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Barnwell County Consolidated School District (BCCSD) Superintendent David Corder (left) is retiring on June 30 after 37 years in education. He's pictured at the district's end-of-the-year celebration on May 30 with his wife Lynette and son David Corder Jr., who are both BCCSD educators. Jonathan Vickery / Publisher

David Corder retires after 37-year career in local education

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The "father" of Blackville-Hilda's public schools is ■ retiring, again. B a r n w e l l C c County Consolidated School District (BCCSD) interim superintendent David Corder has dedicated his entire 37-year career as an ducator to Blackville-Hilda's public schools. Over the years, he's been a teacher, assistant principal, principal, alternative school director, director of federal programs, and interim superintendent. "You're not only our hero but a hero to the community that you have served for 30-plus years; generations of people have been affected by your hard work, dedication and loving heart. That's a career, life and love that any son would be Anderson Corder.

"You're not only our hero but a hero to the community that you have served for 30-plus years; generations of people have been affected by

Corder retired in 2022 after leading the consolidation of Barnwell District 19 (Blackville-Hilda Public Schools) with Williston District 29, forming the BCCSD. However, he stayed on in a part-time role with BCCSD as interim director of operations. Following the retirement of BCCSD Superintendent Dr. Marcella Shaw in June 2023, Corder delayed full retirement for a year so he could lead BCCSĎ for its final year before Barnwell County's school districts consolidate July 1. "I had no intention of coming back, but I'm so glad I did," said Corder. Kathy Witherspoon, whose daughter Laney Fox graduated from Williston-Elko High School this year, said she appreciates Corder's dedication to education. "I have known Mr. Corder since he was a

Blackville PD fails to submit body camera footage resulting in case dismissal

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Two cases were dismissed after the Blackville Police Department failed to supply all evidence to the state.

At the June 10 proceedings at the Barnwell County Courthouse, presiding Judge Courtney Clyburn Pope dismissed the charges of two unrelated defendants after both the solicitor's office and defense attorney explained they had yet to receive body camera footage from the department.

The first case dismissed related to the September 13, 2023 arrest of 24-year-old Daysha Rowe in Blackville. Rowe was charged with interference/hindering

officers serving a warrant.

It is alleged in the warrant that on September 9, 2023, Rowe "knowingly and willingly attempted to prevent the Blackville Police Department and SLED from apprehending a fugitive from justice," said deputy solicitor David Miller.

The warrant alleges Rowe shouted to the individual law enforcement was looking for, which she denies, according to her public defender, Wallis Alves.

Alves sent the first email to the solicitor's office on November 21, 2023 requesting body camera footage from the incident. In gathering evidence to create a discovery (a case file with all evidence and reports), the

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Meredith Wright hired as new county administrator

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The search for a new Barnwell County administrator is over. Meredith Wright will assume this role on June 17.

"The people that I have had the privilege of working with and building relationships with ince coming to Barnwell County are some of the most amazing people that I have ever met," said Wright. "This community has welcomed me with open arms, and I am excited to continue to work alongside everyone to keep Barnwell moving forward." Wright is currently the county's deputy administrator serving alongside current administrator Tim Bennett. Bennett is retiring after over six years with the county. "It's been an honor and



your hard work, dedication and loving heart." - Anderson Corder of his father's impact as an educator

proud of. If only superheroes in the comics could be as heroic as you. I love you, Dad," said son

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Meredith Wright is the new administrator for Barnwell County.

a privilege to work with outstanding department heads and with a supportive County

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Yamassee chief advocates for stronger relationship between Allendale County leaders and reservation

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Tucked away in a remote corner of Allendale County is the Yamassee Indian Reservation, a place where rural solace and Indigenous tradition meet. But the Yamassee's presence in Allendale extends beyond the reservation; many residents of the towns of Allendale and Fairfax have Yamassee ancestry, as well as in many neighboring counties in the Lowcountry.

Due to their complexion, the Yamassee are frequently mistaken as being of African ancestry. This conflation has been at the center of post-colonial Yamassee history; after Spanish conquistadors and

"Ask us: "How can we collaborate with you on something that can be progressively helpful for the area?" If anyone has had to learn progression and how to adapt, it'd be tribes."

- Yamassee Indian Tribe **Chief Se'Khu Gentle**

European imperialism arrived at forces of colonial land theft and governments of Allendale County their shores, the Yamassee spent chattel slavery. Since the creation have struggled to establish a centuries caught between the of Allendale County in 1919, the trusting relationship with the



reservation.

Yet, on the weekend of May 3–5, the Allendale Town Council's community development committee and the Yamassee Tribe collaborated to host the Yamassee Green Corn festival, an Indigenous ceremony that celebrates the beginning of corn season. During the weekend, Allendale's streets were filled with children, locals and visitors from throughout the Lowcountry region. The celebration offered a glimpse into the reservation's vision for greater collaboration between the reservation and the local government.

The People-Sentinel's Allendale County reporter Elijah de Castro spoke with Yamassee Indian

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areer center board holds final meeting

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he Barnwell County Career Center (BCCC) board held their final meeting on June 3.

Effective July 1, the BCCC, Barnwell School District 45 and Barnwell County Consolidated School District (Blackville-Hilda and Williston-Elko schools) will consolidate into one district. Once school district consolidation takes effect, those boards will dissolve as the Barnwell County School District (BCSD) board assumes oversight schools.

"I know the heart you all have for our kids. You have shown a lot of service and dedication," said BCCC director David Augustine to the board. "Thank you for trusting me to lead this school."

Augustine especially cited board member Teresa Hughes of Blackville who has served on the board for close to 22 years. Other board members include Becky Huggins, David Reuis, Cathy Smith, Shelby Broomfield, Felicia Devore, and Teresa Hughes.

Though they won't be serving on the BCCC board after June 30, Augustine said he knows they will still be involved in the school system in some capacity.

Each member was presented a plaque made by the welding students.

Budget Amendments

At the May 20 meeting, the board approved the reallocation of approximately \$7,000 in federal funds.

"With consolidation, the State Department of Education asked us to get all federal money spent before consolidation happens so that with the new district we are starting everything fresh," said Augustine of Perkins and EIA funds.

Those federal funds were originally intended to pay for things in the summer, such as camps and conferences. However, the BCCC will now use those funds to buy equipment. Other funds that were originally intended for equipment will now be used for the conferences and camps since they don't have to be spent before the



BCCC director David Augustine with board members Cathy Smith, Teresa Hughes, Felicia Devore, Becky Huggins, and David Reuis, business manager Angie Overton, and board member Shelby Broomfield.

The reallocation of funds was unanimously is running new cables approved.

In Other News:

of all the county's public that houses the building PRTC is installing new construction program is switches, access points, underway and expected to and firewall. This will take 4-6 weeks to complete. move the internet service "When it rains, it leaks from a 100-megabite really bad. There are holes circuit to a 250-megabite in it. They have been sealing circuit. "This will provide the metal roof this week a little better coverage for and will be working on the back side roof this week," said Augustine at the June how the improved system 3 meeting.

• The IT department brick walls. throughout the entire school building with • Work on the building the help of M&M Glass. our students out here," said Augustine on June 3 of will better go through

• Several BCCC students attended the first ever Hire Summit at Aiken High on April 23, joining students from Aiken and Edgefield counties. This event was for seniors looking for jobs didn't know what they want to do next. "There

event. I thought it was a successful event with over 40 employers present and over 400 student candidates," Augustine said on May 20.

after high school or who completed their respective patient care technician programs and participated exam passed. "It's a really in the completer ceremony. rigorous exam," said were a couple of students Augustine said this was Augustine.

one of the larger classes of completers they've had recently.

 Augustine recently met with EMD Electronics in Allendale County. "They wanted to know about the career centers in Barnwell and Allendale counties and what we offer our students. They are looking for potential candidates," said Augustine, who wants to set up tours and interviews next year with seniors who don't have a plan for after high school.

 AirGas, a supplier of hired on the spot at the industrial, medical and specialty gases, donated around \$6,000 worth of equipment and supplies to help keep the welding program running.

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July 1 consolidation.

"We are just swapping what we are using those funds for," said Augustine.







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Students collaborate with city for mural, recognized for efforts

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The Axis I Center's Youth Advisory Council is made up of 22 Guinyard-Butler Middle School (GBMS) and 13 Barnwell High School (BHS) students.

In February, four council members traveled to Maryland for the annual CADCA's National Leadership Forum - a four-day conference with youth oriented programs to learn the latest strategies to fight substance misuse, hear from nationally known experts and policy makers including a whole day dedicated to Capitol Hill events.

According to youth council member and ВНS sophomore Ke'Avian Drake-Childs, the conference brought together more than 3,000 participants representing community anti-drug coalitions, government leaders, youth and faithbased leaders, addiction and the allocation of federal treatment professionals, funding.



Youth Advisory Council students Ke'Avian Drake-Childs, Zolahn Thompson, and Ellaya O'Berry stand with Axis I advisor Susan Ingram and council members after receiving recognition by the city for their efforts.

researchers, educators, and law enforcement professionals.

Barnwell County students inquired with senate staff and personnel about issues they have in their schools

The Youth Advisory installed vape detectors Council works with Axis I's Empowering Communities and planted a community for Healthy Outcomes (ECHO) Coalition on ways to improve the overall community.

the council funded and city meeting; Drake-Childs,

in all of the bathrooms, garden with specific sensory areas.

Three students represented the Youth At Barnwell High School, Advisory Council at the

and GBMS eighth graders Zolahn Thompson and Ellaya O'Berry.

Susan Ingram, coordinator at Axis I, is the advisor to the youth council and also present to support her students.

"Congratulations on what owner and council.

you guys are doing in your schools," said Barnwell Mayor Ron Still. "It is nice to see you young ladies and gentlemen taking these leadership roles starting out at such an early age."

Downtown Mural Project

The Youth Advisory Council has also been tasked with the city's first downtown mural project as part of tourism and revitalization efforts.

The goal for this project is to create engaging space for the community that will create more foot traffic downtown, according to Councilwoman Jana Myers.

According to Myers, the mural would be built into an interchangeable frame. The content of the mural will be determined by the youth council and then brought to the city council for final approval.

After the meeting funding was officially secured through the SouthernCarolina Alliance to begin the mural project.

The design is still in the works, and must be approved by the building

Williston man killed in Aiken County collision

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A Williston man is dead following a traffic accident in Aiken County.

The wreck occurred Wednesday, June 5 around

1:40 p.m. on Highway 78/Charleston Highway near Clippership Loop, approximately two miles east of Montmorenci, said Lance Corporal Brittany Glover with the S.C. Highway Patrol (SCHP).

The driver of a 2013 Ford Escape was traveling west on Charleston Highway when it crossed the centerline and struck an eastbound 2006 Chevrolet Malibu head-on. The driver of the Chevrolet, identified as 46-year-old Brian Corley (of Williston) was transported to Wellstar MCG (in Augusta, Ga.) where he succumbed to his injuries at 3:53 p.m.," said Aiken County Coroner Darryl M. Ables.

The driver of the Ford Escape was also transported to the hospital for their injuries, said Ables.

There were no passengers in either vehicle, said Glover. The coroner's office and SCHP are continuing the investigation.

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solicitor's office is tasked with communicating with law enforcement.

"Each time we received communication from Ms. Alves, we contacted the Blackville Police Department and asked them for the body worn camera video, and they haven't given it to us, said Miller.

At the preliminary hearing on April 16, 2024, the Blackville Police Department (PD) had still not submitted the requested footage nearly five months after the incident and Rowe's arrest.

According to Alves, at this preliminary hearing a responding Blackville PD officer said that officers were wearing cameras, but footage had not been uploaded to ProDocs: the e-filing system used to store documentation regarding court proceedings available to both the defense and prosecution.

"The only way we can show what happened is the video," said Alves. "The state can't provide it if the officers don't provide it for the state... In this case, the state cannot comply because law enforcement is not cooperating with the state."

Commonly, the solicitor's office will return a case to law enforcement if all the needed material has yet to be provided or further investigation is needed. However, Miller explained he felt it would be "fruitless" to do so based on the extended timeline already given to the department.

Ultimately, Judge Pope dismissed the case and related charges.

The second case dismissed was that of 40-year-old Joshua Washburn, who was arrested on March 20, 2024 in Blackville. Washburn was originally charged with two counts of assault & battery first degree, and unlawful possession of a

firearm. Miller explained the Blackville PD has yet to submit the entirety of the body camera footage after numerous requests.

"We repeatedly requested that the videos be uploaded and we haven't gotten them," said Miller.

The solicitor's office did receive links to a Google Drive after Washburn's arrest, but the links were not accessible and anything they contained could not be downloaded. The responding officer, Captain L. Huggins, did

successfully upload one 10-minute video of the incident. However, during Washburn's preliminary hearing, the state and defense was informed there are four to five more videos which have yet to be seen.

The Blackville PD's body cameras record in 10-minute spurts, according to Miller requiring officers to upload separate videos spanning over one incident.

The department did upload an incident report, which Alves found "goes into a lot of details that are not on the video,' she said, prompting her to request the rest of the footage from the state and therefore from law enforcement.

Judge Pope granted the defense's motion to dismiss the case.

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Birthday



Nolan O'Neal Chavis celebrated his first birthday on May 16, 2024.

Nolan O'Neal Chavis celebrates first birthday

Nolan O'Neal Chavis celebrated his first birthday on May 16, 2024. Nolan is the son of Alexzander and Josie Chavis of Hilda. Paternal grandparents are Rodney and Angela Chavis of Hilda. Maternal grandparents are Charlie and Darlene Birt of Olar.



Award

Blake Towne named Firefighter of the Year

Blake Towne was named the 2023 Firefighter of the Year for the Barnwell Fire Department in the City of Barnwell.



Hudson Paul Sandifer was born on May 16, 2024.

Hudson Paul Sandifer

Josh and Lindsay Ritch Sandifer are proud to announce the birth of their son, Hudson Paul Sandifer.

He was born May 16, 2024 at 3:14 p.m. in Covington, Louisiana. He weighed 7 pounds, 8.8 ounces and measured 21 inches long.

Maternal grandparents are Paul and Cindy Ritch of Mandeville, Louisiana. Paternal grandparents are Mickey and Carol Sandifer of Barnwell, S.C.

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The family of Markayla Roberts and several community members met with Representative Lonnie Hosey to discuss how to prevent future gun violence in Allendale.



