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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."



Ashley Bond, daughter of Ed and Gloria, has been chosen to represent South Caroiina in the USA Special Olympic Games. Asniey will participate in unitied bocce. You may remember she went to New Jersey in 2014 in the same sport. The games will be held in Orlando, Florida in June 2022. An account has been opened for Ashley to meet her goals at Abbeville Community Federal Credit Union. Be on the look out for fundraisers in the following months. (Photo contributed)

### Sheriff's Office helps out with property checks

By Henry E. Green

Like the Abbeville Police Department, the Abbeville County Sheriff's Office provides property checks for people going on vacation.

"Call us and let us know," said Captain Tripp Crosby of the Abbeville County Sheriff's Office.

Abbeville County Sheriff's Office personnel will check on property "as we have time" for vacations of perhaps a week or two.

This is a free service for Abbeville County residents in unincorporated areas.

"All they need to do is call

us and let us know," he said. Like Abbeville Police Department Assistant Chief Nick Moore, he advised people going on vacation to leave a motor vehicle at their residence--something to lead would-be thieves that someone is at home.

Captain Matthew Graham of the Sheriff's Office welcomed people to call a non-emergency number--366-8451--to request that the Sheriff's Office check on their property while they are on vacation.

Graham and Lt. Jeffrey Hines of the Sheriff's Office some months ago had a presentation at a community center at Lake Secession on crime prevention.

## Piece of the pie

### When will local municipalities receive their allocations of federal money?

By Henry E. Green

Abbeville County is definitely getting a slice of the money from \$350 billion American Rescue Act, according to figures generated through openthebooks.com

The website probes government spending, and the legislation is a slice of economic stimulus passed by Congress and signed into law by President Joseph Biden.

The purpose of the legislation is to speed up the recovery from the economic hardships caused by the coronavirus pandemic.

Afigure generated through the website, meanwhile, shows Abbeville County being allocated \$4,756,860.61, a figure County Director David Garner confirmed Tuesday.

The County has not yet made a decision on how to said recently.

Other allocations, according to reports, include the following:

Ware Shoals, \$804,511.32 Calhoun Falls, \$710,390.92 Iva, \$494,882.72

Due West, \$449,316.21 Lowndesville, \$44,446.08

The City of Abbeville has not received its allocation, according to the City's Deputy Administrative Officer Mike Clary.

The City is listed in this funding as a non entitlement city, said Clary, who says that, to his knowledge, the same holds true for every municipality in the County, Clary continued.

Because of this, the money is being given to the state first, and then the state will distribute the money to the municipalities.

Smaller cities, with populations of less than \$50,000, spend the money, Garner then to non entitlement

Thus, only a handful of cities in the state, are referred to as metropolitan cities, and are receiving their money directly, and Columbia is one of those cities, Clary continued.

The money for Abbeville could come toward the end of this year, or even next year, he said.

The City of Abbeville is actually slated to get more money than originally expected, said Clary. The City is expected to get \$2,496, 189.62, he said Monday.

While it was not clear at press time about the reason for the increase. City officials are excited at the prospect of getting more money.

What will the City use the money for?

"The City is still evaluating options," Clary said.

## Budget plan tabled

By Henry E. Green

The Abbeville County School District Board of Trustees met last night, tabling second and final reading on a budget plan the school board after about for 2021-2022.

from trustee Tim Rhodes, the board agreed to table the budget plan until the board could have a budget workshop.

The trustees agreed to have the workshop on August 6 at 3 p.m.

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

Before the meeting, there was a public hearing on the budget, and former trustee Tracy Lindler spoke out against the proposed tax increase.

"People right now are struggling," he said.

In the Gold Star Highlights,

members of the Abbeville County School District's maintenance crew were recognized, as was Buster Taylor, who is retiring from three decades of service, Upon a recommendation and school board chairman Brad Evans was recognized for having completed Level Three of training offered by the school board association.

"you have been a stronghold for this board," Rhodes told Taylor.

A special election to fill Taylor's seat will be held on Nov. 2, and the filing period will run from August 2 to noon to August 16 at noon.

The board also heard a presentation from attorney Frannie Heizer of Columbia, concerning considerations for a proposed referendum which trustees have been discussing.

The District has a Capital Improvement Plan, which includes a number of proj-

ects that would be funded through a referendum.

In other matters, the board approved the district administration's recommendations on personnel, and Superintendent Dr. Mason Gary introduced Paul Anderson as the interim principal at Westwood Elementary.

The board also approved the hiring of three reading coaches.

Concerning the coronavirus pandemic, Dr. Gary said, "We are aware of the variant."

He was referring to the Delta variant which has spearheaded an alarming surge in the virus.

Masks will not be required, but will be allowed in District schools in the coming year, and other measures, such as cleaning, will continue.

Also, there will be a District-wide in service at Wright Middle on August 11

First reading

## Tax anticipation measure passed in CF

By Henry E. Green

Calhoun Falls Town Council met Monday, approving first reading on Ordinance 2021-02, making provision for tax anticipation borrowing by the Town of Calhoun Falls in the principal amount of up to \$175,000 for the 2021-22 fiscal year.

The ordinance is in anticipation of the collection of ad valorem taxes and/insurance company business license taxes.

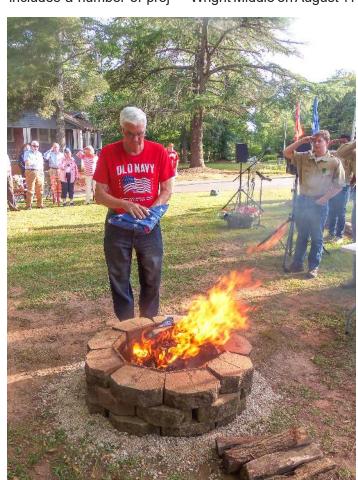
Two Council members were absent, including Mindy Boggs Rogers and Howard Harmon.

Voting in favor were Mayor

Chris Cowan, and Council members Johnny Gilchrist and Wayne Postell.

Tax anticipation notes are typically used by local governments to help fund their operations during the months when they are not typically receiving tax revenues.

Boy Scouts in Due West held earlier this year their annual flag retirement ceremony to dispose of worn and tattered American flags which are no longer fit to be flown. Here John McMahan of Abbeville contributes a flag for disposal. (Staff photo by Henry E. Green)





Conway Shirley, treasurer of the Due West Lions Club, was recognized by the club July 8 for 19 consecutive years of perfect attendance. She was among 21 Due West Lions receiving certificates for perfect attendance during 2020-2021 year. (Due West Lions Photos by Dick Haldeman)

## Hellams serving in Erskine interim post

#### By Henry E. Green

Dr. J. Thomas Hellams, Jr. is the interim president of Erskine College and Seminary, serving since Dr. Robert E. Gustafson ended his tenure as president.

The Rev. Clint Davis, chair of the Erskine Board of Trustees, has announced that Provost of the College Dr. Tom Hellams, pictured above, will be appointed to serve as interim president of the institution beginning July 1, according to an Erskine news release.

An Erskine College alumnus, Hellams has been Erskine College provost since 2018.

Before beginning his work at the college, he served on the Erskine board of trustees.

Previously, he served the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary in Louisville, Kentucky, as Chief of Staff, later as Vice President for Denominational Relations. Hellams has an AA from Anderson College, AB from

Erskine College, and MA, MDiv and DMin from Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, according to the Erskine faculty staff directory.

He and his wife Tena have two grown children--Katie Ellen and John Thomas III--and four grandchildren, according to the directory.

The appointment of Hellams comes in the aftermath of the announcement earlier this year by the Erskine board of trustees that Dr. Robert E. Gustafson would trustees. be completing his tenure as Erskine president at the end of the fiscal year--June 30, Erskine reported.

Gustafson, a graduate of Erskine Theological Seminary, began serving at Erskine when he was named interim president on Nov. 1, 2016.

He was appointed Erskine's 17th president in Office of the President, and the spring of 2017, and was inaugurated on Feb. 16, 2018.

Erskine board chairman Rev. Clint Davis recently

released a tribute to Gustafson and his wife Beth Gufstafson.

According to the tribute, Gustafson helped spearhead a collaborative effort between the board and the General Synod of the Associate Reformed Presbyterian Church to edit and update the denomination's Philosophy of Christian Higher Education.

This effort promoted unity between the denomination and the Erskine board of

Gustafson also kept Erskine on track to fulfill its five year enrollment growth plan adopted in 2018.

"The Gustafsons' quiet resolve and self-sacrificial leadership have united the campus and set Erskine on a course that will enable the institution to thrive for years to come," the tribute stated. Established in 1839, Erskine is a private Christian college--an undergraduate liberal arts college and graduate theological seminary, according to Wikipedia.

### Lions begin 2021-22 year; Yannarella becomes President

Membership Chair Mary

#### Submitted by **Dick Haldeman**

The Due West Lions Club met for the first time under its new 2021-22 officers July 8, introducing five new members of the club and recognizing Due West Lions with perfect attendance in 2020-21. New president Marty Yannarella presided at the meeting in The Renaissance in Due West.

Due West Lions elected Gene Judd to fill the vacant first vice president position, and he immediately began organizing the club for its role in the Due West Fall Festival September 25.

President Yanarella introduced the new members, who will be installed at the club's August meeting. They include Leland and Gayle Beaudrot, Cindy Dunn, Beverly Peoples, and Melissa Peoples.

