



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

## ‘Friends’ organized Juneteenth celebration

**By Henry E. Green**  
Saturday’s Juneteenth celebration in Abbeville was presented by the Abbeville Friends of Freedom. The organization was formed in September 2020 by a number of local Abbeville residents with a particular mission. That mission is to “educate our community by spreading awareness of the origins of the Juneteenth holiday, recognize the history and contributions of notable African American residents and organizations in our community, and bringing all residents together in unity to celebrate freedom,” according to a Friends brochure

available at Saturday’s festival. Erica McCier is the president of the Friends, Jason Edwards the vice president, Susan Sherard the treasurer, and Nashari Williams the secretary. D. Nafi Griffin handles community engagement, and Donald Burton serves as historical advisor for the Friends. So what is Juneteenth? The short answer is that it celebrates the end of slavery in the United States. The holiday has its origins in Galveston, Texas, where on June 19, 1865, at the close of the Civil War, a Union general proclaimed

to slaves there that they were free. President Abraham Lincoln had issued the Emancipation Proclamation two and one half years earlier—freeing the slaves in the Confederacy. In Galveston, as in other places, the presence of Union troops helped enforce the proclamation. Through the years, Juneteenth has grown in popularity, and President Joseph Biden recently made it into a federal holiday. Abbeville’s was not the only Juneteenth celebration Saturday. Similar celebrations were held in other parts of the country.



A job fair was held at the Livery Stable in downtown Abbeville recently, and among those industries participating was SAGE Automotive. Rick Curtis (left) and Trey Haupfear (right). SC Works and the Abbeville County Economic Development Partnership organized the event. (Staff photo by Henry E. Green)



McCormick County artist Jeffery Callaham displayed some of his work at the Welcome Center in Abbeville during the Juneteenth celebration. (Staff photo by Henry E. Green)

## County receives half of ‘Rescue Plan’ funds

**By Henry E. Green**  
Abbeville County has received about half of the federal relief money allocated to it under the American Rescue Plan, a \$1.9 trillion stimulus plan, finalized in March, to help the nation get back on its feet after the ravages of the coronavirus pandemic. According to Abbeville County Director David Garner and Assistant Director Stephen Taylor, the County has been allocated \$4.7 million, and the County, as of Friday, June 18, has

received about half of that amount—about \$2.3 million. The money the County has received so far has not been spent, said Garner. “We put it in a separate account,” he said. Asked how the size of the allocation is determined, Garner replied that to his knowledge it is based on the population of the community the local government represents. Abbeville County is not the only local government

throughout America are receiving similar grants. The Town of Calhoun Falls, for example, has been allocated approximately \$710,000, said Calhoun Falls Mayor Chris Cowan. The Town has not received the money yet, he said. There are guidelines on how the money allocated to the local governments can be spent, guidelines which have been criticized as vague by some, and at press time the County was still welcoming guidance on how to use the money.

## Chamber presents annual awards night

**By Henry E. Green**  
The Greater Abbeville Chamber of Commerce had its annual awards program last night at the Belmont Inn in Abbeville. Named the Chamber Ambassador of the Year was Karen Sherwood, while the Chamber also said goodbye to two board members who had completed their terms—Randy Connor of SAGE and Paul Bell of Erskine.

Deason’s Flowers and Gifts won Business of the Year honors, while the late Harry Carl Stille, Jr., was named to the Abbeville County Hall of Fame. Stille, who died on January 6, 2020, was nominated by Edith Davis of Abbeville. Stille served in the state legislature, and also served at Erskine as the head baseball coach and as a professor, Davis said in her letter of nomination.

The mayor of Due West for many years, he received the Order of the Palmetto for his service to the state of South Carolina. The Chamber also presented two scholarships for worthy high school graduates. John Anthony Gilchrist from Abbeville High School is planning to major in mass communication at Clafin, while Makinsie Jean Ware, from Dixie, plans to major in nursing at Lander.

## Investigation into Iva shooting continues

**By Henry E. Green**  
The name of the man killed in gunfire from an encounter with an Abbeville County Sheriff’s Office deputy has been released by the Abbeville County Coroner’s office. Dr. Mark Dorn, Coroner for Abbeville County, provided an update to the officer involved shooting that occurred on Monday, June 14, according to a news release last week from the Coroner’s Office. “With the assistance of a North Carolina Sheriff’s department, notification has been made to the legal next of kin of the decedent, 54-year-old Evin Kimberly Payne,” stated the news release, released on the

evening of Tuesday, June 15. “Any further details of the investigation will be deferred to the PIO for the State Law Enforcement Division. “SLED and the Coroner’s office investigation is ongoing.” Dr. Dorn said Thursday that Payne resided at River Oaks Drive, Iva. “We’re committed to do a complete and thorough and independent investigation,” said Tommy Crosby, Public Information Officer for SLED Thursday. An autopsy was conducted on the morning of Wednesday, June 16, according to Dorn. A press release sent out

by Abbeville County Sheriff Ray Watson following the incident described some of the details surrounding the encounter, noting that “deputies responded to an address on River Oaks Drive Iva, SC in regards to a suicidal subject and possible domestic situation. Once on scene, deputies made contact with a male subject and the subject presented and pointed a firearm and failed to comply after repeated attempts to de-escalate the situation to no avail.” The “subject was subdued by use of departmental firearm subsequently succumbing to his injuries,” the press release continued.

## Stephen Taylor recalls economic achievements

**By Henry E. Green**  
Abbeville County economic development director Stephen Taylor looked back over the six years he has spent with the County, and he is proud of a number of things accomplished during his stay. Taylor, who will be leaving the County at the end of this month to work with WCTEL, listed a few things during a recent interview. “In 2016 the County completed a strategic plan, and out of that plan the County formed a new public private economic development board, now known as the Abbeville County Economic Development Partnership,” he said. Out of that strategic plan, about 18 goals were brought to fruition. “We’ve had nine announcements and a little over \$30 million in capital investment and over 300 jobs announced over the

last six years,” he said. “I’m proud that we were able to support our existing industries as well. “Our work force initiative, which held events like the Abbeville County Industry Education Week, with the support of FCCF. The initiative also participated in the Abbeville County Industrial Showcase, which highlighted a number of Lakelands industries for the benefit of Lakelands students including a number from Abbeville County. “The board is also proud to be a sponsor of the Abbeville County Career Center community night,” he said. Another initiative was that of industrial site development. A new industrial site was developed at the upper end of the county, with a 100,000-square foot building pad, with an additional 40-plus acres for additional development. There were other accom-

plishments as well: The partnership expanded the Lakelands Commerce Park by an additional 40 acres, made strides in its marketing effort, redeveloped the economic development Website, and utilized new digital formats to reach additional prospects in the Abbeville County area. “We also created two new videos to highlight development in our community,” he said. “I would like to give a special thanks to the Abbeville County Economic Development Partnership Board and Abbeville County Council for their support,” he said. He also thanked the Freshwater Coast Community Foundation and their leadership role in creating the Abbeville Promise “I also want to thank all the people and other organizations that have supported me through the years,” he said.

# Person to person

## Staffer with Jeff Duncan's office talks about constituent service

**By Henry E. Green**  
 "We just put people together."

That is how Rick Adkins, Deputy Chief of Staff with the office of Congressman Jeff Duncan, described the constituent service in which his office is engaged.

Duncan represents the Third Congressional District and has been serving in Congress for about 10 and one half years, Adkins told Abbeville Rotarians recently.

It is a district that contains 16 Rotary clubs, and according to Wikipedia, it has 706,961 people, covering much of western South Carolina.

Duncan splits his time between Washington and his home in Upstate South Carolina. Rarely does he stay in the nation's capital over the weekends.

Adkins and his colleagues,

meanwhile, help constituents with various needs. The Anderson-based resident made the leap from the banking industry to government service.

"I was in the mortgage business for 20 years," he recalled.

He and his office helped facilitate the burial of a man who died in the Korean War 71 years ago, and whose remains were brought home to Upstate South Carolina through cooperation between the U.S. and the North Korean governments.

The young man died 71 years ago, at the age of 19. The Anderson County resident was slated to be buried on June 19.

His remains were brought back to the U.S. through cooperation between the Trump Administration and Kim Jung Un of North Korea.

Adkins and colleagues also serve as a resource on matters ranging from grants to passports to Social Security to veterans issues.

"Anything federal," he said. Adkins was asked about the American Rescue Plan, a \$1.9 trillion economic stimulus bill in which states and local governments shared much of the allocated money.

The state of South Carolina is scheduled to receive \$3 billion through the plan, which is being implemented to help America recover from the coronavirus pandemic.

The \$3 billion includes money to both the state government and local governments.

Adkins said that local governments could use considerable guidance on how to use the money.



Rick Adkins, Deputy Chief of Staff with the office of Congressman Jeff Duncan, spoke to Abbeville Rotarians recently. (Staff photo by Henry E. Green)

# Freedom Blast planned at Blue Hole

**By Henry E. Green**

The Lake Russell Recreation and Tourism Coalition is planning to present Freedom Blast at the Blue Hole recreation area in Calhoun Falls on Saturday, June 26, from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m. "plus fireworks," according to lakerussellrecreation.com

The Clay Page band will be providing a program of live music for the event, which will also feature fireworks and food.

There will be snow cones and a doughnut truck, and Calhoun Falls Charter FFA will be selling hot dogs and hamburgers, said Coalition president Bebe Wesson.

There will also be a barbecue food truck as well.

There will also be activities for the children, including a bouncy house and various games.

There is no admission charge.

Freedom Blast is just one of a number of events presented by the Coalition, events which promote the recreational potential of Lake Russell.

