



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

Reports say Mayor under investigation

By Henry E. Green

Abbeville Mayor Trey Edwards is a focus of a SLED investigation, according to SLED.

According to WYFF-TV, SLED Director of Information Tommy Crosby confirmed the investigation, but declined to provide any other details, citing the ongoing investigation.

Edwards, who was not available for comment at press time, has posted a message on his Facebook

page:

"I am aware of the Fox Carolina news article and the Index Journal that was released. I brought an issue to law enforcement's attention that requires an investigation. While the investigation is active I nor my family can speak to anyone about details. Please be mindful of this and respect the process and our privacy."

"We can't comment," said Assistant Abbeville Police

Chief Nick Moore Monday. "You'll have to contact SLED."

"SLED has an active investigation involving Mr. Edwards," said Crosby Tuesday. "No additional information is available at this time while the investigation is ongoing."

Edwards took office in January 2020, after serving on City Council as a representative of City Council District Three.



The Abbeville Wheels of Time Car Club held a car show on Saturday, Sept. 4 on Abbeville's Court Square. (Staff photo by Henry E. Green)



This sporty automobile, a Z-28, was one of the nearly 100 vintage automobiles which excited car lovers at the Abbeville Wheels of Time Car Club car show on Sept. 4 in downtown Abbeville. (Staff photo by Henry E. Green)

Love on four wheels

Labor Day weekend car show in Abbeville means abundant nostalgia

By Henry E. Green

To say that Americans have a love affair with the automobile is a well-worn observation.

Nowhere was that love-fest on display more clearly than on Saturday in downtown Abbeville, when the Abbeville Wheels of Time Car Club held its annual Labor Day weekend car show.

Everywhere you looked, there were vintage cars to muscle cars to something in which you could imagine Bonnie and Clyde riding.

Club president Daniel Waits of Greenwood said the motor vehicles parked all around the Square included a few from the 1920s, and a number from the 1930s, on up through the 2000s.

"We have about 40 members in the club," he said.

This collection of car lovers also makes an appearance during the Spring Festival, when you can find their automobiles parked on North Main, just north of the Square.

Caring for a vintage automobile can be an expensive hobby. People often find vintage cars online through Craigslist or eBay or the like, and then spend as much as \$250,000 restoring them.

However, for car lovers, that does not seem to matter. Nurturing a vintage car is an exercise in nostalgia.

All in all, the car show featured 93 classic cars.

"It's a money pit," said Waits.

The car club members try to attend a big car show in March in Myrtle Beach, as well as one in Pigeon

Forge, TN, and, closer to home, there are gatherings in Laurens, Greenwood and Anderson.

There is also the Turkey Run in Daytona, FL, the biggest car show in the Southeast.

They have what is called the Car Corral, where as many as 1,000 vintage cars are for sale.

Waits is proud of a 1970 Chevelle which belonged to his late mother, and he displayed the Chevelle at the car show in Abbeville.

"I have numerous other ones, too," he said.

The nostalgia factor was summed up very succinctly by car club member Russ Waters of Greenwood Saturday.

"We were all young once," he said.

Not so long ago

Saturday marks the 20th anniversary of the terrorist attacks of 9/11

By Henry E. Green

Saturday will mark the 20th anniversary of the terrorist attacks of Sept. 11, 2001.

We all know the sad story. Four planes. The Twin Towers. The Pentagon. A field in Pennsylvania. And nearly 3,000 souls lost.

American Legion Post 2 will present a special program at 8:30 a.m. on the morning of Saturday, Sept. 11 on Court Square in Abbeville to mark the 20th anniversary of the day that, if it did not change America, made a lasting impression.

And just about everyone of a certain age will remember, as was the case with the assassination of John F. Kennedy, where they were

when they learned of planes flying into buildings.

"I was at my desk in my office at home," recalled Lee Logan of Due West Tuesday.

He remembers receiving an e-mail with that all-too-familiar message that does not carry with it good tidings: "Turn on your TV!"

He doesn't remember who sent the message, but he does remember when he turned on the television and found what was happening, he wondered if it was true.

His mind took him back to the days when Orson Welles scared the living daylight out of many with a story, entirely made up, of an invasion from outer space.

Could this be the 21st century equivalent? Alas, the answer was a resounding "no." It was all too real, Logan found to his dismay.

"After all these years the shock has not gone away," he said.

"It's an even more sober reminder of the tenuous nature of life and of relationships," he said.

"What I may consider to be sacrifices that I have made in my life appear to be almost nonexistent compared to those impacted with the attack and those who rushed in to render aid to strangers at the cost of their own lives."

Hill wins special election in Donalds

By Henry E. Green

There was a special election in the Town of Donalds last week and Tisha L. Hill was the winner, according to the Abbeville County voter registration and elections office.

She had 31 votes, or 86 percent of the vote, accord-

ing to the voter registration office.

Hill was the only candidate on the ballot, but there were five write in votes.

She will be filling the unexpired term of Millie McDonald, who passed away earlier this year. McDonald was elected last November

to a four year term on town Council, and Hill will be serving out the remainder of her term.

Turnout in the special election was light. Roughly 15 percent of the eligible voters turned out to cast ballots, and voting was done at the Donalds fire department.

Seasoning

Mennonite community provides distinctive flavor to Country life

By Henry E. Green

(The following is the first in a series.)

The Mennonites have become such an integral part of life in Abbeville County that it would be difficult to imagine life without them.

The County is filled with a thousand and one reminders of their presence. At Christmas time, you're apt to find a Mennonite choir singing a capella to a delighted audience, bringing sounds of the season to a life of their own with harmonies that are particularly sweet.

Someone recently asked how many Mennonites lived in Abbeville County.

Wendell Hochstetler provided us with an answer.

"My father Ernest Hochstetler has done a quick tally on the count of Mennonites that are living presently in Abbeville County. That total including families and children is right at 445."

Numbers aside, the Mennonite community provides a richness and texture to life here in Abbeville

County that is indeed beautiful--something that was brought home to us last December, when Cold Spring Mennonite Church presented a Walk through Bethlehem, an expansion of the Live Nativity scenes that are so often seen just before Christmas.

The Mennonites have been a distinct part of Abbeville County life since the late 1960s, when the first settlers came here from Virginia Beach, Virginia.

"The main reason to move here from Virginia Beach I feel was to move to a more rural area and to get away from the growing city of Virginia Beach and to start a new outreach of the Mennonite church," said Wendell Hochstetler.

So who are these gentle people who are known for their cooking and their hard work?

Wikipedia tells us that there are today 2.1 million Mennonites throughout the world. The Mennonites are members of certain Chris-

tian groups belonging to the church communities of Anabaptist denominations named after Menno Simons (1496-1561), a religious reformer from the Lowcountries in Europe.

Also prominent in the roots of the Mennonite community were the Swiss Brethren, a group established in Zurich, Switzerland, in 1525, according to Britannica.

