



"Liberty lies in the hearts of men and women; when it dies there, no constitution, no law, no court can save it."

City Council tackles variety of topics

By Henry E. Green

Abbeville City Council met Wednesday night, tackling topics from business licenses to Fair Housing Month. City of Abbeville Mayor Trey Edwards read aloud a proclamation making April Donate Life Month. The proclamation emphasized the value of organ and tissue donations. Council passed second reading on an ordinance to amend the current fiscal year budget to transfer hospitality funds for the Adams Drive sidewalk project. Council passed first reading on an ordinance amending the business license ordinance of the City, in conjunction with the 2022 Model Business License Ordinance the City Council had adopted last year. The Model License had been developed by the Municipal Association of South

Carolina. Council passed first reading on an ordinance updating procedures related to the administration of the City. The City's personnel structure of City management and position titles have changed over time, and it is necessary to update the position titles required for various duties in the City administration. Council passed resolution declaring April of 2022 to be Fair Housing Month. Council approved the awarding of a contract for financing of the Lowndesville tie in project to Abbeville First Bank. "This project will facilitate the Electrical Tie In Point at Lowndesville, helping to reduce the number and duration of outages experienced by the City's electrical customers," Stone said. The tie-in is a connection

between two utility systems—those of Duke Energy and the City. Council granted approval for Stone to move into the Request for Proposals portion of the Adams Drive project and receive submittals from four firms. Council also granted Stone approval to enter negotiations with the firm of Kleinschmidt for consulting services regarding the relicensing of the Rocky River Hydro Dam. The final contract will come back to Council for approval, Stone said. Council was informed about funding from the County Transportation Committee for City road projects, and heard an update also on the McGowan Avenue water line project. (See related story.)

Abbeville High School student Gia Mentis was among the AHS students helping to plant flowers on the Square in Abbeville recently. (Staff photo by Henry E. Green)



Pretty things 'Summer planting' now complete in Abbeville's Court Square, Dixon said

By Henry E. Green

The beautification of the Square continued last week, with Mary Dixon of Abbeville teaming up with AHS agriculture teacher Katie Finley and a number of AHS students planting a number of beautiful things in the heart of the city. Dixon, Finley and the students gathered on the Square on the afternoon of April 13. Dixon described it all later on Facebook:

"Summer planting is complete in the Square, thanks to the help of AHS Agriculture students," she posted. "We purchased all the flowers from local vendors - sedum from Divine Your Space, coleus from Abbeville High School plant sale, begonias and verbena and dusty miller from Ferguson's Produce. No changes were made to the courthouse planters nor the Veterans Memorial gardens. The lilac is blooming in the camellia

garden to the left of the courthouse." Dixon and Finley have been involved not only in efforts to beautify the Square but in a recent project to beautify the grounds of the McGowan-Barksdale-Bundy House on North Main in Abbeville. The project at the house has involved garden club members as well as students, in an effort to create a "heritage garden" in front of the house.



Deborah Ayers is retiring from Abbeville County Adult Education. (Staff photo by Henry E. Green)

Mission complete Deborah Ayers retires from Adult Ed

By Henry E. Green

Deborah Ayers, the Adult Education Coordinator for the Abbeville County School District, is retiring. Ayers has been the heart and soul of Abbeville County Adult Education for many years, and during her time at the helm "Adult Ed" has won numerous awards. "My last day will be June 30, 2022," she said. "I began with Abbeville County Adult Education in August 1990, so I have been with the district for over 31 years now. "We have always had an excellent success rate for the number of students enrolled," Ayers said Wednesday. "We've had a son and a mother graduate together," she said. "We've had grandparents graduate." Graduates have ranged in age from 17 to 74. "I feel like Adult Ed has been a mission for me," she said. "And there have been just so many oppor-

tunities I've had to make a difference." "I've lived here my entire life," she said. She graduated from Abbeville High School, and she has two children--Brad, who lives in Knoxville, Tennessee, and Jennifer, who lives in Abbeville. She also has seven grandchildren. Her husband Jimmy passed away in December of last year. As of Wednesday, 70 people were enrolled in Adult Ed, and there are six staff members, in addition to two child care workers. "We provide free bus transportation in the city limits of Abbeville," she said. "Our child care center is located on site, and there's no charge for parents to bring their preschool children to the site while their parents are in class. "We offer a family literacy program, and it's been proven that the educational level of the parent, specifically the

mother, is a good indicator of how far the child will go in school. "So our goal is to increase the educational level of the parent, so we can make a difference in the next generation." Adult Ed covers a variety of educational offerings, from literacy classes, basic skills for those who just need to brush up, GED classes, and high school diploma classes, according to Ayers. "We're also able to offer integrated education and training to help students with a career. "We also are able to work on career readiness certification, which helps many times with being able to get hired on a job." "We also offer Parapro testing, and training which helps those who would like to work as a teacher's aide in the school system." Brandi Sears will be the new adult education director, said Ayers.

These Abbeville High School students, under the direction of Katie Finley and Mary Dixon, planted flowers on Abbeville's Court Square recently. (Staff photo by Henry E. Green)



Council hears update on various projects

By Henry E. Green

Abbeville City Council heard an update Wednesday night on some transportation and utility projects the City is pursuing. "At the March 14, 2022 CTC meeting the City was awarded \$225,000 for the repaving of Raymond and Johnson roads," City Manager Blake Stone told City Council Wednesday night, noting that the repaving will involve variable milling with full depth patching and a 3.5" overlay, he went on to say. "Work is set to begin later this year," he said.

Meanwhile, work on the McGowan Avenue water line is proceeding on schedule and should be fully completed in the next six to eight weeks, Stone told Council. "Crews have completed the work up to just shy of Henry Street," he said. **Background** The CTC is the County Transportation Committee, which allocates money derived from a state fuel tax and distributed to the various counties in South Carolina. The money is used for transportation-related projects. The members of the County

Transportation Committee are the same as those of Abbeville County Council. Construction on McGowan got underway in early March, according to Mike Clary, Deputy Administrative Officer with the City. The project takes in the installation of a new water line to serve McGowan Avenue and the surrounding areas. Out of the projects budget of \$775,000; \$575,000 is being covered through a grant. Technically it is a "principle forgiveness loan" but it functions as a grant, Clary said.



Dixie High School students Kaitlyn Caldwell (left) and Katie McGaha (right) showed off a goat during the recent Dixie High School Farm Day, which drew students from Diamond Hill and Cherokee Trail elementary school students for an “

Abbeville County School District Crocker to be new Director of Instruction

By Henry E. Green

Elizabeth Crocker, currently an English teacher at Dixie High School, will become the Abbeville County School District's new Director of Instruction and Accountability, for the secondary section of instruction, according to Abbeville County School District Superintendent Dr. Mason Gary.

Brandi Sears, who had been serving as the Director of Instruction and Accountability, will become the new Adult Education Director, and Deborah Ayers, who has been a mainstay of Adult Education for more than three decades, is retiring.

Dionne Ashley will continue to supervise the elementary portion of instruction for the District. Sears had

supervised the secondary portion, the Superintendent continued.

The changes will all become effective on July 1.

Crocker is well respected by her peers and has won acclaim in the classroom as well, according to Dr. Gary.

Ayers, meanwhile, recently voiced her perspective on how Adult Education has changed through the years. “Abbeville County Adult Education has been an award-winning program for many years,” she said.

The recipient of the South Carolina Adult Education Administrative Assistant of the year 2016-2017, she said that she has seen many changes in adult education over her career.

Ayers said that when she

first started, classes were held at night in local schools. As the program grew, the program moved to six donated portables behind the Abbeville County School District Office. She said she remembered thinking that if the “termites stopped holding hands, the buildings would collapse!”

In 2012, district leadership soon renovated the second floor of the district office for adult education, which is where the program is located today, she continued.

According to Ayers, a quick count reveals that around a thousand students have graduated with either a GED or High School Diploma since she began working in adult education.

‘Yes, and’ Abbeville Rotarians learn about transformational leadership

By Henry E. Green

Transformational leadership is not something you can neatly define, Mike Mahaffey of Stoll Industries will tell you.

“Putting aside your differences to work for the common good” might come close, though.

It is a process which got started in Abbeville in January with a class on transformational leadership.

That class was led by Taylor Ford, who lives in Texas and Cincinnati, and Ford provided instruction on ways to get people to start communicating, to start trusting each other, and to start working together—all in a spirit of diversity and inclusiveness.

Mahaffey recently spoke to Abbeville County Rotarians about leadership and its implications.

Ford works with John W. Stephenson to foster a spirit of communication and barrier-breaking in communities.

A gathering was recently held on Abbeville's Court

Square on a recent Sunday afternoon in this spirit of transformational leadership, Mahaffey told Rotarians.

Part worship service, part potluck dinner, the event drew a crowd estimated at between 100 and 200 people.

According to Mahaffey, transformational leadership is something that has worked in places such as Cincinnati.

Mahaffey started out his presentation by mentioning a mission trip to Haiti.

“Haiti is a beautiful country,” he said.

He went on to dispel the myth that Haitians are lazy. On the contrary, Haitians are hard-working people, he said, showing photographs of Haitians breaking up rocks in order to make gravel to sell.

Mahaffey is a good friend of Wilder Ferreira, a Brazilian-born Clemson educator who has worked closely with the Freshwater Coast Community Foundation.

“He’s my Brazilian brother,” said Mahaffey.

Working with a branch of Stoll Industries that supports various ministries, including a number of foreign countries such as Thailand.

Mahaffey helps review applications for funding from various organizations.

Now Stoll is a supporter of what he called the community transformation initiative.

“It’s hard to define because every community is different,” he said.

Faith-based and non-denominational in character, transformational leadership is an exercise in changing hearts and minds.

He suggested that the Rotary Club would do well to be more diversified, to look more like Abbeville County. Inclusiveness.

Trust. Communication.

To Mahaffey, it’s all a part of changing “Yea, but,” to “Yes, and.”

Dixie students bring ‘farm’ to school

By Henry E. Green

Dixie High School presented Farm Day Thursday, bringing in about 75 fourth graders from Diamond Hill and Cherokee Trail elementary schools to learn about the value of agriculture.

