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This scarecrow highlights an autumn display outside the Welcome Center on Abbeville's Court Square, and there's even a listing of upcoming events. (Staff photo by Henry E. Green)

Association plans beer, wine walks for October

By Henry E. Green

The Downtown Abbeville Merchants Association is planning a wine walk and a beer walk for the month of October, according to Association president Jennifer Creswell.

The wine walk will be on October 17, and will be called *Vino in the Ville*.

The beer walk, *Boos and Brews*, will be on October

30. Both events will be in downtown Abbeville. Tickets are \$20, and can be purchased on-line at eventbrite, or at Breezy Quarters, or As We Grow Boutique in Abbeville.

The format is by now a familiar one. At each stop on the walk, the participant will be able to get a drink of a particular wine or beer, and at the end of the walk,

is expected to be given a commemorative glass.

The stops are typically places of business in downtown Abbeville, and the events have often drawn hundreds of people to the sights and sounds of the heart of the city.

This will be the last ticketed event for the Association for the year.

Coronavirus case number continues to rise

By Henry E. Green

The number of coronavirus cases in Abbeville County has reached 575, according to figures released by the South Carolina Department of Health and Environmental Control.

As of Monday, Oct. 5, at 2:10 p.m. Abbeville County had 575 positive cases of the coronavirus, with 12 deaths.

In Abbeville's neighboring

counties, Anderson County had 4,579 cases, and 168 deaths, and Greenwood County had 2,246 cases, with 65 deaths.

McCormick County had 236 cases, and six deaths, and Laurens 1,718, and 55 deaths.

The state as a whole had 147,116 cases, and 3,258 deaths.

The big news in the coronavirus world, of course,

occurred not in South Carolina but in Washington, D.C., where President Donald Trump tested positive for the coronavirus last week.

After a stay over the weekend at Walter Reed medical center, he returned to the White House on Monday evening.

Trump's condition will continue to be monitored now that he is back at the White House.

'Hard to beat zero'

Interim superintendent pleased with School District's coronavirus status

By Henry E. Green

Abbeville County School District Interim Superintendent Dr. Mason Gary is happy.

"We're in our seventh week of school and we're in our 18th day of no reports," said Dr. Gary Tuesday.

That means "no student or staff member testing positive" for Covid 19, said the interim superintendent.

"I'm ecstatic about it," he said. "It keeps learning on an uninterrupted con-

tinuum."

That translates into teachers being able to come to work, and no students having to be quarantined.

To what does he attribute the District's good fortune?

To Gary, it is a matter of everyone pulling together to make the safeguards work—the social distancing, the masks.

Everyone's combined efforts "are paying off," he said.

From what he can tell

from the news and other sources, a number of other school districts have not been as fortunate, with at least one school shutting down football activity temporarily due to Covid-19 concerns.

The absence of Covid-19 reports is definitely not bad thing.

"It's hard to beat zero," the interim superintendent said philosophically.



Ambria Gilliard (far right) was crowned Abbeville High School's Homecoming Queen Friday night during halftime of the AHS-Woodland football game, and Riley Jones (second from left) Maid of Honor. Ambria was escorted by Marqueze Gilliard-Starks (second photo from right) and Riley by Jeremy Jones (far left). (Staff photo by Henry E. Green)

Anticipation

Abbeville High School has College Application Day for Class of 2021

By Henry E. Green

Is there life after high school?

There had better be. A number of Abbeville High School students are banking on it.

Abbeville High School, you see, recently had College Application Day.

A total of 74 students who are planning to graduate in 2021 participated in the exercise, held on Tuesday, Sept. 29, said AHS guidance counselor Sandy Rowland Scott.

"We had one session that was a Google meet for all of our seniors that are off-campus," she said.

"Students could join the meeting at the scheduled time and we had all reps on camera to be able to answer any questions. Some sent in questions to the chat box.

The representatives from SC College/University Admissions Offices were available to help any student with their application to any school, said Scott.

"They are familiar with the process and can answer and explain many seniors'

questions. Of course, at the beginning of the sessions, they introduced themselves and advertised some for their school. After that, they spoke with students individually either about their application questions or their interest in their school."

Those in attendance included Sam Linn with Lander University, Bradley Coker with Southern Wesleyan University, Emma Alexander with USC Upstate, Adrian Rogers with Piedmont Technical College, Naomi Israel with Spartanburg Methodist University, and Matt Dean with USC Union. Also, on campus for seniors to talk with were recruiters with the US Navy-FC1(SW) Harrison E. Kurth & FC1(SW) Nigel Clarke.

"The SC Commission on Higher Education (CHE) & some colleges are sponsoring app nights which will take place through the months of September, October and November."

Scott was asked about the change in college applications through the years.

"As far as I know, all college

applications are now on-line and students can even upload a copy of their transcript or any documents directly into their application.

AHS students either applied or started their applications to a variety of colleges/universities/trade schools, according to Scott:

Anderson University, Benedict College, Clemson University, Coastal Carolina University, College of Charleston, Converse College, East Carolina University, Erskine College, Flight Attendant School, Lander University, Limestone College, Newberry College, North Greenville University, North Carolina State University, Presbyterian College, Piedmont Technical College, SC State University, Southern Wesleyan University, Spartanburg Methodist College, The Citadel, University of South Carolina, USC Aiken, USC Beaufort, USC Upstate, Universal Technical Institute in Florida, and Winthrop University.



Abbeville Lions Club past president J. J. Jackson (left) was presented with the Lion of the Year award. Here he is posing with Lions District Governor Judy Scott when Scott visited Abbeville recently. (Staff photo by Henry E. Green)



Furry friends

Abbeville's Trinity church holds annual Blessing of the Animals

By Henry E. Green

Abbeville's Trinity Episcopal Church held its annual Blessing of the Animals Sunday afternoon, carrying on a tradition that draws people and their furry friends to the grounds of the historic house of worship.

On an afternoon characterized by mild temperatures and sunny skies, about half a dozen people gathered outdoors behind the church for the Blessing, held in remembrance of Saint Francis of Assisi, patron saint of the environment and of animals. Those in attendance brought with them their pets—all dogs except for

one cat.

Each animal had a story to tell. Buddy, for example, is a border collie/boxer mix, and he is the pride and joy of Mary Lynn Lyle of Abbeville, who with amusement noted that he is just like a big kid, chewing on anything and everything.

