



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

McClain, Long claim local primary victories

By Henry E. Green

Abbeville County voters went to the polls yesterday for primary elections, with Christine Long and Bryan McClain the winners in County Council races, according to unofficial vote totals provided by the Abbeville County Voter Registration Office.

In County Council District 7, incumbent Drew Simpson faced challenger Bryan McClain in the Republican primary.

McClain defeated Simpson by a margin of 210 votes to 108, according to unofficial vote totals.

“I want to thank all of those who supported me throughout my campaign,” McClain said following the election. “I had a lot of good supporters, and that support paid off.”

County Council District Two, Dale Gilchrist faced

Christine Long in the Democratic primary, with the winner facing Republican Bebe Wesson in the general election in November.

Long prevailed by a margin of 152 votes to 108 for Gilchrist.

“I’m just grateful,” Long said following the election. “I’m grateful for the support I received. I want to thank my opponent for running a good, clean race. I need a couple of weeks of rest, before I get back out, beating the bushes for the general election in November.”

District Two incumbent John Calhoun had decided not to run for reelection.

The primary elections also included a number of statewide races.

In the Republican primary for Governor, incumbent Henry McMaster was the projected winner over

challenger Harrison Muscelwhite, with McMaster claiming 86.43 percent of the vote, according to WYFF-TV.

In the Democratic primary for Governor, Joe Cunningham had 57.40 percent of the vote with 31 percent of the precincts reporting, WYFF-TV reported.

Voter turnout was “extremely low,” at 12 percent, in the words of Abbeville County voter registration director Randy Curtis.

The primaries this year featured South Carolina’s first-ever early voting period, and more than 100,000 people voted early.

In Abbeville County, 324 people voted in the early voting period.

More results from the primaries will be announced in next week’s paper.



Darrell Fetzer, pastor of Little Mountain Presbyterian Church, received a pie in the face to highlight the fun in the Vacation Bible School presented by the Little Mountain Abbeville and Upper Long Cane Presbyterian churches. (Staff photo by Henry E. Green)

Life, laughter, lessons

RYLA brings young people together for week-long experience at Erskine

By Henry E. Green

Ah, the joys of youth!

Confidence, intelligence, humor--and a willingness to serve... all were on display Thursday when members of the Abbeville Rotary Club met at the Erskine dining hall in conjunction with RYLA (Rotary Youth Leadership Awards), a Rotary program designed to strengthen leadership skills among young people.

During RYLA, young people from throughout Rotary District 7750 gather at Erskine for a week-long experience in which they listen to speakers, and engage in team-building activities.

There were skits, there was laughter, and there were life lessons on everything from service to leadership to finances.

They are assisted by a dedicated group of counselors, a number of whom attended RYLA themselves

in their younger days.

This year 58 students were slated to attend RYLA, said RYLA director Mark Peeler, who is also vice president for athletics at Erskine.

Club members mingled with RYLA kids Thursday as both groups enjoyed lunch. Over pasta, green bean casserole and chicken, they swapped stories and got to know each other.

RYLA participants are all high school students selected to attend the program largely on the basis of their leadership potential.

Apart from a hiatus due to COVID, RYLA has been going strong for nearly four decades at Erskine.

Following lunch Thursday, Abbeville Rotary Club president Lou Paradis offered opening remarks, and RYLA director Mark Peeler called on three young people to talk about their RYLA experiences.

One of them was Abbeville’s Claren Johnston, who noted that RYLA taught her and her comrades “how to be leaders for others.”

“Our counselors are such amazing people,” said Laura Dhillon of Rock Hill. The variety of speakers is just amazing.”

Caleb Armstrong of Easley noted that his grandfather was a Rotarian. “There really is something for everyone here.”

Peeler introduced the counselors, whom he called “the heart and soul of what this program is all about.”

This year the Abbeville Rotary Club sponsored five delegates--home schooler Claren Johnston, Daniel Davis of Shiloh Christian, Shamyia Hudson of Calhoun Falls Charter, Elliott Clark of Dixie High School and Jonah Cooley of Abbeville High School.



The kids gathered at a recent Vacation Bible School presented by Upper Long Cane Presbyterian, Abbeville Presbyterian and Little Mountain Presbyterian. They surpassed, while at VBS, their goal in collecting money for United Christian Ministries of Abbeville County, so they received the chance to pie each of the church pastors -- Wayne Wicker of Upper Long Cane, Darrell Fetzer of Little Mountain and Stan Colbert of Abbeville Presbyterian. VBS leader Scott Sherard also got “pied” as a result of friendly competition between the boys and girls as to who could raise more money. Here Stan Colbert (right) is getting into battle mode in preparation for the onslaught. (Staff photo by Henry E. Green)

Law enforcement to offer property checks

By Henry E. Green

The Abbeville County Sheriff’s Office and the Abbeville Police Department will offer free property checks for Abbeville County residents going on vacation this summer, said Abbeville County Sheriff Ray Watson Monday.

Residents may call the Sheriff’s Office at 446-6000 and say where they live and

the beginning and ending times of their vacations.

Officers will conduct numerous checks on the property during their vacation time to help deter crime.

“This service is provided throughout the year, but is more utilized by people during the summer months,” he said.

“The City of Abbeville also provides the same service,”

he said.

The Abbeville Police Department will be offering a similar service for City residents this summer, Watson said.

Abbeville Police Chief Ron Bosler noted that people may call the Police Department at 366-5832 or stop by the department and fill out a form for the service.



RYLA was held the week of June 8 at Erskine. Abbeville County participants and counselors included (from left, front row) Claren Johnston, Shamyia Hudson (back row, from left) Elliott Clark, Reggie Patterson, Max Peeler and Jenkins Peeler. (Staff photo by Henry E. Green)

Council plans North Main water line project

By Henry E. Green

Abbeville City Council met Wednesday night, taking action on plans for the multi-million dollar North Main water line project.

The City received bids on May 17, 2022 for the North Main water line project, City Manager Blake Stone told Council during the meeting.

The lowest and best bid was from Metra Industries for \$2,102,680.

“This will facilitate the

construction of a new North Main water line from the Square to Henry Street,” Stone told Council.

“I am requesting permission to enter into a contract with Metra Industries for \$2,102,680 for the construction of the new North Main water line.

The complete project costs will be \$2,567,448, which includes engineering, construction and contingency.

“This will be offset by a \$500,000 RIA grant for a local contribution of \$2,067,448.”

The local contribution will include \$2 million in ARPA funds provided to the City from the federal government, Stone said.

The RIA grant is from the state’s Rural Infrastructure Authority.

Construction on the project is expected to begin in the fall, Stone said Thursday.



“Farmers Market Fridays” is a program geared to ages five and up, designed to teach kids about agriculture. Here it is “in session” at the farmers market on a recent Friday at the Livery Stable in downtown Abbeville. (Staff photo by Henry E. Green)

‘Farmers Market Fridays’ all for the kids

By Henry E. Green

If you walked into the Livery Stable in downtown Abbeville on Friday morning to visit the Farmers Market, you probably saw, just inside the door, a class in session.

It wasn’t your typical instructional exercise. No pop quizzes that we could see... Nobody got sent to the principal’s office.

No, the class was a part of the “Farmers Market Fridays” hosted for free by Abbeville County 4-H and

sponsored by Abbeville County Farm Bureau Women’s Committee, said Jenny Mountford of Clemson Extension recently.

Mountford is the 4-H Youth Development Agent for Abbeville County Cooperative Extension of Clemson University

The attendees vary each week, as its open to the public, and more than 20 people attended the June 10 event, Mountford said.

There are six total Farmers Market Fridays—June 3, 10,

17, July 8, 15, 29.

Each of the gatherings is a different activity, according to Mountford.

“I read a book from the SC Farm Bureau Ag in the Classroom series, we discuss the book/topic, and then do a hands on activity,” she said.

The gatherings are free, no registration is required, and they begin promptly at 9 a.m. and end before 10 a.m., Mountford continued.

‘Family man’ *Tony Southard posthumously inducted into County Hall of Fame*

By Henry E. Green

The late Tony Southard was posthumously inducted into the Abbeville County Hall of Fame during the June 2 Greater Abbeville Chamber of Commerce, recognizing the life of a man who gave much to the Abbeville community.

His widow Amy accepted the award on Tony’s behalf, according to a biographical sketch provided by the Chamber.

Tony “dedicated his career life to Abbeville Sporting Goods, where he provided quality products and service to various local businesses in and around Abbeville,” the Chamber reported.

On Friday nights, he would keep the stats for Abbeville High School football games, and he once was named the Abbeville High School Athletic Department Busi-

ness Supporter of the Year. In his earlier years, he attended Anderson University and Piedmont Technical College, where he received a degree in Robotics.

Tony was a supporter of a variety of activities and organizations, including the Abbeville Opera House, the SC Trooper Association, the Abbeville Police Camps, Fire Camps, Shriners, Hejazz, Greenwood/Abbeville Jaycees, Boy Scouts, Special Olympics, Relay for Life, and the March of Dimes, and local schools.

“While attending Abbeville Pentecostal Holiness Church, he achieved the tough feat of being a VBS Leader and helper—he avidly donated money and clothing to help those in need. Even though he attended Abbeville Pentecostal, he made a point

to donate to other local churches in the community. “He led Cub Scout Troop 93, as though he did not have enough to do!”

Tony passed away on May 3, 2017, after a battle with cancer, and he left a wife, Amy, and a son, Michael, who recently graduated from Lander with a degree in chemistry, and secured a job with Lonza, which has a Greenwood facility.