Other events include the Lake Russell Hustle, a 5K event held in the spring at Blue Hole, as well as Paddle Fest, which displays the joy of kayaks and paddle boards on the lake. Paddle

Fest was held this year on a picture-perfect day in May.

There is also an autumn jubilee typically held in October at Blue Hole.

The Coalition is a nonprofit organization, and Wesson said during Paddle Fest that the group currently has about 20 members.

"We're looking for members," said Wesson.

The mission statement of the Coalition is as follows: "To encourage, facilitate, and develop activities, events, and opportunities in the Lake Russell area."

"Bring your lawn chair and your flash light, and come join the fun," Wesson said.



During the June 9 Abbeville City Council meeting, Wayman Smith (left) was recognized for his 32 years of service to the City of Abbeville. The retiree was presented with a plaque by Abbeville Mayor Trey Edwards (right). (Staff photo by Henry E. Green)

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## Philip Said

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— Excerpt From "Commentary on Galatians" by Martin Luther

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Cancer survivors Anna Pursley and Bill Williams rang a bell during a program at the Christian Life Center of the First Baptist Church of Abbeville recently. (Staff photo by Henry E. Green)



Cancer survivors Anna Pursley and Bill Williams were honored with special cakes during a program at the Christian Life Center of the First Baptist Church of Abbeville recently. (Staff photo by Henry E. Green)

# Cancer survivors ring bell of courage

**By Henry E. Green**  
Nobody needs to remind us how awful cancer can be. And yet, as a gathering recently held at First Baptist Church of Abbeville showed, through the darkness there is the light of love-and heroism.

The gathering helped mark the end of treatments for two cancer survivors—Anna Pursley and Bill Williams—and it was organized by friends and family of the two. Jim Grant, one of the organizers of the event, explained that a bell is often rung at the completion of cancer treatments at hospitals, and so it was that Williams and Pursley, with their treatments completed, rang a bell borrowed from the Abbeville fire department.

Pursley had cancer in her lymph nodes, and underwent radiation and chemotherapy for six weeks at Self. Next month she will have her first CT scan, and she plans to have such a scan every three months after that.

Her illness has not robbed her of her joy in life. Her daughter, Abbye Light, a rising senior at AHS, will represent Chesnee in the Miss South Carolina Teen Pageant.

Williams, meanwhile, had a different kind of illness, with a different kind of warning signal.

“I was coughing up blood,” he said. He secured an appointment with a physician, and he underwent a procedure in which a camera

was inserted into his lungs, before being diagnosed with lung cancer earlier this year.

There was a silver lining, though. “We caught it early,” he recalled.

He underwent chemo and radiation treatments, and now he plans to undergo a year’s worth of immunotherapy to boost his immune system to attack the cancer cells.

Williams and Pursley had their pictures taken as they stood beside two large cakes made in their honor.

Williams and Pursley each rang the bell, and others were welcomed, too, to ring it in memory of loved ones who had lost their battle with cancer, or in honor of those still battling the dreaded disease.

# Abbeville man dies in motor vehicle crash

An Abbeville man has died in a motor vehicle crash, according to a news release from the Abbeville County Coroner’s Office.

Abbeville County Coroner Dr. Mark Dorn advised that his office is currently investigating a single vehicle motor vehicle accident resulting in death.

“The office of the Coroner was notified at 11:48 pm on June 20 after Abbeville County EMS, Abbeville County Sheriff’s Department, Abbeville County Fire Departments, and South

Carolina Highway Patrol responded to the scene of the accident on 835 Keowee Road, Iva, SC, where a vehicle was found upside down, off the road, and in the woods,” the Coroner’s Office news release stated.

Dr. Dorn advised the driver of the vehicle has been identified as 29-year-old Daverio Myrell Walton of Abbeville. “It has been reported that the driver, along with three other occupants, was traveling east on Keowee Road when the vehicle failed to negotiate a curve and left

the roadway, according to the Coroner.

The vehicle traveled approximately 75-100 yards, crashed through fencing, struck a tree, and subsequently came to rest on its roof, the Coroner reported.

The three occupants were transported to the hospital for evaluation, according to the news release.

The Office of the Coroner and the South Carolina Highway Patrol are continuing to investigate, according to the Coroner.



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# Juneteenth celebrated

By Henry E. Green

Celebrating African-American culture and history, the Juneteenth festival was held in Abbeville this past weekend.

Abbeville joined communities across the country in celebrating the holiday, which was recently made a federal holiday.

Here in Abbeville, stages were set up at the Belmont Inn and Divine Your Space, and there was an art show at the Chamber, a Kids Zone at Crate and Quill, a "food truck alley" at Harry's Plaza, a craft show in the Livery Stable, and an information booth on Court Square.

Former State Senator Floyd Nicholson provided an official welcome Saturday morning in front of the Opera House.

He noted that when he was in school there was no mention of Juneteenth in the history books he studied.

There was also little mention of the Tulsa riot of 1921, in which a white mob decimated an African American district of the city.

"We need to have the true history of our country," he said.

Many people think that the Emancipation Proclamation ended slavery, but that distinction really belongs to Juneteenth.

"That really was the end of slavery," he said. That was two and one half years after the Emancipation Proclamation.

The freed slaves, meanwhile, faced overwhelming challenges--they had no money.

Still, "they persevered," and today the African American community stands on its shoulders.

The journey is not over, though. "There's work to be done," he said, pointing to laws passed by a number of states to regulate voting. Many say those laws are an attempt to suppress it,

he said.

"We're going to persevere," he said.

"It's good to have holidays," but it is good also to know the history behind them.

Nicholson's words of welcome kicked off a day of festivities centered around African American culture and history.

At the Welcome Center, McCormick County artist Jeffrey Callahan was putting up pieces of his artwork, art giving full voice to a zest for life, art depicting people enjoying the act of living without hesitation.

At Crate and Quill, the Abbeville Artist Guild held a craft session for kids.

Crafts could also be found at the Livery Stable, where craft vendors for items such as scented candles mingled with booths set up by organizations such as UCMAC and the Greater Abbeville Humane Society.

Meanwhile, at the Belmont Inn, Montrie Belton spoke about the importance of gaining all the knowledge you can. Always be in control of the knowledge you have, he told the audience.

In the afternoon, former Abbeville mayor Delano Freeman and travel nurse Angi Lee were among the speakers.

Freeman turned to the Bible for his inspiration, recalling the story of Joseph, who shared his dreams with his brothers, who were less than pleased with those dreams, and ended up selling him into slavery.

You have to be careful whom you share your dreams with, he told the audience. Not everyone is going to be supportive. There could be plenty of people wanting to tear those dreams down.

Freeman had other lessons as well. Life may not always be rosy, but in the pain you can find wisdom.

Sometimes the lesson is in

losing, he said.

Freeman also called on his listeners to be aware of other lessons as well.

Take risks, develop a spiritual foundation, respect yourself and others, keep a clean criminal record, take responsibility for your children, work on your weaknesses, and believe in yourself no matter what.

And NEVER QUIT! Freeman said.

Lee, meanwhile, told her listeners that people are divided largely into those who wish, those who watch, and those who do.

Be one of those who make it happen.

Lee called on her listeners also to be people of action when it comes to their health. If you notice something with your body that seems unusual, do not hesitate to seek medical attention.

Other highlights of the festival included trombonist Hank Bilal, who played a variety of tunes on his horn, including a memorable rendition of Stevie Wonder's "Superstition."

The Phoenix Dance Academy presented a performance of "The Wiz" at the Opera House Saturday afternoon.

The festival was launched Friday night, by a concert by Grammy-nominated recording artist Amythyst Kiah at the Opera House.

Originally from Tennessee, Kiah sang and played the guitar as she delved into American roots music. Her vocals, delivered in a powerful voice, underscored lyrics about love, and angst in 21st century America, often seen through the prism of the blues.

The festival provided an opportunity for fellowship. One of those enjoying the festivities, for example, was Abbeville High School graduate "Peanut" Martin, who led AHS to a state championship in football in 1971.



Trombonist Hank Bilal provided musical joy during the Juneteenth celebration held recently in Abbeville. (Staff photo by Henry E. Green)



Susan Sherard is the treasurer for the Abbeville Friends of Freedom, which presented the recent Juneteenth celebration, and she helped take care of the information booth during the celebration. (Staff photo by Henry E. Green)

Former State Senator Floyd Nicholson provided an official welcome Saturday morning to the Juneteenth celebration in Abbeville. (Staff photo by Henry E. Green)

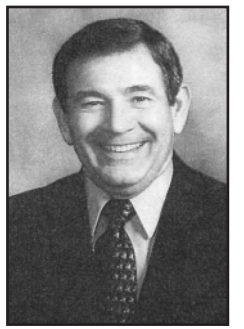


Helen Coleman and James "Peanut" Martin both graduated from Abbeville High School in the early 1970s, and got together for this photo during the recent Juneteenth celebration in Abbeville. (Staff photo by Henry E. Green)



## a Word from "THE WORD"

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### God's Pleasure

Psalm 80:3 "Restore us, O God; cause your face to shine, and we shall be saved."

Eric Liddell was the Scottish athlete who later went on to become a missionary in China. He competed in the 1924 Olympics in Paris and refused to run on Sunday in the 100 meter race. He was pressured by the British Government to put his religious convictions aside and compete, but he would not. The 100 meter race was his strong suit and because he refused to compete in it he was forced to run the 400 meter race. Even though the 400 meter race was not his strong suit, he won the gold medal in that race. Eric Liddell is credited with saying: "When I run I feel God's pleasure." What a joy to feel God's pleasure.

