

County buys 15 acres for potential amphitheater

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The August 13 Barnwell County Council meeting began with a public hearing regarding purchasing 15 acres near Lake Edgar Brown to build an amphitheater.

During the meeting, the council unanimously approved the third reading of an ordinance allowing the county to purchase the land for \$300,000.

According to county administra-

tor Meredith Wright, the purchase of this land is being funded by a Department of Natural Resources (DNR) allocation, DNR boating and fishing license fees, funding from the Barnwell County Economic Development Commission, and a small portion of state allocated funding.

The sale of this property is contingent upon the Capital Project Sales Tax (CPST) being passed by voters in November. If the CPST is not passed, then the agreement will be terminated, states the purchase agreement signed by county officials.

This land was owned by Robert Grimes, who agreed to sell 15 of a total 40.57 acres to the county. Grimes received \$1,000 at the execution of the agreement.

The amphitheater project will appear on the referendum and hopes to promote local tourism and events. Further details of the project have been previously reported by *The People-Sentinel*.

OTHER NEWS FROM THE AUG. 13 MEETING
ANNUAL 9/11 MEMORIAL
During public comment, resident Barbara Christian received permission from council to hold the annual September 11th memorial flag display honoring each of the lives lost in the national tragedy.

This is the fourth consecutive year Christian has organized this memorial in Calhoun Park across from the Barnwell County Courthouse. 2,978 flags will be displayed honoring "every soul lost in 9/11," said Christian.

Volunteers interested in setting up the flags can meet around 2 p.m. at Calhoun Park on September 7. Flags will be removed on September 14 around 2 p.m.

POSSIBLE PURPLE HEART HIGHWAY
During the transportation report, Councilman Ben Kinlaw brought forward a request by a resident to name the portion to Highway 278 entering Barnwell County a part of the Purple Heart Trail.

The Purple Heart Trail are memorial and honorary roadways, highways, and bridges that give tribute to those who have been awarded the Purple Heart medal, a

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Tom Boulware (center) is joined by current and former leaders of the City of Barnwell and Town of Williston at his celebration honoring over 50 years of service. Jonathan Vickery / Publisher

Two towns thank attorney for over 50 years of legal counsel

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A local attorney was recognized for decades of service to two municipalities.

The City of Barnwell and Town of Williston united on June 23 for a celebration of Tom Boulware at the Barnwell County Museum. Also known as "Uncle Buddy", Boulware has served as municipal attorney for the City of Barnwell for over 50 years and for the Town of Williston for over 40 years.



Barnwell City Administrator Lynn McEwen presents Tom Boulware a plaque for over 50 years of service. Jonathan Vickery / Publisher

"I view my years of service to Barnwell and Williston as probably the highpoint in my legal career. It's provided me an opportunity to serve the public," said Boulware.

Family, friends and colleagues gathered to recognize Boulware. After remarks by dignitaries and Boulware himself, two identical portraits of Boulware were unveiled that were painted by Barnwell resident Kell Anderson. They will be displayed in each of the town halls.

"I hope this is not my retirement party," joked Boulware. "Thank you for enduring support and never-ending friendship."

No, Boulware is not retiring. Instead, the celebration was a way for the towns to thank Boulware for his "dedicated service, devotion and commitment," as stated on a plaque presented to him.

"We celebrate you. We thank

you for what you've done for the City of Barnwell, the Town of Williston, the people of this county and all communities of this county. It's a better place because of you," said magistrate judge and former Williston mayor Jason Stapleton.

Though Boulware was a great friend of Stapleton's grandparents, Stapleton didn't know Boulware when he was growing up. However, Stapleton got to know Boulware well when he became mayor.

"I came to realize the knowledge and wisdom he has for law, particularly for us with municipal law; guiding us through ordinances and resolutions, keeping us out of trouble," said Stapleton.

The two spoke multiple times a week when Stapleton was mayor. Boulware became a mentor and role model for

Stapleton.

"He is a true southern gentleman - polite and well dressed. He holds fast to tradition. He is a trusted colleague and an even better friend. He's a strong family man. He puts the interests of others ahead of his own. He has a servant's heart," said Stapleton.

"Jason, that's not my obituary, is it?" joked Boulware in response to the kind words.

Barnwell Mayor Ron Still echoed many of Stapleton's sentiments.

"He's a sharp-witted person. You've got to be on your game to get something by him. I thought this could be a surprise, but Lynn and Jason said that would never happen," said Still of how they couldn't keep the event a surprise.

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Barnwell teen accepted into prestigious New Hampshire high school

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A 14-year-old Barnwell native is packing his bags and heading north to embark on the next leg of his academic journey in New Hampshire.

Isaiah Altman's decision to leave home to finish high school came from a desire to continue growing both academically and personally, and to find a "higher ceiling" to aim for.

After skipping a grade and being ranked number six in his class at Barnwell schools, many opportunities for local growth were ones he had already taken.

"As parents, what we saw was a restless spirit. So, for mom and dad, we were just trying to figure it out," said his father, Robert Altman. "My job is to create the best opportunity for him."

When figuring out his next step, Altman knew one thing for sure he wanted from a school; 'how can I make a difference here, and how can this institution prepare me to bring knowledge and skills back home for the betterment of Barnwell?'

"One of my big deals was not just going up there just for me, but so I could bring something back to my community here in Barnwell," he said.

When he was accepted into two

well-known boarding schools on March 10, both with a 13 percent international acceptance rate, Altman described it as "nothing short of what I call a miracle."

Ultimately, he opted to attend St. Paul's School in Concord, New Hampshire - a college-preparatory, co-educational boarding school affiliated with the Episcopal Church, and Altman's new home for the next few years.

Not only was Altman accepted into St. Paul's School, he is also the recipient of the Austin and Lane Meyer Regional South Carolina Scholarship. This prestigious scholarship is given to one South Carolina student each year, and Altman was selected.

Austin Meyers, the creator of the X-Plane Flight Simulator, is a St. Paul's School graduate and sponsors the scholarship which will fund Altman's total tuition of \$520,000 in addition to travel expenses.

Although being 15 hours away from home may be daunting to some, Altman made the decision to move states away intentionally.

"It's a jump, but I feel like the further away from home was the better for me," he said. "I feel like if I'm closer to home...I won't be pushing myself as much. I have to take responsibility for everything I do."

St. Paul's School graduates

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Isaiah Altman (left) smiles alongside his siblings as they head off for their first day of school. Altman will be attending St. Paul's School in Concord, New Hampshire to complete his high school education.



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military decoration awarded to U.S. Armed Forces members who are wounded, killed, or die from wounds received while serving.

In 2013, South Carolina legislation was passed deeming the state a Purple Heart State, offering benefits to Purple Heart recipients and their families. Legislation must also be passed and signs are placed to indicate desired roadways as part of the national Purple Heart Trail system.

Councilman Kinlaw explained he is in communication with local and state offices to begin this process, noting Representative Lonnie Hosey is a Purple Heart recipient.

COUNTY-WIDE RECREATION

The recreation committee met on August 12 and discussed the three recent grants secured toward recreational opportunities county-wide.

A \$2,000 grant from the Southern Carolina Alliance is allotted for updated signage at Healing Springs located outside of Blackville. Also, a grant bringing kayaks to Lake Edgar Brown through a partnership with Michigan-based Rent!Fun is still ongoing and the county is waiting on the funding announcement.

The county's recreation department also recently received a \$3,707 grant from Swiss Krono "which will be used to support various projects currently

in the works for recreation in Barnwell County," said recreation director Hilary Hindman.

According to Chairman Creech, Hindman and the committee are actively working toward applying for more grants.

NEEDS ASSESSMENT
William Molnar, executive director of the Lower Savannah Council of Governments (LSCOG), announced an upcoming community "think tank."

This meeting is part of the LSCOG hiring a consultant to "go through and do a strategic plan for the organization and what we do within the region," said Molnar.

"Next month, we will be having a think tank from 10 to 2 over in Blackville to get input from folks like yourselves, from GU, from others within the community, across the six counties to understand a little more where we as an organization need to go and how to get there," said Molnar.

CAREER CENTER COMMITTEE

The council voted to remove the Barnwell County Career Center (BCCC) committee from their list of county committees. As of July 1, 2024, BCCC was dissolved and consolidated into the Barnwell County School District, therefore making it no longer in the county system. It was unanimously approved. BCCC did not receive funding from this year's county budget.

ALTMAN: Barnwell teen heads to NH to finish high school journey

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The Altman family smiles on the first day of school for Barnwell County students before their eldest son, Isaiah (third from left), travels north to start his journey at a boarding school on September 6.

often end up at Ivy League universities such as Yale, Harvard, and Columbia. Sixty-three percent of the 2024 St. Paul's School class will be attending Northeastern universities such as these.

The school is structured similarly to these universities in the aspect that students live full time on the campus, colloquially known as 'Millville' after an abandoned mill which still stands on the school grounds. However, at St. Paul's School, the faculty also lives on campus in what they call a "full residential model."

"Everyone lives together on our grounds, students and teachers alike. Our fully residential model means that learning might start in the classroom, but

it extends into every aspect of life at SPS," states their website.

In July, Altman spent six days at 'Millville' meeting future classmates, student ambassadors, advisors, educators, heads of departments, and more St. Paul's School staff. He felt this short trip prepared him to dive into the full school year.

"The advisors, they care for you. That is part of their job, and not just their job, they enjoy their students," said Altman.

From their times visiting in the past year, the Altmans not only witnessed snowfall, but the welcoming atmosphere at the school. It is a requirement for those on campus to acknowledge one another in passing, maintain manners, and be

respectful to the people and place - something already second nature for the 14-year-old.

This holistic model of educating was something that drew Altman to the school. Not only did he feel welcomed and accepted, but excited to learn more about all the people he met.

In recent years, St. Paul's School made it a priority to recruit students from every corner, whether that be internationally or from small, rural towns in the south. While Altman was visiting in July, he made friends with classmates from countries such as South Korea, Uganda, and Panama.

Learning about various cultures and meeting new people is what Altman is "really looking forward to,"

he said with energy and optimism in his voice.

He embarks on this new path with the full support of his family; whether they are tied together through faith, community, education, or by blood. The family's church, Bethany Baptist Church in Barnwell where his father is pastor, played a major role in supporting Altman in his next step.

"His upbringing here definitely made it possible," said Robert, who thanks his son's educators and coaches for laying the foundation to make this move possible.

At St. Paul's School, Altman will continue playing football and dive into weightlifting in his second year.

Altman's first day will be on September 6.

Barnwell County Arrest Reports

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

Levern Miguel Glover Jr., 41, of 165 Lynx Drive, Williston, was arrested on August 20 by Barnwell County Sheriff's Office (BCSO) for Failure to Appear. Glover

was booked and released to the Barnwell County Detention Center (BCDC).

Ronisha Shenelle Hammond, 34, of 165 Berry Street, Barnwell, was arrested August 21 by BCSO for Disturbing Schools and Trespass After Notice. Hammond was booked and released to BCDC.

Alexander Bozion Mestel, 38, of 212 Chanwood

Ct., Eastover, was arrested on August 20 by BCSO for Failure to Appear. Mestel was booked and released to BCDC.

Marquis Washington, 32, of 522 Gum St., Allendale, was arrested on August 22 by BCSO for Criminal Domestic Violence and Possession of Marijuana. Washington was booked and released to BCDC.

Angus Douglas Williams,

III, 68, of 666 Duncannon Road, Barnwell, was arrested on August 24 by BCSO for Driving Under Suspension, Operating Uninsured Ve-

hicle, and Use of License Plate Other Than for Vehicle Which Issued. Williams was booked and released to BCDC.

17 vie for 5 school board seats

Who is running for the Barnwell County School District board?

DISTRICT 1	DISTRICT 2	DISTRICT 3	DISTRICT 4	DISTRICT 5
Bob Snead	Felicia Devore	Rosey Anderson	Ronnie Brown	Catrena Parker
Becky Huggins	Vanessa Childs	Teresa B. Hughes	Paula Little	Ethel Faust
Crystal Nix	Dawn Mansfield	Abraham Sexton	John Melton	Ed Rockwell
Alan Kennedy				Tim Scott

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Filing has closed for a seat on the first elected Barnwell County School District board.

All five school board seats will be on the November 5 General Election ballot. Candidate filing opened on August 1 and closed at noon on Thursday, August 15.

"Even-numbered Districts 2, and 4 will be filled for two-year terms. Odd-numbered Districts 1, 3, and 5 will be filled for four-year terms," according to an election notice posted in a recent

edition of the newspaper.