Tony received a number of nominations for the Hall of Fame, Amy said.

Born in Anderson, he and his family moved to Abbeville when he was a child, and he graduated from Abbeville High School in 1982.

“He loved people, “ said Amy Tuesday of Tony. “He was very giving. He was a family man.”

Public encouraged to adopt, foster animals

By Henry E. Green

The Abbeville County Animal Shelter remains closed to intakes for stray animals and “owner surrendered” animals, said Abbeville County Director David Garner Tuesday.

“The closure does not include adoptions and fosters,” he said. “The shelter remains open for those purposes.”

The Shelter has been closed to strays and owner surrenders for about one month, said the County Director.

The County will not be able to open the shelter to strays and “owner surrendered” animals until it reduces the

number of animals already in the shelter through adoptions and rescues.

The Shelter is currently serious overcrowded, housing more than 60 dogs and cats in a facility built for 30 or fewer animals.

Every square inch of the shelter is currently devoted to space for housing an animal.

Garner raised the possibility that if the number of adoptions does not pick up, the County will have to “consider euthanizing in order to make space for incoming animals related to mandated quarantines or court cases.

If there is an ongoing inves-

tigation, or a court order, the County may have to house an animal.

“We may not have a choice,” he said.

The summer months are the worst months for it.”

This is because animals are more active and roam more in the summer months.

The public can help by coming to the shelter and fostering or adopting an animal, he said.

Animals may become aggressive if they are confined in the shelter too long, and adoptions and fostering help to solve this problem, Garner continued.

Council passes third, final reading on budget

By Henry E. Green

Abbeville County Council met Monday night, passing third reading on a budget that includes a new classification and compensation schedule for County employees.

Under the new schedule, most County employees will receive a positive adjustment to their salaries, based on the new classification schedule, which is more in line with neighboring and competing local governments and businesses, Abbeville County Director David Garner said Tuesday.

The old schedule was “antiquated,” and “in need of updating,” said Garner.

The County Council adopted the new schedule following a study conducted by Management Advisory Group, with offices in Spartanburg.

With this new schedule, the County hopes to retain employees “and “boost our recruitment” for all County positions.

Monday night, there was also an E911 presentation to Sharmel Miller and Ashley Giles for their completion of the APCO Registered Public Safety course.

This was a leadership course, in which Giles worked with Krissi Raines of Abbeville on a suicide prevention program.

Miller has been working on an internship plan for E-911.

Council also passed third

and final reading on a budget ordinance for the 2022-23 fiscal year.

Council also had first reading on Ordinance 2022-06 to amend the County road system by deletion and removal from the county road system a portion of County Lane.

Council does not vote on ordinances on first reading. They are simply read into the record by the Council chairman.

Approved was a resolution (Resolution 2022-20) accepting and adopting the Classification and Compensation Plan as prepared by the Management Advisory Group International, Inc.

Council passed a Resolution authorizing the County Director to enter into a contractual relationship with Consor Engineers LLC of Greer for engineering services for various roadway improvements not to exceed \$33,937.

The County Director David Garner gave his report, asking for his listeners to stay safe during the current heat wave, and stay hydrated,

He noted that Abbeville County Fire had won an award for its community risk reduction program, a program which included educating the public on fire safety. The award was presented at a conference in Myrtle Beach, County Fire Marshal Tim Williams said during the meeting.

There was also a segment for public comment.

During the public comment portion, Mack Beaty of Abbeville spoke, questioning the Council’s placement of a fee on unimproved parcels of land, not just parcels on which there have been improvements—something Garner said was approved last year.

Council members Drew Simpson and Jason Bonds were absent from the meeting.

Following an executive session, Council returned to open session and Council member Rick Campbell made the motion to authorize the County Director “to issue premium pay from ARPA (funds) to each full time employee, calculated to equal \$5,000, less such employees reclassification raise \$2,500 for part timers working a minimum number of hours set by the finance department and hired by January 1, 2022.”

This was seconded by Vice Chairman James McCord, and it was passed by all present.

The motion provided for a bonus for those employees who did not receive a pay raise under the budget for FY 2022-23, a County source said.

In other matters, Council reappointed Adrienne Padner and Fay Campbell to the library board.



Upper Long Cane, Little Mountain, and Abbeville Presbyterian churches joined forces to present a joint Vacation Bible School. Here the kids posed outside Upper Long Cane Presbyterian for a group picture. (Staff photo by Henry E. Green)

County Library has big plans for summer

By Henry E. Green

The Abbeville County Library System has a full plate of summer activities lined up for adults and kids alike, according to Abbeville County Library System director Mary Elizabeth Land.

Summer reading is at the top of the list. The theme this year is “Oceans of Possibilities.”

One may pick up at any branch of the Abbeville County Library System a special card, by which the individual can record and monitor the books they read during the summer.

There will be three special

programs this summer, all at the Abbeville Opera House.

On June 22, Silver Trout Arts will be presenting an interactive program on how many ways you can tell a story, Land continued.

On July 13, Bright Star Theater will be presenting Treasure Island, and on July 20, magician Tim Sonfelt will be performing.

In addition to all of those programs, we will also be performing stories and tales by Tim Lowry--southern story telling at its best!”

There will also be virtual story times, released every Monday at 11 a.m. “But kids

can watch anytime that suits them,” she said.

For more information, and to register for summer reading, just stop by any branch of the Abbeville County Library System.

All the programs presented by the Library are free.

One may earn prizes for summer reading. They include new books to keep, vouchers for ice cream at the Rough House, and a reading medal, Land continued.

For more information, one may call the Abbeville County Library at 459-4009



Advance Auto Parts in Abbeville had a car wash on Saturday to benefit the Abbeville Animal Shelter. Thomas Dixon (facing the camera), the new general manager for Advance Auto Parts, helped supervise the operation. (Contributed photo)



Greenwood artist Simeon Spearman has an art exhibit at the Welcome Center on Abbeville’s Court Square.

Joy of creation

Greenwood artist Simeon Spearman has exhibit at Welcome Center

By Henry E. Green
Greenwood artist Simeon Spearman recalls that pivotal moment in his life when art began to take center stage. “My senior year of high school I took Art as an elective... I was hooked,” he said. “I told my mom “I am going to be a ARTIST.” Spearman, who has an exhibit at the Welcome Center in Abbeville for the month of June, is serious about art, as can be seen from his response when we asked him how long he had been an artist. “I would have to say from the womb,” he said. “It just took me awhile to realize it. “I specialize in portraits,” he continued. “When I started at the Art Institute of Atlanta in 1987 I was told that portraits were the hardest

to do for any artist. But I had been doing them for at least 10 years and was making money off of them. So I zeroed in on them.” Spearman does not have a favorite artist. “I love many different artists,” he said. While he is definitely serious about his art, he is also practical. “I am a full-time artist!!!” he said. “But to pay the bills I am the lead man for Irvin Aull Builders based in Greenwood. We have done countless jobs in Abbeville. Just earlier this year we replaced two windows at the historic St James AME Church.” Born in Pittsburgh, he currently resides in Greenwood. “We moved here when I was young,” he recalled.

“My father thought it would be better raising me and my two older sisters here than there.” Spearman attended Matthews Elementary, Hodges Elementary School, Lakeview Elementary, Northside Jr High, and graduated from Greenwood High School in 1986. He went on to attend the Art Institutes of Atlanta and Pittsburgh, where he majored in Commercial Art and Advertising, and transferred to what was then Lander College, where he majored in Fine Arts and minored in Art History. Spearman is a fan of various kinds of artistic expression. “I just love creating,” he said.

Juneteenth celebration planned in Abbeville

By Henry E. Green
Abbeville’s second annual Juneteenth celebration is being planned. Juneteenth commemorates the end of slavery in the United States, and the first Juneteenth festival in Abbeville was presented last year. Last year’s event featured a potpourri of music, art, and speakers, and this year’s event will continue the tradition. “We will be doing it on Saturday the 18th,” said Jason

Edwards, the vice president of the Abbeville Friends of Freedom, which is presenting this year’s celebration. “It will all be centralized on Trinity Street this year with crafts and a kid zone in the Stables, and musical guests and speakers at the end of Trinity,” said Edwards. The schedule of events will run from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m., and will feature comedian Big Daddy Cater, and music from the Darrin Jackson Encounter and sax diva Leisha J., along with many

more attractions. Space is still available for vendors, and for more information one may call abbevillefriendsoffreedom@gmail.com The Abbeville Artist Guild will also have a featured artist in conjunction with the Juneteenth celebration. The work of Simeon Spearman will be displayed at the Welcome Center on Abbeville’s Court Square through the month of June.

Man killed in recent accident identified

By Henry E. Green
A pedestrian recently killed in a motor vehicle accident in the Honea Path area in the northern part of Abbeville County has been identified, said Abbeville County Coroner Dr. Mark Dorn. “We have identified him as Ancil Tom Noble, (a) 51 year old male,” Dorn said Wednesday. The deceased man was homeless, said the Coroner. “I am grateful to the Anderson County Forensics Team for aiding our department in

identifying him through their AFIS computer fingerprint system,” Dorn went on to say. “I am also thankful to the Peru, Indiana Police Department and McHenry County Illinois Sheriff’s Department for their assistance in helping us locate his family.” “If it wasn’t for this collaboration between agencies, we would have not been able to complete this investigation.” A pedestrian fatality, Noble died in an accident that

occurred at 750 Highway, 178 North in Honea Path at the Upper Abbeville Sports Complex near Huggins Garmet Road on the evening of June 3, according to the Coroner. “According to the driver of the first vehicle, the male victim had abruptly crossed the road in front his vehicle and was struck,” according to Dorn. “A second vehicle was also involved in the incident. “ Neither driver was injured, the Coroner continued.

