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

## Bring on the collards

*New Year's traditions vary all over the world--from Turkey to Spain*

By Henry E. Green

We all have different ways of welcoming in the New Year, and different traditions.

Here in the South we eat collards and black-eyed peas to ensure prosperity.

In other parts of the country, not so much...

"We don't eat collards," said a friend who grew up in Pennsylvania.

No, in the Keystone State, mashed potatoes and sauerkraut are apt to be on the New Year's Day menu, we're told.

New Year's Day traditions vary, of course, not only throughout the United States but around the world.

According to bestlifeonline.com:

--In Spain, people will eat 12 grapes at the stroke of midnight on New Year's Eve.

--In Brazil, people throw white flowers into the ocean

on New Year's Eve.

--Italians like to wear red underwear to ring in the New Year. In Italian culture, the color red is associated with fertility.

--Greeks hang onions on their doors on New Year's Eve, as onions are a symbol of rebirth.

--In Chile, New Year's Eve masses are typically held in cemeteries, allowing for people to sit with deceased family members and include them in festivities.

--In Denmark, it is a tradition to throw china at the front doors of friends and neighbors on New Year's Eve. The thought is that by doing so you leave aggression and hard feelings behind before the New Year comes in.

--Russians have a New Year's tradition of writing down their wishes on paper, burning them with a candle, and then drinking the sub-

sequent ashes in a glass of champagne.

--In Turkey, it is customary to sprinkle salt on your doorstep as soon as the clock strikes midnight on New Year's Eve.

--Finally, according to www.tasteofhome.com, there is in Colombia a New Year's Eve tradition involving potatoes.

On the last night of the year, Colombians place three potatoes beneath the bed--one peeled, one not peeled, and one half-peeled.

At midnight, they reach under the bed and the first potato they touch will signify what kind of luck they will have in the New Year.

A peeled potato will mean financial problems, one with its skin intact means abundance, and one that is half-peeled somewhere in between.



This Nativity scene could be found outside the Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Abbeville, helping enrich the Christmas season. (Staff photo by Henry E. Green)

## Holland to be sworn in Tuesday in CF

By Henry E. Green

Terrico Holland will be sworn in as the new mayor of Calhoun Falls on Tuesday, January 4 at noon at the Calhoun Falls Civic Center.

Holland was elected in November, defeating incumbent Chris Cowan. He

received 238 votes to 178 votes for Cowan, according to published reports.

A 2011 alumnus of Calhoun Falls Charter, Holland is a coach at his alma mater.

In addition, Christine Long will be sworn in as a new member of Calhoun Falls

Town Council, and Wane Postell will be sworn in to a new term of Town Council as well.

Open to the public, the swearing in will be conducted by Calhoun Falls municipal judge Dennis Bannister.



A number of volunteers gathered at Main Street United Methodist Church in Abbeville on Christmas Eve morning to help distribute bicycles as part of the Christmas Angel Tree bicycle project. (Staff photo by Henry E. Green)



The Abbeville Area Medical Center was illuminated with Christmas lights during the Christmas season of 2021. (Staff photo by Henry E. Green)

## City awarded various grants during 2021

By Henry E. Green

The year 2021 produced a number of good things for the City of Abbeville.

The City was awarded a number of grants, among them a \$500,000 basic infrastructure grant from the South Carolina Rural Infrastructure Authority for the North Main Waterline Replacement project.

The Abbeville Spring Festival, presented annually by the City of Abbeville had

been canceled in 2020 due to COVID concerns, but the City brought the festival back in 2021.

In other news, the City named a new Director of Public Works--Greg Barfield.

In addition, the City replaced aging seats at the Opera House, Abbeville's community theater.

City Council member Benji Greeson was elected Mayor Pro Tem by his fellow City

Council members.

Also, in a special City Council election to fill the seat vacated by Trey Edwards when he was elected Mayor last year, John Sutherland was elected to City Council,

On a less positive note, 2020 Census figures showed that the City had lost population over the past 10 years.

# HAPPY NEW YEAR



# 2022



Please note: The Press and Banner will be closed Friday, December 31<sup>st</sup> in observance of New Year's Eve. We will return to our regular hours on Monday, January 3<sup>rd</sup>. Have a happy New Year!

# Blame it on the 'o'

## Covid-19 pandemic dragged on in 2021, thanks to the omicron variant

**By Henry E. Green**

Should we call it the year of disappointment?

Many were hoping that 2021 would be the year that the pandemic would be vanquished and life finally would get back to normal.

Alas, it was not to be.

Blame it on the "O," as in "omicron variant." This variant of COVID-19 replicated at a dizzying rate, prompting a massive surge in infections in the latter part of the year.

Still, the silver lining was real. December of 2021 cannot compare with the sheer terror of April 2020.

As President Biden noted, we now have vaccines--and booster shots--and we are far more knowledgeable about the virus.

Restaurants are open, movie theaters are welcoming people to the silver screen, and people are traveling, but in places like New

York the lines are long for people waiting to be tested for COVID.

There are far too many "breakthrough" cases of fully vaccinated people getting infected, but the chances that these people will get seriously ill are low.

Still, the question, "Have you been tested?" is being heard far too often.

Adding to the pandemic woes is the roaring lion of inflation--the worst it has been in decades.

All we can do is grit our teeth and press on.

Meanwhile, here in Abbeville County, 2021 has had its share of interesting happenings.

Among the things that caught our attention:

Abbeville City Council acquired a new City Council member this year. John Sutherland came out on top in a special election held to fill the seat vacated when

Trey Edwards was elected Mayor of Abbeville.

Calhoun Falls elected a new mayor--challenger Terrico Holland defeated incumbent Chris Cowan in November.

Calhoun Falls Town Council member Wayne Pless died in January after an illness.

In April, Howard Harmon won a special election to fill Pless's unexpired term.

And the Abbeville County School District Board of Trustees saw a changing of the guard. Trustee Buster Taylor retired from the board after many years of service, and taking his place, in a special election in which she ran unopposed, was Glynda Bryson.

These are just a few of the things that occupied our attention in 2021. There are many more--look at this edition of The Press and Banner to check them out.



There was a Veterans Day parade in Calhoun Falls in November of 2021, and this float featured local veterans. (Staff photo by Henry E. Green)

# Nourishing things

## UCMAC has food pantry system

**By Henry E. Green**

Anyone who has seen the musical Oliver! knows the song "Food, Glorious Food."

It's a safe bet that the folks who operate the food pantry system of the United Christian Ministries of Abbeville County can relate to it.

The United Christian Ministries of Abbeville County food pantry system helps feed people in need, and has been the beneficiary of a number of food drives this year.

Westwood Elementary, Department of Social Services, Piedmont Technical College, and Abbeville High School FBLA have all recently conducted food drives for UCMAC.

Abbeville Farm Bureau presented a \$1,000 donation for the food pantry.

"They are very much appreciated," said Shirley.

Most of the food distributed through the food pantry system is supplied by local churches, each of which provides a particular commodity.

