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# Twister?

## Storm hits Abbeville County Monday afternoon--some homes damaged

By Henry E. Green

A tornado scare hit Abbeville County Monday afternoon.

No injuries were reported, but there was heavy rain, as well as hail, and the County was under a tornado warning for much of the afternoon.

There were reports of power outages in parts of rural Abbeville County, including the area around Stevenson Road on the eastern outskirts of the city of Abbeville.

Abbeville County School District schools kept students at school until the tornado warning expired, according to Abbeville County School District Superintendent Dr. Mason Gary.

“We sheltered in place,” said Dr. Mason Gary.

Officials from the National Weather Service were slated to be in Abbeville County Tuesday to assess the damage, and to determine whether a tornado actually touched down, said Abbeville County Director David Garner.

No injuries or fatalities were reported. “Most of the damage was confined to trees and limbs and power lines,” he said.

A number of homes suffered minor damage, with at least one suffering major damage.

“It was really pretty widespread,” he said. Most of the damage was north of Highway 72, with spots of damage at Lake Secession, Lowndesville, Cold Springs, and Stevenson Road, and others.

“We’ve had a very busy day,” said Abbeville County Fire Marshal Tim Williams Tuesday.

“Between 2 p.m. and 2:30 p.m. Monday, the 911 center in Abbeville County alerted all public safety departments of a tornado warning,” he said.

A short time later, the Lowndesville area started receiving reports of trees and power lines across the road ways, he said.

Within five or 10 minutes, there were reports of trees down at Highway 71 and Pecan Road, and there were in the next few minutes reports of power lines down at the intersection of Rock Hill Road and Pecan Road.

The Cold Spring area on Highway 20 also had reports of trees and power lines down, and then there was a call about a motor vehicle accident where a tree had fallen on a vehicle traveling down Stevenson Road. The tree fell on the hood of the vehicle,” he said. “Firefighters were able to remove the individual from

the vehicle, and no injuries were reported.”

As fire fighters and the Sheriff’s Office were responding to this incident, they came upon multiple trees and power lines on Douglas Mill Road, Stevenson Road, and Old Hodges Road.

There was also a report of a house on Douglas Mill Road on which a tree had fallen, and on Gassoway Farm Road, a home took a “direct hit” from the weather event and was severely damaged.

The time of day, with many people at work and kids at school, had much to do with no injuries being reported.

Ten homes suffered minor to moderate damage, and two suffered severe damage, Williams said.

“A command post was set up at the Cold Spring Fire Department to handle the incident,” the Fire Marshal said.

“Also, we had assistance for Abbeville City Fire Department, SCDOT, Duke Energy, Little River, and Abbeville County Public Works,” Williams continued.

Tuesday, the National Weather Service, Abbeville County Assessor’s Office, and Emergency Management were assessing the damage, he said.



This home on the eastern outskirts of Abbeville was one of the homes damaged during a storm Monday afternoon, as the County was under a tornado warning for much of the afternoon. (Staff photo by Henry E. Green)

# Alive and kicking

## Spring Festival makes comeback after last year’s cancellation

By Henry E. Green

A common denominator? We asked some people Thursday night what brought them to Abbeville Spring Festival, which this year was held on Thursday evening, Friday evening, and all day Saturday. “My kids--for the rides, of course,” said Crystal Beauford of Abbeville, whose children are 14, 17, and 19 years old.

“My son loves the rides,” said Jason Walker of Abbeville.

Seven-year-old Kamden looks forward to it all. “He gets so excited when it’s festival time,” said Walker.

The rides, though, are just part of the Spring Festival scene. In the Livery Stable you could find crafters like Holly Freeman of Abbeville.

Freeman is a guiding spirit between Cell Block G Nubian Goat Farm, and at the Festival she was selling goat milk products.

She makes those products herself--“hand-crafted at our farm,” she said.

“Our” refers to Holly and her husband Shawn Puma, who also does upholstery work.

The products, meanwhile, include soap, milk and cheese. Everything comes from the goats.

“No cows on our farm!” she laughed. Why Nubian goats?

“They’re a dairy breed,” she said. “They produce more milk.”

Holly, who has been raising goats three and one half years, is a big fan of the animals.

“They’re so friendly,” she said. “They follow you around.”

She and Shawn currently have 15 goats, including six that they milk. The others include younger goats, and goats for breeding.

Other crafters were set up on Court Square. Among them was artist Keturah Stoltzfus of Due West.

“I do leather work, I do freehand lettering, I do earth pigment paint making, and I do recycled handmade paper,” she said, adding that she also works with pressed flowers.

She has been doing hand lettering since the third grade, but other endeavors are “quarantine hobbies” such as leather work, paper work, and earth pigments.

“This is my first craft show,” she said. “I work at Cold Spring Cafe. This is what I do after work.”

There was also the Wheels of Time Car Club car show, featuring vintage vehicles such as a 1936 LaSalle.

According to an information stand set up near the vehicle, the LaSalle was set up as a companion marque of Cadillac from

1927 to 1940. Both cars were named for explorers.

Stoltzfus was named one of the winners of a crafters’ contest held in conjunction with the festival.

She claimed the Best In Show Item honors, while Gregory Newson won the Best Presentation of his Booth.

Other finalists for Best in Show Item included Kathy and Jimmy Hall, David Sorrow, Gregory Newson, and Julie Pigott, according to information from the Abbeville Artist Guild.

Other finalists for the Best Presentation included Elvia Else, Linda Wakefield, David Sorrow, and John Epperly.

And of course there was the entertainment, with the Swingin’ Medallions closing the show Saturday night.

The festival stage was set up on North Main Street, just north of the Square.

The food, seemingly in keeping with the character of the festival, seemed to offer a little something for everyone--from noodles to barbecue to funnel cakes.

The festival is presented by the City of Abbeville annually, although last year’s festival was cancelled because of COVID concerns.

This year’s event was blessed with warm weather, and a lack of precipitation.



This Ferris wheel provided a source of entertainment at the Abbeville Spring Festival, held recently in Abbeville. (Staff photo by Henry E. Green)

# Vouchers available for local senior citizens

By Henry E. Green

Local senior citizens applying for farmers market vouchers may contact the United Way Monday through Friday from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. through June 1, according to Abbeville Senior Center site manager Rhonda Arnold.

The Abbeville Senior Center, also known as the Center Street Cafe, will assist with the online applications on Tuesday only by phone, from 9 a.m. to noon.

Seniors may pick up their vouchers on Thursday, June

3 at South Side Baptist Church in Abbeville from 1 p.m. to 5 p.m.

Calhoun Falls seniors may pick up their vouchers at Calhoun Falls town hall from 2 p.m. to 5 p.m. on Tuesday, June 8.

“Last year we had more than 400 participants (in Abbeville County),” said Arnold.

The South Carolina Department of Social Services presents the program every year for any county which is interested.

“It’s been going on for many

years (in Abbeville County),” she said.

Each senior voucher is worth \$25, to be used to purchase fruits and vegetables at local farmers markets.

For more information, one may contact Arnold at 366-9667.

One may also visit the following website:

<https://dss.sc.gov/assistance-programs/food-and-nutrition-programs/senior-farmers-market/>



This was the view of Abbeville’s Court Square from the Ferris wheel at the recent Abbeville Spring Festival. (Staff photo by Henry E. Green)

# When and how

## Abbeville County still anticipating reception of millions in federal funds

By Henry E. Green

Abbeville County is anticipating getting nearly \$5 million in federal funding under President Joe Biden's infrastructure plan, but the County has not yet received the money, Abbeville County Director David Garner said Tuesday of last week.

In addition, Abbeville County anticipates guidelines on how to use the money, but just what those guidelines will be County officials do not know, Garner said.

Abbeville County Council recently passed a resolution setting out some parameters on the funding.

With the passage of the

American Rescue Plan Act on March 12, 2021, Abbeville County is scheduled to receive approximately \$4.7 million in direct federal aid and, Abbeville County is due to receive approximately 50% of the funds within 60 days of the bill's passage.

Abbeville County Council acknowledges the Funds have certain federal guidelines and reporting requirements, and wishes to define a method for accounting for and distributing the funds.

The County Treasurer is directed to establish a separate checking account in which the funds are to be deposited

Abbeville County is not alone. Local governments throughout the nation are expected to receive money through the American Rescue Plan Act.

The County Director also commented on the bonds which the County is planning to issue in order to secure, among other things, air packs for County fire fighters.

The V SAFE grants which a number of County fire departments recently received will help in that effort to acquire new equipment, but the grants only go so far, as the equipment can be very expensive.