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Scouts in Due West presented a flag retirement program for Memorial Day recently. (Staff photo by Henry E. Green)

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American flag remains powerful symbol

By Henry E. Green
Red.
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The American flag has a long and rich history, Dr. Bill Boone told Abbeville Rotarians recently.
Boone provided a presentation on how the flag has evolved through the years to its current incarnation, as well as a small lesson on flag etiquette.
There are many flag do's and don't's.
Among them:
The American flag, he said, should never be flown on the back of a pickup truck.
--It should always be car-

ried upright.
--The flag should never be worn on athletic uniforms, but flag patches may be worn on the uniforms of first responders.
--It should never touch the ground.
--A flag can be ceremonially disposed of by burning it, and it should never be simply thrown in the trash.
As for the history of the flag, that history includes the story of how the "The Star Spangled Banner" came to be written.
Francis Scott Key wrote the national anthem after the British bombarded Fort McHenry during the War

of 1812.
Fort McHenry, guarding Baltimore, withstood that bombardment from British ships, and when Key saw the American flag still flying above the fort, he was inspired to write the song we know today as "The Star Spangled Banner."
The Flag Act of 1818 established the format we know today for the flag--13 stripes to signify the 13 original colonies, and one star to signify each state.
It also provided that subsequent changes in the number of stars be made on July 4.



Following Abbeville High School's recent graduation program, family and friends mingled with graduates and many, many, MANY pictures were taken. Graduate Tamiyah Nicole Adger (center) was joined by her sisters Indiah and Ashley for a photo opportunity. (Staff photo by Henry E. Green)

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Legion softball prospering

By Henry E. Green
The American Legion Post 2 softball team is off to a great start, according to Post 2's Terry Greenfield. Greenfield, who is co-chair along with Jimmy Ashley for Post 2 athletics, said the softball team hosted two games with Post 24 of Mid-Carolina, and won both, on the evening of Tuesday, June 7.

Mati Cox was the winning pitcher for the first game, which Post 2 won 8-5, and Mackenzie McElrath the second game, which Post 2 won 12-0.

Post 2 plays its home games at Dixie, and Greenfield was exceptionally pleased with the number of people who came out to support Legion baseball.

As many as 85 people were on hand for the games, according to Greenfield. "A great turnout," he said.

On Thursday evening, Post 2 defeated Post 24 16-2 in Game One, with Sarah Scott the starting pitcher and Mackenzie McElrath the closer.

In Game 2 Post 2 defeated Post 24 11-3. Gillian Hughes was the starting pitcher and Matilyn Cox the closer.

The next game is on June 20, at Dixie at 6 p.m., when Post 2 will host Post 133 Ridge Springs- Monetta.

This is the first year for Post 2 softball, and the team is coached by Samantha Ferguson, who also coaches the Dixie High School softball team, and she is assisted by Chad Roper.

Throughout the state, American Legion baseball has been a summertime tradition, and Post 2 is hoping that summer softball can find a similar niche.

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- Be unwell
- Eagle's home
- Precedes carotene?
- Twisted or meandered
- Chill, with 'out'
- Seat by day, bed by night
- Modifies
- *Just out of the water
- Parallel grooves
- Arrival times
- *Wave rider
- Nitrogen, in the olden days
- In _____ of
- Hipbones
- Parcel of land
- Et alibi
- Auctioneer's exclamation
- A.C.T. section
- Tie the knot
- *Casual beach tops

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- British Broadcasting Corporation, colloquially
- Shells in a magazine
- Capital of Peru
- Fungus damage (2 words)
- *Same as sandbar
- Catch for a ratchet's notch, pl.
- Criticism
- *Water at its highest (2 words)
- The largest continent
- Retired electric Chevy
- Compass dir.
- Hindu Festival of Lights
- Dyed fabric
- Type of TV show
- Eating contest staple
- *Decapod on a beach
- *Propelled like a paddle board
- Plural of sputum
- Type of bin in a grocery store
- Bundle of axons
- Slipperier
- *Building material found at the beach
- Jack Ryan's and Jason Bourne's org.
- Barrels of beer
- *Hasselhoff's beach TV show
- Improvise
- Exercise group
- Upbraiding
- Annoy
- Lao Tzu follower
- Hotel room option
- Metallica's "Don't _____ On Me"
- Poet Pound
- To perfection (3 words)
- A bunch
- *End-of-day summertime soother
- Rub the wrong way
- Pops
- Cash dispenser

During the recent AHS athletic banquet, Kathi Culbreath (left) presented Drew Beauford (right) with a scholarship in memory of the late Mike Culbreath. (Staff photo by Henry E. Green)

Remembering Mike

A scholarship is given in memory of an enthusiastic Abbeville High fan

By Henry E. Green
Abbeville High School graduate Drew Beauford is the recipient of a scholarship named in memory of the late Mike Culbreath.

Beauford, one of the honor speakers at the Abbeville High School graduation in late May, was presented with the scholarship during the Abbeville High School athletic banquet last month by members of Culbreath's family.

"The Panther Pride award is given anonymously each year to a deserving athlete who demonstrates Panther Pride on and off the field within the classroom and the community, AHS athletic director Maggie Jameson told the audience at the banquet.

"This year, the coaching staff voted on which senior

demonstrated these characteristics above all others," she said.

Drew's name will be included on the Panther Pride plaque in the AHS athletic building, and she will receive a \$750 scholarship given in memory of Culbreath.

A loyal and enthusiastic follower of Abbeville High School athletics, "Mike could be found on our sidelines during many of our football games and spent a great deal of time coaching and growing our tennis program."

Culbreath could be found at AHS home football games, where he sold boiled peanuts to help support the tennis team.

He would help out in the press box at baseball games as well, and during conversations in the press box he

displayed an impressive knowledge of rock'n'roll.

Beauford, meanwhile, was a committed athlete--she was awarded, for example, the Team Above Self Award in varsity volleyball at the AHS athletic banquet.

"Drew played volleyball, cheered sideline cheer, and did competitive cheer all in the fall," Jameson said. "She also played girls soccer in the spring. Drew was selected as All-American for cheer and travelled to Hawaii in December with us. She graduated 3rd in her class.

She was recognized for being a member of Teacher Cadet, a member of AP calculus (less than 5 people took the course) and she also was enrolled in numerous other dual-credit courses.

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William Everette Miller of Dixie High School and Justin Will Hudson of Abbeville High School passed an important test in the welding program at the Abbeville County Career Center recently, and were recognized at a recent Abbeville County School District Board of Trustees meeting. They posed for a photo with Career Center Instructor Christ Bagwell (center). (Staff photo by Henry E. Green)

Council tackles gas pumps, bond issue

By Henry E. Green

Abbeville City Council took action Wednesday night on everything from playground equipment to gas pumps-- and a bond issue.

Council passed first reading Wednesday night on an ordinance providing for the issuance of up to \$800,000 in bonds to finance the construction of the Lowndesville “tie in” point in the City’s utility system, something which promises to improve that system.

“The City Council has determined that certain improvements to the electrical component of the System are now necessary, consisting of a tie-in of such component with power supply lines

to reduce the frequency and duration of outages in the Lowndesville and Lake Secession Areas,” the proposed ordinance states.

Also Wednesday night, Council granted permission to City Manager Blake Stone to enter into a contract on behalf of the City with Cunningham Recreation for the Adams Drive playground equipment project.

Cunningham Recreation will supply design, installation and surfacing services for the project, which is projected to cost \$49,220,078. The project is being funded through the City’s hospitality tax, Stone said.

In addition, the City received bids on June 1 for

an awning and new gas pumps at the City’s public works facility. Stone said.

The City received one bid from OEC Petroleum for \$77,969.53. The cost includes design, installation and programming.

Council voted to enter into a contract with OEC Petroleum for the installation of a new awning and gas pumps.

The gas pumps currently being used are in poor condition, Stone told Council.

Also Wednesday night, Council passed first reading on a proposed ordinance amending an existing ordinance to update language regarding the City’s economic incentive program.

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The Eye Of God

Psalm 33:18-19 “Behold, the eye of the Lord is on those who fear Him, on this who hope in His mercy, To deliver their soul from death, and to keep them alive in famine.”

Chris Rice sings the song entitled “Smell the Color 9.” This song addresses the nagging sensation of not feeling God’s presence even when you are obediently seeking Him. He sings, “Sometimes finding you is just like trying to smell the color nine.” Explaining the song in an interview Rice said, “Jesus never said, ‘You will feel me always.’ Jesus said, ‘I am with you always.’”

When God seems distant and abstract as smelling the color 9 cling to His promise in Psalm 33:18-19. Notice the word “behold.” The Psalmist calls attention to the fact that God’s eye is on those who fear or reverence Him and hope in His mercy. Look what the Lord promises to do on behalf of those who reverence Him—deliver them from death and keep them alive in famine. Three things in these verses stand out to me.

Number one, God is alert to what is going on in our world. He is aware of what we are going through. The high inflation, the shortage of goods in our stores, the political and social unrest have not caught Him unaware. God knows what we are facing. His eye is on us—watching over us, providing for us, protecting

us. We can rest because God is in control. It may look like our world is out of control but reassured that God is still on His throne and still sovereign.

