never misses practices or workouts, and comes ready to work," said Coach Garrick when asked about Ernest. Coach Garrick jokingly said, "The only problem we ever had with Ernest was trying to slow him down, because his motor always runs at full speed." High praise, indeed, from a coach who has seen some of the best.

When asked about the college game compared to high school, Smith re-



USA South Athletic Conference "Former warhorse and current Brevard College Tornado defensive Tackle, Ernest Smith was selected as the USA South Conference Defensive Player of the Week.

sponded, "In many ways it's similar. It requires

hard work and determination and staying focused on my schoolwork." He offered this advice to potential college athletes, "Stay heavily focused on your academics while you were in high school, and never take no as a final answer. Anything worth having and doing requires hard work and determination."

Ernest is a junior at Brevard majoring in criminal justice and minoring in sports management. He credits his family with helping him realize his goals. "I am able to do all the things that I am accomplishing now because I have great support from family. When others have told me that I cannot do something, my family always pushes me forward. For those children who

would like to follow in my footsteps by going to college and continuing their student athletic abilities, remember that it's not something that you can do on their own. The love and support of family goes a long way!" said Ernest.

Ernest is the son of Ernest and Sheila Smith.

"We are proud of Ernest's accomplishments not only as a high school student athlete but also as a college student athlete. This young man worked so diligently at whatever task that was given to him. He has a heart of gold!" said Sheila Smith.

When asked about favorite Barnwell football memories, he said, "...winning the 2019 HSSR-SCHSL AA All State Defense Award and getting the opportunity to go to the State Championship my junior and senior years, were all wonderful opportunities."

Barnwell Athletic Director Derek Youngblood got the opportunity to coach Ernest in the Georgia/South Carolina Border Bowl and said, "I always knew Ernest was a good player, but I saw it up close and personal when I coached him in the Border Bowl. He's a high motor guy that plays with tremendous strength and quickness. I am not surprised in the least that he is playing well at the college level."

Congratulations on the Defensive Player of the Week Award and keep that hard-working, determined spirit, they will serve you well in this world!

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BHS student tours capitol at youth summit

Josh P. Crotzer
Edisto Electric Co-op

BORN IN EUGENE, Oregon, Justin Shivers never thought he'd get to go to South Carolina's State House. Not only did the rising senior from Barnwell High School get to tour the place where South Carolina laws are made, he sat in the Governor's chair and met with a legislator.

"I loved that we got the background tours and saw things that most people don't get to see," says Shivers. "It was unreal, almost. I never thought those were things anyone was allowed to do."

That was just one part of the experience Shivers and Lucas Chavis of Dorchester Academy had on the Cooperative Youth Summit, thanks to Edisto Electric Cooperative. The two teens joined 37 other high school students sponsored by South Carolina electric cooperatives on a four-day journey of their state's capital and the surrounding area. The students visited River-

banks Zoo & Garden and explored electric vehicles. During their day at the State House, they learned about legislative advocacy from S.C. state Rep. Kirkman Finlay and John Frick, vice president of government affairs for The Electric Cooperatives of South Carolina.

The students got a behind-the-scenes look at a cooperative when they went to Newberry Electric, where they heard stories of outages, saw the dangers of electricity and rode in a bucket truck.

They learned first-hand how a not-for-profit co-op business model works through the Soda Pop Co-op, a student run co-op that sold snacks and beverages. The students received cash back as their share of the end of the trip margins.

"We're proud to support the Cooperative Youth Summit," says Brian Hefner, manager of member services for Edisto Electric. "For the students, it can be a life-changing experience. It expands their perspectives, develops good citizenship and

creates connections that could last a lifetime. For our community, it is an investment in the future that benefits all of us."

Perhaps the most unique opportunity for Cooperative Youth Summit students is the Podcast Challenge. Both Shivers and Chavis have collaborated with students from other backgrounds and areas of the state to produce a podcast that addresses the question, "Given the turbulence in our nation and around the globe, how can young people impact their local communities?" Throughout the week, the students were guided in their production by instructors Rodrigo Acosta, Julie Firetag and George Scouten. Both Shivers's and Chavis's short podcasts will be available to listen to on Edisto Electric's website, edistoelectric.com.

"I thought it was a great trip and learning experience and everyone wanted to help one another," says Chavis. "What stood out is the teachers' willingness to help the students and push them to do greater work."



