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CFO will review small purchases

Griner says his goal is to look at district orders under \$2,500 randomly

BY BRUCE MILLS
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Sumter School District's new chief financial officer will make it a standard procedure in his job to randomly look at small purchases in all district programs to ensure expenditures are



GRINER

reasonable and allowable for programs' use.

District CFO Chris Griner made the remarks Thursday at Sumter School District's Board of Trustees' monthly Finance Committee meeting at the district office.

According to the school district's procurement purchasing code, purchase orders for transactions below \$2,500 can be approved by a department head or director and don't re-

quire formal district office approval and price quotes. A state Department of Education audit report released last week detailed that two employees in the district's Early Childhood Education Program allegedly misused about \$177,000 in state funding in recent years, at least in part because the cost of the transactions was less than the \$2,500 threshold.

The audit report details the early childhood program director split purchases on at least two occasions at Staples in late 2016 to avoid the com-

petitive price quotes requirement.

The district has already paid all that money back to the state Department of Education and implemented a programmatic corrective action plan that includes conducting a monthly review of all purchases under \$2,500 for the early childhood program to determine if they are reasonable and allowable items for program use.

Griner said similar efforts on his part will be done randomly across all

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Shaw Family Housing volunteers give back to Sumter community



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From left, Lauren Davis, Micha Ambrose and Herb Simmons cut vinyl siding for one of the two Sumter Habitat For Humanity homes going up in the Fuller Gardens neighborhood off Red Bay Road. The three were representing Shaw Family Housing, which oversees housing at Shaw Air Force Base, taking advantage of the opportunity to volunteer on Wednesday.

2 new Habitat for Humanity homes being finished



Shaw Family Housing maintenance technician Quinton Medina installs vinyl siding trimwork on one of the two new Sumter Habitat For Humanity houses going up in the Fuller Gardens neighborhood off Red Bay Road.

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GPS instructions for finding Habitat Drive, which winds through Fuller Gardens, a neighborhood of 46 homes built by Sumter Habitat For Humanity, direct visitors to a pitted gravel emergency exit beyond the end of the street that connects to Boulevard Road. The attractive main entrance off Red Bay Road, at the other end of the street, is more befitting of the tidy row of homes, presently getting two new additions.

The homes are Sumter Habitat for Humanity's 120th and 121st since the organization's inception 30 years ago, according to construction leader Bob Brown, and Wednesday's group volunteer day was a bustle of activity as volunteers from Shaw Family Housing came out to pitch in and give back to the community.

According to Kiara Davis, resident relations specialist for Shaw Family Housing, every member of her team came out as part of a corporate initiative called Hunt Helping Hands Day, sponsored by Hunt Companies, a military contractor

that handles base housing, to install vinyl siding and do whatever needed to be done as the homes near completion. Sumter Habitat for Humanity hopes to have families moved into both homes by December, according to a news release from Shaw Family Housing.

"It's corporate-wide," said Davis, who helps plan volunteer efforts as part of her duties. "All of our military communities pick a certain day to go and help out in our local community. This year, we decided to do Habitat for Humanity so we could get out and get our hands dirty. We love that they have a corporate day so we could bring all of our team out and get everybody in one accord."

"It's a day when we can shut down the whole office and all of our operations and come out and do community service," she said. "It's giving back. It's voluntary, and the whole team came out to give their time."

Davis said Wednesday's volunteer day was typical of the things her company does to foster good relationships between

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ACT scores higher locally

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Like statewide trends, public high school students in the tri-county region generally made improvements in the second year that the state required all students to take a college readiness test.

Among the five public school districts in the tri-county region, Clarendon School District 3 — which represents East Clarendon High School — registered the highest composite score average on the ACT. Test scores were released recently by the state Department of Education.

East Clarendon graduating seniors in the class of 2017 had a mean ACT score of 17.9, which was the same score graduating seniors at the school tallied in 2016 on the test. The highest possible score on the test is a 36, and the composite score is the average of the four sections of the exam — English, math, reading and science.

For perspective, the statewide mean score for 2017 was 18.7, up from 18.5 the year before.

Sumter School District was next in the region with a mean composite score of 17.3 for seniors last year. That was a rise from a 16.2 mean score for the class of 2016, but the number of district test takers dipped by 360 students or about 33 percent.

David Trombly, Sumter School District's director of assessment and accountability, attributed the drop in participation to confusion in the district about the test being mandatory one year, and a lot of

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Area School Districts 2017 average ACT scores

Clarendon 3:	17.9
Sumter:	17.3
Clarendon 2:	15.9
Clarendon 1:	15.7
Lee:	14.3
STATE:	18.7
U.S.:	21.0

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DEATHS, B4 and B5

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Amy D. Butler
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REPEAT OF YESTERDAY

A storm in some areas will be possible this afternoon; partly cloudy and humid tonight

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LOCAL BRIEFS

FROM STAFF REPORTS

Morris College's soft skills seminar open to public

Morris College will sponsor a STEM Soft Skills Seminar on Wednesday in the Neal-Jones Auditorium on campus. Student session will be held from 1 to 2 p.m., and the faculty/professional staff/community session will be from 2:15 to 3:45 p.m.

The main presenter will be Derius D. Swinton, the CEO of Swinton and Associates Group, also known as the SOAR Group. The group "specializes in leadership and organizational performances, strategic planning, facilitation, motivational speaking and consultation services." Swinton, who is well-known nationally and internationally, is the author of "SOAR Beyond Your Limitations," which contains strategies, tips and exercises that can help readers improve their lifestyle and "transform their dreams into reality."

Michelle Blanchette Lee, the coordinator of the seminar, is the program lead at Los Alamos National Laboratory. She will briefly speak on "Mathematics as a Means of Critical Thinking."

For more information, contact Ms. Anika Cobb, director of public relations, at (803) 934-3168 or acobb@morris.edu, or Radman M. Ali, chairman, Division of Natural Sciences and Mathematics, at (803) 934-3284 or rali@morris.edu.

Education group members invited to celebration

The Sumter County Education Association-Retired is seeking new members. Retired principals, assistant principals, teachers, paraprofessionals and guidance counselors are all invited to a new member celebration at noon Wednesday at North HOPE Center, 904 N. Main St. Refreshments will be served. Contact Brenda Bethune, president, at (803) 469-6588.

Protect yourself after breach

FROM STAFF REPORTS

South Carolina Department of Consumer Affairs wants to arm consumers with the knowledge they need after the Equifax security breach:

- Know the tools. SCDCA has a short guide dedicated to helping consumers whose information was exposed. From security freezes to non-traditional monitoring tools to the signs of ID theft, the guide will help get consumers on the right track. Access it on the Identity Theft Unit's webpage;
- Call SCDCA's ID Theft Unit. Every case of identity theft is different. Consumers with questions about how to prevent or address identity theft are encouraged to contact the Unit for specific guidance; and
- Avoid misconceptions and misin-

formation. Identity theft laws vary by state, so many S.C. consumers are often unintentionally given misinformation by the credit reporting agencies and national outlets. The best source for S.C.-specific identity theft information is SCDCA's Identity Theft Unit.

- Some common misconceptions are:
 - A security freeze costs money. It is free to place, temporarily or permanently lift a freeze for S.C. residents. If an S.C. consumer is charged, he or she should file a complaint with SCDCA;
 - Looking at my credit report hurts my score. Consumers are entitled under federal law to a free credit report each year. It does not affect your credit score;
 - The fraud alert is the same as the freeze. The fraud alert only lasts

90 days and does not completely bar access from the credit report like the freeze does. The fraud alert also entitles consumers to an additional free credit report — the freeze does not;

- My information was exposed; I must be an identity theft victim. Whether your information was lost, stolen or exposed, it doesn't make you an identity theft victim. A criminal has to use your information for you to be a victim of identity theft. This difference is important, affecting the road map you take to address your situation.

To view the newly released short guide on avoiding identity theft and other helpful resources, visit www.consumer.sc.gov or contact SCDCA's Identity Theft Unit at (844) TELL DCA (835-5322).

Third-graders study their state



Ashleigh Morton's third-grade class at Lemira Elementary School created maps of South Carolina recently. The students used various materials to represent landforms in each region of South Carolina and wrote about their map and what each material represented.



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VERNA B. MOORE • 1926 - 2017

Former Sumter coroner remembered for empathy, dedication

On Sunday, Sumter said goodbye to one of its long-serving civil servants, Verna B. Moore, former Sumter County coroner.

Moore, who was 91 when she passed away, stepped down as coroner almost nine years ago.

Moore was first elected coroner in 1993 after serving the county as deputy coroner for 18 years. In total, she dedicated 32 years to investigating deaths in Sumter County.

Her last day as coroner was on Jan. 5, 2009, at the age of 82.

Moore was known as a coroner who made a point to empathize with the families of the deceased and put their emotions before her own. And she is remembered as a person who worked hard to protect those she was elected to serve.

Demma Truell, former deputy coroner who worked with Moore for nearly 14 years, said Moore worked hard to protect the victims, their families and



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Verna Moore investigated deaths in Sumter County for 32 years as deputy coroner and then coroner. She died on Sunday at 91.

the taxpayers.

Some people did not understand Moore because she had to be hard in order to do her job, Truell said. They didn't understand that she had to be strong, she said.

Moore was not hard to work with, but she had to be tough during a time when it was difficult for women in her posi-

tion, she said.

She did her job with authority and grace so that people knew that she truly cared, Truell said.

Moore was on call 24 hours a day, seven days a week, and she was always on her toes, she said. And she very seldom took a day off, she said.

Truell said she does not admire many people, but she does admire Moore.

"She truly was a wonderful person. She truly was," Truell said.

Moore was definitely an advocate for the folks who passed away, Sumter Emergency Medical Services Director Bobby Hingst said.

For about seven years, Hingst worked closely with Moore when she was sometimes asked to respond to the scenes of emergency calls.

"We are thankful for the services she provided and were sad to hear of her passing," he said.

If she suspected foul play,

she would work continuously to seek justice, Hingst said.

He said Moore was very thorough and passionate about her duties as coroner and always worked to the best of her abilities.

Hingst said Moore's age also spoke volumes about her passion for serving the community. You don't see many coroners still in office in their eighties, he said.

As coroner, a person has to be ready to respond to calls at any time of the day, and that really showed her commitment at the age of 82, he said.

Hingst said he and his staff send their condolences to Moore's family.

"We will greatly miss her," he said.

Patty Patterson, former chief of police, said Moore was a professional who also had a good sense of humor.

She said the police department developed a good rapport with Moore, which made it easier to respond to death

scenes together.

Patterson said she and Moore worked together for about 30 years and also served on multiple committees together.

"She served the citizens well," she said. "Our sympathies go out to her family."

"We were saddened to learn (Tuesday) morning of the death of former Sumter County Coroner Verna Moore," Sumter County Sheriff Anthony Dennis said.

Dennis said he and his staff worked closely with Moore during the many years she served the county as assistant coroner and then as coroner.

"Her passing leaves a void that may never be filled. My sincere condolences and those of everyone with the Sumter County Sheriff's Office go out to her family," he said.

A funeral service for Moore is scheduled for Sunday at Elmore Hill McCreight Funeral Home.

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StoryCorps asks kids to record their elders

NEW YORK (AP) — StoryCorps is hoping people give their social media apps a break for a few minutes this Thanksgiving and instead use one designed for listening.

The nonprofit oral history project on Thursday announced the 2017 edition of its Great Thanksgiving Listen, which calls for high school students to record a conversation with an elder over the holiday weekend using the StoryCorps app.

Students can also add photos and videos to their stories and upload them to an online StoryCorps archive. They'll also be included in a StoryCorps collection at the American Folklife Center at the Library of Congress.

Dave Isay, StoryCorps' founder and president, sees the event as a potential way "to strengthen our national fabric at a time when we desperately need it."

"Listening is a skill critical to young people now and in their future," Isay added in a statement.

This is the third year for the Great Thanksgiving Listen. Before 2015, those participating in StoryCorps had to visit the project's mobile booth or its permanent booths located in New York, Chicago, Atlanta and San Francisco.

The app has been a boon to StoryCorps' archive of American voices. The project had amassed more than 50,000 recordings by the time the app was launched in March 2015. Since then, the app has added nearly 250,000 new stories to the archive, including 75,000 recorded during its Great Thanksgiving Listen events.

The app was launched in part with a grant from the John S. and James L. Knight Foundation, which funds media innovation and has also provided funding for The Associated Press. The foundation on Thursday announced \$600,000 in new funding for StoryCorps.



AP FILE PHOTO

Rhiannon Leonard interviews her boss, Gary Himes, in Weyerton, Maryland, for StoryCorps' Great Thanksgiving Listen oral history project in 2015. The Great Thanksgiving Listen will be held for a third year in 2017.



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Michael B. Moore talks to reporters Wednesday at the Statehouse in Columbia about a proposal to honor his great-great-grandfather Robert Smalls with a monument on Statehouse grounds. Two South Carolina senators called Wednesday for a statue of Robert Smalls, who in 1862 hijacked a Confederate supply ship, steered his family to freedom and turned the boat over to the Union.

S.C. senators want monument honoring black Civil War hero

BY SEANNA ADCOX
The Associated Press

COLUMBIA — A call to honor a black Civil War hero with a monument at the South Carolina Statehouse grounds, onetime epicenter of a groundswell movement to rid communities of Confederate symbols, is being made by two lawmakers in a bid to encourage consensus building in a nation divided by the issue.

Two state senators — a black Democrat and a white Republican — announced their proposal Wednesday to memorialize Robert Smalls, who in 1862 hijacked a Confederate supply ship he worked on, steered his family to freedom and delivered the ammunition-laden vessel to the Union. If approved, Smalls' would be the first monument on Statehouse grounds to an individual black in South Carolina, which removed the Confederate flag from those grounds in 2015 after a mass shooting by an avowed white supremacist. "Robert Smalls was both

a warrior and peacemaker, both a combative and kind man who accomplished incredible feats," said Republican state Sen. Greg Gregory, who noted Smalls' titles after the war included state lawmaker and five-term congressman. "Unfortunately, few people know of this man — one of our greatest citizens — and we're seeking to change that."

Moves to strip Confederate symbols from U.S. communities by those who see them as hated symbols of racism and slavery have triggered impassioned national debate and even violence like that arising from a white nationalist protest in Charlottesville, Virginia, over a Robert

E. Lee statue. Others see such symbols as proud reminders of Southern heritage and ancestors who fought in the war.

In South Carolina, a 2000 legislative compromise that took the Confederate battle flag off the Statehouse dome and put it beside a memorial on the Statehouse's front lawn also built a monument that broadly portrays centuries of black history in the state. That compromise also removed rebel flags from both chambers and barred altering any public monument that honors historic figures or events without overwhelming legislative approval.

Still, the Confederate flag debate was far from settled. But lawmakers of both parties refused to revisit the issue until the 2015 death of nine black parishioners at a historic Charleston church prompted them to remove the flag altogether.

Church gunman Dylann Roof, now on federal death row, was seen brandishing a Confederate flag in photographs that surfaced after his arrest.

Sen. Darrell Jackson, D-Columbia, said he's long wanted Statehouse grounds to recognize the role of the hundreds of black politicians who served statewide during Reconstruction, particularly Smalls.

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Banquet Preacher

Schedule of the Week

MONDAY, OCTOBER 2

6:00pm • Welcome Worship Service
Pastor Ashley B. Vaughn, Vice-Moderator
Pastor Delbert Singleton Preacher
Green Hill Missionary Baptist Church

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 3

6:00pm • YWA Ministry
Sister Kanika Pendergast, President
Reverend Ricky V. Syndab, Preacher
Mt. Zion Missionary Baptist Church
7:30pm • Brotherhood Ministry
Deacon Rodney Nathaniel, President
Pastor William T. Johnson, Preacher
Taw Caw Missionary Baptist Church

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 4

6:00pm • Junior & Senior Usher's Ministry
Brother Robert Baxter, Senior President
Pastor Adeira Black, Preacher
Mt. Hermon Missionary Baptist Church

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 5

4:00pm • Woman's Ministry
Sister Lillie Caldwell, President
Pastor George K. Carter, Preacher
Fourth Crossroads Missionary Baptist Church

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 6

1:00 - 2:00pm • Pastoral Luncheon
2:00 - 3:30pm • Pastor's Ministry Meeting
Pastor Sam Livingston, Pastor's Ministry Chairman
3:30 - 4:00pm • Evening Session
Pastor Ashley B. Vaughn, Vice-Moderator
4:00 - 4:15pm • Benedict College
Reverend Dr. Derrie L. Grant, Sr.
Director of Church Relations
4:00 - 4:15pm • Morris College Hour
Dr. Leroy Staggers, Interim President
5:00pm • Ministers Spouses Ministry
Assistant Pastor Carolyn G. Vaughn, Vice President
6:30pm • Moderator's Hour
Pastor Ashley B. Vaughn, Vice Moderator

SATURDAY, OCT. 7

10:00am • Youth Ministry
Sister Sylestine Simmons, President
Brother Ron McBride, Messenger
Jehovah's Witnesses Baptist Church
6:00pm • Awards Annual Banquet
Mt. Zion Enrichment Center, Sumter, SC
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Church falls at baptism, family mourns 11 dead

ATZALA, Mexico (AP) — A child's baptism turned into tragedy when the roof of a church collapsed as a powerful earthquake shook central Mexico. Eleven members of a family died, including the 2-month-old girl being christened.

The only survivors were the girl's father, the priest and the priest's assistant, the Archdiocese of Puebla said Wednesday. At least four minors were among the dead.

"It was a scene of horror, sadness with most of the people inside the church dying," priest's assistant Lorenzo Sanchez told The Associated Press.

Sanchez said those who survived moved to the edges of the church when the swaying started while those who died didn't have time to do so.

"One of the things they taught us is to stick to the firm walls of our church, which is old and its structure a bit deteriorated," he said.

When the ground stopped shaking, people called for help using loudspeakers, and residents of nearby communities

quickly arrived in Atzala with shovels, pickaxes and chains to haul away rubble.

They dug for hours through the crumbling remains of the Santiago Apostol church but found the 11 relatives had died.

Covered in dust and exhausted, the rescuers laid the bodies out on the same street where a party was meant to be held after the baptism. They covered them with canvas to protect them from the rain.

Family members of the dead traveled overnight from other states to attend Wednesday's wake in Puebla, the state capital where mourners said a final goodbye to their loved ones.

Each coffin had a name attached: Florencio, Fidela, Aurelia, Manuela, Maria de Jesus, Carmen, Samuel, Azucena, Feliciano, Susana and Elideth — the girl who was to be baptized.

Tuesday's magnitude 7.1 quake was centered in Puebla state, where it killed more than 40 people. Across Mexico, it killed more than 200 people.



AP PHOTOS BY PABLO SPENCER

The sky is exposed from inside Santiago Apostol church which collapsed during the magnitude 7.1 earthquake in the town of Atzala in Puebla state, Mexico, on Wednesday. According to family related to 11 relatives who died inside the church during Tuesday's quake, the roof collapsed during a Mass held to baptize a 2-month-old girl, and the only people who survived were the baby's father, the priest and the priest's assistant.



Mourners hold a wake for the 11 family members who were killed inside the Santiago Apostol church.

What if Christians adopted the mindset of first-responders?

Few things are as encouraging to me as seeing like-minded believers rushing to the aid of the broken. Perhaps



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JAMIE H. WILSON

it's because Jesus himself said it is one of the more direct ways of serving Him.

"The King will reply, 'Truly I tell you, whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers and sisters of mine, you did for me.'" (Matthew 25: 40, NIV)

Ah, to be able to say I served God directly — what an amazing privilege! So many times, I settle for vicar-

ious charity, where I funnel my money through a tithe or a cooperative program, and that's fine to an extent, but there is something about looking into the eyes of another while I give. There is so much more exchanged than mere money.

That is why it is so encouraging to know that, according to recent reports, Christian nonprofits are currently outpacing the efforts of governmental agencies in providing aid to those affected by our recent rash of catastrophic hurricanes. You heard me right — as some government agencies are scrambling for funds, Christian organizations are rushing to give not only life-giving resources to the victims of these terrible tragedies, but also a life-giving message.

Certainly, this isn't new, but perhaps it's under reported. Believers did the same for the victims of Hurricane Katrina, outgiving our govern-

ment counterparts in the realm of needed aid. My own denomination is currently soliciting able-bodied volunteers to join the effort. It's amazing, encouraging and, ultimately, personally convicting.

What can I do to emulate my brothers and sisters in this way?

Imagine a world or just a community of believers bent on rushing toward those experiencing tragedy, and not just from the likes of natural disasters but also from personal troubles. What if we were to rush to the aid of someone in the throes of financial ruin, someone struggling with his or her parenting responsibilities or someone who is simply the victim of his or her own bad decisions?

What if the whole of the Christian community adopted the mindset of first-responders?

We'd have to lay down our prejudices, of course, along with our hesitations and yes, our comfort levels. But

through our actions, Scripture says, we would cause others to "glorify our Father in Heaven." (Matthew 5:16)

I hope our legacy as believers carries this reputation: that we run toward the tragedy and that we carry with us our God-given resources along with our God-given message of hope.

Missionary C.H. Studd once said, "Some want to live within the sound of church or chapel bell; I want to run a rescue shop within a yard of hell." It's a powerful message, one that I hope we carry throughout whatever disaster, personal or otherwise, those around us experience.

I hope we build on this budding characteristic of the Christian community. I hope we don't recuse ourselves from seeking out victims and showing them God's love.

Email Jamie H. Wilson at faithmatterssumter@gmail.com.

CHURCH NEWS

Clarendon County Ministerial Alliance, P.O. Box 811, Manning, announces:

* Sunday-Tuesday, Oct. 1-3 — Revival at 7 nightly at Manning High School gymnasium. The Rev. Ric Wright will speak.

* Saturday, Oct. 28 — Annual banquet at 6 p.m. at Manning Junior High School.

Ebenezer Presbyterian Church (USA), 4620 Queen Chapel Road, Dalzell, announces:

* Saturday, Oct. 7 — The 150th church anniversary banquet will be held at 5 p.m. Former pastor the Rev. Herbert R. Shackelford, of Charlotte, North Carolina, will speak.

* Sunday, Oct. 8 — Homecoming worship at noon and musical program at 1:30 p.m. The Rev. Carnell Hampton will speak.

Emmanuel Prophetic Ministry and Next Generation Apostolic Ministry, 121 W. Cedar Lane, Bishopville, announces:

* Saturday, Oct. 14 — Prayer, healing and deliverance service at 4 p.m. in the meeting room of the Bishopville Cotton Museum, 121 W. Cedar Lane. Speakers: Prophet David Glenn, Prophetess Lakisha McLeod and Minister Rowetta Glenn.

Fraser Memorial Presbyterian Church, 1746 U.S. 521 South, announces:

* Saturday — The Church Women United's annual salad luncheon will be held at 11:30 a.m. with take outs beginning at noon. Tickets available at the door for \$5 donation per ticket.

Friendship Missionary Baptist

Church, 182 S. Pike East, announces:

* Sunday — The 12th annual church anniversary celebration will be held at 3 p.m. Pastor C. William Woods, of Salem Missionary Baptist Church, will speak.

* Sunday, Oct. 15 — Family and friends day at 3:30 p.m. Bishop Lavern McKinney, of the Love Center of U.S. 521 South, will speak.

Grace Cathedral Ministries Inc., 60 Oswego Road, announces:

* Saturday, Sept. 30 — Third annual family fun day from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. There will be a video arcade bus for the children and adults. Call (803) 773-6497, extension 1.

Knitting Hearts Ministry, meets at Bethesda Church of God, 2730 Broad St., announces:

* Saturday, Oct. 14 — Knitting Hearts will meet from 10 a.m. until noon. Cindy Robison, Lizzy Lowe and Liz Goerski will each share how God forever changed their lives. All ladies of all ages are invited. A love offering will be received. Knitting Hearts is a community wide, multicultural women's ministry. Visit knittingheartsministry.wordpress.com.

Mount Zion Missionary Baptist Church, 325 Fulton St., announces:

* Sunday — The 124th church anniversary and homecoming worship celebration will be held at 10:45 a.m. Pastor Travis S. Holmes, of St. Paul Missionary Baptist Church, Columbia, will speak.

* Sunday, Oct. 1 — Minister Henry Felder will speak at 6 p.m.

* Monday-Saturday, Oct. 2-7 — The church will host the 69th annual session of the Sumter Baptist M&E Association.

* Sunday, Oct. 8 — Morris College Day worship celebration at 10:45 a.m. Dr. Leroy Stagers, interim president of Morris College, will speak. The Morris College Chorale will provide music. There will be a "One Sumter" community meeting at 6:30 p.m.

* Sunday, Oct. 15 — Deacons / deaconess worship celebration at 10:45 a.m.

* Sunday, Oct. 22 — Mass choir's anniversary worship celebration at 10:45 a.m. Dr. Ricky Syndab will speak.

* Sunday, Oct. 29 — Youth worship celebration at 10:45 a.m. Minister Jake Sanders will speak.

Mount Zion United Methodist Church, 130 Loring Mill Road, announces:

* Wednesday, Sept. 27 — Workshop on domestic violence awareness from 9 a.m. to noon.

New Salem Baptist Church, 2500

W. Oakland Ave., announces:

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Pine Grove A.M.E. Church, 41 Pine Grove Road, Rembert, announces:

* Sunday — Men's day worship service at 11 a.m. Brother Tyhiene Bennett will speak.

Refreshing Springs Kingdom Outreach, meets at Colony Square, 741 Bultman Drive, Suite 21, announces:

* Saturday, Sept. 30 — Kingdom Men United quarterly prayer breakfast at 10 a.m. Elder Willie M. Richardson Jr. will speak.

St. Mark Missionary Baptist Church, 7650 Summerton Highway, Silver community, Pine-wood, announces:

* Today — Leadership seminar 5:30-8:30 p.m.

* Saturday — Self defense class at 10 a.m.

* Sunday — The youth will celebrate the choir's anniversary at 3 p.m.

Sumter Free Will Baptist Church, 971 Boulevard Road, announces:

* Sunday, Oct. 1 — Homecoming with Sunday school at 10 a.m., worship at 11 a.m. and dinner following morning worship. Special music and preaching with the Rev. Stacey Floyd Family.

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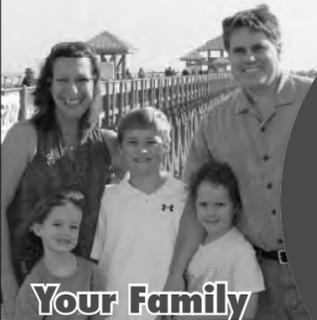
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Union Station AME Church
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unionstationame@gmail.com
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Sunday School 9:30 am
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Wednesday Bible Study: 7:00 pm

Salem Missionary Baptist Church

320 West Fulton Street
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Matthew 22:15-33	Matthew 23:1-12	Matthew 23:13-28	1 Cor. 1:1-17	1 Cor. 1:18-31	1 Cor. 2:1-16	1 Cor. 3:1-23
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The ATM at 50: How it's changed consumer behavior

BY KEN SWEET
AP Business Writer

NEW YORK — An automated teller machine. The cash machine. In Britain, a cashpoint. ATMs, known for spitting out \$20 bills (and imposing fees if you pick the wrong one), turn 50 years old this year. They're ubiquitous — and possibly still a necessity, despite the big changes in how people pay for things.

It was a radical move when Barclays installed cash machines in a London suburb in 1967. The utilitarian machine gave fixed amounts of money, using special vouchers — the magnetic-striped ATM card hadn't been invented yet. There was no way for a customer to transfer money between accounts, and bank employees tabulated the transactions manually at the end of each day.

As the ATMs became familiar, though, they changed not only the banking industry, but also made people comfortable interacting with kiosks in exchange for goods. Now that means getting movie tickets and boarding passes, self-checkout at grocery stores and online shopping that brings products to your door with a few clicks. All are based on the idea that people can handle routine transactions by themselves without a teller or cashier.

"The ATM tapped into that innate force in people that gives gratification for doing a task on their own, and it grew from there," said Charles Kane, a professor at the MIT Sloan School of Management.

It was a radical concept at the time. The ATM wasn't

the first self-service device — vending machines and the automat had been popular before. But those dispensed items people could hold in their hand.

Bernardo Batiz-Lazo, a business professor and ATM historian (yes, they exist!) at Bangor University in Britain, said early users of automated tellers were often checking their balances twice: once to see how much was in their account, then again after withdrawing money to see if it registered.

"They were popular, but it took a long time to slowly convince customers to learn about ATMs and use them regularly," Batiz-Lazo said.

For the banking industry, ATMs meant banks could be in thousands of places at once, not just in branches, and earn billions of dollars in fees from non-customers. Banks used to staff dozens of tellers at each branch to handle routine transactions; now many staffers work on other tasks, like sales or account maintenance.

Across the U.S. today are roughly 3 million cash machines, according to the ATM Industry Association. Most are actually not owned by banks but by private companies that install them at convenience stores, restaurants and bars in hopes of grabbing customers who don't want to find a bank branch.

The wide acceptance of the ATMs changed the types of cash Americans typically carry in the pocketbooks. Since ATMs became more widely available in the early 1980s, the \$20 bill has regularly been the second-most printed bank note each year by the Bureau of Engraving and Printing. The first-place spot is held by the \$1 bill.



Employees Stephen Cheek and Lashanda Mitchell stage automated teller machines during the manufacturing process at Diebold Nixdorf in Greensboro, North Carolina.

AP PHOTO / GERRY BROOM

Even as people use cash less and credit cards or mobile payments more often, the ATM isn't going anywhere for a while. At least, that's what historians and — unsurprisingly — the ATM industry says. Devon Watson, vice president at Diebold Nixdorf, the world's largest manufacturer of ATMs, says 85 percent of all transactions worldwide are still in cash.

Newer ATMs have more functions than ever. They accept check deposits, can transfer money between accounts, show an account balance, pay a credit card or mortgage payment or even sell you stamps. NCR, another major manufacturer of ATMs, says the latest models are also designed to act more like smart devices. Kevin King of NCR says that in-

cludes "swipe, gesture, multi-touch."

And future ATMs will likely start selling products as well. Have a checking account? The ATM will ask you whether you want to open a brokerage account. Much like tellers did.

Associated Press video reporter Marina Hutchinson in Atlanta contributed to this report.

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Main Street Manning hosts vendor showcase

BY TREVOR BAUKNIGHT
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Main Street Manning sponsored another in its series of evolving events on the third Tuesday of each September, an event that featured a variety of local businesses with something in common.

Last year, it was Bands and Barbecue on Brooks Street; on Tuesday, it was local businesses that have anything to do with hosting a special event, and there was a bustling crowd enjoying the music, the wide variety of food and the verdant setting on the grounds of the Drayton House at the end of South Brooks Street.



TREVOR BAUKNIGHT / THE SUMTER ITEM
Crab legs, gullah shrimp and rice were served at the Gullah Gullah Fish tent at Main Street Manning.

"This is pretty normal," said Main Street Manning Director Carrie Trebil, referring to the good attendance. Trebil said the event has grown each year, reflecting changes for the better to Manning's downtown area.

"We do a different theme each year," Trebil said. "This is actually our eighth year doing it, and the first couple of years we did it the same — we invited all the businesses. We were a lot smaller then, only nine blocks downtown, and we let them all set up and show off. Then we said, 'This is getting old; let's do something different, and it's taken a different spin, each year something different.'"

A large tent and numerous smaller tents housed a wide variety of vendors, from traditional caterers to aerial drone photography. That is thanks, in part, to opening the event to vendors outside the downtown area, unlike previous years' events. "We had Drayton House come open, and we've got Marion House, and other locations which are available to rent for events, and you really don't have to go somewhere else," Trebil said. "We wanted to emphasize that we have all this right here in Clarendon County. Main Street Manning's focus is generally Manning, but we felt that everybody could benefit from this. So we have some Summerton businesses and some outside-the-city-limits busi-



PHOTO PROVIDED BY CAMSTAR UAV

An aerial view of Tuesday's Main Street Manning event shows an array of vendor tents at Manning's Drayton House on Brooks Street.

nesses set up today."

Besides the networking and revelry, Main Street Manning used Tuesday's events to present its annual awards to some of its members.

Winners of Most Hospitable were Kevin, Craig and Barbara Levy, owners of Gullah Gullah Fish, a downtown restaurant specializing in the cuisine of the South Carolina and Georgia sea islands from Charleston to Savannah. Best Window Display went to Sam Levy Photography, and the Best Building Renovation award went to Manning Finance.

"Most of my family is from Charleston — James Island, John's Island and places around there — and we just took the recipes and decided to open a restaurant," said Kevin Levy, who was serving gullah shrimp, crab legs and rice at the Gullah Gullah Fish tent. "We do a gullah rice that has kale in it and chicken and shrimp, and sometimes we put conch in it. That's one of our traditional gullah items," Levy said. "It's different from Cajun food, and a lot of people get it confused."

Levy said Gullah Gullah Fish, which also does catering events, has been open

since October, and he still meets local people that didn't know it is open. He said he participated in Tuesday's event to help get the word out.

Trebil said the variety of vendors is expanding beyond the traditional few.

"We've generally had a couple of caterers, but we've got numerous florists now, print shops and photographers," she said. "We've seen great improvements in our downtown and outside the city."

Trebil explained that her organization is part of a larger national one that encourages its members to think about creative ways to think about transforming and revitalizing their communities.