Number two, because God has His eye on us, He is looking ahead. He knows the future—we don’t. He looks ahead and He plans ahead. God knows what is going to happen and He provides for the things we will need in the future. Before the great famine throughout the whole earth in Genesis 42, He sent Joseph into Egypt ahead of time to prepare for His children ahead of time. Because God’s eye is on us He knows what we need even before we know and has already provided for it. Listen to what Jesus said in Matthew 6:31-32 “Therefore do not worry, saying, what shall we eat? or what shall we drink? or what shall we wear? For after all these things the Gentiles seek. For your heavenly Father knows that you need all these things.” Did you catch what Jesus said? Those words apply to us today more than ever before. If you listen to the news about the high gas prices, the coming earth shattering recession, you are tempted to become frightened. But remember,

God’s eye is on those who reverence Him and He knows what we need during the lean times.

Number three, God is looking around for those He can use to help us during the lean times. In 1 Kings 17, God fed Elijah at the Brook Cherith by the ravens. When the brook dried up He sent him to a widow in Zarephath. God looked around for someone to take care of His servant Elijah and He saw a widow woman whom He could use. Not only did God bless Elijah through her but he also provided for her during the famine. When Elijah got to Zarephath, he saw the widow was gathering sticks to make a fire and fix the last of her meal for herself and her son. She trusted Elijah and fed him first. Because of that, God miraculously kept the meal barrel with meal and the cruse of oil with cooking oil. During that famine God looked around and blessed not only Elijah but the widow as well. It could be that God has looked around and seen in you the ability to bless someone during these lean times.

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Little River Electric Cooperative, Inc.

JOB ANNOUNCEMENT

Job Title:	Groundsman (Apprentice Lineman)	Job Category:	Non-Exempt
Department/Group:	Operations	Job Code:	55-6621
Location:	Abbeville, SC	Travel Required:	Occasional
Level/Salary Range:	\$16.00 - \$20.00	Position Type:	Full Time
HR Contact:	Tecie New	Date Posted:	June 2, 2022
Posting URL and our Employment Application:	http://www.lreci.coop (Look under Employment)	Posting Expires:	June 20, 2022

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2) Resume and
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Job Description (See full Job Description and requirements on Little River Electric Cooperative website)

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- Be willing to work in potentially hazardous conditions caused by pets and wildlife in or near the work site with possible exposure to poison oak, poison ivy, and insect stings.
- Work under degree of stress related to accuracy and deadlines.
- Be able to learn and apply information from technical manuals in the completion of duties.

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Recent Abbeville High School graduate Gabriella White has won a number of scholarships to help her continue her education. She wants to pursue a career in the medical field. (Contributed photo)

Success story

Abbeville High School graduate Gabriella White shining star of 2022

By Henry E. Green
Gabriella White's mother Bridget will tell you her daughter is still a bit shy, but that has not held her back. Gabriella, who graduated from Abbeville High in late May with honors, has combined beauty pageant experience with a passion for community service. The daughter of Bridget and Gary White, she was a recipient of a Greater Abbeville Chamber of Commerce scholarship. She also won the South Carolina State Fair Scholarship, the South Carolina Credit Union Scholarship, the Charles T. Battle Scholarship from Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, as well as a scholarship from Abbeville Area Medical Center, and from the Abbeville Lions Club. She also was the recipient of the Miss Celebrations USA Scholarship from the Miss Celebrations USA Pageant, and the Community Spirit Scholarship from the Chamber of Commerce.

"She will also be eligible for the LIFE scholarship from Piedmont Tech," Bridget added. Gabriella plans to attend Piedmont Tech in the fall, and study cardiovascular technology. After getting an associates degree in that field from Tech, she intends to study another semester at Tech in order to receive a vascular sonography certificate. She will be in a field in which she helps monitor heart conditions through specialized tests. Her pageant experience began when she was in the first grade, and from there it blossomed--local pageants to state pageants and national pageants as well. At Abbeville High School, too, her pageant experience was successful, and through the years she won the titles of Miss Freshman, Miss Sophomore, and Miss Senior. Community service has long played a prominent role

in her life, as she has provided a helping hand at the Abbeville Opera House, the Abbeville Nursing Home, the Abbeville Youth Center, and United Christian Ministries of Abbeville County. Her main point of community service is now at the Abbeville Youth Center. "She volunteers there four days a week," Bridget said. "That's where her passion is now." At the Youth Center, she serves as a mentor to middle school students, and her service is something she plans to continue while at Piedmont Technical College. Gabriella, who has taken honors classes and dual enrollment classes as well, has benefited from her pageant experience in a number of ways, according to Bridget. It has given her a measure of self-confidence when she is being interviewed, for example.



Abbeville County Nursing Graduates Receive Pins- Graduates of Piedmont Technical College's Associate Degree Nursing program from Abbeville County were recognized in a spring pinning ceremony at the Lex Walters Campus-Greenwood. These students are: Tanya Bell; Harmony Garland; Chandra McDuffie; and Hailey Raber (photo not available). (Photo contributed)

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Lion Robert Fossett (right) was installed as president of the Abbeville Lions Club for the 2022-23 year by Rev. David Dority of the Matthew Lions Club recently. (Staff photo by Henry E. Green)



Clayton Swalstad (left) of Abbeville was recognized as the Abbeville Lions Club Lion of the Year by Abbeville Lions Club president Sandi Hood (right) recently. (Staff photo by Henry E. Green)



Due West Lions install Mark Fulghum as 2022-23 President

Submitted by
Dick Haldeman

DUE WEST - The Due West Lions Club installed new officers on May 12 during a picnic meeting at Due West Town Park, the club's first outdoor meeting of 2021-22 due to the Covid-19 pandemic. President Gene Judd turned the gavel over to the 2022-23 president, Mark Fulghum.

Officers who will serve with President Fulghum beginning in July include:

Gene McDill, first vice president; Lee Logan, second vice president; Leland Beaudrot, third vice president; Gene Judd, past president; Conway Shirley,

treasurer; Gene Judd, associate treasurer; Dick Haldeman, recording secretary; Beck Eleazer, associate recording secretary; Holly Kennerly, club service chair; Jeannie Knight and Janet Miller, one-year directors; Felicia Cunningham and Cindy Dunn, two-year directors; David Krumwiede, tail twister; Cutis Lee, Lion tamer; Amos Cunningham, constitution and bylaws; Mary Linn Touchberry, membership chair; Joyce Cunningham, associate membership chair; Sandra Gettys, host.

Beck Eleazer was installed as a new member. Also elected to membership in the club were Mary Power,

Stephanie Power Young, and Susan Helbert, all of whom will be installed at a later meeting.

Colonel John A. Simpson received the Lions Pride Award for his service to the club. President Judd announced that Lions had made donations to the Dixie High School Future Business Leaders of America and the American Cancer Society and received a thank you note from the Dixie FBLA. Despite the pandemic, the club made all its budgeted charitable contributions during 2021-22.

Fulghum, widely known as a chef, prepared the barbecued chicken supper for the picnic.



Gene Judd, president of the Due West Lions Club, presides at the club's May picnic meeting at the Due West Town Park. Illness of the previous president caused Judd to take over the presidency early in the 2021-22 year. He guided Due West Lions through a successful year despite Covid-19 causing the club to meet by phonathon. Mark Fulghum has been elected president for the 2022-23 year beginning in July. (Photo contributed)

City takes step in dam relicensing process

By Henry E. Green

The Abbeville City Council took a big step Wednesday night toward the relicensing of Rocky River Dam at Lake Secession.

Council authorized Abbeville City Manager Blake Stone to enter into a contract with Kleinschmidt Associates for consulting and engineering services to facilitate the FERC relicensing of the Rocky River Dam.

The relicensing process will follow the FERC traditional relicensing model and is expected to take five years.

Relicensing is necessary

to continue power generation at the hydroelectric plant which saves the City more than \$300,000 annually.

The process will begin this summer, and Stage One of the process will cost approximately \$142,000, with the complete costs over the next five years projected to be between \$350,000 and \$425,000, including engineering costs.

FERC is the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, a federal agency whose duties, according to Wikipedia, include licensing and inspecting private, municipal

and state hydroelectric projects.

In other matters, Council approved the appointment of Sam Richey to the Historic Properties Protection Commission. Richey is the co-owner of Deason's Flowers on Court Square.

Council also went into executive session to discuss the municipal judge, Commissions, and the annual review of the City Manager, but took no resulting action upon returning to open session.

Council member Benji Greeson was absent from the meeting.



One of the highlights of the Vacation Bible School presented by Abbeville, Little Mountain, and Upper Long Cane Presbyterian churches was a collection taken up to benefit United Christian Ministries of Abbeville County (UCMAC). Dr. Bill Boone (center), executive director of UCMAC, was presented with money raised from the collection on the last night of VBS. (Staff photo by Henry E. Green)

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AAMC launches new detox service

By Henry E. Green
Abbeville Area Medical Center has a new program designed as a weapon in the war on alcohol and opioid abuse.

AAMC in conjunction with StepOne Service is now providing hospital based medical detox, according to information from AAMC. The StepOne Service is the first phase in the recovery process for adults who are in the impending or early stage of alcohol and/or opioid withdrawal.

Provided at Abbeville Area Medical Center, the program is a hospital-based, three-to-five day medical detox service that requires voluntary admission to the hospital.

The service provides around the clock medical care by the hospital team and nurses.

It uses protocol specific medications to reduce the severity of withdrawal symptoms.

Individuals seeking treatment through the StepOne Service must be committed

to staying in the hospital until they are medically stable, according to AAMC.

Once discharged from the hospital, they must be motivated to continue addiction treatment by making the transition to a service based in the community.

