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A drone caught MEMS student Jakobe Felder's eye as he explored the school's new STEM based learning center. Photo by: Alexandra Whitbeck / Reporter

STEM iNovate Lab opens at MEMS

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The 2009 mural on the wall leading to the new high-tech facility at Macedonia Elementary-Middle School (MEMS) reads 'powering into the future'-- a fitting slogan for the STEM iNovate Lab by STEM U opened down the hall on June 12. STEM U is based on a curriculum where science, technology, engineering, and mathematics integrate to give students a foundation of real world applications. "Welcome to the future," said Christopher Williams, founder of STEM U. "STEM is in everything we do." The push for students to have

a foundation in STEM is seen nationally. In a 2022 report by The National Science Center for Science and Engineering Statistics to the president and Congress, it was reported "elementary and secondary education in mathematics and science are the foundation for entry into postsecondary STEM majors and STEM-related occupations." The STEM iNovate Lab is made to provide students with a strong STEM foundation to prepare them for the changing technological world. In rural areas such as Barnwell County, students may not have exposure to these technologies as students in larger districts do. "We do not want them to be defined by their zip code," said Williams. This is the third STEM lab in

Barnwell County Consolidated School District (BCCSD), and the first at Blackville schools. "We are in a technical driven world, and in this world a lot of our kids are left behind because we are not technically savvy," said Blackville Mayor Ronnie Pernell. "When we have this kind of technology come to the school to better our kids, this is going to make our community better." The STEM iNovate Lab is designed for 360 learning, meaning there are multiple monitors around the room including a smart board. This allows lessons to be delivered from any area and students can engage in technology from wherever they might be in the classroom. If a student is working on a

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Barnwell native sworn in as new Bamberg judge

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Donald Price was sworn in as a Bamberg County magistrate judge on June 8 surrounded by family, friends, and colleagues. The Barnwell native moved a county over in 1993 after meeting his wife, Nancy. The couple then began growing roots and raising a family in Bamberg County. Judge Price is currently in his 38th year at Savannah River Site (SRS), and his initial interest in the judicial system began on his commute to work. While making the drive, he would often ride with another part-time judge who would give him insight on what the position entailed. Judge Price also worked alongside Bamberg County magistrate judge Edward Freeman at SRS, who too provided an inside look into what being a judge was like. As his fascination with the judicial process grew, Judge Price was

attending classes at Claflin University in Orangeburg relating to criminal justice as he worked toward a business degree. These courses only furthered his understanding of the law and his passion for serving his community. Judge Price then sat in court with other judges for nine months to determine if this was the path he wanted to take. With ample support from his family, friends, and courthouse officials, he decided to take the needed steps to wear the robe. "It came together like a puzzle," said Judge Price. His wife has stood alongside him through it all and is happy to see him achieve his goals. "He has been working at this for a while and he finally met his goals. It is a wonderful thing," said Nancy. "As long as he is happy, I'm happy." Judge Price's son, Donovan, is inspired by his father's achievements and has learned from him

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Independence Day celebrations set

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Two Independence Day celebrations are on the calendar for Barnwell County. The City of Barnwell is holding their annual Independence Day celebration on Friday, June 30 at Veterans Memorial Park from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m. The community can expect food, music, vendors, and a fireworks display. Gary Brantley will be providing the music and Shorty's Smokin Butts, Piece Of Yard and Abroad

LLC, Carolina Novelties, Coastal Kettle Corn and Pork Skins, and Just Like Momma's will be present to feed the crowd. This is a family friendly event with novelty and light up toys for children. Many of the food trucks and vendors were brought to the event with the help of the Barnwell Development Association. Guests are welcome to bring lawn chairs and blankets to enjoy the fireworks show. The Town of Snelling will be holding a celebration at 6:30 pm on Tuesday, July 4 at the Snelling Town Park. The event includes food, fun and fireworks.

Circle Theatre campers go 'Into the Woods'

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The Circle Theatre's annual summer camp brought Into the Woods Jr. to the Academy Street stage on the weekend of June 23. A creative retelling of the classic Brothers Grimm fables, the production featured fairytale favorites like Cinderella, Little Red Riding Hood, Jack and even his beanstalk. "It is a really fun show with lots of different famous fairytale characters," said director Kimberly Sanchelli. Twenty-six campers ranging from 8 to 15 will be taking the stage. Unlike previous years, Sanchelli had to cut off registration due to the large number of children interested in attending the camp. She views this as a positive thing due to the drop in attendance experienced in summers after the pandemic. Out of the 26 future stars, three are experiencing the one-week production experience for the first time.



The campers at the Circle Theatre's summer camp smile for their first cast photo. Photo by: Alexandra Whitbeck / Reporter

Abigail Smith, a soon-to-be seventh grader at Macedonia Elementary-Middle School (MEMS) in Blackville, was cast as the baker's wife. This is Smith's first year attending camp and her first time starring in a lead role. Smith has taken part in pre-

vious productions held during the school year by the Circle Theatre, but was excited to join the summer camp cast alongside two friends from MEMS. Smith is most looking forward to "being noticed, and being able to perform," as well as communicating with the cast

"so I know that I can trust them and I can be happy around them." "I haven't been confident in my voice in a while, so this is my first time being actually confident with my voice and I can show that," said Smith. Britney Taylor has been guid-

ing new campers like Smith to ensure they understand the production process. Taylor, who is now a high school graduate, has been performing on the Circle Theatre stage since 2018 and returned to help bring the show to life this summer. "I kind of see myself in them a little bit, so it's cool to watch my old plays and see it through new eyes," said Taylor, who lends a hand backstage with props and with the blocking of the skits. Among the campers guided by Taylor is her sister, 11-year-old Brinkley Taylor. Brinkley was cast as Rapunzel and is looking forward to sporting a long blonde wig-- an accessory she has not gotten a chance to wear in previous productions. Aside from the wig, Brinkley is excited to play a princess for the younger audience members who she hopes to inspire one day to get on the stage. "I like doing it because I get to show a lot of people that it is not

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Garden Club celebrates 50th anniversary

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The Ivy Garden Club of Williston has been beautifying the town since 1973. Members and the community gathered on April 30 to celebrate 50 years of service.

A camellia has been planted along the town's rail trail in honor of their anniversary. Each year it blooms, the members will be reminded of this momentous occasion.

The Ivy Garden Club is known in Williston and around Barnwell County but also as the Federated Club #269 of the Garden Club of South Carolina. It serves in the West Low Country District as well as a member of the South Atlantic Region of National Garden Clubs.

The club maintains and beautifies the parkway on the Williston Rail Trail allowing citizens to have an enjoyable stroll.

This year alone members have planted 500 daffodil bulbs throughout the community at places such as the library, town hall, police station, fire station,

magistrates office, dog park, and town entrances. The club is committed to planting 500 of the perennial plants each year for the next five years totaling 2,500 plants.

Many annual traditions loved by all result from the efforts of the club, such as the fall scarecrow contest and the town-wide Christmas decorating contest.

Every month the club awards a Williston resident who has a particularly manicured lawn and sculpted shrubbery. The winning yard is named the yard-of-the-month and sports a sign saying so.

Marion Jefferson's luscious green lawn on Dunbarton Road was named the June 2023 yard-of-the-month.

"Mr. Jefferson was so surprised and thrilled to receive the award," said club member Margo Huggins in a post. "We recognize all of the love, care, pride, and time you have put into your plants and yard. Keep up the great work!"

Many members have been a part of beautifying Williston for many years, but always welcome newcomers.

Rachel Mathias Trues-



Members of the Ivy Garden Club adorn floral attire at their 50th anniversary celebration.

Photo by: Alexandra Whitbeck / Reporter

dale and her husband moved to the town roughly six months ago. She has found it to be a great source of fellowship and friendship as she settles in.

"I joined to meet other members of the community who enjoyed gardening as much as I did," said Truesdale. "The ladies in the club have been most welcoming and I enjoy seeing the smiles and friendly faces around town. The fellowship and friendship are exactly what I needed

being new to town."

At the May 8 Williston Town Council meeting, member Dana Byrd gave the council members an update on projects the club is embarking on.

"We are in the process of updating the semi-circle at the library," said Byrd. "The park at the library has been needing some updating, desperately, so we're here to do that."

Byrd received a bid for pavers standing two feet high to be placed around

the semi-circle. The height of the pavers will be filled with cement and gradually increase as they go around the semi-circle.

The garden club has been working on revamping the outside of the library since 2017 and asked the Williston Town Council for help funding the installation of the pavers. They already have funding for the plants.

"We are going to see within the next week what we can do to help the garden club," said Mayor Brett

Williams at the meeting. At the time of publication, the council had not made a decision whether or not to fund the pavers.

More recently, the garden club revamped the front gardens of the Williston post office with soil donated from Humble Acres Organics in Blackville, canna lilies, and foxgloves.

For more information on the club, visit Ivy Garden Club of Williston on Facebook.

Original Six Foundation ramps up summer reading

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Over three thousand children in rural and underserved areas across the state received books throughout the month of May.

The Original Six (O6) My First Library Program came to 38 schools to distribute over 30,000 books to kindergarteners to stock the shelves of their at home libraries.

"My First Library, our foundational literacy program, is a vital component of the Original

Six Foundation's work in schools, supporting children whose families often do not have the resources to properly nurture a proficiency in and love of reading," stated a press release.

Each student picked out ten grade-appropriate books

What sets the Original Six book fairs apart from others is it is catered to kindergarteners and held at the end of the year to prevent the summer slide.

"Most summer reading programs begin in the first grade, while My First Library starts the summer before," states the press

release.

"This creates a bridge that helps negate the 'summer slide' which accounts for as much as 85 percent of the reading achievement gap between lower-income students and their middle and upper-income peers."

Students are able to pick out their own book at these fairs, which the O6 reports makes them 92 percent more likely to finish it.

This year, participating students who fill out a coloring page keeping track of all the books they read can earn them a \$5 Bojangles gift card.

In Barnwell County, My First Library came to Kel-

ly Edwards Elementary School and Barnwell Primary School.

Other participating districts included Allendale County, Bamberg County, Union County, Pickens County, Colleton County, Florence County, Marion County, Richland County, Greenville County, Clarendon County, Kershaw County, and Lexington County.

The Original Six Foundation was started by former S.C. Governor and current republican presidential candidate Nikki Haley, who a Bamberg native.



Kelly Edwards Elementary students pick out 10 new books during a Book Fair sponsored by the Original Six Foundation.