For example, First Baptist Church of Abbeville supplies spaghetti sauce, and Main Street United Meth-

odist Church supplies beef stew, while Grace United Methodist Church is the "peanut butter church"--just to name a few.

These commodities are among the items that go into each box of food given out by the food pantry system.

Each box of food contains the following items: beef stew, tuna, peanut butter, jelly, canned fruit, green beans, corn, spaghetti, spaghetti sauce, macaroni and cheese, pinto beans, rice and grits.

"We're very fortunate and blessed," Shirley said.

UCMAC also buys food from organizations such as Second Harvest.

The organization distributes food through three pantries--one in Abbeville, one in Calhoun Falls, and one in Lowndesville.

Shirley works with a group of volunteers at the food pantry network--15 volunteers at the Abbeville pantry, about eight in Calhoun Falls, and a variable number in Lowndesville.

"They prepare the boxes and distribute them to clients," he said.

And the clients?

"We do not charge anything for the food or services that the families enjoy," said Shirley. "But if they receive food stamps or SS disability they are approved for UCMAC food. If they do not receive any assistance, then we use the Federal income guidelines for family size and help for approval."

The Abbeville pantry, located at Main Street United Methodist Church in Abbeville at 300 North Main, is open on Friday mornings from 9:30 a.m. to 11:45 a.m.

The Calhoun Falls pantry is open on the first and third Thursdays of every month from 3 p.m. to 5 p.m.

The Lowndesville pantry is open on the third Wednesday from 9:30 a.m. to 11:45 a.m.

The food pantry system is one of three component ministries making up UCMAC--the other two include a medical clinic and an emergency assistance ministry.

UCMAC is a nonprofit, all-volunteer organization built on a network of collaborating churches.



**Happy New Year, and thanks for being such wonderful neighbors!**



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# AHS cheerleaders enjoy trip to Hawaii

**By Henry E. Green**

Three Abbeville High School cheerleaders recently enjoyed a trip to Hawaii, where they performed as part of a Pearl Harbor memorial parade, helping mark the 80th anniversary of the attack on Pearl Harbor.

The group included junior Riley Jones, senior Drew Beauford, junior Kamaria Gray, and coaches Maggie Jameson, Samantha Sutton and Bethany Minick.

They were among 600 cheerleaders and dancers invited to participate in the Varsity Spirit Pearl Harbor Memorial Parade activities in Honolulu Dec. 4-8, said Jameson, who is also the AHS athletic director.

"The girls had a great time and were able to enjoy the beaches of Hawaii and travel to spend a day at Pearl

Harbor," said Jameson.

"Although the majority of the week was very rainy, the rain cleared just in time for the parade and to allow us to have two full days of sunshine which we used to snorkel, hike Diamond Head, and go to a luau, thanks to the support of the community."

All three girls are also on the Abbeville Competition Cheer Team, and Drew was accompanied by her family as well, Jameson went on to say.

Individuals chosen to perform were among those chosen as All Americans during cheerleading camps held throughout the country.

In Hawaii, the cheerleaders performed prior to the parade and during the parade itself.

Sponsors for the trip includ-

ed Diana Pet Foods, Kathy Baughman, Hite and Stone, Matt Horne Surety, and the Magnet Group and Castelli.

She also thanked all the members of the community who contributed during the numerous fundraisers the group had in preparation for the trip.

"They would not have been able to attend without the support of the community," she said.

This is not the first time Abbeville High School cheerleaders have been selected to participate in a prestigious event.

Several years ago, for example, a number of cheerleaders were chosen to participate in a parade in London, as noted in an article in The Press and Banner.

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# City scene featured number of new things

By Henry E. Green

There were a number of new things on the Abbeville city scene in 2021.

One was the Brew, a program coordinated through the City of Abbeville in collaboration with the Abbeville County Economic Development Partnership and the Greater Abbeville Chamber of Commerce, and inspired by a similar program in the City of Anderson.

The program offers business owners a chance to network and offer tips on how to strengthen their

ventures.

Each meeting features a different business, and the business owner makes a presentation about the successes and challenges of his or her own particular venture.

Fellow business owners offer tips on how to strengthen the business.

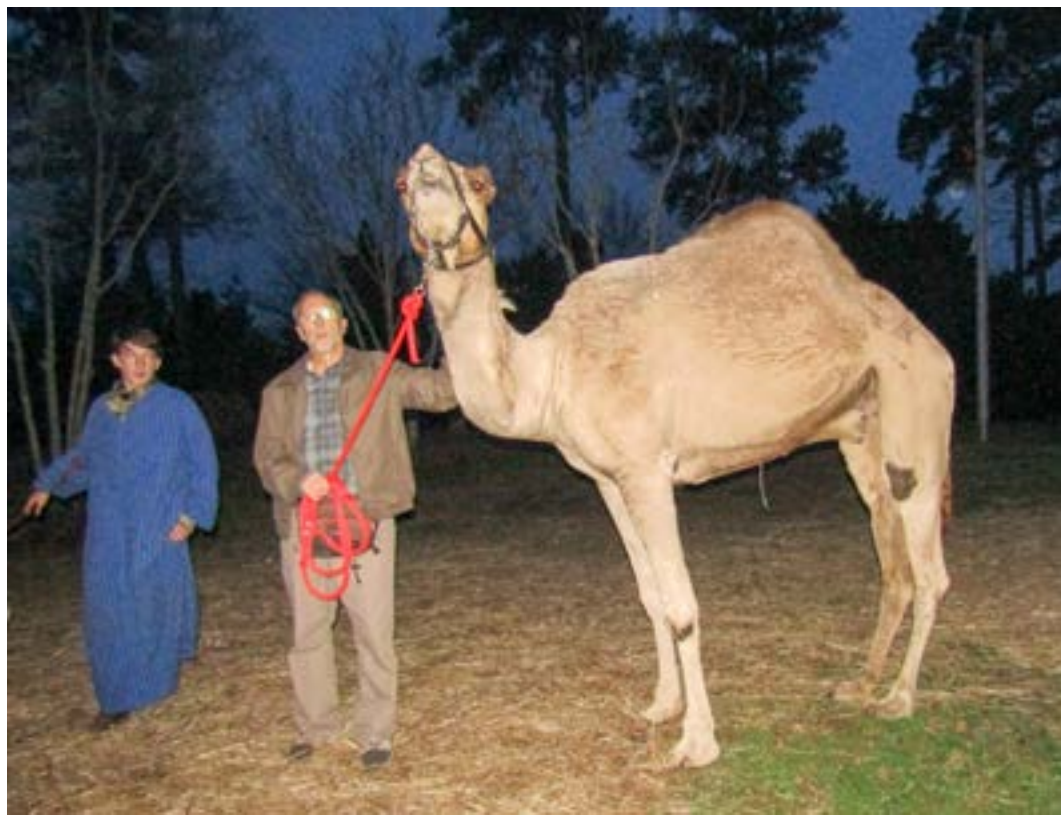
Another new item on the City scene was the June-teenth festival, held in the city the weekend of June 19.