Linn Touchberry introduced Due West Lions who had perfect attendance for 2020-21, despite the pandemic. They included Mark Fulghum, Effie Jordan, David Krumwiede, Mary Linn Touchberry, Dick and Jan Haldeman, Amos and Joyce Cunningham, Martha Frasier, Jim and Sandra Gettys, Bill and Emilie Lesesne, Lee and Eleanor Logan, Janet Miller, Alpha Smith, Brenda

Mrs. Shirley, club treasurer, received special commendation for 19 years of perfect attendance. Conway Shirley and Jim

Byers, Kaye Acton, Becky

Rich, and Conway Shirley.

Gettys were emcees for the July program, based on the Lions' motto, "We serve." They introduced 15 Due West Lions who acted out services performed by the club, noting that these are

only part of the more than 20 fund-raising and service projects in which the DWLC participates.

Lions participating and the services they demonstrated included:

Holly Lesesne, vision screening; Joyce Cunningham, Camp Lions Den; Effie Grier Animal Shelter; Curtis Lee, trash pickup; Mark Fulghum, Fall Festival; David Krumwiede, Tail Twister; Conway Shirley, Terrific Kids; Emilie Lesesne, Thanksgiving Dinner; Genie McDill, Bags of Blessing; Connie Normand, UCMAC; Sandra Gettys, Mary's Closet; Bill Lesesne, Dixie HS Foundation; Herbert Jordan, Chili Supper; Lee Logan, Tree for Life; and Amos Cunningham, Christmas Tree Lighting.

The club will hold its next meeting August 12.



Marty Yannarella (left), president of the Due West Lions Club, introduces new members of the club who will be inducted at its August meeting. From the left are Yannarella and new members Cindy Dunn, Gayle Beaudrot, Leland Beaudrot, and Melissa Peoples. Not pictured is Beverly Peoples, who will also be inducted in August. Yanarella introduced the new members while presiding at his first meeting as president July 8. (Due West Lions Photos by Dick Haldeman)

Dr. J. Thomas Hellams, Jr. is the interim president of Erskine College and Seminary. (Contributed photo)



### NOTICE OF ELECTION

#### STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

#### **COUNTY OF ABBEVILLE**

Notice is hereby given that a non-partisan municipal election for the town of LOWNDESVILLE will be held at Precincts fixed by law on Tuesday, November 2, 2021. Those seats to be voted on are Mayor and four (4) town council seats.

Any person wishing to register to vote in these elections must do so no later than Friday, October 1st, 2021 in person, Sunday, October 3rd, 2021 online, and Monday, October 4th, 2021 by date stamped mail.

Beginning August 2nd, 2021 at 12:00 NOON Candidacy can be placed at the Abbeville County Registration & Elections office. Deadline for filing Candidacy is NOON, August 16th. This is a non-partisan election. No party affiliation shall be placed on the ballot

The polls shall be open from 7:00am until 7:00pm at the polling places designated below.

Voters who are blind, handicapped or unable to read or write are entitled to assistance in casting their ballots. The voter must notify the poll manager if assistance is needed.

Registered electors who cannot vote in person on Election Day may be eligible to vote by absentee ballot. For additional information concerning absentee voting call 366-2400 ext 53. The Abbeville County Board of Registration and Elections or visit scvotes.gov.

At 2:00 pm on Election Day the County Election Commission may begin processing the absentee ballot precinct in the office at the Abbeville County Complex at 903 West Greenwood Street, Abbeville SC, 29620.

On Thursday, November 4, 2021 at 11:00 am, the Abbeville County Board of Canvassers will hold a hearing to determine the validity of provisional ballots from the November 2nd election. This hearing will be held at the Abbeville County Complex at 903 West Greenwood Street, Suite 2500, Abbeville SC 29620.

The following precincts and polling places will be open from 7:00 a.m. until 7:00 p.m.:

**Precincts** 13 Lowndesville

Polling Place Location Lowndesville Community Center

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## Abbeville First copes with building concerns

By Henry E. Green

Abbeville First CEO Andy Timmerman remembers how he found out about the structural concerns facing the building which the bank has for years called home.

"About three weeks ago, employees and customers heard a loud noise in the lobby area. Loud enough that they thought a car had hit the building. But they could not find any damage. When I returned to the office and they described the noise I decided to check out the attic. That is when I noticed a couple boards were snapped apart."

Timmerman knew something had to be done.

"At first I thought about calling a contractor to take a look but in thinking about what had recently happened to that condo in Florida I called Keith Dunn with Dunn and Shirley Engineering," Timmerman said. "He referred me to Brian Robertson, a structural engineer in Greenwood. Robertson, along with specialty contractor Phil Keown, inspected the trusses in the attic and recommended we evacuate the lobby area immediately, in which we did."

The building was further inspected by the Abbeville County Building Inspector, City Zoning Manager, and County Fire Marshal along with a South Carolina Deputy Fire Marshal.

"It was decided that we needed to vacate the drivethrough area as well but

that the back portion of the building was safe to occupy," he said.

Timmerman and company had to face a sobering truth. The Abbeville First bank had to cope with some structural issues afflicting the building in which it is housed.

"The prefabricated trusses across the lobby and teller areas are coming apart," he said.

The Abbeville First bank building has been a mainstay of downtown Abbeville for years.

"The original building was built in 1965 and it was doubled in size in 1987," he said. "It is the section built in 1987 that is the issue. The prefabricated trusses that were used to support the roof and hold the ceiling are coming apart. Numerous boards have snapped into and the gussets connecting the joints have pulled out. The ceiling at its center point has dropped nearly six inches."

Timmerman was asked how long it will take to correct the problem.

"The contractor has spent the past two weeks installing a temporary shoring system that had to be designed by the engineer. They have also removed all of the ceiling, lights, and installation. The engineer is finalizing the design to replace the support system throughout the lobby and interior teller area. We are hopeful, with the shoring in place, an

inspection to be done soon will give us the okay to open back up the drive-through. It could take as much as three months to install the new support system over the lobby and bring that section back to its original condition. This is if we do not run into any unforeseen issues. Once the lobby is ready, then we will have to close the drive-through back down so the trusses over it can be replaced."

Besides closing the drivethrough and the front lobby, there have been other repercussions.

"We have set up temporary teller stations in our back loan department lobby and moved some folks to different offices. But all of our services are still operational and our Calhoun Falls office has been able to pick up some slack."

The staff and the customers seem to be taking it all in stride.

"Our customers have been understanding and patient," Timmerman said. "All of our employees have pitched in to make this difficult situation work. As we learned during the pandemic, a crisis will bring a good team together."



The lobby of Abbeville First Bank is currently closed, as is the drive-through, as the institution copes with the process of making major repairs in response to structural concerns. (Staff photo by Henry E. Green)

### Grand opening for new home of WZLA slated

By Henry E. Green

There will be a grand opening on the evening of Friday, July 30, from 5 p.m. to 8 p.m. for the new home of WZLA at 353 Highway 28 Bypass on the western outskirts of Abbeville.

WZLAused to be based on North Main, but this summer radio station owner Benji Greeson moved the station to a new home, in a building which formerly housed state government offices.

The grand opening will include refreshments, such as hors d'oeuvres. "It's just a drop in," said Benji Greeson, the owner of the radio

There will be tours of the new station, which includes a new studio, as well as

The grand opening is open to the public, and everyone is welcome to drop by, said Greeson, who has owned the station since July of 2020.

Greeson has had a Southern Fried Morning Show on WZLA since 2014. His sister Lacey Yates is a co-host.

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### **PUBLIC NOTICE**

#### CITY OF ABBEVILLE **FISCAL YEAR 2022 BUDGET HEARING**

Pursuant to Section 6-1-80 of the South Carolina Code of Laws, public notice is hereby given that the City of Abbeville will hold a public hearing on the Proposed Municipal Budget for Fiscal Year 2022. The public hearing will be held in the City Council Chambers at City Hall, 100 Court Square, on Wednesday August 11, 2021, beginning at 6:50 PM.

GENERAL FUND	
Fiscal Year 2021 Budget Revenue/Expenditures	\$4,085,986
Proposed Fiscal Year 2022 Budget Revenue/Expenditures	\$4,432,927.17
Percent Change of FY 2021 to FY 2022	8.49% Increase
Fiscal Year 2021 Millage Rate	106.2
Proposed Fiscal Year 2022 Millage Rate	e 110.52
HOSPITALITY FUND	
Fiscal Year 2021 Budget	\$175 510

HOSPITALITY FUND								
Fiscal Year 2021 Budget Revenue/Expenditures	\$175,510							
Proposed Fiscal Year 2022 Budget Revenue/Expenditures	\$249,350							
Percent Change of FY 2021 to FY 2022	42.07% Increase							
ENTERPRISE FUND								
Fiscal Year 2021 Budget Revenue/Expenditures	\$12,984,109							

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Proposed Fiscal Year 2022 Budget

Percent Change of FY 2021 to FY

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### Toes in the sand

### Tips on vacation-time property protection could keep criminals away

By Henry E. Green

So you're going on vaca-

While that may be good news, it might be prudent to ensure that your property is protected while you're sticking your toes in the sand on the beach and sporting, in the words of ZZ Top, some cheap sunglasses.

City of Abbeville Assistant Police Chief Nick Moore provided us with a few tips on making sure crooks don't make a less than welcome call on your house while you're away.

