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Abbeville Mayor's race

Freeman, Edwards to meet in runoff

By Henry E. Green
Abbeville Mayor Delano Freeman and Abbeville City Council member Trey Edwards will meet in a runoff election for Mayor of Abbeville on Tuesday, Nov. 17, according to Abbeville County voter registration and elections director Kim London.
Freeman and Edwards were the top two finishers in a four person field of candidates in the Nov. 3 general election.
The other two candidates included Josh Baughman and Eric Delgado.
According to unofficial vote totals supplied by the Abbeville County voter registration and elections office, Baughman received

26.64 percent of the vote, Delgado 16.91 percent, Edwards 27.79 percent, and Freeman 28.39 percent.
The runoff is necessary because none of the candidates received a clear majority.
Freeman was elected Mayor on Nov. 22, 2016, the first African American Mayor of the City, according to biographical information from the City.
He served for a number of years on City Council before he became Mayor.
Edwards represents District Three on Abbeville City Council. He was first elected in 2018 to fill the term left vacant by the death of Franklin Cape, according to published reports.

City Council elections are nonpartisan.
“We are combining the precincts to all vote at the county complex (Abbeville County Administrative Complex),” said Abbeville County voter registration and elections Kim London Monday concerning the special runoff election coming up. “Also, absentee voting is available now, Monday - Friday, 8:30am to 5:00pm.”
All registered voters in the city of Abbeville—that were registered prior to October 5—are eligible to vote in the runoff, she said.
For more information, one may call the voter registration office at 366-2400, extension 53.



Essence Collier (center) was named Calhoun Falls Homecoming Queen at Friday night's homecoming game against Ware Shoals (Photo by Amanda Smith).

Veterans Day honors service to our country

By Henry E. Green
The 11th hour.
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Of the 11th month.
Today--Wednesday, Nov. 11 is Veterans Day, which, according to Wikipedia, is a federal holiday observed on Nov. 11 for honoring military veterans--that is, persons who have served in the U.S. armed forces.
It was originally called Armistice Day, commemorating the end of World War I. The Allied powers signed an armistice with Germany on Nov. 11, 1918, bringing World War I to a close.
American Legion Post 2 is presenting today at 11 a.m.

a Veterans Day program at the Abbeville Veterans Memorial Foundation building at 200 Longbranch Street in Abbeville, according to Terry Greenfield, American Legion Post 2 commander.
The program, which is open to the public, will feature a speech by Carol Scales, the president of the Star Fort chapter of MOAA, Military Officers Association of America.
The program will also feature the talents of two vocalists--Jimmy Hall and Brie Brock of Greenwood County.
“We'll recognize all of the veterans of each of the

eras,” he said.
Each veteran present will receive a “patriotic Christian cross,” a lapel pin.
The oldest veteran and youngest veteran present will be recognized with gift certificates to local restaurants.
The public is invited to attend, and refreshments are expected to be served.
“We'll also do a special tribute to military spouses,” he said.
A Veterans Day program planned in Due West has been canceled due to the threat of inclement weather.



Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Abbeville had this red, white and blue thing going - presumably in anticipation of Veterans Day. Here is how it looked on the afternoon of Saturday, Nov. 7. (Staff photo by Henry E. Green)

Aftermath

Turnout was heavy in Abbeville County in last week's election

By Henry E. Green
Abbeville County voter registration and elections director Kim London will probably long remember the election of 2020 as a time of superlatives.
Turnout was heavy, with 77.58 percent. A total of 12,521 voters turned out.
“We had a total of 6,320 absentees,” said London last week after the polls closed.
The election was noteworthy for other reasons as well.
According to unofficial vote totals, 62.24 percent of the Abbeville County voters who cast ballots voted “straight Republican,” while 37.34 percent voted a straight Democratic ticket.
Similarly, President Donald Trump carried Abbeville County with 66.13 percent, of the vote, while Joseph Biden had 32.93 percent.
A number of local candi-

dates faced no opposition on the ballot.
Three City Council members were running unopposed--James JJ Jackson in District 5, Benji Greeson in District 7, and Faye Thomas in District 2.
City Council elections are nonpartisan.
Abbeville County Sheriff Ray Watson ran unopposed for reelection as a Republican, and Shandal Boggs ran unopposed as a Democrat for Abbeville County Clerk of Court.
State Rep. Craig Gagnon, a Republican, faced no opposition in his reelection effort for State House District 11.
Eighth Judicial Circuit Solicitor David Stumbo ran unopposed.
In County Council District Four, County Council member Billy Norris, a Republican, ran unopposed.

In County Council District Five, Republican James McCord ran unopposed.
In County Council District Six, Republican Rick Campbell ran unopposed.
Susie New ran for Soil and Water District Commission unopposed.
On the Abbeville County School District Board of Trustees elections, all the candidates were running unopposed on the ballot.
They included Joe Boochie Bryson in Area Two, and Marion Buster Taylor in Area Four.
David Brooks ran unopposed in Area Five, and Patricia Davis declared a write in candidacy.
Keith Dunn was unopposed in School District Area Eight.
School board elections are nonpartisan.

City Council members sworn in to new terms

By Henry E. Green
Abbeville City Council met Tuesday night, and newly elected and reelected City Council members were sworn in new terms of office by City Judge William H. McNeil.
Newly reelected members sworn in included Annetta F. “Faye” Thomas of City Council District 2, James Jackson of District 5, and Benjamin Greeson of District 7.
Newly elected City Council member Matthew H. Gambrell of City Council District 8 was also sworn in.
In other matters Tuesday night, Council passed second reading on Ordinance No. 14-2020, an ordinance amending the City budget to account for the grants the City has been awarded.
Council approved a request from the Freshwater Coast Community Foundation for \$5,000 to support the Abbeville Promise initiative, “to continue to assist with the continuing education of the children of our county.”
Council agreed to contract with Willdan Financial Services to perform a complete independent utility rate study, including costs and

funding.
The study would include a comparison of Abbeville's utility rates with those of other communities.
The City's last rate study was in 2012. The study could look at whether the City is budgeting its enterprise fund, or utility fund, properly.
Council approved a McGowan waterline project agreement, an agreement from Dunn and Shirley for engineering services in connection with the McGowan water line project.
The project will encompass replacing the waterline on McGowan Avenue, and construction could begin in the fall of 2021.
In new business, City Manager Blake Stone is expected to look into a zoning issue raised by City Council member Trey Edwards in connection with a piece of property at the “Mile Rock” at the corner of North Main and Henry, and whether it could be heard by the City's board of zoning appeals.
Stone also discussed a capital improvement plan, dealing with how to improve things like the City's infrastructure, like the water and

sewer systems. The plan is currently in its conceptual stage.
In old business, Council appointed Sharon Davis Norryce as a representative to the Abbeville Area Medical Center board of directors.
Norryce was present at the meeting, and addressed Council.
“I have a love and a passion for Abbeville, and have always had one,” she said.
She formerly worked with AAMC's home health agency, which was honored as being in the top two percent of those agencies nationally, and said she now has her own consulting business.
“I haven't been in here since my dad was Mayor 30 years ago,” she said, speaking of the City Council chambers.
Like her father, the late Jimmy Davis, she is also an auctioneer.
Council went into executive session to discuss appointments to the City Judge positions, and the discussion of negotiations to proposed contractual arrangements in connection with solid waste and special events.

Courthouse to reopen after COVID concerns

By Henry E. Green
The Abbeville County Courthouse was slated to open this past Monday--Nov. 9-- after being closed for two weeks due to COVID concerns, according to Abbeville County Director David Garner.
A number of people who worked at the Courthouse tested positive for the illness.
The Courthouse was closed to the public beginning the week of Oct. 21, and the members of

the public who needed the services of the agencies housed in the Courthouse had to handle their business remotely, Garner said.
The Abbeville County Clerk of Court's office, and the county office of the South Carolina Department of Probation, Pardon and Parole Services are both housed in the Courthouse, and the Eighth Judicial Circuit also maintains an office there, Garner continued.
A term of court begins Monday at the Courthouse, and

those employees who tested positive are expected to return to work this week, the County Director continued.
"They will have completed their quarantine time," he said.
The Abbeville County Administrative Complex has not experienced a similar outbreak.
While individual employees who work there may have tested positive, there was nothing that affected the entire building, Garner continued.

News about vaccine cause for optimism

By Henry E. Green
The number of coronavirus cases in Abbeville County continues to rise, according to figures provided by the South Carolina Department of Health and Environmental Control.
As of Monday afternoon, Abbeville County had a total of 726 cases of the coronavirus, and 15 coronavirus-related deaths, according to DHEC.
Of Abbeville's neighboring counties, Greenwood had 2,552 cases, and 70 deaths. McCormick had 273 cases

and six cases, while Laurens had 2,041 cases, and 61 deaths.
Anderson County had 6,128 cases and 193 deaths.
In South Carolina whole, there were 176,373 cases, and 3,778 deaths.
In the United States as a whole, there are more than 10 million coronavirus cases, and approximately 239,000 Americans have died from the virus.
However, there is room for hope. The news that Pfizer has developed a vaccine which the company says

is 90 percent effective has been a cause for optimism.
According to CNN, the company says that it could make up to 50 million doses available globally this year, and up to 1.3 billion doses in 2021.
There are still challenges, as the vaccine must be stored at extremely cold temperatures, "far below the capacity of standard freezers."
The good news comes as the virus appears to be surging not only in the United States but in Europe as well.

