



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

## People to people City of Abbeville looking to reverse trend of population loss

By Henry E. Green

The City of Abbeville is coping with population loss.

In 2010, the Census indicated that the City had just over 5,200 residents, and the 2020 Census has the population at just below 4,900, said City of Abbeville Deputy Administrative Officer Mike Clary.

To understand the picture, one needs to go back to the 1990 Census, which showed a City population of about 6,000 people.

“This population decline has been a trend for quite some time, and it is not a problem that is unique to Abbeville,” Clary said.

“If you look at the state map, most of the rural areas

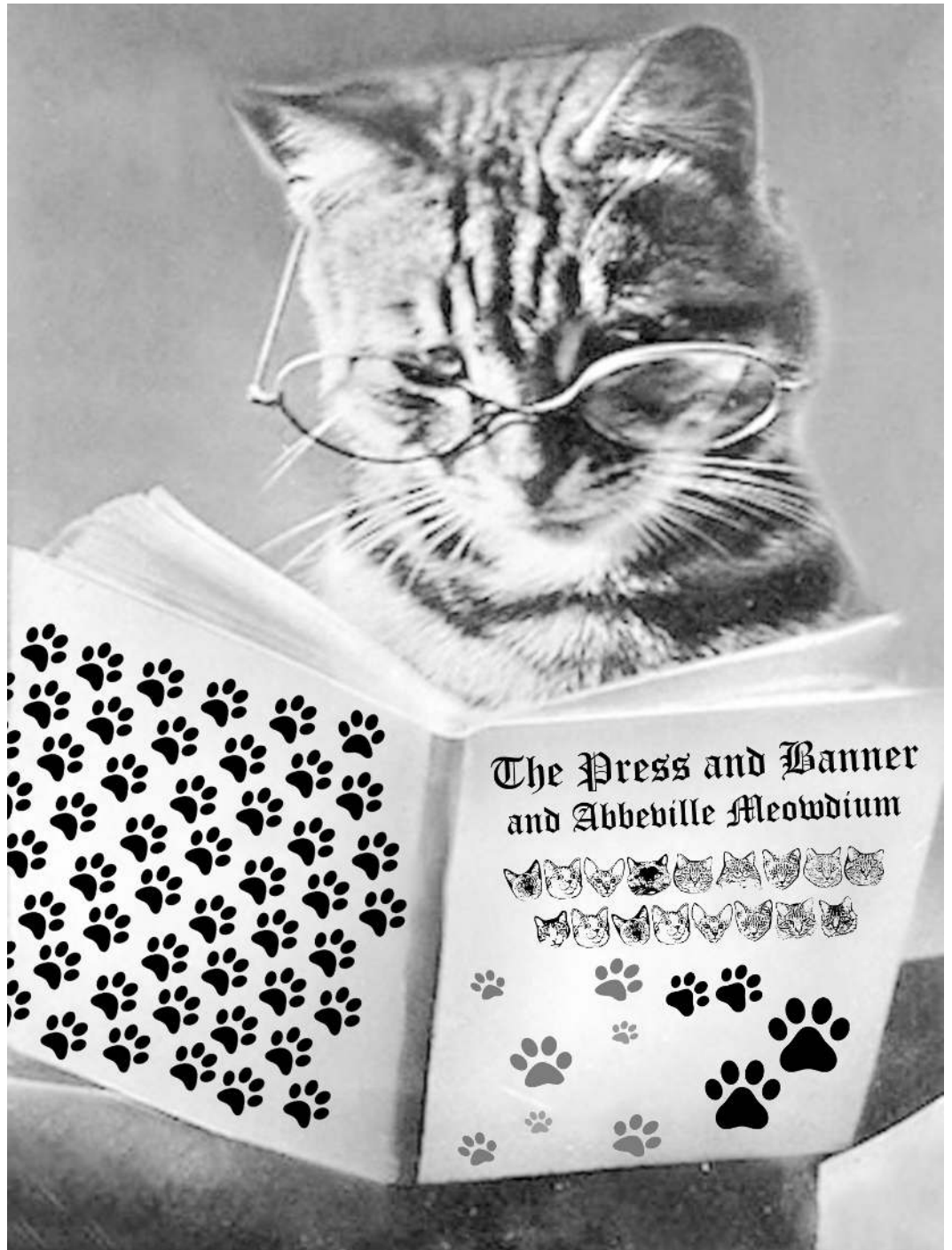
of the state did experience some level of population decline over the past 10 years, while areas such as Greenville, Rock Hill, Columbia, Charleston, and Myrtle Beach experienced population increases,” he said.

“So the question then becomes, ‘How do we as a rural community reverse that trend that has emerged over the past 30 years?’

“There are many different factors in the answer to that question. For example, you have the County economic development board working to not only recruit new industry, but retain the industry that we already have.

“As far as the City goes, we are working to solve the problem in a myriad of different ways, which includes investment in infrastructure, removing abandoned and dilapidated housing, encouraging new small business investment, and making the City more attractive for those wishing to build homes inside the City, as well as other efforts to improve the quality of life such as Opera House shows, festivals and events, and those efforts also help to bring in tourism as well.”

Overall those are efforts to make Abbeville a better place to live and visit,” Clary continued.



The Abbeville County Historical Society is in the process of working on the Creswell Cabin behind the Abbeville County Museum in Abbeville. Here is Steven Marnier hard at work this week on the cabin. The plan is to disassemble the cabin, which is in need of repairs, and assemble it again. It will be completely reconstructed, said Society president Andrew Hartsfield. Any rotten or split logs will be replaced. A donor here in Abbeville has volunteered to help fund the project. “We really would like to have the building put together by the early spring of next year,” said Hartsfield. (Staff photo by Henry E. Green)

## Hopkins provides District COVID update

By Henry E. Green

The coronavirus pandemic has not left Abbeville County School District unaffected, but there may be a silver lining.

“Compared with our neighboring districts, we’re in pretty good shape,” according to Dr. Skip Hopkins, the District’s director of student services.

As of August 27, less than one percent of the District students had tested positive for the virus, and about two percent of the teachers and staff had tested positive for it.

Just under three percent of the students were quarantined, and one percent of teachers and staff quar-

antined.

The Abbeville County School District is posting weekly Covid-19 updates on its website.

The Delta variant has spearheaded a surge in coronavirus cases here in the United States, largely among the ranks of the unvaccinated.

## Labor Day marks summer’s conclusion

By Henry E. Green

Labor Day is by tradition the time we say a sweet good-bye to summer, although technically the season continues for several more weeks.

This year Labor Day, traditionally observed on the first Monday in September, falls on Monday, Sept. 6.

Schools will be closed on Labor Day, as will many businesses and government offices.

Labor Day is an Abbeville County government holiday, and the same holds true for the City of Abbeville and the

Town of Calhoun Falls--the Calhoun Falls Town Hall and Abbeville City Hall will both be closed, as will Due West Town Hall.

“City Hall will be closed on Monday, September 6th,” said City of Abbeville special events coordinator Emily Bledsoe Wednesday.

This coming Labor Day weekend will offer something for lovers of vintage automobiles.

“The Abbeville Wheels of Time will be hosting their annual car show on Saturday, September 4th from 6:30 AM - 3:30 PM,” said

Bledsoe.

Labor Day is a holiday whose roots go back to the 19th century.

“Before it was a federal holiday, Labor Day was recognized by labor activists and individual states,” according to the U.S. Department of Labor.

Oregon was the first state to pass a law recognizing Labor Day on Feb. 21, 1887.

On June 28, 1894, Congress passed an act making the first Monday in September of each year a legal holiday, according to the Department of Labor.

## City applies for grant to fund demolition

By Henry E. Green

The City of Abbeville is applying for a grant to help fund the demolition of condemned properties, according to Mike Clary, the Deputy Administrative Officer with the City.

The City is applying for a grant of about \$225,000 from the Community Development Block Grant program of the state of South Carolina.

The City of Abbeville hopes to hear from the state early in 2022 whether it received the grant.

The City hopes to use the money, if it is awarded, to fund the demolition of 17 properties, all located between Highway 72 and Cambridge Street.

“You can apply based on Census blocks,” he said.

This is the first time in recent memory that the City has applied for a CDBG grant to fund the demolition of condemned properties.

“They are all residential properties,” he said of the properties the City wants to demolish. “None of them are currently occupied. Most haven’t been for a number of years.”