Featuring a blend of speakers, music, and food, June-teenth commemorated the

end of slavery in the United States at the conclusion of the Civil War.

Memorable images from the festival abounded, including a presentation of "The Wiz" at the Opera House. Former State Senator Floyd Nicholson opened the festival, which also featured an art show at the Greater Abbeville Chamber of Commerce by McCormick County artist Jeffrey Callahan.

The Festival was presented by the Abbeville Friends of Freedom Committee.



Curtis the Camel was a big hit at Walk through Bethlehem, presented at Cold Spring Mennonite Church in rural Abbeville County in early December. (Staff photo by Henry E. Green)

## 5 New-Year, New-You Resolutions to Boost Your Wellbeing

(StatePoint) It's already the time of year to reassess where the past 12 months took you and decide what you want to improve, change or start doing in 2022. Coming up with meaningful resolutions can be hard. To help simplify this process and get started toward becoming a better you, here are five things to consider working into your daily schedule in the new year:

1. Cut screen time for better sleep. Multiple studies show if you stop using screens an hour or two before bedtime, you'll likely have a more restful night's sleep. Unplugging also allows you to relax and decompress after a busy day. Your energy levels will rise, your brain and body will thank you, and it will be easier to start fresh in the morning.

2. Add more fresh foods to your diet. Fruits and vegetables are loaded with vitamins and nutrients, so why not kick off 2022 with a resolution to eat more of them? Try a new kind of lettuce. Eat berries with your oatmeal. Take an apple to the office. Be realistic about how much you can eat in a week. Don't overstock your refrigerator, but definitely add more fresh produce to your shopping cart.

3. Allow your favorite spaces to bloom. Adding a flowering plant to your favorite room, such as an easy-care Just Add Ice Orchid, inexpensively brightens your décor. Research shows that having plants boosts mood,

productivity and well-being. Plants, including orchids, also remove toxins from the air. Orchids are particularly good at eliminating xylene, a chemical that causes nose and throat irritation and potential neurological issues.

4. Walk it off. Walking daily for even 15 minutes burns extra calories and improves your mood. Longer walks, such as vigorous hikes, build physical and mental endurance and strengthen cardiovascular health. If you're crunched for time, take that short walk or even a couple short ones throughout the day if your schedule allows it. The benefits are worth it. Don't forget to bring your favorite walking buddy with you!

5. Sing in the shower, the car or the kitchen. Research has shown that people feel happier after actively singing than they do when simply listening to music. If joining a choir isn't your thing, never fear. Breaking into song in the car, shower or while you're cooking can provide the same kind of lift. It doesn't matter where you sing, it just matters that you do. Harmonizing with friends makes it even more fun.

As you read this list, you might be inspired to come up with a few other encouraging ways to become your best self in 2022. Go for it. Kick off this new year with better focus, renewed enthusiasm and a fresh approach to the days and weeks ahead of you!

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# a Word from "THE WORD"

Rev. Dr. John Keith

## Refuge



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**Psalm 9:9 "The Lord also will be a refuge for the oppressed, a refuge in times of trouble."**

There is no doubt that we live in troubled times. The more one listens to the news the more one becomes agitated and stressed. Sometimes I feel like Charlie Brown. He is listening to the news and the newscaster says, "More bad news..." and Charlie Brown muses out loud, "How bad is it?" And the announcer says, "It is so bad there will be no details at 11." I can identify with that and more than likely you can as well.

Psalm 9:9 shares some good news with us—we have a refuge for troubling times—it is none other than the Lord Himself. Twice in this verse the word refuge is mentioned, that is an emphasis. Three thoughts come to mind concerning a refuge.

The first thought is, when does one need a refuge? When one is hurt, a refuge is needed. This world in which we live inflicts hurt

indiscriminately on folks: good folks, bad folks, wealthy folks, poor folks, etc. No one is exempt from the hurts of this world.

If you are hurting, Jesus is the refuge you need. Run to His sheltering arms. A refuge is needed when one is fatigued. Life can be fatiguing, you may be frazzled to the point of exhaustion—many folks are this time of year. If that describes you, Jesus is the refuge you need. Go to Him, rest in His loving arms. One needs a refuge when an enemy is putting pressure on you. David knew that feeling well when he was running and hiding from Saul. You too may know the pressure of an enemy putting pressure on you. Run to the arms of Jesus and let him be your refuge.

The second thought is, why does one need a refuge? A refuge is necessary in order for us to

recover. Sometimes the most spiritual thing you can do is get away and rest for awhile. A refuge is necessary when one is at the end of his endurance. Sometimes we get at the end of our rope, so to speak. When that happens, run to Jesus. Let Him be your refuge to rest and recover your strength.

The third thought is, what happens in a refuge? One gets new vigor, new vitality that is necessary to continue on with life's struggles. A refuge often gives one a new vision for what he ought to do. It is surprising what one learns when he takes time out to reflect and think over a situation—often new insight is the result and along with that renewed strength.

Wherever you are in your life, spend some time in the refuge that Jesus offers. You just might be amazed at the results.



These folks are waiting for their chance to take the "Walk through Bethlehem" at Cold Springs Mennonite Church in rural Abbeville County recently. The Walk, with no admissions charge, was an extension of the Christmas story, with a large cast playing the roles of angels, Mary and Joseph, shepherds, and townspeople of Bethlehem. (Staff photo by Henry E. Green)

## UCMAC

# Transit system launched in 2021

By Henry E. Green

A non-emergency transportation system promoted by the United Christian Ministries of Abbeville County was launched in 2021.

A grant helped make the system a reality, a system for which a need was identified among UCMAC clients.

"This wonderful system is being furnished by McCormick Area Transit System through a \$100,000.00 federal grant," said UCMAC executive director Dr. Bill Boone.

"The grant is for one year. During this year, it will be determined if there is sufficient ridership to apply for additional funding to maintain this public transportation. To reserve your ride, please call 864-446-6415 or 864-852-6655 and most ride request can be accommodated immediately. The grant for the transit system was established to accommodate all areas and businesses within a 5-mile radius of the three towns of Abbeville, Calhoun Falls,

and Due West."

UCMAC, a nonprofit, all-volunteer organization based on a network of collaborating churches, has three component ministries, including a food pantry system, a medical clinic and an emergency assistance ministry.

The clinic celebrated its 10th anniversary in 2021, and the food pantry system expanded to include a pantry in Lowndesville.

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# Two churches mark significant birthdays

By Henry E. Green

Two Abbeville County churches celebrated significant birthdays in 2021. The First Baptist Church of Abbeville celebrated its 150th birthday, and Lebanon Presbyterian Church marked 200 years of history. First Baptist is located in the city of Abbeville, on North Main, and Lebanon

Presbyterian is on the Mt. Carmel Road between Abbeville and Calhoun Falls. Both churches marked these significant anniversaries with special programs. At First Baptist, former pastors were among the speakers for a homecoming program held in May. Lebanon Presbyterian's roots go back to 1821, and

the church, like First Baptist, held a special program, highlighting the church's history. Lebanon pastor John Butler had been spearheading an effort to identify what is believed to be a burial site, located behind the church, for enslaved people, a burial site dating from the 19th century.