"National Main Street has taken a different approach," she said. "They have a product base and a customer base. So this was kind of our idea for the customer base. If you're looking to throw a party, a shower, wedding, reunion, prom or anything, we feel like you can do that all right here. So we focused on the people you might go to do those things."

The Drayton House, a mid-19th century mansion owned by Sumter's

Charles Hodge, has been transformed into an event venue similar to The O'Donnell House on Liberty Street in Sumter. Bubba and Cathy Rabon, owners of Sumter's Bubba's Diner, are partnering with Hodge to open the venue to special events. Tuesday's Main Street Manning event was as much about the vendors networking with each other as with the general public.

"Since this is a new venue, they get to meet the Rabons," Trebil said. "The Rabons are from Sumter, and so they're getting to meet some Clarendon County contacts. It's a great networking event."

Trebil said she is excited about the potential still available in Manning.

"We've got some new businesses opening and some spaces still available downtown, but it might be different this time next year," she said when asked if it's time to get on board the Manning train. "It's past time, so they better hurry up. We really do not have very many vacant buildings downtown, and property owners are working hard to make sure they get good people into those spaces."

More than 200 attend promotion ceremony for 6 firefighters

BY SHARRON HALEY
The Sumter Item

MANNING — Six firefighters with the Clarendon County Fire Department were promoted on Sept. 19 during a Pinning Ceremony which was held immediately following the department's Recruit Class 1701 graduation ceremony. The ceremonies were held on the CCFD's regularly scheduled Officers' Training night. More than 200 fellow officers, family members and friends attended the ceremony.

The evening began with a presentation of the colors by the fire department's Color Guard followed by the new recruits' graduation service and then the Pinning Ceremony.

"Three officers have been promoted to the rank of lieutenant, and three officers have been promoted to the rank of captain," said Johnson during the ceremony.

Johnson was assisted at the promotions ceremony by Clarendon County Fire Chief Frances Richbourg, who presented each newly promoted officer with a new bright red fire helmet and his or her new badge. Family members and friends walked on stage to participate in the ceremony by pinning the new badges on the officers.

Joseph McLeod and D. Mitchum, who have been with the CCFD since 2002, were promoted to the rank of lieutenant.

Lee Mahoney, a member of the fire department since 2003, was promoted to the rank of captain.

Michael Cothran, who has been serving since 2005, was promoted to captain.



SHARRON HALEY / THE SUMTER ITEM

Six career firefighters with the Clarendon County Fire Department were promoted during the department's Sept. 19 recruit graduation ceremony. Shown are Clarendon County Fire Chief Frances Richbourg alongside the newly promoted firefighters: Lt. Joseph McLeod, Lt. D. Mitchum, Lt. Jessica Weinberg, Capt. Michael Cothran, Captain F.B. Jones and Capt. Lee Mahoney with Deputy Chief Michael Johnson.

F.B. Jones, a member of the department since 2006, was also promoted to captain.

Jessica Weinberg, who has been a member of the department since 2008, was promoted to lieutenant.

Using words of encouragement, Johnson told the newly

promoted officers that past officers in the department were the ones who shaped the department into what it is today.

Johnson named Glen Costello, Tommy Conway, Jimmy Bruner, Grover Morris, Carter Jones, Buster Robinson, Billy Rowe, Dennis Kropf, the Out-

law brothers Moe and Ed, Van Green, Ed Gamble, Michael Brooks, Phil Lackey, Carrol Harrington and of course (the late H.P.) 'Mutt' Bozard as a few of the firefighters who sculpted today's Clarendon County Fire Department.

Johnson had members of the

audience as well as the newly promoted officers laughing when he shared a few of the mishaps that have taken place at the fire department.

"We have all made mistakes," he told the new officers. "Good leaders will admit to those mistakes. The best leaders will share the mistakes with others to improve the team or organization, but they are not what make you. Your actions over your fire department careers have placed you into the positions that you are in today."

"It is an honor and a privilege to serve with officers like these in our department," Johnson said.

Richbourg said that each of the six newly promoted firefighters has proven a valuable asset with the CCFD through hard work and determination.

"I am delighted to have them in the department," Richbourg added. "They will be able to help us move forward and make improvements within the department. Each of them is an excellent mentor and role model for our young recruits and young firefighters. They have proven themselves as leaders."

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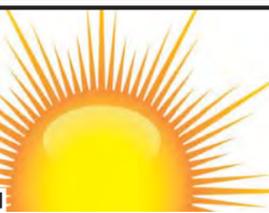
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IN THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS FOR THE THIRD JUDICIAL CIRCUIT DOCKET NO. 2017-CP-14-00110

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA
 COUNTY OF CLARENDON
 Marianne M. Smith, Plaintiff,
 v.
 LAAS, LLC, and Ramona Witherspoon, Defendants.

TO THE DEFENDANT(S) ABOVE NAMED:

YOU ARE HEREBY SUMMONED and required to answer the Complaint in this Action, which, together with the Summons, and Lis Pendens was filed in the Office of the Clerk of Court for Clarendon County on the 30th day of March, 2017, a copy of which is hereby served upon you and to serve a copy of your Answer to the said Complaint on the subscribers. The Law Offices of William H. Johnson, LLC, Post Office Box 137, Manning, South Carolina 29102, within thirty (30) days after service hereof, exclusive of the day of said service; and if you fail to answer the Complaint within the time aforesaid, the Plaintiff herein will apply to the Court for the relief demanded in the Complaint.

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Public Hearing

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING CLARENDON COUNTY, SOUTH CAROLINA

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a public hearing will be held by the County Council of Clarendon County, South Carolina (the "County"), on Monday, October 9, 2017, at 6:00 p.m., in the Clarendon School District One Board Room, 12 South Church Street, Summerton, South Carolina 29148.

The purpose of such public hearing is to receive comments regarding an ordinance authorizing (1) the execution and delivery of a Fee in Lieu of Tax and Incentive Agreement by and between Clarendon County, South Carolina ("County") and Clarendon Solar Farm, LLC, a company previously identified as Project Gordon II Operating Company, and Panola Enterprises, L.P., a company previously identified as Project Gordon I Landowner, each acting for itself, one or more current or future affiliates, and other project sponsors, pursuant to which the County shall covenant to accept certain negotiated fees in lieu of ad valorem taxes with respect to the establishment of certain facilities in the County ("Project"); (2) certain special source revenue credits with respect to the Project; (3) the enlargement of the boundaries of an existing multi-county industrial or business park to include therein certain additional property in connection with the Project; and (4) other matters relating thereto.

At the public hearing all taxpayers and residents of the County and other interested persons who appear will be given an opportunity to express their views for or against the ordinance.

CLARENDON COUNTY, SOUTH CAROLINA
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Notice of Sale

MASTER IN EQUITY NOTICE OF SALE 2014-CP-14-00487

BY VIRTUE of a decree heretofore granted in the case of: JPMorgan Chase Bank, National Association vs. Kayana D. Bradshaw, et al., I, the undersigned Joseph K. Coffey, Master in Equity for Clarendon County, will sell on Monday, October 2, 2017 at 11:00 AM, at the County Courthouse, 3 West Kiett Street, Manning, SC 29102, to the highest bidder.

All that certain piece, parcel or lot of land with the improvements thereon, if any, situate, lying and being in the Town of Manning, County of Clarendon, State of South Carolina, and being shown as Lot No. 16 on that certain plat by M. K. Millard, C. E., dated September 30, 1955 and recorded in the Office of the Register of Deeds for Clarendon County in Plat Book 15, page 36. This said lot has such metes, boundaries, courses and distances as are shown on said plat, which are incorporated herein in accordance with the provisions of Section 30-5-250 of the Code of Laws of South Carolina, 1976. This being the same property

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known as 206 Breedin Street, Manning, South Carolina and shown on the Clarendon County Tax Map as Parcel 169-14-17-017.

This being the same property conveyed unto Kayana D. Bradshaw by virtue of a Deed from Minerva R. Jones and Ruby R. Harrington dated August 11, 2009 and recorded August 14, 2009 in Book 741 at Page 300 in the Office of the Register of Deeds of Clarendon County, South Carolina.

TMS No. 169-14-17-017-00

Property address: 206 Breedin Street, Manning, SC 29102

TERMS OF SALE: The successful bidder, other than the Plaintiff, will deposit with the Master in Equity, at conclusion of the bidding, five percent (5%) of said bid is due and payable immediately upon closing of the bidding, in cash or equivalent, as evidence of good faith, same to be applied to purchase price in case of compliance, but to be forfeited and applied first to costs and then to Plaintiff's debt in the case of non-compliance. In the event of a third party bidder and that any third party bidder fails to deliver the required deposit in certified (immediately collectible) funds with the Office of the Master in Equity, said deposit being due and payable immediately upon closing of the bidding on the day of sale, the Master in Equity will re-sell the subject property at the most convenient time thereafter (including the day of sale) upon notification to counsel for Plaintiff. Should the last and highest bidder fail or refuse to comply with the balance due of the bid within 20 days, then the Master in Equity may re-sell the property on the same terms and conditions on some subsequent Sales Day (at the risk of the said highest bidder).

Personal or deficiency judgment being demanded, the bidding will remain open for a period of thirty (30) days after the sale date. The Plaintiff may waive its right to a deficiency judgment prior to sale, in which case the bidding will not

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remain open after the date of sale, but compliance with the bid may be made immediately.

Purchaser to pay for documentary stamps on Master in Equity's Deed. The successful bidder will be required to pay interest on the balance of the bid from the date of sale to date of compliance with the bid at the rate of 5.500% per annum.

The Plaintiff may waive any of its rights, including its right to a deficiency judgment, prior to sale.

The sale shall be subject to taxes and assessments, existing easements and restrictions of record.

This sale is subject to all title matters of record and any interested party should consider performing an independent title examination of the subject property as no warranty is given.

Neither the Plaintiff nor its counsel make representations as to the integrity of the title or the fair market value of the property offered for sale. Prior to bidding you may wish to review the current state law or seek the advice of any attorney licensed in South Carolina.

Joseph K. Coffey
 Master in Equity
 for Clarendon County

Scott and Corley, P.A.
 Attorney for Plaintiff



Estate Notice Clarendon County

NOTICE TO CREDITORS OF ESTATES

All persons having claims against the following estates MUST file their claims on FORM #371ES with the Probate Court of Clarendon County, the address of which is 411 Sunset Dr. Manning, SC 29102, 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 #371ES) indicating the name and address of the claimant, the basis of the claim, the amount claimed, the date when the claim will become due, the nature of any uncertainty as to the claim, and a description of any security as to the claim.

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Stop by to see Alley, Tucker and friends Tuesday through Saturday from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. at A Second Chance Animal Shelter, 5079 Alex Harvin Highway (U.S. 301), which has numerous pets available for adoption. To drop off an animal, call (803) 473-7075 for an appointment. If you've lost a pet, check www.ccanimalcontrol.webs.com and www.ASecondChanceAnimalShelter.com.

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Hospital system welcomes doctor

FROM STAFF REPORTS

Dr. S. Chad Hayes has been hired by McLeod Pediatrics Clarendon, according to a McLeod Health news release.



HAYES

Hayes, previously of Threshold Pediatrics in Charleston, joins Meredith Atkinson in the Manning office.

Hayes attended Medical University of South Carolina School of Medicine and completed his residency in pediatrics at Greenville Health System Children's Hospital. He is a fellow of American Academy of Pediatrics and previously served in the United States Army.

A native of South Carolina, Hayes and his wife, Laura, have three daughters. In his spare time, he enjoys spending time with his family, cooking, physical fitness, woodworking and playing the guitar.

Hayes welcomes new patients by appointment, and same-day consultations are available.

For more information, visit www.mcleodhealth.org or call (803) 433-8420 for an appointment.

A diet rich in fruits can reduce many health risks

Eating a diet rich in vegetables and fruits as part of an overall healthy diet may reduce your risk for stroke, coronary heart disease, Type 2 diabetes, certain cancers, kidney stones and bone loss.



Nancy Harrison
RETIRED CLEMSON EXTENSION AGENT

The Dietary Guidelines for Americans recommends eating 2 cups of fruits every day, based on a 2,000-calorie diet. You also may need to eat more or less, depending on your calorie level.

Fruits contain several nutrients. Some of the main nutrients are potassium, dietary fiber, vitamin C, folate and many types of phytochemicals.

Potassium may help to maintain healthy blood pressure. Fruits that are good sources of potassium are bananas, prunes and prune juice, dried peaches and apricots, pomegranates, cantaloupe, honeydew melon, grapefruit, oranges and orange juice.

Dietary fiber helps reduce blood cholesterol levels, may lower risk of heart disease, helps reduce constipation and diverticulosis and helps provide a feeling of fullness with fewer calories. Most whole or cut-up fruits contain fiber. Fruit juices contain little or no fiber.

Vitamin C helps heal cuts and wounds, keeps teeth and gums healthy and aids in iron absorption. Fruits that are good sources of vitamin C include pomegranates, guava, kiwi, oranges, grapefruit, strawberries, raspberries, cantaloupe, papaya, pineapple and mangoes.

Folic acid (sometimes called folate) helps to form red blood cells and is important during pregnancy to reduce a woman's risk of having a baby with a spinal cord defect or brain defect. Fruits containing folic acid are oranges and avocados.

Phytochemicals help protect against diseases, serve as antioxidants, detoxifiers, immune boosters and anti-inflammatories. Inflammation plays a major role in heart at-

purple, deep red, bright orange, bright yellow and dark green plant foods. Enjoy some of every color daily.

What counts as a cup of fruit? One medium-sized piece of fruit, 1 cup of cut-up fruit, 1 cup of 100 percent fruit juice, 1/2 cup dried fruit, 1 large banana (8 to 9 inches long), 2 peach halves, 32 seedless grapes, 1/4 of a medium cantaloupe, 8 large strawberries or 2 large plums.

There are easy ways to include more fruit in your diet. Keep a bowl of fresh whole fruit on the counter, the table

or in the refrigerator for an easy snack. Mix fresh fruit with plain or vanilla low-fat yogurt. Serve fresh-fruit salads often. To keep the apples, bananas and pears from turning brown, add acidic fruits such as pineapple, oranges or lemon juice.

Dried fruit carries well, and it's an excellent snack to tuck

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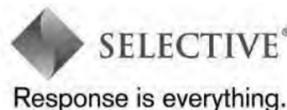
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COMMENTARY

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Let's get crazy and play pretend. Let's imagine that a white ESPN male anchor, during the presidency of Barack Obama, put out a series of tweets calling Mr. Obama a racist and said he was ignorant and offensive.

What do we suppose would happen to him? What do we think ESPN would say and do? Well, we don't really have to wonder because we all know what ESPN would say and do. Management would fire the doofus in the blink of an eye and would put out a noble statement declaring that ESPN doesn't tolerate that kind of hatred from its employees.

And in that make-believe scenario ESPN would be right.

But this isn't pretend or make-believe: Jemele Hill, who is an ESPN anchor, still has her job even after tweeting that President Trump is a racist who is ignorant and offensive. Here is Jemele in her own words:

"Donald Trump is a white supremacist who has largely surrounded himself w/ other white supremacists.

Trump is the most ignorant, offensive president of my lifetime. His rise is a direct result of white supremacy. Period.

He is unqualified and unfit to be president. He is not a leader. And if he were not white, he never would have been elected."

And if Jemele Hill were not black (and liberal), she never would have kept her job after going ballistic the way she did. I know we're not supposed to say things like that in polite company. But we also know it's true.

Curt Schilling, the former major league baseball pitcher who is white and conservative, was fired by ESPN last year for putting out a controversial (and dopey) message on Facebook about transgender bathrooms.

If he was fired, why wasn't Jemele Hill, a lot of conservatives are asking.

Rush Limbaugh quit his analyst job at ESPN back in 2003 after he caused a furor saying that Philadelphia Eagles quarterback Donovan McNabb was overrated and that the media didn't point that out because journalists wanted to see a black quarterback succeed.

Before he quit, then Democratic presidential candidates Wesley Clark and Howard Dean said ESPN should fire Limbaugh. Clark called the remarks "hateful and ignorant." Dean said they were "absurd and offensive."

For argument's sake, let's say they were. But then what should we make of Jemele Hill's remarks? Aren't they hateful and ignorant and offensive?

Well, that depends on how you feel about this president. It's no secret that in the world of what we call mainstream journalism — one of the reliably liberal institutions in America — Ms. Hill's contempt for President Trump is not at all out of line. In many journalistic circles, it's taken for granted that he's a racist.

And let's be clear: This is America. Jemele Hill is entitled to her opinions. No one is arguing that she shouldn't be allowed to think whatever she wants to think about Donald Trump or anyone else. But what should ESPN do when an anchor goes public with her thinking, when she goes on a rant that has nothing to do with sports?

Well, ESPN has provided us with an answer. They didn't censure Ms. Hill. Nor did they suspend her. And they certainly didn't fire her. What they did was pretty much ... nothing! Oh yeah, the head of ESPN said what Ms. Hill did was "inappropriate."

Take that, Jemele!

Last year, Ms. Hill defended ESPN's decision to fire Schilling, saying, "The values Curt Schilling was trying to promote didn't line up with what ESPN wants to be as a company."

That raises a question: Do Jemele Hill's comments about President Trump line up with what ESPN wants to be as a company?

Sarah Huckabee Sanders, President Trump's press secretary, said Hill's comments amounted to a "fireable offense" — a statement that enraged several liberal journalists who thought she overstepped her bounds by commenting on the case from the podium in the press room. Sorry for the detour, but liberal outrage amuses me.

But whether or not you think Ms. Hill should get canned, let's at least agree on this much: ESPN like most news organizations is a liberal outfit. And as such, the people who run the place will tolerate a lot more from a liberal than they would from a conservative.

For the record, Jemele Hill has now issued a non-apology/apology. "My regret is that my comments and the public way I made them painted ESPN in an unfair light," she said in a statement.

In other words, she still thinks Donald Trump is a white supremacist hateful bigoted idiot but, hey, she's sorry she made her bosses at ESPN look like the sniveling, pathetic hypocrites that they are by letting her off as easy as they did.



Bernie Goldberg



COMMENTARY

One last Obamacare repeal try

EDITOR'S NOTE: The following editorial appeared in the Monday, Sept. 18, edition of The Wall Street Journal — It was submitted by Sen. Lindsey Graham.

• "The question is whether a last-ditch effort by Sen. Graham and a few colleagues represents an improvement over the Obamacare status quo. The answer is yes."

• "Sen. Graham and Sen. Bill Cassidy (R-La.) [last] week unveiled a bill that would start to unwind Obamacare. The legislation repeals the individual and employer mandates and the 2.3 percent medical device tax. The bill replaces money spent on tax credits and Medicaid expansion with block grants to states, which would allow Governors to experiment with insurance reforms. Another selling point is that a rejiggered formula will divvy up federal dollars more equitably, as states such as Massachusetts and California haul in an outside share under current law."

Sen. Lindsey Graham admits that when a defense specialist like him feels compelled to roll out a health-care bill, something has gone wrong — and that's an understatement for the Republican failure to repeal the Affordable Care Act. The question is whether a last-ditch effort by Sen. Graham and a few colleagues represents an improvement over the Obamacare status quo. The answer is yes.

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Block grants are certainly progress: The Obama Administration's Medicaid expansion enrolled working-age, childless adults above the poverty line, and the feds footed most of the bill to bait states to participate.

The program reimbursed at a much lower rate for the disabled and children, the traditional Medicaid population. This has resulted in some states under-covering the most vulnerable.

Graham-Cassidy is less ambitious than the Senate's Obamacare replacement that failed over the summer, and we could go on at length about its limitations. But the proposal at least takes most decision-making out of Washington and puts a spending cap on Medicaid and Obamacare. Reform-minded governors would have the chance to create showcases for insurance-market innovation.

As with past health-care failures, Republicans can only lose two members. Sen. Rand Paul (R-Ky.) is as persuadable as Chuck Schumer, and the same may be true of Sen. Susan Collins of Maine. Sen. John McCain (R-Ariz.) shot down the last repeal attempt on dubious objections about an open process. Some think Sen. Lisa Murkowski (R-Alaska) is winnable, but she seemed amenable to the last bill — until she bailed at the final hour.

Heritage Action waded in to note that earlier versions of Graham-Cassidy did not repeal all of Obamacare's taxes — as if they would vanish if Congress does nothing. Sen. Mike Lee (R-Utah) usually follows Heritage, though Sen. Lee's office said he's "encouraged" by what he's seen but has yet to make a final decision.

The question for members is: What is the alternative? The budget procedure that allows the Senate to address the law with a 51-vote majority ex-

pires on Sept. 30.

Obamacare's exchanges will continue to deteriorate, and Democrats will blame Republicans for every premium increase from here to November 2018. The law will require who knows how many patches and bailouts in coming years, and consumers will continue to face higher prices and fewer choices.

Lamar Alexander (R-Tenn.) is trying to work a deal with Patty Murray (D-Wa.) to mitigate some of the consumer pain for next year. The idea is to swap subsidies for insurers for more state flexibility. Yet Democrats have so far been unwilling to relax the state waiver process to allow for more than de minimis changes.

The GOP's negotiating hand will not become stronger as the election approaches.

The best path forward is to pass Graham-Cassidy and improve or amend it later as necessary, or perhaps consider discrete bills to mend health-care markets. This has the added political advantage of at least fulfilling some facsimile of the "repeal and replace" promises Republicans have made to voters for seven years.

One lesson for moderate Republicans is that no dilution or revision will placate the left, which has panned Graham-Cassidy as evil and heartless sight unseen. The press is suggesting that the timeline is too quick to ram through such a consequential bill, but then the Affordable Care Act re-engineered one-sixth of the economy in the middle of the night on Christmas Eve in 2009.

The Cassidy-Graham bill appeared on the same day as a "Medicare for all" proposal from Sen. Bernie Sanders (Ind., Vt.), and don't be surprised if voters start looking to the left for solutions. Graham-Cassidy is the best remaining chance the GOP has to make incremental progress on health care before they face voters next year having to explain their failure.

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Shaw Air Force Base residents and the broader Sumter community.

“We basically lease the houses and maintain them and have special events to build a sense of community,” said Davis, explaining the role of Hunt Companies at the base. “We also get our service members involved in the community. We’ve had programs where we had them donate water to help with Sumter Police Department’s Operation Hydration, and we’ve had them donate canned goods to help at the shelters for Thanksgiving. We’re more than a property manager. We try to make it a family theme with our residents and us.”

Davis said helping Habitat for Humanity was only natural because many of her team members do similar work to maintain base housing.

“A lot of them have experience laying siding and things like that,” Davis said. “A lot of them are trying to teach the ones that don’t, since they do it every day.”

Habitat for Humanity builds homes for families based on three criteria, according to Geneva Phillips, development coordinator for the organization. “We look at the conditions where they’re living, we look at their ability

to pay and also at their willingness to invest ‘sweat equity’ in the building of their homes. It’s not a handout; it’s a hand up.”

Phillips noted that many of the families continue to volunteer with Habitat for Humanity building others’ homes or volunteer in the Habitat Restore at 30 Bridge Court off South Guignard Drive in Sumter, which accepts donations of and sells items ranging from thrift-store goods to furniture to doors and windows.

Group workdays like Wednesday’s are typical, although individual volunteers are still encouraged to get in touch with Sumter Habitat for Humanity to make themselves available to help. Other groups, such as groups from Brock University, Boston College and University of Virginia, did the early framing work in March on the two homes now being completed.

Those interested in volunteering with Habitat for Humanity should email info@habitatsumter.org or call (803) 775-5767. To schedule a group or corporate work day, contact Sumter Habitat for Humanity Executive Director Theresa White at theresa@habitatsumter.org. Visit the organization’s website at habitatsumter.org or check it out on Facebook at <https://www.facebook.com/HabitatSumter/>.



TREVOR BAUKNIGHT / THE SUMTER ITEM

The entrance sign to the Fuller Gardens neighborhood off Red Bay Road in Sumter is the main entrance to the neighborhood of 46 homes built by Sumter Habitat for Humanity. The organization is finishing work on homes 120 and 121.

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students chose to decline to take the test. He explained the decline in test takers was likely a key factor in the district’s mean score improving so much for the class of 2017.

Clarendon School District 2 followed next with an average composite score of 15.9 for the senior class last year. The Manning district’s ACT mean score in 2016 was 15.8.

Clarendon School District One — which represents Scott’s Branch High School — tallied a 15.7 composite score average for the class of

2017. That was up from 15.5 in 2016.

With a 14.3 mean composite score, Lee County School District’s graduating seniors tied with Jasper County School District for the second-lowest average score of the state’s 81 public school districts. Allendale County School District scored lowest in the state for 2017 with an average score of 13.3. In 2016, Lee County registered a 14.0 mean composite score.

In the 17 states that required all students to take

the test, the average score was 19.8, according to the state Department of Education. The national average

score was 21, according to data released by ACT.

The ACT is a college readiness test taken by high

school students and is often used by colleges along with the SAT to help determine admission.

PURCHASES FROM PAGE A1

district programs as part of his budget analysis as the CFO.

“One of my goals — and we’re going to do this — is to look at those purchase orders under \$2,500 on a random basis and make sure we aren’t getting around policy on anything,” Griner said.

Per the district’s purchasing policies, Griner said any purchases more than \$2,500 must go through the district’s procurement officer and get his signature already.

“Reviewing those purchase orders under \$2,500 is what I feel like we need to focus our time on,” Griner said.

Griner said, in part because of finance department staffing issues, he doesn’t think this was a procedure before.

He said spending some time looking at these purchases is part of the CFO’s role in the budget analysis process. Griner also noted in the district’s procurement audit from December 2016 that the auditor — Robin Poston — recommended the review of pur-

chase orders to ensure splitting wasn’t occurring to avoid the bid process.

“It’s just a good internal procedure across programs,” Griner said.

MORE ON EARLY CHILDHOOD PROGRAM INVESTIGATION

Regarding the state department’s audit report on the district’s Early Childhood Education Program, Griner confirmed Thursday the misused program spending didn’t contribute to the \$6.2 million general fund balance deficit from fiscal year 2016 because the program operated under a special revenue stream.

However, he did say the amount the district paid back to the state department for misused funding — \$176,922.79 — did have to come out of the general fund. Griner said the entry was recorded in the fiscal year 2017 financial report, which is projected to have about a \$665,000 year-end surplus according to his calculations.

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AROUND TOWN

Paxville Community Development Corp. (PCDC) will hold a family fun festival from noon to 5 p.m. on Saturday, Sept. 23, at PCDC Community Center, 10183 Lewis Road, Paxville. This event will feature food, music and games. Bring your own chairs. No coolers or alcohol allowed. Call James Zeigler at (803) 452-5805 or (803) 464-3487.

A picnic in the park with live entertainment will be held from 1 to 4 p.m. on Saturday, Sept. 23, at the North HOPE Center Park, 904 N. Main St. Sponsored by the James R. Clark Memorial Foundation Sickle Cell clients, this event is being held in recognition of Sickle Cell Awareness Month.

American Legion Auxiliary Unit 202 will hold its harvest ball meeting 1:30-2:30 p.m. on Saturday, Sept. 23, at 310 Palmetto St. Call (803) 469-7133.

The Scotts Branch High School Alumni Association will meet at 3 p.m. on Saturday, Sept. 23, at the Eagles Nest in Summerton (old district office on Larry King Highway). Your support and help are needed for a major project planned for the near future. Call Eliza at (803) 460-1726 or Robert at (803) 225-4085.

The Sumter Branch NAACP will meet at 5 p.m. on Sunday, Sept. 24, at Rafting Creek Baptist Church, 3860 S.C. 261 North, Rembert. The public is invited to attend.

VFW Post 10813 will hold its "4th Sunday Wine & Cheese Afair" from 5 to 9 p.m. on Sunday, Sept. 24, at 610 Manning Ave.

The Westside Neighborhood Association will meet at 5:30 p.m. on Monday, Sept. 25, at the Bernie HOPE Center, 210 S. Purdy St. Sumter County Council Chairman Jim Mc-

Cain will give an update on the county and Penny for Progress updates. Contact Jim McCain at (678) 429-8150 or jtmccain@bellsouth.net.

The Disabled American Veterans Gamecock Chapter 5 will hold their regular monthly meeting at 6:30 p.m. on Tuesday, Sept. 26, at 18 Hardpack Road, off of Peach Orchard Road.

The Sumter County Education Association-Retired is seeking new members. Are you a retired principal, assistant principal, teacher, paraprofessional or guidance counselor? Join us at noon on Wednesday, Sept. 27, for a "new member" celebration at the North HOPE Center, 904 N. Main St. Refreshments will be served. Call Brenda Bethune, president, at (803) 469-6588.

The Disabled American Veterans Chapter 5 will hold a pancake dinner from 5 to 7:30 p.m. on Thursday, Sept. 28, at the DAV building, 18 Hardpack Road, off of Peach Orchard Road. Tickets are \$6 each and can be purchased at the door.

The Sumter Chapter of the National Federation of the Blind of South Carolina will meet at 7 p.m. on Tuesday, Oct. 10, at Shiloh-Randolph Manor, 125 W. Bartlette St. Guest speaker will be Wendy O'Steen, nurse educator with Vanda Pharmaceuticals of Washington, D.C., which specializes in the circadian rhythm disorder Non-24. Visit the chapter's booth at the Sumter County Fair. October is blind awareness month. Contact Debra Canty, chapter president, at (803) 775-5792 or debra.canty@frontier.com. Donations are welcome and can be mailed to NFB Sumter Chapter, P.O. Box 641, Sumter, SC 29151.

WEATHER

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AccuWeather® five-day forecast for Sumter

TODAY	TONIGHT	SATURDAY	SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY
A t-storm in spots in the p.m.	Partly cloudy and humid	Partly sunny and pleasant	Mostly sunny and warm	Mostly sunny and warm	Mostly sunny and warm
88°	66°	88° / 64°	87° / 65°	87° / 66°	90° / 67°
Chance of rain: 40%	Chance of rain: 5%	Chance of rain: 15%	Chance of rain: 15%	Chance of rain: 10%	Chance of rain: 15%
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TODAY'S SOUTH CAROLINA WEATHER

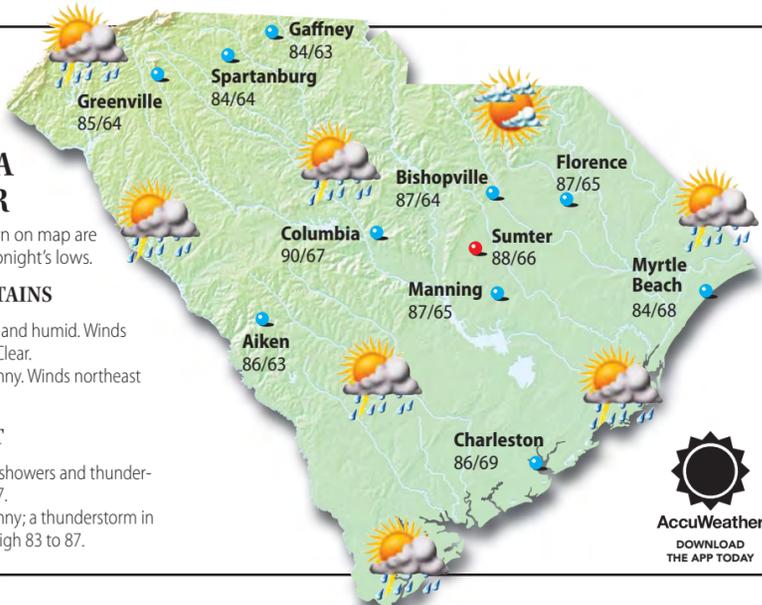
Temperatures shown on map are today's highs and tonight's lows.

IN THE MOUNTAINS

Today: Partly sunny and humid. Winds northeast 4-8 mph. Clear.
Saturday: Partly sunny. Winds northeast 4-8 mph.

ON THE COAST

Today: A chance of showers and thunderstorms. High 83 to 87.
Saturday: Partly sunny; a thunderstorm in spots in the south. High 83 to 87.



LOCAL ALMANAC

SUMTER THROUGH 2 P.M. YESTERDAY

Temperature	High	Low	Normal high	Normal low	Record high	Record low
92°	92°	72°	82°	61°	98° in 1975	43° in 1981

Precipitation	24 hrs ending 2 p.m. yest.	Month to date	Normal month to date	Year to date	Last year to date	Normal year to date
trace	3.26"	2.74"	30.83"	38.98"	36.13"	

LAKE LEVELS

Lake	Full pool	7 a.m. yest.	24-hr chg
Murray	360	355.00	-0.04
Marion	76.8	75.48	-0.05
Moultrie	75.5	75.31	-0.05
Wateree	100	97.95	+0.11

RIVER STAGES

River	Flood stage	7 a.m. yest.	24-hr chg
Black River	12	7.86	+0.06
Congaree River	19	1.05	-1.85
Lynches River	14	5.73	-1.19
Saluda River	14	2.11	none
Up. Santee River	80	76.18	-0.27
Wateree River	24	4.80	-0.02

SUN AND MOON

Sunrise	7:10 a.m.	Sunset	7:19 p.m.
Moonrise	9:22 a.m.	Moonset	9:03 p.m.