The application process includes a series of hearings. One was held several weeks ago, to solicit public input, and another such hearing, with the same purpose, is scheduled for Sept. 7 at 1 p.m. in the City Council chambers of the Opera House.

“The City allocates a limited budget each year to tear down condemned structures,” he said. However, that allocation is typically for one or two properties.

If the City does not get the grant, it will likely apply for the grant again next year.

Abbeville County and surrounding counties had a net loss of housing units from 2010 to 2020, he said. “Part of the idea here is that by removing vacant and condemned structures, we can encourage new investment and single family housing in these areas.

“This is part of the effort to reduce the overall trend of housing loss and population decline inside the City.”





Entries from the Abbeville Artist's Guild's recent photo contest have been posted on the wall of the Welcome Center in Abbeville. (Staff photo by Henry E. Green)

## Artist Guild to be busy in coming months

**By Henry E. Green**

The Abbeville Artist Guild has a full slate of activities for the fall.

First, this organization which promotes the arts in Abbeville County wants to play Hide and Seek with you!

"The Abbeville Artist Guild will hide over 30 small pieces of original artwork in the stores in downtown Abbeville," the Guild reports.

"On Saturday, September 18 beginning at 10 a.m. you can own an original piece of artwork created by a local artist. All you have to do is visit the local participating merchants and search for the artwork. A map of participating merchants will be available at the Abbeville Welcome Center.

"Once you find a piece of artwork, sign the 'Take Me Home' card that is attached and leave the card with the cashier. The artwork is yours to keep. Please just one

piece of artwork per person."

Then, on Saturday, October 2, the Guild will present Jesse's Veggies Workshop from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Abbeville Civic Center.

The cost is \$25 for AAG members and \$35 for non-members.

To register, one may call 366-5881, or email [abbevilleartistguild@gmail.com](mailto:abbevilleartistguild@gmail.com). The deadline to register is Sept. 27.

The workshop is taught by Jesse Nance, an Abbeville native who makes vegetables from Styrofoam and paper and has sold them to galleries, shops and even Disney World, the Guild reports.

He will teach workshop participants how to make the vegetables.

The cost of the workshop includes all the materials the participants will need to make "veggies."

Participants are asked to bring their lunch.

The Artist Guild members have been asked to display some artwork in the windows of the old Belks building, as part of a project coordinated by Abbeville City Council member Jason Edwards.

The Guild, which will soon be announcing the winners of its recent photo contest, will have its next general meeting on Sunday, Sept. 12, at 3 p.m.

This will be Paintnic in the Park, and Guild members will meet outside on Abbeville's Court Square, and in the case of rain those in attendance will meet in the Welcome Center.

Those planning to attend are asked to bring a piece of art to work on, or bring materials to paint, or "draw what you see outside."

Jesse Nance is the president of the Artist Guild, while Jane Agan is the treasurer, and Carolin Ann McLane the secretary.

# Fire damages store at Hester's Bottoms

**By Henry E. Green**

Although a fire destroyed the general store at Hester's Bottoms campgrounds in McCormick County several weeks ago, the campground operators are working to overcome the unfortunate occurrence.

"Several weeks ago our general store caught fire," said Abbevilian Lindsey Jones. "The building was under renovation, and we had planned to open it this week before Labor Day. Unfortunately, it was a total loss. At this point, we do not know what the cause is. We were told by the investigators that it could take a few months to receive the final report. Fortunately, no one

was hurt, and the fire was contained to the one structure. Therefore, the rest of the park was unharmed and is still open and fully operational. We are actually hosting a Labor Day event this Sunday from 4-6 pm with live music, raffles and food sales."

Jones earlier this year explained how she and others came to invest in the property.

"The property, formally known as Mt. Carmel Campground was closed for over 6 years," she said. "The Army Corps of Engineers released an ad for interested investors back in the fall of 2020. I met with them for the first time in November and

I submitted a proposal in January and then presented to their board in February. I, along with my partners Keith and Melanie Stewart, was awarded a 25 year lease in March. We have been working diligently to restore the property which will now be known as Hester's Bottoms Campground. It currently has 44 campsites, 3 bath houses, a beach area, playground, boat ramp and dock."

They had been in the process of adding the general store, and they had a ribbon cutting event in May, with live music, food and events for the kids on the agenda for the celebration.

## McGowan water line project moves forward

**By Henry E. Green**

The McGowan Avenue water line project is moving forward step by step, said Mike Clary, Deputy Administrative Officer for the City of Abbeville.

Bids for the project are due Sept. 28, said Clary. And after the verification of those bids, they will go to Council for approval."

The project is intended to replace the current water line running the length of McGowan Avenue.

"The McGowan project is a component of the City's overall project to improve its water distribution system.

Other projects include the Mill Village waterline project that was completed earlier

this year, and the proposed Henry/Hillcrest waterline replacement project.

The bids that will be opened on Sept. 28, will be considered by City Council at the October City Council meeting.

Council is expected to choose one of those bids, sign a contract with the chosen bidder, and work will begin "at some point later this fall," Clary continued.

Engineering for the project is being done by the firm of Dunn and Shirley.

"The majority of these lines (that are due for replacement) are just aging out," he said. With older infrastructure, cracks and breaks are more likely to happen.

Part of the McGowan water line project is being paid for with a grant--an SRF (State Revolving Fund) Principal Forgiveness Loan.

"In practice, it is essentially a grant," he said, noting that the City does not have to pay it back.

This "loan" comes to about \$575,000. The City will pay the remaining portion of the estimated cost, and this remaining portion comes to approximately \$200,000.

The McGowan water line serves not only the residents of McGowan Avenue but also functions as a trunk line, meaning that it affects water across that portion of the city, Clary continued.

## Legion post to mark 9/11 anniversary

**By Henry E. Green**

American Legion Post 2 will present a special program on the morning of Saturday, Sept. 11 on Court Square to mark the 20th anniversary of the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks, according to Post 2 Adjutant Ron Wilson.

Approximately 3,000 people were killed in those attacks, when Al Qaeda hijackers seized control of four planes on a truly terrible September day.

Two planes were flown into the World Trade Center, one into the Pentagon, and one plane crashed in western

Pennsylvania after the passengers attempted to take the plane back from the hijackers.

The plane which crashed is believed to have been headed for the U.S. Capitol building.

The American Legion program, meanwhile, will begin at 8:30 a.m. on the morning of Sept. 11.

"We're going to ring the first bell at 8:46," he said Monday.

That was the time that a plane flew into the North Tower of the World Trade Center, beginning a day that

Americans will never forget.

The Legion will be using Big Bob, a bell which is located on the north end of Court Square.

State Rep. Craig Gagnon will provide remarks, and "Amazing Grace" will be sung by those present.

The bell will toll at 9:03 a.m. to mark the time that the South Tower was struck by the second plane.

First responders will be recognized during the ceremony, and there will also be the Pledge of Allegiance and the posting of colors.

## a Word from "THE WORD"

**Rev. Dr. John Keith**

### Importance

**Psalm 33:18 "Behold, the eye of the Lord is on those who fear Him, on those who hope in his mercy."**

In his book, "How to Win Friends And Influence People," Dale Carnegie tells us that we should picture everyone we meet as wearing an invisible sign around his neck that says, "Make me feel important." Everyone wants to be acknowledged and accepted.

Psalm 33:18 informs us that God sees that invisible sign and that He knows us intimately.

Three thoughts fairly jump out at me from this passage. The first one is that God thinks I am important. He thinks I am important enough to warrant His attention. Out of the over 7 billion people on planet earth, God takes notice of me. That means I do not have to worry about what is going on in my life because God knows all about it. If God notices me, then I know He will take mercy on me. It is as simple as that.

I reverence Him and my hope is in His mercy—not my merit, so I don't have to worry about what is going on around me because God has it under His control. That is important in this day and time of seeming chaos in our nation and around

the globe—because I know God is in control I don't have to worry—He's got this.

The second thing that this verse says to me is that because I am important to God, He is vitally interested in me and what is going on in my life. In Matthew 10:29-30, Jesus makes this abundantly clear. "Are not two sparrows sold for a copper coin? And not one of them falls to the ground apart from you Father's will. But the very hairs of your head are all numbered. Do not fear therefore; you are of more value than many sparrows."