Richard London of Abbeville spearheaded in 2021 an effort to clean up Harbison Cemetery on the outskirts of Abbeville. Here are some of the volunteers at work. (Contributed photo)

# Dixie won state title in girls cross country

By Henry E. Green

The year 2021 saw its share of news for local schools. Here were just a few of the news tidbits which made headlines in 2021. The Dixie High School girls cross country team won the state championship in 2021, under the guidance of coach Cayce Prescott, and the boys cross country team

came in second in the state. In football, Abbeville High School captured the Region title, but lost in the playoffs to Gray Collegiate. Despite the loss, the Panthers had some memorable moments during their season. Panther Jeremiah Lomax had an incredible string of pick sixes during the regular

season. Dixie High School was upset in the first round of the state playoffs in 1-A football by Great Falls. Dixie also finished second in the state in 1-A softball. The Lady Hornets clinched the Upper State championship, but lost in the state championship series to Lake View.

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These luminaries helped illuminate Main Street United Methodist Church in Abbeville during the Christmas season. (Staff photo by Henry E. Green)

# Government offices closing for New Year's

**By Henry E. Green**  
Government offices will be closed in observance of New Year's Day. New Year's Day--Jan. 1, 2022--falls on a Saturday this year, so many Abbeville County offices will be closed either the Friday before New Year's or the Monday thereafter. Abbeville County govern-

ment offices will be closed on Monday, Jan. 3, and will reopen the following day. City of Abbeville offices will be closed on Friday, Dec. 31. Meanwhile, the Abbeville County School District will be on winter break, with students returning to school on Jan. 5. Due West Town Hall will be

closed on Monday, January 3, with normal hours to resume the next day. Calhoun Falls Town Hall will be closed on Friday, Dec. 31, with normal operations to resume on Monday. There will be no home delivery of mail on Saturday, January 1.

# Abbeville County Farm Bureau receives Women's Award

**Submitted by Debby Ramey**  
Myrtle Beach, SC - Jenny Mountford, Abbeville County Farm Bureau Women's Committee Chair, receives special achievement award on behalf of Abbeville County from SCFB State Women's Leadership Committee Chair Megan Floyd during organization's 78th annual meeting held recently in

Myrtle Beach. Abbeville County was recognized for having one of the top Farm Bureau women's program in the state during 2021. Over the course of the year, women's program statewide reported nearly 4,900 volunteer hours carrying out agricultural literacy activities. South Carolina Farm Bureau is a grassroots,

non-profit organization that celebrates and supports family farmers, locally grown food and our rural lands through legislative advocacy, education and community outreach. The organization, founded in 1944, serves nearly 90,000 member families in 47 chapters. For more information, please visit [www.scfb.org](http://www.scfb.org)

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# Artist Guild to use ALT space at Library

By Henry E. Green

The Abbeville Artist Guild is expected to be joining forces with the Abbeville County Library System in 2022.

The Guild is planning a busy January, starting with a new way to use an Abbeville County Library space that opened this year.

Beginning on Wednesday, Jan. 5, at 2 p.m. and continuing on the first Wednesday of every month, Guild members will gather in the Abbeville County Library's ALT space to create art and receive help from fellow artists.

"We can critique work, offer opinions, and share techniques and tips," according to the Guild news release.

"If you know of a particular product that is working especially well for you, bring it in and tell everyone. Bring in artwork that is giving you a hard time, or just bring your supplies and create. If you have art or hobby supplies, that you are no longer using, donate them to the ALT."

There will also be an Artist Guild awards party on Saturday, Jan. 15, at the Village Grill at 6 p.m.

Finally, the Guild will present a workshop on Saturday, Jan. 29, entitled "Acrylic Pour, Do it Your Way," from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. with artist Buddy Wilson.

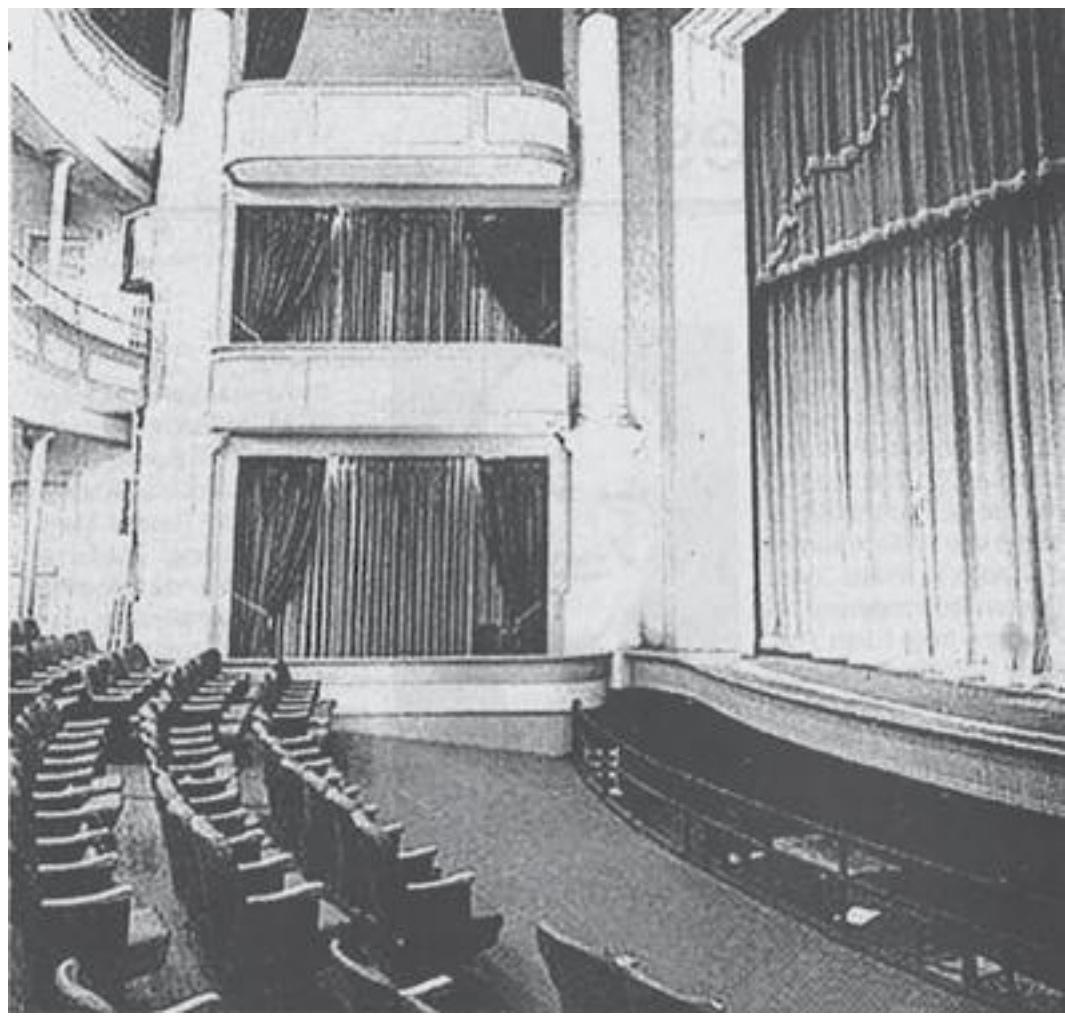
The ALT, meanwhile, is located within the Abbeville County Library System's

main branch, located on North Main in Abbeville. ALT is shorthand for "alternative space."