S.C. Rep. Lonnie Hosey (seated, at right) speaks to the family of Markayla Roberts who traveled to Columbia on June 5 to rally, pray and speak about how to address Allendale County's high rate of gun violence. Photos By: Elijah de Castro / Report for America

Allendale community members gather at Columbia statehouse in memory of Markayla Roberts

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Markayla Roberts loved drawing Spider-Man. The 14-year-old was known by her family, friends and schoolmates for being artistic and creative.

Roberts, who was shot and killed on April 27 in Fairfax while sleeping in bed, was the center of an Allendale community trip to South Carolina Statehouse in Columbia. The family of Roberts, as well as leaders from the community gathered June 5 on the statehouse steps to rally, pray and speak with Representative Lonnie Hosey about how to address Allendale County's high rate of gun violence.

On the steps of the South Carolina statehouse, Roberts' family carried a three-foot-tall framed photo of Roberts, as well as a framing of Roberts' Junior Reserve Officers' Training Corps uniform; Roberts was posthumously promoted to sergeant on May 8.

"She was one of the best artists I've ever seen," said Chauncey Mikell, Roberts'



Allendale County community members join hands in prayer at the steps of the Columbia statehouse on June 5.

reason."

No arrests have been Sentinel. made related to the killing

Butch Sauls made clear violence escaping capture. the responsibility of local elected officials to fight for their constituents. "My goal in all of this is don't give tips to local law not to just have this as a

reported by The People- the beginning of fighting to make Allendale County "We lost her on our watch a better place to live," said than to fail without trying In a discussion with Hosey, community members spoke about how the legislature should be helping communities like Allendale.

was shot in the right arm five times while responding after Roberts' death, was also at of Roberts, part of a in Fairfax," said council Mayor Sauls. "The only way the rally. Hall told Hosey a community and a larger community issue member Phyllis Smart. we can do that is to have a that the recently-passed family should have to be step-father. "We owe it to in Allendale County of Both Smart and Mayor voice. It's better to fail trying Constitutional Carry Law, traumatized by such an which allows anyone 18 and older to open carry without clearly going places and a permit, will make the job doing things," Mikell said of police more dangerous and challenging. Officer James Hall, who so are a lot of other law she needed to be."

enforcement officers – we have decriminalized, at the legislature [level], laws that are there to protect the communities, not just in Allendale but across the nation" said Hall, noting that he is a strong supporter of the Second Amendment. "I'm talking about not having to have a concealed weapons permit no more. Do you know how many cases alone just from October to me getting shot we've had from unlawful carry?"

Rep. Hosey responded, saying that he did not support the Constitutional Carry Law, and that he believes any response to gun violence must be led by the community itself.

"If you don't have cooperation with law enforcement from the citizens, you just got a law on the books," Hosey said. "In order to get what you want, you have to be aggressive.

Mikell said Roberts' killing should not have been the reason for the community to look for change, but said he hopes her death does not happen in vain.

'Ît's ridiculous that event because she was of his step-daughter. "She didn't really need much "My problem is – and work. She was already who

her to let her light shine and let it be known just how beautiful of a person she was. She was a model child, a model student. We don't get to enjoy her anymore. She was taken away for no enforcement, as previously show but also have this be

perpetrators of rural gun Many members of the community live in fear of retaliation, and as a result

YAMASSEE: Chief of Yamassee Tribe speaks on relationship with Allendale leaders

Tribe Chief Se'Khu Gentle with the natural world. about the reservation's relationship with Allendale County leaders, the role the reservation can play in moving Allendale forward and Allendale's relationship



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This interview has been edited for length and clarity. Elijah de Castro: How would you describe the historical relationship and Allendale's local government?

Chief Gentle: There's been a misunderstanding, but more so a lack of understanding of tribal rights. The lack of understanding is because we look Black and because of how we are identified. Once the local government understood those dynamics and that we are protected by federal law – then the relationship changed. But then it became "well, what do they want?" We had to shift focus as a tribe because we understood that who we are was coming off as threatening to Allendale and the surrounding counties. So we just blended in. We started opening up businesses, we joined first responders and firefighters and EMTs. We wanted the community to realize that we aren't the bad guys here, we don't want to take land from you. Once we were able to connect with the community and start helping the community in areas like food, bills, businesses and other assistance, the community to help. Once that happened,

of the tribe. They've never to go into the town to get understood the advantage of working with a local tribe. We're not opposed to people being here, we're just saying work with us so that we can work with you to between the reservation make this a better area. We need to come together and stop being fearful of what we're going to lose, because this land has already been colonized. We need to start figuring out how we can work with Native people, with Indigenous people, so we can take these counties to another level and start moving forward.

> Elijah: I think people both in government and in the general population form an idea in their head of who Indigenous people are and what their communities want or want to change. Until conversations like these happen, how do those ideas hold us back?

Chief Gentle: We have a vested interest in the county and the towns as a whole. People are scared to have those conversations because they don't want to insult Indigenous people. They don't know what to say, what not to say, or what's insulting. If you're truly who you say you are as an Indigenous person, you're concerned about everyone around you. Yes, we have the ability to self govern, we understood that we're here have sovereignty here. But we also realize our people then the leadership here have to go into town to go understood the dynamics to the store, our people have

gas. So what happens in the community affects us. We can focus wholeheartedly on us and getting grants here and lifting our land and reservation up. But at the same time, if we're not concerned about the economic aspects or the security aspects of the community where our people still reside we're doing ourselves a disservice.

Elijah: Right, and we could name all of the issues that Allendale faces, but there's also been an interior struggle that the community has experienced. There's a lot of people in Allendale who are trying to better the community, but there's also a lot of people who don't believe that lifting the community up is even possible. How can we address that, and what is the tribe's role in that?

Chief Gentle: We're disconnected and we're looking at a bigger picture when we haven't even dealt with the basics. The basics are always the future generations. Tribes believe that everything that we fought for was for seven generations before us and seven generations after us. That's how tribes think. I'm thinking about respecting my ancestors seven generations back and what they did, and thinking about my seven generations here, my children, my grandchildren and my

great-grandchildren and will show us. If people that way, we could be providing teenagers with children. Our children can't be children.

Elijah: I wrote about this recently in an article, but there have been conversations in local government about getting Allendale a state park. Even though this is a rural area, there's very little places for young people to really get outside and experience the natural world.

Chief Gentle: The state park is a great idea, but let's add Native history there. Let's create a mock village so people and especially the children can learn more about the first people and how they lived. From the park we can build more comes off as "The Indians on things and places our children can go and do. We need to think about the impact we have, not just on the economy but on the ecological system. As a tribe, we wholeheartedly us and people are scared respect the environment and everything that we have here. We live off the land, we grow, we worry about medicinal items. These are the cultural practices that we've maintained for a reason. If we don't change, can be progressively helpful and we don't understand for the area?" If anyone has that change is needed, the had to learn progression and Earth will show us. Nature how to adapt, it'd be tribes.

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what I'm doing to provide here in the counties have for them. If we thought a vested interest in the county and if they truly love the area they were jobs working with the raised in and grew up with, youth, so that children are they need to be willing to still able to grow up being make sacrifices. My tribe did. We made the ultimate sacrifice. All this land that people are claiming, this is our land. We don't mind people being on it. But what are you going to do with it?

> Elijah: I think it's hard to make sacrifices when you've grown used to thinking and living in a certain way. How can you and others within your community help Allendale break past that?

> Chief Gentle: People have to be willing to come to us and ask us "How can we help?" Anything we do almost comes off as an immediate threat to people, because it automatically are doing XYZ, what do they want in return?" We can't get what you already have. We're not trying to take anything from you. People are scared to ask to cooperate with us. That's what hinders us. We're saying, "The doors are open for us to have a conversation." Ask us: "How can we collaborate with you on something that

Barnwell County Arrest Reports

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

Asia Latrel Armstrong, 27, of 59 Noble Street, Williston, S.C. was arrested on June 7, 2024 by the Williston Polce Department (WPD) for 2nd Degree Domestic Violence, Driving Under the Influence, and Child Endangerment. Armstrong was booked and released to the Barnwell County Detention Center (BCDC).

Roger Edward Broughton, 59, of 82 Wilton Drive, Williston, S.C. was arrested on May 16, 2024 by WPD for Threatening Police Officers, Resisting Arrest, and Disorderly Public Conduct. Broughton was booked and released to BCDC.

Iva Leann Brown, 36, of 160 Halford Street, Williston, S.C. was arrested on June 8, 2024 by WPD for Resisting Arrest and Disorderly Public Conduct. Brown was booked and released to BCDC.

Johnny Cuthbertson,

May 31, 2024 by WPD for to BCDC. Shoplifting. Cuthbertson was booked and released to BCDC.

Williston, S.C. was arrested by WPD for Resisting Arrest, Drug Violations, and Traffic Citations. Daniels to BCDC.

Daylan Terell Dickerson, 23, of 13364 Highway 3, Blackville, S.C. was arrested ing and Driving Under on June 3, 2024 by Barnwell County Sheriff's Office (BCSO) for 2 counts of Failure to Appear. Dickerson was booked and released of 61 Azalea Street, Barnto BCDC.

3011 Heartwood Pass, Aiken, S.C. was arrested on June 10, 2024 by WPD for Trespassing. Dukes was BCDC

Harry O. Dukes, 42, was arrested on May 25, 2024 by BCSO for Failure to Apby WPD for Trespass of Real Property. Dukes was booked to BCDC.

of 222 Chester Street, Williston, S.C. was arrested on May 23, 2024 by WPD for Assault & Battery. Still was 59, of 176 Roy Street, Wil- Aggravated Assault. Ellis booked and released to liston, S.C. was arrested on was booked and released BCDC.

Dexter Lawrence Fitzpatrick, 36, of 436 Moore Drive, Barnwell, S.C. was Antoine Demoin Dan- arrested on June 7, 2024 iels, 32, of 399 Mattie Street, by BCSO for Criminal Domestic Violence. Fitzpatrick was booked and released to BCDC.

Henry Ingram Jr., 62, of was booked and released 100 Windsor Road Apartment 103, Williston, S.C. was arrested on May 30, 2024 by WPD for Shoplift-Suspension. Ingram was booked and released to BCDC

Aubrey Priester Jr., 42, well, S.C. was arrested on Harry O. Dukes, 42, of June 3, 2024 by BCSO for Failure to Appear. Priester was booked and released to BCDC.

Katelyn Elizabeth Sauls, booked and released to 24, of 1688 Charleston Highway, Hampton, S.C. was arrested on June 6, 2024 pear. Sauls was booked and released to BCDC.

Melissa Nicole Still, 27, Larry Hilton Ellis Jr., 53 of 23 Collins Circle, Barnwell, S.C. was arrested on June 3, 2024 by BCSO for

Alex Michael Varney, 35, of 831 Old Whiskey Road, Barnwell, S.C. was arrested on June 6, 2024 by BCSO for

to BCDC.

Paton Zorn, 35, of 78 Kearsewood Lane, Olar, S.C. Failure to Appear. Varney was arrested on June 3, 2024

was booked and released by BCSO for Leaving the Scene of an Accident with Property Damage. Zorn was booked and released to BCDC.

City of Barnwell's 2023 CCR (System ID# SC0610001)

Spanish (Espanol)

Este informe contiene informacion muy importante sobre la calidad de su agua beber. Traduscalo o hable con alguien que lo entienda bien

Is my water safe?

We are pleased to present this year's Annual Water Quality Report (Consumer Confidence Report) as required by the Safe Drinking Water Act (SDWA). This report is designed to provide details about where your water comes from, what it contains, and how it compares to standards set by regulatory agencies. This report is a snapshot of last year's water quality. We are committed to providing you with information because informed customers are our best allies

Do I need to take special precautions?

Some people may be more vulnerable to contaminants in drinking water than the general population. Immuno-compromised persons such as persons with cancer undergoing chemotherapy, persons who have undergone organ transplants, people with HIV/AIDS or other immune system disorders, some elderly, and infants can be particularly at risk from infections. These people should seek advice about drinking water from their health care providers.

EPA/Centers for Disease Control (CDC) guidelines on appropriate means to lessen the risk of infection by Cryptosporidium and other microbial contaminants are available from the Safe Water Drinking Hotline (800-426-4791).

Where does my water come from?

Drinking water for The City of Barnwell comes from five wills located throughout the city. These wells are tapped into an underground aquifer system and pumped into two elevated storage tanks. It is distributed throughout the city via a system of underground piping. Wells #6, #7, and #9 serve the Main Street Water Tank servicing the east side of town. Wells #10 and #11 serve the Rose Street Water Tank servicing the west side of town. The two water tanks are connected via a 12 inch and 16 inch water mains.

Source water assessment and its availability The source of drinking water for The City of Barnwell, System ID# SC0610001, is ground water. Raw water sources are most susceptible to contamination from runoff or environmental conditions

Why are there contaminants in my drinking water?

Drinking water, including bottled water, may reasonably be expected to contain at least small amounts of some contaminants. The presence of contaminants does not necessarily indicate that water poses a health risk. More information about contaminants and potential health effects can be obtained by calling the Environmental Protection Agency's (EPA) Safe Drinking Water Hotline (800-426-4791) The sources of drinking water (both tap water and bottled water) include rivers, lakes, streams, ponds, reservoirs, springs, and wells. As water travels over the surface of the land or through the ground, it dissolves naturally occurring minerals and, in some cases, radioactive material, and can pick up substances resulting from the presence of animals or from human activity:

microbial contaminants, such as viruses and bacteria, that may come from sewage treatment plants, septic systems, agricultural livestock operations, and wildlife; inorganic contaminants, such as salts and metals, which can be naturally occurring or result from urban stormwater runoff, industrial, or domestic wastewater discharges, oil and gas production, mining, or farming; pesticides and herbicides, which may come from a variety of sources such as agriculture, urban stormwater runoff, and residential uses; organic Chemical Contaminants, including synthetic and volatile organic chemicals, which are by-products of industrial processes and petroleum production, and can also come from gas stations, urban stormwater runoff, and septic systems; and radioactive contaminants, which can be naturally occurring or be the result of oil and gas production and mining activities. In order to ensure that tap water is safe to drink, EPA prescribes regulations that limit the amount of certain contaminants in water provided by public water systems. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) regulations establish limits for contaminants in bottled water which must provide the same protection for public health

How can I get involved?

Please visit us online for upcoming events or meetings that may deal with drinking water quality at: www.cityofbarnwell.com

Description of Water Treatment Process

Your water is treated by disinfection. Disinfection involves the addition of chlorine or other disinfectant to kill dangerous bacteria and microorganisms that may be in the water. Disinfection is considered to be one of the major public health advances of the 20th century.