If God knows the number of hairs on my head, that translates His great interest in me. Because I know God is interested in me that means I don't have to try to get His attention. Some folks will go to bizarre lengths to garner the attention of the world. Often when people act out it is a desperate attempt to get people to notice them. I can rest in full assurance that God is paying attention to me and whatever my situation is.

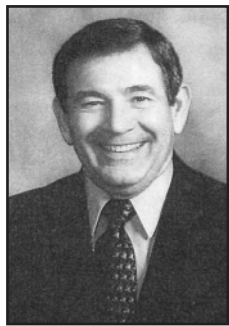
The third thing that this

important to God is that He will invest into my life. Psalm 32:8 says, "I will instruct you and teach you in the way you should go; I will guide you with my eye."

Think about that for a moment—God will guide me with His eye. He is vitally interested in me because I am important to Him, and His eye is on me and because I hope in His mercy I will look to see where His eye is looking. God is always looking out for my best interest. I can trust His leadership because I know He is watching over me. Because God's eye is on me He knows what I need and when I need it I can trust Him. Because God's eye is on me I can rest in assurance, because I know that I am important to Him.

Dear child of God, you are important to God, you have His full attention, He knows what you need and when you need it. You don't have to go to bizarre actions to get God's attention—His eye is on you.

Rest in the knowledge that He is not only aware of your situation, but in due time He will act accordingly in your best interest.



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# All is well in Due West

## Erskine interim president Tom Hellams provides college update

**By Henry E. Green**  
 “Head, heart, hands.”  
 Those three words take in the mission of Erskine, according to Dr. Tom Hellams, Erskine’s interim president.

Erskine wants to exert a positive influence on the knowledge a student gains in his young life, and as far as the heart is concerned, Erskine has for years described itself as a Christian institution.

Finally, the college is committed to inculcating in its students the desire to serve.

“We want to encourage students to serve others,” he said.

Established in 1839, Erskine has had its ups and downs in terms of enrollment through the years, reaching a peak in 1970-1971—the first time the institution had surpassed 700 in enrollment.

This was followed by a period of decline in enrollment, before a plan for growth was unveiled in 2018—a plan incorporating an athletic model.

That included the revival of a football program which had been discontinued

in the 1950s. This past spring, Erskine had its first football season in about half a century, and there are 150 students on the football roster.

Another hallmark of this expanded athletic program?

“We have rodeo,” he said. Something seems to be working. The enrollment rose from 560 in 2018 to 720 students just before COVID hit.

Even during the pandemic, enrollment increased to 820 students, during 20-21 academic year.

The pandemic changed much, moving instruction online, and Hellams noted wryly that though young people do some things online very well indeed, online instruction is not one of them.

“They don’t handle online education well at all,” he said.

Hellams praised the concept of in-person instruction, while noting that the effects of the pandemic continue to rage.

“We have 11 students who have tested positive,” he said.

Erskine is striving toward

a goal of 1,000 to 1,200 in enrollment, and the institution has been buying up property to provide living space for students, creating townhouses for example, and buying some apartments.

Hellams told Abbeville Rotarians that a search committee is busy looking for a president, and that he is not interested in becoming a permanent president.

At the age of 65, he hopes that Erskine will hire a long term president who will lead the institution for at least 10 years, and he would like to spend time with his grandchildren.

Hellams told the story of a young man who wanted to be a part of the University of Louisville marching band. He faced two challenges—he was blind, and he could not walk.

His father found a way to help his son, providing for his son to be pushed across the field in a wheelchair in sync with the band while they were performing.

That, to Hellams, exemplifies the ideal of service Erskine espouses.



Erskine interim president Dr. Tom Hellams was the featured speaker at a recent meeting of the Abbeville Rotary Club. (Staff photo by Henry E. Green)



## Community Calendar

**Workshop set**  
 The Freshwater Coast Community Foundation will present the free online workshop “How to Live a Joyful Life by Working on Your Self Esteem” on Sept. 8 at noon.

For more information, one may contact wferrei@clemson.edu

**Yard sale set**  
 Greenwood Assembly of the International Order of Rainbow for Girls will hold a multi-family yard sale at Greenwood Masonic Lodge, 121 Bailey Circle, on Saturday September 11 from 7 AM until noon. Come buy a cold drink and browse for your treasure!

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## Where they sleep, while they sleep

**by Tom Poland**  
 I visit old cemeteries quite a bit. Lest you think death thoughts consume me, understand that readers tell me of near-forgotten cemeteries. It’s my duty to visit them. I find them photogenic and a tonic to modern ills. Whenever I spend time in an isolated, overlooked graveyard I come away a better man. I see beauty and read affectionate sentiments and farewells, rare escapes from our insanely negative,



While they stand, while the dead sleep, however, their last words and images tell us

something. What do we see in this tree-shaded resting place? Well, the departed’s loved

ones left tributes in stone that tell us a bit about the people sleeping here. Images of a guitar, a bass and deer, and seashells and more tell us what the deceased ones loved. I can see them fishing, sitting in a tree stand, strumming a guitar, looking for seashells as surf

curls around their ankles. What images might your stone hold? What might they tell others? And what words might compose your forever



statement? Mine might hold images of a book, a typewriter, perhaps, for an old school



to be completely forgotten is to never have existed at all.

touch. Were my stone large enough, it might hold the Georgia G, a camera, a pair of running shoes, and a likeness of the best dog ever, whose death stung so much I never got another dog. That was thirty-six years ago. If I had a monument as big as one of those Georgia Guide-stone columns, I’d list the family members and friends who meant the most to me on my orbits around that star we call the sun.

Now and then I face the inevitable and give thought to what my marker might say, what it might look like. Do I make some serious statement? A scripture? “Go Dawgs?” Do I say something witty, have a bons mots etched into marble or granite? I recall that famous epitaph, “I Told You I Was Sick,” but I don’t dwell on such matters though columns. No, I don’t dwell on such things. I might jinx myself. Never say “I’d die before I (fill in the blank).” You might jinx yourself. Besides, as an old friend says, “It’s better to be seen than viewed.”

While I’m viewable I’ll continue to visit forgotten places of rest while the departed sleep.

One thing I can say about old cemeteries with 100 percent accuracy: they’re peaceful. And deep inside in some place where rational thinking is banned, I believe those who sleep know I visit them. Moreover, they know I bring them to the attention of others one more time. And they appreciate my efforts.

No one wants to be forgotten, especially the dead, for

All photos by Tom Poland



# Living things

## Abbeville County Forest Landowners Association still going strong

By Henry E. Green

So you want to be a forest landowner?

Or maybe you just like trees? If so, the Abbeville County Forest Landowners Association might just be the group for you.

The County Association is an Affiliate Member of the Forestry Association of South Carolina, according to the Association.

"It is geared toward forest landowners, but you don't have to own land, anyone with an interest in forestry or wildlife issues can join," the County Association reports.

"Forest products are an important crop in Abbeville

County, and forestry is a major land use in the county. Most of this land is owned and managed by individuals like you. The Abbeville County Forest Landowners Association is made up of the people who own and manage our county's forests.

Quarterly meetings of the Association feature educational presentations by experts in various aspects of forestry, and speakers discuss everything from marketing forest products to dealing with beavers.

From time to time, young people are also honored for agriculture-related honors. Members receive regular

mailings from Clemson University and the South Carolina Forestry Association.

Luke Penney is the current president of the County Association, which meets at the Abbeville County Agricultural Building on the western outskirts of Abbeville.

Cam Crawford, President and CEO of the Forestry Association of South Carolina, was the keynote speaker at the most recent meeting of the Forest Landowners Association.

"The Forest Landowners Association averages between 75-85 members a year," said Tom Brant of Clemson Extension.



On Wednesday, August 11, Abbeville County School District educators gathered at Wright Middle School for an "opening day" program to usher in the new school year -- 2021-2022. (Staff photo by Henry E. Green)

# Trustees approve budget Option Two

By Henry E. Green

When the Abbeville County School District Board of Trustees approved second and final reading on the District budget for 2021-2022, it marked the end of a long road.

The 2021-22 fiscal year began on July 1, but second and final reading on the budget for the new year was not held until the August 24 school board meeting.

Second reading had originally been scheduled for the June meeting but it had to be postponed due to an error in connection with public notification.

Then, at the regular meet-

ing of the school board in July, the trustees agreed to table the budget, and hold a budget workshop to study it more.