Psalm 80 is a plea for the nation of Israel to return to the Lord so that they can see God's face shine on them in pleasure. Three times in Psalm 80, the Psalmist, Asaph, pleads with God to restore his nation.

The word "restore" is the word that means "to turn back" or "to cause to make return." It is a plea for God to make Israel turn back to Him. This is an earnest plea because the Psalmist repeats it three times—in verse 3, in verse 7, and in verse 19. The Psalmist really meant what he was asking God to do for them. I see three things in this passage.

First of all, it was a recognition that Israel was

facing the wrong direction. Because they were facing away from God, they couldn't see His face. The question comes to me, were they turned from God or was God turned from them? I can't help but feel that God's face was turned away from them. They could not see His face because He had turned away from them in displeasure. They had no way of knowing if God was frowning or smiling at them—but the impression I get is that God is not smiling on them. Ask yourself, "Is God smiling on America?" I don't think so. Look at all the chaos, the confusion, the violence, the vitriol—God is not the author of that. Our nation is rife with cancel culture—"if you don't agree with my views I will cancel your twitter account, I will block you from being my friend on Facebook, I will speak vile and ugly things about you." That is not God doing that—that is sinful man doing that. Our nation is facing away from God and we are seeing the awful results of that.

Second, the Psalmist was feeling the distance from God. God was not close to the nation any more and the result was not pleasant. I can't help but feel that God has distanced Himself from our nation. My friend, if you feel distanced from God, guess who moved? Not God, He is where He always was. God's standards have not changed. Sin is still sin

in His eyes, we cannot legislate it away. Immorality is still wrong even if our society says otherwise. Rioting and looting and physically abusing people because of the color of their skin is still wrong even if the majority of our culture wants to excuse it. These ills are happening in our nation because God has distanced Himself from us. One of my dear friends made this remark awhile back: "Maybe God has pulled His hand back from us to let us know how it will feel if He completely withdraws His presence from us."

Third, the Psalmist is making a full confession that his nation needed God. Look at the last phrase in verse 3—"and we shall be saved." He recognized that unless his nation returned to God, they would not be saved. He knew that they could not save themselves.

Folks, all the government monetary aid and programs will not save America. The only thing that will save us is if we return to God. It is my prayer that our great nation will return to our Judeo/Christian roots. Our only hope is for a heart-felt revival where we turn from our wicked ways and call on God. Will you join me in praying for our nation to return to God? Will you join with me in earnestly calling on God to turn us back to Him?

# Due West Lions First In-Person Meeting Since Pandemic

by Dick Haldeman

The Due West Lions Club met in person for the first time in 14 months May 13, welcoming new members, presenting awards, and electing officers for 2021-22. The meeting, with Covid-19 precautions observed, was held in the Due West Town Park.

Lions District 32S Governor Judy Scott of Columbia joined DWLC President Amos Cunningham and Past President Joyce Cunningham in the "in-person" presentation of awards announced during the 2020-21 year. She praised the Due West Club for continuing its meetings virtually, continuing its service projects, and growing its membership during the Covid-19 pandemic.

Lion Jim Gettys inducted the new 2020-21 members present for the first time at an in-person meeting. Those inducted were Jason, Felicia, and Latoria (Tori) Cunningham, Genie McDill, Kara Ridlehuber, and Priscilla Rothery. Also welcomed were Carol Balla and Holly Kennerly, inducted at the last in-person meeting before the pandemic, and reinstated members Susan Jackson and Faye Roberts. District Governor Scott

presented special Lions commemorative pins to the new members.

Awards presented during the meeting included:

Club Excellence Award for 2019-20, received by Joyce Cunningham; Melvin Jones Fellowship, Richard "Dick" Haldeman; Special Recognition for keeping the club informed during the pandemic, Kaye Acton, club host, and Becky Rich, editor of the newsletter, *The Lion-O-Type*; Service Award, John A. Simpson, for "Adopt a Highway" project; Centennial Pins for increasing membership: Gold, Lee Logan; Gold and Silver, Sandra Gettys and Jeannie Knight; Diamond, Lee Logan and Jeannie Knight; Membership Advancement Key, Bill Lesesne; Chevron Awards for 15-year membership, Kaye Acton and JoAnn Griffith.

The 2020-21 recipients of the Due West Lions Club's "Lion Pride" award for special service to the club were recognized. They included: July, JoAnn Griffith; August, Sandra Gettys; September, Bill Lesesne; October, Mark Fulghum; November, Becky Rich; December, Brenda Byers; January, Eleanor Logan; February, Eugene Dickert; March, Faye Roberts; and April, Charles

Angel. Angel presented the May Lions Pride award to Effie Jordan.

Officers elected to assume their duties in July included:

Marty Yannarella, president; Charles Angel, first vice president; Lee Logan, second vice president; Bill Lesesne, third vice president; Amos Cunningham, past president/international foundation coordinator; Conway Shirley, treasurer; Dick Haldeman, recording secretary; Carol Balla, club service chairperson; Brenda Byers and Effie Jordan, one-year directors; Jason Cunningham and Genie McDill, two-year directors; David Krumwiede, tail twister; Curtis Lee, Lion Tamer; Gene Pruitt, constitution and by-laws; Mary Linn Touchberry, membership chairperson; Sandra Gettys, host.

The Due West Lions Club and Lion Jeannie Knight, Due West Mayor, presented gifts to District Governor Judy Scott and thanked her for attending the meeting. The club thanked President Amos Cunningham "for getting us through this year." His tenure as president will close with the club's June meeting. DG Scott presented special Lions' pins to the new members of the club.



New Due West Lions Genie McDill (left) and Holly Lesesne Kennerly (second from left) are welcomed to the club by their sponsors Emilie and Bill Lesesne (right). Mrs. McDill and Mrs. Kennerly were among eight members joining the club during the 2020-21 pandemic who were officially inducted May 13 as the club held its first in-person meeting in 14 months. Bill Lesesne received a Membership Advancement Key from Lions International during the meeting. (Due West Lions Photos by Becky Rich)



Due West Lions Club President Amos Cunningham introduces Lions District 32S Governor Judy Scott of Columbia, who joined him in presenting awards to members of the Due West club May 13 as it held its first in-person meeting in 14 months. Governor Scott praised Due West Lions for continuing their service and growing membership during the pandemic. (Photo contributed)



Due West Lion Becky Rich, editor of the Due West Lions Club newsletter, *The Lion-O-Type*, received special recognition May 13 for keeping the club informed during the pandemic years of 2020-21. (Photo contributed)



Lions South Carolina District 32S Governor Judy Scott presents the Melvin Jones Fellowship, the Lions' highest honor, to Due West Lion Dick Haldeman May 13 during the Due West Lions Club's first in-person meeting in 14 months. Gov. Scott assisted in presenting awards and officially inducted eight new members who joined the club during the COVID-19 pandemic. (Photo contributed)

## Years Lost to Time, the Silent Thief

by Tom Poland

Growing up I could hear the tick of my church's old Regulator wall clock. I can't hear it today, but my hearing's good. All that keeping of time must have silenced the Regulator's tick and that's appropriate. Time is fleeting in a silent unnoticed way.

I got caught up in the race and somewhere between 1996 and 2015 time stole not nineteen years but my life. One day it struck me that my daughters were grown. One day it hit me how many people I knew were dead. One day I realized others had gone into shells that swallowed their lives entire. I looked back on the jobs I'd held and how important they were but in the end they amounted to nothing. We waste a lot of time worrying when we should be remembering.

I look a lot now at what was and I do what many will think is a strange thing. On a regular basis I drive up Georgia Highway 79 and park and lean on a steel gate and stare at mom's old homeplace. All a stranger will see is grass, trees, and an old store converted to a hunting camp. Not me. I see family. Meals. Games with cousins. Cold winter nights around a wood stove. Sinking deep into a cold feather bed. Drawing a bucket of water up from a well. A smokehouse. Penny candy. Outhouse. Crab apples. Bamboo peashooters. Arrowheads, Indian pennies, and more. Come with me one day and I'll tell you a whole lot more about all I see in that patch of grass and weeds.

Oh. Well, that's okay. I knew you wouldn't have the time to

join me.

Time. The New Oxford American Dictionary defines time as the "indefinite continued progress of existence and events in the past, present, and future regarded as a whole." I define it as the stuff memories are made from. However you define it, time always seems to be in short supply but that doesn't stop

Explode in all directions is right. People move never to be heard from again. Where, I wonder, is Benjamin Bradford? Where is Jean Gasaway? Where did Tommy Kennedy go? I know where Eddie, Mike, Dawkins, Janis, Sammy, and Peggy are. Gone. Gone forever. Time is fleeting and ruthless.

In "Time," Pink Floyd gives us this line: "Tickling away the moments that make up a dull day" and this one, "Every year is getting shorter, never seem to find the time." It's true. A dull day seems far longer than a day spent adventuring. And it's true that each year burns up faster than the one before.

Can you hear time? Yes, a newborn baby cries. A young boy's voice begins to change. Brakes lock and tires squeal just before that awful sound. A siren screams down a highway. A bell tolls in the distance.

Can you see time? Sure. You see it as a tombstone. An abandoned home. A wooden cross in a highway curve. A clear-cut forest. A hearse. A wheelchair ramp.

I see it as an old chair no one sits in anymore. Covered in rust with a bent leg it nonetheless possesses beauty and it's a fine place to set a favorite book, dried flowers, and hourglass to signify the passing of time. Seems an old soap opera used to open with the saying, "Like sands through an hourglass, these are the days of our lives." How true.

Time. It's the most important thing we spend. How do you see it?



"Hour Glass" by Tom Poland

people from spending a lot of time writing about time.