Water Conservation Tips

Did you know that the average U.S. household uses approximately 400 gallons of water per day or 100 gallons per person per day? Luckily, there are many low-cost and no-cost ways to conserve water. Small changes can make a big difference - try one today and soon it will become second nature

- Take short showers a 5 minute shower uses 4 to 5 gallons of water compared to up to 50 gallons for a bath
- Shut off water while brushing your teeth, washing your hair and shaving and save up to 500 gallons a month
- Use a water-efficient showerhead. They're inexpensive, easy to install, and can save you up to 750 gallons a month
- Run your clothes washer and dishwasher only when they are full. You can save up to 1,000 gallons a month
- Water plants only when necessary
- Fix leaky toilets and faucets. Faucet washers are inexpensive and take only a few minutes to replace. To check your toilet for a leak, place a few drops of food coloring in the tank and wait. If it seeps into the toilet bowl without flushing, you have a leak. Fixing it or replacing it with a new, more efficient model can save up to 1,000 gallons a month.
- Adjust sprinklers so only your lawn is watered. Apply water only as fast as the soil can absorb it and during the cooler parts of the day to reduce evaporation.
- Teach your kids about water conservation to ensure a future generation that uses water wisely. Make it a family effort to reduce next month's water bill!
- Visit <u>www.epa.gov/watersense</u> for more information

Source Water Protection Tips

Protection of drinking water is everyone's responsibility. You can help protect your community's drinking water source in several ways.

- Eliminate excess use of lawn and garden fertilizers and pesticides they contain hazardous chemicals that can reach
- your drinking water source
- Pick up after your pets.
- If you have your own septic system, properly maintain your system to reduce leaching to water sources or consider connecting to a public water system.
- Dispose of chemicals properly; take used motor oil to a recycling center.
- Volunteer in your community. Find a watershed or wellhead protection organization in your community and volunteer to help. If there are no active groups, consider starting one. Use EPA's Adopt Your Watershed to locate groups in your community, or visit the Watershed Information Network's How to Start a Watershed Team
- Organize a storm drain stenciling project with your local government or water supplier. Stencil a message next to the street drain reminding people "Dump No Waste - Drains to River" or "Protect Your Water." Produce and distribute a flyer for households to remind residents that storm drains dump directly into your local water body.

Catalytic converter thefts continue to plague community, country

Alexandra Whitbeck Reporter reporter@thepeoplesenti-

A catalytic converter is found inside the exhaust system of a car and converts environmentally hazardous exhaust emissions into less harmful gasses.

This process uses precious metals like platinum, palladium, or rhodium. The value of these metals is high, making catalytic converters a target item for theft and illegal sale.

According to the National Insurance Crime Bureau (NICB), a non-profit organization which identifies, prevents, and deters insurance fraud and crime, over 64,000 reported catalytic converter thefts occurred in 2022; while the NICB found only 16,660 claims were made involving this specific theft in 2020.

When someone's catalytic converter is cut out of their vehicle, they are tasked with replacing the part but also finding alternative transportation. The average cost of a replacement can range between \$1,000 to \$3,500 depending on vehicle type, according to NICB.

metals from January 1, 2023 to present. Seven of these cases are still active and there has been one arrest for possession/ transportation of nonferrous metal (a metal not containing iron) without

a permit. Only a permitted secondary metals recycler can purchase detached catalytic converters such as licensed vehicle repair shops or parts dealers. Many requirements are needed for legal sale including the date which the catalytic converter was removed, who removed it, and the vehicle identification number (VIN) of the vehicle it was removed from.

It is illegal for any individual other than a permitted secondary metals recycler to purchase or attempt to purchase a detached catalytic converter or any nonferrous part of a catalytic converter.

to run concurrent to a previous probationary term out of Columbia County, Georgia for again attempting to obtain catalytic converters unlawfully in January 2023. Moody did one year in prison and was granted a three-year probation for this charge.

The judge accepted the state's recommendation and sentenced Moody to three years probation with random drug and alcohol testing. Moody's guilty plea also required him to pay over \$6,000 in restitution.

Once out on probation, Moody was arrested on May 10, 2024 after a Marlboro Avenue resident caught footage of a near theft on security cameras.

Moody was charged with possession of a controlled substance, injury to property to obtain nonferrous metals unlawfully, and malicious injury to personal property. He was granted a \$9,000 bond for these charges that had yet to be posted at the time of publication. Aside from Moody's arrest, the Barnwell Police Department has seen little of the same crime within the city limits. Numerous scams have circulated on social media warning residents against catalytic converter thefts. These scams commonly are seen in community groups or pages in different states and depict the same person.

High rates of theft nationwide have sprung legislative efforts across the country.

The Barnwell County Sheriff's Office (BCSO) has had 15 reported thefts relating to non-ferrous

On April 24, 2024, a case involving the theft of catalytic converters came before the Barnwell County Court.

Joshua Seth Moody, 27, waived presentment and venue to plead guilty to Beaufort County indictments. Moody was charged with four counts of injury to property to obtain non-ferrous metals unlawfully alongside a Barnwell County drug possession charge in July 2022.

The state recommended three years probation

ADMINISTRATOR: Barnwell County's deputy administrator promoted FROM PAGE 1A

Council that enabled a significant amount of "Best wishes to the new county administrator who hopefully will build on our strengths and work on our weaknesses."

Wright chose to apply for this position because "it was the natural next step in my career here in Barnwell County," she said. Wright began working with the county last summer.

In a memorandum of appointment signed by chairman of the county's personnel committee and county councilman Daniel Alexander, Wright is said to have brought "a wealth of experience and a proven record of leadership within our county, having served effectively as deputy administrator."

"Her insights and dedication during the interview process assured us that she is the ideal candidate to guide our future," said Alexander.

In her position as deputy administrator, Wright was productivity," said Bennett. able to gain valuable insight navigating the county's into the inner workings of the county and "most importantly it has given me the opportunity to get November. Wright has to know this wonderful community," she said.

She found serving as deputy administrator chance to propel the County provided valuable insight forward" with projects such into the inner workings of local government and aided her in developing an understanding of the community's needs, strengths, and challenges.

As she steps into this new role, her responsibilities will shift to departmental oversight, capital projects, and implementation of the actions of county council.

"I'll have a more prominent role in representing county council's interests locally, but I'm also eager to do my part to advocate for Barnwell County at the state and federal level," said Wright, who is excited to his leadership has been community into a promising see Barnwell County back a cornerstone of our on the map.

Some of the ways she will do this is through prospective projects in the upcoming Capital Project Sales Tax referendum in played a vital role in this process thus far and is looking forward to "the as a new animal shelter and amphitheater.

Bennett led the way for many of these projects, and Wright believes she "has some big shoes to fill," and thanks Bennett for all he has done for the county.

Alexander shared a similar sentiment; "I would also like to take this opportunity to express our deepest gratitude to Tim Bennett for his years of dedicated service as our current administrator," said Alexander. "Tim's contributions have been invaluable, and community's success."

Additional Information for Lead

If present, elevated levels of lead can cause serious health problems, especially for pregnant women and young children. Lead in drinking water is primarily from materials and components associated with service lines and home plumbing. City of Barnwell is responsible for providing high quality drinking water, but cannot control the variety of materials used in plumbing components. When your water has been sitting for several hours, you can minimize the potential for lead exposure by flushing your tap for 30 seconds to 2 minutes before using water for drinking or cooking. If you are concerned about lead in your water, you may wish to have your water tested. Information on lead in drinking water, testing methods, and steps you can take to minimize exposure is available from the Safe Drinking Water Hotline or at http:// www.epa.gov/safewater/lead

Water Quality Data Table

In order to ensure that tap water is safe to drink, EPA prescribes regulations which limit the amount of contaminants in water provided by public water systems. The table below lists all of the drinking water contaminants that we detected during the calendar year of this report. Although many more contaminants were tested, only those substances listed below were found in your water. All sources of drinking water contain some naturally occurring contaminants. At low levels, these substances are generally not harmful in our drinking water. Removing all contaminants would be extremely expensive, and in most cases, would not provide increased protection of public health. A few naturally occurring minerals may actually improve the taste of drinking water and have nutritional value at low levels. Unless otherwise noted, the data presented in this table is from testing done in the calendar year of the report. The EPA or the State requires us to monitor for certain contamnants less than once per year because the concentrations of these contaminants do not vary significantly from year to year, or the system is not considered vulnerable to this type of contamination. As such, some of our data, though representative, may be more than one year old. In this table you will find terms and abbreviations that might not be familiar to you. To help you better understand these terms, we have provided the definitions below the table

		MCLG	MCL.		tect In 'our	Ra	ange					
Contaminants		orMRDLG	TT, or MR		ater	Low	High	Sample Date	Violation	Typical Source		
Disinfectants & Disin	fection By-Pro	oducts		-						1 1 1		
(There is convincing e	vidence that ad	ldition of a disir	nfectant is ne	ecessary for	control c	of microbia	al contaminants)				
Chlorine (as Cl2) (ppm)		4	4		.46	.23	1.09	2023	No	Water additive used to control microbes		
Inorganic Contamina	nts									•		
Barium (ppm)		2	2	.(056	NA	.056	2020	No	Discharge of drilling wastes; Discharge from metal refineries; Erosion of natural deposits		
Fluoride (ppm)		4	4		2	.11	.2	2020	No	Erosion of natural deposits; Water additive which promotes strong teeth; Discharge from fertilizer an aluminum factories		
Nitrate [measured as f (ppm)	litrogen]	10	10		.3	NA	.3	2023	No	Runoff from fertilizer use; Leaching from septic tank sewage; Erosion of natural deposits		
Sodium (optional) (ppn	1)	NA			19	19	19	2023	No	Erosion of natural deposits; Leaching		
Contamina	nts	MCLG	AL	Your Wate	r Samp	ole Date	#Samples Ex	ceeding	Exceeds AL	Typical Source		
Inorganic Contamina	nts	<u> </u>	_		-		AL					
Copper-action level at taps (ppm)	consumer	1.3	1.3	.89	20	123	1		No	Corrosion of household plumbing systems; Erosion of na deposits; Leaching from wood preservatives.		
Lead - action level at co (ppb)	onsumer taps	0	15	.73	20	123	0		No	Corrosion of household plumbing systems; Erosion of na deposits		
Unit Descriptions Term							Da	6 141				
ppm		Definition ppm: parts per million, or milligrams per liter (mgl.)										
pph		ppm: parts per minion, or minigrams per inter (rigiL) ppb: parts per billion, or micrograms per liter (µg/L)										
NA		NA: not applicable										
ND							ND: N	ot detected				
NR						NR: Mo	onitoring not re	quired, but	recommended.			
Important Drinking W	ator Dofinition	20										
Term		15						Definition	1			
Important Drinking W MCLG	MCLO		ontaminant l	.evel Goal: T	'he level	of a conta	aminant in drin	king water	below which the	ere is no known or expected risk to health. MCLGs allow fo		
MCL	MCL: best a	Maximum Cor wailable treatn	taminant Le nent technol	vel: The high ogy.	nest leve	I of a cont	taminant that is	allowed in	drinking water.	MCLs are set as close to the MCLGs as feasible using the		
Π	TT: Tr	eatment Tech	nique: A req	uired process	s intende	ed to redu	ice the level of	a contamin	ant in drinking v	vater.		
AL							-			uirements which a water system must follow.		
Variances and Exemptions									-	er certain conditions.		
MRDLG	reflect	t the benefits o	f the use of	disinfectants	to contr	ol microb	ial contaminar	ts.		ch there is no known or expected risk to health. MRDLGs d		
MRDL		.: Maximum re ectant is neces						nt allowed	in annking wate	er. There is convincing evidence that addition of a		
MNR	MNR:	Monitored Not	Regulated									
MPL				Permissible L	au cal							

Contact Name: Marcus Wilson Address: PO Box 776 Barnwell, SC 29812 Phone: (803) 259-3266

Obituaries

Wednesday, June 12, 2024

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William Fraward Guinyard



BARNWELL - Mr. William Fraward Guinyard (Billy) of Barnwell, SC, passed away peacefully at home on Tuesday, June 10, 2024 at the age of 90 surrounded by family.

He was born July 28, 1933 in Orangeburg, SC. Mr. Guinyard was the oldest of seven children of the late Professor and Mrs. S.A. Guinyard. He was married for 59 years to Shirley E. Johnson Guinyard and they are the parents of two children, Belinda and Rodney (Ligia); and three grandchildren, Lionel Jr., Christopher and Brandon.

Mr. Guinyard held a degree in business administration with interests in economics, industrial relations, and biological science from South Carolina State University. He was also a graduate of the United States Air Force Management and Electronics School. Mr. Guinyard served as director and coowner of Guinyard and Sons Funeral Home (756 Allen Street) and own-

Memorial Park Perpetual Program Care Cemetery (1730 Yale Road).

Mr. Guinyard was and civic affairs of which he served in various capacities. duties and affiliations:

A. Child of God Baptist Church, Red Oak years Community

teacher, Jordan Baptist D. Chairman, Jordan

Baptist trustee board E. Member, Young Discipleship Christian

Association, Red Oak Community Community and civic

affiliations: A. Advisor, Diamond tems Agency

Dale Community Recreational Association

B. Chairman, The Fund

C. Member, Barnwell ilies & Aging Branch of the NAACP

D. Public Relations Officer, Barnwell Harley Butler American Legion Post #246

E. President Precinct #2, Barnwell Democratic Party F. Member, Barnwell Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors

County Grassroats Citizens Memorial Park and the Committee

Savannah Grassroots family with arrangements. Citizens Advisory Council Chairman, Board I. of Directors for Barnwell

er and operator of Hope County Child Daycare

J. Candidate Barnwell County Council

K. Scouting Coordinainvolved in many religious tor, Harley Butler American Legion Post #246

L. Coordinator, Barn-Religious and Christian well Community Development Housing Project

M. Coordinator, For Cub B. Member of Jordan Scout Day Camp for several

N. Member, Barnwell C. Adult Sunday school County Planning Commission

> O. Member, Project Advisory Council and Board of Directors United Way

> P. Member, Barnwell County Hypertension Control Group

Q. Member, Palmetto Lowcountry Health Sys-

R. Chosen Citizen of the Month in Barnwell

S. South Carolina Del-Crystal Jenkins Benevolent egate to the National White House Conference on Fam-

> The celebration of life services for Mr. Guinyard are scheduled for Sunday, June 16, 2024 at 2 p.m. at Jordan Baptist Church in the Red Oak community of Barnwell with burial at Hope Memorial Park (1730 Yale Road).