The school board finally approved second and final reading on the budget at the trustees' August 24 meeting, and the trustees could choose from three budget options.

"Regarding the budget, we provided three options for the board to choose from-- one with a millage increase, one without a millage increase, and one that could use fund balance and/or ESSER funds to balance," said Abbeville County School

District Superintendent Dr. Mason Gary Thursday.

"The board voted on Option Two that had no millage increase and used budget reductions and carry over from last year to balance the budget."

ESSER funds are federal funds that have been provided to the School District in connection with strategies to help the District cope with effects of the coronavirus.

The approximately \$28 million budget plan originally called for a requested 5.88 mill tax increase, and it provides for state-mandated pay increases for teachers.

# Hide and Seek Art

Submitted by  
The Abbeville Artist Guild

On Saturday, September 18, the Abbeville Artist Guild will sponsor a Hide and Seek Art event. The Artist Guild will hide small pieces of original artwork by local artists in many of the stores in downtown Abbeville. Beginning at 10 am until all the artwork is found you can come visit the Abbeville downtown merchants and search for an original piece of artwork by a local artist. Once you find it you can keep it. A map of participating merchants will be available at the Abbeville Welcome Center.

The artist guild wants to spread the love of art to the local community. The Guild wants to promote the arts and provide cultural art opportunities for residents

of Abbeville County and the surrounding area. This event also gives the art guild members a venue for their artwork and encourages their artistic abilities. There are more than 30 pieces of small artwork created by members of the guild that include flowers and birds in watercolors, acrylics landscapes, pouring, and birdhouses.

People who may not be able to afford original art work can visit the local merchants and leave with a keepsake created by a local artist. This is a way anyone can own an original piece of artwork created by a local artist. You just have to visit the local participating merchants and search for the artwork. Once you find it, sign the card that is attached and leave the card with the cashier. The artwork is yours to keep. Please just

one piece per person so that more people can enjoy the artwork.

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

We seek to enrich our community and promote growth through education, active participation in and exhibition of the Arts. The Artist Guild sponsors many activities throughout the year to help promote the arts in Abbeville County.

"This project is funded in part by the South Carolina Arts Commission which receives support from the National Endowment for the Arts.

For further information contact the artist guild at [abbevilleartistguild@gmail.com](mailto:abbevilleartistguild@gmail.com)

Hosted by the Abbeville Artist's Guild, The Best Photo Ever Contest is over and the winners are displayed in the Abbeville Welcome Center. Go by and see these photos. Thank you to everyone who entered. We hope to do another contest next year.

Here are the winners:

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|---------------------------------|-----------------------|
| <b>Best in Show:</b>            | <b>Amanda Smith</b>   |
| Nature 1 <sup>st</sup> place:   | Toni Herndon          |
| Vacation 1 <sup>st</sup> place: | Cecily Ferguson       |
| Pets 1 <sup>st</sup> place:     | Courtney Mitchell     |
| Nature 2 <sup>nd</sup> place:   | Julianna Morris Smith |
| Vacation 2 <sup>nd</sup> place: | Amanda Smith          |
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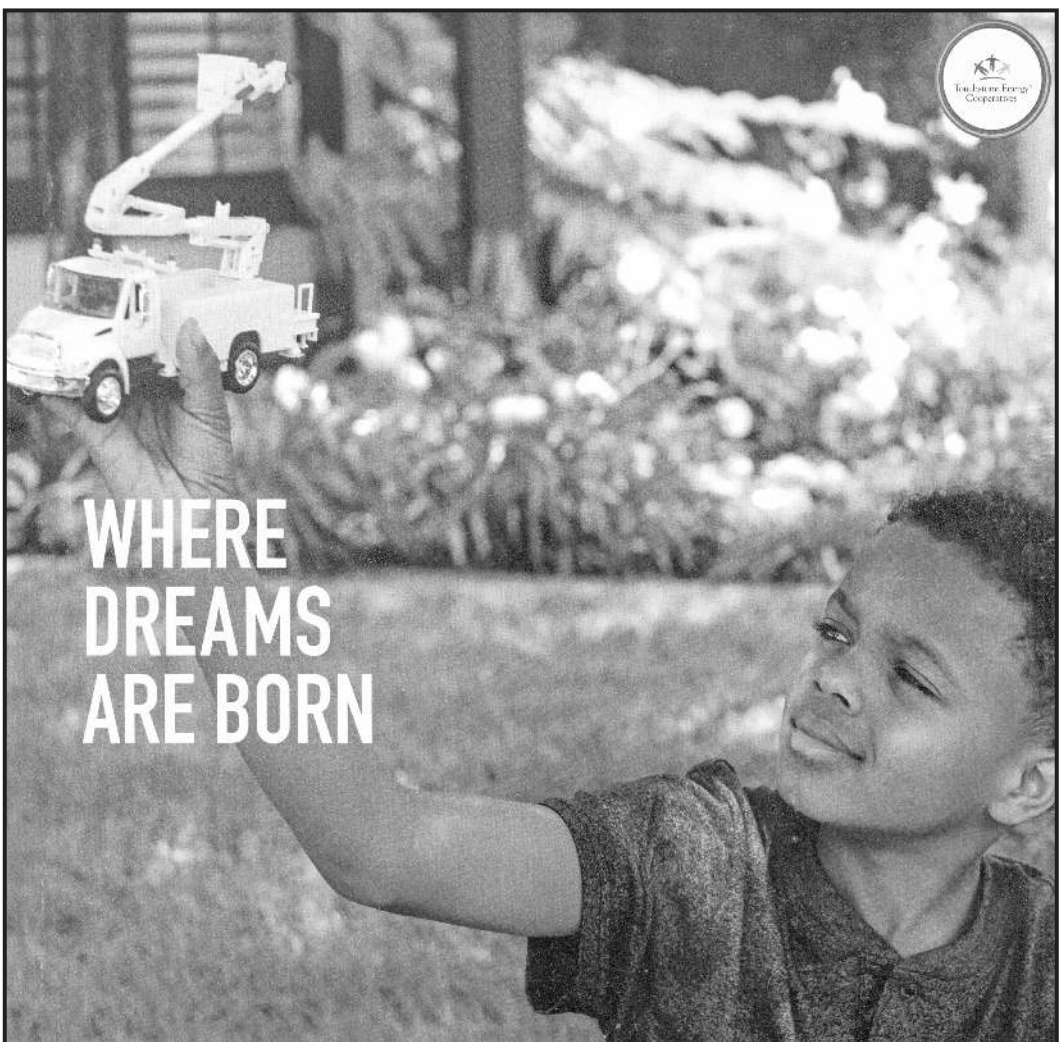
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# Obituaries

## Oates

Zelda Gambrell Oates, 91, of Due West, wife of the late Henry C. 'Dusty' Oates, Sr., died Saturday, August 28, 2021, at the Carlisle Nursing Center in Due West. Born May 19, 1930 in Owings, SC, she was the daughter of the late Samuel Chester Gambrell, Sr. and Mary Belle Hood Gambrell.

A graduate at Gray Court Owings High School, Mrs. Oates received her BA from Erskine College in 1951 and MA from Furman University in 1962. After teaching in elementary schools in Laurens and Due West, she retired from Erskine College with 31 years of devoted service. While at Erskine, Mrs. Oates was twice awarded the Excellence in Teaching award in the Education Department. She also received a Golden Apple in Teaching award.

Mrs. Oates was a member of the Due West ARP Church and active in the Women of the Church. She enjoyed being involved and held many offices in the Women's Work, one year as president. Her activities with the children, young people and singing in the choir kept her busy. Mrs. Oates was a member of



**Zelda Gambrell Oates**

Delta Kappa Gama Sorority and served one year as president. She also enjoyed her involvement in the Book Club, Magnolia Garden Club, Bridge Club, high school, and college sports; however, spending time with her family always came first.

In addition to her parents and husband of 64 years, she was preceded in death by her brothers, Hood Gambrell, Hugh M. Gambrell and Sam Gambrell; and daughter-in-law, Nancy Padgett Oates.

