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

Grand opening for new WZLA held

By Henry E. Green

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Benji Greeson, a morning radio show personality on WZLA, bought the station earlier this year and moved it to its current location on Highway 28 Bypass, a build-

ing which used to house state offices.

Friday evening he cut the ribbon for the new facility, which has much more space than the other one.

The new location has about 5,000 square feet, and Greeson said it has room for a number of amenities. In the move they built a state of the art broadcast studio, and soon will be offering podcasts and video

productions.

Bobby Gulley was the carpenter for the project, and Dave Soloman the engineer, Greeson continued. The building used to be the

home of the Employment Security Commission. Behind the building, Greeson hopes to build an am-

phitheater, where he hopes to host concerts of various

"That won't be probably until next fall," he said.



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Board plans workshop

By Henry E. Green

The Abbeville County School District Board of Trustees is slated to have a budget workshop on August 6 at 3 p.m., according to District finance director Roni Scott.

The trustees will meet with the District's administrative

staff to discuss a budget plan for 2021-22.

The trustees had tabled second and final reading on the budget at their last

They did so at the recommendation of trustee Tim Rhodes, who also suggested the workshop.

The budget plan calls for a millage increase of 5.8 mills. There is also a plan for a salary increase for teachers, as mandated by the state.

The trustees may have a called meeting to approve any action on the budget, Scott continued.

Abbeville High School's Hite Stadium is getting a new press box. (Staff photo by

Barfield is City's new public works director

By Henry E. Green

The City of Abbeville has a new public works director. Greg Barfield took over in that post on July 12. As public works director, he will supervise the maintenance of the City's roads, sidewalks, and sanitation.

Before coming to the City, Barfield worked for SCDOT for 10 years.

"I was the assistant resident maintenance engineer," he said.

Before that, he worked approximately 15 years as

a linemen with Aiken Electric Cooperative and Pike Electric.

"I'm retired military," he said. "I served in Desert Storm as a U.S. Marine." He also served in the Army National Guard and the Air

National Guard.

"I'm a native of Edgefield graduated from Strom Thurmond High School in 1980, and attended Western Carolina University and Pied-

mont Technical College. "I presently live in Greenwood," he continued. Barfield has a positive atti-

tude about the his new post. "I look forward to working with the people of the city of Abbeville," he said. "I'll be available if they have any questions or concerns. All they have to do is call the public works department."

County," said Barfield, who That department is based at the "City Barn," and Barfield supervises a staff of 10 people.

> "We are currently looking for help if anybody might be interested," he said.

Henry E. Green) Renovation sensation

Hite Stadium getting new press box, concessions/restroom buildings

By Henry E. Green

The WCTEL Kickoff Classic, a preseason football event at Abbeville High School on Thursday, August 5, will be held beginning at 6 p.m. at Abbeville High School's Hite Stadium, and fans on the home side will notice something of a face lift the stadium has been experiencing.

A new press box, a new concessions building, new restroom facilities--all are certain to capture the eye.

"Everything will be functional for the game Thursday night," said Dr Mason Gary, the Superintendent of the Abbeville County School District.

There remain some "cosmetic" things that need to be done, including some painting. "Thursday we'll be laying sod (in the area near

the press box)," he said.

"We'll use every building we constructed," he said. Those buildings include a new press box, a new concessions building with restrooms located in the back, and three ticket booths.

The concessions building is oriented better to the flow of the crowd, and the new restroom facilities on the home side mean that for the home crowd the porta-potties are history.

Everything has been built of concrete block, of what Gary called "split-faced block," and all will be bigger than what they are

The Superintendent noted that the same kind of work is being done at the stadium at Dixie High School.

Gary said he appreciated WCTEL for sponsoring the

upcoming event, and the City of Abbeville and Abbeville County for their support, as well as the School District maintenance department for their hard work, and Cely Construction.

The stadium work at AHS and that at Dixie are expected to cost a combined \$1.8 million, Dr. Gary continued. It is all being done in preparation for the upcoming 2021 football season. AHS will open its regular season on August 20, with a home game against McCormick.

Dixie will open its regular season with an August 20 game at Greenwood Christian, and the Hornets will open their home slate by hosting Ware Shoals on Sept. 3.

Note: The work at Dixie will be the subject of a story in coming weeks.



Hospital to host 'active shooter training'

By Henry E. Green The Abbeville County Sheriff's Office, the Abbeville Police Department and the Abbeville Area Medical Center will join forces to put on an active shooter training for the hospital facilities at AAMC on the morning of Thursday, August 5, according to Captain Patrick Thompson of the Sheriff's Office.

When people see blue lights flashing and law enforcement vehicles gathered at the hospital, "we're just training," said Thompson.

This is the first year the Sheriff's Office has assisted with the exercise, he said.

The training probably will become an annual event, he said.

"We're going to use law

enforcement as the role players," he said.

AAMC will still be operating during this time for emergency care, so people with medical concerns should not be discouraged from coming, he said.

For more information, one may call the Sheriff's Office at 446-6000, or the hospital at 366-5011.

Superintendent updates projects list

By Henry E. Green

(The following article is the first in a series.)

Dr. Mason Gary, the Abbeville County School District Superintendent, has updated the District's Capital Improvement Plan, which includes various projects to upgrade District facilities.

The list of completed items include the following, according to a list found on the District Website:

--The acquisition of two 20 passenger buses at Abbeville and Dixie high schools. --Construction of a playground at JCCE

--Energy capture areas installed at Cherokee Trail Elementary, Diamond Hill Elementary, Long Cane Primary, Wright Middle and Abbeville High School

--Washer/dryers at AHS and DHS

--Painting the interior of the athletic field house at AHS --Moving the greenhouse

--HVAC emergency replacement at Diamond Hill

--Roof at Westwood Elementary School

--HVAC at Wright Middle

--Demo athletic buildings at AHS and DHS

--Playground at Cherokee

--Sound system at AHS football field

--Flooring at AHS field

--Ceiling tiles at AHS field

--Lights at AHS field house --Lockers at AHS field

--Pave Long Cane parking

--Forest mulch AHS pe-

Dr. Gary spoke briefly about the playgrounds at JCCE and Cherokee Trail and the Westwood roof.

"The playgrounds were new and completed in the

Fall of 2020," he said. "This equipment needs to be replaced periodically due to wear and tear and to maintain safe equipment for our students. The roof was completed in the Fall as well and there were leaks. This work was going on when I arrived last July (in 2020)."

Dr. Gary was also asked about the "demo" of the athletic buildings at AHS and DHS.

"Demo is short for demolition," he replied by email on Thursday." We demolished the old press boxes, ticket booths and concession stands so the new ones could be constructed."

The list had been edited as of July 27, according to the Website.

There are more items on the list, of course--items which are in the process of being completed or are still in the planning stages.



VOTE

Paul W. Cann

for WCTel Board

"I am a lifelong resident of the Antreville community. I have owned and operated my own business Cann's Lawn and Landscape since 2003. Previously to this I worked in telecommunications for a number of years with the most recent being with AT&T where I held

I am a member of Bells UMC and volunteer with the Antreville Fire

Department where I currently serve on the board. Previously I

I look forward to continuing to serve my community, this time as a

served as chairman of the Abbeville County EMS commission.

a variety of positions at the corporate level.

member of the WCTel Board of Directors.

I Appreciate your Vote."