The program featured a responsive reading led by Father Ken Tucker, and Dick Haldeman read loud passages from Genesis, Psalms, and Romans.

The passage from Genesis highlighted the covenant that God made following the great flood, a covenant voiced to Noah and charac-

terized by something we all love—a rainbow.

"I will remember my covenant between me and you and all living creatures of every kind," God told Noah.

Those in attendance also read aloud the lyrics to "All Things Bright and Beautiful," and Tucker read aloud a prayer for sick pets, and he blessed the animals one by one on the sunny afternoon.

Trinity has a congregation that is small but active. The church, which is considered by many to be a fine example of Gothic Revival architecture, is in the midst of a massive restoration effort.

Abbeville's Trinity Episcopal Church held its annual Blessing of the Animals recently. Among the furry creatures blessed by Father Ken Tucker (left) was friendly canine Buddy, held by Mary Lynn Lyle (right) as Cynthia Jefferies (seated, background) looked on with amusement. (Staff photo by Henry E. Green)

'Step increase' funding may not become reality

By Henry E. Green

Will teachers in Abbeville County School District and other parts of the state get a "step increase?"

According to the School District's finance director, that does not appear to be likely.

Recently, "The Senate was leaning toward a step increase and the House was leaning toward operating under the continuing resolution, which includes no increase," said District finance director Roni Scott recently.

A step increase is an increase given for a year's teaching experience, she said.

"There is no step increase across the state for teachers. The cost has never been

fully funded by the state. The General Assembly sends an allocation, makes it mandatory for the increase, and school districts have to supplement the initiative."

As of Oct. 1, it was official: no increase, said Dr. Mason Gary, the interim superintendent for the Abbeville County School District.

However, when the General Assembly reconvenes in January, that could change, "but does not look promising," he said.

Thus, the funding for such an increase would be shared by the state and individual school districts.

"They normally get it every year," he said.

The step increase is a

legislative mandate which, if it is given, would apply to all school districts in South Carolina.

The step increase typically amounts to several thousand dollars a year for the individual teacher.

The "continuing resolution" allowed the School District to continue operating, but under the same budget from the previous fiscal year, since the state has not yet finalized its budget for the 2020-2021 fiscal year.

Funding for the Abbeville County School District, as is the case for other school districts in the state, reflects a blend of state and locally-generated monies.

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Fusion

Abbeville's Hogs and Hens festival to blend bands, barbecue, crafts

By Henry E. Green

The City of Abbeville is planning to present its annual Hogs & Hens festival on the weekend of Oct. 16 in downtown Abbeville, according to Emily Bledsoe, special events coordinator for the City.

The festival typically blends barbecue and the blues, and this year promises to provide no exception.

However, in this age of COVID-19, there will be allowances for safeguards against the spread of the coronavirus, as noted in a recent Press and Banner article.

There will be live music, and if barbecue is one of your passions, the Hogs

and Hens festival is definitely the place to be, as vendors will be on hand to sell to an eager public delicacies such as ribs and pulled pork.

According to tradition, the cooks will be judged in a variety of categories near the conclusion of the festival.

The bands, meanwhile, will include the following, according to Bledsoe:

"On Friday night, we will have Jazzy Trinity, which recently performed at Jammin' in the Alley," she said. They will play from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. on Friday night.

On Saturday, Roots and Dore will perform from noon to 2 p.m.

From 2:30 p.m. to 4:30

p.m., Poizn Whiskey will play, and from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. there will be the Jeff Gates Band.

"This year, the Southern Barbecue Network is going to handle the judging," she said.

Prizes will be awarded late afternoon for the best efforts in barbecue.

The bands will perform on a stage on Court Square.

There will also be a juried craft show, judged by the Abbeville Artist Guild, with crafters at the Livery Stable and on Court Square.

"All kinds of new and exciting things," Bledsoe said, summing up the upcoming festival.



The Lake Russell Recreation and Tourism Coalition included this little something for the kiddies on the practice field of the Calhoun Falls Charter School, during a bluegrass festival the Coalition presented. (Photo by Henry E. Green)



A Taste of Louisiana fundraiser was a great success for Due West Robotics. The community showed up in a big way! We were shocked to sell out of food within 40 minutes, in which the team raised nearly \$2,500. All proceeds will be used to help start Due West Robotics' first FIRST Robotics Competition (FRC) team. FRC is the highest level of competitive high school robotics available. The season budget for FRC teams is \$25,000. (Photo contributed)

A taste of Louisiana fundraiser great success for DW Robotics!

Submitted by Charles Angel

A Taste of Louisiana fundraiser was a great success for Due West Robotics!

Special guest chefs Travis Brown along with Tommy and Helen Ledet (all from Chackbay, Louisiana) cooked authentic Jambalaya and Louisiana white beans for the main dish. This is the fourth time Travis (brother of Dr. Alanna Angel) has come to Due West to help raise funds supporting the kids in Due West Robotics.

They cooked as much food as had been prepared in the past even though we had no idea how many people would come out due to COVID. We changed the format to take-out only and the students (wearing masks) set up a "drive-through"

service so that people did not even need to get out of their vehicles.

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Our FRC team, named the Due Westerners, will be mentored by professional engineers from Bosch, Eaton, Fuji Film, Eleos Technologies, Palmetto Blades, and Stoll Industries.

FRC teams build and program robots that are around 3 feet wide by 3 feet deep by 5 feet tall. Match-

es take place in an arena that is about 2/3rds of a basketball court, in which 6 teams/robots are working to score more points than their opponents. The game objectives and rules change each season. The rules for the upcoming season will be released on January 9th.

Interest and participation in Due West Robotics continues to grow even though COVID has slowed many things down this year. Our elementary and middle school FLL teams began their season on August 1st. We have also grown the number of high school team members from 9 last season to 18 this season. Due West Robotics is known around the world as a program that is "the benchmark for rural communities" and said to have more students involved per capita than anywhere else.

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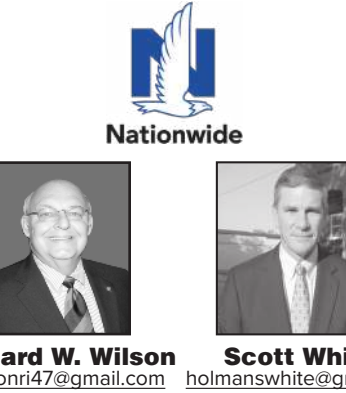
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Planning to vote by mail? Plan ahead!