The State House visit was a highlight of the Cooperative Youth Summit for Justin Shivers and Lucas Chavis. Photo By: Josh P. Crotzer

BCCSD schools focus on growth for 2022-23 year

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BCCSD

Kelly Edwards Elementary School focuses on 'growth over gaps'

Kelly Edwards Elementary School has started the year with the theme "Growth Over Gaps Squared"!

Our scholars are growing exponentially for the current school year. The school has made great gains from the previous school year and we want to keep the momentum going. They've seen growth in iReady Scores and State Testing Scores.

The school year started off with a "Meet the Teacher" Event and "Open House". Scholars and teachers are excited to see what the new school year is going to bring.

Macedonia Elementary-Middle School ready for RESET



Barbara Glover teaches her students at MEMS.

Macedonia Elementary-Middle School's theme for the 2022-23 school year is RESET, which stands for Raising Expectations for Student-centered Engagement and Teacher Quality. It is our goal to create an environment in which excellence is the expectation for everyone in our building.

We are committed to making sure our students are engaged in high quality instruction every day. One way we will accomplish this by providing our teachers with the necessary resources and professional development opportunities to increase teacher efficiency and teacher quality of instruction, with efforts that will lead to our ultimate goal of student achievement.

Williston-Elko Middle School is "One Team, One Dream"

The 2022-2023 theme for Williston-Elko Middle School is One Team, One Dream! What does that mean to us? One Team, One Dream is about getting everybody on the same page & working as a team. It charges each admin,

scholar, teacher, parent, staff member & all other stakeholders with doing their part, so that the WEMS team wins.

What does it look like when the team wins? It looks like high expectations, rigorous lesson, engaged scholars, a committed staff, community partnerships & a respectful & safe culture.

We visualize our team as a cruise ship. Everybody on one ship is headed in one direction for one port of call, ultimately reaching our destination safely and on time!

All aboard! One Team, One Dream, WEMS!

Williston-Elko High School ready to "Be the Change"

Williston-Elko High School is off to a great start for the 2022-2023 school year. Mr. Tony Flowers has joined the staff as the principal and is working with staff members to analyze scholar achievement data, assess staff needs, and to develop a school action plan for success.

The WEHS theme for the year is "Be the Change". Faculty and staff, scholars, parents, and community workers will work together in order to Be the Change they want to see in themselves, the school, and community.

Blackville-Hilda High School focuses on ABCs (Academics, Behavior, Community)



Tony Flowers (left) is the new principal of Williston-Elko High.

Our theme this year is ABC-Academics, Behavior, and Community. We decided on this theme because we wanted to focus on advancing our scholars academically on End of Course exams and increase our graduation rate.

We want our scholars to understand that their behavior directly correlates to their academics and that without the support of the community, we will not be successful. Community support will allow us to have a terrific year.

Blackville, Williston ProTEAM classes unite

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This year, the ProTEAM classes have been combined to include both Williston-Elko Middle and Macedonia Elementary-Middle 7th and 8th grade students.

ProTEAM is the middle school equivalent of Teacher Cadet in high school. While the class is designed for future teachers, it is also for future leaders. We do activities that focus on personal development, group interaction, and service to others. We also focus on skills necessary for success in high school, college, and professional careers.

Classes meet once a week and are taught by Dr. Betsy Portune, the Gifted and Talented Coordinator for BCCSD.

This year, they have 19 students from WEMS and 13 students from MEMS enrolled in ProTEAM which is



a wonderful way to start our year! Look out for more news on the awesome things happening in ProTEAM throughout the year.



BCCSD TAG programs combine

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The Blackville-Hilda and Williston-Elko schools have combined TAG programs this year!

On Tuesdays, we have 3rd and 4th grade TAG at Kelly Edwards Elementary and on Fridays, we have 5th and 6th grade TAG at Macedonia El-

ementary Middle School.

Our first big unit of study for the year is a deep dive into the culture and history of Mexican Independence Day! The students have been learning all about the heroes (and villains) of Mexican history and the stories behind how Mexico gained its independence from Spain years ago. We even got to try lots of different Mexican candy, which the students

loved! We will also be studying the culture and history of the celebrations of Halloween and Thanksgiving in the next few weeks, along with learning lots of new vocabulary and playing games based on strategic and critical thinking.

We've got an exciting year of learning and growing together ahead of us so be on the lookout for more TAG pictures and projects in the schools!