Mrs. Oates is survived by her three sons, Henry Campbell 'Dusty' Oates, Jr. and wife, Nancy Scales Oates, of Clemson, Dr. Richard Hunter Oates and wife, Katharine Kirkpatrick Oates, of Gainesville, GA and Samuel Thomas Oates of Greenville; grandchildren, Caroline Oates, Amanda Oates Harper (Ryan), Camp-

bell Oates (Christine), Hunter Oates (Sharon), Jamie Oates and John Oates; great-grandchildren, Henry and Charlie Oates and Enoch, Quentin and Fred Harper.

A celebration of Mrs. Oates' life was held at 3:00PM, Tuesday, August 31, 2021, in Due West ARP Church with Rev. Calvin Draffin and Rev. Scott Moore officiating. The family greeted friends following the service in the church sanctuary.

The services for Mrs. Zelda Oates will be live-streamed and may be viewed at [www.facebook.com/duewest.arp](http://www.facebook.com/duewest.arp). A private burial will be held in the Due West ARP church cemetery prior to the service.

In lieu of flowers, the family respectfully requests memorials be made to the Due West ARP Church, PO Box 397, Due West, SC 29639 or Bonclarken Conference Center, 305 Pine Drive, Flat Rock, NC 28731.

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 Oates family.

## US Senate

# Scott Votes No on \$1.2 Trillion Spending Bill

*Emphasizes Need for Targeted Infrastructure Investments*

Submitted by  
Senator Tim Scott

WASHINGTON – U.S. Senator Tim Scott (R-S.C.) released the following statement on his vote against the \$1.2 trillion infrastructure spending bill.

"I support targeted investment in upgrading our na-

tion's roads, bridges, ports, broadband, and other real infrastructure needs. But I cannot support more reckless spending on unrelated pet projects that will suffocate our future generations with mountains of debt," said Senator Scott. "Rather than taking a common sense approach to investing

in infrastructure, this bill has been rushed through so Democrats can spend trillions more dollars we don't have on liberal policies we don't need—all amid record inflation. American families cannot afford to foot the bill for this 'spend now, tax later' plan, which is why I voted no."

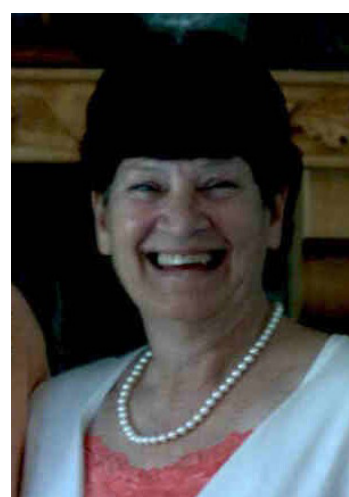
## Obituaries

### Joiner

Carol Ann Owens Joiner, 61 of Abbeville, beloved wife of Walter E. Joiner, Jr. passed away Friday, August 27, 2021 at her home.

Born in Elkton, MD, she was a daughter of the late Carl Junior Owens and Julia Trail Owens. Carol retired from Red Seal Measurement after 33 years of service and loved traveling to the mountains when ever possible. She was a member of Trinity Baptist Tabernacle and enjoyed fellowshiping with her fellow church members.

Surviving in addition to her husband "Eddie" of the home are a daughter, Brittany Holcombe of Greenwood; a sister, Doris Fugate of Greenwood; a brother, David Owens



**Carol Ann Owens Joiner**

(Teresa) of Ninety Six; and three grandchildren, A'nyiah Owens, Secora Harrison and Ayden Sims.

Services were held at 2 pm on Monday at Harley Funeral Home Chapel with the

Rev. Tony Pettit officiating. Burial followed in Greenwood Memorial Gardens.

Pallbearers will be David Owens, Hunter Owens, Justin Owens, Tyler Davis, Allen Joiner and Barry Joiner.

The family received friends before the service from 1-2 pm at the funeral home.

The family would like to express their gratitude to the Self Regional Cancer Center Staff for their compassionate care given.

In lieu of flowers memorials may be made to Trinity Baptist Tabernacle, 910 Sweetwater Road, Greenwood, SC 29646.

Messages and photos can be shared with the family by visiting Carol's life tribute page at [www.harleyfuneralhome.com](http://www.harleyfuneralhome.com)

## Obituaries

### White

Jeffery "Jeff" Norman White, 48, went to be with his Lord Saturday Aug. 28, 2021.

Born in Greenwood, SC he was a son of Minnie Sue Cox White and the late James Franklin White.

Jeff was formerly employed with the US Postal Service. He enjoyed hunting and being outdoors. He was an avid Georgia Bulldog fan. Jeff liked spending time with his family and friends.

Survivors include: His

mother Minnie Sue Cox White of Abbeville, SC; a son Christopher Bowers (Andrea) of Abbeville, SC; a brother William Benjamin "Benji" White (Angela) of Abbeville, SC; his companion Sylvia Bryant of Honea Path, SC; a granddaughter Araya Bowers; two nephews Justin White (Lauren) and Stephen White (Beth Ellen) of Abbeville, SC.

Funeral services were conducted Tuesday Aug. 31, 2021 at 2:00 PM in the Chapel at Chandler-Jackson Funeral Home. The burial

followed in Long Cane Cemetery.

The family received friends Tuesday afternoon from 1:00 until 2:00 PM prior to services.

Memorials may be made to Chandler-Jackson Funeral Home 208 S. Main St. Abbeville, SC 29620 to help defray funeral cost.

Online condolences may be made to the White family by visiting [www.chandler-jacksonfh.com](http://www.chandler-jacksonfh.com)

The Chandler-Jackson Funeral Home is assisting the White family.

### White

Wallace Ernie White, 60, of Calhoun Falls, died Tuesday, August 24, 2021, at the Abbeville Area Medical Center. He was born in Elbert County, GA to Dailene Todd White and the late Marion S. White.

Ernie attended Calhoun Falls High School and was a self-employed plumber/electrician by trade. He was an enthusiastic race car fan and enjoyed cheering on the South Carolina Gamecocks. Ernie was a member of Northside Baptist Church, Calhoun Falls.

In addition to his father, he was preceded in death by his beloved fur baby, Lucy and his grandmother's, Sandie White and Inez Todd.

Ernie is survived by his mother, Dailene, of Calhoun



**Wallace Ernie White**

Falls; two brothers, Marty White (Susan) of Calhoun Falls and Mike White (Necole) of Abbeville; a sister, Angie Fields (Jackie) of Calhoun Falls; and numerous nieces and nephews.

The family received friends 5:00PM - 7:00PM, Friday, August 27, 2021, in Harris Funeral Home, Calhoun

Falls Chapel. Funeral services were 11:00AM, Saturday, August 28, 2021, in the Harris Funeral Home, Calhoun Falls Chapel with Rev. Jerry Dalton officiating. Burial followed in Latimer Cemetery.

Memorial contributions, in memory of Ernie, may be sent the Greater Abbeville Humane Society, c/o Barbara Freese, 200 Greenville St., Abbeville, SC 29620.

The family is at the home of Angie and Jackie Fields, 1178 Latimer Road, Calhoun Falls, SC 29628.

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

Harris Funeral Home & Cremation Services, Calhoun Falls Chapel is assisting the White family.

## Forester

Pineville, NC - Hilda Campbell Forester, 90, went home to be with the Lord on Thursday, August 19, 2021.

Hilda was born in Abbeville, SC on July 14, 1931 to William Colyer Campbell and Emily Mae Hill Campbell. She was the last remaining member of her immediate family.

Hilda was pre-deceased by her husband, Robert Curtis Forester, two daughters, and two grandchildren.




**Hilda Campbell Forester**

Hilda is survived by one son, Jasper Wayne Forester (Sun Ae) of Colora-

do Springs, CO and one daughter, Cathe Forester Rosenfeldt (Michael) of Pineville, NC, with whom she made her home, eight grandchildren, ten great-grandchildren, and eight great-great-grandchildren. She is also survived by several nieces and nephews.


No services are planned at this time due to Covid. A memorial service will be held at a later date that is still to be decided.



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# Council takes look at Hogs and Hens event

By Henry E. Green

At the Abbeville City Council meeting earlier this month, Abbeville City Manager Blake Stone broached, under the "new business" segment of the meeting, the possibility of having a designated alcohol consumption area during the Hogs and Hens festival held in October in downtown Abbeville.

During the festival, a person could purchase a wristband from the City, buy an alcoholic beverage from a local restaurant, and consume it within a designated area.

The plan would be just for the Hogs and Hens festival,

and not for the Spring Festival, which is seen as more child/family-oriented.