The process includes telephone pre-screening, in-person assessment, admission to the hospital, medical detox, individualized discharge planning, and post-discharge follow-up.

According to the South Carolina Department of Alcohol and Other Drug Abuse Services, about 451,000 people in South Carolina suffer from substance-related problems.

Based on DAODAS 2020 data, Abbeville County had 1,292 hospitalizations due to alcohol and/or opioids.

It is all in response to an epidemic that appears to be running rampant--so many people in America are losing their lives to opioid or alcohol addiction, according to Eleanor Sherman, service coordinator for StepOne

Services.

That is the rationale behind the program. "It's just a prevalent need," Sherman said. "To me it's just worth it."

AAMC has contracted with Evergreen Healthcare Partners, and StepOne is a program of Evergreen, which is based in Wisconsin. OneStep provides resources and guidance for the hospital's detox program, which was started just last week.

The detox service provides for the patient to be treated with dignity and respect, Sherman said.

Most forms of insurance are accepted for the program, which Sherman said is the first in its kind in South Carolina.

"It's putting little Abbeville on the map," Sherman said.

For more information, one may call the StepOne care coordinator at 864-318-9697, or schedule a pre-screening via AbbevilleAreaMC.com/Medical-Detox.



Eleanor Sherman of StepOne Service, a program of Evergreen Healthcare Partners, spoke about a new program at AAMC -- hospital-based medical detox. (Staff photo by Henry E. Green)

Meals on Wheels volunteers needed

By Henry E. Green
Meals on Wheels volunteers are needed here in Abbeville County, according to Betty Moore, site manager with the Abbeville senior center, also known as the Center Street Cafe.

"We deliver in the city of Abbeville" and the outskirts of the city, said Moore, noting that 38 hot meals go out daily.

"Right now in the City I have three routes, and there are 10 people on every route in the city," she continued.

It takes approximately one hour per route to deliver those meals, said Moore.

The volunteer typically picks up the meals between 10 a.m. and 10:30 a.m. at the Senior Center.

The meals are hand-delivered, providing an opportunity to check on the well being of the senior to whom the meal is being delivered.

Most of the volunteers have become good friends with the people to whom they deliver meals.

That volunteer may be the only person the senior sees all day, Moore said.

"Most of my volunteers work one day a week," she said, noting that there are also people on standby to fill in as needed.

The Abbeville senior center is part of the Piedmont Agency on Aging, which handles Meals on Wheels here in Abbeville County.

"We deliver 40 meals to Calhoun Falls every two

weeks," she added.

Meals on Wheels can provide a vital component for senior nutrition, as a Meals on Wheels meal is sometimes the only meal a senior gets all day.

Volunteering with Meals on Wheels can be a perfect job for a retired person.

"We have one lady who is a nurse, and she does it on her lunch hour," said Moore.

Moore noted also that one church group--from First Baptist of Abbeville--is involved. Working in teams, they volunteer on Wednesdays and Fridays.

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Obituaries

Loughner

Rev. James Allen Loughner, 75, of Due West, husband of Vicki Whitman Loughner, died Saturday, June 11, 2022, at his residence. He was born on Uniontown, PA to the late Donald Doran Loughner and Wanda Elaine Thomas Loughner.

Rev. Loughner graduated from Aliquippa High School in Aliquippa, PA and Edinboro University in Edinboro, PA. Following graduation from college, he joined the United States Army from 1968 – 1970 serving during the Vietnam War. After service to his country, he continued his education by receiving a Master's degree in Psychology from James Madison University and a Master of Divinity degree from Erskine Seminary. Rev. Loughner's vocation was serving as an A.R.P minister, pastoring various churches in South



Rev. James Allen Loughner

Carolina. He was appointed to the Board of Trustees of Erskine College and a member of the Second Presbytery, ARP Synod.

Rev. Loughner is survived by his wife of 49 years, Vicki; two children, Benjamin 'Ben' Loughner (Nicolle) and Christina Hughes, all of Due West; six grandchildren, Whit, Thomas, Scout Lough-

ner, Anna Pinson (Cody), Allison Armstrong (Richard) and Caitlin Lee (Elijah); a great-grandson, Cayson Lee.

Funeral services, with military honors, will be 1:00PM, Thursday, June 16, 2022 in Harris Funeral Home chapel with Rev. Scott Moore officiating. A private burial will be held at M. J. 'Dolly' Cooper Veterans Cemetery.

The family is at the home in Due West.

Memorial contributions, in memory of Rev. Loughner, may be sent to Agape Hospice of SC, 326 Montague Ave., Greenwood, SC 29646.

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 Loughner family.

King

Wanda Jane Branyon King, 84, of Abbeville, wife of the late David T. King, Sr., died Saturday, June 11, 2022, at the Hospice House in Greenwood. She was born in Due West to the late Jefferson Davis Branyon and Martha Louise Ware Branyon.

Wanda, a 1955 graduate of Abbeville High School, retired from Flexible Tubing with over 40 years of service. A talented seamstress, she enjoyed sewing clothes for her family. Wanda was happy spending time with her family and friends, shopping and going out to eat. She was a member of Lebanon Presbyterian Church.

In addition to her husband and parents, she was preceded in death by a son, David Tommy King, Jr.; daughter and son-in-law, Darilyn King Ricketts and Tommy Ricketts; brother, Bob Branyon; two sisters, Betty Rose Entreklin



Wanda Jane Branyon King

and Maye B. Haddon.

Wanda is survived by two daughters, Terry King Hughes and Angie King (Randy Smith); three grandchildren, Thad Ricketts (April) and Dustan Ricketts (Katie), all of Abbeville and Jessica Dipner DVM (Neil) of Prosperity; seven great-grandchildren; sister, Faye B. Hannah (Emmett) of Hodges; and many extended family and friends.

The family will receive friends 1:00PM – 2:30PM, Wednesday, June 15, 2022, in Harris Funeral Home. Funeral services will begin at 3:00PM in the funeral home chapel with Rev. John Todd and Rev. John Butler officiating. Burial will follow in Forest Lawn Memory Gardens.

The family is at their respective homes.

Memorial contributions, in memory of Wanda, may be sent to Lebanon Presbyterian Church, c/o Charles Stone, 2171 Hwy 72 W, Abbeville, SC 29620 or Hospice and Palliative Care of the Piedmont, 408 W. Alexander Ave., Greenwood, SC 29646.

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 King family.

Hawthorne

Helen Cannon Hawthorne, 86, of Abbeville, wife of the late Billy Hawthorne, died Tuesday, June 7, 2022, at the home of her son and daughter-in-law in Chesnee, SC. Born in Greenville, SC, to the late James and Nell Barnette Cannon.

Mrs. Hawthorne, a dedicated homemaker, served as a caregiver to her community and retired from the former Abbeville Manufacturing. She was a member of Abbeville First Baptist Church, and involved with the Tween-Agers Senior Group, a Circle, and sang in the choir.

In addition to her husband and parents, Mrs. Hawthorne was preceded in death by her three sisters; Chris Boyd, Ruth Williams, and Hazel Cannon.

She is survived by her two sons; Ray Hawthorne (Janice) and Rev. Dr. Daryle Hawthorne (Christy); three broth-



Helen Cannon Hawthorne

ers; Marvin Cannon, Hugh Cannon, and Gary Cannon; four sisters, Ernestine Campbell, Edith Morgan, Joyce Hawkins, Peggy Hayes; eight grandchildren, Chris, Casey (Mel), Dustin, Drew, Lauren, Katelyn, Micah, and Josiah; three great-grandchildren, Mackenzie, Hannah, and Cameron.

The family received friends 1:00 PM – 2:00 PM, Satur-

day, June 11, 2022, at Harris Funeral Home. Funeral services began at 2:30 PM in the funeral home chapel with her grandson, Rev. Drew Hawthorne, officiating. Burial followed at Forest Lawn Memory Gardens.

Memorial contributions, in memory of Mrs. Hawthorne, may be made to the Abbeville First Baptist Church, PO Box 825, Abbeville, SC 29620, or Agape Hospice of the Upstate, 326 Montague Ave., Greenwood, SC 29646.

The family is at the home of Janice and Ray Hawthorne in Abbeville, SC.

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 Hawthorne family.

Obituaries

Laughlin

Victoria "Vickie" Sims Laughlin, 70, resident of 123 Mt. Ariel Rd., Hodges, SC wife of James Larry Laughlin passed away Wednesday, June 8, 2022, at her home.

Born in Greenwood, SC she was the daughter of the late Rudolph Nathan Sims, Sr., and Betty Brown Sims.

Vickie graduated from Lander College with a degree in nursing. She worked as a registered nurse at the Laurens County Hospital and was employed with the Health-Related Homecare of Abbeville Area Medical Center for the last 17 years. Vickie gave back to her community through charity work. She and her husband recently built a ramp for a disabled person as well as many other

things. She enjoyed spending time with her co-workers at Health Related Homecare. She was an avid golfer and loved going to auctions with friends to find bargains. She will be missed by her loving family and her many friends.

In addition to her beloved husband of 17 years, survivors include a grandson Branson Satterfield of the home; stepdaughter Brantley Sawtell and a granddaughter Kinsley Crawford of Hodges, SC; two nieces Brittany Dunlap (Terrance) of Greenwood, SC and Kristina Rhoad (Eric) of Rock Hill, SC; two nephews Brooks Sims of Columbia, SC and Corey Sims of Vieques, Puerto Rico.

She was preceded in death by two brothers Rudy Sims

and Barry Sims.