First, make sure somebody takes care of getting your mail and your newspaper. Having mail sticking out

of your mailbox can be a telltale sign that nobody is

You also may want to leave a light on, and there are other tips as well:

If you have more than one vehicle, leave a vehicle in

And above all, don't post anything about your vacation on social media until you return home.

The Abbeville Police Department, moreover, offers a home protection service for vacation-goers.

Abbevillians may contact the Police Department and ask for a property check to

Come by the Police De-

partment, fill out a form, and tell the Police what dates you will be gone, and the Police will check on your property with every work shift.

The best part is that it is a service that is entirely free of charge.

"We probably have one or two requests a month," he said.

"You have to be in the city for us to do the property check," said Moore.

Other recommendations include cutting your grass before you leave, and forwarding your home phone to your cell phone, so that if somebody calls your house somebody will answer.

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- 12. Oil, in Italy
- 13. What refugees do
- 14. Noble one 15. \*Moscow
- 16. Wrinkly fruit
- 17. Cereal killer
- 18. \*Non-alcoholic cocktail 20. Elementary particle
- 21. Old and feeble 22. American cuckoo
- tunnel
- 26. Create a misnomer
- 30. \*Tap choice
- 31. Tooth cover
- 34. A wedge in golf, e.g. 35. Wesley Snipes' 1998 movie
- 37. Notable time
- 38. Fancy neckwear
- 39. Denim innovator
- 40. \*Beer \_\_\_, or biergarten
- 42. Before, archaic
- 43. Particular marking on a butterfly
- 45. Neuter in language, e.g. 47. Red Cross bed
- 48. Île de la Cité river
- 50. Lump of stuff 52. \*18th Amendment, a.k.a.
- 55. Assemblage of members
- 56. D'Artagnan's weapon 57. Freight horse cart
- 59. "It's Always \_\_\_\_ in Philadelphia"
- 60. Wooden pegs 61. \*Margarita garnish
- 62. Lend a hand
- 63. \*Not sweet 64. Sun rising direction

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- 3. Farmer's storage type
- 4. Steel on a work boot
- 5. Relating to aquarium scum 6. Misrepresent
- 7. Bride screen
- 8. \*Often served dirty, pl.
- 9. Cogito \_\_\_\_ sum
- 10. Rumpelstiltskin's weaver 11. \*Half whiskey, half absinthe cocktail
- 13. Pointless 14. Chili con carne legumes
- 19. Between 10 and Queen
- 22. Breathing matter
- 23. C in CNN
- 24. Stray cat's home
- 25. Plunder
- 26. \*Fermented honey and water 27. Formed a curve
- 28. "Fahrenheit 9/11" documentary
- director
- 29. Go in
- 32. \*Straight from the bottle
- 33. Make a blunder 36. \*One appeal of happy hour
- 38. About or concerning, archaic
- Milk?" 41. Knights' breastplates
- 44. Dorothy's sleeping aid
- 46. Conifer attribute
- 48. Deep sleep
- 49. Lament for the dead
- hub food takeout service 51. Solitary
- 52. Hawk or peddle
- 53. Toreador Song from "Carmen," e.g. 54. River obstructions
- 55. Geological Society of America 58. Thus far

### **Obituaries**

### **McCord**

William "Bill" McCord, 67, resident of 143 Brookside Drive passed away Monday July 26, 2021 at Self Regional Healthcare.

Born in Abbeville, SC he was a son of the late William Franklin McCord and Pollie Morris McCord.

Bill was a self-employed handyman having done numerous different jobs for family and friends. He was of the Baptist Faith.

Survivors include: his wife

Linda Fry McCord of Abbeville, SC; two daughters Jennifer McCord of the home and Selina Scott of Abbeville. SC: a son Tim McCord of Greenwood, SC; a sister Martha Ivester of Abbeville, SC; six grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by a brother George McCord.

A Celebration of Bill's life will be conducted Thursday July 29, 2021 at 2:00 PM in the Chapel at Chandler-Jackson Funeral Home with the Rev. Willie McCurry

The family will receive friends Thursday afternoon from 12:30 until 2:00 PM at the funeral home prior to ser-

Memorials in memory of Bill may be made to a charity of one's choice.

Online condolences may be made to the McCord family by visiting www.chandlerjacksonfh.com

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

### Obituaries

#### Strickland

Charles Michael 'Mike' Strickland, Sr., 72, of Abbeville, husband of Patricia Shirley Strickland, died Friday, July 23, 2021 at Emerald Gardens Assisted Living. He was born in Belton, SC to the late William and Alice Meeks Strickland.

A 1967 graduate of the first graduating class of Belton-Honea Path High School (BHP) and 1977 graduate of Tri-County Technical College, Mike served in Vietnam with the U.S. Army. After 42 years of employment, he retired from Colonial Pipeline. A passionate car enthusiast, Mike enjoyed buying and trading cars and was a member of the Abbeville Car Club. He was happy working with his hands and also a devoted Gamecock fan. 'Pacca Mike', as he was affectionately known, loved life, had a heart of gold, and was happiest spending time with his family and friends.



Mike Strickland

He was a member of Belton

First Baptist Church, Mike is survived by his wife of 50 years, Patricia, of the home; a daughter, Michelle Lee (Mark) of Manning, SC; two sons, Chuck Strickland (Teresa) and Chris Strickland (Allison) both of Belton, SC; a brother, Ronnie Strickland of Central, SC; a sister, Nancy Strickland of Belton, SC; seven grandchildren, Mason, Avery, Eli, Cooper, Mills, Sydney, and Camden.

The family will receive

friends 1:00PM - 2:30PM, Monday, August 2, 2021 at First Baptist of Belton, 105 Brown Ave. Belton, SC. Services will begin at 3:00PM in the church sanctuary with Rev. Dale Lynch officiating. Burial, with military honors, will be 10:00AM, Tuesday, August 3, 2021 in M.J. Dolly Cooper Cemetery. Those serving as pallbearers will be Mark Lee, Jackie Kay, Ivan R. Randolph, J.C. Nicholson, Jr., Jody Driggers and Pat Patrick.

The family is at the home in Abbeville.

In lieu of flowers, the family respectfully requests, memorials be sent to the Wounded Warrior Project, P.O. Box 758516, Topeka, Kansas 66675-8516.

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

Harris Funeral Home & Cremation Services is assisting the Strickland family.

### **Fuller**

Betty G. Fuller, 92, of Abbeville, died Monday, July 26, 2021, at the Abbeville Nursing Home. She was twice married, first, to the late Charles W. Jones and second, to the late Frank Fuller. Mrs. Fuller was born in Abbeville to the late Emory

H. and Addie Going Gray. A 1946 graduate of Abbeville High School, she also graduated from Columbia Business School in 1947. Mrs. Fuller's career reflected her diverse capabilities. Employed by Milliken for 4 1/2 years, in 1951, she became associated with Milliken in New York as a teletype operator. Later she worked at a construction company in Columbia, SC, then with K& M Electrical Products and retired from the Bank of Abbeville with a tenure of thirteen years. Her love of community was exemplified by volunteering whenever and wherever she was needed. Mrs. Fuller had a fondness for all animals, especially cats. She became known as the "Community Cat Lady". A pianist and organist when she was young, Mrs. Fuller was a member of Grace United Methodist Church.

She is survived by her two sons, Charles Bradley Polt-Jones and his wife Isa of Oakland, CA and Scott Hamilton Jones and his wife Nicole of San Diego, CA; two grandchildren, Audrey Polt-Jones and Tamsin Polt-Jones; and numerous nieces and nephews. She was a dedicated mother. Fiercely devoted to her children and her family, willing to sacrifice when needed, but loving and kind at heart.

A Memorial service will be 11:00AM, Friday, July 30, 2021, in the Harris Funeral Home chapel with Rev. Scotty Willoughby and Rev. Jason Wilson officiating. The family will receive friends fol-

lowing the service. Memorial contributions, in memory of Mrs. Fuller, may be sent to the Shriners Hospital for Children, 950 W. Faris Road, Greenville, SC

29605. The family is at the home.

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

Harris Funeral Home & Cremation Services of Abbeville is assisting the Fuller

### Obituaries

### Gable

Randy 'RG' Gable, 65, of Abbeville, died Saturday, July 24, 2021, at his residence. He was born in Columbia, SC to the late David L. Gable and Patricia Teal Gable Stockman.

'RG', as he was affectionately known, was a 1973 graduate of Brooklyn-Cayce High School and a member of South Side Baptist Church. Until his health declined, he was employed for 33 years at Pirelli Cable/ Prysmian. An enthusiastic NASCAR fan, 'RG' especially enjoyed attending the Bristol Speedway and spending time with the 'Tennessee Gang'. Also, cheering on the Gamecock football team

made him happy. In addition to his parents, 'RG' was preceded in death Judy Cutter. by a brother, David Glen Ga-

He is survived by his three



Randy 'RG' Gable

sons, Jamie Lawson Gable, Corey Randolph Gable (Lacey) and Adam Jackson Gable (Amanda) all of Abbeville; seven grandchildren, Robby (Alexandria), J.R., Skylar, Natalie (Jake), Jackson, Courtney, and Zack; eight great-grandchildren; and the mother of his sons,

The family received friends 5:00PM - 6:00PM, Tuesday, July 27, 2021, at Harris Funeral Home. Funeral services followed at 6:30PM in the funeral home chapel. Graveside services will be 11:00AM Wednesday, July 28, 2021, in the Red Bank Baptist Church Cemetery, 1357 S. Lake Dr., Lexington, SC 29073.

