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Red Oak Fire Dept. faces heat from county

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The Red Oak Fire Department will now be a temporary substation of the Snelling Fire Department after the department was stopped from running calls altogether due to none of Red Oak's 12 members being fully certified to fight fires.

"The more he digs, the

worse it gets," said Barnwell County Fire Coordinator Wesley Gatlin at the December 5 Health and Safety meeting. Gatlin was speaking of Red Oak Fire Dept. interim chief Henry Smith's task of looking into department records.

Interim Chief Smith was elected to the position on November 16, 2022, nearly a year after the late Chief Joe Gaines passed away in December 2021.

For nearly a year the Red Oak Fire Department has been

in limbo without a chief, but county officials discovered the misappropriations of funds and lack of qualified volunteers has been going on for much longer.

The People-Sentinel reached out to the Gaines family, who had been at the helm of the department since the passing of their chief and patriarch. Alicia Gaines, daughter of the late Chief Gaines, declined to comment on behalf of her family and the department.

Upon Interim Chief Smith's acceptance of the position, he began looking through the department's records alongside Gatlin per county request.

Once the areas in need of restructuring were identified, Barnwell County Administrator Tim Bennett compiled a letter to the Red Oak department on November 22 detailing the issues that have been brought to the attention

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Christmas high-five

ABOVE: Scott Anderson, dressed as a reindeer, greets children after they had their photos taken with Santa at the Town of Williston's Christmas tree lighting on Dec. 10.

AT LEFT: Santa high-fives a child at the toy giveaway held in the Blackville Community Center on Dec. 10 following the Christmas parade and tree lighting.

Find more photos from Blackville and Williston Christmas events on pages A9-12.

Felon elected to Allendale Co. school board, entangling return to local control

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State Education Superintendent Molly Spearman will not return control of Allendale County schools as planned after voters elected a convicted felon to the district's board, leaving her successor to determine when to turn over the reins.

The disqualification of former longtime Allendale town Administrator DeWayne Ennis Jr., who pleaded guilty in 2019 to federal charges of stealing taxpayers' money, created a second vacancy on the five-member school board. Legally, he should not have been on the ballot.

Spearman, who took over control of the long-troubled district in 2017, said local authority can't resume in such a leadership vacuum.

"This is an unfortunate situation," she told *The Post and Courier*. "Strong school boards are key to the foundations of good district leadership and we can't return control with two vacant seats. That would not be in the best interest of the district or its students."

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- Molly Spearman, on postponing the handover of control back to the board

Ennis, who declined to comment, won the school board seat without opposition Nov. 8 with just 142 votes despite being legally unable to run for any public office in South Carolina. That's because the state constitution bans convicted felons from seeking election within 15 years of completing their sentence.

All candidates must fill out a form for nonpartisan races, such as school boards, must

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DeWayne Ennis Jr.

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Toy giveaway set for Dec. 17

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Celebrate Christmas with Maurice Austin and the City of Barnwell community on December 17, 2022 from 12 p.m. to 4 p.m. at Ned Branch Missionary Baptist Church at the third annual toy giveaway.

"I cannot do without all the supporters," said Austin, who thanks those who have donated toys, money, and their time to creating a magical Christmas for Barnwell's youth.

Aside from toys, there will be free food such as pizza, hot dogs,

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Some of the toys Ned Branch Missionary Baptist Church purchased for Maurice's Toy Giveaway on Dec. 17. Contributed Photo



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Two dogs find fur-ever homes at adoption event

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The Barnwell County Animal Shelter (BCAS) and the Tractor Supply team brought the first Tractor Santa event to the Barnwell location in conjunction with an adoption event.

Two dogs at the adoption event will be leaving the shelter to their fur-ever homes out of ten total.

Over 60 families showed up for free Christmas photos by RAY Photography with Barnwell's Santa Claus, Rick Holcombe. Brittin Ray of RAY Photography donated a portion of her tip jar to the shelter.

Instead of a sleigh, Santa sat against a tractor brought by Bill Abshire. Abshire is the husband of Tractor Supply employee, Luana Abshire, who has continually worked with the shelter for various events and fundraisers.

Oakley Family Farm of Barnwell brought homemade soaps and lotions to the event and



Four-legged friends and their families pose with Santa at the Barnwell County Animal Shelter Adoption event held at Tractor Supply on December 10.

many local businesses donated their products as a part of the raffle gift baskets.

Like previous adoption events, Barnwell County Career Center FFA students were readily available to walk and

play with the dogs patiently awaiting their fur-ever home.

AT RIGHT: Volunteer Kaylynn Couch introduces excited children and an excited dog at the adoption event.



Photos By: Alexandra Whitbeck / Reporter

Guests eagerly waited in line to tell Barnwell's Santa, Rick Holcombe, their Christmas wishes.



Tractor Supply employee Luana Abshire poses with her pup, Otis.



Department: County discovers misappropriated funds, uncertified firefighters

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of county officials and routes to resolve them.

Following this letter, the Health and Safety Committees met on Monday, December 5 where they made a motion for Gatlin to speak with the Red Oak Dept. to gauge their feelings on what station to fall under.

"If we make them a substation of another department, then they can still respond and help but will be supervised by another fire chief," said Gatlin at the committee meeting. "It gives them a chance to stay active."

This is the official wording of the motion according to Bennett: "Ask the Red Oak Volunteer Fire Department which volunteer fire department it would like to be temporarily assigned to as a substation; the decision would be provided to the county administrator who would then notify members of the county Health-Safety Committees."

The Health and Safety Committees, consisting of Gatlin, Bennett, Emergency Management Director Roger Riley, county councilmembers

Don Harper and Jerry Creech, felt it necessary Red Oak firefighters be a part of this decision.

On Dec. 6, Gatlin met with the Red Oak department who decided to fall under the Snelling Fire Department.

Certifications
"With the classes they have to take, it's going to be at least a year or longer to get them where they need to be," said Gatlin.

According to Gatlin, only one member has Emergency Vehicle Driver Training (EVDT), which certifies volunteers to drive emergency vehicles. Zero members have Pump Operations certifications, which is required to operate pumps on the fire trucks, and only one member is certified as FireFighter 1, which is required for interior firefighting operations.

One member passed the 1121- Basic Fire Fighting class two decades ago which was previously required for interior firefighting. This certification became outdated around 2002, and is no longer recognized for interior operations,

according to Gatlin.

This means many of the Red Oak volunteer firefighters are not certified to enter burning buildings, but now can spray water from the outside of the premises under supervision of the Snelling chief.

An uncertified volunteer firefighter entering a burning structure is a liability on the county and places the individual at risk.

At the committee meeting, Gatlin said he will look into what is specifically needed to get Red Oak volunteers fully certified.

All but one of the Red Oak volunteers need to take the FireFighter I certification, which allows them to enter burning structures. However, prerequisite courses are needed before they can take this course.

Unauthorized Paying of Volunteers

According to the Nov. 22 letter sent to the fire department, county financial records reflect the unauthorized payment of Red Oak volunteer firefighters using county funds.

"County Council has

not approved such payments. We would appreciate you ensuring this practice of paying volunteer firefighters ceases," states the letter sent to Interim Chief Smith signed by Bennett.

Due to this misappropriation of funds, Bennett proposed he contact McGregor & Company to perform an audit on the fire department's finances.

Unlicensed Operations
In the letter sent by the county to Interim Chief Smith, it details information that has come the county's way regarding the unlicensed operation of firetrucks, outside the lack of certifications.

While volunteer firefighters must be certified to drive an emergency vehicle such as a fire truck, they must also have their South Carolina State driver's license.

The county was informed two Red Oak Fire Department members are driving firefighting vehicles without a driver's license.

"This is a major liability issue that impacts the county, the fire department, and the two firefighters," states the

Nov. 22 letter.

The letter continues to request Interim Chief Smith to "establish a practice of confirming each firefighter, who drives firefighting vehicles, has a driver's license and documenting such confirmation for your files and the files of the county fire coordinator."

Bylaws

Both in the committee meeting and in the Nov. 22 letter, the lack of bylaws at the Red Oak Fire Department were discussed.

"Our information shows no bylaws exist for the Red Oak Volunteer Fire Department. To our knowledge, Red Oak is the only volunteer fire department in the county without bylaws," stated the county letter.

Gatlin plans to work with the Red Oak volunteers and interim chief to establish bylaws for the department.

County Council Chairman Harold Buckmon plans to expedite the process of electing a fire chief alongside county council members.

Gatlin sent a letter to dispatch at the Barnwell

County Sheriff's Office detailing what departments will be covering the Red Oak area in the meantime: first responder calls will go to Barnwell Rural, brush fire, vehicle fire, and wrecks will go to Barnwell Rural and Snelling, and structure fires will go to Barnwell Rural, Snelling, and Hilda.

Emergency vehicles at the Red Oak department will remain there and access will be given to Snelling fire officials.

At the Dec. 5 meeting, Councilman Don Harper broached the idea of looking into other local fire departments; "It might be worth looking into just for the liability aspect," Harper said. "We don't want anyone hurt."

Also discussed at the committee meeting was the joining of the Health and the Safety committees, who have been meeting together but are still officially two separate committees. Starting on January 1, 2023, the Health and Safety committees will join into one.

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Harrison's Travels opens storefront in Blackville



Members of the Blackville Downtown Development Association, officials from the Town of Blackville, directors from the Southern Palmetto Regional Chamber of Commerce and Palmetto Innovation Center, and proud community members celebrate with Shawnta Harrison and her family at the grand opening of Harrison's Travels in Blackville.

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If you're looking to travel to a vacation destination, start at the corner of Main Street and Solomon Blatt Avenue in Blackville. Founded in 2016 by Shawnta Harrison, Harrison's Travels opened a downtown storefront to fulfill the vacation, conference, and event planning needs of residents in Barnwell County. Travel is something Harrison herself grew a passion for through experience; not having received her first international stamp until she was 28 years old. She hopes to do the same for others interested in international experiences. Harrison began oper-

ating her business from her Blackville home. When she saw the opportunity to expand, she took it for two major reasons. "I have two nieces who are 10 years old, and they have watched me work from home for a very long time, and they mimic what I do," said Harrison. "I wanted them to see that as an entrepreneur, you don't have to be limited to just your home. I wanted to be an example for them. I wanted them to see that if you go off to college, if you start your own business, you can actually have your own office building in Blackville if you so choose," said Harrison. Another reason Harrison decided to have a physical location for her business was exponen-

tial growth. "The other part is the growth. My business has literally tripled since the pandemic, and I wanted to be able to have different travel related events," said Harrison. In March, Harrison took 600 people to Mexico; 95 percent of which had never been on a plane before. However, the trip went smoothly with Harrison's guidance. Harrison also took groups to South Africa in May and Egypt last December. "We are super excited to have Harrison's Travels in Blackville," said Bob Snead, director of the Palmetto Innovation Center, soon to be president/CEO of the Southern Palmetto Chamber of Commerce, and newly established Southern Palmetto Foundation.



Photos By: Alexandra Whitbeck / Reporter

Shawnta Harrison, owner of Harrison's Travels, cuts the ribbon to her new storefront on Main Street in Blackville.

sociation finds Harrison's business to be "a great improvement for the town," said Littlejohn. "We want to make it a tourism center and when they see someone trying to improve the town, maybe someone else will follow and do the same," said Littlejohn. Aside from paving the way for an idyllic vacation, Harrison hopes to be a part of the effort to revamp downtown Blackville. "I want to be able to invite other travel partners here to Blackville so everybody will know where Blackville is and that we have great things going on here," said Harrison. "I've spoken to Mayor Ronnie Pernell numerous times about his vision, and our visions align with each other, so I'm excited to help expand Blackville."

"It gives us another incredible small business to show to the world that Barnwell County and Blackville are incredible places to live and do work and have a business," said Snead. The timing of this expansion comes during the push to develop downtown made by the Blackville Downtown Development Association and the Town of Blackville. "As a senior council member, I've been tasked with helping to revitalize the downtown area. To see this [business] come to surface, it gives us a lot of hope," said Town of Blackville councilman

and Blackville Downtown Development Association member Kelvin Isaac. Isaac finds a travel agency opening in Blackville to be refreshing and a glimpse into the past, as Blackville was once a pitstop for vacationers in the heyday of the Shamrock Hotel. "This was a place where people would stay here overnight and then journey on to some other place," said Isaac. "Back then, Blackville was booming. It gives us a lot of hope to say that this could happen again." Gwendolyn Littlejohn of the Blackville Downtown Development As-

sociation is not just a full service travel agency, but also handles conference and event planning needs as well as on-site event coordination to "ensure everything goes according to plan and any unforeseen circumstances are resolved quickly and professionally," states Harrison's Travel's website. Like her business, Harrison herself is multifaceted in the services she offers. "I'm the co-founder of an organization called The Association of Black Travel Professionals, and we basically train Black and Brown travel professionals on the correct way to do business," said Harrison. The Association of Black Travel Professionals holds an annual conference—this year it is in Las Vegas and expects about 100 travel agents to be in attendance. Harrison also started the Passport Project which is "a non-profit organization that's geared towards helping young adults from this area experience international travel," said Harrison. To date, Harrison has helped at least 450 individuals obtain passports in the last three years. Her husband, Blackville Town Councilman Alan Harrison, feels doubly proud of both his wife, and the Town of Blackville for bringing in a new business. Harrison's Travels is now open in Blackville. For more information on Harrison Travels, visit www.harrisonstravels.com or 533 Main Street, Blackville, S.C. 29817.