The ALT opened earlier this year, and Library System director Mary Elizabeth Land described in an interview how the space can be used for a great many things.

"It will be a multi purpose area with a stage for speakers and performances," she said. "It will also have numerous stations for creative activities. There will also be a station with classic games like Monopoly and Trivial Pursuit."

The Abbeville Artist Guild is a nonprofit organization that promotes the arts here in Abbeville County.



Did you know that the Abbeville Opera House used to have an orchestra pit? City of Abbeville community development director Mike Clary sent us this picture, which he believes dates from the 1970s or earlier. Look to the right to see the pit. (Photo courtesy of Mike Clary)

## Transit System for Abbeville County November 2021 Report

by Bill Boone,  
Executive Director of  
UCMAC

### Preface:

The Transit System for Abbeville County is up and running! This wonderful system is being furnished by McCormick Area Transit System through a \$100,000.00 federal grant. The grant is for one year. During this year, it will be determined if there is sufficient ridership to apply for additional funding to maintain this public transportation. To reserve your ride, please call 864-446-6415 or 864-852-6655 and most ride request can be

accommodated immediately. The grant for the transit system was established to accommodate all areas and businesses within a 5-mile radius of the three towns of Abbeville, Calhoun Falls, and Due West. The approved budget with the National Rural Transportation Association of America is currently allocated a set number of hours for drivers. We will not be able to exceed the budgeted number of hours unless someone/agency wants to provide the extra funding to cover the extra hours and expenses.

### Actual report:

There were 18 individuals

(clients) that rode the bus system with an additional two family members (attendants) that rode with the person that arranged for the transportation. These two attendants are considered passengers just as the person who arranged the trips. All of these trips have originated from the town of Abbeville. These clients have been transported to Abbeville Urology, Family Medicine, UCMAC, Savitz Drug Store, and Abbeville Area Medical Center.

The December log already has upcoming trips scheduled for Ingles, and various Dollar Stores.



## Bell Toll Ceremony December 2021

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<b>Samuel Otis Jackson, Sr.</b>	<b>78</b>	<b>US Army Viet Nam</b>
<b>James Maxwell 'Jimmy' Ayers, Jr.</b>	<b>71</b>	<b>US Marines</b>
<b>Paul E. Cape</b>	<b>72</b>	<b>US Army</b>

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, December 31st. 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.

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# Obituaries

## Todd

Pastor Raymond N. Todd, 84, of Ware Shoals, husband of Phyllis Keedy Todd, died Wednesday, December 22, 2021, at his home. He was born in Seneca to the late William James and Gladys K. Wells Todd.

Pastor Todd received his BA degree from Faith Theological Seminary. He pastored many small churches and taught 6th grade at various Christian schools. Pastor Todd was employed with Stoll Trailer in Abbeville for seven years. He was a member of Mt. Calvary Baptist Church in Greenville.

In addition to his parents, Pastor Todd was preceded in death by a brother, William Carter Todd and two sisters and their husbands, Juanita (Rev. James R.)



**Pastor Raymond N. Todd**

Alewine and Kathryn (Jim) Rose.

He is survived by his wife of 56 years, Phyllis, of the home; two brothers, Keith L. Todd (Anne) of Abbeville and Donald R. Todd (Elaine) of Greenwood; and a sister-in-law, Betty N. Todd of

Abbeville.

Graveside services were 2:00PM, Monday, December 27, 2021 in Forest Lawn Memory Gardens, Abbeville, SC with Pastor Mark Minnicoff officiating. The family received friends following the graveside service.

Memorial contributions, in memory of Pastor Todd, may be sent to Mt. Calvary Baptist Church, 1430 Hampton Ave. Ext., Greenville, SC 29601.

The family is at the home in Ware Shoals.

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 Todd family.

# Obituaries

## Knight

Jim A. Knight, of Due West passed away December 23, 2021, at NHC Healthcare in Clinton, SC. He was born on January 27, 1943, in Newport News, VA to the late Roy Aldon Knight and Jeanette Jones Knight and raised in Ware Shoals, SC.

He was a 1961 graduate of Ware Shoals High School, a 1965 graduate of Erskine College, and completed his PhD in chemistry from the University of North Carolina. He joined the Erskine College chemistry faculty in 1969 and served Erskine as Vice President and Dean from 1976 until 1988. He was elected chancellor of Clinch Valley College in Wise, VA (now the University of Virginia's College at Wise) in 1988 where he served until 1992, and then spent 16 years in administrative positions with the University of Virginia.

At Erskine, Jim was an ardent supporter of the faculty, staff and students there. His tenure as dean was marked by the recruiting and support of an extraordinary faculty, and his work with student admissions led to the recruiting of numerous



**Dr. Jimmy A. Knight**

classes of gifted and diverse students. At Clinch Valley, Jim brought his experience in fundraising into his role as chancellor, leading the college to significant new heights in financial success, and overseeing the institution of the football program there. Like at Erskine, he was also proudest of the faculty, staff and students at Clinch Valley and UVA that he worked with each day.

Jim is survived by his wife of 55 years, Jeannie Dove Knight; three children, David Aldon Knight (Anna) of Spartanburg, Kevin Hunter Knight (Debbie) of Mt. Pleasant, and Anna Knight

Todd (Caleb) of Mt. Pleasant; six grandchildren, Joy Leigh Knight, Parker Aldon Knight, Megan Elizabeth Knight, Kevin Cooper Knight, Lola Kathryn Todd and Eva Giorgia Todd; three step-grandchildren, Martin Christopher Groke, Kathryn Almeida Groke and Lillian Grace Groke; a sister, Jan Knight Hudson (Tim) of Ware Shoals; many nieces, nephews and beloved relatives and close friends.

A memorial service to celebrate Dr. Jim Knight's life will be 2:00PM, Sunday, January 2, 2022, in the Lesesne Auditorium on the campus of Erskine College in Due West, SC. Following the service, the family will receive friends.

Memorial contributions in memory of Dr. Knight, may be made to the EC Foundation, PO Box 581, Due West, SC 29639.

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 Knight family.

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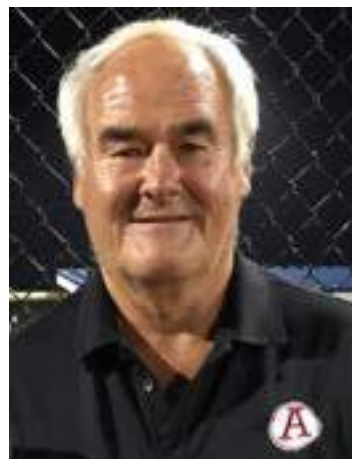
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# Obituaries

## Ayers

James Maxwell 'Jimmy' Ayers, Jr., 71, of Abbeville, SC, husband of Deborah Cann Ayers, died Tuesday, December 21, 2021. He was born in Anderson, SC to the late James Maxwell Ayers, Sr. and Lottie Wright Ayers.