The five members who are elected on Nov. 5 will replace the appointed five-member board that has overseen the consolidation process since lawmakers created the district in 2023. That board currently includes Becky Wier Huggins, Sexton, Brown, Dr. Andy Sandifer, and Terry Richardson.

The following candidates have filed for the five seats:

District 1: Bob Snead, Becky Wier Huggins, Crystal

Nix, and Alan Kennedy.

District 2: Felicia Robinson Devore, Vanessa Taylor Childs, and Dawn Mansfield.

District 3: Rosey Anderson, Teresa B. Hughes, and Abraham Sexton

District 4: Ronnie Brown, Paula Marie Little, and John Melton.

District 5: Catrena Hughes-Parker, Ethel Faust, Ed Rockwell and Tim Scott.

The People-Sentinel will have candidate profiles in an upcoming edition prior to the November election.

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New downtown business provides 'happiness in a bowl'



April Robinson (center) cuts the ribbon at Low Country Acai Bowls on April 27 during her grand opening celebration in downtown Barnwell. Contributed Photos

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A new business aims to give customers a healthy boost – one bowl at a time.

April Robinson opened Low Country Acai Bowls in downtown Barnwell in April. They serve acai bowls featuring a frozen sorbet made from nutrient-dense acai (pronounced “ah-sigh-ee”) berries that’s topped with sliced fruit, granola, nuts, coconut, peanut butter, honey, and other options. “It’s fulfilling and it’s healthier as opposed to going and getting a Big Mac,” said Robinson.

Her new career came about after changing her eating habits in pursuit of being healthier. “When you change your lifestyle, you have to find a new thing to eat,” said Robinson.

She learned about acai bowls, which began in Brazil, and had her first bowl from a business in Aiken in August 2023. She fell in love with the bowls, which she could only find in larger cities, and made regular trips to Aiken.

“Barnwell didn’t have anything like that as a healthier option,” she said. That’s when she started making her own bowls at home and selling them. She quickly built a clientele base.

She kept growing her knowledge, including from the owner of the Aiken business who shared tips and info. Robinson also signed up for the 12-week Propel Business Lab through the Southern Palmetto Regional Chamber of Commerce. “Everything I needed to know about being an entrepreneur was taught in



This aerial photo from High Altitude Drone Service shows a crowd of customers at the grand opening of Low Country Acai Bowls.



April Robinson, owner of Low Country Acai Bowls, proudly displays some of her bowls.



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that class, including dealing with customers, balancing the books, and supply and demand. What you think you know as an entrepreneur and then what’s put out by the professionals is different,” said Robinson, who graduated from the program in April.

Though she didn’t win the \$10,000 seed money from the pitch competition at the end

of the program, Robinson said she still gained so much. Aside from the invaluable knowledge needed as a new entrepreneur, she has gained a new family with her fellow classmates. “We’re still a family. We support each other,” said Robinson, citing how one classmate made her business T-shirts and another provided drone footage of

the grand opening. The business is located at 44 McDonough Street, Barnwell, in the former Sno Shack building. Purchasing her own storefront has allowed Robinson to grow her business, including offering more sorbet bases and bowl sizes.

It’s also allowed her to continue to grow her clientele. Much like she used to drive to Aiken to stock up on bowls, she now has out of town customers doing the same thing. “The biggest thing I’ve learned is customer service. If you provide excellent customer service, they are going to come back,” said Robinson, who is grateful for her team.

Robinson hopes to keep growing her business – one bowl at a time.

Low Country Acai Bowls is open Thursday and Friday from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. (lunch from 2:30 to 3:30), Saturdays from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m., and the first two Sundays of each month from 2 to 5 p.m.

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BIRTH



Lakelynn Grace Hutson was born on August 12, 2024.

Lakelynn Grace Hutson

Courtney & Eric Hutson of Barnwell are proud to announce the birth of their daughter, Lakelynn Grace Hutson.

She was born on August 12, 2024 at 10:30 a.m. at Aiken Regional Hospital. She measured 20 inches long and weighed 8 pounds, 7 ounces.

Maternal grandparents are Stephanie and Elliott Hutson of Barnwell, S.C.

Paternal grandparents are Chris and Erica Hutson of Sylvania, Ga.

Maternal great-grandparents are Debbie and Tom Still of Olar, S.C., Billy Freeman of Barnwell, and Deacon and the late Shirley Hutson of Barnwell, S.C.

Paternal great-grandparents are Julie and the late Gene Cox of Savannah, Ga., Doug and Theresa Hutson of Saint Simons, Ga., and Janice and David Nix of Aiken, S.C.

WEDDING



Courtney Vacha and Nick McEwen were united in marriage on May 18, 2024.

Mr. & Mrs. Nick McEwen

Courtney Vacha and Nick McEwen are pleased to announce their marriage on May 18, 2024 at Honey Horn Plantation in Hilton Head, S.C.

After a Mediterranean cruise, the couple now resides in Hilton Head.

Grant funding available for health, early childhood projects

The Tri-County Community Foundation is a community based organization supported by charitable donations to improve the quality of life in Barnwell, Allendale, and Bamberg counties.

Grant funding in amounts up to \$1,000 is available to qualified service providers in the areas of early childhood education (4K to grade 3) and health/fitness. A total of \$40,000 was awarded last year. Eligible organizations include, but are not limited to,

churches, public schools, municipal governments, civic groups, or other non-profit health or education entities.

The deadline for applications is September 10, 2024. Awards will be announced in October 2024.

Grant application and guidelines are online at www.TCCFSC.org or you may call the office.

For further information please contact Edward F. Moore, executive director, at (803) 259-2021 or P.O. Box 160, Barnwell, S.C. 29812.

Frank Washington celebrates 50 years with Post 0253



Post Commander David Kenner (left) presents Frank Washington (right) a certificate for 50 years of service to American Legion post 0253

U.S. Army veteran Frank Washington was recognized for 50 years of continuous service to American Legion Post 0253 in Blackville.

At the organization's May meeting, Post Commander David Kenner presented Washington with a certificate honoring his five decades of service.

"It has been an honor to serve my country and alongside American Legion Post 0253 and its members," said Washington.

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Science fair or unfair

Weesie Fickling
History Writer

Finding our present world in such a chaotic state of affairs, one can easily retreat to our place of safety and comfort where we can choose to daydream about our yesteryears of growing up in Barnwell, South Carolina. For some of us, our childhood days were mostly carefree while the worries of daily living were shouldered by our parents.

Early on, even as young tikes, we understood that our small town was one of giving and forgiving. For most, it was understood that no one is perfect; that we all make mistakes.

Back in the 1940s and 50s, churches seemed to be filled to the brim each Sunday morning as folks looked forward to a good, strong message from the pulpit that would last parishioners all week long. Such was our childhood.

With the arrival of the "bomb" plant, Barnwell seemed to grow overnight by leaps and bounds. To accommodate all the new children, our school system implemented two shifts of classes each day. And yet, our ever-growing town of Barnwell remained giving and forgiving.

Here is one example: our daddy was Mockie Holland who owned and operated an Esso station on Main Street. (Today, the Barnwell branch of Enterprise Bank occupies this very spot!) Mockie was a jovial southern gentleman who was forever attentive to his customers, as well as to everyone else.

On this particular day, Mrs. Cave, of Burr Street, drove into his station and was flustered beyond belief. With tears in her eyes, this sweet, elderly lady explained her plight to her dear friend Mockie. "You see, my precious cat 'Purrcceffurr' cannot be found. Mockie, he has not been home to eat one bite of food in over a whole week, and I am worried to death that something terrible has

happened to him. What should I do?"

Well, it took a little bit of time and worlds of patience for Daddy to listen to all the accolades Mrs. Cave heaped upon her beloved cat. With a detailed description of her pet firmly planted in our daddy's mind, it was decided that he should call our local radio station WBAW, talk with its owner Joe Wilder and possibly offer a reward in hopes of receiving the hasty return of said cat. Per usual, our community did seek Joe's opinion regarding such emergencies. These two men decided that a small reward should be offered and announced over the airways. Their decision pacified



This photograph features an exposed beehive in the early 1960s. At the time, this beehive was attached to a huge limb of an oak tree hovering above Highway 78 in Blackville. On several occasions children borrowed this photo to assist with their science projects.

Photo By: Herman Monarch of Barnwell

our lady, after which Mrs. Cave promptly purchased \$1.50 worth of gas in order to continue scouring the neighborhoods searching for her beloved.

Within this same time frame, three of my classmates were about to embark on combining their

efforts to come up with a spectacular idea for the school's science fair. Have you already guessed what their project would be? Keep reading.

Roddy Lemon, Jimmy (Squeaky) Barnette and Buddy Barnwell approached our local un-

dertaker, Mr. Henry Mole, seeking his expertise with embalming a cat for their annual science project. From the outset, our friend of Mole Funeral Home stressed that he was a mortician, not a taxidermist. All of this collaboration took place in the late 1950s.

In the meantime, our Mrs. Cave of Burr Street, somewhat more composed after two months of searching, made repeat visits to Mockie's Esso for \$1.50 worth of gas. On more than one occasion, Mockie explained to this dear sweet lady that ole tom cats had been known to venture far from home from time to time for a little excitement, an adventure of sorts 'cause that's just what boy cats do! By now, our Mrs. Cave of Burr Street was losing all hope of ever laying eyes on her beloved cat again!

Well, I guess you could say that it was "show time": the day that most of Barnwell's citizens would attend the school's annual science fair.

My three classmates were extremely excited about their exceptional exhibit for that year's showing. This trio felt assured that they would receive "top billing" with their ingenious science project. They could hardly wait

for onlookers to applaud their efforts!

Alas, their high expectations fell far from short upon hearing shrieks and bawling sounding-forth from Barnwell's Mrs. Cave of Burr Street. To their combined utter horror, at long last, this endearing sweet lady had found her beloved "Purrcceffurr." Now I have to say that he was indeed respectively displayed for one and all to see. Thankfully, Roddy, "Squeaky" and Buddy did have presence of mind to grab a nearby chair in a feeble attempt to console Mrs. Cave in her time of need. Their politeness definitely fell upon deaf ears. Actually, what could be said at a gut-wrenching time like this?

For the life of me, I can't imagine the agony this poor lady suffered when seeing her "Purrcceffurr" displayed as if leaping into the air for one last time. Our elderly friend was beside herself with grief, and time would have to pass before she could regain her composure. (Thankfully, I was not on hand to capture my classmates' entry on film.)

Earlier, I mentioned that Barnwell folks were indeed a giving and forgiving people. Our Mrs. Cave of Burr Street was a prime

example of this; however, as you can imagine, much time indeed had to pass before this Barnwellian could express her forgiveness to these young embarrassed high school students. Surely it was Henry Mole's compassion that softened the shock for our friend. Besides, you could say that "Purrcceffurr" was no longer lost; without any doubt, he had been found!

P.S. Yet, it was Roddy's dad, Rodman Lemon Sr., who exclaimed, "Roddy, I told you this could be your science project only if you got 'an alley' cat!"

Pleading his own defense, young Roddy retorted, "But, Daddy, it was an alley cat! We caught it in the alley between Mr. Tom Bolen's grocery store and the Diamond Hotel!"

Today, if you are standing on the front steps of the Barnwell United Methodist Church, facing Main Street, look to your left at approximately 10:30. That possibly could have been the location of Bolen's Grocery Store. Still facing Main Street, again look to your left at about 10:55. Perhaps this was approximately the site of the Diamond Hotel. In between these two landmarks was the now infamous alley.

Okay, you tell me: science fair or unfair?

Buddy Barnwell, Jimmy (Squeaky) Barnette and Roddy Lemon were Barnwell High School students who joined forces in hopes of receiving outstanding praises for their incredible entry for their science fair in the 1950s.

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Elements of Our Rich History and Heritage

As Remembered and
Researched by
Perry Sprawls

It's Time to Milk the Cow

When we are shopping for groceries we pick up a carton of milk and a pound of butter without any thought of how it used to be...when the families in our community had their own milk cows, often with nice names like Daisy or Dolly and would respond when called. For these families a first activity every morning, often before breakfast, was to milk the cow. With a bucket for the milk and another with warm water for washing it was off to the barn where the cows were waiting. Being milked was a pleasant experience for them also they would be receiving their morning food. Milking was not just a physical interaction between the cow and the milker but also a social one. It was important to help the cow relax and be comfort-

able so that she would "let her milk down" and make the milking much easier. An experienced milker could use both hands in a rhythmic progressive squeeze, not pulling, and produce over a gallon of milk in just a few minutes. The cows were then let out to the pasture to eat grass for the day but would return late in the afternoon for milking again. It was necessary to milk the cows twice every day both for their comfort and preventing them from "going dry" and stop producing milk.