The Anabaptist movement was part of the Protestant Reformation, and became known for its commitment to pacifism and to believer's baptism.

"Over the years, Mennonites have become known as one of the historic peace churches, due to their commitment to pacifism," according to Wikipedia.

Mennonites began emigrating to North America in 1663 from Europe to help preserve their faith, Britannica states

Until the late 19th century, most Mennonites in North America lived in farming communities.

District does well on annual report card

By Henry E. Green

The Abbeville County School District did very well on its report card, finishing above the state average on this state-issued monitor of academic progress, progress as measured on standardized tests and graduation rates.

The academic achievement portion of the report card measures performance by students on SC Ready testing in English and math for grades three through eight, as well as end of course assessments in English I and Algebra I courses, according to published reports.

It also provides end of course scores for biology and U.S. History and SC-PASS scores for science, in addition to graduation rates and career and college readiness rates, those published reports state.

While our overall scores are below pre-covid numbers I think we did well overall," said Abbeville County School District Superintendent Dr. Mason Gary, who

provided the percentage of students in the District who met or exceeded the standard in each category, and monitored the District's performance in terms of WPEC (Western Piedmont Education Consortium), to which the District belongs..

"We are above the state average in every area in the meets and exceeds categories combined but SC Pass in Science by .2. Compared to the WPEC consortium (13 districts) we are in the top 3 in all areas except SC PASS Science. Here is the breakdown:

> SC Ready ELA ACSD 44% State 42.6% and 3rd in WPEC

> SC Ready Math ACSD 45.7% State 37.3% and 2nd in WPEC

> SC Pass Science ACSD 43.1% State 43.3% and 4th in WPEC

> EOC English ACSD 72.7% State 63% and 1st in WPEC

> EOC Math ACSD 67.8% State 46.6% and 3rd in WPEC

> EOC Biology ACSD

49.7% State 50.2 and 2nd in WPEC

> EOC US History ACSD 38.4% State 37.7% and 2nd in WPEC

> Graduation Rate ACSD 86.6 State 83.3. This is the highest we have been in four years.

> WPEC includes ACSD, Anderson 3, Edgefield, Greenwood 50, 51 & 52, Laurens 55 & 56, Lexington 3, McCormick, Newberry, Saluda and Union

"I am very proud of our teachers, support staff, administrators and district staff for posting these numbers while working in the most difficult of circumstances in their careers thus far," the Superintendent went on to say.

"While we are pleased with our numbers and rankings, we have pressed the reset button and we will work together in a unified effort to continue putting our students first by keeping the teaching-learning process as a focal point."



Abbeville First CEO Andy Timmerman (right, holding check) recently presented on behalf of the bank a donation to Abbeville Youth Center, whose director Andy Rousey (left, holding check) accepted on behalf of the center. Behind them are kids from the Youth Center. (Staff photo by Henry E. Green)

Center offers youth safe, structured fun

By Henry E. Green

The Abbeville Youth Center is still going strong seven years after it was established, according to Andy Rousey, the Center's director.

Housed in a building on South Main in Abbeville that used to be the Abbeville County Library, the Youth Center offers a place for middle and high school students to have fun in a safe and structured environment, an environment that is also faith-based.

It is open Monday through Friday 3 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.

"Our middle school days are Mondays and Thursdays, and high school days are Tuesdays and Fridays," he said.

Thus, a middle or high school student may drop the center and spend time after school. There are a variety

of ways for that student to have fun, from shooting pool to video games to basketball to board games, and many other fun activities, Rousey continued.

"We offer all of our programs as well," he said. These include a homework help program, mentoring, post graduation readiness, Bible studies, girls and guys night out, SAT tutoring, daily meals, and more.

Girls and guys night out are times when the Center staff provides separate activities and events for the girls and boys.

"We have a paid staff of three," he said, This staff is supplemented by a team of volunteers who typically number around 10 to 12.

Everything is free to the students, said Rousey. The Youth Center is a nonprofit organization in

which Rousey works with a seven-member board of directors, including Jerry Blassingame, Tripp Speer, Jennifer Simmons, Lauren South, Brad Stoll, Brent Beiler, and Doug Stoll.

The Center derives its revenue through donations from individuals, businesses and churches, Rousey continued.

"We're serving around 90 total students right now," he said.

The Center collaborates with the Abbeville County School District to provide an agreement whereby District school buses can drop off students at the Youth Center if they so desire.

For more information, one may call the Center at 366-0460 or visit the website abbevilleyouthcenter.org

School District to get accreditation visit

By Henry E. Green

The Abbeville County School District will receive an accreditation visit this October, according to the District's Director of Instruction and Accountability, Brandi Sears.

"Our accreditation will be through Cognia, formerly AdvancEd. According to their website, Cognia™ is a global nonprofit that has the knowledge to help schools improve," she said Tuesday.

"Cognia offers accreditation and certification, assessment, professional learning, and improvement services. Abbeville County was last accredited in 2014 with a 5-year review slated for 2019. However, with the COVID-19 pandemic,

accreditation reviews were postponed and rescheduled."

The District's 2021 Cognia review will occur remotely from October 31 through November 3, according to Sears.

During those days, virtual interviews will be conducted between the review team and district leadership, board members, principals, students, parents and other stakeholders. The team will evaluate district and school practices in relation to thirty-one Cognia Performance Standards. These standards address the system's commitment to continuous improvement in the domains of leadership, learning, and resources,

Sears continued.

District and school leaders will also electronically submit documentation and evidence related to the performance standards prior to the review. During the interviews, team members will ask clarifying questions and allow ACSD stakeholders to share about our processes, successes, and plans for the future.

"We look forward to sharing the successes of Abbeville County School District with the review team and to hearing their feedback. ACSD has a long-standing tradition of excellence and is committed to continuous improvement for our students and staff," she said.

Community calendar

Guild to present workshop

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

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

To register, one may call 366-5881 or email abbevilleartistguild@gmail.com. The deadline to register is Sept. 27.

The workshop is taught by Jesse Nance, an Abbeville

native who makes vegetables from Styrofoam and paper and has sold them to galleries, shops and even Disney World, the Guild reports.

Guild to hide small pieces of original art

"The Abbeville Artist Guild will hide over 30 small pieces of original artwork in the stores in downtown Abbeville," according to a Guild news release. On Saturday, September 18 beginning at 10 a.m. you can own an original piece

of artwork created by a local artist. All you have to do is visit the local participating merchants and search for the artwork. A map of participating merchants will be available at the Abbeville Welcome Center.

"Once you find a piece of artwork, sign the 'Take me home' card that is attached and leave the card with the cashier.

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Panther running back J'Marion Burton runs through a hole in the McCormick defense during Abbeville's 46-0 victory over the Chiefs last Friday night at Hite Stadium in Abbeville. (Photo by Shawn M. Knox)

Adam Perdue is this week's football contest winner

by Lamar T. West

Week one of the football contest 2021: this will be the first year in many years that we do not have the Queen of The Press and Banner football contest competing. We will miss "Linda Nickles" dropping by and bringing in what was the winning entry at least once a year and at one time two or three weeks in a row. Some people thought since Linda and I

both lived on Parker Street that I helped her out, but she did not need my help.