In his epic poem, "Looking For The Buckhead Boys," James Dickey gives us these lines after learning many years later that his old high school teammates are dead from heart attacks, war, and one's paralyzed, one's in jail, and others maligned in other ways by the clock. He remembers they lived and writes there are "sunlit pictures in the Book of the Dead to prove it: the 1939 North Fulton High School Annual. O the Book/Of the Dead, and the dead, bright sun on the page/Where the team stands ready to explode/In all directions with Time."

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# County still trying to sell office building

**By Henry E. Green**  
Abbeville County is still trying to sell the County Office Building on the Highway 28 Bypass on the western outskirts of Abbeville, according to a report which Abbeville County Director David Garner provided during the June 14 Council meeting. The building was home to a number of County offices before the Abbeville County Administrative Complex was created, and County Council held meetings there. In other news, Abbeville County Council passed at its June 14 meeting third and final reading on the budget for 2021-2022, with

an amendment. "There's a special handling fee for certain types of waste that requires special processing," Garner said concerning the amendment. "It was increased from \$65 to \$75. It primarily deals with one industry that generates the waste." There was also news about the federal stimulus money which Abbeville County, along with other local governments, is scheduled to receive. Abbeville County is scheduled to receive approximately \$5 million, according to reports. Garner said that he has learned that some funds can be used to pay a consultant

for advice on how to spend the money. A leadership class for County employees has been completed, and graduates will be recognized at the next County Council meeting, Garner went on to say. Also, there were 12 respondents to a Request for Proposals sent out by the County, looking for a firm to conduct a classification study in connection with County employees. Also at the June 14 meeting, Council voted to appoint Patrick Davenport to the Board of Zoning Appeals, and Robert Hawkins to the Board of Assessment Appeals.



Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Abbeville had a fish fry fundraiser recently and among those enjoying fried fish, rolls, and baked potatoes -- and dessert -- were Scott and Donna Braidic. (Staff photo by Henry E. Green)

# School board meeting rescheduled

**By Henry E. Green**  
The Abbeville County School District Board of Trustees meeting for the month of June has been scheduled for Tuesday, June 29. The board normally has its regular monthly meetings on the fourth Tuesday of the month, but earlier this year the board agreed to postpone the June meeting until Tuesday, June 29, so as not to conflict with a school administrators conference on the coast. Abbeville County School District Superintendent Dr. Mason Gary described the

conference. "It is the South Carolina Association of School Administrators (SCASA) conference referred to as i3," Dr. Gary said. "All but two of our principals are attending as well as several district staff and assistant principals. School board members attend a couple of other conferences sponsored by the SCSBA (SC School Board Association) and will not be attending this one. It is held in Myrtle Beach." The board is expected at its June meeting to have second and final reading on

a budget for the 2021 -2022 fiscal year. The trustees are expected to convene for a closed-door session first beginning at 5 p.m., followed by open session beginning at 6 p.m. There is also expected to be a Gold Star Highlights segment to recognize achievements of students and educators in the Abbeville County School District. Also expected to be on the agenda are reports on maintenance and school safety, and the District's capital improvement plan.

# London wants marker for Abbeville cemetery

**By Henry E. Green**  
(The following is the second in a series.) Richard London of Abbeville is in the process of securing funds to provide for a marker for the Harbison Cemetery on Greenville Street on the outskirts of Abbeville. London said he is being assisted by the Essie Strother Patterson Legacy Foundation, Inc., which is based at 5353 Arlington Expressway, Suite 10-1, Jacksonville, FLA, 32211. The Foundation was established in memory of the late Essie Strother Patterson, a teacher for many years in

the Abbeville community. The Foundation, in which her son Dr. Lemuel Patterson has been active, is engaged in various programs, such as a reading program to help them improve their reading skills, and it also helps students in need during the school year. The Foundation also works to bring to light features of African-American history, features which may not be very well known to the public. London is organizing a clean-up of the cemetery, which was the subject of a clean-up led by Abbeville Mayor Trey Edwards in

early June. "We also plan to have a second clean up on July 17 from 7 a.m. to 10 a.m.," London said Friday. He is asking people with relatives buried in the cemetery to come out and show their support. July 24 will be the rain date for the clean-up. So far London has three volunteers signed up, including himself, but he is looking for more. He would like volunteers to bring trash bags along with your own personnel gloves. For more information, one may call London at 864-378-6596.

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# Firefighters plan big training weekend

**By Henry E. Green**  
 The Abbeville Regional Fire Training Committee, a joint training committee of Abbeville City Fire, Abbeville County Fire, Due West Fire and Rescue and Calhoun Falls Fire Department, is planning a special training weekend, with the theme of "Going Far Together."  
 Chief Ken Kerber, from South Carolina State Fire, Urban Search and Rescue division, will be the keynote speaker for the Recruit School graduation to be held at the Opera House on Friday, June 25, at 6:30 p.m., said Due West Fire and Rescue Assistant Chief Matthew Busby.  
 Twenty eight individuals will be graduating from the

program, which is designed to provide a comprehensive level of firefighter training. The graduation will provide the culmination of six months of training. The Recruit School program is operated through South Carolina State Fire. On Saturday, there will be a number of training events. "They're outside the box classes," he said. Students come from various places, as far away as Charleston. "It's going to be a pretty big weekend," he said. Captain Marc Aloa, from West Columbia Fire Department, will be teaching "Building a Tradition of Passion." Soda City Fire Training will be presenting "Smoke

Reading and Introduction to Advanced Building Construction." They will also teach "Resolute Leadership" and "Intermediate Forcible Entry." All of these classes will be taught in Due West. Two classes will be taught in Abbeville, including "Stihl Saw Safety" and a class on South Carolina Fire Fighters Association benefits. "Will Blackwell (of Abbeville County emergency management) will be cooking a barbecue dinner for us," he said. This will be at Due West Fire and Rescue. There will be a technical rescue and auto extrication class after the dinner.



Tiara Davis (left) and Fia-sha Paul (right) are co-owners of Endless Beauty Boutique, on Whitehall Street in Abbeville. There was a ribbon cutting for the new shop, which sells beauty supplies, on June 19. (Staff photo by Henry E. Green)

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## 'The real thing' Josh Baughman of Abbeville is a Coca Cola memorabilia collector

**By Henry E. Green**  
 "It's the real thing."  
 "Have a Coke and a smile."  
 All have been advertising slogans for the legendary soft drink Coca Cola through the years, and Josh Baughman of Abbeville is familiar with all of them. It makes perfect sense. Baughman collects Coca Cola memorabilia, and in fact he is planning to present a Coca Cola display at the Welcome Center in Abbeville. Baughman, who works with Baughman Enterprises, is planning to put up the display of Coca Cola memorabilia this week, a display which will stay up for much of the summer. Among the pieces will be a 1905 serving tray and a

couple of 1917 festoons that hung over soda fountains. "I'm going to fill that wall up (at the Welcome Center)," she said. Together the memorabilia will present a slice of Coca Cola history from the early 1900s to the 1960s. Baughman was asked why he collects Coca Cola memorabilia. "It actually runs in the family," he said. "My granddad used to run the bottling plant (where Coke was bottled)." The plant stood where Baughman Enterprises is now, he said. The Coke bug has bitten more than one member of the Baughman family. "We've been collecting Coca Cola memorabilia since I can remember," he

said. That includes his father and his uncle, and Josh himself has been to about 10 conventions of Coca Cola collectors. As many as 1,000 people attend a single convention, and those conventions are held throughout the country, from Portland to Milwaukee to Atlanta. It has taken Baughman to various and sundry parts of the country, and through these conventions he has met many, many people. They are all in tune with the history of Coca Cola, which, according to Wikipedia, was "born" in Atlanta, GA, and introduced to the world on May 8, 1886. "It's just a neat story," Baughman said.

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  8. \_\_\_ vera plant
  12. Tiny piece of anything
  13. Dateless one
  14. Twist and distort
  15. "Animal House" party garb
  16. Cantatrice's offering
  17. Frost-covered
  18. \*Mary \_\_\_\_, star of 52 films and recipient of 1976 Academy Honorary Award
  20. Rounded protuberance
  21. Breaks off
  22. Crime scene acronym
  23. One who insists on implementing #1 Across
  26. Anxiety, pl.
  30. U.N. working-conditions agency
  31. A-one
  34. Do like exhaust pipe
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  38. Parkinson's disease drug
  39. Larger-than-life
  40. For the most part
  42. \_\_\_ Aviv
  43. Allow to rejoin
  45. Between Paleocene and Oligocene
  47. FEMA provisions, e.g.
  48. \*Instrument central to 1945's "A Song to Remember"
  50. Manage without help
  52. \*Marx Brothers' 1933 classic
  55. Florentine iris
  56. Fourth largest Great Lake
  57. \*Hitchcock's "The Man Who \_\_\_ Too Much"
  59. Make children, biblical
  60. Malicious loook
  61. Highest volcano in Europe
  62. Object of worship
  63. Always, in verse
  64. Like happy people's glasses

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1. \*Humphrey Bogart's Fedora, e.g.
  2. At the summit
  3. Hanna-Barbera anthropomorphic bear
  4. Kellogg's Sugar \_\_\_
  5. Leather razor sharpener
  6. Often used to pull #22 Across
  7. Archaic expression of surprise
  8. \*Like "Snow White and the Seven Dwarfs"
  9. Mary's pet
  10. Nabisco sandwich
  11. Former times
  13. \*\*The Snows of Kilimanjaro" type of adventure
  14. Straining sound
  19. Nautical measures
  22. Party bowlful
  23. Pressed beverage
  24. Skip the big wedding
  25. Waterwheel
  26. \*Drew Barrymore's grandfather
  27. What actors do
  28. Mature, as in fruit
  29. Like an expired cracker
  32. Surveyor's map
  33. "Mai" follower
  36. \*Hattie \_\_\_\_, first African-American to win an Oscar
  38. City in France
  40. Prefix for central
  41. Deep throat, e.g.
  44. Middle
  46. Slow \_\_\_ or pressure \_\_\_
  48. Baby food, e.g.
  49. More unfriendly
  50. \*Ginger's dance and movie partner
  51. Therefore or consequently
  52. Mark for omission
  53. Archaic "to"
  54. Back-to-school purchase, pl.
  55. \_\_\_-Wan Kenobi
  58. \*Bing Crosby's 1944 movie "Going My \_\_\_"