Council took no action on the matter, but simply took the presentation as information.

The matter "is just for discussion," Stone said.

The Hogs and Hens festival is held in October in downtown Abbeville, and traditionally features barbecue and live music.

Stone did provide an update on the Square, where the City has placed a number of tables and chairs, and for which two picnic tables have been ordered.

The discussion moved on

to a look at how the downtown area of the city needs to be maintained, including the bricks on the Square.

Some of the bricks are in better condition than others, it was indicated.

In other matters, Council postponed the presentation of a proclamation for the Friends of Freedom, the group which presented the Juneteenth celebration in June.

City Council member Jason Edwards, one of the main organizers of the celebration, was absent from the meeting, and Council opted informally to wait for his return.



At a recent Abbeville Lions Club meeting, the club welcomed new member Nancy Price (second from left), her sponsor Mike Allen (center), new club president Sandi Hood (second from right), Lions District Governor Jim Barbare and club secretary-treasurer Rick Pressly. (Contributed photo)

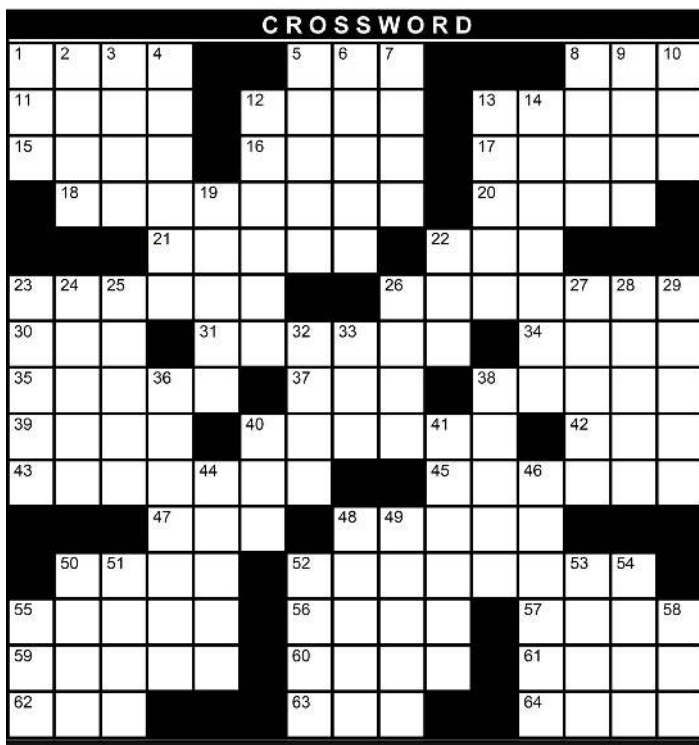
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# This little piggie...

## Feral pigs cause their share of problems here and elsewhere

By Henry E. Green

What can jump a three foot fence?

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Run up to 30 miles an hour?

If you answered "feral pigs", you would be right, and if you knew that they were a big, big pain in rural areas of Abbeville County, you'd be right, too.

"Yes feral pigs are still a problem, even more widespread," said Tom Brant of Clemson Extension.

"Some people have worked hard to reduce the numbers. But like many invasive species once their levels reach a certain point all you can do is manage them. You can't control or eradicate them.

"Most people are adapting to the pigs being here. They will still trap to manage a

problem population with the knowledge the pigs will at some point return."

So what's the fuss? Well, they cause extensive agricultural and property damage, and, largely through their rooting, they can destroy planted crops quickly, according to Wikipedia.

According to information Brant provided, wild hogs have had a presence in the Southeast since the mid-1500s.

Descended from domestic swine that went wild, feral hogs were widespread in the Southeast by the early 1900s, and by the early 1970s, all states in the Southeast had wild hogs.

Males are large, and heavier than females. Males can weigh on average about 200 pounds, and females

about 175 pounds, and pigs are typically five to six feet in length.

Wild pigs have been described as "opportunistic omnivores."

"If it has a calorie in it, and they can get their mouth around it, wild pigs will eat it," according to the presentation Brant provided.

Adaptable to a variety of habitats, wild pigs can be very aggressive, and five to 10 people are killed annually due to wild pigs.

These animals, that reportedly do not like dogs, carry diseases, trample crops, and damage everything from roads to fences.

All in all, they cause about \$1.5 billion in damage here in the United States every year.

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Abbeville (in white jerseys) went on the road and defeated Newberry recently. AHS will now host Emerald this coming Friday night. (Staff photo by Henry E. Green)



## AHS jayvees defeat Newberry, 46-0

By Henry E. Green

The Abbeville High School jayvees defeated Newberry Thursday night in Abbeville at Hite Stadium, 46-0, according to AHS jayvee head coach Tim Collins.

"It was a great win to start the season," said Collins,

noting that he is immensely proud of the way his team played.

"Everyone did a good job," he said.

The jayvee Panthers will travel to Emerald next Thursday, Sept. 2, for a 6 p.m. game.

With the win over Newberry, the AHS jayvees improved to 1-0 on the season.

Collins is assisted in coaching the jayvees by Tanko Rayford, Jordan Hall, Jermaine Paul, and Jim Porter.

## Branchville defeats CF Charter Flashes, 35-0

By Henry E. Green

Calhoun Falls Charter lost to Branchville 35-0 Friday night in Calhoun Falls.

The Blue Flashes gave up 21 points in the first quarter, and 14 in the second quarter, said Calhoun Falls Charter head football coach Juwan Owens.

"They have a pretty solid team," said Owens of the visitors, noting that they

played better than the home team Friday night.

"They did have a pretty explosive offense," he said of the Yellow Jackets.

"They had a good blend" of the run and the pass, he said. "They took some shots down the field."

As for the Flashes, he said, "we're struggling with self-inflicted penalties."

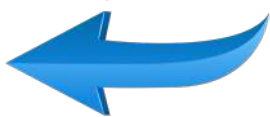
The Flashes will now have

two weeks off, the coach said, noting that Calhoun Falls Charter had been scheduled to play Camden Military on Sept. 10, but Camden cancelled the game. September 3 has been set aside as an open date.

Calhoun Falls Charter fell to 0-2 with the loss to Branchville.



Abbeville running back Jamal Marshall (6) looks for extra yardage after slipping a tackle during the Panthers' 46-0 victory over McCormick last Friday night in Abbeville. (Photo by Shawn M. Knox)



A blur! The Abbeville High School Panthers burst onto the football field before the AHS-Newberry game recently, and went on to win the game 35-6. (Staff photo by Henry E. Green)

## AHS sends Newberry to Dog-House, 35-6

By Henry E. Green

Abbeville defeated Newberry 35-6 Friday night at Newberry in varsity football action.

AHS improved to 2-0 with the victory over the Bulldogs, who threatened on their opening drive before tossing an interception, right into the hands of the Panthers' C.J. Vance.

Abbeville drew first blood on a 29-yard touchdown pass from AHS quarterback Zay Rayford to Antonio Harrison in the first quarter.

Abbeville's second touchdown came in the second quarter on a 15 yard TD run by J'Marion Burton, and AHS led 14-0 with 4:47 in the second quarter.

It was in the second quarter that the Panther defense rose up again, with Ty Cade

picking off a Newberry pass.

AHS was able to capitalize. Four plays after the interception, the Panthers' J'Marion Burton scored on a touchdown run on a first and goal at the Newberry four.

The extra point was no good, but Abbeville led 20-0, and the Panthers maintained that lead at halftime. The Bulldogs recovered a fumble at the AHS 12 later in the third quarter, and in the fourth quarter, Newberry scored its lone touchdown with 11:29 in the game, and the Panther lead was cut to 20-6.

The hopes of the Newberry faithful rose, but those hopes were quickly dashed when, just moments later, Abbeville's Antonio Harrison ran back a kickoff 94 yards for a touchdown.

The AHS two point conversion attempt was good.

The Abbeville offensive blitzkrieg came to an end with 2:06 left in the game, with J. Hill running in the touchdown from 12 yards out, to provide AHS with a 35-6 lead.

Following the game, AHS head football coach Jamie Nickles was philosophical about the win.

"I thought the kids fought hard all night," said Nickles. "We bent but did not break."

Abbeville will now host Emerald this coming Friday at Hite Stadium in Abbeville at 7:30 p.m.