The restaurant Indigenous Underground opened on Monday, July 26, at the corner of Church and Trinity in downtown Abbeville. It is owned and operated by Erica McCier of Abbeville and Nafi Shahid of Greenwood. The daytime menu will have a cafe feel, and the nighttime menu will feature cultural fusion, with foods from different cultures blending with Southern roots. The restaurant is open Monday through Friday 10:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. There are plans to open a Sunday brunch on August 8, and the restaurant is closed on Saturdays. The restaurant will also be open on Thursday and Friday evenings from 5:30 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. (Staff photo by

Henry E. Green)

Greenville man faces charges in stand-off

By Henry E. Green

A Greenville man has been arrested in connection with a reported standoff on the morning of Sunday, August 1, at a residence on Raymond Road in Abbeville, according to an Abbeville Police Department incident report.

Maurice Alfonso Morris, 39, of Greenville, faces charges of breach of peace,

high and aggravated, and possession of a firearm by a person convicted of a violent crime.

The report indicates that Morris allegedly was armed with a firearm and for several hours prevented people from leaving a residence on Raymond Road before he was taken into custody. Greenwood County deputies assisted in the effort man said.

to apprehend Morris, as well as additional Abbeville City Police personnel, and SLED.

SLED sent in an armored vehicle during the standoff, according to a police

"He surrendered to SLED peacefully," a police spokes-

spokesperson.

County residents to enjoy tax-free weekend

By Henry E. Green

Abbeville County residents, along with other residents of the Palmetto State, will enjoy a tax-free weekend on August 6-8.

According to apnews.com, on August 6, South Carolina shoppers can buy computers, clothes, school supplies and other items without paying the sales tax during the state's annual 72-hour sales tax holiday.

The Department of Revenue indicates that the tax free weekend will last

through Sunday, August 8, according to AP News.

The Department says eligible items may be purchased online and in-store without paying the state's six percent sales tax and any applicable local taxes during the holiday.

Tax free items include computers, printers, school supplies, clothing and accessories, footwear and certain bed and bath items.

These items may be used or new and are eligible regardless of price, AP News continued.

Items that are NOT tax free include digital cameras, smartphones, jewelry and furniture, AP News continued.

South Carolina is not the only state with a tax-free weekend. States such as Alabama and Florida have them as well.

The purpose of the taxfree weekend, according to www.tennessean.com, is to boost sales for retailers, and give shoppers a price break.

Filing period for school board election opens

By Henry E. Green

The filing period for the special school board election to fill the seat of Buster Taylor opened on Monday, August 2, at noon and will run to Monday, August 16, at noon.

The special election to fill his unexpired term will be held on Nov. 2. Polls will be open in Calhoun Falls, Antreville, Lowndesville, and Lebanon precincts, said Kim London, Abbeville County voter registration director.

Taylor, who represents trict's maintenance team

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Area 4 on the school board, recently announced his retirement form the school board, a body on which he had served since 1992.

At last week's school board meeting, he was presented with a plaque for his roughly three decades of service.

Taylor was honored during the meeting's Gold Star Highlights segment, during which individuals of achievement in the Abbeville County School District are honored.

Coincidentally, the Dis-

was recognized as well.

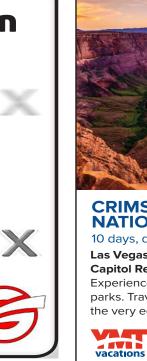
"My entire adult life was in maintenance," Taylor noted during the meeting, noting that he started in maintenance work when he was 18, and now he is 72.

His fellow trustees paid tribute to him. Adam Rich thanked him for his dedication, and chairman Brad Evans said, "It's been a pleasure serving on this board with you."

Taylor is resigning from the board as of Friday, August 6, London said.

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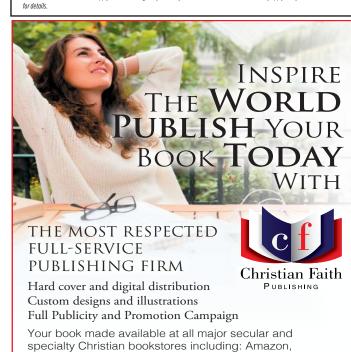




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Paul Bell, the Erskine Vice President for Advancement and Alumni Relations and Erskine Coordinator of Alumni Relations Hope Seymour led a recent tour of a Due West house which Erskine is renovating. (Staff photo by Henry E. Green)

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arrested

Man

A man from Honea Path has been arrested in connection with a July 20 motor vehicle break in Due West, according to a Due West Police Department incident report.

Tevin Chance Latimer, 23, of 202 Arkansas Street, Honea Path, has been arrested in connection with an incident about 2:30 a.m. on the morning of July 20, the report indicated.

districts where referendums did not pass, but those who had endured defeat learned from the experience, staged the referendum again a few years later, and found success.

questions about holding referendum

The R word

By Henry E. Green

The Abbeville County

School District Board of

Trustees has on its capital

improvement list a number

of projects which could be

paid for through a refer-

They include, for exam-

ple, replacing aging "aca-

demic wings" at Dixie and

Abbeville high schools,

expanding cafeterias at

At last week's school

board meeting, Columbia

attorney Frannie Heizer

spoke to the trustees about

how to stage a referendum,

if that is what the District

She had been invited by

the school board to come

and speak on the subject

Having the referendum

on a day set aside for a

general election provides

a better chance that it will

A defeat in a referen-

dum is not necessarily a

"forever" thing, she said,

those high schools.

wants to do.

of referendums.

endum.

Columbia attorney answers

It is possible, she said, to stage an advisory referendum, whose results would not be binding but which would give some indication of how the public feels about a particular matter.

The disadvantage is that with an advisory referendum, one does not always get a true picture of how the community feels. You only know about the people who come out to vote.

Often it is the people who are vociferously opposed to the proposal on the ballot who come out to vote, and would be yes voters may not come out to vote.

Moving on to the topic of School District borrowing, she told the trustees, "You all have no debt right now." If the District plans to hold

noting that she knows of a referendum, it would be useful to have unanimous support from the school

board on the matter. It is important to note that the school board has decided whether to have

a referendum. As Abbeville County School District Superintendent Dr. Mason Gary said following Heizer's presentation, "We have not made that decision."

Dr. Gary provided an update on the Capital Improvement Plan.

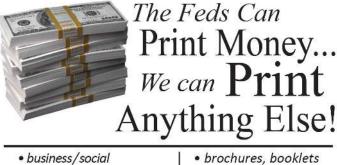
The paving of the parking lot at Long Cane Primary is now complete, and work continues on projects such as those at Abbeville and Dixie high school stadiums, he told the trustees.

In other matters, the trustees approved a board approved course, and a handbook for student rights and responsibilities.

Trustee Keith Dunn was absent from the meeting.

Abbeville Wheels Time Car Club

Abbeville Wheels of Time Car Club is hosting our annual Charitable Fundraiser on Saturday, September 4, 2021 from 6:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. We have applied for a Special Events permit with the City of Abbeville. In accordance with the City requirements, we are notifying all impacted businesses and/or residents. Our event will impact the entire Court Square. The following streets will be open for traffic: Washington Street, Trinity, East and West Pickens Streets. Please let us know if you have any questions or concerns. For more information, you may contact Danny Waits at (864) 980-2266 or Rodney Black at (864) 388-0777.



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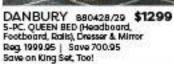




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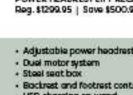
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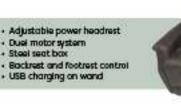


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Work on Trinity restoration continues

By Henry E. Green

Work at Trinity Episcopal Church continues.