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Interim Allendale Superintendent named by SCDE

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Department of Education

In its role as the managing authority for Allendale County Schools, the South Carolina Department of Education (SCDE) announced recently the appointment of Ms. Angela Jacobs as Interim Administrator of the district.

Dr. Margaret Gilmore, current superintendent of the Allendale County Schools, officially retires on June 30.

"With over 30 years of public education experience in both classroom and district-level roles across South Carolina, Angela brings a breadth of experience and know-how to ensure that the new school year in Allendale gets off to a great start," said State Superintendent of Education Ellen Weaver. "I'm grateful for her enthusiasm and willingness to serve in this capacity while the official search is conducted for the next superintendent of the district."



Angela Jacobs will serve as Interim Administrator of Allendale County Schools following the announcement of Dr. Margaret Gilmore's retirement.

For the last five years, Jacobs has served as a transformation coach at the South Carolina Department of Education. Prior to joining the SCDE, she was the Director of Recruitment and Certification in Florence 1 Schools (2017-2019) and a principal in the Lee County School District (2013-2017).

"The future is bright for

the students of Allendale, and I look forward to partnering with the community in ensuring that teachers feel supported, parents feel engaged, and students are ready and excited to learn," said Jacobs. "As I join the 'Allendale Forward' team, I want to thank Dr. Gilmore for her efforts over the past five years in leading this dedicated group of

Photo: Contributed

employees."

A state of emergency was declared in Allendale by former State Superintendent of Education Molly Spearman in 2017. Spearman appointed Gilmore to her role as district superintendent in July 2018. Gilmore had previously served as a transformation coach for the district.

"It has been a tremen-

dous honor to serve the scholars, staff, parents and the community of Allendale County Schools," said Dr. Gilmore. "Thank you for allowing me to serve as your superintendent for five years. I am so proud of the collaborative spirit that embodies the district -- from our innovative teachers and administrators who have continuously sought

ways to engage scholars, to the staff members who have gone above and beyond to keep our schools safe and operational. A special thank you goes out to our parents and community who have passionately supported the district. You are truly special, and I look forward to your continued success."

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INDEPENDENCE DAY
Celebration

Break Out the Red, White & Blue to Show Your Patriotic Pride!

Friday, June 30th | 6:00 PM
Fireworks beginning approximately 9:00 PM
at Veteran's Park
Food | Musical Entertainment | Fireworks
Special Thanks to the Barnwell Downtown Development Association for helping sponsor this event.

Donation assists Shelter Foundation

The Animal Advocates of Barnwell County made a donation to the Barnwell County Animal Shelter Foundation's low cost/no cost spay and neuter program. Pictured is Animal Advocates Board of Trustees Vice President Will Keel, Barnwell County Animal Shelter Foundation President Henry McAllister, and Animal Advocates Board of Trustees Treasurer Davey Atkinson.

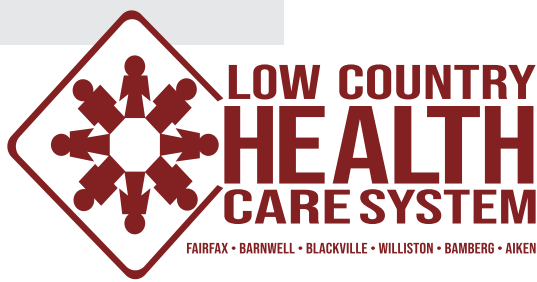
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On the Rise

Escape and why you should



Laura J. McKenzie

heart attacks.

2. Improved mental health - Neuroscientists have found that chronic exposure to stress can alter your brain structure and bring on anxiety and depression. When you take a vacation, feelings of calm arise and relieve stress, which allows the body and mind to heal in ways that it couldn't if it were still under pressure.

3. Greater well-being - According to a Gallup study, people who "always make time for regular trips" had a 68.4 score on the Gallup-Heathway's Well-Being Index, in comparison to a 51.4 Well-Being score for less frequent travelers. One study found that three days after vacation, subjects' physical complaints, quality of sleep, and mood had improved compared to before vacation. These gains were still present five weeks later, especially in those who had more personal time and overall satisfaction during their vacation.

4. Increased mental motivation - Many who return from vacation are more focused and productive. Studies have found that chronic stress can make it difficult to achieve certain tasks and cause memory problems. Taking time off can be like getting a tune-up for the brain, improving your mental health and cognition.

5. Improved family relationships - Spending time enjoying life with loved ones can keep relationships strong. A study by the Arizona Department of Health and Human Services found that women who took vacations were more satisfied with their marriages.

6. Decreased burnout - Employees who take regular time to relax are less likely to experience burnout, making them more creative and productive than their overworked, under-rested counterparts. Another way to manage burnout is through the Oxygen Mask Rule: "Secure your masks before assisting others." In other words, address your mental, physical and spiritual needs before committing to responsibilities benefiting others outside of your immediate family.

7. Boosted happiness - Research shows planning a vacation can boost your happiness. Some people experience an elevated mood up to eight weeks before the trip.

"The bottom line is, take a vacation if you can. When you take time away from the stresses of work and daily life, it can improve our physical and mental health, motivation, relationships, job performance and perspective. A vacation can help you feel refreshed and more prepared to handle whatever comes when you return," Isham wrote.

Like I said....escape.

Better Business Bureau

BBB Tip: Beware scholarship scams when searching for financial aid



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As the June 30 federal FAFSA deadline is here, many students are searching and applying for grants and scholarships to fund their college education. With an average tuition of approximately \$22,000 at 4-year institutions, according to the National Center for Education Statistics, paying for a college degree is a challenging obstacle for prospective students. A challenge that is made more difficult by scammers looking to take advantage of students and parents searching for financial aid opportunities.

The Better Business Bureau receives numerous reports of scholarship scams every year. Multiple reports were already submitted to BBB Scam Tracker in 2022, detailing consumer interactions with unethical businesses claiming to provide students with financial guidance.

For students struggling to pay tuition, a sudden offer of a grant or scholarship can look like a dream come true. But it could be bait for a scam. This con hooks victims with the promise of money, but upfront "fees" never actually materialize into those much-needed funds. In a recent twist, these scammers claim to help with student loan forgiveness.

Better Business Bureau (BBB) recommends caution when dealing with companies that offer assistance in finding financial aid opportunities. Students and their families should be wary of websites, seminars, or other schemes that promise to find scholarships, grants, or financial aid packages for a fee.

Scammers typically claim to represent the government, a university, or a nonprofit organization. The details vary, but the con is the same. The scammer will pose as a financial aid representative using words like "National" and "Federal" to sound more official. They claim you have won a scholarship or a grant (without ever applying) and ask for payment of a one-time "processing fee." In another version, the scammer pressures you into applying for a "guaranteed" scholarship or grant. However, there is a fee to apply. Time goes by once the fee is paid, and the money is never sent. When attempting to contact a representative, it is quickly discovered that the company has set so many conditions that it is almost impossible to receive a refund.

In another variation, a check arrives for the scholarship, and instructions are included to send back payment for taxes or fees. The check turns out to be a fake, and you're out whatever money was sent.

Due to the sensitive personal and financial information provided for scholarship and grant applications, it is important to be

cautious when choosing one to apply for. Of the 2.47 million full-time students enrolled in post-secondary institutions during the 2018-19 school year, 84% were awarded financial aid through student loans or federal, state, local, or institutional grants. On average, students were awarded slightly over \$5,000 from federal grants, such as FAFSA, and more than \$11,000 from institutional grants. While the amount awarded varies depending on the institution (public versus private or two-year versus four-year), applying for grants and scholarships is a great way to help ease the financial burden of attending college.

Legitimate companies are helping students find aid with some results. However, students and parents can usually find the same awards and others on their own by searching online. Prospective college financial aid offices can also help, especially if it is a college the student is seriously considering attending.

It is generally free to apply for scholarships.

More information is available online at studentaid.gov for the different financial aid options. Even if you don't think you qualify for financial aid, review the Federal Student Aid website options, as many colleges and universities use it for non-need-based awards.

To protect students and parents searching for financial aid opportunities from falling victim to scholarship scams, the Better Business Bureau recommends following these guidelines:

• Beware of unsolicited offers. Typically, winning a scholarship or grant that wasn't applied for is impossible. Ask how the organization got your name and contact information, and then verify it with the source outside of the email, phone number, or website they used to contact you.

• Take your time. Avoid being rushed or pushed into paying for help at a seminar. Use caution

if a representative urges you to buy now to avoid losing an opportunity.

• Ask lots of questions. Be cautious if a company is reluctant to answer questions about the service or the process. If the company or seminar representative is evasive, walk away.

• Ask your guidance counselor or a college financial aid office whether they have experience with the company.

• Be skeptical of glowing success stories touted on websites or at seminars. Ask instead for the names of families in your community who have used the service in the last year. Talk to them and find out about their experience with the firm.

• Ask about fees associated with a professional financial aid search and determine if the company provides refunds. Get the information in writing but realize that dishonest companies may refuse to give refunds despite stated policies.

• Be aware that a check can bounce even after the bank allows cash withdrawal from the deposit. Check processing is a confusing business, as is the terminology. Even if a bank representative says that a check has "cleared," it is not certain that it won't be detected as a fake weeks later. One thing the account holder can be sure of is that they will be responsible for any funds drawn against the amount.

To learn how to protect yourself, go to *10 Steps to Avoid Scams* at BBB.org.

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Letter to the Editor

Dear Editor,

I am a stakeholder in the Barnwell County Cemetery. This letter is addressed to the Barnwell County Council in light of recent events that's happened there with the removal of items. I understand people's anger and hurt. I myself have owned my plots since early 2000s and have kept them up even spraying weed killer around my tombstones for the cemetery workers so they won't have to weed eat around the stones. Not everyone is able to afford coping at this time. I would like to ask that the county please reconsider leaving the benches, crosses, military statues, angels, the saddle flowers, also at least one set of flowers at the top by the headstone and one solar light on the graves that doesn't have coping.

Also, I would like to propose an idea that I think would be a decent compromise. I suggest if there were any complaints about the graves not following the top protocol that there should be a 30-day notice given to the family and the cemetery committee so it could be addressed accordingly. If it isn't addressed, then a fine could be implemented instead of punishing those who do keep the graves up. I think this is a sensible approach to a huge problem.

I'm asking council to please reconsider the previous ordinances that were implemented.

Sincerely,
Robbie and Marie Peoples,
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CLASS REUNION



BHHS Class of 1993 holds 30th reunion

The Blackville-Hilda High School Class of 1993 held its 30th reunion on June 10, 2023.