By Henry E. Green
The U.S. Postal Service recently sent out a notice to postal customers. "If you plan to vote by mail, plan ahead," the message went. Those planning to vote by mail are encouraged to request their mail-in ballots, or "absentee ballots" at least 15 days before Election Day. The U.S. Postal Service is recommending that you mail your ballot at least seven days before Election Day. Meanwhile, October 4 was the deadline for registering to vote in the election, which is slated for Nov. 3. Absentee voting in person opened Monday, Oct.

5, at the Abbeville County Administrative Complex, according to Abbeville County Voter Registration and Elections Director Kim London. Anyone is able to vote absentee due to the Governor's directive of state of emergency due to Covid-19. The entrance to in-person absentee voting will be the side entrance to the building, where County Council chambers are located. As of Thursday, Oct. 1, the Abbeville County voter registration office had received more than 1,500 requests for mail-in absentee ballots, London said. "I strongly encourage people to vote absentee in

person to avoid the lines on Election Day," she said. "We will be practicing social distancing, and all the employees will be wearing masks and gloves." Approximately 1,000 absentee ballots have already been mailed out from the voter registration office. Anyone with an address change or name change needs to call the voter registration office "to make sure we have the correct information prior to election day," London said. For more information, one may call the voter registration office at 366-2400, extension 53.

Witness requirement 'on go' for absentee mail-in

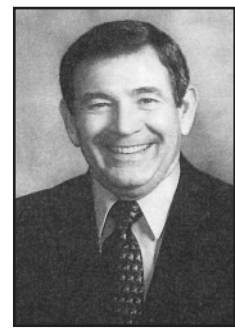
By Henry E. Green
Those South Carolina voters who choose to cast their ballots absentee by mail must sign their ballots and have those signatures witnessed, according to Kim London, Abbeville County voter registration and elections director. London referred to a press release sent over by the South Carolina State Election Commission and dated Tuesday, Oct. 6. "South Carolinians voting absentee by mail must now have their signatures on ballot return envelopes witnessed after the United States Supreme Court late yesterday reinstated the requirement. "Under the court's order,

ballots already received by county officials and those received through October 7 will be counted regardless of whether the return envelope bears a witness signature. "To ensure your absentee by mail ballot counts, voters must: "Sign the voter's oath on the ballot return envelope "Have a witness sign and provide address. Any other person can be a witness. "Return your ballot before 7:00 p.m. on November 3. Ballots can be returned in person or by mail. You should mail your ballot as soon as possible and at least a week before election day to allow time for delivery before the deadline." "It's been a roller coaster,"

she said of the witness requirement, noting that it had been approved and disapproved and then approved and "now disapproved again." Monday, October 5, was the first day for absentee in person voting, and many people took advantage of it. London estimated that about 180 people voted Monday--a sizable number for Abbeville County. "There was a constant flow of voters all day," she said. People who come in to vote need to bring in their photo IDs, London continued. "And we do have curb-side voting for those who are unable to get out of the car," she said.

a Word from "THE WORD"

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The Invitation

Psalm 50:15 "Call upon me in the day of trouble; I will deliver you, and you shall glorify me."

The invitation on the Statue of Liberty should never be forgotten. Within the pedestal on which the great statue stands is a poem by Emma Lazarus, graven on a tablet with these immortal words: "Give me your tired, your poor, your huddled masses yearning to be free, the wretched refuse of your teeming shore; Send these, the homeless, tempest-tossed to me. I lift my lamp beside the golden door." Wow! That is a beautiful invitation. It makes one's heart swell with deep emotion to read that invitation. Here in Psalm 50:15, God gives an even greater invitation for us to come to Him. Notice three things from this verse. First of all, notice the proclamation. Pay attention to who it is that makes the proclamation—none other than All Mighty God. What a proclamation—he proclaims that He is willing for us to call upon

Him. Any time, day or night, He invites us to call upon Him. Nothing is too big to share with Him and nothing is too small or insignificant to share with Him. The creator of the universe wants to hear from you! That, indeed, is profound. Out of the more than 7 billion people on planet earth, God wants you to talk to Him and share with Him your troubles and your sorrows and your needs. What a privilege this is. No matter what your trouble is, God wants to hear from you about it. You don't have to bear your troubles alone. You don't have to endure your hardships with gritted teeth and silent pain—you can call out to God with the full assurance that He will hear you and pay attention to you. Second, notice the promise. God promises to deliver you in your day of trouble. Sometimes, He delivers you outright and sometimes He delivers you by giving you His

presence in the midst of the problem. Sometimes when we call on God for deliverance from our troubles, what He does is deliver us a strategy on how to navigate through our trouble. God promises to hear us when we call on Him. What an assurance of His love and concern for us. Third, notice our response to what God does for us—praise to Him. When God delivers us, our response is to glorify Him with our praise. Praise should be the natural result of God's deliverance. The reason God promises to deliver us is so that we can bring glory and honor to Him. What a shame that many fail to glorify God when He comes through for them in a time of trouble. We should never take the credit for what God has done for us. When God moves in our lives we should be careful to give Him the praise and the glory.

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Abbeville Lion James Jackson recognized

By Henry E. Green
 Lion James "J.J." Jackson of Abbeville has been honored for his service to the Lions leadership recently. On the sunny afternoon of Thursday, Oct. 1, approximately 10 members of the Abbeville Lions Club gathered on Abbeville's Court Square, where Lions District Governor Judy Scott presented Jackson with the Presidential Leadership Medal from the Lions international president. "I'm speechless," said Jackson. "I'm really very excited about this club," Scott went on to say. "Keep up the good service to the community. This is what we do--we serve." This was not the only award Jackson received. Abbeville Lions Club secretary-treasurer Rick Pressly

presented Jackson with a Lion of the Year award from the club. He also received from Lions International a Centennial Membership Award, for bringing in a number of new members to the Abbeville club. He was presented with this by the District Governor. Jackson is very much involved in the Abbeville community. You could see him, for example, helping out in the Abbeville Lions' trash pick up in late September on the Highway 28 Bypass on the western outskirts of Abbeville. A member of Abbeville City Council, Jackson is a past president of the Abbeville Lions Club, and a guiding force behind the Community Outreach Center in Abbeville. Lions the world over are engaged in the effort to

preserve vision. Back in the 1920s, Helen Keller, speaking before a Lions convention in Ohio, called on her listeners to be "knights" for the blind. Since that time, Lions have been heeding her call. In Michigan, there is a Leader Dog School, where canines are trained to be service dogs for the visually impaired. Here in Abbeville and neighboring counties, Lions have conducted vision screenings at area schools. Abbeville County is home to three Lions clubs--Abbeville, Due West and Calhoun Falls. From its establishment in 1917 by Melvin Jones in Chicago, the international Lions organization today has 1.4 million members, according to Lions' information on the Web.