Guinyard and Sons G. Chairman, Barnwell Funeral Home, Hope Palmetto Mortuary of H. Chairman, Lower Charleston are assisting the

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Mike Thomas

Born in Walterboro, S.C., enjoy some peaceful time.

Thomas Jefferson Reeves Jr.

ALLENDALE - Thomas Jefferson Reeves Jr., age 85, husband of the late Barbara Thames Reeves, died Tuesday, June 4, 2024.

Tommy was born on October 16, 1938 in Hampton County to Thomas Jefferson "TJ" Reeves and Margaret Ann Barnes Reeves. He attended Wade Hampton School and graduated in 1957 from Mount Berry School for Boys in Rome, Georgia. He served in the U.S. Air Force in Wisconsin, Illinois.

He married Barbara Ann Thames on April 14, 1961, and began a family.

Tommy was a mechanic and parts manager for Ulmer Chevrolet and Whatley Chevrolet; he worked in the parts business for years before



WILLISTON - Funeral services for Larry Lamar Lingould, 75, of Williston, SC were held at 3 o'clock p.m., Sunday, June 9, 2024 at Rosemary officiating. Burial followed in the Barnwell County Memorial Cemetery by the airport with U.S. Navy rites accorded. The family received friends one hour prior to the service at the church on Sunday. Honored to serve as pallbearers were Benjamin Anderson, Doug Bragg, Travis Elliott, Todd Erman, Buck Handberry, Gerald Moore, and Larry Mullet. He passed away on

he established his own Walker (Steve), Kim Reeves Car Quest Auto parts stores in Allendale and Hampton before changing them over to NAPA Auto Parts stores. He loved cars and was an avid classic car collector and hot rod builder. He had a passion for auto flea markets and was always going to a Rod Run somewhere, and loved playing his DOO WOP music.

He loved his family and friends dearly and would help anyone who needed help as well as donating to many charities. He was a volunteer firefighter with the Allendale Fire Department for 40 years. He was a Master Mason, a Shriner, a Past Grand Patron of the Eastern Star of Fairfax and Harmony Hope Friday, June 7, 2024, of Barnwell and he was a devoted lifelong member of the Allendale First Baptist Church.

He was predeceased by his parents; a sister, Betty Reeves Hope; brother-inlaw, Johnny Hope; sister, Ann Reeves Lyons; and brother-in-law, Glenn Lyons.

He is survived by his daughters, Bobbie Reeves (Bill Terry); son, Thomas Jefferson "Ty" Reeves III; sister, Kay Reeves Thames (Jimmy); grandchildren April Walker, Tyler Walker, Brian Walker, Kaitlynn Elizabeth Mack (Devon), Aaron Henry Cook (Alexis Clifton); and greatgrandchildren Hunter Alan Mika and Autumn Grace Cook; along with special nieces and nephews. Special thank you to caregiver Tina Dobson.

Graveside services were held at 11 a.m. Saturday, June 8, 2024, at Crocketville Cemetery with the **Reverand Brien Flemming** officiating. Masonic rights were accorded.

The family received friends from 6-8 p.m. at Keith Smith Funeral Service (128 Water Street, Allendale, SC 29810).

Memorial contributions may be made to Allendale First Baptist Church, P.O. Box 582, Allendale, SC 29810.

Sign the online guestbook at keithsmithfuneralservice. com

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Wednesday, June 5, 2024. The family would like to extend a heart-felt thank you to Amber Brown for all of the love, care, and concern that she has shown

Larry. GA, he was a son of the late Alton Lingould and Vergie Louise Benton Lingould and was married to Geraldine Anne Lingould. He was a Pipe Fitting Superintendent who retired in 2017 from Fluor McBride and Laney Baptist Church with the Daniel Corporation after McBride; a sister, Mary Beth Reverend Dan Fogle working over 50 years. Larry enjoyed traveling, fishing, and playing golf. Riding on his tractor was a peaceful pastime for him. He lived life to the fullest: he had many friends and a great deal of family that he loved spending time with; he especially enjoyed being with his children and grandchildren. His friends and family will miss him deeply. Larry also loved Suri, his Alaskan Spitz. Survivors include his

Helen was born in Barn-

Community Church of God.

She loved painting, draw-

ing, going to yard sales and

fishing. She loved her dog

"Bella". She was loved by

everyone she knew. She was

a loving mother, sister and

friend and will be missed

loving wife of 48 years, Geraldine Anne Lingould of the home; daughters, Brandi L. Handberry (James) of Barnwell, SC; Alicia (Bobby) Jordan of Blackville, SC, and Born in Milledgeville, Lacey Lingould (Jake Anderson) of Williston, SC; a son, Ty McBride (Shannon) of Charlotte, NC; grandchildren, Kylan Handberry, Leah Anderson, Seger Jordan, Brynn Anderson, Mason Branham; and a number of

WILLISTON - G. M. 'Mike" Thomas, 65, of Williston, S.C. passed away on Tuesday, June 4, 2024. Memorial contributions may be given to the Barnwell County Animal Shelter, 57 Wall St., Barnwell, S.C. 29812 or the American Cancer Society, 200 Center Point Circle #100, Columbia, S.C. 29210. A Celebration of Life Service for family and friends will be held at a later date.

he was a son of the late George Wheeler Thomas and Mildred Robinson Thomas. He was a University of South Carolina graduate with a Chemical Engineering Degree and a retiree after working over 30 years at SRNS.

Mike was an avid Carolina Gamecock fan and supporter who attended many football and basketball games and loved to tailgate at the games. Mike was such a Gamecock fan that throughout his household his décor was reflective of the school colors, maroon and black. He enjoyed playing golf, played with several different groups, and also played in foreign countries. Folly Beach was his favorite place to relax and

He was a devoted husband and father.

Survivors include his wife of 21 years, Donna Jo Schmitt Thomas; two sons, Chris (Nicole) Thomas of Aiken, S.C. and Devin (Michelle) Lucas of Idaho Falls, ID; a sister, Gloria (Joel) Williams of Fairfax, S.C.; four grandchildren, Destiny Thomas, Allie Thomas, Leslie Lucas, and Millie Lucas; a number of nieces and nephews; and a special sisterin-law, Patty Schmitt (Lloyd) Ward of Williston, S.C.

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

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PUBLIC NOTICE

Pursuant to Section 6-1-80 of the S.C. Code of Laws, public notice is hereby given that the Town of Blackville Council will hold a public hearing on the Municipal Budget for the 2024-2025 Fiscal Year.

Date: June 27, 2024 Time: 6:00 p.m. Location: Town of Blackville, Blackville Community Center 19464 Solomon Blatt Avenue, Blackville, South Carolina 29817

Current	Projected	Percentage	Current
Fiscal Year	Revenue	Change in	Fiscal Year
<u>Revenues</u>	<u>2023-2024</u>	<u>Revenue</u>	<u>Millage</u>
\$1,533,925	\$1,652,114	7.7%	79 Mills
Current	Projected	Percentage	Current
Fiscal Year	Expenditures	Change in	Millage for
<u>Expenditures</u>	<u>2023-2024</u>	<u>Expenditures</u>	<u>2023-2024</u>
\$1,533,925	\$1,652,114	7.7%	79 Mills

Estimated Millage Equals \$79.00 per \$1,000 of Assessed Property Value

nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his sisters, Carol Ann-Martinson and Peggy Hogg; and a brother, Clyde Lingould.

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

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BLACKVILLE - Helen Dyches, 80, went to be with her Lord and Savior, June 4, 2024, surrounded by family. Funeral services were held Friday, June 7, 2024 at 11 a.m. at Dyches Funeral Home Chapel in Barnwell



Helen Dyches

with Rev. Arnie Shipp by many.

She is survived by her son, David Owens of Blackville; three sisters, May Holder of Hilda, Matlee Holder of Snelling and Annie Holder of Hilda.

She is predeceased by her husband, Henry Dyches; and two brothers; Luther and Willie Owens.

The family entrusted Dyches Funeral Home and Crematory with the arrangements. Sign the guestbook at dychesfuneralhome.com.

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Business

8A The People-Sentinel Wednesday, June 12, 2024 **Chamber recognizes five businesses**



The USC Salkehatchie conference center was packed for the May 9 Chamber event.



Moderator Shelby Broomfield (left) led a panel featuring entrepreneurs, including April Robinson, Farrah Maner, Mattie Bolen, and Adrian Crawford. Photos By: Laura J. McKenzie

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Business, community and civic leaders united May 9 at the Southern Palmetto Regional Chamber's annual meeting.

Held on the Allendale campus of USC Salkehatchie, the event celebrated the past year's achievements and milestones. Several businesses were also awarded.

"2023 was such an incredibly special year for the chamber and 2024 is already shaping up to be one for the books!" said Bob Snead, CEO and president of the Chamber. "Our mission is not only to foster economic prosperity in our region but also to engage the community, encourage connection, reward good ideas, and build a positive future that would not be possible without all of you!"

After enjoying a charcuterie spread from Lucy's Lu's Café in Barnwell and catered dinner from Sammy's Choice Cut Meats in Allendale, guests listened to a panel entitled "Voices of New Ventures". Moderator Shelby Broomfield chatted with four business owners about their experiences, challenges, and successes. Entrepreneurs included Adrian Crawford of High Altitude Drone Service, Mattie Bolen of Sonshine Creations, Farrah Maner of Mirror Mirror Future Guys N Gals, and April Robinson of Low Country Acai Bowls.

The Chamber normally bestowed five Business of the Year awards.

"This year we received such an incredible outpouring of support for local businesses that we had a tie! Congratulations to all of the awardees, the positive impact you have on your community is immeasurable," said Snead.



Barnwell County Impact Business of the Year is Atlas Carts in Williston.



Kinard's Kitchen tied for the Barnwell County Small Business of the Year award.



Jerome's Furniture & More tied for the Barnwell County Small Business of the Year award.



Barnwell County Small **Business of the Year**

Kinard's Kitchen and Ierome's Furniture & More tied for the Barnwell County Small Business of the Year award.

Kinard's Kitchen is a catering business that "combines the flavors and inspiration from Grandma's kitchen to create unique and flavorful recipes with a twist! They offer comforting, homestyle cuisine that ranges from classic Southern dishes to delicious pasta and more," according to the Chamber.

It's owned by Felicia Summers Kinard and Tonja Alexander who won the \$10,000 prize through the Propel Business Lab in September 2023. Their slogan is "Cooking with Love."

"We are so blessed to have a great support system! Look for even more greatness coming soon," stated the business on Facebook.

Jerome's Furniture & More in Williston is much more than a used furniture store.

"This local treasure offers vintage, antique and secondhand furniture and home decor at prices that are almost too good to be true! With new inventory arriving every single week, there is sure to be something at Jerome's for everybody, according to the Chamber.

Owner Jerome Frederick said the award means a lot to him and his staff.

Barnwell County Impact Business of the Year

Atlas Carts won the Barnwell County Impact Business of the Year Award.

Located in Williston, they produce high (battery) powered, feature rich, incredibly stylish golf carts that are sold in dealerships across the nation. Snead said they are an "incredible corporate citizen." "Not only does Atlas manufacture these awesome carts, but this incredible company also gives back to their community by lending carts to local schools and teaming up with local churches to orchestrate a community-wide food drive for which they donated over 10,000 pounds of food," according to the Chamber.

Allendale County Small **Business of the Year**

4 Brothers Auto Spa received the Allendale County Small Business of the Year award.

This family-owned business was founded by brothers Lonzado, Keith, Dimaggio, and Edric. They were participants of the Propel Business Lab.

"Born and raised in the community, Lonzado's dream of a top-tier car wash and detailing center for Allendale became a reality when the perfect location became available. Together, the four brothers joined forces to create 4 Brothers Auto

4 Brothers Auto Spa won the award for Small Business of the Year for Allendale County.



Petals & Pearls won the Allendale County Impact Business of the Year award.

Spa, offering a luxurious and safe entertainment spot during the first year of orchestrates several experience. Following the nights, delicious food, and success of their Auto Spa, the much more," according to Four Brothers embarked on a the Chamber. new venture, Four Brothers Lounge & Bar, which is a fun everyone for their support

and thorough car care that offers live DJs, karaoke

The brothers thank

business and look forward to many more.

Allendale County Impact **Business of the Year**

Allendale County Impact Entrepreneur Day 4 Kids.

Business of the Year.

Founded by Shirl Cave, this Christian-based nonprofit outreach program has a mission of spreading hope.

"They have been doing some incredible work here in Allendale County supporting youth entrepreneurship. They are fostering that next generation of entrepreneurs that hopefully will access our services at Propel Business Lab," said Snead.

The organization beneficial programs that impact their community and far beyond, including the Kindness Creations Petals & Stars received the Project, G.R.O.W. 4 Kids, and

A post on the company's Facebook page said they will "continue to do our best to give back to the community that Atlas calls home."

The Chamber thanks the event's sponsors -Breezeline, Savannah River Nuclear Solutions, and USC Salkehatchie.

Learn about the Chamber, including membership, at southernpalmettochamber.org.



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13th annual Blackville Music & Arts Festival brought two-days of fun

Donna-Maria Conzalina Contributor

The weekend of May 17th and 18th brought the continually growing, creative Blackville Music and Art Festival (BMAF) back to town for its 13th year. The annual springtime event produced two days of funfilled family events for the more than 2,000 residents in the Town of Blackville and its guests.

As children played and adults gathered, the aroma of culinary arts provided by food vendors drifted through the air, enticing lines of customers despite a few early morning clouds and drizzles. Festival tents covered Main Street with an abundant variety of sale items catered for all ages to enjoy. Various community organizations handed out information and smiles while talented live performances took place. A growing number of local South Carolina artists showcased their works, displayed in the BMAF Art Exhibition, located for the first time in both the fire station and Blackville Museum.

"The public was treated to the artwork of James Wilson, Brown, Earnest Harry Williams, Earnest Lee, Donna-Maria Conzalina, Terrance Washington, and students from Macedonia Elementary-Middle School, Williston-Elko High School and (Orangeburg's) Felton Laboratory Charter School. Everyone displayed great artwork and we are so thankful for their participation and support during the festival. Those who came for the music enjoyed the sounds of people like Christian recording artist LouAnn Lee who arrived in town for a scheduled concert at Blackville First Baptist Church, Tim Sims, Chucky Man, Me Me Yashal, Marcus Allen, Pr3scott, Glyshae and ATL Dream Vision Band. This year we added two



Volunteers and board pictured from left to right: (front row) white suit David Rufin-Anthony, Ja'Air Washington, Nancy Perry, Lashonda Williams; (back row) Darius Washington, Ethel Washington, Teressa Williams, Charmane O'Berry, Terrance Washington, James Cook. Not pictured: Shellie Khatod, Zakia Nix, Chante' Washington.

new things to the festival: a puppet show and a full on cowboy fashion show!" said BMAF President Terrance Washington. "Everyone behind the scenes came together and worked hard to bring the community together for this annual event."