Phase	First	Full	Last	New
	Sep. 27	Oct. 5	Oct. 12	Oct. 19

TIDES

AT MYRTLE BEACH				
	High	Ht.	Low	Ht.
Today	11:22 a.m.	3.5	5:44 a.m.	0.1
	11:30 p.m.	3.3	6:10 p.m.	0.2
Sat.	12:04 p.m.	3.4	6:23 a.m.	0.3
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The last word in astrology

EUGENIA LAST

ARIES (March 21-April 19): Getting along with your peers will be

in your best interest. Network, socialize and gain ground with the people who can make a difference to the way you advance. Charm and creative input will be your ticket into interesting conversations.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20): Children, friends or your partner will have an impact on the choices you make and the things you choose to do. Engage in activities that are geared toward working alongside people who share your beliefs. Personal improvements will be rewarding.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20): Get involved, take action and do your part. Sitting back and stewing about something you don't like will result in blowing up when the pressure builds. Face challenges head-on and you will find it easier to make a difference.

CANCER (June 21-July 22): You'll be tempted to take on too much or to let your emotions get the better of you. Take a moment to relax and think matters through and you'll come up with a unique alternative that works perfectly for you.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): A positive change at home or to your current place of employment will give you reason to celebrate. Make plans that include your family members, friends and trusted co-workers. Your generosity will be appreciated.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): Put some muscle behind your plans. Digging in and physically getting involved in the process will bring

you satisfaction and monetary rewards. Let your imagination flow and use your ingenuity to make your dream come true.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): Partnerships will go through subtle changes. Keep an open mind as well as a close watch over the way others treat you. It takes two to tango, so do your best to keep things running smoothly.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): Problems regarding your job, finances or legal matters will arise if you let someone else handle your affairs. Stay involved no matter what is going on. You may not be an expert, but you know what's best for you.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): Join a group or organization that is fighting for the causes you believe in. Your input will make a difference, but at the same time could also alienate those who disagree with you.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): Uncertainty will escalate if you get tied up with someone who is unpredictable. Stick to the projects that are bound to excel even if they sound less exciting. Walk away from bad influences and risky ventures.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): A financial matter will turn emotional if you take a loss. Be cautious with where you put your money and how you handle your assets. Too much of anything will be to your disadvantage.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20): Negotiate a new contract or update your resume. Taking charge of your future will help you head in a new direction. Use your skills and talents in different ways and you will expand your options.

NATIONAL CITIES

City	Today Hi/Lo/W	Sat. Hi/Lo/W
Atlanta	86/69/pc	85/68/pc
Chicago	94/69/s	92/68/s
Dallas	94/75/pc	95/75/s
Detroit	88/66/s	88/64/s
Houston	92/74/pc	92/73/pc
Los Angeles	74/60/s	76/59/s
New Orleans	91/75/pc	90/74/t
New York	80/66/pc	86/68/pc
Orlando	86/73/t	85/73/t
Philadelphia	83/66/pc	88/68/s
Phoenix	90/66/s	87/65/s
San Francisco	70/56/s	75/56/s
Wash., DC	86/65/pc	90/66/s

REGIONAL CITIES

City	Today Hi/Lo/W	Sat. Hi/Lo/W
Asheville	82/59/pc	83/58/s
Athens	86/65/pc	86/63/pc
Augusta	89/66/pc	90/64/pc
Beaufort	87/71/t	87/68/pc
Cape Hatteras	81/69/s	81/70/pc
Charleston	86/69/t	86/68/pc
Charlotte	86/64/pc	87/63/pc
Clemson	87/67/pc	87/67/pc
Columbia	90/67/pc	90/65/pc
Darlington	87/64/pc	87/63/s
Elizabeth City	86/65/s	85/65/s
Elizabethtown	87/65/sh	87/65/s
Fayetteville	88/66/pc	88/65/s

City	Today Hi/Lo/W	Sat. Hi/Lo/W
Florence	87/65/pc	87/64/s
Gainesville	88/70/t	86/70/t
Gastonia	85/64/pc	87/63/pc
Goldensboro	86/65/s	87/64/s
Goose Creek	86/68/t	85/66/pc
Greensboro	82/64/s	86/60/s
Greenville	85/64/pc	86/65/pc
Hickory	84/63/s	85/62/s
Hilton Head	85/71/t	84/70/pc
Jacksonville, FL	87/73/pc	84/73/t
La Grange	88/68/pc	87/66/pc
Macon	87/66/t	87/62/pc
Marietta	86/66/pc	85/65/pc

City	Today Hi/Lo/W	Sat. Hi/Lo/W
Marion	83/62/s	84/59/s
Mt. Pleasant	85/70/t	85/68/pc
Myrtle Beach	84/68/pc	84/67/pc
Orangeburg	87/65/pc	87/64/pc
Port Royal	86/72/t	85/70/pc
Raleigh	84/63/s	87/61/s
Rock Hill	85/63/pc	86/62/pc
Rockingham	87/63/pc	87/62/s
Savannah	88/70/pc	88/68/pc
Spartanburg	84/64/pc	86/64/pc
Summerville	85/67/t	86/65/pc
Wilmington	86/66/pc	86/66/pc
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To get information before cutting hair, the salon owner did — "DO" DILIGENCE

SUMTER SPCA PETS OF THE WEEK



Cassie, left, is a 4-month-old female hound mix. She is a sweet and gentle girl, who loves people and will wag her tail endlessly for attention. Cassie is great with other dogs. She is playful and friendly. Cassie will make a great addition to any family.

Claude, right, is a housebroken 4-month-old American short hair. He is great with other cats and children. He loves to explore, play with cat toys and get lots of love and attention. Claude will make some family a wonderful new loving buddy.

The Sumter SPCA is located at 1140 S. Guignard Drive, (803) 773-9292, and is open 11 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. every day except Wednesday and Sunday. Visit the website at www.sumterscspca.com.

The SPCA relies heavily on community support and donations. Currently, the biggest needs are for dry puppy and kitten food, wet cat food, cat litter and cleaning supplies. The following are also appreciated: Newspapers, stuffed animals, heavy duty trash bags (30 gallon or larger), dishwashing liquid, laundry detergent, bleach, paper towels, sheets and comforters, baby blankets, canned dog and cat food, dry dog food, treats, leashes and collars, disinfectant spray, all-purpose cleaner, air freshener, no scratch scrubbers, two-sided sponges for dishes, litter freshener and, of course, monetary donations are also gratefully accepted.

PRO FOOTBALL

Panthers offense looks to start pulling more weight

BY STEVE REED
The Associated Press

CHARLOTTE — The Panthers' defense is doing its part.



NEWTON

Now quarterback Cam Newton and offense hopes to start pulling its weight as Carolina prepares to host the New Orleans Saints on Sunday.

Carolina's offense has managed just two touchdowns and settled for six field goals in two games. Newton has overthrown two open receivers for easy TDs. In five trips inside of Bills' territory last Sunday, the Panthers

came away with just nine points.

"We've got to score touchdowns," Newton said. "You don't need no football manual to know that. We have to do our job. And I believe we will."

On the bright side, the Panthers are 2-0 largely behind the play of the NFL's top-ranked defense, which limited both San Francisco and Buffalo to three points.

The Panthers will look to increase scoring production without one of their best red zone producers in tight end Greg Olsen, who was placed on injured reserve Tuesday with a broken foot.

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USC WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

Staley ready to put aside title celebrations, get back to work

BY PETE IACOBELLI
The Associated Press

COLUMBIA — Dawn Staley spent the summer on a wild, national championship ride she almost wishes didn't have to end.



STALEY

South Carolina's women's basketball head coach toured facilities in Tokyo where she hopes in three years to lead the United States to another gold medal, she threw out first pitches at baseball and softball games and rode around Darlington Raceway in a pace car. During her

adventures, much of the time she was wearing the championship netting — her "netlace," as she called it — around her neck.

Now, she's focused on leading the Gamecocks to another championship season.

"We've soaked it in and we're going to continue to enjoy it," she said Thursday. "It's just something that stays with you. Something as big as the national championship, you don't want to lose sight of it."

"I want it to re-occur," she continued, "hopefully, sooner rather than later."

That might be difficult seeing as

SEE **STALEY**, PAGE B3

PREP FOOTBALL

Maintaining momentum

Barons, Generals each look to build off big wins as SCISA rivals set to clash in Dalzell

BY JUSTIN DRIGGERS
justin@theitem.com

Both the Wilson Hall and Thomas Sumter Academy football teams have momentum heading into today's matchup at General Field in Dalzell — although they came about it in much different ways.

The Barons turned in a dominant performance against Cardinal Newman in a 35-0 victory that was highlighted by the WH secondary's four interceptions.

The Generals meanwhile had to almost march the entire length of the field in the final 2-plus minutes to pull off a game-winning touchdown in a 32-28 win over Augusta Christian School.

Both are looking for that momentum to carry over into the 7:30 p.m. contest as the two teams take a break from region play to renew their rivalry.

"I thought by far (last week) was the best we've played," Wilson Hall head coach Adam Jarecki said. "It was a complete game. We did well on both sides of the ball and in special teams. I just thought we had a tremendous all-around effort the whole night."

The SCISA 3A Barons improved to 3-1 overall with the shutout victory. They've outscored their opponents 66-21 during a 2-game winning streak and have scored 30



Wilson Hall running back Justin Timmons (22) and the Barons look to continue their recent success today when they travel to Dalzell to face Thomas Sumter Academy at 7:30 p.m.

points or more in three of their four games.

Even with starting senior quarterback Jacob Cotton sidelined with an illness against CN, the WH offense

still managed five scores with junior varsity quarterback Wise Segars under center.

"A lot of that goes to the fact that our JV and varsity teams practice together each

week," Jarecki said. "We do the very same thing and run the same system throughout our program. I was proud of the way Wise stepped up in his role."

The 2A Generals have been firing on all cylinders offensively each of the last two weeks as well, averaging 33

SEE **MOMENTUM**, PAGE B3



Clemson quarterback Kelly Bryant (2) has followed a similar path as his predecessor with the Tigers, Deshaun Watson. Bryant's play so far has him headed to where Watson went the past two years, the Heisman Trophy stage and the College Football Playoff.

CLEMSON FOOTBALL

Bryant now blazing own path with Tigers

BY PETE IACOBELLI
The Associated Press

CLEMSON — Kelly Bryant just smiled and shook his head every time — and there were plenty of them — someone wondered how national champion Clemson would get along without two-time Heisman Trophy finalist Deshaun Watson.

Not too bad, not too bad at all.

Through three games, Bryant has quickly eased concerns and appears on the same path

Watson traveled the past two years — being a part of the Heisman conversation and making Clemson a College Football Playoff contender.

"Let them sleep on me," Bryant said. "I've always been doubted my whole career so let them keep doubting."

The doubters are dwindling the more Bryant plays. He and the second-ranked Tigers (3-0, 1-0 Atlantic Coast Conference) next take on Boston College (1-2, 0-1), which is a five-touchdown underdog this

week.

Bryant was a highly skilled quarterback out of Calhoun Falls, about an hour drive south of Clemson, who also had offers from Florida, North Carolina, South Carolina and Virginia Tech among others. Bryant knew Clemson's immediate future at quarterback was Watson, yet still decided on the Tigers as his college choice.

Bryant acknowledged sitting behind Watson

SEE **BRYANT**, PAGE B4

SCOREBOARD

TV, RADIO

TODAY

6:30 a.m. - Professional Golf: European PGA Tour Portugal Masters Second Round from Vilamoura, Portugal (GOLF).

6:30 a.m. - International Tennis: Laver Cup Day One from Prague (TENNIS).

11 a.m. - Professional Golf: Web.com Tour DAP Championship Second Round from Beachwood, Ohio (GOLF).

11:30 a.m. - NASCAR Racing: Monster Energy Cup Series ISM Connect 300 Practice from Loudon, N.H. (NBC SPORTS NETWORK).

1 p.m. - PGA Golf: Tour Championship Second Round from Atlanta (GOLF).

1 p.m. - International Tennis: Laver Cup Day One from Prague (TENNIS).

1:30 p.m. - NASCAR Racing: Camping World Truck Series UNOH 175 Practice from Loudon, N.H. (FOX SPORTS 1).

2:20 p.m. - International Soccer: Bundesliga League Match - Wolfsburg vs. Bayern Munich (FOX SPORTS 2, UNIVISION).

3:30 p.m. - NASCAR Racing: Camping World Truck Series UNOH 175 Practice from Loudon, N.H. (FOX SPORTS 1).

4 p.m. - NASCAR Racing: XFINITY Series Visit-MyrtleBeach.com 300 Practice from Sparta, Ky. (NBC SPORTS NETWORK).

5 p.m. - NASCAR Racing: Monster Energy Cup Series ISM Connect 300 Pole Qualifying from Loudon, N.H. (NBC SPORTS NETWORK).

6 p.m. - Senior PGA Golf: PGA Tour Champions PURE Insurance Championship First Round from Pebble Beach, Calif. (GOLF).

6:05 p.m. - Talk Show: Sports Talk (WDXY-FM 105.9, WDXY-AM 1240).

6:30 p.m. - NASCAR Racing: XFINITY Series Visit-MyrtleBeach.com 300 Practice from Sparta, Ky. (NBC SPORTS NETWORK).

6:30 p.m. - High School Football: Camden at North Myrtle Beach (WPUB-FM 102.7).

7 p.m. - High School Football: Chaminade-Madonna (Fla.) vs. American Heritage (Fla.) from Plantation, Fla. (ESPN).

7 p.m. - College Soccer: North Carolina at Virginia (FOX SPORTS SOUTHEAST).

7 p.m. - Women's College Soccer: Alabama at Georgia (SEC NETWORK).

7 p.m. - High School Football: Wilson Hall at Thomas Sumter (WDXY-FM 105.9, WDXY-AM 1240).

7:30 p.m. - Major League Baseball: Chicago Cubs at Milwaukee (ESPN).

7:30 p.m. - Major League Baseball: Philadelphia at Atlanta (FOX SPORTSOUTH, WWFN-FM 100.1).

7:30 p.m. - High School Football: Westwood at Dutch Fork (SPECTRUM 1250).

8 p.m. - College Football: Virginia at Boise State (ESPN2).

8 p.m. - Auto Racing: ARCA Series Crosley Brands 150 from Sparta, Ky. (FOX SPORTS 1).

8 p.m. - Women's College Soccer: Colorado State at Air Force (SPECTRUM 1250).

9 p.m. - Women's College Soccer: Utah Valley at Brigham Young (BYUTV).

10 p.m. - High School Football: Mullen (Colo.) vs. Bothell (Wash.) from Bothell, Wash. (ESPN).

10 p.m. - Major League Baseball: Cleveland at Seattle or Colorado at San Diego (MLB NETWORK).

10 p.m. - High School Football: Friday Night Prep Zone Scoreboard Show (WIBZ-FM 95.5).

10:30 p.m. - Professional Boxing: Oscar Valdez vs. Genesis Servania for the WBO Featherweight Title and Gilberto Ramirez vs. Jesse Hart for the WBO Super Middleweight Title from Tucson, Ariz. (ESPN).

10:30 p.m. - College Football: Utah at Arizona (FOX SPORTS 1).

11 p.m. - CFL Football: Hamilton at British Columbia (ESPN2).

Midnight - Professional Tennis: ATP St. Petersburg Early-Round Matches from St. Petersburg, Russia, and ATP Metz Quarterfinal Matches from Metz, France (TENNIS).

SATURDAY

7 a.m. - International Tennis: Laver Cup Day Two from Prague (TENNIS).

7:25 a.m. - International Soccer: English Premier League Match - Tottenham vs. West Ham (NBC SPORTS NETWORK).

8 a.m. - Professional Golf: European PGA Tour Portugal Masters Third Round from Vilamoura, Portugal (GOLF).

9 a.m. - NASCAR Racing: Monster Energy Cup Series ISM Connect 300 Practice from Loudon, N.H. (CNBC).

9:20 a.m. - International Soccer: Bundesliga League Match - Schalke 04 vs. Hoffenheim (FOX SPORTS 2).

9:25 a.m. - International Soccer: Bundesliga League Match - Eintracht Frankfurt vs. Leipzig (UNIVISION).

9:55 a.m. - International Soccer: English Premier League Match - Crystal Palace vs. Manchester City (NBC SPORTS NETWORK).

10 a.m. - International Soccer: English Premier League Match - Chelsea vs. Stoke City (CNBC).

11 a.m. - NASCAR Racing: Camping World Truck Series UNOH 175 Pole Qualifying from Loudon, N.H. (FOX SPORTS 1).

11 a.m. - International Tennis: Laver Cup Day Two from Prague (TENNIS).

Noon - College Football: North Carolina State at Florida State (WOLO 25).

Noon - College Football: Army at Tulane (CBS SPORTS NETWORK).

Noon - College Football: Arkansas vs. Texas A&M from Arlington, Texas (ESPN).

Noon - College Football: Texas Tech at Houston (ESPN2).

Noon - College Football: West Virginia at Kansas (ESPN).

Noon - College Football: Kent State at Louisville (FOX SPORTS SOUTHEAST).

Noon - College Football: Massachusetts at Tennessee (SEC NETWORK).

Noon - College Football: Pittsburgh at Georgia Tech (SPECTRUM 1250).

12:20 p.m. - International Soccer: Bundesliga League Match - Borussia Monchengladbach vs. Borussia Dortmund (FOX SPORTS 2).

12:30 p.m. - International Soccer: English Premier League Match - Liverpool vs. Leicester City (WIS 10).

12:30 p.m. - PGA Golf: Tour Championship Third Round from Atlanta (GOLF).

1 p.m. - Major League Baseball: Chicago Cubs at Milwaukee (WACH 57).

1 p.m. - NASCAR Racing: Camping World Truck Series UNOH 175 from Loudon, N.H. (FOX SPORTS 1, WEGX-FM 92.9).

1 p.m. - International Tennis: Laver Cup Day Two from Prague (TENNIS).

1:30 p.m. - College Football: Chattanooga at Virginia Military Institute (SPECTRUM 1250).

2 p.m. - College Football: Benedict at Fort Valley State (WXLC-FM 103.1).

2:30 p.m. - PGA Golf: Tour Championship Third Round from Atlanta (WIS 10).

2:30 p.m. - Professional Golf: Web.com Tour DAP Championship Third Round from Beachwood, Ohio (GOLF).

3 p.m. - College Football: Central Florida at Maryland (FOX SPORTS 1).

3 p.m. - Major League Soccer: Houston at New York City (UNIVISION).

3:30 p.m. - College Football: Alabama at Vanderbilt (WLTX 19).

3:30 p.m. - College Football: Southern California at California (WOLO 25).

3:30 p.m. - College Football: Cincinnati at Navy (CBS SPORTS NETWORK).

3:30 p.m. - College Football: Texas Christian at Oklahoma State (ESPN).

3:30 p.m. - College Football: Boston College at Clemson (ESPN2, WWBD-FM 94.7, WPUB-FM 102.7).

3:30 p.m. - College Football: Duke at North Carolina (ESPN).

3:30 p.m. - College Football: Toledo at Miami (FOX SPORTS SOUTHEAST).

3:30 p.m. - NWSL Soccer: Portland at Orlando (LIFETIME).

4 p.m. - College Football: Michigan at Purdue (WOLO 25).

4 p.m. - Major League Baseball: New York Yankees at Toronto or Boston at Cincinnati (MLB NETWORK).

3:30 p.m. - College Football: Louisiana Tech at South Carolina (SEC NETWORK, WIBZ-FM 95.5, WNKT-FM 107.5).

5:30 p.m. - Senior PGA Golf: PGA Tour Champions PURE Insurance Championship First Round from Pebble Beach, Calif. (GOLF).

5:30 p.m. - NASCAR Racing: XFINITY Series Visit-MyrtleBeach.com 300 Pole Qualifying from Sparta, Ky. (NBC SPORTS NETWORK).

6:30 p.m. - College Football: Oklahoma at Baylor (FOX SPORTS 1).

6:30 p.m. - College Football: Western Illinois at Coastal Carolina (WWFN-FM 100.1).

7 p.m. - College Football: San Diego State at Air Force (CBS SPORTS NETWORK).

7 p.m. - College Football: Mississippi State at Georgia (ESPN).

7 p.m. - College Football: Syracuse at Louisiana State (ESPN2).

7 p.m. - College Football: Houston Baptist at McNeese State (FOX SPORTS SOUTHEAST).

7 p.m. - Major League Baseball: Philadelphia at Atlanta (FOX SPORTSOUTH).

7 p.m. - Major League Baseball: Minnesota at

Detroit or Kansas City at Chicago White Sox (Joined In Progress) (MLB NETWORK).

7 p.m. - College Football: Ball State at Western Kentucky (SPECTRUM 1250).

7:30 p.m. - College Football: Penn State at Iowa (WOLO 25).

7:30 p.m. - College Football: Auburn at Missouri (ESPN).

7:30 p.m. - College Football: Florida at Kentucky (SEC NETWORK).

8 p.m. - College Football: Notre Dame at Michigan State (WACH 57).

8 p.m. - NASCAR Racing: XFINITY Series Visit-MyrtleBeach.com 300 from Sparta, Ky. (NBC SPORTS NETWORK, WEGX-FM 92.9).

9 p.m. - Major League Baseball: San Francisco at Los Angeles Dodgers or Colorado at San Diego (Joined In Progress) (MLB NETWORK).

10 p.m. - College Football: Washington at Colorado (FOX SPORTS 1).

10 p.m. - Professional Boxing: Jorge Linares vs. Luke Campbell for the WBA Lightweight Title and Antonio Orozco vs. Robley Ortiz in a Junior Welterweight Bout from Inglewood, Calif. (HBO).

10:15 p.m. - College Football: Hawaii at Wyoming (ESPN2).

10:30 p.m. - College Football: UCLA at Stanford (ESPN).

Midnight - Professional Tennis: ATP St. Petersburg Semifinal Matches from St. Petersburg, Russia, and ATP Metz Semifinal Matches from Metz, France (TENNIS).

3:30 a.m. - Road Racing: Berlin Marathon from Berlin (NBC SPORTS NETWORK).

MLB STANDINGS

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AMERICAN LEAGUE

EAST DIVISION

	W	L	Pct	GB
z-Boston	88	64	.579	—
New York	85	67	.559	3
Tampa Bay	74	78	.487	14
Baltimore	73	80	.477	15½
Toronto	71	81	.467	17

CENTRAL DIVISION

	W	L	Pct	GB
x-Cleveland	95	57	.625	—
Minnesota	78	74	.513	17
Kansas City	74	77	.490	20½
Detroit	62	90	.408	33
Chicago	60	91	.397	34½

WEST DIVISION

	W	L	Pct	GB
x-Houston	93	58	.616	—
Los Angeles	76	75	.503	17
Texas	75	76	.497	18
Seattle	74	78	.487	19½
Oakland	69	83	.454	24½

z-clinched playoff berth
x-clinched division

WEDNESDAY'S GAMES

N.Y. Yankees 11, Minnesota 3
Oakland 3, Detroit 2

Boston 9, Baltimore 0
Kansas City 15, Toronto 5

Tampa Bay 8, Chicago Cubs 1
Houston 4, Chicago White Sox 3

Cleveland 6, L.A. Angels 5
Texas 8, Seattle 6

THURSDAY'S GAMES

Cleveland at L.A. Angels, 4:07 p.m.
Tampa Bay at Baltimore, 7:05 p.m.

Kansas City at Toronto, 7:07 p.m.
Minnesota at Detroit, 7:10 p.m.

Chicago White Sox at Houston, 8:10 p.m.
Texas at Seattle, 10:10 p.m.

TODAY'S GAMES

Tampa Bay (Cobb 11-10) at Baltimore (Jimenez 6-10), 7:05 p.m.

N.Y. Yankees (Tanaka 12-11) at Toronto (Estrada 9-8), 7:07 p.m.

Boston (Porcello 10-17) at Cincinnati (Romano 5-6), 7:10 p.m.

Minnesota (Gibson 11-10) at Detroit (Norris 4-7), 7:10 p.m.

Kansas City (Hammel 8-12) at Chicago White Sox (Lopez 2-3), 8:10 p.m.

L.A. Angels (Richards 0-2) at Houston (Verlander 13-8), 8:10 p.m.

Texas (Martinez 3-6) at Oakland (Graveman 5-4), 10:05 p.m.

Cleveland (Bauer 16-9) at Seattle (Ramirez 5-6), 10:10 p.m.

SATURDAY'S GAMES

L.A. Angels at Houston, 1:05 p.m.
N.Y. Yankees at Toronto, 4:07 p.m.

Boston at Cincinnati, 4:10 p.m.
Cleveland at Seattle, 4:10 p.m.

Minnesota at Detroit, 6:10 p.m.
Tampa Bay at Baltimore, 7:05 p.m.

Kansas City at Chicago White Sox, 7:10 p.m.
Texas at Oakland, 9:05 p.m.

NATIONAL LEAGUE

EAST DIVISION

	W	L	Pct	GB
x-Washington	92	59	.609	—
Miami	72	80	.474	20½
Atlanta	67	83	.447	24½
New York	65	87	.428	27½
Philadelphia	61	92	.399	32

CENTRAL DIVISION

	W	L	Pct	GB
Chicago	84	67	.556	—
Milwaukee	81	71	.533	3½
St. Louis	79	72	.523	5
Pittsburgh	69	84	.451	16
Cincinnati	66	86	.434	18½

WEST DIVISION

	W	L	Pct	GB
z-Los Angeles	97	56	.634	—
Arizona	88	65	.575	9
Colorado	82	70	.539	14½
San Diego	68	84	.447	28½
San Francisco	60	93	.392	37

WEDNESDAY'S GAMES

Chicago Cubs at Milwaukee, 1:05 p.m.
Boston at Cincinnati, 4:10 p.m.

St. Louis at Pittsburgh, 7:05 p.m.
Philadelphia at Atlanta, 7:10 p.m.

Washington 7, Atlanta 3
Arizona 13, San Diego 7

THURSDAY'S GAMES

L.A. Dodgers 5, Philadelphia 4
St. Louis at Cincinnati, 7:10 p.m.

Washington at Atlanta, 7:35 p.m.
Chicago Cubs at Milwaukee, 8:10 p.m.

Colorado at San Diego, 10:10 p.m.

FRIDAY'S GAMES

St. Louis (Wacha 12-8) at Pittsburgh (Nova 11-14), 7:05 p.m.

Boston (Porcello 10-17) at Cincinnati (Romano 5-6), 7:10 p.m.

Washington (Jackson 5-6) at N.Y. Mets (deGrom 15-9), 7:10 p.m.

Chicago Cubs (Lackey 11-11) at Milwaukee (Woodruff 2-2), 7:35 p.m.

Philadelphia (Lively 3-6) at Atlanta (Newcomb 3-8), 7:35 p.m.

Miami (Conley 7-7) at Arizona (Greinke 17-6), 9:40 p.m.

Colorado (Gray 8-4) at San Diego (Lyles 1-3), 10:10 p.m.

San Francisco (Samaradzija 9-14) at L.A. Dodgers (Hill 10-8), 10:10 p.m.

SATURDAY'S GAMES

Chicago Cubs at Milwaukee, 1:05 p.m.
Boston at Cincinnati, 4:10 p.m.

St. Louis at Pittsburgh, 7:05 p.m.
Philadelphia at Atlanta, 7:10 p.m.

Washington at N.Y. Mets, 7:10 p.m.
Miami at Arizona, 8:10 p.m.

Colorado at San Diego, 8:40 p.m.
San Francisco at L.A. Dodgers, 9:10 p.m.

NFL SCHEDULE

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THURSDAY'S GAME

L.A. Rams at San Francisco (late)

SUNDAY'S GAMES

Baltimore vs Jacksonville at London, UK, 9:30 a.m.

New Orleans at Carolina, 1 p.m.

Tampa Bay at Minnesota, 1 p.m.

Denver at Buffalo, 1 p.m.

Pittsburgh at Chicago, 1 p.m.

Miami at N.Y. Jets, 1 p.m.

N.Y. Giants at Philadelphia, 1 p.m.

Atlanta at Detroit, 1 p.m.

Houston at New England, 1 p.m.

Cleveland at Indianapolis, 1 p.m.

Seattle at Tennessee, 4:05 p.m.

PREP FOOTBALL STANDINGS

SCHSL

REGION VI-5A				ALL			
W	L	PF	PA	W	L	PF	PA
Conway	0	0	0	4	0	129	43
Sumter	0	0	0	4	1	163	99
Socastee	0	0	0	3	1	140	109
Carolina Forest	0	0	0	2	2	79	70
West Florence	0	0	0	1	3	68	89
South Florence	0	0	0	0	4	42	104

Timberland	0	0	0	0	2	2	45	43
Bishop Eng.	0	0	0	0	2	2	129	130
Hanahan	0	0	0	0	2	3	106	122
Lake Marion	0	0	0	0	0	4	32	158

Edisto 20, Scott's Branch 18	
Whitmire 36, Branchville 16	
Bethune-Bowman 44, C.A. Johnson 20	
Baptist Hill 18, Cross 14	
C.E. Murray 50, Creek Bridge 0	

Wilson Hall 35, Cardinal Newman 0	
Laurence Manning 40, Heathwood Hall 19	
Ben Lippen 42, Porter-Gaud 28	
Hammond 54, Orangeburg Prep 12	

LAST WEEK'S RESULTS

Sumter 49, Lakewood 21
 West Florence 28, Camden 14
 Manning 20, South Florence 0
 Myrtle Beach 35, Carolina Forest 14
 North Myrtle Beach 41, Socastee 7

LAST WEEK'S RESULTS

Manning 20, South Florence 0
 Burke 34, Lake Marion 26
 Woodland 35, Bishop England 25
 Hanahan 20, St. John's 14
 Cane Bay 23, Timberland 6

TODAY'S GAMES

Timmonsville at Scott's Branch
 Hemingway at C.E. Murray
 Lake Marion at Cross
 Branchville at Palmetto Christian
 Whitmire at Bethune-Bowman

TODAY'S GAMES

Wilson Hall at Thomas Sumter
 Hammond at Cardinal Newman
 Ben Lippen at Pinewood Prep
 Porter-Gaud at Heathwood Hall

TODAY'S GAMES

St. James at Socastee
 Wilson at West Florence
 Conway at Myrtle Beach
 South Florence at Darlington
 Carolina Forest at Loris

TODAY'S GAMES

May River at Manning
 Academic Magnet at Bishop England
 Timberland at Berkeley
 Lake Marion at Cross
 Cane Bay at Hanahan

REGION VI-1A

REGION				ALL			
W	L	PF	PA	W	L	PF	PA
Hemingway	0	0	0	4	0	223	51
Lake View	0	0	0	3	1	127	60
Green Sea-F.	0	0	0	2	2	104	33
Hannah-P.	0	0	0	2	2	79	83
Creek Bridge	0	0	0	0	5	8	190
E. Clarendon	0	0	0	0	5	41	215

REGION II-2A

REGION				ALL				
W	L	PF	PA	W	L	PF	PA	
Trinity-Byrnes	2	0	96	35	4	1	207	107
Florence C.	1	0	27	9	2	3	148	212
Spartanburg C.	1	0	50	34	2	3	131	151
Th. Sumter	1	1	66	78	2	3	121	157
Robert E. Lee	0	1	28	48	3	2	162	151
Augusta C.	0	1	28	32	2	2	70	118
Oakbrook P.	0	2	16	69	0	5	54	196

REGION VI-4A

REGION				ALL			
W	L	PF	PA	W	L	PF	PA
Hartsville	0	0	0	4	1	150	87
Crestwood	0	0	0	3	2	119	70
Lugoff-Elgin	0	0	0	3	2	127	156
Lakewood	0	0	0	2	3	100	111
Darlington	0	0	0	1	4	82	189

REGION IV-2A

REGION				ALL				
W	L	PF	PA	W	L	PF	PA	
Buford	1	0	28	27	4	0	127	102
Cheraw	1	0	29	20	4	1	198	96
A. Jackson	1	0	28	0	2	45	70	
Chesterfield	0	0	0	0	4	0	194	58
Lee Central	0	1	27	28	4	1	163	59
Central	0	1	20	29	1	3	53	103
North Central	0	1	0	28	1	3	61	141

LAST WEEK'S RESULTS

Lamar 43, East Clarendon 6
 Hannah-Pamplico 20, Timmonsville 16
 Green Sea-Floyds 61, Military Magnet 3
 Hemingway 67, Waccamaw 6
 C.E. Murray 50, Creek Bridge 0

LAST WEEK'S RESULTS

Thomas Sumter 32, Augusta Christian 28
 Robert E. Lee 45, Pee Dee 21
 Dixie 28, Spartanburg Christian 6
 Christian Academy 57, Florence Christian 56
 Trinity-Byrnes 42, Oakbrook Prep 7

LAST WEEK'S RESULTS

Crestwood 38, Marion 6
 Sumter 49, Lakewood 21
 Darlington 36, Lake City 8
 South Aiken 42, Lugoff-Elgin 0
 Hartsville 21, Marlboro County 14

LAST WEEK'S RESULTS

Buford 28, Lee Central 27
 Cheraw 29, Central 20
 Chesterfield 48, Indian Land 25
 Andrew Jackson 28, North Central 0

TODAY'S GAMES

Hemingway at C.E. Murray
 Camden Military at Green Sea-Floyds
 Hannah-Pamplico at Waccamaw

TODAY'S GAMES

Wilson Hall at Thomas Sumter
 Carolina Academy at Robert E. Lee
 Trinity-Byrnes at Florence Christian
 Augusta Christian at Oakbrook Prep

TODAY'S GAMES

Lamar at Crestwood
 Wade Hampton (H) at Lakewood
 Lancaster at Lugoff-Elgin
 South Florence at Darlington

TODAY'S GAMES

Lee Central at Chesterfield
 North Central at Great Falls
 Cheraw at Buford
 Andrew Jackson at Central

SCISA

3A REGION				ALL				
W	L	PF	PA	W	L	PF	PA	
Hammond	3	0	124	53	4	0	165	68
Pinewood Prep	1	0	31	14	2	2	48	88
Laurence M. Wilson Hall	2	1	101	75	4	1	227	84
Ben Lippen	2	1	69	44	3	1	104	64
Porter-Gaud	2	1	117	69	2	2	129	113
O-burg Prep	1	2	52	92	3	2	111	105
Cardinal N.	0	3	28	95	2	3	90	139
Heathwood H.	0	3	39	124	1	4	95	172

8-MAN DIVISION II

REGION				ALL				
W	L	PF	PA	W	L	PF	PA	
Patrick Henry	1	0	30	28	3	1	114	90
Andrew Jackson	0	0	0	0	3	0	106	32
Clarendon Hall	0	1	28	30	4	1	216	125

REGION VII-3A

REGION				ALL				
W	L	PF	PA	W	L	PF	PA	
Manning	0	0	0	0	5	0	136	66

REGION V-1A

REGION				ALL				
W	L	PF	PA	W	L	PF	PA	
Bethune-B.	0	0	0	0	4	1	166	69
C.E. Murray	0	0	0	0	4	1	154	55
Branchville	0	0	0	0	3	1	110	66
Scott's Branch	0	0	0	0	2	2	86	68
Cross	0	0	0	0	1	2	60	38

LAST WEEK'S RESULTS

Hammond 30, Pinewood Prep 14
 Laurence M. Wilson Hall 27, Ben Lippen 14
 Porter-Gaud 28, O-burg Prep 14
 Cardinal N. 28, Heathwood H. 14

LAST WEEK'S RESULTS

Patrick Henry 30, Clarendon Hall 28
 Andrew Jackson Academy 36, Holly Hill 8

TODAY'S GAMES

Richard Winn at Clarendon Hall
 St. John's Christian at Andrew Jackson Academy
 Jefferson Davis at Patrick Henry



TREVOR ZION BAUKNIGHT / THE SUMTER ITEM

Thomas Sumter Academy's Richard Huntley (40) and the Generals look to build off their last-second victory last week when they take on Wilson Hall today at General Field in Dalzell at 7:30 p.m.