Seven-year-old Kamden Walker was one of those enjoying Abbeville Artist Guild activities during the Juneteenth celebration in Abbeville. (Staff photo by Henry E. Green)

## Scott Introduces Resolution Celebrating National Charter Schools Week

Submitted by **Senator Tim Scott**  
 Today, U.S. Senator Tim Scott (R-S.C.), a leading advocate for school choice, introduced a resolution celebrating National Charter Schools Week and commending charter schools for their contributions to education. "Here in South Carolina and across the country, charter schools enroll more

students and serve more communities every year," said **Senator Scott**. "The high-quality teaching and innovative approach to education provide a strong foundation for students of all backgrounds. "I have long believed what the pandemic confirmed for so many American families: when parents lack school choice, children's education suffers. I am thankful for

the important work charter school teachers, leaders, parents, and advocates continue to do in opening more doors to success for the next generation." Charter schools continue to expand throughout South Carolina. According to the Public Charter School Alliance of South Carolina, 80 schools across the state served nearly 40,000 students in 2020.



Two Abbeville County young people were recognized recently at an Abbeville County Forest Landowners Association meeting for exemplary work in 4-H. Association president Luke Penney (far left) posed with Rayhanna Pallone (center), while County 4-H coordinator Jennifer Mountford (far right) accepted on behalf of Baylor Caldwell. (Staff photo by Henry E. Green)

# Forest Landowners group assemblies

By Henry E. Green

The Abbeville County Forest Landowners Association met Monday night at the Abbeville County Agriculture Building, honoring two young people who had distinguished themselves in 4-H, and getting acquainted with a local conservation agency official.

Matthew Brown was introduced as the District Conservationist for the NRCS--the Natural Resource Conservation Service, which is part of the United States Department of Agriculture.

Brown took over in this post with the retirement of Frank Love, and his first day in his new post was March 15 of this year.

He is working in an office situated in the old County Office Building on the Highway 28 Bypass beside the Pete Smith Complex.

He oversees NRCS Conservation programs. "Our programs are meant to address resource concerns, such as water quality, erosion control, and plant productivity," he said.

Brown, originally from Anderson, has worked with NRCS for eight years.

The Abbeville County Forest Landowners Association has about 90 members, and 41 members were on hand for Monday night's meeting, said Association president Luke Penney.

The Association recognized two young people who had distinguished themselves in the service of 4-H.

Rayhanna Pallone, a rising junior at Dixie High School, was recognized as one of two South Carolina 4-H wildlife food project winners for Abbeville County.

She was presented with a plaque by Penney.

The other winner was Baylor Caldwell, who is home-schooled and lives in the Calhoun Falls area, said Abbeville County 4-H coordinator Jenny Mountford.

Mountford accepted a plaque from Penney on Caldwell's behalf, since Caldwell was unable to attend the meeting.

Caldwell, she said, was

the county's junior winner in the project, and Pallone the senior winner.

Those on hand also listened to a presentation by a Department of Natural Resources wildlife biologist on squirrels that live in South Carolina.

Michael W. Hook is a Small Game Project Leader and Wildlife Biologist for South Carolina Department of Natural Resources.

Squirrels, he said, have short lifespans, living about two years. South Carolina is home to a number of different kinds of squirrels, including Eastern gray squirrels, red squirrels, Southern flying squirrels, and Southern fox squirrels.

The Southern fox squirrel is especially numerous on the South Carolina coast, and often can be found on golf courses in coastal areas, where they are so abundant that they are can be considered by some a nuisance, according to Hook.

Abbeville County is home to a large population of gray squirrels, he said.

# Our garden

## Friends from AHS Class of 1972 gather for 50th anniversary prelude

By Henry E. Green

Helen Coleman of Abbeville recently hosted a gathering for some of the members of the Abbeville High School Class of 1972. "It was just a prelude to our fiftieth celebration," she said.

Central to the get-together was the joy of creation, as well as the happiness of fellowship.

"We planted three flowers," she said. That included a purple flower, a hibiscus, in memory of those deceased classmates, as well as a bumblebee flower, a gold flower for the AHS colors of garnet and gold, and a pink hydrangea, to mark that date of June 12.

About 13 people attended

the gathering, in which those present actually created a garden.

Those in attendance included Janie Aiken, Simon Allen, Jennifer Brown, Dearlyn Coleman, Helen Coleman, Sarah Evans, John Jackson, Wanda McAdams, Ronnie Rhodes, Corrie Williams, Thelma Woody and Joseph Wright.

"We got some bricks from the old Long Cane AME Church," she said. "We enclosed the garden in bricks."

"After that, we just played music from the Seventies, and enjoyed sandwiches and homemade desserts."

Fellowship among friends, meeting new friends and hanging out with old friends--that was how she remem-

bered AHS of those days.

All of the students at the June 12 gathering started high school at J.S. Wright but finished at AHS because of desegregation.

After high school, some became teachers, secretaries, and government workers, and factory workers and supervisors, as well. Most of them remained in the Abbeville area.

Many of those at the gathering attended Branch Street Elementary, before going on to J.S. Wright High School, and ultimately graduating from AHS.

"They have fond memories of each of those schools," Helen Coleman said.



# 'Sound healing'

## Ian Morris has come up with a way to give back to the community

By Henry E. Green

Ian Morris wants to give back to the community.

Morris was the guiding force behind Homemade Genius, a business which provided music and art lessons in Abbeville.

Morris left Abbeville in 2011, and moved to Charleston. He was diagnosed with MS and with colon cancer, and in the context of coping with his illness he developed "frequency music," music which helps ease the anxiety which many people feel over a variety of causes.

"It's just a great tool," he said.

Meanwhile, he also started the Charleston-based company Listening to Smile in 2016, which today has seven employees, and which provides yoga studios and clinical and holistic instruction.

"We are a unique sound healing company creating music that heals utilizing sacred frequencies and doing our work in a way that contributes to a more beautiful world," according to a news release he provided.

"Our goal is to support emotional and physical wellness and at the same time offer an alternative model for how music is produced, distributed and sold, one that is rooted in valuing the creative process and valuing each other."

Morris has returned to Abbeville for about three months, and he plans to give back to the community in a memorable way--namely, he wants to distribute 1,200 CDs of 'listening to smile' music to organizations such as those of first responders, veterans, and people who deal with mental health.

"The organizations that are nonprofit and are in alignment with our mission can receive free albums," Morris said.

"They can be digital downloads or physical copy CDs."

The music on the CDs is all instrumental, and is designed with relaxation in mind.

"Our patients have commented that it has alleviated their anxiety," he said. It has helped in everything

from pain management to helping with insomnia.

Morris recommends listening to the "Listening to Smile" music 20 minutes--10 minutes in the morning, and 10 in the evening.

"Headphones are recommended," he said.

Thus, he is welcoming organizations to contact him at 1-843-302-6417.

Despite what Thomas Wolfe said, Ian is finding that you CAN go home again.

"Most of my life I've lived in Greenwood," he said. "I moved there when I was 14 (from Morgantown, West Virginia)."

Music has been a major part of his life for a long time. He's been a musician since he was 17, and he will turn 44 this year.

"I play 25 instruments," he said. "I'm also a painter and a poet."

And he does believe in giving back.

"Abbeville and Greenwood mean so much to me right now," he said. "I just wanted to give back to this area."



Musician Ian Morris has developed "frequency mind-ed music" where "mindfulness, sound healing, and science come together as one." (Contributed photo)



Christina Metcalf has been named to the President's List for the Spring semester at the University of West Georgia in Newnan, Georgia with a GPA of 4.0. Her maternal grandparents are the late Clarence and Irene Bradberry of Calhoun Falls. Her paternal grandparents are the late Albert and Gloria Metcalf of Daytona Beach, Florida. Christina is majoring in Early Childhood Education and wants to obtain a B.S. Degree in Graphic Arts and Design as well. (Photo contributed)

# City probes funding options for water line

By Henry E. Green

Economic development may be alive and well in Abbeville.

In last week's paper, we learned that the City is interested in making a water line, in the direction of Greenwood.

This week, the City's Deputy Administrative Officer Mike Clary talked about the search for funding sources for the project.

"We are pursuing federal infrastructure funding and hope to hear back on that funding opportunity soon.

"We are also investigating potential grant funding sources," he said.

The Highway 72 Waterline Project is a proposed water line along Highway 72 that would extend the City's water service from its current location just outside the City limits to the end of Greenwood CPW's line just inside Abbeville County, he said.

The purpose would be to encourage both residential and commercial development along Highway 72, according to Clary.

The City is entering nego-

tiations with an engineering firm for the waterline project, in addition to exploring funding options, he said.

Should the project move forward it would likely get started in 2022.

And if you're on the burger patrol, a new Hardee's is under construction at the corner of South Main and Highway 72.

So when will it open? "I have not had any confirmation on an opening date at this point, but we hope sometime this summer," said Clary.