Scott, Warner introduce legislation to increase access for Diabetes Care

Submitted by Senator Tim Scott

Today, U.S. Senators Tim Scott (R-SC), Mark Warner (D-VA), Kevin Cramer (R-ND), Kyrsten Sinema (D-AZ), Tom Cotton (R-AR), and Tina Smith (D-MN) introduced the PREVENT DIABETES Act. This legislation would increase access to the Medicare Diabetes Prevention Program (MDPP) Expanded Model by allowing CDC-recognized virtual suppliers to participate in the program.
"Diabetes remains the seventh leading cause of death in South Carolina and disproportionately impacts our most vulnerable communities," said Senator Tim Scott. "The PREVENT DIABETES Act could deliver life-saving results for older Americans in the Palmetto State and across the country."
"It's no secret that diabetes is a disease that has disproportionately affected minority communities across the country. To ensure that all individuals have the tools needed to combat this preventable disease, the PREVENT DIABETES Act would help expand access to virtual classes under the existing Medicare Diabetes Prevention Program. This


commonsense and cost-saving expansion will ensure that more Americans at-risk of developing diabetes who are living in either rural or medically underserved communities, can participate in this critical program that has been proven to delay the full onset of this preventable disease," said Sen. Warner.
According to the Centers for Disease Control (CDC), there is a higher prevalence of diabetes within minority populations. Diabetes affects 16.4 percent of Black adults, 14.9 percent of Asian adults, and 14.7 percent of Latino adults, compared to 11.9 percent of White adults. To help combat these alarming trends, the PREVENT DIABETES Act would provide access to virtual programs under the Medicare Diabetes Prevention Program (MDPP) to help prevent or delay the onset of diabetes. The MDPP Expanded Model (EM) leverages evidence-based interventions to prevent the full onset of type 2 diabetes in at-risk Medicare beneficiaries. Unfortunately, the existing MDPP Expanded Model is only available through in-person sessions, making it more difficult for individuals in rural or medically underserved areas to participate

in the program.
In October 2019, Senators Scott and Warner wrote to Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) Secretary Alex Azar urging him to expand the program by administrative action and more recently, to allow beneficiaries to access the program via a virtual platform during the COVID-19 pandemic.
HHS has temporarily allowed individuals to access the program via a virtual platform during the COVID-19 pandemic, but this administrative change still excludes a number of providers and does not ensure long-term access to a virtual benefit. This legislation will improve access to the program by ensuring individuals can access the MDPP Expanded Model via virtual suppliers.
This legislation is supported by American Diabetes Association, American Medical Association, Association of Diabetes Care & Education Specialists, The Connected Health Initiative, Endocrine Society, Healthcare Leadership Council, Livongo, Nook, National Kidney Foundation, Novo Nordisk Inc., Omada Health, and YMCA of the USA.

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Eighth Judicial Circuit has 'drug court' program

By Henry E. Green

The Eighth Judicial Circuit has found considerable success with its "adult drug court" program, according to Brian King, communications director with the Circuit.

"We currently have 28 participants in the program," he said.

Essentially, the program offers defendants who qualify a chance to get the help they need for substance abuse disorders, and to have their records expunged once they graduate from the program.

The drug court program typically lasts a minimum of 18 months, depending on the progress of the participants in the program.

Things they have to do to graduate may vary from counseling assessments to community service.

"Throughout the course of the program there's random drug testing," she said.

All participants have to maintain one year of continuous sobriety before graduation, King continued. Depending on the crime

the individual committed, he or she may have to meet conditions such as restitution and any other fines, fees or assessments.

Participants may come from varied backgrounds, but they all have something in common--they have experienced substance "misuse."

The substances may range from cocaine to meth to opioids to alcohol.

The Drug Court program has been operating since 2008 in the Eighth Judicial Circuit, he said.

There is a parallel program that serves veterans with various issues, and the two programs come to court at the same time.

Judge Travis Moore presides over both programs every other week in Greenwood, King continued.

"That's where our Abbeville and Greenwood participants (in both veterans court and drug court) come to court," he said.

Judge Donald Hocker presents over a similar arrangement for Newberry

and Laurens counties.

The Eighth Judicial Circuit's veterans court is one of only five in South Carolina, he said.

Most, if not all of the other judicial circuits in the state have drug courts.

King said that the hope is that drug court has equipped participants to stay steady in an uncertain world.

For more information, one may call King at 864-942-8821.



Dakota Lawton (center) was named Maid of Honor at Friday night's Calhoun Falls Homecoming game against Ware Shoals. (Photo by Amanda Smith)



Samaritan's Purse annually distributes shoebox gifts to children throughout the world, throughout Operation Christmas Child. Main Street United Methodist Church of Abbeville will again be a focal point of the ministry -- the designated Abbeville County drop off location for it. Cecily Ferguson of Main Street is wearing her "shoebox" attire to promote it. (Staff photo by Henry E. Green)

Operation Christmas Child

Submitted by Cecily Ferguson

Since 1993, Samaritan's Purse has distributed over 178 million shoebox gifts to children around the world. Each one is an opportunity to share the Gospel with a child and, potentially, their family and community. Shoeboxes are filled with small toys, school supplies, and hygiene items. Most importantly, children receiving these gifts are invited to learn about the hope of Christ and the Gospel through "The Greatest Gift" booklets and "The Greatest Journey" lessons, now available in more than 75 languages.

November 16 through 23 is National Collection Week and, for the fourth year, Main Street United Methodist Church is the designated Abbeville County drop-off location. Individuals or groups who have packed shoeboxes may bring them to this location where they will be placed into larger shipping cartons and sent to one of the 8 processing centers across the United States in preparation for overseas shipment. Shoeboxes may be any size or style, cardboard or plastic, and designated for either a boy or girl in one of three

age groups: 2-4 years old, 5-9 years old, and 10-14 years old.

Samaritan's Purse suggests that each box include a \$9.00 donation to help with the cost of shipping. The donation may be placed inside the box or given online allowing the sender to track where the shoebox is delivered. Local drop-off team leader, Cecily Ferguson, said boxes would be picked-up curbside this year to provide added safety for those who donate as well as volunteers. "During this pandemic, more than ever, we want to be able to share the good news of Christ throughout the world through this mighty ministry."

Abbeville drop-off hours are 3:30 until 5:30 p.m. on Monday through Thursday, November 16 - 19, 10:00 a.m. until noon on Friday and Saturday, November 20 & 21, and noon until 2:00 p.m. on Sunday, November 22. The final day for drop-off is Monday, November 23, from 11:00 a.m. until 1:00 p.m. Information about how to pack a shoebox, frequently asked questions, and more may be found on the website, samaritanispurse.org/occ or by calling Cecily Ferguson, (864) 391-7888.

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Pictured from left to right: Darren Lewis, WCTEL Board Member; Lee Logan, WCTEL Board Member; Andy Rousey, Abbeville Youth Center Executive Director; Brad Evans, FCCF Chair (Photo contributed)

WCTEL and the FCCF contribute to the Abbeville Youth Center

Submitted by Virginia Smith

Brad Evans, Freshwater Coast Community Foundation (FCCF) Chair, Darren Lewis, WCTEL Board Member, and Lee Logan, WCTEL Board Member, present a check for \$1,600 to Andy Rousey, Abbeville Youth Center Executive Director.

The check will help fund a new SAT Tutoring Program offered by the Abbeville Youth Center for Abbeville County students.

"We are very thankful to WCTEL and the FCCF for this donation to the new program and partnering with us to impact our community in a tangible way," said Rousey. Logan responded, "FCCF

and WCTEL are eager to see the impact and opportunities this new program will bring to the students.

We would also like to thank the Abbeville Youth Center and Mr. Rousey for the many wonderful opportunities they offer all Abbeville County students for both personal growth and educational advancement".

Little River Electric CO-OP and CoBank contribute to the Abbeville Promise

Submitted by Jess Tollison

Mike Ellis, General Manager of Little River Electric Co-op, presents a check for \$5,000 to Abbeville Promise campaign Co-Chair Andy Timmerman of Abbeville First Bank and Brad Evans, Freshwater Coast Community Foundation Chair. This contribution was made possible thanks to a matching grant from CoBank. "We

are excited and humbled that CoBank matched our donation to the Abbeville Promise. To even receive this grant is an honor and to see it going toward our youth and their future is even more special," Ellis says. "I want to thank Little River Electric for applying for and receiving this grant in order to make it possible for every child in the Abbeville community to earn a higher education," says Evans.

The Abbeville Promise scholarship program will provide any Abbeville County resident who earns a high school diploma the opportunity to earn an associate degree at Piedmont Technical College free of tuition and fees. For more information about the Abbeville Promise or to donate contact the Freshwater Coast Community Foundation at 864-446-2773 or abbevillepromise@wctel.net.

Council finalizes sale of Calhoun Falls property

By Henry E. Green

Abbeville County Council met Monday night, finalizing the sale of some County property in the Calhoun Falls area.

Council passed third and final reading of an ordinance to approve a contract for the sale of approximately 25.46 acres, located off South Carolina Highway 72 in Calhoun Falls (Site A) and to authorize the County Director to execute such a contract, a deed of conveyance and other documents needed to carry out the transaction.

Council passed third and final reading on an ordinance to approve a contract for the sale of approximately 2.7 acres located off South Carolina Highway 72 in Calhoun Falls (Site B) and to authorize the County Director to execute such a contract, a deed of conveyance and other documents needed to carry out the transaction.

Both sites are situated near the EMS station in Calhoun Falls, according to County Council member Rick Campbell.

Both sites are expected to be used for economic development.

In other matters Monday night, Council passed a

resolution to authorize the expenditure of Accommodations Tax monies as recommended by the Accommodations Tax Committee.

Council chairperson Kristi Smith voted in opposition. "I just don't agree with the way they allocated the funds," she said Tuesday, referring to the accommodations tax committee.

However, Council disagreed with the distribution of funds, tabled the measure, and sent it back to the committee to be revised.

After the revisions, there were some items "that still did not hit the mark for me," Smith said.

The accommodations tax money is used to help organizations that promote tourism in Abbeville County. "Not all of those entity's allocated funds promote tourism," she said.

Council also had first reading on Ordinance 2020-2017 to amend the County Zoning Map for an approximately 8.09 acre parcel of land located between Highway 72 East and Mill Road North at the Greenwood County line, Abbeville, from Forest Agricultural to General Commercial. Council did not vote on the ordinance

-- it was simply read into the record, following Council guidelines on first reading for ordinances.