The family is at the home in Abbeville.

Memorial contributions, in memory of Mr. Gable, may be sent to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital, 501 St. Jude Place, Memphis, TN 38105 or to the Red Bank Baptist Church Cemetery Fund, 1357 S. Lake Drive, Lexington, SC 29073.

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

Harris Funeral Home & Cremation Services is assisting the Gable family.

## New seats installed at Opera House

#### By Henry E. Green

New seats have been installed at the Opera House, said Mike Clary, Deputy Administrative Officer with the City of Abbeville.

These new seats will replace aging seats from a theater in Charleston, Clary continued

Clary said that they were installed in the early 1980s, but they were already 20 years old at the time.

"Since January we've had the old seats for sale, and of the seats that were sellable, we've sold about half that were sellable, and the seats that we didn't sell we just disposed of," he said.

"People can no longer buy an old seat, but they can

sponsor one of the new a whole is \$625,000, with seats for \$75," he said. "And that comes with a metal engraving on the armrest of the new seat. Funds raised through that go into the Opera House historic preservation fund."

About two thirds of the new seats have been sponsored, he said.

"There are 283 theater seats that were installed, and the Opera House also has 20 box seats, which brings the total capacity to just over 300."

Thus, all the seats that need to be installed have been installed.

"The seats specifically cost just over \$65,000, and the renovation project as

\$400,000 of that coming from the hospitality sales tax, and the other \$225,000 coming from grants."

Included in that \$625,000 project are a new HVAC system and associated electrical work, Phase III of the Opera House roof renovation, new hardwood floors in the lobby, new paint in the first and second floor lobby areas, new carpet in the theater, new sound and lighting equipment, and associated electrical work, repairs to the stage, concession area renovations, replacing the third floor windows, replacing plaster repair inside the theater, and rebuilding the back ramp."



Brandon Fulmer is the new pastor at Main Street United Methodist in Abbeville. (Staff photo by Henry E. Green)

## Lowndesville Town Council filing slated

#### By Henry E. Green

tions planned for November is set to open on Monday, August 2, at noon, said Abbeville County voter registration and elections director Kim London.

Currently holding those seats are Mayor Rufus Waters, and Council members

Hanna, London continued. community center. The filing period for Lown- Those persons wishing to The filing period closes on

desville Town Council elec- file as candidates should Monday,August 16, at noon, contact the Abbeville County voter registration office at 366-2400, extension 53. The filing fee is \$50 for a

candidate for mayor, and \$35, for town council. "And it can ONLY be with check or money order," she said.

The elections will be held Lynn Branyon, Lisa Driver, on Tuesday, Nov. 2, in Lown-Janet Yeargin, and Janice desville at the Lowndesville

London continued.

Lowndesville Town Council elections are nonparti-

The Abbeville County voter registration and elections office is located in the Abbeville County Administrative Complex.

### Farmers' market voucher distribution set

#### By Henry E. Green

A date for Abbeville's Farmer's Market Vouchers distribution has been established, according to Becky Wilson, Meal Ministry Director of the Piedmont Agency on Aging.

"Besides the Calhoun Falls distribution on July 27th, seniors may pick up their vouchers on August 5th from 1-5 p.m. at Southside

Baptist Church (in Abbeville). They need to bring a photo ID," said Wilson.

This is part of a program coordinated by South Carolina Department of Social Services to provide farmers market vouchers.

The Piedmont Agency on Aging is handling the voucher distribution locally.

The vouchers come in sets of five, and each is worth five dollars.

Senior citizens use these vouchers to obtain fruits and vegetables from farmers market vendors who are participating in the program.

For more information, one may call Wilson at 864-223-0164, extension 8, or the Abbeville Senior Center at 366-9666.

### **NOTICE OF ELECTION**

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Notice is hereby given that a non-partisan municipal election for the town of Calhoun Falls will be held at Precincts fixed by law on Tuesday, November 2, 2021. Those seats to be voted on are two (2) town council seats.

Any person wishing to register to vote in these elections must do so no later than Friday, October 1st, 2021 in person, Sunday, October 3rd, 2021 online, and Monday, October 4th, 2021 by date stamped mail.

Beginning August 2nd, 2021 at 12:00 NOON Candidacy can be placed at the Abbeville County Registration & Elections office. Deadline for filing Candidacy is NOON, August 16th. This is a non-partisan election. No party affiliation shall be placed on the ballot

The polls shall be open from 7:00am until 7:00pm at the polling places designated below.

Voters who are blind, handicapped or unable to read or write are entitled to assistance in casting their ballots. The voter must notify the poll manager if assistance is needed.

Registered electors who cannot vote in person on Election Day may be eligible to vote by absentee ballot. For additional information concerning absentee voting call 366-2400 ext 53. The Abbeville County Board of Registration and Elections or visit scvotes.org

At 2:00 pm on Election Day the County Election Commission may begin processing the absentee ballot precinct in the office at the Abbeville County Complex at 903 West Greenwood Street, Abbeville SC, 29620.

On Thursday, November 7, 2021 at 11:00 am, the Abbeville County Board of Canvassers will hold a hearing to determine the validity of provisional ballots from the November 5th election. This hearing will be held at the Abbeville County Complex at 903 West Greenwood Street,

The following precincts and polling places will be open from 7:00 a.m. until 7:00 p.m.:

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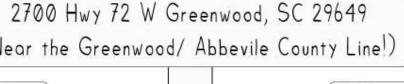
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The Iva-based band Silver entertained music lovers like these young people at the Blue Hole recreation area in Calhoun Falls recently. (Staff photo by Henry E. Green)

# CF Chamber presents Blue Hole concert

By Henry E. Green

The band Silver entertained a small crowd at the Blue Hole recreation area in Calhoun Falls Saturday evening, in a concert presented by the Calhoun Falls Chamber of Commerce.

The Iva-area band played "party" music, with songs from "Mustang Sally" to "Unchained Melody," as concert-goers sat in lawn chairs and listened.

"We had a lot of dancers," said Calhoun Falls Chamber of Commerce executive director Rebeca McCaslan.

If you were hungry, vendors could offer you everything from Italian ices to funnel cakes and fried Oreos and other sweets to wings and fish and chicken strips.

The concert was entire free, with no admission charge, and the event drew approximately 250 people.

This was the first concert of the summer presented by the Chamber, which in the spring presented during the Springtime in the Falls the Dead String Band from Georgia.

"Our next event will be our Chamber banquet in October," McCaslan said.

This gathering will be at the Calhoun Falls Civic Center. "Tickets will go on sale

soon," she said.

The speaker is to be an-

nounced.
The Chamber also takes care of the Calhoun Falls

Farmers Market for the Town of Calhoun Falls.

"Thursday evenings we have a farmers market from 3 to 7," she said.

She is hoping to launch "an open market," where people can sell a variety of goods, and the hours would be from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.--on Saturdays-- "every Saturday beginning August 14."

"You can bring your yard sale items, your crafts, your baked goods," she said.

Elizabeth Washington of Calhoun Falls will be on hand to coordinate the project.

For more information, one may call McCaslan at 828-0799.

## A Slice of Mike

## "They Gave Me The Wrong Baby"

By Mike Elis

At fourteen years old, my son decided he was ready for our first daddy/son trip. I asked him if he wanted to help me plan it or did he want it to be a surprise. He chose the surprise route and instantly I remembered how he said some years back he wanted to see the Statue of Liberty. So, off to New York we went.

This was actually really cool for me as my whole family was from New York and when I was his age, I used to visit about every year or two. I can remember my great aunt and uncle taking me to all kinds of cool tourist places and their favorite eats. I can still remember the smell of fresh breads and bagels from the eatery across the street. The bakeries of New York can make a man levitate like in the old school cartoons.

With all the culture, all the history, all the arts, I forgot a very important deterrent to all my plans; my son is not cultured and wasn't the type to open his mind to something different.

"So son, how was your first slice of New York pizza?"

He lifted his shoulders and about broke my city boy heart with "Not bad, but still not as good as Papa John's."

I remained calm but my body trembled in fear because at that moment I realized that David, my son for fourteen years, couldn't possibly be mine. Not as good as Papa John's? If she were still alive, my great aunt would check his temperature and tell me that it's my fault while spanking my tush.

He also was not impressed

with the Chinese food, falafel, New York hot dogs, nor the famous Katz's deli pastrami sandwich, the pinnacle of deli perfection. As he so bluntly put it, "Daddy, no restaurant is as good as Panda Express."

So, there is only one thing to do. I am going to launch a full investigation to make sure that he is indeed my son. I want to see medical records, interview all hospital employees, DNA testing. Also, David's mother will be subject to questioning along with the mailman, Fed-ex guy, and any former employers.

Desperate times call for desperate measures.

Somewhere out there may be a family who is wondering why their child wants smoked salmon on his bagel, prefers Pepsi over Coke, and would rather go for long drives rather than watch YouTube. When I find them we can make a swap, quick and easy. All I can hope for is that the parents didn't brainwash him into becoming a fan of the Florida Gators or Katy Perry.

If that is the case, I will stick with David and accept that he thinks the best macaroni and cheese ever comes in a box with powdered dairy product.