First Baptist Church of Abbeville is celebrating its 150th birthday this year, and a special service on May 2 marked the occasion. Rev. Johnny Hunt was the keynote speaker, former pastors were recognized, and there was a video describing the history of the church. (Photo courtesy of First Baptist)

# District gears up for standardized testing

By Henry E. Green

The Abbeville County School District is slated to have standardized testing this month, Brandi Sears, Director of Instruction and Accountability with the Abbeville County School District, told the Abbeville County School District Board of Trustees at the board's April 27 meeting.

"Students in third through eighth grade take SCReady ELA and Math," she said Wednesday in an email. "Those in grades four and six will also take the SC-

PASS Science Test," she said.

In other news at the meeting, Sears introduced Dione Ashley as the Coordinator of Elementary Programs and Testing.

"She is currently the Instructional Leader at Cherokee Trail and will begin her new role at the district office in July," Sears noted in an email Wednesday.

"In this capacity, she will assist principals, instructional leaders, and reading coaches at the elementary schools in the areas of curriculum

and instruction, professional development, and state and district testing."

Also at the school board meeting, the school board approved an update to the District's Strategic Plan.

There has also been an update on COVID cases in the Abbeville County School District.

"The numbers of positive cases among students and staff have dropped significantly," said Dr. Skip Hopkins, the Abbeville County School District's director of student services.

# Abbeville Artist Guild receives grant from SC Arts Commission

Submitted by  
Jane Agan

The Abbeville Artist Guild has been awarded a \$2,400.00 Art Emergency Relief grant for the 2021 fiscal year by the South Carolina Arts Commission which receives support from the National Endowment for the Arts.

In addition, partial funds were received from the South Carolina Artists Relief Fund of the South Carolina Arts Foundation. This grant will allow the Artist Guild to continue to offer workshops, student art shows, and other events to support the arts in Abbeville County.

"This funding helps us achieve our mission to seek to enrich our community and promote growth through education, active participation in and exhibition of the Arts," reported Jesse Nance, president of the Artist Guild. The S.C. Arts Commission grant will enable the Artist Guild

to offer workshops that will explore different mediums and techniques such as pottery, photography, and papermaking.

Portions of this grant will be used for awards in our first community photo contest and to help with the summer art camp for children planned for this summer.

The South Carolina Arts Commission is the state agency charged with creating a thriving arts environment that benefits all South Carolinians, regardless of their location or circumstances.

Created by the South Carolina General Assembly in 1967, the Arts Commission works to increase public participation in the arts by providing services, grants and leadership initiatives in three areas: arts education, community arts development and artist development.

Headquartered in Columbia, S.C., the Arts Commission is funded by the state

of South Carolina, by the federal government through the National Endowment for the Arts and other sources.

For more information, visit [www.SouthCarolinaArts.com](http://www.SouthCarolinaArts.com) or call (803) 734-8696.

The purpose of the Abbeville Artist Guild is to bring an understanding of the many ways that our society/community members can express themselves in positive ways through art.


The Artist Guild is committed to teaching and encouraging children to learn to express themselves in positive ways.

The Artist Guild seeks to enrich our community and promote growth through education, active participation in and exhibition of the Arts.

The Guild meets every other month on Sundays at 4 pm in the Abbeville Welcome Center.

For more information on Guild activities, contact [abbevilleartistguild@gmail.com](mailto:abbevilleartistguild@gmail.com) or call 864/366-5881.



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A birthday parade helped honor beloved 87-year-old Annie L. Kennedy of Calhoun Falls. This motor vehicle was part of the parade. (Staff photo by Henry E. Green)

# Drive-by joy

## Annie L. Kennedy of Calhoun Falls honored with birthday parade

By Henry E. Green

There are birthday parties, and then there are BIRTHDAY PARTIES.

A beloved Calhoun Falls lady celebrated her birthday Saturday with a parade.

Eighty-seven-year-old Annie Laura Kennedy sat on the front porch of her daughter Gloria Gray in Calhoun Falls while a long parade of motor vehicles rode by the house on Broadwell Street.

At one point, the vehicles all stopped and the occupants sang "Happy Birthday."

The yard was decorated with "Happy Birthday" spelled out in big purple letters, and family members wore purple T-shirts for the occasion.

More than 50 motor vehicles participated in the parade for Mrs. Kennedy, who worked in the cafeteria of

Calhoun Falls High School for more than 20 years before retiring, said Dale Gilchrist, Mrs. Kennedy's youngest daughter.

Mrs. Kennedy had 12 children, one of whom is now deceased, and at least 30 grandchildren, and numerous great-grandchildren.

She is a member of Springfield Baptist Church in Calhoun Falls.

"She was over the church kitchen for many years," said Mrs. Gilchrist.

Why a parade?

It provided an opportunity not only to do something special for her but it also provided a chance for family and friends to say hello from their vehicles in this age of COVID.

"She's the best mother and grandmother, mother-in-law, and friend anybody could ask for," she said.

"Anytime she could do anything for someone, she didn't know the meaning of the word 'no.' Every child at that school was her child," she said, adding that if a child did not have money for lunch then she would pay for that child's lunch.

"She is a true woman of God," Mrs. Gilchrist said.

She thanked everyone who participated in the parade, and who sent cards, and as of Monday, Mrs. Kennedy was still receiving cards.

She gave a special thanks to Calhoun Falls police chief Cindy Kennedy, and South Carolina Department of Probation, Pardon and Parole Services agent Jeff Sorrow, and Greg Allen, Lander police chief, who is originally from Calhoun Falls. Sorrow led the singing of "Happy Birthday."



Eighty-seven-year-old Annie L. Kennedy was honored Saturday with a birthday parade recently in Calhoun Falls. (Staff photo by Henry E. Green)

# Firefighters to buy extrication equipment

By Henry E. Green

The Donalds Fire Department has definite plans on how to use the V SAFE grant it recently received.

The department received a grant of approximately \$29,000, which it plans to use to purchase extrication equipment.

"It's basically 'jaws of life,'" he said, noting that it is used to help extricate people from motor vehicle following accidents.

"This is going to be up to date equipment," he said, noting that it will replace older, dated equipment.

"Last year we had 36 motor vehicle accidents," he said, and in some of them the department had to use

extrication equipment.

At times in years past, Donalds had to depend on other departments for extrication efforts following accidents.

Extrication equipment "is very expensive," he said.

The money from the grant is expected to arrive at any time.

Vaughn has been the chief of the department since 2010. Donalds has about 19 volunteer firefighters.

This is not the same V SAFE grant the Donalds firefighters have received, according to Vaughn.

"We've got several in the past," he said. In the past, the department has spent the money on things like protective clothing.

The department has also secured a new rescue truck, as well as a South Carolina Forestry Commission grant, with which the firefighters bought new chain saws, and some small items of equipment—all within the past year.

"We're looking good," he said.

Donalds was one of 182 departments receiving grants recently through the program, which is administered through the state of South Carolina, according to information released by State Rep. Craig Gagnon.

V SAFE is an acronym for Volunteer Strategic Assistance and Fire Equipment.

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# Friends of Freedom plan 'Juneteenth'

By Henry E. Green

The Abbeville Friends of Freedom will host the Abbeville community's first annual Juneteenth Celebration on June 18-20.

This event will kick off on the evening of Friday, June 18 at the Abbeville Opera House with a concert by Amythyst Kiah, a Grammy nominee for Best American Roots Song, with "Black Myself."

On Saturday, June 19, the Celebration will feature various free community family friendly events in and around Court Square.

"We will have three separate stages featuring guest speakers, dance performances, spoken word artists, and musicians," according to a news release from the committee.

Other events will include an artisan craft show in the Livery Stable, a Kids Zone with arts and crafts and a storytime, an art show at the Greater Abbeville Chamber of Commerce, and a food

truck alley.

Local agencies like the Abbeville County voter registration and elections office and the Abbeville Area Medical Center will also be on-site.

On Sunday, June 20, there will be a Soul Food Cook off in the Livery Stable, and the fun will be continued with live musicians.

### What is Juneteenth?

It is all to celebrate a holiday highlighting the emancipation of those who had been enslaved in the United States.

Originating in Galveston, Texas, it is now celebrated annually, with varying degrees of recognition, throughout the United States.

Juneteenth is celebrated on the anniversary of the announcement on June 19, 1865, by Union general Gordon Granger—an announcement proclaiming freedom from slavery in Texas.

While President Abraham Lincoln's Emancipation

Proclamation had officially outlawed slavery in Texas and other states in rebellion two and one half years earlier, enforcement of the Proclamation depended largely on the advance of Union troops.