Washington was inspired to create the festival in 2011 as a way to give artists locally and within the CSRA a platform to display and showcase their talents via visual and performing art.

"It's a way to bring the community together to grow the importance of art in the community. It gives the community something to look forward to each year that they can come sit back and enjoy with their family while enjoying beautiful art and music," said BMAF secretary Charmane O' Berry. "Overall, the main purpose of the festival is to educate the community about the arts and for young people to know that they have the opportunity to make a career through the arts. 'Bringing Blackville Alive, A Place for Enjoyment.' We are proud to have had civil rights photographer Ceile Williams and the late artist Jim Harrison to showcase and be a part of







the Blackville Music and Art Festival," said O'Berry.

The program is a 501c3 non-profit organization. "We seek financial support through grants, sponsorships, community giving, donations, and out of pocket funding. For community members interested in volunteering, we welcome individual volunteers, community organizations, local schools, etc. This is definitely one of the areas in which we struggle to get support," said O'Berry.

Washington's goal for future festivals is to "expand and grow the community's knowledge, understanding, and love of the arts and its importance. It is a way to bring such a small community together through music and art," he said. "As an organization we continue growing and creating networking relationships with community leaders and comradery with the businesses in downtown Blackville and local schools."

BMAF hopes to inspire interested Barnwell County and Denmark High School graduating seniors to apply for the EEW Music and Art Festival Scholarship if they desire to major in music or art in college. Scholarship information can be obtained through each school's guidance counselor department.

Washington and O'Berry, united partners in this program as well as being an engaged couple, wanted to conclude this year's festival by saying, "We are thankful and appreciative to everyone who believed, supported us and everyone who attended the Music & Art Festival. We thank God, the Blackville Music & Art Festival Committee, Blackville and everyone who loves & believes in the music and arts. Huge thank you to our volunteers this year and everyone who came out and supported us! Love & blessings!"

The current team of **BMAF Officers are:**

President: Terrance Washington, Vice President: James Cook, Treasure: Ethel Washington, Secretary: Charmane O' Berry

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CORDER: Long-time Blackville-Hilda educator retiring after 37 years

student teacher and I was a high school senior. The willingness he has shown when so many others would have walked away and retired is admirable, she said.

The 1981 graduate of Williston-Elko High School started his career in 1987 at the age of 23 as a civics teacher at Blackville-Hilda High School.

"I've spent over half of my life ĥere. Blackville-Hilda High School is such a special place. A lot of great kids have gone through there," said Corder. This includes his own three sons who graduated from Blackville-Hilda's public schools.

IMPACT OF FATHER

Corder's three sons credit their father with helping shape their lives. His commitment to education and his career has played a big role in that.

"I've always been inspired and influenced by the way he's always interacted with his community and peers. The respect he's always had shown to him, even his former students, despite how tough an educator he was often known as. A reminder to me every day that everyone should be treated equally and with the respect you expect in return," said Tommy Chambers, Corder's stepson.

Son David Corder Jr. is an English teacher at Williston-Elko Middle School. "In my five years of being an educator, I've always been happy to have him as someone I can talk and vent to, even though at times I've had to talk to him as my dad, and not my boss. He's always been understanding and supportive of my journey as a teacher, because he was once as young as I was, navigating the turbulent territory of public education. I couldn't have asked for a better father," he said of his father.

"You did more than any father could. You provided for your family, worked your whole life for what you have, and never let



David Corder with his wife and three sons at the wedding of youngest son Anderson in 2023. Pictured from left: stepson Tommy Chambers, son Anderson Corder, wife Lynette Corder, David Corder, and son David Corder Jr. Courtesy: Corder family

anyone take away the ethics to people I work with and and integrity that made you who you are. You the Bible, laughter is good believed in all your sons medicine," said David Jr. and encouraged them to go after their dreams and taught them to do what was right," said Anderson.

both cited the value of hard work as the greatest lesson their father taught them.

"Nothing in life is given to us but earned," said Tommy.

"My dad taught me that hard work is the only way to succeed in life, that a man can be as smart as the encyclopedia and still not amount to anything. It's a man that gets up every morning and puts everything he has into his work that will see the fruits of his labor," said Anderson.

While it's important to work hard, son David Jr. said his father also values the importance of laughter.

to cut up, and I think that's what most people know him for--as being a huge goofball. But he always School, who had Corder retains his professional persona as well. However, he has never let that be his defining characteristic. He has taught me to laugh with it wasn't because of how his infectious laughter, and great a teacher he was, serves on the Barnwell 19 superintendent Richard

my students. To paraphrase

As a child, David Jr. remembers the bus taking him from the elementary school to Blackville's Tommy and Anderson middle school where his father was principal. "I would go up to him and he would hand me my Batman action figure that he had been holding on to for me all day. After school was when I got to see my two favorite superheroes -Batman and Dad," he said. IMPACT OF AN

EDUCATOR

David Corder's impact as a father reaches far beyond the three sons he's raised. Throughout his 37-year career as an educator, he's also been a father figure to hundreds of students.

Some of his former students were in the audience for the BCCSD's end-of-the-year celebration on May 30 at Blackville-"He's never been afraid Hilda High School. This included Chelsea Calhoun, principal of Macedonia Elementary-Middle as a teacher in 9th and 12th grades.

"He was one of the best teachers I ever had. But 19 Superintendent Dr. that has passed through me but rather how he made County School District Huggins and principal

genuinely loved and cared about his students. We were like his own kids. I often thank Mr. Corder for the influence that he has had on my life. I know that part of my success as an educator is because of him. He has been an amazing teacher, mentor, and friend in my life, and I am forever grateful to him," said Calhoun.

Though many things have changed over the years, Calhoun said Corder "was exactly the same then as he is now, hilarious!" said Calhoun. She remembers her teacher cadet class going from class to class singing "Grandma Got Run Over by a Reindeer" as Corder, their instructor, played the guitar.

David Jr. said his father has always been a "hippie at heart." He remembers his father's office having posters of John Lennon and Yoko Ono along with several lava lamps. "He's always been the most laidback man I've ever known, and he's instilled that character trait into me, as well as his sense of humor,' he said.

Retired Barnwell District Andy Sandifer, who now

us feel as students. He board, promoted Corder to principal and later director of federal programs in the district office. "He has been an outstanding leader and a solid educator during these times of transition," said Sandifer.

REFLECTIONS

At the end-of-the-year celebration, Corder left his colleagues from Blackville and Williston with a final message as he prepares to retire for the final time and the district prepares to consolidate once again.

"It's been wonderful and beautiful," he said of leading the district and working with everyone.

He said it's been wonderful working with the team in Blackville, who he's known for years, but it's also been wonderful connecting with the team in Williston who embraced him. As a native of Williston, he said it was great coming home again and reconnecting with former classmates.

"We've had bad times and had good times, but we've always stood together," said Corder.

He also thanked the past administrators who helped him develop in his career. This includes former Barnwell District

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Danny Atkins who hired Corder as a teacher, plus Dr. Sandifer who promoted him to principal and later director of federal programs. These individuals recognized his leadership potential and taught him valuable lessons.

"I learned kindness and patience from Andy Sandifer. I learned business sense from Richard Huggins," said Corder.

He's tried to take the lessons he learned from other superintendents to implement during his time as a leader.

"I hope y'all have felt supported. I've always tried to treat folks kindly because I've been on the other side of the fence. I've been a teacher. I hope I've been a good leader; if I haven't, you're just going to have to complain to someone else because it's almost over," said Corder, jokingly.

RETIREMENT

As he prepares to retire, Corder said his thoughts and prayers are with the team he's leaving behind. Though consolidation evokes many emotions, he said, "I really believe in my heart it will be ok.'

As he concluded his speech at the end-of-theyear celebration, Corder teared up.

"It's alright, cry. We're gonna miss you, Corder," said one staff member in the audience.

After 37 years of dedicated service, Corder's sons, former students, and colleagues wish him a happy retirement.

"You've earned it. Enjoy it. Play guitar, listen to the Beatles, sit on the porch and watch the hummingbirds," said David Jr. to his father.

Tommy said he looks forward to more times hanging out and making memories.

As a child, David Jr. remembers his father teaching summer school. "He told me I used to say, 'Get the money, Daddy.' Now I'm going to say, 'Get the rest, Dad.' I love you," said David Jr.



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The People-Sentinel

Warhorse Katelynn Ryan signs to cheer at Presbyterian College

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Recent Barnwell graduate Katelynn Ryan has committed to cheer for Presbyterian College this fall.

Katelynn had a signing ceremony at Barnwell High School on Wednesday, May 22. Barnwell Principal Franklin McCormack, athletic director Derek Youngblood, cheerleading coach Amy Williams, and several friends and family were in attendance.

Katelynn cheered for Barnwell High School in both sideline cheer and competitive cheer with Coach Williams, who was excited for Katelynn's signing with Presbyterian College. "Katelynn was a valuable member of both the Barnwell High School Varsity Sideline and Competition teams. She is a dedicated, hard worker who puts in the work to better herself both in and outside of practice. I have no doubts that she will be an asset to PC Cheer. They are lucky to have her," said Coach Williams.

Presbyterian College is located in Clinton, South Carolina, so Katelynn will not be too far from home. When asked what she liked about PC, Katelynn replied, "Last year, I had the opportunity to attend Palmetto Girls State at PC and fell in love with the campus. Every single person there makes me feel welcome every time I visit. The staff and students are incredible."

When asked if she knew anyone at PC, Katelynn excitedly said, "Yes! I got the opportunity to meet everyone on the team. I've even chatted with a few of them one-on-one, and I'm so excited to see them on campus horse moment, Katelynn said,



Katelynn Ryan will do competitive cheer for Presbyterian College this fall. She's pictured with her brother, Brantley Cobb, Barnwell High School sideline and competitive cheer coach Amy Williams, and her mother Denise Cobb. Photo By: Donna Miley

next semester."

Katelynn plans to double major in political science and Spanish and minor in pre-law. She then plans to attend law school and eventually become a criminal defense attorney. Those are some high aspirations, but she has been a good student and a hard worker and those are two important components to help reach those goals.

Her days as a Warhorse cheerleader may be over, but she will take lots of fond memories of the sidelines on football Friday nights and traveling to competitive cheer competitions. When asked about her favorite War-



Katelynn attended Palmetto Girls State at Presbyterian College. She fell in love with the campus and loves the people there. Photo By: Donna Miley

"My favorite memory was the moment after our competitive cheer team performed at state this school year, and we realized we hit zero." For those not familiar with the competitive cheering world, competitive cheer has a similar scoring system to that used in some gymnastic events, where points are deducted for miscues and skills difficulty levels earn points. The expression "hitting zero" means a team had no deductions for that competition. It is a big deal at these competitive cheer events, where the few teams fortunate enough to do so, often take photos under the heralded "We Hit Zero!" banner or sign. For those meets

without such a banner or sign, the "We Hit Zero!" tag line would certainly be posted underneath internet postings and articles.

This is a great opportunity to be able to continue doing what she loves after high school.

Katelynn was asked if she had any advice for younger cheerleaders who might want to continue cheering at the next level, and she said, "Put yourself out there! Go to clinics and reach out to coaches. Your talent and skill make the team look good, so they will be happy to hear from you."

Good luck Katelynn and Presbyterian College! We wish you the best!

with USC Salkehatchie

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Tilliston-Elko's Peyton Rimes has committed to play baseball for the University of South Carolina Salkehatchie this fall.

On May 22, Rimes was joined by family, coaches, school administrators, and teammates from Williston-Elko High School (WEHS) in the school auditorium for a signing ceremony. On May 24, the Blue Devil graduated high school.

"I've enjoyed playing baseball. It's one of my favorite things to do. It's always been a dream to play college baseball," said Rimes.

WEHS head baseball coach Dalton Mundy said it is "very exciting" to see Rimes sign to take this next step. "I'm very proud of you," said Mundy.

Mundy highlighted some of Rimes' athletic accomplishments, including being a 3-time All-Region winner, the 2023 Region Player of the Year, and a 2-time All-State recipient. However, Rimes has also excelled academically as he finished 14th in his class with a many years. grade point average of 4.177.

we get to do this because it represents their hard work on the athletic field and in the classroom," said WEHS Principal Tony Flowers at the signing. "We appreciate Peyton's hard work."

When asked about a favorite memory from his time as a Blue Devil, Rimes recalled his sophomore year when the team won region for the first time in a while. Later that season, he said they played their first playoff game in focused on their goals. "Even ing," he said.

WEHS baseball coach Dalton Mundy, brother Tres RImes, sister-in-law Emily Rimes, and WEHS Principal Tony Flowers.

when you think no one is looking, someone is always watch- engineering and hopes to USC Salkehatchie is complete.

continue playing baseball at Rimes plans to major in another college once his time at



The Blue Devils baseball team joins Peyton Rimes and his family for a photo during his signing ceremony to play baseball at USC Salkehatchie. Photo By: Jonathan Vickery / Publisher



Photo By: Jonathan Vickery / Publisher

"We helped lay steppingstones "It's always a great day when for the future," said Rimes, who thanks his teachers, teammates and coaches at WEHS.

> After meeting with the coach at USC Salkehatchie, Rimes said it felt like the right move to continue his baseball career. He is excited to meet new people and work with his new teammates and coaches.