MOMENTUM

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points per game. TSA, which is 2-3 on the year, got four touchdown passes from quarterback Eli Kessinger — two of which went to Zach Fugate and two to Dante Linder, including the game-winning 34-yard strike as time expired. The Generals QB finished with 357 yards passing and Fugate had 176 yards receiving.

"It was a heck of a play and the kids really responded with that drive," TSA head coach Troy Kessinger said. "They played their hearts out and competed."

"...They don't get down and they don't give up. They've battled in every game so far. Hopefully this will help us turn a corner and let them understand that at any time we can get things done."

Coach Kessinger was also pleased with the way his defense responded a week after giving up 50 points to Spartanburg Christian.

"We've got some kids who haven't played in a while or haven't played at all and they're part of that defense

PREP SCHEDULE

TODAY

Varsity Football
 Lamar at Crestwood, 7:30 p.m.
 Wade Hampton at Lakewood, 7:30 p.m.
 May River at Manning, 7:30 p.m.
 Lee Central at Chesterfield, 7:30 p.m.
 Timmonsville at Scott's Branch, 7:30 p.m.
 Wilson Hall at Thomas Sumter, 7:30 p.m.
 Carolina at Robert E. Lee, 7:30 p.m.
 Richard Winn at Clarendon Hall, 7:30 p.m.

Varsity Boys Soccer
 Legacy Christian at Sumter Christian, 5 p.m.

Varsity Volleyball
 Legacy Christian at Sumter Christian, 5 p.m.

SATURDAY

Varsity Cross Country
 Sumter in Pee Dee Classic (at Freedom Florence), 9 a.m.

Varsity and JV Equestrian
 Wilson Hall in Interscholastic Equestrian Association Competition (at Tally Ho Equestrian Center in Timmonsville), TBA

Varsity Volleyball
 Sumter, Robert E. Lee in North Central Invitational, TBA

that's slowly figuring things out," he said. "We got a little better last week. We were sticking to our jobs and keeping to our keys."

That will be especially critical this week when facing the Barons' run attack which churned up over 340 yards on the ground alone last week. "They option you and they

counter you, so you've just got to read your keys," Coach Kessinger said. "They've got some fast kids and some big kids up front, so it's going to be a challenge for us."

The Generals offense will likewise be the same for the Barons defense, especially the secondary. TSA has thrown the ball on average more this year than in any other time during his tenure, Coach Kessinger said.

WH's brand-new secondary has performed well as of late — registering seven picks over the last two games. Two of those were by Chandler Scott, who also finished with four tackles against the Cardinals. Mitchell Matthews had 11 tackles and two sacks.

"It was kind of the newest part of the team," Jarecki said. "Chandler Scott hadn't played football before and the other three played different positions last year. So they're brand new, but all four are some of our better athletes and they're back there for a reason."

"I think the coaches have done a nice job of preparing them for what they're going to face each week and they've responded."

STALEY

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how the Gamecocks lost three-fifths of their lineup in center Alaina Coates and guards Kaela Davis and Allisha Gray, all who were first-round WNBA draft picks.

Gray, who's taking classes at South Carolina to finish up her degree, was voted the league's rookie of the year this week. Staley took a photo of Gray's award sitting next to the national championship trophy in the entrance to the Gamecocks' basketball offices.

"How about that?" Staley beamed, standing in front of the trophy case.

If the Gamecocks want more hardware, they will lean heavily on two-time Southeastern Conference player of the year, All-American A'ja Wilson.

Wilson took her game to another level during the NCAA Tournament, so much so that Staley chuckled remembering how teammate Gray told the 6-foot-5 forward she had to calm herself in the title game win over Mississippi State.

This season, Wilson will be the Gamecocks' unquestioned centerpiece.

"She's a senior," Staley said. "She's the one picking out the furniture."

Behind Wilson is a roster with very little starting experience. That's why Staley is both eager and edgy when thinking of how they'll fit together when practice opens early next month.

To Staley, that's the true joy of coaching for her.

Many championship programs like UConn mold the

players into a system, Staley said. That's not what happens with the Gamecocks, who often change up offensive styles to take advantage of their players' strengths.

She recalled sitting around her office table with her four players (Coates, Davis, Gray and Wilson) and explaining how it would be next to impossible that each one would get the same amount of touches, accolades or attention during the season.

The group had to shift its roles again when Coates was ruled out of the NCAAs with a significant ankle injury. Staley went to a more free-flowing offensive attack to take advantage of Davis and Gray's outside skills.

"They had to accept their roles," Staley said. "If we can get this year's group to do the same, we'll have a chance."

The Japan trip for a three-game exhibition in June gave Staley an early look at the makeup of this year's team.

Staley, who never really wanted to coach, marveled at run of success.

"We wondered if we committed professional suicide" after her first two years at South Carolina, Staley said.

The Gamecocks have won four straight SEC regular-season titles and three consecutive league tournaments. Staley knows that just a start of the extended dominance Tennessee enjoyed during the 1980s, 1990s and 2000s. Staley's not putting a time limit how long the Gamecocks run will last.

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BRYANT

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was the not the easiest time of his career. "Definitely, it was hard," he said. "All my life, I was so used to being the guy running out there with the first team so now I had to take a step back. "But I also feel it was a step forward," Bryant continued, "because I had to learn to be patient and be ready." One of Bryant's best teachers in that regard was his predecessor. Watson, 28-2 as a starter his final two seasons, would counsel the young quarterback on keeping calm and not wanting to rush the moment. Once Bryant accepted his role with the Tigers, he went about doing all he could to leave little doubt about who Clemson's next QB1 should be. Not that Bryant — who had just 18 throws his first two seasons on the bench — had convinced outsiders about his ability. While head coach Dabo Swinney said Bryant would start the spring as No. 1, he left the door open for strong-armed redshirt freshman Zerrick Cooper and five-star true freshman Hunter Johnson, who had enrolled shortly after

COLLEGE FOOTBALL SCHEDULE	
STATE THURSDAY South Carolina State at North Carolina Central (late)	SEC SATURDAY (1) Alabama at Vanderbilt, 3:30 p.m. (WLTX 19) (17) Mississippi State at (11) Georgia, 7 p.m. (ESPN) (15) Auburn at Missouri, 7:30 p.m. (ESPN) (20) Florida at Kentucky, 7:30 p.m. (SEC NETWORK) Syracuse at (25) LSU, 7 p.m. (ESPN2) Texas A&M vs. Arkansas, noon (ESPN) Massachusetts at Tennessee, noon (SEC NETWORK)
SATURDAY Boston College at (2) Clemson, 3:30 p.m. (ESPN2, WWBD-FM 94.7, WPUB-FM 102.7) Louisiana Tech at South Carolina, 3:30 p.m. (SEC NETWORK, WIBZ-FM 95.5, WNKT-FM 107.5) Furman at Colgate, 1 p.m. Gardner-Webb at Wofford, 1:30 p.m. Point at Charleston Southern, 6 p.m. Cumberland at Presbyterian, 7 p.m. Western Illinois at Coastal Carolina, 6:30 p.m. (WWFN-FM 100.1) Newberry at Carson-Newman, 1 p.m. Limestone at North Greenville, 7 p.m. Benedict at Fort Valley State, 2 p.m. (WXLC-FM 103.1)	TOP 25 THURSDAY Temple at (21) South Florida (late)
ACC TODAY Virginia at Boise State, 8 p.m.	TODAY (23) Utah at Arizona, 10:30 p.m. (FOX SPORTS 1)
SATURDAY N.C. State at (12) Florida State, noon (WOLO 25) Old Dominion at (13) Virginia Tech, 2 p.m. Toledo at (14) Miami, 3:30 p.m. (FOX SPORTS SOUTHEAST) Kent State at (19) Louisville, noon (FOX SPORTS SOUTHEAST) Wake Forest at Appalachian State, 3:30 p.m. Pittsburgh at Georgia Tech, 12:20 p.m. Duke at North Carolina, 3:30 p.m. (ESPN)	SATURDAY (3) Oklahoma at Baylor, 6:30 p.m. (FOX SPORTS 1) (4) Penn State at Iowa, 7:30 p.m. (WOLO 25) (5) Southern Cal at California, 3:30 p.m. (WOLO 25) (16) Texas Christian at (6) Oklahoma State, 3:30 p.m. (ESPN) (7) Washington at Colorado, 10 p.m. (FOX SPORTS 1) (8) Michigan at Purdue, 4 p.m. (WACH 57) UNLV at (10) Ohio State, noon Nevada at (18) Washington State, 6 p.m. (22) San Diego State at Air Force, 7 p.m. (24) Oregon at Arizona State, 10 p.m.

Clemson's national title victory. Bryant's patience paid off, quarterback coach Brandon Streeter said, as the junior did all the right things to earn the job outright. In the past two games, Bryant's elevated himself into the Heisman conversation. Against Auburn, Bryant was briefly knocked out of the game when he lost his wind during a

hard hit and Clemson trailing 6-0. Bryant rallied the Tigers to two long touchdown drives, both ended on Bryant TD runs, for a 14-6 victory. Bryant left little doubt about the better quarterback in the much-hyped showdown with Louisville's Heisman winner Lamar Jackson. Bryant threw for a career-best 316 yards that included a 79-yard TD pass to Ray-Ray McCloud.

PANTHERS

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Olsen is eligible to return to action Nov. 26. For now the Panthers will lean more heavily on backup tight end Ed Dickson, who hasn't been a big part of the Carolina passing game in recent years but caught 54 passes for the Baltimore Ravens in 2011. Dickson has been on some pretty good defensive-led teams in Baltimore, but said this Carolina defense is "scary." "As an offense we have to do what we can to help them out," Dickson said. If there is ever a week for the Panthers to get back on track it could be this one. The Saints rank last in the league in defense and surrendered 36 points to the New England Patriots last week. Dickson believes the Panthers have been very close to blowing games wide open but just missed on a few plays. In the season opener Newton overthrew Dickson, who was running wide open in the secondary in what would have been an easy TD. Newton overthrew Christian McCaffrey for another potential score against Buffalo and a Bills defender dislodged the ball from Kelvin Benjamin's chest with a vicious hit in the end zone to prevent another touchdown. "If we score another two touchdowns it's a blowout and we're talking about something else," Dickson said. "So we can't panic. We just have to complete some of those plays. We will. We are still growing as an offense." Part of the problem last week was pass protection. The Panthers were without two-time All-Pro center Ryan Kalil who missed the game with neck soreness.

OBITUARIES

BETTY JEAN S. BETHEL

Funeral services for Betty Jean Smith Bethel will be held at 1 p.m. on Saturday at Bethel AME Church, 1605 S. Kings Highway, 261 South, Wedgefield, with the Rev. Larry Clark as pastor and Pastor Marie Sanders as eulogist.

The public may view from 2 to 8 p.m. today at Palmer Memorial Chapel, 304 S. Main St., Sumter.

Mrs. Bethel will be placed in the church at noon on Saturday for further viewing until the hour of service.

Mrs. Bethel transitioned on Monday, Sept. 18, 2017, at her residence in Sumter.

She was a daughter of the late Richard Ramsey Sr. and Mary Jane Smith. Betty was a graduate of Hillcrest High School Class of 1973. She continued her education in the field of nursing and, in later years, was employed by Cypress Nursing Facility and Personal Care of Sumter. She was married to the late Andrew C. Bethel. Mrs. Bethel began her Christian experience at Bethel AME Church and later joined Anointed Word Christian Worship Center in Dalzell.

In addition to her parents and husband, she was preceded in death by her siblings, Edith Lawrence, Marie Beale, Abe Smith Jr., Otis Smith and Joseph Ramsey; and a granddaughter, Terrica Monae Butler.

Survivors include her children, Connie Butler and Gevetta Smith of Sumter; five stepchildren, Elder Eugene D. (Elder Yvonne) Bethel, Arnela "Lenny" (Ronnie) Mouzon, Minister Marie D. (Pastor / Dr. Charles) Williams Jr., Minister Chris (Brenda) Bethel, Lawanda D. Bethel, Yatta S. Saunders and Edna M. Saunders of various cities; seven sisters, Janie Lee Cook of New York, Mary

Louise Archie, Virginia Nathaniel, Mary Ann (Oddie) Edwards, Carolyn (Michael) Alston and Thelma Ramsey, all of Sumter, and Rosa Hill of California; four brothers, Richard (Minnie) Ramsey Jr., Willie (Ruth) Ramsey, Elijah (Rosa) Ramsey and James L. (Annie Mae) Green, all of Sumter; 15 grandchildren; a host of great-grandchildren, nieces, nephews and other relatives.

Condolences may be made on her tribute page found at www.PalmerMemorialChapel.com.

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WILLIAM J. CLARK JR.

MANNING — William James "Billy" Clark Jr., 87, widower of Irene Elaine Nakonieczny Clark, died on Wednesday, Sept. 20, 2017, at Carolinas Medical Center in Pineville, North Carolina.

Born on Nov. 24, 1929, in Kingstree, he was a son of the late William James Clark Sr. and Flowers "Blossom" Norris Clark. He was a U.S. Navy veteran, a Mason and a member of Jordan United Methodist Church.

He is survived by two daughters, Cynthia Clark Kennedy (Tony) of Tega Cay and Simone Clark Morris (Ed) of Evans, Georgia; a brother, retired Lt. Col. Robert N. Clark (Sylvia) of Manning; and four grandchildren, Rebecca Kennedy, Rachel Kennedy, Sean Morris and Haylee Morris.

A funeral service will be held at noon on Saturday in the chapel of Stephens Funeral Home with the Rev. Katherine Haselden officiating. Burial will follow at Manning Cemetery.

Pallbearers will be Tony Kennedy, Ed Morris, Sean Morris, Johnny Odom, Ron Wall and Louis Griffith.

Visitation will be one hour prior to the service from 11 a.m. to noon at Stephens Funeral Home.

Memorials may be made to Jordan United Methodist Church, c/o Colleen Bouchette, 2048 Bethlehem Road, Manning, SC 29102 or to A Second Chance Animal Shelter, P.O. Box 607, Manning, SC 29102.

Stephens Funeral Home & Crematory, 304 N. Church St., Manning, is in charge of arrangements, (803) 435-2179. www.stephensfuneralhome.org

SADIE R. DUKE

NEW ZION — Sadie Roberson Duke, 81, widow of Melvin Albertus Duke, died on Wednesday, Sept. 20, 2017, at McLeod Hospice House in Florence.

Born on May 15, 1936, in Alcolu, she was a daughter of the late James Montallion Roberson and Annie Covington Driggers Roberson. She was a member of Midway Presbyterian Church, the ladies Sunday school class and the Midway Women's Circle.

She is survived by a stepson, Steve Duke (Robin) of Hartsville; two sons, Terrell Duke of New Zion and Lyn Duke of Florence; a daughter, Shirlene Duke Blanton of Florence; a brother, Sanford Roberson (Ann) of Lake Junaluska, North Carolina; two sisters, Pauline Evans of Lynchburg and Connie Martens (Steve) of Summerton; 13 grandchildren; and nine great-grandchildren.

In addition to her husband and parents, she was preceded in death by a son, a stepson, two brothers and a sister.

A funeral service will be held at 3:30 p.m. on Saturday in the chapel of Stephens Funeral Home with the Rev. Mike Lowder officiating. Burial will follow at Midway Presbyterian Church Cemetery.

Grandsons will serve as pallbearers. Visitation will be one hour prior to the service from 2:30 to 3:30 p.m. at Stephens Funeral Home.

Memorials may be made to Midway Presbyterian Church, c/o Wendell Robinson, 1215 Evans Road, New Zion, SC 29111.

Stephens Funeral Home & Crematory, 304 N. Church St., Manning, is in charge of arrangements, (803) 435-2179. www.stephensfuneralhome.org

MARY JANE G. DOW

Mary Jane Glover Dow, 88, died on Saturday, Sept. 16, 2017.

Funeral services will be held at 1 p.m. on Saturday at Taw Caw Missionary Baptist Church in Summerton, where Dr. W.T. Johnson serves as pastor.

Viewing will be held from 1 to 6 p.m. today at the funeral home.

Funeral arrangements are entrusted to Summerton Funeral Home LLC, 23 S. Duke St., Summerton, (803) 485-3755.

MICHAEL J. TAYLOR

Michael James Taylor, age 61, beloved husband of Karen Kopecki Taylor, died on Tuesday, Sept. 19, 2017, at Palmetto Health Tuomey.

Arrangements are incomplete at this time and will be announced by Bullock Funeral Home.



THOMAS GATHERS JR.

Thomas Gathers Jr. entered into eternal rest on Sunday, Sept. 10, 2017, at the University of Rochester Medical Center.

Born on Nov. 21, 1934, in

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MATTIE Y. GORE

Mattie Y. Gore was born on April 20, 1946, in Lee County, a daughter of the late Shepherd York Sr. and Willie Mae York. After an extended illness, she peacefully departed this life on Sept. 17, 2017, at Palmetto Health Baptist, Columbia, surrounded by her loving family.

Mattie was reared in her hometown of St. Charles and attended the public schools of Lee County. Later in life, she decided to move to New York. In 1964, she was united in holy matrimony to Sammie Lee Gore. From this union, they became the proud parents of one lovely daughter and two sons. She became a member of Brownsville Baptist Church in Brooklyn, New York. She was employed with Brooklyn Water Department for many years. Mattie later decided to return to South Carolina and rejoin Unionville AME Church. Due to health issues, Mattie was unable to attend church on a regular basis. During this transition, she partnered with Grace Revolution, where she kept the faith and praised God for all his blessings. Mattie, affectionately known as "Mattie J" or "Nana," had a smile that would light up a room. She enjoyed being with her family and friends. No one could be sad around her because she had an encouraging, uplifting spirit. Mattie loved cooking and her specialty was soul food. When she knew someone liked a particular dish, she would prepare it for them. It was one of her ways she would show her love. No one was a stranger in her home. Mattie J also loved taking care of the elderly and gardening in her spare time.

Mattie leaves to cherish fond memories: a daughter, Angela Gore Foy of Columbia; two sons, Andre Gore of Albany, New York, and Anthony (Natalee) Gore of Columbia; two sisters, Flora York LaRaue of Sumter and Barbara Patricia Michael of Lamar; two brothers-in-law, Reginald LaRaue of Sumter and Willie Michael of Lamar; five grandchildren; two adopted grandchildren; three great-grandchildren; a host of nieces, nephews, close relatives and friends.

Public viewing will be held from 2 to 6 p.m. today at Job's Mortuary.

Mrs. Gore will be placed in the church at 10 a.m. on Saturday for viewing until the hour of service.

Funeral services will be held at 11 a.m. on Saturday at Unionville AME Church, 2036 Swimming Pen Road, Mayesville, with the pastor, the Rev. Alvin Webb, officiating. Interment will follow at Unionville AME Church Cemetery, Mayesville.

The family will be receiving friends at the home, 316 Denby Circle, Columbia, SC 29229.

Job's Mortuary Inc., 312 S. Main St., Sumter, is in charge of arrangements.

Online memorials may be sent to the family at jobsmortuary@sc.rr.com or visit us on the web at www.jobsmortuary.net.

COURTNEY S. LUCAS

Courtney Shataraya Lucas, 26, was born on Oct. 21, 1990, in Sumter, a daughter of Larry C. Bolden and Beverly Lucas. She departed this life on Saturday, Sept. 16, 2017, at Rockdale Medical Center, Conyers, Georgia.

Public viewing will be held from 2 to 6 p.m. today at Job's Mortuary.

Ms. Lucas will be placed in the church at 9 a.m. on Saturday until the hour of service.

Funeral service will be held at 10 a.m. on Saturday at Salem Chapel & Heritage Center (Westend Community Church), 101 S. Salem Ave., Sumter, SC 29150 with the Rev. Craig Anderson officiating. Interment will follow at Hillside Memorial Park.

The family will be receiving friends at the home, 1767 Polaris Drive, Sumter, SC 29150.

Job's Mortuary Inc., 312 S. Main St., Sumter, is in charge of arrangements.

CECIL W. LAUNIUS

Cecil Weldon Launius, 82, husband of Margaret Barkley Launius, died on Wednesday, Sept. 20, 2017, at his home.

Services will be announced

by Elmore Hill McCreight Funeral Home & Crematory, 221 Broad St., Sumter, (803) 775-9386.



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AMY D. BUTLER

Amy Denise Butler was born on Dec. 5, 1981, in Sumter County, a daughter of Dorine Wilson and the late Joseph Wright. She attended public schools in Sumter County. Amy was an outgoing, loving person, who was loved by many. She loved taking care of kids. She loved her family and friends but she loved herself best.

Amy leaves loving and precious memories to be cherished by her mother, Dorine (Anthony) Wilson; two sisters, Patricia (Devon) Dunham of Sumter and Crystal Pressley of Raleigh, North Carolina; a brother, Antonio Singleton of Sumter; a grandmother, Rosa Lee White of Sumter; a great-aunt, Rosa Mae Dix of Sumter; other relatives and friends.

Funeral services will be held at 3 p.m. on Saturday at Lakewood High School Fine Arts Center, Sumter, with the Rev. Cartrell Woods Jr. officiating. Burial will follow at Bradford Cemetery.

The family is receiving friends at the home of her mother, 1150 Flamingo Road.

The staff of Sumter Funeral Services Inc. is in charge of arrangements.

MICHELLE DINKINS

Michelle Dinkins was born on April 2, 1973, in Sumter, to Barbara Dinkins-Frierson and Edmond Williams. She made her transition from this earthly life to eternal life on Sept. 14, 2017, after a tragic accident.

Michelle attended Sumter High School. Michelle worked as a packer at Piggly Wiggly and later worked as a server at Shoney's. She was well loved by all who encountered her.

She leaves to cherish: her beloved daughters, Tiffany Dinkins of Sumter and Monieke Woods of Charleston; sons, Troy Woods and Marcus Dinkins, both of Sumter; her mother, Barbara Dinkins-Frierson of Sumter; her father, Edmond Williams of Baltimore; her sisters, Yolanda Wright and Cheryl (Carl) Graham of Sumter; her brothers, Samuel Frierson Jr., Timothy (Vertina) Dinkins and Clarence Williams of Sumter; grandparents, Annie McCleod of Baltimore and Mary (Jessie) Frierson; a special aunt, Lillie (Larry) Willson of Sumter; seven grandchildren; a host of aunts, uncles, cousins, nephews, nieces, relatives and friends.

Funeral services will be held at 1 p.m. on Saturday at Kingsbury Road Church of Christ with Melvin Sapp, evangelist. Brother Matthew Pugh will deliver the eulogy.

Burial will follow at Bradford Cemetery.

The family is receiving friends at the home, 402 Boulevard Road, Sumter.

The staff of Sumter Funeral Services Inc. is in charge of arrangements.

SONIA D. WEST

FLORENCE — Sonia Denise West, 56, died on Wednesday, Sept. 20, 2017, at her home in Florence.

Born on July 11, 1961, in England, at Royal Air Force Mildenhall, she was a daughter of James R. "Bob" West and Doris E. West.

Survivors include her parents of Sumter; one son, Chris Reardon (Diana) of Sumter; one daughter, Jordan Korb (Bryce) of Sumter; four grandchildren, Cade Reardon, Finn Reardon, Delaine Korb and Isabelle Korb; and one brother, Ritchie West (Kim) of Sumter. She had many nieces and nephews and so many other family members that she loved dearly.

A memorial service will be held at 2:30 p.m. on Sunday in the Elmore-Cannon-Stephens Funeral Home Chapel with the Rev. Al Sims officiating.

The family will receive friends following the service on Sunday at Elmore-Cannon-Stephens Funeral Home.

Memorials may be made to Lighthouse Ministries, 201 E. Elm St., Florence, SC 29506, www.lighthouseflorence.org.

Elmore-Cannon-Stephens Funeral Home and Crematorium of Sumter is in charge of the arrangements.

CLAYTON PLOWDEN SR.

Clayton Plowden Sr., 61, took flight from this world of turmoil and pain and fell into the arms of the Lord on Saturday, Sept. 16, 2017, at Palmetto Health Tuomey.

Born on Sept. 18, 1955, in Lee County, he was a son of the late William T. and Flossie Briggs Plowden. At an early age, he joined Unionville AME Church. He received his education in the public schools of Lee County. For many years, he worked as a roofer for Roof Co. in Sumter, before his health began to fail.

"Bill," as he was affectionately called by his family and friends, leaves to cherish his memories: one son, Clayton (Latarsha) Plowden Jr.; stepchildren, Marcus, Jennifer and Robert, all of Sumter; 12 grandchildren; one great-grandchild; his brothers, Roosevelt Plowden, Nathaniel Plowden and Douglass (Cynthia) Plowden, all of Maryland; his sisters, Rosa M. Singletary, Martha (James) Vickers and Mary (Richard) Hammond, all of Fort Pierce, Florida, and Jannie Edwards, Beatrice Plowden and Mable (James) Spann, all of Mayesville; niece, Juanita McGainey, reared in the home; nephew, Wardell (Cynthia) Plowden, reared in the home; one aunt, Bessie Wilson of Mayesville; a host of other nieces, nephews, relatives and friends.

Homegoing services will be held at 3 p.m. on Saturday at

Unionville AME Church, 1330 Swimming Pen Road, Mayesville, with the Rev. Alvin Webb, pastor, eulogist.

The family is receiving relatives and friends at the home of his son, 405 Dogwood Drive, Sumter.

The remains will be placed in the church at 2 p.m.

The procession will leave at 2:20 p.m. from the home.

Burial will be in Unionville AME Church cemetery.

These services have been entrusted to the management and staff of Williams Funeral Home Inc., 821 N. Main St., Sumter.

Online memorial messages may be sent to the family at williamsfuneralhome@sc.rr.com. Visit us on the web at www.williamsfuneralhomeinc.com.

ROSA LEE CHARLES

Rosa Lee "Handful" Charles was born on July 9, 1935, in Lee County, a daughter of the late Robert and Elsie Wilson of Sumter. She departed this life on Saturday, Sept. 16, 2017.

She received her education in Lee County public schools in Mayesville. Mrs. Charles was married to the late Yancy McCray and William Charles Jr. She was a lifetime member of New Zion AME Church, joining at an early age, and was always actively involved in many church activities. She served as the church dietician and was a member of the Chancellor Church Choir, Missionary Zone 1, Stewardess Board 11 and Daughters of Sarah.

Mrs. Charles was a devoted and loving mother, grandmother and great-grandmother. She had a passion for cooking, gardening and caring for family and friends.

One of her greatest gifts was her compassion for others, which often involved preparing meals and caring for others. One of her specialty dishes was macaroni and cheese that family and friends always looked forward to eating on Sundays and holidays. She was devoted to her church, had a strong faith, loved Sunday school, midday Tuesday Bible Study, and reading her Bible. One of her favorite scriptures was Psalm 121:1-8 (King James version). She also enjoyed socializing with her Christmas and Birthday (C&B) Club.

She leaves to cherish her memories: five daughters, Lillie Patterson and Victoria (Arrenal) Wilkins of Sumter, Seresa McCray-Smith of Winston-Salem, North Carolina, Rosa McCray of Bishopville and Elizabeth (James) Rogers of Newport News, Virginia; four sons, Yancy McCray Jr. and Leaute Charles of Bishopville and Eugene McCray and Russell (Daneea) McCray of Atlanta; one stepson, William (Denise) Charles III of Columbia; three loving sisters, Francis McLeod of Sumter, Mary Alice Champagne of Linden, New Jersey, and Sarah (Bobby) Lewis of Roselle, New Jersey; one godson, Eddie Fortune of Bishop-

ville; 16 grandchildren; 20 great-grandchildren; two great-great-grandchildren; and a host of nephews, nieces, cousins, relatives and friends.

Visitation will be held from 2 to 6 p.m. today at the funeral home.

Funeral service will be held at noon on Saturday at New Zion African Methodist Episcopal Church, Bishopville, with the pastor, the Rev. Archie S. Temoney Sr., officiating. Interment will follow at New Zion Memorial Garden.

Wilson Funeral Home, 403 S. Main St., Bishopville, is in charge of arrangements.

MARY GIBSON

NEW YORK, N.Y. — Mary Gibson, 77, died on Sunday, Sept. 17, 2017, at Mt. Sinai South-St. Luke, New York.

She was born on March 7, 1941, in Manning.

Funeral services will be held at 1 p.m. on Saturday at Spring Hill AME Church, 4309 Bill Davis Road, Summerton, with the Rev. Emma Meller-son, pastor, officiating. Burial will follow at the church cemetery.

These services have been entrusted to Samuels Funeral Home LLC of Manning.

ROOSEVELT HARVIN SR.

Roosevelt Harvin Sr. departed this life on Tuesday, Sept. 19, 2017, at Blue Ridge Nursing Facility, Sumter.

He was a son of the late Wesley and Polly Sumter Harvin. He was raised and educated in Sumter County. He joined St. Paul AME Church at an early age, where he sang in the choir. In later years, he attended and was baptized at Greater Mt. Pisgah Baptist Church.

"Roe," as he was affectionately called, is survived by his wife, the Rev. Dr. Mary Lowery Harvin; 10 children, Christine (Gregg) Warner, Essie Harvin, Roosevelt Harvin Jr., Melvin Harvin, John (Christa) Clark, Tamekia (Shawn) Blanding, Kinte Harvin, Richard Robinson, Sheryl (Eddie) Gaskins and Antionette (Jerome) Lee; one brother, Vivian (Elizabeth) Harvin; 28 grandchildren; 36 great-grandchildren; a host of nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends.

The family is receiving relatives and friends at the home, 2832 August Drive, Sumter.

Homegoing celebration will be held at 11 a.m. on Saturday at St. Paul AME Church-Shaw, 1495 St. Paul Church Road, Sumter, with the Rev. Eric R. Dent, pastor, eulogist.

The remains will be placed in the church at 10 a.m.

The funeral procession will leave at 10:20 a.m. from the home.

Burial will be at Harvin Cemetery, Sumter.

Services directed by the management and staff of Williams Funeral Home Inc., 821 N. Main St., Sumter.

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KNOPSNIDER HAULING & LAWN SERVICES, LLC
Call Larry at 814-445-7691
Servicing the Sumter Area

16 yard roll off trash containers. \$400 each which includes dump fee. Call State Tree Service 803-773-1320

Home Improvements

SBC Construction of Sumter
Metal /Shingle Roofs • Porches • Concrete & Windows
•Water Problems •Tree removal
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Lawn Service

Jan's Lawn Service
Cut grass, shrubs, planting, pine straw. Call 803-491-5375

Legal Service

Attorney Timothy L. Griffith
803-607-9087, 360 W. Westmark.
Criminal, Family, Accident, Injury

Roofing

Robert's Metal Roofing
35 Yrs exp. 45 yr warranty. Financing avail. Expert installation. Long list of satisfied customers. 803-837-1549.

Tree Service

THE TREE DOCTOR
Professional tree care at affordable prices. 4 generations of expert tree care. Over 65 yrs. exp. Tree removal, stump grinding, pruning, lot clearing, bob cat & lot clearing also available. Free estimates. Call 803-720-7147

A Notch Above Tree Care Full quality service low rates, lic./ins., free est BBB accredited 983-9721

Ricky's Tree Service Tree removal, stump grinding, Lic & ins, free quote, 803-435-2223 or cell 803-460-8747.