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WEDDING



Marcus Schroeder and Hannah Buwalda were united in marriage on Nov. 19, 2022.

Hannah Buwalda, Marcus Schroeder

Hannah Buwalda of Florence and Marcus Schroeder of Darlington were united in marriage on November 19, 2022 at Church at Sandhurst. The Rev. Daniel Miles officiated.

The bride was given in marriage by her father, Peter Buwalda.

The bride's dress was a white off the shoulder A-line. The bride carried a bouquet of sunflowers and pansies.

Rachel Buwalda served as matron of honor.

Bridesmaids were: Amber Buwalda (sister-in-law), Alexis Lewis (friend), Deanna Smith (friend), and Izzy Groves (friend).

Claire Miles served as flower girl.

David Buwalda served as ring bearer.

Bruce Hayslett was best man.

Groomsmen were: Jonathan Kyler (friend), Lucas Shychuk (friend), Nathan Buwalda (future brother-in-law), and Thomas Levister (friend).

Following the wedding a reception was held at Church at Sandhurst.

The bride is the daughter of Peter and Darla Buwalda of Hilda, S.C. She is a 2018 graduate of Buwalda Home School and is employed by Child Evangelism Fellowship Heart of the Palmetto Chapter.

The groom is the son of Tron Hayslett of Davenport, Iowa and Jessica Hoffman of Darlington, S.C. He is a 2019 graduate of Mayo High School. He is employed by McDonald's and is a full-time student at Francis Marion University.

Following a wedding trip to Myrtle Beach, the couple will reside in Florence, S.C.

BIRTHDAY

Emmorie Carnahan celebrates 2nd birthday

Emmorie Carnahan celebrated her second birthday on December 3, 2022. She was born on December 3, 2020.

She is the daughter of Zach and Tara Carnahan of Barnwell.

She is the baby sister of Alexa, Macie and Brycen.



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BIRTH



Luke Denslow Poole was born on Dec. 5, 2022.

Luke Denslow Poole

Nicholas and Jessica Poole of Barnwell are proud to announce the birth of their son, Luke Denslow Poole.

He was born on December 5, 2022 at 8:06 a.m. at Aiken Regional. He weighed 6 pounds, 12 ounces and was 19 3/4 inches long.

He has two sisters, Ella and Adaline Poole.

Grandparents are George and Elinor Poole of Barnwell and Mark and Jamie Beers of McGraw, N.Y.

BIRTH



Locklan Easton Hall was born on Nov. 12, 2022.

Locklan Easton Hall

Sommer Gibson and Tyler Hall of Barnwell are proud to announce the birth of their son, Locklan Easton Hall.

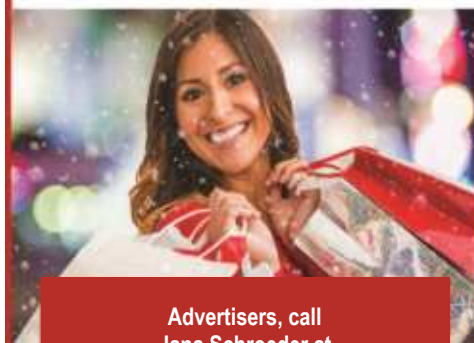
He was born November 12, 2022 at 2:07 p.m. at Aiken Regional. He weighed 7 pounds, 13 ounces and measured 21 inches long.

5 WEMS students attend Limestone Honor Band Clinic



Five Williston-Elko Middle School students were chosen to attend the Limestone College Honor Band Clinic. Mikey Barefoot, Baylee Adams, Alyah Holmes, King Brown and Jonah Baker represented WEMS at the clinic.

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April W. Harley



Gene Orr. Interment will follow at Hope Memorial Park.

She was the daughter of Mary Workman and the late Harry Moore.

Survivors: husband – Dennis Harley, Barnwell, S.C.; two sons – Dominic A. Harley and Xavier Harley, Barnwell, S.C.; mother – Mary Workman, Barnwell, S.C.; one brother – Ricky (Lavonne) Workman, Barnwell, S.C.; two sisters – Tammie Moore and Sabrina Moore, Atlanta, Ga.; eight grandchildren – Landon, Ny'jae, Domic Jr., Kaylib, Kyle, London, Emaya, Xavier Jr.; six aunts – Wilmenia (Henry) Allen, Day-

tona Beach, Fla., Katherine Garrett, Gladly (Thomas) Holmes, Geneva (Jerry) Mack, Juliette Allen and Dorothy Allen, all of Barnwell, S.C.; three uncles – Norris O'Neal Workman, Belgrade, Fla., Ernest Workman, Barnwell, S.C.; Willie James Workman, Elko, S.C.; eight sisters-in-law and a hosts of loving nieces, nephews, cousins, sorrowing friends and a best friend, Christine Brown of Augusta, Ga.

Visitation was Friday, December 9, 2022 at the Guinyard and Sons Funeral Home in Barnwell.

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BARNWELL - Mrs. April W. Harley, 57, of 5797 Highway 278 West, died on November 30, 2022 at Aiken Regional Medical Center. Services will be held at Hope Memorial Park of Barnwell on December 10, 2022 at 12 p.m. officiated by Rev.

Clelia Pearl Dent Russ



BLADENBORO, N.C. - Clelia Pearl Dent Russ, 88 of Bladenboro, N.C. went home to be with the Lord on Monday, October 31st, 2022, at UNC Health Southeastern, Lumberton, N.C.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Thomas Lindsey and Sarah Hester Dent Merritt; by her beloved husband, Curtis Russ; her brothers, Marvin, Livingston "Buddy," Ewen and Earl Dent; sisters, Melba Dent Packer

and Barbara Dent Packer; niece, Patricia Packer Guill, Glenda Baxley Smith; and nephew, Billy Dent.

She worked for Bladenboro Cotton Mills until she retired. She was a member of First Assembly Church of Bladenboro. She sang in the choir and accompanied her husband who sang and played the guitar. They were very faithful visiting their family, also their church family members, and others in their community.

Clelia was a loving wife, mother, grandmother, and great-grandmother. She was known for her Japanese Fruit Cake, banana pudding, collards, chicken, and pastry.

Clelia is survived by her daughter, Peggy Russ Kinlaw and her husband Ben of Barnwell, S.C.; her grandson, Jonathan Kin-

law and his wife Katie, her two great-grandsons, Thatcher and Harrison Kinlaw of LaFayette, GA; brother, Edward Dent and his wife Marilyn of Bladenboro, N.C.; and several nieces and nephews.

Visitation was from 1 to 2:45 p.m. on Saturday, November 5, 2022 at Bladen Gaskins Funeral Home in Elizabethtown, N.C. A funeral service was held at 3 p.m. following the visitation with Rev. Anthony Hardin officiating. Burial followed the services in Singletary Cemetery at Sandhills in Bladenboro, N.C.

The family would like to thank West Bladen Assisted Living and Southeastern Comfort Care for their love and care during her time of illness.

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Robert Ronald "Chuco" Cobb Gorbea



Robert was a graduate from the University of Puerto Rico, with a degree in History. In Puerto Rico, they owned a family jewelry business.

He and his wife, Carmen, moved to Barnwell, S.C. to stay close to their children and grandchildren.

In Barnwell, he worked in refinishing antique furniture, where he was very successful.

Robert was a veteran for the U.S. Army during the Korean War. He belongs to the Knights of Columbus, with St. Andrews Catholic Church in Barnwell.

He was preceded by his parents, his daughter Denise, one brother, and two sisters.

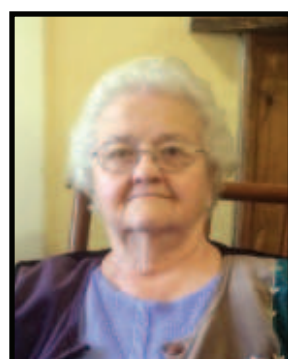
Survived by his wife, Carmen of 66 years of marriage; a son, Robert Cobb; daughter, Sonia Chappell (Bud); grandchildren Denise Cobb, Patrick Chappell (Mallory), Cristina Bertran (Rich), Joseph Chappell; two brothers, one sister, and 11 great-grandchildren.

Arrangements by Mole Funeral Home. After cremation, a mourning mass and service will be held at the St. Andrews Catholic Church. Date of Mass has not yet been confirmed. In lieu of flowers, the family requests donations to St. Andrews Catholic Church.

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BARNWELL - Robert Ronald "Chuco" Cobb Gorbea died December 10, 2022, in the nursing home in Barnwell, S.C. at 89 years old. He was born in Cataño, Puerto Rico, September 17, 1933. His parents, William and Consuelo Cobb. He was the third of eight children.

Mary Jowers Anderson



WILLISTON - A Celebration of Life Service for Mary Jowers Anderson, 86, of Williston, SC will be held at five o'clock p.m., Tuesday, December 20, 2022 in the Folk Funeral Home Chapel, Williston, SC with the Reverends Tom Baker and Dan Fogle officiating. The family will receive friends one hour prior to the service at the funeral home on Tuesday. Memorial contributions may be given to Rosemary Baptist Church Building

Fund, P.O. Box 409, Williston, SC. Mrs. Mary passed away on Sunday, December 11, 2022.

Born in Williston, SC, she was a daughter of the late Perry Jowers and Gertrude Wall Jowers and was married to the late James B. Anderson, Sr. She was a member of Elko Baptist Church where she was in the WMU. She retired from Dixie-Narco in Quality Control.

Survivors include her daughters, Deborah Jones of Williston, SC and Libby (Kip) Busick of Elizabethton, TN; her son, Benji Anderson, Jr. of Williston, SC; grandchildren, Michael (Jamie) Jones, Arnie (Kaley) Jones, Ben Pachol, Jessica (Shane) Williams, Katherine (Tim) Perry, Daniel Anderson and Jacob Anderson (Lacy); great grandchildren, Mollie Jones, Maggie Jones,

Merric Jones, Kash Jones, Cal Jones, Olivia Williams, Hannah Williams, T.J. Perry, Emma Perry, Leah Anderson and Brynn Anderson; sister, Anna Jowers Swindle of Barnwell, SC; brothers, David (Carolyn) Jowers of Williston and John (Patricia) Jowers of Marion, SC along with a number of nieces and nephews.

In addition to her husband, James Anderson, Sr. she was preceded in death by her daughter, Dianne Anderson; her brother, Edward Jowers and her son-in-law, Steve Jones.

Folk Funeral Home, Inc. and Crematory is assisting the family with arrangements. Visit our on-line registry at www.folkfuneralhome.com.

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Helen Lalla Keel Martin



late John S. Keel and Thelma Childress Keel. She was a member of Reedy Branch Baptist Church and was a loving wife, mother, grandmother, and great-grandmother.

She is survived by her daughter, Lenna Martin Scott of Barnwell; grandchildren Robert "Jorgie" Scott of Barnwell; great-grandchildren Naomi Scott and Brandon Proveaux.

She is preceded in death by her husband, Robert Hayne Martin; brothers,

John Keel and Pinkney Keel.

A visitation was held Monday, December 12th, 2022, from 6 to 8 p.m. at Mole Funeral Home. A graveside service was Tuesday, December 13th, 2022, at 11 a.m. at Reedy Branch Baptist Church Cemetery, with Rev. Rommie Martin officiating.

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

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BARNWELL - Helen Lalla Keel Martin, 96, passed away on December 8th, 2022. She was born on October 12th, 1926, to the

William Kaper Harmon Sr.

BLACKVILLE - William Kaper Harmon Sr., 73, of Blackville, passed away on Tuesday, December 6, 2022. No formal services are planned at this time.

Born in Dorchester County, he was a son of the late Clarence William Harmon and Dorothy Victoria Driggers Harmon. He was a member of the Life Tabernacle Church, Barnwell, and previously worked at Augusta Fiberglass. William enjoyed fishing and watching TV.

Survivors include his wife, Deborah Patrice Harmon; a son, William Kapers

Harmon Jr.; a daughter, Frances Denise (Michael) Wood Jr., all of Blackville; a step-daughter, Patrice Ann Chavis of Barnwell; brothers, Clarence Matthew (Celeste) Harmon of West Ashley, Jerry Danny (Mary) Harmon and Steve Wayne (Maudetta) Harmon, all of Summerville; 11 grandchildren, Joey Lee (Kayla) Chavis Jr., Dezaarea Michelle (Nathaniel) Griffin, Michael Anthony Wood III, Molly Annabelle Wood, Vanessa Gabrielle Wood, Bailey Renee Wood, Nichole Padgett, Zechariah Chavis, Sylvia

Chavis and Axel Chavis; two great-grandchildren, Simon and Abigail Griffin.