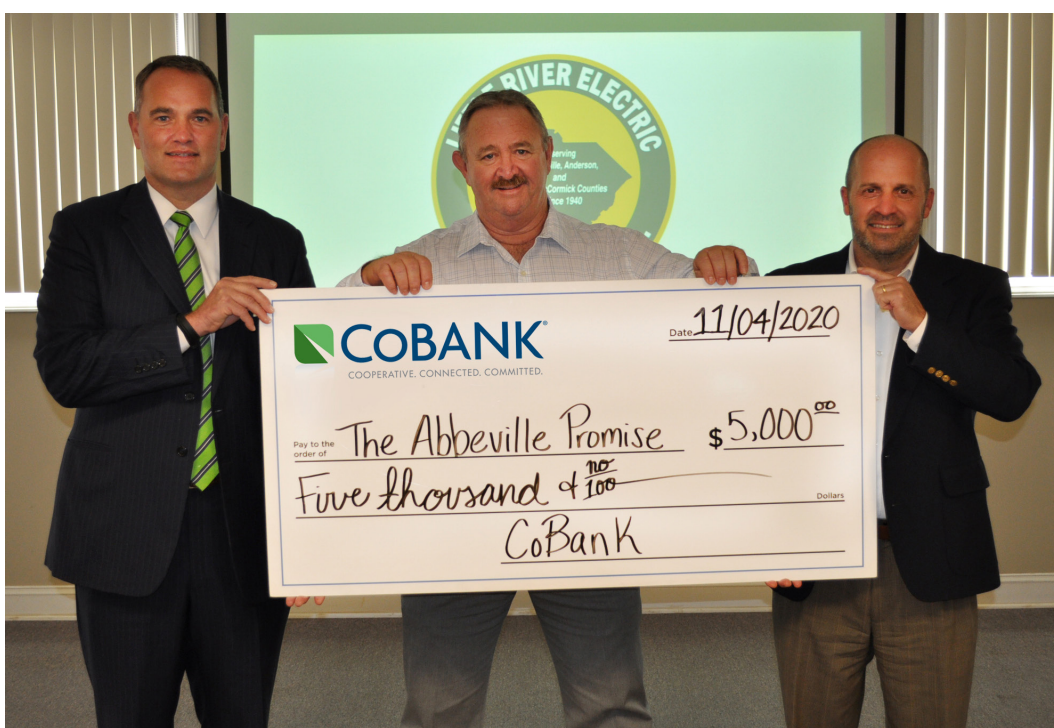
Council passed resolution authorizing the payment of a retention stipend to all Abbeville County employees for the year ending December 2020.

The stipend is similar to a bonus, designed to help retain current employees of Abbeville County.

Council passed a resolution authorizing the County Director to enter into a contractual relationship with General Construction Solutions of Abbeville in the amount of \$93,800 for necessary improvements to the Landfill Recycling Warehouse and Public Works Offices. Smith abstained.

Council passed a resolution authorizing the County Director to enter into a contractual relationship with Heaner Design Group of Greenwood for engineering services for roadway improvements to KC Ranch Road in Abbeville County not to exceed \$9,250.

Also Monday night, Council went into executive session but took no resulting action on returning to open session.



Little River Electric Co-Op and CoBank contribute to the Abbeville Promise. Pictured from left to right: Brad Evans, Freshwater Coast Community Foundation Chair; Mike Ellis, General Manager of Little River Electric Co-op; Andy Timmerman, Abbeville Promise Co-Chair. (Photo contributed)

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Mark Dorn will serve as county's new coroner

By Henry E. Green
Abbeville County is getting a new Coroner. Republican challenger Mark Dorn defeated Democratic incumbent Ronnie Ashley in the Nov. 4 general election, according to unofficial vote totals from the Abbeville County voter registration office. Dorn claimed 51.56 percent of the vote, to 48.39 percent for Ashley, according to those vote totals. Ashley said Thursday he

had been Coroner 20 years. "I appreciate everybody who voted for me," he added. Dorn will begin serving January 1 as the new Abbeville County Coroner, said Ashley. According to published reports, Dorn is a family practice nurse practitioner who works with Cornerstone Family Medicine in Anderson, and served as a reserve officer with Anderson Police for 23 years.

According to Facebook, he has 30 years of medical experience, and 23 years of law enforcement experience. On Facebook, Dorn posted the following message on the evening of Nov. 3 after he had won: "Thank you, Abbeville County! I am overwhelmed and thankful to everyone for coming out to vote for me to become your new Coroner. I look forward to serving you."

Voters pass referendum on Sunday alcohol sales

By Henry E. Green
Abbeville County voters approved an alcohol sales referendum in last week's election. According to unofficial vote totals from the Abbeville County voter registration and elections office, 64.35 percent of the voters said yes to Abbeville County Alcohol Sale Referendum Question One, and 61.42 percent said yes to Abbeville County Alcohol Sale Referendum Question Two. The two questions together

allow the sale of alcoholic beverages on Sunday in restaurants and stores in unincorporated areas of the county, said Abbeville County Chairperson Kristi Smith Wednesday. "It provides for two things, hence the two questions," said County Director David Garner. The first question "is to allow the retail sale of alcohol on Sundays such as at a gas station or super market. The second question is to allow for the sale of alcohol on on-

site consumption such as restaurants. The questions were voted on county-wide even though Abbeville City had already approved similar ballot questions, this is not a county-wide law." The referendum will take effect on January 2021, according to Smith. The City of Abbeville already allows Sunday alcohol sales, "as long as they follow the current permitting processes," according to the City's community development director Mike Clary.



Cle'ajah Lewis (center) was named Miss Football at Friday night's Calhoun Falls Homecoming game against Ware Shoals. (Photo by Amanda Smith)



Abbeville High School honored its senior cheerleaders and band members recently during halftime of the AHS-Liberty football game. Here cheerleader Ambria Gilliard is joined by her mother Amber Gilliard on the football field at Hite Stadium. (Staff photo by Henry E. Green)

Letters

Letter to the Editor

Not the Country I Grew Up In!
I remember when I was in high school going to the movies. They would have a news clip before the movie and it would show riots going on in the foreign countries. I would say I'm

glad I live in America where we didn't have this happen. Times have changed and now we are just like the third world countries with riots and socialism. Now we have elected a socialist government movement. It won't take long for our country to be like all the other socialist countries and

go downhill. I hate that the young people in this situation won't be able to know and appreciate how wonderful and beautiful our country was at one time. When you elect these types of people, you might not get what you wished for.
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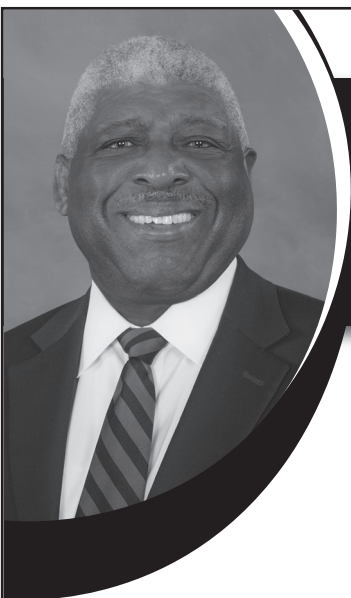
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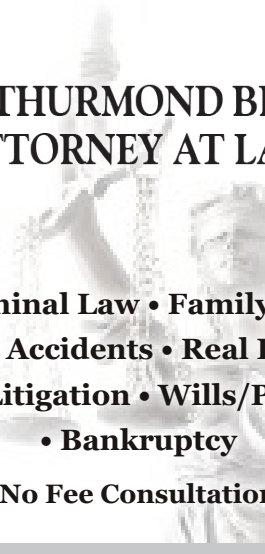


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West wins reelection in House District Seven

By Henry E. Green
 Republican John Taliaferro "Jay" West has won reelection as State Representative for State House District Seven, having defeated Democratic challenger Andrea Bejarano-Robinson. The 55-year-old West, a member of the Abbeville County Legislative Delegation, is an Erskine College graduate.

In Abbeville County, West received 44.19 percent of the vote, according to unofficial vote totals from the Abbeville County voter registration and elections office.

However, West received 76.15 percent overall in the district, to 23.77 percent for Bejarano-Robinson, according to SCVotes. House District Seven takes

in portions of Anderson and Abbeville counties. It includes a very small part of Abbeville County, in its northern part.

Among his accomplishments, West, a Belton resident, has served as a South Carolina Ambassador for Economic Development, and has served also on the Upstate Alliance board of directors.

UCMAC Clinic provides a helping, healthy lift

Submitted by **UCMAC**
 The USDA classifies Abbeville County as a food desert, which means many families lack access to fresh, healthy, and affordable foods. According to DHEC SC Food Desert Map, about 20% of the population of Abbeville lives in an area where people have limited access to healthy and affordable food. Another fact to note is Abbeville's poverty rate hovers at 22.5%, compared to 13.1% for the nation.

Only having one supermarket in the area also leaves many without an easily accessible grocery store. The Covid-19 pandemic has made it even harder for those living in food deserts to find healthy food to eat, resulting in people being out of work or working reduced hours and families not having money to feed themselves.

UCMAC is a 100% volunteer 501(3)c organization comprised of three ministries – emergency assistance, two food pantries, and a free medical clinic. Its mission is to provide services that promote and help maintain the spiritual and physical health of qualified citizens of Abbeville County while sharing the love of Christ as its foundation. UCMAC is totally dependent upon local churches, individual and corporate donations, and grants to

be able to provide those services.

One such grant opportunity was provided through a grant from SC DHHS, which stipulated funds be used toward a community need. Based on the 2015 and 2018 Community Health Assessment by AAMC, the top need was identified as Access to Nutritious Food/Obesity. UCMAC made the decision to meet the requirements of the grant and address Access to Nutritious Food, which would also impact the health of its patients with hypertension, diabetes and obesity.

Initially, UCMAC Free Medical Clinic worked with Tim Hall, Director of City Public Works, and local farmers participating with the Abbeville Farmers' Market. From the end of July through September UCMAC provided Produce Coupons to its patients on clinic night that they could in turn use at the Abbeville Farmer's Market to purchase fresh fruits and vegetables. Of the coupons distributed, 146 coupons were used at the Farmer's Market, a win-win for patients and farmers.