> Speaking to his younger peers at WEHS who want to play college ball one day, he encourages them to work hard and stay

Williston-Elko High School awards student-athletes



VARSITY FOOTBALL Defensive Player of the Year - Kadin Wright Offensive Player of the Year - Peyton Rimes Special teams Player of the Year - Willie Brown



VARSITY GIRLS BASKETBALL Defensive Player of the Year - Ashauna Hosey MVP - Jada Wilson Best All Around - Madison Wright



VARSITY BOYS BASKETBALL Most Improved - Jakeran Cuthbertson Dedication Award - Da'montray Allen Most Outstanding Teammate Award - Landyn Sims



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VARSITY FOOTBALL CHEER: Most Dedicated - Jondalyn Dunbar, Outstanding Personality - Nakiya Mercado, Best Work Ethic - Jakyia Mack. VARSITY BASKETBALL CHEER: Outstanding Leadership - Jondalyn Dunbar. Outstanding Personality - Jada Wilson, Showmanship - Jakyia Mack



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VARSITY BASEBALL MVP - Peyton Rimes Blue Devil Award - Quaide Overton No Limits Award - Tylan Parker



VARSITY GIRLS TENNIS MVP - Madison Wright Most improved - Faith Irons Rookie of the Year - Makayla Barrett



JV VOLLEYBALL MVP - Dottie Still Defensive Super Star -Kamryn Creech



BOYS JV BASKETBALL Offensive Player of the Year - Corey Newman Defensive Player of the Year - Darrell Newman



JV SOFTBALL MVP - Kendall Adams Great Sportsmanship -Matti Bell



JV BASEBALL OFFENSIVE MVP -Bryce Thigpen Defensive MVP -Chase Creech



MIDDLE SCHOOL BASKETBALL CHEER Cheerleading Leadership - Aubrey Williams, Cheer Superstar -Savannah Moody, Outstanding Cheerleading - Ra'Jiah James

de devils



MIDDLE SCHOOL GIRLS BASKETBALL MVP - Aiyania Staley Outstanding Player - Lily Bellinger

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MIDDLE SCHOOL BOYS BASKETBALL: MVP - Jaylen Braxton, Defensive Player of the Year - Sherod Garvin, Floor General - Ahmad Brown GOLF

Most Improved -Ali Jenkins Blue Devil Award -Grant Whitman MVP - Ben Adams



BLUE DEVILS

BOYS TENNIS: MVP - Timothy Jameson, Most Improved - Hayden Duty Rookie of the Year - King Brown



GIRLS TRACK MVP - Nakiya Mercado Most Dedicated - Malayjia Youmans Most Improved - Ashauna Hosey



BOYS TRACK MVP - Willie Brown Most Improved - Kameron Brown Most Dedicated - Robert Wright



ULTIMATE BLUE DEVIL AWARDS: Jelisea Ruth-Hudson (Varsity Cheer, Volleyball, Basketball, Golf, Track) Tri'Naya Josey (Volleyball, Basketball, Softball, Varsity Football Manager)









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Class of 2024 Tigers leave the den









Elijah de Castro Report for America elijah@thepeoplesentinel.com

On May 30, students, parents and teachers in Allendale gathered for the Allendale-Fairfax High School's class of 2024 Mickell thanked multiple graduation ceremony.

Cervantes, valedictorian of the class of 2024, praised school's faculty, and also reflected on her educational journey.

sincere congrats on your as you are about to start a new chapter in your lives ture ahead," said Cer- no motion," said Mickell. vantes. "I would also like to take a moment to express our deepest gratitude to the

faculty and staff who have guided and nurtured these bright minds. Their unwavering commitment to our educational excellence has played an important role in shaping us today."

Co-valedictorian Trinity teachers by name, and In her speech, Fatima spoke about personal growth.

"Class of 2024, as of her classmates and the today, we have achieved the goal many have longed for. All of the tears and stress over procrastinated "I would like to offer my assignments were all worth it to get to this day. outstanding achievements As I look at all of you, I see nothing but greatness. Always remember that and set out on the adven- slow motion is better than

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Grilled Red Potato Skewers Recipe courtesy of the Wisconsin Potato & Vegetable Growers Association Prep time: 10 minutes Cook time: 20 minutes

- 2 medium russet or Yukon gold Wisconsin potatoes or 6 red
- Wisconsin potatoes medium zucchini
- 1/2 smoked sausage rope skewers (12 inches each)
- 1/2 cup Italian dressing

Preheat grill to medium heat. Cut potatoes in half. Cut zucchini and sausage same width as potatoes. Skewer potatoes, zucchini and sausage. Repeat for each skewer.

Place skewers in dish and cover with Italian dressing. Marinate 5 minutes. Place skewers on grill and cook 5 minutes on each side, or until potatoes are

done. Remove from grill and serve.





Grilled Red Potato Skewers

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- cup Domino Light Brown Sugar
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- Easy Baking Tub
- 1/8 teaspoon salt
- 2 tablespoons Domino Turbinado



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Sugar (optional)

Preheat oven to 225 F. Line three baking sheets with parchment paper. Set aside.

Pour 1 inch of water into medium saucepan and heat it until simmering. In heat-proof bowl, mix egg whites, brown sugar, granulated sugar and salt. Put bowl on top of saucepan and warm mixture until it reaches 125 F. Stir continuously and make sure mixture does not touch water.

Carefully remove from heat. Using electric mixer, beat mixture at high speed 8-10 minutes. Transfer meringue into piping bag fitted with star tip. Pipe 12 meringues per baking sheet. Sprinkle turbinado sugar on top of meringues, if desired. Bake 1 hour. Turn off oven and allow meringues to rest inside oven 1 hour. Remove from oven and enjoy.



Brown Sugar Meringues

Start Summer Meals with a **Bright, Fresh Salad**

Bright colors and fresh flavor bring out the best in summer meals, starting with seasonal salads that look as though the ingredients were just picked from a garden.

Orange, grapefruit and avocado are perfect accompaniments in this Citrus Spring Mix Salad when paired with Fresh Express Spring Mix. This garden-fresh blend combines carefully selected tender baby butter and red and green leaf lettuces with baby greens including spinach, arugula and kale that are picked when the tiny leaves are perfect and whole.

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Citrus Spring Mix Salad

Prep time: 5 minutes Total time: 10 minutes Servings: 2

Dressing:

- 1/4 cup orange juice
- teaspoon grated orange zest
- teaspoon white wine vinegar
- 1/4 teaspoon Dijon mustard
- 1/2 teaspoon sugar
- 1/8 teaspoon salt

Salad:

- package (5 ounces) Fresh Express Spring Mix
- navel orange, peeled and sectioned
- red grapefruit, peeled and sectioned
- avocado, peeled, pitted and sliced 1/4 cup red onion, thinly sliced

To make dressing: In small bowl, whisk orange juice, orange zest, white wine vinegar, Dijon mustard, sugar and salt. Set aside.

To make salad: In large bowl, toss spring mix with salad dressing. Divide salad evenly among two plates. Top with oranges, grapefruit, avocado and onion.

WORD SCRAMBLE

Rearrange the letters to spell something pertaining to the great outdoors.

WFRSLEO

SNOWOLA : NOWRAA

Guess Who?

I am an entrepreneur born in South Africa on June 28, 1971. I attended the Wharton School of the University of Pennsylvania, where I studied economics and physics. I am an engineer who became a billionaire with my many innovative projects.

ARW NOLL : YOWRAR

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Ongoing

Monday AA Meetings Free. Open to the public. The Axis I Center, 179 Fuldner Rd., Barnwell. 803-541-1245. www.axisl.org. 10:30-11:30am an activity at the Barnwell

Ist Tuesdays Barnwell Development Association Inc. (aka BDA) 20 Wall St., Barnwell BarnwellDA.com BDAinc029.com 8am

Weekly on Tuesdays Free Food Distribution Long Branch MBC, 922 Hopewell Rd., Gifford. Food products will be available while supplies last. 3:30-5:30pm

Tuesdays & Thursdays Senior Dance Lessons Blackville Community Center. For all Barnwell County Seniors 60 and over. Call 803-259-4592. 3-4pm

Every Thursday Allendale Line Dance Classes Allendale National Guard Armory (368 Court House Square, Allendale) These free line dance exercise/fitness classes are open to

anyone 18 years and up. Sponsored by Allendale County Office on Aging and led by instructor Angela Doe Youmans. 6-7pm

Fridays The Gateway Church Food Pantry

The Gateway Church food pantry is also looking for volunteers to help with food distribution activities. If you would like to volunteer, please leave Pastor Jamie Sheppard a message at 803-450-6825. 9am-12pm

Mon., Thurs., Sat. Virtual Class Dancing For Joy

Exercise should be fun! Dancing for Joy is a fun way to dance and move to the beat and gain coordination, muscle tone and cardio fitness. Classes are free. We ask that you support your local food bank or pay it forward in any way you wish. Classes are virtual. To participate, email Elizabeth at egalaida@yahoo.com or text 301-473-3418 to get the Zoom information. Zoom links and codes are emailed out prior to every class.

Mondays 3:45-4:50pm Thursdays 9:15-10:30am Saturdays 10:15-11:30am

<u>Mondays thru July I</u> Faith @ the Fountain minute kids praise o devotion on the Circle in Barnwell 10am

Events

June 18, 25 Barnwell County Sheriff's Office GRITS Program presents Story Time Come out for story time and McDonalds. Children of all ages welcome. 9am

<u>Wed., June 19</u>

Juneteenth Celebration Sponsored by the Bamberg County Branch NAACP. Veterans Memorial Park, Main Highway Downtown, Bamberg. Commemorate! Educate! Celebrate! For more information Nina Hayes, 803-535-9946. I lam-3pm

Fri. & Sat., June 21-22

Traveling Stars of Blackville will host a 2-night old time Gospel Explosion program Holy Ghost Headquarters (1452 Sunshine Road, Blackville). Groups and choirs will be coming from Richmond, VA, Fayetteville, NC, and different parts of Georgia and SC. Join in on the high time of giving God all praises, honor and glory. For more information, call JoAnn Wiggins at 803-300-9180. 6pm

Sat., June 22

The Daughters of the King will be celebrating their 35 Anniversary. Ned Branch Missionary Baptist Church, Barnwell. Contact any member of the group for tickets. Doors open 3pm Program starts 4pm

<u>Sun., June 23</u> 97th Usher's Anniversary Ned Branch Missionary Baptist Church Guest speaker will be Rev. Dr.

Benjamin F. Cave, Pastor of Greater Sweet Branch Missionary Baptist Church, Olar We look forward to celebrating with each of you. If you are unable to attend, we solicit your prayers. **Ipm**

135th Anniversary New Home Missionary Baptist Church of Red Oak Community, Barnwell. Rev. Dr. Floyd Hughes Sr. and Macedonia Baptist Church of Blackville will be the guests. 2pm

150th Church Anniversary St. Mary Baptist Church 474 Highway 125, Martin Guest speaker will be Rev. Christopher Holley, pastor of Four Mile Baptist Church, New Ellenton. For more info, call 803-584-4254. Ilam

<u>Thurs., June 27</u> **Generations Unlimited Board Meeting** Administration Office, 10915 Ellenton St., Barnwell 5:30pm Academy Street Field, Williston Starts at dark

Tues.-Thurs., July 9-11

Ned Branch Missionary Baptist Church Summer Revival Services Come and be revived and refueled with the Ned Branch Missionary Baptist Church Family! Tuesday Night – Rev. Desimond Antley, Pastor of St Mark Baptist Church, Allendale, SC Wednesday Night – Rev. James Holiday, Pastor of Bushy Pond Baptist Church, Norway, SC Thursday Night – Rev. Dr. Floyd Hughes, Pastor of Macedonia Baptist Church, Blackville, SC Everyone is invited to worship and praise the Lord with us! The Nightly Services will

<u>Sat., July 13</u> Wrestling with Weston **Fundraiser for Weston**

begin at 7pm.

Hutson 12889 Main St., Williston. Come shop vendors, touch a truck, silent auction, raffles, good food and live music with special guest WARREN PEAY. For vendor info, please contact Dawn Nix, 803-709-1467, or Jo Ward, 803-300-0404, or Monica Maxwell, 865-803-2785. IOam-5pm

<u>Tues., Aug. 6</u> National Night Out Veteran's Memorial Park in Barnwell. 4-7pm



VACATION **BIBLE SCHOOL**

June 10-17 Jordan Baptist Church 2141 Jordan Rd, Barnwell, SC Transportation is available. Please call (803)300-6017. 6:30-8:30pm

June 17-21 Long Branch Baptist Church 3223 SC Hwy. 37, Williston Classes for Nursery to Adults. Theme is Breaker Rock Beach.

To promote your event, email the information to drichardson@thepeoplesentinel.com or fax it to (803) 259-2703.

Barnwell Library Events

Talewise, Science Heroes; Adventures of the Lost Treasure Mon., June 17 Talewise is back for another interactive STEM show! Throughout the adventure,

volunteers will help the performer conduct several exciting science experiments. For rising 5k to 5th grade. 10:30am

Cooking Matters Tues., June 18, 25, July 9, 16, 23

Bring along the whole family to enjoy a fun 6 week cooking class. This class teaches school-aged children and their parents or caregivers about healthy eating as a family and the importance of working together to plan and prepare healthy meals on a budget. In partnership with Snap-Ed Clemson University Learning Institute. Registration required call 803-259-3612 or stop by the front desk to register. 4pm

MyPlate

Wed., June 19, July 10 & 24 Bring along the whole family to learn about the five basic food groups and identify foods associated in each group.All while you enjoy a small food demonstration. In partnership with Snap-Ed Clemson University Learning Institute. Registration required call 803-259-3612 or stop by the front desk to register. **I am**

STORY TIME Thurs., June 20, July 18

Read, Rattle and Roll Storytime Enjoy songs, stories, and sensory play for toddlers and preschoolers. Followed by free developmental screenings. In partnership with Help Me Grow S.C. llam

Porkchop Productions Mon., June 24

"The Totally Twisted Tale of the Three Little Pigs" Live theater in your hometown! When Stanley (the cool pig on the block) is encouraged to invite Ralphie (the new sheep on the block) to his backyard camp-out, hilarity and chaos ensues! For rising 5k to 5th grade. 10:30am

STEM for Kids

Wed., June 26, July 31 Who knew learning could be fun? We did! Drop in and learn a thing or two. (5/29) make your own Pokéball levitating contraption, (6/26) make fireworks in a jar, and (7/31) create a catapult to launch your Pokéballs. Registration requested call 803-259-3612 or stop by the front desk to register. 4pm

the front desk to register. For Preschoolers. 10:30am

Bookend Painting

Mon., July 29 "END" Summer Reading with a bookend paint party. Paint a bookend with your favorite, character, super hero or book. Bookends will be displayed throughout the library. 10:30am

From Garden to Jar: Community Garden **Field Trip and Pickling** Demonstration Tues., July 30 Family program Join us for an interactive and educational exploration of the Veggie Cupboard Community Garden. Harvest fresh grown herbs and produce and Participate in a quick refrigerator method pickling activity showcasing how to preserve garden produce for later enjoyment. We will be walking from the Library to the Community Garden for the event. Registration required call 803-259-3612 or stop by the front desk to register. 3:30pm

Blackville Library Events

Savannah River Ecology Lab Mon., June 17 Learn about local wildlife with an expert and real live animals. Seating is limited and we are unable to accommodate groups. For rising 5k to 5th grade. 10:30am

Read, Rattle, and Roll Family Storytime

Mon., July I Fun stories, activities, and we can get you started with developmental screenings for ages 0 to 5. In partnership with Help Me Grow S.C. 10:30am

I Survived Fan Club

Mon., July 15 Love the series? We'll have cool activities tied to the books by Lauren Tarshis. For rising 5k to 5th grade. 10:30am

Williston Library Events

SuperAwesome Puppet Show Thurs., June 13 Take an adventure with some extremely silly stories. For rising 5k to 5th grade. 10:30am

Savannah River Ecology Lab Thurs., June 27

Learn about local wildlife with an expert and real live animals.