Funeral services were conducted Saturday, June 11, 2022, at 2:00 PM in the chapel at Chandler-Jackson Funeral Home with the Rev. Brandon Fulmer officiating. The burial followed in Greenwood Memorial Gardens.

The family received friends Saturday afternoon from 12:30 until 2:00 PM at the funeral home prior to services. The family is at the home.

Memorials in memory of Vickie may be made to The Humane Society of Greenwood, 1616 US Hwy. 221, Greenwood, SC 29649.

Chandler-Jackson Funeral Home assisted the Laughlin family.

Obituaries

Norton

George C. 'Bubba' Norton, Jr., 75, of Calhoun Falls, died Friday, June 10, 2022, at the Abbeville Area Medical Center. He was born in Abbeville County to the late George C. Norton, Sr. and Caroline Hutchison Norton.

Mr. Norton attended Calhoun Falls High School. He proudly served his country in the United States Army during the Vietnam War. Mr. Norton was an outdoorsman who enjoyed working in his yard tending his flowers. He loved his many family and friends and they loved him.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by three sisters, Glenda Jo Norton, who died in infancy, Judy

Woodall and Evelyn Mundy.

Mr. Norton is survived by three nieces, Natasha Mundy Saylors (Bruce) of Abbeville, Rennie Mundy Chrisley (Don) and Julie Anderson (Russell), all of Calhoun Falls, nephew, Robert C. 'Bob' Mundy (Frankie) of Abbeville; six great-nieces and nephews, Jamie Bannister, A. J. Gary, Kylie Anderson, Magen Hall, Chandler Saylors and John William Saylors; an aunt, Lucille Hozey; numerous beloved first cousins and great-great nieces and nephews.

The family will receive friends 1:00PM - 2:00PM, Saturday, June 18, 2022 in Harris Funeral Home, Calhoun Falls Chapel. A service

to celebrate Mr. Norton's life will begin at 2:00PM in the funeral home chapel with Rev. Jay Herring officiating with military honors.

In lieu of flowers, the family respectfully requests memorial contributions, in memory of Mr. Norton, be sent to Harris Funeral Home, PO Box 549, Abbeville, SC 29620 to help defray the cost of his service.

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 Norton family.

Obituaries

Lake

Ann Dalton Lake, 93, resident of NHC Greenwood, widow of J.W. Lake, passed away Friday, June 10, 2022.

Born in Opp, AL, she was a daughter of the late William Calvin Jones and Emma Levada Coon Jones. Ann was a home interior design consultant with Home Interior & Gifts and retired after thirty years. She loved to read her Bible and other pieces of literature; her many hats; sewing; big dinners and her family above all else. Ann was a member of Providence Pentecostal Holiness Church, where she was very involved.

Ann is survived by her family of five generations including her children, Joanne Scott of Abbeville, Dianne Harrison (Thomas "Blue") of Greenwood, Pat Cannon (Bruce) of Greer, and Iris Edwards (Ben) of Greenwood along with numerous grandchildren, great grandchildren, and great great grandchildren.



Ann Dalton Lake

She was preceded in death by three children, William Earl Smith, JoJo Nathaniel Smith, and D'Onne Smith and eight brothers and sisters.

Services will be held at 1:00 p.m. on Thursday at Providence Pentecostal Holiness Church with Pastor Ben Edwards and Pastor Johnny Waller officiating. Burial will follow at Greenwood Memorial Gardens.

Pallbearers will be John Wayne Price, Jr., Andy Price,

Charles Orr, Lee Haddon, Patrick Haddon, Daniel Jones, J.J. Smith, Shane Smith, and Jack Orr.

The family will receive friends before the service from 11:30 a.m. -1:00 p.m. at the church.

The family would like to give a special thank you to Ken and Shannon Bowan, Vickie Davis, Jack and Dawn Orr, NHC staff and caregivers, Caris Hospice, Emma Lee Woodard, Carolyn Reid, and Rice Memorial Baptist Church Care Group.

Memorials may be made to Providence Pentecostal Holiness Church Building Fund, 716 Old Abbeville Highway, Greenwood, SC 29649.

The family will be at the home of Johnny and Cathy Price in Abbeville.

Harley Funeral Home and Crematory (www.harleyfuneralhome.com) is in charge of the arrangements.

Obituaries

Bell

Karen Elaine Logan Bell, 71, former resident of 103 Hidden River Lane passed away at Regency Pullman Assisted Living Facility on Wednesday, May 12, 2022. She was preceded in death by her husband of 50 years, George L. Bell, Jr. and Son, George L. Bell, III.

Born in Fayetteville, NC she was the daughter of the late John L. Logan and Virginia Strickland Logan.

Karen received an Associate Degree in Engineering Graphic Design from Piedmont Technical College. She was a homemaker and substitute teacher for the

Abbeville school systems for many years. She was a former member of Sacred Heart Catholic Church. She was very active in her church community and enjoyed doing family genealogy. She enjoyed history and traveling to see her children. She will be greatly missed by her loving family and many friends.

Survivors include: Her daughter Janet Ann Bell of Washington State; son John Newton Bell of Abbeville, SC; four sisters – Donna Logan of Abbeville, SC, Rosemary Crockett of Abbeville, SC, Deborah White of Williamsburg, VA, and Sandra Logan

(Mike Burr) of Williamsburg, VA; and five grandchildren.

A Mass of Christian Burial will be conducted Friday, June 17th at 2:00 PM in Sacred Heart Catholic Church with Father Jacob officiating. The burial will follow in Forest Lawn Memory Gardens.

The family will receive friends Friday afternoon from 1:00 until 2:00 PM at Sacred Heart Catholic Church Prayer Garden prior to services.

Memorials in memory of Karen may be made to Friends of Hospice.

Chandler-Jackson Funeral Home is assisting the Bell family.





The roof and chimneys of the McGowan-Barksdale-Bundy House are being replaced. (Staff photo by Henry E. Green)

Roof on McGowan house being replaced

By Henry E. Green
The McGowan Barksdale Bundy House is getting a new roof, to replace one that leaked, according to the Abbeville County Historical Society's Bill Rogers. The Abbeville County Historical Society, which owns the house, has been working with Adam and Coe, based in Anderson, on a project which started on Monday, June 13, said Rogers. "It's about a two week project," he said.

The roof project will cost the Society approximately \$71,000 to \$75,000, he went on to say. Meanwhile, the Society has also been working with K and D Construction of Columbia to provide for four new chimneys. The old chimneys were falling apart, with bricks falling onto the roof and damaging it. The new chimneys will also cost the Society approximately \$71,000, he said. The original roof of the

house was made of slate, and Gen. William Barksdale, who was at one time an owner of the house, had it removed, and had it replaced with a shingle roof. The new roof will be "slate like" with a 50 year warranty and copper flashing, Rogers, who is overseeing the roof and chimney projects for the Society, continued. The house, located on North Main in Abbeville, was finished in 1888.

A Peach of a Summer

by Tom Poland
From my orchard of memories a lonely peach tree stands in the front yard of my youth. The tree looked sickly and produced fruit a tad bigger than a golf ball. The tree stood in the shadow of pines. That may have been its problem. It never was pruned. Another problem. Still, it fascinated me, though I recall not eating one peach from that frail tree of youth. Things would change, though. In the years to come, I'd spend a lot of time eating, photographing, and writing about peaches, that delight from Persia.



A bowl full of sunshine.

Yes, Persia. First known as Persian apples, peaches found their way to the New World, and down South summer is not summer without peaches, peach pies, and peach ice cream. Churn up some frozen delight. Slice up a peach and turn your morning cereal into a treat. Make preserves. Dried peaches aren't bad either. Eat this stone fruit whole, discarding the pit known as a drupe. All this epicurean delight begins with another joy come March. That's when a cotton candy, peppermint dreamscape mesmerizes all. To see a peach orchard in full bloom is to see majesty. Van Gogh, that one-eared artist, painted a pink peach tree against a blue sky with white clouds. "My best landscape," he said. It's said too that he found renewal in peach orchards. Why not. Peaches nourish, please, and inspire. They also create what amounts to a

growing controversy. Which state grows the most peaches? Which state is truly the Peach State? My native Georgia lays claim to that title but I've heard that Edgefield County, South Carolina, alone produces more peaches than Georgia entire. Let's look at some numbers from a few years back. According to a report in the Greenville News, South Carolina produced 54,600 tons of peaches in 2018. Georgia produced 25,000 tons. California, however, produced 510,000 tons that year. Ranking the states, we get California, South Carolina, New Jersey, and then Georgia, followed by six states not to be found in the South. It's time Georgia changes its claim to fame to peanuts. It's the nation's leading producer of peanuts. Welcome to Georgia, the Peanut State. Well, that doesn't carry much of a ring, does it. Still, I recall a certain peanut farmer who made it to number one in a double P category, presidential politics. All this peach business began when I drove up Old US 1 to visit family in the Chapel Hill area. Up near McBee, South Carolina, (Macby if you're a local), I saw peach orchards aplenty. Then a sign

pointed me to McLeod Farms Roadside Market. I detoured off Old Number 1 and soon I was on my way with peaches and tomatoes for my daughter up in Chapel Hill. Though a bit firm, the peaches were a hit. It's early still for Carolina peaches, so these must have come from elsewhere. Picked before their time for a reason. Picking a peach at the most opportune time isn't easy for novices. I read that professional pickers live by a cardinal rule. Never bruise a peach. A gentle squeeze tells all. The peach feels like a baseball. Do not pick. It feels like a tennis ball. Wait a few days. The peach gives, but does not bruise. Almost. Rosy red and yellow, and feels just so. Pick. The peaches I bought were indeed rosy red and yellow, small balls of sunshine. Still they were a tad hard, but that changed. By day three my daughter's family were grabbing peaches from a bowl where the stone fruit resembled art, a still life. Had one myself. It hit the spot.