WEMS welcomes Filipino teacher

Jessica Catid is a new teacher from the Philippines. She teaches Creative Writing and Speech at the high school level and journalism at the middle school level.

"She has a lot of enthusiasm that triggers down to our scholars. We are glad to have her on board!" accord-

ing to the Barnwell County Consolidated School District.

She has four years of teaching experience in English and Values Education. She also has teaching experience in Applied Economics, Media and Information Technology, and 21st Century Literature in the Philippines.



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Holiday EVENT CALENDAR

Town of Blackville
Dec 3
Christmas Pictures
Community Center Square
Noon

Dec 3
Christmas Concert & Soup Dinner
First Baptist Church
5pm

Dec. 10
Christmas Parade, Tree Lighting, & Winter Wonderland
Community Center Square
5pm

Dec. 18
Christmas Caroling
Meet at the Community Center
4:15pm

Dec 18
Blackville Movie in the Park.
At the Community Center Square
6-8pm

Town of Kline
Dec 4
Annual Christmas Tree Lighting Service at Kline Town Hall. Everyone is invited.
5pm

Town of Williston
Dec 8
Annual Christmas Decorating Contest
Hasted by the Ivy Garden Club of Williston
The following categories will be judged: Doorway (light only the doorway entrance); Fantasy of Lights (judged on creativity and use of lights); Overall (exterior of house and yard will be judged); and Businesses. We encourage all residents and businesses to participate. Judging will begin at 6pm

Town of Windsor
Dec 4
Town of Windsor Parade
Please come out and show your support for our community (Santa & Inn). Parade begins at Cedar rd. and ends at the old school/park with festivities.
3pm

Events

Nov 11
Veteran's Day Program
 Barnwell School District 45 Salutes our Veterans for Veterans and their spouses, and the program will begin at 9am. All local Veterans are

invited to attend. All local Veterans are invited to attend. Barnwell Elementary School Multipurpose Room (10524 Marlboro Ave, Barnwell, SC) **Breakfast 8:30am** **Program 9am**

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

Barnwell Library

CLOSED NOV 24, 25

ADULTS

Nov 29
Potluck Book Club
4pm

TWEN/TERN (AGES 8-18)

Nov 17
Gaming Club
5pm-6pm
 Small snacks will be provided. Space is limited so stop by and sign up at the front desk.
Registration: Nov 1 & Nov 14
5-6pm

ALL AGES

Nov 17
STORY TIME at the Library
All Ages
11:00am

Nov 10
Virtual Story Time
Videos will be posted on Facebook
11:00 am

Nov 16

Turkey Craft
 Make a turkey out of a coffee filter and a clothes pin.
4pm-5pm

Nov 22

Fall Movie
A Charlie Brown Thanksgiving
4pm-6pm

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Fundraisers

Dec 10
Winter Wipeout
 Hosted by Keep Barnwell County Beautiful
 Anyone living in Barnwell County is invited to participate and clean a chosen area. Any high school students who participates will receive required community service/volunteer hours for their help. Please contact Ben Kinlaw at beed5kinlaw@gmail.com or message Keep Barnwell County Beautiful on Facebook if you'd like to participate so that your cleanup supplies will be ready for you.

Dec 16
1st Annual Stuff-A-Bus Event
 Sponsored by the Barnwell County Sheriff's Office in partnership with other community partners. Bring new toys to the event location with the goal of stuffing the bus to bring smiles to children and bring them the joy of Christmas.
 Walmart, Barnwell
8am-5pm

Free Resources

Nov. 11 Deadline
Secret Santa Program
Sponsored by the Rotary Club of Barnwell County
 If you live in Barnwell County, SC, and need assistance with Christmas for children ages 2-10, applications are available through the Barnwell County DSS office. If you have questions, you may contact the BC DSS at 803-541-1200.