Local Directory

Allendale Library

297 Main St., Allendale (803) 584-2371 Hours of Operation Mon.-Fri. 9am-5pm Sat. 10am-2pm

Barnwell Library

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

Blackville Library

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

Williston Library

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

MUSEUMS

BARNWELL CO. MUSEUM 9426 Marlboro Ave., Barnwell Tues., Wed., Thurs. Noon-4pm Self-guided tours are offered Register at the office building (803) 259-1916

BLACKVILLE MUSEUM 655 Main Street, Blackville Open by appointment only until further notice. Please call (803) 284-3267 to schedule a visit.

BARNWELL SENIOR CENTER

Mondays-Fridays Gail Reves Senior Center/\ Generations Unlimited (11403 Ellenton St., Barnwell) 803-259-4599

BLACKVILLE SENIOR CENTER

Mondays-Fridays Golden Retreat Activity Center (59 Callahan Circle, Blackville)

<u>Sun., June 16</u>

New Home Missionary Baptist Church of Red Oak Community, Barnwell, will honor fathers on Father's Day. Beginning Independence Day 9:30am

<u>Mon., June 17</u> The Barnwell County

board has changed the date of the June board meeting to Monday, June 17th in the Blackville-Hilda High School Auditorium. 4:30pm

Mon.-Wed., June 17-19

Revival **Culbert Branch Missionary** Church East Elko Street. All are invited. 7pm

<u>Fri., June 28</u> The City of Barnwell's celebration with fireworks. 6-9pm

<u>Sat., June 29</u> Consolidated School District FREE! Clothing and Shoes

Giveaway Maurice's Heart of Love, LLC. Contact Maurice Austin, Cashapp: \$REESEBABY50 All items will be FREE to Barnwell residents only. First come first serve.All kids MUST have an adult with them at all times. Ned Branch Church, 10620 Dunbarton Blvd., Barnwell I0am-2pm

<u>Sun., June 30</u>

First Baptist Church of Williston Independence Day celebration

6pm

June 24-26 **Ned Branch Church** Monday-Wednesday 6-8pm

<u>June 29</u> **Edisto Baptist Church** Williston Town park shelter There will be crafts, lunch, Bible stories, snow cones, a fire truck hose-down, and much more. The event is free and open to all children school age and younger. 10am-1pm

July 15-17 Ashleigh Baptist Church Highway 3 Blackville, SC VBS Theme: Christmas In July Supper will be provided. 6-7:30

July 15-19 Hilda First Baptist Church 145 Church Street, Hilda "SCUBA...diving into friendship with God' Ages Toddlers to Teen 6-8:30pm

Adult Craft Night Thurs., June 27

Make and decorate wooden block firecrackers. These wooden blocks will look like patriotic fireworks—each one with a squiggly "fuse" on top. Registration required call 803-259-3612 or stop by the front desk to register. 5:30-7pm

Super Awesome Puppet Show Mon., July 8

Hilarity ensues with puppets and stories. For rising 5k to 5th grade. 10:30am

Chalk the Walk and Bubble Party

Mon., July 15 Meet us outside for a fun bubble dance party, sidewalk decorating and of course popsicles. Registration requested call 803-259-3612 or stop by

Seating is limited and we are unable to accommodate groups. For rising 5k to 5th grade. 10:30am

Book Club Thurs., June 27 Discussing Midnight In The Garden Of Good And Evil by John Berendt. 6pm



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Crossword Puzzle Solution

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Sudoku Puzzle Solution

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The People-Sentinel



Letter to the Editor

Former Generations Unlimited director is 'deeply saddened' by agency's current situation

Dear Editor:

As former Executive Director of Generations Unlimited, I am deeply saddened by the recent newspaper reports of the agency's untenable situation. Cutting services to seniors and those who lack transportation access will have grave negative impacts on Barnwell County residents.

Because I was mentioned, yet again, in the article, I wanted to respond.

In February of 2022, County Council had the opportunity to support the Agency which was in need of one-time funding to help recover from the impact of pandemic related issues. At that time, GU was NOT IN DEBT and was just beginning to run into cash flow issues. GU was seeking help before the situation became as dire as it is today. We were taking a responsible course of action.

Through detailed financial reports provided to County Council by County Council's own CPA, Neil Crider, Council members were well aware that there was no misappropriation or mismanagement of funds. They chose to use that as an excuse to "go in another direction" for reasons unknown to me.

Here are some facts:

• Under the leadership of the past Board of Directors, I successfully operated Generations Unlimited for a decade before the COVID 19 Pandemic.

struggling due to the COVID-19 Pandemic and which the County Council had.

· Instead of providing the funding when needed, County Council took control of the Agency.

 Bill Molnar, Executive Director of LSCOG, who is quoted in your article, was instrumental in the County Council's decision to "go in another direction". Also, for reasons unknown to me.

· The Agency was directly under the control of County Council for 15 months after my dismissal. Prior to this, no member of County Council or the County Administrator, Tim Bennet, had any knowledge of the day-to-day operations of the Agency or, really, any other aspect of the Agency. They had absolutely no plan in place on how the Agency would run upon my departure.

 The article states that County Council has invested a half million dollars into the Agency since they assumed control. GU received only \$30,000 annually for the decade that I managed the Agency, plus an additional \$50,000 prior to my dismissal.

In summary, Generations Unlimited simply needed assistance to recover from the Pandemic and an increase in annual funding above the \$30,000. Two years and four months later, the Agency is in debt despite a huge infusion of money. They have cut services drastically, have no experienced staff or leadership, and • I requested American Rescue are in danger of losing contracts to

Better Business Bureau

BBB scam alert: Scammers are impersonating road toll collection services



Collins Better Business Bureau

f you have been on a road trip,

then you're probably familiar

with modern tolling systems allowing

you to pay your toll fees online. If you

anticipate paying for any outstanding

tolls, watch out for this text message

phishing scam where fraudsters

impersonate toll collection services,

trying to trick consumers into paying

You receive a text message from

what appears to be a state tollway

collection service, like the Illinois

Tollway or the Florida Turnpike. The

text message says you owe a road

toll fee of around \$12, but you need

to pay it immediately to avoid a late

The message includes a link to

settle your balance, which appears

to be from the state's toll service,

making the message look legitimate.

provide your personal and payment

information on the website, scam-

information, and you may have lost

for fake outstanding tolls.

How the scam works

fee of \$50.

some money.

One consumer recently shared, "I received a text message that stated I owed funds from using a tollway. It was not specific and since I do not the message. Do not engage with the use a tollway I knew it was a fraud. I deleted the message right away and blocked the number, but I believe it had included a web link."

Another consumer shared, "I was sent a text message that I owe the Florida Turnpike fee of \$12.51 or face a late fee of \$50. I nor my husband have been anywhere near the Florida Turnpike."

How to avoid text message phishing scams

• Verify your outstanding toll balance with the legitimate agency. Instead of clicking on the link in the text message, go to your web browser, find the toll service's actual website, and log in to your account to verify if you have any outstanding toll payments. Another way to verify this is by calling the toll service's customer service line. Do not call the phone number that texted you or any phone numbers included in the text message. Instead, find the toll service's legitimate phone number on their website.

• Know the warning signs of a However, if you click the link and fake text. If you receive an unusual text message, there are several things to look for to help you identify if it's mers could now have access to that fake. Read BBB's tips on spotting the red flags of fake text messages.

 Don't click on links or down-BBB Scam Tracker has received load files that are unexpectedly reports of text messages that appear texted to you. It may be hard to

to be from toll collection services. identify if a link sent in a text message is safe. Scammers can disguise a URL to appear legitimate when it isn't.

> • Block the number and delete scammer if you think you received a fake text message. Instead, block the phone number and delete the text message. Refusing to engage and blocking the phone number can help prevent scammers from contacting vou again.

• If you receive a text message impersonating a road toll collection service, report it. You can file a report with BBB Scam Tracker to help warn others about this new scam. In addition, file a report with the FBI Internet Crime Complaint Center (IC3) at ic3.gov.

You can read the IC3's recent alert about this scam at www.ic3.gov and learn how to report these scams to IC3. Learn more about how to spot a scam by identifying common red flags in various scam types at BBB. org.

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An hour later, we realize:



To doubt you've heard the old

Haven't we seen this movie before?'

trip to the bathroom, the name magically shows up in a memory bank. Sometimes it's her bank, sometimes it's mine.

Keys, cellphones and glasses are the next things we forget. We forget where we left them.

Dr. Arash Salardini, co-director of Yale's Memory Disorder Clinic, to memories with specific context six sticks, seven heaven, eight gatein space and time. "Based on that,"

Several decades ago, my newspaper colleagues and I attended a memory clinic taught by a guy named William V. Nutt. Who could forget that name? And I didn't forget his explaining "associative memory" for remembering items.

Let's say you memorize several words for association: one run, two calls it "episodic memory," referring zoo, three tree, four door, five hive, and so on. Then you picture an image, associating the word, or words, you want to remember with one of the memorized words. The more ridiculous your image, the better. So, for number one, you might picture a can of Campbell's tomato soup running through the traffic, a can opener in his tinny, left hand. And then you remember to pick up some canned soup at the grocery store. Unfortunately, the method doesn't work with names. Or keys. Or glasses. Or appointments. There are certain things, though, that'll I'll forget only one time-and never again.

Plan (ARPA) funding, which was provide services. federal funding designated to assist agencies and businesses who were

Lisa Firmender, Barnwell





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 $\mathbf{1}$ N joke that memory is the first he says, "you can see what sort of thing to go, and I don't remember the second thing.

There's much truth in that saying. I know that because my wife and I have reached the age when memory comes and goes, and when it goes, it stays out late, like the town drunk. We can watch a movie on TV and then realize, halfway in, that we'd seen it before.

"I remember that guy saying that," I'll tell my wife. "We have seen this movie before. I know we have."

"Well, let's watch the rest of it," she'll say, "because I don't remember what happened."

"I don't either," I'll say.

It's worse with names. Sometimes I can remember someone's first name, and she can remember the last name. Often we can't remember either one.

"His name starts with a T," I'll say. "It's a short name, like Tom or Tim, but that's not it."

"Seems like his last name starts with a J," she'll say. "Jones, James, Jordan. No, none of those."

Then, about 2 in the morning, on a

memories usually go first. People misplace things. They forget appointments."

My wife and I seldom forget appointments. Well, we do, but we both have calendars. Calendars can be wrong, however, when someone notes the appointment on the wrong date.

I did that for a speech before the Rotary Club in Royston, Ga., several years ago. Unfortunately, no one in the club saw the humor in my forgetting. I know because I tried to make a joke of it when I finally did speak, and no one cracked a smile.

My wife's birthday comes to mind



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SUMMONS AND NOTICE OF FILING OF COMPLAINT (NON-JURY MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE) DEFICIENCY WAIVED

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA IN THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS COUNTY OF BARNWELL C/A NO: 2024-CP-06-00150 Lakeview Loan Servicing, LLC, PLAINTIFF, vs. Danny E Perry; Rhonda L Perry,

DEFENDANT(S) TO THE DEFENDANTS, ABOVE NAMED:

YOU ARE HEREBY SUMMONED and required to answer the Complaint herein, a copy of which is herewith served upon you, or otherwise appear and defend, and to serve a copy of your Answer to said Complaint upon the subscriber at his office, Hutchens Law Firm LLP, P.O. Box 8237, Columbia, SC 29202, within thirty (30) days after service hereof, except as to the United States of America, which shall have sixty (60) days, exclusive of the day of such service, and if you fail to answer the Complaint within the time aforesaid, or otherwise appear and defend, the Plaintiff in this action will apply to the Court for the relief demanded therein, and judgment by default will be rendered against you for the relief demanded in the Complaint.

YOU WILL ALSO TAKE NOTICE that should you fail to Answer the foregoing Summons, the Plaintiff will move for an Order of Reference of this case to the Master-in-Equity/Special Referee for this County, which Order shall, pursuant to Rule 53 of the South Carolina Rules of Civil Procedure, specifically provide that the said Master-in-Equity/Special Referee is authorized and empowered to enter a final judgment in this case with appeal only to the South Carolina Court of Appeals pursuant to Rule 203(d)(1) of the SCACE effective, June 1, 1000

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Personal Representative: Darryl Brown Address: 491 Halford Street, Williston, S.C. 29853 2024-103 3tp 6-19-24

NOTICE OF ABANDONED VEHICLES To the owner of the 2013 NISSAN ALTIMA abandoned at 13885 Church St., Williston, S.C., 29853, please contact Jennifer by June 17, 2024 to claim the automobile. VIN is 1N4AL3APXDN455378. Our number is 803-266-7265.

To the owner of the 2015 DODGE JOURNEY abandoned at 13885 Church St., Williston, S.C., 29853, please contact Jennifer by June 17, 2024 to claim the automobile. VIN is 3C4PDCBG7FT696785. Our number is 803-266-7265. **2024-104 2tc 6-12-24**

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on a plat prepared for Brian K Smith by Richard L. All, RLS, dated February 9, 2005, and recorded in Plat Cabinet B Slide 31, at Page 3-B in the Office of the Clerk of Court for Barnwell County, and according to said plat, being bounded and measuring as follows: On the North by property now or formerly of Willie Lee Ashley and measuring thereon a total of 209.72 feet; On the East by property now or formerly of Walter M. Creech and measuring thereon 171.58 feet and 37.01 feet; On the South by S. C. Route 70 and measuring thereon 209.99 feet; and On the West by property now or formerly of Richard Freeman and measuring thereon 209.51 feet.