On the sunny afternoon of Thursday, Oct. 1, Lions District Governor Judy Scott (left) met with a number of Abbeville Lions on Abbeville's Court Square. (Staff photo by Henry E. Green)

Anderson man faces drug charges

An Anderson man was arrested on drug charges following a traffic stop in the Honea Path area, according to an Abbeville County Sheriff's Office incident report. Wynton Marsalis Lomax, 34, of 1305 Phyllis Drive, Anderson, was arrested in the early morning hours of Oct. 2, according to the report. On Oct. 2, an Abbeville County Sheriff's Deputy, while patrolling the area of Highway 178 and Tribble Street in Honea Path, observed a black Cadillac with no tag light, the report continued. The Sheriff's Deputy con-

ducted a traffic stop on the vehicle on Highway 178 and the Anderson County line. The deputy made contact with the driver "and ran his information through dispatch. "Dispatch advised that he was wanted through probation and parole and they wanted to place a hold." The driver "was taken into custody and transported to the Abbeville County Jail," the report continued. During the search of the suspect, law enforcement personnel located a clear plastic baggy containing five smaller clear plastic baggies. Four of the small-

er clear plastic baggies contained multiple round blue pills, and another plastic bag contained blue rectangle pills, the report continued. Upon further investigation, law enforcement found that the round blue pills field tested positive for fentanyl and the rectangular pills field tested positive for cocaine, the report continued. Lomax faces charges under a statute entitled, "trafficking in heroin, morphine, etc., 14g or more but less than 28 grams," according to the report.

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An Abbeville Artist Guild exhibit at the Welcome Center this month focuses on art created during the coronavirus pandemic. (Staff photo by Henry E. Green)

Coronavirus brings big changes for AHS band

By Henry E. Green
Rena Rhodes is beginning her 12th year as AHS band director, and this year has been affected in a big way by the coronavirus pandemic. This school year, the AHS band has 28 participants. "We are working toward a halftime program," she said. "We'll be playing some music from the Sixties." That includes Aretha Franklin's "Respect", "My Girl," and "Ain't No Mountain High Enough."

Rhodes is expecting the band to perform during the next home game. "Due to Covid restrictions we will not be participating in any competitions," she went on to say. Upper State and state band championships have been canceled, as have most of the local competitions, Rhodes continued. "We're not able to perform as a pep band at away games so we won't be traveling," she said. Yes, that is all due to the coronavirus. "We can't perform at any off campus events as a group,"

she said. The massive changes brought by the coronavirus pandemic are nothing to sneeze at, but the band members are taking it in stride. "The kids are doing OK with it," she said. "They're disappointed, but they're used to it." Still, the Grenadiers will be performing as a pep band during home football games, and Rhodes is thankful for what the band is still able to do.

Duncan's Justice Act Support

by Congressman Jeff Duncan
Congressman Jeff Duncan's Jurists United to Stop Trafficking Imitation Child Exploitation (JUSTICE) Act is continuing to gain support in the House of Representatives. The bipartisan bill to protect children now has 31

cosponsors. "It's encouraging to gain more support for the JUSTICE Act. This bill is a commonsense solution to a deeply disturbing, real world problem. Childlike sex dolls are being used by sick pedophiles and predators as practice, so we need to ban these items immediately.

Real children and families are being impacted by this disgusting behavior like we have seen in recent news reports. The JUSTICE Act will safeguard our precious children and their likeness, and I am hopeful we can get a vote on this important piece of bipartisan legislation."

Guild exhibit features 'creations during corona'

By Henry E. Green
The Abbeville Artist Guild is having a special exhibit at the Welcome Center on Abbeville's Court Square this month. "The theme for October is Creations During Corona," according to an Abbeville Artist Guild news release. "Most of us have been hunkered down for the last six months. We have had plenty of time to spend on creating artwork. Now it is time to display that artwork. This will be our last exhibit in 2020 since the Welcome Center will use the wall during the Christmas season." The coronavirus pandemic has, without question, changed life as we know it, and maybe it has produced

some outstanding artistic efforts. In the Creations exhibit, Artist Guild treasurer Jane Agan will be offering up a "pencil drawing of my dog." Agan is also including a rendering of an African violet in three different media—watercolor, pastels, and colored pencils. Agan could be found Wednesday afternoon at the Welcome Center, helping set up the exhibit which could prove, perhaps, that something good could come from something so traumatic. Helping her were fellow Guild representatives Carolin Ann McLane, who also happens to be her sister, and Nancy Hofsommer and

Catherine Byrd. Carolin Ann had a number of contributions to the exhibit. Most of those contributions were watercolors, including a depiction of a rooster, and a number of renderings of flowers. The Guild has about 30 members, according to Agan, and Jesse Nance is the president of the organization, which promotes the arts here in Abbeville County. The group recently had a "paintnic" on Court Square, with people working on their art in the fresh air on a Sunday afternoon of mild temperatures.



The Abbeville Artist Guild is presenting an exhibit at the Welcome Center on Abbeville's Court Square to display art created by Guild members during the coronavirus pandemic. Helping put up the art for the exhibit were (from left) Jane Agan, Catherine Byrd, Nancy Hofsommer and Carolin Ann McLane. (Staff photo by Henry E. Green)

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Obituaries

Barnette

Mary Allen Barnette, 87, formerly of Abbeville, wife of the late Ned Elder Barnette passed away Sunday, October 4, 2020 at The Renaissance in Due West. She was born in Barrow County, GA to the late Charles Frederick Allen and Edna Johnson Allen.