NEWMAN'S TREE SERVICE
Tree removal, trimming & stump grinding. Lic/Ins 803-316-0128

PETS & ANIMALS

Livestock Supplies / Services

Deer corn and hay for sale. Call 803-305-8156

MERCHANDISE

Garage, Yard & Estate Sales

Yard Sale Sat. 23rd 7-12 at 614 Brown St. Household items.

2870 Joyce St Sat 7:30-12
Moving/Clean out, holiday items, hshld, gardening & much more

Huge Garage Sale! 813 Bay Blossom Ave Sat 8am-1:30pm Too much to list!

Palmetto Towers, Behind K-Mart, Apt. 111, Fri 8am-4pm, Curio Cabinet, Buffet, dolls, ladies lg. clothes, hshold, kitchen, more.

American Legion Flea Market
"Antiques, Old stuff & Collectibles"
Vendors Wanted. Oct.13&14 8-3
Call 803-464-7643

"The Price is Right" Sumter SPCA
Used Items Sale will be held on **Saturday, September 23** at the Korn Memorial Center next to the SPCA. Used and new items such as furniture, collectibles, housewares, jewelry, pet supplies, carriers, crates, scratching posts, pet dishes and more. **Gate opens at 9:00 AM!**

1815 Vintage CT Sat 8-11(Gate will open at 8am) hshld items, fall & Christmas decor

1255 Morris Way Dr. Sat. 7 am - 11 am. Boys & ladies clothes/shoes, washer, dryer, jewelry, toys.

Neighborhood Yard Sale Sat Sept. 23rd 8-12 Wedgelake Dr, Wedgefield off Burnt Gin Rd.

4 Family Sale **415 Newcastle St Granada MHP** (off St Pauls Church RD) **Sat 7-12 Great Bargains**

3540 Green View Pkwy. (Lake-wood Links Subd) Sat. 7am. -? Baby items, clothes, toys and ect.

Big 4 Family Yard Sale Sat. Sept. 23rd 7-12 at 898 Whatley St.

Moving/Estate Sale Sat. 7-3 at 342 West Hampton Ave. In back yard. Numerous household items, furniture, dinner ware and more.

FIND OUT ABOUT THE POWER OF ADVERTISING!

Sumter Item Classifieds
20 N. Magnolia St. • Sumter, SC 29150
803-774-1234

Garage, Yard & Estate Sales

Yard Sale Sept. 22nd & 23rd 8-5 at 815 George Washington Blvd. NO early birds!

3105 Tuckaway Dr. Sat. 8-? toddler boy clothes, toys, kitchen items, nightstand, purses, shoes & more

Moving Sale, **14 Frederick Ct Sat 7-1** Couches, Entertainment center, tools, lawn mower & more

Huge! 922 Kolb Rd Sat 7-12 clothes, toys, misc children items!

Yard Sale Fri. 2pm-? and Sat. morning, at 3301 Landmark Point, behind Alice Drive Baptist Church.

3 Family Yard Sale Sat. 8-1 at 4790 Queen Chapel Rd. Lots of baby & kids toys, kitchen & household items, pictures and decorative items misc..

For Sale or Trade

4 Cemetery Plots in Evergreen Cemetery \$6000 for all 4 Call 803-775-4045

New & used Heat pumps & A/C. Will install/repair, Call 803-968-9549 or 843-992-2364

EMPLOYMENT

Help Wanted Full-Time

Experienced HVAC Service Tech needed for family owned business. EPA certification preferred. Drug/Background check/DL required. Rotating weekend call will be required. Benefits offered. Send resumes or inquire to blindem80@gmail.com

Sheetrock & Vinyl Siding Installer Needed. Must have 6 month experience in one or the other. Call 803-464-2191.
Pay based on experience

Willie Sue's
3355 Patriot Pkwy Sumter
Looking for Experienced Kitchen Staff.
Come in for interview
Mondays 2pm-4pm.

Full Time Sales position available. Some experience preferred but will train. No calls. Apply at Wally's Hardware 1291 Broad St.

General Maintenance for Apt. Complex. Will train qualified applicant. Email resume to: rnonnoitt@powersproperties.com or fax 843-667-6937 or apply in person at 595 Ashton Mill Dr

Evans trailers Positions Available
Welder- Experienced in Mig/Fit Welding and cutting torch
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Starting rate \$15.50
Hours Mon-Thurs 5AM-3:30PM
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Applications taken :
Tues-Wed 8:30am-10:30 and 1:00pm-3:00pm No Phone calls
Apply in person at:
Evans Trailers 1050 Pocalla Rd, Sumter SC 29150

Corner Pantry, Inc.
Corner Pantry is now hiring Store Managers. You will be responsible for managing a profitable retail operation. You must have great customer service skills, be able to hire, train and develop store personnel, maintain monthly audits, and have an environment that's inviting for customers. Great starting salary and benefits; Health, dental and life insurance, 401-K, paid vacations, monthly bonus and many other benefits. Complete your online application and submit resumes to the following link: <https://my.peoplematter.com/cornerpantry/hire>

General Laborer needed for local business. Some HVAC/Duct experience preferred. Drug/Background check is required. Valid DL and must have transportation. Please apply in person at 2160 Thomas Sumter Highway during 8:30am-12:30pm ONLY!

Manning Garden is seeking a qualified maintenance technician. Successful applicants will have experience & skills in general maintenance repair. Plumbing, electrical, punch out, HVAC experience, strong work ethic and a desire to serve the customer. HVAC certified is preferred but not required. We offer an exciting work environment with competitive base salary and benefits. Please apply on-line www.ambling.com/career. Drugs don't work!

Experienced commercial electrician (not industrial) needed. Must be able to project LEAD and read drawings. Call 803-481-3389.

Help Wanted Part-Time

PAYROLL CLERK
Experience required.
Tesco Call 803-773-1515

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Regardless of year, make or model, we will pay you good money for your current vehicle. We can give you a fair price appraisal in 15 minutes.
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Work Wanted

I will sit with your loved ones & do some household chores. Call 803-305-9008.

Handyman, Electrical , Flooring , Carpentry & more. Call Brock Beck 803-406-9742

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Unfurnished Apartments

Senior Living Apartments for those 62+ (Rent based on income)
Shiloh-Randolph Manor
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Studio/1 Bedroom apartments available
EHO

Huntington Place Apartments
Rents from \$625 per month
1 Month free*
*13 Month lease required
Leasing office located at
Ashton Mill Apartment Homes
595 Ashton Mill Drive
803-773-3600
Office Hours: Mon-Fri 9-5

2BR 2BA Townhouse, garage washer/dryer hook up, kit appliances incl. on Dartmouth Dr \$850 Mo/Dep. Call 803-934-0434 or 803-600-1284

Unfurnished Homes

Near Shaw AFB 2BR 1BA Duplex \$500 Mo.+1 Mo. Dep Call 803-458-8333

Mobile Home Rentals

3BR 2BA 1002 Driftwood Ct, Sumter C/H/A Fireplace, fridge, stove, washer & dryer, storage bldg \$650 mo +\$650 Dep. Call 864-872-4269

Acree - Farm Rentals

Farm land for lease. Call for details 480-457-0895

REAL ESTATE

Homes for Sale

The Arbors OPEN HOUSE
Sunday 2-5
2801 Girard Drive

Manufacturing Housing

2BR 1BA SW MH For Sale \$3500. Serious Inq. only Call 803-566-3814

Park it in the **CLASSIFIEDS** and watch it go fast!

Mobile Home with Lots



MUST SELL! 5 Coulter Dr. Wedgefield, Fleetwood 3br 2ba, den w/ fireplace, completely remodeled. like new, on 0.45 ac lot in cozy neighborhood. **Only \$47,500.** Please call (803) 458-7478.

Land & Lots for Sale

OWNER FINANCING! 8.2 acres in Lee county, 12 miles to Sumter. Call or text 803-464-5813.

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RECREATION

Hunting / Fishing

Hunting Land for Lease, for deer stands in Clarendon County. Call (803) 473-8896 or (803) 473-3301

TRANSPORTATION

Autos For Sale

Cars, Trucks and Vans starting at \$999
Price is Right Auto Sales
3210 Broad St 803-494-4275

Miscellaneous



Refurbished batteries as low as \$45. **New batteries** as low as \$59.95. 6v golf cart battery as low as \$59.95. Auto Electric Co., 102 Blvd Rd. 803-773-4381



LEGAL NOTICES

Legal Notice

PUBLIC AUCTION
LIBERTY MINI STORAGE
1180 OLD W. LIBERTY
SUMTER, S.C. 29150
October 5, 2017
11:00 a.m.

Units for Auction:
A-06 Amber Barnette
B-30 Emanuel Conyers
C-02 J. Conyers
C-20 Anthony Beard
C-26 Kayla Barbare
C-31 Lillian Hastie
F-08 Chris Steele
F-06 Michael Young
F-24 Emma Hamilton
F-25 Chelsey Spencer
H-16 Dennis Barksdale

All goods are sold as is and must be removed at the time of the sale. Purchase must be cash only and paid at the time of the sale. Sale is subject to adjournment.

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C/A No:
2016-CP-43-01011

BY VIRTUE OF A DECREE of the Court of Common Pleas for Sumter County, South Carolina, heretofore issued in the case of **U.S. Bank National Association vs. Steven W. Peary; Shannon R. Peary.**, I the undersigned as Master in Equity for Sumter County, will sell on **Monday, October 2, 2017 at 12:00 PM**, at the County Judicial Center, 215 Harvin Street, Sumter, SC 29150, to the highest bidder:

Legal Description and Property Address:

ALL THAT CERTAIN piece, parcel and lot of land with improvements thereon situate, lying and being in the County of Sumter, State of South Carolina identified as Lot 32 of Mayfield Subdivision and being more fully shown on a plat prepared by D.D. Edmunds, R.L.S. dated 12/17/03 and recorded in Plat Book 2004 at Page 48 and revised as final plat by D.D. Edmunds, R.L.S. dated 12/17/03 and recorded in Plat Book 2005 at Page 397, records of Sumter County.

Being the same parcel conveyed to Steven W. Peary and Shannon R. Peary from Milan Homes, Inc., by virtue of a Deed dated April 5, 2007, recorded April 5, 2007, in Deed Book 1072, Page 001312, County of Sumter, State of South Carolina.

4735 Cayman Street
Sumter, SC 29154
TMS# 155-09-02-009

TERMS OF SALE: For cash. Interest at the current rate of Three and 50/100 (3.50%) to be paid on balance of bid from date of sale to date of compliance. The purchaser to pay for papers and stamps, and that the successful bidder or bidders, other than the Plaintiff therein, will, upon the acceptance of his or her bid, deposit with the Master in Equity for Sumter County a certified check or cash in the amount equal to five percent (5%) of the amount of bid on said premises at the sale as evidence of good faith in bidding, and subject to any resale of said premises under Order of this Court; and in the event the said purchaser or purchasers fail to comply with the terms of sale within Twenty (20) days, the Master in Equity shall forthwith resell the

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said property, after the due notice and advertisement, and shall continue to sell the same each subsequent sales day until a purchaser, who shall comply with the terms of sale, shall be obtained, such sales to be made at the risk of the former purchaser. Since a personal or deficiency judgment is waived, the bidding will not remain open but compliance with the bid may be made immediately. If the Plaintiff or the Plaintiff's representative does not appear at the above-described sale, then the sale of the property will be null, void, and of no force and effect. In such event, the sale will be rescheduled for the next available sales day. Plaintiff may waive any of its rights, including its right to a deficiency judgment, prior to sale. Sold subject to taxes and assessments, existing easements and restrictions of record.

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Columbia, SC 29202
803-726-2700

MASTER IN EQUITY NOTICE OF SALE 2017-CP-43-00977

BY VIRTUE of a decree heretofore granted in the case of: **Branch Banking and Trust Company vs. Ashley McArthur; et al.**, I, the undersigned, Richard L. Booth, Master in Equity for Sumter County, will sell on **Monday, October 2, 2017 at 12:00 PM**, at the County Judicial Center, 215 Harvin Street, Sumter, SC 29150, to the highest bidder:

All that certain piece, parcel or lot of land with the improvements thereon, if any, situate, lying and being in the County of Sumter, State of South Carolina, being shown and delineated as Lot No. 225 on a plat of Hunters Crossing Subdivision, Phase 3, as more fully shown on a plat thereof prepared by Louis W. Tisdale, R.L.S. drawn June 30, 2010 and recorded on July 12, 2010 in the Office of the Register of Deeds for Sumter County in Plat Book 2010 at Page 149. This said lot has such metes, boundaries, courses and distances as are shown on said plat, which are incorporated herein in accordance with the provisions of Section 30-5-250 of the Code of Laws of South Carolina.

This being the same property conveyed unto Nathan J. McArthur and Ashley McArthur as joint tenants with rights of survivorship, and not as tenants in common, by virtue of a Deed from Mungo Homes, Inc., dated May 19, 2011 and recorded June 6, 2011 in Book 1155 at Page 1275 in the Office of the Register of Deeds of Sumter County, South Carolina. Subsequently, Nathan J. McArthur died on July 2, 2013, as shown in Probate Estate Matter Number 2013ES4300566, leaving Ashley McArthur as the sole owner of the subject property.

TMS No. 187-13-04-006

Property address:
1637 Cabelas Place,
Sumter, SC 29150

TERMS OF SALE: The successful bidder, other than the Plaintiff, will deposit with the Master in Equity, at conclusion of the bidding, five percent (5%) of said bid is due and payable immediately upon closing of the bidding, in cash or equivalent, as evidence of good faith, same to be applied to purchase price in case of compliance, but to be forfeited and applied first to costs and then to Plaintiff's debt in the case of non-compliance. In the event of a third party bidder and that any third party bidder fails to deliver the

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required deposit in certified (immediately collectible) funds with the Office of the Master in Equity, said deposit being due and payable immediately upon closing of the bidding on the day of sale, the Master in Equity will re-sell the subject property at the most convenient time thereafter (including the day of sale) upon notification to counsel for Plaintiff. Should the last and highest bidder fail or refuse to comply with the balance due of the bid within 20 days, then the Master in Equity may re-sell the property on the same terms and conditions on some subsequent Sales Day (at the risk of the said highest bidder).

No personal or deficiency judgment being demanded, the bidding will not remain open after the date of sale, but compliance with the bid may be made immediately.

Purchaser to pay for documentary stamps on Master in Equity's Deed. The successful bidder will be required to pay interest on the balance of the bid from the date of sale to date of compliance with the bid at the rate of 3.250% per annum.

The Plaintiff may waive any of its rights, including its right to a deficiency judgment, prior to sale.

The sale shall be subject to taxes and assessments, existing easements and restrictions of record.

This sale is subject to all title matters of record and any interested party should consider performing an independent title examination of the subject property as no warranty is given.

The sale will not be held unless either Plaintiff's attorney or Plaintiff's bidding agent is present at the sale and either Plaintiff's attorney or Plaintiff's bidding agent enters the authorized bid of Plaintiff for this captioned matter. In the alternative, Plaintiff's counsel, if permitted by the Court, may advise this Court directly of its authorized bidding instructions. In the event a sale is inadvertently held without Plaintiff's Counsel or Counsel's bidding agent entering the authorized bid of Plaintiff for this specifically captioned matter, the sale shall be null and void and the property shall be re-advertised for sale on the next available sale date.

Neither the Plaintiff nor its counsel make representations as to the integrity of the title or the fair market value of the property offered for sale. Prior to bidding you may wish to review the current state law or seek the advice of any attorney licensed in South Carolina.

Richard L. Booth
Master in Equity
for Sumter County

Scott and Corley, P.A.
Attorney for Plaintiff

MASTER IN EQUITY
NOTICE OF SALE

BY VIRTUE of a decree heretofore granted in the case of **Synovus Bank v. Word International Ministries, et al.** (Civil Action No.: 2017-CP-43-836), I, the undersigned, Master In Equity for Sumter County have ordered that the following property, which is the subject of the above action, be sold on **October 2, 2017, 12:00 noon**, at Sumter County Judicial Center, 215 North Harvin Street, Sumter, South Carolina to the highest bidder:

All that certain piece, parcel or lot of land with the improvements thereon, situate, lying and being in the County of Sumter, State of South Carolina, and more particularly shown on that plat by H. S. Willson, R.L.S. dated October 28, 1965, and recorded in the Office of the Register of Deeds for Sumter County in Plat Book Z-22 at Page 63. Aforesaid plat is specifically incorporated herein and reference is craved thereto for a more complete and accurate description of the metes, bounds, courses and distances of the property concerned herein. This description being in lieu of metes and bounds as permitted by law under Section 30-5-250, Code of Laws of South Carolina, 1976, as amended. That the within property is represented on the Tax Maps of Sumter County as Tax Parcel No. 204-00-02-012, and is further known as 1010 North Guignard Drive, Sumter, South Carolina 29150.

This being the same property conveyed to Miracle Deliverance Temple - C.O.S.C. by deed of The First Church of The Nazarene recorded on October 28, 2005 in Book 1003 at Page 913. Thereafter Miracle Deliverance Temple C.O.S.C. conveyed the property by Quit Claim Deed for Name Change to Word International Ministries recorded November 18, 2015 in Book 1216 at Page 3848.

TMS No. 204-00-02-012
Property Address:
1010 N. Guignard Street,
Sumter

SUBJECT TO ASSESSMENTS, SUMTER COUNTY TAXES, EXISTING EASEMENTS AND RESTRICTIONS OF RECORD AND OTHER SENIOR ENCUMBRANCES.

TERMS OF SALE: The successful bidder, other than the plaintiff, will deposit with the Master in Equity at conclusion of the bidding, five percent (5%) of his bid, in cash or equivalent, as evidence of good faith, same to be applied to purchase price in case of compliance, but to be forfeited and applied first to costs and then to Plaintiff's debt in the case of non-compliance. Should the last and highest bidder fail or refuse to make the required deposit at time of bid or comply with the other terms of the bid within twenty (20) days, then the Master in Equity may resell the property on the same terms and conditions on some subsequent Sales Day (at the risk of the said highest bidder).

DEFICIENCY BEING DEMANDED. THE BIDDING WILL REMAIN OPEN FOR 30 DAYS FROM THE DATE OF SALE, but compliance with the bid may be made immediately. Purchaser to pay for documentary stamps on Deed, if applicable. The successful bidder will be required to pay interest on the amount of the bid from the date of sale to date of compliance with the bid at the rate of 5.0% per annum. Plaintiff may waive any of its rights, including its rights to a deficiency judgment, prior to sale.

Richard L. Booth
Master In Equity
for Sumter County

NELSON MULLINS RILEY & SCARBOROUGH, L.L.P.
B. Keith Poston
P.O. Box 11070
Columbia, SC 29211
(803) 799-2000
Attorneys for Plaintiff

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Notice of Sale
C/A No:
2016-CP-43-00401

BY VIRTUE OF A DECREE of the Court of Common Pleas for Sumter County, South Carolina, heretofore issued in the case of **First Guaranty Mortgage Corporation vs. Brett Lee Bowen;** Brittany Bowen; South Carolina Department of Motor Vehicles; Randy Lawrence Reagan; Michele G. Reagan; Security Pacific Housing Services, Inc., I the undersigned as Master in Equity for Sumter County, will sell on **October 2, 2017 at 12:00 PM**, at the Sumter County Judicial Center, Sumter County, South Carolina, to the highest bidder:

Legal Description and Property Address:

ALL THAT CERTAIN PIECE, PARCEL OR LOT OF LAND, TOGETHER WITH THE IMPROVEMENTS THEREON, IF ANY, SITUATE, LYING AND BEING IN THE TOWNSHIP OF PROVIDENCE, COUNTY OF SUMTER, STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA, BEING SHOWN AND DESIGNATED AS LOT #12A, CONTAINING 4.27 ACRES, MORE OR LESS, AS SHOWN ON THAT CERTAIN PLAT BY LINDLER LAND SURVEYING, RLS, AND RECORDED IN THE OFFICE OF THE REGISTER OF DEEDS FOR SUMTER COUNTY IN PLAT BOOK 2004 AT PAGE 397, AND HAVING SUCH METES AND BOUNDS AS ARE SHOWN ON SAID PLAT, THIS DESCRIPTION BEING IN LIEU OF METES AND BOUNDS, AS PERMITTED UNDER SECTION 30-5-250 OF THE 1976 CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, AS AMENDED.

ALSO mortgaged herewith is a 1989 FISH Mobile Home, Serial # NCF4483A&B, which is permanently affixed and is to become part of the real property.

THIS BEING the same property conveyed to Brett Lee Bowen and Brittany Bowen by virtue of a Deed from Barbara O. Dreyer dated September 16, 2013 and recorded September 18, 2013 in Book 1193 at Page 3649 in the Office of the Register of Deeds for Sumter County, South Carolina.

2481 Jereco Road
Sumter, SC 29153
TMS# 201-00-02-016

TERMS OF SALE: For cash. Interest at the current rate of Three and 750/1000 (3.750%) to be paid on balance of bid from date of sale to date of compliance. The purchaser to pay for papers and stamps, and that the successful bidder or bidders, other than the Plaintiff therein, will, upon the acceptance of his or her bid, deposit with the Master in Equity for Sumter County a certified check or cash in the amount equal to five percent (5%) of the amount of bid on said premises at the sale as evidence of good faith in bidding, and subject to any resale of said premises under Order of this Court; and in the event the said purchaser or purchasers fail to comply with the terms of sale within Twenty (20) days, the Master in Equity shall forthwith resell the said property, after the due notice and advertisement, and shall continue to sell the same each subsequent sales day until a purchaser, who shall comply with the terms of sale, shall be obtained, such sales to be made at the risk of the former purchaser. Since a personal or deficiency judgment is waived, the bidding will not remain open but compliance with the bid may be made immediately. If the Plaintiff or the Plaintiff's representative does not appear at the above-described sale, then the sale of the property will be null, void, and of no force and effect. In such event, the sale will be rescheduled for the next available sales day. Plaintiff may waive any of its rights, including its right to a deficiency judgment, prior to sale. Sold subject to taxes and assessments, existing easements and restrictions of record.

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NOTICE OF MASTER
IN EQUITY SALE
CIVIL ACTION NO.
2016CP4301990

BY VIRTUE OF A DECREE of the Court of Common Pleas for Sumter County, South Carolina, heretofore issued in the case of **U.S. Bank Trust National Association as Trustee of the American Homeowner Preservation Trust Series 2015A+, against James T. Jackson;** et al., the Master in Equity for Sumter County, or his/her agent, will sell on **October 2, 2017, at 12:00 P.M.**, at Sumter Judicial Center, 215 North Harvin Street, Sumter, SC 29150, to the highest bidder:

All that certain piece, parcel, or lot of land, together with improvements thereon, if any, situate, lying and being located in the County of Sumter, State of South Carolina, being shown and delineated as 1.50 acres, on a plat of Nesbitt Surveying Company, Inc. dated October 15, 1999, and recorded in the Office of the RMC for Sumter County in Plat Book 2000 at Page 772 and as further shown on a plat thereof prepared by Black River Land Surveying, LLC, dated March 29, 2016 and recorded in Plat Book 2016 at Page 125. Aforesaid plat is specifically incorporated herein and reference is craved thereto for a more complete and accurate description of the metes, bounds, courses and distances of the property concerned herein. This description being in lieu of metes and bounds permitted by the law under Section 30-5-250 of the Code of Laws of South Carolina, as amended. Be all measurements a little more or less and according to said plat.

TMS Number:
326-00-01-028
PROPERTY ADDRESS:
3240 Mt. Sinai Church
Road,
Lynchburg, SC 29080

This being the same property conveyed to James Edward Jackson by deed of Amelia D. Wilson, dated October 20, 1999, and recorded in the Office of the Register of Deeds for Sumter County on June 7, 2002, in Deed Book 844 at Page 1602.

TERMS OF SALE: FOR CASH. The Master in Equity will require a deposit of 5% of the bid amount in cash or certified funds, which is to be applied on the purchase price upon compliance with the bid. Interest on the balance of the bid at 6.00% shall be paid to the day of compliance. In case of noncompliance within 20 days, after the sale, the deposit of 5% to be forfeited and applied to Plaintiff's judgment debt and the property re-advertised for sale upon the same terms at the risk of the former highest bidder. Purchaser to pay for deed recording fees and deed stamps.

Deficiency judgment not being demanded, the bidding will not

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remain open after the date of sale, but compliance with the bid may be made immediately.

Should Plaintiff, Plaintiff's attorney, or Plaintiff's agent fail to appear on the day of sale, the property shall not be sold, but shall be re-advertised and sold at some convenient sales day thereafter when Plaintiff, Plaintiff's attorney, or Plaintiff's agent, is present.

The sale shall be subject to taxes and assessments, existing easements and easements and restrictions of record.

Plaintiff does not warrant its title search to purchasers at foreclosure sale or other third parties, who should have their own title search performed on the subject property.

Richard L. Booth
Master in Equity
for Sumter County
Sumter, South Carolina

FINKEL LAW FIRM LLC
Post Office Box 71727
North Charleston, S.C. 29415
(843) 577-5460
Attorneys for Plaintiff

Notice of Sale
C/A No:
2014-CP-43-01554

BY VIRTUE OF A DECREE of the Court of Common Pleas for Sumter County, South Carolina, heretofore issued in the case of **Freedom Mortgage Corporation vs. Jerry L. Price, Jr.;** April Price; and SC Housing Corp., acting through South Carolina State Housing and Development Authority's South Carolina Homeownership and Employment Lending Program, I the undersigned as Master in Equity for Sumter County, will sell on **October 2, 2017 at 12:00 PM**, at the Sumter County Judicial Center, Sumter County, South Carolina, to the highest bidder:

Legal Description and Property Address:

All that certain piece, parcel or lot of land, with the improvements thereon, situate, lying and being in the City and County of Sumter, State of South Carolina, being more particularly shown and delineated as Lot 14, in the Pepperidge Acres Subdivision as shown on that certain plat of Ben J. Makela, RLS dated May 5, 1994 and recorded in the Office of the ROD for Sumter County in Plat Book 94 at Page 708. The said tract/lot(s) has/have such boundaries, metes, courses and distances as are shown on said plat which are incorporated herein in accordance with the provision of Section 30-5-250 of the Code of Laws of S.C. 1976. This property is more generally known as 10 Pepperidge Court.

This being the same property conveyed to Jerry L. Price, Jr. and April Price by Deed of William M. Kimbrell and Lisa M. Kimbrell, dated March 30, 2006 and recorded March 31, 2006 in Book 1022 at Page 1035 in the ROD for Sumter County, South Carolina.

10 Pepperidge Court
Sumter, SC 29154
TMS# 226-15-01-034

TERMS OF SALE: For cash. Interest at the current rate of Three and 00/100 (3.00%) to be paid on balance of bid from date of sale to date of compliance. The purchaser to pay for papers and stamps, and that the successful bidder or bidders, other than the Plaintiff therein, will, upon the acceptance of his or her bid, deposit with the Master in Equity for Sumter County a certified check or cash in the amount equal to five percent (5%) of the amount of bid on said premises at the sale as evidence of good faith in bidding, and subject to any resale of said premises under Order of this Court; and in the event the said purchaser or purchasers fail to comply with the terms of sale within Twenty (20) days, the Master in Equity shall forthwith resell the said property, after the due notice and advertisement, and shall continue to sell the same each subsequent sales day until a purchaser, who shall comply with the terms of sale, shall be obtained, such sales to be made at the risk of the former purchaser. Since a personal or deficiency judgment is waived, the bidding will not remain open but compliance with the bid may be made immediately. If the Plaintiff or the Plaintiff's representative does not appear at the above-described sale, then the sale of the property will be null, void, and of no force and effect. In such event, the sale will be rescheduled for the next available sales day. Plaintiff may waive any of its rights, including its right to a deficiency judgment, prior to sale. Sold subject to taxes and assessments, existing easements and restrictions of record.

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MASTER IN EQUITY
NOTICE OF SALE
2017-CP-43-00539

BY VIRTUE of a decree heretofore granted in the case of **Wells Fargo Bank N.A.**, as trustee for Green Tree 2008-MHI in **Scott Ketchum a/k/a Scott Irving Ketchum;** Inez D. Ketchum; et al., I, the undersigned Richard L. Booth, Master in Equity for Sumter County, will sell on **Monday, October 2, 2017 at 12:00 PM**, at the County Judicial Center, 215 Harvin Street, Sumter, SC 29150, to the highest bidder:

ALL that piece, parcel, or tract of land with the improvements thereon, lying, being and situate in the County of Sumter, State of South Carolina, being shown as Lot #35 in a plat of Livingwood Subdivision recorded in the Sumter County RMC Office in Plat Book 2000 at Page 598. Said lot being bounded and measured as shown on said plat. Be all of said measurements a little more or less.

This being the same property conveyed unto Scott Ketchum and Inez D. Ketchum by virtue of a Deed from Leslie Paul Livingston and Helen H. Livingston dated August 25, 2000 and recorded August 31, 2000 in Book 781 at Page 6 in the Office of the Register of Deeds of Sumter County, South Carolina. Thereafter, Scott Ketchum and Inez D. Ketchum conveyed this same property unto Greg Conley by virtue of a Deed dated July 18, 2016 and recorded July 18, 2016 in Book 1223 at Page 4021 in the Office of the Register of Deeds of Sumter County, South Carolina.

TMS No. 163-00-01-225 (Land)
and 400-00-24-747 (Mobile Home)

Property address:
4480 Livingwood Drive,
Sumter, SC 29154

The Court in its Decree has further made its finding that this mortgage was intended to and specifically secured and collateralized that certain Mobile Home permanently affixed to the above described real estate in the mortgage being foreclosed and is further provided under the laws of the State of South

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Carolina, the same being more particularly described as follows:

1998 Fleetwood NCFL Manufactured Home, Serial No. NCFLV46AB05796CL11, with any fixtures.

TERMS OF SALE: The successful bidder, other than the Plaintiff, will deposit with the Master in Equity, at conclusion of the bidding, five percent (5%) of said bid is due and payable immediately upon closing of the bidding, in cash or equivalent, as evidence of good faith, same to be applied to purchase price in case of compliance, but to be forfeited and applied first to costs and then to Plaintiff's debt in the case of non-compliance. In the event of a third party bidder and that any third party bidder fails to deliver the required deposit in certified (immediately collectible) funds with the Office of the Master in Equity, said deposit being due and payable immediately upon closing of the bidding on the day of sale, the Master in Equity will re-sell the subject property at the most convenient time thereafter (including the day of sale) upon notification to counsel for Plaintiff. Should the last and highest bidder fail or refuse to comply with the balance due of the bid within 20 days, then the Master in Equity may re-sell the property on the same terms and conditions on some subsequent Sales Day (at the risk of the said highest bidder).

Personal or deficiency judgment being demanded, the bidding will remain open for a period of thirty (30) days after the sale date. The Plaintiff may waive its right to a deficiency judgment prior to sale, in which case the bidding will not remain open after the date of sale, but compliance with the bid may be made immediately.

Purchaser to pay for documentary stamps on Master in Equity's Deed. The successful bidder will be required to pay interest on the balance of the bid from the date of sale to date of compliance with the bid at the rate of 13.240% per annum.

The Plaintiff may waive any of its rights, including its right to a deficiency judgment, prior to sale.

The sale shall be subject to taxes and assessments, existing easements and restrictions of record.

This sale is subject to all title matters of record and any interested party should consider performing an independent title examination of the subject property as no warranty is given.

The sale will not be held unless either Plaintiff's attorney or Plaintiff's bidding agent is present at the sale and either Plaintiff's attorney or Plaintiff's bidding agent enters the authorized bid of Plaintiff for this captioned matter. In the alternative, Plaintiff's counsel, if permitted by the Court, may advise this Court directly of its authorized bidding instructions. In the event a sale is inadvertently held without Plaintiff's Counsel or Counsel's bidding agent entering the authorized bid of Plaintiff for this specifically captioned matter, the sale shall be null and void and the property shall be re-advertised for sale on the next available sale date.

Neither the Plaintiff nor its counsel make representations as to the integrity of the title or the fair market value of the property offered for sale. Prior to bidding you may wish to review the current state law or seek the advice of any attorney licensed in South Carolina.

Richard L. Booth
Master in Equity
for Sumter County

Scott and Corley, P.A.
Attorney for Plaintiff

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BY VIRTUE of a decree heretofore granted in the case of **U.S. Bank National Association,** as Trustee, successor in interest to Bank of America, National Association as successor by merger to LaSalle Bank National Association, as Trustee for Certificateholders of Washington Mutual Asset-Backed Certificates WMABS Series 2007-HE2 vs. **John M. Jackson;** Josephine Jackson; Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for The Cit Group/Consumer Finance, Inc., its successors and assigns; American General, C/A No. 2016CP4301294. The following property will be sold on **October 2, 2017, at 12:00 Noon** at the Sumter County Courthouse to the highest bidder

All that certain piece, parcel or lot of land, together with the improvements thereon, if any, situate, lying and being in the County of Sumter, State of South Carolina, being shown and delineated as Lot No. 67 of Knights Village subdivision, Phase I, Section I and being more fully shown on a plat thereof prepared by Louis White Tisdale, RLS, dated October 29, 2004, and recorded in the Office of the Register of Deeds for Sumter County in Plat Book 2004 at Page 511, and said lots having such metes, boundaries, courses and distances as are shown on said plat, this description being in lieu of metes and bounds as permitted according to Section 30-5-250 of the Code of Laws of South Carolina.