Coordinated by Dixie agriculture teacher Josh Murock, Farm Day included a number of exhibits dealing with everything from beekeeping to livestock to recycling.

There was even what

may have been the world’s largest “ear of corn,” with kernels made of Styrofoam and plastic milk jugs.

There was a machine where you could simulate milking a cow, and nearby there were live animals, including cattle, goats, and at least one enormously charming rabbit.

Dixie agriculture students were on hand to provide guidance, as well as information on all things agri-

cultural.

The event was not unlike the Farm/City Day which has been held at the Abbeville County Agriculture Building every year in recent years.

That gathering draws elementary school students from throughout the County to experience the joy of encounters with live animals, and to learn about agriculture and related topics such as beekeeping.



Fourth graders from Cherokee Trail and Diamond Hill Elementary Schools learned about milking a cow through this milking simulation apparatus at Dixie’s Farm Day recently. Dixie students Landon Mitchell (left) and Daniel Bauman (right) showed off the “cow” to the kids. (Staff photo by Henry E. Green)

Garden club council to have flower show

By Henry E. Green

The Abbeville Council of Garden Clubs will sponsor a Spring Festival Flower Show during the Abbeville Spring Festival, according to Mary Alice Hall, Council president and flower show chairman.

The flower show will be open to the public Friday, May 13, from 4:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. and will also be open May 14 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

The title of the flower show is “It’s About Time”.

“It’s about time to bring the flower show back to Abbeville during the Spring Festival,” she said.

“It is easy to find us. However, we are at a new lo-

cation--Abbeville Veterans Memorial Foundation--at 200 Long Branch,” she said.

This location is about one block and a half from the Square.

“We look forward to local people bringing horticulture exhibits,” she said. These exhibits may be entered in the show on May 12 from 6 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. and on May 13 from 8:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.

Exhibits of other types are pre-arranged with the flower show committee.

“This year horticulture exhibits will be displayed in clear glass bottles,” she said.

Those planning to present horticulture exhibits need

to provide their own clear bottles.

The last Spring Festival flower show was held in 2015.

Considerable effort has been put into making this a successful flower show.

Hall’s flower show co-chair is Mary Lynn Lyle of Abbeville.

All of the members of the Garden Club Council are working hard to make the show a success.

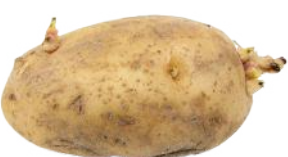
“We have nine judges coming from throughout the state (to judge the flower show),” she said. They are all nationally accredited flower show judges.



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A blaze on McGowan Avenue in Abbeville recently damaged a house, but no injuries were reported (Photo courtesy of Chuck Bagwell)

Fire damages McGowan Avenue home

A blaze damaged a home on McGowan Avenue in Abbeville on Thursday, April 14, according to Chris Clemmons, Abbeville City fire chief.

The call for the fire came in at 9:17 a.m., and City of Abbeville fire fighters responded.

Upon arriving on the scene they found that the fire was 30 percent to 40 percent

involved, with the blaze coming from two rooms.

The occupants had already left the house by the time the fire fighters arrived, Clemmons continued.

One team of fire fighters fought the fire, and another team searched the house for occupants, not knowing the occupants had already left.

The fire was extinguished

in about 10 minutes, and fire fighters remained on the scene for about an hour and a half "to look for hot spots" so that the fire would not begin again.

No injuries were reported from the blaze, which was fought by 13 fire fighters. The cause of the fire was at press time unknown, Clemmons said.

Powell sentenced to 3 consecutive life-without-parole terms plus 30 years for Greenwood murders

A Greenwood man pleaded guilty and was sentenced to three life sentences without parole plus an additional consecutive 30 years for the murder of three family members in August of last year, 8th Circuit Solicitor David M. Stumbo announced on Friday morning. According to a recent news release from the 8th Circuit Solicitor David M. Stumbo's office.

Jeffrey David Powell, 37, of 101 Heddy Road, Greenwood, pleaded guilty on Friday morning to three counts of murder and one count of attempted murder. Circuit Judge Donald Hocker accepted the negotiated sentence of three life sentences plus 30 years in maximum security after hearing the facts of the case from Solicitor Stumbo on behalf of the Sheriff's investigators and the surviving victims and family members.

In morning hours of August 2, 2021, Greenwood County deputies were dispatched to the Heddy Road residence after receiving a report of four people being shot. Deputies found three people deceased at the scene and an 8-year-old

boy with gunshot wounds to his ear and hand. The 8-year-old victim was able to make his way to a neighbor's house to make the 911 call after hiding in a bathroom for several hours after hearing the final shots Powell fired. Deputies were able to determine that Powell shot and killed his grandfather, 56-year-old Randy Perkins, his first cousin, 32-year-old Megan Dinkins, and Dinkins' 11-year-old daughter, Shea Dinkins. All four victims resided at the Heddy Road residence, which Perkins owned.

Investigators were able to track Powell within hours of receiving the 911 call. Powell used the cell phones of the victims to transfer funds which he used to pay for an Uber ride to Greenville-Spartanburg International Airport where he caught a flight to Jacksonville, Fla. With crime scene and technical assistance from State Law Enforcement Division investigators, Greenwood County investigators were able to locate Powell at a Red Roof Inn in Jacksonville. Powell was taken into custody without incident.

Solicitor Stumbo and Deputy Solicitor Yates Brown prosecuted the case for the state, with assistance from 8th Circuit Investigators Blake Moore and Michael Cox and Victim Advocates Rhetta Smith and Sarah Parris. Powell was represented by Boyd Young from the Capital Litigation Division of the S.C. Office of Indigent Defense and the 8th Circuit Public Defender's Office.

Solicitor Stumbo praised the work of Greenwood County Sheriff Dennis Kelly and his investigators in securing the conviction and life sentences.

"The Sheriff and I are extremely proud of the fantastic work by our dedicated officers who brought this investigation to a swift conclusion, in spite of the obstacles that they faced, in detaining this killer within hours of this incident in another state," Solicitor Stumbo said following the sentencing. "Hopefully the surviving child victim, and the rest of the families of those so senselessly murdered, will find some closure in the midst of their grief that this man will never see the light of day again."



Bray'Z Quesadillas and More celebrated their grand opening with a ribbon cutting recently, hosted by the Greater Abbeville Chamber of Commerce. Located at 201 S. Main St. in Due West, this new restaurant features classics like pizza, wings, subs, pasta, and burgers, in addition to specialty quesadillas, and is owned by the Williford family. Chamber members, business owners, and community leaders gathered to welcome them to Abbeville County. (Submitted by the Greater Abbeville Chamber of Commerce)



This "train" helped entertain fourth graders from Cherokee Trail and Diamond Hill elementary schools during Dixie High School's recent Farm Day. (Staff photo by Henry E. Green)



Grant Partain got ready for Easter on Dixie's recent Farm Day, as he held this very furry bunny. (Staff photo by Henry E. Green)

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Some products may have extended delays



Mary Brock (standing) spoke to Abbeville Lions recently about the Institute for Engaged Aging, and Lions president Sandi Hood (left) was among those listening. (Staff photo by Henry E. Green)

Clemson program focuses on aging

By Henry E. Green
Growing old isn't for the faint of heart.

While the golden years can be daunting, Mary Brock is here to tell you how to grow old just a little more gracefully. Mary is from Clemson University's Institute for Engaged Aging, and she spoke to Abbeville Lions Thursday night about the work of the Institute. America, she told the Lions, is a land where the number of senior citizens is growing exponentially. By 2035, there will be more senior citizens than children. And the number of adults

65 and older is expected to double to almost 20 percent of the population by 2030. Similarly, Alzheimer's is a disease which is projected to touch more and more people in the coming years. How can senior citizens keep their minds fit and trim? How can they maintain their cognitive health? Well, there are ways to do this, Brock said. Brock, who grew up in Clemson, graduated from Montreat College with a bachelors degree, and received a masters degree from Nevada-Reno. The Institute for Engaged Aging aims to discover,

develop and disseminate best practices for engaged aging through research, education, and community outreach, according to its Website. Institute initiatives will enable older adults to be engaged in family and community living regardless of their social, economic or health status, according to its Website. The Institute looks for ways to find ways to help seniors stay healthy as they age, for example, and works with a variety of partners, such as Prysma Health.

Mary Brock (right), recruitment and retention coordinator with Clemson University's Institute for Engaged Aging, was the guest speaker at a recent Abbeville Lions meeting. Among those in attendance was her mother, Mary Lou Edens (left) of Abbeville. (Staff photo by Henry E. Green)



Community calendar

National Day of Prayer
Main Street UMC will be hosting three separate National Day of Prayer gatherings on Thursday, May 5th. We invite individuals from throughout the community

to gather with us either at 8:00 a.m., 12:00 p.m., or 5:30 p.m., as we pray for our nation during these difficult days. **Hospital board to meet**

The Abbeville Area Medical Center Board of Trustees meeting is scheduled for Monday, April 25, at the Abbeville Area Medical Center, and it will also be held virtually as well.

Wish you were here

We're already missing Betty White

By Henry E. Green
Betty White came close--oh, so close--to making it to 100. If she had achieved that marker, it would have been one more milestone in a life filled with milestones. She was many things to many people. Betty, who died at the tail end of December at the age of 99, had a way of making the characters she played especially endearing. As the deliciously wicked Sue Ann Nivens on "The Mary Tyler Moore Show,"

she made you chuckle, and appreciate the irony--beneath the "happy homemaker" exterior was a roaring volcano of fleshly desire. Sue Ann was anything but naive, but it was fun to see Betty flip the coin and play someone on "The Golden Girls" who was the very picture of naivete. She hosted "Saturday Night Live," and stole the show in "Hot in Cleveland." White was "wonderful," said Ann Davis of Abbeville. "I liked her in 'Hot in Cleveland,'" said Davis.

White, however, was much more than simply a very, very funny lady. "She was a wonderful supporter of the care and well-being of animals," said Davis. Davis is president of the Greater Abbeville Humane Society, and she welcomed people to make donations to the Society in memory of Betty White. Donations to the Society may be made at Post Office Box 256, Abbeville, South Carolina 29620.