We know she is with our LORD now and football is not important in HEAVEN, but if it was, she would see that her South Carolina Gamecocks would have a fighting chance in every game.

We are happy football is back in full swing. We are sure that Adam Perdue is happy, for he is this week's

winner, missing only three game predictions.

Adam Perdue, James Hughes and Tina Burton had only three incorrect picks.

Adam wins the tie breaker with a guess of 701 points. Per our addition there was a total of 705 points scored in the 15 games. Adam had 701 points, James 749 and Tina 761.

Play up to three entries per person and win \$50.00 Good luck to all.

Guild to present 'Hide and Seek' event

By Henry E. Green

The Abbeville Artist Guild wants to play Hide and Seek, bringing out your inner child in the interest of art. The Guild sent out the following press release this week:

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The rationale for Hide and Seek relates to the Guild's mission, according to Guild treasurer Jane Agan.

"The artist guild wants to spread the love of art to the local community," she said. The Guild wants to promote the arts and provide cultural art opportunities for residents of Abbeville County and the surrounding area. This event also gives the art guild members a venue for their artwork and encourages their artistic abilities.

"People who may not be able to afford original art work can visit the local merchants and leave with a keepsake created by a local artist."

The Guild recently finished with a photo contest, drawing some of the best efforts from the Abbeville community.

Prize-winning entries are on display at the Welcome Center in Abbeville.

About 60 photographs were entered in the competition. "Abbeville has some very good photographers," said Buddy Wilson, who coordinated the contest for the Guild.

Then, on Saturday, Octo-

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

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

Participants are asked to bring their lunch.

The Guild held this past summer an art camp for kids, a camp taught by Wright Middle School art teacher Cecily Ferguson.

The organization typically holds a Christmas dinner, where outstanding members are honored.

Officers for the Guild, which has about 30 members, include Jesse Nance, president, as well as Jane Agan, treasurer, and Carolin Ann McLane, secretary.

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COVID battle still raging here in County

By Henry E. Green

The coronavirus is still raging in Abbeville County. According to DHEC data as of Sept. 3, Abbeville County has had 2,518 positive cases of coronavirus and 36 coronavirus-related deaths.

Among Abbeville's neighboring counties, Anderson has had 25,621 cases and 515 deaths.

Greenwood has had 9,065 cases and 158 deaths, while Laurens has had 7,780 cases and 155 deaths.

McCormick, meanwhile has had 921 cases and 19 deaths.

According to published reports, as of Friday, Sept. 3, 42.9 percent of eligible

persons in Abbeville County are fully vaccinated, compared to 46.6 percent in Greenwood, 39.4 percent in Laurens, and 53.1 percent in McCormick.

In the state as a whole, 48.1 percent of eligible South Carolina residents are fully vaccinated.

AAMC is waiting to hear from the CDC as to when booster shots will be available to the general public, said Meg Davis, the AAMC Marketing/Foundation/Volunteer Services Director, Tuesday.

Visitation continues to be suspended because the average state positive rates for the last week are above

10 percent.

"Our COVID unit is full," she said Tuesday morning.

Meanwhile, Abbeville County School District is seeing an increase in the number of students testing positive--about 50 students are testing positive--but possibly a slight decrease in the number of teachers and staff testing positive, Abbeville County School District Director of Student Services Dr. Skip Hopkins said Tuesday.

The good news for the District is that a number of students who were quarantined are scheduled to return this week, he said.

Obituaries

Little

Carolyn Powell Little, 71, of Abbeville, died Wednesday, September 1, 2021 at the Abbeville Area Medical Center. She was born in Abbeville to the late Horace H. Powell and Doris Gable Powell.

A 1968 graduate of Abbeville High School, Carolyn received her associate degree from Piedmont Technical College in 1970. She was employed with the former Abbeville Savings and Loan, now Abbeville First Bank, from 1983 - 2012, retiring after 29 years of devoted service. Carolyn volunteered at the Abbeville Area Medical Center and was involved with the AHS Booster Club. She was a member of Grace United Methodist Church where she served in the nursery and with the children of the



Carolyn Powell Little

church.

Carolyn is survived by her son, Daniel Little (Sarah) of Abbeville and daughter, Ivy Steepy (Mike) of Pendleton; brother, Mike E. Powell (Brenda) of Abbeville; and five grandchildren, Jessica, Caitlin, Zane, Addy Mae, and Maggie Beth.

The family received friends

from 10:00AM - 11:00AM, Saturday, September 4, 2021 in Grace United Methodist Church. Funeral services began at 11:30AM in the church sanctuary with Rev. Jason Wilson officiating. Burial followed in Forest Lawn Memory Gardens.

Memorial contributions, in memory of Carolyn, may be sent to the Abbeville High School Baseball Fund, 70 Washington Street, Abbeville, SC 29620.

The family is at the home of Daniel and Sarah Little in Abbeville.

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

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

Obituaries

Ruble

Randall Tucker Ruble, longtime minister and former president of Erskine College, died February 22, 2021 surrounded by family.

Dr. Ruble was born on April 15, 1932, the fourth of five children of William C. and Carrie Conner Ruble. He grew up in Lexington, VA, and graduated high school near Philadelphia.

Upon graduation from high school, Dr. Ruble enlisted in the U.S. Air Force, serving in the Korean Conflict. He moved to South Carolina to attend Erskine College on the GI Bill, and graduated with honors in three years. Upon graduation, he then earned Master's degrees from Erskine and Princeton Theological seminaries, and in 1964, the Doctor of Philosophy degree from The University of Edinburgh, Scotland.

He returned in 1965 to begin a long and productive career as an educator at Erskine College and Seminary. He did post-doctoral studies at Harvard University and the ATS Institute for Theological Management at West Point.

Dr. Ruble taught at Erskine for 45 years, first as a professor of Old Testament and Hebrew, later as Dean of the Seminary, and finally as president from 2006-2010. He was named President Emeritus upon retirement. Throughout his tenure, he focused on students, faculty, staff, and alumni. He developed a reputation for encouraging all but especially those who, like him, were first-generation college attendees from modest upbringing. While in college, Dr. Ruble was welcomed into professors' homes because he had nowhere to go on holidays. He, in turn, regularly welcomed



Dr. Randall Tucker Ruble

students in the Ruble home for holiday meals.

Dr. Ruble served in many ways. As a minister, he was ordained in 1961, and pastored Abbeville and Mount Carmel ARP churches from 1967 to 2010, with a brief three-year break to serve as chaplain at Erskine College. He preached across the ARP denomination during his career and served as moderator of the ARP Synod, chair of the Presbyterian Council on Chaplains and Military Personnel, and president of the Association of Seminary Presidents of the National Association of Presbyterian and Reformed Churches. He served as chair of many accreditation committees for the Southern Association of Colleges and Universities and the Association of Theological Schools. As a major contribution to the church, he edited the Bicentennial History of the ARP Church.