He was preceded in death by his brothers, Henry James Harmon, Clayton "Pete" Harmon, and Paul Harold Harmon; and a grandson, William Romeo Harmon.

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

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Gloria Toney Mosley

WILLISTON - Gloria Toney Mosley entered into rest on December 5, 2022 at her residence.

Graveside services will be held Saturday, December 10, 2022 at 11 a.m. at Sand Hill Cemetery (2915 Edisto Church Road, Williston). Viewing will be

held Friday, December 9, 2022 from 1 to 5 p.m. at Simmons Memorial Chapel of Elko.

Survivors are: two sons, Barnett Mosley of Williston and Tyrone Mosley of Atlanta, Ga.; one daughter, Sonja Grant of Fredericksburg, Va.; one

brother, Henry Toney, and one sister, Inez Toney, both of Williston; and six grandchildren.

Arrangements have been entrusted to Simmons Memorial Chapel of Elko (803-266-2939).

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Jack Everett Main



127, Olar, S.C. 29843.

Mr. Jack passed away on Tuesday, December 6, 2022.

Born in Olar, he was a son of the late Henry Main and Mary Dyches Main and was married to the late Frasier Harley Main. He was a member of the Olar First Baptist Church. He retired from the Milliken Company after working 37 years. He attended the Bluegrass Festival for over 20 years having been an avid fan of bluegrass music. Also, for 20 years, he enjoyed driving for the Office on Aging. He served 12 years in the U.S. National Guard.

Mr. Jack is loved by his many nieces and nephews and will be deeply missed by all who knew him.

Survivors include his sister, Beth Walker of Columbia; brothers, Jimmie D. Main and Raymond Main, both of Olar; nieces, Patsy (Danny) All, Mary Ellen (Morris) Williams, Cynthia (Tom) Ritt, Mark Main, Melanie (Danny) Leopard, Angie Strehlow, and Marlin Walker.

In addition to his wife, he was preceded in death by a brother-in-law, Victor Walker, and sisters-in-law, Peggy and Virginia Main.

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

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OLAR - Funeral services for Jack Everett Main, 92, of Olar, were held at 11 o'clock a.m., Friday, December 9, 2022 at the Olar First Baptist Church of Olar with the Reverend Dale Hutto officiating; burial followed in the church cemetery. The family received friends one hour prior to the service at the church on Friday. Memorial contributions may be given to Olar First Baptist Church, P.O. Box

Sara Ruth Creech Davis



ALLENDALE - Sara Ruth Creech Davis, 94, widow of the late Donnie M. Davis Jr., died Wednesday, December 7, 2022.

Mrs. Davis was a native of Barnwell County and the daughter of the late Wilbur and Lucile Ayer Creech. She was secretary for Allendale First Baptist Church, retired as secretary for the

Federal Land Bank, and also retired from the University of South Carolina Salkehatchie Campus human resources after 20+ years. She was a member of Allendale First Baptist Church where she taught beginners for many years.

Funeral services were held 11 a.m. Saturday, December 10, 2022 at the Allendale First Baptist Church with the Reverend Brian Flemming officiating. Interment followed in Allens Chapel Baptist Church. The family received friends prior to service at the church.

Family members include two sons, Donnie M. Davis III and Robert Michael Davis; grandchildren, Deidre D. Thigpen (Michael), Daniel Davis,

Cody Davis (Rebecca), Justin Davis (Maya) and Haley Davis; great-grandchildren, Steven Thigpen, Tyler Thigpen, Emma Thigpen and Casin Davis; one brother, Walter Creech (Eleanor). She was predeceased by one sister, Mary Creech Ayer.

Memorial contributions may be made to Allendale First Baptist Church, 259 Memorial Ave., Allendale, S.C. 29810.

Keith Smith Funeral Service, 128 Water St., Allendale, is in charge of arrangements. Sign the online guestbook at www.keithsmithfuneralservice.com.

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Richard A. Muns



on Saturday; burial followed in the Blackville Cemetery. Memorial contributions may be made to Mt. Calvary Baptist Church, Organ, Piano, or Nursery Fund, P.O. Box 304, Elko, S.C. 29826.

Mr. Richard passed away on Wednesday, December 7, 2022.

Born in Old Ellenton, he was a son of the late Jobie Muns and Pauline Williams Muns and was married to the late Annette Owens Muns. He was a member of Mt. Calvary Baptist Church and retired from the Maintenance Department of Barnwell School District #45. He was a member of the Woodman of the World, Barnwell, and he loved to farm.

Survivors include his daughter, Doris Lee Muns (David) Ussery of Williston; sons, Dennis Roy Muns and Richard "Herbie" (Debbie) Muns, all of Blackville; granddaughter, Kimberly Ann (Russell) Kanagy; and two great-grandchildren, Owen A. and Callie Kanagy; and a longtime friend, Viola Inman.

In addition to his wife, Annette Muns, he was preceded in death by his sister, Lillian Ann Muns, and a brother, Fred Muns.

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

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Mrs. Georgia Foy Fields



AIKEN - Mrs. Georgia Foy Fields, age 89, wife of the late Roy Fields Sr., passed away Sunday, December 11, 2022 at her residence. She was the daughter of the late Mary Schumpert Foy and John Watkins Foy. She was predeceased by brothers, John Jacob Foy and Harry Lee Foy Sr., and sister, Ann Foy Moore. She also was predeceased by one great-grandchild, Oliver Large.

Survivors include daughter and son-in-law, Carolyn and Mike Roberts of St. George; son and daughter-in-law, Roy Jr. and Lisa Fields of Aiken; grandchildren: Stephanie Roberts (Keith) Murray of Harleyville; Silas (Kylee) Roberts of Summerville;

Matthew (Ashley) Fields of Lexington; Seth (Tina) Fields of Harrison, TN; Chelsea (Andrew) Large of Aiken; Haley and Clay Griggs of Aiken; and great-grandchildren Levi Roberts, Alex Roberts, Natalie Fields, Rowan Fields, Sawyer Fields, Casen Murray, Cayden Burkhart, Caleb Griggs, Everton Large, Lawton Large, Trenton Gilbert, and Ashlyn Gilbert; and sisters-in-law, Margie Foy and Frances Hudson.

Mrs. Fields was born in Saluda, but had lived in Barnwell County since an early age. She retired from Allied-General Nuclear Services and Honeywell as Office Services Manager and then Site Administrator at their Barnwell facility. Mrs. Fields was an active member of First Baptist Church in Barnwell, and loved serving in the ministries of the church. She was also a supporter of the Barnwell County Arts Council, having served on the Board and as Treasurer for a number of years. She was a devoted wife, mother, grandmother, and great-

grandmother. In 2020, Roy and Georgia moved to Cumberland Village in Aiken, a senior retirement community.

The family would like to extend a special thank you to Trinity Hospice of Aiken and Right at Home In Home Care & Assistance.

Services for Mrs. Fields were held Tuesday, December 13, 2022 at 2 p.m. at First Baptist Church of Barnwell with interment in Barnwell Memory Gardens. Rev. Dr. Bart Kelley officiated. The family received visitors one hour prior to the service in the church sanctuary.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to Barnwell First Baptist Church, 161 Allen Street, Barnwell, S.C. 29812; or the Barnwell County Arts Council, P.O. Box 1606, Barnwell, S.C. 29812; or to a favorite charity.

Mole Funeral Home of Barnwell was in charge of arrangements. Sign the online guestbook at molefh.com.

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BLACKVILLE - Funeral services for Richard Arthur Muns, 92, of Blackville, were held at 2 o'clock p.m., Saturday, December 10, 2022, at Mt. Calvary Baptist Church with the Rev. David Turner, Rev. Charles Morris and Dr. Thomas Terry officiating. The family received friends one hour prior to the service at the church

PUBLIC NOTICE TOWN OF WILLISTON, SOUTH CAROLINA SPECIAL ELECTION

Notice is hereby given that the Barnwell County Board of Voter Registration & Elections will conduct a Special Election for the Town of Williston on **Tuesday, January 31, 2023** to fill an unexpired term of Town Council. This is a nonpartisan election and no party affiliation shall be placed on the ballot.

The early voting period for this election begins Monday, January 16, 2023 and ends on Friday, January 27, 2023. The following early voting centers will be open during the early voting period from 8:30 a.m. until 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday (closed Saturday and Sunday). Barnwell County Voter Registration & Elections office, 367 Fuldner Rd. Barnwell, SC.

Precincts involved in this election are Williston #1, Williston #2, Williston #3, and Elko. The polls shall open at 7:00 a.m. on Election Day and close at 7:00 p.m. Polling places for this Special Election will be held at the Williston Town Hall, 13112 Main St. Williston SC and the Elko Fire Department, 10077 Hwy. 78, Elko, SC.

Persons desiring to be candidates for the above listed office may **file with the Barnwell County Voter Registration & Elections Office** located at 367 Fuldner Rd., Barnwell, SC. Books will be open for filing December 5, 2022, at **Noon** and remain open until December 16, 2022 at **Noon**. There will be a filing fee of \$25.00 for the office of Town Council.

Persons desiring to vote in this election must be duly registered on the County Books of Registration as an elector and a resident of the municipality, not less than 30 days prior to the date of election. The last day to register to vote for this municipal election will be **December 31, 2022**.

To register to vote in Barnwell County or update your address and/or other voter registration information, please visit the office of the Barnwell County Registration & Elections at 367 Fuldner Rd. Barnwell, SC. The office is open Monday through Friday from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Citizens with a current and valid S.C. Driver's License or DMV ID Card can register to vote and update their address online at scvotes.gov.

At 9:00 a.m. on Election Day, the Barnwell County Board of Voter Registration & Elections will begin its examination of the absentee ballot return envelopes at the Barnwell County Voter Registration & Elections office located at 367 Fuldner Rd., Barnwell, SC.

On Thursday, **February 2, 2023** at 10:00 a.m., the Barnwell County Board of Canvassers will hold a hearing to determine the validity of all provisional ballots cast in this election at the Barnwell County Voter Registration & Elections office located at 367 Fuldner Rd., Barnwell, SC.

PUBLIC NOTICE TOWN OF HILDA, SOUTH CAROLINA SPECIAL ELECTION

Notice is hereby given that the Barnwell County Board of Voter Registration & Elections will conduct a Special Election for the Town of Hilda on **Tuesday, January 31, 2023** to fill an unexpired term of Town Council. This is a nonpartisan election and no party affiliation shall be placed on the ballot.

The early voting period for this election begins Monday, January 16, 2023 and ends on Friday, January 27, 2023. The following early voting centers will be open during the early voting period from 8:30 a.m. until 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday (closed Saturday, Sunday and Holidays).

Barnwell County Voter Registration & Elections office,
367 Fuldner Rd. Barnwell, SC

Precincts involved in this election are Hilda. The polls shall open at 7:00 a.m. on Election Day and close at 7:00 p.m. Polling places for this Special Election will be held at the Hilda Town Hall, 35 Railroad Ave. Hilda, SC.

Persons desiring to be candidates for the above listed office may **file with the Barnwell County Voter Registration & Elections Office** located at 367 Fuldner Rd., Barnwell, SC. Books will be open for filing December 5, 2022, at **Noon** and remain open until December 16, 2022 at **Noon**. There will be a filing fee of \$5.00 for the office of Town Council.

Persons desiring to vote in this election must be duly registered on the County Books of Registration as an elector and a resident of the municipality, not less than 30 days prior to the date of election. The last day to register to vote for this municipal election will be **December 31, 2022**.

To register to vote in Barnwell County or update your address and/or other voter registration information, please visit the office of the Barnwell County Registration & Elections at 367 Fuldner Rd. Barnwell, SC. The office is open Monday through Friday from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Citizens with a current and valid S.C. Driver's License or DMV ID Card can register to vote and update their address online at scvotes.gov.

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Corder's Creative Corner: Fantastical Reading

David B. Corder
Contributing Writer

This week I wanted to give a brief overview of what I've been reading over the past several months.

Though the following list is not a complete register of what I've been reading, the books on it are a very strong representation of what I've been enjoying lately, namely, fantasy. Magic, dragons, assassins, swords, the whole caboodle.

The Name of the Wind by Patrick Rothfuss

This was a thick book. This novel has been tearing up the fantasy charts and enamoring readers for the past fifteen years. For me, it's different than your typical fantasy. The novel shows the life of Kvothe, who goes from an orphaned performer scraping it out on the streets as a beggar to becoming a renowned

folk hero. The novel isn't filled with daring battles and missions to rescue princesses as you might expect, but it's definitely worth the 700-plus pages.

The Way of Shadows by Brent Weeks

This book is closer to what you might think when you hear the word "fantasy." It was another thick book, and I almost gave up reading it. The first fifty pages did not enthrall me, but I stuck with it and I was rewarded for my tenacity. The novel follows a boy who becomes apprenticed to one of the best assassins in the world and must learn to control a secret magic. Filled with political intrigue, awesome sword fights, and deadly magic, it's a fabulous read.