Pictured kneeling left to right: MaRenis Collins, Anthony Corley, Jeffrey Corley. Second row: Kimberly Williams, Yolanda Nickens, Tori Thomas, Tamisha Elmore, Liz Gunnells Smoak, Jermaine Johnson. Third row: Otisa Odom, Tiawon Dowling, Solomon Daniels, Reginald Reed and Keith Izlar. Not pictured are Randy Sincino and James Parker.

The Class of 1993 held a moment of silence in loving memory of their former classmates who are gone but never forgotten: Mark Cave, Sharon Johnson, Mark Lykes, Jeffrey Sanders, Bernard Williams and Terrance Williams.

BIRTH



Noah Rowan Blount was born May 19, 2023.

Noah Rowan Blount

William Blount and Kimberly Hutson Blount of Marietta, S.C., are proud to announce the birth of their son, Noah Rowan Blount.

He was born at 4:47 p.m. on May 19, 2023, at Prisma Health Patewood in Greenville, S.C. He weighed 8 pounds, 3 ounces and was 21 1/4 inches long.

Maternal grandparents are Timmy and Tammy Hutson of Blackville.

Paternal grandparents are Tracy Strickland of Barnwell and Joe and Debbie Blount of Augusta, Ga.

Maternal great-grandparents are Julia Still and the late Jimmy R. Still of Barnwell and the late Lonnie and Mary Hutson of Blackville.

Paternal great-grandparents are Erroll Hatcher and the late William Hatcher of Augusta, Ga. and the late Eckford and Claire Blount of Augusta, Ga.



Father's Day Catch

Timothy Crumley of Williston caught a bass in the pond at the Williston Town Park on Sunday, June 18 – Father's Day. Crumley fishes in honor of his father and younger brother who passed away and notes this is the one of the biggest fish he has seen caught in the park's pond.

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Donald "Don" Yoakum

WILLISTON - Donald "Don" Silous Yoakum, 66, passed away at home on Wednesday, June 21, 2023.

A graveside funeral service was held at 11 a.m., Saturday, June 24, 2023 at the Williston Cemetery with Preacher James Parker officiating. The family received friends after the service.

Don was born in Orangeburg County. He was the son of the late Silous Yoakum,

Jr. and Shirley Hammond Yoakum. Don was a kind and gentle soul. His passion was playing the guitar. He played lead guitar in numerous bands, taught guitar lessons and worked on guitars. He was a member of the First Baptist Church of Williston and previously worked as a truck driver.

Survivors include the love of his life, Lois Loud Bunton. Memorial contributions

may be sent in Don's memory to White Pond Baptist Church, P.O. Box 6, Williston, SC 29853 or the Williston Cemetery, P.O. Box 367, Williston, SC 29853.

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

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Barry "Goat" White

the Sanitation Department for 40 years. He loved playing cards and loved to talk "smack".

"Barry, it broke our hearts to lose you, but you did not go alone. A part of us went with you, the day you were called home," with Love from the Family of Barry White.

Survivors include his daughters, Alesia "Lisa" Bellinger and Stephanie Bellinger; a son, Barry Junior Bellinger, all of Williston; grandchildren, Drivyeel Davis, Davion Bellinger, Lily Bellinger, Jaiden Bellinger, Zariah Jones, Karter Bellinger, King Bellinger, Bentley Leverette, Zacharias Jones, Brieland Leverette, and Alameen Barry Bellinger; a sister, Elaine

White of Williston; brothers, Herman "Red" (Janie Mae) White, Willie Leon White, Bobby (Tina) White, and Edgar Charles White; sister-in-law, Elaine White; brother-in-law Russell Howard; aunts, Janie Barfield and Ethel Mitchell; a special friend, Cleveland Bing and a number of nieces, nephews and cousins.

In addition to his parents he was preceded in death by a son, Goldie Boy Bellinger and several brothers and sisters.

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

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Henry Michael Kerr



He is preceded in death by his brother, William Harold Kerr of Allendale, S.C. Henry will be remembered for the way he loved his family and friends and his passion for the outdoors. While he loved hunting, fishing, horses, and alligators, his biggest impact was storytelling and teaching others. He was loved and known by everyone as Mr. Henry. He never met a stranger, always had time, and never failed to shake the hand of a child and make them feel special. Henry was one of a kind with an unforgettable spirit that will bring lasting memories and laughter.

While Henry will be dearly missed by all who knew him, he would want everyone to know that this was not goodbye. It's just a new turn in Shem Creek. He will keep those Reds running in

and out for all the fisherman to come.

He is survived by his wife of 48 years, Sandra Tizzano Kerr of Mt. Pleasant; three daughters, Mary Frances Coryell (Patrick) of Yorges Island, S.C., Elizabeth Kerr Wilhoit (Christopher) of Charleston, S.C., and Sandra Kerr Stoughton (James) of Charleston, S.C.; sister, Dee Kerr Graham of Anderson, S.C.; and nine grandchildren, Lukas Coryell, Josephine Coryell, Asher Coryell, Beckett Wilhoit, Charlie Wilhoit, Wyatt Wilhoit, Mary Michael Stoughton, Riley Stoughton, and Harris Stoughton.

Memorials may be made to a charity of your choice.

A memorial message may be sent to the family by visiting our website at www.jhenrystuh.com.

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James Robert Ray



who loved his family. He was very grateful and content with all the blessings he was given. He was a self-taught programmer who enjoyed playing the guitar, singing, drawing, writing poetry, and collecting coins.

He is survived by his son, Jim (Dana) Ray Jr. of Elgin; daughter, Rhonda (Mac) Jeffords of Columbia; brothers Farrell Ray, Albert Ray, Graham Ray, Wayne Ray, and Tony Ray; grandchildren Nichole Jeffords, Austin Jeffords, Jamie Ray, and Alysa Lane. He is preceded in death by his wife, Rebecca

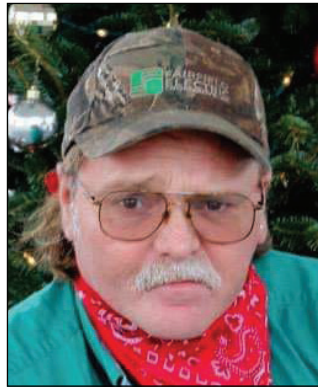
Edith Renew Ray; brothers, Murrell Ray and Timothy Cope Ray; and sister, Anna Sue Cavelo.

A visitation was held Thursday, June 22, 2023 at 11 a.m. at Friendship Baptist Church, with funeral services following at 12 p.m. Rev. Farrell Ray and Rev. Jim Parnell officiated.

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

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Leroy "Rooster" Edward Allen



Steed Allen. He was described by many as a "Jack of all Trades" and was always just a call away when someone needed a mechanic in the Nixville Community. He was an avid hunter and fisherman. He loved spending time with his grandchildren whether it be on a tractor while he was working, taking them fishing, or riding the golf cart to the "candy store".

He is survived by his wife of 21 years, Christine Allen; children: Jonathan Knight and Kaitlain Beasley; grandchildren: Alayna, Braxton, and Cameron Beasley; sister: Gloria (Melvin) Drawdy; niece: Tasha Smith; nephew: Melvin Drawdy III; special niece and great niece: Janet

(Edwin) and Alexis Crosby; and six great-nieces and nephews. A special person in his life was Mr. Mark Wooten whose friendship was highly regarded by him and the family.

A visitation was held at 11 a.m. on Saturday, June 17, 2023, at Nixville Baptist Church.

Funeral services followed at 12 p.m., with Reverends Allen Kircher and Brian Toney officiating, and directed by Peoples-Rhoden Funeral Home.

Pallbearers were Jonathan Knight, Mark Wooten, Scott Jarrell, Dustin Lightsey, Edwin Crosby, and Lockwood Jarrell.

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Stephen Andrew Still



from Mabbott Transport. He was a devoted father, son, brother, uncle, and friend. He enjoyed farming as well as swimming, fishing, and riding tractors with his son. Stephen had a big heart and always cared for others.

He is survived by his son, Russell Andrew Still; father, Frankie Andrew Still; mother, Alsa Hughes Sanders; sister, Lisa (Marty) Collins; and special nieces, Brittany Collins and Madison Collins.

He is preceded in death by his paternal grandparents, Russell and Frances Still, and maternal grandparents, M.H. and Gladys Hughes.

A graveside service was held Sunday, June 25, 2023 at

2 p.m. at Reedy Branch Baptist Church with Rev. Bart Kelley officiating and Mole Funeral Home assisting the family. The family received friends immediately following the service. Memorials may be made to the FBC Barnwell Wheelchair Ramp Ministry or the Reedy Branch Baptist Church Cemetery Fund.

The family would like to express their appreciation for the love and care provided by the staff of Lexington Medical Center.

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JUDGE PRICE: New Bamberg magistrate

when trekking forward in his own career path.

"I have so much pride in my last name," said Donovan. "To see him go and fulfill his goals makes me believe that no matter what goal I have, as long as I stick to it like he did, I can do it too."

His father's momentous accomplishment has only made him want to work harder.

"I have some big shoes to fill," said Donovan, who plans to graduate from USC Aiken next year and go full time, active duty into the army.

"He does a great job not only as a judge and a man, but as my father," said Donovan.

Judge Price not only inspires his son but also his sister-in-law, Ashley Elliott



Judge Donald Price

Dukes, who he took under his wing at a young age.

"He took me under his wing as if I was a child of his," said Dukes. "He has inspired me to do a lot, so I feel like this is the evolution of his career and his life."

Dukes watched her

brother-in-law as he navigated his career at SRS, grew his family, and now will be serving the citizens of Bamberg County.

"The fact that he wants to serve the citizens of Bamberg County means a lot," said Dukes. "The impact is amazing. It is remarkable to see this."

Now officially sworn in, Judge Price's primary goal in serving Bamberg County is "to uphold the law here," as without laws there is anarchy.

He hopes he can be a part of improving the system where it is needed and be accessible to law enforcement officers when other judges may be unavailable. Judge Price feels this accessibility will only better the flow of the legal and judicial system in the county.

THEATRE: Young campers take the stage

hard to do," said Brinkley.

Similarly to Taylor, Cera Phalen is lending a hand on the same stage she grew up performing on. Phalen is a Barnwell native, who has since moved to Summerville.

Phalen's son, Hunter, is eleven years old and in his second year of summer camp. This is the first year the mother and son have worked together to put on a show. Hunter was cast as the baker.

"It makes me really happy," said Phalen, of seeing her son perform on the stage she once stood upon.

Another veteran camper, 15-year-old Sydney Asmus,

is looking forward to her first villainous role starring as the witch. Asmus has been involved with the theater camp since she was eight years old but has never been cast as a villain.