The Emerald head football coach, Tad DuBose, is the former AHS athletic director, and the former defensive coordinator.

## Dixie falls to Crescent

Dixie fell to Crescent 19-7 Friday night at Crescent, according to published reports.

The only score for the Green Hornets came when Josh Miller returned an interception 30 yards for a touchdown.

Dixie, which fell to 1-1 with the loss, will host Ware Shoals 7:30 p.m. Thursday.



Dixie defeated Calhoun Falls Charter 13-0 in the WCTEL Kickoff Classic in Abbeville recently, and Dixie's Hunter Satterfield (2) was one major reason for the victory. (Photo by Shawn Knox)







These Abbeville High School cheerleaders cheered the AHS team on recently as the Panthers visited Newberry and triumphed 35-6. (Staff photo by Henry E. Green)





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## Dixie vs Ware Shoals

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# Ribbon cutting held for Montessori school

By Henry E. Green

There was a ribbon cutting and grand opening for Captivating Montessori School on Highway 20 in rural Abbeville County Thursday.

The new facility is located across from Cold Spring Volunteer Fire Department, and a small crowd gathered around mid-day as the school's director Jenae Chiles cut the ribbon with the help of youngsters who will be among her first students.

August 31 was the first day of instruction at Captivating Montessori School, and there were slated to be a total of 28 students, ranging

in age from three to 10.

Chiles will be the teacher, and she will be helped by a team of volunteers. Barbara Ervin from Lander University will be there at the school one day a week to provide assistance.

"She is the former Montessori education director for Lander University," said Mrs. Chiles.

"Our program is designed to help home-schooling families," she said.

Classes will be held Tuesday through Thursday from 9 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., and will supplement the home-schooling instruction.

Montessori education was created by Dr. Maria Montessori, who believed in helping children learn through manipulation of materials, Mrs. Chiles said.

Montessori education enhances creativity, in her opinion, and she went on to say that through observing the children, she can tell what their interests and passions are.

Mrs. Chiles is from Belton. "I taught for eight years in Anderson, at Montessori School of Anderson," she said.



There was a ribbon cutting and grand opening for Captivating Montessori School on Highway 20 in rural Abbeville County Thursday. The new facility is located across from Cold Spring Volunteer Fire Department, and a small crowd gathered around mid-day as the school's director Jenae Chiles cut the ribbon with the help of youngsters who will be among her first students, and her husband Josh looked on as well. (Staff photo by Henry E. Green)

# District's Class of 2021 achieves much

By Henry E. Green

The Abbeville and Dixie high school graduating classes of 2021 accumulated more than \$6 million in scholarship money, Brandi Sears told the Abbeville County School District Board of Trustees recently.

Sears, the District's Director of Instruction and Accountability, provided a profile of some of the accomplishments of the class.

"In spite of the pandemic and its related obstacles, ACSD successfully graduated 180 students in 2021," she said.

"Notable achievements of the students of the graduating class: 10 students earned the Palmetto Fel-

lows Scholarship, 95 students earned the SC LIFE/HOPE Scholarships, 100 students earned 1054 college credit hours through dual enrollment in various subjects and content areas, 38 students earned certification credentials in technical fields, and 11 students received athletic scholarships.

"Seventy-one students plan to attend a four-year college/university, 68 students have been accepted to attend a two-year college, and five students plan to enter the military. Total scholarships for the 2020-21 graduating class totaled \$6,312,482."

Sears also had good things to say about the District students participating in dual enrollment.

"We would like to note the increase in dual enrollment participation during the last school year. The number of high school students taking college courses increased from 66 students in 19-20 to 100 students in 20-21. The credit hours earned increased from 618 in the prior year to 1054 this past year. We are proud of our students for challenging themselves academically and are grateful for our counselors and school staff who support them in these efforts."



This was the scene right before the Abbeville-Newberry football game in Newberry recently. A split second later, Abbeville High players burst through this large banner, carrying on an AHS pre-game tradition. You can call it "Here come the Panthers!" (Staff photo by Henry E. Green)

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## Long, hard look Former Abbeville mayor Delano Freeman discusses Afghanistan

By Henry E. Green

America's longest war has come to an end, and a former mayor of Abbeville recently weighed in on America's experience with Afghanistan.

That experience began in a major way following the terrorist attacks of Sept. 11, 2001, and ended this week.

Delano Freeman is no stranger to this Central Asian country, having served in the U.S. Army National Guard there from March 2011 to January, 2012.

"We were very successful military-wise, but were unsuccessful with nation building," he said. "Our involvement in Afghanistan started in the Eighties, and we missed opportunities to nation build after the Soviet Union left in 1989.

"The mission in 2001 was to disrupt terrorist training bases and capture Osama bin Laden. The U.S. Military accomplished both of those missions," he continued.

"The culture and dynamics of Afghanistan were far too

complex, and many of us in America will not understand. "There is no true economy. Their major exports were opiates. Many of the local nationals worked on U.S. bases.

This is why the Taliban could pay them to be suicide bombers, because of the lack of money making opportunities.

So what's next?

"We saw a similar ending in Vietnam and Iraq," he said. "Will we take advantage of lessons learned?"

## Growing pains School District ponders rising enrollments at three District schools

By Henry E. Green

What do Dixie High School, Cherokee Trail Elementary and Diamond Hill elementary schools all have in common?

They are all growing, according to Dr. Skip Hopkins, Director of Student Services with the Abbeville County School District.

"Each of those schools have experienced an increase in student enrollment over the past five years," he said by email Wednesday.

"Diamond Hill Elementary is up approximately 20 students, or six percent, since 2016, Cherokee Trail Elementary is up approximately 30 students, or six percent,

and Dixie High School is up approximately 35 students, or seven percent.

As of Wednesday, the enrollment of Diamond Hill is 320, while that of Cherokee Trail Elementary is 459, and Dixie High School 502.

The next phase of the proposed Capital Improvement Plan moves 6th and 7th grade students from Diamond Hill Elementary and Cherokee Trail Elementary to a new two story building located on the Dixie High School campus. The addition would also house eighth grade students.

"This would provide enrollment relief for DHE and CTE and open up classroom space that currently serves 6th and

7th grade students," said Hopkins.

Funding Phase 3 of the CIP (Capital Improvement Plan) would require passage of a bond referendum from the voters of Abbeville County. The voters would consider a question(s) developed by the Board of Trustees that would be placed on the ballot at a date determined by the board.

"The proposed CIP also includes a two story building at AHS," he continued. "These are Dr. Gary's proposals, but the school board would define the scope of the referendum."

Dr. Mason Gary is the Abbeville County School District Superintendent.



## Interstate lane closures restricted to help Labor Day holiday travel

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## Commentary

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by Lamar T. West, Sr.

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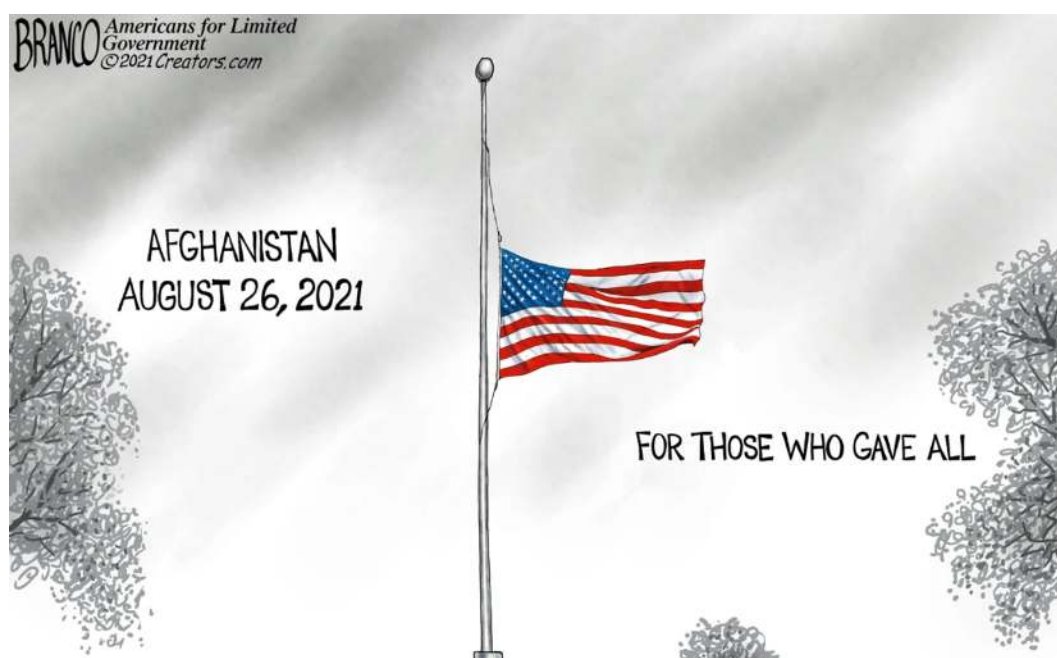
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to "round up" to the next whole dollar. They took it upon themselves to charge me whether I wanted to or not—I don't, by-the-way. I have serious doubts about the legality of this concept.