The milk would be taken to the kitchen and the family could have fresh milk for breakfast. Some would be put in the icebox, or refrigerator if there was one, for later in the day, but most would be used to make butter. The first step was pouring it into large pans and placed in an un-refrigerated cabinet, usually known as a milk safe. Over night the cream would rise to the top. The next day it would be carefully skimmed off and placed in a hand-crank

churn. The remaining milk would have soured and curdled and was known as clabber. It was safe to drink but not liked by many. Some was used in cooking bread rather than using baking power but most was discarded.

The rotating paddles in the hand-cranked churn would cause the solid, the butter, to separate from the liquid, which became the buttermilk. As a young boy, one of my duties was often to sit and churn the butter, usually for about 20 minutes or until it became too hard to turn as the butter formed. The butter was then pressed and molded into attractive shapes for the dining table.

Back then families, especially the larger families, used several gallons of milk each day and having their own cows provided this. As the children grew up and moved away, the need for that amount of milk diminished and keeping a cow was not practical for just a couple of adults. My father milked a cow two times every day for



many years of his adult life. Later he often said that one of the happiest days of his life was when he sold his last milk cow. Then he could just buy an

occasional carton of milk, like we do today.

Perry Sprawls' activities to preserve the history and heritage of Barnwell County includes providing the Barn-

well County Virtual Museum online at: www.bcom.org and the websites for the community museums. He can be contacted at: sprawls@emory.edu.

Allendale County Council delivers update on tire plant, approves second reading of budget

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At its regular August 15 meeting, the Allendale County Council gave updates on the state of the Tin Thanh Group Americas' tire factory project and approved the second reading of the FY25 budget, among other things.

Tire plant financing

When the Tin Thanh Group Americas' tire factory project was announced in March 2023, it claimed to be bringing \$68 million in investment and 1,031 jobs and that "operations are expected to be online by

September 2024."

The project's original funder was Acuity Funding, an Australian infrastructure finance provider. However, at the meeting, Connelly said that the project has been delayed because Tin Thanh Group Americas lost funding.

"I'm happy to say now they have a new source of financing in place, [and] they have provided enough to South Carolina [Department of] Commerce that they have extended their incentive package until the end of the year," Connelly said. "If they want to stay in good graces with [the Department of] Com-

merce, they will start some type of construction or site work by the end of the year. We're hoping and praying that that comes to fruition."

Connelly did not say at the meeting what the new funder of the project was, and did not respond to several requests for comment.

Second reading of FY25 budget

The council approved the second reading of its proposed budget for the Fiscal Year 2024-25. Since June, the council has been operating on its Fiscal Year 2023-24 budget, which was extended indefinitely to give the council more time to work on the FY25

budget. In June, Chairman Connelly said he hoped that the budget would be completed by the end of July.

The second reading of the FY25 budget shows an increase in general fund revenues for the county from the first reading, and the FY24 budget, rising from \$5,837,070 in FY24 to \$9,511,773 in the first reading of the FY25 budget to \$10,222,056 in the second reading of the FY25 budget. This increase is mostly due to new fees in lieu of tax revenues and real estate tax revenues.

Many of the budget requests from departments

have been cut back. This includes the Voter Registration and Elections Office, the clerk of court, the circuit court, the probate court, the magistrate's office, the tax assessor, EMS, public works, the animal shelter, the sheriff's department, the fire department and nutrition programs. The largest cuts have been to the public works department, which requested \$4,033,303 and received \$1,455,171.

However, the second reading of the budget also includes increases in funding for departments like information technology, the tax collector and the

coroner.

Other items

Council member Bill Robinson said Allendale County has lost its classification as a lower middle income county; this could threaten its ability to apply for funding that lower middle income counties receive.

Chairman Matthew Connelly said the town has repurposed the \$4.5 million the town received in funding for renovating the C.V. Bing High School in an interest bearing account. The interest accrued, Connelly said, has been used to pay "fees that are related to the C.V. Bing project."

Fairfax planning to relocate city hall to municipal building

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At its August 19 regular meeting, the Fairfax Town Council voted to relocate the town hall, spoke about recent flooding at Fairfax Garden Apartments 1, and discussed budgeting for repairs to the town's mini mall.

Relocation of Town Hall

The council voted to relocate the Fairfax City Hall from 537 Allendale-Fairfax Highway to the Town of Fairfax Municipal Building, located on the corner of Union Avenue and 4th Street.

In the meeting, Sauls said the relocation was due to the growth of mold in City Hall; in May, *The People-Sentinel* reported that the Fairfax City Hall's roof had been repaired

after a previous construction job left the building's roof leaking. Sauls noted that persistent mold can become a health issue for employees working in the building.

"We've had mold issues in that building even from the previous administration," Sauls said. "We've tried to get it addressed through two different companies. The mold is so bad . . . that we just about have to take the whole roof out."

Sauls said the estimates he has gotten on removing the mold from City Hall were for \$22,000 and \$56,000. "We've ordered air purifiers and that's still not fixing the problem. We can't keep putting off and extending the problem."

The council budgeted the relocation to the municipality "at a cost of no more than \$20,000."



At the Allendale County Council's August 19 meeting, it voted to relocate city hall.

Photo By: Elijah de Castro / Report for America

Council members noted that air conditioning at the municipal building needs to be fixed; during the meeting, air conditioning was not functioning.

Fairfax Garden Apartments 1 Flooding

Flooding has been a persistent problem at the Fairfax Garden Apartments 1 parking lot, which has a natural depression.

During the rains that Tropical Storm Debby brought to Fairfax Garden Apartments 1, Allendale County Fire and Rescue began pumping water out of

the parking lot as a result of blockage in storm drains. The Fairfax Police Department, as well as several council members, arrived at the scene of the flooding.

At the meeting, Smart praised the response of first responders to the flooding.

"The water has gotten high in Gardens [Apartments], but never that high," Smart said. "You had snakes fall in the water. . . . We want to thank everyone who came out to help, that's what unity looks like."

Mini mall repairs

The council tabled action

on repairing the mini mall located along Allendale-Fairfax Highway. The buildings are leased by the town to small businesses, and have begun leaking, Sauls said.

"We do have leaks in all three spaces," council member Carl Love said. "We're gonna have to repair that. We've got a couple ideas of how we are going to get the money."

Sauls said the town received bids for repairing the mini mall when it was repairing the city hall roof. However, at the

time, Sauls said, the town couldn't afford the mini mall's repairs: "that's why we're trying to move forward with that now."

Other items

Smart said the town has applied for a \$180,000 grant through SLED to upgrade cyber security.

The town's gazebo, located at the Fairfax Town Park, has been destroyed for construction purposes. Council member Tiffine Forester, who is the head of the town's beautification committee, said pouring of cement has begun for the construction on a new gazebo.

Sauls said the town is looking into using funds raised through its penny sales tax to purchase a mini excavator; the town's public works department has had a shortage of supplies.

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the County Council for Allendale County will conduct a Public Hearing relating to an Ordinance "ENACTING THE ALLENDALE COUNTY BUDGET FOR FY 2024-2025.

The Public Hearing will be held in the County Council Chambers at the Allendale County Courthouse, 292 Barnwell Highway, Allendale, South Carolina, at 6:00p.m. on September 12, 2024. At the time and place fixed for this Public Hearing, all taxpayers, residents, or other interested persons who appear will be given an opportunity to express their views for or against the matters contemplated by the Ordinance. Any person wishing to submit written comments may submit them to P. O. Box 190, Allendale, South Carolina, 29810, no later than 5:00 p.m. on September 9, 2024.

In compliance with ADA Section 504, Allendale County is prepared to make accommodations for individuals with disabilities needing special assistance. Special assistance requests should be made to the County Council Office at 803-584-3438 at least seventy-two (72) hours prior to the scheduled Public Hearing.

By order of the County Council of Allendale County, South Carolina

ALLENDALE COUNTY GOVERNMENT PROPOSED 2024-2025 BUDGET

REVENUES

	BUDGET 2023-2024	PROPOSED BUDGET 2023 - 2024	PERCENT CHANGE
GENERAL FUND	\$ 11,828,838.00	\$12,585,241.00	
FIRE FUND		\$ 1,028,805.00	
ENTERPRISE FUND		\$ 935,599.00	
TOTAL ALL FUNDS	\$ 11,828,838.00	\$ 14,549,645.00	23.0015

EXPENDITURES

	BUDGET 2022 - 2023	PROPOSED BUDGET 2024-2025	PERCENT CHANGE
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MILLAGE

	BUDGET 2023-2024*	ESTIMATED MILLAGE 2024-2025
CURRENT MILLAGE - OPERATIONS	183.98	216.77
COUNTY FIRE SERVICE	29.02	34.19
HOSPITAL	16	16.00
TOTALS	229	266.96

NOTE: ABOVE AMOUNTS AND MILLAGE RATES ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE ON THIRD READING

1 Mill = \$19,807.00



Allendale Community Center Public Input Session

Allendale County is in the early stages of planning and development for a new Community Center located in the former C.V. Bing High School near downtown Allendale. The County wants to hear from residents regarding these plans. This meeting will provide residents an opportunity to learn more about the project, offer feedback on the current proposed programming and uses, and engage with other residents.

What: Public Input Session

When: September 9th, 2024,
5:30 – 6:30 PM

Where: James Brandt Building, 398
Barnwell Hwy, Allendale SC

We look forward to seeing you there!

Allendale County, SC



Adam Lawrimore

Towers (2361 Hylan Blvd., Staten Island, NY 10306.

Adam passed away at home on Thursday, August 22, 2024.

Born in Aiken County, SC, he was the son of James Blackwood Lawrimore and Eletha Myers Lawrimore. Adam was a member of Pleasant Hill Baptist Church. He was a U.S. Army veteran having served in Iraq and in Haiti after the earthquake. He received a Defense Service Medal, Iraq Campaign Medal, Global War on Terrorism Service Medal and numerous other Medals. Adam loved to fish, ride motorcycles and his most favorite thing was hanging out with his son, Nathan.

Survivors include his son, Nathan Lawrimore; parents, James and Eletha

Lawrimore of Barnwell; his birth mother, Tammy (Richard) Wilson of Barnwell; brothers, Daniel (Heather) Singletary of Williston, Michael Douglas Jackson of Barnwell and Joseph Patrick Long of Barnwell; grandmother, Jeanette Knight of Barnwell; and numerous aunts, uncles, nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by cousins Michael, Eddie and Jonathan Myers and grandparents Jim and Betty Rourke and Buster and Glenette Lawrimore.

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

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BARNWELL - Funeral services for Adam Brantley Lawrimore, 34, of Barnwell, were held at 2 o'clock p.m. Monday, August 26, 2024 at Pleasant Hill Baptist Church with the Reverend Charles Morris officiating. Burial followed in the Williston Cemetery with U.S. Army rites accorded. The family received friends one hour prior to the service on Monday at the church. Memorial contributions may be given to Tunnels to



Darlene Owens

Connie Mattox Mitchum and was married to John L. Owens Jr. Darlene was a retail truck driver for many years having driven over 3 million miles hauling merchandise for Hobby Lobby and for VF Wrangler Jeans Wear.

Survivors include her loving husband of the home, John Owens Jr.; a son, Tony (Retha) Owens of Barnwell; grandchildren, Justin Chavis, Kendra Chavis, Brandon (Brooke) Chavis, Keali Chavis, T.J. Owens, Blake Owens (fiancé Hallie York) and Brittany Owens; great-grandchildren, McKenley Wallace Mitchum and

Chavis, Carter Owens, Jayce Klebe, Harper Klebe and Carsyn Owens; a sister, Denna M. (Gene) Williamson of Windsor; a brother, John Curtis (Angela) Mitchum of Windsor; and a number of nieces, nephews and cousins.

She was preceded in death by a daughter, Tessa Owens Chavis, and a sister, Debby M. Clark.

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

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WINDSOR - A graveside service for Darlene "Dar Dar" Kay Mitchum Owens was held at 2 o'clock, p.m., Thursday, August 22, 2024 at the Barnwell County Memorial Cemetery by the airport with the Reverend Charles Morris officiating.

Born in Aiken, she was a daughter of Richard Wallace Mitchum and



Dean King Bennett

had a daughter, Caitlin Rose, and started a construction and large equipment business together. Dean's entrepreneurial spirit ultimately led to an innovative international business venture in the organic fertilizer industry in the United Arab Emirates. It was during these international travels that he met his wife, Susan Toth, in Hungary. In 2004, Dean and Susan moved to South Carolina where they owned and operated the White Pond Donut and Ice Cream Shop for four years in the White Pond Community. Dean quickly became a town favorite where everyone loved to hear his stories and he proudly told every customer that the Donut Shop was "the best smelling job I've ever had." Dean never met a stranger and his ability to make everyone laugh will be missed.