To get into character, she has been practicing using an evil tone in her voice to represent the witch's character.

"For the witch part, I get to have this humongous stick for my staff and just holding it makes me feel different, but in a cool way," said Asmus.

Due to the limited roles in Into the Woods Jr. than in previous productions, Sanchelli implemented five to ten minute skits as a pre-

show to ensure each camper had a chance to shine on stage.

"We wanted to give some of the younger and newer campers opportunities to still learn some of the performance techniques," said Sanchelli.

The pre-show skits highlighted the story of Goldilocks and the Three Bears as well as the Fairytale Game Show, which features fairytale figures looking to make a new friend.

The theater ran multiple showings from June 23 to June 25 at varying times. For more information on the Circle Theatre, call Dennis Knapp at (803) 300-0869.

iNOVATE: STEM lab opens at MEMS FROM PAGE 1A

hands-on project and cannot access one of the keyboards individually connected to a respective monitor, they can ask the Google Assistant a question out loud and they will promptly get an answer from the multiple speakers.

The STEM iNovate Lab serves the entire range of scholars at MEMS by having learning tools for students kindergarten through eighth grade. Williams explained students will grow with this equipment and continue to build on their STEM foundation.

"The goal is to give them enough foundation to take them through K-8 based on continuing to build," said Williams. "Everything we have is an application to start building on a foundation to then go up."

According to Williams, the school will not have to purchase additional materials or technologies for this space due to the range of equipment offered.

A wireless 3D printer and compatible 3D pens will bring student's designs to

life while teaching them a basis of manufacturing and 3D design. Students will learn how to program circuits, operate drones, and look at problems in their community with eyes for a solution.

The Bee-Bot, a robot that looks like a bee, allows kindergarten students to learn basic engineering skills and directional language.

To keep the climate and culture of the space interesting, the furniture in the classroom is welcomed to be changed as they shift from working in groups to independently, or with instruction to solo problem solving. Much of the furniture is mobile including the teacher's desk and the whiteboards.

"I'm excited for this venture as we take our children in Blackville to another level," said MEMS Principal Eryl Smalls.

MEMS students have gained access to a space where collaborative problem solving is encouraged to be explored through technology. If engaged, stu-

dents can lay the groundwork for a future career in a STEM-based field.


"This is definitely something that is much needed and I'm sure it is going to be a benefit far into the future," said Barnwell County Councilman David Kenner.

Williams hopes this space will "give the students the opportunity to be computer science geniuses, develop video games, 3D design, mobile apps," and much more.

In the lab, students will develop the language and understanding of STEM principles found in increasingly more career paths.

"When our scholars return to school here at Macedonia in August, they will go into a brand new, state-of-the-art facility that will help them to engage in the highest level thinking," said BCCSD Interim Superintendent Dr. Marcella Shaw.

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A bittersweet goodbye: Dr. Gilmore retiring from ACSD

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Dr. Margaret Gilmore spent the last six years changing the headlines at Allendale County School District (ACSD) as superintendent. "Within six years, they're like my family," said Dr. Gilmore, whose last day with the district is June 30.

Upbringing: Growing into an educator

Dr. Gilmore grew up on a farm in rural Arkansas as one of nine children and it was there where her passion for educating was born. Her mother and father encouraged her drive to teach since she was only three years old. "I've had great role models, great examples of what good leadership looks like in practice," said Dr. Gilmore.

She remembers the way her third grade teacher, Lula Clay, would say her name and how special it made her feel.

"I was the only third grader who knew how to tell time," said Dr. Gilmore. "She would always ask me at lunchtime, every day, 'Margaret, go down the hall and see what time it is, see if it's time for us to go to lunch.'"

This responsibility bestowed upon her not only made her feel important, but taught her how to love children.

"A kid may not have a great evening or they may have issues at home, but a teacher can spark that light and just share that love," said Dr. Gilmore. "Ms. Clay did that for me."

Another educator who impacted Dr. Gilmore during her youth was her seventh grade principal Samuel Johnson. Dr. Gilmore was selected to be Johnson's secretary as he did not have one. She would write his memos for two periods of the school day, again cementing how to make a student feel valued.

She went on to receive a B.S. degree in Elementary and Special Education and then a Masters in Education from Arkansas State University. Dr. Gilmore also has a doctorate in educational leadership and policy from the University of Memphis obtained in 2014.

She taught special education and then English for 20 years before the opportunity arose to become an administrator while working at Germantown Middle School in Memphis, Tenn. in the Memphis-Shelby County School District before it consolidated.

"I was tough as nails because high expectations are a part of my DNA, and the scholars rise to high expectations," said Dr. Gilmore.

This attitude is what made her stand out amongst her fellow educators. She was constantly paired with student teachers and called upon to teach advanced placement classes.

Her first role in administration was as instructional supervisor, then as director of leadership, and then as assistant chief academic officer.

Dr. Gilmore then began working with Cognia as the diagnostic review lead evaluator. Cognia is a non-profit, non-governmental organization that accredits primary and secondary schools throughout the U.S. by connecting passionate educators.

Here, Dr. Gilmore was responsible for seeking out root causes as to why schools and districts were not performing.

"That just kind of ignited something inside of me,"



Superintendent Dr. Margaret Gilmore is surprised with plaques and flowers for her retirement at the district's end-of-year celebration. Photo by Alexandra Whitbeck / Reporter

said Dr. Gilmore. In this position she was sent to S.C. where she met an employee of the S.C. Department of Education (SCDE) who asked her to consider being a transformative coach with the state. After some consideration, she began working to transform underperforming districts and schools in the Spartanburg area followed by other areas in the upstate.

One day she received a call from Molly Spearman, the S.C. Superintendent of Education from 2015 to 2023, who had heard about Dr. Gilmore's positive reputation.

"She said, 'I need you to go to Allendale,'" said Dr. Gilmore. First as a transformative coach in 2017, and later as interim superintendent effective on July 1, 2018.

First steps: Getting to know Allendale

ACSD was taken over by SCDE in 2017 under Spearman "as the result of chronic academic under performance and financial mismanagement concerns," states a press release.

"There was no instructional process in place," said Dr. Gilmore. "We needed to create a process, an instructional framework, that when we go into every classroom in Allendale County School district, it is uniform."

ACSD was in the bottom 5% of S.C. schools in terms of performance and required intervention, according to Cognia.

Dr. Gilmore began working as a transformative coach alongside former interim superintendent Dr. Walt Tobin. The pair focused on district turnaround efforts, providing professional development for educators, instructional transformation, and shifting the culture of the community.

This looked like bell to bell instruction, formative assessments, and higher level thinking questions.

"Our vision is bold and our mission is urgent. We will redouble our existing efforts to ensure that every scholar is inspired to learn, challenged to excel, and supported to succeed so he or she graduates ready to compete."

Dr. Gilmore has carried this quote with her throughout her 40 year career in education and only emphasized it when coming to ACSD.

She did not know much about the community when she first arrived. As an outsider living in Atlanta, Ga., she knew she needed

to understand where her students were going after school.

"I remember the first thing we did when I became superintendent is we put teachers and all the staff on buses and took them out to the community," said Dr. Gilmore. "The purpose is for you to understand their story."

Eighty percent of ACSD staff commute to Allendale but live outside the county due to the lack of housing.

Dr. Gilmore came to understand the Allendale community had a pessimistic view on learning and was having difficulty finding the faith to grow.

She then realized she was not only transforming the school district, but the community's relationship with education.

"If you're not able to get the community to walk

their critical thinking and problem solving as well as an Innovation Lab where students could hone in on these skills.

Evening school, Saturday school, the Waterford Reading program, summer institutes, the Practice Makes Perfect Homework Center, a remediation acceleration program, and college dual enrollment classes (AP classes) toward college credit were all offered to help students grow from where they were planted.

Parents were hesitant to many of these new programs. Dr. Gilmore had to ensure parents that their students were in need of these opportunities.

"We needed more rigor in our curriculum and so we needed to offer more AP classes," she said. "I can't tell you how many parents said, 'Oh, no, no, no, no,

their lunch period.

When students asked to go on field trips, Dr. Gilmore made it mandatory for learning to extend outside the classroom.

Some major community partners who aided in making much of this possible were Collum's Lumber Company, Swiss Krono The Smiles Clinic, Original Six Foundation, Savannah River Nuclear Solutions, SRP Federal Credit Union, USC Salkehatchie, Denmark Technical College, and many more.

Partnerships with Boeing and Swiss Krono led to the Take Flight Aviation Camp and a summer institute, respectively.

Rewarding achievements: Changing the headlines

One of Dr. Gilmore's major goals was to change ACSD's 'corridor of shame' reputation to better reflect the intelligence of its students and the community at large.

Dr. Gilmore commissioned a mural with the words 'corridor of opportunities' to remind students, educators, and staff of their mission.

She began rewarding teachers and students for their hard work and dedication to academics.

"I believe that if you want something to be repeated, you reward it," said Dr. Gilmore.

"When I'm in the classrooms visiting, observing students, and the light bulb comes on and the feeling they get when they succeed, that inspires me. So I want to reward that," she said.

Intentionally rewarding success was one of the reasons the district's graduation rate climbed from 74% in 2018 to 87% in 2020—the highest it had been in a decade. In 2021, the graduation rate was 76%.

Dr. Gilmore learned this method from superintendent John Aiken who served Shelby County Schools from 2009-2013.

"He knew how to celebrate people," she said.

Dr. Gilmore fondly remembers when she was preparing for a presentation for the principal's meeting with 60 people. She had just completed a Disney marathon the previous weekend as marathon running is another passion of Dr. Gilmore's.

When she went to the front of the room, Aiken excitedly cheered and commended Gilmore for her accomplishment in the marathon.

Dr. Gilmore aimed to replicate this feeling of belonging and acceptance at ACSD not only with students, but

with educators.

For the last three years, teachers received a \$10,000 sign-on bonus broken into installments of \$3,300 per year. There are retention bonuses for certified teachers, a Christmas bonus, mileage checks and more.

At every ACSD board meeting, Dr. Gilmore is calling up the names of students, staff, and teachers who have been performing well. Each is rewarded with either a plaque or cash.

At countless meetings, scholars would run to Dr. Gilmore with open arms and she would tell them how proud she is of their achievement.

Encouraging families to come to the meetings and see the positive growth was another area Dr. Gilmore aimed to strengthen.

"I just love the idea that our parents come out and they support the school district because that collaboration, that partnership, that would move the district forward," she said.