But here we were last week in New York. I wanted to go see art museums and he wanted to go to a virtual reality arcade. But he's my son. We are so different in every way but it was the first time we had a chance to bond. My little momma's boy has a dad who is on the road entertaining for a living and he gave me a chance

to spend four days in the big city with him. I took full advantage of it. I spoiled him with every tourist attraction and acted like I couldn't wait to share yet another piece of cheese pizza with him since he likes no toppings.

On the plane ride home, he put his head on my shoulder and thanked me for the trip and asked if we could do it again next year. We agreed on the Grand Canyon.

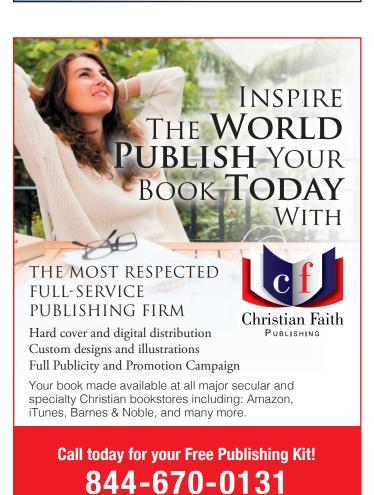
I am so looking forward to it. Not only to the sites but to the moment when we are in the region that cooks the best Mexican food in the states and knowing that his preference will be a cheese quesadilla from Taco Bell. I'll roll my eyes but until the detective work proves something different, he is my son. Yes, his tastes are simple and predictable... But he's my boy. If there was a mix-up at the hospital, thank you. I kind of love the little guy.

Now, if you will excuse me, I promised him hot chocolate today. He turned down the Ghirardelli hot cocoa this morning which I paid airport prices for in which he responded with the "ick" face.

Nope, he wants the kind that comes in a packet. Nothing but the best (in his opinion) for my boy.

Don't forget that Friday, August 6th at the Abbeville Opera House, stand-up comedian Shaun Jones makes his return after a standing ovation in his last performance. You've seen him on BET, Comedy Central, and in the movie Ace Ventura. Special guest Jason Allen King. Get your tickets at abbevillecitysc.com.

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## DiMaggio & Timmerman wed June 12th

Jeanne Elizabeth DiMaggio, Laurens, NY and James Anderson Timmerman V "Anders," Abbeville, SC were joined in marriage on Saturday, June 12, 2021 at Glendale Manor in Brookneal, VA. The Rev. Daniel Royster was the officiating clergyman.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Richard DiMaggio of Laurens, NY. The groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. James Anderson Timmerman III "Andy," of Abbeville, SC. He is the grandson of Mrs. Jo Anne Timmerman of Columbia, SC.

A program of wedding music was provided by Kevin Wright. The bride was given in marriage by her mother and father. Mrs. Kimberly Hoffman, childhood friend of the bride, of Rome, NY was the matron of honor. Bridesmaids were Miss Maria Burch, high school friend of the bride of Oneonta, NY; Mrs. Sarah LeFort Kirshner, high school friend of the bride, of Charleton, MA; Mrs. Marisa DeForest, high school friend of the bride, of Unadilla, NY; Miss CaryLynn Timmerman, sister of the groom, of Abbeville, SC; Miss Emily Jutras, college friend of the bride, of Williamsburg, VA; and Miss Madeline Fiol, college friend of the bride, of Lancaster, PA. The flower girl was Miss Elli Burch, of Oneonta, NY. The bride's book was kept by Mrs. Jeanne Martin, aunt of the bride, of Deer Park, NY.

The bride wore a sleeveless ivory wedding gown



Mr. and Mrs. James Anderson Timmerman

with a train and a veil. The attendants wore full-length dresses adorned in alternating wisteria and grape. The flower girl wore a white dress with a grape sash.

The groom's father served as Best man. Groomsmen were Preston Koschel, high school friend of the groom, of Greenville, SC; Ethan Gilbert, college friend of the groom, of Bedford, VA; Colton Tucker,

college friend of the groom, of Rock Hill, SC; Pierce Royster, high school friend of the groom, of Abbeville, SC; Zeke Evans, high school friend of the groom, of Abbeville, SC; Ethan Cuttill, high school friend of the groom, of Abbeville, SC. The reception was held in the barn at Glendale Manor.

The reception was held in the barn at Glendale Manor. Born in Portchester, NY, the bride is a graduate of Morris Central School. In

2021, she received a B.S. in Cinematic Arts from Liberty University. Born in Abbeville, SC, the groom is a graduate of Abbeville High School. In 2021, he received a B.S. in Cinematic Arts from Liberty University. They are both working on various film sets in the Southeast.

After a wedding trip to Cancun, Mexico, the couple resides in Atlanta, GA.



Erskine is renovating this 19th century house in Due West, with plans to use it as an event space for various gatherings. (Staff photo by Henry E. Green)

## Farm Bureau holds legislative dinner

By Henry E. Green

Abbeville County Farm Bureau held its annual Abbeville County legislative dinner on the evening of Tuesday, at the Abbeville County Agricultural Building.

Farm Bureau representatives welcomed members of the Abbeville County Legislative Delegation as well as Abbeville County Sheriff Ray Watson, and members of Abbeville County Council. In attendance for the

occasion were State Sen. Mike Gambrell and State Rep. Craig Gagnon, as well as Watson, and Council members Billy Norris, John Calhoun, Charles Goodwin, Rick Campbell and James McCord.

Presiding over the meeting was Abbeville County Farm Bureau president Barney Gambrell.

Gambrell and Gagnon painted a picture of a General Assembly year that was like no other, colored as it was by the pandemic.

"To say it's been an unusual year has got to be the understatement" of the year,

Gambrell said. "We've never faced any-

thing like this," he said, referring to the coronavirus pandemic.

The state legislator said that both he and his father are "gentleman farmers."

"We're always here for you," Gagnon told the Farm Bureau representatives in

attendance. "We're good stewards of

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the taxpayers' money," he

Some local projects received some state funding, including \$1 million for the Calhoun Falls State Park, and funding for a new nursing facility for Lander University.

The facility might help address what Gagnon described as a shortage of nurses.

The General Assembly also passed an open carry with permit law, and the Governor signed the legislation into law.

The General Assembly is poised to go back into session to discuss redistricting in the aftermath of the U.S. Census.

The population of South Carolina has grown substantially, said Gagnon, who said that he believes the district he represents--State House District 11--will be getting much bigger, thanks to the Census and redistricting.

Then it was the turn of County Council members.

"We work for you!" said Norris, who is also the County Council chairman.

"We do what we have to do for the betterment of Abbeville County," said McCord.

Campbell, meanwhile, praised the Legislative Delegation for its work, and mentioned a project which he hopes will become a reality in the district he rep-

resents--District Six. That project is the creation of a Diamond Hill fire station. Calhoun, meanwhile, called on the Delegation, as part of the General Assembly, to remember the smaller counties like Abbeville.

"We are doing our best to be good stewards of your money," said Goodwin, who is also the Council's vice chairman.

For five years, Abbeville County has not had to borrow money to maintain its governmental operations.

And Abbeville County has been able to save substantial amounts of money--about five months of operating expenses.

Finally, Sheriff Ray Watson noted that the public safety meal that he coordinates is coming back.

The meal was not presented in 2020 due to the pandemic, but this year it will be held on Sept. 30, the Sheriff said. (In past years, it was held in April.)

Abbeville County recently closed the Abbeville County "county farm" building, he went on to say.

The building was badly in need of repair, with plumbing repairs alone expected to have come to \$30,000 to

He closed by calling on Abbeville County residents to be vigilant in terms of crime prevention, and notify the authorities.

"If you see something that doesn't look right, call!" he

## Erskine renovating 19th century house

By Henry E. Green

Erskine is renovating an old, 19th century house in Due West, with the hope of turning it into a kind of welcome center for both the college/seminary and the Town of Due West.

The two story brick structure takes in about 3,000 square feet. This Greek Revival structure at the corner of Main and Washington will cost the college about \$250,000 to renovate.

Seymour and Bell led a local reporter on a tour of the house, with its extensive porch and large back yard.

"The story has a lot of Abbeville history," said Paul Bell, the Vice President for Advancement and Alumni Relations. "It's been called a number of things over the years."

Built in 1880 by Henry Pinckney McGee, "it was called the finest house in Due West," said Bell.

McGee, one of the founders of the Due West Baptist Church, later sold it. "We have some evidence that it was called McGee Hall,"

It then passed into the hands of the Kennedy family and then the Blythe family.

The house was then given to Erskine for the dean of the seminary, William Walkup Boyce, to live in.

A much beloved professor at the Erskine seminary, Boyce lived there a number of years among his antiques.

The dean who followed Boyce did not need the house, and a student literary society used it for some time.

"It's been vacant a number of years now," said Bell.

Erskine still owns the house, and is in the process of renovating the house, through the gifts of alumni and friends.

"Matching funds were made possible by the late Dr. and Mrs. Charles M. Bell, Chester, SC, from funds donated in 1989 to the Endowment Fund for the Bell Enrichment Fund at Erskine," according to information Bell provided.

Erskine Coordinator of

Alumni Relations Hope Seymour said that the plan is to the house for event space, alumni gatherings, and meetings of the Erskine board of trustees, and it will also be a welcome center for the Town of Due West and the college.