"Texas being the most remote of the slave states had a low presence of Union troops as the American Civil War ended: thus, enforcement there had been slow and inconsistent before Granger's announcement," according to the Committee.

Members of the Friends of Freedom Committee include Susan Sherard, Jason Edwards, Erica McCier, Shari Williams, Nafi Shahid, and Donald Burton

Anyone wanting to volunteer to help present the event may contact Shari Williams at 864-323-9515.

Anyone wishing to donate, or to gain more information, may call Sherard at 366-2158.



Lloyd Roofing recently could be spotted doing some work on the exterior of the Abbeville Opera House. Here is a bucket truck putting some finishing touches on a wall facing East Pickens Street. (Staff photo by Henry E. Green)

# Trustees hear update on ABM collaboration

By Henry E. Green

The Abbeville County School District Board of Trustees heard an update recently from a company with which the District is collaborating to provide a study on how District facilities can become more energy efficient.

Rick Higginbotham of Georgia-based ABM provided a presentation to the school board at the board's April 27th meeting.

Abbeville County School District Superintendent Dr. Mason Gary recently described ABM's work with the School District.

"They are examining all mechanical, electrical, HVAC, building envelope items and measuring their efficiency," said Dr. Gary. "This will go into a formula where they will give us an amount we will garner through a guaranteed savings. ABM or their subcontractors will perform the

work. This work can be paid for through ESSER funds or through savings."

ESSER funds are funds provided by Congress to support schools and school districts in addressing the impact of COVID 19, according to curriculumassociates.com.

At the meeting, Higginbotham identified a number of facilities needs at the various schools.

These include air conditioning for the gyms at Dixie and Abbeville High School, work on lighting at a number of schools, and replacement of refrigeration units at a number of schools.

Higginbotham provided a time line for what to expect in coming months

In July, ABM plans to: • Complete an internal overview of pricing, scope, and funding production. • Have a verification meeting with the Abbeville County School District adminis-

tration. • Work with the administration for a recommendation to the board.

In August, ABM will meet with board members to go over results of the study and recommend a program.

They plan to make a presentation based on their findings and make recommendations at the board meeting.

The board could vote on a resolution that gives the board chairman and District superintendent the authority to negotiate and execute contracts not to exceed a documented dollar amount.

ABM proclaims on its website, "Making Spaces Healthier for You: From the things you touch to the air you breathe, ABM offers a total approach to building health, from surface disinfection to improved air quality."

# No idle hands here

## Wilder Ferreira reports on variety of projects in which he has been involved

By Henry E. Green

Wilder Ferreira is a busy man.

The Clemson Extension educator, who is also the director of the Freshwater Coast Center for Rural Development, recently provided a report on some of the things with which he has been involved.

The Freshwater Coast Center for Rural Development has been established through the Freshwater Coast Community Foundation, whose aims include enhancing the entrepreneurial spirit here in Abbeville County.

"The Foundation is a partner with Clemson University Extension and Wilder as director of the Rural Development Center, is an employee of Clemson University Extension Service," said Lee Logan, chairman of Ferreira's advisory board. "It was developed as a pilot project to learn how to better be able to have healthy sustainable quality of life in rural communities."

In a report to the Foundation, Ferreira noted that he has been working on a number of projects.

Among them: • Working with Clemson Extension Agent Adam Gore on a number of projects.

• Collaborating with Calhoun Falls Mayor Chris Cowan to open a market in Calhoun Falls.

• Working with Jessica Piedrahita to revitalize downtown Calhoun Falls.

• Collaborating with the Municipal Association of South Carolina to grant \$25,000 to Calhoun Falls to revitalize its downtown area.

• Preparing a new TV commercial to be filmed in downtown McCormick and Abbeville to promote the Freshwater Coast Buy Local Reward Program. WCTEL is paying for the commercial.

• Ordering 40,000 Buy Local reward cards to be distributed to the 95 vendors/business participants. "I will visit every single one in the summer," said Ferreira.

Ferreira said he will be teaching more than 20 workshops in 2021, and "assisting my workshop attendees with business planning, using e-commerce platforms, selling products on several online marketplaces, marketing planning, and financial planning. During the pandemic, I assisted more than 50 entrepreneurs through ZOOM meetings."

"Starting at the end of May, I will be managing the Calhoun Falls Farmers Market and co-managing the McCormick Farmers

Market. The City of Abbeville manages its Farmers Market, and the Town of Iva manages its Farmers Market."

Ferreira said he also has been working with the Due West Robotics on how to address the need for building space in Due West to house the program, which could grow into an "innovation space" for young folks to develop skills in all things related to science and technology.


"Over the past 12 months, I have been working virtually and assisting entrepreneurs and stakeholders through Zoom sessions. The amount of work never changes, but the way we get the message across has changed drastically.

"I learned that people need support no matter where they live. I also learned that technology is here to help. Long-distance learning combined with technology has made a tremendous difference in my life.

In my 25 years of entrepreneurial education, I have never seen so many people interested in learning new life and business skills. My virtual classes and meetings will continue in the years ahead."

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*Joyce Cameron Cooper*

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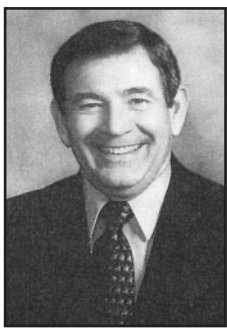
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# a Word from "THE WORD"



Rev. Dr. John Keith

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## Influence

**Hebrews 12:1 "Therefore we also, since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us lay aside every weight, and the sin which so easily ensnares us, and let us run with endurance the race that is set before us."**

In 1953, the first people to climb to the top of Mt. Everest were Sir Edmund Hillary and Tenzing Norgay, a Sherpa guide. Norgay's son, Jamling Norgay, climbed Mt. Everest in 1999. In describing his condition as he inched closer to the top he said, "I never felt so strong in all my life. It was my father's spirit that was with me." He wrote a book called "Touching My Father's Soul." In his book, Jamling Norgay describes what it felt like standing on the world's tallest peak: "I looked down on the ruins of the Rongbuk monastery where my father chased yaks as a young boy. Then I turned back and I saw him—my father. He was right there behind me, off to the side where a patch of rock meets the snow. His face shining, beaming."

Even though Jamling's father was really not physically there with him, he could still feel his presence. That is what the writer of Hebrews 12 is saying about the great cloud of Christian witnesses that have gone on before us—their influence is still with us even though we are separated by many years. The author of Hebrews 12 is referring back to chapter 11—the heroes of faith chapter. Even though these heroes of the faith have been dead for centuries, their godly influence is still with us.

Let me share three thoughts from this verse.

First of all, the testimony of our Christian forefathers spur us on. When we think of all that they endured, it gives

us the courage to continue in our Christian journey. The theme of chapter 12 is endurance. The Christians that the author of Hebrews was writing to had felt the harsh treatment of persecution. He is writing to encourage them to stick with it and he uses the forefathers of the faith as an inspiration.

*When facing a challenge that no one has ever faced before, let the example of Noah inspire you.* He was called upon to trust God and do something that had never been done before—build an ark. It had never rained before, but when God called on him to build an ark because a flood was coming, he obeyed.

*When facing a difficult call to follow God into unknown territory, think of Abraham.* God called him to leave the familiar homeland of Ur of the Chaldees and follow Him to an unknown land. In faith, Abraham followed the call of God.

*When faced with the difficult decision whether to follow God or the crowd, think of Moses.* Moses was raised in the lap of luxury, the wealthiest nation of his day. He was the heir to Pharaoh's throne but he gave all that up to identify with a slave people. These three that I have named are but a small portion of the heroes of the faith whose testimony inspire us.

Second, this verse reveals what hinders us from following God. The author mentions laying aside the weights and snares that

hinder us from running the race God has for us.

What holds you back from following the Lord's will for your life? Is it fear of failure? Is it an attitude or habit that hinders your Christian walk? It might be something that in and of itself is not necessarily bad but for you it hinders your walk of faith.

Whatever holds you back—jettison it from your life. The author of Hebrews 12 mentions weights and sins—whatever hinders your Christian walk is a sin. The first step in laying aside what hinders you is to acknowledge that it is a sin. The second step is to confess the weight as a sin. The third and final step is to forsake the sin that weighs you down.

Thirdly, this verse encourages us to stay in the race until the end. So many folks start but do not finish. Notice that the Scripture does not tell us to run fast or to strive to be first but to finish the course.

Each and every believer has a course that God has laid out for them. For me, it was to be a pastor. I want to finish well. I want to stay the course until my race is run and hear my Master say, "Well done my good and faithful servant."