Dr. Ruble chaired numerous civic groups including the Abbeville Lions Club, the Abbeville Heart Association, the Abbeville Rotary Club, the Christian Prison Ministries Board and Abbeville First Steps. He also helped found the Due West Rescue Squad and served on Due West Town Council.

Above all, Dr. Ruble loved family and friends. He orga-

nized family reunions for the Ruble family in Lexington, VA, and annual beach trips to Isle of Palms. He took his family camping across the U.S. and Canada, and traveled extensively with family in retirement.

He was an accomplished runner and loved all sports, but especially Erskine Athletics. He regularly welcomed Erskine sports teams to his home and those teams, in turn, adopted him as their favorite fan.

In addition to his parents, he is predeceased by two brothers, Bill and Ben, and a sister, Marjorie.

He is survived by his wife of 62 years, Martha Grant (Molly), two sons, John (Holly) of Orlando, FL, Jeffrey (Cathy) of Columbia, a daughter, Ellen (Mike) of Tucson, AZ, and a brother, Richard (Anne), of Siloam Springs, AR. Grandchildren are Grant and Carter Ruble, Meghan Hall and her husband Trevor Hall, Tucker Ruble, and Flannery and Liam Lindeman. Great-grandchildren are Owen and twins Mary Oliver and George Hall.

A memorial service will be held Sunday, September 12, 2021 at 3:00PM in the Due West ARP Church. The family will greet friends after the service on the lawn at Erskine College Moffatt Dining Hall. The services for Dr. Randall Tucker Ruble will be live-streamed and may be viewed at www.facebook.com/duewestarp

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

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

Tinsley

Marian Tinsley, 79, of Calhoun Falls, SC, formerly of Easley, SC, wife of Ken Tinsley, died Friday, September 3, 2021, at the Summit Place in Anderson, SC. She was born in Biddeford, Maine to the late Ray Harold Chellis, Jr and Ruth Crowley Chellis.

Marian was a 1959 honors graduate and National Merit Scholarship finalist of Easley High School. She began her pursuit of a college degree in 1961 at Clemson and obtained her Associate in Business degree from Greenville Technical College after also attending the University of Virginia. Marian became proficient in the use of computers, especially Word and Excel. She was employed as an accountant at two prominent Greenville accounting and real estate businesses. In addition to tax preparation, Marian owned and operated her own successful Nut and Bolt business as President and COO.

She illustrated servant leadership involving herself in many charities. The most recent is the Calhoun Falls Food Pantry, an institution which she founded. In addition, she served on the local Calhoun Falls Charter School Board of Directors, the FFA and helped create the Lake Russell Recreation and Tourism Coalition. Marian was recognized by the citizens of Calhoun Falls as "Citizen of the Year" for her service to the community.

She was involved with Rotary International and became a sponsor and home provider for the Rotary International Student



Marian Tinsley

Exchange Program. In acknowledgement of her community involvement and work, Marian was presented the Paul Harris Award by Rotary which exhibits "Service Above Self".

An accomplished crafter and seamstress, she enjoyed creating clothes, ceramic pottery and Christmas ornaments for her family. Marian and Ken were constant companions in their endeavors including building, gardening, hunting, fishing, baking and cooking, flower gardening, yard maintenance and planting. She was also an accomplished pianist and a voracious reader. A sports enthusiast, Marian supported participation in soccer, baseball, softball and track.

She was a devoted member of Northside Baptist Church, Calhoun Falls where she began a prayer room and was active in the Baptist Women's Mission Union leadership. Marian also published a book on the history of Northside Baptist Church. It is no surprise that so many, young and old alike, gave her a special and loving name. Marian was

'Mama' to all.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by a brother, Allen Chellis.

Mrs. Tinsley is survived by her husband of 61 years, Ken, of the home; son, John Tinsley (Joanna) of Pendleton, SC; Bonnie Mauney (Charlie) of Blythewood, SC; two brothers, Paul Chellis of Atlanta, GA and Ted Chellis of Boiling Springs, SC; two sisters, Ann Halpern of Phoenix, AZ and Jane Logston of Nashville, TN; and four grandchildren, Clay Tinsley, Ben Tinsley (fiancée, Lauren Burnette), Charlie Mauney and Mary Catharine Mauney. The family extends their sincere thanks to her in-home nurse and caregivers, Ms. Bebe Wesson, Ms. Kathy Snyder and Ms. Stacey Fleming.

A service to celebrate to Mrs. Tinsley's life will be 6:00PM, Thursday, September 9, 2021 in Northside Baptist Church, Calhoun Falls, SC with Rev. Jerry Hayes officiating. The family will receive friends following the service.

In lieu of flowers, the family respectfully requests, memorial contributions, in memory of Mrs. Tinsley, be sent to the Calhoun Falls Community Food Pantry, c/o Jane Hayes, 210 N. Butler Ave., Calhoun Falls, SC 29628.

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

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

Bowie

Mr. James "Jimmy" Roger Bowie, Sr., 73, of Double Bridges Rd., Elberton, GA passed away Saturday, September 4, 2021 at the Doctors Hospital in Augusta, GA.

Mr. Bowie was born January 13, 1948 in Abbeville, SC to James "Pete" Nueffer Bowie and Maggie Evelyn Beauford Bowie. He was a member of Compassion Church of Hartwell, an ordained minister, an office equipment technician and an U.S. Army National Guard veteran.

Jimmy loved his God, Country, Georgia Bulldogs but the light of his eye was his grand-babies.

He is survived by his children: Rod and Sherri Bowie of Elberton, Becky and Wally

Hash of Myrtle Beach, SC, siblings: Johnny and Belinda Bowie of Abbeville, SC, Brenda and Billy Norris of Abbeville, SC; grandchildren: Sommer and Chris Morris, Samantha and Cody Lester, Jessica and JBen Hardman, Matt and Jessica Mason, Evan and Ali Bowie and Maggee Bowie; and great-grandchildren: Grayson Morris, Lawson Morris and Jameson Morris.

In addition to his parents he was preceded in death by his wife Myra Annette Bryant Bowie and daughter Tracy Bowie Mason.

Funeral services to celebrate Jimmy's life will be held 12:30PM, Friday, September 10 at Celebration Outreach Center with Rev. Bill Jones officiating. Interment will follow in Concord United Meth-

odist Church Cemetery with Rev. Rick Womack officiating and Dean McCurry, Troy Sumner, Charlie Williams, Eric Marmon, Charlie Norris and serving as pallbearers.

The family is at the home on Double Bridges Rd. and will receive friends Friday from 11AM to 12PM just prior to the service at Celebration Outreach Center.

Flowers are optional and memorials can be made in Jimmy's memory to The Jeffrey Vaden Chavis - Burn Foundation of America, 3614 J. Dewey Gray Circle Building C, Augusta, GA 30909.