The Dresden Files: Storm Front by Jim Butcher

This is a fun urban fantasy about a wizard named Harry Dresden who also happens to be a private investigator.

Harry uses his wizarding skills to solve crimes that are committed on the streets of Chicago, all the while trying to stay on the good side of the authorities—both mundane and magical. The first of a fourteen-book series, I will be starting the second book very soon.

So those are some of the books I've been reading lately, and I hope to keep reading more like them as we enter the New Year.

In other news, there have been some awesome updates on my website, cordersbook-corner.blogspot.com. I'm posting chapters of a middle-grade horror novel, as well as sword and sorcery short stories. Be sure to visit the site and to subscribe to my newsletter. Also, feel free to send me an email at dbcorderwriter@gmail.com if you have any questions or if you just want to say hi.

Happy reading!

Help sheriff's office Stuff-A-Bus Dec.16 with toys

Alexandra Whitbeck
Reporter
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Spread holiday spirit with the Barnwell County Sheriff's Office (BCSO) and their community partners at the inaugural Stuff-A-Bus event on Friday, December 16 in front of the Barnwell Walmart from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m.

"As people come to Walmart, they can either bring their toys and deposit them on the bus," said Lieutenant Eric Kirkland of BCSO's Community Relations Unit. "Or as they go into Walmart, they're encouraged to just buy a toy and come out and deposit it on the bus."

Stuff-A-Bus is a nationwide event held by law enforcement agencies, and this year BCSO is taking part in the initiative. The CSX Railroad Police will be bringing BCSO five pallets of toys from brands like Mattel to get

the event started.

"Our agency has identified families that are in need and it is our hope that we bless those families and give them the joy of having presents on Christmas," said BCSO in a Facebook post.

All the toys will be distributed first to families in need identified by BCSO, and part of the remainder will be donated to the annual Toy Drive in honor of Jenna Bodiford, a Barnwell teen who passed away in May of 2018. Toys collected in this drive will be donated to the Children's Hospital of Georgia.

The other part of the

remaining toys will be donated to the Ronald McDonald House, which provides comfort and care to families with sick children.

In addition to toy donations, Santa Claus will be visiting from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.

In addition to the fun, marketing and criminal justice students from the Barnwell County Career Center will be lending a hand at the event.

"We are fortunate to have the support of so many at this point and we are extremely thankful for you all. We hope to see you there on the event day and thank you," said BCSO on Facebook.

Grant: Report for America to help newspaper expand into Allendale County

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Report for America. "We were blown away by the breadth of applications we received, and only wish we had the ability to bring on even more newsrooms this year."

The People-Sentinel applied for funding to add a Rural Communities beat reporter to its dedicated team. This reporter will focus on the issues that impact rural communities, specifically government, education, and healthcare.

"*The People-Sentinel* has primarily served Barnwell County since it was founded in 1852, but this amazing opportunity through Report for America will allow us to expand coverage into neighboring communities that lack consistent, quality coverage," said Jonathan Vickery, a Barnwell native and publisher/owner of *The People-Sentinel*.

The newspaper especially wants to grow coverage of Allendale County, which has not had a newspaper for close to a decade. Though *The People-Sentinel* has started publishing a regular Allendale County news page most weeks, this grant will allow that coverage to grow.

"Newspapers play a vital role in American democracy by keeping the community informed while also holding public officials accountable," said Vickery.

Unfortunately, more than 2,000 newspapers

have closed over the last 20 years. Most of those that remain have had their newsroom staff significantly cut due to the changing conditions caused by the internet, economic downturns, and COVID-19.

The People-Sentinel has been able to grow since it returned to local ownership in July 2021. The staff,

content and size of the paper have all increased.

"We love serving our community by providing factual, unbiased, and fair reporting to keep our community informed. We can't wait to see how our new Rural Communities reporter will help us better serve Barnwell County and our neighbors," said Vickery.

With these additional 30 newsrooms, Report for America corps members will be working next year in nearly 220 newsrooms across the United States, Washington, D.C., Puerto Rico, and Guam.

Now that the newsroom selections have been made, RFA is seeking talented, service-minded journalists and photographers to

join its reporting corps—a two-year program (with an option for three years) that delivers a wide range of benefits to its corps members.

"Report for America provides a unique opportunity for journalists to pursue meaningful, local beat reporting that sadly is missing from many of today's newsrooms," said

Earl Johnson, director of admissions at Report for America. "Beyond talented reporters and photo-journalists, we are looking for a diversity of individuals who see journalism as a calling, who want to make a difference within their communities."

To learn more about RFA, visit reportforamerica.org.

Christmas Fun Coloring Contest ENTRY FORM

CHILD'S NAME: _____ AGE: _____ GRADE: _____

PARENT'S NAME: _____

TEACHER & SCHOOL NAME: _____

PHONE: _____ EMAIL: _____

ADDRESS: _____

CITY: _____ STATE: _____ ZIP: _____

**Deadline to enter:
December 15, 2022**

Contest Rules

Contest open to children ages 3-10. Pictures will not be returned and will become the property of this newspaper, and may be used for display or promotion in this publication. Entry automatically enters your child's name into the contest. Decision of judges is final. Winners will be notified 12-21-2022 and announced in this newspaper 12-28-22.

**Good Luck!
From**

The
People
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www.thepeoplesentinel.com

Mail or drop off your entry at: **Santa Claus c/o The People-Sentinel** P.O. Box 1255, 222 Main St., Barnwell, SC 29812

Notice

SOUTHEASTERN HOUSING AUTHORITY

Holly Hill Complex at Cribb Street, Holly Hill, SC

North Complex at Palmetto Ave., North, SC

Allendale Complex at Bluff Road, Allendale, SC

Blackville Complex at Hampton Ave., Blackville, SC

Branchville Villa complex at Branchville Lane, Branchville, SC

Denmark Gardens Complex at Mimosa Avenue, Denmark, SC

Fairfax Boundary Complex at Boundary Street, Fairfax, SC

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

Barnwell Arms Complex at Thomas Street, Barnwell, SC

Bamberg Villa Complex at Race Street, Bamberg, SC

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

Affordable and effective units Available. Rent is based on income. Applicants will be screened prior to Leasing. Contact the Barnwell, SC Office to submit an application on Mondays from 9:00 a.m. until 4:00 p.m. at 1-800-922-5504 Or 803-259-3588

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Lyanna Wilson wins conservation poster contest



The Barnwell Soil & Water Conservation District congratulates Barnwell Elementary student **Lyanna Wilson** for winning first place in its poster contest, "Healthy Soil: Healthy Life", for 2022.

Lyanna is a student of Mrs. Tanya Anderson, a 6th grade math and science teacher.

The annual National Association of Conservation Districts (NACD) Auxiliary Poster Contest highlights the work of conservation districts and agencies to protect and enhance natural resources.

District winners are eligible to enter the State NACD Poster Contest. We wish Lyanna the best of luck in the state contest.



Staff of Blackville Healthcare & Rehab honored veterans at the facility, including Katherine Corbett, Lowery Johnson, James Jerido, Harvey Howell, Roosevelt Hutto, Andrew Beach, Kenneth Jenkins, and Gerald Johnson.



Blackville nursing home honors veterans

Blackville Healthcare & Rehabilitation Center held a Veterans Day service on Nov. 10. Staff Sgt. Rickey James was guest speaker.

Photos By: Jonathan Vickery / Publisher

AT LEFT: The Denmark-Olar High School JROTC presented the colors and showed off their drill.

Disqualified: Allendale school board member not taking office after election

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fill out to be on the ballot in South Carolina. The second paragraph at the top cites the state constitution's prohibition for convicted felons. Ennis' signed "candidate's oath" was turned in to the Allendale County election office on July 8, 2022.

Ennis faced up to 10 years in federal prison after admitting to using an Allendale government bank card for personal expenses beginning in 2015, including for home repairs and to buy and repair vehicles. He was sentenced to five years of probation, though he served only two. Early completion of his term was approved in March 2021, according to court records.

When Ennis filed in July to run for the nonpartisan county school board, he signed a document swearing he was qualified. At the top of the form is a reminder of the constitution's 15-year prohibition. But neither local nor state election officials check candidates for a criminal past. Nothing in state law requires it. The signed "candidate's oath" is essentially the honor system.

"We vet to make sure they're voters and that they're eligible to vote and they're eligible to run as far as being a resident of the area, but we don't do background checks,"

said Sonya Prince, the Allendale County elections director since 2016.

As for why Ennis was allowed to run, she added, "You'd have to go higher up than me."

The state Election Commission also said it's not its job to verify eligibility. County election officials could choose to perform background checks "but I don't know of any who do," commission spokesman Chris Whitmire said.

Normally, eligibility questions are brought to light by a candidate's opponents, their supporters or in partisan races, the opposing party, he said.

It's rare for a candidate who defies the constitution's felon clause to get elected, Whitmire said. But it does happen.

Last year, *The Post and Courier's* Uncovered series highlighted the case of William King, who was improperly elected to Chester City Council despite a lengthy record that included at least 27 felonies.

It took a lawsuit from a Chester citizen watchdog group and a state judge to boot King out of office.

In Ennis' case, word of his legal ineligibility reached Spearman at the state Department of Education after the election. Her spokeswoman said someone — she didn't know who — alerted dis-

trict Superintendent Margaret Gilmore, who called her boss.

Gilmore, hired by the state in 2018, did not return phone or email messages from *The Post and Courier*.

But emails that Spearman's office provided to the newspaper show the agency's attorney contacted Prince, the Allendale elections director, on Nov. 21 about Ennis' conviction and a potential special election to replace him.

Allendale school board member Willa Jennings said she didn't know there was a problem until the post-election meeting where Ennis was supposed to be sworn in. Not seeing him in the room, she asked if they should wait. That's when Gilmore, the local superintendent, said his candidacy was under investigation and he would not be coming, Jennings said.

"I don't know why nothing was done until now," she said.

Rural Allendale County, one of South Carolina's poorest, has fewer than 8,000 people after losing a third of its population over the last 30 years. Less than 1,000 students attend the countywide district's three public schools. As part of her efforts to turn around the district academically and financially, Spearman closed a school

in Fairfax, combining all pre-K through fifth graders in a single elementary school in Allendale following a \$6 million upgrade.

Ennis had been administrator of the town of Allendale since 2000 until his criminal case broke. The school board seat he won represents much of the town's shrinking population of 2,700. The closest Walmart is 20 miles away in Barnwell, the largest town in another poor, rural county along the Georgia border. In such small communities, gossiping can be a pastime.

But Jennings, Prince and others said they didn't know about Ennis' conviction. They blame the lack of information on Allendale having no local newspaper.

"I don't know his situation because it was never made public to the community," Jennings said, adding she knew he was indicted but not the outcome. "It seems like he would've been disqualified when he applied to run, if that was the case."

When told that state law doesn't require background checks, she said, "I am shocked and speechless."

Her election Nov. 8 to the Allendale County Council is why there are two vacancies on the school board, which has continued to hold elec-

tions despite having no authority.

Senate Minority Leader Brad Hutto, whose district includes much of Allendale County, said he wasn't surprised Ennis was elected. He, too, said he heard about Ennis' troubles tangentially and knew he'd been fired but didn't know the details.

"He's been viewed over the course of my dealings with him as a leader in the community, who's invested in the community and cares about the community," said the Orangeburg Democrat, whose rural district spans six counties. "He's a quality person with talent who made a mistake. But I understand why the community would've voted for him."

A special election will be held Feb. 28 to fill the remaining two years of Jennings' term, as well as the four-year term Ennis can't legally fulfill.

That's seven weeks after Spearman, who did not seek a third term, leaves office. She had planned to return control of Allendale schools to the local board sometime this month. That responsibility will now fall to her successor, Republican Ellen Weaver, who declined to comment for this article.

Allendale County is one of three rural school districts that Spearman took

over due to historically abysmal test scores and financial mismanagement. It is the only district the state has taken over twice. Spearman's emergency declaration in 2017 came 10 years after management was previously returned. It didn't take long for gains during the first turnaround attempt to erode.

Spearman wants to prevent a repeat.

Exiting school board member Elizabeth Gooding, who Ennis was seeking to replace, said she's hopeful progress will continue this time. She gives much of the credit to Gilmore.

"You've got a bunch of parents now used to things being good and they want it to stay that way. I'm encouraged," said Gooding, who ran in 2018 hoping Spearman would return control within her term but "wasn't disappointed she didn't because I saw what was going on and knew it was needed."

"In the end, it's going to be the parents who hold the board accountable. That's always been the problem," she continued. "And you've got a lot of parents now who recognize the potential we have here and realize we don't have to be at the bottom all the time. They want to see us get better and better."