Your course is different. God does not call every person to be a pastor or missionary, but He does call each of us to be faithful in our Christian life.

I want my life to be an inspiration to those who follow me and I am sure that you do as well.

# District copes with lockdown situations

By Henry E. Green

The Abbeville County School District coped with a potentially perilous situation recently when two individuals escaped temporarily from law enforcement custody, Abbeville County School District director of student services Dr. Skip Hopkins told the Abbeville County School District Board of Trustees last week.

The lockdowns took place on a Thursday and a Friday in mid-April.

"Long Cane Primary was placed on "lockout" shortly after 12 noon on Friday," Hopkins said in an email recently. "The lockout meant that normal operations took place inside the school but students could not go outside for any reason during the lockout. The was in response to police searching for someone who had escaped in the vicinity of LCP. Around 1:30 police notified the school and the district that the lockout could end, and the school resumed normal operating procedures at that time.

"Thursday we had a similar

event occur around 2:55- 3:00 which caused Wright Middle School and the Abbeville County Career Center to go on lockout as well. Abbeville area buses were routed to WMS and those students were safely housed there until the lockout was lifted, Hopkins said.

In other matters, the Board of Trustees voted last week to approve the District's Strategic Renewal Plan, setting out goals for the District for the coming years.

Abbeville County School District Director of Instruction and Accountability Brandi Sears explained that the plan lays out goals for the District, such as improvement in graduation rates, and steps to reach those goals, and the plan has to be updated every year, Sears explained in an article in last week's Press and Banner. School districts throughout South Carolina are required to have and maintain such plans, Sears has said.

In other matters: --The board voted to accept the administration's recom-

mendation and approved two induction contracts and five continuing contracts for District personnel for the coming school year.

--The board also voted to change the date of the regular meeting for the month of June to June 29.

The trustees typically hold their regular monthly meetings on the fourth Tuesday of every month, but they voted to change the date so as not to conflict with a school administrators' conference in Myrtle Beach.

--The trustees were also informed that they had been invited to the Abbeville High School academic awards program on May 11.

--Previously, the school board members had been seated a certain distance apart, presumably reflecting social distancing, but at last week's meeting, the social distancing for the seating had been eliminated.

--Trustee David Brooks was absent from the meeting.

# Community calendar

**Guild plans workshop**  
The Abbeville Artist Guild is sponsoring a Paper Making Workshop on Saturday, May 22, 2021.

Cecily Ferguson will be the instructor for the workshop, which will be held at the Abbeville Civic Center from 10:00 am until 2:00 pm.

The cost is \$35.00 for non-AAG members and is \$25.00 for AAG members. Bring your lunch, the guild will not provide snacks due to COVID.

Email the guild to register at [abbevilleartistguild@gmail.com](mailto:abbevilleartistguild@gmail.com)

or call Jane Agan at 366/5881.

**GLEAMNS to hold public meeting**

GLEAMNS Human Resources Commission will hold a public meeting at 6 p.m. on Wednesday, May 19, at the Abbeville GLEAMNS Head Start Center at 706 Carolina Cirler in Abbeville.

The purpose will be to elect a representative from Abbeville County to serve on the GLEAMNS Board of Commissioners.

The person elected should

be from the low-income population of Abbeville County or a representative of the same.

Measures to prevent the spread of the coronavirus will be required during the election process.

These measures include hand sanitizing, temperature checks, face coverings while inside the facility and physical distancing of six feet or more.

For more information one may call Shunna V. Jeter of GLEAMNS at 864-229-8801.

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You also won't want to miss purchasing a chance to win a beautiful piece of jewelry from **The Jeweler's Bench** - the perfect Mother's Day gift if you're the lucky winner!! Chances are \$5.00 each or three for \$10.00 and can be purchased on the auction site.

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# Burdette to be new principal at WMS

By Henry E. Green

Brandon Burdette will be the new principal at Wright Middle School, beginning with the coming school year, Abbeville County School District Superintendent Dr. Mason Gary said.

Meanwhile, current Wright Middle principal Brenda Jackson will be moving to Abbeville High School, where she will be an assistant principal, Director of the Freshman Academy and the Alternative School.

Burdette is originally from Donalds, and grew up in Abbeville County, and has been working in Greenwood County as an assistant principal at Emerald High School, according to Rhonda Thomasson, Abbeville County School District Benefits Administrator.

Burdette has been in the field of education 13 years, with nine of those years teaching special education, said Thomasson.

He has been an assistant

principal at Emerald High since July 2015, she continued.

"We look forward to working with him in his new role," said Thomasson.

"We're excited to have him," said Dr. Gary.

In addition, Diamond Hill Elementary principal Todd Ramey will be moving to Long Cane Primary, while Long Cane Primary principal Millie Ricketts will be moving to Diamond Hill, Dr. Gary said.

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## 2020 Water Quality Report

### Town of Calhoun Falls System # SC0110002

We're pleased to provide you with this year's Water Quality Report. We want to keep you informed about the water and services we have delivered to you over the past year. Our goal is to provide to you a safe and dependable supply of drinking water. We are committed to ensuring the quality of your water. Our water is purchased treated surface water (Rocky River/Lake Russell) from the City of Abbeville.

A Source Water Assessment Plan has been prepared for our system by SCDHEC. If you have any questions about this report or concerning your water utility, or if you do not have Internet access, please contact Chris Cowan at 864-418-8512. We want you, our neighbors, and valued customers, to be informed about your water utility. Feel free to attend any of our regularly scheduled meetings on the 4th Monday of every month at 6:00 PM at the town hall.

This report shows our water quality and what it means. The Town of Calhoun Falls routinely monitors for constituents in your drinking water according to Federal and State laws. As water travels over the land or underground, it can pick up substances or contaminants such as microbes and chemicals. All drinking water, including bottled drinking water, may be reasonably expected to contain at least small amounts of some constituents. It's important to remember that the presence of these constituents does not necessarily pose a health risk.

The table below shows the results of our monitoring for the period of January 1st to December 31st, 2020.

**In this table you will find the following terms and abbreviations:**  
**Action Level (AL)** - the concentration of a contaminant that, if exceeded, triggers treatment or other requirements that a water system must follow.  
**Parts per million (ppm) or Milligrams per liter (mg/l)** - one part per million corresponds to one minute in two years or a single penny in \$10,000.  
**Parts per billion (ppb) or Micrograms per liter** - one part per billion corresponds to one minute in 2,000 years, or a single penny in \$10,000,000.  
**Maximum Contaminant Level** - The "Maximum Allowed" (MCL) is the highest level of a contaminant that is allowed in drinking water. MCLs are set as close to the MCLGs as feasible using the best available treatment technology. MCL's are set at very stringent levels. To understand the possible health effects described for many regulated constituents, a person would have to drink 2 liters of water every day at the MCL level for a lifetime to have a one-in-a-million chance of having the described health effect.  
**Maximum Contaminant Level Goal** - The "Goal"(MCLG) is the level of a contaminant in drinking water below which there is no known or expected risk to health. MCLGs allow for a margin of safety. Maximum Residual Disinfectant Level (MRDL) - The highest level of a disinfectant allowed in drinking water. There is convincing evidence that addition of a disinfectant is necessary for control of microbial contaminants.  
**Maximum Residual Disinfectant Level Goal (MRDLG)** - The level of a drinking water disinfectant below which there is no known or expected risk to health. MRDLGs do not reflect the benefits of the use of disinfectants to control microbial contaminants.  
**Non-Detects (ND)** - laboratory analysis indicates that the constituent is not present.  
**Running Annual Average (RAA)** - Highest result of quarterly averages.  
**TTHMs (Total trihalomethanes)** - Some people who drink water containing trihalomethanes in excess of the MCL over many years may experience problems with their liver, kidneys, or central nervous systems, and may have an increased risk of getting cancer.