Using funds from the SC One grant and State grant, UCMAC also collaborated with Amanda Morgan, AAMC Clinical Health Specialist, and Drew Francis of Francis Produce Company, Greenville. Along with providing fresh produce to

patients on clinic night, they also distributed over 300 boxes of fresh produce to participants at several of the AAMC Covid-19 Testing Drive Through Events in September and October. The produce boxes were filled with seasonal produce: tomatoes, onions, sweet potatoes, lettuce, fruit, squash, watermelon, etc. It is the intent of UCMAC to continue to provide access to fresh produce as funds allow.

³⁵"For I was hungry, and you fed me. I was thirsty, and you gave me a drink. I was a stranger, and you invited me into your home. ³⁶I was naked, and you gave me clothing. I was sick, and you cared for me ..."⁴⁰"And the King will say, 'I tell you the truth, when you did it to one of the least of these my brothers and sisters, you were doing it to me!'" Matthew 25:35-40

Christian stewardship obviously involves much more than "making donations". Teach us, Gracious GOD, to practice justice and generosity in our lives each day.



Shane Davis Makes Gift to Trinity Restoration, Labyrinth Efforts. Shane Davis (center), resident of Burton Center's Stille House in Due West, presents a \$500 contribution to Trinity Episcopal Church in Abbeville. Shown receiving the gift are Jan and Dick Haldeman of Due West, in whose honor it was given. The Haldemans are Shane's lifetime friends and longtime members of Trinity. They have provided him transportation to Abbeville church and community events. The gift will help Trinity during its restoration efforts and building of a prayer labyrinth. Taking the photo was another of Shane's lifelong friends, Reba Stille, widow of Harry Stille, for whom the Stille House is named. (Photo by Reba Stille)

West sees some major items for legislature

By Henry E. Green
 Newly reelected State Representative Jay West of State House District Seven is anticipating some big-ticket items on the agenda when the General Assembly convenes again.

"I'm going into my third term," said West, a Belton resident and Erskine College resident.

His new stay in the General Assembly will feature the process of reapportionment, with lines of legislative districts being redrawn.

The legislature must also tackle the shaping of a budget.

"We've been operating on a continuing resolution (for operations of the state government)," he said.

Another priority will be that of providing pay raises for teachers, if the funds are available, he said.

West and other lawmakers will be looking at the needs of various agencies, but above all, he and other lawmakers will be working to get a handle on the "real numbers" in connection with the COVID-19 crisis in South Carolina.

That includes the serious threat which the pandemic put on the unemployment

insurance program in the Palmetto State.

West is a member of the Abbeville County Legislative Delegation, which saw some turnover as a result of the election.

While West and State Senator Mike Gambrell of State Senate District Four defeated their Democratic challengers, and District 11 State Representative Craig Gagnon ran opposed, State Senator Floyd Nicholson was upset by Republican challenger Billy Garrett in State Senate District 10.

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Abbeville Area Medical Center welcome tow new Board of Trustee members at its October 26th meeting.(pictured l-r): Paul Crawford, outgoing Board member; Selena Goodwin-Hay and Chris Ceraldi, MD incoming Board members; and Chris Oxendine, MD, outgoing Board member. (Photo contributed)

Abbeville Area Medical Center welcomes two new Trustees

Submitted by
Meg Davis

Abbeville Area Medical Center welcomed two new Board of Trustee members at its October 26th meeting.

Chris Ceraldi, MD, AAMC general surgeon, was appointed by his peers as medical staff representative replacing Chris Oxendine, MD, who has served on the Board since February of 2015.

Ceraldi grew up in Abbeville, where his father, Attilio Ceraldi, MD, served AAMC as a general surgeon from 1969 to 1979. He attended the Citadel and went on to medical school at the Medical University of South

Carolina. He completed his general surgery residency at the University of California-Irvine and a fellowship in peripheral vascular surgery at the Medical College of Virginia. Ceraldi returned to his Abbeville roots from California in July of 2009 to become AAMC's general surgeon.

Selena Goodwin-Hay was appointed Member at Large by the Abbeville County Council replacing long-time Board member Paul Crawford who has served since March of 2001.

Goodwin-Hay has a background in risk management with focus on project management and data science analytics. She currently

acts as the Ernst & Young AccessAbilities National Abilities Leader Liaison, serving offices throughout the world.

Goodwin-Hay moved to Abbeville from New York in January of 2017, and quickly became involved in the community. She is CEO of HayGood Enterprises LLC as well as an accomplished chef.

The AAMC Board of Trustees is made up of seven members that are appointed by the governing bodies of Lowndesville, Donalds, Due West, Calhoun Falls and Abbeville, Abbeville County Council and the AAMC Medical Staff.

Morgan graduated from Leadership South Carolina

Submitted by
Meg Davis

Amanda Morgan, MPA, Abbeville Area Medical Center Community Health Specialist, recently graduated from Leadership South Carolina. Selection to participate in the program is competitive, with no more than 50 chosen from applicants from across the state. Morgan had the honor of being the first person from Abbeville County to complete the intensive program.

"It was an honor to have been nominated and chosen to participate in Leadership South Carolina," stated

Morgan. "Rural areas are often not represented which leaves them at a disadvantage. I look forward to utilizing the skills I have gained to help our community move forward."

Leadership South Carolina was established in 1979 by the Governor's Office and the South Carolina business community and is the oldest and most respected of the statewide leadership programs. The curriculum is a nine-month core program that provides gifted and highly motivated South Carolinians an opportunity to advance their leadership

qualities while broadening their understanding of issues facing the State. Its goal is to develop and inform the participants to prepare them for service on statewide boards and commissions, run for public office, and find a non-profit passion that will positively impact the communities in which they live and work.

"We are very proud to have Amanda as member of our AAMC family," stated Cindy Buck, AAMC Interim CEO. "Her hard work and dedication definitely benefits both our hospital and community."



Amanda Morgan, MPA, Abbeville Area Medical Center Community Health Specialist, recently graduated from Leadership South Carolina. (Photo contributed)



The 54th annual Abbeville Rotary Bowl, held recently in conjunction with the Abbeville Youth Athletics homecoming event, included the announcement of Rotary Bowl courts in various age divisions, including 8U, composed of seven and eight-year-olds. In the 8U division, the Rotary Bowl King and Queen included Tristan Sutherland, sponsored by Kendall Thomasson (middle couple). The first alternate in the 8U division included Kordarius Wells, sponsored by Ty'hira Campbell, and the second alternate was Colton Busbee, sponsored by Mattibeth Litts. (Staff photo by Henry E. Green)

Letters

Letter to the Editor

Dear Editor West,
First of all, thank you for having begun to write an editor's piece in the Press and Banner.

While I do not reside in the City limits, I am wanting to express some confusion about the construction ef-

fort underway on Chestnut street.

I have somewhat casually followed the articles printed in your newspaper, and with all the sentiments shared, I am confused as to why there is no readily, easily seen artist/architecture design of the planned housing to be erected on Chestnut street.

Is it only available to be viewed if one attends City Council Meetings?

Perhaps The Press and Banner could publish a full page picture for public viewing. Please continue to share your opinions etc. as Editor.

Sincerely,
Noah Count

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A Slice of Mike

"I'll take 1984 for \$200"

By Mike Elis

Miami Vice, Murder She Wrote, Purple Rain, The Cosby Show, Nightmare on Elm Street, Night Court, Highway to Heaven, Van Halen 1984, Sixteen Candles, Punky Brewster, E/R, Muppet Babies, the personal Apple Computer, Springsteen's Born in the USA Album, and Gremlins... "What is 1984, Alex?"

1984 was an incredible year and had such a huge impact on me. As a twelve year old sixth grader living in Nashville, Tennessee, I was the youngest amongst five kids in a house that fought for any kind of television authority. Needless to say, I never won the battle for the remote.

In 1984, prime time television pleased us with a reboot of the classic trivia game, Jeopardy. It was the one show that our whole family could agree on. No matter what was going on in our crazy lives, at 7:30 pm, sports, phone calls with friends, MTV, Atari, and even homework took a temporary backseat to gathering around the television to answer random trivia in the form of a question.

That half hour of the evening, Monday through Friday, became a ritual and was the final time together each night as a family until we broke off into our personal space and pursued our personal interests. Mine mainly consisted of closing my door, listening to music, and lip syncing to the fantasy that I was the next Jon Bon Jovi or Gene Simmons. If only I had a voice, a rock-star look, or any glimpse of talent whatsoever.

And yes, I played air gui-

tar on a tennis racket and I sounded just like Eddie Van Halen doing it. Tik Tok today is no match for me strumming that Wilson Pro.

Jeopardy was part of our household even when it wasn't on television. For those of us who were fans of the television series "Cheers," who can forget the classic storyline when Norm was on Jeopardy and blew his lead at the end of the episode with the famous answer, "Who are three people who have never been in my kitchen?"

Trivia was always going on in our house from watching game shows like Jeopardy, to playing Trivial Pursuit, to even sitting by the radio trying to win prizes by answering the trivia questions of the day and then praying that we might be the right caller only to be frustrated by the expected busy tone.

Fast forward to 2008. While visiting my family in Florida, I wowed the family by answering the final Jeopardy clue three days in a row. Well, sort of.

My family is technologically challenged and had no idea at the time that my phone had Google. By just searching a small part of the clue, the answer would pop right up. Yes, during my superiority run of Final Jeopardy, my family was shocked by my knowledge of former government officials in Kenya, Civil War Geography, and the Latin derivatives for verbiage used in William Shakespeare plays. I was amazing; well, me and Google.

So, here we are 36 years after the year when the reboot

of Jeopardy came on network television. Sadly, we lost Alex Trebek this month after his battle with pancreatic cancer. As far as my family, I don't keep in contact too much with most of my siblings who used to gather and watch Jeopardy together. My brothers all live in separate states, live very separate lives, and unfortunately, my sister passed away some years back.