Jeff Holland (left) entertained young folks at the Abbeville Opera House recently during a presentation provided by the Abbeville County Library System. He invited a number of kids to participate on stage. (Staff photo by Henry E. Green)

  
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# Legend

## James 'Peanut' Martin helped lead AHS to state championship in 1971

By Henry E. Green

James "Peanut" Martin lives in Atlanta now, and he has been there since 1982.

His mother still lives in Abbeville, and he comes back every two weeks to see her.

Peanut is a legend among Abbeville High School sports fans.

He helped lead the Panthers to a state championship in football in 1971. "I played quarterback and defensive back," he said.

The team had great running backs, including Jerry Pendley, Raymond Ware, and Ronald Harshaw.

"They were really good," he recalled.

Martin threw his share of touchdown passes as well—he tossed 21 TD passes in his senior year.

"We integrated the schools totally in 1970," he said, noting that he came from J.S. Wright to AHS.

He played basketball as well. He was a guard during

his junior year, and forward his senior year.

Martin praised teammate Larry Ray as an outstanding athlete, and a fine basketball player.

He graduated from AHS in 1972. "I went to Clemson University," he said.

At Clemson, he played football, and played baseball for Post 20, and even pitched a no hitter for the Post.

Martin said that Clemson baseball coach Bill Wilhelm did not allow him to play both football and baseball for the Tigers.

He still persevered. "In 1973 I was (as a defensive back) Clemson's first African American All-ACC player," he said.

After graduation from Clemson, he became a coach, and in 1984, he got his first basketball coaching job.

That started an illustrious career in the state of Georgia.

His teams won two state championships: in 1988, and in 1993, and his all time coaching record included 628 wins and 178 losses.

He retired from high school coaching and teaching in 2017, and now he assists his daughter, who coaches high school basketball. He also coaches Junior International Tournament international teams in Italy.

He is regarded by many as one of the most successful coaches in Georgia high school coaching history.

"I had fun," he said.

He was in Abbeville this past Saturday, and enjoyed the Juneteenth festivities.

"The speakers were exceptional," he said. He was also highly impressed with the Phoenix Dance Academy's presentation of "The Wiz" at the Opera House, a presentation he characterized as "amazing."

"They need to take that show on the road," he said.

Former Abbeville mayor Delano Freeman and travel nurse Angela Lee were among the speakers for Abbeville's Juneteenth celebration. (Staff photo by Henry E. Green)



The Phoenix Dance Academy presented "The Wiz" at the Opera House in Abbeville during the recent Juneteenth celebration. (Staff photo by Henry E. Green)



### Bell Toll Ceremony June 2021

#### Honoring Deceased Veterans

**Kimberly Williams Dunlap** 53 SC Army National Guard  
**Robert Washington Jr.** 97 US Army WWII

The Abbeville County Veterans Organizations jointly sponsor a Bell Toll Ceremony on the last Friday of each month. The veteran's names that have passed away in Abbeville County during the month or anyone who was missed in the previous month will have their names read. This includes men and women from Abbeville County who live in other areas. The names will also include any military service member from South Carolina who was killed while on active duty. As each name is read, the Liberty Bell replica, "Big Bob" is struck once as a token of our respect and appreciation for each Veteran who served and for those who gave the ultimate sacrifice for this great nation. Please join for this solemn ceremony on the Abbeville square at 1 pm, June 25th. Also, all veterans are welcomed to the American Legion meeting on the 3rd Wednesday of each month. Supper is served at 5PM and the meeting is at 6PM.

## Community calendar

### Humane Society to meet

The Greater Abbeville Humane Society will hold the 2021 annual public meeting on Thursday, June 24 at 5:30 at the Belmont Inn. A summary of activities during the previous year, and a summary of the current

financial status will be presented. The purposes of the Humane Society are to educate people about animals and their care, to promote animal well-being, and to raise awareness for the betterment of animals in our community. All inter-

ested persons are invited to attend.

### Hospital board to meet

The Abbeville Area Medical Center Board of Trustees meeting is scheduled for June 28, 2021, at noon. The meeting will be hosted in the Education Room at AAMC,

## Corps to test gate at Russell Dam on June 23rd

SAVANNAH, Ga. – Dam safety officials from the Savannah District, U.S Army Corps of Engineers will test the spillway gates at Richard B. Russell Dam on the Savannah River next week. According to a recent news release from the US Army Corps of Engineers.

On Wednesday, June 23, beginning near noon, teams will test all the spillway gates at the Corps' hydropower dam near Elberton, Georgia. The test will last approximately 45 minutes. Gates will open only about 1 foot. All gates may or may not be opened at one time during the test, depending on the need of the examination at the time. The public may attend the test but must stay out of the water downstream of the dam due to strong currents and heavy turbulence. Based on past tests, crowds are expected. Social precautions should be taken. Drones are not allowed near or above the dam, including in adjoining parks.

For the Russell Dam test, the public may park in design-

ated areas below the dam in Georgia. Motorists must not park on public roads or on the dam. Park rangers will direct traffic. Local authorities will enforce the "no parking and no stopping" laws on state highways. Pedestrian access at the vehicle traffic gate will be closed. The public will not have pedestrian access to the fishing pier area due to safety and security concerns. Restroom facilities are located at the overlook pavilion area just up the hill from the main parking area. The address for the Russell Dam Project: 4144 Russell Dam Drive, Elberton, Georgia.

"We scheduled the Richard B. Russell Dam spillway gate test for just a few weeks after National Dam Safety Awareness Day, May 31," Lucia Wimberly, Dam and Levee Safety Program Manager for the Savannah District, said. "May 31 was established as NDSAD to commemorate the failure of South Fork Dam in Johnstown, Pennsylvania, which occurred that day in 1889.

More than 2,200 people died because of the flood wave that resulted from the South Fork Dam failure. Investigators determined the dam failed from overtopping, which happened because of an inadequate spillway."

The Corps of Engineers likes to regularly test the spillway gates at their dams to ensure that they are functioning properly, according to Wimberly. "This ensures the gates will open as intended, if ever necessary for a flood event," she said.

Since construction, the Russell Dam spillway gates have never opened because of a flood event. The dam and lake project has always been able to contain floodwaters within the lake, or by sending water downstream through the turbines while generating clean, renewable, electric energy.

While the release gives a spectacular view, the actual effect of the release on reservoir levels is minimal. All Savannah District reservoirs are currently at or above full summer levels.

## PTC offering additional assistance with books & supplies for fall semester

Submitted by  
Kristine Hartvigsen

Students who register for fall classes at Piedmont Technical College (PTC) by July 15 not only can waive the standard \$25 registration fee but also receive a voucher worth \$300 for textbooks and related materials. "We know that many people have put their education on hold during the past year," said Josh Black, PTC vice president for student affairs and communications. "We want to encourage everyone to re-engage and start moving forward with their educational plans or continue with us this fall. More than 70 percent of our

students already attend PTC tuition-free, so this opportunity will make this fall even more affordable."

Opportunities for free or very low-cost tuition at PTC come in many forms, from federal Pell Grants to local community Promise programs, the state's Lottery Tuition Assistance Program and its supplemental SC Workforce and Industrial Needs Scholarships (SC WINS).

"When you look at all the financial aid that's available to students and how they stack together, most of our students are seeing very little out-of-pocket cost," said Missy Perry, PTC's director of financial aid. "College re-

ally can be affordable, and PTC is the perfect place to start!"

PTC is planning for a return to in-person classes this fall, and PTC still offers plentiful options in hybrid and online courses to support a wide variety of very specific student work/life needs. Approximately 62% of our students attend part-time, many in the evenings.

The full-term fall semester runs from August 23 to Dec. 10, 2021. To get started, students are invited to apply online for the fall semester at [www.ptc.edu/apply](http://www.ptc.edu/apply), or they can contact admissions at 855-682-7094 to set up an appointment.

### Direct Health of AAMC RECIPE

## Easy Chicken and Dumplings

#### Ingredients (2 servings)

1/3 tablespoon flour (all purpose)  
2 tablespoons water  
1 cup chicken broth, low-sodium  
1 cup chicken, cooked and diced  
1/4 salt (1/4 teaspoon, optional)  
1 dash black pepper

#### Dumplings:

1/3 cup flour (all purpose)  
1/2 teaspoon baking powder  
1/4 teaspoon salt  
2 tablespoons non-fat milk

#### Directions

Mix 2 tablespoons flour and water in a pan until smooth.  
Slowly stir in broth.  
Cook over medium heat until thickened.  
Add chicken, salt (optional) and pepper.

#### Make Dumplings:

Combine 1/3 cup flour, baking powder, and salt in a small bowl. Stir in milk until dough forms.  
Drop dumpling dough from a Tablespoon onto gently boiling chicken mixture, making 4 dumplings.  
Cover pan tightly and cook slowly for 15 minutes without lifting the lid.

### Card of Thanks



The family of the late Annie Laura Kennedy would like to thank all our family, neighbors, and friends for your kind expressions of sympathy shown following her sad passing.

The cards, the food, and the flowers were all greatly appreciated. She was loved by everyone, young and old, and thought of all the children she served at the school, as her grandchildren. All of your visits, your prayers, and your gentle words of compassion during this difficult time gave us the strength we needed to keep going and we are forever grateful.