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LEAD AND COPPER TEST RESULTS (2018)						
Contaminant	Violation Y/N	90 <sup>th</sup> percentile	Unit Measurement	Action Level	Sites over action level	Likely Source of Contamination
Copper	N	0.035	ppm	1.3	0	Corrosion of household plumbing systems; erosion of natural deposits; leaching from wood preservatives
DISINFECTANTS AND DISINFECTION BY-PRODUCTS						
Haloacetic acids (HAAs) (2020)	N	LRAA 29 Range 18.5-41.2	ppb	60	N/a	By-product of drinking water disinfectant
Total trihalomethanes (TTHM's) (2019)	N	RAA 58 Range 22.4-85.1	ppb	80	n/a	By-product of drinking water chlorination
Chlorine (2020)	N	0.7 Range 0.6-0.7	ppm	MRDL = 4	MRDLG = 4	Water additive used to control microbes

City of Abbeville #SC0110001

TEST RESULTS						
	Violation Y/N	Level Detected	Unit Measurement	MCLG	MCL	Likely Source of Contamination
Nitrate (2020)	N	.61 Range .61-.61	ppm	10	10	Runoff from fertilizer use; leaching from septic tanks, sewage; erosion of natural deposits
Sodium (2020 Unregulated Contaminant)	N	5.7 Range 3.6-6.2	ppm	N/A	N/A	Naturally occurring

All sources of drinking water are subject to potential contamination by substances that are naturally occurring, or man-made. These substances can be microbes, inorganic or organic chemicals and radioactive substances. All drinking water, including bottled water, may reasonably be expected to contain at least small amounts of some contaminants. The presence of contaminants does not necessarily indicate that the water poses a health risk. More information about contaminants and potential health effects can be obtained by calling the Environmental Protection Agency's Safe Drinking Water Hotline at 1-800-426-4791.

**If you have special health needs--**  
 Some people may be more vulnerable to contaminants in drinking water than the general population. Immunocompromised persons such as persons with cancer undergoing chemotherapy, persons who have undergone organ transplants, people with HIV/AIDS or other immune system disorders, some elderly, and infants can be particularly at risk from infections. These people should seek advice about drinking water from their health care providers. EPA/ CDC guidelines on appropriate means to lessen the risk of infection by cryptosporidium and other microbiological contaminants are available from the Safe Drinking Water Hotline (800-426-4791).

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

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# Abbeville Area Medical Center Foundation's Benefit Bash Auction Goes Virtual

Submitted by  
**Meg Davis**

The Abbeville Area Medical Center Foundation will host its annual Benefit Bash virtually again this year! "We still weren't comfortable bringing together a large group of people for our usual dinner and auction due to the COVID-19 pandemic," stated Meg Davis, AAMC Foundation Director. "Keeping our volunteers, staff and guests safe is our main concern."

The event is the biggest fundraiser of the year for the Foundation. Despite the pandemic, the 2020 event raised more than \$32,000.00 – a record for

the Benefit Bash –which is used to support a variety of equipment purchases, healthcare career scholarships and the Foundation's Endowment.

The secure site can be found at [www.AAMCFBenefitBash.com](http://www.AAMCFBenefitBash.com) and includes more than 125 auction packages. Anyone can view the auction items, but in order to place a bid visitors to the site will have to register. The site offers many benefits, including texting bidders when they are outbid and the ability to set a maximum "auto" bid.

Bidding for the silent auction items began on April 30th and will continue through 9:00pm on May

8th. There is something for everyone including jewelry, home and garden items, original artwork, travel, items for your furry friends and more.

A fun-filled live feed hosted by Roddy Gray and Brad Evans, two of the Foundation's Board members, will be held on May 8th from 7:00-8:00pm and features some amazing live auction items. Each will only be available for bid for a limited time during the feed and guests can tune in on their mobile devices, tablets, smart TVs or desktop computers!

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## Obituaries

### Campbell

Robert Dale Campbell, 53, resident of Taylors, SC formerly of Abbeville, SC passed away Saturday May 1, 2021 at Greenville Memorial Hospital.

Born in Columbia, SC he was a son of the late Paul Maxie Campbell and Blanche Hall Campbell.

Dale was a member of Bells United Methodist Church and was and avid

Carolina Gamecock fan.

Survivors include: his sister Tammy Faulkner (Jimmy) of Greenwood, SC; and a number of nieces.

Graveside services will be conducted Wednesday May 5, 2021 at 3:00 PM in Bells United Methodist Church Cemetery with Rev. Scott Allen officiating.

Memorials in memory of Dale may be made to Bells

United Methodist Church, 2540 Flat Rock Rd. Abbeville, SC 29620.

Online condolences may be made to the Campbell family by visiting [www.chandlerjacksonfh.com](http://www.chandlerjacksonfh.com)

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

## Obituaries

### Gambrell

Julia "Judy" Burton Gambrell, 87, widow of Larry Gene Gambrell, of Keowee Road, died Monday, May 03, 2021 at her home.

Born in Abbeville County, she was a daughter of the late Leo and Inez Patterson Burton. She was a member of Little River Baptist Church and was a graduate of Carolina School of Commerce. She was a retired bookkeeper for Callaham Oil Company of Anderson.

Surviving are a daughter, Gina Dieterich (Charles) of Greenville and two step-grandchildren.

In addition to her husband and her parents she was predeceased by a brother



**Julia "Judy" Burton Gambrell**

Edwin Burton and two sisters, Helen Martin and Jean Murdock.

Funeral services will be held at 1 PM on Friday, May 7, 2021 at Little River

Baptist Church with Rev. Garrett Hart and Rev. Steve Patterson, Jr. officiating. Burial will follow in the church cemetery.

The family is at their respective homes and will receive friends from 12 to 1 PM on Friday prior to the service in the church social hall.

Memorials may be made to Little River Baptist Church, 2847 Keowee Road, Honea Path, SC 29654 or the Greater Abbeville Humane Society, P.O. Box 256, Abbeville, SC 29620.

Online condolences may be made at [www.Parker-WhitePruitt.com](http://www.Parker-WhitePruitt.com)

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### SC Statehouse Reports 2021-The Senate--Senator Mike Gambrell

## Legislative summary

**Senator Mike Gambrell**  
**Legislative Summary**  
**April 30, 2021**

The South Carolina Senate spent the week debating the \$10 billion State budget, which was finally approved late Thursday. Having been a member of the Senate Finance Committee for the first time this year, I can say that this entire budget process is handled meticulously, with the overall intent being to provide the services and infrastructure that our citizens rely on, while ensuring that the dollars are spent in the most fiscally responsible way possible. The bill now goes back to the House, and it is likely

a Conference Committee will be appointed early next week to work out any differences.

With only two weeks left in our regular Session, the Majority Leader successfully moved H.3094, "Open Carry with Training", to the floor of the Senate for Special Order status next week. This gives it priority for consideration on the Senate calendar. The bill had two Judiciary Sub-committee hearings this week, where members heard in-person and virtual testimony from both sides of the issue. The Sub-committee gave it a favorable report on Thursday morning.

Before the Senate Session

started, I attended a meeting Monday of the Anderson County Transportation Committee.

Developments and information on the COVID vaccine can be found at the DHEC COVID-19 site, which is updated daily. <https://sdcdech.gov/covid19/covid-19-vaccine>.

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](mailto:Mike-Gambrell@scsenate.gov).

## Letters

### Letter to the Editor

After reading the article in the Index-Journal on "Pathway House for the homeless," since it's the only home for homeless for

people in Lakeland Baptist Association, I think that all denominations should support the Pathway House. The four counties are Abbeville, Greenwood, Mc-

Cormick, and Laurens. I'm sure that all of the homeless aren't Baptist. Think about it, you could be the next homeless person.

**Hilda Forester**

### STATEPOINT CROSSWORD THEME: FICTIONAL FATHERS

#### ACROSS

- Like Annapolis Academy
- Pine juice
- One in a manger
- Like a good athlete
- Modern address
- Printer cartridge contents
- Cate Blanchett's movie "\_\_\_ on a Scandal"
- 2nd largest living bird in world
- U in UV
- \*Honoré de Balzac's "Le Père"
- \*Nemo's dad, named after a sport fish
- "\_\_\_ of the morning!"
- Seaside bird
- Tax accounting specialist, acr.
- Back of the neck
- Chew the fat
- Country dance formation
- Greek goddess of fertility
- Waterwheel
- \*Drunk and, incidentally, Huck Finn's Pap
- Metallic sounding
- Quite a stretch
- Place to dry out
- Like the White Rabbit
- Dr. Robert Bruce Banner's green alter ego
- Sun-\_\_\_
- Toothy wheel
- Bad-mouth
- Made a rug
- Low-\_\_\_ image
- \*Simba's father in "The Lion King"
- \*Luke's and Leia's father
- Golfer's sun protection
- Romanian monetary unit
- Introverted one
- Followed as a consequence
- Pooh's wise friend
- Territory in China known as Las Vegas of Asia
- Young woman
- \*"That '70s Show" dad
- One-room school house "notebook"

#### DOWN

- A Bobbsey twin
- Awestruck
- \*The Godfather's given name
- Heads-up
- Wound
- Cooking grease
- Hammer holder?
- D'Artagnan's hat decoration
- Weevil's target
- Not in favor of
- Capital of Switzerland
- Chapter in history
- As opposed to turn-off
- 1960s abstractionism
- Rainbow shape
- Like ones between 13 and 19 years old
- \*Griswold family patriarch
- Mushroom caps
- Egyptian symbol of life, pl.
- \*Jay is to Claire as \_\_\_ is to Haley
- Flood survivor
- Father of psychoanalysis Sigmund
- Garlicky mayonnaise
- \*Both father in "Mary Poppins" and father in "Father of the Bride"
- Unfledged hawk
- Casino chip
- Pine
- \_\_\_ of dog!
- "I \_\_\_" at the altar
- Middle Earth and Kingdom of the North, e.g.
- Courage in the face of danger
- Smokeless tobacco brand
- Short skirt
- It was Brezhnev's domain
- Unplayable baseball
- Old in Scottish
- Cuzco valley empire
- Straight pour from the bottle
- Chill in front of TV, with 'out'
- Ovine mom
- Beluga yield

# A Slice of Mike

## “Remote Controlled”

By Mike Elis

Google states that 96.7% of all Americans have television sets. As we all have families, at some point in your life you have had a debate about what to watch on television.