Copper liner for the drainage system around the spire is being installed, said Mike Bedenbaugh, acting president of Preservation South Carolina, which is working with the Episcopal Diocese of Upper South Carolina and the Trinity congregation to restore the church.

The liner is being installed to provide for proper drainage around the spire, Bedenbaugh continued.

The installation, which began about three weeks ago, should be complete by

next week.

"Once the copper lining is complete and inspected by the architects, we will then proceed on installing the wooden shingles," he said. Work on the spire should be complete by the end of September.

"We look forward to working with the new bishop who will be installed at the end of this year, and 'strategize' next steps forward regarding fundraising and resource development," Bedenbaugh continued.

The planning for the restoration began in October

"It took us a year to assemble the most qualified team to do the work," Bedenbaugh said.

"Our architects at Meadors, Inc., in Charleston and our contractors Midwest Maintenance, out of Ohio" are currently involved in the restoration work, he said.

"It has taken an incredible amount of support to raise the over \$1 million it has taken to do this," he said.

"The next challenge we will face will be the restoration of the exterior, which we hope to start fundraising for in 2022," he said.

Restoration work at Trinity Episcopal Church continues, and copper liner for the drainage system around the spire is being installed, said Mike Bedenbaugh, acting president of Preservation South Carolina. (Staff photo

by Henry E. Green)

For the birds

by Tom Poland

This makes the second time I've used "For The Birds" as a title. "Contacting the dead through a Ouija board? That's

the

birds."

No flippancy
here. "For
the birds"
i mplies
just what
I mean.
I suspect
many of
you, like
me, do
things for
the birds.

I'm zero-

ing in on

bird feeders and not just feeders as you'll see.

Among my morning rituals are making coffee and checking the status of my bird feeders. As the feeder empties, guilt rises. I can't let birds go without their Choice blend of Wild Bird Unlimited seeds. To get home from a trip and see an empty feeder is a minor disaster. Same goes for my hummingbird feeders, which squirrels delight in tipping over and drinking. I'd put moonshine in them if the hummers would stay away. I'd love to see a squirrel staggering around, playing chicken with a car. If nothing else, the hangover might teach the tree rats a lesson.

I inherited my bird-feeding ways from my mom. She was all about birds and kept her feeders full. You'd hear birds singing outside her window and inside her home. She didn't have an aviary but she had not one but two "singing bird clocks," which tormented me twice a year with infernal daylight savings' coming and

going. Nothing galled her more than hearing the Carolina wren screech like a blue jay or a cardinal chittering like a chickadee. Twice a year Old Sol's journey made time fly

Clock by Tom Poland

like Mom's birds and I'd mark

the calendar knowing a trip to

Resetting her clocks was no

simple task. I'd take the old

batteries out, whirl the hands

around a few times then set

the clock to 11:50. Next I'd

put fresh batteries in and

set the clock to the correct

time. Now came the waiting.

I had to wait and depending

on the time, I'd pray that the

mockingbird sang, well, like a

mockingbird. If it didn't I had

to repeat the requisite steps.

This ritual went on for many

years but for six years now

those clocks have been put

away. That's how long Mom's

been gone but I recall the rit-

It's a warm spring day, 4:50

p.m. Outside the window,

birds flock to mom's cop-

per shelter of a feeder. Her

red hummingbird feeder,

hanging just outside the den

window, buzzes and squeaks

with six or so of those multi-

colored, feathery darts from

Inside tension fills the air.

South America.

ual as if it were yesterday.

Georgia was imminent.

Mom is sitting with me waiting for the tufted titmouse to whistle like some fellow calling in his dog. Five till five ... Three to five ... One minute to go. Studying my watch's

c o u n t d o w n like some NASA mission controller narrating a rocket launch to the moon. Three, two, one. I hear a click and praise the Lord the

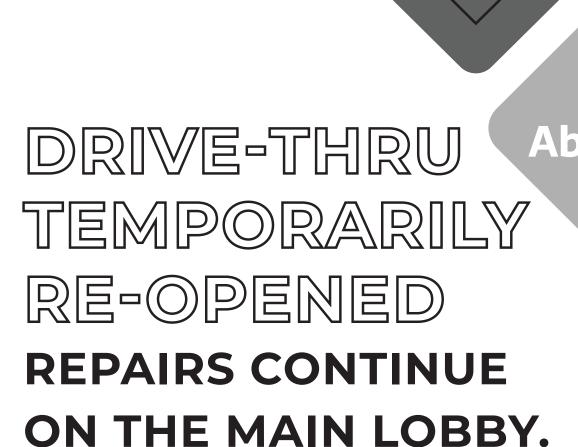
tufted titmouse whistles its sharp distinctive call. Success! My days of resetting bird clocks are over, but one more time sure would be nice.

clocks are over, but one more time sure would be nice. Meanwhile, my feeder is getting dangerously low. It'll soon be time to buy more seed.

And the first time I used "For The Birds" as a title? In State of the Heart, Aida Rogers's book. The subtitle explained that the book was sharing South Carolina writers' favorite places. I wrote about Cape Romain National Wildlife Refuge and nesting shorebirds where "its feathery alchemy transforms sand scrapes into the seashore's grand aviary."

Mom fed birds once upon a time and her home sounded like some lesser aviary thanks to her time-keeping bird-singing clocks. Now one is mine. Mothballed, but maybe just maybe I'll give it to someone who likes to do things for the birds.





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AHS to face Westside in WCTEL Classic

By Henry E. Green Abbeville High School has

begun football practice for the fall 2021 season, and the Panthers are preparing to face the Westside Rams. one of the top ranked teams in 4-A, in the preseason WCTEL Classic coming up Thursday night at Hite Stadium, said AHS head football coach Jamie Nickles.

"We're excited," he said. Westside is based in An-

derson, said Nickles "Last year they had one of the top quarterbacks in the state, and they're stout on defense," according to the coach.

Do the Rams like to run or do they like to pass? "They're very balanced," he replied.

The Panthers, a 2-A team, began practicing on Friday, July 30, and Abbeville practices have been in the mornings so far.

"Monday we transition to the afternoons," Nickles said.

The Panthers are defending state champions in the 2-A classification.

Abbeville will not be the only local team in the WCTEL Classic. Dixie and Calhoun Falls Charter will face each other in the last segment of the event, which begins at 6 p.m.



These dancers were moving to the beat of the band Silver recently, during a concert presented by the Calhoun Falls Chamber of Commerce at the Blue Hole recreation area in Calhoun Falls. (Staff photo by Henry E. Green)

Abbeville High School **2021 Football Schedule VARSITY FOOTBALL**

August	5	WCTel Kickoff Classic	Home	7:00	
	13	Battle @ the Border	Away	TBD	
	20	McCormick	Home	7:30	
	27	Newberry	Away	7:30	
September					
	17	Woodland	Away	7:00	
	24	Belton-Honea Path	Away	7:30	
		Crescent (Homecoming)	Home	7:30	
	8	Liberty	Away	7:30	
15		West Oak	Home	7:30	
	22	Ninety-Six (Senior Night)	Home	7:30	
	29	Christ-ChurchHead	Away	7:30	
Coach: Jamie Nickles					

Coach: Jamie Nickles Athletic Director: Maggie Jameson Principal: Scott White

Coaching Staff: Mark Smith, Tony Temple, Ellis Belton, Wayne Botts

Abbeville High School 2021 JV Football Schedule

JV FOOTBALL

	23	Belton-Honea Path	Home	7:00
	30	Crescent	Away	6:00
October	7	Liberty	Home	6:00
	14	West Oak	Away	7:00
	21	Ninety-Six	Away	6:00
	28	Christ-ChurchHead	Home	6:00