Watch!

Pastor Deborah Chiles launches series of special prayer services

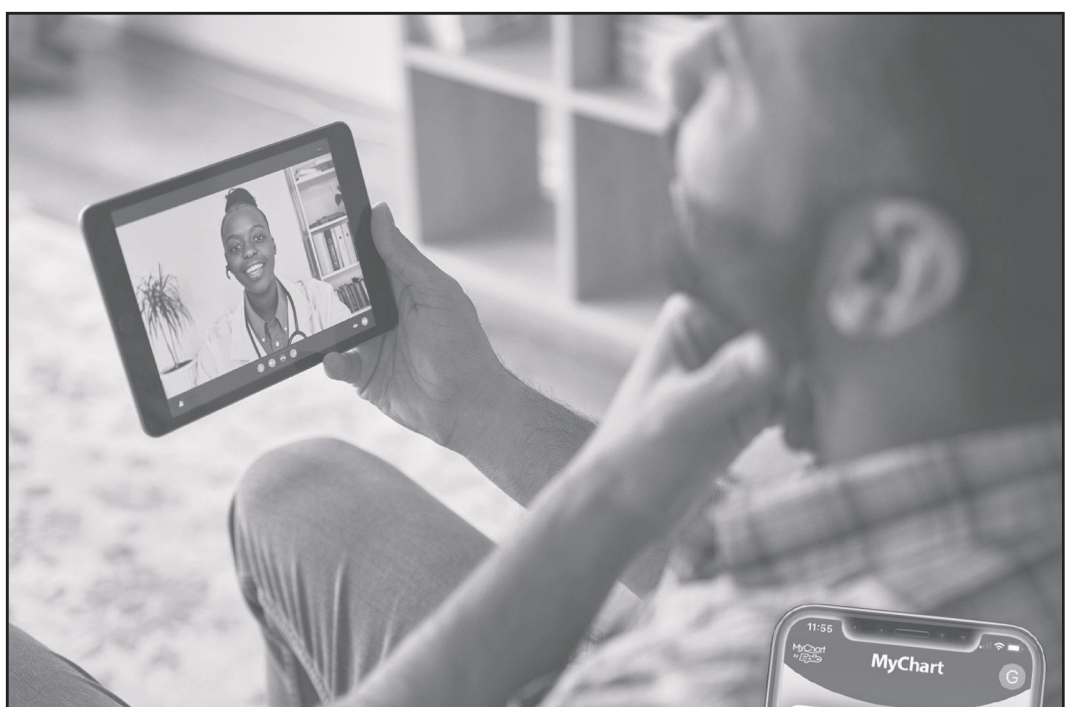
By Henry E. Green
Jesus commands his followers in Luke 21:36 to "watch and pray." Pastor Deborah Chiles is planning "The Watch," a prayer service based on Christ's admonitions in that 21st chapter of the Gospel of Luke. That chapter of Luke deals largely with the "end times," she said recently. Jesus challenged his followers to be on the lookout for conditions that He said would signal his second coming. Nations will rise against nations, and there will be plagues and earthquakes. Chiles said that the Covid 19 pandemic could be a major sign, as part of a cluster of ominous events. "We're having these things

back to back now," she said. Plagues, she notes, are nothing new to human history, but COVID is worldwide in scope. Given these events, it is the responsibility of spiritual leaders to warn the people to be prepared. To Chiles, it is not unlike ancient times, when watchmen would stand on the walls of a city and keep watch. They would warn the inhabitants of the city of impending danger. "God always required his leadership to warn the people," she said. Chiles is continuing this month something she launched in January--a "watch" service devoted to prayer. "Each month we will be having a "watch service" at

the Life Center at 763 Highway 28 Bypass, she said. It is always on the last Friday of the month, from 9 p.m. to 3 a.m., and this month's service will be on April 29. Chiles is patterning the service on the "watches" from ancient times, with the guards on the walls of ancient cities. "People who pray understand watches," she said. Teams of people will take turns praying. "We usually have about 50 people," at these watch services, she said. The public is invited, and for more information, one may call 864-828-1884 or visit the Website thelegacynetwork864.com or email thelegacynetwork864@gmail.com



Pastor Deborah Chiles recently talked about a series of "watch" services at the Life Center in Abbeville. (Staff photo by Henry E. Green)



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Ranking Member Scott Releases Senior Housing Report

WASHINGTON - This week, U.S. Senate Special Committee on Aging Ranking Member Tim Scott (R-S.C.) released a report titled "Housing for the Golden Years," which examines current trends and gaps in affordable and accessible senior housing.

"Seniors and people with disabilities comprise more than half of public housing residents today, but accessible units remain far too limited," said

Senator Scott. "Having a place to call home is part of the American Dream. As our senior population increases, we must increase safe and affordable housing options for those in their golden years."

In addition to current trends and gaps in senior housing, the report also examines how the public and private sectors can help meet housing challenges for older Americans. Several of the

programs and policies discussed in the report include:

The Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) Supportive Housing for the Elderly; Medicaid Home Modifications; Manufactured Housing; Public Housing; Reverse Mortgages; Broadband Connectivity; Increasing taxpayer return on investment for housing assistance, and Opportunity Zones.

The Propaganda Matrix

By Geoff Hult

The primary definition of information is: Facts provided or learned about something or someone. The definition of propaganda is: information of a biased or misleading nature, used to promote or publicize a particular political cause or point of view. If our mass media really were in the business of providing pure information, to the best of their ability, then it could indeed be called news. This is far from reality however, and our mass media has always been in the business of disseminating sophisticated propaganda as a means to an end. The results of a constant stream of effective propaganda on any population is devastating to the collective mind of that society. Our media, as well as network television and Hollywood, only exist to indoctrinate and propagandize, with the intent being to destroy the American mind. Propaganda is nothing other than the distortion of reality and there is a reason for this, which we'll get to.

In his 1928 book, "Propaganda: The Public Mind in the Making," Edward Bernays wrote: "The conscious and intelligent manipulation of the organized habits and opinions of the masses is an important element in democratic society. Those who manipulate this unseen mechanism of society constitute an invisible government which is the true ruling power of our country. We are governed, our minds are molded, our tastes formed, our ideas suggested, largely by men we have never heard of."

In his 1998 book, "The Common Good," Noam Chomsky sums up the methodology by which propaganda is deployed by this ruling power on the population: "The smart way to keep people passive and obedient is to strictly limit the spectrum of acceptable opinion, but allow very lively debate within that spectrum - even encourage the more critical and dissident views. That gives people the sense that there's free thinking going on, while all the time the presuppositions of the system are being reinforced by the limits put on the range of debate."

I have written about the Council on Foreign Relations before and to sum it up, the CFR is the heart of the American deep state/shadow government. It is the promotional and administrative arm of the world's ruling class in America. According to journalist Richard Harwood, the membership of the Council on Foreign Relations is the ruling establishment of the United

States. In his book, "Tragedy and Hope," Carroll Quigley writes that the aim of the CFR is: "to create a world system of financial control in private hands able to dominate the political system of each country and the economy of the world as a whole." As well, a one time CFR member who later became a harsh critic was US Navy Admiral Chester Ward, who wrote: "The CFR has the goal of submergence of US sovereignty and national independence into an all powerful one-world government."

The CFR has a tremendous influence on US media, and defines the agendas set forth by the media which are designed to reinforce progression towards this system written about by Ward, Quigley, and many others. Since most Americans would not be amenable to these plans, their minds must be molded over generations into accepting this agenda. This is done by the never-ending engineering of crises or the perception of crises planted in the American mind. Yes, most crises the propaganda machine presents to us are manufactured or made to come about somehow. In a crisis atmosphere, people are expected to surrender liberties bit by bit, for the "greater good." The objective of propaganda through the media is to break the will to resist being herded into a collectivist world government by dumbing us down. Examples of engineered crises are: Global warming/climate change, pandemics and the "necessity" to become inoculated with gene editing technology, racism blown out of proportion, wars, false flag terrorism, rising crime, and more. A financial crisis can result in a new digital currency and the eradication of cash, which will be a system of total control. Also, the four most important people in the 9/11 Commission Report all happened to be CFR members.

Some household names from major media who are, or were, members of the Council on Foreign Relations are: Tom Brokaw, Dan Rather, Barbara Walters, Jim Lehrer, Diane Sawyer, George Stephanopoulos, and Erin Burnett of CNN. These are only news anchors though, dutifully reading their lines that have been written for them by elements behind the scenes. All news anchors are nothing more than actors and actresses. If they report on anything not approved by the power structure that they answer to, they won't be on television or writing for any major publication. An import-

ant point in all this is that FOX news, which is owned by FOX corporation, is owned, operated, and controlled by longtime CFR member, Rupert Murdoch. FOX news is propaganda geared towards conservative minded people. Its function is to limit the range of debate and subject matter allowed, as defined earlier by Noam Chomsky, but give the impression to conservative minded people that they can get real news there. FOX news correctly points out the great multitude of insane and ridiculous things the Left promotes, but ultimately is meant to keep the conservative segment of the population corralled within the bounds of what is deemed acceptable opinion by the ruling establishment. If you're interested in knowing some of the subject matter not allowed to be discussed on any major media platform, see the 1 hour, 17 minute documentary film "Out of Shadows" on brighteon.com.

In this film, it was discussed how the precursor to the CIA, the Office of Strategic Services, recorded in a 1943 memorandum that: "The motion picture is one of the most powerful propaganda weapons at the disposal of the United States." Even then, they told us in this memo that US intelligence controlled radio, mainstream news, and the content Hollywood produced. The CIA answers to the CFR. Also notice how propaganda through film is to be used as a *weapon* according to this memo. The most effective weapon against people is if they don't even know it's happening, through subliminal messaging.

In 1996, the CIA established the Entertainment Liaison Office, which has direct influence over Hollywood content. Also, The holly tree was used by druidic witches and wizards to make wands for spell casting. Their wands were made out of holly wood, hence the name Hollywood. Hollywood is literally a witch's wand, used for spell casting and sorcery. The spell casting and sorcery coming from Hollywood is in the form of propaganda and subliminal messaging. Have I watched my share of movies and television? Like most Americans, yes, but it is important to know yourself and to know the enemy, as Sun Tzu wrote in "The Art of War."