Toys: Giveaway to be held Dec. 17

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chili, cupcakes, chips, and a popcorn machine for kids as well as activities like face painting, pinatas filled with candy and gift cards, Christmas caroling, and pictures with Santa.

"This is my first year at Ned Branch, they reached out to me and I thought that was amazing," said Austin of Pastor Bobby Dukes and Debra Kearsa at Ned Branch.

City of Barnwell Mayor Marcus Rivera will read a story, and there will be dance performances by Creative Stylez Dance Co. based in Columbia.

"People have been so generous and eager to help," said Austin, who now lives in Columbia.

The toy giveaway began when Austin visited the Litchfield Apartments in Barnwell three years ago after moving to Columbia in 2002.

"When I rode through there three years ago, I can give Christmas back to the projects I grew up in as a child, and that's where it all started," said Austin.

Aside from hosting the Christmas toy giveaway, Austin is constantly look-



Maurice Austin (left) with a child at the 2020 giveaway.

ing for ways to give back and show his appreciation to those in his community.

During the pandemic, he handed out disinfectant wipes and lysol spray to elderly folks who were unable to leave their homes to get supplies. He also fed 100 police officers in Columbia by supplying Chick-fil-A gift cards and brought lunch to all bus drivers in the city.

Austin has worked at Prisma Health Baptist Hospital in Columbia for 21 years, and has been able to make many connections during his time in the healthcare field. CAN

Community Health will be available at the event to provide free STD and health testing, resources, and information to adults.

Also, a dentist office in Columbia donated toothbrushes and toothpaste for children to take home.

"Every child will get a toy; no child will leave without a toy. I can promise you that," said Austin.

Names will be pulled for toys such as hoverboards and bicycles.

The event is open to residents of the City of Barnwell. Austin hopes to expand to the entire county in upcoming years.

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Left: Hope Community Church of God in Barnwell depicts the nativity.

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Above: 2022 Blackville Recreation Homecoming King & Queen Travaris and Navaeh.

Blackville Christmas Parade



Below: Ethel Faust, director of Generations Unlimited, hands out candy to kids.



Below: Kristen Dyches waits with her sons for the start of the parade.



Parade Winners:
Overall – Clarence Felder LLC
1st – Hope Community Church
2nd – Williston-Elko Blue Fire Drumline
3rd – Elite Chaos Dance Company



Above: Blackville-Hilda High cheerleaders and football players.

Below: Elf Erian Jones accompanies Santa Claus on the fire truck to close out the Blackville Christmas Parade on Dec. 10.



Below: A large crowd attended the parade.



Town of Blackville TREE LIGHTING CELEBRATION

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Above: Blackville Mayor Ronnie Pernel welcomes the crowd to the tree lighting.



Above: Blackville Town Councilwoman Frenchie Smalls smiles as the crowd reacts with excitement to the lighting of the town's Christmas tree.



Santa greets children at the toy giveaway in the Blackville Community Center.



Above: Children excitedly select toys at the toy giveaway following the Blackville Christmas Tree Lighting on Dec. 10.



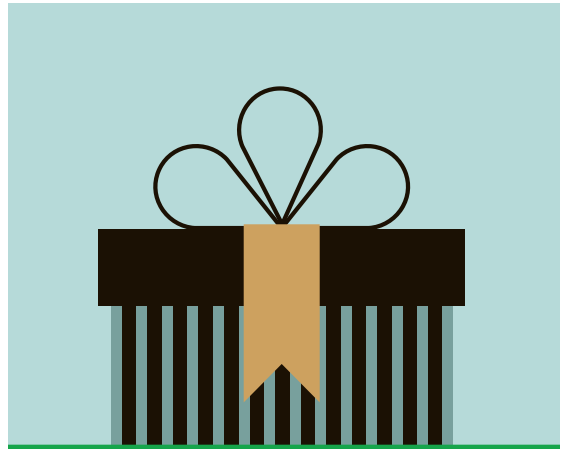
Doris Sanders and her grandchildren wear matching outfits to the tree lighting.



Williston Christmas Parade



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Above: 2022 Miss Willkonian Abigail Marie Kennedy

Below: Janice & Robbie Shipes



Right: Jackson Cooper watches the parade with his two sons.



Above: Youth from Williston First Baptist Church with youth minister Joseph Sanders.

Parade Winners:
Best Golf Cart: Mt. Beulah Baptist Church
Best Auto: 1952 Chevy driven by John Trottie
Best Business: Walther Potato Farm of Windsor
Best Float: Rosemary Baptist Church



Below: Williston recreation football players.



Above: Children from the Dreams, Imagination & Gift Development program.



Below: 2022 Williston-Elko Middle School Prince Kaiden Davis and Princess Kamryn Creech.

A Whimsical

Williston Christmas

Photos By: Alexandra Whitbeck / Reporter



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When Mayor Brett Williams hinted that a reindeer might make an appearance at the Williston Tree Lighting on the evening of December 10, 2022, he left residents wondering how such an occurrence would take place.

However, Williston native Scott Anderson dressed as a realistic reindeer was amongst the crowd greeting children and adults alongside Angie Overton, who was dressed as Mrs. Claus.

Families and friends gathered in front of Meeting on Main to partake in the festivities as they served hot chocolate and cookies provided by the restaurant and the Williston Presbyterian Church.

Reverend Jeremiah Land of Press Church read the Christmas story and first graders from Kelly Edwards Elementary School sang songs of Christmas. Joseph and Ciera Sanders performed as well as Madelaine Land and Dalton Mundy who all sang renditions of Christmas classics.

Councilman Kurt Odermatt read the past Citizens of the Year in the Town of Williston starting in 1968 to lead up to announcing the 2022 Citizen of the Year.

2021 Citizen of the Year Davion Bellinger was asked to the stage to help locate the new title holder. Bellinger went into the crowd to begin his search, and emerged with Pastor Dr. Steve Burnette of the First Baptist Church in Williston.

Dr. Burnette was named the 2022 Citizen of the Year for his continued work in both the church and the community. He was presented a plaque by Mayor Williams, and thanked the community and his wife, Annette, for their faith and support.

After Dr. Burnette was thoroughly applauded, the countdown began to illuminate the tree standing in the center of downtown.

The tree was decorated with large red bows and lights that lit up Main Street.

Following the ceremony were pictures with Santa. Children and their families eagerly awaited Santa's arrival at Press Church to tell him their holiday wishes.

The festivities were followed with the town's parade the next day.



Three Warhorses and a Hawk earn All-State football awards

Jeff Miller
Sports Writer

Each year, the South Carolina Football Coaches Association selects the All-State Football players from each classification. The selection to this All-State team is made by the coaches who have coached these players, seen these kids play, and in many cases have studied lots of game film on the players.

Blackville-Hilda's defensive back Tamari Daniels was selected to the "A" All-State team. A very versatile player, Tamari played several positions for the Hawks.

"We are really proud of Tamari. Before his injury, he was having an outstanding season. We used him in a variety of positions and he excelled in everything the team asked him to do. The best part for our program is that he will be back next year and ready to be one of the most exciting players in the state," said Blackville-Hilda Head Coach Kevin Jones.

The Barnwell Warhorses had three players named to the "AA" All-State team. Linebacker Maurice Odom led the Warhorses in tackles the last two years and was always an intimidating force in the middle of the defense. Clay Pender was a big play threat both on offense at wide receiver and on defense at defensive back. Pender led the Horses in receiving and was second in interceptions. Running back Tyler Smith led the entire state in rushing yards, touchdowns, and points scored.

Barnwell coach Dwayne Garrick referred to Odom as a "tough player...who will go on to play college football." On Pender, Garrick added, "Clay is a special player who plays numerous roles including wideout and defensive back." He is also a good kicker. Garrick referred to Tyler Smith as "the best running back in the state" and said "...his yards after contact are second to none." All three, Odom, Pender, and Smith will participate in the GA/SC Border Bowl to be played January



Photo Courtesy: Donna Miley

Tyler Smith led the state in rushing yards, scoring, and TDs, earning him All-State honors for "AA" football.



Photo Courtesy: Michael Beasley

Clay Pender led the Warhorses in receiving and was a valuable defender, earning him All-State honors in "AA" football.



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Blackville-Hilda's versatile player, Tamari Daniels, has earned All-State honors for "A" football.



Photo Courtesy: Todd Teems

Barnwell's Maurice Odom was the Horses' defensive leader and has earned All-State honors for "AA" football.

7, 2023 in Grovetown, Ga.

Maurice, Clay, and Tyler. You have worked very hard and

performed at the highest level to earn these selections. Blackville and Barnwell are proud of you!

HIGH SCHOOL BASKETBALL SCHEDULE (Boys & Girls)



Wednesday, Dec. 14

- Blackville-Hilda at Pelion - 6 p.m.

Thursday, Dec. 15

- Barnwell at Bamberg-Ehrhardt - 6 p.m.

Friday, Dec. 16

- North at Williston-Elko - 6:30 p.m.
- Hunter-Kinard-Tyler High at Blackville-Hilda - 6 p.m.

Saturday, Dec. 17

- Barnwell at North - 4 p.m.

GA/SC BORDER BOWL X PLAYER SPOTLIGHT

Chris Davis, Williston-Elko High RB

ACHIEVEMENTS:

- * Rushed for more than 700 yards in only 6 games (avg. more than 125 yds/game)
- * Good receiver out of the backfield
- * Led team in rushing despite missing several games

Williston-Elko High School Head Football Coach Kenny Lipsey describes Davis as a "great kid" who came back from injury "...in the second half of the season hungry to lead the team in rushing."

(Editor's Note: We will feature a different Georgia/SC Border Bowl area player each week.)



Barnwell's Tyler Smith plays in North-South All-Star game



Tyler Smith takes a direct snap from a wildcat formation.

Jeff Miller / Sports



Tyler Smith #32 gets ready to block on kick off return for the South.

Jeff Miller / Sports

Jeff Miller
Sports Writer

Warhorse running back Tyler Smith had two reasons to travel to Myrtle Beach this past week.

Tyler was selected to play in the Touchstone Energy Bowl, also known as the North-South Bowl Game. The North-South game features some of the best players throughout the state. That alone would have been enough of an honor, but Tyler was also one of seven finalists for the S.C. Mr. Football award. The Mr. Football Award is given by the S.C. Athletic Coaches Association and is awarded at half-time of the North-South game.

These All-Star games see teams rotating lots of players, so Tyler did not get his usual workload of carries, but his presence was seen throughout the game. Tyler had a few carries from the tailback position, played a few snaps at linebacker and made a tackle, was the personal protector on the punt team, was a blocker on the kick-off return team, and even took a couple of snaps from a special "wildcat"



Tyler Smith is all smiles during North-South pregame introductions.

Jeff Miller / Sports

formation, created to feature Smith's talents. The "wildcat" formation has no quarterback, which means they directly snap it to the back and he runs the play. On his first snap from that formation, Tyler fought through a tough North defensive front to get down to the one-yard line. The next snap should have resulted in what Warhorse fans are accus-

tomed to seeing, another Tyler Smith touchdown, but as happens in sports, all things did not go as planned. The snap was low and by the time Tyler was able to corral the ball, the defense stopped the play. No doubt, a clean snap would have resulted in a Smith touchdown, whether it was blasting through the line, or diving over the pile, but



Tyler Smith and Barnwell Coach Dwayne Garrick during North-South pregame introductions.

not this day. Later in the game we did get a typical Tyler Smith run when he avoided two defenders in the backfield and quickly rounded the corner and dashed for about 15 yards before he went out of bounds.

At half-time when most players went into the locker rooms, a few were asked to stay and were seated in chairs at midfield for the presentation of the Mr. Football Award. Each of the seven finalists were honored

with special plaques and a video highlight on the scoreboard of some of their best plays while the announcer read stats and coaches quotes. Despite leading the state in rushing yards, total points scored, and touchdowns, Tyler did not win. Camden's defensive lineman Xzavier McLeod did, but Tyler had an amazing experience.

"It was a great week. It was great to be back on the field and I really enjoyed myself," said Smith.

Besides football, these athletes were given the chance to help some kids by taking them to Target to be able to shop for Christmas that they might otherwise be unable to do. Tyler said it was one of his two biggest things he would remember saying, "It was great spending time with the kids at Target. It was just cool to make their day and put a smile on their faces. It really made my day."

The other thing he will remember is "...bonding with the guys. We really clicked on day two and we have gotten closer as the time progressed."

Smith's high school football days are not quite over yet. He and fellow Warhorses Clay Pender, Maurice Odom, and Jaden James will be playing in the GA/SC Border Bowl in January.

When asked about playing in the Border Bowl, he said, "I'm looking forward to playing with my guys in our last high school game ever. We've worked hard for this opportunity and I can't wait!"

We can't wait either, to see you play one last high school game Tyler Smith!

Newspaper reading adventures for little learners!

Kid Scoop Junior

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What is hiding in the bamboo?

My Rhyme Time
B was the bear,
That came up at a run,
When Benjamin threw him
A very nice bun.