Mary Allen Barnette

A graduate of Winder Barrow High School, Mary participated in basketball during her years there; later, she was involved with local recreational teams. She retired from the Abbeville County School System. Mary enjoyed golf and often played with family and friends. She was a member of Main Street United Methodist Church in Abbeville. Mary's love for family was evident; she cherished the time spent with her grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

two sons, Steve (Karen) Barnette of Holly Springs, NC and Rick (Judy) Barnette of Franklin, TN; five grandchildren, Mandy (David) Hartley, Lindsey (Marc) Johnson, Jessica (Nick) Barit, McKenzie (Grant) Schumpert, and Haley Barnette; and six great-grandchildren.

In addition to her husband and parents, she was preceded in death by three brothers, Herman Allen, Thoyce Allen and Ted Allen. Mary is survived by her

Funeral services will be 11:00AM, Wednesday, October 7, 2020 in the Harris Funeral Home chapel with Rev. Randy Taylor and Rev. Brian Arant officiating. Entombment will follow in

Oakbrook Memorial Park Mausoleum. The family will receive friends immediately following the service. Although you may not be able to join us because of current health concerns, we covet your prayers during this difficult time. The funeral service will be live-streamed and may be viewed by visiting <https://www.harrisfuneral.com/obituary/Mary-Barnette>.

In lieu of flowers, the family respectfully requests memorials, in memory of Mary, are sent to Main Street United Methodist Church, PO Box 656, Abbeville, SC 29620 or to the American Cancer Society, c/o Conway Shirley, 144 Winona Church Road, Donalds, SC 29638.

A message of condolence may be sent to the family by visiting www.harrisfuneral.com.

Harris Funeral Home and Cremation Services of Abbeville is assisting the Barnette family.

Obituaries

Scoggins

Polly Ashley Scoggins, 89, formerly of 101 Pineview St. widow of Marion Scoggins passed away Monday Oct. 5, 2020 at Abbeville Nursing Home.

Born in Honea Path, SC she was a daughter of the late William Turner Ashley and Palmyra Saxon Ashley. Polly was a retired textile employee having worked at the Abbeville Sharon Plant. She was a charter member of Westside Baptist Church. Polly will be remembered for her loving and caring attitude towards other people and her witty personality.

Survivors include: a daughter Janice Hair (James) of Liberty, SC; a son Joe Scoggins (Kathy) of Abbeville, SC; a sister Faye Ramsey of Greenwood, SC; grandchildren Rev. Daniel Scoggins of Texas, David Lawrence (Laura) of Abbeville, SC, Wayne Lawrence of Abbeville, SC, Shane Horton of Abbeville, SC, Chad Scoggins (Andi) of Pelzer, SC, Marian Varnadore (Coley) of Clemson, SC, Christy Hair of Liberty, SC, Gregory Hair Anderson, SC; twelve great-grandchildren and one great-great-grandchild; two nieces Barbara (Bunny) Campbell of Honea Path, SC and Judy Lusk of Honea Path, SC; a nephew Russell Ramsey.

She was preceded in death by a son Jay Scoggins, a granddaughter Aimee Scoggins, two brothers Marvin Ashley, Otis Ashley and sisters Lois Martin, Gertrude Ashley, Louise Able, Agnes Ashley, Doris Davis, Janice Reece and a nephew Larry Ashley.

Graveside services will be conducted Wednesday Oct. 7, 2020 at 11:00 AM in Long Cane Cemetery with the Revs. Daniel Scoggins and Jimmy Tucker officiating. Memorials in memory of Polly may be made to Hospice of the Piedmont, 408 West Alexander Ave. Greenwood, SC 29646 or to Westside Baptist Church Haigler St. Abbeville, SC 29620.

Online condolences may be made to the Scoggins family by visiting www.chandlerjacksonfh.com

The Chandler-Jackson Funeral Home and Cremation Services is assisting the Scoggins family.

Anders

Mr. Larry Franklin Anders, 63, of Deer Track Road, Iva, SC, husband of 21 years to Laurie Hutchison Anders, passed away on Tuesday, September 29, 2020, at his residence.

Mr. Anders was born in Williamston, SC on July 13, 1957, son of Franklin and Dorothy Spearman Anders. He was an avid fisherman and Clemson fan. Larry loved playing his guitar, and above all, was happiest being "Papa" to his grand babies.

In addition to his wife of the home and his parents of Iva, SC, he is survived by his son and daughter-in-law, Bobby and Samantha Mobley of Abbeville, SC; grandchildren: Zach, Chloe, Jackson, Katelyn, Carlee, Weston, and Noah Mobley; honorary grandchild, Brooklyn Smith; and mother-in-law, Faye Hutchison of Calhoun Falls, SC.

Memorial services celebrating Larry's life was held on Saturday, October 3, at

2 o'clock at Faith Harvest Fellowship in Calhoun Falls, SC with the Revs. Michael Ford and Harold Breazle officiating.

The family greeted friends immediately following the service.

Those wishing may sign the online guestbook at www.berryfh.com.

Berry Funeral Home & Crematory of Elberton is respectfully in charge of arrangements for Mr. Larry Franklin Anders.



This display of vintage cars was part of the fun for the bluegrass festival presented by the Lake Russell Recreation and Tourism Coalition at the Calhoun Falls Charter football practice field recently. (Staff photo by Henry E. Green)

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Chris Wayne performed in the alley of the Belmont Inn on the evening of Thursday, Oct. 1, on a picture-perfect evening in the city of Abbeville. (Photo by Henry E. Green)



De la Howe now officially School for Agriculture

By Henry E. Green

It's official. John de la Howe School in McCormick County is now the South Carolina Governor's School for Agriculture at John de la Howe.

Enabling legislation was signed by Governor McMaster designating the school the 3rd Governor's School for the State of South Carolina.

John de la Howe President Tim Keown issued the following statement: "On behalf of our school board, our employees, and our students, we humbly thank the General Assembly and Governor McMaster for working to pass this bill even during the unprecedented times we are experiencing. This is monumental for South Carolina's agricultural industry as we train the future agri-business leaders in our state, and beyond. Our students can now chant, GO

AGGIES!"

John de la Howe has been in many incarnations through the years. As the School for Agriculture, the institution will join South Carolina's two other Governor's Schools—one for the arts and humanities in Greenville, and the other for math and science in Hartsville—in offering specialized instruction.