Jimmy, a 1969 graduate of Abbeville High School, honorably served his country in the United State Marine Corps. He was employed with Ascend Manufacturing, retiring after a tenure of many years. When his children were young, Jimmy was actively involved in Abbeville Youth Sports having coached Little League football. He dearly loved his wife and family; his Gamecocks; and especially, the Abbeville Panthers. His voice could be heard every Friday night across Hite Stadium, Dennis Botts Field. Jimmy was a member of South Side



**James Maxwell 'Jimmy' Ayers, Jr.**

Baptist Church.

He is survived by his wife of 47 years, Deborah, of the home; children, Brad Ayers (Melissa) of Knoxville, TN and Jennifer Ayers Ferguson (Sam) of Abbeville, SC; seven grandchildren, Sarah Beth Ferguson, Jacob Ferguson and Joshua Ferguson all of Abbeville,

SC; Katelyn Smith, Justin Smith, Dylan Ayers and Bella Ayers, all of Knoxville, TN; and his beloved dog, Gabby.

The family received friends 1:30PM – 3:00PM, Sunday, December 26, 2021, in Harris Funeral Home. Funeral services began at 3:30PM in the funeral home chapel with Rev. Zack Little officiating. Burial followed in Forest Lawn Memory Gardens.

Memorial contributions, in memory of Jimmy, may be sent to South Side Baptist Church, 505 W. Greenwood Street, Abbeville, SC 29620.

The family is at the home. 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 Ayers family.

# Rabid Skunk confirmed in Anderson County exposed

Submitted by SC DHEC

COLUMBIA, S.C. — The South Carolina Department of Health and Environmental Control (DHEC) confirmed that a skunk found near McClure Road and Dobbins Bridge Road in Anderson, S.C., has tested positive for rabies. No people are known to have been exposed at this time. One dog was exposed and will be quarantined as required in the South Carolina Rabies Control Act.

The skunk was submitted to DHEC's laboratory for testing on December 21, 2021, and was confirmed to have rabies on December 22, 2021.

"Rabies is usually transmitted through a bite or scratch which allows saliva from an infected animal to be introduced into the body of a person or another animal. However, infected saliva or

neural tissue contact with open wounds or areas such as the eyes, nose, or mouth could also potentially transmit rabies," said Terri McColister, Rabies Program Team Leader. "To reduce the risk of getting rabies, always give wild and stray animals their space. If you see an animal in need, avoid touching it and contact someone trained in handling animals, such as your local animal control officer, wildlife control operator, or a wildlife rehabilitator. Please report all animal bites, scratches, and exposures to potentially rabid animals to DHEC."

If you believe that you, someone you know, or your pets have come in contact with this skunk or another animal that potentially has rabies, please call DHEC's Environmental Affairs Anderson office at (864) 260-5585 during normal business hours (8:30 a.m.-5:00

p.m., Monday-Friday) or after hours and on holidays at (888) 847-0902 (Select Option 2).

It is important to keep pets up to date on their rabies vaccination, as this is one of the easiest and most effective ways to protect against the disease. This skunk is the fifth animal in Anderson County to test positive for rabies in 2021. There have been 100 cases of rabid animals statewide this year. Since 2002, South Carolina has averaged approximately 148 positive cases a year. In 2020, six of the 168 confirmed rabies cases in South Carolina were in Anderson County.

Contact information for local Environmental Affairs offices is available at [www.scdhec.gov/EAoffices](http://www.scdhec.gov/EAoffices).

For more information on rabies visit [www.scdhec.gov/rabies](http://www.scdhec.gov/rabies) or [www.cdc.gov/rabies](http://www.cdc.gov/rabies).

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- A Flock of Seagulls' 1982 hit (2 words)
- \*Cabbage amount
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- Be off base
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- \*Ballerina-inspired dessert
- All worked up
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- Lithograph, for short
- Japan to U.S. in WWII
- \*Stuffed grapevine leaf
- \*Flageolet or azuki
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- \*Type of #34 Across
- Lion sounds
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- One clean one?
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- Waterwheel
- Serengeti grazer
- Unplayable baseball
- It will, contraction
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- Like a ghost
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## What Really Happened in Jonestown?

By Geoff Hult

First off, this writing is not about racial issues or race relations in any way. It is about a historical event that involved the mass death of over 900 Americans that the American people have not been told the truth about.

The official version of history is that 913 primarily black Americans committed mass suicide in a compound known as Jonestown in the jungles of the South American country of Guyana on November 18th, 1978. They were part of a religious cult known as The People's Temple under the complete control of their charismatic leader Jim Jones, who convinced them to commit suicide by drinking poison laced Kool-Aid. Jones then allegedly shot himself in the early morning hours of November 19th.

The CIA had opened a file on Jones long before Jonestown, perhaps because he was indeed a cult leader who was practicing faith healing, voodoo, and ESP; and perhaps for his eventual incorporation into the CIA. Jones established The People's Temple in 1965 in Ukiah, CA, and then moved it to San Francisco. He was very well connected and despite numerous reports of defectors being murdered, sexual abuse, and people being defrauded out of money and possessions, Jones was protected by the power structure. He moved The People's Temple to Jonestown in 1977.

The land on which the compound of Jonestown sat had been purchased in 1974 by George Phillip Blakey, a CIA operative, and had been used by the CIA to train black mercenaries in what was known as "The Shalom Project" for warfare in Angola. Jones did not have to set up camp so to speak, the camp was ready and waiting.

San Francisco based US Congressman Leo Ryan had authored and initiated legislation, The Hughes-Ryan amendment, which stipulated that the CIA must disclose to Congress the details of their covert operations. Ryan suspected Jonestown was perhaps a CIA medical/mind control operation under project MK-ULTRA, and repeatedly asked the State Department for any and all information about the goings on down there. They refused to cooperate with Ryan's requests for information, and instead provided Jim Jones information about all of Ryan's inquiries. Ryan and others arrived in Jonestown unannounced on November 17th for their own investigation. Included in Ryan's entourage was State Dept. Representative Richard

Dwyer, who also happened to be undercover CIA. Some members of the cult were allowed to leave with Ryan but at the local airport on November 18th, a group of gunmen opened fire on the group, killing Congressman Ryan, 2 NBC crewmen, and 2 others. The Hughes-Ryan legislation conveniently died in Congress soon after Ryan's death.