Berry Funeral Home & Crematory of Elberton is in charge of the funeral arrangements for Mr. James "Jimmy" Roger Bowie, Sr.

Wiles

Wade Wiles, 85, of the Antreville Community, husband of Ellen Ruth Forrester Wiles, died Thursday, September 2, 2021 at his residence. He was born in Anderson to the late Arline Wiles.

Mr. Wiles was a 1954 graduate of Iva High School. He was employed by the Hydro Plant in Abbeville, retiring after 32 years of service. Mr. Wiles enjoyed time spent hunting, farming and taking great pride in tending his garden. A charter member of Emmanuel Baptist Church, he served as treasurer, Deacon and sang in the choir. Mr. Wiles was also a member of the Dew Drop Lodge in Antreville.

In addition to his mother, he was preceded in death by a son-in-law, Phil Gosnell.

Mr. Wiles is survived by his wife of 66 years, Ellen, of



Wade Wiles

the home; daughter, Cheryl W. Gosnell of Antreville; son, Levi Bell (Wendy) of Due West; sister-in-law, Betty Fleming and niece, Angie Fleming (Dale) all of Antreville; and his beloved dog, Dino.

The family extends their sincere appreciation to Robin Jones, Lynn Mabry, the staff of Home Health Care

and Agape Hospice for the love and compassion shown Mr. Wiles.

The family received friends from 2:00PM - 3:00PM, Sunday, September 5, 2021, in Emmanuel Baptist Church. Funeral services began at 3:00PM in the church sanctuary with Rev. Tommy Alewine officiating. Burial followed in the church cemetery.

Memorial contributions, in memory of Mr. Wiles, may be sent to Emmanuel Baptist Church, 899 Black Mill Road, Iva, SC 29655.

The family is at the home. A message of condolence may be sent to the family by visiting www.harrisfuneral.com.

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



The Abbeville Rotary Club normally has meetings on Thursdays at the Belmont Inn about mid-day, but recently the club took a break from its lunch format and held a dinner meeting. These Rotarians were among those enjoying the warm evening. (Staff photo by Henry E. Green)

Dixie marching band performs at home

By Henry E. Green
Tyler Black is the director of the Dixie High School marching band, which has approximately 30 members, and which performs at home football games. "We also perform at competitions throughout the state on Saturdays," he said. "Our first competition will be September 18 at Powdersville High School." Dixie will be competing with other 1-A schools in the competition, which is the first of five competitions in which the band is expected to compete. That includes three regular competitions, and then the upper State competition, and finally the State Competition in Columbia on Oct. 30. "It always falls around Halloween, so we always get a treat out of it," he laughed. Black is in his second year at Dixie, and this past Thursday, Dixie's first home

game of the season, was slated to be the first band performance of the football season. This year the band show is called "The Bazaar" with an Arabian Nights theme. "It's a fun show," he said. "I'm excited." The band typically practices after school Monday, Tuesday and Thursday, and occasionally on Saturday. Loving music, having a good work ethic, and dedication program and the ability to work well with others--all of those are essential ingredients for a band member. In addition to a marching band, Dixie has a concert band, and a middle band, and they will all join together at Christmas time for a concert at Erskine, at a date and time to be announced. The Dixie band program in total includes about 60 members, Black said.

Coalition fights addiction, inspires hope

By Henry E. Green
The battle against drug abuse and addiction includes a number of weapons, and one of them is the Greenwood-Abbeville Coalition. "We are a community coalition made up of 20 plus community organizations in Greenwood and Abbeville," said Teresa Roy, the director of community outreach with Cornerstone, the area commission on alcohol and drug abuse. The Coalition, which also has a number of participating individuals, was convened by Cornerstone in the fall of 2017, following a community forum held in Greenwood that year in response to the opioid crisis.

Out of that forum came the Coalition, which meets on the second Thursday of every month at Saint Mark United Methodist Church in Greenwood at 10 a.m. Looking to stamp out drug abuse and spread hope, the Coalition looks to be a conduit to help people reach the resources they need to stay clear of addiction. Disseminating literature and other forms of education, Cornerstone is often represented at area health fairs, and on the third Thursday of every month, the Coalition has what it called a "gratitude gathering," focusing on a different topic every month. The "gratitude gathering" is held on the third Thursday

of the month in the gym of United Way in Greenwood from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. In addition, every August the Coalition presents vigils to mark International Overdose Awareness Day. One vigil is typically held in Abbeville on Court Square, and the other is held in Greenwood. This year the Abbeville vigil was held in the Livery Stable, since it was coupled with a movie. The Coalition also has a Facebook page, and disseminates flyers and other literature.

Often the Coalition collaborates on projects with the Abbeville coalition Be Well, Abbeville.



Abbeville Lions are collecting plastic so that it can be recycled. Here Abbeville Lions Club secretary-treasurer Rick Pressly, at a recent Lions meeting, shows how it's done. (Staff photo by Henry E. Green)

Local Lions collect plastic for recycling

By Henry E. Green
The Abbeville Lions Club is involved in a project to recycle plastic, successfully coping with a substance which is environmentally dangerous. Plastic, according to earthday.org, harms marine and human life, and, according to ehn.org, plastic debris can injure wildlife, and plastic in landfills can leach harmful chemicals that spread into groundwater. With an eye toward environmental health, the Lions collected 550 pounds of plastic in July, and 788 pounds of plastic in August, and local industries have helped out in

the collection of the material, according to club secretary/treasurer Rick Pressly. For every 550 pounds of plastic the Abbeville Lions send off, the company which handles the recycling will send the club a bench made of recycled plastic, he said. Club members are looking forward to being able to receive a bench, and they have been discussing where to put it once it arrives. The Lions are also having a food drive to collect non-perishable items for the UCMAC food bank. The Abbeville Lions Club is one of the oldest civic orga-

nizations in Abbeville County. The president is Sandi Hood of Abbeville, and the club meets on the first Thursday of the month at the Abbeville Veterans Memorial Foundation building. The club also has a scholarship program for worthy graduates of area high schools. The club is part of a worldwide organization of Lions, whose activities include working for sight conservation. Lions have conducted vision screenings for countless students in Abbeville and neighboring counties.

Deer hunter tragically dies in accidental fall

Dr. Mark Dorn, Abbeville County Coroner, advised that his office was notified on Saturday, September 4th around 1:00 pm of a death on hunting property off Highway 72 near Circle B Drive in Abbeville, according to a recent news release from the Abbeville County Coroner's Office. First responders from

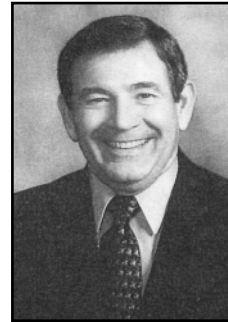
Abbeville EMS, Abbeville Search & Rescue and Abbeville County Fire Department aided in locating the hunter approximately 1/2 mile into the woods. The victim was identified as ROBERT MORGAN, 70 years-of-age of Taylors, SC. Foul play is not suspected. An autopsy is scheduled for tomorrow, September

7, 2021. We are praying for this family and encourage all hunters preparing for the upcoming season to make sure family and friends know your location. 3:25 pm Monday Mr. Morgan was on the property preparing his deer stand and surrounding area for the upcoming hunting season

a Word from "THE WORD"

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Joy



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Psalm 16:11 "You will show me the path of life; in your presence is the fullness of joy; at your right hand are pleasures forever more."