We're poised on the cusp of summer. Among the produce that bespeak of summer are watermelons, tomatoes, and peaches. Soon peach trees will be heavy with their beautiful burden. Make it a peach of a summer. Wherever they come from, keep your bowl full of Persian apples, aka peaches. They're low in calories but rich otherwise.

Photo by Tom Poland



United Christian Ministries of Abbeville County and Clemson University are teaming up to offer a class in diabetes education, to be held at the Alt at the Abbeville County Library. Posing for a photo were (from left) Connie Normand of UCMAC and Camden Patsel, Danielle McFall, Dylan Mott, Morgan Davis, and Julianna Lyle of Clemson. (Staff photo by Henry E. Green)

Diabetes education course set at library

By Henry E. Green
United Christian Ministries of Abbeville County and Clemson University are teaming up to offer a class in diabetes education, to be held at the Alt at the Abbeville County Library, according to class instructor Julianna Lyle of Clemson. The class, which is free to participants, will be held every other Monday beginning on June 27. Lyle will be teaching the course, which is designed to help diabetics manage their symptoms through lifestyle changes. These include diet and exercise, as well as mental health awareness and reducing the risk of developing secondary complications.

These complications include heart disease, obesity, stroke. "Those are the big ones," she said. Participants are still welcome to join by calling Lyle or e-mailing her, or just showing up. Classes are from 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. every other Monday beginning June 27 and running through October. Graduation is October 24. Diabetes is one of the leading chronic health issues South Carolinians face, Lyle continued. "We spend billions of dollars on chronic disease-related health care," she said. A class like this can reduce the burden on the health

care system, Lyle said. Connie Normand, the director of the UCMAC free medical clinic, explained the UCMAC connection. "In March I reached out to Danielle McFall, Extension Associate of Clemson Extension Service, Clemson and asked for information in hosting the Health Extension for Diabetes program for patients of UCMAC Clinic," said Normand. "She introduced me to Julianna and the rest is history." And since then, the program has grown and it has opened up to the general community, Lyle said. For more information, one may call Lyle at 864-533-4972 or e-mail her at jeparha@clemson.edu

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MK-ULTRA and the Creation of Assassins

By Geoff Hult

After world war II, Nazi scientists were incorporated into the US intelligence apparatus under a program known as Operation Paperclip. High ranking Nazi intelligence officer Reinhard Gehlen met with William Donovan, head of the US Office of Strategic Services, and began to strategize methods of covertly controlling human beings. The OSS was the precursor to the Central Intelligence Agency. Rooted in Nazi ideology, the official inception of the CIA began in 1947 and early programs in mind control were named Bluebird and Artichoke. In 1953, a massive undertaking in the covert control of the human mind was initiated and named MK-ULTRA. MK-ULTRA's official existence was from 1953-1964, but has never actually been discontinued. I have made the point before that successful and wide reaching programs such as these either change names or are simply removed from official record. MK-ULTRA had during this time 149 known sub-projects, and every possible technique for influencing people against their will or knowledge was tested. Research and development was and is presently conducted into the use of chemical, biological, radiological, and electronic methods to clandestinely control human behavior. This has been going on for over 70 years and is very sophisticated at this point.

One of the things highly coveted by the CIA in the control of human behavior was, and is, the ability to program or influence someone to commit murder against their will and have no recollection of the event later. In a 1952 CIA memorandum, it was written that: "The aim is controlling an individual to the point where he will do our bidding, against his will, and even against such fundamental laws of nature as self preservation." It was indeed established by 1954 that it was possible to hypnotize and program someone to kill another person against their will and have no memory of it. In a CIA document entitled "Hypnotic Experimentation and Research," dated Feb. 10th, 1954, a detailed account is recorded whereby a woman under hypnosis shoots another woman, with blanks, and then goes into a deep sleep. It was detailed how she did not hesitate to fire the gun when suggested to do so, and that later, upon being awakened from the hypnotic state, both the shooter and the victim had no recollection of the event. The shooter also refused to handle the gun in her normal waking state, as she had an aversion to guns.

Sub-project 119 under MK-ULTRA specifically studied the ability to influence human brains remotely. Dated August 17th, 1960, the document regarding this sub-project states: "The purpose of this sub-project is to provide funds for a study conducted by (section blacked out) to make a critical review of the literature and scientific developments related to the recording, analysis and interpretation of bioelectric signals from the human organism and

activation of human behavior by remote means." It goes on to describe one of the five goals of the sub-project as: "techniques of activation of the human organism by remote electronic means." It also goes on to describe how those associated with the sub-project (i.e. the test subjects) would be unaware that they were being experimented on. It was also known at the time by doctors involved with this sub-project that the brain irradiates extremely low frequencies and that brainwaves could be manipulated electromagnetically. It should also be noted that in 1973 CIA director Richard Helms ordered the destruction of all documentation related to MK-ULTRA. The reason we know what we do about this is because some 10,000 pages of documents were somehow missed and through a Freedom of Information Act by John Marks, all of these documents were provided to him. Marks later wrote about this in his 1991 book, "The Search for the Manchurian Candidate: The CIA and Mind Control."

One famous incident in which the use of a mind controlled Manchurian candidate assassin is well established is in the assassination of US Senator Robert F. Kennedy, in June, 1968, in Los Angeles. It is well established for those who have honestly studied the event, as the media and government will never waver from the monolithic and elaborate set of lies sold to the American public over the decades. Sirhan Sirhan was a 24 year old Palestinian man who had been programmed to confront Robert Kennedy at the Ambassador Hotel and fire a gun at him. Sirhan could not be trusted to actually shoot him successfully and a second gunman was used to do the actual killing. The purpose in using Sirhan in this way was for everyone to see him, wrestle him to the ground, and for it to be an open and shut case, so to speak. Sirhan had also been hypnotically programmed to write long ramblings in a journal, as a manifesto, about killing RFK. Sirhan never remembered the event and has always maintained he had nothing against Kennedy and could not have actually done this. He was set up as the fall guy for the elimination of a good man who opposed the criminal power structure and who was likely to become president.

This brings us to today. The media, of course, never includes as part of the possibility as to what takes place in any given mass shooting over the last 10 years that it is government sponsored terrorism by way of MK-ULTRA style assassins. Those not understanding the agenda for authoritarian world government simply do not understand the world they live in. Most of the mass shooting events over the last 10 years, that are also major media events and intended for mass consumption are, in fact, made to happen either by way of the use of programmed assassins or are not actually real events at all but are presented to the public as real. For example, there is widespread belief that the incident

at Sandy Hook elementary in December of 2012 was not a real shooting at all, and that nobody actually died. These events are made to happen, and are happening so much now so as to overwhelm the public with fear, because the ultimate agenda is disarmament and the elimination of not only the second amendment but the entire Bill of Rights.

Some examples of likely Manchurian candidates in recent years are Aaron Alexis, who, on September 16th, 2013, killed 12 people in a shooting at the Washington Navy Yard in Washington D.C. Alexis believed he was being targeted and that the Navy and other governmental elements were involved in psychologically and remotely harassing him electronically. He had carved into his gun "My ELF weapon." ELF meaning extremely low frequency; as in, his ELF brain waves were under attack remotely.

On January 6th, 2017, Estaban Santiago Ruiz killed 5 people and wounded 8 at the Ft. Lauderdale, FL, international airport. Ruiz had previously told the Anchorage, AK, FBI that his mind was being controlled by the CIA and other elements of the US government. Of course, they just reported him to police along with the need for psychiatric evaluation. Ruiz is ex-military and was diagnosed with schizophrenia. All people who claim to be victims of MK-ULTRA style programming or as being targeted with remote electronic harassment will be labeled as crazy, whether they are or not.

On Nov. 20th, 2014, Myron May entered the Florida State University library and shot 3 people. May had been complaining to friends that he was being targeted with directed energy weapons and that voices were being artificially implanted in his head. The day before, May had mailed packages to several people allegedly containing evidence of governmental targeting programs against him. These packages were somehow intercepted by law enforcement and withheld from the public as to the contents. May made a long video discussing his experience of being targeted remotely, and can be found on most video platforms.

There is much more detail that can be covered on this subject and many more examples out there of possible or probable victims of MK-ULTRA style programming who were mass shooters. We live in a false reality where crises and mass shootings are manufactured to advance a nefarious agenda. Some shootings are organic, yes, but when it is a mass media event meant for mass consumption, it is almost certainly not what they are saying it is.

"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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Scott, Warner Reintroduce Bipartisan Legislation to Improve Hiring of Caregivers for Seniors

WASHINGTON – This week, U.S. Senators Tim Scott (R-S.C.) and Mark R. Warner (D-Va.) re-introduced the Ensuring Seniors' Access to Quality Care Act, which would bolster the nursing home workforce by allowing more facilities to train Certified Nursing Assistants (CNAs) and enabling facilities to access a comprehensive background check database when hiring employees. Sens. Scott and Warner first introduced this legislation 2019.

"South Carolina is home to around 200 skilled nursing facilities that serve thousands of individuals in their golden years," Sen. Scott said. "At zero cost to taxpayers, this bill will help ensure these facilities hire the best candidates, improving the quality of care for seniors across the nation."

"Our seniors are owed

compassionate, qualified caregivers as they age and depend more and more on professional assistance," Sen. Warner said. "This legislation will provide senior living facilities with the tools they need to hire experienced staff and to continue to meet the high demand for workers without sacrificing quality care."