If parents couldn't get a ride to see their child be honored by the board, Dr. Gilmore would provide transportation.

All of this together led to district accreditation signifying the district has "met professional standards at an acceptable level and is committed to maintaining those standards," according to SCDE.

"This is evidence of the student achievement and learning that's taking place in Allendale," said Dr. Gilmore.

ACSD is no longer considered one of the state's lowest performing schools, according to Cognia.

"It has come with challenges, but it is the best experience I've ever had," said Dr. Gilmore.

Retirement: A bittersweet goodbye

"I will never, ever forget this little community," said Dr. Gilmore.

"The community, the partnerships that we've developed, the scholars and the staff, have just been incredible," she said. "We've established a rapport with each other that is just unparalleled."

Aside from ACSD superintendent, Dr. Gilmore has served as a deputy commissioner of education for the Churches of God in Christ for two years.

She also has been inducted into the Marquis Who's Who top educators for dedication, achievements, and leadership in education administration. Dr. Gilmore was an honoree for a Distinguished Worldwide Humanitarian Award in 2021, and selected as one of ten ambassadors to travel to Israel in March 2023 by the School Superintendents Association.

Dr. Gilmore was named the Superintendent of the Year for 2021 by the S.C. Athletic Administrators Association and has accepted multiple Teacher of the Year awards and Leadership Scholars Awards from the University of Memphis.

She is retiring from her career in education to spend more time with her family. Her oldest daughter recently had a child and her youngest daughter is getting married this summer.

Throughout her 40 years of experience, ACSD was the district she felt most connected to.

"Allendale County School District won by heart in a significant way," said Dr. Gilmore at the district's end-of-year celebration. "Thank you for loving me."

Dr. Gilmore's last day is June 30. Angela Jacobs will be serving as the Interim Administrator of ACSD.

New look on menu at Barnwell High cafeteria



Barnwell High School Principal Franklin McCormack eats the new pizza with students Jayla Neal and Christian Smith along with others at the open house for the remodeled cafeteria on April 12.

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Barnwell High School's cafeteria doesn't look or taste like a traditional school lunchroom anymore.

The cafeteria was recently transformed into a restaurant-style dining experience, complete with a new floor, swivel chairs, booths, and wall art featuring the horseshoe and horse head. The old, leaky windows were also replaced. They also added SmartMouth pizzas, which are more restaurant quality than traditional pizzas on school lunch menus.

"The cafeteria upgrades give our students a fresh, modern place to not only enjoy their lunch but to spend time with their friends. The addition of SmartMouth pizzas to our menu has only enhanced our student's enjoyment of our new cafeteria," said BHS Principal Franklin McCormack.

During an April 12 open house, school officials were joined by students and representatives of partnering organizations that made the Warhorse Cafeteria

possible.

"We are so grateful for everyone who worked together to make this project happen! We know it is our partnerships and our people that make us so strong," said Dr. Crissie Stapleton, superintendent of Barnwell District 45.

The project began as a partnership with Savannah River Nuclear Solutions (SRNS) and the American Heart Association several years ago. The challenges of the pandemic slowed the plan a bit.

"When we began meeting with the American Heart Association and SRNS to determine ways we could positively impact food and nutrition services within our district, they kept asking what more they could do to help. Those brainstorming sessions culminated into so many positive outcomes for our school district. The greatest of which was a loaned professional SRNS agreed to share with the district for an extended period," said Stapleton.

Kristin Huber, who works in community relations for SRNS, was the loaned professional. Though she left before the

cafeteria project came to fruition, Huber began the project by finding vendors, getting quotes, developing floor plans, and more.

"While she was here, she did many other things, as well - including helping us with rebranding our food service department, writing grants that funded new equipment in cafeterias within the district, helping with our social media presence and communications with families, exploring other options to expand our current food services, and so much more. SRNS also donated part of the funds to purchase the new cafeteria furniture we have in the Warhorse Cafeteria today," Stapleton said.

Studies show a direct link between eating enough food and better test scores. That's why "having somewhere beautiful to eat" is vital to making sure students are getting enough nutrition by making them want to eat school meals, Huber said.

The changes are noticed and appreciated by students, including seniors who can leave school for lunch.

"Ever since I was a freshman, I used to watch seniors leave for lunch and couldn't wait to have that privilege," said senior Jayla Neal. She started her senior year by leaving school to eat lunch at McDonald's, but now loves eating in the cafeteria since the renovation, especially the new pizza. She said she is a pizza expert, and the new school pizza is the best.

Senior Christian Smith echoed what Neal said. He talked also about how great the pizza is and how much he enjoys the new cafeteria. They both talked about loving the new tables and swivel chairs.

The superintendent thanked Mike Beasley, who oversees all facility projects in his new role of director of operations for the district. Prior to being in that role full-time, he was already helping with facility projects across the district. He worked closely with McCormack to determine the color of the flooring, the design of the branding, the design of the tables, and more.

"Anyone that knows Mr. McCormack knows that the branding is important and it must have that perfect Barnwell red," said Stapleton.

Director of Food Services Teresa Zorn and her staff were also thanked for their work, including being open to new ideas to improve



School district officials were joined by students and representatives of partnering agencies for an open house on April 12. Pictured left to right: Michael Beasley, Kristle Davis, Becky Huggins, Rosey Anderson, Jennifer Toole, Holly Hutto, Christian Smith, Franklin McCormack, Kristin Huber, Jayla Neal, Dr. Crissie Stapleton, and Teresa Zorn.

our food service program.

Attendees of the open house had the opportunity to taste one of those new and innovative ideas - new personal pizzas they make for high school students daily. Food service staff

and McCormack visited Batesburg-Leesville High School to learn about and taste SmartMouth pizzas after BHS students suggested the addition.

"We felt we not only needed this new place with

a restaurant style but also needed better options for our kids to eat," said McCormack of adding SmartMouth Pizza.

The new cafeteria will serve students for years to come.



Smart Mouth pizzas are now on the menu at Barnwell High.



BHS food service workers show off the new pizza and juice slushie station.

2022 Drinking Water Quality Report Town of Allendale S.C. DHEC # 0310001

We're pleased to present to you this year's Annual Quality Water Report. This report is designed to inform you about the quality of water and services we deliver to you every day. Our constant goal is to provide you with a safe and dependable supply of drinking water. We want you to understand the efforts we make to continually improve the water treatment process and protect our water resources. We are committed to ensuring the quality of your water. The Town of Allendale source of water is three wells located throughout the town. A Source Water Assessment Plan has been prepared for the system. If you have any questions about this report or concerning your water utility, please contact Lonzo Badger at 803-686-2077. We want our valued customers to be informed about their water utility. If you want to learn more, please attend any of our regularly scheduled meetings. They are held on the second Tuesday of each month at 6:00 PM at the Town Hall.

The Town of Allendale routinely monitors contaminants in your drinking water according to Federal and State laws. This table shows the results of our monitoring for the period of January 1st to December 31st, 2022. As water travels over the land or underground, it can pick up substances or contaminants such as microbes, inorganic and organic chemicals, and radioactive substances. All drinking water, including bottled drinking water, may be reasonably expected to contain at least small amounts of some contaminants. It's important to remember that the presence of these contaminants does not necessarily pose a health risk.

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- Maximum Residual Disinfectant Level (MRDL)** - The highest level of a disinfectant allowed in drinking water. There is convincing evidence that addition of a disinfectant is necessary for control of microbial contaminants.
- Maximum Residual Disinfectant Level Goal (MRDLG)** - The level of a drinking water disinfectant below which there is no known or expected risk to health. MRDLGs do not reflect the benefits of the use of disinfectants to control microbial contaminants.
- Non-Detects (ND)** - laboratory analysis indicates that the constituent is not present.

Regulated Contaminants Detected							Likely Source of Contamination
Contaminant	90 th Percentile	Unit Measurement	# Sites Exceeding AL	Action Level	Violation Y/N		
Copper 2021	0.12	ppm	0	1.3	N	Erosion of natural deposits; Leaching from wood preservatives; Corrosion of household plumbing systems.	
Lead 2021	1.3	ppb	0	15	N	Corrosion of household plumbing systems, erosion, of natural deposits.	

Regulated Contaminants							Likely Source of Contamination
Disinfectants and Disinfection By Products	Violation Y/N	Level Detected	Unit Measurement	MCL	MCLG		
Chlorine 2022	N/A	R.A.A. 1.0 Range 0.36-0.68	ppm	MRDL 4	MRDLG 4	Water additive used to control microbes.	

Radioactive Contaminants							Likely Source of Contamination
Beta/photo emitters	Collection Date	Highest Level Detected	Range of Levels Detected	MCLG	MCL	Units	
Beta/photo emitters	2020	4.07	0.0-4.07	0	50*	mrem/yr	Decay of natural and man-made deposits.

*The MCL for beta particles is 4 mrem/year. EPA considers 50 pCi/L to be the level of concern for beta particles. Because the beta particle results were below 50 pCi/L, no testing for individual beta constituents was required.

Unregulated Contaminants							Likely Source of Contamination
Sodium 2020	Violation Y/N	Level Detected	Unit Measurement	MCLG	MCL		
Sodium 2020	N/A	2.4 Range 2.4-2.4	ppm	N/A	N/A	Occurs Naturally	

VIOLATION TABLE			
Consumer Confidence Rule			
The Consumer Confidence Rule requires community water systems to prepare and provide to their customers annual consumer confidence reports on the quality of the water delivered by the systems.			
Violation Type	Violation Begin	Violation End	Violation Explanation
CCR Report	7/01/2022	09/28/2022	We failed to provide to you, our annual drinking water customers, an annual report that informs you about the quality of our drinking water and characterized the risks from exposure to contaminants detected in our drinking water.

Rotary Club bestows two awards, two scholarships

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The Rotary Club of Barnwell County ended the school year by recognizing four students for making a difference.

The club met on May 11 to award two scholarships to high school seniors and recognize two others with awards.

"One of our club's priorities is to recognize the students who are making a difference across our county," said Rotarian Crissie Stapleton at the May 11 meeting. "It is always an honor to recognize our local high school students who are going above and beyond to show service above self in their schools and throughout their communities."

John McHenry Service Above Self Award

Karrie Bolen of Barnwell High and Jada Sims of Williston-Elko High were awarded the John McHenry Service Above Self Award. Both students were previously recognized as Rotary students of the month after being nominated by their high schools.

"Beginning last year, we created a special award to

be given at the end of the year as a culminating annual award. This award is named in memory of one of our fellow Rotarians, John McHenry, who remarkably exemplified service to others," said Stapleton.