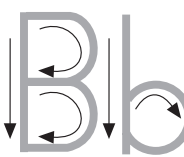
My name:

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 Letters

B is for Bamboo

b is for bamboo



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

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

My Numbers

How many ?
Blueberries

How many ?
Bubbles

How many ?
Bananas



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.

Bears are _____



Sunday

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

Monday

Math Play
Point to the number **7** in the newspaper. Have your child say the number and, if it's large enough, have your child trace the number.

Tuesday

Big B, Little b
With your child, look at one page of the newspaper. Say, "The big **B** called uppercase **B** is looking for his little brother (sister), called lowercase **b**. Let's see how many big **B**, little **b** matches we can find."

Wednesday

Plant or animal?
With your child look through a section of the newspaper and use blue to circle all animals. Circle all plants with green.

Thursday

Yummy Tummy!
Talk about what kind of food your child's favorite kind of animal eats. Does it eat only plants, only meat or both? Look through the paper together. When your child spies something that his/her animal eats, point to it and say, "Yummy, tummy!"

Friday

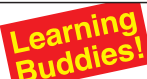
Hidden Pictures
With your child, select an interesting picture in the newspaper. As you look at the picture, ask your child to find certain details. For example, ask questions like, "Can you find the man's tie?" "Can you find the man's ear?" "Can you find a button?"

Saturday

Jump and Jiggle
For this activity you need one page of a newspaper and a red crayon or marker. Ask your child to use red to circle all of the letters he/she recognizes. You may both be pleasantly surprised to see how red the page of newspaper becomes!

Learning Buddy Sign Here
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Learning Buddy's signature _____ Date _____



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Barnwell girls basketball wins 4 straight

Jeff Miller
Sports Writer

The Barnwell Warhorse girls basketball team has been impressive winning all three games they played last week, defeating local rivals Williston-Elko, Bamberg-Ehrhardt, and Blackville-Hilda. The Warhorses have won their last four games to improve their overall record to 5-1 to open the season.

On Tuesday, Dec. 6, Barnwell traveled to Williston and beat Williston-Elko by a score of 46-21. The next night, the Horses hosted Bamberg-Ehrhardt and earned a 52-31 victory. The Warhorses ended the week Friday night, Dec. 9, traveling to Blackville for a huge 45-11 win over the Blackville-Hilda Hawks.

"It has been a pleasant week for the varsity girls

team. We were led by Aushonea Hammonds, Makayla Creech, and Ja'Niya Caree. The team continues to improve and progress. Each week our goal is to find some way to get better. This week our defensive intensity has improved and the results are a reflection of that effort," said Barnwell head coach William Hammonds.

Coach Hammonds and the Lady Warhorses' record sits at 5-1 going into the last two games before Christmas break. On Thursday, Dec. 15, Barnwell travels to Bamberg for a rematch with the Red Raiders. On Saturday, Dec. 17, the Horses will travel to North to face the Eagles. If the Horses can get wins in these two games, they would take a 7-1 record into the break.



Coach Hammonds discusses strategy during a time out.

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Photo Courtesy: Alisha Buxton

Ja'Niya Caree (left) controlling the ball for the Warhorses against Williston-Elko.



Photo Courtesy: Alisha Buxton

Coach Hammonds has seen the Warhorses pick up their intensity on defense, recently.

JDA shifts gears from football to basketball

Jeff Miller
Sports Writer

Each year the beginning of basketball season starts slowly waiting on football to end and some key players to transition from one sport to the next. That is usually magnified at smaller schools who have fewer athletes, most of which play multiple sports. If you add the fact that football coach Anthony Reitenour is also the boys basketball coach, it is easy to understand if the Raiders take a while to get going in the right direction.

This Raiders team has made a quick transition and is off to a better than expected start, opening

"I couldn't be more proud of the way the teams have responded and believed in themselves since I've gotten here. JDA athletics is on the verge of a big shift."

- JDA Coach Anthony Reitenour

the season going 5-2 and looking to make it 6-2 as they battle Holy Trinity in their last game before the Christmas break. JDA has beaten Ragin Prep Christian Academy, Dorchester Academy, Colleton Prep Academy, and Wardlaw Academy while only losing to Andrew Jackson Academy.

"It was quite the task going from my first year as football coach here to basketball with less than

two weeks before the first game. It was a lot for the guys to grasp and take in, but the guys dug in and have really gotten off to a good start. Our two losses came to a very talented Andrew Jackson team, and we've gotten better each and every game going into the break. I couldn't be more proud of the way the teams have responded and believed in themselves since I've gotten here. JDA athletics

is on the verge of a big shift and it's going to be a lot of fun to be a part of it. We've utilized every person on the roster every game this season and they have all contributed to the best start JDA has seen in a while. Colson Loadholt is leading the team in scoring with 19.4 points per game and Nas Void is leading the team in rebounds with 13.7 rebounds per game," said Coach Reitenour.

Best wishes to Coach Reitenour and the Raiders basketball team as the basketball season continues.

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AT RIGHT: JDA and #23 Payton Payne are off to a good 5-2 start on the young basketball season.





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Barnwell, Allendale students part of new SRNS youth apprenticeship pilot program

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Savannah River
Nuclear Solutions

Savannah River Nuclear Solutions (SRNS) is breaking new ground with a pilot program employing area high school students as apprentices at the Savannah River Site (SRS).

"We have a wide range of career opportunities requiring a technical school degree, and we need to fill and maintain that job pipeline," said Dorian Newton, SRNS program manager, Apprenticeship and Pipeline Training (APT). "Agreements with nearby Aiken, Denmark, Orangeburg and Augusta technical schools have been very helpful towards filling this need through our extensive adult apprenticeship program at SRNS."

Newton continued, "That said, we realize the next step is to facilitate a way for local high school students to complete their high school curriculum while gaining hands-on experience working side by side with our employees as youth apprentices."

Two seniors, Arian Williams from Allendale-Fairfax High School in Allendale, South Carolina, and Drew Platts from Barnwell High School



Seniors Drew Platts (left) from Barnwell High School and Arian Williams from Allendale-Fairfax High School are first-time participants in a new youth apprenticeship program created by Savannah River Nuclear Solutions at the Savannah River Site.

in Barnwell, South Carolina, agreed to be inaugural participants in the apprenticeship program.

"The youth apprenticeship program at Savannah River Nuclear Solutions has been a wonderful experience. They are very understanding and work with you while you're

in school," said Williams. "I met many people who have given me great advice and assured me that I could come to them about any safety issues or concerns. This program has been a blessing, and I hope that I continue my journey at SRNS."

Cynthia "Boo Boo" Roberts,

SRNS deputy program manager with APT, will mentor Williams and Platts as they work through the program.

"We want to expose them to various types of jobs available at SRS. You never know what might spark a strong interest in a career that had not been previously considered," said

Roberts.

As apprentices, Platts and Williams will primarily perform administrative duties, such as preparing and maintaining training records, setting up and breaking down classroom equipment and working as instructional aids.

"The ultimate goal after the successful completion of this youth pilot program will be to expand the program to include courses at local technical colleges, much like our adult apprenticeship program," said Newton. "This will make for an optimum, well-rounded experience that will benefit these high school seniors and our company, as we receive highly qualified job candidates throughout the foreseeable future through this process."

Platts said his first few days onsite were fun and exciting as he traveled around the site and visited facilities.

"I am excited to work at the Savannah River Site and explore all that it has to offer," Platts said.

Savannah River Nuclear Solutions, a Fluor-led company with Newport News Nuclear and Honeywell, is responsible for the management and operations of the Department of Energy's Savannah River Site located near Aiken.

Great things happening in Blackville-Hilda schools

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BCCSD

Great things are happening at Macedonia Elementary-Middle School (MEMS) and Blackville-Hilda High School (BHHS) in Blackville.

The administration and faculty at MEMS celebrated American Education Week the week of November 14-18.

Each staff member was celebrated with various treats each day compliments of the Barnwell County Consolidated School District and provided a free Thanksgiving meal on Thursday, November 17, 2022.

The counseling department in conjunction with the office administrative secretary staff is preparing the Angel Tree Project for students that attend MEMS. This project was started several years ago and continues to be a big success. Students are randomly chosen by teachers and community members, staff members, etc. Each child receives gifts from his or her gift list prior to our dismissal for the winter break.

On Monday, November 14, 2022, Principal Eryl Smalls, staff members, parents and students attended and participated in McTeacher Night at McDonald's in Barnwell. The event was a huge success!

MEMS and BHHS students celebrated National Career Development Week from November 14-18. Students were engaged in various activities during the week with Mr. Saxton.

High School Career Ed Week job information sessions with SCWorks entailed the following but are not limited to: the interview process, post graduate plans, and job search techniques.



MEMS students and their families enjoyed eating at McDonald's on Nov. 14 to support McTeacher Night.



MEMS Principal Eryl Smalls holds a sign promoting McTeacher Night, which raised funds for his school.



ABOVE & BELOW: Blackville-Hilda High School students learn about careers during High School Career Ed Week.



National Career Development Week showcased various careers for students at MEMS (left) and high school students (above).

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

Town of Allendale

Dec 15 A Christmas Cantata
On the lawn of the Allendale County Courthouse. Live performances by Modern Daze Band and the Allendale County Mass Choir, plus an appearance by Santa & Mrs. Claus, light refreshments, and a hot chocolate station for the kids. Hosted by the Allendale County Courthouse staff.
5-7pm

Town of Blackville

Dec 18 Christmas Caroling
Meet at the Community

Town of Hilda

Dec 22 Christmas Parade
At the Depot, Hilda
6pm

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Golden Retreat Activity Center
(59 Callahan Circle, Blackville)
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Meetings Fundraisers

Dec 15 Allendale County Council Meeting
Allendale County Courthouse
J.W. Wall, Jr. Council Chambers
292 Barnwell HWY, Allendale
6pm

Dec 15 Allendale Barnwell Counties Disabilities and Special Needs Board Meeting
via telephone conference
Noon

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

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-8pm

Veterans

The Barnwell County Office of Veterans Affairs is holding their monthly meeting on **Thursday, December 15** at 6 p.m. at their office (31 Pitchman Street, Barnwell).



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EVENTS

Dec 22 Christmas Program
St. James Anglican Church
150 Pascallis Street, Blackville
6:30pm

Dec 24 Christmas Eve Service
Holy Apostles Anglican Church in Barnwell
1706 Hagood Avenue, Barnwell
10:30pm

Dec 24 Christmas Eve Service
St. James Anglican Church
150 Pascallis Street, Blackville
11pm

Dec 25 Christmas Day Service
St. James Anglican Church
150 Pascallis Street, Blackville
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
Sundays - 10:30am
Pastor Thomas Caldwell - callth02@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 9:30am
Sunday Worship 10:30am

Bible Study Wednesday 6pm
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

Long 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.mtlebanonchristianchurch.com
Minister Ron Franklin

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

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

Second Baptist Church of Barnwell
181 Church St. Barnwell
In person worship service.

Masks and social distancing is encouraged. Temp. checks upon entrance.
Sundays 10:00am
For more info: Pastor Elder Lamonte Boyd (803) 259-1385
www.facebook.com/SBCBarnwell

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

Springfield Missionary Baptist Church
(13225 Hwy. 278, Barnwell)
Sundays, in person worship services, masks are encouraged.
Pastor is Freddie Wright.
11am

St. James Anglican
Blackville
150 Pascallas Street, Blackville
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)

St. Mary Baptist Church
474 Hwy. 125, Martin
Mask and social distancing required.
Pastor is Rev. Fredrick Quattlebaum.
2nd & 4th Sundays - 10am

St. Paul Missionary Baptist Church
Snelling
Park & Praise Service

2nd & 4th Sundays - 10:00am
Face masks should be worn at all times.