Thank you,  
The Kennedy Family

## US House of Representatives

# Rep. Duncan Welcomes Sync.MD Headquarters to Anderson County

Submitted by  
Congressman  
**Jeff Duncan**

Today, Congressman Jeff Duncan (SC-03) welcomed the news that Sync.MD, a medical data company from Washington state, is relocating its headquarters to Anderson County. Sync.MD is a personal health record app that allows patients to share data and personal records with anyone, anywhere, any time. Initially, the company will relocate ten employees to the area, and there are plans to hire more later this summer. Currently, Sync.MD is partnering with several veterans' organizations in South Carolina to streamline the health record management specifically for veterans. Their service allows patients to be true custodians of their

medical records. "I am very excited for Sync.MD to relocate its headquarters to Anderson County," said Congressman Duncan. "The jobs that are moving here are high-paying tech jobs, and more will be created in the future. When I first met with Sync.MD's leadership years ago, I told them South Carolina has a great business environment, and that we would welcome the chance to help them grow. I am thrilled that Sync.MD will be providing services to our veterans and their customers around the world from right here in Anderson."

Eugene Luskin, CEO of Sync.MD added "Making decisions to move is always complicated, even on personal level. Deciding to move the company, employees, their families

—that implies a tremendous responsibility. While business related opportunities are the key, many other aspects are absolutely critical.

It is the friendship and incredible personal support from Congressman Jeff Duncan that really enabled us to discover the hidden gem in South Carolina. It is this combination of a truly entrepreneurial business climate, amazing people and community, and the real American spirit and personal values that makes it mutually beneficial for us to become South Carolinians."

Background on SYNC.MD:  
Website: <https://syncmd.com/portal/about>  
Introductory promotional video: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=93c-CaBwRhc>

## US Senate

# Scott, Colleagues Reintroduce Bill to Encourage America's Pharmaceutical Independence

Submitted by  
Senator **Tim Scott**

U.S. Senators Tim Scott (R-S.C.) and Jacky Rosen (D-Nev.) reintroduced a proposal today to make the U.S. pharmaceutical supply chain less dependent on adversarial countries such as China. Congressmen Earl L. "Buddy" Carter (R-Ga.), Congressman Tom Rice (R-S.C.) and Congressman Darren Soto (D-Fla.) introduced companion legislation in the House.

According to the Food and Drug Administration, approximately 72 percent of active pharmaceutical ingredients (API) used in the U.S. drug supply are manufactured in more than 150 countries, with 13 percent coming from China alone. The Manufacturing API, Drugs, and Excipients (MADE) in America Act will work to mitigate drug shortages while incentivizing the domestic manufacturing of drugs, API, personal protective equipment (PPE), and diagnostics. This will be achieved through a new tax credit for manufacturers that operate in certain American Opportunity Zones.

"As we rebound from the pandemic, it is crucial that we act on the lessons learned through a year of supply chain shortages that left Americans vulnerable," said Senator Scott. "We cannot continue to rely on adversarial countries like China for lifesaving drugs and crucial medical supplies. This legislation illustrates the transformative power of Opportunity Zones, which have not only spurred billions of dollars of investment into our nation's poorest communities but will also be a catalyst for the resurgence of American manufacturing."

"The COVID-19 pandemic has shown just how critical it is to bolster our domestic supply chain and strengthen our health care system," said Senator Rosen. "The MADE in America Act will work to further grow our domestic drug and medical device manufacturing, and address ongoing drug shortages by improving FDA coordination and identifying specific barriers. I will continue working to grow our U.S. medical supply chain, invest in good paying jobs, and protect Nevada communities and access to critical medical supplies."

"I want America to be competitive on the world stage in as many ways as possible. The U.S. currently obtains 72% of Active Pharmaceutical Ingredients (API) from other countries, including 13% from China," said Rice. "I'm proud to introduce the bipartisan MADE in America Act to incentivize drug manufacturing right here in the U.S. instead of shipping abroad our manufacturing needs and the jobs that come with them. This tax credit will address vulnerabilities in the U.S. supply chain while making our public health and national security stronger and more resilient."

"The COVID-19 pandemic made it very clear that America cannot continue to rely on foreign entities like China for lifesaving medications," said Carter. "This legislation is designed to significantly reduce the advantage that foreign countries provide and encourage companies to maintain, expand or relocate their production activities back to the United States and its territories through a tax credit that will serve the most disadvantaged communities in our nation. We simply can

no longer be dependent on our enemies for anything, especially medications. America must secure pharmaceutical independence."

"The COVID-19 pandemic made it clear that our nation must lead and prioritize domestic manufacturing of drugs, API, PPE, and diagnostics," said Soto. "The MADE in America Act will uplift manufacturers and provide the resources to make the process beneficial for them as well. It is encouraging to see members from both sides of the aisle come together with a common goal to make America stronger."

The MADE in America Act would address vulnerabilities in the U.S. supply chain in two distinct ways.

First, for America's national security, the legislation incentivizes the domestic manufacturing of drugs, API, PPE, and diagnostics in order to make the U.S. supply chain less dependent on foreign countries like China. This is achieved through a new tax credit that would only apply to manufacturers operating in certain Opportunity Zones across the United States. This will work to bring manufacturing back to the United States through incentives aimed at leveling the playing field, rather than through punitive and ultimately counter-productive mandates.

Additionally, the legislation includes measures aimed at mitigating drug shortages including improving FDA reporting of facility inspections, working more closely with overseas regulators and streamlining FDA standardization processes for overseeing pharmaceutical manufacturing and the supply chain.

# Senator Scott Accepting Applications for Service Academy Nominations

Submitted by  
Senator **Tim Scott**

Today, U.S. Senator Tim Scott (R-S.C.) announced 2021 Military Academy Nomination Applications are now open. Candidates interested in attending one of the four service academies—U.S. Military Academy, U.S. Naval Academy, U.S. Air Force Academy, or U.S. Merchant Marine Academy—may submit applications through October 16, 2021 at 5:00 pm. Senator

Scott will nominate up to 40 students from across South Carolina to be considered for an appointment.

"It's an honor to assist South Carolinians who want to serve our country," said Senator Scott. "At such an important time, these students have decided to pursue a military career and take on some of the most rigorous collegiate curriculums our country has to offer. I commend their courage and determination,

and I know they will make South Carolina proud for years to come."

Students seeking Senator Scott's nomination must submit an application including two essays, SAT/ACT scores, high school transcripts, and three letters of recommendation. For more information about the service academy nomination process, visit Senator Scott's FAQ page or call the Service Academy Coordinator at (803) 771-6112.

# Obituaries

## Jones

Rev. Dr. Robert Edward "Bobby" Jones, age 75, went home to Glory on June 18, 2021, at Self Regional Healthcare in Greenwood. Born in Abbeville County, SC on February 12, 1946, he was the son of the late Lewis Edward Jones and Mozelle Leona Taylor Jones.

Bobby was educated in Abbeville, graduating from Abbeville High School, class of 1964, where he was the class historian. Later, he continued his education at Anderson College, Gardner Webb University, and Mid-Atlantic Seminary. He was born again and licensed to preach at South Side Baptist Church. Ordained by Friendship Baptist Church in 1964, he served 8 churches, retiring in 1997. After serving at several interim pastorates, he later returned to full-time ministry as the pastor of Rocky River Baptist Church in Iva in 2013.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by his brother, Lewis Frank-



**Rev. Dr. Robert E. "Bobby" Jones**

lin Jones, three sisters, Betty Jones Beauford, Dorothy Jones Lewis and Norma Jean Jones Campbell.

He is survived by his wife of nearly 58 years, Grace Elaine Knight Jones of Calhoun Falls; his sons, Chuck Jones and wife Erin, of Rocky Mount, NC and Robby Jones, of Calhoun Falls; his daughters, Pam Wilkie of Gaffney, and Lisa Jeffcoat of Chesnee; his grandchildren, Katie Blakely,

Kourtney Waddell and husband Ridge, Kerri Pinyon and husband Dylan, Casey Jones, Gracie Jones, Macon Wilkie, Meredith Wilkie, Kelsey Jeffcoat, Peyton Jones, and Aidan Jones; his great-grandchildren, Kyleigh Jones, Jaxon Waddell, Aubrey Waddell, and Addy Reese Pinyon.

A graveside service will be 11:00AM Saturday, June 26, 2021, in Melrose Cemetery in Abbeville, SC with the Reverend Harold Walters officiating. The family will receive friends following the graveside service.

Flowers are welcome or memorials may be made in Bobby's memory to Rocky River Baptist Church, 3234 Lake Secession Rd, Iva, SC 29655.

A message of condolence may be sent to the family by visiting [www.harrisfuneral.com](http://www.harrisfuneral.com).

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



# How and Where to Add Plants in Your Home

(StatePoint Media)

So you want to become a plant parent? How do you make sure your new green "baby" will thrive in your home or apartment?

When selecting the best spaces in your home for

different types of plants, it's important to consider light, humidity and maintenance required, as well as what benefits that type of plant will bring to the space. Wild Interiors, the leading grower in all things green, offers tips

for success. To learn more, visit [wildinteriors.com](http://wildinteriors.com).

From bathrooms to bedrooms to offices, you can make the rooms of your home healthier and more more inviting by becoming a plant parent.

### Kitchen

We spend a lot of time in the kitchen, so choose plants that can make the space even more inviting. Consider both the room's aesthetics and the care needed from the plants you select.

A smart addition is **Aloe Vera**, as not only is it striking to look at, but it's great to have on hand for an inevitable kitchen burn.

### Bedroom

Plants in the bedroom can help you sleep better. It's true! They remove toxins from the air, increase humidity and produce oxygen for easier breathing.

Great bedroom options include **Sansevieria**, also known as a snake plant, and eye-catching succulents.

### Office

Whether you're working from the office, or from away, office plants can boost productivity and mood, making your workday healthier and happier.

The low-maintenance **Peperomia Rubber Plant** is a great coworker because you can leave it in the office over the weekend without worries.

### Guest Bedroom

When friends and family are coming to stay, make the room more welcoming by adding a bit of greenery to the décor.