A joint venture of the Town and the College, the renovation process began in June. The process includes updating the house to meet safety codes, replacing and/ or renovating restrooms, and creating a catering kitchen.

"A lot of the work is cosmetic," said Bell.

Floors will be refinished, and WiFi will be installed, as well as telephone service and HVAC.

The target date for completion of the renovation is October. "We'll put it into immediate use when it's finished." he said.

There are also plans to open it up to the community for events such as wedding



The Abbeville County Farm Bureau held its annual legislative dinner recently at the Abbeville County Agricultural Building. Among those chatting following the dinner were Abbeville County Farm Bureau president Barney Gambrell (left) and Abbeville County Council members James McCord (right). (Staff photo by Henry E. Green)

### Keep your garden looking best all summer long

by Melinda Myers

Summer means hot and often dry weather for many gardeners. Keep your garden looking its best with less water and maintenance throughout the summer.

Spread a layer of organic mulch like leaves, evergreen needles or woodchips on the soil surrounding plants. This helps keep plant roots cool, conserves moisture, suppresses weeds and improves the soil as it decomposes. Use a three- to four-inch layer of coarser material like wood chips and a thinner, one-inch layer of finer materials like leaves. Pull the mulch away from the trunk of the tree, stems of shrubs, and base of flowers and vegetables.

Water thoroughly to encourage deep, drought tolerant roots. Light, frequent watering promotes shallow roots, making plants more susceptible to drought and other environmental stress-

Check new plantings every day or two and water often enough to keep the root area and surrounding soil slightly moist. Gradually extend the time between watering. Most plants thrive with an inch of water each week. Let soil moisture not the calendar be your guide. Adjust your watering practices based on temperature, soil type and rainfall.

Water gardens early in the day to reduce water lost to evaporation and the risk of disease. Consider using drip irrigation or soaker hoses to apply water directly to the soil where it is needed. You will conserve moisture and help reduce the risk of spreading disease with

overhead watering. Check container gardens daily. Water thoroughly, until excess water exits through the drainage hole, whenever the top few inches of potting mix are dry. Succulents like to go a bit drier while moisture-loving plants prefer evenly moist soil.

Continue weeding throughout the summer. These unwanted plants compete for water and nutrients. Many are hosts for insects and disease, attracting them to the landscape and putting your garden plants at greater risk.

Remove faded flowers (deadhead) to improve the plant's appearance, encourage more flowers or prevent reseeding. Self-cleaning plants like impatiens, cuphea and calibrachoa need no deadheading to keep blooming. Columbine, Amsonia and bee balm are a few perennials that produce lots of seedlings. Deadhead these and other plants

that produce more seed-

lings than you desire. Stop deadheading perennials in late summer or early fall to allow seed heads to form. The seed heads add winter interest and many attract songbirds to the garden.

Use twigs, decorative stakes, or other supports to keep tall, floppy plants standing tall in the garden. Take time to mask functional supports so staked plants still look their best. Consider decorative stakes or convert found items into garden art that adds interest while keeping your plants upright.

Don't fret when some of your annuals stop blooming during the hotter days of summer. Lobelia, French marigolds, and sweet alyssum are a few annuals that may stop flowering (heat stall) during hot weather. Continue to water and trim back as needed. Then wait for cooler temperatures and flowers to return.

Add a few hanging baskets or containers for extra color and pizzazz. Place containers and hanging baskets in lackluster garden areas like the front entrance, next to the patio or anywhere a bit of fresh color is needed.

Employ a few or all of these strategies to keep your garden looking its best. You will be amazed at the big impact such small efforts can provide.



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### Two Brews... It's news!

### New restaurant to open Thursday on Court Square in Abbeville

#### By Henry E. Green

Ready to offer a wide range of good things, Two Brews will open on Abbeville's Court Square on Thursday, said Matt Gambrell of Abbeville Tuesday.

"We're a full service restaurant," said Matt, who with his wife Erin runs the business.

Two Brews will be offering doughnuts, coffee, specialty drinks, comfort food, craft beer and wine.

separate phases," he said. Phase 1 will include doughnuts, coffee and some breakfast items, according to Gambrell.

Phase 2, which Gambrell hopes to implement within the next 30 days, will represent an expansion of service to include the "meat and two" and "meat and three."

Phase 3 will be a "cook to order" dinner service, with a launching of a bar side, "We're opening in three including such items as

craft beers.

The hours for the new eatery will be 7 a.m. to 11 a.m. for the first week or two, said Gambrell, who hopes to move into "Phase Two" sometime after that, with extended hours to accompany the expanded service.

As for the restaurant's name, it is all derived from two brewed items which will be very prominent at the restaurant--coffee and beer.

Matt Gambrell and his wife Erin are opening a new restaurant -- Two Brews -- on Abbeville's Court Square. Here's Matt issuing a warm welcome to the restaurant, slated to open this week. (Staff photo by Henry E. Green)

### Wait for it...

#### Football season is coming to stadium near you!

#### By Henry E. Green

Football season is just around the corner, with Abbeville High School set to host the WCTEL Kickoff Classic beginning at 6 p.m. on Thursday, August 5.

This preseason event will include contests between Ninety Six and McCormick, Emerald and Strom Thurmond, Abbeville and Westside, and Dixie and Calhoun Falls Charter.

The Panthers will continue the preseason with the Battle at the Border on August 13. AHS will travel to Gaffney to participate in this event, which will include teams from South Carolina

and North Carolina.

"We are playing a team from North Carolina," said AHS athletic director Maggie Jameson.

Tickets for the Battle will be available at the WCTEL Classic, said Jameson.

Abbeville will open its regular 2021 season by hosting McCormick on August 20.

Abbeville is under the direction of head football coach Jamie Nickles, and the Panthers are the defending state champions in the AA classification.

The AHS jayvees will open their season on August 26 at 6 p.m., when the jayvees host Newberry.

Wright Middle School will travel to Clinton on Sept. 9 at 5:30 p.m. for its first game of the season.

The first home game for WMS will be Sept. 16, when Wright hosts JET.

Calhoun Falls Charter will host Ware Shoals on August 20 to open the 2021 Blue Flash season.

Dixie, meanwhile, will travel to Greenwood Christian on August 20, for the Hornets' first game of the 2021 season.

Dixie's first practice will be on Friday, July 30, at 8:30 a.m., said Dixie athletic director and head football coach Vic Lollis.

### Wetness witness

### Amount of rain closely monitored in rural community like Abbeville

By Henry E. Green Rain.

In a rural community like Abbeville County, it is not uncommon for people to keep track of the rain and how much we need.

When all counties in South Carolina were recently declared drought-free by the South Carolina Department of Natural Resources, we wondered about the precipitation scene here in Abbeville County.

Adam Gore of recently painted a picture of the rain here in Abbeville County.

"Like our surrounding counties, most of our rain has been spotty at times, but for the most part we have adequate soil moisture compared to where we were a month and a half ago," said Gore Thursday.

"Though the lack of rain in May and early June slowed some pastures after cutting,

Clemson extension agent they have recovered well.

And for those that may not have had adequate grass in pasture, last year provided a substantial amount of hay to help out for these spotty times. We are still behind in rain, where I would like to be this time of year but not enough to cause worry yet.

"As always, when it comes to rain, we are either receiving too much or not enough."



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**Excerpt From Commentary** on Galatians Martin Luther

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A customer at Abbeville Hardware on South Main in Abbeville backed into the store's sign on Tuesday, July 6, said store owner Roger Welborn. (Staff photo by Henry E.

## Sheriff: Deer supper set for September

By Henry E. Green

The Abbeville County Sheriff Ray Watson is reviving the public safety deer supper, planning to hold it on Sept. 30, at the Abbeville County Agricultural Building in Abbeville.

Watson mentioned the plans during remarks at the Abbeville County Farm

Bureau Legislative Dinner viding an opportunity for recently.

In the past, hundreds of people would descend on the Agriculture Building for free food, including deer sausage and other goodies prepared by personnel from Abbeville County emergency response agencies.

And it was all free, pro-

fellowship as well as one to enjoy good food.

The deer supper was cancelled last year due to COVID, but this year it is making a comeback.

More details will be provided closer to the date.

## County planning classification study

By Henry E. Green

Abbeville County government is in the process of selecting a firm to conduct a classification study in connection with County government and its employees.

"We've selected three firms to interview and will be contacting them," said Abbeville County Director David Garner Tuesday.

"It is a compensation study which will look at salary as compared to other employers/governments and also how their positions are classified (grade levels). The study would take 3-4 months to complete depending on the firm if council were to move forward with it."

Garner said that competition with other counties provides one reason for the study.

"That is one reason," he said. "Another is our current classification scale is outdated and in need of being updated to align our employees and their positions more appropriately with the number/level of responsibilities that they undertake in their jobs."

## Filing period for CF elections set to open

By Henry E. Green

The filing period for Calhoun Falls Town Council elections planned for the fall is set to open on Monday, August 2, at noon, said Abbeville County voter registration and elections director Kim London.

Currently holding those seats are Council members Wayne Postell and Mindy

continued.

Those persons wishing to file as candidates should contact the Abbeville County voter registration office at 366-2400, extension 53.

The filing fee is \$50. "And it can ONLY be with check or money order," she said.

The elections will be held on Tuesday, Nov. 2, in Cal-

Boggs Rogers, London houn Falls at the Calhoun Falls Civic Center.