Coach: Tim Collins Varsity Head Coach: Jamie Nickles Athletic Director: Maggie Jameson Principal: Scott White

Coaching Staff: Mark Smith, Tony Temple, Ellis Belton, Wayne Botts, Rex Pelfrey, Eddie Ford, Terrance Rayford, Doug Belcher, Jordan Hall

Wright Middle School **2021 Football Schedule**

WMS FOOTBALL

				3.30
	16	Jet	Home	5:30
	23	Saluda	Home	5:30
	30	Meriweather	Away	5:30
October	6	Brewer	Home	5:30
	14	McCormick	Away	5:30
	21	Northside	Home	5:30
	28	Edgewood	Away	5:30

WMS Head Coach: Mike Bolden Athletic Director: Mark Smith Principal: Brandon Burdette

Rotary Bowl coming up in the fall of '21

By Henry E. Green

Providing fun for kids and adults alike, this year's Abbeville Rotary Bowl will be held on Oct. 23 at Hite Stadium on the Abbeville High School campus.

The Rotary Bowl is the biggest event of the year for club, which has a number of projects to serve the Abbeville County community.

Amainstay of the Abbeville sports scene for more than half a century, the Rotary Bowl features a day of recreation-league football, with Abbeville teams typically battling teams from surrounding communities.

Members of the Rotary Club will take tickets, sell

soft drinks, fries, chicken strips, and serve as announcers in the press box.

This year's event will be held in conjunction with Abbeville Youth Athletics homecoming, said Rotary Club president Matthew Johnson.

"We are looking for sponsors for the event," Johnson

The Rotary Bowl is just one of a number of activities in which the club is involved. Abbeville Rotarians also have a scholarship program to benefit local high school graduates, for example.

The club also has a corn hole tournament in the spring at the Livery Stable in downtown Abbeville.

Matthew Johnson is the current president of the club, which has weekly meetings at the Belmont Inn in Abbeville.

The Abbeville Rotary Club is part of the international Rotary organization. Rotary International has approximately 1.2 million members, in more than 35,000 clubs.

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Notice is hereby given that on Wednesday, August 18, 2021, at 2:00pm, in the City Council Chambers in the Opera House, 100 Court Square, the City of Abbeville will hold a public hearing to review and solicit public comments on the before mentioned Citizens Participation Plan and to solicit public input on community needs and priorities for housing, public facilities, and economic development. At this hearing, the city will provide the results of a needs assessment and the activities that might be undertaken to meet identified needs including the estimated amount proposed to be used for activities that will benefit persons of low and moderate income. This public hearing and the matters to be discussed are subject to the provisions of the Citizens Participation Plan that is available for review at City Hall between 8:30 a.m. and

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Merchants' wine walk deemed successful

By Henry E. Green

The Downtown Abbeville Merchants Association had a very successful wine walk this past weekend.

A total of 180 people took part in the wine walk in downtown Abbeville on the evening of Friday, July 30, said Jennifer Creswell, Association president.

"We had 17 stops," she added.

At each stop of this Association fundraiser, participants received a small amount of a particular kind of wine.

Creswell deemed the event an immensely successful one for the Association, an organization which works to

strengthen local businesses in Abbeville.

The next wine walk will be called Vino in the Ville, and will be held on Oct. 16, during the Hogs and Hens festival planned for Abbeville, according to Creswell.

"We plan to have a lot more tickets available (for Vino in the Ville)," she said.

AAMC seeing uptick in COVID cases

By Henry E. Green

Abbeville Area Medical Center has seen an uptick in COVID cases, said AAMC spokesperson Meg Davis

Davis showed a progression of the surge over the during this time period from 49 to 105," she continued.

"The number of COVID infusion therapies (BAM and Regen-COV) AAMC has administered has risen from 2 to 11.

AAMC has had three

when the state's COVID-19 positivity rate averages more than 10% over a 7 day period, we suspend all visitation to protect our patients and our staff," she said.

"It averaged 10.8% last week. This is reevaluated

past three weeks: COVID inpatients in the weekly." "Testing completed last week. throughout the AAMC sys-No, the hospital is not Throughout the country, tem as well as our mobile running out of ICU beds, the coronavirus pandem8ic clinics show positive COVID she said. has experienced a surge, However, hospital "vistest results have risen from fueled by the highly conta-6.12% to 22.08%," she said. itation" policy has been gious Delta variant, said to "AAMC's COVID-19 testaffected. be more contagious than ing volumes have also risen "Per our visitation policy, the common cold. coast recently.

City approved for grant to replace HVAC

By Henry E. Green

The City of Abbeville has been approved for a CDBG (Community Development Block Grant) grant for \$75,000 to replace the HVAC system at the Abbeville Civic Center, according to Abbeville City Manager Blake Stone.

useful life," he said of the system.

The City applied for the grant last year, said Stone, who said that no local match is required.

"We did not have to replace any of the duct work," he said. "That was fine."

The City expects to receive "It reached the end of its the money from the grant,

which comes from the state of South Carolina, in coming months.

The approval of the grant was made known to the City through a confirmation letter, Stone said.

"We would like to have everything installed by the beginning of summer next year," he said.

Library system plans Opera House program

By Henry E. Green

The Abbeville County Library System will present a special program at the Abbeville Opera House at 11 a.m. on Wednesday, August 11.

Sponsored by the Abbeville Rotary Club, this program, which is entirely free, will feature the talents of BRad, a musician and madician.

Library System Director Mary Elizabeth Land noted that while the program is geared specifically toward

children, adults are also welcome to attend.

This will be the third special program presented this summer at the Abbeville Opera House by the Library System, said Land Thursday.

"We are very grateful to the Abbeville Rotary Club for their donation, and to the City of Abbeville for partnering with us to provide such a beautiful venue," she continued.

"We are excited to host the program at the Opera

House. It gives the children of Abbeville County a chance to experience one of our landmark buildings. At the same time that they enjoy a fun show."

Children who have earned their reading medals are encouraged to wear them to the program. But of course all children are welcome to the show."

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



The Downtown Abbeville Merchants Association had a very successful wine walk this past weekend. Josh Baughman (left) and Keisha Parker (right) took tickets at the Greater Abbeville Chamber of Commerce. (Staff photo by Henry E. Green)

Edwards launches 'window dressing'

By Henry E. Green

Jason Edwards recently came back from the Municipal Association of South Carolina gathering on the

The Abbeville City Council member remembers a remark made at the coastal conference about empty store front windows.

Who needs them? No one! That was the gist of the re-

mark, and it sparked within Jason's mind an idea. The City Council member

is launching an effort to fill empty store fronts in downtown Abbeville. Call it window dressing.

Edwards says that with the permission of the building

owners, he is working to dress up windows in empty buildings, with the finished product to help advertise not only local businesses but local agencies and organizations such as the Abbeville County Library System.

There would be one window to advertise the Library, for example,

"I think it's absolutely wonderful that Jason has had this idea, and that the local folks are working with him to make this a reality," said Library system Mary Elizabeth Land Monday.

"It will not only improve the look of our Square--it will also give local organizations

and businesses a way to promote their activities. We are excited to be a part of this project."

The rationale is simple-to make the Square more appealing.

"I'm laying the groundwork now," he said, noting that he hopes the dressing campaign will begin the week of August 16. "It's a work in progress."