Background:

According to the Bureau of Labor Statistics, the need for nursing assistants and orderlies to care for the growing aging population is projected to rise 8 percent from 2020 to 2030. The senators' legislation would amend overly restrictive regulations that bar certain senior living facilities from conducting training programs for in-house CNAs for a two-year period after a care facility is found to have deficiencies, such as poor conditions or patient safety violations.

Specifically, the legislation would allow a senior living facility to reinstate its CNA training program if:

The facility has corrected the deficiency;

The deficiency did not result in an immediate risk to patient safety and is not the result of patient harm resulting from abuse or neglect; and

The facility has not received a repeat deficiency related to direct patient harm in the preceding two year period.

The senators' bill would also give employers at senior living facilities access to the National Practitioner Data Bank (NPDB) – a national criminal background check system – allowing them to screen and vet potential employees to ensure that caregivers do not have a history that would endanger the seniors they are employed to look after.

New Wake Law in Effect for Lake Greenwood-Lake Session and others

Submitted by
Jamie Dowtin,
County of Greenwood

Greenwood, S.C. – As summertime approaches and Lake Greenwood is seeing the expected increase in boaters, swimmers and recreational users, Greenwood County wants to ensure that everyone enjoying Lake Greenwood is aware of the new law that relates to boat wakes. The new law, signed into effect on March 14, establishes a 100-ft limit when approaching a dock, person in the water or anchored vessel, doubling the previous distance of 50 feet. The new law also set a 200-foot limit for wake surfing near a dock, person in the water of an anchored watercraft. "This new law is one that

is very much needed," Greenwood County Council Vice Chairman Theo Lane, said. "We want everyone who spends time on Lake Greenwood to have a great time, but to do so in a manner that is safe and responsible. Increasing the wake limit helps protect both lives and property, and I believe that statewide enforcement of this new regulation will prevent damage, accidents and probably save lives."

Greenwood County is helping to get this information out to Lake Greenwood boaters through a social media campaign entitled "Own Your Wake." This campaign will serve to educate boaters on the new law and urge them to understand the impact their

wake has on other people and property.

"I encourage all boaters to please pay attention to this new law," Greenwood County Councilman Dayne Pruitt, said. "Increasing the wake limit will help ensure everyone's safety and enjoyment while spending time on one of our county's most beautiful resources."

Lake Greenwood is one of 15 bodies of water affected by this new law. Other nearby reservoirs affected include Lake Hartwell, Lake Murray, Lake Russell, Lake Secession, Lake Thurmond and the portion of the Savannah River from the Interstate 20 Savannah River Bridge to the New Savannah River Bluff Lock and Dam.

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AHS alumni baseball game set

The Abbeville High School alumni baseball game will be Saturday, June 25, at Powell Park on the campus of Wright Middle School, according to AHS varsity baseball coach Daniel Little. Activities start at 10 a.m.

Community calendar

There will be a meet the artist reception Friday, June 17, for Simeon Spearman beginning at 6:30 in the Abbeville Welcome Center. Spearman has an art exhibit in the Welcome Center as part of the Juneteenth celebration in Abbeville.



Philip “Vance” Anderson, a rising senior at Dixie High School, recently won a state competition nurturing the entrepreneurial spirit. Anderson submitted a prize-winning business plan. (Contributed photo)

Man with a plan Dixie High School student wins business plan competition

By Henry E. Green
The Class of 2022 has accomplished some big things here in Abbeville County. For example, Philip “Vance” Anderson, a rising senior at Dixie, has won a state championship in a competition coordinated through a Charleston-area nonprofit organization called Engaging Creative Minds. This organization, according to its Website, works with educators to foster the spirit of innovation and creativity among students. Anderson won this year a statewide competition in which participants, all high school students, created business plans for businesses, and in the process sharpened skills of analysis and management, and cre-

ativity at well. One of five finalists in the competition, Anderson presented a business plan before a panel of judges in an event held in Charleston in October of 2021. The plan was for a furniture restoration business, and Anderson said he believed it clinched the top prize because it was polished and well thought out. “It was a \$3,000 prize,” he said. It all started when he won a school entrepreneurship contest, which blossomed eventually into the state competition. The official name of the competition he won is the South Carolina State Business Plan Competition, according to Alicia Modoor, program manager with En-

gaging Creative Minds. Vance won out over hundreds of students from high schools throughout South Carolina. At Dixie, Anderson has been involved in a diverse array of endeavors. “I run cross country and track and field,” he said. He will be the student body president this coming school year, and this past year he was vice president of the student body. A member of the Beta Club and National Honor Society, he has also been involved in Future Business Leaders of America. He would like to attend either the University of South Carolina, Clemson, or the University of Georgia. “I really want to go into the medical field,” he said.

Classifieds & Legals

NOTICE TO CREDITORS
All persons having claims against the following estates MUST file their claims on FORM #371PC with the Probate Court of ABBEVILLE COUNTY, the address of which is 903 WEST GREENWOOD ST., SUITE 2300 ABBEVILLE, SC 29620, within eight (8) months after the date of the first publication of this Notice to Creditors or within one (1) year from date of death, whichever is earlier (SCPC 62-3-801, et seq.), or such persons shall be forever barred as to their claims. All claims are required to be presented in written statements on the prescribed form (FORM #371PC) indicating the name and address of the claimant, the basis of claim, the amount claimed, the date when the claim will become due, the nature of any uncertainty as to the claim, and a description of any security as to the claim.

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COUNTY OF ABBEVILLE

IN THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS

C/A NO. 2022-CP-01-00136

Vanderbilt Mortgage and Finance, Inc., Plaintiff
vs.
Debra Jean Scott, Defendants.

TO THE DEFENDANT(S)
Debra Jean Scott:

YOU ARE HEREBY SUM-

MONED and required to answer the Complaint in the above action, a copy which is herewith served upon you, and to serve a copy of your Answer upon the undersigned at their offices, 2838 Devine Street, Columbia, South Carolina 29205, within thirty (30) days after service upon you, exclusive of the day of such service, and, if you fail to answer the Complaint within the time aforesaid, judgment by default will be rendered against you for relief demanded in the Complaint.

NOTICE
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EN that the original Complaint in this action was filed in the office of the Clerk of Court for Abbeville County on May 10, 2022.

NOTICE
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to the South Carolina Supreme Court Administrative Order 2011-05-02-01, you have a right to be considered for Foreclosure Intervention.

NOTICE OF PENDENCY OF ACTION
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT an action has been commenced and is now pending or is about to

be commenced in the Circuit Court upon the complaint of the above named Plaintiff against the above named Defendant for the purpose of foreclosing a certain mortgage of real estate heretofore given by Debra Jean Scott to Vanderbilt Mortgage and Finance, Inc. bearing date of August 13, 2015 and recorded August 21, 2015 in Mortgage Book 20-E at page 161 in the Register of Mesne Conveyances/Register of Deeds/Clerk of Court for Abbeville County, in the original principal sum of Forty Six Thousand Eight Hundred Twenty and 20/100 Dollars

(\$46,820.20), and that the premises effected by said mortgage and by the foreclosure thereof are situated in the County of Abbeville, State of South Carolina, and is described as follows:

All that certain piece, parcel or lot of land lying and being situate in the State of South Carolina, County of Abbeville and being designated and shown as Lot 15 of Section 1 of Beaver Cove Subdivision, on plat prepared by Jerry E. Byrd, RLS #8097, dated August 10, 1990, recorded in the Register of Deeds Office for Abbeville County, South Carolina in

Plat Book 33 at Page 106. Reference is hereby made to said plat for a more complete and accurate metes and bounds description of said property. Also included is a mobile/manufactured home, 2003 CMH, VIN: CAP014043TNAB. TMS No. 089-00-00-057 Property Address: 101 Beaver Trail, Lowndesville, SC 29659

Riley Pope & Laney, LLC Post Office Box 11412 Columbia, South Carolina 29211 Telephone (803) 799-9993 Attorneys for Plaintiff 4588 6/8, 6/15, 6/22

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

COUNTY OF ABBEVILLE

IN THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS EIGHTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT

LIS PENDENS

CA# 2022-CP-01-00003

Derek Boyd, as Trustee of the 305 Thomas Land Trust,

and Kevin Crider,
Plaintiffs,
vs.

Jerry Keith, Randy Anderson and Julia Thomas Johnson,

as well as their heirs, assigns, personal representatives, and devisees, and all other persons known or unknown who may claim any right, title, estate, interest

in or lien upon the real estate described herein; any unknown adults being as a class designated as John Doe whose true name is unknown; and any unborn infants or persons under disability being as a class designated as Richard Roe, whose true name is unknown

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YOU ARE HEREBY SUMMONED and required to

answer the Complaint, in the above-entitled action, a copy of which is herewith served upon you, and to serve a copy of your answer upon the undersigned at 109 E North St. Greenville, SC 29601, within thirty (30) days after service hereof upon you, exclusive of the day of such service, and if

you fail to answer the Complaint within the time aforesaid, judgment by default will be rendered against you for the relief demanded in the Complaint.

BY: /s/ Matthew McCord
Matthew McCord, S. C. Bar #79030 Attorney for the Plaintiffs 109 E North St. Greenville, South Carolina 29601 (864) 593-2292 6/1, 6/8, 5/15

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

COUNTY OF ABBEVILLE

IN THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS

SUMMONS

CA# 2022-CP-01-00003

Plaintiffs,
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Jerry Keith, Randy Anderson and Julia Thomas Johnson

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