Nov 9 & 30
Free Beginner's Computer Classes
 Allendale County Library
 Nov 16
Advanced Computer Class
 Allendale County Library
3pm

Nov 19
Thanksgiving Food Drive
 Come be served or help serve others in the community. Important information: Bring driver's license and proof of residency.
 Greater Faith Ministries
 Dream Center, 150 Charles St. Barnwell, SC
 For more information: 803-259-0405
9-11am

Volunteers

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Winter Wipeout
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Meetings

Nov. 17
Allendale County Council Meeting
 Allendale County Courthouse
 J.W. Wall, Jr. Council Chambers
 292 Barnwell HWY, Allendale
6pm

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

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EVENTS

Nov 12
 Movie and Refreshments
 Friendship Baptist Church will be showing the second episode of the TV movie "Chosen." This movie is about those chosen by Jesus. Refreshments will be available immediately following the movie. All are welcome.
5pm

Nov 15
 Praise Service
 Hosted by Ned Branch Missionary Baptist Church
 10620 Dunbarton Blvd., Barnwell
 Speaker: Rev. Phillip Thomas, Pastor of Zion Fair Missionary Baptist Church in Aiken, SC
 We would love to have you fellowship with us, if you can't make it, we solicit your prayers.
7pm

Nov 20
 134th Church Anniversary
 Jordan Missionary Baptist Church
 200 Skyland Farms Rd, Williston
10:30am

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
 83 Week - 10:30am
 Pastor Thomas Caldwell - calth02@yahoo.com
 (803) 335-9121, (803) 671-6369

Boiling Springs Chapel
 5475 Boiling Springs Rd., Barnwell
 Sunday Worship 5pm

Center of Hope Community Fellowship
 (542 Main Street, Barnwell; beside IGA)
 Sunday School 11:30am-12:15pm
 Sunday Worship 12:30pm
 Wednesday Bible Study 7pm
 Pastor/Founder Bishop Charlie D. Gillison

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

Life Tabernacle Church
 1189 Clinton st. Barnwell, S.C.
 Sun School 10am
 Sun worship 6pm
 Wed service 7pm
 Mon night prayer 7pm

Lung Branch Baptist church
 3223 Highway 37
 Williston, SC
 SUNDAY
 9:15am - Sunday school
 10:30am - Morning worship service
 5pm - Bible study
 6pm - Evening worship service
 WEDNESDAY
 6pm - Prayer service

Mt Lebanon Christian Church
 420 Christian Rd
 Barnwell, SC 29812
 (803)259-1438
mtlebanoncc@gmail.com
 Sunday School at 10am
 Sunday am worship 11am (blended music)
 Sunday PM Bible Study 6pm (mid July-April)
www.mtlebanonchristian-church.com
 Minister Ron Franklin

Ned Branch Missionary Baptist Church
 10620 Dunbarton Boulevard., Barnwell
 Inside Services: Sunday school at 9 a.m. and services at 10 a.m. Bible study is held Tuesdays at 6:15 p.m. Please wear a mask.

Rosemary Baptist Church
 151 Emerald Lane, Barnwell
 In-House service on second and fourth Sundays at 12:15 p.m.
 CDC guidelines will be used.
 Pastor Sarah Perkins

Second Baptist Church of Barnwell
 181 Church St, Barnwell, SC 29812
 In person worship service. Masks and social distancing is encouraged. Temp. checks upon entrance.
 Sundays 10:00am
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Seven Pines Baptist Church
 Snelling. Small community church welcomes visitors
 Sunday School: 9:50am
 Service: 11am, 6pm
 Pastor Mark Watford

Springfield Missionary Baptist Church
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 Sundays, in-person workshops services, masks are encouraged.
 Pastor is Freddie Wright, 11am

St. James Anglican
 Blackville
 150 Pascallas Street, Blackville, SC 29817
 Sunday Worship service with Holy Communion: 10:30am
 Thursday Evening: 6:30pm
 Wednesday Bible Study on the 2nd and 4th of the month: 6:30pm
stjamesanglicanblackville@gmail.com
 803-671-0676 (mobile)

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803-259-3612
Hours of Operation
 Mon, Tues, Wed, Fri
 10am-6pm
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Blackville Library

Hours of Operation
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Ave. Blackville
(803) 284-2295
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 2pm-6pm

Williston Library

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

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 9426 Marlboro Ave, Barnwell
 Tues, Wed, Thurs
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 Golden Retreat Activity Center
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803-219-7056

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
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 Sunday school 10:45 am
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Estate: Harry H. Sullivan
Date of Death: September 24, 2022
Case Number: 2022 ES 03 00080
Personal Representative: Evelyn C. Sullivan
Address: P.O. Box 532, Fairfax, S.C. 29827
2022-218 3tp 11-16-22