The individual businesses will provide the dressing, and the finished product should be available the following week.

If anybody would like more information, they may call Jason Edwards directly or Austin Walker with the City.

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'Open market' Saturdays set in CF

By Henry E. Green

The Calhoun Falls Chamber of Commerce, the Freshwater Coast Community Foundation and the Town of Calhoun Falls are joining forces to start a new program which they hope will strengthen the local economy, according to Wilder Ferreira of Clemson Extension.

"We are starting this new program in Calhoun Falls," said Ferreira.

The new program will be an "open market," spon-

Bank at the Calhoun Falls Farmers Market pavilion every Saturday, starting August 14, and the hours will be from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

bring their garage sale items to the pavilion. "The goal is to stimulate the

The "open market" will

allow people to, in effect,

local economy and promote entrepreneurial activities," Ferreira said.

"Residents can sell almost everything but: alcohol, drugs, drug paraphernalia, narcotics, firearms, porsored by the Abbeville First nographic material, illegal merchandise, including counterfeit merchandise bearing registered trademarks, items with strong smell, software, games, music, cigarettes, tobacco, smokeless tobacco, cable TVs, and satellite TVs.

"They must call Rebeca McCaslan to reserve their space at 864-828-0799. Fee is \$10 per Saturday, or \$100 for the entire year."

The Calhoun Falls Farmers Market Pavilion is located on North Tugaloo Street in Calhoun Falls.



Betty Simpson (third from left) and Cynthia Jefferies (third from right) celebrated a birthday together at the Belmont Inn recently, and at the party they posed for a picture together with Betty's sons Jeff Simpson (far left) and Tim Simpson (second from left) and Cynthia's daughters Cindy Moates (far right) and Sylvia Stewart (second from right). Betty turned 80 in June, and Cynthia will be 80 in September. (Staff photo by Henry E. Green)

Anderson interim Westwood principal

By Henry E. Green

Paul Anderson, the interim principal for Westwood Elementary School, has known for a long time that the field of education was in his blood.

"My mother was a teacher for 35 years," he said.

One of his sisters has been teaching for 56 years, and Anderson knew that making a positive difference in the lives of children was in his

Anderson took over as Westwood interim principal on Monday, July 26, and he had an incredible abundance of experience in teaching, coaching and administration.

Before coming to Westwood, he served as principal of Ware Shoals High School for 12 years.

Before that, he was principal of McBee High School in Chesterfield County, and before than he was principal

at Plainview Elementary in Chesterfield County.

"Prior to Plainview I was assistant principal at Pageland Middle School in Chesterfield County," he said.

Before that he was an assistant principal and assistant football coach at Lake City High School in Florence District Three.

He also served as a PE teacher and assistant football coach at Greenwood High School.

Before that he served one year in Lake City as a physical education teacher, and before he was four years at Byrnes High School, where he was a teacher and coach.

"Two years before that I got my graduate degree (a masters in health and PE) from East Carolina," he said.

"My very first job was an elementary PE teacher and high school assistant coach at South Aiken," he said. All in all, he has spent nearly four decades in education. He got a bachelors degree

from The Citadel, as well as a masters in educational administration.

While he was at the Citadel. he was an offensive and defensive lineman in football and was on the track team, for which he did the shot put and the discus.

A 1978 graduate of Ware Shoals High School, he was a four sport letterman in high

He grew up in Ware Shoals, and he has three older sis-

He and his wife Karen, the first female Journalist of the Year in South Carolina, have one son, Parker, 31, currently at the Police Academy in California.

Parker graduates August 31, he said. "We will fly out (to California) if the pandem-

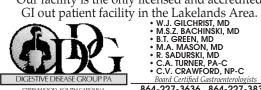


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"For he saith to Moses, I will have mercy on whom I will have mercy, and I will have compassion on whom I will have compassion. So then it is not of him that willeth, nor of him that runneth, but of God that sheweth mercy."

— Romans 9:15-16

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School District to hold 'opening day' event

By Henry E. Green

A District-wide "opening day" event is planned for Wright Middle School on Wednesday, August 11, drawing educators from throughout the Abbeville County School District and helping to usher in a new school year.

The gathering will also provide an opportunity for food and fellowship, as breakfast will be served beginning at 8 a.m.

The Abbeville County School District Teacher of the Year is expected to be recognized, as well as Teachers of the Year at the ing our breakfast, as well

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individual District schools. Hundreds of District employees will be gathered in the cafeteria at WMS

for the event, at which District Superintendent Dr. Mason Gary and a number of school board members are expected to be in attendance.

"The Opening Day is open to all district employees, but typically only certified employees and some support staff attend," said Dr. Lori Brownlee-Brewton, Assistant Superintendent with the District.

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as our district t-shirt, which every employee in the district will receive.

"As well, our keynote speaker will be renowned author and educational speaker, Mr. Todd Whita-

The first day for students in the Abbeville County School District for the 2021-22 school year is August 17, Dr. Gary has

"ACSD is looking forward to a face-to-face, traditional schedule for the 2021-22 school year," according to a message on the District

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"Ta-ta!" in Italy

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1 Peter 3:3 "Do not let your adornment be merely outward — arranging the hair, wearing gold, or putting on fine apparel (4) rather let it be the hidden person of the heart, with the incorruptible beauty of a gentle and quiet spirit, which is very precious in the sight of God."

The story is told of an extremely handsome man who had married a rather plain, homely, unattractive woman. Everyone in the community was amazed that such a handsome man would marry a woman who was so plain. One day someone got up the courage to ask him, "Bill, why did you marry such an ugly woman?" Bill was dumbstruck and answered, "Sally, ugly? No, she just looks that way." I am sure that you have heard the old adage, "beauty is in the eye of the beholder." Well, it is evident that Bill saw the inner beauty of Sally and that made her precious and beautiful to him.

1 Peter 3:3-4 informs us what real beauty is. In verse 3. Peter talks about outward adornment—that is what too many of us are concerned about—our outward appearance. The inner beauty Peter mentions in verse 4 stands in stark contrast to the outer appearance in verse three.

You see, if all we are concerned about is our outer appearance, Father time and Mother nature have a way of making it not only obsolete but downright unappealing. Verse 4 informs us on how we are to adorn ourselves. I would like to call your attention to three things about the inner beauty that should shine through

our outer appearance.

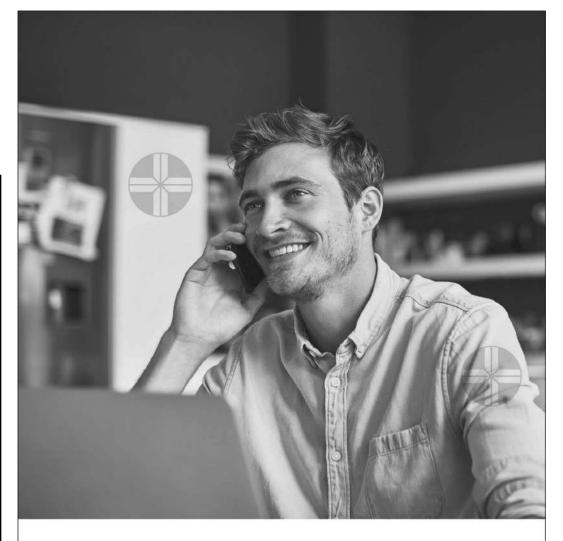
First of all, the inner beauty of the heart is superior to our physical appearance. But before I continue, I would like to call your attention to the word "merely" in verse three. It does no one any good to go around looking like an unmade bed. Peter is not suggesting that we do not pay any attention to our physical appearance; just that we don't "just" pay attention to our outer appearance. I am sure you have seen people who never comb their hair, never wear clean clothes but dress in ragged and dirty clothes—that is definitely unappealing. What Peter is talking about is folks who are only concerned with how they look on the outside but have no spiritual foundation inside. The inner virtues of a gentle and quiet spirit are superior to the outward adorning of our bodies because they are incorruptible. Our outward appearance will wither with time. No matter how much makeup a person puts on, the wrinkles will still come. No matter how one dyes his or her hair, it will still look artificial or still fall out with age. Have you seen an elderly person who tries to look, dress, and act like a teenager? Doesn't that just look ridiculous? But a gentle and quiet spirit never goes out of style, never looks

out of place, it is always appreciated.