Rotarian Angela Cotton spoke about McHenry and his service to the community through Rotary, the Lions Club, United Way, Animal Advocates, and other organizations. As branch manager of Regions Bank in Barnwell, McHenry taught financial literacy to students at Barnwell High School.

"Everything he did was about service above self," said Cotton of McHenry, who was also a father, husband, and soccer coach.

Bolen and Sims were selected after writing about Rotary's motto of "Service Above Self."

"This motto is a great guide when making decisions because it reminds me to think of others first. 'Service Above Self' is a motto everyone can follow. If more people lived by this motto, the world would be filled with more selfless and loving people," wrote Bolen in her essay.

According to part of Sims' essay, "The world would be an extraordinary



Williston-Elko High Principal Tony Flowers, WEHS guidance counselor Alison Brady, Mary Jane Edwards, Jada Sims, Cadence Brown, Tina Brown, and Barnwell County Consolidated School District Superintendent Dr. Marcella Shaw. Photos by Jonathan Vickery

place if people would care for one another and not tear each other down. It's important to help others as you would want them to help you."

"These are two very powerful messages from two very remarkable individuals," said Stapleton. "Karrie and Jada, we are so proud of both of you and we thank you for the great impact you have on your schools and communities."

Bolen plans to attend Anderson University and major in kinesiology. Sims plans to attend Lander University and major in environmental science.

John Sanders Rotary Scholarship

Every year, the club awards a scholarship to a student in the Teacher Cadet program. Two scholarships were awarded this year.

"This scholarship is given in memory of John Sanders, a long-time Rotarian who exemplified the many pillars of Rotary's service, both locally and globally," said Stapleton.

Applicants completed multiple questions explaining why the Teacher Cadet program is important to them and submitted an essay summarizing their

work with Teacher Cadets and what they have learned.

The first recipient is Cadence Brown from Williston-Elko High School. She plans to attend College of Charleston in the fall to study secondary education. She wants to teach and eventually become a speech pathologist in schools.

"In her essay, Cadence shared about students she has worked with both bab-

ysitting and in the classroom. Her stories touched the hearts of our committee members," Stapleton said.

She read the closing paragraph of the essay, which described how Teacher Cadets taught Brown the importance of showing her inner child sometimes. "I learned how both inside and outside the classroom, and in all stages of life, we as people simply want to have a purpose in what it is

that we are doing."

The second recipient is Kayla Peters from Barnwell High School. She plans to attend Clemson University in the fall and become an agriculture teacher.

In her essay, Peters shared how the Teacher Cadet program made a "tremendous impact" on her life and helped direct her future career. "Because of this program, I gained the confidence, experience, and knowledge to pursue my chosen career field." Peters also thanked her instructor, Lisa Wyndham and Mind Sandifer, for sharing their love and passion for teaching, which is something she hopes to do for her future students one day.

"We are so grateful for your passion for impacting the lives of children, and we have no doubt you will do great things in your future as an educator," said Stapleton to both students.

All four students were encouraged by Rotarians to continue making a difference through service.



Kayla Peters, Jada Sims, Karoline Bolen, and Cadence Brown were recognized with scholarships or awards by the Rotary Club of Barnwell County.



Barnwell High Principal Franklin McCormack, Heather and Michael Peters, Kayla Peters, Karoline Bolen, Kara Bolen, and Barnwell District 45 Superintendent Dr. Crissie Stapleton.

2022 Water Quality Report Blackville Water System System # SC0610003

We're pleased to provide you with this year's Water Quality Report. We want to keep you informed about the water and services we have delivered to you over the past year. Our goal is to provide to you a safe and dependable supply of drinking water. We are committed to ensuring the quality of your water. Our water source is produced from four active wells in the Blackville service area.

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Picocuries per liter (pci/L) - picocuries per liter is a measure of the radioactivity in water.

Contaminant	Date Sampled	ALG	Action Level (AL)	90th Percentile	# Sites All Over	Units	Violation (Y/N)	Likely Source of Contamination
Copper	2021	1.3	1.3	0.10	0	ppm	N	Erosion of natural deposits; Leaching from wood preservatives; Corrosion of household plumbing systems.
Lead	2021	0	15	0.65	0	ppb	N	Corrosion of household plumbing systems; Erosion of natural deposits.

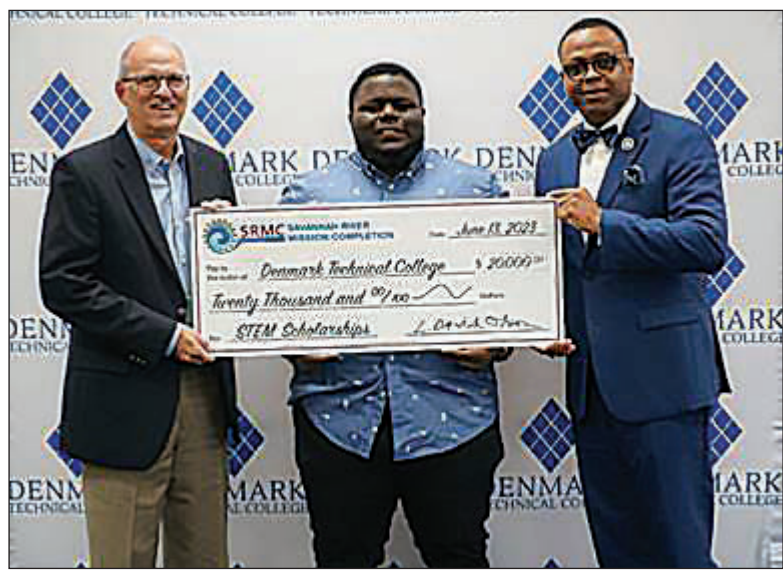
Disinfectants and Disinfection By-Products	Collection Date	Highest Level Detected	Range of Levels Detected	MCLG	MCL	Units	Violation	Likely Source of Contamination
Chlorine	2022	RAA 1.00	0.21-1.02	4	4	ppm	N	Water additive used to control microbes.
Total Trihalomethanes (TTHMs)	2022	1.0	1.20-1.30	No goal for the total	80	ppb	N	By-product of drinking water disinfection.

Inorganic Contaminants	Collection Date	Highest Level Detected	Range of Levels Detected	MCLG	MCL	Units	Violation	Likely Source of Contamination
Barium	2021	0.20	0.069-0.200	2	2	ppm	N	Discharge of drilling wastes; Discharge from metal refineries; Erosion of natural deposits.
Nitrate (measured as Nitrogen)	2022	2.00	0.00-1.60	10	10	ppm	N	Runoff from fertilizer use; Leaching from septic tanks, sewage; Erosion of natural deposits.
Sodium (unregulated)	2021	6.9	4.2-6.9	N/A	N/A	ppm	N	Naturally occurring.

Radioactive Contaminants	Collection Date	Highest Level Detected	Range of Levels Detected	MCLG	MCL	Units	Violation	Likely Source of Contamination
Combined Radium 226/228	2021	0.516	0.516-0.516	0	5	pCi/L	N	Erosion of natural deposits.
Gross alpha (including radon and uranium)	2021	2.24	2.24-2.24	0	15	pCi/L	N	Erosion of natural deposits.

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Savannah River Mission Completion donates \$20,000 to Denmark Technical College for STEM scholarships



Savannah River Mission Completion (SRMC) donated \$20,000 to Denmark Technical College (DTC) for STEM scholarships. SRMC President and Program Manager Dave Olson (left) and DTC graduate and current SRMC employee Javonta Greene (middle) present the check to DTC President and CEO Dr. Willie L. Todd Jr.

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AIKEN, S.C. (June 22, 2023) — Savannah River Mission Completion (SRMC), the liquid waste contractor at the Savannah River Site, is investing in the future workforce by donating a \$20,000 gift to Denmark Technical College (DTC) for science, technology, engineering, and mathematics (STEM) scholarships.

SRMC President and Program Manager Dave Olson recently made the check presentation to DTC President and CEO Dr. Willie L. Todd Jr. DTC is the only historically black technical college in the state of South Carolina, focusing on technical career training, associates degrees, and a four-year college transfer program.

The money will directly fund scholarships for DTC students enrolling in STEM degree programs. It helps

replace some of the federal funds that have been in place the last few years but have just been phased out.

With this new infusion of STEM scholarships, SRMC wants to offer a multitude of positions and internships for students with degrees in STEM, according to Olson.

"Savannah River Mission Completion is proud to be support the education of students at Denmark Technical College," Olson said. "We believe this is a meaningful investment in these students' future careers as well as into our potential future workforce."

The college is appreciative of the timing of this donation, which will not only help current students but also attract future STEM students to DTC, according to Todd.

"Savannah River Mission Completion and Denmark Technical College have had a strong history of partner-

ship, and I am glad to see it continue," Todd said. "We are appreciative that SRMC has chosen to invest in our students and our community by offering scholarship opportunities."

SRMC and DTC have renewed a Memorandum of Understanding that enables SRMC to continue providing guidance to DTC students on careers in STEM with the focus on work experience with apprenticeships, internships, and opportunities for full-time jobs.

SRMC comprises parent company BWX Technologies, Inc. with partners Amentum and Fluor. Its team brings the capabilities necessary to accelerate cleanup at the U.S. Department of Energy's Savannah River Site through safe nuclear operations, optimized and integrated mission execution, and strong corporate governance.

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2022 Water Quality Report TOWN OF FAIRFAX System # 0310004

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Copper	2020	1.3	1.3	0.026	0	ppm	N	Erosion of natural deposits; Leaching from wood preservatives; Corrosion of household plumbing systems.
Lead	2020	0	15	2.4	0	ppb	N	Corrosion of household plumbing systems. Erosion of natural deposits.

Disinfectants and Disinfection By-Products	Collection Date	Highest Level Detected	Range of Levels Detected	MCLG	MCL	Units	Violation	Likely Source of Contamination
Chlorine	2022	RAA 0.00	0.07-0.48	MRLDG 4	MRLD 4	ppm	N	Water additive used to control microbes.
Haloacetic Acids (HAA5)	2022	8.0	8.11-8.53	No goal for the total	60	ppb	N	By-products of drinking water disinfections.
Total Trihalomethanes (TTHM)	2022	29.0	23.61-34.60	No goal for the total	80	ppb	N	By-product of drinking water disinfections.

Inorganic Contaminants	Collection Date	Highest Level Detected	Range of Levels Detected	MCLG	MCL	Units	Violation	Likely Source of Contamination
Fluoride	2021	0.37	0.29-0.37	4	4.0	ppm	N	Erosion of natural deposits; Water additive which promotes strong teeth; Discharge from fertilizers and aluminum factories.