We live in a very different time now. Game shows are rarely watched, the days of families gathering together to watch live television shows are gone, and interaction for a definite time in front of the tube was changed forever with the invention of Tivo and later the popularity and diverse lineup of Netflix. I'll always miss that time. Alex Trebek brought many together, including my family. Rest in peace, Alex, and know that you were such a blessing. Sometimes appreciation isn't realized until the moment is gone. Much love.

If you remember the 80s like I do, don't forget that the man of 1000 voices from Police Academy, Michael Winslow, will be taking the Abbeville Opera House Stage on February 26th with special guest from America's Funniest People, Roger Keiss.

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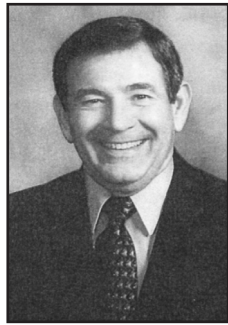
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Happiness



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Psalm 146:5 "Happy is he who has the God of Jacob for his help, whose hope is in the Lord his God."

Researchers at the University of Tokyo have developed a mirror that causes a person to appear happy even if they are not. Facial features are tracked in real time with a built-in camera and the adjustments are made to tweak your image. The corners of your mouth are turned up to create a slight smile, which then naturally alters your disposition.

Japanese researchers believe these mirrors will spawn more gregarious shoppers who, in turn, spend more money. Having a little help to foster a smile might be nice, but don't depend on outside sources for your happiness.

Psalm 146:5 reveals to us the real source of happiness—the Lord God. To me it is interesting that the Psalmist refers to God as the "God of Jacob."

If you remember, Jacob was a man whom God poured His grace on even though he did not deserve it. Genesis 28 records

the event when Jacob left home, the result of cheating his brother Esau out of the blessing.

That night, when Jacob lay down to sleep, God appeared to him in a dream. The first thing God did was identify Himself to Jacob—"I am the Lord God of Abraham, Isaac," and, in essence, one day I will be your God also.

God also revealed to Jacob that his descendants would be more numerous than the dust of the earth and all the world would be blessed because of his descendants.

Then God told him that he was going to be with him and take care of him wherever he went. Jacob certainly did not deserve that promise. When Jacob awoke, he promised God that if God kept His word, then he would worship Him.

That was Jacob's hope—the promise of God. That is what kept Jacob going through the many years he served Laban. The

promise that God made him gave him hope when Laban deceived him with Leah rather than Rachel. That promise gave him hope while he worked another seven years for Rachel.

Because of God's help, Jacob had hope when he had to face Esau and he was afraid. Jacob did not deserve any of those blessings from God—but neither do you or I. Our hope and our happiness come from the wonderful grace of God that we do not deserve.

The type of hope we have in God is not a false hope like the world has, or a fake hope from mirrors that make us appear happy. Our hope comes from the knowledge that even though we do not deserve the wonderful promises of God, He will keep the ones He has made to us.

That knowledge will give us hope when for all the world it looks hopeless.



Lander University and Abbeville County Schools sign dual enrollment partnership agreement: Pictured, from left, are Brandi Sears, Director of Instruction and Accountability at Abbeville County Schools and Shelby Dominick Reed, Director of Special Cohort Outreach and Bridge Programs at Lander University. (Photo by Laura Brown)

Lander University, Abbeville County Schools sign dual enrollment partnership agreement

Submitted by
Graham Duncan

Students of the Abbeville County School District will now have the opportunity to get a head start on their college education thanks to a newly formed partnership between Lander University and Abbeville County Schools.

Beginning in the spring of 2021, Abbeville County Schools will be joining Lander's Dual Enrollment Program, which allows qualifying high school students to enroll in courses at Lander University and earn high school and college credit simultaneously.

"As our region's public

four-year institution, Lander University has so much to offer to high school juniors and seniors," said Shelby Dominick Reed, director of special cohort outreach and bridge programs at Lander. "The rigor and challenge that Lander's faculty provide in each course are an ideal fit for the high-achieving high school student who wants to ease into the college experience. We welcome Abbeville County School District students and will continually remind them, they are Lander students when they enter our environment and will reap the benefits of Lander resources."

"Abbeville County is extremely pleased that our

juniors and seniors have the option of dual credit courses through Lander University," added Brandi Sears, director of instruction and accountability at Abbeville County Schools. "We appreciate Lander extending the opportunity to our students and providing support to them through the enrollment process. Lander University has a long-standing tradition of academic excellence, and we are proud to partner with them to help students achieve their educational and career goals."

For more information on Lander University's Dual Enrollment Program, visit www.lander.edu/dualenrollment.

Community Calendar

DHEC Care Line Open
The DHEC Care Line is staffed from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. every day. They are prepared to answer general questions about COVID-19. Please call 1-855-472-3432.

Meeting postponed
The Abbeville County Forest Landowners Association Board has decided the next scheduled Association meeting on November 16th will be postponed.

Veterans Day program planned

American Legion Post 2 is organizing the 2020 Vets Day program, Nov. 11th at 11 am, 200 Long Branch St. The guest speaker will be Carol Scales USNR (Ret) and currently President of the Star Fort Chapter of MOAA (Military Officers Association of America). "As usual, we will have the oldest and youngest Vet, recognize each era of service, Vietnam, etc.," a spokesman for the event said.

Library board to meet

The Board of Trustees of the Abbeville County Library System will have their regularly scheduled meeting on Tuesday, Nov. 17, at 4 p.m., at the main branch of the library at 1407 North Main Street in Abbeville.

Guild plans workshop

The Abbeville Artist Guild is sponsoring a painting

workshop taught by Jeffery Callahan on Saturday, November 21, 2020 or Saturday, December 5, 2020 at the Abbeville Civic Center from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. The cost is \$25 for AAG members and \$35 for non-members. The cost includes all the materials needed, but those planning to attend are asked to bring their favorite paint brushes and to bring their own lunches. Space is limited to 10 people for each day and the deadline to register is November 15. To sign up, email the guild at abbevilleartistguild@gmail.com or call 864-366-5881 and leave a message.

This project is funded in part by the South Carolina Arts Commission which receives support from the National Endowment for the Arts and Abbeville County Accommodations Tax.

UCMAC announces holiday schedule for Abbeville food pantry

United Christian Ministries of Abbeville County has announced the holiday schedule for its Abbeville food pantry:

The pantry will be closed on Nov. 27th and Dec. 25, 2020 and January 1, 2021.

It will be open Tuesday, Dec. 29, 2020 and open on Friday, January 8, 2021.



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'Hands and feet'

UCMAC is an all-volunteer organization, with three ministries

By Henry E. Green
 "Astep up to self-reliance." That is the motto of United Christian Ministries of Abbeville County, an all-volunteer, nonprofit organization which incorporates three ministries, including Emergency Assistance, a Free Medical Clinic, and a Food Pantry.

The clinic, which opened in August, 2011, is available to adults 18 years old and older who live in Abbeville County, have no health insurance and meet the clinic's financial guidelines, according to UCMAC.

For more information on the clinic, one may call the clinic at 366-0365.

The emergency assistance ministry, meanwhile, is geared toward helping people "who have experienced an emergency situation within the last 30 days and who have not been assisted in the past 12 months may qualify to be evaluated for assistance."

Assistance may include, but is not limited to, payment vouchers for rent and mortgage payments, utilities, heating and fuel, and referrals to agencies such as Department of Social Services, South Carolina Department of Employment and Workforce, the Adult Education program of the Abbeville County School District, GLEAMNS Human Resources, Inc., the Salvation Army, and the Abbeville Housing Authority.

For more information on Emergency Assistance, one may call 366-6525.

Finally, the UCMAC Food Pantry has two locations to serve those meeting eligibility guidelines.

The Abbeville branch is located at Main Street United

Methodist Church on 300 North Main Street, and is open on Fridays from 9:30 a.m. to 11:45 a.m.

The Calhoun Falls branch is open on the first and third Thursdays from 3 p.m. to 5 p.m. next door to Town Hall.

Recipients at either location may receive food every four weeks, and the Calhoun Falls branch is open for Calhoun Falls residents only.

The UCMAC food pantry branches have for the last 12 months distributed an average of 256 boxes of food per month.

Each box is valued at \$26, and UCMAC needs \$6,650 each month either in product donations or money to continue to serve qualified families in need.

UCMAC food boxes include the following items: beef stew, tuna, peanut butter, jelly, fruit cocktail, green beans and peas, corn, grits, spaghetti, spaghetti sauce, macaroni and cheese, rice, and pinto beans.

Items such as soup, bathroom tissue, and mixed canned vegetables are provided when available from donations.

You can help by planning a food drive to help the food pantry.

For more information on food drives, one may call Mike Shirley at 379-2386, or Jane Hayes at 934-6292.

UCMAC is staffed entirely with volunteers, and anyone interested in volunteering should leave a message at 366-6525 to request more information.

Volunteer positions may range from receptionists and intake workers with Emergency Assistance, intake workers and medical professionals at the Free Clinic, and intake workers

and food box handlers with the Food Pantry.

UCMAC, which is based on a network of supporting churches, opened its doors on January 29, 2008.

Its mission statement is as follows: "United Christian Ministries of Abbeville County provides services that promote and help maintain the spiritual and physical health and welfare of qualified citizens of Abbeville County."

The UCMAC headquarters is located at 101 Center Street in Abbeville, behind the Abbeville Nursing Home.

The organization relies on the efforts of more than 80 people who give of their time.

Lanny McKay has been a UCMAC food pantry volunteer for six years, for example.

"I carry food out for people," he said. McKay works at the Abbeville branch--he is a member of Main Street United Methodist Church, where the pantry is located in the basement of the main church building.

"I love it," he said. "UCMAC is a modern success story, to be sure."

A number of churches concentrate on particular commodities. Main Street, for example, is largely responsible for collecting the beef stew.

The following statement from a UCMAC brochure embraces the aspirations of the organization:

"With the support of the churches, individuals, organizations, and groups, we look forward to continuing to be Jesus' hands and feet in Abbeville County."

Back home

Trinity congregation meeting inside sanctuary again for services

By Henry E. Green
 The congregation of Trinity Episcopal Church has begun meeting inside the sanctuary again.