Kaufmann Kohler states in the "Jewish Encyclopedia" that no language has as many words for joy and rejoicing as does the Hebrew. In the Old Testament, thirteen Hebrew roots, found in 27 different words, are used primarily for some aspect of joy or joyful participation in religious worship. In contrast to the rituals of other faiths of the East, Israelite worship was essentially a joyous proclamation and celebration. The good Israelite regarded the act of thanking God as the supreme joy of his life. Pure joy is in God as both its source and object. The Psalmist in Psalm 16:11 says that the fullness of joy comes from the presence of God. The Hebrew Bible is a book of joy and the New Testament is the book of good news—that is a great reason for joy. Let me share three thoughts with you from this wonderful verse about joy. Number one: this type of joy is visible—other folks can see it. This type of joy comes from the presence of the Lord and it shines in the faces of the people who have been in the presence of the Lord. Much like Moses in Exodus 34:29 "now it was so, when Moses came down from Mount Sinai (and the two tablets

of the Testimony were in Moses' hand when he came down from the mountain) that Moses did not know that the skin of his face shone while he talked with Him." Moses may not have known it, but Aaron and the children of Israel could see the shine on his face and were afraid to come near him. The visible presence of the Lord shone in the face of Moses. Notice what Moses had with him—the tablets that contained the Ten Commandments—God's directions on how to live. That was God showing Moses the path of life—how to live pleasing to God. If you spend time with the Lord, it will be visible to other folks—they will see the joy in your life as you live the way that pleases God. Number two, this type of joy is victorious. The joy that comes from following God will carry you through the dark days of this life. This verse tells us that in the "presence of God there is the fullness of joy." That means an abundance of joy, an overflowing amount of joy. This type of joy cannot be manufactured, it is real, it comes from being in the presence of God and walking in the path He has designed for you. What a pleasure to walk the path that God has

laid out for us—even if it includes suffering we have joy because of His presence. Hebrews 13:5 informs us—"...for He himself has said, I will never leave you nor forsake you." Never means never, no matter what the circumstances of our lives, Jesus will never forsake us—His presence will be with us. Hebrews 7:25 tells me that "Jesus ever lives to make intercession for me." If Jesus has promised to never leave me nor forsake me, and that He is always making intercession for me, that is a great cause for rejoicing even in the midst of suffering. Number three: this type of joy stands in vivid contrast to the joy of the world. The joy of the world is shallow and temporary. It only lasts a little while. The joys of materialism soon wear off—if you buy a new car, the new soon wears off, if you build a new house, the joy won't last forever, but the joy of the Lord is abundant, overflowing, and eternal. So many trade the eternal joy of a relationship with Jesus Christ for the temporary joys of this world that soon fade and wither away. The joy of knowing and living for Jesus never grows old, it never gets stale, it is always fresh and exciting.

The Abbeville defense shuts down an Emerald ball carrier during the Panthers' 45-7 victory over the Vikings last Friday night at Hite Stadium. (Photo by Shawn M. Knox)



Abbeville running back Antonio Harrison (2) gets loose down the sideline for a long run deep into Emerald territory during the Panthers' 45-7 victory over Emerald last Friday night at Hite Stadium. (Photo by Shawn M. Knox)

Dixie runs over Ware Shoals, 16-0

By Henry E. Green
Dixie defeated Ware Shoals 16-0 in varsity football action in Due West Thursday night, said Dixie head football coach Vic Lollis Friday.
The Dixie Hornets were led by Hunter Satterfield, who rushed for 176 yards on 22 rushes, and he had one touchdown, courtesy of a two yard scoring run.
Dixie, which had 260 total yards rushing, led 14-0 at halftime in this battle of Hornets versus Hornets.
"We had a fumble returned for a touchdown", he said,

noting that that was on a 22-yard run by Levi McAllister. In the third quarter, Dixie benefited from a safety, to provide for the final score.
Lollis said that his team is still working on eliminating costly errors.
"We had a long touchdown called back due to penalties," he said, noting that Dixie had 125 yards in penalties.
"We had a lot of holding penalties," he added.
However, the coach saw good things as well. "We were pretty solid on defense," he said.

Lollis said his team will go back to practice to iron out the wrinkles. "We've got to correct some things," he said.
Dixie, which improved to 2-1 with the win, goes to West Oak this coming Friday, for a non-Region contest. The Warriors have a new head coach, and a new staff, said Lollis.
The coach said that Friday night's game with Ware Shoals drew a large crowd to the Dixie stadium, which now has a new press box and a new concessions building.

Flashes' game with Camden Military canceled

By Henry E. Green
Calhoun Falls Charter had been scheduled to host Camden Military this coming Friday, but the game has been canceled, according to Calhoun Falls Charter athletic director David Campbell.
"We're totally virtual this whole week," said Campbell Tuesday, noting that Calhoun

Falls Charter is having virtual instruction because of COVID considerations.
All the games scheduled for this week have been canceled to avoid any COVID risk, Campbell said.
The game with Camden Military, a non Region contest, is unlikely to be rescheduled. Calhoun Falls Charter is

expected to play again on Friday, Sept. 17, when the Blue Flashes host Southside Christian in a Region contest.
The Region 1 1-A recently decided to move all of its Region games up two weeks, to get all of its games in for the season, just in case any games had to be rescheduled because of COVID.

Turman recognized for exemplary performance

By Henry E. Green
Calhoun Falls Charter football stand-out Marquice Turman has been named the SC Football Coaches Association 1-A Special Teams Player of the Week for his performance in the game against Ware Shoals in Week 1 of the season, according to Calhoun Falls head football coach Juwan

Owens.
A senior, Turman played quarterback during the August 20 game, which Calhoun Falls Charter lost 24-12.
Turman, however, had an exemplary performance, gaining 153 yards on 14 carries, averaging 10.6 yards per carry.
He had six tackles, and

three solo tackles, and one fumble recovery, said Owens.
The Flashes, who lost to Branchville last week, are seeking their first victory of the season.
Owens is in his first year as head coach at Calhoun Falls Charter.

A-train rolls on Abbeville High School Panthers put serious hurting on Emerald, 45-7

By Henry E. Green
The Big D.
To Abbeville High School fans, that might stand for Domination, as in how the AHS varsity football team defeated Emerald 45-7 Friday night at Hite Stadium in Abbeville.