St. Peter Baptist Church
7110 Bay St., kiko
Mask and social distancing required.
Pastor is Rev. Anthony F. Gadsen
Sunday Worship: 11am

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

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

Word Of Life Full Gospel Ministries
6254 Hwy 278 Barnwell
Wednesday Bible study / prayer Service 7pm
Sunday school 10:45 am
Worship Service 12pm
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28th Annual Construction-Truck Auction. Tue, Dec. 2/that 8AM. See meekinsauction.com. NCIN 858 10% BP-onsite; 12%-online

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Notice to Creditors of Estates
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Estate: Rachel Ann Still
Date of Death: November 3, 2022
Case Number: 2022 ES 06 00186
Personal Representative: Ruby Mark Still
Address: 5409 Hwy. 64, Barnwell, S.C. 29812
Co Personal Representative: Patricia Anne Fall
Address: 196 Warren Street. Olar, S.C. 29843
2022-234 3tp 12-14-22

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Estate: Philip Calvin Grubbs
Date of Death: November 4, 2022
Case Number: 2022 ES 06 00183
Personal Representative: Arden B. Grubbs
Address: P.O. Box 174, Barnwell, S.C. 29812
2022-235 3tp 12-14-22

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Estate: Lela M. Ezzell aka Lela K. Ezzell
Date of Death: July 25, 2022
Case Number: 2022 ES 06 00190
Personal Representative: Lloyd Ervin Ezzell
Address: 9349 Marlboro Avenue, Barnwell, S.C. 29812
Co-Personal Representative: Karon George
Address: 2506 Trailwood Drive, Cantonment, FL 32533
Co-Personal Representative: Beverly Jackson
Address: 1145 Pine Plain Road, Gaston, S.C. 29053
2022-236 3tp 12-14-22

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Estate: Tammi Sargent Arnold
Date of Death: November 16, 2021
Case Number: 2022 ES 06 00111
Personal Representative: Stephanie R. Sargent
Address: 26 Echo Lane, Barnwell, S.C. 29812
2022-237 3tp 12-14-22

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Estate: Lela Ethon Minus
Date of Death: October 30, 2022
Case Number: 2022 ES 06 00184
Personal Representative: Albert Sept
Address: 1415 Mar Street, Blackville, S.C. 29817
2022-238 3tp 12-21-22

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Estate: Wade Frank Sr.
Date of Death: August 29, 2022
Case Number: 2022 ES 06 00188
Personal Representative: Mary Frank
Address: P.O. Box 123, Barnwell, S.C. 29812
Attorney: Linda Farron Knapp
Address: P.O. Box 714, Barnwell, S.C. 29812
2022-239 3tp 12-21-22

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Estate: Mary Fanning Hutson
Date of Death: October 27, 2022
Case Number: 2022 ES 06 00195
Personal Representative: Larry D. Hutson
Address: 68 Carroll Street, Blackville, S.C. 29817
2022-240 3tp 12-21-22

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Estate: Aaron Odom Sr.
Date of Death: September 21, 2022
Case Number: 2022 ES 06 00189
Personal Representative: Linda W. Odom
Address: P.O. Box 833, Barnwell, S.C. 29812
2022-241 3tp 12-21-22

NOTICE OF APPLICATION
Notice is hereby given that Alexandria's Fine Wines 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 liquor at 1292 Blacks Drive, Williston, S.C. 29853. To object in the issuance of this license and/or permit, you must submit Form ABI-70, be postmarked no later than December 23, 2022.

For a protest to be valid, it must be in writing and should include the following information:
1. the name, address, and telephone number of the person filing the protest;
2. the specific reasons why the application should be denied;
3. that the person protesting is willing to attend a hearing (if one is requested by the applicant);
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2022-242 3tp 12-21-22

NOTICE OF SALE

NOTICE OF SALE CIVIL ACTION NO. 2022-CV-06-00129 BY VIRTUE of the decree heretofore granted in the case of: SELLENE FINANCE LP v. VERONICA LYNN HARRIS, UNITED STATES OF AMERICA ACTING BY AND THROUGH ITS AGENCY THE RURAL HOUSING SERVICE, the undersigned Special Referee for Barnwell County, South Carolina, will sell on January 3, 2023 at 11:00 AM, at the Barnwell County Court house, 141 Main Street, Barnwell, SC 29812, to the highest bidder: ALL THAT CERTAIN PIECE, PARCEL, OR LOT OF LAND, WITH IMPROVEMENTS THEREON, CONTAINING .292 ACRES, MORE OR LESS, SITUATE, LYING AND BEING IN THE BARNWELL SCHOOL DISTRICT IN THE CITY OF BARNWELL, COUNTY OF BARNWELL, STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA. THIS LOT IS KNOWN AS LOT NO. 9 IN BLOCK A OF CORLEY HEIGHTS SUBDIVISION, AND IS SHOWN AND DELINEATED ON A PLAT MADE OF VERONICA LYNN HARRIS BY RICHARD L. ALL, R.L.S., DATED SEPTEMBER 11, 2001 AND RECORDED OCTOBER 01, 2001 IN THE OFFICE OF THE CLERK OF COURT FOR BARNWELL COUNTY IN PLAT CABINET A, SLIDE 285 PAGE 7-B

THIS LOT IS BOUNDED, NOW OR FORMERLY, AS FOLLOWS: ON THE NORTHWEST BY RIGHT OF WAY OF RICHARDSON STREET FOR A DISTANCE OF 84.90 FEET, MORE OR LESS; ON THE NORTHEAST BY LOT #7 IN BLOCK A OF SAID SUBDIVISION FOR A DISTANCE OF 150 FEET, MORE OR LESS; ON THE SOUTHWEST BY LOT #10 AND LOT #11 FOR A DISTANCE OF 85 FEET, MORE OR LESS; AND ON THE SOUTHWEST BY LOT #11 IN BLOCK A OF SAID SUBDIVISION, FOR A DISTANCE OF 149.42 FEET, MORE OR LESS. THIS BEING THE SAME PROPERTY CONVEYED TO VERONICA LYNN HARRIS BY DEED OF J. MARTIN HARVEY, AS PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE OF THE ESTATE OF MARION G. WILLIAMS DATED SEPTEMBER 28, 2001 AND RECORDED OCT 1, 2001 IN BOOK 514 AT PAGE 130 IN THE OFFICE OF THE CLERK OF COURT FOR BARNWELL COUNTY.

PARCEL ID: 072 05 05 012
 TMS No. 072-05-05-012
 Property Address: 77 CORLEY HEIGHTS RICHARDSON ROAD, BARNWELL, SC 29812
 TERMS OF SALE: The successful bidder, other than the Plaintiff, will deposit with the Special Referee, at conclusion of the bidding, five percent (5%) of his bid, in cash or equivalent, as evidence of good faith, same to be applied to the purchase price in case of compliance, but in the case of non-compliance to be forfeited and first applied to the cost incurred by the Plaintiff related to the sale and the balance then applied to the Plaintiff's debt in the manner suitable to the Plaintiff. Should the last and highest bidder fail to comply with the other terms of the bid within thirty (30) days, then the Special Referee may re-sell the property on the same terms and conditions on some subsequent Sales Day. Deficiency judgment being demanded, the bidding will

not be closed on the day of sale but will remain open for a period of thirty (30) days as provided by law. Plaintiff is demanding a deficiency. The Plaintiff may waive any of its rights, including its right to a deficiency judgment, prior to sale. Purchaser to pay for documentary stamps on the deed. The successful bidder will be required to pay interest on the amount of the balance of the bid from the date of sale to the date of compliance with the bid at the rate of 3.50% per annum. The sale shall be subject to any past due or accruing property taxes, assessments, existing easements and restrictions of record and any other senior encumbrances.

In the event an agent of the Plaintiff does not appear at the time of sale, the within property shall be withdrawn from sale and sold at the next available sales date upon the terms and conditions as set forth in the Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale or such terms as may be set forth in a supplemental order. The Honorable James M. Harvey, Jr., Special Referee for Barnwell County
 Robertson, Anschutz, Schneid, Crane & Partners PLLC
 Attorneys for Plaintiff
 110 Frederick, Suite 200
 Greenville, SC 29607
 Telephone: (404) 321-7112
 Facsimile: (404) 393-1425
2022-243 3tc 12-28-22

SUMMONS

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA COUNTY OF ALLENDALE IN THE MAGISTRATE'S COURT CIVIL ACTION NOS.: 2022-CV-03-1010079 & 2022 CV 03 1010080 Atwood Rentals of Tennessee, LLC, Plaintiff,

v. Mannie Smart, Defendant.

TO THE DEFENDANT MANNIE SMART: NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the original Summons and Complaints in both of the above referenced civil actions were filed in the Allendale Magistrate Court, South Carolina on April 19, 2022.

YOU ARE HEREBY SUMMONED and required to appear in Civil Action No. 2022 CV 03 1010080 before the Magistrate Judge at the Allendale Magistrate Court located at 160 Law Enforcement Road, Fairfax, SC 29827, to answer the Affidavit and Complaint in Claim and Delivery filed by the Plaintiff, alleging that you are in the wrongful and unlawful possession of the personal property described in the Affidavit and Complaint in Claim and Delivery. You are required to appear to answer this Affidavit and Complaint in Claim and Delivery, or judgment will be given against you by default for the possession of said personal property or in the event possession cannot be had for the value thereof together with other damages sought in the Affidavit and Complaint in Claim and Delivery, and the costs and disbursement of this action.

YOU ARE HEREBY SUMMONED and required to appear and defend by answering the Complaint in Civil Action No. 2022 CV 03 1010079, a copy of which is hereby served upon you, and to file a copy of your Answer, or to appear to state your answer and have it reduced to writing, in the Allendale Magistrate Court located at 160 Law Enforcement Road, Fairfax, SC 29827, within (30) days after the service hereof, exclusive of the day of such service; and if you fail to do so, judgment by default will be rendered against you for the relief demanded in the Complaint and Itemization of Account filed herein.

Drew B. Walker
 Attorney for Plaintiff
 Rogers Lewis Jackson Mann & Quinn, LLC
 1901 Main Street, Suite 1200
 Post Office Box 11803 (29211)
 Columbia, South Carolina 29201
 (803) 978-2836
 email: dwalker@rogerslewis.com
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SUMMONS

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA COUNTY OF ALLENDALE IN THE MAGISTRATE'S COURT CIVIL ACTION NOS.: 2022 CV 03 1010024 & 2022-CV-03-1010023 Sunnse Rentals, LLC, Plaintiff,

v. McCorskey Graham, Defendant. TO THE DEFENDANT MCCORSKEY GRAHAM: NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the original Summons and Complaints in both of the above-referenced civil actions were filed in the Allendale Magistrate Court, South Carolina on January 24, 2022.

YOU ARE HEREBY SUMMONED and required to appear in Civil Action No. 2022-CV-03-1010023 before the Magistrate Judge at the Allendale Magistrate Court located at 160 Law Enforcement Road, Fairfax, SC 29827, to answer the Affidavit and Complaint in Claim and Delivery filed by the Plaintiff, alleging that you are in the wrongful and unlawful possession of the personal property described in the Affidavit and Complaint in Claim and Delivery. You are required to appear to answer this Affidavit and Complaint in Claim and Delivery, or judgment will be given against you by default for the possession of said personal property or in the event possession cannot be had for the value thereof together with other damages sought in the Affidavit and Complaint in Claim and Delivery, and the costs and disbursements of this action.

YOU ARE HEREBY SUMMONED and required to appear and defend by answering the Complaint in Civil Action No. 2022-CV-03-1010024, a copy of which is hereby served upon you, and to file a copy of your Answer, or to appear to state your answer and have it reduced to writing, in the Allendale Magistrate Court located at 160 Law Enforcement Road, Fairfax, SC 29827, within (30) days after the service hereof, exclusive of the day of such service; and if you fail to do so, judgment by default will be rendered against you for the relief demanded in the Complaint and Itemization of Account filed herein.

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2022-245 3tc 12-28-22

Notice to Creditors of Estates

All persons having claims against the following estates MUST file their claims on FORM #371ES with the Probate Court of Barnwell County, the address of which is Barnwell County Courthouse, Probate Court Room 108, Barnwell, SC 29812, within eight (8) months after the date of the first publication of this Notice to Creditors or within one (1) year from date of death, whichever is earlier (SCPC 62-3-801, et seq.), or such persons shall be forever barred as to their claims. All claims are required to be presented in written statements on the prescribed form (FORM #371ES) indicating the name and address of the claimant, the basis of the claim, the amount claimed, the date when the claim will become due, the nature of any uncertainty as to the claim, and a description of any security as to the claim.

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Estate: Maxine M. Corley
 Date of Death: November 26, 2022
 Case Number: 2022 ES 06 00200
 Personal Representative: Patrick L. Corley
 Address: 6100 Springfield Road, Williston, S.C. 29853
2022-246 3tp 12-28-22

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Estate: Jack C. Morris
 Date of Death: November 16, 2022
 Case Number: 2022 ES 06 00198
 Personal Representative: Anthony Clay Morris
 Address: P.O. Box 1630, Barnwell, S.C. 29812
2022-247 3tp 12-28-22

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Estate: Earl DeLeon Anderson
 Date of Death: November 13, 2022
 Case Number: 2022 ES 06 00197
 Personal Representative: Beth M. Anderson
 Address: 411 Mims Street, Williston, S.C. 29853
2022-248 3tp 12-28-22

Notice of Title

To all persons claiming an interest in 1974 14' Aluminum Eldo Craft - CLD21066M/4G - SC0551JS, Tim Brown will apply to SCDNR for title on watercraft/outboard motor. If you have any claim to the watercraft/outboard motor, contact SCDNR at (803) 734 3699. Upon thirty days after the date of the last advertisement if no claim of interest is made and the watercraft/outboard motor has not been reported stolen, SCDNR shall issue clear title. Case No. 20221020950674
2022-250 3tp 12-28-22

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Estate: Lynn Rose Stanley
 Date of Death: November 15, 2022
 Case Number: 2022 ES 06 00196
 Personal Representative: Heather Still
 Address: 115 Westfield Street, Barnwell, S.C. 29812
2022-251 3tp 12-28-22

2022 LEGAL NOTICE NOMINATIONS FOR CANDIDATES TO FILL VACANCIES ON THE SOUTH CAROLINA WATERMELON BOARD

Pursuant to the provisions of the "Agriculture Commodities Marketing Act" of 1968, as amended, and Marketing Order No. 7 for South Carolina Watermelons issued by the Agriculture Commission of South Carolina, NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the terms of the following members of the South

Carolina Watermelon Board expire as follows:
 Terms expiring December 31, 2022
 DISTRICT I BENNIE K HUGHES, CHIRIARDT, SC
 DISTRICT II BRADLEY JOEL O'NEAL, FAIRFAX, SC
 WILL WILLIS, BARNWELL, SC
 As a board member for the South Carolina Watermelon Board, you will be involved in watermelon advertising and sales promotion, research, prevention of unfair trade practices, cooperation with other agencies, market development programs, educational programs and determining the grades of acceptable watermelons in South Carolina.