Dean had an adventurous spirit and loved to travel.

From construction equipment to boats to motorcycles, there wasn't a machine around that Dean couldn't operate. His favorite hobby was always flying and was a licensed pilot and even learned to fly helicopters.

Dean is survived by his wife of 23 years, Susan Toth Bennett; daughter, Caitlin (Brennan); granddaughter, Teagan Rose; and numerous lifelong friends. He is preceded in death by his parents, Constance King Bennett and Thomas Bennett III; and grandparents, Maude and Lawrence "Lonnie" King.

No formal services are planned at this time.

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

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WILLISTON - Dean King Bennett, of Williston, SC, passed away on Saturday, August 17, 2024, at Piedmont Hospital at age 64.

Born December 22, 1959, to Constance King Bennett and Thomas Bennett III in New York City, NY. He grew up in Floral Park, NY with his mother and grandparents, Maude and Lawrence "Lonnie" King. After graduating from St. Paul's School in Garden City, NY he headed west to study Marine Biology at the University of Texas. After his time at UT, Dean and his former wife, Colleen Price, moved to Massachusetts where they



Dorothy Fenn

Donnie Pender and Vernon Zissett.

Born in Barnwell County, SC, she was a daughter of the late George Hazel Sease and Elma Croft Sease and was married to Hollis Ansel Fenn. Dorothy was a 1967 graduate of Barnwell High School then started working for *The People-Sentinel* until 1982. She then went to work at Savannah River Site until her retirement in 2011. Dorothy was a member of Hagood Avenue Baptist Church from 1990 to 2019 where she served as a nursery worker, Sunday school teacher and on the condolence committee. In 2019, she and Hollis moved their letter to Hilda First Baptist Church where she enjoyed being part of the Happy Fellowship group. She was loving, cheerful and funny and always looked forward to fellowshiping with the Willing Hearts at Friendship Baptist Church. She and her family were blessed that the Alzheimer's disease did not steal her sweet disposition.

Survivors include her loving husband, Hollis Fenn of the home; two sons, Michael Charles (Sunshine Chingching) Fenn of Cary, NC and Matthew Berkley Fenn of Columbia, SC; her granddaughter, Alexandria Xu Fenn; a sister, Sondra Sease (Mark) Garey of Dandridge, TN; father-in-law, Jimmie Otis (Maria) Fenn; sister-in-law, Melba Smith of Cayce, SC; brothers-in-law, Ricky Fenn and his fiancée Carol, Tommy Fenn and John Fenn; and a number of nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her brothers, George Michael Sease and Jimmy Darrell Sease; mother-in-law, Carolyn Dyches Fenn; paternal grandparents, Ernest and Alice H. Sease; and her maternal grandparents, Charlie H. and Indiana Still Croft.

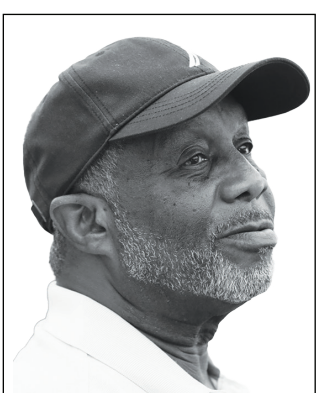
Folk Funeral Home, Inc. and Crematory assisted the family with arrangements. Visit the online registry at www.folkfuneralhome.com.

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BARNWELL - Funeral services for Dorothy Anne Sease Fenn, 75, of Barnwell were held Saturday, August 24, 2024 at 11 o'clock a.m. at Hilda First Baptist Church with the Reverends Bert Petty, Chris Roberts and Jim Parnell officiating. Visitation was held one hour prior to the service at the church on Saturday. The family has requested memorial contributions be sent to Hilda First Baptist Church, 145 Church St., Hilda, SC 29812.

Dorothy passed away peacefully at home on Wednesday, August 21, 2024.

Honored to serve as pallbearers were Jessey Fenn, Brent Hall, Shelton Hall, Charles I. McConnell,



John Cleveland Spells

school system and was a graduate of Barnwell High School. John was employed as a machine operator at Allied, where he retired after many years of service.

Although John's presence will be no more, he leaves loving memories that will remain embedded in the hearts and minds of those who knew and loved him.

In addition to his grandparents, John was welcomed at the pearly gates and is now resting with his beloved parents, father, John Spells, and most recently his mother, Dorothy H. Spells, who received her heavenly reward on July 12, 2024. He was also preceded in death by one sister, Carolyn Neal; and one brother, Robert Jr.

Those remaining to cherish his fond memories are his one son, John C. Williams of Barnwell, SC; two daughters, Kim (Lerone) Jeffery and Paris L. McClain, both of Warrenton, SC; honorary daughter, Keandra Brown

of Aiken, SC; four grandchildren, Amauri Williams of Vineland, NJ, Jaden Williams of Raeford, NC, and Zion Hoover and Kailee Williams, both of Warrenton, SC; honorary grandson, Joshua Smalls of Barnwell, SC; two sisters, Patricia (Larry) Cohen of Allendale, SC, and Diana Robinson of Barnwell, SC; two brothers, Carnell (Lorine) Spells of Barnwell, SC, and Albert (Doretha) Spells of Newport News, VA; special friend, Queen Brown of Allendale, SC; and a host of nieces, nephews, cousins, and loving friends.

Services were held Saturday, July 27, 2024 at 3:30 p.m. at Jordan Baptist Church in Barnwell with Rev. McKinley Neal as eulogist.

B.F. Cave Funeral Home of Allendale was in charge of arrangements. Sign the online guestbook at bfcavefh.com.

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BARNWELL - John Cleveland Spells was born on Tuesday, May 12, 1953, to the late John Spells and the late Dorothy Louise Harley Spells in Dunbarton, South Carolina. On Monday, July 22, 2024, the gates of Heaven swung open as God called John home to rest at his residence in Barnwell, South Carolina, at the age of 71.

Seeking God's direction and guidance, he joined and became a baptized member of Jordan Baptist Church in Barnwell, South Carolina, where he remained a member until his passing. His education was provided by teachers and mentors of the Barnwell County public



Raelyn Gunnells

She is survived by her parents; twin brother Carson Michael Gunnells, and sisters Arianna Nicole Gunnells and Brooklyn Alaina Gunnells; grandparents Michelle Gunnells, Virginia Williams, and Larry Williams; aunts and uncles Kaitlyn Ray, Travis Grubbs, Jay Cob Grubbs, Jeremy Williams (Trina), Chris Jackson, Lawanda Williams (Cornelius Abraham), Laporsha Williams, and Natasha Williams;

great-grandparents Joyce and Michael Gunnells; as well as many cousins.

A graveside service was held on Monday, August 26th, 2024 at 3 p.m. at Montmorenci Missionary Baptist Church Cemetery, with Larry Williams and Roxie Creech officiating.

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

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Raelyn Gunnells, born July 25th, 2024, passed away on August 20th, 2024. She was born in Aiken, SC to Lexus Williams and Nicholas Gunnells.

Gregory Kevin Clancy

ALABAMA - Gregory Kevin Clancy, 74, of Tuscaloosa, AL, passed away on July 28, 2024.

Greg was born in Meadville, PA to William Perry Clancy and Jane Thorngate Clancy. Greg attended Barnwell schools and

graduated in the class of 1967. He was an outstanding basketball player at Barnwell High School.

He attended Anderson Junior College before entering the U.S. Air Force. Greg worked many years for Georgia Pacific Company

in Atlanta, GA before moving to Tuscaloosa, AL.

He is survived by his two brothers, Tim Clancy (Henrietta) and Chris Clancy (Linda).

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Larry Latroy Priester Jr.

Director and remained a member until his passing.

He attended and graduated from an online education program. Larry earned his CDL and was employed with APC Trucking in Allendale. He also worked in the welding industry as a welder.

Although Larry's presence will be no more, he leaves loving memories that will remain embedded in the hearts and minds of those who knew and loved him.

Those remaining to cherish his fond memory are his one son, Damari M. Aldrich Priester of Atlanta, GA; loving parents, Larry Creech (Clara Hughes) and Luthmae P. (Gregory) Folk; one brother, Marlon A. Creech (Azelea L. Buxton) of Allendale, SC; three sisters, Alicia C. (Quentin) Creech-Graham of Varnville, SC, Pamela S. Priester (Cornell

Badger) of Allendale, SC, and Connie (Jonathan) Whitehead of Bluffton, SC; seven nephews, three nieces, six aunts, and sixteen uncles; and a host of cousins and loving friends.

Services were held Saturday, August 17, 2024 at 3:30 p.m. at Allendale-Fairfax High School's gymnasium in Fairfax with Reverend Willie Elmore presiding and Minister Cedrick Creech serving as eulogist. Pallbearers were K'Vion Creech, Jasavion Creech, uncles, nephews, and cousins. Floral attendants were his loving nieces.

B.F. Cave Funeral Home of Allendale was in charge of arrangements. Sign the online guestbook at bfcavefh.com.

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ALLENDALE - Larry Latroy Priester Jr., was born on Wednesday, November 27, 1985, to Larry Leroy Creech and Luthmae Priester in Aiken, South Carolina. On Saturday, August 10, 2024, the gates of Heaven swung open as God called Larry home to rest in Edgefield, South Carolina, at the age of 38.

Seeking God's direction and guidance, he joined and became a baptized member of Allendale Community Church in Allendale, South Carolina, where he served as the Youth



Mozelle Armstrong

at Jack Woods, a two-room schoolhouse in Allendale County where she served as a teacher and principal.

Overall, she taught for 25 years in the public schools of Allendale, Aiken, and Barnwell counties in SC and Jersey City, NJ. While teaching in Barnwell, she was called to testify in the school desegregation case and along with her sixth-grade counterparts and students, integrated Barnwell Public Schools midyear 1969 by court order. The schools were fully integrated the following year.

In pursuit of new opportunities, she changed careers and became an employee at the Savannah River Plant (SRP). There, she held a variety of positions over 17 years from groundskeeping to operator, trainer, supervisor, and "keeper of the plutonium" vault. She was the first woman promoted to supervision in the Separations Department at SRP. In addition to her employment, she served the community in various capacities including Hospital Board Member, School Board Member, Barnwell County Grievance Committee, election official and President of Snelling Precinct for 14 years, adult education teacher, tutor, and foster parent. An avid lifelong learner and educator, she enjoyed cooking for others and hosted open "Thanksgivings" for many years.

She was always willing to help, however and whenever she could, due to her love of people which led to her many community activities. After retirement, she continued to work in various jobs that kept her in contact with people. She married James McBryde who preceded her in death. To this union, her daughter, Doris Ruth was born. In addition to her daughter in Alexandria, VA, she leaves to cherish her memory, her husband, James Armstrong; two grandsons, Kendell and Donovan Haywood, both of Alexandria, VA; sister, Ruth (Robert) Watts of Windsor, CT; brother, Perry (Sarah Mae) Bates Jr. of Barnwell, SC; numerous step-children, step-grandchildren, step-greats, nieces, nephews, cousins, friends, and former students. Services were held Saturday, August 17, 2024 at 11 a.m. at St. Mary Missionary Baptist Church in Martin with Minister Tonda Geter presiding and Rev. Mckinley Neal serving as eulogist. Her final resting place is Hope Memorial Park (1730 Yale Road, Barnwell, SC). B.F. Cave Funeral Home of Allendale was in charge of arrangements. Sign the online guestbook at bfcavefh.com.

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Services were held Saturday, August 17, 2024 at 11 a.m. at St. Mary Missionary Baptist Church in Martin with Minister Tonda Geter presiding and Rev. Mckinley Neal serving as eulogist.

Her final resting place is Hope Memorial Park (1730 Yale Road, Barnwell, SC).

B.F. Cave Funeral Home of Allendale was in charge of arrangements. Sign the online guestbook at bfcavefh.com.

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William Patterson

His education was provided by teachers and mentors of the Barnwell County public school system in Barnwell, South Carolina.

Although his presence will be no more, he leaves loving memories that will remain embedded in the hearts and minds of those who knew and loved him.

In addition to his grandparents, William was preceded in death and is now resting with his beloved wife of 43 years, Cherilen Creech Patterson; parents, Clemmon Patterson Sr. and Edna Workman; two sisters, Tommie Jean Brown and Marie Patterson; five brothers, Leon Workman, Milton Patterson, Richard Patterson, Clemmon Patterson Jr. and James Patterson.