"And Yahushua answering, said to them, 'take heed that no one deceives you.'" (Matthew 24:4)

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SC Statehouse Reports 2022-The Senate--Senator Mike Gambrell

Legislative summary

Senator Mike Gambrell
Legislative Summary
April 15, 2022

The Senate Finance Committee finalized the Budget that will go to the floor of the Senate next week. According to Senate Rules, the Appropriations Bill must be published (available to the public and to Senators) for seventy-two hours. Those hours are only counted

on Session Days, so the Appropriations Bill cannot be debated before the week of April 25th.

On Tuesday, the Senate set H.4919 for Special Order. H.4919, known as the Election Reform Bill, will be debated in the Full Judiciary Committee on Tuesday, April 19, and will then be debated by the full Senate.

The bill primarily centers on changes to early

voting and mail-in ballots.

Please feel free to contact me on any issue. I can be reached at my district address, Post Office Box 194, Honea Path, S. C. 29654, 864-844-3614; or at my legislative office in Columbia, Post Office Box 142, Columbia, S.C. 29202, 803-212-6032, or through my email address: Mike-Gambrell@scsenate.gov.



US House of Representatives

Rep. Duncan Responds to Inflation Topping 8.5% under Joe Biden

Submitted by
Congressman
Jeff Duncan

Washington, D.C.— Congressman Jeff Duncan issued the following statement as inflation reached a 41-year high of 8.5% in March:

"Americans are paying more for virtually everything because of Joe Biden's reckless spending to fund

his radical agenda," said Congressman Jeff Duncan. "This inflation rate is unsustainable and is essentially increased taxation on all Americans."

"Wages are not keeping pace with inflation, which puts Americans in a difficult place financially as they struggle to keep food on the table and gas in their cars," said Congressman Jeff Duncan. "This is not

transitory, Putin's price hike, or the result of corporate greed, as the Biden Administration has claimed. Make no mistake – this is Bidenflation. I will continue fighting back against Joe Biden's radical spending proposals that will only exacerbate this economic crisis. This is destructive to our economy, and Americans cannot afford a Joe Biden presidency."



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Bitters, A History In Life And Literature

by Tom Poland

Among the dusty bottles and vases stand three alcoholic potions. I bought the matador-like bottle in Madrid when I traveled by train through hard, brown Spain. Next to it stands an elegant bottle from Italy that contains a liqueur, flavor and strength unknown. A rose and word, "Roma," are all that's on the bottle. To its right Angostura Bitters dominates the photograph.

The seals remain intact. Dust proves these potions have yet to be tasted. Of the three, Angostura Bitters is the one I've most seen in literature. It dominates there as well.

It's referred to as a botanical and contains herbs, spices and extracts of grasses, roots, leaves and fruits dissolved in alcohol. It's promoted as "ideal for balancing alcoholic drinks, cleansing the palate and facilitating digestion."

In 1824, Dr. Johann Siegert, surgeon general for Venezuelan military leader Simón Bolívar, created Bitters from a blend of herbs and spices to cure upset stomachs. Originally called Dr. Siegert's Aromatic Bitters, it stops heartburn in its tracks, *for me at least*, but that's not why I like it. I like it because of its place in literature.

It's no secret that Hemingway enjoyed a drink or two, and among his favorite additives was Bitters. He liked Angostura Bitters in his gin and tonic, a fine summer drink. Among his favorite drinks when voyaging on his

boat, *Pilar*, was Vermouth Panache, a blend of sweet and dry vermouth with Angostura Bitters. I've never tried it and doubt I will but some people will drive you to drink most anything. Hemingway supposedly said, "I drink to make other people more interesting." Amen to that in this era



Bitters by Tom Poland

of clones and drones glued to phones. There's no conversing with them.

Hemingway concocted a drink he called "Death in the Stream." He described it as "reviving and refreshing." Amen to that as well. The drink appears in his posthumous *Islands in the Stream* while the main character, Thomas Hudson, is out deep-sea fishing. Excerpt—"Where Thomas Hudson lay on the mattress his head was in the shade cast by the platform at the forward end of the flying bridge where the controls were and when Eddy came aft with the tall cold drink made of gin, lime juice, green coconut water, and chipped ice with just enough Angostura bitters to give it a rusty, rose color, he held the drink in the shadow so the ice would not melt while he looked out over the sea."

You feel like you're there in the Gulf Stream, don't you.

Angostura Bitters. Red like varnish, In *Islands in the Stream*, Hemingway also wrote, "Hudson feels the sharpness of the lime, the aromatic varnish taste of the Angostura and the gin stiffening the lightness of the ice-cold coconut water." I read that a bar in Seattle used 45 cases of it to varnish their wood.

It's essential to the old Fashioned cocktail. The recipe for Angostura Bitters is a closely guarded secret. Its bright yellow cap is a trademark, but what sets apart a bottle of Angostura bitters is the oversized label. Legend holds that when Siegert's sons took over the business, they entered the old man's Bitters in a competition to gain exposure. In the rush to ready Bitters for judging, one brother procured the bottles, while another had labels printed. Somewhere along the line they had a Cool Hand Luke "failure to communicate." The labels were too big. I suppose you could say the bottles were too small. With time short, they had no choice but to stick the big labels onto small bottles. Angostura Bitters lost the competition, but a judge thought the labels set the product apart from others. Time validates his opinion.

Angostura Bitters, offered by the House of Angostura in Trinidad and Tobago and an indelible part of Hemingway lore.

Among those attending the Due West "meet and greet" event last month were Leland and Gayle Beaudrot of Due West--both are retired ministers. The event was presented by the Greater Abbeville Chamber of Commerce to network with area business owners. (Staff photo by Henry E. Green)



Oscar Reid of Due West, an Abbeville County animal shelter volunteer, shows off one of the shelter dogs during the recent Pet Adoption Day. (Staff photo by Henry E. Green)

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AHS closes in on Region baseball title

By Henry E. Green
Abbeville High School is one win away from clinching the Region title in varsity baseball, according to AHS coach Daniel Little. "We beat Ninety Six twice," he said Monday. The Panthers won by a score of 10-4 in Abbeville Tuesday of last week, and Ty Price was the winning pitcher. The Panthers went to Ninety Six Friday and won 10-9. "It was a back and forth game," said Little. Chase Fisher came on in relief, pitching the last two innings and getting the win

As of Monday morning, the Panthers were 7-1 in the Region, and were 14-5 overall. The Panthers were slated to visit Region foe Christ Church Tuesday, and to host Christ Church Friday at 7 p.m. The jayvees will play the Cavaliers Friday at 5 p.m. "I'm hoping it's going to be a good spring break," the coach said. In the first Ninety Six game, Ty Price was the winning pitcher, pitching seven innings, striking out eight and giving up two walks,

according to statistics Little provided. For AHS, Jackson Uldrick had two hits, one home run, and four RBIs. Ty Price and Trent Delgado each had two hits. In the second Ninety Six game, Chase Fisher was the winning pitcher, pitching two innings. For the Panthers, Jackson Uldrick had three hits, two home runs and three RBIs. Ty Price had three hits, Hunter Overholt two hits, and Thomas Booth two hits, Little continued.

Erskine Baseball

Big 9th inning leads Fleet past Coker, 9-2

Submitted by Erskine Athletics Department
The Erskine College baseball team (21-15, 11-10 CC) pulled away thanks to a six-run ninth inning to defeat Coker University (13-24, 8-7 SAC) by a score of 9-2 at Tom J. New Field on Wednesday afternoon.

The Fleet hold a 17-13 edge in the all-time series. Riding a six-game winning streak, Erskine wasted no time taking an early lead as a Kyle Marti walk to lead off the ballgame followed by a wild pitch and a throwing error set up an RBI ground-out for Armando Becerra to score the game's first run. Deric Hanco tossed a pair of scoreless innings on the mound as the Erskine starter, and the Fleet doubled their lead in the third inning as Marti scored on a wild pitch after drawing another free pass earlier in the inning. Coker responded with a pair of runs in the fifth inning to draw level at 2. A trio of Zach Overholt, Parker Cassell and Harry

Bernard combined to put up three scoreless frames to keep the game tied heading into the eighth inning. Cal Bocchino led off the inning with a single, stole second and eventually scored on a Joseph Quintana sacrifice fly to put Erskine back in front, 3-2. Matthew Grizzle came on for the bottom half of the eighth and worked around a leadoff single to keep the Fleet in the lead heading into the ninth. After a scrappy, competitive first eight innings, Erskine blew the game wide open with a monster inning. The Fleet began the frame with three straight singles and loaded the bases with nobody out. Becerra drove in a run on a fielder's choice before Bocchino singled home another run. Christian Rivera followed with an RBI double and Dontae Wade kept the rally moving with a pinch-hit RBI single to make it a 7-2 game. Quintana capped the big inning with a bunt single combined with a Coker error that plated two more runs. Ira Clifton set down the Cobras in order in the

bottom half of the ninth as Erskine pulled away late for a 9-2 win. Joseph Quintana did not start the game but had two run-producing at-bats in the final two innings. The Fleet second baseman drove in a run with a sacrifice fly in the eighth and then his bunt single allowed two more runs to score in the ninth inning. Erskine resumes conference play this weekend against third-place Belmont Abbey College (22-13, 13-7 CC) in a series starting Friday night at 6:00 p.m. The Crusaders swept the Fleet in a regular-season series in Due West last year, but Erskine dominated Belmont Abbey in the first round of the conference tournament, winning 11-1. **MORE ABOUT THE ERSKINE COLLEGE FLYING FLEET** Visit the Official Home of Erskine Athletics at www.erskinesports.com