In the early morning hours of November 19th, a CIA radio channel reported a mass suicide had taken place in Jonestown. Initially, the number of bodies reported by the Guyanese authorities was 408. Over the course of the next week, the official count came to 913. The explanation that bodies were lying under other bodies for this discrepancy does not pan out. This was apparently an experiment to see if people could be brainwashed to commit mass suicide but they didn't, and instead fled. The 500 plus people who attempted to flee into the jungles were caught and executed by, in all likelihood, US and British special forces who were, coincidentally, on "training missions" in the area at the time. They were then brought back and laid face down and the scene was staged to appear as a peaceful mass suicide. It was also widely reported that heavily armed white soldiers guarded Jonestown prior to the event. The bodies were left to rot in the sun for a week, making it difficult to later conduct autopsies and determine what had really happened. They were eventually sent back to the US by the military and the majority cremated.

What has been edited out of official history is that the top Chief Medical Examiner of Guyana, Dr. Leslie Mootoo, examined the bodies on site and determined that approximately 80% of them had been forcibly injected from behind in their left shoulder blade with cyanide, and that the rest of them had been either shot or strangled to death. Jonestown was a mass murder, not a mass suicide. Also, there was a sophisticated hospital in Jonestown where people received daily medical "check-ups." There were enough drugs at the site to drug the capital of Georgetown. The drugs included quaaludes, valium, morphine, demerol, sodium pentathol (truth serum), cyanide, and thiazine. All these drugs were known to have been used in previous MK-ULTRA experiments. A medical facility and abundance of drugs such as this on site strongly indicates involvement of high levels of the power structure and something

beyond the scope of one cult leader like Jim Jones.

At a press conference on May 23rd, 1980, former Aide to Congressman Ryan, Joseph Holsinger, stated: "I received a lot of documentation, which I provide for you here today, that indicates the strong possibility that Jonestown and The People's Temple was, in reality, a mass mind control experiment conducted by the CIA as a follow up to MK-ULTRA." Holsinger also cited a 1979 article entitled "The Penal Colony" by Berkeley psychologist Richard Ofshe. From this article: "There can be no doubt that the control of the human mind and behavior, of individuals, groups and entire populations has been a top priority and central strategy of US intelligence agencies for 30 years. MK-ULTRA coordinated 149 projects involving thousands of experiments and operations on prisoners, mental patients, and others in the US and elsewhere. Tens of thousands of people were subjects of experimentation against their will or knowledge. The research of hundreds of scientists was coordinated, unknown to them, by CIA front organizations. Every possible technique for influencing people against their will or knowledge was tested."

20 months after Leo Ryan's death, his 5 adult children filed a lawsuit alleging that Jonestown was infiltrated with agents of the Central Intelligence Agency and using it as an MK-ULTRA experiment. Also, that Richard Dwyer of the CIA knew and did not inform Ryan of this before going down, although Ryan suspected it. This suit of course went nowhere because to acknowledge it as valid exposes the entire system of being a massive criminal enterprise. The major media and the rest of government covered for Jim Jones and this operation, before and after the fatal event, demonstrating the interconnected nature of the system. It is also worth noting that the masterminds behind the birth of MK-ULTRA were Nazi scientists that were incorporated into US intelligence after World War 2.

Recommended reading: 1) "Was Jonestown a CIA Medical Experiment? A Review of the Evidence" by Michael Meiers 2) "The CIA as Organized Crime: How Illegal Operations Corrupt America and the World" by Douglas Valentine

"For YaHuWaH shall bring every work into judgment, including all that is hidden, whether good or whether evil." (Ecclesiastes 12:14)

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## US Senate As Inflation Soars, Scott Stands Up For Farmers and Ranchers

Submitted by  
Senator Tim Scott

WASHINGTON – U.S. Senator Tim Scott (R-S.C.) joined Senate Agriculture Committee Ranking Member John Boozman (R-Ark.), Senator John Thune (R-S.D.), and several of their colleagues in urging federal financial regulators to provide community banks, credit unions, and Farm Credit institutions with the regulatory flexibility they need to responsibly work with their agriculture clients as the profit margins of farmers and ranchers shrink from higher input costs. The senators are also requesting that federal

financial regulators monitor how inflation and inflationary-related pressures are affecting the agriculture industry and, in turn, the community financial institutions that serve it.

"The destructive impact of inflation has already affected individuals, families, and businesses across the nation, and no one is immune from these price increases," the senators wrote. "Caused in large part by an unprecedented increase in federal government spending, in addition to supply chain bottlenecks, these higher prices are not just increasing grocery bills and home heating costs, but they are also raising costs

on businesses, including on our nation's farmers and ranchers."

The letter was also signed by Senators John Barrasso (R-Wyo.), Mike Braun (R-Ind.), Bill Cassidy (R-La.), Chuck Grassley (R-Iowa), Bill Hagerty (R-Tenn.), James Inhofe (R-Okla.), John Kennedy (R-La.), James Lankford (R-Okla.), Jim Risch (R-Idaho), and Thom Tillis (R-N.C.).

Senator Scott is committed to investigating and pushing back against any actions taken by the administration that contribute to inflation, which takes its greatest toll on low-income Americans.

## US Senate Senators Scott and Hassan Introduce Bill to Expand Educator Tax Deduction

Submitted by  
Senator Tim Scott

WASHINGTON – Today, U.S. Senators Tim Scott (R-S.C.) and Maggie Hassan (D-N.H.) introduced a bill to extend the educator Expense Tax Deduction to K-12 athletic coaches and administrators. This bill will amend the tax code to allow K-12 coaches to be classified as "eligible educators" in order to be eligible for tax deductions for out-of-pocket expenses relating to instructional expenses. "Coaches and athletic administrators are often integral to the success of students both in and out of the classroom," said Senator Tim Scott. "It is only right that we expand the tax code to ensure that they receive the same benefits as they continue to personally invest in the future of students across America."

"Athletic directors and coaches across New Hampshire play an important role in setting students up for success, including by fostering health and wellness and helping student-athletes get on the road to college," Senator Hassan said. "It is nonsensical that coaches are left out

of getting tax cuts to help cover out-of-pocket costs for supplies when all other teachers have that option. I am glad to introduce this bill with Senator Scott that would include athletic directors and coaches in the group of educators who can get certain out-of-pocket expenses covered, and I urge my colleagues to join us in supporting this legislation."

Several organizations have expressed support for this bill including Nike, Inc, adidas America, Inc, Sports and Fitness Industry Association, and the National Interscholastic Athletic Administrators Association (NIAAA).

"We thank Senator Tim Scott (R-SC) and Senator Maggie Hassan (D-NH) for this bill that directly offers a positive benefit to interscholastic athletic administrators," said NIAAA Executive Director Dr. Mike Blackburn. "Just as the original 1986 IRS code allows deductions for out-of-pocket educator costs, this bill offers the same financial option to those in the profession of high school and middle school athletic administration and coaching. We appreciate our supportive members

of the U. S. Congress, as well as our advocates, and NIAAA Board of Directors." "Interscholastic athletics is an integral component of the education system. First and foremost, we are thankful for the actions of Senator Tim Scott (R-SC) and Senator Maggie Hassan (D-NH) for recognizing interscholastic athletic administrators and interscholastic athletic coaches as educators. The financial options of the tax bill is a welcomed addition and is very much appreciated," said NIAAA President Dr. Lisa L. Langston.