Those remaining to cherish fond memories are one daughter, Brandy (Frankie) Williams of

Allendale, SC; one son, William (Connie) Patterson Jr. of Barnwell, SC; 10 grandchildren; 5 great-grandchildren; three sisters-in-law, Darlene Creech, Kathene Creech, and Lillian (Larry) Owens; one brother-in-law, Robert Creech; and a host of nieces, nephews, cousins, and loving friends.

Pallbearers were Jordan Patterson, Ricky Workman, Jacoby Bailey, William Patterson Jr., and Tamiko Odom.

Floral attendants were friends of the family.

His final resting place is Barnwell County Memorial Cemetery in Barnwell.

B.F. Cave Funeral Home of Allendale was in charge of arrangements. Sign the online guestbook at bfcavefh.com.

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BARNWELL - On June 15, 1931, Perry Bates Sr. and Edith Price Bates welcomed their daughter, Mozelle, to their home in Beech Island, SC. She transitioned on August 3, 2024. She was the eldest of five siblings, two of whom (Moses, a.k.a. "Peter," and Angus, a.k.a. "AB") preceded her in death.

She was baptized at the St. Mary Missionary Baptist Church in Millette, SC at an early age. There, she served long and faithfully in many roles including: church secretary, usher board, choir, and Sunday School teacher.

She matriculated under Miss Pauline Robinson at Gum Pond School for seven years before going on to graduate from Allendale County Training School in Allendale, SC. She then earned her Diploma in Elementary Education from Voorhees Junior College, Bachelor of Science at Allen University and her Master of Education from the University of SC. After obtaining her teaching certificate, she waited for her 18th birthday to begin her education career, starting

Jeannette Fennell Walker



grandmother and wife. Mrs. Walker's passion was taking care of her family and friends with an enormous heart and a loving smile. Her most cherished times were family get-togethers that always had plenty of conversation and food prepared for everyone to enjoy. A generous soul who always put everyone's needs in front of her own.

She is survived by her son, John Owen Walker Jr. (Kimberly) of Clarks Hill, SC; daughter, Joyce McCoy (Ellis) of Beldoc, SC; brother, Howard Fennell; sisters, Edna Rose, Patsy Hawks, Linda Key, Violet Weathersbee, and Dottie Zielinski; seven grandchildren, and nine

great-grandchildren.

She is preceded in death by her late husband, John Owen Walker Sr.; daughter, Joenett Campbell; brothers, Lonnie Fennell and Billy Fennell; as well as her sister, Laverne Fennell.

A visitation will be held on Thursday, August 29th, 2024 at 10 a.m. at Mole Funeral Home, with funeral services following in the Mole Funeral Home Chapel at 11 a.m. Graveside will follow at Siloam United Methodist Church Cemetery.

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

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BARNWELL - Mrs. Jeannette F. Walker, (known to her family and loved ones as Mumpsy), 84, passed away peacefully on 8/23/24 at her residence. She was born on 2/12/40 in Colleton County, SC to Blanchard Fennell and Doris Clara Polk Fennell.

Mrs. Walker was a former textile and garment factory machinist and homemaker. She was a devoted mother,

Luther Jones



STUART, FL - On Sunday, August 11, 2024, our beloved Luther, or "BJ," as he was affectionately known, was called to his eternal home after a valiant fight, passing away surrounded by family at Treasure Coast Hospice in Stuart. He left behind loved ones, friends, and neighbors, who will miss him dearly.

Luther Jones was born on February 23, 1948, in Blackville, South Carolina, to the late John Henry Jones and Margie Jones. After graduating from Macedonia High School in 1969, Luther was inducted into the United

States Marine Corps on September 6, 1969, at the tender age of 20. He proudly served two years for his country as a rifleman trained in Land Mine Warfare, rising to Corporal. After being wounded in the Vietnam War, he was honorably discharged. During his tour, he earned numerous decorations, including the National Defense Service Medal, the Vietnamese Service Medal, the Vietnamese Campaign Medal, the Navy Commendation Medal, and the Combat Action Ribbon. Due to his injury during the war, Luther was presented with the Purple Heart Medal, which distinguished his incredible personal sacrifice while in the line of duty.

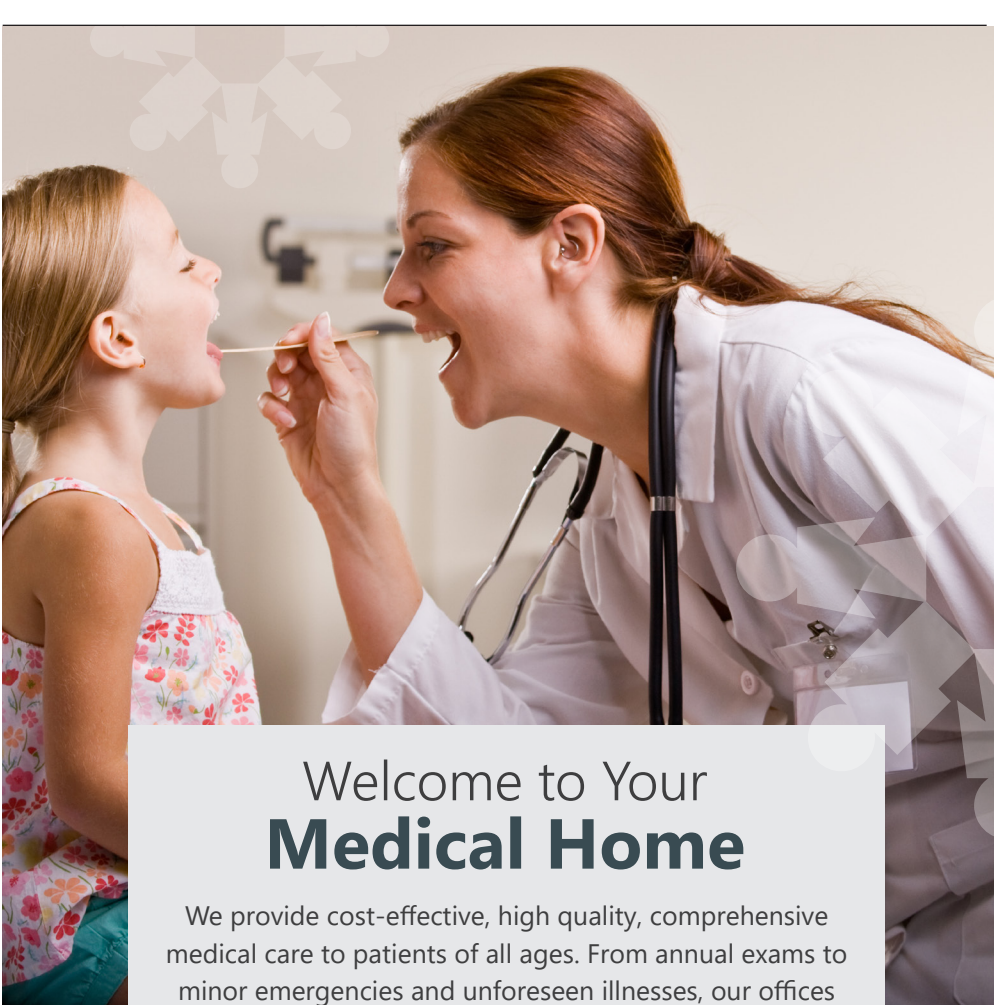
After recuperating, he moved to Florida and joined his brothers, working in the construction industry as a carpenter. He later met and married his beautiful wife, Ida Mae

Jones, on December 18, 1976. They were united in Holy Matrimony for 48 years. Known for his genuine love for his family, Luther was a cherished brother, uncle, cousin, and friend always remembered as the BEST, not perfect, but real. His love and presence blessed many lives.

He was preceded in death by his parents and his siblings, Johnnie Jones Jr., Joseph Jones, Bobby Jones, Nathaniel Jones, Lesley Clarke, and Estelle Jones.

He leaves behind a devoted wife, Ida Mae Jones; a loving son, Luther Bernard Ross of Stuart, FL; brothers, Spann (Dorothy) Jones, James (Dorothy) Jones, David (Wanda) Jones, Samuel (Greta) Clarke; sister Josephine Byrd; sister-in-law, Florine Jones; special niece, Linda Jones Taylor; and a host of aunts, uncles, nieces, nephews, and cousins.

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Lonnie Wendell Dunbar

WILLISTON - Mr. Lonnie Wendell Dunbar entered into eternal rest on Sunday, August 25, 2024, at his residence.

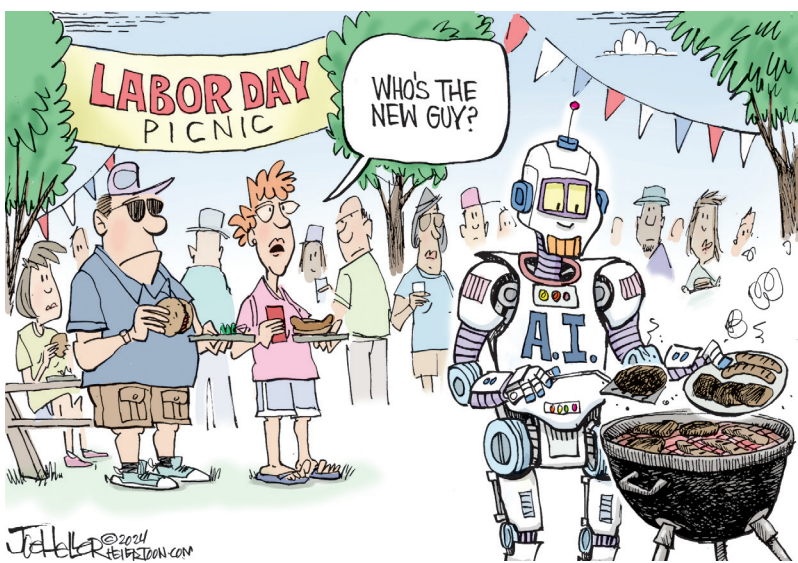
Services in loving memory for Mr. Lonnie Dunbar will be conducted on Saturday, August 31, 2024, at

1 p.m. at Simmons Funeral Home of Williston, Inc. & Cremation Service. Family and friends may call the residence of his brother, Mr. Norman Dunbar, at 3509 Moonlight Road, Williston, SC 29853 or Simmons Funeral Home of

Williston, Inc. & Cremation Service (13188 Main Street, Williston, SC 29853; 803-266-7808).

Sign the online guestbook at www.simmonsfuneralhomeofwilliston.com.

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Editorial

Learn how hospice care is a blessing



Andy Brack

Statehouse Report

"We've been wrong about what our job is in medicine," he wrote. "We think our job is to ensure health and survival, but really it is larger than that. It is to enable well-being. And well-being is about the reasons one wishes to be alive."

Later he wrote it was encouraging that more patients were seeking palliative care at the end of life.

"Sometimes we offer a cure, sometimes only a salve, sometimes not even that. But whatever we can offer, our interventions, and the risks and sacrifices they entail, are justified only if they serve the larger aims of a person's life. When we forget that, the suffering we inflict can be barbaric. When we remember it, the good we do can be breathtaking."

One South Carolina hospice professional said giving end-of-life care is the kind of work most people would find incredibly tough because it involves helping people at what may be the hardest time in their lives.

"Yes, there are very hard days, and yes there are those patients and families that you inevitably take home with you and cry with or cry for," she said. "But guiding people through the difficult time, empowering them with the knowledge and ability to make those difficult decisions a bit easier and more peacefully is extremely rewarding."

She said hospice care often helps patients feel some control in an uncontrollable situation at the end of their lives.

"The hospice philosophy of not seeking aggressive treatment can be difficult for people to wrap their minds around, but offering someone the chance to die living instead of live dying – and to understand they can make those choices – is often the last and most dignifying opportunity we can give them."

Hospice care really helped my sister, Catherine, who died two weeks ago. And it helped our family. For that, we are eternally grateful.

Catherine Coleman Brack, 1969-2024. Rest in peace.

Andy Brack is editor and publisher of Statehouse Report and the Charleston City Paper. Have a comment? Send to: feedback@statehousereport.com.

Columns

Want to watch the local high school game? Be aware of sports streaming scams



Kelvin Collins

Better Business Bureau

If you're like me, you are excited that high school football season is back. You used to have to go to the stadium to root for your local high school athletic team or your favorite college or professional sports team. However, online streams now make it possible for people to watch games from the comfort of their living rooms. Unfortunately, the scammers have followed. By sharing fake streaming links on social media, scammers aim to capture personal information, including credit card and Social Security numbers, as fans get tricked into logging in to watch their team play.