Second, these inner qualities mark one as special. A person who has inner beauty stands out in a crowd. A person who has a gentle and quiet spirit stands in stark contrast to someone who is trying to appear with the in-crowd in dress, mannerisms, and habits. A person with these inner qualities ages gracefully and has the respect of other people. Our world so seldom sees folks with these inner qualities that when they do see folks like this they are amazed.

Third, the outer ornaments that Peter mentions in verse three are only superficial but the ornaments in verse 4 are genuine and awesome. In verse 4, Peter says these inner ornaments are "precious in the sight of God." He does not say that about outer beauty. God pays attention to our hearts, not our outer appearance. Man may judge on outer appearances, but God judges our hearts. Man looks on the outside, but God looks on the inside.

Let me close with a question: when God looks on your inside, what does He see? An even more pressing question is this—is God pleased with what He sees on your inside that no one else sees?



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Obituaries

Boggs 🏲

William Joe Sanders 'Billy' Boggs, 76, of Calhoun Falls, husband of Janice Auten Boggs, died peacefully, Thursday, July 29, 2021 at his residence surrounded by his family. He was born in Calhoun Falls to the late Leo Sanders and Hazel Nancy Pierce Boggs.

A 1963 graduate of Calhoun Falls High School, Mr. Boggs attended Anderson College. He proudly served his country in the South Carolina National Guard Co C 151 Sig Bn, Abbeville, SC. Mr. Boggs was employed as an insurance agent with Liberty Life Insurance Company for 25 years and retired, with a tenure of 15 years, from Atlantic Coast Life Insurance Company. He was a member of the Calhoun Falls Jaycees, dedicated member of Calhoun Falls Pentecostal Holiness church and a Christian. Mr. Boggs enjoyed driving the church van for many years. He was a deacon and served as a Sunday School teacher, Sunday School Superintendent, worked in the



William 'Billy' Boggs

youth department and sang in the choir. Mr. Boggs loved Southern Gospel music and praising his Lord.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by a brother, Wendell Boggs and his wife, Alice Mae Rudder Boggs; an infant sister, Shelby Jean Boggs; and a niece, Donna Boggs

Mr. Boggs is survived by his wife of 56 years, Janice, of the home; two sons, Mark Boggs of Calhoun Falls and Lee Boggs (Danna) of Anderson; two daughters, Nancy Ramey (Paul) of Anderson and Mindy Rogers (Charles) of Calhoun Falls; seven grandchildren, Amanda Boggs,

Dakota Nickols (Catelynn), Julianna Tucker (Justin), Quinton Brown (Savannah), Ky Rogers, Davis Rogers and Turianna Rogers; four great-grandchildren, Bradly, Calina, Gabriel and Hadley; three special friends, Johnny Myers, Danny Brown and Sammy Scott; and his dearest furbaby, Girlfriend.

The family expresses their sincere appreciation to Agape Hospice Care, Patrice Johnson Adams and Dr. Keith Scott for their loving care of Mr. Boggs.

The family received friends 1:00PM - 2:30PM on Tuesday, August 3, 2021, in Calhoun Falls Pentecostal Holiness Church. Funeral services were at 3:00PM in the church sanctuary with Rev. Bill Yon and Rev. Jim Howard officiating. Burial followed in Latimer Cem-

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

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

Vaccine clinic to be part of 'opening day'

By Henry E. Green (See related story.)

A COVID vaccination clinic will be part of the Opening Day event at Wright Middle School on Wednesday, August 11, according to Abbeville County School District Assistant Superintendent Dr. Lori Brownlee-Brewton.

"We will, in partnership with Abbeville Area Medical Center, have a COVID-19 Vaccine Clinic available on our

11, beginning at 10:30 AM, for any ACSD employee, any school age children, 12 years and older, as well as for any community member, who would like to receive the COVID-19 vaccine at Wright Middle School," she said Friday.

"The second dose will be administered on Friday, September 3 at the Abbeville County District

The clinic, which is all free, is planned as Opening Day, August the nation copes with a

surge in the coronavirus pandemic, a surge fueled by the Delta variant.

According to published reports, 40.3 percent of the population in Abbeville County is fully vaccinated.

The Opening Day event, meanwhile, has been a District tradition for many years, drawing educators to Wright Middle School in a gathering which helps kick off the new school year.

Masks may be making sobering comeback

By Henry E. Green

With the Delta variant making a comeback, something else may be making a comeback as well--the mask.

A new study shows the Delta COVID-19 variant produced similar amounts of virus in vaccinated and unvaccinated people if they get infected, and that is a key motivation behind the federal guidance that now recommends most fully vaccinated Americans wear masks indoors, according to published reports.

"While, as a healthcare organization, we continue to universal indoor masking for

follow CDC guidelines, the recent reports of growing COVID-19 numbers in all 50 states is concerning," stated Dr. Trey Moore, Family Physician with the Healthcare Center earlier this year. "Even though I have been vaccinated for COVID-19, I personally err on the side of caution and wear a mask when in large crowds, especially indoors, to avoid any potential risk of contracting the virus and potentially spreading it to others who are not vaccinated."

The CDC recommends

all teachers, staff, students, and visitors to schools, regardless of vaccination status.

Here in South Carolina, DHEC is now recommending that all residents wear masks indoors even if they are fully vaccinated, according to WCNC Charlotte.

However, South Carolina education officials say they will not be able to mandate masks due to recently passed legislation. Still, DHEC is encouraging masks to be worn in the classroom.

Obituaries

Hood

Patricia Ann Hood, 65, of 149 Sunny Slope Drive, went home to be with the Lord on Sunday, August 1, 2021.

Born in Phoenixville, PA, she was the widow of the late John P. Hood and daughter of the late James Michael O'Connell and Elizabeth Nyce. She retired from Harvey's Drive-In and was a member of Corinth Baptist Church. She loved her family and children, gardening, working in her yard and help-Surviving are a son, Ken-

ny Brown (Kelly) of Gaffney; one daughter, Renee Brooks (David) of Abbeville; a stepdaughter, Brandi Phillips (Shannon) of Sunset Beach, NC; a stepson, Mark Hood (Trudy) of Gaffney; two sisters, Vella Rios (Perry) of Denver, CO and Kathy Reynolds of Cowpens; sisters-in-law, Jill O'Connell of Hendersonville, NC and



Sheila Smith of Gaffney; grandchildren, Brooks, Will Brown, Ann Marie Brooks, Weston Brown, Zac Brooks, Tori Osment, Alli Osment and Abby Beason; a great-grandchild, Willow Kitchens; two nieces, Kayla O'Connell and Jennifer O'Connell and two nephews, Matt O'Connell and Christian Rios (Lela). In addition to her husband and parents, she was preceded in death by two brothers, Mike O'Connell and William "Bill" O'Connell.