> Calhoun Falls Town Council members serve four year

> The filing period closes on Monday, August 16, at noon, London continued.

Calhoun Falls Town Council elections are nonparti-

### Bell Toll Ceremony **July 2021 Honoring Deceased Veterans**

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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, July 30th. 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.

## Filing period for Due West seats to open

By Henry E. Green

The filing period for three Due West Town Council seats is set to begin, according to Kim London, Abbeville County voter registration and elections director.

Fling by petition will begin on Monday, August 2, at noon for three seats.

Currently in those seats are Terry Arnold, Charles Angel and Katherine Storey. The elections for

these seats will be held on Nov. 2.

The filing period will conclude on August 16 at Those wishing to file as

the voter registration office at 366-2400, extension 53. "They will need 29 signatures to be placed on the

candidates may contact

ballot," she said. The signatures must be from registered voters in the Town of Due West, according to the voter registration director

London suggests that would be candidate collect about 10 more signatures than are needed, in case some of these signatures are ruled ineligible.

Blank petitions may be picked up at the voter registration office, London continued.

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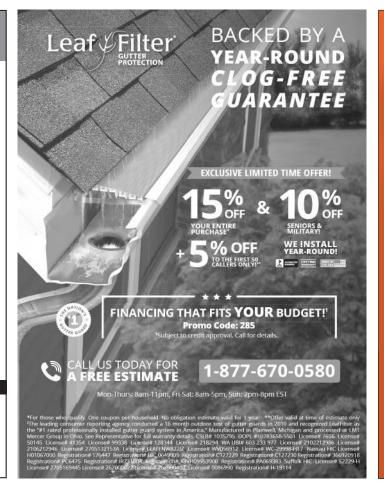
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## All things green Adam Gore of Clemson Extension

## can tell you about horticulture

#### By Henry E. Green

To say that Adam Gore works with Clemson Extension is something of an understatement.

He has become a "go to" guy if you want to know something about horticulture and many things related to it. Gore grew up on the South Carolina coast, but he has found a comfortable niche in the South Carolina Upstate.

"I grew up in Loris, South Carolina," he said. "It's a town that, in terms of size, is not all that different from Abbeville."

"I moved to the area most recently from Sumter, SC where I was a high school agricultural science and horticulture teacher."

Gore grew up playing soccer and baseball all the way from elementary school through high school where his interest in agriculture, and more specifically turfgrass, took off through his involvement with FFA.

Gore received both his B.S. and M.S. degrees from Clemson University in 2013 and 2016, respectively, and is hoping to have his Ph.D finished by the end of 2022.

He started working for Clemson Extension in June 2018, and today his official job title is Agriculture/Horticulture Extension Agent.

"My duties primarily revolve around helping homeowners and growers in

sues regarding landscapes, lawns, fruit trees and berries as well as agronomic crops. This means I identify weedy plants, diseases, and help determine best growing practices for most plants that we see in the county. I also write articles for Clemson's HGIC website with my articles focusing mainly on identification and control of specific weedy plants as well as home lawn care. I

Abbeville County with is-

the county." So, what led him to this line of work?

also currently serve as the

County Coordinator for the

Extension office and the

pesticide coordinator for

"It was a combination of two things - a desire to help people and a love for turfgrass. I've been working with grass in some capacity for over 16 years starting with helping maintain my high school sports fields, then moving my way up to golf courses and collegiate fields, eventually leading to research and testing of fertilizers and pesticides on different grasses. I think that people sometimes make lawns and grasses more complicated than they should be and I want people to enjoy the landscapes that they have. This job allows me to help with both.

His doctorate is in Plant and Environmental Sciences with a focus in turfgrass,

and he is investigating potential negative interactions between copper-containing products that are commonly used in the care for turf areas and warm-season golf greens as they are coming out of winter dormancy.

"It's a problem that has grown over the past several years in the industry. I'm hoping to finish this degree by the end of 2022. From there, it depends on where the opportunity is. I love the area and hope to stay while hopefully moving more into a turf specialist role for the Extension service."

The Greenwood resident, who plans to get married next March in Abbeville, was asked about his goals.

"For the last three years, my main goal was simply to establish this position and make people aware of the service that is available to them. For the last two years, and for the foreseeable future, a personal goal of mine was to increase the number of people that are growing their own food and increase that to the point where more people are selling at our local farmers markets.

"I've seen small gains in all of that with over 140 people attending various growers workshops that have been offered through a partnership between Dr. Wilder Ferreira of the FCCF and myself at the Extension office."



Adam Gore works for Clemson Extension here in Abbeville County. (Contributed photo)

### Mr. Brad Evans recognized for participating in state-level training

#### Submitted by **Rosilyn Mims**

COLUMBIA — A board member for Abbeville County School District earned recognition by the South Carolina School Boards

Association (SCSBA) for achievement in the association's 2020—2021 Boardmanship Institute.

The SCSBA Boardmanship Institute, established in 1982, offers a year-round training curriculum to help board members develop skills and stay abreast of of six levels for the 2020—

state and national education issues. Workshops focus on school law, advocacy and legislation, improving board operations, leadership for improving student achieve-

ment and other timely topics.

Mr. Brad Evans reached Level Three by earning 100 points within two consecutive years or less. Level Three recipients receive a certificate and gold pin.

Statewide, SCSBA recognized 79 school board members for reaching one

2021 year with certificates of achievement and a lapel pin designating their level of accomplishment in the institute.

Each year, about 80 percent of board members statewide attend at least one training session.

SCSBA is the statewide professional organization serving as a source of information, training and advocacy for the state's 77 school district boards, county boards and state special

### Community calendar

#### **Elbert Theatre** making plans

Encore Productions will be having performances for the third show in the 2021 season 9 to 5 the Musical August 6-8 and 13-15 in the Elbert Theatre in Elberton,

For more information, one may call the Elbert Theatre Office at 706-283-1049.

#### Online workshop to look at email marketing

"Email marketing - How To Do It Right," a free online workshop, will be held on

p.m. by the Freshwater Calhoun Falls Farmers Coast Community Foun- Market on Tugaloo Street dation.

For more information, one may call Wilder Ferreira at 1-864-642-8758.

#### Shopping party in Calhoun Falls planned

A multi-vendor shopping party hosted by Angela's Bazaar is being planned for Calhoun Falls for Saturday, August 7 from 9 a.m. to 4

There will be food, fun and fellowship at the event,

July 28 from noon to 1:30 which will take place at the in Calhoun Falls.

This "multi-vendor shopping party" will be hosted by Angela's Bazaar, rain or shine.

There will be boutique clothing, jewelry and accessories, boiled peanuts, baked goods, soaps, lotions and candles.

Those in attendance may enjoy hot dogs, drinks, and

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### Remember



Psalm 20:7 "Some trust in chariots, and some in horses; but we will remember the name of the Lord our God."

When Queen Victoria celebrated 60 years on the British throne in 1897, the nation threw a grand party. Everyone turned out to celebrate. Parliament commissioned Rudyard Kipling, the greatest poet of the day, to write the national song. They expected a song extolling the splendor of the British Empire. Instead, Kipling's verse was called Recessional, and each verse ended with this haunting refrain: "Lord God of Hosts, be with us yet/Lest we forget—Lest we forget!"

We are so prone to forget all the great and wonderful things the Lord does for us. I fear that our nation has forgotten who God is and what He has done for us. Rather than trust in God we are trusting in science, government, politicians, and our own intellect. There are three thoughts from this passage that stand out to me.

The first one is when we remember the name of the Lord, we can see the contrast to what others believe in. David makes it plain what some people trust in-chariots and horsesthe military machinery of his day. In contrast, David said he would remember the name of the "Lord our God." When David remembered the name of the Lord God no doubt he remembered what the Lord did to the horses and chariots of Egypt—destroyed them in the Red Sea. When Pharaoh's army came against the children of Israel it looked like the end of the line for Israel. Instead it was the end of the line for Pharaoh.

At the time that Pharaoh marched against Israel, Egypt was the mightiest military in the entire world but his horses and chariots were no match for God.

Folks, we need to remember when our country was struggling for freedom, England was the mightiest military force in the world—but God preserved us and carried us through. We need to remember that.

The second one is that when we remember the name of the Lord our God we remember who He is.

God is sovereign. God is the creator. God is our provider and sustainer. We need to remember that during these trying times in which we live. Science cannot save us. but God sure can. When we forget who God is we forget the only one who can give us the help we need. God is compassionate, God is merciful, God wants to bless us but He cannot if we forget who He is and what He has done for us.

The third thought is that when we remember the name of the Lord our God we remember what He does-He delivers. Notice verse 8 of this chapter: "They have bowed down and fallen; but we have risen and stand upright."

The ones who trust in horses and chariots fall, but the ones who trust in God are delivered. You can mark it down, God always honors faith, always.

Faith in military might can be misplaced and fail the ones trusting in it—but trust in God never fails. Faith in God will always carry us through—never forget that.



Abbeville Rotarians Matthew Johnson (left) and Jennifer Erwin (right) recently recognized fellow Rotarian Lou Paradis (center) as a Paul Harris Fellow, a very prestigious honor in Rotary. (Staff photo by Henry E. Green)

### Ground broken for Diamond Hill substation

By Henry E. Green

Ground has been broken for the Diamond Hill substation, a substation of the Antreville fire department, David Garner said.