How the scam works

You want to watch the local high school's football game, or your niece's travel softball team is playing in a tournament out of state. You search on social media to find a link where the game might be streamed, and sure enough, a fan has put in a link where you can watch for free! It's almost time for the game to start, so you eagerly click the link. The next screen asks you to sign up for the streaming service, so you enter your name and email... and then you get asked for a credit card number and potentially more sensitive information. Are you seeing red flags yet?

These scammers infiltrate social media with links to fake streams. The posts often will tag the schools

involved to make the post appear legitimate. The scammers hope the would-be viewer inputs their information and pays to watch the event. The consumer doesn't get to watch the game because the scammer has not set up a stream. Instead, whatever data they entered may be compromised.

As a new school year begins, Better Business Bureau (BBB) reminds consumers to do their research when looking to watch a high school sporting event online.

On social media especially, take notice of account names and photos, which often seem random, and look at their follower and following numbers. Low follower counts indicate the account likely was just started. Look at the content of their posts as most are nothing but tweets to stream games.

Last year, many state associations that oversee high school athletics issued warnings about the fake streams.

If you want to watch a specific school's game online, check with the school to see if it has streaming options available. While many schools do offer live streaming now, there are others who do not.

BBB Scam Tracker has received reports of fake sports streaming links. One consumer shared, "The link was posted under a high school football post claiming we could watch the high school football games for free. Then it asked for credit card information in order to charge \$1. After putting in credit card information, I was not able to watch any football games...my trial was for 24 hours and if I didn't cancel, it would charge my credit card \$60 per month."

BBB offers these tips on how to stay safe online:

• Research any website before paying any money or entering any information. Check the company's BBB Business Profile at BBB.org.

• Pay by credit card whenever possible if you need to challenge the payment. Credit cards offer extra layers of protections to protect consumers.

• Check a site's security settings. If the site is secure, its URL (web address) should start with HTTPS://. You may also see a picture of a small, closed lock in the screen's lower right-hand corner.

• Confirm the site you're visiting is legitimate. Scammers can create fake, realistic websites to trick consumers into thinking they're on the right webpage. Read BBB's tips on identifying a fake website at BBB.org.

• Be cautious before clicking through to links included in social media posts, unsolicited text messages, or emails. Clicking on unfamiliar links can place you at risk for malware or identity theft.

For more information, check out BBB's Social Media Scams page at BBB.org for more examples of scammers that lurk on social channels.

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If I were running for president, you'd want to know about my boyhood



Phil Hudgins

Contributor

When I was a little guy, I would lie on my back in the yard and look up at the clouds or the trees, searching for an answer to the question of the day. God, do you want me to start raising worms now so that when I open my bait shop, I'll be ready?

I'm not sure I asked that particular question, although I did set up a small worm farm, one with moss. Cow manure, I discovered, works better.

I'm also not sure what God would have said, but I certainly could find the answer I wanted. Did you know there's a Y for yes in every tree and, if you look hard enough, in many clouds?

Of course, it was a ridiculous exercise. But I was a dreamer back then, so looking at clouds and trees for spiritual guidance wasn't that weird for me. I dug a hole into an embankment—my very own safe deposit box covered by a clump of grass—where I kept my valuables: pretty rocks, an old bracelet and several marbles.

I raised rabbits, kept two tiny turtles in a plastic dish and believed that a dog really was man's best friend. My Grandmother Stevens hated dogs and dang near crippled Whitey, our rat terrier, when she kicked him and his female companion off the front porch while they were in the act of courting, so to speak.

I've enjoyed being with my family and friends, but there were times I'd just as soon be alone. Being in a crowd was OK, but being with a small group of friends was even better. I wanted to be a veterinarian, but ended up in the newspaper business.

So what do these revelations say about me? I don't know. You don't know either, and don't care. But if I were running for president, you'd care. We want to know everything, it seems, about the person who will run our country. We even want to know if he or she is an extrovert or an introvert.

I once read a magazine story titled,

"The Inside of Being an Introvert (And Why Extroverts Are Overrated)." The writer of the story must have been an introvert, someone who prefers to be alone or in small groups and is quickly exhausted by large social situations.

I don't know if Trump and Harris are introverts or extroverts. All I know is they both like big crowds, mainly when they speak. They seem to be hung up on who has the bigger crowds. And, socially, they like social media.

Does it matter who's introverted or extroverted? Probably not. There are many other more important things to consider.

Does it matter that a candidate used to be a stargazer, a lover of rabbits, turtles and dogs, a weird dude who hid marbles in a hole and who had a grandmother wanted by PETA? Probably not.

Fortunately, I'm not running. But you never know. It appears that nothing is impossible in the political world.

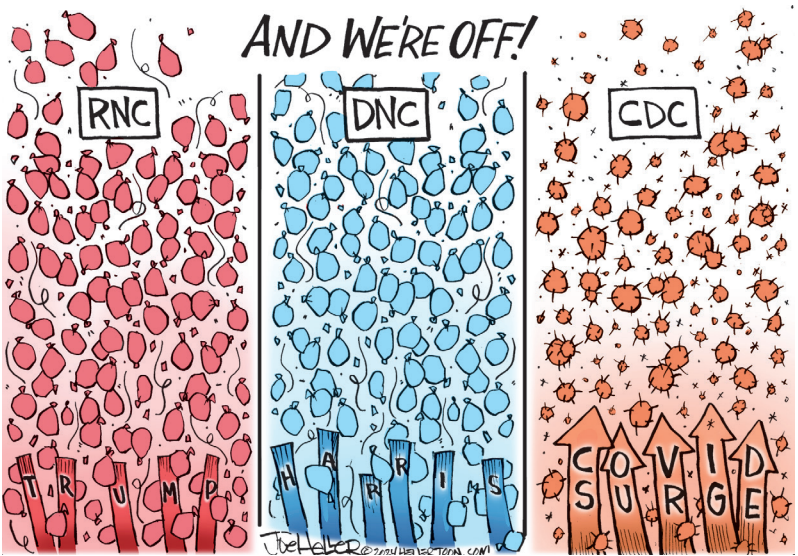
Letter to the Editor

Allen family grateful for love, support

We, the family of the late Gloria Marie Holloway Allen, are grateful for the kind expressions of comfort and love shown to us during the loss of our loved one. Your prayers, cards, food, calls, visits, flowers, and all

other acts of kindness have helped to sustain us through these hours of bereavement. We thank God for people like you and pray for His continued blessings upon each of you.

Lovingly submitted by the family



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Retirees honored, new cops introduced at Blackville meeting

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Clay Walker was gifted a rocking chair from the Town of Blackville honoring his 'partial retirement' after 29 years of dedicated service.

Walker, who lives across from the facility where he clocked in for nearly three decades, is still being called upon into retirement to lend a hand at the wastewater treatment plant. He does so with the same smile he adorned at the August 19 meeting when he was recognized by the council.

"He probably doesn't feel like he's retired because we call him everyday," said Mayor Ronnie Pernell, resulting in a laugh from the crowd and a nod from Walker.

When state and town agencies were trying to figure out a game plan mid-Hurricane Debby, the first call was to Walker.

"His knowledge of the system at the wastewater treatment plant...we've got challenges out there. I wish I would have listened to him when we first got SCIP grant money," said Mayor Pernell, noting increased challenges for the facility during Hurricane Debby.

Each council member thanked Walker for his dedication and expertise throughout the nearly three decades at the wastewater treatment plant.

During public comment, long-time Blackville resident Cheryl Corbett asked what was being done to combat the recent rash of burglaries.

"I've lived in this town for over 50 years and I have never seen the amount of stealing and breaking into people's houses and cars that is going on now," said Corbett, who lives in the middle of the town limits. "Something has got to be done about it."

Earlier this summer, Corbett returned from vacation to find her home broken into. A month later her car was stolen. She expressed it is becoming commonplace for residents to wake up each morning and wonder which of their neighbors fell victim to crime.

According to interim



The Blackville Town Council honored Clay Walker's (center) retirement with kind words and a gift of a plaque and a rocking chair.



Bruce Johnson is the newest member on the Blackville Town Council. He won the August 13 special election filling the seat of the late Fred Orr.



Public Works Director Earthel Walker carries in the rocking chair being gifted to his older brother, Clay, in honor of his 30 years of service.



Kathy Orr is presented with a plaque honoring her late husband and former Blackville Town Councilman, Fred Orr.



Two Blackville Police Department officers were introduced to the community at the August 19 meeting by interim chief Shawn Howze (left).

Blackville Police Department Chief Shawn Howze, many recent burglaries or thefts have been committed by juveniles.

Chief Howze explained how useful residential surveillance cameras are when investigating thefts and detailed one instance where juveniles were

deterred from entering a home after seeing a camera fixed to the front door.

To curb some of this theft, Chief Howze has increased routine patrol and implemented residential/business checks. Officers will now be leaving notes on homes and businesses noting they checked the property for

anything suspicious while on patrol. A similar practice is done by the Barnwell Police Department.

"I think the town is headed in the right direction in hiring Shawn as chief of police," said Corbett of Howze.

Corbett also commended new hire Sergeant Evans for the way in which she handles

issues and treats those she serves.

Sgt. Evans was previously employed at the Estill Police Department before making the switch to Blackville. During the meeting, she encouraged the community to get to know her and the other officers as it will only "make it a lot easier and less stressful" amidst an issue," said Sgt. Evans.

Chief Howze introduced Sgt. Evans alongside Corporal Jones at the meeting. Cpl. Jones started on the force before Howze took over as chief.

The environment of this meeting differed greatly from that of the July 15 meeting, which began with verbal altercations between town officials and residents adorning body-worn cameras. Signs making accusations of tyranny by

Blackville council members and mayor were held high – a rare occurrence for routine town council meetings.

At the July 15 meeting, Mayor Pernell presented Kathy Orr with a plaque in honor and memory of her late husband, Fred Orr.

Orr served on Blackville Town Council for a decade before his sudden passing in May.

"Everytime I met with him, he's always been kind," said Mayor Pernell, who also described Orr as a "heavy hitter" on Blackville Town Council.

"Fred loved Blackville. He was not from Blackville, but he loved Blackville," said Kathy.

Kathy stated her husband would have been very honored by the kind words shared. Although Blackville was not his original hometown, it became his adopted one when he and Kathy first moved there in 1988.

Orr is fondly remembered as a husband, father, pastor, coach, teacher, councilman, and friend.

"We're so sad we had to lose him in such a short time," said Mayor Pernell.

Filling the seat of Orr is Bruce Johnson, who won the August 13 special election. Out of the total 87 votes, 69 were cast for Johnson. Eighteen total votes were cast for James Cook, who was the only other candidate to file.

"I am here to work for you all. I am here to work with the council and the mayor to see the progress made as we move forward," said Johnson. "I am not here just to hold the position. I believe if I'm involved with something, I believe in getting involved and doing my part. If I don't do my part I don't need to be on this council."

Johnson asked the community to hold him accountable and is looking forward to helping the town grow.

Johnson was not sworn in at the August meeting, but did provide the invocation. He is set to be sworn in and begin officially serving as a council member at the September meeting.

The People-Sentinel will be publishing more on this special election and Johnson's win in an upcoming edition.

BOULWARE: Towns recognize attorney for decades of service

FROM PAGE 1A

Mayor Still has known Boulware for many years because his wife Melissa worked for Boulware's law firm for 12 years. He's gotten to know Boulware better after first being elected to Barnwell City Council and then as mayor. The two see each other or talk almost every day about city business or just people Boulware loves – many of whom were in attendance.

"You are such an inspiration to me, giving me guidance and information. Thank you for your love and dedication to our city. I wish you many more years of service to our great city," said Still.

Williston Mayor Brett Williams said he is "forever grateful" to Boulware for his guidance and leadership, especially when they had to fill in as town administrator for a time.

Former Barnwell Mayor Edward Lemon was



Tom Boulware is joined by his children and grandchildren at the celebration honoring over 50 years of municipal legal counsel.

unable to attend, but sent a letter that was read by city administrator Lynn McEwen. "I'm truly sorry I cannot be there today, however, knowing Tommy

Boulware, I'll bet he wishes he wasn't there either. Never seeking limelight, he'd rather be in the background working for the betterment of Barnwell," said Lemon,

citing water treatment facilities, parks, ballfields, and buildings that Boulware helped provide the city with his legal counsel.

Reflecting on his years

of service to the towns, Boulware said he's enjoyed most of his time as a municipal lawyer. However, one of the worst jobs was having to help Williston

get 60 easements quickly certified for a loan through the Federal Housing Administration to build a new sewer plant.

Boulware thanked the mayors, council members, administrators, and others he's worked with over the years. This includes former Barnwell Mayor Rodman Lemon and former Williston Mayor Bebo Flynn who asked him to help guide their towns legally.