The family will receive friends from 12:00 PM until 1:00 PM on Wednesday, August 4, 2021 at Blakely Funeral Home. Funeral services will follow at 1:00 PM in the Blakely Funeral Home Chapel with Mr. Ashby Blakely officiating. Interment will be in Pacolet Memorial Gardens.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to: Spartanburg Regional Hospice, P.O. Box 2624, Spartanburg,

The family will be at the residence, 149 Sunny Slope Drive, Cowpens, SC 29330.

An online guest register is available at www.blakelyfuneralhome.com

Obituaries

Bowie

Vickie Ivester Bowie, 65, of Abbeville, wife of Bob Bowie, died Thursday, July 29, 2021, ather residence. She was born in Calhoun Falls to the late Horace Ivester and Dorothy Cannon Gable.

Vickie attended Abbeville High School and graduated from Greenwood Vocational School in 1975. A nurse for more than 30 years, she was also the former co-owner of Cherokee Trail. Vickie loved her family, especially her grandchildren and great-grandchildren. Listening to Elvis Pressley music made her happy.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by two brothers, Ken Gable and Barry Ivester.

Vickie is survived by her husband of 46 years, Bob



Vickie Bowie

Bowie; a son, Chad Bowie (Chandra); a daughter, Carolyn Hall (Cooter) all of Abbeville; two brothers, Walter Gable and Sammy Gable, all of Columbia; a sister, Winona Smith of Abbeville; five grandchildren, Billy Hall, Erin Bowie, Nathan Hall, Brittney Bowie and Austin McCrary; and three great-grandchildren, Jase, Eden and Waylon. The family received friends

1:00PM - 2:00PM, Sunday, August 1, 2021 in Harris Funeral Home. Funeral services were at 2:30PM in the funeral home chapel. Burial followed in Providence Presbyterian Church cemetery in Lowndesville.

Memorial contributions, in memory of Vickie, may be sent to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital, 501 St. Jude Place, Memphis, TN

The family is at the home.

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

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

Obituaries

Bell

Howard Byron Bell of Abbeville passed away peacefully, Friday afternoon, July 30, 2021 surrounded by his family at Self Regional Hospital. Howard had resided in Abbeville for 10.5 years with his wife, Carol Justice Bell. He had enjoyed "small town living and especially no traffic" after having previously resided in Irmo, SC.

Howard was born April 26, 1942, to the late Byron H. Bell and Jean E. Bell in Jacksonville, FL. He graduated from R.E Lee High School in 1960 and received his Bachelor of Science Degree from Presbyterian College in 1964. He retired from State Farm Insurance after a long career as an auto claims adjuster having served the Orangeburg, SC, area for 18 years. He transferred to the Columbia office for his remaining time before retirement in 2004.

He was of the Presbyterian faith and a former member of Orangeburg Presbyterian where he served as an Elder and Deacon. He

taught a weekly Bible Study. He was an active member of Abbeville ARP Church.

He enjoyed watching especially those games in which his children and grandchildren participated. He was an exceptional gardener and grew the best green beans, corn, tomatoes, peanuts and peaches. He made Christmas very special for his children, often staying up all night working in Santa's workshop to assemble toys for Christmas

He is survived by his wife, Carol Leath Justice Bell; his children, Kimberly Brooks of Irmo, SC; Michael B. Bell (Wendy) of Chapin, SC; Kameron Ethridge (Chris) of Aiken, SC; Kristine Comer of Waynesville, NC; and Kathleen Johansen (Bill) of Leawood, KS; his step-daughters Janna Davis, and Jennifer Smith (Frank) of Abbeville, SC. Brothers Dwight Bell (Rosemarie) and Dr. Timothy Bell (Karen) of Florida; 13 grandchildren; 5 great-grandchildren and the mother of his children, Kath-

ryn K. Bell of Irmo.

Funeral service was conducted Monday, August 2, in Chandler-Jackson Funeral Home Chapel at 2:00 pm. With the Rev. Frank Smith officiating. The visitation was prior to the service at 1:00-2:00 pm. Burial followed in Long Cane Cemetery. For those unable to attend, the service were able to Live Streamed on Chandler-Jackson.Funeral Home Facebook page.

Special thanks to the staff of the Renaissance, Abbeville Are Medical Center, and Self Regional for the expert care that was shown to Howard. Online condolences to the Bell Family may be made by visiting www.Chandler-Jacksonfh.com. Memorials in Howard's memory may be made to United Christian Ministries of Abbeville County, 101 Center Dr, Abbeville, SC 29620 or Christmas Angeltree, P O Box 656, Abbeville, SC 29620.

The Chandler-Jackson Funeral Home and Cremation Services is assisting the Bell

Obituaries

Bowie

Willie L. 'Red' Bowie, Jr., 69, of Abbeville, husband of Theresa Nichols Bowie, died Saturday, July 31, 2021 at the Abbeville Area Medical Center. He was born in Abbeville, SC to the late Willie Lee Bowie, Sr. and Polly Jo Dudley Bowie.

Red was employed with Construction Techniques, Iva Plant. He and his wife enjoyed fishing and taking walks. Many days, Red could be found sharing much knowledge with the guys at Hwy 28 Farm & Garden. He was a member of Solid Rock Baptist Church in Calhoun Falls, SC.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by a brother, Ronnie Dudley Bowie and a son-in-law, Kevin Swaim.



Willie L. 'Red" Bowie, Jr.

Red is survived by his wife of 22 years, Theresa, of the home; children, Elaine Bowie-Swaim of Lexington, SC, Cindy Armour of Elberton, GA, Cain Bowman of Lowndesville, SC and Lee Bowman (Jamie Burden) of Calhoun Falls, SC; a brother, Anthony Ray Bowie of Hodges, SC; aunt, Anne Dudley Chavis, whom he thought of as a second mom, of Elberton, A.J., Emily, Marshall, Luke, Matthew, Grant and Sophie. The family will received friends from 4:00PM to 5:30PM on Tuesday, August 3, 2021, at Harris Funeral

GA; seven grandchildren,

Home. Funeral services were at 6:00PM on Tuesday in the funeral home chapel with Rev. John Ellis officiating. The family is at the home. Memorial contributions, in

memory of Mr. Red, may be sent to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital, 501 St. Jude Place, Memphis, TN 38105. A message of condolence

may be sent to the family by visiting www.harrisfuneral. Harris Funeral Home &

Cremation Services of Abbeville is assisting the Bowie family.

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

Estate: Imogene Scoggins
Date of Death: 6/25/2021
Case Number: 2021ES0100180
Personal Representative: Jimmy Lynn Scoggins
Address: P.O. Box 53 Lowndesville, SC 29649

Date of Death: 6/30/2021 Case Number: 2021 ES0100184 Personal Representative: Vincent Earl Bass Address: P.O. Box 461 Abbeville, SC 29620 7/21;

Estate: Ioann Bass Langley

Estate: Lynn Davis Proctor Date of Death: 6/21/2021 Case Number: 2021ES0100185 Personal Representative: Jerald W. Proctor Address: 621 Noble Dr. Abbeville, SC 29620 7/21; Estate: Herschel Robert Brewer
Date of Death: 6/28/2021
Case Number: 2021ES0100187
Personal Representative: Cletta W. Brewer
Address: 37 Kincaid Valley Rd. Abbeville, SC
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Estate: William Van Hughes
Date of Death: 6/4/2021
Case Number: 2021ES0100188
Personal Representative: Tena H. Prince
Address: 1415 Sharon Church Rd. Abbeville, SC
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Estate: Sybil A. Holman Date of Death: 06/02/2021 Case Number: 2021ES0100189 Personal Representative: Walter Holman Address: 705 Secession Ave. Abbeville, SC 29620

Estate: Carol Preston Argo
Date of Death: 7/11/2021
Case Number: 2021ES0100192
Personal Representative: Christi Argo Hutchens
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NOTICE OF A PUBLIC HEARING

description of any security as to the claim.