Radioactive Contaminants	Collection Date	Highest Level Detected	Range of Levels Detected	MCLG	MCL	Units	Violation	Likely Source of Contamination
Beta/Photon emitters	2021	7.47	0.00-7.47	0	50*	pCi/L	N	Decay of natural and man-made deposits

*The MCL for beta particles is 4 mrem/year. EPA considers 50 pCi/L to be the level of concern for beta particles. Because the beta particle results were below 50 pCi/L, no testing for individual beta particle constituents was required.

NAME	REPORTED LEVEL	RANGE Low-High
Sodium 2021	20 ppm (average)	17-22 ppm

Violation Type	Violation Begin	Violation End	Violation Explanation
CCR ADEQUACY AVAILABILITY CONTENT	10/01/2021	2022	We failed to provide you our drinking water customers, an annual report that adequately informed you about the quality of our drinking water and the risks from exposure to contaminants detected in our drinking water.
CCR Report	07/01/2022	8/17/2022	We failed to provide you our drinking water customers, an annual report that adequately informed you about the quality of our drinking water and the risks from exposure to contaminants detected in our drinking water.

This violation is a required violation related to the Consumer Confidence Rule (CCR). After completing the delivery requirements under CCR, we are required to submit a Certification Form to the State. We did not complete this reporting action for CCR CY2020. The Certification was due at DHEC on or before 10/1/2021. We will be working with DHEC to resolve this open violation and implement best management practices in the future.

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If you have special health needs
 Some people may be more vulnerable to contaminants in drinking water than the general population. Immune-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/CDC guidelines on appropriate means to lessen the risk of infection by cryptosporidium and other microbiological contaminants are available from the Safe Drinking Water Hotline (800-426-4791).

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. Blackville Water System 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 drinking 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>.

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THEME: BIOLOGY 101

- ACROSS**
- *Lactuca sativa dish
 - Banned insecticide
 - Doorframe part
 - *Group of #3 Down
 - Top seed number
 - *Blood ____, diabetic's concern
 - *Food poisoning-causing bacterium
 - Galley tool
 - Sushi restaurant staple
 - *Giant sequoia, e.g.
 - *Measure of energy
 - Auction call
 - Animal coat
 - Tolstoy's first name, in Russian
 - *Plural of cecum
 - *Fastest growing woody plant
 - Footnote acronym
 - Mosquito net, e.g.
 - Attention-seeking
 - Skier's aid
 - Certain saxes
 - Sheltered, nautically speaking
 - Wife's mother, e.g.
 - "____ we forget"
 - Christian of haute-couture
 - Based on two
 - Colorado's neighbor
 - European Nuclear Society
 - Beauty salon sound
 - Official language of Laos
 - *Dissolving agent
 - *C6H12O6
 - *Relating to trunk, neck and head
 - Lamb's momma
 - With clear mind
 - Itty-bitty
 - The Weather Girls' "It's Raining ____"
 - Fill with spirits
 - Ceases
 - Get the picture
 - Ascended
 - Design detail
 - Big name in gasoline stations
 - *Genus Panthera member
 - Improvise
 - Godlike
 - Point of entry
 - *Genetic information carrier, acr.
 - 9 a.m. prayer
 - Saturn's daughter, Roman goddess
 - *Petri dish gel
 - The Wise Men
 - French appetizer
 - Scheherazade's listener
 - Swelling of human organs
 - Priestly garb
 - Book cover prototype
 - *Fatty acids
 - Piano key material
 - Pancho of Mexican Revolution fame
 - *Basic unit of life
 - Fermented honey libation
 - Misrepresent
 - Theater, to Socrates
 - Deed hearings
 - "Wanted!" option
 - *Parasite's ride
 - Stable room
 - Sagely
 - Major news network, acr.
 - Cargo carrier
 - Agenda entries
 - Round openings
 - Fill to satisfaction
 - Ox, pl.
 - What Pinocchio did
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Sweeten Up Family Favorites with Fresh, Delicious Fruit

FAMILY FEATURES

When your family's favorite dishes inevitably grow tired, a touch of sweetness may be all you need to freshen up the flavor of classic recipes. Keep tried-and-true dinners on the table with a simple addition that complements the tastes you know and love: fresh fruit.

With its craveable texture and crunch, balanced sweetness and beautiful golden red color, an option like Envy Apples can be enjoyed as part of delicious meals. While they're often best served fresh or paired with cheese boards, sandwiches or mocktails, their sweetness also plays up when combined with pasta, shrimp, Parmesan, toasted almonds and more in this Apples and Pesto Farfalle.

To change up Taco Tuesday, bite into these Crisp Apple Tacos and believe in the uplifting aroma and flavor of apples as an invitation to savor those small moments around the family table. It can be your ultimate apple experience and introduce loved ones to new ways to rethink their favorite weekly meals.

Plus, because Envy Apple slices naturally stay white longer than other varieties, they maintain their beauty while you cook so finished dishes look as delicious as they taste.

To find more ways to sweeten up family meals, visit EnvyApple.com.

Crisp Apple Tacos

- 2 Envy Apples
- 1/2 pound pork tenderloin
- 3 tablespoons olive oil
- 1 teaspoon salt
- 1 teaspoon pepper
- 3 rosemary sprigs
- 1/2 cup shredded carrots
- 1/2 cup shredded red cabbage
- 1 cup shredded green cabbage
- 4 tablespoons honey
- 1 cup mayonnaise
- 1 tablespoon mustard
- 1 tablespoon white vinegar
- salt, to taste
- pepper, to taste
- 12 tortillas
- 2 tablespoons sour cream
- 1 lime, cut into wedges

Slice half of one apple into thick wedges; reserve. Slice remaining half into thin sticks; reserve. Slice second apple into thin wedges; reserve.

Cut pork crosswise into 1-inch round medallions. Coat pork medallions with olive oil, salt and pepper then add to saucepan over medium heat. Add thick apple wedges to saucepan.

Add rosemary to saucepan and cook 2-3 minutes. Flip pork and cook 2-3 minutes until pork is slightly golden and cooked through.

Let pork rest 3 minutes then slice into strips. In serving bowl, toss thin apple sticks, carrots, red cabbage and green cabbage. Mix honey, mayonnaise, mustard and vinegar. Add salt and pepper, to taste.

Mix dressing and cabbage; refrigerate at least 1 hour prior to serving.

Top tortillas with pork, slaw, sour cream and squeezes of lime. Top with thin apple wedges.



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Apples and Pesto Farfalle

Apples and Pesto Farfalle

- 1 pound farfalle pasta
- 3 1/2 teaspoons kosher salt, plus additional for cooking pasta, divided
- 1/3 cup extra-virgin olive oil, plus additional for cooking pasta, to taste, divided
- 1 bunch parsley leaves
- 1 cup toasted almonds
- 1 cup shredded Parmesan
- 2 tablespoons lemon juice
- 30 turns fresh cracked pepper
- 2 cups cooked peas
- 2 Envy Apples, diced

- 1 bunch chives, thinly sliced
- 1 block Parmesan

- 20 shrimp
- 2 tablespoons canola oil
- 1 1/2 teaspoons coarse pepper

Cook pasta in salted boiling water until just tender. Drain and toss gently with olive oil, to taste, then set aside.

In food processor, pulse parsley leaves, almonds, shredded Parmesan, 2 teaspoons kosher salt, lemon juice and cracked pepper. Once pulsed, turn processor on high and drizzle in 1/3 cup olive oil until well incorporated.

Toss pasta with fresh pesto until well coated. Fold in peas, apples and chives. Using peeler, shave thin slices off Parmesan block over pasta for garnish.

Preheat grill or grill pan over high heat.

Toss shrimp in canola oil, 1 1/2 teaspoons salt and coarse pepper. Grill 2 minutes on each side, or until charred slightly. Spread evenly over pasta and serve.



Crisp Apple Tacos

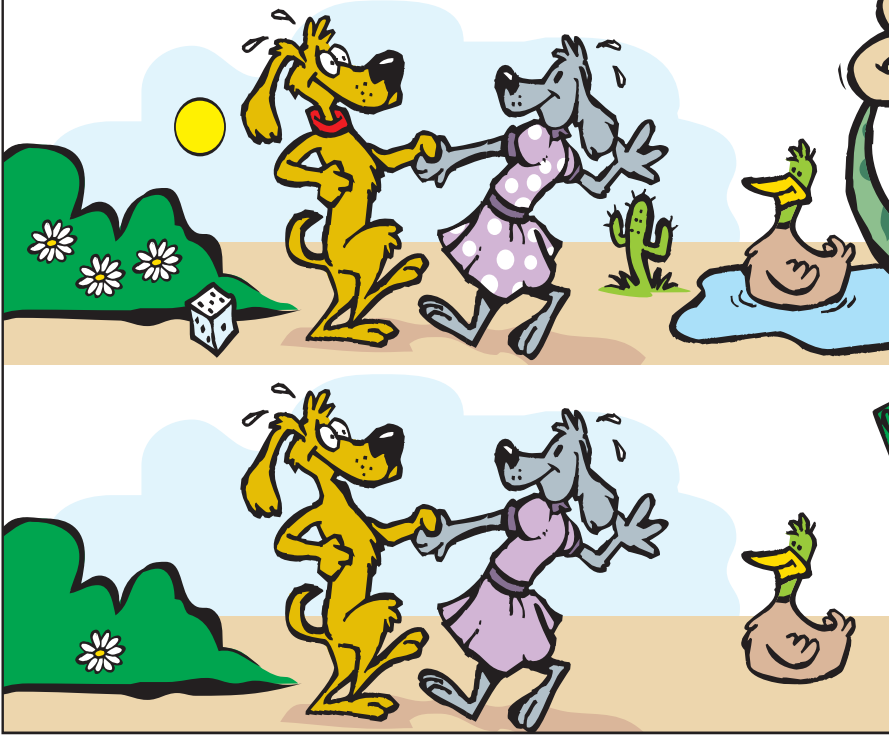
Newspaper reading adventures for little learners!

Kid Scoop Junior

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What's Missing?

Look at both pictures. Do they look the same? Not quite! There are 8 things in the top picture that are missing from the picture on the bottom.



My Rhyme Time

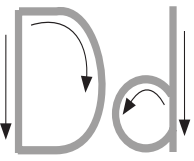
Hey Diddle Diddle,
The cat and the fiddle,
The cow jumped over the moon;
The little dog laughed
To see such sport,
And the dish ran away with the spoon.