Keown, meanwhile, has displayed enormous energy in speaking about John de la Howe's new role. He has held the microphone everywhere from the Abbeville County Forest Landowners Association to the Abbeville Rotary Club.

At a fall jubilee presented at the Blue Hole recreation area by the Lake Russell Recreation and Tourism Coalition, he performed with the "John de la Howe Band"—singing and playing the guitar.

Keown also has an Abbeville County connection, having served at one time as a student teacher under now-retired AHS teacher Fred Raines.

The South Carolina Governor's School for Agriculture at John de la Howe "is a public residential high school focused on providing a unique and challenging agricultural education program.

Located on 1,310 acres of forest and farmland, students in grades 10 through 12 "have the opportunity to receive hands on training in the fields of agribusiness, forestry, equipment operation, land management, food science and more."

Keown was asked how the pandemic has affected De la Howe.

"Our students are here on campus," he said. "We are social distancing and wearing masks per CDC and DHEC guidelines."

House week in review

Rep. Craig A. Gagnon, District 11--SC House of Representatives
End of Session
2019-2020

In a flurry of activity this past week, the House and Senate finally got into a rhythm and passed some very important legislation that would have otherwise died in session. This week marked the last time the Legislature is going to meet this session. A new session starts after the election November 3rd.

I voted in the affirmative for the following:

H. 4431. Business License Tax Reform. This long overdue legislation finally passed the House of Representatives Wednesday night with an almost unanimous vote. The Business License Tax Reform Act reforms the way businesses are taxed and allows business owners tax relief while creating a more standardized application process. This legislation also stops the out-of-state contingency fee based private tax collectors from harassing South Carolina businesses.

H. 3780. The Broadband Accessibility Act. This legislation will especially impact our most rural communities and will allow crucial access to virtual school, job training, and telemedicine. This legislation allows the state's Electric Cooperatives to construct broadband into areas they serve.

S. 1071. Firefighter Cancer Healthcare Benefit Plan. This legislation will help cover insurance for firefighters if they are diagnosed with cancer. Before this legislation, South Carolina was one of the few states that did not provide this support to firefighters. The Senate has already approved the bill and now it heads to

Governor McMaster's desk.

CARES Act Funding. The House met with the Senate one last time to finalize details for the second portion of CARES Act funding for South Carolina. This meeting also repurposed unused education funds from the first phase of CARES funding to give schools more PPE, fund Virtual SC, and to provide tutoring for students having difficulties with learning as a result of Covid-19.

S. 719. Both the House and Senate passed a bill that will allow raffles sponsored by non-profit organizations to resume soon. The original legislation, passed five years ago, expired in June when the legislative session was interrupted by the pandemic. That was fixed last week.

S. 207. The House voted unanimously in favor of so those confined to a nursing home won't be penalized by having the property tax on their home reassessed and increased. Their home would continue to be assessed at 4%.

S. 259. The House and Senate passed which will enable improvements to the coordination of disaster response and recovery efforts in South Carolina, building on the final report and recommendations from the Governor's 2019 Floodwater Commission. This legislation creates a State Resilience Office which will provide a clear path for understanding flood hazards and taking action to reduce exposure to flooding across the state.

In a rather unfortunate turn, the House was on the brink of passing a real win for the Second Amendment this week but unfortunately it did not pass. S. 293 would have allowed members of a church who meet in a school to carry a gun with a valid

CWP. This important piece of gun legislation was killed when it was attempted to be amended at the last second — by an avid pro-gun rights supporter, no less! This blunder led to an "adjourn debate" motion forcing it to the back of the calendar unable to be voted on before the session ended.

This legislative session has been strange and unlike any other. When the pandemic forced the session to a screeching halt in mid-March, it also stopped much urgent legislation from moving forward. This agenda included massive education reform legislation, the fate of Santee Cooper, and of course the 2020-21 budget that included everything from teachers' raises to improvements for our correctional facilities.

Instead of working to that end, we were tasked with allocating Covid-19 relief money and related legislation to ensure safety amid a pandemic. With the unexpected economic problems that arose this year, the legislature found it best to listen to budget forecasters' concerns and not spend any new money until we are more certain of the economic future. I am hopeful that come January we will be able to accomplish everything that we had to set aside this year.

Thank you all for your support! As always, it is an honor to serve you in the General Assembly.

If you ever find yourself in need of assistance with state government, or if you have ideas on issues you want me to share with my colleagues in the House, please don't hesitate to contact me at home at (864) 366-4112 or in Columbia at (803) 212-6934 or by email at craiggagnon@schouse.gov.



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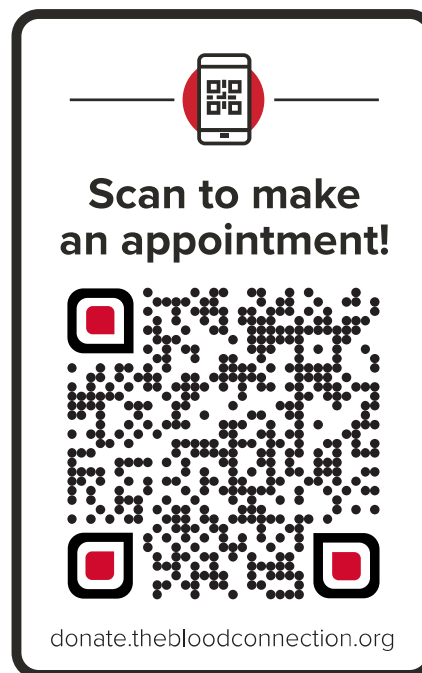
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Coalition presents music festival

By Henry E. Green

The Lake Russell Recreation and Tourism Coalition held a music festival Saturday at the practice field of the Calhoun Falls Charter School, an event featuring bluegrass, gospel and contemporary music, according to Ken Tinsley, a Coalition member.

People brought lawn chairs and sat out on the practice field to listen to the Little Roy and Lizzy Show, from Georgia.

The Wayfaring Strangers, from the Due West area, also performed.

Among those on hand were some newcomers--Steve and Kathy Snyder, who are originally from Pennsylvania but who moved to Calhoun Falls recently.

Nearby there was a display of vintage cars, and you could find Mike Brandt

of Calhoun Falls driving a "kiddie train" for the entertainment of the little ones.

If you got hungry, you could make use of the concessions table, where the slate of yummy things included hot dogs, peanuts, and popcorn.