Erskine Men's Golf

Meifels named Conference Carolinas Freshman of the Year

Submitted by Erskine Athletics Department
Conference Carolinas released its 2021-22 Men's Golf awards, as selected by the league's head coaches, on Thursday, April 7, and Erskine's Laurenz Meifels was named the Freshman of the Year after finishing in third place in this week's conference championships. Meifels was named to the All-Conference 2nd Team as well while Alberto Dominguez and Aubry Dziwiewa earned 1st and 3rd team honors, respectively. Meifels, a native of Hubbelrath, Germany, was the top freshman finisher at the 2022 Conference Carolinas Championships earlier this week. The tournament leader in pars with 42, Meifels finished fourth overall with a 218 (73-72-73) and was the only golfer to not

post a score over 73 in the three-day event. He finished the season with a 73.47 adjusted scoring average and 10 par or better rounds including three rounds in the 60s with a low round of 67. He had three top-10 finishes with his best coming at the Emerald City Invitational when he finished third in the 34-golfer field. Dominguez, a junior from Sanlucar de Barrameda, Spain, earned a spot on the First Team after being the individual champion in the conference tournament a year ago as a sophomore. Dominguez finished tied for 15th in the conference tournament, but posted a 54-hole season best 207 (69-70-68) at the Kiawah Island Invitational, where he earned a tied for third place finish and led the Fleet to a win in their season-opening event. Dziwiewa, another freshman,

from Saint Jean de Gonville, France, was named to the Third Team after an outstanding first season with the Fleet. He posted a 54-hole season best in the Kiawah Island Invitational as well with a 210 (71-72-67). Dziwiewa finished tied for 18th individually in the conference tournament. Bryson Boyette and Derek Hamm from Barton won Player of the Year and Coach of the Year, respectively to round out the individual awards. For more information on the rest of the 2021-22 Conference Carolina's Men's Golf awards, click here. **MORE ABOUT THE ERSKINE COLLEGE FLYING FLEET** Visit the Official Home of Erskine Athletics at www.erskinesports.com



Max Peeler had a signing ceremony at Dixie last week. A Dixie High School senior, Peeler officially committed to play basketball at Erskine. At the ceremony, Max (center, seated) was accompanied by his father Mark (left, seated) and brother Jenkins (right, seated), as well as Dixie High School principal Paul Prescott (standing, left) and Dixie boys basketball coach Josh Harbert (right, standing). (Dixie High School photo)

Max Peeler to play hoops at Erskine

By Henry E. Green
Max Peeler had a signing ceremony at Dixie last week. A Dixie High School senior, Peeler officially committed to play basketball at Erskine. Max has been a guard for the Dixie Hornet boys basketball team, and has

averaged about 14 points a game. He was All-Region as a junior and a senior. The team he will be playing for is coached by Lee Sartor. The Flying Fleet mens team had a record of 4-24. Erskine competes in the Conference Carolinas.

Max wants to major in sports management, and he wants to go into sports broadcasting. Max's brother Jenkins is the assistant coach for the Erskine women's basketball team.

Baseball

Dixie clinches second place in Region

By Henry E. Green
The Dixie High School varsity baseball team is in a good place, with the Hornets having clinched second place in their Region. "We had a good week," said Dixie coach Michael Turner Monday. "There were three Region games and we won all three. We ended up finishing second in the Region."

The Hornets have finished their Region slate of games. "All that's left are non-Region games until playoffs start on May 3," he said. Dixie will host a first round playoff game, but the Hornets do not yet know which team they will be playing. The action-packed week the Hornets just finished started with a 10-1 victory over Ware Shoals in Due West on April 12. Hunter Satterfield was the winning pitcher, striking out 10, walking one, and giving up one run on four hits. Top hitters for Dixie included Brandon Hershberger, who was three for four, with two RBIs, and Thomas

Ferguson, who was one for two with an RBI. Dixie played Whitmire in Due West on April 13, with the Hornets emerging victorious to the tune of 10-8. "We were actually down 7-0 going into the bottom of the second inning and came back and won," the coach said. "Whitmire came out red hot swinging the bats." Staten Rice came on in relief to get the win for the Hornets, allowing no runs. He pitched four and two thirds innings, allowing no runs and striking out five, Turner continued. Brandon Hershberger came in to get the save. Top hitters included Kendon Kelley, who was three for three with a double and an RBI, Hunter Satterfield, who was two for four with two doubles and two RBIs, Cody Quarles, who was two for three with two RBIs, and Max Peeler, who was one for two with an RBI. Dixie played at Ware Shoals Friday and won 12-6. The winning pitcher was

Brandon Hershberger, who gave up two hits, and four walks and had six strikeouts. He gave up five runs, none of which were earned. Leading hitters were Kendon Kelley, who was three for five with an RBI, Hunter Satterfield, who was two for four with a double and three RBIs; Hershberger, who was two for four with an RBI, and Case Minor, who was two for five with three RBIs. The Hornets' Region record as of Monday morning is 6-2, and Dixie has an 11-6 record overall, Turner continued. "I'm proud of how our guys accepted the challenge of playing three region games (in one week)," he said. "Our goal was to win the week." The Hornets ended up sweeping the week's action. "I'm excited about the way we're playing now," he said. The Hornets have left five non-Region games, including two this week. Dixie was slated to play Saint Joseph's this past Monday and Emerald yesterday.

AHS defeats Greenwood Christian

By Henry E. Green
Abbeville High School enjoyed a 17-0 win at Greenwood Christian School Friday in varsity softball action, according to AHS varsity softball coach Tim Collins. Collins profiled the Lady Panthers' schedule for the week of April 25.

"We will be at Emerald on Monday, April 25, for a jayvee varsity double header starting at five (p.m.)," he said. AHS will be at home on Tuesday, facing Ninety Six in a JV/varsity doubleheader beginning at 5 p.m. The varsity team will play

Crescent in Abbeville Thursday at 6 p.m., and the playoffs will begin on Wednesday, May 4. The Lady Panthers are currently in second place in their Region, but who their opponent will be is yet to be determined, Collins indicated.

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The Return

Genesis 13:2-4 "And Abram was very rich in cattle, in silver, and in gold. And he went on his journeys from the south even to Bethel, unto the place where his tent had been at the beginning, between Bethel and Hai. Unto the place of the altar, which he had made there at the first: and Abram called on the name of the Lord."

This event happens right after a failure of Abram. There was a famine in the land and without consulting God about what to do, Abram up and left for Egypt. He had a spot of trouble there because he told the Egyptians Sarai was his sister instead of his wife. Pharaoh took her into his harem, but God plagued the house of Pharaoh and Pharaoh got the picture that Sarai was Abram's wife and he had not touched her. Pharaoh sent Abram away and Abram went back to the place of the altar, the first place he came to when he entered the land of Canaan. Three things I have gleaned from this passage.

First of all, when Abram returned to the place of the altar it was a time of renewal. He had gone to Egypt without consulting God about it and he had gotten into trouble. Verse four informs us that when he got back to the place of the altar he called on the

name of the Lord. I can't help but believe that when he called upon the Lord he asked for forgiveness for what he had done. When one is made aware of a sin or failure in one's life, that is exactly what they should do—call on the Lord for forgiveness.

Secondly, when Abram went back to the place of the altar it was a time of remembrance. When Abram first entered Canaan God made some promises to him. He promised him that He would bless his name and make it great. God promised that He would bless those who blessed Abram and curse those who cursed Abram. I believe Abram went back the place of the altar and worshipped God as he remembered the promises God had made to him. I can't help but believe that Abram also took some time to remember how God had called him when he was in Ur of the Chaldees living in idolatry. No doubt he remembered

how that call had started him on a journey of faith. It would do all of us good to remember God's call on our lives—especially after a failure. If you have failed in some way in your Christian walk, think back on how God has blessed you in the past and how He promises to forgive you if you call on Him.

Third, when Abram went back to the place of the altar it was a time of request. I can't help but believe that when Abram got back to the altar he confessed his presumption in going to Egypt, thanked God for delivering him and Sarai from that fiasco but also he made a request on which way he should go.

After a failure on our part due to us running ahead of God without asking His advice, we would be wise to return to the place of our altar and ask God for directions on what to do next. If we will do that, God will give us directions on the right steps to take.

Abbeville County Students named to Bob Jones University to Dean's List

Submitted by
Bob Jones University
GREENVILLE, SC (01/10/2022)-- The following students are among approximately 820 Bob Jones University students named to the Dean's List for the Fall 2021 semester.

The Dean's List recognizes students who earn a 3.00-3.74 grade point average during the semester. Alicia Cuffel, a Junior English Education major from Honea Path, was among approximately 820 Bob Jones University students named to the Fall 2021 Dean's List.

Joeline Glenn, a Freshman Business Administration major from Belton, was

among approximately 820 Bob Jones University students named to the Fall 2021 Dean's List.

Julia Glenn, a Junior Business Administration major from Belton, was among approximately 820 Bob Jones University students named to the Fall 2021 Dean's List.

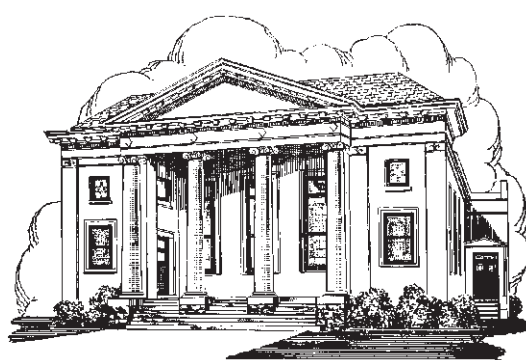
Rebekah Shirley, a Freshman Elementary Education major from Greenwood, was among approximately 820 Bob Jones University students named to the Fall 2021 Dean's List.

Liliana Taylor, a Senior Nursing major from Honea Path, was among approximately 820 Bob Jones University students named

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Obituaries

LeRoy

John Levis LeRoy, Sr., 95, of Calhoun Falls, husband of the late Floride Partlow Hester LeRoy, died Friday, April 15, 2022, at the Abbeville Nursing Home. He was born in Missouri to the late Robert Wrenn LeRoy and Hamie Hartley LeRoy.

A 1945 graduate of McCormick High School, Mr. LeRoy attended Clemson College for one year. In 1946 he joined the U.S. Navy for two years and served on the USS Missouri. Mr. LeRoy then completed the N.C. State Forestry Program.