I understand "late fees," but rounding up any amount

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Thanks,  
James D. Hozey



## US House of Representatives Duncan Supports Articles of Impeachment against President Biden

Submitted by  
Congressman  
Jeff Duncan

In response to the foreign policy failure in Afghanistan of President Joseph R. Biden, Congressman Jeff Duncan today signed onto an article of Impeachment against the President for dereliction of duty. Through withdrawing American troops from Afghanistan in a manner contrary to sound military advice, the President recklessly left behind thousands of American civilians and Afghan allies, along with taxpayer-financed weapons and military equipment, endangering the lives of the American people and the security of the United States.

"I am heartsick at the President's failure to fulfill his duty that has resulted in American deaths and thousands of Americans and Afghan allies being abandoned at the risk of being tortured, captured, held

hostage, or killed at the hands of the Taliban or other terrorist forces," said Congressman Jeff Duncan. "Our Commander-in-Chief showed reckless disregard for both American citizens and allies in neglecting to secure their safe evacuation from Afghanistan once he withdrew our troops. The President promised to preserve, protect, and defend the Constitution of the United States, but it is evident the President has failed to fulfill this charge."

"Impeachment is a very serious matter, and one I do not take lightly. It saddens me that it has come to this, but the President's actions have proved he is a threat to our national security and the Constitution. President Biden has been derelict in his duties and neglected the responsibility the office of the president requires," said Congressman Jeff Duncan. "It is time to take action and remove the sitting President from office due to

his gross negligence that undermined our national security, led to the Taliban's takeover of Afghanistan, and resulted in a grave humanitarian crisis."

Many proponents of the halt in evictions do not view COVID-19 transmission as the primary goal of the eviction moratorium and instead cite financial difficulty stemming from the economic fallout of the pandemic and subsequent response. While it is true that many people were out of work due to shuttering businesses or could not work due to closed schools and childcare services, Congress, as well as many of the States, provided billions of dollars in COVID-19 relief to help Americans make ends meet.

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# EC professor writes book about slave trade

**By Henry E. Green**

There are few stories as tragic as the trans-Atlantic slave trade, the notorious Middle Passage, in which Africans were taken from their homeland to be enslaved in the New World.

An Erskine professor has written a book about the mid-19th century twilight of the slave trade.

Dr. John Harris, McDonald Boswell Assistant Professor of History at Erskine, has written a book about how the slave trade continued even after the United States prohibited the slave trade beginning in 1808.

A native of Northern Ireland, Harris grew up just outside Belfast, where his father was a pastor.

"I slowly gravitated over here," he said humorously of his move to America.

Married to an American, he has lived in the United States about 10 years.

Having received his undergraduate degree in Northern Ireland, he received his PhD from Johns Hopkins, and now lives in Anderson.

The book, meanwhile, grew out of his doctoral dissertation at Johns Hopkins. It shines the light on what could be termed the closing years of the slave trade.

*The Last Slave Ships: New York and the End of the Middle Passage* underscores the role of New York as a central point in the slave trade during this period.

Many slave ships set out from New York during this time. "It's not really a Southern story," said Dr. Harris.

Though the slave trade was illegal, U.S. enforcement of the slave trade prohibition was lax.

As many as 500 ships carrying as many as 200,000 Africans, were embroiled in the "middle passage" at that time.

The British generally did

not apprehend American vessels, and when they did, they would take the captives to the British colonies in the Caribbean, where slavery was illegal, but where the Africans ended up toiling on plantations in conditions not too far removed from enslavement.

The voyages kept up even during the Civil War, and the last slave ship left New York in 1863.

Then there is the well-known story of the Clothilda: "It was the last slave ship to arrive on American soil," he said.

Cuba, however, was the destination of the vast majority of the African captives.

*The Last Slave Ships* is Harris's first book. "It's been selling well," he said. "It's been reviewed well."

Harris is fond of his adopted country. "I like it very



An Erskine professor, Dr. John Harris, has written a book about the mid-19th century twilight of the slave trade. (Contributed photo)

much here," he said.

There is ONE thing he has had to get used to, though.

"The heat," he said, noting that in Ireland the summer-time, temperatures usually only get into the seventies.

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## ABBEVILLE COUNTY PLANNING COMMISSION 6PM -- September 15, 2021 COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE COMPLEX, ABBEVILLE

The Abbeville County Planning Commission, as authorized by the Zoning Ordinance of Abbeville County, SC will hold a public hearing at 6pm on Wednesday, September 15, 2021, in Council Chambers, 903 W. Greenwood St., on the following applications for rezoning:

1.) Application by William F. Davis, Sr. for rezoning of property located at 741 E. Greenwood St., Abbeville SC 29620 from a district of Restricted Residential (R8) to one of General Commercial (GC). The property in question is identified by TMS# 109-11-02-006 and consists of approximately 9 acres. The proposed rezoning would change the entire 9 acres to a designation of GC. Uses allowed in the proposed new district include retail or wholesale businesses, and mini-warehouse/self-storage facilities.

2.) Application by Debra Louise Morrow of 1325 Laurel Ave. E, Greenwood, SC 29649 for rezoning of property owned by Bette Jayne Matson of 20 Wooden Bridge Rd., Donalds, SC 29638. The parcel in question is also located at 20 Wooden Bridge Rd. and consists of approximately 2 acres. The proposed rezoning would change the entire 2 acre parcel from its current designation of Forest Agricultural (FA) to a designation of General Residential (GR). Uses allowed in the proposed new district include single-family residences on lot sizes greater than 8000 square feet.

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

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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.

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Date of Death: 7/31/2021  
Case Number: 2021ES0100204  
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Address: 159 Mt. Lebanon Church Rd Donalds, SC 29638 8/18;3tc

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Date of Death: 07/31/2021  
Case Number: 2021ES0100208  
Personal Representative: Monika Davis  
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Estate: Ester Mae Baskin  
Date of Death: 07/13/2021  
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Personal Representative: Desmond Baskin  
Address: 114 Kennedy Street Calhoun Falls, SC 29628 8/18;3tc

Estate: Vickie A. Bowie AKA Vickie Ivester Bowie  
Date of Death: 07/29/2021  
Case Number: 2021ES0100210  
Personal Representative: Robert C. Bowie, Sr.  
Address: 137 Old Hickory Knob Drive McCormick, SC 29835 8/25;3tc

Estate: William Robert Wright, Jr.  
Date of Death: 2/1/2021  
Case Number: 2021ES0100211  
Personal Representative: Patricia P. Wright  
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Estate: Forrest Young  
Date of Death: 7/30/2021  
Case Number: 2021ES0100212  
Personal Representative: Forrest Odell Young  
Address: 284 Dublin Loop Grovetown, GA 30813 8/25;3tc

Estate: Michael R. Brown  
Date of Death: 8/7/2021  
Case Number: 2021ES0100217  
Personal Representative: Cathy K. Brown  
Address: 506 Maple St. Abbeville, SC 29620 9/1;3tc

Estate: Martha C. Havird  
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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 September 7, 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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**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

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Master In Equity for Abbeville County

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The consultant must be trained in the Nurturing Parenting Program, and Nurturing Fathers Program, evidence-based models which will be used with the families.

Additional trainings such as the National Fatherhood Initiative are preferred.

The deadline for submittals is September 30, 2021 at 5:00pm.

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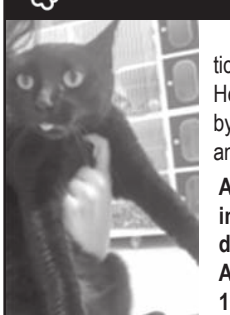
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