"We're excited to be back in the building," said Mike Clary of Abbeville, a member of the Trinity congregation.

The congregation began meeting in the sanctuary on Sunday, Oct. 25.

This was the first time in three years that the congregation had met in the sanctuary, said congregation member Cynthia Jefferies.

Trinity has long impressed visitors with the grace of its architecture, but it has had

sobering structural concerns, and those concerns prompted the congregation to move out of the sanctuary until the building could be made safe for services again.

During the three year hiatus, the group met in various places. They met two years at Sacred Heart Catholic Church.

"We were really blessed for them to allow us to have Sunday services there," she said.

The congregation moved to the Trinity parish hall about a year ago, and met there until the pandemic hit in March of this year.

Like the congregations of many churches, they then watched services online, but, beginning in June, they met outside on the church grounds, enjoying outdoor church.

By meeting outside, they were able to practice social distancing.

"It was wonderful sitting outside," she said. "All churches should do that every now and again."

Mike Bedenbaugh and Preservation South Carolina had undertaken activities to stabilize the steeple, and this fall the sanctuary was deemed safe enough for services.

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16. Set straight
17. *Thanksgiving is on the fourth Thursday in this country
18. Filthy dough
19. *Opposite of Thanksgiving, traditionally
21. *The day's offering
23. Declare
24. Unacceptable in a juror
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30. Jumped or leapt
35. Chipping choice
37. Plural of #25 Across
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43. The brightest star
44. One born to Japanese immigrants
46. a.k.a. leaf cabbage
47. Capital on the Dnieper
48. Rear of a ship, pl.
50. Boisterous play
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53. Has divine power
55. None intended, often
57. *Macy's offering
60. *34th Street offering
64. Relating to pond scum
65. Highest card in "War"
67. Blood of the gods, Greek mythology
68. Like unbagged tea
69. Female
70. Thousands, for short
71. Microsoft browser
72. *What we do on Thanksgiving
73. ____ welcome!

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2. Tibetan teacher
3. Beware of these, in spring
4. Window treatments
5. Bay Area serial killer never captured
6. French Bulldog plus Pug
7. Alliance of former Soviet republics, acr.
8. Raccoon's South American cousin
9. Give the cold shoulder
10. Locket content, traditionally
11. Snob puts these on
12. Prior to
15. Necklace fasteners
20. Spiral-horned African antelope
22. ____-been
24. Mendicity
25. *Thanksgiving Day football hosts
26. Galactic path
27. One in a gaggle
29. *Utensil absent at Pilgrim's table
31. Colonel or captain
32. Steer clear
33. "When pigs fly!"
34. *Condiment of the day
36. ____-do-well
38. Without help
42. Allegro and lento
45. Get some air
49. Seed alternative
51. Jonathan Franzen's 2015 novel
54. Rental agreement
56. Chip snack
57. Weary walk
58. Bug-eyed
59. Tear down
60. Track competition
61. Cabbage in France
62. Displeasure on one's face
63. Gaelic tongue
64. Draft choice
66. Repeated Cuban dance step

'To do' list

School board trustees excited about District's capital improvement plan

By Henry E. Green
 The Capital Improvement Plan which the Abbeville County School District Board of Trustees approved recently ranges far and wide in its recommendations.

The school board gave its approval with the understanding that the plan is subject to change.

The plan was presented to the trustees by Abbeville County School District Superintendent Dr. Mason Gary, and it met with a favorable reception.

"I'm really excited to see it," said trustee Buster Taylor.

The plan includes between 50 and 60 items and is a "fluid document," in the words of school board trustee Brad Evans.

The press boxes, restrooms, and concessions at the high schools will be objects of renovation and/or replacement, as well.

Repairs for all these projects will be conducted as monies become available.

Abbeville County School District Superintendent Dr.

Mason Gary said recently that the priority items right now appear to be the security entrances at the schools, as well as the press boxes at the high schools, and the acquisition of activity buses.

The meeting was the last for Brandon Adger, who is retiring from the board, and who said that the plan is in line with what he has wanted for a long time.

He summed it all up in three words.

"Fix the schools!" he said.

It's a good thing

Many District high school students taking dual enrollment courses

By Henry E. Green
 Taking a dual enrollment course can truly be a feather in the cap of a high school student.

And it is something that a large number of high school students in the Abbeville County School District are finding out.

"We have 103 juniors and seniors taking dual enrollment courses this semester," said Brandi Sears, the

Abbeville County School District's Director of Instruction and Accountability.

The current dual enrollment courses are through Piedmont Tech, Erskine, and one through Lander, she said.

A dual enrollment course can definitely help the high school student, according to Sears.

"Courses designated as dual credit appear on the

high school transcript as well as on the college transcript," she said.

"Dual credit and AP courses count toward the high school diploma and are awarded a heavier weighting on the grading scale. Also, if the student attains the college's required score, they can carry the college credits to their chosen post-secondary school."

Obituaries



Abbeville Lion Sandi Hood was honored for her contributions to the Lions recently, in a gathering of Lions on Abbeville's Court Square. Those in attendance included (from left) Robert Fossett, Charles Crowther, Lions Second Vice District Governor Randy Culbertson, Henry Green, Sandi Hood, Lions District Governor Judy Scott, J.J. Jackson, and Rick Pressly. (Photo by Chris Crawford)

Obituaries

Himes

Ned O. Himes, 86, of Abbeville, SC, husband of Linda Evenson Himes, died Friday, November 6, 2020 at Self Regional Healthcare. Mr. Himes served in the National Guard, retiring as Major after 29 years. He was a member of the Abbeville Lion's Club, Main Street United Methodist Church, and was active with veteran's groups in Abbeville. Mr. Himes was preceded in death by his parents, Ferman and Madge Trexler Himes; a son; a stepdaughter; a brother, and a sister. He is survived by his wife of 40 years, Linda, of the home; three stepchildren;



Ned O. Himes

two sons; one brother; one sister; a brother-in-law, Eric Evenson (Shelly); a sister-in-law, Ellen Hutson; and family friends, Wilma and Frank Reeves.

Funeral services will be 3:00PM, Friday, November 13, 2020 in the Harris Funeral Home Chapel with full military honors. Burial will follow at a later date in Fort Custer National Cemetery in Michigan.

Memorial contributions, in memory of Mr. Himes, may be sent to the Abbeville Lions Club, PO Box 221, Abbeville, SC, 29620 or to a charity of one's choice.

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 Himes family.

Hazelwood

Richard Allen "Dick" Hazelwood, Sr., age 80, of Antreville, SC, passed away on November 1, 2020, at AnMed Health in Anderson, SC.

Born in Brookings, SD, on February 1, 1940, Dick was the son of the late Russell Hazelwood and Lois Wagner Hazelwood. After serving 21 years, Dick retired as a Senior Master Sergeant of the 41st MAS squadron CAFB, having served in the Vietnam War. He then farmed in Antreville from 1979 until his death.

Dick was a devoted Lutheran and faithful member of Holy Trinity Lutheran Church, where he was a council member, former head of the property committee, Lutheran Men's Group Member, and Habitat for Humanity volunteer. He was also an Antreville Volunteer fireman, Korean

War Veteran Association member, and an avid John Deere tractor enthusiast.

He is predeceased by his loving wife of 52 years, Diane L Hazelwood, and his sister, Mary Jane Schmitt. He is survived by their children, Cathy Hazelwood (Jeff Ruble), and Caren Hazelwood, all of Columbia, SC; and Richard A. Hazelwood, Jr. (Ann), of Antreville, SC; brother Jim Hazelwood (Caryn); sister Karen Loney (Dennis); six grandchildren, Meghan Hall (Trevor); Elizabeth Taylor (Kyle); Rebecca Hazelwood; Tucker Ruble; Sarah Hazelwood; and Richard "Rick" A. Hazelwood, III; four great-grandchildren, Owen, George, and Mary Oliver Hall, and James Taylor; and numerous nieces and nephews. He is also survived by his "adopted" family, Virgil and Mary Ann Hobbs (in

addition to many others at his church — too many to mention) and special friend, Betty Williams.

The Funeral Service was on Friday, November 6, 2020, at 1:30 p.m. at M.J. Dolly Cooper Veterans Cemetery with Reverend Chris Fischer officiating. A formal visitation was not held. Family and friends paid their respects and signed the register book from 10:00 am until 4:00 pm Thursday at Sullivan-King Mortuary.

Friends are invited to celebrate Dick's life at the home of Richard and Ann following the service. 5693 Hwy. 28 S, Antreville, SC.

It is suggested that memorials be made to Holy Trinity Lutheran Church, 209 East Broad Street, Anderson, SC 29621.

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Garner

Patsy E. Garner, 88, of Abbeville, died Sunday, November 8, 2020 at Magnolia Manor in Greenwood. She was born in Kings Mountain, NC to the late Knolton H. Garner and Violet Mae Ellison Garner.

Patsy retired from Jockey International and was later employed with the Rug Barn. She was a member of the Abbeville Kingdom Hall of Jehovah Witnesses.

In addition to her parents, Patsy was preceded in death by three children,



Patsy E. Garner

Stephen Kidd, Wanda Gail Kidd, and Linda Faith Wilson; a sister, Louise Troxell; and a grandson, Stephen

Kidd. She is survived by two sons, Richard Bryant Kidd (Phyllis) of Anderson and Donald Keith Kidd (Charlotte) of Greenville; seven grandchildren; and several great-grandchildren.

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

Harris Funeral Home and Cremation Services of Abbeville is assisting the Garner family.

Cox

John Cox, 63, of Abbeville, husband of Marsha Lawton Cox, died Monday, No-

vember 9, 2020 at Prisma Health - Greenville Memorial Hospital. Arrangements

will be announced by Harris Funeral Home and Cremation Services of Abbeville.

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Submitted by
Ken Tinsley

The excitement was in the air. Something big was about to happen in this small county of Abbeville, SC and the little community of Calhoun Falls, SC. Big is a relative term to all of us. To a child it might be

all A's on the report card. To a recent High School graduate, it might be acceptance to their school of choice. To an adult it may be a quiet evening with their spouse. But this big was different because it was big to children, plus young and old adults all at one time.