He also thanks his staff at the law firm, including Melissa Still, Roz Dyches, and Emily Salley. "I could not have done it without them. They are the wind beneath my wings," said Boulware, who also acknowledged his family for their love and support.

Boulware looks forward to continuing to serve Barnwell and Williston with the same dedicated service, devotion and commitment he's provided for over five decades.

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Warhorses ground Hawks 24-7

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The Barnwell Warhorses and the Blackville-Hilda Hawks opened the 2024 high school football season Thursday, August 22 in front of a packed house in Blackville.

The highly anticipated battle between two of the state's best teams, who happen to be in the same county and are just down the road from each other, ensured a standing-room-only crowd. The Warhorses came away with an impressive 24-7 victory in front of thousands of Barnwell County fans.

Thursday night games are usually not full houses for football games, but this was guaranteed to be the place to be last Thursday after both teams made deep playoff runs last season, both were ranked in the top five in the state coming into the contest, and they played a tough game last year that Blackville-Hilda won by two points. Did I mention that both teams also had star players commit to play for the University of South Carolina of the SEC? Blackville-Hilda running back Jaquel Holman has committed to play football for the Gamecocks and Barnwell quarterback Cam Austin has committed to the Gamecocks to play baseball.

The first quarter ended with neither team putting together a scoring drive. The second quarter was also a good defensive showing for the Hawks and the Warhorses, until Barnwell's Lane Evans kicked a 41-yard field goal to give Barnwell a 3-0 lead. Cam Austin completed a long pass to JaQuan Peeples. Then Austin kept the ball for a rushing touchdown and Evans added



Barnwell's rushing attack led by the duo of Nehemiah Brown (left) and Cam Austin (right) helped secure the 24-7 win over Blackville-Hilda. Brown ran for 88 yards and Austin added 76 yards and scored 3 TD's.

Photos By: Kelley Wood

the extra point to give Barnwell a 10-0 lead.

The third quarter scoring started when Blackville's athletic quarterback, Samari Williams, connected with wide receiver Messiah McFadden for a nice 26-yard touchdown. Blackville-Hilda had cut the score to 7-10, but that would be as close as they would get. The Barnwell defense played a great game against the very explosive and athletic Hawks squad.

Barnwell would remain on the ground for most of the second half. Cam Austin scored two more rushing touchdowns to give the Warhorses a 24-7 win over a very talented Hawks team. Barnwell running back Nehemiah Brown was the real workhorse for Barnwell. Brown



Lane Evans gave Barnwell the early lead with a 41-yard field goal in the 2nd quarter vs. Blackville-Hilda. Evans kept the 41 theme going as he also averaged 41 yards per punt on the night.

carried the ball twenty-two times and collected 88 tough yards when the Hawks needed

them most.

"I am really proud of the way Nehemiah Brown ran the ball

against Blackville-Hilda. I was also proud of the way that Logan Sturkie, Jordan Peeples and Lex Thomas played. We've asked those guys to do some different things and that has made us a better football team and might've lowered some of their stats," said Barnwell head coach Brian Smith.

Anyone who watched that game could not help but notice that Lex Thomas, Logan Sturkie, and Jordan Peeples were everywhere on defense. Sturkie had two sacks. The three seniors and sophomore Damajhai Devoe combined for a whopping 41 tackles between them and each of those players recorded 10 or more tackles. This was not a two, three, or even a four-man show. Nineteen different Warhorses recorded a tackle on the night. It was a true team effort.

When asked about his team's performance, Coach Smith said, "We played a great game defensively. I thought our defensive staff had a great plan. The kids executed well. Lex Thomas had 11 tackles. Logan Sturkie had 10. It was just a great night for everybody on that side of the ball. Our kicking game was solid. Lane Evans had another good night. Offensively, we had a good night. I thought we ran the ball really well."

However, Coach Smith said they need to eliminate penalties. "We had way too many last night. We've got to learn in the heat of the battle, when to walk away from our opponents. We had way too many holding calls and unsportsmanlike penalties. It is always good to open the season with a win. It is always great to beat a team in county. Blackville was a good bunch

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Blue Devils cage the Panthers 27-6

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It is always good to get that first win of the season. It is a little bit nicer to get that first win on the first game of the season. It is an indescribable feeling to get that first win after going almost two years without tasting victory. That was the case for the Williston-Elko Blue Devils beating a larger Pelion Panther team by an impressive 27-6 score Friday, August 23 on the road.

Before the game, the atmosphere seemed a little different for some of the Blue Devil players, coaches, and fans. The rest of the state may not have known how hard this team has been working and how well they have been playing in scrimmages. They may not have known how improved this team really is, but they will now. After the first half ended with Williston-Elko up by a 7-6 slim margin, the game turned into an all Blue Devil

second half, with the Blue Devils from Williston-Elko pulling away for the 27-6 victory and an end to that dreaded streak.

"Friday night's game was a culmination of all the hard work and effort that these kids and coaches have put in since the summer. We had a great summer and a great preseason heading up to Friday night's game. Watching the final seconds tick off the clock and knowing that we had secured the win was a breath of fresh air. These kids have endured so much heartbreak from the previous season, and to finally come out on top of the scoreboard was the icing on the cake," said Williston-Elko head coach Kenny Lipsey.

Several players stood out to Coach Lipsey, including senior running backs JocQuise Washington and Markel Brown, who combined to carry the ball 25 times for 164 yards and three touchdowns. "Senior Quaide Overton also had five receptions for 50 yards and one touchdown.



"We worked hard . . . we took care of business. Now look at the scoreboard"—coach Kenneth Lipsey after Williston-Elko defeated Pelion 27-6.

Photos By: Jeff Miller



Williston-Elko's Wille Brown makes a huge play for the Devils.

Defensively, it was a collection of Blue Devils that played well starting with sophomore Joshua Epps, junior Kadin Wright, and senior Justice Israel leading the attack. The defensive unit held Pelion to 115 total yards of offense on the night," said Coach Lipsey.

Williston's defense seemed undersized compared to the much larger Pelion offense, but there was a lot of heart and more speed on the side of the Blue last Friday night. The Blue Devils were flying to the ball in groups to halt the Panther advances. As the second half progressed, you could feel the energy from the stands, the sidelines, and from the field, as this group was not going to let this game get away

from them.

During his post-game talk with his team, Coach Lipsey said that they were "going to enjoy the heck out of this one tonight and tomorrow . . . but after tomorrow, we've got to squash it. We've got to get ready for Barnwell."

When asked about the upcoming Thursday night game at Barnwell, Coach Lipsey said, "It will be a big challenge for us on Thursday. Barnwell returns a ton of talent on both sides of the ball. We will practice hard this week and clean up our mistakes from this past Friday and see if we can go into Mac Wier Field and execute our game plan.

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Raiders drown Stingrays 54-0

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The Jefferson Davis Academy Raiders traveled to Bluffton on Friday, August 23 to face the Cross Stingrays in their Region II opener. The journey to Bluffton apparently had no effect on the Raiders as they sailed to an easy 54-0 thrashing of the Stingrays.

If you were trying to keep score and keep track of who scored for the JDA Raiders, then you were up for a big challenge. Before Cross knew what hit them, JDA had taken a 38-0 lead and it was still in the first quarter. This game was over early, but it did allow the teams to play everyone and give some that don't always get much time on the field, the opportunity to gain some valuable experience.

Raiders head coach Anthony Reitenour was asked about his team's one-sided victory and said, "Friday was a good bounce back win for us. We had to kind of abandon ship pretty early with our starters as we jumped out to a 38-0 lead with over five minutes left in the first quarter. Most of the first quarter were spectators for the final three quarters."

Coach Reitenour said "it was a good night for some of our younger guys to get a lot of repetitions and some good field experience to carry us on to a final of

54-0. Colson Loadholt had a big night in a hurry with four carries for 42 yards a touchdown. He also added a 2-point conversion. In addition to his ground game, he also completed a pass for 46 yards and a touchdown. Defensively, he had seven tackles and an interception that he returned 34 yards for another touchdown. Nas Void and James Grubbs each had only one carry apiece on the night and, ironically, both carries went 46 yards for a touchdown. Grubbs also was the recipient of Colson's 46-yard touchdown pass. Tanner Williams led the way defensively with 12 tackles and Riley Todd had an interception and a 70-yard kickoff return for a touchdown. Dalton Nix had three carries for 36 yards and a touchdown and was 1 for 2 passing. Nix connected with Landon Williams for a 23-yard touchdown pass."

The JDA cheerleaders, parents, and fans had a lot of offense to cheer about Friday night, but as impressive as scoring the 54 points was, the defense may have played even better. The Raiders defense did not allow a single point to be scored. In 8-man football that is a rarity. Even when the backups were in the game, they played with pride and wanted to keep that big "0" on the visitors' side of the scoreboard.

"Even with the big win



The scoreboard tells the story as the Raiders shut out the Stingrays 54-0.

Photos By: Rose Loadholt



Raiders QB Colson Loadholt had a short but very productive night scoring on the ground, throwing a TD pass, and returning an interception for another TD.

Friday night, we are still back hard at work today to keep improving on



The JDA cheerleaders had a lot to cheer about in the 54-0 win.



James Grubbs adds another TD to the Raiders total.

the season to prepare to hit the road again Friday in Georgia," said Coach Reitenour.

JDA will travel to Hephzibah, Georgia this Friday, August 30 to face

the Georgia School for Innovation & Classics. For those planning on making the trip to support the Raiders, this is a 4:30 p.m. start time. Come on out for a little road trip and

cross the border to cheer on your Raiders football team. They would love to have your spirit there to help guide them to another JDA win!

WARHORSES

From 1B

and they are going to have some success this year. I am glad we caught them early." Blackville-Hilda head coach Kevin Jones was asked about the game and the upcoming game against Edisto. "Obviously you never want to lose a rivalry game, but our kids played hard. We didn't always play smart, especially on the offensive side of the ball. Barnwell ran a variety of blitz packages that caused some confusion with our blocking assignments. That being said, you have to give Barnwell a ton of credit. They are a talented team that was schematically sound in what they did. I am sure they are going to have an outstanding season. We can't let that loss linger or it could jeopardize our chances against an improving Edisto team this Friday. We had some really good plays on both sides of the ball and I was really proud of my quarterback, Samari Williams, who was under duress all night and he kept battling. We



Hawks coach Kevin Jones talks with his QB Samari Williams about the next play. Williams threw a 26-yard TD to Messiah McFadden for the Hawks early in the 2nd half.

will work this week to fix the assignment issues we had and try and build some momentum moving forward. We still have the ability to have a special season, and it starts with practice this week," said Coach Jones.

Both teams played deep into the playoffs last year and are looking to do the same this season. If they can stay healthy and stick together, both should have a great year ahead.

Barnwell will host another in-county rival when Williston-Elko comes to town this Thursday, August 29 for a 7 p.m. kickoff. Blackville-Hilda will look to bounce back when Edisto comes to town for a football Friday night showdown, with kickoff set for 7:30 p.m. on Friday, August 30.

Good luck to both the Warhorses and the Hawks for a great 2024 season!



The Barnwell defense played tough all night against an explosive Blackville-Hilda team. Logan Sturkie had 10 tackles including 2 sacks.

Photos By: Kelley Wood

BLUE DEVILS

From 1B



Blue Devil players and fans all gather around to hear Coach Lipsey talk to his team after their huge win over Pelion.

Photos By: Jeff Miller

Barnwell will be ready and are well coached, but we will be up for the challenge. We have to lay all of our chips on the table and see what happens. It should be a big atmosphere over there on Thursday. We are looking forward

to it." These players, coaches, and fans have been waiting for this win. There are certainly more to come for this team. Facing the top five ranked AA powerhouse, Barnwell, at their home stadium will

be tough, but this group will give it everything they have and "see what happens" as Coach Lipsey said.

Kickoff is scheduled for 7 p.m. this Thursday, August 29. Come out and support your Blue Devils!



Williston WR Markel Brown takes it the distance for another Blue Devil TD.

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desires a name change in this action.
 12. Plaintiff believes that this marriage is forever broken and is that Plaintiff is entitled to a complete and final divorce, a vinculo matrimonii, from Defendant upon the ground of desertion for a period of one year, pursuant to § 20-3-10(2) of the Code of Laws of South Carolina, 1976, as amended; or alternatively, upon the ground of one (1) year's continuous separation, pursuant to § 20-3-10(5) of the Code of Laws of South Carolina, 1976, as amended.

13. Plaintiff does not wish to receive alimony and believes Defendant should be barred from receiving alimony from the Plaintiff.