I rarely watch TV, so I am not one who is knowledgeable of any Netflix series, I don't know who won American Idol last year, and I don't know who wins at the end of the Karate Kid remake Cobra Kai. But Lord, I hope Ralph Macchio didn't win with that dumb kick that Johnny should know how to defend after all these years. I can put up with almost any kind of show, except for when I visit my parents in Florida. When I visit, it is bad enough I have to deal with the humidity that is frying their brains slowly as they age and the rides to the store where my mom screams at my stepfather to slow down when he is going 15 miles under the speed limit. But the television shows they watch will test a man's will.

Last time I was at their house, I was tormented with hours upon hours of Hoarders which is so uplifting (sarcasm alert) and then the surgery channel where my parents watched for two hours as a man was getting surgery on his eyeballs.

During the visit, I did have a moment of peace and quiet to myself. I turned on the football game and somehow managed to swallow down some of the bargain brand diet soda that they buy. I have explained to them that it tastes like Shasta came out with a new flavor called Cardboard and put in on the shelves, but my mom is proud of the fact that she saves fifty cents a two-liter

by buying it as she believes “no one can tell the difference.” Wink, wink.

I was enjoying my moment of escape when I heard footsteps coming down the stairs. Uh-oh. My parents hurried into the room faster than they drive, grabbed the remote, and...

“What are you guys doing? I'm watching the game.”

“Sorry son, but our favorite show is on: Dr. Pimple Popper.”

Oh my Lord, no. There is a show called Dr. Pimple Popper? I can't believe this. Who are these creatures my parents have turned into and what did I do to deserve this? I did go on Facebook to ask for anyone reading my post to run me over with his/her car. I would ask my parents to do it, but as slow as they go, I would do more damage to their car than they would to me.

Yes, my parents have turned into reality show junkies but the worst thing is they believe everything they see on television. Based on my parents' choice of shows, they just need to combine the shows to where a group of Amish people who buy storage units sell the items to a pawn shop in Vegas where they call experts in to determine the worth. Then, they use that money to join a gym and lose 600 pounds and finally sell their weight loss plan idea to wealthy investors who fight each other to invest in this company.

I bite my tongue, suffering through the lifelong scars of their reality TV choices but it finally came to a point where I had to say something last week.

We had to pay taxes and because of something that

was changed in tax laws, we owed a lot of taxes that we didn't see coming. We paid it, but it hurt us a little financially. I made the mistake of talking to my mom about it. “Well, maybe you should sue them.”

After explaining to my mother that you can't sue the IRS, she went on to say how she thought Judge Judy might be good for that kind of case.

“Or, wait a second. What if you call one of these lawyers on television?” After explaining that I am not going to pay a lawyer for this, she said, “No, you don't pay anything unless they collect for you. I think the phone number up there to call if I remember is all nines.”

So, for those of you reading this and following along at home, let's review. I am to take the IRS (not just one person, but the entire Internal Revenue Service) on the Judge Judy show and sue them for adhering to a law that affects me and I am going to be represented by George Sink, attorney at law. Doesn't this sound reasonable?

How about this? How about a reality show where someone finds out that I am really adopted and makes a quick \$500? It doesn't have to be real; all it needs is to be presented on the television. They will buy it, I promise.

Don't forget that May 26th at 7:30pm is team trivia at The Belmont in Abbeville. It's \$5 per person and goes to a charitable cause of the winning team's choice. Sign your team up and reserve a table by calling The Belmont Inn at 864-459-9625.

# White to be new principal at AHS

By Henry E. Green

Scott White will be the new principal at Abbeville High School, the Abbeville County School District Board of Trustees agreed at the April 27 school board meeting.

White, who had been serving as an assistant principal at AHS, will be replacing Dr. Adam Lanford, who accepted a job as the principal of Powdersville High School, for the coming school year.

“This is my 14th year in education,” said White. “I was a math teacher for seven years prior to moving into administration. In the past, I have coached football and baseball, and I served as

the Interim Athletic Director at AHS in 2020.”

The 2003 graduate of Abbeville High School graduated from Presbyterian College in 2007 with a B.S. in Mathematics, and earned his masters degree in Administration and Supervision in 2014 from the University of Phoenix.

White has been an assistant principal at AHS for seven years, and before moving into administration, he taught math for one year at AHS.

“My career started at Greenwood High School, where I taught math for two years,” he said. “I spent the

next four years teaching at Pendleton High School before returning to AHS in 2013.”

White's wife, Catherine, is a math professor at Erskine College, and they have two children.

His first priority as the new principal?

“My first priority will focus on improving our graduation rate,” he said.

“Additionally, I would like to expand student opportunities by offering more course options and extracurricular activities. I believe further exposure and experience will create more college and career-ready graduates.”



Scott White has been named the new principal of Abbeville High School. (Photo courtesy of Scott White)

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# May marks deadline for grant proposal

**By Henry E. Green**

There is an effort to establish a public transportation system here in Abbeville County, with a grant being sought to help fund a pilot project to help assess the need for that system.

Abbeville County Council recently passed a resolution in support of that effort.

"Abbeville County authorizes the McCormick County Senior Center/ McCormick Area Transit, a Sub Recipient of (FTA) Section 5311 funds to serve as Abbeville County's Public Transportation Provider and apply for the National Rural Transit Assistance Program for Community Rides Grant," in the words of the resolution.

A number of Abbeville County residents are involved in the effort to address a need identified by United Christian Ministries

of Abbeville County, and other agencies.

"We are working with Becky Moon (the executive director of the McCormick Area Transit)," said Assistant Abbeville County Director Stephen Taylor.

The McCormick group is applying for a National Rural Transit Assistance Program for Community Rides," said Taylor, noting that the organization is applying for the grant on behalf of Abbeville County.

The plan is to utilize it as a pilot project for assessing what would be a transportation system for medical needs.

The deadline for applying for the \$100,000 grant is May 10, and Taylor and others hope to hear sometime during the summer if the grant has been approved.

Taylor said that the hope

is that, if the grant is approved, the system, which would be for assessing needs for transportation for non-emergency medical needs here in Abbeville County.

Taylor suggested that although plans have not been finalized, one option would be, if the grant is approved, the system would begin operating with one portion of the County, one designated area, and then expanding as needed.

"We're trying to hit the most populous areas of the county to begin with," he suggested.

The project would, ideally, extend over one year, and then it would be assessed in terms of usage and possible future funding mechanisms, and possible partnerships in keeping the system going.



The 2018 Calhoun Falls Personality of the Year was Lynne Hester (right), and she was nominated for the honor by Martha Patterson (left). (Photo courtesy of Sherlyn York)

## Wright Middle joins 'free lunch' schools

**By Henry E. Green**

The Abbeville County School District Board of Trustees approved at its April 27 meeting a "Community Eligibility Provision" at its meeting last week, paving the way for a District school to be part of a free lunch program.

"Wright Middle School will now be added as one of those schools where all students receive free lunch,"

said Connie S. Cunningham, Child Nutrition Director with the Abbeville County School District in an email Wednesday." John C. Calhoun, Long Cane Primary, and Westwood are currently CEP schools."

"Aschool becomes eligible for the Community Eligibility Provision (CEP) when/if the number of students receiving benefits from the Supplemental Nutritional

Program (SNAP) is more than 50% of the enrolled student population.

"The program is administered by the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) through the South Carolina Office of Health & Nutrition (OHN)."

The designation for Wright Middle will take effect next school year, Cunningham said.