My name:

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

My Letters

D is for Dinosaur
d is for dinosaur

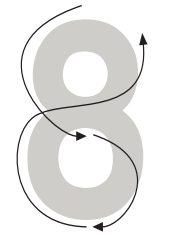


Learning Buddies: Read the two phrases aloud. Have your child read with you. Trace the uppercase and lowercase letter D. Say the letter as you trace it.

How many pictures can you find on this page that start with the sound that the letter D makes in the word dinosaur?

My Numbers

- How many ?
- How many ?
- How many ?



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

My Sentence

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

Dinosaurs are _____



Sunday

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

Monday

Math Play
Point to the number 8 in the newspaper. Have your child say the number and, if it's large enough, have your child trace the number.

Tuesday

Shape Search
Look through the newspaper for these shapes: circle, square, triangle, rectangle and diamond. Trace and color the shapes that can be found.

Wednesday

Sorting
Cut out pictures of animals, people and things from the newspaper. Have your child sort these into the three groups.

Thursday

Eight Eyes
Find and cut out four pairs of eyes, so that you have 8 eyes. Show your child how pairs can be counted by 2s.

Friday

Lost and Found
Read an advertisement to your child about a lost pet. Ask your child to pretend to be that animal and tell how you got lost. Ask how it feels to be lost. Talk about how to prevent from becoming lost.

Saturday

How Big Was It?
Look in a book or on the Web for information on the size of different dinosaurs. Cut strips of newspaper, measure them and lay them out to show how tall or long an apatosaurus or a tyrannosaurus or any other dinosaur was.

Learning Buddy Sign Here

I have completed _____ activities with my Learning Buddy.

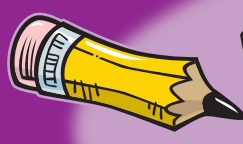
Learning Buddy's signature _____

Date _____



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

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



Many countries celebrate their independence days in unique and fun ways. This week, Kid Scoop takes a trip around the world to discover how other countries show their love of independence.

Celebrate Independence Around the World!

The Fourth of July in the United States commemorates America's independence from Great Britain. On July 4, 1776, a group of Americans signed the Declaration of Independence. Today, Americans celebrate with parades, barbeque, fireworks shows, and wearing red, white and blue.

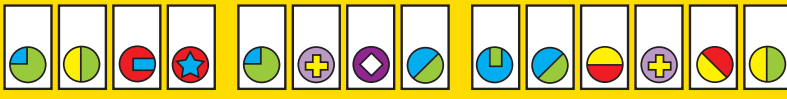
Viva México!

Mexicans celebrate "Grito de Dolores" (meaning "Cry of Dolores") on September 15. On that day in 1810, Father Miguel Hidalgo y Costilla, a priest in the town of Dolores, made a speech demanding the freedom of Mexico from Spain. Now on this day, the president rings the original bell from Father Hidalgo's church and recites Hidalgo's original speech. The president ends with the cry, "Viva México!" which can be heard the rest of the night during celebrations, fireworks and other fun activities.

Use the code to learn what "Viva México" means.

SECRET CODE

C = M =
 E = N =
 G = O =
 I = V =
 L = X =



Poland



People in Poland celebrate their independence on November 11 when citizens place flowers at the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier to commemorate soldiers who have died for their country.

Citizens attend parades and ceremonies, wearing Poland's colors: red and white. In Warsaw, the capital city, thousands of runners participate in the annual Independence Day Run.

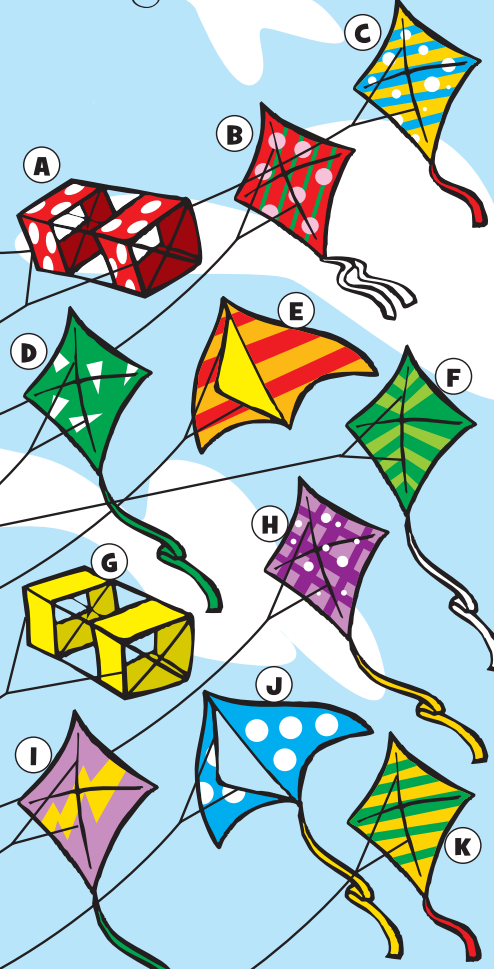
Sum It Up!

After reading this page, write three short statements for each country that sum up how independence is celebrated there. Poland is done for you.

Poland	United States	India	Mexico
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Wear red and white clothing • Participate in the Independence Day Run • Put flowers on the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier 	_____	_____	_____
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Standards Link: Writing Applications: Students summarize information found in expository text.

Flying Kites for Freedom in India



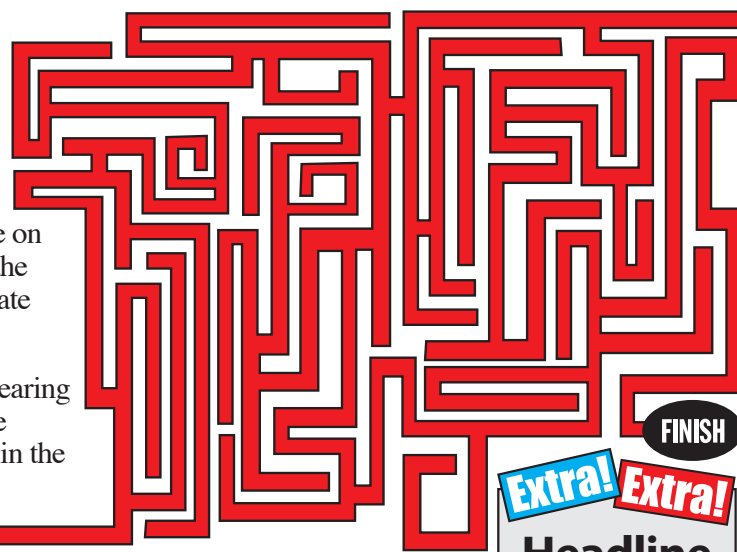
The night before Independence Day in India, the president of the country gives a speech about how the country is doing.

On the day itself, August 15, citizens gather and watch their country's flag being hoisted to the top of the flagpole. This happens at offices, homes and schools. Afterwards, families and friends get together and enjoy delicious food.

Lots of people also fly kites on Independence Day to symbolize India's freedom from the British on August 15, 1947.

Karan's Kite

Karan's kite has stripes. His kite has a tail, but not a short one. Karan doesn't like polka dots on kites. It is not a box kite.



Extra! Extra!

Headline Fun

Look at the headlines in today's newspaper. Rewrite each headline so it means just the opposite.

Standards Link: Writing Applications: Write in a variety of formats.

Kid Scoop Together: Missing Words

Fireworks have blasted some of the words out of this article. Can you find where each missing word belongs?

Chinese Cook Has a Blast

Most Independence Day celebrations include setting off fireworks. The exploding excitement of fireworks had its origins in a _____ in China.

About 1,000 years ago, a Chinese cook _____ three ingredients _____ found in kitchens at that time. A _____ from the cooking fire _____

his concoction into a blast of sparks! Some say this was the _____ firework.

The three ingredients were saltpeter (used for pickling _____), sulfur (used to make _____ fires hotter) and charcoal (the _____ wood from the cooking fire).

- MIXED COOKING FOODS
- WORLDWIDE FIRST
- KITCHEN EXPLODED
- COMMONLY SPARK
- CHARRED

Standards Link: Reading Comprehension: Use context clues to understand the meaning of words.

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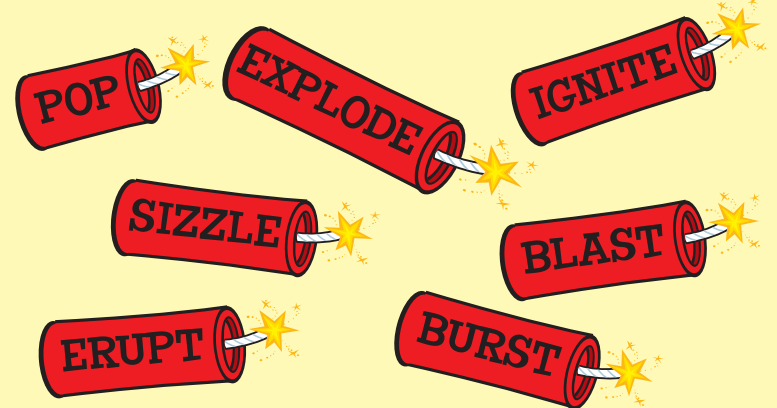
Complete the grid by using all the letters in the word WORLD in each vertical and horizontal row. Each letter should only be used once in each row. Some spaces have been filled in for you.

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Kid Scoop Puzzler

Loud fireworks can scare pets. Be sure to keep your pets indoors on Independence Day.

Dash through today's newspaper to find the letters that spell the words on these firecrackers. Spelling an entire word "defuses" the firecracker. Can you spell them all in five minutes?



Standards Link: Reading Comprehension: Follow simple written directions.

Double Double Word Search

- CELEBRATE
- HIDALGO
- PARADES
- KITES
- MEXICO
- FLAGPOLE
- FREEDOM
- CHURCH
- WORLD
- SPEECH
- POLAND
- TODAY
- INDIA
- BELL
- RED

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

F	I	O	C	I	X	E	M	T	E
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E	N	S	E	D	A	R	A	P	P
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M	O	D	L	R	O	W	T	H	L
S	P	E	E	C	H	C	E	E	F
D	C	H	U	R	C	H	S	A	Y

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

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Country Search

Look through the newspaper to find the names of five or more countries. Find these countries on a map of the world. Why was each country mentioned in your newspaper?

Standards Link: Reading Comprehension: Use general skills and strategies of the reading process.

What did one flag say to the other flag?

ANSWER: Nothing—it just waved!

Write On!

My Best Birthday

What was your best birthday celebration ever?



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