According to one estimate, there were about 300 people in attendance, Tinsley said.

"We asked everyone to wear masks, and social distancing on the grid that had been set up on the field," he said.

The event had no admission charge, "thanks to the financial sponsors of the Lake Russell Coalition," and took the place of the fall jubilee normally held by the Coalition in October, Tinsley continued.

This event is sponsored primarily by Abbeville Area Medical Center, Abbeville

First Bank, WCTel and several other sponsors, Tinsley said.

The Coalition is an all volunteer organization that seeks to raise awareness of the recreational and tourism potential of Lake Russell.

The organization, which has a core group of about one dozen volunteers, and then others who help out with various Coalition events, has been in existence for approximately 13 years, Tinsley said.

It does this through various events, such as the Lake Russell Hustle, a 5K event held in mid-March at the Blue Hole recreation area in Calhoun Falls.

"We can use additional members and volunteers, and anyone is welcome to help us out," he said.



This bluegrass festival recently presented by the Lake Russell Recreation and Tourism Coalition included this concessions table, with hot dogs, peanuts, popcorn and other goodies. (Staff photo by Henry E. Green)



Happy people in lawn chairs listened to the Little Roy and Lizzy Show at the Oct. 3 bluegrass festival presented by the Lake Russell Recreation and Tourism Coalition at the Calhoun Falls Charter practice field, on a sunny day with mild temperatures. (Staff photo by Henry E. Green)

Courthouse to be closed to voting on Election Day

By Henry E. Green

Not all of Abbeville County's voting precincts will be open for the general election on Nov. 3.

"This is due to the fact that court is being held at the Courthouse on Election Day," said Kim London, Abbeville County voter registration and elections director Thursday.

She explained that the voting area in the Courthouse would be on the first floor, directly under the courtroom on the second floor, and any noise from the voting area

might cause a distraction in the Courtroom.

Also, parking would be very limited for voters. Therefore, they are moving the voting from the Courthouse to the Abbeville County Administrative Complex.

Abbeville Number Two is the voting precinct which typically votes at the Courthouse.

These voters will be casting ballots at the County Complex on Election Day.

Abbeville Two has a total of 1,568 registered voters. Abbeville Three, with 1,354

registered voters, votes at the Complex.

"They will be combined on Nov. 3," said London.

"We're encouraging voters that can to vote absentee," she said.

They may do this in one of two ways--voting absentee in person at the County Complex by Nov. 2 at 5 p.m., or voting absentee by mail, London continued.

For more information, one may call the Abbeville County voter registration and elections office at 366-2400, extension 53.

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The Abbeville County Planning Commission, as authorized by the Zoning Ordinance of Abbeville County, SC will hold a public hearing at 6pm on Wednesday, October 21, 2020, in Council Chambers, 903 W. Greenwood St., on the following application for rezoning:

- 1.) Application by Bill Quarles, LLC. of 1616 Calhoun Rd, Greenwood, SC 29649 for rezoning of a portion of property owned by Jessica Leigh Corley and located between Hwy 72 and Mill Rd. N. in Abbeville County adjacent to the Greenwood County Line from a district of Forest Agricultural (FA) to one of General Commercial (GC). The property in question is identified by TMS# 112-00-00-026 and consists of approximately 8.09 acres. The proposed rezoning would change the entire 8.09 acres to a designation of GC. Uses allowed in the proposed new district include retail or wholesale businesses, and mini-warehouse/self-storage facilities.

Documents related to this application for rezoning are available for public inspection in the office of the County Planner/Zoning Administrator at 903 W. Greenwood St., County Admin. Complex, Abbeville, SC 29620.

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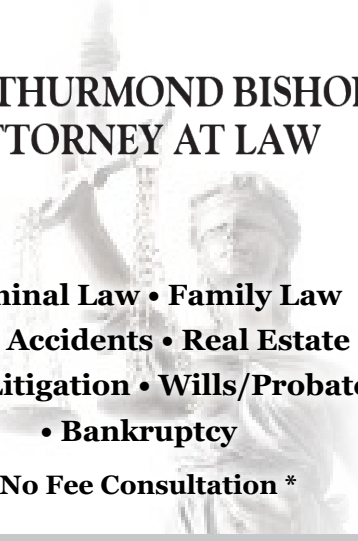


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Sports & Recreation



Panther running back Tyrell Haddon (4) catches a pass from Abbeville quarterback Thomas Beauford during the Panthers 56-0 victory over Woodland last Friday night at Hite Stadium in Abbeville. (Photo by Shawn M. Knox)

AHS football Panthers cruise to 56-0 victory over Woodland

By Henry E. Green

Abbeville High School rolled to an easy victory over Woodland in varsity football action Friday night at Hite Stadium, 56-0, providing a happy homecoming for Panther fans.

The Panthers scored early and often, and they were helped by a number of Wolverine turnovers, thanks in large part to a tenacious and opportunistic defense.

J'Marion Burton scored on a six-yard run early in the first quarter for the Panthers, setting the tone for an AHS offensive blitzkrieg that reminded one observer of Abbeville's victory over West Oak the week before.

The Panthers' second touchdown came with 6:28 in the first quarter, when Ty'rell Haddon scored on a 23-yard run, closing out a five-play drive that started near mid-field.

AHS led 14-0, but the Panthers' first quarter scoring was not over.

Zae Rayford picked off

a Woodland pass, giving AHS the ball at the Wolverines' 16. Two plays later, Ty Cade scored on a 15-yard run, and AHS led 21-0 with 2:25 left in the first quarter.

Cruz Temple found the end zone on a five-yard run with 10:11 in the second quarter, concluding a seven-play drive that started at the AHS 17.

The drive featured a smooth, 57-yard pass play from AHS quarterback Thomas Beauford to Navi Marshall.

AHS led 28-0 with 10:11 in the second quarter.

Martico Jackson scored on a 14-yard run to put the home team up 35-0 with 6:43 in the second quarter.

The score capped a four-play drive set up when AHS recovered a Woodland pass around the Abbeville 25.

The visitors did show flashes of brilliance at times. In the second quarter, a 58-yard Woodland pass completion gave the Wolverines something to

cheer about at the Ab-

beville 14, but two plays later, Abbeville recovered a fumble at the Panther 20, and several plays later Navi Marshall electrified the crowd with a 54-yard touchdown run with about 50 seconds left in the first half.