The only blemish on the night for the Panthers may have come in the form of the penalties.
Abbeville's Zay Rayford scored the first of many touchdowns for the Panthers, finding the end zone on a one yard run early in the first quarter, to give AHS a 7-0 lead.

Later in the third, AHS taking over on downs at the Panther 33, launched a drive punctuated by a 54 yard run taking the ball down to the Emerald 24, and Shunkevis Brown put the exclamation point on it with a 19 yard touchdown run, and AHS was up 38-0.

Emerald was led by a figure familiar to Abbevillians. Viking head football coach Tad DuBose used to be the defensive coordinator for the Panthers, and athletic director as well, before moving on to the high school in Greenwood.
The Vikings lived and died by the run Friday night, and by the end of the evening they were on life support.
AHS improved to 3-0 with the win, and the Panthers polished their Number One status in Palmetto State 2-A football.
Abbeville, which has also claimed wins over McCormick and Newberry, looked unstoppable in the early going.
Not only was the offense running on all cylinders but the defense stepped up as well, forcing a number of Emerald turnovers.

In the second quarter, Abbeville's Ty Cade recovered a fumble and scored to give AHS a 14-0 lead.
The second quarter was good to the Panthers, as Rayford found the end zone again, this time on a three yard run. The score was set up by a sparkling 33 yard run by Jamal Marshall, on a drive that started on the Abbeville 24.
AHS led 21-0 with 7:28 in the half, but the Panthers weren't finished. Abbeville tacked on three points from a 28 yard Addison Nickles field goal to go up 24-0.
In the second half, it was more of the same. AHS continued its scoring parade with a six yard touchdown run by J'Marion Burton, following a 20 yard Antonio Harrison run. AHS led 31-0

In the fourth quarter, AHS recovered a fumble at the Emerald 32, and five plays later Shunkevis Brown scored on a seven-yard run to put the Panthers up 45-0.
It was looking like a shut-out, and when the Panther defense pitches a shutout they are by tradition rewarded with doughnuts.
Alas, Emerald scored on a 14 yard run to spoil the sweet-tooth anticipation, and AHS ended up winning 45-7.
For Abbeville, which is off next week, the evening was not perfect--in addition to a number of penalties, a Panther player was ejected for a personal foul.
It was good enough, though--despite the lack of doughnuts.

Dixie jayvees to open season at WS

By Henry E. Green
Dixie High School has a junior varsity football team, and Michael Turner is the head coach.
The Hornet jayvees have not yet begun their season.
They are coming off a successful season. "We were 5-1 last year," said Turner, who is in his first year as jayvee head coach at Dixie.
The jayvees team is made up mainly of seventh, eighth, and ninth graders, with a few 10th graders.

"We're a run-heavy offense," said Turner.
The coach explained that Dixie jayvees play in what is called the Little River Conference, a middle school conference that includes middle school contingents from Laurens Middle, Hickory Tavern, Gray Court, Sanders Middle School, "and we also play Ware Shoals and Whitmire."
There is no post-season for the team, which has 45 players on its roster.

The jayvees' first game of the season will be a contest with Ware Shoals at Ware Shoals on Sept. 9 at 5:30 p.m.
He is assisted in coaching the jayvees by assistant coaches T. Carter, Jordan Counts, and Brandon Nance.
"We're excited about the young talent we have, and the chance to have another successful season," he said.



Check out this week's football contest page for your chance to win \$50!

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Performing arts board making plans

By Henry E. Green
The Abbeville Community Performing Arts Board is making big plans for the latter part of 2021.

"We are making plans for a fall kick-off event where we will be showcasing the renovations in the Opera House and providing de-

tails on the changes that have occurred with the new board structure," said Jodi Miller, the chairperson of the Abbeville Community Performing Arts Board.

"Our first show will be "The Best Christmas Pageant Ever" and I will be directing it." Specific dates for these two

events are to be announced later, she said.

The 11-member board works to facilitate theatrical performances at the Opera House, working with the City's community development department, according to information from the City.

Letter to the editor

Letter to the Editor

I have a Facebook page and I also subscribe to the Press and Banner. Like most Abbeville residents, I try to keep up as much as I can with what is happening or going to happen in this precious little town through different resources... two of those resources are the City of Abbeville Facebook page and P&B. The City's FB page and the City's articles in newspaper mention several informative items such as shows to appear at Opera House, new businesses, awards that were presented to individuals, promotions received, grants being used or applied for, school information, hospital updates and many more posts/articles concerning to Abbeville. But NEVER do they mention 'The Refinery Apartments'.

Why is that? Why doesn't the City of Abbeville posts promote The Refinery Apartments? I think as taxpayers we should be informed as to the decisions being made and to be able to make our opinions known. An article in P&B last week stated the population in our town is dropping... doesn't take a genius to figure that out. Oh, well, with 60 (and maybe more) low-income apart-

ments soon to open, our little town of Abbeville will have a huge increase in population. At least 120+ individuals on the small corners of Washington and Chestnut Streets. The vehicles, traffic, noise, loitering will be a welcome sight to our city officials, but not to our peaceful, well-kept neighborhoods.

P.S. Heard The Refinery is now asking for a third tax credit! Is this true, if so why? Wait... after writing this I just found out that an Opera House Board member has resigned and the City Council has nominated a replacement and is voting on it Wednesday evening. Why in the world were WE not made aware of this empty OH position so that others who are qualified can apply?

Then I heard this group of volunteer ladies who only wanted to make our SQUARE more attractive and plant flowers that would help make this a more attractive place (to those just passing through and those living here) are told by the City that the City would NOT pay for the flowers. So, that means we do not have any funds for flowers? Where is all the extra money going?

The Farm to Table Event is a great way to acknowledge our farmers and a great way to raise funds.

Pictures on Facebook show a crowd gathering, having a wonderful meal and what looks like wonderful fellowship. I had mentioned to a City Council member that the cost was just "too steep" for me to pay \$50 for a meal. That same council member told me personally that city officials don't pay to eat. Let's see... That's ten members x \$50. Members already get paid for their services and I don't feel they need "freebies."

Why can't the money they have NOT paid to eat go to those volunteer ladies for flowers? So many TRY to volunteer and are willing to give their time but are shut down by these petty, so-called 'rules.'

Our City needs to listen to some of these citizens that have moved here from outside of town. These 'outsiders' have amazing ideas. We need new input, and a lot of these new taxpayers know what has worked and what had not worked in their previous towns they have lived in.

I'm not trying to be difficult. I'm trying to make people aware that WE need to speak up and make Abbeville Great Again!

Janet Smith

Letter to the Editor

The assassination of John F. Kennedy on November 22nd, 1963, is one of the biggest events in 20th century American history. Americans have had 58 years to meditate on and research this event; but most importantly, to come to the realization of what it means. The official version of history tells us that Lee Harvey Oswald acted alone and shot Kennedy from the building that was then the Texas School Book Depository in Dallas. Most Americans do not believe this however, for one simple reason: it isn't true. Over the years there has been so much research uncovering so much evidence that this could not possibly be the case and yet, the establishment's official word on Oswald as being the lone assassin is unwavering.