**BACKGROUND**  
Under current law, only "eligible educators" are able to utilize the \$250 tax credit for out-of-pocket related instructional expenses.

"Eligible educator" means, with respect to any taxable year, an individual who is a kindergarten through grade 12 teacher, instructor, counselor, principal, or aide in a school for at least 900 hours during a school year.

Athletic administrators and coaches can be considered eligible educators and receive these tax deductions as they also provide critical instruction to students and often pay for their expenses out of their own pockets.

## US House of Representatives Rep. Duncan Introduces "Protecting Our Democracy by Preventing Foreign Citizens from Voting Act"

Submitted by  
Congressman  
Jeff Duncan

Washington, D.C.—Congressman Jeff Duncan announced he will introduce the Protecting Our Democracy by Preventing Foreign Citizens from Voting Act, which would prohibit the disbursement of Federal funds to State and local governments that allow non-citizens of the United States to vote in any Federal, State, or local election. This legislation builds upon previous work from Congressman Duncan, originally introduced in 2018, to prohibit non-citizen voting in elections.

"Voting in this country is a right that should solely be limited to American citizens. Allowing non-citi-

zens or illegal immigrants to vote, even if only in state or local elections, gives foreign nationals influence on some of the most important decisions impacting our families, our rights, and our representation in government," said Congressman Jeff Duncan. "Non-citizen voting has the potential to exacerbate the border crisis and cause a greater erosion of confidence in our electoral process. Non-citizen voting is not some sort of farfetched idea—it is currently allowed in New York, San Francisco, and even in the suburbs of our nation's capital. I will not stand for this sort of globalist extremism that attempts to undermine what it means to be an American citizen. I am honored to work with Senator Marco Rubio on this very important effort to

safeguard the security of our elections."

"It's ridiculous that states are allowing foreign citizens to vote," Senator Marco Rubio said. "However, if states and localities do let those who are not U.S. citizens to vote in elections, they shouldn't get U.S. citizen taxpayer money."

"Today, it's local elections, but tomorrow, it could be state or nationwide elections. These egregious policies allow the voice of the American citizen to be diluted at the voting booth, and we must fight to protect the integrity of our elections and the value of American citizenship," said Congressman Jeff Duncan. "Voting is the hallmark of our democracy, and non-citizen voting completely undermines election integrity."



This "little piggie" brought a smile to many a face, we trust, during the 2021 Hogs and Hens festival presented by the City of Abbeville in October. (Staff photo by Henry E. Green)

## 5 Tips for Sticking to a Schedule in the New Year

(StatePoint) Sticking to a schedule is good for health, wellness and productivity, and the start of a new year is the perfect time to form great habits. Resolve to adhere to a daily routine with the following tips and tricks:

- Write it down: The act of writing things down can help reinforce priorities. Keep a list of short- and long-term goals, events and meetings. Be sure to check items off your list as you complete them. Doing so can help you stay motivated.
- Get a good watch: Keep yourself accountable with a good watch. The line-up of Edifice watches by Casio are not only stylish, they contain must-have productivity features, such as multiple alarms, as well as countdown timers displaying the remaining time until the alarm beeps.

They also connect with your smartphone and offer cool, sync-up features that help you keep your essentials organized, such as "phone finder." If you prefer a sportier timepiece, Pro Trek watches offer similar alarm features, along with step counters and sensor technology like altimeters, compasses and more, all of which are great for hikes, fishing expeditions and other outdoor activities.

- Keep it consistent: Keep both bedtime and the time you awake consistent day-to-day. Doing so can mean better quality slumber so you will be more alert, energized and ready to tackle tasks. Consistent meal times can also be beneficial, helping you maintain your energy throughout the day, manage metabolism and avoid hunger.

- Don't overdo it: It can be tempting to try to schedule more tasks and to-dos into your day than is actually realistic. Doing so however can leave you feeling constantly stressed, and always in catch-up mode. Be sure your schedule offers you sufficient time to actually complete tasks and travel between appointments.
- Practice self-care: Downtime is essential. Whatever self-care looks like to you, be sure to build it into your schedule, whether that means relaxing with a good book, getting together with friends or working out.

Make 2022 the year you finally create and maintain a well-balanced schedule. With wearable tech and smart habits, you'll be more inclined to stick with the program.



## P and B to close for New Year's

The Press and Banner will be closed Friday, Dec. 31, for the New Year's Day holiday. Normal operating hours will resume on Monday, January 3.

Happy New Year  
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## NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

**ABBEVILLE COUNTY PLANNING COMMISSION**  
**6PM -- January 19, 2022**  
**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, January 19, 2022, in Council Chambers, 903 W. Greenwood St., on the following proposed amendment to the Zoning Ordinance and/or Zoning Map:

Map amendment changing the zoning district designation for an approximate .51 acre parcel of property, owned by Crystal Bryant of 118 Hickory St., Calhoun Falls, SC 29628. The property in question is located at 388 Dorsett Ln., Abbeville, SC 29620 and identified as TMS# 123-00-00-003. The proposed rezoning would change the current district of Restricted Residential (R8) and Forest Agricultural (FA) to one of General Residential (GR). New uses allowed in the district would include single-family residences of all types including manufactured homes.

Documents related to the proposed amendment 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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# 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.

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# A visit from the King

## An Elvis tribute artist helps brighten the Christmas of an AAMC patient

By Henry E. Green

Christmas is all about reaching out.

That's exactly what happened recently when Abbeville Area Medical Center personnel joined forces to help provide a brighter Christmas for a patient.

That patient is a big Elvis fan, and AAMC personnel teamed up to bring Elvis to the hospital.

But, wait a minute, Elvis died back in the Seventies, you say.

Well, that's true. But the King made something of a comeback in the form of Elvis tribute artist Jacob Eder.

Eder, who graduated from Abbeville High School and

from Piedmont Technical College, started his career at Wings 101 in Abbeville, and he has been a tribute artist for approximately six years.

He has performed at the Opera House, and indeed throughout the Southeast, from Florida to Georgia to Maryland.

"I've sung at Graceland," he said.

AAMC physician Dr. Bryan Casey said that hospital personnel invited Eder to come out to AAMC to meet the patient.

So it was that on the chilly evening of Wednesday, Dec. 22, Eder went out to the hospital, and met with

the patient.

We caught up with the Elvis tribute artist as he was leaving the hospital.

Meeting with the patient was a high point for him.

"I wanted to give back," he said. "I was honored to do it."

The patient appreciated it as well. "We sang 'Blue Christmas' together," Eder recalled.

The patient's sister, Angela Powell of Townville, was very appreciative.

"We were thrilled," said Powell.

"We just wanted to make his Christmas brighter," said Casey, who is one of the patient's attending physicians.



Elvis tribute artist Jacob Eder paid a visit to the Abbeville Area Medical Center recently to help make the Christmas of a patient just a little bit brighter. Here he is with the patient's sister, Angela Powell of Townville. (Staff photo by Henry E. Green)



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