He was employed by the Corp of Engineers and served on the Clarks Hill, Lake Russell, and Lake Hartwell Reservoirs, retiring after 30 years. Mr. LeRoy was a timber farmer and natural resource manager since the early 1950's. He received many awards over the years including 1986 Abbeville Farmer of the Year and 1986 McCormick Forester of the Year. Mr. LeRoy was a proud member of the Abbeville Landowners Forestry Association, Soil and Water Conservation District, Hartwell Lions Club, and the Calhoun Falls Presbyterian Church.

In addition to his wife of 65 years, Flo, and his parents, he was preceded in death by



John L. LeRoy, Sr.

a son; Phillip Hester LeRoy, three brothers; Robert, James, and Paul LeRoy.

Surviving Mr. LeRoy are his children, Georgia LeRoy Seabrook (Cordes) of Troy, SC, John Levis LeRoy, Jr., MD, (Nanci) of Atlanta, GA, Flo LeRoy Hudson (Ken) of Palm Beach Gardens, FL, Samuel William LeRoy (Kay) of Greenwood, SC, and Louis McCelvey LeRoy (Robin) of Spartanburg, SC; nine cherished grandchildren, L'Angel Seabrook - Friel (Blake), Ruskin Levis Seabrook, Thayer Gaillard Seabrook, Taylor Hartley LeRoy, Elyse LeRoy South (Mac), Philip Riley LeRoy (Erin), Abbey Grace LeRoy, Amanda LeRoy Hogue, and Connor McCelvey LeRoy (Tori); six great-grandchild-

dren, Ava and Olivia Hogue, McKelvie Seabrook, Emma Friel Maggie and Henry South; and many nieces and nephews he treasured.

The family will receive friends from 2:00PM to 2:30PM on Saturday, April 23, 2022, in the Calhoun Falls Presbyterian Church. Funeral services to celebrate the life of Mr. John LeRoy will begin following the visitation at 2:30PM with the Rev. Dr. Dale Johnson officiating. Burial will be in the LeRoy Family Cemetery at HLS Huguenot Family Farms, Troy, SC.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions in memory of Mr. LeRoy may be made to the Abbeville Soil and Water Conservation District, 394 Highway 28 By-Pass Abbeville, SC 29620 or to the S.C. Forestry Foundation, 4901 Broad River Road, Columbia, SC 29212 or The SC Governor's School for Agriculture at John de la Howe Foundation, 192 Gettys Rd., McCormick, SC 29835.

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

Harris Funeral Home and Cremation Services, Calhoun Falls Chapel is assisting the LeRoy family.



Is this the world's largest ear of corn? It's actually made of Styrofoam and plastic containers, but it was one of the attractions at Dixie's Farm Day recently. (Staff photo by Henry Green)

Richey

Gail Wilson Richey, 70, of Abbeville, died Friday, April 15, 2022, at Self Regional Healthcare. She was born in Abbeville, the youngest of five children, to the late Ralph E. and Ethel M. Young Wilson.

A 1969 graduate of Abbeville High School, Gail attended Anderson College retiring from Mohawk Industries after many years of dedicated service. She especially enjoyed baking, sharing her great cooking skills with family, doctors and friends. She also enjoyed sewing and crocheting. Gail was of the Methodist faith.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by a brother, Philip Wilson.



Gail Wilson Richey

Gail is survived by her children; Trent Richey and Michelle Richey (Doug King) all of Greenwood; three sisters, Marie Watt of Taylors, Carolyn Cantrell

(Ted) of Greenwood, and Pat Brubaker of Alabama.

A service to celebrate Gail's life will be 4:00PM, Friday, April 22, 2022, in Harris Funeral Home, Abbeville Chapel. The family will receive friends following the service.

The family extends their sincere appreciation to Dr. Paul Kim, Dr. Jeffery Albores, Dr. Christine Murakami, and numerous nurses for the care, love and support shown Gail.

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

Harris Funeral Home & Cremation Services of Abbeville is assisting the Richey family.

Waters

Harriet Waters, 69, of Abbeville, died Tuesday, April 12, 2022, at Prisma Health, Greenville Memorial Hospital. She was born in Abbeville to the late Tinsley Harry Waters and Maryse Chauvin Waters.

A 1970 graduate of Abbeville High School, Harriet was formerly employed by K-Mart, retiring from Walmart as a department manager. Her quiet and unassuming personality and sweet smile made her loved by many family and friends. Harriet was an excellent cook and baker and enjoyed sharing her treats with others. She was an active member of Sacred Heart Catholic Church.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by a brother, Freddie Waters.



Harriet Waters

Harriet is survived by her sister-in-law, Debbie Waters of Abbeville, nephew, Jeremy Hallback of Greenwood; two nieces, Julie Phillips (Sean) of Birmingham, AL and Jennifer Waters (Bobby White) of Anderson; a special cousin, John Ethridge; two great-nieces, Cami and Auri; two great-nephews, Aiden and Conner; her beloved dog, Bella; three cats,

Tom, Sally and Woody; and numerous friends.

The family will receive friends 10:00AM-11:00AM, Saturday, April 23, 2022, in Harris Funeral Home. A Mass of Christian Burial will begin at 11:30AM in Sacred Heart Catholic Church with the Rev. Father Jacob Joseph officiating. Burial will follow in Forest Lawn Memory Gardens.

Memorial contributions, in memory of Harriet, may be sent to Sacred Heart Catholic Church, PO Box 812, Abbeville, SC 29620.

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See an Abbeville Lions Club Member for Tickets

Over 150 Abbevillians gathered for joint worship and potluck picnic

Submitted by Michael Mahaffey

Over 150 Abbeville area residents gathered together for a joint worship and potluck picnic on Sunday, April 10th.

The events were hosted by The Life Center and Harvest Christian Fellowship to bring people of different backgrounds together in unity. Many in attendance have participated in previous events and training offered to establish a foundation for personal and community growth.

Participants aspire to see a community of reconciliation and opportunity through unity, love and empowerment. This group is setting aside personal religious denominations and political affiliations for the

purpose of unity while also honoring and celebrating the richness represented through diverse backgrounds and cultures.

To get involved or to learn more, contact: Darris Stoll darris@stollindustries.com or Joshua Chiles jchiles608@gmail.com.

John W. Stevenson and Ford Taylor are providing guidance and training to the local group. John W. Stevenson is the founder of Heirs International Ministries, Heirs Media Group, serving as President and CEO. He also serves as Apostle and Senior Pastor of Heirs Covenant Church – CEO of The EMBASSY: A Regional Center for Kingdom Transformation located in Hamilton, Ohio just north of Cincinnati.

As pastor, teacher, busi-

nessman and author, John has a desire and passion to see the Body of Christ walk in Kingdom influence, Kingdom impact with Kingdom results. Mr. Taylor is the founder of FSH Consulting Group and Transformational Leadership training, which provides cultural and classic consulting, executive coaching, conflict resolution, how to provide discipline, how to remove personal and organizational constraints, and team building to businesses and all types of organizations.

Ford provides his training through teaching live classes, books that he has authored or co-authored, as well as through an on-line virtual interactive platform called TL On Demand. He offers city-wide

trainings in multiple cities in the United States. Both have international ministries focusing on Kingdom transformation and bring extensive community transformation experience and knowledge to these efforts.

This local initiative is collaborating with efforts throughout the world along with The Great Awakening Project.

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Mike's map

An Abbeville resident makes a donation to the Historical Society



Abbevillian Mike Allen (right) recently donated this framed copy of an 1852 map to the Abbeville County Historical Society, whose president, Andrew Hartsfield (left) accepted it on behalf of the Society. (Staff photo by Henry E. Green)

By Henry E. Green

An Abbevillian has donated an old map to the Abbeville County Historical Society.

Mike Allen said Monday that he had been given a map dating from 1852 by a beloved aunt who has since passed away. Allen said he was given the map in 2021.

The map, meanwhile, provides quite a glimpse into the past. It reminds us of a time when South Carolina was divided into districts and parishes instead of counties.

Abbeville, for example, is listed on the map, and Greenwood is not, and the Abbeville "district" of 1852 was much bigger than Ab-

beville County is today.

"Steamboat routes" are listed—routes which of course would not exist today.

Thus, the 1852 map of South Carolina looks a bit different from the map of the state today.

Allen stopped by The Press and Banner Monday afternoon with his precious map, which is nicely framed, and a few minutes later presented it to Historical Society president Andrew Hartsfield, who accepted it on behalf of the Society.

"I wanted to leave it for Abbeville," Allen said, noting that giving it to the Historical Society seemed to him the appropriate way to do this.



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A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF ABBEVILLE DECLARING APRIL OF 2022 AS FAIR HOUSING MONTH

WHEREAS, the City of Abbeville desires that all citizens be afforded the opportunity to attain a decent, safe, and sound living environment; and

WHEREAS, the City of Abbeville rejects discrimination on the basis of race, religion, color, sex, sexual orientation, national origin, disability, and/or familial status in the sale, rental, or provision of other housing service; and


WHEREAS, the State of South Carolina enacted the South Carolina Fair Housing Law in 1989; and

WHEREAS, April is recognized nationally as Fair Housing Month; and

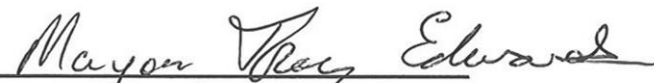
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Abbeville City Council does hereby designate April 2022 as Fair Housing Month.

RESOLVED AND ADOPTED this 13th day of April, 2022.

ATTEST:


Michael Clary
City Clerk

BY: City of Abbeville, South Carolina


George "Trey" Edwards
Mayor

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'Be Pro' rig pays visit to School District

By Henry E. Green

You don't necessarily have to have a four year college degree to succeed.

In fact, there are many trades that can provide you with an exceedingly lucrative means to earn a living--trades that you do not need a four year degree to pursue..

That was the message of the Be Pro Be Proud SC rig, which visited Abbeville High School yesterday and is scheduled to visit Dixie today.

The rig, on which "Your Future Begins Here" is painted on the exterior, is equipped with a number of machines designed to simulate various lines of work and help teens make informed career choices.

Abbeville High School di-

vided up its 10th grade class into small groups, which visited the rig in increments at time.

Why 10th graders? Guidance counselor Sandy Scott explained that older students tend to have already made up their minds about the careers they want to pursue.

Thus, reaching students during their sophomore year, when many are still looking at various career options, can be just the right time to let them know of the opportunities available to them.