AHS led 42-0 at the half. Cruz Temple scored on a 14-yard fumble recovery with 7:29 in the third quarter, and the Panthers were up 49-0.

Martico Jackson closed out the scoring with a six-yard run to make the score 56-0 with 9:33 left in the game.

The clock ran for much of the fourth quarter, just as it did for the West Oak game.

Navi Marshall led the way with 154 yard on 11 carries, according to published reports.

AHS quarterback Thomas Beauford was two for seven for 89 yards.

"I was really impressed with the way we responded," said AHS head football coach Jamie Nickles following the game.

Panthers to host school from North Carolina

By Henry E. Green

Abbeville High will host Christ School from Arden, North Carolina, this coming Friday night at 6:30 p.m.

Christ School, a private institution, is located in the Asheville, N.C. area, and is a boarding school, said AHS head football coach Jamie Nickles.

"They recruit nationally," he said. "They have on their roster kids from all over America."

The quarterback is very good, and so are their offensive and defensive lines.

"They're a spread team," said Nickles, adding that he is very impressed with the program.

Christ School and Abbeville were both looking for opponents to play, said Nickles, adding that AHS athletic director Maggie Jameson was instrumental in setting up the game.

"While I was in London with my All American Cheerleaders, our chaperone was an Athletic Trainer from Asheville, NC," Jameson said. "We have stayed in touch with him since and he reached out last week for his AD because they had a by week and it just happened to work out for us to play them this week. They have a really good football program, and we hope for it to be a good game!"

"They're a really, really

good football team," Nickles said.

Charter will travel to Dixie Friday night for a 7:30 p.m. contest.

Abbeville is coming off a victory over Woodland, from Dorchester County. The Panthers cruised to a 56-0 victory over the Wolverines before a homecoming crowd at Hite Stadium.

Both the Hornets and the Flashes, meanwhile, are coming off losses--Calhoun Falls Charter to McCormick and Dixie to Southside Christian--and would love to have something in the W column.

Abbeville is actually 2-0 on the season, with an opening win at West Oak.



Abbeville linebackers Ty Cade (15) and Luke Evans (33) team up to stop a Woodland ball carrier during the Panthers' 56-0 victory over the Wolverines last Friday night at Hite Stadium in Abbeville. (Photo by Shawn M. Knox)



Abbeville running back Navi Marshall (21) fights off a Woodland defender to help set up a Panther touchdown during Abbeville's 56-0 victory over the Wolverines last Friday night at Hite Stadium in Abbeville. (Photo by Shawn M. Knox)

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Calhoun Falls Charter School hosted their first home conference game of the football season against McCormick's Chiefs at Fulmer Stadium Friday, Oct. 2 at 7:30 p.m. (Photo by Amanda Smith)

Calhoun Falls Charter Flashes fall to Chiefs

By Henry E. Green
McCormick defeated Calhoun Falls Charter 53-6 Friday night in Calhoun Falls. Marquise Turman scored the lone touchdown for the Flashes, who fell to 0-1 on the season. "We faked a punt and he caught a 74-yard touchdown pass," said Watts about the Turman touchdown. That score came in the second quarter of the game. McCormick "led from the

get-go," said the Calhoun Falls Charter coach. "We had a lot of fumbles," he said. There were also many missed assignments among the Flashes. The Chiefs scored six rushing touchdowns, and one on passing. "They had over 200 yards rushing," he said. Turman, for the Flashes, also had an interception, and Jamarri Norman had a number of tackles, and per-

formed well defensively, and Kyrece Cade had a good night on the defensive line. This was a Region contest, and Calhoun Falls Charter will face another when the Flashes go to Dixie this Friday. Game time is 7:30 p.m. "I think (head Dixie coach) Vic Lollis has done a great job up there," he said, adding that the Hornets are a very physical team, and they like to run.



Blue Flashes football fans enjoyed the first home game of the season at Fulmer Stadium Friday, Oct. 2 against McCormick, with social distancing guidelines in place. (Photo by Amanda Smith)

Ron Dye winner of this week's football contest

By Henry E. Green
Ron Dye is the winner this week of the Press and Banner football contest. Contest Editor Lamar T. West broke it down for us. "Mr. Tie Breaker was back at work," he said. "Three entries missed only two picks. Dane Sanders guessed 750 points, Wanda Partridge guessed 825 points and Rod Dye from Elberton, GA guessed 857 points. There were, per our calculations, 855 points scored in the 15 games making. Ron Dye is the winner per tie breaker rule. Two entries missed only three picks -- Stephen

Partridge and Julie Dye. "Only one person picked South Carolina to beat Florida. Being a Gamecock Fan, we appreciate the thought, but it was a long shot." Yes, indeed it was. We believe Florida would have won anyway, but there was one series of plays in the third quarter that really threw us for a loop. Carolina seemed to be mounting an impressive drive when the Gamecocks shot themselves in the foot with a holding call, a delay of game penalty, and then, to top it all off, a fumble in South Carolina territory.

The Gators took advantage of the miscues to mount a drive that resulted in a touchdown on a shortened field. On the other hand, you have to give the Gamecocks a little credit. Florida IS the third-ranked team in the country, and Carolina has one of the toughest schedules in the nation. In other news, Clemson defeated Virginia to no one's big surprise, but the game was not one of total domination. Maybe the Charming Kitties were looking ahead to their game with powerful Miami.



The Abbeville High School varsity football team takes the field for their first home game of the season at Hite Stadium and Dennis Botts field. The Panthers had little trouble disposing of Woodland 56-0. (Photo by Shawn M. Knox)



Panther running back Martico Jackson (35) crosses the goal line for an Abbeville touchdown during the Panthers 56-0 victory over Woodland last Friday night at Hite Stadium in Abbeville. (Photo by Shawn M. Knox)

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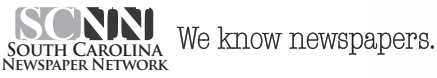


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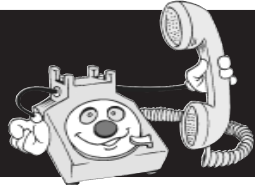
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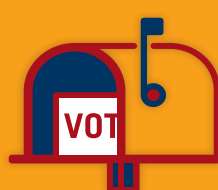
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