This conveyance is made subject to any and all existing reservations, easements, right-of-way, zoning ordinances, and restrictive or protective covenants that may appear of record or on the premises.

Derivation: Book 983 at Page 1940

931 Cadbury St,
Sumter, SC 29154

226-16-03-002

SUBJECT TO ASSESSMENTS, SUMTER COUNTY AD VALOREM TAXES, EASEMENTS AND/OR RESTRICTIONS OF RECORD, AND OTHER SENIOR ENCUMBRANCES.

TERMS OF SALE: A 5% deposit in certified funds is required. The deposit will be applied towards the purchase price unless the bidder defaults, in which case the deposit will be forfeited. If the successful bidder fails, or refuses, to make the required deposit, or comply with his bid within 20 days, then the property will be resold at his risk. No personal or deficiency judgment being demanded, the bidding will not remain open after the date of sale, but compliance with the bid may be made immediately. The successful bidder will be required to pay interest on the amount of the bid from date of sale to date of compliance with the bid at the rate of 8.7% per annum. For complete terms of sale, see Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale filed with the Sumter County Clerk of Court at C/A #2016CP4301294.

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

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date.
Richard L. Booth
Master In Equity for
Sumter County

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NOTICE OF SALE
CIVIL ACTION NO.
2017-CP-43-01261

BY VIRTUE of the decree heretofore granted in the case of **Wells Fargo Bank,** National Association, not in its individual or banking capacity, but solely as Indenture Trustee for Mortgage Lenders Network Home Equity Loan Trust, Series 1999-2 vs. **Sylvester Godbolt;** Pearline Godbolt a/k/a Pearlite Godbolt; South Carolina Department of Motor Vehicles, the undersigned Master in Equity for Sumter County, South Carolina, will sell on **October 2, 2017 at 12:00PM**, at the Sumter County Courthouse, City of Sumter, State of South Carolina, to the highest bidder:

ALL OF THAT CERTAIN PIECE, PARCEL, OR TRACT OF LAND IMPROVEMENTS THEREON SITUATE, LYING, AND BEING IN THE COUNTY OF SUMTER, STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA, CONTAINING 86 ACRES, AND BEING SHOWN AND DESIGNATED AS LOT 403 ON A PLAT OF EAGLE NEST SUBDIVISION, SAID PLAT BEING RECORDED IN THE OFFICE OF THE REGISTER OF DEEDS FOR SUMTER COUNTY IN PLAT BOOK 98, PAGE 1002. SAID PROPERTY BEING FURTHER DESCRIBED ON SURVEY PREPARED FOR SYLVESTER GODBOLT, DATED 7/12/99 AND TO BE RECORDED. SUBJECT TO RESTRICTIVE COVENANTS APPEARING OF RECORD IN THE OFFICE OF THE RMC FOR SUMTER COUNTY IN BOOK 728, PAGE 607.

FOR INFORMATIONAL PURPOSES, SAID PLAT DESCRIBED ABOVE BEING DATED 7/12/99 WAS RECORDED 9/23/99 IN PLAT BOOK 99, PAGE 877 IN THE RECORDS FOR SUMTER COUNTY, SOUTH CAROLINA.

ALSO INCLUDED HEREWITH IS THAT CERTAIN 1999 PEACHTATE MANUFACTURED HOME BEARING SERIAL NUMBER PSHGA02996AB.

THIS BEING THE SAME PROPERTY CONVEYED UNTO SYLVESTER GODBOLT AND PEARLIE GODBOLT BY DEED OF LONGTOWN INVESTMENTS, LLC DATED AUGUST 18, 1999 AND RECORDED SEPTEMBER 23, 1999 IN DEED BOOK 753 AT PAGE 358 IN THE OFFICE OF THE RMC FOR SUMTER COUNTY, SOUTH CAROLINA.

CURRENT ADDRESS
OF PROPERTY:
4895 Solstice Drive,
Dalzell, SC 29040

TMS: 1530102003;
4000026958

TERMS OF SALE: The successful bidder, other than the Plaintiff, will deposit with the Master In Equity, at conclusion of the bidding, five percent (5%) of his bid, in cash or equivalent, as evidence of good faith, same to be applied to the purchase price in case of compliance, but to be forfeited and applied first to costs and then to the Plaintiff's debt in the case of non-compliance. Should the last and highest bidder fail to comply with the other terms of the bid within thirty (30) days, then the Master In Equity may re-sell the property on the same terms and conditions on some subsequent Sales Day (at the risk of the said highest bidder). No personal or deficiency judgment being demanded, the bidding shall not remain open after the date of sale and shall be final on that date, and compliance with the bid may be made immediately. Purchaser to pay for documentary stamps on the Deed. The successful bidder will be required to pay interest on the amount of the balance of the bid from date of sale to date of compliance with the bid at the rate of 10.5% per annum. The sale shall be subject to taxes and assessments, existing easements and restrictions of record and any other senior encumbrances.

In the event an agent of Plaintiff does not appear at the time of sale, the within property shall be withdrawn from sale and sold at the next available sales date upon the terms and conditions as set forth in the Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale or such terms as may be set forth in a supplemental order.

The Honorable Richard L. Booth
Master In Equity
for Sumter County

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NOTICE OF SALE
CIVIL ACTION NO.
2017-CP-43-01232

BY VIRTUE of the decree heretofore granted in the case of **Village Capital & Investment, LLC vs. Ann P. Brown,** the undersigned Master In Equity for Sumter County, South Carolina, will sell on **October 2, 2017 at 12:00PM**, at the Sumter County Courthouse, City of Sumter, State of South Carolina, to the highest bidder:

ALL THAT CERTAIN PIECE, PARCEL OR LOT OF LAND, WITH IMPROVEMENTS THEREON, SITUATE, LYING AND BEING IN STATESBURG TOWNSHIP, COUNTY OF SUMTER, STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA, BEING SHOWN AND DESIGNATED AS THE MAJOR AND SOUTHERN PORTION OF LOT NO. EIGHTEEN (18) BLOCK E ON A PLAT OF OAKLAND PLANTATION NO. 3, PREPARED BY BELTER & ASSOCIATES, MARCH 17, 1976, LATER REVISED, AND RECORDED IN THE OFFICE OF THE CLERK OF COURT FOR SUMTER COUNTY IN PLAT BOOK Z-38 AT PAGE 198; SAID LOT BEING BOUNDED AND MEASURING AS FOLLOWS: ON THE NORTH BY THE REMAINING PORTION OF LOT NO. EIGHTEEN (18) BLOCK E ON SAID PLAT WHEREON IT MEASURES ONE HUNDRED FIFTY-SEVEN AND 1/10 (157.1) FEET; ON THE EAST BY SPRINGLAKE COURT ON SAID PLAT WHEREON IT MEASURES A CURVED LINE FIFTY (50) FEET, MORE OR LESS; ON THE SOUTH BY LOT NO. NINETEEN (19) BLOCK E ON SAID PLAT WHEREON IT MEASURES ONE HUNDRED NINETY-SIX AND 2/10 (196.2) FEET; AND ON THE WEST BY OTHER LANDS OF OAKLAND PLANTATION ON SAID PLAT WHEREON IT MEASURES TWO HUNDRED (200) FEET.

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THIS CONVEYANCE INCLUDES AN UNDIVIDED INTEREST IN THE FEE SIMPLE TITLE TO THE LAKE IN SECTION NO. THREE, OAKLAND PLANTATION, AS A TENANT IN COMMON WITH THE OWNERS OF ALL OTHER LOTS IN SAID SUBDIVISION SUBJECT TO RULES AND REGULATIONS PROMULGATED BY THE MAJORITY OF THE LOT OWNERS.

IF THE PROPERTY HEREIN CONVEYED IS ON A SEWER LINE, THE GRANTEE, HIS HEIRS AND ASSIGNS AGREES TO PAY AN ANNUAL SEWER SERVICE CHARGE IN ADVANCE AS APPROVED BY THE SOUTH CAROLINA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION AND THE GRANTEE, HIS HEIRS AND ASSIGNS FURTHER AGREE TO PAY A PRO-RATA SHARE FOR STREET LIGHTS WHEN AND IF THEY BECOME AVAILABLE; INCLUDING RESTRICTIONS RECORDED IN DEED BOOK G-8. AT PAGE 438.

BEING THE SAME PROPERTY OR A PORTION OF THE SAME PROPERTY CONVEYED TO ROBERT ASHLEY BROWN, JR. AND ANN P. BROWN, AS JOINT TENANTS WITH RIGHT OF SURVIVORSHIP FROM BOYD-OAKLAND, INC., DATED AUGUST 8, 1977 AND FILED ON SEPTEMBER 30, 1977 IN BOOK G-10 AT PAGE 1350 IN THE OFFICE OF THE ROD FOR SUMTER COUNTY, SOUTH CAROLINA. THEREAFTER, ROBERT ASHLEY BROWN, JR. PASSED AWAY AND FULL TITLE PASSED TO ANN P. BROWN BY OPERATION OF LAW.

CURRENT ADDRESS
OF PROPERTY:
3 Spring Lake Court,
Sumter, SC 29154
TMS: 134-09-01-061

TERMS OF SALE: The successful bidder, other than the Plaintiff, will deposit with the Master In Equity, at conclusion of the bidding, five percent (5%) of his bid, in cash or equivalent, as evidence of good faith, same to be applied to the purchase price in case of compliance, but to

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In such event, the sale will be rescheduled for the next available sales day. Plaintiff may waive any of its rights, including its right to a deficiency judgment, prior to sale. Sold subject to taxes and assessments, existing easements and restrictions of record.

Richard L. Booth
Master in Equity
For Sumter County
Sumter, South Carolina

Hutchens Law Firm
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Columbia, SC 29202
803-726-2700

**MASTER IN EQUITY
NOTICE OF SALE
2015-CP-43-02734**

BY VIRTUE of a decree heretofore granted in the case of: **Wells Fargo Bank**, National Association, as trustee for Banc of America Alternative Loan Trust 2005-3 Mortgage Pass-Through Certificates, Series 2005-3 vs. **Nguyet Thi Tran**; Bai Le; et al., the undersigned Richard L. Booth, Master in Equity for Sumter County, will sell on **Monday, October 2, 2017 at 12:00 PM**, at the County Judicial Center, 215 Harvin Street, Sumter, SC 29150, to the highest bidder:

All that certain piece, parcel or lot of land with the improvements thereon, situate, lying and being in the City and County of Sumter, State of South Carolina, being more particularly shown and delineated as Lot 189, in the Tinerline Meadows, Phase 4 Subdivision as shown on that certain plat of Joseph R. Edwards, RLS dated July 6, 2004 and recorded in the office of the ROD for Sumter County in Plat Book PB04 at page 394. The said tract/lot(s) has/have such boundaries, metes, courses and distances as are shown on said plat which care incorporated herein in accordance with the provision of Section 30-5-250 of the Code of Laws of SC, 1976. This property is more generally known as 3135 Springdale Way.

This being the same property conveyed to **Nguyet Thi Tran** and **Bai Le** by deed of **W. Burke Watson, Jr.** dated February 8, 2005 and recorded February 9, 2005 in Book 969 at Page 93

TMS No. 184-06-01-005

**Property address:
3135 Springdale Way,
Sumter, SC 29154**

TERMS OF SALE: The successful bidder, other than the Plaintiff, will deposit with the Master in Equity, at conclusion of the bidding, five percent (5%) of said bid is due and payable immediately upon closing of the bidding, in cash or equivalent, as evidence of good faith, same to be applied to purchase price in case of compliance, but to be forfeited and applied first to costs and then to Plaintiff's debt in the case of non-compliance. In the event of a third party bidder and that any third party bidder fails to deliver the required deposit in certified (immediately collectible) funds with the Office of the Master in Equity, said deposit being due and payable immediately upon closing of the bidding on the day of sale, the Master in Equity will re-sell the subject property at the most convenient time thereafter (including the day of sale) upon notification to counsel for Plaintiff. Should the last and highest bidder fail or refuse to comply with the balance due of the bid within 20 days, then the Master in Equity may re-sell the property on the same terms and conditions on some subsequent Sales Day (at the risk of the said highest bidder).

Personal or deficiency judgment being demanded, the bidding will remain open for a period of thirty (30) days after the sale date. The Plaintiff may waive its right to a deficiency judgment prior to sale, in which case the bidding will not remain open after the date of sale, but compliance with the bid may be made immediately.

Purchaser to pay for documentary stamps on Master in Equity's Deed. The successful bidder will be required to pay interest on the balance of the bid from the date of sale to date of compliance with the bid at the rate of 6.375% per annum.

The Plaintiff may waive any of its rights, including its right to a deficiency judgment, prior to sale.

The sale shall be subject to taxes and assessments, existing easements and restrictions of record.

This sale is subject to all title matters of record and any interested party should consider performing an independent title examination of the subject property as no warranty is given.

The sale will not be held unless either Plaintiff's attorney or Plaintiff's bidding agent is present at the sale and either Plaintiff's attorney or Plaintiff's bidding agent enters the authorized bid of Plaintiff for this captioned matter. In the alternative, Plaintiff's counsel, if permitted by the Court, may advise this Court directly of its authorized bidding instructions. In the event a sale is inadvertently held without Plaintiff's Counsel or Counsel's bidding agent entering the authorized bid of Plaintiff for this specifically captioned matter, the sale shall be null and void and the property shall be re-advertised for sale on the next available sale date.

Neither the Plaintiff nor its counsel make representations as to the integrity of the title or the fair market value of the property offered for sale. Prior to bidding you may wish to review the current state law or seek the advice of any attorney licensed in South Carolina.

Richard L. Booth
Master in Equity
for Sumter County

Scott and Corley, P.A.
Attorney for Plaintiff

**NOTICE OF SALE
CIVIL ACTION NO.
2012-CP-43-01507**

BY VIRTUE of the decree heretofore granted in the case of: **Nationstar Mortgage LLC vs. Minnie L. Holland**; Darlene Dellinger, the undersigned Master in Equity for Sumter County, South Carolina, will sell on **October 2, 2017 at 12:00PM**, at the Sumter County Courthouse, City of Sumter, State of South Carolina, to the highest bidder:

ALL THAT CERTAIN PIECE, PARCEL OR LOT OF LAND, WITH THE HOUSE AND OTHER IMPROVEMENTS THERE ON, SITUATE IN SUMTER TOWNSHIP, COUNTY OF SUMTER OF SOUTH CAROLINA, BEING DESIGNATED AND SHOWN AS LOT NO.88 OF SECTION 3 "PINEDALE" SUBDIVISION ON PLAT OF H.S. WILSON, R.L.S., SURVEYED DECEMBER 14, 1970 AND RESURVEYED JUNE 10, 1971 AND RECORDED IN THE OFFICE OF THE CLERK OF COURT FOR SUMTER COUNTY IN PLAT BOOK

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Z-30 AT PAGE 55; SAID LOT NO. 88 BEING BOUNDED AND MEASURED AS FOLLOWS, ACCORDING TO THE AFORESAID PLAT, NORTH BY LOT NO. 87 AND MEASURING THEREON 132.9 FEET; EAST BY LOT NO. 84 AND MEASURING THEREON 85.0 FEET; SOUTH BY LOT NO. 89 AND MEASURING THEREON 137.5 FEET; AND WEST BY ALBERT SPEARS DRIVE ON WHICH IT FRONTS ON CURVE 85.2 FEET. ALL MEASUREMENTS BEING A LITTLE MORE OR LESS.

THIS BEING THE SAME PROPERTY CONVEYED TO BROWNIE HOLLAND AND MINNIE L. HOLLAND DATED JUNE 14, 1971 AND RECORDED JUNE 15, 1971 IN THE OFFICE OF THE REGISTER OF DEEDS FOR SUMTER COUNTY IN BOOK S-9 AT PAGE 1347. THEREAFTER BEING THE SAME PROPERTY CONVEYED TO MINNIE L. HOLLAND BY DEED OF BROWNIE ST. CLAIR HOLLAND A/K/A BROWNIE S. HOLLAND DATED OCTOBER 20, 2011 AND RECORDED OCTOBER 21, 2011 IN BOOK 1161 AT PAGE 2374.

**CURRENT ADDRESS
OF PROPERTY:
129 Albert Spears Drive,
Sumter, SC 29150
TMS: 226-03-03-026**

TERMS OF SALE: The successful bidder, other than the Plaintiff, will deposit with the Master in Equity, at conclusion of the bidding, five percent (5%) of his bid, in cash or equivalent, as evidence of good faith, same to be applied to the purchase price in case of compliance, but to be forfeited and applied first to costs and then to the Plaintiff's debt in the case of non-compliance. Should the last and highest bidder fail to comply with the other terms of the bid within thirty (30) days, then the Master in Equity may re-sell the property on the same terms and conditions on some subsequent Sales Day (at the risk of the said highest bidder). No personal or deficiency judgment being demanded, the bidding shall not remain open after the date of sale and shall be final on that date, and compliance with the bid may be made immediately. Purchaser to pay for documentary stamps on the Deed. The successful bidder will be required to pay interest on the amount of the balance of the bid from date of sale to date of compliance with the bid at the rate of 5% per annum. The sale shall be subject to taxes and assessments, existing easements and restrictions of record and any other senior encumbrances.

In the event an agent of Plaintiff does not appear at the time of sale, the within property shall be withdrawn from sale and sold at the next available sales date upon the terms and conditions as set forth in the Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale or such terms as may be set forth in a supplemental order.

The Honorable Richard L. Booth
Master in Equity
for Sumter County

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**MASTER IN
EQUITY'S SALE
CASE NO.
2017-CP-43-00894**

BY VIRTUE of a decree heretofore granted in the case of **Trustmark National Bank against Sherry J. Eldridge, I**, the Master in Equity for Sumter County, will sell on **Monday, October 2, 2017, at 12:00 o'clock p.m.**, at the Sumter County Courthouse, Sumter, South Carolina, to the highest bidder:

All that certain piece, parcel or lot of land with the improvements thereon, if any, situate, lying and being in the County of Sumter, State of South Carolina, being shown and delineated as Lot No. 69, as shown on that certain plat R.F. McLellan, C.E., dated March 3, 1950 and recorded in the Office of the Register of Deeds for Sumter County in Plat Book Z-9 at Page 48. This said lot has such metes, boundaries, courses and distances as are shown on said plat, which are incorporated herein in accordance with the provisions of Section 30-5-250 of the Code of Laws of South Carolina, 1976. This being the same property known as 739 Baldwin Street, Sumter, SC and is shown on the Auditors map of Sumter County as Tax Parcel No. 205-11-01-002.

This being the same property conveyed to **Sherry J. Eldridge** by deed of **EMA Properties, LLC** dated July 16, 2012 and recorded July 20, 2012 in the Office of the Register of Deeds for Sumter County, South Carolina in Book 1173 at Page 3968 and by **Quit Claim Deed to Sherry J. Eldridge** from **Michael J. Svetlik** and **Lisa H. Svetlik** dated July 16, 2012 and recorded July 20, 2012 in the Office of the Register of Deeds for Sumter County in Book 1173 at Page 3971.

TMS#: 205-11-01-002

**Property Address:
739 Baldwin Drive
Sumter, S.C. 29150**

TERMS OF SALE: The successful bidder, other than the plaintiff, will deposit with the Master in Equity for Sumter County at conclusion of the bidding, five percent (5%) of the bid, in cash or equivalent, as evidence of good faith, same to be applied to the purchase price in case of compliance, but to be forfeited and applied first to costs and then to plaintiff's debt in the case of non-compliance. If the Plaintiff's representative is not in attendance at the scheduled time of the sale, the sale shall be canceled and the property sold on some subsequent sales day after due advertisement. Should the last and highest bidder fail or refuse to make the required deposit at time of bid or comply with the other terms of the bid within thirty (30) days, the deposit shall be forfeited and the Master in Equity for Sumter County may re-sell the property on the same terms and conditions on some subsequent Sales Day (at the risk of the said highest bidder). As a deficiency judgment is being waived, the bidding will not remain open thirty days after the date of sale. Purchaser shall pay for preparation of deed, documentary stamps on the deed, and recording of the deed. The successful bidder will be required to pay interest on the amount of the bid from date of sale to date of compliance with the bid at the rate of 3.50% per annum. The sale shall be subject to assessments, Sumter County taxes, easements, easements and restrictions of record, and other senior encumbrances.

The Honorable Richard L. Booth
Master in Equity, Sumter County

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CIVIL ACTION NO.
2017-CP-43-00436**

BY VIRTUE of the decree heretofore granted in the case of: **EverBank vs. Jonathan M. Henry**; Bridgett C. Triplett; Rental Center, Inc.; Carmel Financial Corp.; The United States of America, acting by and through its agency, The Secretary of Housing and Urban Development, the undersigned Master in Equity for Sumter County, South Carolina, will sell on **October 2, 2017 at 12:00PM**, at the Sumter County Courthouse, City of Sumter, State of South Carolina, to the highest bidder:

ALL THAT CERTAIN PIECE, PARCEL, OR LOT OF LAND, TOGETHER WITH THE IMPROVEMENTS THEREON, IF ANY, SITUATE, LYING AND BEING IN THE TOWNSHIP OF SUMTER, COUNTY OF SUMTER, STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA, BEING SHOWN AND DESIGNATED AS LOT #61 OF RAINBOW FALLS SUBDIVISION AS SHOWN ON THAT CERTAIN PLAT PREPARED FOR MICHAEL W. SHY AND PULETHA A. SHY BY JULIAN B. ALLEN, R.L.S., DATED JUNE 6, 1986, REVISED JANUARY 29, 1987, AND RECORDED IN THE OFFICE OF THE REGISTER OF MESNE CONVEYANCES FOR SUMTER COUNTY IN PLAT BOOKS 86 AT PAGE 784 AND 87 AT PAGE 108 AND BEING BOUNDED AND MEASURING ACCORDING TO SAID PLAT AS FOLLOWS: ON THE WEST BY LOT #87 AND A PORTION OF LOT #86 WHEREON IT MEASURES IN THE AGGREGATE 110.00 FEET; ON THE NORTH BY LOT #62 WHEREON IT MEASURES 180.08 FEET; ON THE EAST BY RIGHT-OF-WAY OF RAINBOW DRIVE, WHEREON IT FRONTS AND MEASURES 84.96 FEET; ON THE SOUTHEAST BY INTERSECTION OF RIGHT-OF-WAY OF RAINBOW DRIVE WHEREON IT MEASURES 35.38 FEET; AND ON THE SOUTH BY RIGHT OF WAY OF RAINBOW DRIVE WHEREON IT MEASURES 155.0 FEET; BE ALL OF SAID MEASUREMENTS A LITTLE MORE OR A LITTLE LESS AND ACCORDING TO SAID PLAT.

THIS BEING THE SAME PROPERTY CONVEYED TO JONATHAN M. HENRY AND BRIDGETTE C. TRIPLETT, AS JOINT TENANTS WITH RIGHTS OF SURVIVORSHIP, BY DEED OF MICHAEL W. AND PULETHA A. SHY DATED APRIL 12, 2000 AND RECORDED APRIL 13, 2000 IN BOOK 769 AT PAGE 742 IN THE OFFICE OF THE REGISTER OF DEEDS FOR SUMTER COUNTY, SOUTH CAROLINA.

**CURRENT ADDRESS
OF PROPERTY:
620 Rainbow Drive,
Sumter, SC 29154****TMS: 183-13-03-012**

TERMS OF SALE: The successful bidder, other than the Plaintiff, will deposit with the Master in Equity, at conclusion of the bidding, five percent (5%) of his bid, in cash or equivalent, as evidence of good faith, same to be applied to the purchase price in case of compliance, but to be forfeited and applied first to costs and then to the Plaintiff's debt in the case of non-compliance. Should the last and highest bidder fail to comply with the other terms of the bid within thirty (30) days, then the Master in Equity may re-sell the property on the same terms and conditions on some subsequent Sales Day (at the risk of the said highest bidder). No personal or deficiency judgment being demanded, the bidding shall not remain open after the date of sale and shall be final on that date, and compliance with the bid may be made immediately. Purchaser to pay for documentary stamps on the Deed. The successful bidder will be required to pay interest on the amount of the balance of the bid from date of sale to date of compliance with the bid at the rate of 8% per annum. The sale shall be subject to taxes and assessments, existing easements and restrictions, easements and restrictions of record and any other senior encumbrances. Although they are entitled to a one (1) year right of redemption, since the mortgage lien of the Defendant United States of America derives from issuance of insurance under the National Housing Act, any federal right of redemption under 28 U.S.C. Section 2410 (c) is deemed waived by U.S.C. Section 1701K.

In the event an agent of Plaintiff does not appear at the time of sale, the within property shall be withdrawn from sale and sold at the next available sales date upon the terms and conditions as set forth in the Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale or such terms as may be set forth in a supplemental order.

The Honorable Richard L. Booth
Master in Equity
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**MASTER IN EQUITY
NOTICE OF SALE
2017-CP-43-00981**

BY VIRTUE of a decree heretofore granted in the case of: **Home Point Financial Corporation vs. Eric Birtira, I**, the undersigned Richard L. Booth, Master in Equity for Sumter County, will sell on **Monday, October 2, 2017 at 12:00 PM**, at the County Judicial Center, 215 Harvin Street, Sumter, SC 29150, to the highest bidder:

All that certain piece, parcel of lot of land situate, lying and being in Sumter Township, Sumter County, State of South Carolina and being shown and designated as Lot #128 on a plat of Section 5 of "The Village" Subdivision prepared by H.S. Willson, R.L.S., dated July 4, 1977 and recorded in the Office of the Register of Deeds for Sumter County in Plat Book Z-40 at Page 9 and according to said plat being bounded and measuring as follows: On the Southwest and Northwest by the right of way of Sierra Street, and measuring thereon an aggregate of 268.8 feet; on the Southeast by Lot No. 123 said plat, and measuring thereon 166.9 feet; on the East by Lot #122 said plat, and measuring thereon 110 feet, and on the Northeast by Lot #131, said plat, and measuring thereon 150 feet.

This conveyance is subject to all visible and recorded covenants, rights of way, and easements affection said property including those Restrictive Covenants recorded in Deed Book G-10 at Page 1418.

Please note that the above description has been modified to correct a minor, immaterial clerical error in the legal regarding the metes and bounds description.

This being the same property conveyed Eric Birtira by Deed of

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William R. Hubbard dated March 11, 2016 and recorded April 4, 2016 in Book 1220 at Page 2667 in the ROD Office for Sumter County.

TMS No. 206-10-01-026

**Property address:
554 Sierra Street,
Sumter, SC 29154**

TERMS OF SALE: The successful bidder, other than the Plaintiff, will deposit with the Master in Equity, at conclusion of the bidding, five percent (5%) of said bid is due and payable immediately upon closing of the bidding, in cash or equivalent, as evidence of good faith, same to be applied to purchase price in case of compliance, but to be forfeited and applied first to costs and then to Plaintiff's debt in the case of non-compliance. In the event of a third party bidder and that any third party bidder fails to deliver the required deposit in certified (immediately collectible) funds with the Office of the Master in Equity, said deposit being due and payable immediately upon closing of the bidding on the day of sale, the Master in Equity will re-sell the subject property at the most convenient time thereafter (including the day of sale) upon notification to counsel for Plaintiff. Should the last and highest bidder fail or refuse to comply with the balance due of the bid within 20 days, then the Master in Equity may re-sell the property on the same terms and conditions on some subsequent Sales Day (at the risk of the said highest bidder).

No personal or deficiency judgment being demanded, the bidding will not remain open after the date of sale, but compliance with the bid may be made immediately.

Purchaser to pay for documentary stamps on Master in Equity's Deed. The successful bidder will be required to pay interest on the balance of the bid from the date of sale to date of compliance with the bid at the rate of 4.500% per annum.

The Plaintiff may waive any of its rights, including its right to a deficiency judgment, prior to sale.

The sale shall be subject to taxes and assessments, existing easements and restrictions of record.

This sale is subject to all title matters of record and any interested party should consider performing an independent title examination of the subject property as no warranty is given.

The sale will not be held unless either Plaintiff's attorney or Plaintiff's bidding agent is present at the sale and either Plaintiff's attorney or Plaintiff's bidding agent enters the authorized bid of Plaintiff for this captioned matter. In the alternative, Plaintiff's counsel, if permitted by the Court, may advise this Court directly of its authorized bidding instructions. In the event a sale is inadvertently held without Plaintiff's Counsel or Counsel's bidding agent entering the authorized bid of Plaintiff for this specifically captioned matter, the sale shall be null and void and the property shall be re-advertised for sale on the next available sale date.

**3420 Valencia Drive
Dalzell, S. C. 29040
TMS # 151-11-05-011**

Richard L. Booth
Master in Equity
for Sumter County

Scott and Corley, P.A.
Attorney for Plaintiff

**NOTICE OF SALE
CIVIL ACTION NO.
2017-CP-43-00057**

BY VIRTUE of the decree heretofore granted in the case of: **Deutsche Bank National Trust Company, As Trustee For Morgan Stanley Home Equity Loan Trust 2005-2 Mortgage Pass-Through Certificates, Series 2005-2 vs. Lee E. Taylor**; Ida M. Taylor; South Carolina Department of Revenue; United States of America, acting through its agency, Department of Treasury - Internal Revenue Service, the undersigned Master in Equity for Sumter County, South Carolina, will sell on **October 2, 2017 at 12:00PM**, at the Sumter County Courthouse, City of Sumter, State of South Carolina, to the highest bidder:

ALL THAT PIECE, PARCEL OR LOT OF LAND WITH THE BUILDING AND IMPROVEMENTS THEREON, NOW SITUATE IN THE CITY AND COUNTY OF SUMTER, STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA, DESIGNATED AS LOT #4, OF BLOCK "G" ON A PLAT OF M.K. MILLARD, C.E., DATED OCTOBER 27, 1951, IN THE RMC OFFICE OF SUMTER COUNTY IN PLAT BOOK Z-10 AT PAGE 80; SAID LOT #4, OF BLOCK "G" BEING SHOWN ON A MORE RECENT PLAT OF JILLIAN B. ALLEN, RLS, DATED JULY 17, 1981 AND RECORDED IN THE RMC OFFICE FOR SUMTER COUNTY IN PLAT BOOK Z-45 AT PAGE 332, ACCORDING TO WHICH SAID PROPERTY IS BOUNDED AND MEASURES AS FOLLOWS: NORTHEAST BY SHULER DRIVE, WHEREON IT FRONTS AND MEASURES 66.4 FEET; SOUTHEAST BY CAROLINA GARDENS WHEREON IT MEASURES 124.82 FEET; SOUTHWEST BY LANDS NOW OR FORMERLY OF BELSER WHEREON IT MEASURES 68.70 FEET; AND NORTHWEST BY LOT #3 OF BLOCK "G" WHEREON IT MEASURES 124.80 FEET; BE ALL MEASUREMENTS A LITTLE MORE OR LESS.

THIS BEING THE SAME PROPERTY CONVEYED TO LEE E. TAYLOR AND IDA M. TAYLOR BY DEED OF JUDY A. COPELAND, DATED JULY 17, 1981, AND RECORDED JULY 20, 1981, IN DEED BOOK 291 AT PAGE 915, IN THE OFFICE OF THE REGISTER OF DEEDS FOR SUMTER COUNTY.

**CURRENT ADDRESS
OF PROPERTY:
2 Shuler Drive,
Sumter, SC 29150
TMS: 229-06-01-040**

TERMS OF SALE: The successful bidder, other than the Plaintiff, will deposit with the Master in Equity, at conclusion of the bidding, five percent (5%) of his bid, in cash or equivalent, as evidence of good faith, same to be applied to the purchase price in case of compliance, but to be forfeited and applied first to costs and then to the Plaintiff's debt in the case of non-compliance. Should the last and highest bidder fail to comply with the other terms of the bid within thirty (30) days, then the Master in Equity may re-sell the property on the same terms and conditions on some subsequent Sales Day (at the risk of the said highest bidder). No personal or deficiency judgment being demanded, the bidding shall not remain open after

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the date of sale and shall be final on that date, and compliance with the bid may be made immediately. Purchaser to pay for documentary stamps on the Deed. The successful bidder will be required to pay interest on the amount of the balance of the bid from date of sale to date of compliance with the bid at the rate of 8.63% per annum. The sale shall be subject to taxes and assessments, existing easements and restrictions, easements and restrictions of record and any other senior encumbrances. If the United States is named as a Defendant, The sale shall be subject to the United States 120 day right of redemption pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 2410(c).

In the event an agent of Plaintiff does not appear at the time of sale, the within property shall be withdrawn from sale and sold at the next available sales date upon the terms and conditions as set forth in the Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale or such terms as may be set forth in a supplemental order.

The Honorable Richard L. Booth
Master in Equity
for Sumter County

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**AMENDED MASTER IN
EQUITY'S SALE
CASE NO.
2017-CP-43-00339**

BY VIRTUE of a decree heretofore granted in the case of **Branch Banking and Trust Company against David E. Williams**, et al., I, the Master in Equity for Sumter County, will sell on **Monday, October 2, 2017, at 12:00 o'clock noon**, at the Sumter County Courthouse, Sumter, South Carolina, to the highest bidder:

All that certain piece, parcel and lot of land with improvements thereon situate, lying and being in the County of Sumter, State of South Carolina identified as Lot No. 85 of Rolling Hills Subdivision Section III and being more fully shown on a plat prepared by Joseph R. Edwards, P.L.S. dated March 2, 2007 and recorded in Plat Book 2007 at Page 99, records of Sumter County. This property is known as 3420 Valencia Drive and is further identified as Sumter County Tax Map Parcel No. 151-11-05-011.