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Estate: Minnie L. Smart
Date of Death: July 7, 2021
Case Number: 2021 ES 03 00133
Personal Representative: Stephanie Smart Gittings
Address: 499 Terry Road, Fairfax, S.C. 29827
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Estate: Gloria Jowers Fickling
Date of Death: October 10, 2022
Case Number: 2022 ES 06 00173
Personal Representative: Eugene Barton Fickling Jr.
Address: 1558 Whitetail Drive, Blackville, S.C. 29817
Co Personal Representative: Ialbert Tolloe Fickling
Address: 1707 Whitetail Drive, Blackville, S.C. 29817
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Estate: Ernestine R. Givens
Date of Death: October 19, 2022
Case Number: 2022 ES 06 00177
Personal Representative: Billy D. Givens
Address: 9189 Hwy. 78, Williston, S.C. 29803
2022-220 3tp 11-23-22

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STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA IN THE FAMILY COURT SECOND JUDICIAL CIRCUIT COUNTY OF BARNWELL
Case No. 22-DR-06-109
South Carolina Department of Social Services, Plaintiff, vs. WENDY N SCHLINS [Removal]

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 TO: Wendy N Schlins
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PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that you have the right to be present and represented by an attorney. If you cannot afford an attorney, the court will appoint an attorney to represent you. It is your responsibility to contact the Barnwell County Office of the Clerk of Court at 141 Main Street, Barnwell, SC 29812, to apply for appointment of an attorney to represent you if you cannot afford an attorney (take all of these papers with you if you apply). **YOU MUST APPLY FOR THE APPOINTMENT OF AN ATTORNEY IMMEDIATELY. IF YOU DO NOT APPLY FOR AN ATTORNEY WITHIN THIRTY DAYS OF RECEIPT OF THE COMPLAINT, AN ATTORNEY WILL NOT BE APPOINTED FOR YOU.** YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that hearing will be held in this matter on December 14, 2022 at 2:00 p.m. at the 141 Main Street, Barnwell, SC 29812. You should attend this hearing. If you do not

attend, the relief sought may be granted in your absence
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Estate: Lena Edith Abney Duffey
 Date of Death: July 26, 2022
 Case Number: 2022 ES 06 00175
 Personal Representative: Charles Owens
 Address: 5092 Steinek Drive, Jackson, SC 29831
 Attorney: J. Cameron Halford
 Address: 191 Washington Street, Barnwell, S.C. 29812
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Estate: Elnought Hay
 Date of Death: June 30, 2022
 Case Number: 2022 ES 06 00127
 Personal Representative: Lashunda Hallingquest
 Address: 1000 Holland Avenue, Apt L4, Cayce, S.C. 29033
2022-223 3tp 11-23-22

Notice of Application

Notice is hereby given that Family Dollar Stores of SC, LLC intends to apply to the South Carolina Department of Revenue for a license and/or permit that will allow the sale and off premises consumption of Beer and Wine at 3040 Dexter Street, Blackville, S.C. 29817. To object to the issuance of this license and/or permit, you must submit Form ABL 20, postmarked no later than November 25, 2022. Mail protests to: SCDOR, ABI Section, PO Box 125, Columbia, SC 29214-0907. Or email to ABL@dor.sc.gov
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Estate: Billy Herman Westmoreland
 Date of Death: October 16, 2022
 Case Number: 2022 ES 06 00178

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Personal Representative: Dawn Bullis
 Address: 103 Eagle Road, North Augusta, S.C. 29860
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 - 16. Combustible rock
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 - 18. Thanksgiving sauce source
 - 20. Singer Redding
 - 21. Old hat
 - 22. Bar in Ireland
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 - 26. Gets ready for publication
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 - 31. What's good for the goose is good for the _____
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 - 40. Huffy sweater material
 - 42. Cabbage piece
 - 43. Ancient Mesopotamian civilization
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 - 47. Sea, in Spain
 - 48. Fraternity K
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 - 52. "Massasoit's people"
 - 56. Do like QA
 - 57. Opposite of written
 - 58. Like watching paint dry
 - 59. Togetherness
 - 60. Move like sludge
 - 61. S squared, e.g.
 - 62. Eliza follower
 - 63. Placeholder surname
 - 64. Like hand-me-downs
 - 23. Turkish bigwig
 - 24. Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service
 - 25. Brazilian coins
 - 26. Former U.S. Attorney General Janet
 - 27. a.k.a. nutra
 - 28. Elms
 - 29. Military uniform fabric
 - 32. Columbus' vessel
 - 33. "TV's National Thanksgiving Show on Thanksgiving
 - 36. "1621" celebration location
 - 38. Planktonic lunitate
 - 40. Lungful
 - 41. Small wave
 - 44. Gangly
 - 48. Popular carriage in royal procession
 - 49. Semi-desert region in South Africa
 - 49. Astonish
 - 50. DNA segment
 - 51. Final notice
 - 52. "Miracle on 34th Street" star
 - 53. Yours and mine
 - 54. Sheltered, nautically speaking
 - 55. Fluffy competitor
 - 56. Give a nickname
- DOWN**
- 1. Painter Chagall
 - 2. Lab gel
 - 3. Hathra or bikram, e.g.
 - 4. "To do" list
 - 5. De gaga over
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 - 7. Comrade in arms
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EEO/ADA