Delays have occurred because of difficulties in obtaining materials," but they're working through that," he said.

He is hoping it can be finished by the end of the calendar year, and in fact, once construction materials are on site, the process can be finished in 90 days.

The purpose of the substation is to enhance fire

protection for the people living in the area," to improve their ISO ratings and in turn drive down insurance costs.

The substation will be staffed by volunteers from Antreville fire department, and will be located on land which is owned by Abbeville County...

The substation, which will be located in the Diamond Hill community of rural Abbeville County will house fire trucks.

"We (Abbeville County) approved approximately \$80,000," he said. That was higher than the original cost that was budgeted, because of inflation and the rising cost of materials, and the scarcity of materials, as well.

The bid for building and construction was awarded to an Iva contractor, said Garner, who said that the substation will be a "metal building on a concrete slab."

The \$80,000 allocation was approved back in the spring of 2021, Garner said.

This substation was recommended by the Abbeville County Rural Fire Commission, the Abbeville County Director continued.

### 'Shopping party' slated for Calhoun Falls

By Henry E. Green

A "multi vendor shopping party: coordinated by Calhoun Falls merchant Angela Kracht is being planned for Calhoun Falls for Saturday, August 7 from 9 a.m. to 4

There will be food, fun and fellowship at the event, which will take place at the Calhoun Falls Farmers according to Kracht. Market on Tugaloo Street in Calhoun Falls.

This "multi vendor shopping party" will be held rain

There will be boutique clothing, jewelry and accessories, boiled peanuts, baked goods, soaps, lotions and candles.

Those in attendance may enjoy hot dogs, drinks and

About 15 vendors will be represented with the event.

The purpose is "to generate people around town on Saturdays again and to try to

get them to utilize the notion of the open air market every Saturday at the Farmer's Market, which allows any individual or business to set up and sell for just \$10/ space," she said.

"I decided to sponsor it through my boutique Angela's Bazaar with the help of Rebeca McCaslan of the CF Chamber and Wilder from Clemson, because of my ability to promote it on my Facebook pages."



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### PUBLIC NOTICE



The City of Abbeville will hold a public meeting on August 18th at its office at 100 Court Square at 1:00 p.m. The purpose of the meeting is to give an opportunity to become acquainted with a proposed Rural Development project consisting generally of the purchase of two police vehicles for the City of Abbeville Police Department.

Citizens will have the opportunity to comment on such items as economic and environmental impacts, service area, and alternatives to the project.

### **NOTICE OF ELECTION**

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Notice is hereby given that a non-partisan municipal election for the town of DUE WEST will be held at Precincts fixed by law on Tuesday, November 2, 2021. Those seats to be voted on are for three (3) Town Council Seats.

Any person wishing to register to vote in these elections must do so no later than Friday, October 1st, 2021 in person, Sunday, October 3rd, 2021 online, and Monday, October 4th, 2021 by date stamped mail.

Filing is by petition.

010 Due West

Filing will begin at Noon, August 2nd, the deadline for filing petitions is NOON, August 16th. Blank petitions are available at the Abbeville County Registration & Elections office.

The polls shall be open from 7:00am until 7:00pm at the polling places designated below.

Voters who are blind, handicapped or unable to read or write are entitled to assistance in casting their ballots. The voter must notify the poll manager if assistance is needed.

Registered electors who cannot vote in person on Election Day may be eligible to vote by absentee ballot. For additional information concerning absentee voting call 366-2400 ext 53. The Abbeville County Board of Registration and Elections or visit scvotes.org.

At 2:00 pm on Election Day the County Election Commission may begin processing the absentee ballot precinct in the office at the Abbeville County Complex at 903 West Greenwood Street, Suite 2500, Abbeville SC, 29620.

On Thursday, November 4th, 2021 at 11:00 am, the Abbeville County Board of Canvassers will hold a hearing to determine the validity of provisional ballots from the November 2nd election. This hearing will be held at the Abbeville County Complex at 903 West Greenwood Street, Suite 2500, Abbeville SC, 29620.

The following precincts and polling places will be open from 7:00 a.m. until 7:00 p.m.:

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### Legals

**NOTICE OF SALE 2020-**CP-01-00280

BY VIRTUE of a decree heretofore granted in the case of: Vanderbilt Mortgage and Finance, Inc. against Taria Stokes a/k/a Taria D. Stokes a/k/a Taria Dianne Stokes, Midland Funding, LLC, and Portfolio Recovery Associates, LLC, I, the undersigned Master in Equity for Abbeville County, will sell on August 2, 2021, at 2:00 p.m., or on another date, thereafter as approved by the Court, at the County Courthouse in Abbeville, South Carolina, to the highest bidder, the following described property, to-wit:

All that certain piece, parcel or lot of land lying and being situate in the State of South Carolina, County of Abbeville, and being shown and designated as Tract "A" on SC Highway 184 on plat prepared by Wallace & Associates dated April 29, 2010 entitled "Boundary Survey for James D. Stokes and Mattie Stokes" and recorded in Plat Book 69 at page 33 in the Abbeville County Clerk of Court Office. Reference is hereby made to said plat for a more complete and accurate description of said property. Also includes mobile/manufactured home, a 2010 CLAY, VIN# ROC723905NCAB

This is the same property conveyed to Taria Stokes by Deed of James Daniel Stokes, dated June 9, 2010,

recorded July 12, 2010 in Deed Book 283 at Page 811 in the Office of the Register of Deeds for Abbeville County.

TMS No. 009-00-00-075 (LOT) 000-99-07-830 (MH) Property Address: 9204 Highway 184 E, Donalds, SC 29638

TERMS OF SALE: The successful bidder, other than the plaintiff, will deposit with the Master in Equity at conclusion of the bidding, five per cent (5%) of said bid, in cash or equivalent, as evidence of good faith, same to be applied to purchase price in case of compliance, but to be forfeited and applied first to costs and then to plaintiff's debt in the case of noncompliance. Should the successful bidder fail or refuse to make the required deposit at time of bid or comply with the other terms of the bid within thirty (30) days, then the Master in Equity may resell the property on the same terms and conditions (at the risk of the said defaulting bidder). Should the Plaintiff, or one of its representatives, fail to be present at the time of sale, the property is automatically withdrawn from said sale and sold at the next available sales day upon the terms and conditions as set forth in the Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale or any Supplemental Order. The successful bidder will be required to pay for documentary stamps on the Deed

and interest on the balance of the bid from the date of sale to the date of compliance with the bid at the rate of 11.3500%.

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TO ASSESSMENTS, COUNTY TAXES, EXIST-ING EASEMENTS, EASE-MENTS AND RESTRIC-TIONS OF RECORD, AND OTHER SENIOR ENCUM-BRANCES. No personal or deficiency

judgment being demanded, the bidding will not remain open after the date of sale, but compliance with the bid may be made immediately.

**NOTICE:** The foreclosure deed is not a warranty deed. Interested bidders should satisfy themselves as to the quality of title to be conveyed by obtaining an independent title search well before the foreclosure sale date.

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Honorable Roy R. Hemphill Master in Equity Abbeville County Riley Pope & Laney, LLC

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### Legals

**NOTICE OF SALE** 

BY VIRTUE of a decree heretofore granted in the case of: U.S. Bank National Association, as indenture trustee, for the CIM Trust 2016-2, Mortgage-Backed Notes, Series 2016-2 vs. April Denise McCoppin; Lendmark Financial Services; , C/A No. 2019CP0100421, The following property will be sold on August 2, 2021, at 2:00 PM at the Abbeville County Courthouse to the highest bidder (as to deed book 111 at

page 27)

All that lot or parcel of land situate, lying and being in Diamond Hill Township,

Abbeville County, State of South Carolina, containing 0.877 acres, more or less, and being bounded on the north by State Road S-1-34; on the east by lands or Frank Campbell; on the southeast by lands of Ellis Martin; and on the northwest by lands of Ellis Martin; being shown in detail on a plat by Hugh J. Martin dated June 14, 1969 which is recorded in plat book 17 at page 68. This land being a portion of the 60 acre tract conveyed to Ellis Martin by the heirs of T. J. Foster as set out in deed book 95 at page 52. Said deed being dated August 27, 1957.

(as to deed book 108 at page 613)

a lot of land, situate in Diamond Hill Township, former school district no.27, Abbeville County, South Carolina, containing 0.478 acres, more or less, more particularly described as "Part B" on a plat thereof entitled "Lot of Land for J. W. Mc-Coppin", made by Hugh J. Martin, RLS, dated May 1, 1970, recorded in the OCC for Abbeville County, South Carolina, in plat book 17 at page 226.

Said lot of land has a frontage of 104.78 feet along the center line of S. C. State Highway No. S-124 and is bounded as follows: bounded on the north by the center lines, of S. C. State

Highway No. S-24; bounded on the east by a 0.877 acre tract of land owned by J. W. McCopplin; and bounded on the south and west by lands owned by Ellis Martin.

Derivation: Book 342 at Page 430 740 Keowee Road, Iva, SC

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John J. Hearn Attorney for Plaintiff P.O. Box 100200 Columbia, SC 29202-3200 (803) 744-4444 011847-04624 www.roger-Website: stownsend.com (see link to Resources/Foreclosure Sales) Rov R. Hemphill Master in Equity for Abbeville County 7/14, 7/21, 7/28

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