This being the same property conveyed to Brian Smith by Deed of Richard Freeman dated July 6, 2005 and recorded December 22, 2005 in Book 715 at Page 128, in the Office of the Register of Deeds for Barnwell County, South Carolina. 8171 Highway 70 Blackville, SC 29817 TMS# 126-00-00-105 TERMS OF SALE: For cash. Interest

at the current rate of 12.13% to be paid on balance of bid from date of sale to date of compliance. The purchaser to pay for papers and stamps, and that the successful bidder or bidders, other than the Plaintiff therein, will, upon the acceptance of his or her bid, deposit with the Special Referee for Barnwell County a certified check or cash in the amount equal to five percent (5%) of the amount of bid on said premises at the sale as evidence of good faith in bidding, and subject to any resale of said premises under Order of this Court; and in the event the said purchaser or purchasers fail to comply with the terms of sale within Thirty (30) days, the Special Referee for Barnwell County shall forthwith resell the said property, after the due notice and advertisement, and shall continue to sell the same each subsequent sales day until a purchaser, who shall comply with the terms of sale, shall be obtained, such sales to be made at the risk of the former

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purchaser. Since a personal or deficiency judgment is waived, the bidding will not remain open but compliance with the bid may be made immediately. Plaintiff may waive any of its rights prior to sale. Sold subject to taxes and assessments, existing easements and restrictions of record.

James Martin Harvey, Jr. Special Referee for Barnwell County Barnwell, South Carolina

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> SPECIAL REFEREE NOTICE OF SALE 2024-CP-06-00016

BY VIRTUE of a decree heretofore granted in the case of: Rocket Mortgage, LLC f/k/a Quicken Loans, LLC f/k/a Quicken Loans Inc. vs. Dennis Lewis, Individually, as Legal Heir or Devisee of the Estate of Harold Lewis a/k/a Harold Lee Lewis, Deceased; et.al., I, the undersigned J. Martin Harvey, Jr., Special Referee for Barnwell County, or his/her designee will sell on Monday, July 1, 2024 at 11:00 AM, at the County Courthouse, 141 Main Street, Barnwell, SC 29812. The property to be sold to the highest

bidder: All that certain piece, parcel or lot of land just North of the corporate limits of the City of Barnwell, Barnwell School District, County of Barnwell, State of South Carolina, designated as Lot No. 25 on a Subdivision Plat entitled 'Ridgewood" made by S.R. Thomson, Registered Surveyor, on June 2, 1958 and recorded in Plat Book I at Page 34 in the Barnwell County Clerk of Court's Office and bounded and measuring, more or less, as follows according to said Plat: On the North by Lot No. 37 and measuring thereon 93.4 feet; On the East by Sherwood Drive and measuring thereon 145 feet; On the South by Pine

WILLISTON SELF STORAGE FACILITY LIEN SALE

In accordance with the provisions of the South Carolina Lien Law, Title 39, Chapter 20, enforcement of the Self-Storage Facilities Owner's Lien at Williston Self Storage, physical address 13949 Church St. Williston, SC 29853, mailing address PO Box 65 Williston, SC 29853, the following property will be sold at online auction on Storage Auctions (<u>www.StorageAuctions.com</u>) on **Monday, June 17, 2024 at 11:00 AM EST.** All items of personal property, business property, household furniture, automotive equipment, gym equipment, tools, clothes, appliances, antiques, bric-a-brac, and miscellaneous items will be auctioned held for the account(s) of:

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NOTICE OF FILING OF SUMMONS AND COMPLAINT

TO THE DEFENDANTS ABOVE NAMED: YOU WILL PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the foregoing Summons, along with the Complaint, was filed in the Office of the Clerk of Court on April 29, 2024. THIS IS A COMMUNICATION FROM A DEBT COLLECTOR. THE PURPOSE OF THIS COMMUNICATION IS TO COLLECT A DEBT AND ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE, except as stated below in the instance of bankruptcy

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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);

4. that the person protesting resides in the same county where the proposed place of business is located or within five miles of the business; and,

5. the name of the applicant and the address of the premises to be licensed. Submit the ABL-20 online at MyDORWAY. dor.sc.gov or email to ABL@dor.sc.gov. 2024-106 3tp 6-26-24

Notice of Sale C/A No: 2023-CP-06-00283

BY VIRTUE OF A DECREE of the Court of Common Pleas for Barnwell County, South Carolina, heretofore issued in the case of U.S. Bank Trust Company, National Association, as trustee, as successor-in-interest to U. S. Bank National Association as trustee, Successor in Interest to Wachovia Bank National Association, as trustee for Aegis Asset Backed Securities Trust Mortgage Pass-Through Certificates, Series 2005-4 vs. Brian Smith; Richard Freeman I the undersigned as Special Referee for Barnwell County, will sell on July 1, 2024 at 11:00 AM at Barnwell County Court House, Barnwell, South Carolina to the highest bidder:

Legal Description and Property Address:

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Needle Road and measuring thereon 93.4 feet; and On the West by Lot No. 26 and measuring thereon 145 feet.

This being the same property conveyed to Harold Lewis by deed of Louise G. Grubbs (by Betty D. McConnell and Mary Sharpe, as Attorneys in Fact) dated February 25, 2019 and recorded February 25, 2019 in Book 1228 at Page 232; and re-recorded June 11, 2019 in Book 1240 at Page 18. Subsequently, Harold Lewis a/k/a Harold Lee Lewis died on or about April 12, 2023, leaving the subject property to his heirs, namely Lloyd Lewis; Dennis Lewis; and Christina M. Lewis

TMS No. 090-03-04-001

Property address: 30 Pineneedle 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 said bid is due and payable immediately upon closing of the bidding, in certified funds or equivalent, as evidence of good faith, same to be applied to purchase price in case of compliance, but to be forfeited and applied first to costs and then to Plaintiff's debt in the case of non-compliance. In the event of a third party bidder and that any third party bidder fails to deliver the required deposit in certified (immediately collectible) funds with the Office of the Special Referee, said deposit being due and payable immediately upon closing of the bidding on the day of sale, the Special Referee will re-sell the subject property at the most convenient time thereafter (including the day of sale) upon notification to counsel for Plaintiff. Should the last and highest bidder fail or refuse to comply with the balance due of the bid within 30 days, then the Special Referee may re-sell the property on the same terms and conditions on some subsequent Sales Day (at the risk of the said highest bidder).

No personal or deficiency judgment being demanded, the bidding will not remain open after the date of sale, but compliance with the bid may be made immediately

Purchaser to pay for documentary stamps on Special Referee's Deed. The successful bidder will be required to pay



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interest on the balance of the bid from the date of sale to date of compliance with the bid at the rate of 5.250% per annum. The Plaintiff may waive any of its rights, including its right to a deficiency judgment, prior to sale.

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The sale shall be subject to taxes and assessments, existing easements and restrictions of record. The successful bidder of the property at the judicial sale can contact Blue World Pools, Inc. to assume the purchase agreement for the subject of the UCC lien or the UCC lienholder will, at its discretion, remove the property covered by the UCC lien. This sale is subject to all title matters of record and any interested party should consider performing an independent title examination of the subject property as no warranty is given.

The sale will not be held unless either Plaintiff's attorney or Plaintiff's bidding agent is present at the sale and either Plaintiff's attorney or Plaintiff's bidding agent enters the authorized bid of Plaintiff for this captioned matter. In the alternative, Plaintiff's counsel, if permitted by the Court, may advise this Court directly of its authorized bidding instructions. In the event a sale is inadvertently held without Plaintiff's Counsel or Counsel's bidding agent entering the authorized bid of Plaintiff for this specifically captioned matter, the sale shall be null and void and the property shall be re-advertised for sale on the next available sale date.

Neither the Plaintiff nor its counsel make representations as to the integrity of the title or the fair market value of the property offered for sale. Prior to bidding you may wish to review the current state law or seek the advice of any attorney licensed in South Carolina.

J. Martin Harvey, Jr. Special Referee for Barnwell County Scott and Corley, P.A. Attorney for Plaintiff

2024-108 3tc 6-26-24

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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. Estate: Robert Henry Carson Sr. Date of Death: May 2, 2024 Case Number: 2024 ES 06 00109 Personal Representative: Phyllis C. Martin Address: 660 Deer Dust Drive, Barnwell, S.C. 29812

A. Carson Address: 1289 Deering Road, Williston, S.C. 29853

Co-Personal Representative: Michael

2024-109 3tp 6-26-24

MOTION FOR SERVICE ON DEFENDANT BY PUBLICATION STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA COUNTY OF BARNWELL IN THE FAMILY COURT FOR THE SECOND JUDICIAL CIRCUIT Case No. 2023-DR-06-62 JAMES CARR, Petitioner,

JACQUALIN STRICKLIN, Defendant

Shalonda Wilburn, Attorney for Petitioner, moves before this Court for an order of service by publication pursuant to S.C. Code Ann. Section 15-67-30 for the following reasons: Petitioner does not know and has not known the whereabouts of Respondent, Jacqualin Stricklin, for guite some time. Attempts to locate Respondent, Jacqualin Stricklin, current whereabouts have been futile. and Petitioner is at a stand-still as to how to locate Respondent, Jacqualin

Stricklin. Shalonda Wilburn, Esquire Wilburn Law Firm 135 Chesterfield Street Aiken, S.C. 29801 Telephone: (803) 442-0479 ATTORNEY FOR PETITIONER 2024-110 4tc 7-3-24

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Allendale County School District will hold a public hearing on the 2024-2025

General Fund Operating Budget at 5:00 pm, Monday, June 24, 2024, at the Allendale County School District Multi-purpose Room located at 3581 Allendale-Fairfax Highway, Fairfax, SC 29827

Total revenue and expenditures from Allendale County Schools' current (2023-2024) general fund operating budgets are \$15,379,499. The local operating millage for the current year is 256.0 mills. The district's proposed revenues and expenditures for the 2024-2025 budgets are \$18,027,361. That is an increase of 17.22% compared to the current (2023-2024) budget. Operating millage will remain at 256.0 mills for the budget year 2024-2025. The estimated millage requirement for the 2024-2025 budget is \$4,919,296. This is a balanced budget

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Nurturing the Mental Health of Young Children

FAMILY FEATURES

he earliest years of children's lives lay the foundation for their social and emotional well-being, setting the stage for success in school and beyond. For parents, caregivers and educators, it's crucial to prioritize and nurture the mental health of children in their care.

Dr. Lauren Loquasto, senior vice president and chief academic officer at The Goddard School, and Dr. Kyle Pruett, clinical professor of child psychiatry at Yale School of Medicine and member of The Goddard School's Educational Advisory Board, share this insight and guidance to support children's mental well-being.

Understanding Mental Health in Young Children

Mental health influences how everyone - including young children - thinks, feels and behaves, impacting the ability to cope with stress, build relationships and navigate life.

The development of mental makeup is influenced by both nature (inherited genetic and biological factors) and nurture (environmental factors). Each person is a combination of a unique temperament combined with life experiences, including family, culture and education.

In young children, there is no distinction between mental and physical health. The brain and body are growing and developing rapidly. By 6 months, children can begin to feel overwhelmed by negative experiences. It's vital to understand that the earliest interactions with children can have lasting social and emotional consequences

Causes for Concern

When it comes to young children's mental health, there's no straight line dividing expected and worrisome behaviors. That line is wiggly and can shift. That said, it's always concerning when children fall off their developmental tracks.

Infants are expected to partake in "serve and return" activities. They provide signals about how they feel or what they need and caregivers respond to those cues. When those signals stop and the child becomes exceedingly passive, that's a concern.

Toddler troubles are among the most difficult to diagnose. Many are familiar with the concept of the "terrible twos;" deciphering between developmentally appropriate and worrisome behaviors can be challenging. Signs of concern - especially if they occur constantly - include excessive aggressiveness, a consistent lack of control and screaming instead of talking.





For pre-kindergarteners and kindergarteners, tantrums should be over. They should be interested in making friends and mastering their vocabulary and language. If they aren't displaying interests or are exhibiting a lack of self-regulation, such as hurting others or animals, seeking help is appropriate.

Seeking Help

If concerns are identified, parents should contact their pediatric care provider. In some cases, they may recommend seeking assistance from a mental health provider, such as a therapist. Selecting the right provider - one with training and experience with working with children - is essential. Lean on your network, including your pediatric care provider, friends and family, to identify the best option.

Supporting Early Social and Emotional Development

1. Understand your child's behavior - particularly if they aren't verbal - is their way of communicating. Narrate what your child is experiencing and label emotions. For example, 'I see you're angry. Can I help you put your shoes on?' 2. Model social and emotional self-control. For example, "I'm

frustrated. I'm going to pause, take deep breaths then tell

you what I need." This gives children coping techniques

- they can practice themselves. 3. Be a good example. Model, for instance, how to be a good friend, show respect and use good manners.
- 4. Partner with your child's teachers. There should be two-way dialogue presenting potential concerns.
- 5. Don't rush to diagnose issues. Remember children save their "toxic waste" - big, negative feelings - for their parents because they trust them. Your experiences with your child may be different than others' experiences. Be cautious to avoid a quick reaction. Work to understand what your child is trying to convey. Seek information from others.
- 6. If a child is exhibiting anxious behavior, which is normal when encountering new situations, be present, listen, observe, answer questions, label emotions and provide reassurance. Don't overreact to fears. Young children are learning to deal with the unknown and, just like learning to ride a bike, it takes time and comfort to develop the skills to manage those emotions.

To watch a webinar featuring Loquasto and Pruett providing additional guidance, and access actionable parenting insights and resources, visit the Parent Resource Center at GoddardSchool.com.

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Summer Fun With the Newspaper!

What is black and white and FUN all over? The newspaper! Summer fun begins with your local newspaper! It can be used to play games, to say "Happy Father's Day" and even to take a nap.

Make a Newspaper Hammock!

- 1. Starting at the narrow end, tightly roll about 50 pages of newspaper into a rigid tube. Tape it so that it stays rolled. Make about 10-15 of these tubes.
- 2. Connect the tubes, using extra-strength clothesline. When the hammock is as long as your body, bring the rope ends together to form loops for hanging.





3. Hang the hammock indoors or outdoors. Tie the two ends to sturdy supports at each end. Two trees make good supports.





How many differences can you find betwee the two hammock pictures on this page?

First Father's Day

The first Father's Day was celebrated in 1910 in Spokane, WA. It was _____ by Sonora Dodd.

Replace the missing words in this story. SUNDAY MET **CHURCH** BROTHERS CARE **SPECIAL**



one Sunday, she thought of her father's love and the many sacrifices he had had made to raise her and her And of the many ways fathers everywhere of their families. took

Her idea of a Father's Day celebration in her community _____ with strong support.

Newspapers across the country told the **STARTED** _____ day for fathers in story of the _ Spokane. However, it was not until 1972 that Father's Day was set as a national celebration on the third in June.

How many years after the first Father's Day was it made into a national celebration?

Standards Link: Understand the meaning of national holidays.

A coat of arms is a crest that uses symbols to describe a family or a person.









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