Each row of squares below has the letters of a word that can be found on this page. Read today's *Kid Scoop* page and then try to unscramble them all.

- 1 - 3: Junior Hiker
- 4 - 7: Botanist
- 8 - 10: Dendrologist (Tree scientist)

C R O O L

B R A N O C

T W E R I N

G R O N E A

T H U S L I G N

B R A S O B

G Y O N E X

A V E L S E

G E N A C H

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Standards Link: Spelling: Spell grade-level words correctly.

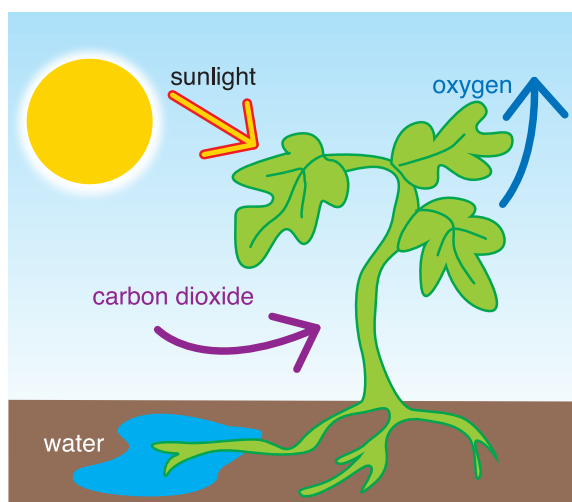
Kid Scoop VOCABULARY BUILDERS

This week's word: **ABSORB**
The verb **absorb** means to take in or swallow up.

The sponge was able to **absorb** my spilled milk.

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

Why do leaves change color in the fall?



It's Not Easy Staying Green

Plants make food in a process called **photosynthesis**. During summer, plants take water up from their roots to their leaves. They absorb **carbon dioxide** from the air. These combine to make **chlorophyll** which makes plant leaves green.

Photosynthesis slows in fall as winter approaches. Trees and plants live off their stored food. The green chlorophyll disappears leaving red, orange and yellow leaves. The dry, brittle leaves soon drop from trees with the help of crisp autumn breezes.

When the rain comes down, what goes up?

Find the answer in the fall leaf border! Start here. Then read every other letter as you move clockwise around the border.

Y

Lookalike Leaves

All of the leaves at right have an identical twin—except one. Can you find it?

Standards Link: Visual Discrimination: Find similarities and differences in common objects.