Aforesaid Plat is specifically incorporated herein and reference is craved thereto for a more complete and accurate description of the metes, bounds, courses and distances of the property concerned herein. This description is in lieu of metes and bounds, as permitted by law under Section 30-5-250 of the 1976 Code of Laws of South Carolina, as amended. Be all measurements a little more or a little less and according to said plat.

This being the identical property conveyed unto David E. Williams by Deed of Riley L. Tidwell, Jr., dated December 30, 2009 and recorded in the office of the Register of Deeds for Sumter County, South Carolina on December 31, 2009 in Deed Book 1133 at Page 3783.

**3420 Valencia Drive
Dalzell, S. C. 29040****TMS # 151-11-05-011**

TERMS OF SALE: The successful bidder, other than the plaintiff, will deposit with the Master in Equity for Sumter County at conclusion of the bidding, five percent (5%) of the bid, in cash or equivalent, as evidence of good faith, same to be applied to the purchase price in case of compliance, but to be forfeited and applied first to costs and then to plaintiff's debt in the case of non-compliance. If the Plaintiff's representative is not in attendance at the scheduled time of the sale, the sale shall be canceled and the property sold on some subsequent sales day after due advertisement. Should the last and highest bidder fail or refuse to make the required deposit at time of bid or comply with the other terms of the bid within thirty (30) days, the deposit shall be forfeited and the Master in Equity for Sumter County may re-sell the property on the same terms and conditions on some subsequent Sales Day (at the risk of the said highest bidder). As a deficiency judgment is being demanded, the bidding will remain open thirty days after the date of sale.

Purchaser shall pay for preparation of deed, documentary stamps on the deed, and recording of the deed. The successful bidder will be required to pay interest on the amount of the bid from date of sale to date of compliance with the bid at the rate of 5.000% per annum. The sale shall be subject to assessments, Sumter County taxes, easements, easements and restrictions of record, and other senior encumbrances.

The Honorable Richard L. Booth
Master in Equity, Sumter County

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**MASTER IN EQUITY
NOTICE OF SALE
2013-CP-43-00332**

BY VIRTUE of a decree heretofore granted in the case of: **JPMorgan Chase Bank, National Association vs. Stanley E. Hayes, Jr.**, a/k/a Stanley Eugene Hayes, Jr., et al., I, the undersigned Richard L. Booth, Master in Equity for Sumter County, will sell on **Monday, July 3, 2017 at 12:00 PM**, at the County Judicial Center, 215 Harvin Street, Sumter, SC 29150, to the highest bidder:

All that certain piece, parcel, or lot of land, together with any improvements thereon, situate, lying and being in the County of Sumter, State of South Carolina, and being shown and designated as Lot 26 of HUNTERS CROSSING SUBDIVISION, PHASE 1, SECTION 1 as more fully shown on a plat thereof prepared by Louis W. Tisdale, RLS, dated February 9, 2006 recorded in the Office of the Register of Deeds for Sumter County in Plat Book 2006 at Page 91; which plat is incorporated herein by this reference and having such metes, bounds, courses and distances, being a little more or less, as by this reference to said plat will more fully appear.

This being the same property conveyed to Stanley E. Hayes, Jr., by Deed from Firstar Homes, Inc., dated October 3, 2006 and recorded October 10, 2006 in Book 1048 at Page 1604 in the ROD Office for Sumter County.

TMS No. 1871301015

**Property address:
1691 Mossberg Drive,
Sumter, SC 29150**

TERMS OF SALE: The successful bidder, other than the Plaintiff, will deposit with the Master in Equity, at

conclusion of the bidding, five percent (5%) of said bid is due and payable immediately upon closing of the bidding, in cash or equivalent, as evidence of good faith, same to be applied to purchase price in case of compliance, but to be forfeited and applied first to costs and then to Plaintiff's debt in the case of non-compliance. In the event of a third party bidder and that any third party bidder fails to deliver the required deposit in certified (immediately collectible) funds with the Office of the Master in Equity, said deposit being due and payable immediately upon closing of the bidding on the day of sale, the Master in Equity will re-sell the subject property at the most convenient time thereafter (including the day of sale) upon notification to counsel for Plaintiff. Should the last and highest bidder fail or refuse to comply with the balance due of the bid within 20 days, then the Master in Equity may re-sell the property on the same terms and conditions on some subsequent Sales Day (at the risk of the said highest bidder).

Personal or deficiency judgment being demanded, the bidding will remain open for a period of thirty (30) days after the sale date. The Plaintiff may waive its right to a deficiency judgment prior to sale, in which case the bidding will not remain open after the date of sale, but compliance with the bid may be made immediately.

Purchaser to pay for documentary stamps on Master in Equity's Deed. The successful bidder will be required to pay interest on the balance of the bid from the date of sale to date of compliance with the bid at the rate of 2.000% per annum.

The Plaintiff may waive any of its rights, including its right to a deficiency judgment, prior to sale.

The sale shall be subject to taxes and assessments, existing easements and restrictions of record.

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void, and of no force and effect. In such event, the sale will be rescheduled for the next available sales day. Plaintiff may waive any of its rights, including its right to a deficiency judgment, prior to sale.

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BY VIRTUE of a decree heretofore granted in the case of U.S. Bank National Association, as trustee, on behalf of the holders of the Credit Suisse First Boston Mortgage Securities Corp. Home Equity Pass Through Certificates, Series, 2006-8 vs. Yvonne Johnson a/k/a Yvonne L. Johnson; Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. as nominee for Onnit Mortgage Solutions, Inc., its successors and assigns; Idlewild Homeowners Association, Inc., C/A No. 14-CP-43-1285. The following property will be sold on October 2, 2017, at 12:00 Noon at the Sumter County Courthouse to the highest bidder

All that certain piece, parcel, or lot of land, together with improvements thereon, if any, situate, lying and being in the City and County of Sumter, State of South Carolina, being shown and designated as Lot #209, Section No. 1, Idlewild Subdivision, as shown on that certain plat prepared by Ben J. Makela, RLS, dated June 18, 1987, and recorded in the Office of the Register of Deeds for Sumter County in Plat Book 87 at Page 976, and having such metes and bounds as are shown on said plat. Reference being had to said plat for a more complete and accurate description.

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670 Mallard Dr, Sumter, SC 29150

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SUBJECT TO ASSESSMENTS, SUMTER COUNTY AD VALOREM TAXES, EASEMENTS AND/OR, RESTRICTIONS OF RECORD, AND OTHER SENIOR ENCUMBRANCES.

TERMS OF SALE: A 5% deposit in certified funds is required. The deposit will be applied towards the purchase price unless the bidder defaults, in which case the deposit will be forfeited. If the successful bidder fails, or refuses, to make the required deposit, or comply with his bid within 20 days, then the property will be resold at his risk. No personal or deficiency judgment being demanded, the bidding will not remain open after the date of sale, but compliance with the bid may be made immediately. The successful bidder will be required to pay interest on the amount of the bid from date of sale to date of compliance with the bid at the rate of 8.5% per annum. For complete terms of sale, see Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale filed with the Sumter County Clerk of Court at C/A #14-CP-43-1285.

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

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MASTER IN EQUITY NOTICE OF SALE 2015-CP-43-02201

BY VIRTUE of a decree heretofore granted in the case of JPMorgan Chase Bank, National Association vs. Brian J. Scott; Tiffany Ann Scott a/k/a Tiffany A. Scott a/k/a Tiffany Friot; et al., I, the undersigned Richard L. Booth, Master in Equity for Sumter County, will sell on Monday, October 2, 2017 at 12:00 PM, at the County Judicial Center, 215 Harvin Street, Sumter, SC 29150, to the highest bidder:

All that certain piece, parcel or lot of land, with improvements, if any, situate, lying and being in the County of Sumter, State of South Carolina and designated as Lot No. 34 on that certain plat prepared by Edmunds Land Surveyors, Inc., dated December 17, 2003 and recorded in the Office of the Register of Deeds for Sumter County in Plat Book 2004, at Page 48. This said lot has such metes, boundaries, courses and distances as are shown said plat, which are incorporated herein in accordance with the provisions of Section 30-5-250 of the Code of Laws of South Carolina, 1976.

This being the same property conveyed to Brian J. Scott and Tiffany Ann Scott, for and during the term of their joint lives, and upon the death of either of them, then to the survivor of them, by Deed of Milan Homes, Inc., dated August 14, 2006 and recorded August 15, 2006 in Book 1040 at Page 1821 in the ROD Office for Sumter County.

TMS No. 155-09-02-007

Property address: 4755 Cayman Street, Sumter, SC 29154

TERMS OF SALE: The successful bidder, other than the Plaintiff, will deposit with the Master in Equity, at conclusion of the bidding, five percent (5%) of said bid is due and payable immediately upon closing of

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the bidding, in cash or equivalent, as evidence of good faith, same to be applied to purchase price in case of compliance, but to be forfeited and applied first to costs and then to Plaintiff's debt in the case of non-compliance. In the event of a third party bidder and that any third party bidder fails to deliver the required deposit in certified (immediately collectible) funds with the Office of the Master in Equity, said deposit being due and payable immediately upon closing of the bidding on the day of sale, the Master in Equity will re-sell the subject property at the most convenient time thereafter (including the day of sale) upon notification to counsel for Plaintiff. Should the last and highest bidder fail or refuse to comply with the balance due of the bid within 20 days, then the Master in Equity may re-sell the property on the same terms and conditions on some subsequent Sales Day (at the risk of the said highest bidder).

No personal or deficiency judgment being demanded, the bidding will not remain open after the date of sale, but compliance with the bid may be made immediately.

Purchaser to pay for documentary stamps on Master in Equity's Deed. The successful bidder will be required to pay interest on the balance of the bid from the date of sale to date of compliance with the bid at the rate of 5.000% per annum.

The Plaintiff may waive any of its rights, including its right to a deficiency judgment, prior to sale.

The sale shall be subject to taxes and assessments, existing easements and restrictions of record.

This sale is subject to all title matters of record and any interested party should consider performing an independent title examination of the subject property as no warranty is given.

The sale will not be held unless either Plaintiff's attorney or Plaintiff's bidding agent is present at the sale and either Plaintiff's attorney or Plaintiff's bidding agent enters the authorized bid of Plaintiff for this captioned matter. In the alternative, Plaintiff's counsel, if permitted by the Court, may advise this Court directly of its authorized bidding instructions. In the event a sale is inadvertently held without Plaintiff's Counsel or Counsel's bidding agent entering the authorized bid of Plaintiff for this specifically captioned matter, the sale shall be null and void and the property shall be re-advertised for sale on the next available sale date.

Neither the Plaintiff nor its counsel make representations as to the integrity of the title or the fair market value of the property offered for sale. Prior to bidding you may wish to review the current state law or seek the advice of any attorney licensed in South Carolina.

Richard L. Booth
Master in Equity
for Sumter County

Scott and Corley, P.A.
Attorney for Plaintiff

Notice of Sale C/A No: 2017-CP-43-00129

BY VIRTUE OF A DECREE of the Court of Common Pleas for Sumter County, South Carolina, heretofore issued in the case of Bayview Loan Servicing, LLC vs. Jamealla I. Payne aka Jamealla Payne, Breonna S. Payne aka Breonna Payne; Meadowcroft Homeowners Association, I the undersigned as Master in Equity for Sumter County, will sell on October 2, 2017 at 12:00 PM, at the Sumter County Judicial Center, Sumter County, South Carolina, to the highest bidder:

Legal Description and Property Address:

ALL OF THAT CERTAIN piece, parcel or lot of land with improvements thereon lying, being and situate in the County of Sumter and State of South Carolina identified as Lot No. 2 of the Meadowcroft Subdivision, Section No. 6, and being more fully shown on a subdivision plat by Louis W. Tisdale, P.L.S., dated June 25, 2001, and recorded in Plat Book 2001 at Page 408. Office of the Register of Deeds for Sumter County. That the within parcel with improvements thereon is further represented on a plat made by Edwards Land Surveyors dated the 28th day of December, 2005 which plat was recorded in the Office of the Register of Deeds for Sumter County on the 29th day of December, 2005 in Plat Book 2005 at Page 622. That this property is known as 3105 Ashlynn Way, Sumter, and is further identified as Sumter County Tax Map Parcel No. 182-11-02-002. The within plats are specifically incorporated herein and reference is craved thereto for a more complete and accurate description of the

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metes, bounds, courses and distances of the property herein. This description is in lieu of metes and bounds as permitted by law under Section 30-5-250, Code of Laws of South Carolina, 1976, as amended.

This conveyance is made SUBJECT to all visible and recorded Easements, Rights-of-Way and Restrictive Covenants affecting the said described premises as may appear in Deed Book 809 at Page 1124 filed of record in the Office of the Register of Deeds for Sumter County on July 12, 2001.

THIS BEING the same property which was conveyed to Edith J. Fuller from Edward J. Shurman by his deed dated the 29th day of December, 2005 which deed was recorded in the Office of the Register of Deeds for Sumter County on the 29th day of December, 2005 in Deed Book 1011 at Page 373.

THEREAFTER, Edith J. Fuller's interest in subject property was conveyed to Jamealla I. Payne and Breonna S. Payne by Eva Payne as Personal Representative for the Estate of Edith J. Fuller (Estate # 2010-ES-43-00398) by virtue of a Deed of Distribution dated October 25, 2011 and recorded October 26, 2011 in Book 1161 at Page 3274 in the Office of the Register of Deeds for Sumter County, South Carolina making Jamealla I. Payne and Breonna S. Payne the sole owners of subject property.

3105 Ashlynn Way Sumter, SC 29154 TMS# 182-11-02-002

TERMS OF SALE: For cash. Interest at the current rate of Four and 875/1000 (4.875%) to be paid on balance of bid from date of sale to date of compliance. The purchaser to pay for papers and stamps, and that the successful bidder or bidders, other than the Plaintiff therein, will, upon the acceptance of his or her bid, deposit with the Master in Equity for Sumter County a certified check or cash in the amount equal to five percent (5%) of the amount of bid on said premises at the sale as evidence of good faith in bidding, and subject to any resale of said premises under Order of this Court; and in the event the said purchaser or purchasers fail to comply with the terms of sale within Twenty (20) days, the Master in Equity shall forthwith resell the said property, after the due notice and advertisement, and shall continue to sell the same each subsequent sales day until a purchaser, who shall comply with the terms of sale, shall be obtained, such sales to be made at the risk of the former purchaser. Since a personal or deficiency judgment is waived, the bidding will not remain open but compliance with the bid may be made immediately. If the Plaintiff or the Plaintiff's representative does not appear at the above-described sale, then the sale of the property will be null, void, and of no force and effect. In such event, the sale will be rescheduled for the next available sales day. Plaintiff may waive any of its rights, including its right to a deficiency judgment, prior to sale. Sold subject to taxes and assessments, existing easements and restrictions of record.

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MASTER IN EQUITY'S SALE CASE NO. 2017-CP-43-00948

BY VIRTUE of a decree heretofore granted in the case of Trustmark National Bank against Cameron A. Mittelberg, I, the Master in Equity for Sumter County, will sell on Monday, October 2, 2017, at 12:00 o'clock p.m., at the Sumter County Courthouse, Sumter, South Carolina, to the highest bidder:

All that certain piece, parcel or lot of land with the improvements thereon, if any, situate, lying and being in the City and County of Sumter, State of South Carolina, designated as Lot No. 21 in Block "A" on a plat of Joseph Palmer, dated May 28, 1935 and recorded in the Office of the Register of Deeds for Sumter County in Plat Book G-5 at Page 96. This said lot has such metes, boundaries, courses and distances as are shown on said plat, which are incorporated herein in accordance with the provisions of Section 30-5-250 of the Code of Laws of South Carolina, 1976. This being the same property known as 24 Victory Drive, Sumter, South Carolina and shown on the Sumter County Tax Map as Parcel No. 229-13-03-026.

This being the same property conveyed to Cameron A. Mittelberg by deed of Violet J. McFaddin dated May 11, 2009 and recorded May 12, 2009 in the Office of the Register of Deeds for Sumter County, South Carolina in Book 1122 at Page 3825.

TMS#: 229-13-03-026

Notice of Sale

Property Address: 24 Victory Drive Sumter, S. C. 29150

TERMS OF SALE: The successful bidder, other than the plaintiff, will deposit with the Master in Equity for Sumter County at conclusion of the bidding, five percent (5%) of the bid, in cash or equivalent, as evidence of good faith, same to be applied to the purchase price in case of compliance, but to be forfeited and applied first to costs and then to plaintiff's debt in the case of non-compliance. If the Plaintiff's representative is not in attendance at the scheduled time of the sale, the sale shall be canceled and the property sold on some subsequent sales day after due advertisement. Should the last and highest bidder fail or refuse to make the required deposit at time of bid or comply with the other terms of the bid within thirty (30) days, the deposit shall be forfeited and the Master in Equity for Sumter County may re-sell the property on the same terms and conditions on some subsequent Sales Day (at the risk of the said highest bidder). As a deficiency judgment is being Waived, the bidding will not remain open thirty days after the date of sale. Purchaser shall pay for preparation of deed, documentary stamps on the deed, and recording of the deed. The successful bidder will be required to pay interest on the amount of the bid from date of sale to date of compliance with the bid at the rate of 5.50% per annum. The sale shall be subject to assessments, Sumter County taxes, easements, easements and restrictions of record, and other senior encumbrances.

The Honorable Richard L. Booth
Master in Equity, Sumter County

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NOTICE OF SALE CIVIL ACTION NO. 2017-CP-43-01015

BY VIRTUE of the decree heretofore granted in the case of Wells Fargo Bank, N.A. vs. Dakota A. Brightwell a/k/a D. Brightwell; Ashbrook Homeowners Assn, Inc., the undersigned Master In Equity for Sumter County, South Carolina, will sell on October 2, 2017 at 12:00PM, at the Sumter County Courthouse, City of Sumter, State of South Carolina, to the highest bidder:

ALL THAT CERTAIN PIECE, PARCEL OR LOT OF LAND, WITH IMPROVEMENTS THEREON IF ANY, SITUATE, LYING AND BEING IN THE COUNTY OF SUMTER, STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA, BEING SHOWN AND DELINEATED AS LOT 45 ON A SUBDIVISION SURVEY - LOT 45, ASHBROOK SUBDIVISION, PHASE I, AS MORE FULLY SHOWN ON A PLAT THEREOF PREPARED BY BLACK RIVER LAND SURVEYING, LLC, LOUIS WHITE TISDALE, PLS #13856, DATED MARCH 27, 2007 AND RECORDED ON OCTOBER 10, 2011 IN THE OFFICE OF THE ROD FOR SUMTER COUNTY IN PLAT BOOK 2011 AT PAGE 225. REFERENCE IS BEING MADE TO SAID PLAT FOR A MORE COMPLETE AND ACCURATE DESCRIPTION AS TO METES, BOUNDS, COURSE AND DISTANCES, ALL MEASUREMENTS BEING A LITTLE MORE OR LESS.

THIS BEING THE SAME PROPERTY CONVEYED TO DAKOTA A. BRIGHTWELL BY DEED OF MUNGO HOMES, INC. DATED AUGUST 30, 2012 AND RECORDED AUGUST 31, 2012 IN BOOK 1175 AT PAGE 4121 IN THE RECORDS FOR SUMTER COUNTY, SOUTH CAROLINA.

CURRENT ADDRESS OF PROPERTY: 50 Seay Court, Sumter, SC 29154 TMS: 182-06-001-011

TERMS OF SALE: The successful bidder, other than the Plaintiff, will deposit with the Master In Equity, at conclusion of the bidding, five percent (5%) of his bid, in cash or equivalent, as evidence of good faith, same to be applied to the purchase

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price in case of compliance, but to be forfeited and applied first to costs and then to the Plaintiff's debt in the case of non-compliance. Should the last and highest bidder fail to comply with the other terms of the bid within thirty (30) days, then the Master In Equity may re-sell the property on the same terms and conditions on some subsequent Sales Day (at the risk of the said highest bidder). No personal or deficiency judgment being demanded, the bidding shall not remain open after the date of sale and shall be final on that date, and compliance with the bid may be made immediately. Purchaser to pay for documentary stamps on the Deed. The successful bidder will be required to pay interest on the amount of the balance of the bid from date of sale to date of compliance with the bid at the rate of 3.5% per annum. The sale shall be subject to taxes and assessments, existing easements and restrictions, easements and restrictions of record and any other senior encumbrances.

In the event an agent of Plaintiff does not appear at the time of sale, the within property shall be withdrawn from sale and sold at the next available sales date upon the terms and conditions as set forth in the Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale or such terms as may be set forth in a supplemental order.

The Honorable Richard L. Booth
Master In Equity
for Sumter County

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Attorneys for Plaintiff

MASTER IN EQUITY NOTICE OF SALE 2017-CP-43-00909

BY VIRTUE of a decree heretofore granted in the case of JPMorgan Chase Bank, National Association vs. Tammy C. Lindsey; et al., I, the undersigned Richard L. Booth, Master in Equity for Sumter County, will sell on Monday, October 2, 2017 at 12:00 PM, at the County Judicial Center, 215 Harvin Street, Sumter, SC 29150, to the highest bidder:

All that certain piece, parcel or lot of land with the improvements thereon, situate, lying and being in the City and County of Sumter, State of South Carolina, being more particularly shown and delineated as Lot 34-A, "Tudor Place" Subdivision, Phase IV, as shown on that certain plat of Joseph R. Edwards, RLS, dated October 23, 1995, and recorded in the RMC Office for Sumter County in Plat Book PB95, Page 1133. The said lot has such boundaries, metes, courses, and distances as are shown on said plat which are incorporated herein in accordance with the provision of Section 30-5-250 of the Code of Laws of South Carolina. This property is more generally known as 855 Grimble Court.

This being the same property conveyed to Tammy C. Lindsey by deed of Ashlyn Margaret Smith n/k/a Ashlyn S. Sanders, dated December 9, 2005 and recorded January 26, 2006 in Book 1013 at Page 1832 in the Office of the Register of Deeds for Sumter County.

TMS No. 2040501093

Property address: 855 Grimble Court, Sumter, SC 29150

TERMS OF SALE: The successful bidder, other than the Plaintiff, will deposit with the Master in Equity, at conclusion of the bidding, five percent (5%) of said bid is due and payable immediately upon closing of the bidding, in cash or equivalent, as evidence of good faith, same to be applied to purchase price in case of compliance, but to be forfeited and applied first to costs and then to Plaintiff's debt in the case of non-compliance. In the event of a third party bidder and that any third party bidder fails to deliver the required deposit in certified (immediately collectible) funds with the Office of the Master in Equity, said deposit being due and payable immediately upon closing of the bidding on the day of sale, the Master in Equity will re-sell the subject property at the most convenient time thereafter (including the day of sale) upon notification to counsel for Plaintiff.

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Should the last and highest bidder fail or refuse to comply with the balance due of the bid within 20 days, then the Master in Equity may re-sell the property on the same terms and conditions on some subsequent Sales Day (at the risk of the said highest bidder).

Personal or deficiency judgment being demanded, the bidding will remain open for a period of thirty (30) days after the sale date. The Plaintiff may waive its right to a deficiency judgment prior to sale, in which case the bidding will not remain open after the date of sale, but compliance with the bid may be made immediately.

Purchaser to pay for documentary stamps on Master in Equity's Deed. The successful bidder will be required to pay interest on the balance of the bid from the date of sale to date of compliance with the bid at the rate of 3.500% per annum.

The Plaintiff may waive any of its rights, including its right to a deficiency judgment, prior to sale.

The sale shall be subject to taxes and assessments, existing easements and restrictions of record.

This sale is subject to all title matters of record and any interested party should consider performing an independent title examination of the subject property as no warranty is given.

The sale will not be held unless either Plaintiff's attorney or Plaintiff's bidding agent is present at the sale and either Plaintiff's attorney or Plaintiff's bidding agent enters the authorized bid of Plaintiff for this captioned matter. In the alternative, Plaintiff's counsel, if permitted by the Court, may advise this Court directly of its authorized bidding instructions. In the event a sale is inadvertently held without Plaintiff's Counsel or Counsel's bidding agent entering the authorized bid of Plaintiff for this specifically captioned matter, the sale shall be null and void and the property shall be re-advertised for sale on the next available sale date.

Neither the Plaintiff nor its counsel make representations as to the integrity of the title or the fair market value of the property offered for sale. Prior to bidding you may wish to review the current state law or seek the advice of any attorney licensed in South Carolina.

Richard L. Booth
Master in Equity
for Sumter County

Scott and Corley, P.A.
Attorney for Plaintiff



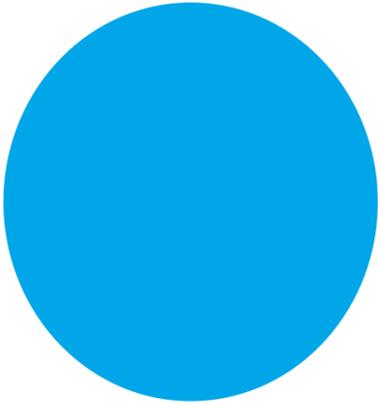
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IN BRIEF

SLOW DOWN ON MEDICAID CHANGES, STATES TELL GOP

A group that represents state officials who administer Medicaid programs is telling Senate Republicans to slow down and rethink their latest health care bill.

The board of the National Association of Medicaid Directors said Thursday its members are concerned that the Senate is rushing to make major changes in health programs for low-income people — with far-reaching consequences for state budgets that aren't fully understood.

EPA WORKERS ATTENDING ANTI-LEAKING CLASSES

Employees at the Environmental Protection Agency are attending mandatory training sessions this week to reinforce their compliance with laws and rules against leaking classified or sensitive government information.

It is part of a broader Trump administration order for anti-leaks training at all executive branch agencies. The Associated Press obtained training materials from the hourlong class.

BABY WHOSE MOTHER SACRIFICED LIFE HAS DIED

A tiny preemie whose gravely ill mother had hoped to save her by shunning chemotherapy during pregnancy has died, a relative said Thursday.

Sonya Nelson said her niece, Life Lynn DeKlyen, died Wednesday evening at the University of Michigan Hospital in Ann Arbor. Life's mother, Carrie DeKlyen, died Sept. 9, three days after giving birth to her sixth child.

10TH PATIENT FROM FLORIDA NURSING HOME DIES

A 10th patient from a Florida nursing home that lost its air conditioning during Hurricane Irma died Wednesday.

Hollywood police said Thursday that Martha Murray's death was related to the problems at the facility after Irma.

The state has suspended the facility's license while the owners have sued the state to block its actions. The police and state attorney are investigating.

ISLAMIC STATE ABOUT TO LOSE LAST STRONGHOLD

U.S.-backed forces are close to capturing the Islamic State group's home base of Raqqa, Syria, meaning the end for its self-proclaimed caliphate is near.

A U.S.-led coalition has captured 70% of Raqqa, prompting rare surrenders by some fighters, the coalition said. Between 500 and 900 fighters are left in the city, down from 3,500 at the start of the offensive in June.

Staff and wire reports

Trump rhetoric leaves U.N. scorched, scratching heads

Ominous remarks about N. Korea, Iran could heighten nuclear fears

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USA TODAY

NEWS ANALYSIS

NEW YORK It's not every year at the United Nations that an American president condemns one country as "a murderous regime" and threatens another with destruction — but Donald Trump has never been

one to stick to diplomatic norms.

Few American presidents have made the history books during annual trips to the U.N. General Assembly. But the New York businessman's foray into a 193-country diplomatic minefield will probably be remembered for its unusual and unadorned attacks on Iran and North Korea that could set the stage for months or even years of nuclear-fueled tension and uncertainty.

Trump's rhetoric "left a lot of people scratching their heads,"



President Donald Trump's words at the United Nations this week in New York may have played better among his supporters than with foreign diplomats. EVAN VUCCI/AP

said Richard Fontaine, president of the Washington-based Center for a New American Security think tank. "So where do we go from here?"

Trump made some headway Thursday on his push to pressure North Korea to back off its weapons program, announcing an executive order designed to crack down on anyone who does business with the hermit nation.

But it was Trump's threats to "totally destroy" North Korea — and his "Rocket Man" nickname for the leader of the rogue nation — that fueled chatter on the sidelines of the United Nations after

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HURRICANE MARIA



Homes are awash in floodwater in the town of Catano in Juana Matos, Puerto Rico.

AFP/GETTY IMAGES

A long road ahead for devastated Puerto Rico

"You could hear people crying, they were scared. This one was devastating."

Victor Ramirez,
a 78-year-old resident

After the worst storm to hit Puerto Rico in 80 years, rescue teams continued their search for residents trapped in ravaged communities. The government warned that Hurricane Maria destroyed so much of the island it may be a while before help arrives. Maria tore through the center of this island nation of 3.4 million people with 155-mph winds, crippling the government and plunging the entire territory into darkness. Gov. Ricardo Rosselló said it may be three to six months before power is restored.

Baseball safety in fans' hands

It's time to demand measures to prevent more audience injuries

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USA TODAY Sports



ATLANTA It's time, people.

It's time for you, the fans, to speak out.

Sure, blame the New York Yankees for a 2-year-old girl's hospitalization, her face and head bloodied by a foul ball in an injury that left grown men in tears, fearing for her life.

If you must, blame Major League Baseball for merely recommending, not requiring, that teams have protective netting that extends beyond every dugout.

But blame your peers, too, the ones who pay top dollar for the finest seats in these largely taxpayer-funded palaces.

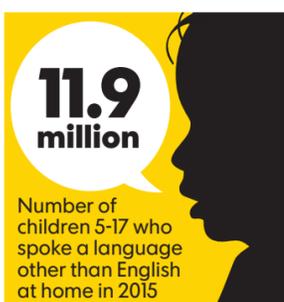
They're the ones who keep telling baseball owners you don't want expanded netting, resisting the Major League Baseball Players Association's efforts to not only keep fans safe but the players from a tragedy that could haunt them for the rest of their lives.

"If I hurt somebody, even though I can't control it, I

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First female officer to join Marine infantry

She's set to graduate grueling course

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WASHINGTON For the first time, a woman is set to become a Marine Corps infantry officer, a milestone in the Corps' 242-year history.

The woman, whose name was not released, is scheduled to graduate from the physically

demanding infantry officer course Monday.

She will be the first woman to complete the 13-week course. Since it was opened to females in 2012, 36 women have enrolled in the course.

"The female officer within Infantry Officer Course has completed all graduation requirements and is scheduled to graduate with her peers on Sept. 25, 2017," the Marine Corps said in a statement.

The statement says big challenges for men as well. About 25% of males don't complete the course and end up in other posi-

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tions in the Marine Corps. Students in the course hike long distances with heavy combat loads and negotiate grueling obstacle courses, all conducted under stressful conditions meant to resemble infantry combat.

Women have engaged in combat extensively in Iraq and Afghanistan, but until recently, they were barred from combat

arms jobs, such as infantry, tanks and artillery.

In 2013, the Pentagon ordered that all jobs be open to women, including combat arms.

Enlisted women have entered Marine Corps and Army infantry units and other fields that had been closed to females.

In many ways, the infantry officer course at Quantico, Va., was one of the last hurdles. The Marine Corps is an infantry-centered service.

Women make up only about 7% of the Marine Corps' ranks, the smallest percentage of any service.

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Tech reporter Jefferson Graham provides a quick hit on the hottest new gadgets and apps.

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Fans have voted down safety nets for baseball

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would feel terrible," Boston Red Sox outfielder Chris Young told USA TODAY Sports in 2016. "I would feel awful. You're just trying to play a game. The last thing you want to do is hurt somebody. It's not something you want on your conscience."

Yankees third baseman Todd Frazier dropped to one knee and prayed after his foul ball struck the girl seated in the sixth row of the lower left-field stands at Yankee Stadium on Wednesday. It was at least the fourth incident of a fan hit by a foul ball or a bat at Yankee Stadium this season.

"I still have a knot in my stomach," Minnesota Twins second baseman Brian Dozier said.

The Yankees revealed that the girl, who was attending the game with her grandparents, was in satisfactory condition at the hospital Thursday afternoon.

She could have easily been killed.

Major League Baseball suggested to every team last year that it extend the netting at least 70 feet to the inner edge of each dugout. Ten teams — the Atlanta Braves, Houston Astros, Kansas City Royals, Minnesota Twins, New York Mets, Philadelphia Phillies, Pittsburgh Pirates, St. Louis Cardinals, Texas Rangers and Washington Nationals — took the mandate further and extended the netting to the ends of each dugout.

It was a start.

But it's not good enough.

This is where you come in.

When the clubs reached out to their fans, primarily their season ticketholders, asking their opinion on whether they wanted the netting to extend farther than required, the answer was a resounding no.

"We had fans upset," Yankees COO Lonny Trost told *The New York Times* this summer, "that we're even considering it."

The fans complained in the surveys, saying they're not paying \$300 for a lower-level ticket to watch a game through a screen. They want a completely unimpeded view. They told the teams

they realize the inherent danger, but they're willing to take the risk.

It's time to drop the machismo. Call your team and voice your opinion that you're standing up for safety. Send emails. Leave voicemails. Complain to your ushers. Make your voice heard loud and clear.

If you don't feel your team is listening to you, hurt it back where it hurts the most.