The rig travels throughout South Carolina, to various schools, said Ty Hoang, a spokesman for the program. Arkansas has a similar program, and other states are getting on board.

A public/private partnership, including the state of South Carolina, and a number of private entities, Be Pro Be Proud SC is all about exposing students to the opportunities in skilled trades--from truck drivers to electricians.

According to the Be Pro Be Proud SC Facebook page, Be Pro, Be Proud SC is a "workforce development project designed to close the skills gap in South Carolina."

Approximately 24 percent of the state's skilled professionals are at or nearing retirement, but there may not be enough people currently to fill their professions, according to the "Be Pro" Website.

Be Pro Be Proud is designed to fill that gap.



This Be Pro Be Proud rig visited AHS recently to help show students some career opportunities in trades such as truck driving and being an electrician. (Staff photo by Henry E. Green)



AHS sophomores were able to enjoy machines simulating various occupations during the Be Pro Be Proud visit to AHS recently. (Staff photo by Henry E. Green)



Abbeville High School sophomore Rylee Ricketts showed off some utility lineman gloves during the visit of the Be Pro Be Proud rig to AHS recently. (Staff photo by Henry E. Green)

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Transfer for Adams Drive funds finalized

By Henry E. Green
 Abbeville City Council finalized plans for the Adams Drive sidewalk project Wednesday night, by passing second and final reading on a budget amendment allowing for a transfer of funds within the City budget. The budget amendment will transfer \$80,000 in "hospitality"

funds to the Adams Drive project, said Abbeville City Manager Blake Stone Thursday. "It's not coming from tax dollars," he said. "It's hospitality funds." Hospitality funds are derived from a City tax on hospitality-based businesses, Stone continued.

And the sidewalk project will provide new sidewalks on Adams Drive, where there had been none before, and updating the equipment at a park on Adams Drive. The sidewalk construction is actually complete, but the park equipment is in the process of being installed.

The installation should be complete by the fall of this year. The hospitality funds will complement a \$29, 344.78 PARD grant the City has received, according to Stone. In other news: Council reappointed Ken Reece to the Planning Commission. Council tabled discussion of

reappointing Mark Meyers on the Property Maintenance Board of Appeals which expired on April 11, 2020. Meyers was not in attendance at the meeting, and there was some feeling on Council that Council should wait to take action until he could be present. According to the City, Meyers

had expressed a desire to serve again. Voting in opposition to the tabling were Council members Matt Gambrell and John Sutherland. Council went into executive session, but took no resulting action upon returning to open.

Calling GearHeads: PTC car show now taking applicants

Submitted by Kristine Hartvigsen

Do you tinker with cars in your driveway on weekends? Do you feel an instant connection with people who drive the same car as you? Does the sound of a revving engine make your heart quicken? If so, you just might be a "gear head." Piedmont Technical College's automotive technology student club "Full Throttle" invites gear heads of all kinds to come show off their finest vehicles at the PTC Automotive Technology Program Car Show on Saturday, April 30, 2022, in the Medford Family Event Center Parking Lot at the Lex Walters Campus-Greenwood. "This show is for the whole community," said PTC Automotive Technology Program Director Gerald Sartin. "Proceeds raised will go to the PTC Foundation, which has a dedicated fund that supports education and training of auto tech students. Some of our students will bring cars they have been working on. It will be a fantastic opportunity to talk shop with like-minded car enthusiasts."

The show will run from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m., and food will be available for purchase. Early registration is \$15 per car (before April 8) and \$20 after. Send checks — payable to the PTC Foundation — with "Car Show" in the subject line, to the attention of Gerald Sartin, PTC Automotive Technology Program Director, PO Box 1467, Greenwood, SC 29648. Registration also will be accepted on the day of the show. Just look for the onsite registration tent. To register online, go to ptcgwd.wufoo.com/forms/ptc-auto-tech-car-show/ and fill out the form. To pay online, go to the PTC Foundation web page at www.ptc.edu/about/foundation/ways-give and click on "Give Now" icon. After completing the contribution form, click on "Next Page" to restrict/direct your gift to the PTC Automotive Technology Program. "We welcome all makes, models, and styles of car," Sartin said. "We will have goodie bags and door prizes as well. Everyone is invited." For more information about PTC's Automotive Technology Program, visit www.ptc.edu/auto.

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ACROSS

- Urban haze
- Da, oui, or si, e.g.
- Drug-induced state
- UK art museum
- Molten rock
- Hip-hop or classical, e.g.
- Sportscaster Andrews
- Angle between branch and offshoot
- Bioweapon
- *Reaper inventor
- Muslim holy man
- Dampish
- *The invention of hand sanitizer centered on alcohol as this
- Stitched again
- Decipherable
- United Nations labor agency, acr.
- Armed robber, on an Indian subcontinent
- Heart of the matter
- Impertinent
- Be in arrears
- Belgian port city
- European erupter
- Popular women's magazine
- Back then
- Make a new sketch
- Canine's coat
- Digital audiotape, acr.
- Corner joint
- _____ crazy
- *Ground beef steak inventor
- Nordic glühwein
- Substance abuser
- Kind of testimony
- Soft twilled fabric of silk or rayon
- Casanova, e.g.
- Anger on road
- Flock's affirmation
- Short for ensign
- NBA shot

DOWN

- Flower part
- Painter Chagall
- Ear-related
- DNA sequence
- Vertical coordinate axis
- Put out on a curb
- *Poliomyelitis vaccine inventor
- *Life-saving maneuver inventor
- Machu Picchu group
- Sinister
- Pecking mother
- Thin layer
- Romantic Norwegian composer
- Disturbing public peace
- Acquire
- Early one
- Carry away, in a way
- *Edison invented things for its reproduction
- Stead
- Flesh of fish
- Foot-forward squat
- Glorify
- *First commercial revolver inventor
- Harry Potter's mail carrier
- *Knitted sweater with open front inventor
- #4 Down matter, pl.
- Back of the boat
- Withdraw from working life
- Frustration, in print
- Pergolas
- *Wide-mouth jar inventor
- Intestinal obstruction
- Undesirable location
- Ruptured
- Certainly
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NOTICE OF REFERENDUM

\$55,700,000 GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS

ABBEVILLE COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT, SOUTH CAROLINA

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a referendum will be held in Abbeville County School District, South Carolina (the "School District"), on May 17, 2022, for the purpose of submitting to all persons qualified to vote in the School District, under the Constitution and laws of the State of South Carolina (the "State"), the following questions:

Question 1

Shall the Board of Trustees of Abbeville County School District, South Carolina (the "School District") be empowered to issue, at one time or from time to time, general obligation bonds of the School District, in a principal amount of not exceeding \$43,800,000, the proceeds of which shall be used for the following:

Dixie High School

- Constructing, equipping and furnishing a new academic wing;
- Constructing, equipping and furnishing a new kitchen and dining room; and
- Appropriate demolition

Abbeville High School

- Constructing, equipping and furnishing a new academic wing; and
- Constructing, equipping and furnishing a new kitchen and dining room; and
- Appropriate demolition

Abbeville Career Center

- Constructing, equipping and furnishing additions, improvements and repairs?

If the voter wishes to vote in favor of the question, select "Yes, In Favor of the Question"; if the voter wishes to vote against the question, select "No, Opposed to the Question."

Yes, In Favor of the Question

No, Opposed to the Question

Question 2

If and only if Question 1 above is approved, shall the Board of Trustees of Abbeville County School District, South Carolina (the "School District") be empowered to issue, at one time or from time to time, general obligation bonds of the School District, in a principal amount of not exceeding \$11,900,000, the proceeds of which shall be used for the following:

Dixie High School

- Constructing, equipping and furnishing new locker rooms and gymnasium
- Constructing, equipping and furnishing new track

Abbeville High School

- Constructing, equipping and furnishing new locker rooms and gymnasium
- Constructing, equipping and furnishing new track?

If the voter wishes to vote in favor of the question, select "Yes, In Favor of the Question"; if the voter wishes to vote against the question, select "No, Opposed to the Question."

Yes, In Favor of the Question

No, Opposed to the Question

Such questions are being submitted pursuant to Article X, Section 15 of the Constitution of the State of South Carolina, 1895, as amended, Title 11, Chapter 27, Code of Laws of the State of South Carolina 1976, as amended, and Title 59, Chapter 71, Article 1, Code of Laws of South Carolina 1976, as amended. If a majority of the qualified electors of the School District voting in the Referendum approve the issuance of not exceeding \$55,700,000 General Obligation Bonds (the "Bonds"), the Bonds may be issued by the School District at one time or from time to time, but no Bonds shall be issued later than five years from the date of the Referendum. The proceeds of the Bonds will be used to finance the costs of constructing, improving, expanding, equipping, renovating, and repairing school buildings or other school facilities within the School District.

The precincts or portions thereof within the School District and locations of the several polling places for such Referendum are as follows:

Precinct	Polling Place
001 Abbeville No. 1	Abbeville Civic Center, 404 N Main Street, Abbeville, SC 29620
002 Abbeville No. 2	Abbeville Court House, 102 Court Square, Abbeville, SC 29620
003 Abbeville No. 3	Abbeville County Complex, 903 W Greenwood Street, Abbeville, SC 29620
004 Abbeville No. 4	Abbeville County Fire Dept HQ, 17 Old Calhoun Falls Road, Abbeville, SC 29620
005 Antreville	Antreville Fire Dept, 147 Hwy 184 W, Abbeville, SC 29620
006 Broadmouth	Turkey Creek Fire Dept, 6855 Hwy 252, Donalds, SC 29638
007 Calhoun Falls	Calhoun Falls Civic Center, 401 Washington St N, Calhoun Falls, SC 29628
008 Cold Springs	Cold Springs Fire Dept, 2106 Hwy 20, Abbeville, SC 29620
009 Donalds	Donalds Fire Dept, 445 W Main St, Donalds, SC 29638
010 Due West	Due West Fire Department, 13 Church St, Due West, SC 29639
011 Hall's Store	Calvary Baptist Church, 5551 Hwy 252, Ware Shoals, SC 29692
012 Keowee	Keowee Fire Dept, 4065 Keowee Rd, Honea Path, SC 29654
013 Lowndesville	Lownds Community Center, 416 Main St, Lowndesville, SC 29659
014 Lebanon	Sharon Fire Dept, 167 Firehouse Rd, Abbeville, SC 29620
015 Smithville	Ebenezer United Methodist Church, 2470 Old Abbeville Hwy, Abbeville, SC 29620

The polls shall be opened at seven o'clock (7:00 a.m.) in the forenoon and closed at seven o'clock (7:00 p.m.) in the afternoon on the date fixed for such Referendum. Appropriate voting machines will be provided at the polling places for use in voting on the aforesaid questions. Managers of Election will be appointed by the Board of Voter Registration and Elections of Abbeville County, South Carolina (the "County").