Many hours and lots of effort by a small group of dedicated individuals was coming to a culmination with an outdoor event amidst the concerns of a Covid crisis. The hundreds of attendees never saw the behind the scenes work, effort, and dedication of the

team making this possible. Most were there just to enjoy. The Lake Russell Recreation and Tourism Coalition, who normally produce 4 events per year plus help make the Fishing Derby happen, had only produced the Lake Russell Hustle prior to Covid. We

had to forego the Fishing Derby, Paddle Fest, and the famous Freedom Blast, due to restrictions for Covid said Ms. Bebe Wesson, President. This event that was about to happen, the Jubilee turned Blue Grass, Gospel and Contemporary music was happening.

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You may contact Ms. Bebe Wesson at 864 980 6239 or Ken Tinsley as 864 630 5771 to volunteer with the Lake Russell Recreation and Tourism Coalition. The County Chamber of Commerce in Abbeville can help you locate the other organizations that provide events.

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“Roadtripping”

Road trips are a fun way to pass the time while learning about history and the nearby beauty that surrounds us. Grab a friend or family member, hop in the driver's seat, set your GPS, and head out for some fun!



This uninvited Covid-19 pandemic has pretty much affected every aspect of our daily lives... work, school, sports, and travel! Yes, travel! For me, travel has been the biggest heart-breaker! While many places have slowly begun to open back up, with social distancing still in place, some places continue to remain closed or have limited hours of operations. It definitely makes this “Roadtripping” article a bigger challenge to come up with content, so here's a different twist!

I used to consider a cemetery just plain out CREEPY, but now I find them beautiful, full of history & extremely interesting. Many of the older cemeteries have gorgeous ironwork, elaborate headstones and statues, while others can be quite primitive. Some headstones have a list of the deceased's accomplishments, while others tell stories of simpler times. Some show favorite hobbies, or even a favorite sports team! A few “tombstones” describe exactly how the deceased met their demise. Others have inscriptions that can be quite amusing!

For me, the older the cemetery, the better! They're engulfed with so much added character compared to the newer ones with the flush mounted, bronze markers hugging closely to the ground. I do understand the concept, since the flat markers make lawn maintenance at perpetual care cemeteries much easier. At the same time, the newer markers make it quite difficult to find a particular grave. Their similarity makes them lose their individuality and the only major difference is the flowers placed on the grave.



While traveling on trips, don't miss out on the adventure of checking out a vintage cemetery. Some of the most awesome ones I've visited are The Bonaventure Cemetery near Savannah, Ga in the town of Thunderbolt. Featured in the 1997 movie, “Midnight in the Garden of Good and Evil,” you'll also find the grave of Johnny Mercer there.

Mercer was a singer/songwriter, and the co-founder of Capital Records. Benches near his grave have many of his well-known songs inscribed in them. Many of you may remember the song, “Moon River,” made famous by Andy Williams. Johnny Mercer wrote this particular song about the river that borders Bonaventure Cemetery.

Graniteville Cemetery in Graniteville, SC is another of my favorites! This moss draped cemetery has plenty of interesting history, but the most famous is the Grave of the Little Boy. In 1855, a child traveling by train fell deathly sick. He was removed from the train in Graniteville in order to seek treatment. Unfortunately, the gravely ill child died, unable to tell anyone his name. A local cabinetmaker made the boy a simple coffin, and the townspeople put their money together to have a simple tombstone created with the inscription, “The Little Boy”. To this day, his identity remains a mystery, but many people continue to visit his grave daily, leaving trinkets and toys as a way of showing they will never forget this child. I too have visited this cemetery & grave at least 4-5 times and recently did a photoshoot there that turned out amazing.



Graniteville Cemetery holds another lesser known, sorrowful, but interesting story about two other children, Mary Emma Atkinson and Demsy Cline. These two were inseparable best friends. Little Mary Emma fell into the waters of the Augusta Canal, which runs through the center of the town of Graniteville. Without a second thought, Demsy jumped in, desperately trying to save her. Sadly, the undertow overtook them both and they were drowned. It was suitable that these best friends were laid to rest eternally, side by side.



You don't have to go far, since some of our local cemeteries have quite a bit of history to share too. Just recently I learned Abbeville has its own grave of the unknown soldier. A Confederate soldier from Alabama, thought to be around 30 years old, died of smallpox. His body was brought by train and buried on nearby Secession Hill. For years his grave laid hidden in undergrowth. Recent efforts were made to create a more appropriate and deserving headstone and grave site for this unknown soldier. Go visit it if you haven't seen it. I recently did.

Hopefully, after reading this, I may have changed someone's thoughts on cemeteries. Mine have certainly changed. Next time you pass by a cemetery, stop and absorb a little history.

For the faint of heart, I recommend visiting during daylight hours! Don't forget to bring your camera along!

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Abbeville defensive lineman Da'Marquise Jackson (85) sacks Liberty quarterback Noah Brooks (3) during the Panthers' 63-0 victory over the Red Devils last Friday night at Hite Stadium and Dennis Botts Field. Photo by Shawn M. Knox.

Abbeville to host B-L in first round of playoffs

By Henry E. Green

The Abbeville High School Panthers will host Batesburg Leesville this coming Friday night--Nov. 13--at Hite Stadium in Abbeville in the first round of the state playoffs, said AHS head football coach Jamie Nickles Monday.

B-L finished third in their Region, "tough Region III," said Nickles.

"This will be a game of speed on speed," he said. "They're very fast at every position."

B-L likes to pass, and does a very job of it, he said.

The Purple Panthers have a "very physical" defense, and a "solid" kicking game.

B-L and Abbeville have had many, many classic games.

"It's been a great rivalry over the years," he said.

Navi Marshall, who had been out for two weeks due to an injury, is expected to return for AHS.

Abbeville clinched the Region championship with a victory over Crescent recently, and this past Friday night closed out its regular season with a 63-0 triumph over Liberty.

Ticket sales

"We are not going to have any tickets for sale at the game on Friday," said AHS athletic director Maggie Jameson. "All tickets will need to be purchased prior to arriving at the game."

All tickets will be sold using an e-ticket service, and the ticket link will be available

on the AHS Website at 8 a.m. the Monday of each game week.

Among the other points to remember for Friday night's game:

--Gates will be open one hour prior to kickoff.

--Masks are required for entry and should be worn at all times, and social distancing protocols will be followed throughout the duration of the event.

--Dennis Botts Field will be closed throughout the duration of the event, including pre-game and post-game, and only authorized personnel will be allowed inside the inner fence and on the playing surface.



Abbeville running back Ty'rell Haddon (4) runs for a first down during the Panthers' 63-0 victory over Liberty last Friday night at Hite Stadium and Dennis Botts Field. Photo by Shawn M. Knox



Abbeville linebacker Victor Sutton (58) rushes the quarterback during the Panthers' 63-0 victory over Liberty last Friday night at Hite Stadium and Dennis Botts Field. Photo by Shawn M. Knox

Blowout!

Panthers make Devils' food cake with 63-0 annihilation of Liberty

By Henry E. Green

After Abbeville defeated Liberty 63-0 Friday night at Hite Stadium, someone suggested a perfect headline:

"Blowout!"

Who are we to argue?

The Panthers played everyone on the team, and there was a running clock during the second half.

AHS had already clinched the Region championship the week before, with a victory at Crescent.

Friday night, AHS led 28-0 at the end of the first quarter. Panther speedster Tyrell Haddon got things going with a six-yard touchdown run. With the PAT good, AHS led 7-0 with 8:43 in the first quarter.

Later in the first quarter, Abbeville fumbled a Liberty punt, with the Red Devils recovering at the Abbeville 31.

It was one of the few mistakes made by the Panthers, but the Devils could not capitalize, and Abbeville ended up taking over on downs at the AHS 28, setting the stage for a 74-yard touchdown run by speedy Panther Martico Jackson, and AHS led by 14-0 with 7:22 in the first quarter.

Abbeville put just a little more icing on the cake with a 20-yard touchdown pass play, with AHS quarterback

Thomas Beauford connecting with Antonio Harrison, and the Panthers were up 21-0 with 4:43 in the first quarter.

J'Marion Burton scored from inside the five on a touchdown run, and AHS led, with a successful PAT, 28-0.

That was only the first quarter, but things were about to get much worse for the Devils.

In the second quarter, Tyrell Haddon scored on a 31-yard touchdown pass play, and AHS went up 35-0.

Opportunity knocked again for AHS when Ty Cade intercepted a Red Devil pass, putting the Panthers in the driver's seat at the Liberty 24.

Two plays later, Thomas Beauford plunged into the end zone from inside the five to put the Panthers up by yet another score. With a successful PAT, Abbeville led 42-0 with 10:14 in the first half.

AHS added insult to injury when Beauford scored on another quarterback keeper, again from inside the five. With the PAT good, AHS led 49-0 with 7:33 in the first half.

Abbeville's last touchdown of the first half came courtesy of a 60-yard touchdown pass play, with Beauford

connecting with Kelly Garner on the score. Although the kick failed, AHS led 55-0 at the half, and things were looking good for the garnet and gold.

In the third quarter, Liberty recovered another AHS fumble, but again could not capitalize, and the Red Devils were forced to punt. Abbeville started its next drive at its own 36, with Zay Rayford seeing time at quarterback, and the Panthers took only two plays to find the end zone, with Shunkevis Brown scoring on a five yard run. The two point conversion was good, and the final score was 63-0, with 12 minutes in the game.

Martico Jackson led the Panthers in rushing with 115 yards on two carries, and Abbeville's leading rusher Navi Marshall did not play because of a leg injury, but should be available for action when the playoffs start, according to published reports.

AHS head football coach Jamie Nickles was pleased with the game, noting that just about all the Panthers got an opportunity to play Friday night.

What's next for Abbeville? The playoffs beckon, with AHS hosting the first round of the playoffs this coming Friday night at Hite Stadium.