REGARDING
HOUSING AUTHORITY OF
THE CITY OF SPARTANBURG, SOUTH CAROLINA MULTIFAMILY HOUSING REVENUE BONDS
(HICKORY HEIGHTS AND
OAKLAND APARTMENTS)

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIV-EN that, as required by Section 147(f) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the "Code"), the South Carolina Jobs-Economic Development Authority ("JEDA") will hold a public hearing on behalf of the State of South Carolina (the "State"), regarding the above-referenced bond issuance by the Housing Authority of the City of Spartanburg, South Carolina

(the "Authority") on August 5, 2021 at 11:00 a.m., or as soon thereafter as the matter can be heard, and will be held telephonically by JEDA.

The Authority, a city housing authority organized under and pursuant to the provisions of Title 31 Chapter 3 Article 5 of the Code of Laws of the State of South Carolina, as amended intends to issue its Multifamily Housing Revenue Bonds (Hickory Heights and Oakland Apartments Project) Series 2021 in an aggregate principal amount not to exceed \$11,000,000 (the "Bonds") to finance a loan to Abbeville LP, a Tennessee limited partnership (the "Borrower"), to (i) provide funds to finance the costs of acquiring and rehabilitating of (x) a 80-unit multifamily development located in the City of Abbeville, South Carolina known as Hickory Heights ("Hickory Heights") and (x) a 32-unit multifamily development located in the City of Abbeville, South Carolina known as Oakland Apartments," together with Hickory Heights, the "Project"), and (ii) pay the costs of issuance of the Bonds; and

Hickory Heights is located at 1108 Cambridge Street, Abbeville, South Carolina 29620. Oakland Apartments is located at 200 Virginia Street, Abbeville, South Carolina 29620 The Project will be initially owned and operated by the Borrower.

The Bonds are a special,

limited obligation of the Authority payable solely out of the revenues derived from the repayment of the loan by the Borrower and certain funds and accounts established for the Bonds. The Bonds will not constitute an indebtedness of JEDA, the State or any political subdivision thereof within the meaning of any South Carolina constitutional provision or statutory limitation (other than indebtedness payable only from a revenue-producing project or special source) nor give rise to a pecuniary liability of JEDA, the State, or any political subdivision thereof. The Bonds will not constitute a charge against the general credit or any taxing powers of JEDA, the State, or any political subdivision thereof.

Pursuant to IRS Revenue Procedure 2020-49 allowing remote telephonic hearings to qualify as "public hearings" required for private activity bonds under Section 147(f) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, the Public Hearing will be conducted telephonically and the public will not be able to attend in person. However, all persons who wish to listen to the public hearing may join by calling toll free at 1-800-753-1965 and using access code 7370627. Any persons who wish to present comments during the Public Hearing to express their views for or against the proposed issuance of the Bonds, the location and nature of the Project, or the approval of the issuance of the Bonds must contact the Authority, not less than 24 hours prior to the Public Hearing, via email to cmiller@scjeda.com to inform the Authority of their desire to do so; oral comments will be limited to not more than 3 minutes in duration. Those who present comments during the Public Hearing will be permitted to address the Authority regarding the Project or the Bonds. Members of the public may also submit views to the Authority in writing to the South Carolina Jobs-Economic Development Authority, 1201 Main Street, Suite 1600, Columbia, South Carolina 29201 or via email to cmiller@scjeda.com.

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NOTICE OF ELECTION

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

COUNTY OF ABBEVILLE

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

<u>Precincts</u>	Polling Place Location
13 Lowndesville	Lowndesville Community Center 416 Main St., Lowndesville, SC

7/28:2tc

NOTICE OF ELECTION

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

COUNTY OF ABBEVILLE

Notice is hereby given that a non-partisan special election for the Abbeville County School District will be held at Precincts fixed by law on Tuesday, November 2, 2021. The seat to be voted on is the seat for School Trustee District (4).

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

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

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05	Antreville	Antreville Fire Department 147 Hwy 184 W, Abbeville		
07	Calhoun Falls	Calhoun Falls Civic Center 401 Washington St. N, Calhoun Falls SC		
13	Lowndesville	Lowndesville Community Center 416 Main St., Lowndesville		
14	Lebanon	Sharon Fire Dept. 167 Fire House Rd., Abbeville		

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NOTICE OF ELECTION

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

COUNTY OF ABBEVILLE

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

On Thursday, November 7, 2021 at 11:00 am, the Abbeville County Board of Canvassers will hold a hearing to determine the validity of provisional ballots from the November 5th election. This hearing will be held at the Abbeville County Complex at 903 West Greenwood Street, Abbeville SC 29620.

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

Precincts
Polling Place Location

Oo7 Calhoun Falls
Calhoun Falls Civic Center
401 N Washington St., Calhoun Falls, SC

7/28:2tc

NOTICE OF ELECTION

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

COUNTY OF ABBEVILLE

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

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

Filing is by petition.

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

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

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

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

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

<u>Precincts</u>	Polling Place Location
010 Due West	Due West Fire Department
	13 Church St. Due West, SC 29639

7/28;2tc

Classifieds & Legals

NOTICE OF APPLICATION Notice is hereby given that Two Brews, LLC, intends to apply to the South Carolina Department of Revenue for a license/permit

that will allow the sale and on premises

consumption of Beer & Wine at 101 Court Square, Abbeville, SC 29620. To object to the issuance of this permit/license, written

protest must be postmarked no later than

For a protest to be valid, it must be in writing, and should include the following

(1) The name, address, and telephone

number of the person filing the protest;
(2) The specific reasons why the application should be denied;

(3) That the person protesting is willing to

(4) That the person protesting resides in

the same county where the proposed place of business is located or within five miles of the business; and,

(5) The name of the applicant and the ad-

dress of the business to be licensed.

Protests must be mailed to: S.C. Departmen

of Revenue, ABL SECTION, P.O. Box 125, Columbia, SC 29214-0907; or faxed to: (803) 896-0110.

NOTICE OF APPLICATION

Notice is hereby given that A-Town Sports Bar, LLC, intends to apply to the South Carolina Department of Revenue for a

license/permit that will allow the sale and

on premises consumption of Liquor at 782 Hwy 28 ByPass, Abbeville, SC 29620. To

object to the issuance of this permit/license

written protest must be postmarked no later than August 20, 2021. For a protest to be valid, it must be in writing, and should include the following

(1) The name, address, and telephone number of the person filing the protest; (2) The specific reasons why the application

(3) That the person protesting is willing to

(4) That the person protesting resides in

the same county where the proposed place of business is located or within five miles of the business; and,

(5) The name of the applicant and the ad-

attend a hearing (if one is requested by the applicant);

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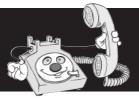


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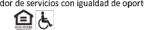
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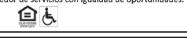
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