Every person offering to vote (a) must be at least 18 years of age on the date of the Referendum; (b) must reside in the School District; (c) must be duly registered on the books of registration for the County as an elector in the precinct in which he or she resides and offers to vote on or before the date on which the books of registration are closed for the Referendum; and (d) must present such documents and/or forms of identification as required by State law.

The process of examining the return addressed envelopes containing absentee ballots will begin at 9:00 a.m. on the date of the Referendum at Abbeville County Administrative Building, Room 2400, 903 West Greenwood Street, Abbeville, SC 29620.

The Abbeville County Board of Canvassers shall hold a hearing on ballots challenged in the Referendum on Thursday, May 19, 2022, at 11:00 a.m., at Abbeville County Administrative Building, Room 2400, 903 West Greenwood Street, Abbeville, SC 29620.

Classifieds & Legals

NOTICE TO CREDITORS
 All persons having claims against the following estates MUST file their claims on FORM #371PC with the Probate Court of ABBEVILLE COUNTY, the address of which is 903 WEST GREENWOOD ST., SUITE 2300 ABBEVILLE, SC 29620, within eight (8) months after the date of the first publication of this Notice to Creditors or within one (1) year from date of death, whichever is earlier (SCPC 62-3-801, et seq.), or such persons shall be forever barred as to their claims. All claims are required to be presented in written statements on the prescribed form (FORM #371PC) indicating the name and address of the claimant, the basis of claim, the amount claimed, the date when the claim will become due, the nature of any uncertainty as to the claim, and a description of any security as to the claim.

Estate: Archie Stephen Nixon
 Date of Death: 04/6/2022
 Case Number: 2022ES0100102
 Personal Representative: Elaine P. Nixon
 Address: 609 Church Street, Abbeville, SC 29620
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Estate: Robert Earl Richey, Sr.
 Date of Death: 1/19/2022
 Case Number: 2022ES0100103
 Personal Representative: Linda C. Richey
 Address: 30 Brock Circle Honea Path, SC 29654
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Estate: Charles Ray Humphries
 Date of Death: 10/22/2021
 Case Number: 2022ES0100085
 Personal Representative: David K. Humphries
 Address: 198 Kelseys Mill Road Campobello, SC 29322
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Estate: Ezra Dawkins
 Date of Death: 03/08/2022
 Case Number: 2022ES0100089
 Personal Representative: Mildred Dawkins
 Address: P.O. Box 685 Abbeville, SC 29620
 4/13;3tc

Estate: Miyuki Shibata Thomas
 Date of Death: 03/10/2022
 Case Number: 2022ES0100095
 Personal Representative: Vivian Thomas Warren
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 Public Auction - 12:00 PM.
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 contents will be sold:

Unit #20 - David Morina
 Unit #4 - Kiera Killingsworth

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PUBLIC AUCTION

Contents of storage units (personal and household) listed below WILL BE SOLD to the highest bidder at **Bypass Storage, 712 Hwy. 28 Bypass, Abbeville, SC** on April 30th, 2022 at 9:00 AM:
 Unit #310 - Pamela Wright
 Unit #502 - Jatavious Coleman
 TO PREVENT SALE, accounts must be current by deadline at 5:00 PM April 29th, 2022. Call 378-0352 for amount due.
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ESTATE SALE

Indoor Estate Yard Sale: 105 College Ave. Abbeville, Friday, April 22, 8 am - 6 pm; Saturday, April 23 8 am-noon. Furniture & Household items
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Friday, April 22 & Saturday, April 23. 9 AM to 4 PM both days. 9 Caravel Circle, McCormick. Furniture, kitchen items, linens, home decor, China, Crystal, collectibles and much more.
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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

ABBEVILLE COUNTY, SOUTH CAROLINA

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN by the County Council of Abbeville County, South Carolina ("County Council") that the County Council will conduct a public hearing on the proposed adoption of an Ordinance entitled:

"ORDINANCE 2022-05"

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING, PURSUANT TO TITLE 12, CHAPTER 44 OF THE CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA 1976, AS AMENDED, THE EXECUTION AND DELIVERY OF A FEE-IN-LIEU OF AD VALOREM TAXES AND SPECIAL SOURCE REVENUE CREDIT AGREEMENT BY AND BETWEEN ABBEVILLE COUNTY, SOUTH CAROLINA, AND AEROFOAM USA LLC, A COMPANY PREVIOUSLY

IDENTIFIED AS PROJECT FOAM, ACTING FOR ITSELF, ONE OR MORE CURRENT OR FUTURE AFFILIATES AND OTHER PROJECT COMPANIES (COLLECTIVELY, "COMPANY"); PROVIDING FOR A FEE-IN-LIEU OF AD VALOREM TAXES INCENTIVE; PROVIDING FOR A SPECIAL SOURCE REVENUE CREDIT; CREATING A JOINT COUNTY INDUSTRIAL AND BUSINESS PARK BETWEEN ABBEVILLE COUNTY AND LAURENS COUNTY SO AS TO DESIGNATE THE PROPERTY OF THE PROJECT AS PART OF THE PARK; AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION AND DELIVERY OF ONE OR MORE GRANT AGREEMENTS; AUTHORIZING THE CONVEYANCE OF CERTAIN REAL ESTATE FOR PROJECT FOAM; AND OTHER RELATED MATTERS.

The public hearing will be held in the Council Chambers of the Abbeville County Administrative Complex, located at 903 West Greenwood Street, Abbeville, South Carolina, at 6:30 p.m. on May 9, 2022, in conjunction with a regularly scheduled meeting of the County Council.

Subject to the normal rules of County Council, as well as any rules adopted by emergency ordinance or otherwise, regarding ap-

pearances, members of the public are invited to attend and make comment concerning the proposed Ordinance.

Individuals who may need auxiliary aids to ensure effective participation and communication concerning the above public hearing should contact the Clerk to County Council at (864) 366-6690, ext. 2236 no later than 24 hours prior to the scheduled hearing.
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ABBEVILLE COUNTY COUNCIL PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE

PURSUANT TO 6-1-80, A PUBLIC HEARING WILL BE HELD ON MAY 9th, 2022, AT 6:30 P.M. IN THE COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE COMPLEX LOCATED AT 903 W. GREENWOOD STREET. THE HEARING INVOLVES THE FY 22-23 BUDGET. THE PUBLIC IS INVITED TO ATTEND.

FUND	FY 21-22 REVENUE	FY 21-22 EXPENDITURE	FY 22-23 REVENUE	FY 22-23 EXPENDITURE	FY 21-22 MILLAGE	FY 22-23 MILLAGE	FY 21-22 FEE	FY 22-23 FEE
GENERAL FUND	11,062,074	11,062,074	11,436,737	11,436,737	92.1	92.1		
RURAL FIRE	441,389	441,389	468,590	468,590	8.1	8.1		
ROAD MAINTENANCE	374,466	374,466	369,612	369,612			\$ 13.99	\$ 13.99
ACCOMMODATIONS TAX	138,402	138,402	143,149	143,149				
VICTIMS SERVICES	54,405	54,405	55,649	55,649				
SOLID WASTE/RECYCLE CENTERS	497,007	497,007	444,425	444,425	6.5	6.5		
INFRASTRUCTURE MILLAGE	98,546	98,546	102,532	102,532	1.5	1.5		
E911 SUBSCRIBER TARIFFS	331,457	331,457	225,995	225,995				
PUBLIC SAFETY FEE	778,140	778,140	801,000	801,000			\$62.50	\$62.50
DSS CHILD SUPPORT	60,010	60,010	60,010	60,010				
C/C FAMILY COURT	7,005	7,005	7,020	7,020				
SHERIFF FAMILY COURT	5,003	5,003	5,003	5,003				
LOST ROLL BACK	925,000	925,000	900,000	900,000				
LANDFILL	1,152,541	1,152,541	1,201,760	1,201,760			\$55.00	\$55.00
COUNTY COMPLEX BUILDING BOND	461,696	461,696	487,885	487,885	6.9	6.8		
COUNTY GOB 2021	133,220	133,220	484,731	484,731	2.0	7.3		
COUNTY GOB 2017	359,547	359,547	-	-	5.4	-		
ABBEVILLE COUNTY LIBRARY	413,241	413,241	550,425	550,425	3.2	3.2		
PIEDMONT TECHNICAL COLLEGE	155,437	155,437	157,154	157,154	2.3	2.3		
LANDFILL CLOSURE	10,000	10,000	10,000	10,000				
COUNTY RESERVE FUND LEVY	170,093	170,093	-	-	2.6	-		
VETERANS AFFAIR STATE FUNDING	4,704	4,704	4,704	4,704				
COUNTY ANIMAL SHELTER	130,256	130,256	159,436	159,436			\$9.00	\$9.00
**FIRE SERVICE IMPROVEMENT SRF	280,000		-	-				\$20.00
CAPITAL EQUIPMENT MILLAGE	306,471	306,471	306,471	306,471	5.1	5.1		
TOTAL	\$18,350,110.00	\$18,070,110.00	\$18,382,288.00	\$18,382,288.00	135.7	132.9	\$140.49	\$160.49

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(1) The name, address, and telephone number of the person filing the protest;
(2) The specific reasons why the application should be denied;
(3) That the person protesting is willing to attend a hearing (if one is requested by the applicant);
(4) That the person protesting resides in the same county where the proposed place of business is located or within five miles of the business; and,
(5) The name of the applicant and the address of the business to be licensed.
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