Abbeville running back J'Marion Burton (3) heads to the end zone for a touchdown during the Panthers' 63-0 victory over Liberty last Friday night at Hite Stadium and Dennis Botts Field. Photo by Shawn M. Knox

Dixie Hornets fall to Crescent Tigers, 34-0

By Henry E. Green

Dixie High School lost to Crescent 34-0 Friday night in Due West in a non-Region contest, according to Dixie head football coach Vic Lollis.

Dixie will conclude its regular season by hosting West Oak Warriors this coming

Friday night in a non-Region match-up.

The Warriors are a 2-A team, as is Crescent.

The Hornets suffered several turnovers against the Tigers, who scored on their first play of the game, with a long touchdown pass, Lollis continued.

"They were a lot bigger than us," he said. "We were missing some key players due to injuries."

That included leading scorer Hunter Satterfield, who was out with an ankle injury, the coach continued.

Dixie is now 2-4.

AHS jayvees defeat Liberty, close out season

By Henry E. Green

The Abbeville High School junior varsity team wrapped up its season Thursday evening with a 28-13 victory over Liberty at Liberty, said Shane Cox, head JV coach for Abbeville.

Jamal Marshall had touchdown runs of five yards, 67

yards, and four yards, and Jae Hill had a touchdown run of one yard, Cox said.

AHS led 22-7 at halftime, he said.

"This was the final game for Abbeville JV this year," said Cox. "We did win the region. The kids had outstanding effort all year. The assistant

coaches were smart, hard working men who cared for the players and made an impact on their lives.

"Wright Middle had an outstanding year as well led by Mike Bolden which means the future looks bright for Abbeville football!"



Marquise Turman (10, right) sidesteps opponents at the Calhoun Falls homecoming game Friday night against Ware Shoals (Photo by Amanda Smith).



Marquise Turman (10, right) advances on the field against Ware Shoals Friday night at the Calhoun Falls homecoming game (Photo by Amanda Smith).

CF Charter Flashes fall to Ware Shoals, 48-6

By Henry E. Green

Calhoun Falls Charter fell to Ware Shoals this past Friday night in Calhoun Falls 48-6, according to Calhoun Falls Charter head football coach Chris Watts.

The Flashes' only touchdown came on a pass play from Dequan Lewis to Marquise Turman of about 60 yards in the first quarter, to cut the margin to 14-6. "We went for two and fumbled the snap," he said.

From there, it was all Ware Shoals. "It was their running game," said Watts. The Flash defense simply could not stop the Hornet

ground game.

"We came up short on fourth down by one yard two different times," he said.

To his recollection, the Hornets never had to punt.

There were some bright spots for the Flashes. "Camden Durant played a good game defensively," he said.

"Obviously, we struggled on offense," Watts said. "We struggled to execute our game plan."

"We had some missed opportunities," the coach continued.

This was the last game of the season for the Flashes, and there will be no

post-season.

Calhoun Falls Charter was 0-5 this year, playing only Region opponents.

Watts finds reason for optimism about this coming year.

"We're only losing three seniors this year," he said.

He praised this year's team for its good attitude and how the team handled adversity, and he finds cause for excitement for the coming year.

"We're going to need our linemen to hit the weight room," he added.

Dixie wins state title in boys cross country

By Henry E. Green

The Dixie boys cross country team has won the state championship for the second consecutive year, according to Dixie boys cross country coach Brian Gamble.

The team finished first in the 1-A classification thanks to its performance at the state meet in Columbia at the Clemson Sand Hills research center this past Friday.

"This is the Hornets' third championship in five years," said the coach.

Fourteen teams participated in the state meet. Dixie accumulated 26 points, and South side Christian finished second with 29 points, "so it was a very close race," said Gamble.

In cross country, the lower the score the better.

Dixie junior Daniel Boyd finished second in the meet, with a time of 17 minutes and 55 seconds, Gamble continued.

Finishing third in the meet was Dixie junior Spencer Wieters, with a time of 18

minutes and eight seconds.

Coming in fourth was Dixie senior Alessio Giammarinara, with a time of 18 minutes and 24 seconds.

Finishing eighth was Hornet freshman Breeden Crawford, with a time of 19 minutes and four seconds, and finishing ninth was senior Hunter Cogburn, with a time of 19 minutes and nine seconds.

Coming in twelfth was Dixie junior Bradley Ware, with a time of 19 minutes and 50 seconds, and coming in 17th was Dixie sophomore Vance Anderson, with a time of 20 minutes and 31 seconds, Gamble continued.

"Our top six runners made All State as well," he said. Quade Lindler of Calhoun Falls Charter, who finished 11th with a time of 19 minutes and 32 seconds, also made All State.

Gamble attributes his team's success to "having a very dedicated group of runners, who found a little extra from within on our last and most important race."

"We had gone down and

run this course two weeks prior, and knew we were going to have to improve from that performance to have a chance at repeating as state champs."

This earlier meet was an invitational hosted by Spring Valley High School of Columbia.

Gamble was also named Boys cross country coach of the year for 1-A for the second consecutive year.

The coach noted that he was more optimistic this year about the Hornets' state championship chances than the previous year because of "some of the numbers our runners had posted this year, even though races are not won on paper."

To be a good cross country runner, one has to be disciplined, putting the hours necessary in for training, especially in the off season.

"You have to be tough for 3.1 miles, mentally and physically," he said. "And it always helps if you enjoy running."

Balchin wins this week's college football contest

By Henry E. Green

Donna Balchin of Abbeville is this week's Press and Banner football contest, according to Contest Editor Lamar T. West.

"Mr. Tie Breaker had to get out the old adding machine this week, as there were nine entries, missing three picks," said West. With one game short due to cancellation -- the Arizona @ Utah game -- total points were a little lower than expected."

With the BYU @ Boise State game being played on Friday, all answers were counted as correct, he continued. The 14 game score total was 808 points.

Donna Balchin guessed 800 points would be scored, and she is this week's \$50

winner. The next closest in points was Addison Nickles, guessing 777 total points--31 point off the actual total.

"The majority of the entries picked Clemson to prevail over Notre Dame, which was incorrect," said West. "Only 17% of the entries picked South Carolina to defeat Texas A&M so 83% of the selections were correct. "Keep those entries coming."

This week's slate of games definitely had some interesting contests.

Who would have expected Indiana to defeat Michigan?

It was the first time the Hoosiers, who have also triumphed over Penn State this season, had defeated

the Wolverines since the 1980s.

Not only did Indiana defeat the Big Blue, but the Hoosiers did so convincingly--38-21.

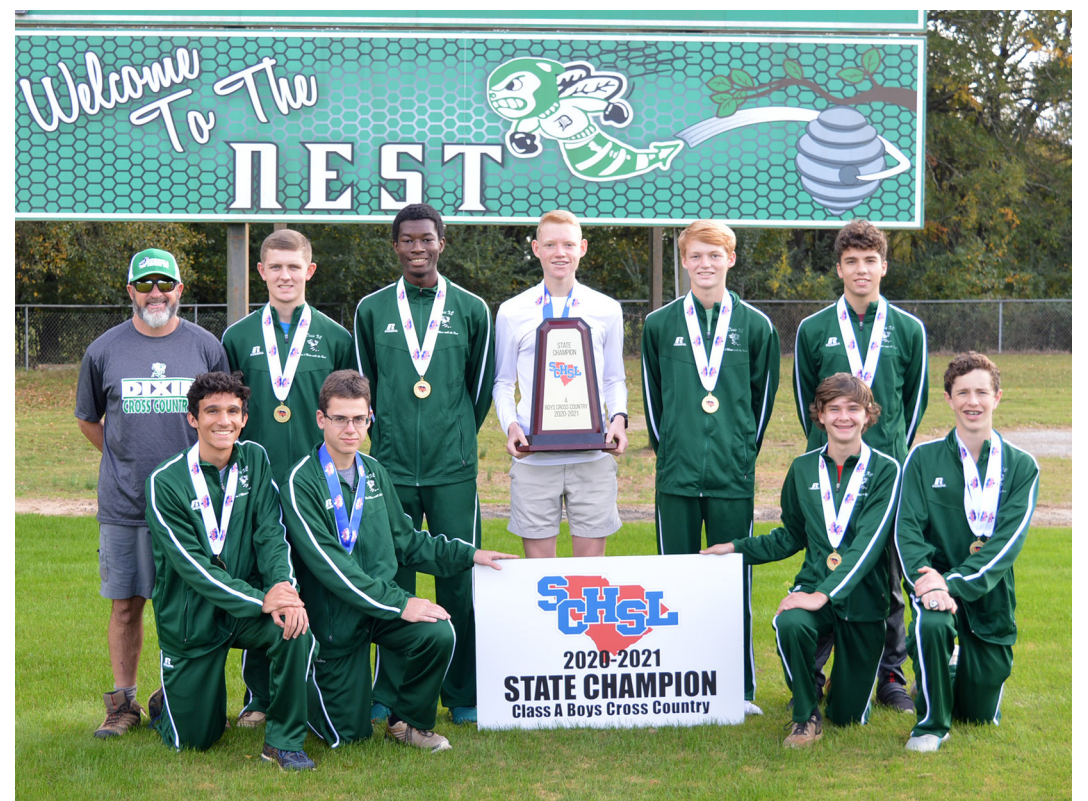
We were also slightly shocked that Georgia lost in such a big way to Florida--44-28.

We were NOT surprised that South Carolina fell to Texas A & M in a major way.

The Gamecocks need to write to Santa and ask for a defense for Christmas.

Neither were we surprised that the Notre-Dame/Clemson game turned out to be the barn burner that it was.

A double-overtime thriller does tend to hold your attention.



The Dixie High School boys cross country team has won the state championship. Here they are proudly posing on the Hornet football field. (Photo courtesy of Brian Gamble)

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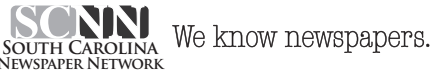
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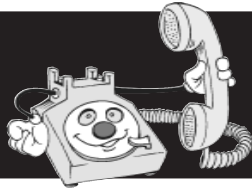
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