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# Dixie High School wins U.S. News honor

By Henry E. Green

Dixie High School has been named the Number One high school in the Greenwood Metro area, according to a U.S. News and World Report review. Dixie, according to the ranking, is ranked 56th among South Carolina high schools.

With 28 full-time teachers, the high school in Due West has a total enrollment of 346.

The ranking provided Dixie a score card of 71.01, with the students, as measured by end-of-course examinations, showing a math proficiency of 91 percent and a reading proficiency of 84 percent.

Dixie's scores on math and reading exceeded those of the School District and the state as a whole, according to the magazine.

The graduation rate is 82 percent, and 54 percent of the students are on free or reduced price lunches, according to U.S. News.

Dixie is located in Due West, in the northern part of Abbeville County, and is one of two high schools in the Abbeville County School District--Abbeville High School is the other one. Paul Prescott is the Dixie High School principal.

"It is affirmation of what we know and see on a daily basis," he said Thursday. "We have all of the ingredients

for an excellent school. The district administrative team lives the motto of Putting Students First. This was evident in August when we became one of the few districts in the nation to return to five day instruction.

Cherokee Trail and Diamond Hill send us students with a strong academic foundation. Parents value education and send their children to school prepared to learn.

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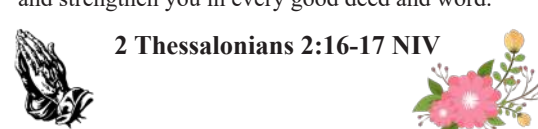
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# Sports & Recreation



State championship rings were given out to the 2020 Abbeville High School football team Sunday at the Grace United Methodist Church in Abbeville. Here is Zay Rayford picking up his ring from AHS coach Jamie Nickles. Benji Greeson (at microphone) is reading out the names, and AHS athletic director Maggie Jameson and secretary Stephanie Carwile are getting the rings ready for the next recipients. (Staff photo by Henry E. Green)

## Mack Hite new athletic director at Emerald

By Henry E. Green

A young man with Abbeville roots has been named athletic director at Emerald High School for the coming year.

Mack Hite grew up in Abbeville and graduated from Abbeville High School in 2007 before going on to Presbyterian, where he played baseball for the Blue Hose, and majored in history and education.

He then served at Greenwood High School, where he was an assistant baseball and football coach.

He was also from 2012 to 2016 the head baseball

coach for American Legion Post 20.

In 2015 he went to Strom Thurmond High School in Edgefield, where he is currently the director of the career and technology center.

He has also been the athletic director and instructional coach at Strom Thurmond.

Next year he will be not only the new athletic director at Emerald, but the new baseball coach for the Vikings.

"I'm coming back closer to home," he said.

Mack has a wife, Courtney, who sells real estate

for the Whitmire agency in Greenwood, and they have two children--four year old Macy and Mack "Skip" Hite, Jr., who will be three years old on May 7.

He has been commuting from Greenwood to Strom Thurmond for the past seven years--a drive of about 50 minutes each way.

He will be glad not to have to travel so far anymore.

"Strom Thurmond's a very special place," he said, noting that while it will be a place that is difficult to leave, he will be glad to be closer to Courtney, Macy and Skip.



Mack Hite has been named athletic director at Emerald High School for the coming year. (Photo courtesy of Mack Hite)

## AHS softball

# State championship team recognized

By Henry E. Green

The Abbeville High School varsity softball team that won the state championship in 2011 was recognized Friday night in Abbeville before the AHS varsity softball game with Pickens.

It had been 10 years since the team captured the state title, and players and coaches from that team posed for pictures as they stood in the infield of Buddy Collins Field on the campus of Wright Middle School.

Announcer Timothy Collins recalled for the audience the steps the team took to reach the pinnacle in the Palmetto State.

AHS defeated Chesterfield to win the Upper State title, paving the way for Abbeville to face Lake View for the state championship.

In Game 1 of the state championship series, AHS

lost 1-0, with a walk off home run by Lake View in the eighth inning.

However, AHS evened things up with a 1-0 victory two days later, as Lady Panther pitcher Gennifer Durham struck out 11.

The final game, played at Irmo High School, ended with a double play, as Abbeville emerged victorious by a score of 6-2.

The Lady Panthers finished with a record of 26-3, and 14-0 in Region games, and the title was the first for the school in a female sport.

The team members included Savannah Rodgers, Gennifer Durham, Kelly Durham, Sarah Timmerman, Megan Gilmer, Erin Leverette, Amber Hall, Jordan Ashley, Abby Tucker, Allie Thomasson, Brooke Thomasson, Meri Stewart, Nikki Freeman, Carrie

Slemp, Lindsay Hedden, Lisa Sanders, Taylor Morris and Kristin Johnson, and the coaches included Tim Collins, Gary Best, Matt Gambrell, Lee Collins and Greg Horne.

Among those in the audience was Susie New of Abbeville, who was there to see her granddaughter Carrie New Slemp, who played first base on the 2011 team.

Carrie is now a beautician who lives in Elgin, on the outskirts in Columbia. "Her salon is in Rock Hill," said Susie.

She and her husband David have two children--Abbie and Jacob.

"I'm proud of Carrie," Susie said, adding that her granddaughter will be playing in a softball tournament in Camden this coming weekend.

# State championship rings presented

By Henry E. Green

State championship rings were presented Sunday afternoon at Grace United Methodist Church to the Abbeville High School varsity football team which won the state title in December 2020.

"We have had an interesting year," said AHS athletic director Maggie Jameson in opening the program Sunday afternoon.

Indeed, the year was one in which some people wondered whether there would be a football season at all, given the shadow of the COVID-19 pandemic.

AHS head football coach Jamie Nickles recalled for the audience just how strange the year was, and he thanked the multitude of Panther fans.

"First I want to give a shout-out to Panther Nation," he said.

The fans stood by as the football pre-season opened with practice that was tightly regulated by COVID concerns, with only a few players being allowed to

practice at one time.

It all reminded Nickles of Noah's Ark, except that those allowed in went 10 at a time instead of two.

During this most unusual time, the members of the team impressed the coach with their unselfish attitude and their character.

"This football team taught me how to persevere," he said.

The team made it all the way to the state championship bracket, before COVID reared its ugly head.

AHS was informed that the game would have to be delayed because of coronavirus concerns on the team of Marion High School, the AHS opponent.

Finally, the championship game arrived, and AHS prevailed.

Abbeville radio personality Benji Greeson recalled it all Sunday afternoon.

"This was a year of uncertainty," he said.

Even in this peculiar year, AHS has remained a standard of excellence in high school football, Greeson

indicated.

The 2020 season, he said, was one in which AHS posted seven shut-outs. The Panthers crushed their Region foes by a combined score of 268 to zero.

And Nickles now has a coaching record of 185-40-1. He has seven state football championships, behind only John McKissick of Summerville and Willie Varner of Woodruff, both with eight, among South Carolina high school coaches.

Greeson read aloud the names as rings and pendants were presented to administrators, staff, coaches, players and cheerleaders.

The program, said Jameson following the conclusion, was presented by the AHS athletic department, and a total of 64 rings, along with 21 pendants, were presented.

They were paid for with proceeds from the football program, with the AHS booster club providing a percentage, she said.



The Abbeville High School softball team that won the state championship in 2011 was recognized recently in Abbeville at Buddy Collins Field on the campus of Wright Middle School, before the AHS-Pickens game. (Staff photo by Henry E. Green)

# Go fish!

## Dixie High School anglers shine at Department of Natural Resources event

By Henry E. Green

The Dixie High School junior varsity team distinguished itself earlier this spring at a South Carolina Department of Natural Resources event.

"Our JV fishing team competed on April 17 for the SC DNR State tournament on Clarks Hill lake," Dixie fishing coach Jennifer Beasley said. "Out of 12 teams they finished in third place with a total weight of 14.61. The team includes Kendon Kelley, Reed Cox, Ace Morris and Drake Bensele."

The Dixie fishing program was established about 13

years ago, said Beasley.

Beasley took over the fishing team two years ago when Eddy Stone, who started the program, retired.

Dixie has a junior varsity team for grades six through eight, and a varsity team for grades nine through 12.

"We fish Lake Russell, Lake Hartwell, Lake Greenwood, and Clarks Hill," she said. "I try to have the tournaments in September, October and November, take December off, then fish January, February and March just because our DNR State tournament is normally in March."

"We go by a point standing and the top two JV and varsity team with highest points compete for state. We also give a \$500 scholarship to the top JV and varsity teams," she continued.

"Each anglers gets 500 when they graduate."

With fishing, one has to be very dedicated, according to Beasley.

"It's not always easy to catch fish. I love being over the team because not all children are athletic and this gives them something else to do."