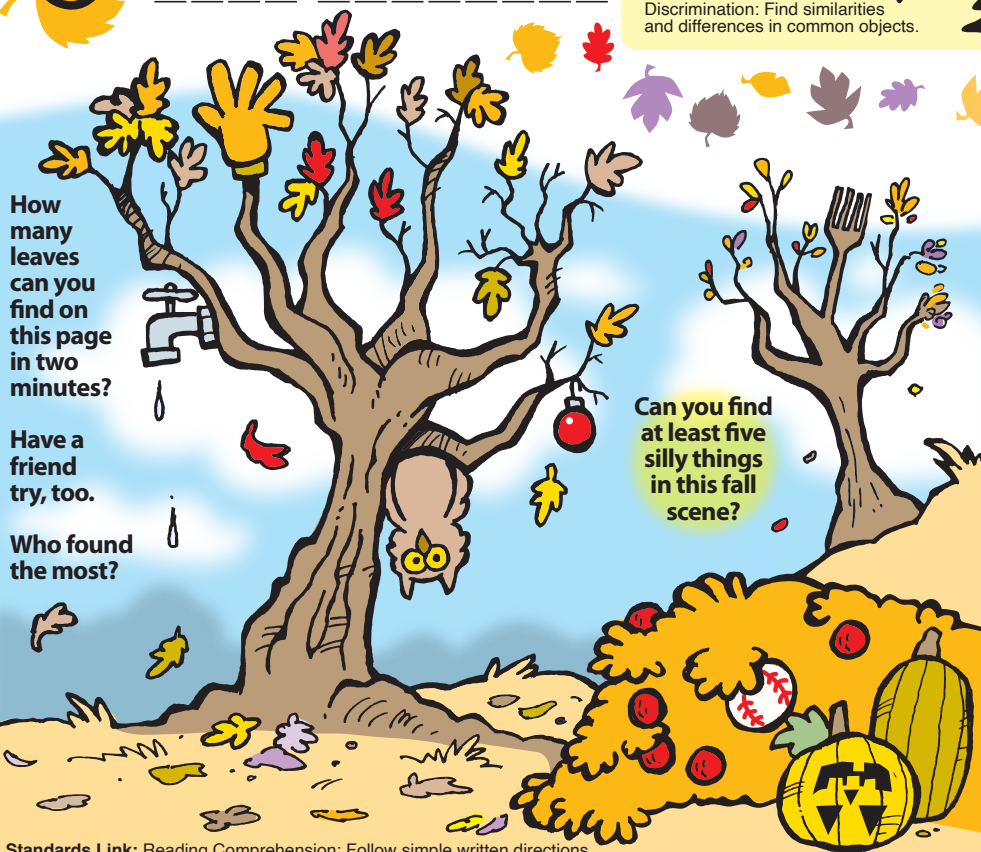


Extra! Extra! Fall Syllables

Find words in the newspaper that have the same number of syllables as the fall words below. Paste each word on the picture with the matching number of syllables.

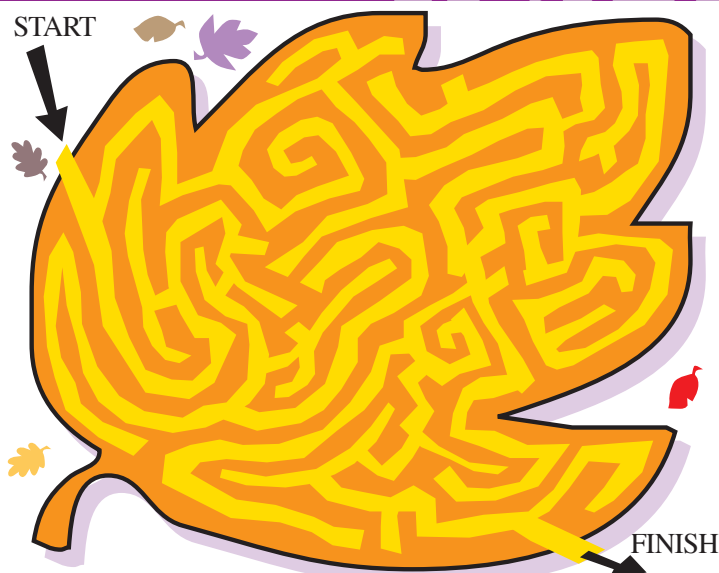


Standards Link: Decoding and Word Recognition: Decode regular multi-syllabic words.



Standards Link: Reading Comprehension: Follow simple written directions.

Kid Scoop Puzzler



Standards Link: Reading Comprehension: Follow simple written directions.

Double Double Word Search

- LEAVES
- WATER
- SYLLABLES
- CARBON
- SEASON
- WINTER
- SCENE
- BORDER
- CRISP
- ACORN
- GREEN
- DISAPPEAR
- ROOTS
- FALL
- DAYS

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

S Y S E R E D R O B
Y S E L B A L L Y S
A T A L A R S V E R
D O S A S E C H A E
G O O F V T A N C T
R R N A C A R B O N
E N E C S W G E R I
E L G P S I R C N W
N R A E P P A S I D

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

FROM THE LESSON LIBRARY

Autumn
Find five words in the newspaper that describe the autumn season. Paste the words onto a sheet of paper. Write a sentence using each word. Decorate your paper with images of fall.

Standards Link: Grammar: Identify and use adjectives in writing. Sentence Structure: Write simple and complex complete sentences.



Write On!

Eat Like a Plant
Would you like to "eat" like a plant—meaning have the ability to turn sunshine, water and CO2 into food through photosynthesis? Why or why not?



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