We'll examine just a few points here that counter this narrative but for an in depth look at this event, see the film "Everything is a Rich Man's Trick" on [rumble.com](https://www.rumble.com) or [bitchute.com](https://www.bitchute.com).

Oswald himself was shot and killed on live television two days after the assassination by nightclub owner, Jack Ruby. What nightclub owner is going to kill a man on live national television guaranteeing himself a conviction of murder? Did Ruby really like Kennedy or care for the Kennedy family so much that he couldn't contain himself and was willing to go to prison for life or be put to death? Or

was Ruby made to do this as his family was threatened? The patsy was now dead and dead men tell no tales. As well, President Kennedy threatened to "break the CIA into a thousand pieces" and fired CIA director Allen Dulles. How is it that Allen Dulles then finds himself on the investigative body known as the Warren Commission that drew the conclusion that Oswald acted alone? The famous film of Kennedy being shot was filmed by a man named Abraham Zapruder. It clearly shows the fatal shot hitting him in the front of his head. The Texas School Book Depository was almost literally behind the Kennedy motorcade and the Zapruder film is video proof the shot did not come from that building.

Now, consider what David Rockefeller wrote on page 405 of his 2002 book "Memoirs:"

"...Some even believe we [The Rockefeller family] are part of a secret cabal working against the best interests of the United States, characterizing my family and me as 'internationalists' and of conspiring with others around the world to build a more integrated global political and economic structure - one world, if you will. If that's the charge, I stand guilty and I'm proud of it."

President Kennedy was working against this cabal and in the best interests of the United States and this is why he was assassinated. Kennedy sought to abolish the privately owned Federal Reserve and return to the

Treasury it's Constitutional authority to issue currency. Allen Dulles was part of this cabal and this is how he could find himself on the very body tasked to "investigate" the president's death after he'd been fired as CIA director. The realization to take away from this event is that there is a pervasive power that is greater than the office of the presidency of the United States and that anyone can be taken out for being deemed a threat to it. The very essence, the very core nature of the system we live under from the top down is that it is criminal, covert, and very deep. In a 1961 speech Kennedy described this cabal as a "monolithic and ruthless conspiracy," and as a "tightly knit, highly efficient machine."

Such a thing can only exist for one reason: we are told in Luke 4:6 that the earth is Satan's kingdom. It is also written in Ephesians 6:12 that this is ultimately a spiritual battle we are engaged in. Yahushua (Jesus) will return and set up a righteous kingdom from Jerusalem and this criminal world system will be judged. Choose now your side because time is running out.

"Seek YaHuWaH, all you meek ones of the earth, who have done His right ruling. Seek righteousness, seek meekness, if so be that you are hidden in the day of wrath of YaHuWaH." (Zephaniah 2:3)

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US Senate

Scott, Colleagues Reintroduce Legislation to Expand Minority Business Support to Rural Areas

Submitted by
Senator Tim Scott

U.S. Senator Tim Scott, (R-S.C.), along with Senators Roger Wicker (R-Miss.), Tim Kaine, (D-Va.), Chris Coons, (D-Del.), and Thom Tillis, (R-N.C.), today reintroduced the Reaching America's Rural Minority Businesses Act of 2021, which would authorize the Minority Business Development Agency (MBDA) within the Department of Commerce to establish up to 10 business centers at Historically Black Colleges and Universities (HBCUs) to serve rural and underserved communities. MBDA's existing Minority Business Centers are concentrated in select urban areas in 18 states, leaving vast swaths of the country without easy access to MBDA's services.

"As a former business owner, I find it crucial that we deploy resources to our young people - especially in minority communities - to ensure that they have access to opportunity," said Senator Scott. "I am proud to help draft and cosponsor the Reaching America's Rural Minority Businesses Act, and I look forward to seeing more minority-owned businesses across the nation."

"The Minority Business Development Agency has been a lifeline for many minority business owners and entrepreneurs seeking to start and grow their businesses," said Senator Wicker. "This bill would help extend these resources to

create jobs in rural America by leveraging the expertise and innovation of our nation's HBCUs."

"Especially in light of the inequality we've seen amid COVID-19, we have to update our federal policies to ensure minority-owned businesses in rural areas have equal access to critical federal resources," said Senator Kaine. "I'm proud to help lead this bipartisan effort that would bring the expertise of MBDA centers to our HBCUs and give more rural minority-owned businesses the tools they need to succeed."

"As we recover from the COVID-19 pandemic, Congress must deliver comprehensive relief to small businesses and ensure those efforts reach underserved communities," said Senator Coons. "This bill would allow the Minority Business Development Agency to utilize the reach and relationships of HBCUs like Delaware State University to deliver the tools for growth to minority-owned small businesses. This is one of many ways we can prioritize equity and access as we chart the economic recovery."

"This bipartisan legislation would be a big win for rural and underserved communities in North Carolina," said Senator Tillis. "North Carolina's HBCUs have the potential to become education, support, and training hubs for the rural minority businesses in the communities they support, and this legislation makes long-term

future success possible for so many businesses and is a great way to focus on each individual need. I am proud to have worked on a bipartisan basis to re-introduce this legislation and applaud the administration for their continued investment in North Carolina's HBCUs and our rural communities."

The legislation would authorize \$10 million a year for the creation of up to 10 rural business centers at HBCUs. Eligible institutions would not have to be located in a rural area, but would need to demonstrate how they would serve a rural or underserved minority population.

HBCUs would also be able to form a consortium with other HBCUs or institutions of higher learning, which would strengthen the capacity of an established center and broaden its outreach.

The rural business centers would provide education, training, and technical assistance to rural minority businesses. Specifically, the centers would assist with:

- Adoption of broadband internet service, digital literacy, and e-commerce;
- Promoting manufacturing in the United States;
- Meeting gaps in the supply chain of critical supplies and essential goods and services;
- Improving transportation and logistics;
- Promoting trade and export opportunities; and
- Facilitating entrepreneurship in rural areas.

many Americans are crucial for our troops to evacuate the vulnerable from Afghanistan, which is why Congress must be called back in-session now. For many, swift action will be the difference between life and death," said Congressman Jeff Duncan. "President Joe Biden has made it clear he is not capable of navigating our nation through this time, so we need leaders who are willing to step up, put

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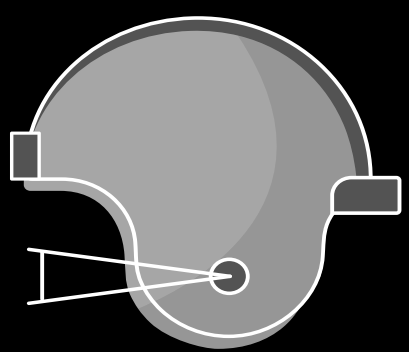
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