# AHS football team starts spring practice

By Henry E. Green

Spring practice for the Abbeville High School football team begins this week, according to Abbeville High School athletic director Maggie Jameson.

The practice was scheduled to start Monday, but inclement weather cancelled plans for the day's activities. Plans call for practice to be held throughout the month

of May, with the team working out after school.

"It's definitely a big rebuilding year for the Panthers," said AHS head football coach Jamie Nickles. "Graduation hit us pretty hard."

In other AHS sports news, the AHS volleyball team is having their spring practice, and is having a "kiddie camp" for small fry, James-

on said.

Competitive cheerleading is also having their spring practice as well, she said.

In other AHS sports news, Reghan Steifle pitched a shutout in a victory for the Abbeville High School varsity softball team last week over Pickens, according to published reports.



The Abbeville Rotary Club held its annual corn hole tournament recently at the Livery Stable in downtown Abbeville, and helping make it all happen were club members (from left) Jason Arnold, Andy Timmerman, Shannon Sears, Jimmy Wilson, Susan Sherard, John Andrew Bishop, Bill Boone, Matthew Johnson and Mark Meyers. (Staff photo by Henry E. Green)

## Erskine Women's Soccer, Cauble's late goal leads Fleet past King in Conference Carolinas Tournament

Submitted by  
Erskine Athletic  
Department

The Erskine College women's soccer team (2-5-2, 1-4-2 CC) defeated eighth-seed King University (1-5-2, 1-4-2 CC) 2-1 thanks to an 84th minute game-winning goal from Katie Cauble at Parks Field on Wednesday night. The Fleet are now level with top-seeded North Greenville on three points in Pool A, but the Crusaders have a match remaining while the Fleet are finished in pool play.

That was Erskine's second win in nine meetings with the Tornado, but the Fleet are unbeaten in their last three matches against King.

Erskine outshot the Tornado nine to five in the first half, but it was the hosts who scored the opening goal when Anya Gross found the

back of the net in the 34th minute to give King a 1-0 lead. The Fleet tallied three shots on goal in the opening half, but all were saved by King goalkeeper Lucy Barrientos. However, after 160 minutes without a goal against the Tornado in 2021, substitute Carlie Branham got the breakthrough as her 42nd minute goal leveled the score a 1 going into the half. The second half was evenly fought statistically as both sides tallied seven shots. Erskine left it late, but in the 84th minute, Kelsey Tyson found Katie Cauble and the senior slotted it home to seal a 2-1 victory in Erskine's final match of pool play in the 2021 Conference Carolinas Tournament.

Katie Cauble totaled a team-high four shots, and while only one attempt was on target, it was the game-winning goal in the

84th minute.

Erskine outshot the Tornado 16 to 12 and had a narrow six to four edge in shots on target. The Fleet also had four corner kicks to King's one.

The 9th seeded Fleet and top-seed North Greenville both have three points atop Pool A, but North Greenville has a match remaining and slim advantage in goal differential. Erskine needs King to win at North Greenville on Sunday by a scoreline that favors the Fleet from a tiebreaker standpoint.

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## Erskine Baseball | Fleet explode for 35 runs in pair of wins to open series against Chowan

Submitted by  
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The Erskine College baseball team (21-17, 18-12 CC) swept both games of a doubleheader against Chowan University (5-24, 2-24 CC) to open a four-game series on Thursday at Grier Field. Erskine took Game 1, 14-2 and cruised to a 21-5 victory in Game 2.

The Fleet have now won all five meetings against the Hawks, outscoring Chowan 73 to 16 in those five meetings.

GAME 1: The Fleet wasted no time getting on the board and quickly gave starting pitcher Allan Saathoff a convincing lead. Erskine scored three runs in the bottom of the first capped by a Dayan Reinoso opposite-field two-run home run and Livan Reinoso and Drew Yniesta had consecutive run-scoring doubles as the Fleet opened up an early 6-0 lead. In the fourth inning, Livan Reinoso added a two-run home run of his own to extend the lead to 8-0. Chowan got a run back in the fifth inning on a sacrifice fly but the Fleet continued to pour it on in the middle innings. Cal Bocchino and Dontae Wade both picked up RBIs in the bottom half of the fifth and Dayan Reinoso and Peniel Sabino each drove in

a pair of runs in the sixth to balloon the Erskine lead to 14-1. Saathoff allowed just one run over five innings of work and Parker Jefferson and Parker Cassell both threw solid innings out of the bullpen as Erskine cruised to a 14-2 win in Game 1.

GAME 2: And the Fleet bats stayed hot in Game 2 as well, starting when Kane Fisher and Trevor Lesane crossed a home plate in the second inning to put the Fleet up 2-0. Chowan, though, answered back with a four-spot in their half of the third and took its first lead of the day at 4-2. The Fleet clawed back thanks to an RBI single from Dayan Reinoso in the third inning and Dontae Wade reached on an infield single to tie the game at four after innings. Again, the Fleet offense was explosive in the middle innings. Lesane and Bocchino both had RBI hits in the fifth inning to put Erskine back in front, 6-4. In the sixth, Cody Forster scored on an error, Kane Fisher roped a two-run double and Lesane tallied an RBI single of his own to cap a four-run bottom of the sixth inning. And Erskine was not done. After Tashawn Drew retired Chowan in order, the Fleet broke Game 2 wide open with an eight-run seventh inning. Drew Yniesta had a bases-clearing double and

Dalton Reeves capped the big inning with a two-run blast to straightaway right field as Erskine opened up an 18-4 lead. Chowan scored once in the eighth, but Erskine kept their foot on the gas pedal with a two-run double from Nick McAlister and an Armando Becerra sacrifice fly to put the finishing touches on a 21-5 win in Game 2.

GAME 1: Dayan Reinoso was 3-for-4 with three runs scored and four driven in. Reinoso launched a two-run home run in the first inning as the Fleet never looked back in a Game 1 win.

GAME 2: Game 2 was a complete offensive game as 11 Erskine players tallied a hit and everyone in the Fleet lineup contributed to a 21-run outburst in the back half of the doubleheader.

The Fleet wrap up the regular season with senior day on Friday afternoon against these same Chowan Hawks. First pitch of Game 1 is set for 12:00 p.m. while the senior day festivities will begin at 11:30 a.m.

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## Erskine Women's Tennis Parr, Bentz win individual honors, Valtere named to All-Conference Carolinas Team

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Erskine Athletic  
Department

The 2021 all-conference accolades for women's tennis in Conference Carolinas have officially been unveiled.

The 2021 women's tennis all-conference awards were selected by the league's head coaches.

A freshman from Suwanee, Georgia, Erskine's Emma Bentz was selected as the Player of the Year in Conference Carolinas. Playing all year at No. 1 singles, Bentz was 14-2 overall and 8-1 in conference play in singles during the regular season.

A freshman from Bhubaneswar, India, Ameer Batth of Southern Wesleyan was chosen as the Freshman of the Year in Conference Carolinas

after a strong freshman campaign.

In leading Erskine to a share of the regular season title and the No. 1 seed, Calhoun Parr was tabbed as the Coach of the Year. According to Conference Carolinas women's tennis records, Parr has now won Coach of the Year in women's tennis nine times (2005, 2007, 2008, 2011, 2012, 2013, 2014, 2016 and 2021).

2021 Conference Carolinas Women's Tennis All-Conference

Player of the Year: Emma Bentz, Erskine; Freshman of the Year: Ameer Batth, Southern Wesleyan; Coach of the Year: Calhoun Parr, Erskine

First Team: Emma Bentz, Erskine; Ameer Batth, Southern Wesleyan; Ingrid Montserrat, Mount Olive; Sandy Allen, Lees-McRae;

Alejandra Guerrero, Emmanuel; Liza Voloshyna, Mount Olive

Second Team: Marissa Stevenson, Barton; Kayla Vaughan, Belmont Abbey; Tonya Glogowski-Watson, Converse; Luize Valtere, Erskine; Eimear Maher, Barton; Maria Raich, Emmanuel

Third Team: Sylvia Goldsmith, Belmont Abbey; Marleen Prinz, Converse; Oliva Scattini, Chowan; Deike Schipper, Mount Olive; Elliott Peterson, Belmont Abbey; Belen Vendrell, Converse

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State championship rings were recently presented to members of three Abbeville recreation league football teams. One of them, Robert Bowers (78), of the Abbeville 12U team, conversed following the program with family members (from left) Robert's sister Ava Grace, his father William, mother Erin, grandmother Barbara Bollman and grandfather Paul Bollman. (Staff photo by Henry E. Green)

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