14. There is no collusion between the parties to get a divorce, and reconciliation of the parties is not possible.

WHEREFORE, Plaintiff respectfully prays that this Court grant the following relief:

A. For an Order of divorce, a *vinculo matrimonii*, from Defendant upon the ground of desertion for a period of one year, pursuant to § 20-3-10(2) of the Code of Laws of South Carolina, 1976, as amended; or alternatively, upon the ground of one (1) year's continuous separation, pursuant to § 20-3-10(5) of the Code of Laws of South Carolina, 1976, as amended.

B. For all other just and proper relief as this honorable court may deem just and proper.

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Estate: Mary F. Allen
 Date of Death: February 13, 2024
 Case Number: 2024 ES 03 00059
 Personal Representative: Joanni A. Long
 Address: 240 Green Street, Allendale, S.C. 29810
2024-161 3tp 9-4-24

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Estate: Victoria Dimitrie
 Date of Death: July 24, 2024
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 Personal Representative: David Dimitrie
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Estate: William Henry Delk Jr.
 Date of Death: August 14, 2024
 Case Number: 2024 ES 06 00156
 Personal Representative: William Matthew Delk
 Address: 126 Reedy Branch Drive, Clarks Hill, S.C. 29821
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Estate: Mozelle Elouise Bates McBryde Armstrong
 Date of Death: August 3, 2024
 Case Number: 2024 ES 06 00160
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Consider a few key suggestions from the experts at the Mayo Clinic to keep your brain sharp:

Satisfy Cravings with Healthy Foods

You can establish a strong foundation for brain health by consuming healthy, whole foods such as whole grains, fish, legumes and healthy fats, plus an abundance of fruits and vegetables, including grapes and leafy greens.

Combinations of these healthy foods can be made into tasty dishes that support brain health such as this Chicken and Grape Cauliflower Rice Bowl, which features fresh Grapes from

California alongside grilled chicken, cauliflower, zucchini, garbanzo beans and healthy spices.

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Chicken and Grape Cauliflower Rice Bowl

Servings: 4

Chicken:

- 1/2 tablespoon olive oil
- 1 teaspoon minced garlic
- 1 teaspoon minced fresh ginger
- 1 teaspoon ground cumin
- 1/2 teaspoon turmeric
- salt, to taste
- pepper, to taste
- 1 pound (3-4 pieces) small boneless, skinless chicken breast halves

Zucchini:

- 1 tablespoon olive oil
- 2 medium zucchini, trimmed and cut into 3/4-inch chunks
- 1 1/3 cups halved red Grapes from California

Cauliflower Rice:

- 1 bag (1 pound) thawed frozen riced cauliflower
- 1 tablespoon olive oil

- 1 medium onion, chopped
- 1/3 cup water
- 2 large garlic cloves, minced
- 2 teaspoons fresh ginger, minced
- 1 tablespoon ground cumin
- 1 teaspoon turmeric
- 1 can (15 ounces) garbanzo beans, drained and rinsed well
- 1/3 cup chopped fresh cilantro
- salt, to taste
- pepper, to taste

To make chicken: In medium bowl, combine oil, garlic, ginger and cumin. Add turmeric, season lightly with salt and pepper, to taste, and whisk to blend. Lightly pound chicken pieces to even them out then turn to coat in oil-spice mixture. Let stand 20-30 minutes.

Heat heavy, large skillet over medium-high heat until hot. Add chicken, smooth side down, and cook until golden brown underneath, about 4 minutes. Flip with spatula, reduce heat to medium and cook about 4 minutes until just cooked through. Transfer chicken to plate and tent with foil. Do not clean pan.

To make zucchini: In medium skillet over medium-high heat, heat oil until hot. Add zucchini pieces and cook, stirring often until crisp-tender, about 4 minutes. Remove from heat.

To make cauliflower rice: In colander, drain cauliflower well. In same large skillet used for chicken, add oil, onion and water over medium heat; cook, stirring until softened, about 3 minutes. Add garlic, ginger, cumin and turmeric; cook, stirring, 3 minutes. Add drained cauliflower and garbanzo beans; cook until hot, about 5 minutes. Stir in cilantro and season with salt and pepper, to taste.

Divide cauliflower rice among four large soup bowls. Slice chicken against grain and arrange on top of cauliflower rice along with grapes and cooked zucchini. Serve warm.

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Newspaper reading adventures for little learners!

Kid Scoop Junior

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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.

Look at each row of marbles. Underline the marble that should come next to complete the pattern.



My Rhyme Time

Fishes swim in water clear,
Birds fly up into the air,
Serpents creep along the ground,
Boys and girls run round and around.

My Letters

M is for Marble
m is for marble



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

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

My Numbers

How many ?
monsters

How many ?
monkeys

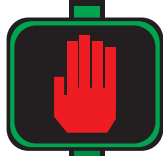


Learning Buddies: Trace and say the number. Read the questions. Touch and count to find the answers.

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.

Marbles move



Sunday

Letter Identification

With your child, look through the newspaper to find pictures of things that start with the same sound as the letter **M** in marbles.

Learning Buddy Sign Here

I have completed _____ activities with my Learning Buddy.

Learning Buddy's signature

Date

Monday

Math Play

Point to the number **10** in the newspaper. Have your child say the number and, if it's large enough, have your child trace the number.

Tuesday

Move It!

With your child, look through the newspaper and find things that move. Circle things in green that move with **legs**. Circle in red things that move using a **motor**. Look for things that move in other ways.

Wednesday

My Mom

On one page of the newspaper find and circle the letters that spell your child's, mother's or grandmother's name. Connect the circled letters and color the design.

Thursday

Big M, Little m

On one page of the newspaper search for an uppercase letter **M** and a lowercase letter **m**. Draw a line to connect the two. Can you find more uppercase and lowercase **M-m** pairs?

Friday

Ten Toss

Crumple up a piece of newspaper and wrap tape around the paper to make a ball. Throw the newspaper ball back and forth counting from 1 to 10. Each time someone drops the ball, start counting again.

Saturday

Opposite Game

Do the **opposite** of the leader! Each player takes hold of one corner of a page of the newspaper. The leader calls out: "Hold tight!" and anyone who does not let go will be out. If the order is "Let go!" those who fail to hold the paper will be out.



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

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

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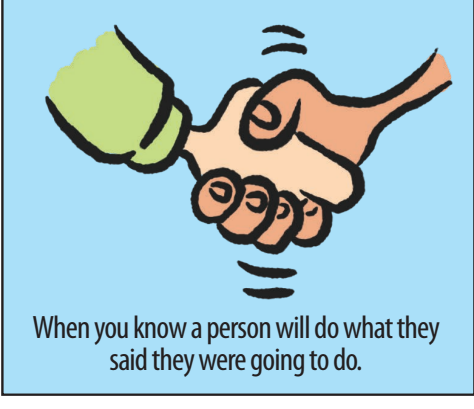
Trust is a building block to good friendships. Trust is believing a person will keep their promises.



What Trust Looks Like



When a person is kind to you, especially when you're having a rough day.



When you know a person will do what they said they were going to do.



When a person takes care of something you loan to them.



When you can believe what a person says to you.

Trust Walk

Partner with a friend or family member to take a walk.

One person closes their eyes or wears a blindfold.

Holding hands, the person with open eyes takes their partner on a walk.

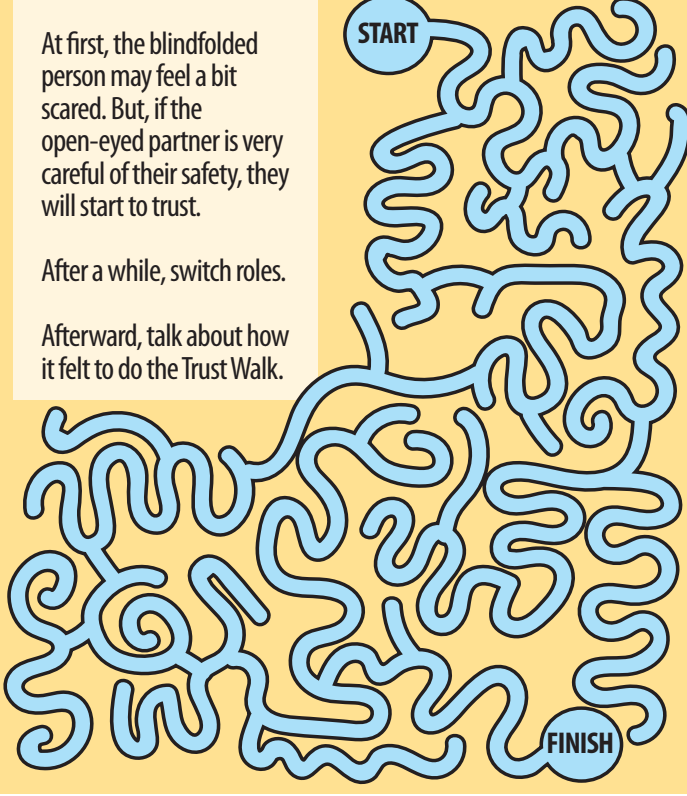
At first, the blindfolded person may feel a bit scared. But, if the open-eyed partner is very careful of their safety, they will start to trust.

After a while, switch roles.

Afterward, talk about how it felt to do the Trust Walk.



Help Ben guide his blindfolded partner, Jacob, through the maze!



Take this self-review to find out. Read the following statements and check TRUE or FALSE.

I don't spread rumors about people.
 TRUE FALSE

I am honest.
 TRUE FALSE

People can count on me.
 TRUE FALSE

I am loyal to my friends and family.
 TRUE FALSE

I keep the promises I make.
 TRUE FALSE

I am a trustworthy person because:

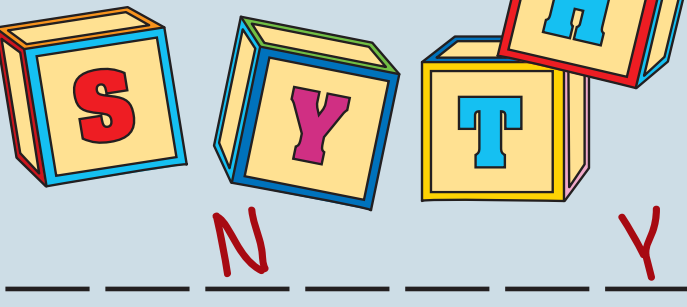
Building Trust

Trust is something you don't just have. It takes time to build trust.

Each time someone keeps a promise, tells the truth, is kind to you, or is careful with your things, trust builds. It is like building a house. You start by building a foundation with bricks of trust.

If you break a promise or tell a lie, the bricks fall down, and it is hard to build them back up.

Unscramble the letters on these blocks to discover a key way to build trust.



Standards Link: Language Arts: Spell grade-level words correctly.

Trustworthiness

Read the sentences. Finish each one with an answer that shows trustworthiness.

Juan heard a bad rumor about Sarah. Juan should _____

Tomas found \$10 in the gym. Tomas should _____

Sasha found Maria's diary. Sasha should _____

Extra! Extra! Trusty Words

Select a person or a character in a book that you trust. Look through the newspaper for five words that describe that person or character. Use these words to write about why you trust them.

Standards Link: Language arts: Identify and use adjectives.

Kid Scoop Puzzler

Mirror Image

Face a partner. One person will be the "mirror," and the other will be the person looking into the mirror.

The mirror follows the movements of the person

looking into it as best as they can. After a few minutes, switch roles.

Talk about how the mirror and the person looking into it could help each other.



How many differences can you find between these two friends playing the mirror game?

Standards Link: Reading Comprehension: Follow simple written directions.

Double Double Word Search

- BLOCKS
- BUILDS
- CARES
- EYES
- FRIEND
- GOOD
- KIND
- LOAN
- ONE
- PROMISE
- ROLES
- RUMOR
- SAFETY
- TRUST
- YOU

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



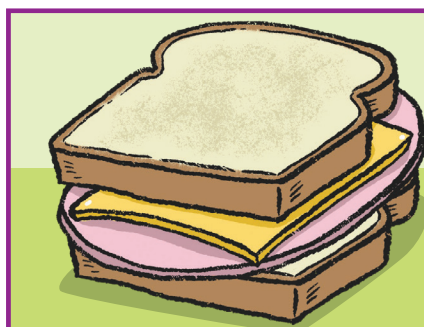
Standards Link: Letter sequencing. Recognize identical words. Skim and scan reading. Recall spelling patterns.

FROM THE Kid Scoop LESSON LIBRARY

Trustworthy Business

Look through the advertisements in your local newspaper, and select a business that you trust. Write a letter to the editor telling the community why you trust this business.

Standards Link: Language Arts: Write in a variety of genres.



Why is it so difficult to trust a sandwich?

ANSWER: Because they're often full of baloney!

Write On!

Trust Me!

Write about a time you kept an important promise to someone.

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