One of the easiest plants to care for is the **ZZ Plant**, as it only needs water once a month and can thrive in any light level.

### Bathroom

If a plant thrives in humidity and warmer temperatures, and is native to tropical regions, there's a good chance it will love living in your bathroom.

Good options include **Ivy** and **Spider Plants**.



## Owens new football coach for Flashes

**By Henry E. Green**  
Calhoun Falls Charter has a new head football coach. Juwan Owens is a graduate of Limestone College and has been coaching for the past six years, most recently at Gardner Webb as an assistant defensive

back coach and before that at Dakota College at Bottineau, according to a news release sent by Calhoun Falls Charter School principal Kalan Rogers. "I am excited about Owens leading our football team," said Rogers in a news re-

lease. "He is young, energetic, versatile and comes with a lot of knowledge." The Calhoun Falls Charter board approved his hiring this past Thursday night. Davis replaces Chris Watts, who took a teaching position in Greenwood.



Juwan Owens is the new head football coach at Calhoun Falls Charter. (Contributed photo)



American Legion Post 2 is forming a softball team. Getting together recently to plan the new youth outreach program were (from left) Tony Boggs, Rodney Finley, Jimmy Ashley, and American Legion Post 2 commander Terry Greenfield--all of whom will be serving on a committee to oversee the program. (Staff photo by Henry E. Green)

## American Legion Post 2 forming softball team

**By Henry E. Green**  
Abbeville-based American Legion Post 2 is forming a softball team, set to begin playing in June of 2022, said Post 2 commander Terry Greenfield.

Greenfield, Tony Boggs, Rodney Finley, and Jimmy Ashley sat down recently with The Press and Banner to talk about their plans for the team.

Finley, Boggs and Ashley are all expected to be part of a committee to oversee the softball program.

Post 2 already has found a head coach, Matt Cox of Due West, for the team, which is slated to play its home games at Dixie High School.

"There are 10 (American Legion softball) teams total across the state," said Greenfield.

These teams are in two divisions, with the north division including teams in Greenwood, Inman, Union, Cowpens, and Mid

Carolina. The south division takes in teams from Sumter, Camden, Ridge Springs and Holly Hill, the Post 2 commander went on to say. The season is expected to take in June and the early part of July, with the post-season starting in the latter part of July.

Open to girls ages 13 through 19, the season will include a format in which the young ladies will play their games during the week--Monday through Thursday.

It will all be free to the girls participating, and participants are expected to come from Abbeville and the surrounding areas, such as Greenwood and Anderson counties.

Post 2 is slated to provide T-shirts and socks for the team members, most of whom are expected to supply their own equipment, such as bats.

American Legion softball is in its first year, following in the footsteps of similar

Legion programs in Georgia and North Carolina, Greenfield continued.

The formation of the team is part of the post's youth outreach that also includes such programs as Palmetto Boys State.

The post will need \$3,000 to \$5,000 to get the team started, for expenses such as paying the umpires, covering insurance costs and paying travel expenses.

Accordingly, "we're going to apply for grant money" and seek out sponsorships, he said.

Try-outs are expected in the early spring of 2022.

There is in South Carolina already an American Legion baseball program, in which talented young men sharpen their baseball skills during the summer.

Participants in American Legion games pledge to adhere to standards of sportsmanship, Greenfield continued.

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## Legals

### NOTICE OF SALE

**NOTICE OF SALE CIVIL ACTION NO. 2020-CP-01-00052 BY VIRTUE OF** the decree heretofore granted in the case of: Deutsche Bank National Trust Company, as Trustee for EquiFirst Mortgage Loan Trust 2004-3, Asset-Backed Certificates, Series 2004-3 vs. Johnnie Ford, the undersigned Master In Equity for Abbeville County, South Carolina, will sell on July 12, 2021 at 02:00 PM, or on another date, thereafter as approved by the Court, at the Courthouse, City of Abbeville, State of South Carolina, to the highest bidder:

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**IMPROVEMENTS THEREON SITUATE IN THE CITY AND COUNTY OF ABBEVILLE, STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA, FRONTING APPROXIMATELY 74.9 FEET ON THE NORTHWESTERLY SIDE OF CAMBRIDGE STREET AND EXTENDING BACK THEREFROM BY THE SOUTHWESTERN BOUNDARY LINE NORTH 49 DEGREES 52 MINUTES WEST A DEPTH OF APPROXIMATELY 295 FEET TO LANDS OWNED BY ABBEVILLE COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT 60; AND EXTENDING BACK FROM CAMBRIDGE STREET BY THE NORTHEASTERN BOUNDARY LINE NORTH 44 DEGREES 36 MINUTES WEST A DEPTH OF APPROXIMATELY 295 FEET**

**EAST NOW OR FORMERLY BY ESTATE OF SARA B. COLEMAN; SOUTHEAST BY CAMBRIDGE STREET; SOUTHWEST NOW OR FORMERLY BY GERTRUDE S. AND J.L. SPROUSE, JR.; AND NORTHWEST BY ABBEVILLE COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT 60.**

**THIS IS THE SAME PROPERTY CONVEYED TO JOHNNIE FORD BY DEED OF RUTH WALDHAUS, DATED SEPTEMBER 9, 2004 AND RECORDED SEPTEMBER 13, 2004 IN BOOK 246 AT PAGE 110 IN THE RECORDS FOR ABBEVILLE COUNTY, SOUTH CAROLINA.**

CURRENT ADDRESS OF PROPERTY: 107 Cambridge

St, Abbeville, SC 29620

TMS: 109-09-05-009

**TERMS OF SALE:** The successful bidder, other than the Plaintiff, will deposit with the Master In Equity, at conclusion of the bidding, five percent (5%) of his bid, in cash or equivalent, as evidence of good faith, same to be applied to the purchase price in case of compliance, but in the case of non-compliance to be forfeited and first applied to the costs incurred by the Plaintiff related to the sale and the balance then applied to the Plaintiff's debt in a manner suitable to the Plaintiff. Should the last and highest bidder fail to comply with the other terms of the bid within thirty (30) days,

then the Master In Equity may re-sell the property on the same terms and conditions on some subsequent Sales Day. No personal or deficiency judgment being demanded, the bidding shall not remain open after the date of sale and shall be final on that date, and compliance with the bid may be made immediately. Purchaser to pay for documentary stamps on the Deed. The successful bidder will be required to pay interest on the amount of the balance of the bid from date of sale to date of compliance with the bid at the rate of 7.9% per annum. The sale shall be subject to taxes and assessments, existing easements and restrictions, easements and restrictions of record and any other senior

encumbrances.

In the event an agent of Plaintiff does not appear at the time of sale, the within property shall be withdrawn from sale and sold at the next available sales date upon the terms and conditions as set forth in the Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale or such terms as may be set forth in a supplemental order.

The Honorable Roy Hemphill  
Master In Equity for Abbeville County

Brock & Scott, PLLC  
3800 Fernandina Road,  
Suite 110  
Columbia, SC 29210  
Attorneys for Plaintiff  
Phone 803-454-3540  
Fax 803-454-3541

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## 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: William Hamilton Brickle  
Date of Death: 4/07/2021  
Case Number: 2021ES0100141  
Personal Representative: Betty Brickle  
Address: 56 Brickle Lane Iva, SC 29655  
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Estate: Albert Lindsey Giles, Jr.  
Date of Death: 05/14/2021  
Case Number: 2021ES0100144  
Personal Representative: Jean C. Giles  
Address: 2143 Flat Rock Rd. Abbeville, SC 29620  
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Estate: Sallie Mae Calhoun AKA Sallie M. Boggs  
Calhoun  
Date of Death: 4/10/2021  
Case Number: 2021ES0100145  
Personal Representative: Danny Boggs  
Address: 2705 Walnut Drive Anderson, SC 29624  
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Estate: Ruth Lomax Cosby  
Date of Death: 4/23/2021  
Case Number: 2021ES0100146  
Personal Representative: Denise Cosby Collier  
Address: 202 Fox Lake Drive West Columbia, SC 29170  
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Estate: Leonard Dwayne Canfield  
Date of Death: 5/19/2021  
Case Number: 2021ES0100147  
Personal Representative: Delane New  
Address: 1747 Hwy 201 Abbeville, SC 29620  
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Estate: Willie Lee Hamilton  
Date of Death: 3/5/2021  
Case Number: 2021ES0100151  
Personal Representative: Jannie M. Hamilton  
Address: 93 Horse Farm Rd. Iva, SC 29655  
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Estate: Robert Robinson, Jr.  
Date of Death: 5/20/2021  
Case Number: 2021ES0100153  
Personal Representative: Robert Alexander Robinson  
Address: 118 Dutchman Rd. Abbeville, SC 29620  
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Estate: Shannon Malone Sutherland  
Date of Death: 5/15/2021  
Case Number: 2021ES0100154  
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Address: 288 Adger Lane, Abbeville, SC 29620 and 105 Andrews Ave. N. Greenwood, SC 29646  
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Estate: Georgia Anna Wiles Ware  
Date of Death: 4/26/2021  
Case Number: 2021ES0100155  
Personal Representative: Susan A. Ware - Snow  
Address: 531 Orr Road, Easley, SC 29642  
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Estate: Nina Louise Winger  
Date of Death: 5/21/2021  
Case Number: 2021ES0100159  
Personal Representative: William Stephen Winger  
Address: 73 Bramblewood Cove Abbeville, SC 29620  
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Estate: Raymond Pearson Brewington  
Date of Death: 4/26/2021  
Case Number: 2021ES0100160  
Personal Representative: Kathy Brewington Turner  
Address: 248 Golden Acres Dr. Honea Path, SC 29654  
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(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,  
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