If you are interested in becoming a SC Watermelon Board Member, you will need to request a petition. This petition can be requested by calling (803) 734 9807 or by emailing cloyd@scda.sc.gov. All petitions must be received by Friday, December 16, 2022. For a petition to be eligible/accepted, it must be signed by no less than five watermelon producers from the counties of the District seat you are petitioning for. Terms of office are for 3 years. To qualify, a candidate must be a resident of South Carolina and of the District where he/she petitions for nomination. This person must be actively engaged in the production of watermelons within the State of South Carolina for a period of no less than one year. Additionally, during that one-year period, candidate will have derived a substantial portion of his/her income from watermelon production and shall continue to do so from the production of watermelons during their term of office. The SC Watermelon Board holds approximately 3 to 4 meetings per year to conduct business. Board members are reimbursed for mileage to and from meetings and paid a \$50 per diem per meeting attended. District 1 includes the following counties: Darlington, Cherokee, Spartanburg, York, Lancaster, Chester, Union, Fairfield, Berkeley, Charleston, Richland, Florence, Marion, Clarendon, Sumter, Ker shaw, Lee, Williamsburg, Georgetown,orry, Dillon, Marlboro, Ches terfield, Aiken, Bamberg, Calhoun, Colleton, Dorchester, Lexington, Orangeburg, Abbeville, Anderson, Greenville, McCormick, Oconee, Pickens, Laurens, Greenwood, Edgefield, Saluda, and Newberry. District 2 includes the following counties: Allendale, Barnwell, Beaufort, Hampton, and Jasper. Frances H. Price, Chair
 The Agriculture Commission of South Carolina
 P.O. Box 11280, Columbia, SC 29211
2022-251 1tc 12-14-22



STATEPOINT CROSSWORD

THEME: Winter Fun

- ACROSS
 1. Make change
 6. Used in combination to denote the middle
 9. Ammo material
 13. Star
 14. The "place with the helpful hardware folks"
 15. Neutral shade
 16. Orderly arrangement
 17. Romanian monetary unit
 18. Button on electrical outlet
 19. "Frosty's" nose
 21. "Gingerbread Man," e.g.
 23. Drench
 24. What a willow did?

25. Famous song by The Jackson 5
 28. Cone-shaped quarters
 30. "Snow mover"
 35. A bit of water
 37. Pakistani language
 39. Measured in knots
 40. Tatted fabric
 41. "A Visit from St. Nicholas" poet
 43. Tropical edible root
 44. Paintings in Orthodox church
 46. Not swim or swum
 47. Frozen puddle accident
 48. Small skullcap
 50. Dresden's river
 52. Captain's turf
 53. Drop of sorrow
 55. "Slippery" tree
 57. Frozen spike
 60. "Three-horse sleigh ride"
 63. Words to live by
 64. Caviar alternative
 66. On D'Arignani's hat
 68. Group of wives
 69. Boiling emotion
 70. Furnish with a fund
 71. Traveler's stops
 72. Poetic "even"
 73. Buy second-hand

- DOWN
 1. Agha, all sp.
 2. Artist Chagall's first name
 3. Poet Pound's first name
 4. Draws close
 5. Fungus damage (2 words)
 6. Shako's cousin?
 7. Fishing
 8. Two, in cards
 9. Station finder button
 10. Not final
 11. Curved molding
 12. Kind of nurse
 15. Bouillans
 20. Laudanum ingredient
 22. Saturn's wife
 24. As opposed to widow
 25. Impromptu
 26. Emergency pedal
 27. "I got trout"
 29. Major-leaguers
 31. Priests
 32. Butcher shop offering, pl.
 33. Chestlike
 34. Parkinson's drug
 36. Philadelphia's Ivy League member
 38. Russian mountain chain
 42. "Tiroplaco glob"
 45. TV offering
 49. Reef fish
 51. Kind of bride
 54. Eagle's home
 56. Hundred Acre Wood creator
 57. A Flock of Seagulls' 1982 hit (2 words)
 58. European Council for Nuclear Research, acr.
 59. Bad day for Caesar
 60. Not quite an adult
 61. Spiral-horned African antelope
 62. Singer songwriter Iori
 63. Iar's partner
 65. Miner's bounty
 67. Female sheep

CROSSWORD

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Are you an eagle-eyed reader? Read the articles below and correct the seven spelling and grammar errors you find. The first one is done for you.

Birds Counting Birds

Every year for over a century, Christmas Bird Counts (CBCs) have been run across America during the holiday season. Counting the birds every year at the same time and in the same location gives scientists important information about birds and the environment.

In 2007, Tom Rusert of Sonoma, CA had the idea to include kids in this important "citizen science" effort.

He launched the first Audubon CBC for Kids. It was so successful that now organizations around the country have started their own CBCs for Kids programs, following Rusert's model.

This is a wonderfully simple, healthy, holiday celebration for almost any school, youth group or community organization.

Standards Link: Civics: Students understand the importance for individuals and society of commonly-held responsibilities such as being attentive to public issues.

Kid Scoop-doku

Complete the grid by using all the letters in the word GIFTS in each vertical and horizontal row. Each letter should only be used once in each row. Some spaces have been filled in for you.

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		F	G
	S	T	G
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Kid Scoop VOCABULARY BUILDERS

This week's word: **CULTURE**

The noun **culture** means the language, customs, art and practices of a group of people.

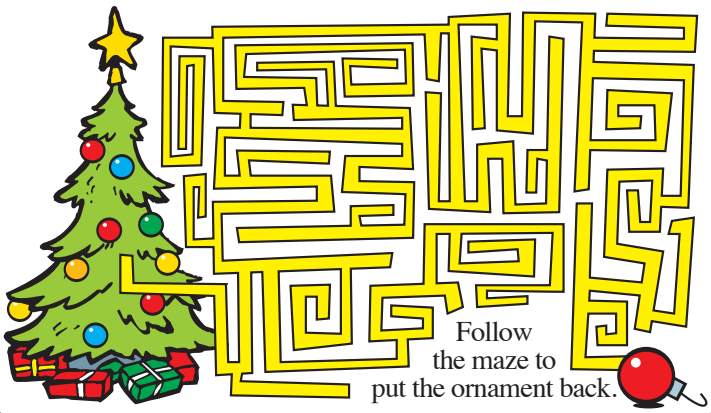
Our teacher explained some ways our **culture** is similar to that of other countries.

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

HOLIDAY HIGH-RISE

APT. 15C: THE ANDERSONS

The Anderson family celebrates the birth of Jesus on Christmas. They give each other gifts, sing songs and decorate their home with a Christmas tree and colorful lights.

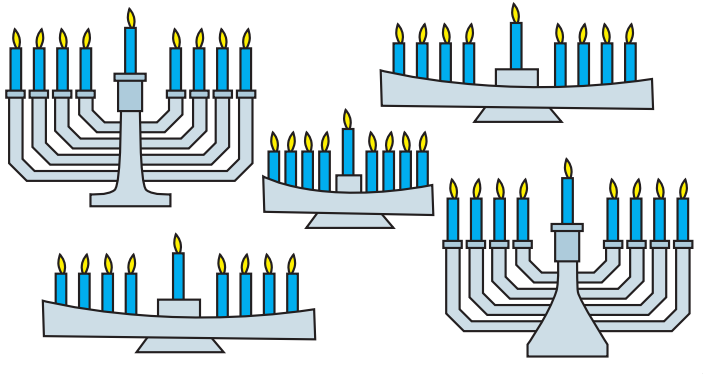


Follow the maze to put the ornament back.

APT. 15B: THE WALDS

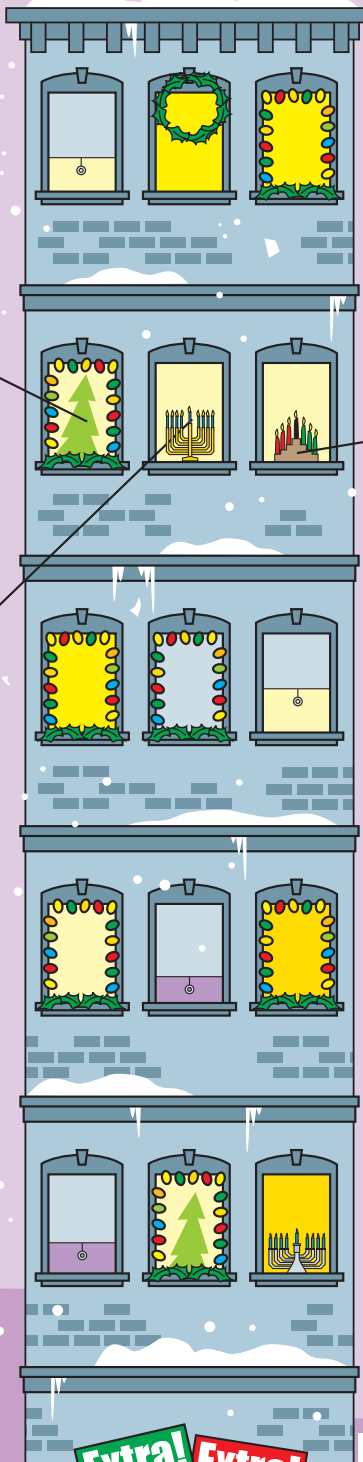
The Wald family celebrates Hannukah, a Jewish festival of light. They light a candle on a **menorah** each night for eight nights. They exchange small gifts each evening, sing songs and eat delicious foods. They display their menorah in their window.

Menorahs come in many different designs. Find the two identical menorahs.



People from different cultures have a wide variety of winter celebrations, many more than can fit on this page. How does your family celebrate in December? Draw it here.

Standards Link: Social Studies: Students know how traditions and celebrations of other cultures compare.



Extra! Extra!

Holiday Dot-to-Dot

Find the letters that spell each of the following words on one page of the newspaper. Use different color crayons to connect the letters in order to spell each word.

- CANDLES
- FEAST
- LIGHTS
- FAMILY
- CELEBRATE

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

Welcome to Holiday Towers, an apartment building in the big city. Take a look at how the celebrations of these neighbors are alike and different.

APT. 15A: THE MILLERS

The Miller family celebrates Kwanzaa, a week-long celebration honoring African culture.

They light red, green and black candles in a **kinara** and have a feast at the end of Kwanzaa. They also give each other small gifts.



Mrs. Miller wears a kaftan during Kwanzaa. Hold this page up to a mirror to find out what this is.

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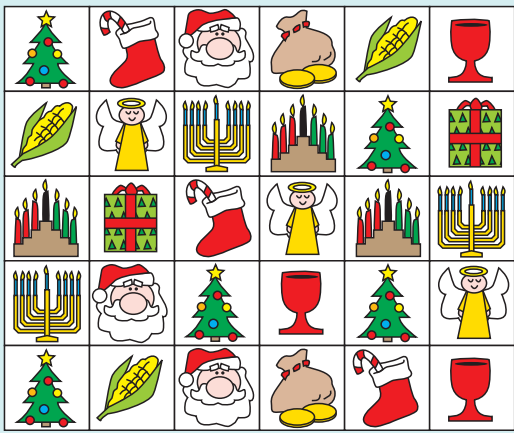
List three ways these celebrations are alike.

- _____
- _____
- _____

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

Kid Scoop Puzzler

Can you find these four squares in this order on the larger grid?



Standards Link: Investigation: Find identical patterns.

Double Double Word Search

- NEIGHBORS
- APARTMENT
- DECORATE
- MENORAHS
- KWANZAA
- KAFTAN
- SYMBOLS
- EXCHANGE
- FEAST
- SONGS
- TREE
- HOME
- FAMILY
- GIVE
- RED

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

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

FROM THE Kid Scoop LESSON LIBRARY

Holiday Images

Look through the newspaper for words or pictures related to the holidays. Cut and paste these onto a sheet of construction paper to make a collage poster.

Standards Link: Visual Arts: Use a variety of media to convey meaning.



What does a snowman eat for breakfast?

ANSWER: Frosted flakes. (Joke by Kid Scoop reader, Rayne.)

Write On!

The Greatest Gift

What is the greatest gift you could give that doesn't cost money?



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