Smack in its bank account.

Don't renew your season tickets this winter. Stop coming to games, unless a change is made.

Do that, and you'll see just how quickly your team responds.

No more excuses. No more alibis. No more gruesome incidents that will ultimately lead to tragedy.

We never should have waited until 2008 for Major League Baseball to mandate that every base coach on the field wear batting helmets, but it took a line drive July 22, 2007, that struck Colorado Rockies minor league coach Mike Coolbaugh in the neck. He was pronounced dead an hour later.

It's good that MLB Commissioner Rob Manfred said in a statement Thursday that MLB will "redouble our efforts" in working with clubs "on this issue."

That still makes it clear the ultimate power lies with individual franchises.

In that case, if you're going to complain about seeing though a net, you might want to contact Tonya Carpenter, 44, who was struck in the head by the barrel of a broken bat in 2015 at Fenway Park. She had brain surgery to stay alive. Stephanie Wapenski was hit in the forehead five days later at Fenway Park by a foul ball. She needed 40 stitches.

Ask them what they think about protective netting.

"I don't care about the damn view of a fan, it's all about safety," Dozier said. "We've been trying to get these teams to put nets up. We've got to do something about it. No exceptions."

Please, before it's too late.

Iran, N. Korea take brunt of bashing

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his speech Tuesday to the General Assembly.

Some allies are concerned about the war of words between Trump and North Korea and want to see more of a diplomatic focus on pressuring Kim Jong Un's government into giving up his nuclear weapons program.

The president accused Iran on Tuesday of trying to develop nuclear weapons despite the agreement it signed with the United States and other world powers, which he called an "embarrassment" to the United States.

U.S. allies that are signatories to the Obama-era agreement — including France, Germany and the European Union — disputed Trump's claims, saying Iran is in compliance and insisting that voiding the deal would encourage the Iranians to seek nukes.

"He gave a speech that satisfied his domestic base and alienated a lot of his foreign counterparts," said Richard Gowan with the European Council on Foreign Relations.

Oct. 15 is the deadline to recertify the Iran deal his predecessor, Barack Obama, signed in 2015. Monday, Trump said he would make a decision "very soon." Wednesday, Trump said he had made up his mind but wouldn't reveal his secret — even to British Prime Minister Theresa May, who asked him directly.

Trump tried to make headway on other diplomatic fronts. He pushed to restart long-stalled Middle East peace talks in meetings with Israel and the Palestinian Authority, describing it as the toughest deal of all.

The president talked about business opportunities in Africa, though his comment that many of his friends had gone to the continent "trying to get rich" drew a stony silence from African leaders.

In a bid to reassure allies, Trump told world leaders that his "America First" foreign policy does not preclude working with

other countries on major challenges, particularly terrorism.

All countries need to stick up for their own "sovereignty" and put their own citizens first, Trump said, though he suggested the United Nations take action against anti-democratic governments in Venezuela and Cuba and confront North Korea and Iran.

"We have had a very productive and strong week," said Nikki Haley, Trump's ambassador to the United Nations, adding that delegates appreciated "how blunt and honest" Trump was on North

"He gave a speech that satisfied his domestic base and alienated a lot of his foreign counterparts."

Richard Gowan,
European Council on Foreign Relations

Korea and other issues.

If the United States was forced to defend itself or its allies, Trump said, "we will have no choice but to totally destroy North Korea."

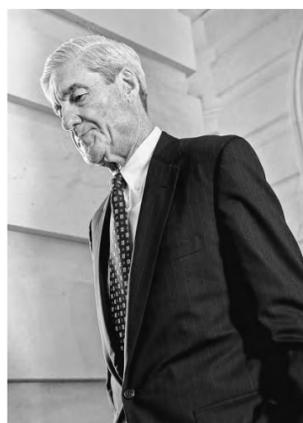
German Chancellor Angela Merkel told broadcaster Deutsche Welle, "I am against such threats." Merkel, who stayed away from the United Nations this year because of her re-election campaign in Germany, said, "We consider any form of military solution as totally inappropriate, and we insist on a diplomatic solution."

Trump and his aides said they do not want war with North Korea and hope economic pressure will persuade Kim to drop his nuclear weapons program. The administration will pressure other countries to follow Trump's lead and impose new economic sanctions, particularly China. The Trump team also seeks tougher sanctions from the United Nations, including a full oil embargo on North Korea.

Experts caution Congress: Safeguard Russia evidence

Committees urged to ensure that info goes to them in case Mueller is fired

Erin Kelly
USA TODAY



President Trump has labeled Robert Mueller's investigation into possible collusion with Russia a "witch hunt" but says he has no intention of firing the special counsel.

ANDREW HARNIK, AP

WASHINGTON When President Nixon abruptly fired Watergate special prosecutor Archibald Cox, assistant prosecutor Nick Akerman stuffed some of the evidence against Nixon in his clothes to prevent it from being destroyed.

"I hate to tell you exactly where I put it," laughed Akerman, a partner for the international law firm Dorsey & Whitney.

If President Trump fires special counsel Robert Mueller from the investigation into suspected election meddling by Russia, there may be danger once again that key documents could be destroyed, veterans of special investigations warned.

They urged Congress to act quickly to help save crucial evidence in case Mueller's team of prosecutors finds itself in the same predicament Akerman faced in 1973.

"Before that worst-case scenario occurs, this is the best time for the congressional committees to make sure that all of Mueller's documents, transcripts and other material goes to them if he is fired," said former senator Bob Graham, D-Fla., past chairman of the Senate Intelligence Committee and co-chairman of a joint Senate-House investigation into intelligence community activities before and after the 9/11 terrorist attacks.

There are three congressional committees — the Senate and House Intelligence Committees and the Senate Judiciary Committee — investigating Russia's alleged interference in last year's presidential election and possible collusion between the Trump campaign and Russian officials. Mueller is conducting a separate, criminal investigation.

Leaders of any of those com-

mittees could issue a subpoena at any time saying they want every document that Mueller's investigation has produced, said Andrew Wright, an associate professor at Savannah Law School in Georgia and former staff director of the House Oversight and Government Reform Committee.

"The more they (congressional committees) express the will now, the more the executive branch is on notice not to destroy the documents," Wright said. Destroying them could lead to obstruction-of-justice charges, he said.

Despite Trump's statement in August that he didn't plan to fire Mueller, senators introduced two bipartisan bills that would make it more difficult for a president to dismiss a special counsel.

One bill, sponsored by Sens. Thom Tillis, R-N.C., and Christopher Coons, D-Del., would allow a special counsel who is fired to challenge that dismissal in federal court.

A panel of judges would have to review the challenge within 14 days.

Another bill, by Sens. Lindsey Graham, R-S.C., and Cory Booker, D-N.J., would require a judicial review to remove a special counsel from office.

The attorney general would have to petition a federal court and establish that there was a "good cause" for the firing, such as misconduct, incapacity or conflict of interest.

The Senate Judiciary Committee scheduled a hearing on the bills for Tuesday.

Akerman said he would like to see Congress go further by passing legislation that would require a special counsel to report directly to a three-judge panel rather than to an attorney general, protecting the counsel from interference or retaliation by a hostile president.

The problem with legislative solutions is they take time and there is no guarantee they will pass a divided Congress or be signed into law by Trump, Wright said.

"The subpoena is probably the right tool at this point," he said.

Bob Graham said the congressional committees involved in the Russia investigation need to help themselves by putting protocols in place to preserve Mueller's evidence and ensure they have access to it if he's gone.

"If Mueller is dispatched, it's all going to fall on their heads," the retired senator said. "They would essentially have to conduct a congressional criminal investigation."

Trump, who has blasted Mueller's investigation as "a witch hunt," may feel the need to go after the special counsel amid reports that Mueller could try to make a deal with former Trump campaign chairman Paul Manafort to provide the prosecution with evidence against the president, Akerman said.

"The vise is starting to get closer and closer to Trump," he said. "I think there is danger that he lashes out and fires Mueller."



Facebook CEO Mark Zuckerberg pledged the company would take steps to prevent foreign intervention in elections. FACEBOOK

Facebook will give Congress 3,000 ads

Company caught up in investigations of meddling by Russia

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SAN FRANCISCO Facebook will provide congressional investigators with more than 3,000 ads bought by entities linked to the Russian government to sway the 2016 U.S. election, a capitulation to Washington lawmakers who have criticized the social network's role in Russian election meddling.

CEO Mark Zuckerberg also pledged Wednesday that his company would do everything it could to prevent "bad actors" from again using Facebook to manipulate voter sentiment during elections. He promised Facebook would make the origin of political ads more transparent to its users and it would take greater care in reviewing political ads.

The moves, which run counter to Facebook's policy, appear aimed at shoring up support for the company after the revelation that shadowy buyers bought the ads and targeted them at U.S. users between 2015 and 2017.

Rep. Adam Schiff, D-Calif., the ranking member of the House intelligence committee, said the data being turned over "should help us better understand what

happened."

"It will be important for the committee to scrutinize how rigorous Facebook's internal investigation has been, to test its conclusions and to understand why it took as long as it did to discover the Russian sponsored advertisements and what else may yet be uncovered," Schiff said in a statement.

In a public appearance streamed live from the company's headquarters in Menlo Park, Calif., Zuckerberg said Facebook was determined to make it "much harder" for anyone to interfere in elections and to "use our tools to undermine democracy."

That effort will get its first test during this weekend's elections in Germany. "It is a new challenge for Internet communities to deal with nation-states attempting to subvert elections. But if that's what we must do, we are committed to rising to the occasion," Zuckerberg said.

In early September, Facebook disclosed that it sold approximately \$100,000 in political ads that were used to sow political discord during last year's contentious presidential election.

Lawmakers are considering holding a hearing on the ads Facebook sold and may ask Zuckerberg to testify. And activity on Facebook has become the focus of an investigation by special counsel Robert Mueller into collusion between the Russian government and Donald Trump's campaign.

Mexico City rescue crews comb quake rubble in frantic search

Story of girl trapped at school appears to have been unfounded

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Special for USA TODAY

MEXICO CITY Rescue workers frantically searched for victims Thursday in the rubble of a school destroyed by a major earthquake two days earlier. But they had to operate carefully, fearing a further collapse of the unstable structure.

News emerged Thursday that there were no children still trapped in the school, though possibly one adult was.

Volunteers and security officials surrounding the school in the Coapa neighborhood asked for quiet — raising their fists as a sign to stay silent — as searchers used sensitive microphones to hear anything moving beneath the rubble. Rescue workers also brought in dogs and heat-sensing devices to find signs of life, however faint.

“They point out where the people are and we go digging for them,” said Héctor Mendoza, 70, leader of Topos de Tlateloco, a citizen rescue organization. “Topos” means “moles” in Spanish and is named for the group’s expertise in burrowing through rubble to retrieve victims.

The team left as darkness fell on México City, along with heavy rain. Rescue workers at the elementary school brought in heavy equipment to dig — something the Topos, who use tools like crowbars and pick axes, prefer not to work with; Mendoza says that could cause fragile structures to fall.

Several rescue workers leaving the site earlier in the day commented that the building had collapsed “like a sandwich.” Desperate parents posted notes near the site asking for information.

The rescue started with exhilaration as teams pulled 11 survi-



Search and rescue team members work to bring down a large piece of concrete during rescue efforts at the Enrique Rebsamen school in Mexico City on Thursday. ANTHONY VAZQUEZ, AP

“They point out where the people are and we go digging for them.”

Héctor Mendoza, leader of the citizen rescue group Topos de Tlateloco

vors from the rubble. But it turned frustrating amid false reports of rescues — including cheers at the site as word spread the searchers had saved two girls.

Many in Mexico became fixated on a girl trapped in the rubble, Frida Sofia, believed to be 12, who said she was in contact with classmates and was taking shelter under a heavy table.

Hopes were dashed, however, as broadcaster Televisa reported the girl was not named “Frida” and all the students with that name at the Enrique Rébsamen school were accounted for.

It later emerged that no such girl existed, even though a Navy commander told cable channel El Financiero Wednesday night that

rescue workers had been in contact with her barely an hour earlier.

The death toll from the school stands at 21 students and four adults.

Nationwide, Tuesday’s magnitude-7.1 earthquake killed at least 230 and injured 2,000. It followed a magnitude-8.1 earthquake Sept. 7, which rocked the southern Mexican states of Chiapas and Oaxaca, killing nearly 100 people and leaving thousands homeless.

The quake hit on the 32nd anniversary of a 1985 earthquake that leveled parts of Mexico City and killed some 10,000 people.

Mendoza said Los Topos had just attended a commemoration for the 1985 earthquake and went straight to the school on police motorcycles.

Amid the tragedy, there have been signs of solidarity and outpourings of generosity. “Citizens take the reins,” read the headline in Thursday’s edition of *Reforma*.

At the collapsed school, so many supplies such as jugs of wa-

ter, medicines and shovels and picks arrived that volunteers held up a banner, “Thank you, we’re saturated.”

Bystanders formed a human chain to load the supplies on trucks and taken them to other areas.

Volunteers also arrived in large numbers, many wearing hard hats and pushing wheelbarrows, hoping to help pick through the rubble.

“I rescue people at my work sometimes,” said Iván Ramos, a construction worker ready with ropes to help out. “But I’ve never seen anything like this.”

Mexico City is no stranger to earthquakes. Quakes often strike in southern Mexico, but cause buildings to shake in the nation’s capital, which was built on a former lakebed and parts of which have soft soil.

The city has experienced other powerful earthquakes, but Mendoza said the proximity of the epicenter to Mexico City — just 45 miles away this time — “was why it was so bad.”

Fall is here, but hold off on the parka

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Break out the pumpkins, colorful leaves and crisp walks: The first day of fall is here — even if it won’t feel like it for many.

The autumnal equinox, which marks the astronomical start of fall, arrives Friday at 4:02 p.m. ET. At a precise moment each September, on either the 21st, 22nd or 23rd, the sun appears directly above the equator, marking the exact time of the autumnal equinox in the Northern Hemisphere.

But summer may seem like it just doesn’t want to let go. Temperatures will soar into the 80s and 90s across most of the central and eastern U.S.

Record highs are possible in the Upper Midwest, around the Great Lakes and in New England. The National Weather Service in Marquette, Mich., said some locations “may see maximum temperatures that have never been so high this late in the year.”

Incredibly for late September, the heat index will approach 100 degrees this weekend as far north as Illinois and Indiana.

Relief from the heat won’t come until later next week, and even that may be brief. While a spell of cooler weather may sweep in toward the end of September and into the start of October, AccuWeather said, warmth may again follow as October progresses.

In parts of the West it won’t feel like fall, either: It will feel more like winter. Heavy snow and icy cold are forecast to continue in portions of the northern Rockies and Great Basin. Up to 2 feet of snow is possible in the Ruby Mountains of Nevada by Friday, the weather service said.

Long term, above-average temperatures are forecast from October through December for nearly the entire U.S., according to the Climate Prediction Center.

Cut off from world, Puerto Rico waits for help

Terrified survivors look for loved ones on powerless island

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SAN JUAN, PUERTO RICO The day after the worst storm to hit the island in 80 years, rescue teams continued searching for residents trapped in ravaged communities as the government warned that Hurricane Maria destroyed so much of the island it may be a while before help arrives.

“We ask the people of Puerto Rico for patience, to prepare for at least 72 hours before there is a functioning government,” Abner Gómez, director of Puerto Rico’s Emergency Management Agency, said at a Thursday news conference.

Hurricane Maria tore through the center of this island nation of 3.4 million people with 155-mph winds and a ferocity not seen here in nearly a century, crippling the government and plunging the entire country into darkness.

Gov. Ricardo Rosselló has said it may be three to six months before power is restored.

Places like Loíza, Canóvanas, Río Grande and Toa Baja were some of the hardest hit, and rescue workers still struggled to reach those communities.

On Thursday, residents desperately tried to reach loved ones in the storm’s path, many of whom have been essentially cut off from the world. Rosselló earlier said he had not been able to reach his own father, former governor Pedro Rosselló.

Enormous downed trees blocked streets and wires crisscrossed roads in the Isla Verde neighborhood of San Juan. In nearby Condado, drivers drove slowly down streets and highways still submerged in floodwaters.

Some motorists drove through oncoming traffic to avoid flooded highway lanes.

Others turned around and went back.

In the residential Carolina neighborhood, trees and debris clogged roads, but the concrete-

PORTS HOBBLING BY HURRICANES

It’s been a tough few weeks for cruise lines operating in the Caribbean. The one-two punch of Hurricanes Irma and Maria already has forced Royal Caribbean, Carnival and several other big players in the region to re-route dozens of sailings, and more itinerary changes are in the works.

The storms knocked two of the region’s busiest cruise ports — Charlotte Amalie, St. Thomas and Philipsburg, St. Maarten — off cruise schedules for weeks and maybe months. Several other popular cruise destinations including Tortola in the British Virgin Islands also are closed to ships for now.



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slab homes in the district mostly withstood Maria’s battering winds.

Still, the violence unleashed by the storm terrorized residents.

Victor Ramirez, 78, said this was by far the worst storm he’d seen on the island.

“You could hear people crying, they were scared,” he said as he surveyed the trees and debris the storm dumped on his street. “This one was devastating.”

More than 11,000 people sought refuge in about 500 shelters prepared by the government, Rosselló said.

Shawn Zimmerman, 27, a student from Lewistown, Pa., who

moved to Puerto Rico nearly two years ago, was among those who helped clear smaller branches after the storm.

“The storm didn’t bother me,” he said. “It’s the devastation. I get goosebumps. It’s going to take us a long time.”

The U.S. territory, a decade deep in recession and struggling to pay its bills, wrestled with a huge recovery effort after Hurricane Irma sideswiped the island on Sept. 6, damaging buildings and knocking out power to a third of homes and businesses.

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Jose helps steer Maria off coast

A briefly weakened Hurricane Maria regained strength Thursday as it swept into warm waters off the Dominican Republic ahead of an expected turn north well off the U.S. coast in the Atlantic.

Maria raked the northern tier of the Dominican Republic and bore down on the Turks and Caicos Islands and southeastern Bahamas, all of which were under a hurricane warning.

Although it is moving away from Puerto Rico, the storm is so large it was expected to continue dumping rain on the island, with an additional 4 to 8 inches likely through Saturday. In some parts of the island, the total rainfall from the storm is expected to be up to 40 inches.

A direct hit on the U.S. mainland from Hurricane Maria is unlikely but not impossible, forecasters said. A complex dance among Maria, the remnants of Hurricane Jose, and several other weather systems over the eastern U.S. and western Atlantic Ocean will determine the storm’s ultimate path.

Jose should lend a helping hand to keep Maria away from the U.S. mainland by temporarily blocking a large area of high pressure over the eastern U.S. from moving farther east, the Weather Channel reported.

“If that high had been able to build east faster, it would have sent Maria on a more west-northwest path toward the U.S.,” Weather Channel meteorologist Chris Dolce said.

Doug Stanglin and Doyle Rice, USA TODAY



Streets around San Juan were clogged with downed trees and debris from Hurricane Maria. RICK JERVIS, USA TODAY

SP	FT	7 PM	7:30	8 PM	8:30	9 PM	9:30	10 PM	10:30	11 PM	11:30	12 AM			
LOCAL CHANNELS															
WIS	10	3	10	WIS News 10 at 7 (N)	Entertainment Tonight "Star Trek: Discovery." (N)	America's Got Talent "Live Results Finale" Tyra Banks reveals the winner.			Dateline NBC (N)		WIS News 10 at 11 (N)	(:34) The Tonight Show Starring Jimmy Fallon (Season Finale) Cast of "Will & Grace"; Colin Jost. (N)			
WLTX	19	9	9	News 19 at 7pm (N)	Inside Edition (N)	MacGyver "Cigar Cutter" Murdoch launches his plan of revenge.	Hawaii Five-0 "Ua Mau Ke Ea O Ka Aina I Ka Pono" Five-0 rescues sex trafficking victims.	Blue Bloods "The Thin Blue Line" A Mexican drug cartel targets Danny. (DVS)		News 19 at 11pm (N)	(:35) The Late Show With Stephen Colbert "Bobby Moynihan" Actor Bobby Moynihan. (N)				
WOLO	25	5	12	Wheel of Fortune "Bed & Breakfast" (N)	Jeopardy! (N)	Shark Tank Heat and eat paleo meals; custom lapels. (DVS)	(:01) What Would You Do? (Season Finale) (N)	20/20 (N)		ABC Columbia News at 11 (N)	(:35) Jimmy Kimmel Live "Sean Spicer; Sloane Stephens" Sean Spicer; Sloane Stephens.				
WRJA	27	11	14	Travels With Darley Bridger Teton National Forest.	This Week In South Carolina	Washington Week (N)	Third Rail With Ozy Debates covering national topics.	On Two Fronts: Latinos & Vietnam: Memoirs of two siblings.		Charlie Rose -- The Week (N)	Tavis Smiley (N)	BBC World News	Charlie Rose (N)		
WACH	57	6	6	The Big Bang Theory Rebound relationship.	The Big Bang Theory	MasterChef "Chopsticks & Pasta" Asian dishes; pasta-themed elimination. (DVS)	Beat Shazam "Episode Fourteen" Music teachers; lunch ladies. (DVS)	WACH FOX News at 10 (N) (Live)		5th Quarter (N)	DailyMailTV (N)	TMZ (N)			
WKTC	63	4	22	Last Man Standing Mike bonds with a new neighbor.	Last Man Standing Vanessa falls asleep on the job.	Masters of Illusion "Of Mice, Men and a Kidd"	Masters of Illusion Michael Grandinetti; Chris Korn.	Penn & Teller: Fool Us "Monkey Business" Sean-Paul; Jason Andrews; Eric Meade.		American Ninja Warrior (DVS)	American Ninja Warrior (DVS)	To Be Announced			
CABLE CHANNELS															
A&E	46	130	130	Live PD: Police Patrol	Live PD: Police Patrol	Live PD: Police Patrol	Live PD: Police Patrol	Live PD: Police Patrol (N)	Live PD: Police Patrol (N)	(:01) Live PD: Police Patrol (N)	(:32) Live PD: Police Patrol (N)	(:03) Live PD: Police Patrol	(:33) Live PD: Police Patrol	(12:03) Live PD: Police Patrol	
AMC	48	180	180	*** "Independence Day" (1996, Science Fiction) Will Smith, Bill Pullman, Jeff Goldblum. Earthlings vs. evil aliens in 15-mile-wide ships.	*** "Independence Day" (1996, Science Fiction) Will Smith, Bill Pullman, Jeff Goldblum. Earthlings vs. evil aliens in 15-mile-wide ships.	*** "Independence Day" (1996, Science Fiction) Will Smith, Bill Pullman, Jeff Goldblum. Earthlings vs. evil aliens in 15-mile-wide ships.	*** "Independence Day" (1996, Science Fiction) Will Smith, Bill Pullman, Jeff Goldblum. Earthlings vs. evil aliens in 15-mile-wide ships.	*** "Independence Day" (1996, Science Fiction) Will Smith, Bill Pullman, Jeff Goldblum. Earthlings vs. evil aliens in 15-mile-wide ships.	*** "Independence Day" (1996, Science Fiction) Will Smith, Bill Pullman, Jeff Goldblum. Earthlings vs. evil aliens in 15-mile-wide ships.	*** "Independence Day" (1996, Science Fiction) Will Smith, Bill Pullman, Jeff Goldblum. Earthlings vs. evil aliens in 15-mile-wide ships.	*** "Independence Day" (1996, Science Fiction) Will Smith, Bill Pullman, Jeff Goldblum. Earthlings vs. evil aliens in 15-mile-wide ships.	*** "Independence Day" (1996, Science Fiction) Will Smith, Bill Pullman, Jeff Goldblum. Earthlings vs. evil aliens in 15-mile-wide ships.	*** "Independence Day" (1996, Science Fiction) Will Smith, Bill Pullman, Jeff Goldblum. Earthlings vs. evil aliens in 15-mile-wide ships.	*** "Independence Day" (1996, Science Fiction) Will Smith, Bill Pullman, Jeff Goldblum. Earthlings vs. evil aliens in 15-mile-wide ships.	
ANPL	41	100	100	Treehouse Masters	Treehouse Masters	Treehouse Masters "Out on a Limb" (N)	Treehouse Masters "Episode 12" (N)	Canopy Kings		(:02) Treehouse Masters	Canopy Kings	Canopy Kings			
BET	61	162	162	(5:00) *** "Set It Off" (1996, Action) Jada Pinkett, Queen Latifah.	** "Diary of a Mad Black Woman" (2005, Comedy-Drama) Kimberly Elise, Steve Harris, Shemar Moore. A woman starts over after her husband leaves her.	*** "Legally Blonde" (2001, Comedy) Reese Witherspoon, Luke Wilson, Selma Blair. A sorority queen enrolls in Harvard to win back her boyfriend.	*** "Legally Blonde" (2001, Comedy) Reese Witherspoon, Luke Wilson, Selma Blair. A sorority queen enrolls in Harvard to win back her boyfriend.	Martin "Crunchy Drawers"		Martin "Crunchy Drawers"	Martin Pam has an engagement party.	Martin Pam has an engagement party.			
BRAVO	47	181	181	(6:30) Million Dollar Listing New York	Million Dollar Listing New York Fredrik's launch goes according to plan.	Real Housewives Awards	** "Legally Blonde" (2001, Comedy) Reese Witherspoon, Luke Wilson, Selma Blair. A sorority queen enrolls in Harvard to win back her boyfriend.	*** "Legally Blonde" (2001, Comedy) Reese Witherspoon, Luke Wilson, Selma Blair. A sorority queen enrolls in Harvard to win back her boyfriend.		*** "Legally Blonde" (2001, Comedy) Reese Witherspoon, Luke Wilson, Selma Blair. A sorority queen enrolls in Harvard to win back her boyfriend.	*** "Legally Blonde" (2001, Comedy) Reese Witherspoon, Luke Wilson, Selma Blair. A sorority queen enrolls in Harvard to win back her boyfriend.	*** "Legally Blonde" (2001, Comedy) Reese Witherspoon, Luke Wilson, Selma Blair. A sorority queen enrolls in Harvard to win back her boyfriend.			
CNBC	35	84	84	American Greed	American Greed	American Greed	American Greed	American Greed "Pain Killer Profits"		American Greed "The Car Con"	American Greed	American Greed			
CNN	3	80	80	Erin Burnett OutFront (N)	Anderson Cooper 360 (N)	Anderson Cooper 360 (N)	Anderson Cooper 360 (N)	CNN Special Report (N)		CNN Tonight With Don Lemon (N)	Anderson Cooper	Anderson Cooper			
COM	57	136	136	(6:50) Futurama "Jurassic Bark"	(:25) Futurama	Futurama "A Taste of Freedom"	Futurama	South Park "South Park Is Gay"	South Park "Put It Down"	Kevin Hart: Laugh at My Pain: The comic discusses his life.	Kevin Hart: I'm a Grown Little Man: The comic performs.	Comedy Central Stand			
DISN	18	200	200	Bizaardvark "Yes and No"	Raven's Home	Raven's Home "In-Vision of Privacy" (N)	Stuck in the Middle (N)	Bizaardvark "Science (Un)Fair" (N)	Bizaardvark A rich fan helps out.	Liv and Maddie	K.C. Undercover	Raven's Home "In-Vision of Privacy"	Stuck in the Middle	Bizaardvark "Science (Un)Fair"	
DSC	42	103	103	Bering Sea Gold "Cracked"	Bering Sea Gold "Never Say Die"	Bering Sea Gold "Fight and Flight" (N)	Bering Sea Gold "Fight and Flight" (N)	Alaskan Bush		Alaskan Bush	(:03) Bering Sea Gold	Alaskan Bush			
ESPN	26	35	35	SportsCenter (N)	MLB Baseball Chicago Cubs at Milwaukee Brewers. From Miller Park in Milwaukee. (N) (Live)	MLB Baseball Chicago Cubs at Milwaukee Brewers. From Miller Park in Milwaukee. (N) (Live)	MLB Baseball Chicago Cubs at Milwaukee Brewers. From Miller Park in Milwaukee. (N) (Live)	Boxing Oscar Valdez vs. Genesis Servania. (N) (Live)		Boxing Oscar Valdez vs. Genesis Servania. (N) (Live)	Boxing Oscar Valdez vs. Genesis Servania. (N) (Live)	Boxing Oscar Valdez vs. Genesis Servania. (N) (Live)			
ESPN2	27	39	39	College Football Countdown (N) (Live)	College Football Countdown (N) (Live)	College Football Countdown (N) (Live)	College Football Countdown (N) (Live)	CFL Football Hamilton Tiger-Cats at BC Lions. (N) (Live)		CFL Football Hamilton Tiger-Cats at BC Lions. (N) (Live)	CFL Football Hamilton Tiger-Cats at BC Lions. (N) (Live)	CFL Football Hamilton Tiger-Cats at BC Lions. (N) (Live)			
FOOD	40	109	109	Diners, Drive	Diners, Drive	Diners, Drive	Diners, Drive	Diners, Drive		Diners, Drive	Diners, Drive	Diners, Drive			
FOXN	37	90	90	The Story With Martha MacCallum (N)	Tucker Carlson Tonight (N)	Tucker Carlson Tonight (N)	The Five (N)	Hannity (N)		Tucker Carlson Tonight	The Five	The Five			
FREE	20	131	131	(5:35) *** "The Twilight Saga: Breaking Dawn Part 1" (2011) Kristen Stewart, Bella and Edward marry.	(:18) ** "The Twilight Saga: Breaking Dawn Part 2" (2012, Romance) Kristen Stewart, Robert Pattinson, Taylor Lautner. The Cullens gather their vampire clans to protect Renesmee.	*** "Legally Blonde" (2001, Comedy) Reese Witherspoon, Luke Wilson, Selma Blair. A sorority queen enrolls in Harvard to win back her boyfriend.	*** "Legally Blonde" (2001, Comedy) Reese Witherspoon, Luke Wilson, Selma Blair. A sorority queen enrolls in Harvard to win back her boyfriend.	The 700 Club		The 700 Club	The 700 Club	* "Abduction" (2011)			
FSS	21	47	47	College Soccer North Carolina at Virginia. (N) (Live)	College Soccer North Carolina at Virginia. (N) (Live)	College Soccer North Carolina at Virginia. (N) (Live)	College Soccer North Carolina at Virginia. (N) (Live)	3 Wide Life (N)		Raceline (N)	Auburn Football	The Season	ACC All-Access		
HALL	52	183	183	(6:00) "Chance at Romance" (2013) Erin Krakow, Ryan McPartlin.	"Unleashing Mr. Darcy" (2016, Romance) Erin Krakow, Ryan McPartlin.	Ryan Paevey, Cindy Busby, Elizabeth Perkins. The arrogant, aristocratic Donovan Darcy at a dog show.	The Middle (Part 2 of 2)	The Middle "The Second Act"	The Golden Girls	The Golden Girls	The Golden Girls	The Golden Girls	"Transplant"		
HGTV	39	112	112	Fixer Upper A home in Waco, Texas.	Beach Bargain	Beach Bargain	Beach Bargain	House Hunters (N)		Hunters Int'l	House Hunters	Hunters Int'l	Beach Bargain		
HIST	45	110	110	Ancient Aliens	Ancient Aliens	Ancient Aliens "Aliens and Egypt" A curse may protect an alien device. (N)	Ancient Aliens "Aliens and Egypt" A curse may protect an alien device. (N)	Law & Order "American Jihad" Religiously motivated murder.		Law & Order "Shangri-La" High-school love triangle.	Law & Order "Shangri-La" High-school love triangle.	Law & Order "Shangri-La" High-school love triangle.			
ION	13	18	18	* "Tyler Perry's Temptation" (2013, Drama) Jurnee Smollett-Bell, Lance Gross. A handsome billionaire leads a married woman astray.	Law & Order "Love Eternal" Reality TV crew finds a dead man's body.	Law & Order "Rubber Room" A blogger threatens to blow up a school.	Law & Order "Rubber Room" A blogger threatens to blow up a school.	Livin' Large (Series Premiere) (N)		(:32) Livin' Large "Lost Love" (N)	(:02) Livin' Large (N)	(:32) Livin' Large (N)	(:02) Livin' Large (N)	(:32) Livin' Large (N)	(12:02) Livin' Large (N)
LIFE	50	145	145	Hardball With Chris Matthews (N)	All In With Chris Hayes (N)	The Rachel Maddow Show (N)	The Rachel Maddow Show (N)	The Last Word		The Last Word	The 11th Hour With Brian Williams (N)	Rachel Maddow			
MSNBC	36	92	92	Henry Danger	I Am Frankie (N)	** "Shrek Forever After" (2010, Children's) Voices of Mike Myers.	** "Shrek Forever After" (2010, Children's) Voices of Mike Myers.	Full House		Full House	Friends	Friends	Friends		
NICK	16	210	210	Friends	Friends	*** "The Dark Knight Rises" (2012, Action) Christian Bale, Anne Hathaway, Tom Hardy. Batman faces a masked villain named Bane.	*** "The Dark Knight Rises" (2012, Action) Christian Bale, Anne Hathaway, Tom Hardy. Batman faces a masked villain named Bane.	*** "Faster" (2010) Dwayne Johnson. An ex-con begins a race against time to avenge his brother's murder.		*** "Faster" (2010) Dwayne Johnson. An ex-con begins a race against time to avenge his brother's murder.	*** "Faster" (2010) Dwayne Johnson. An ex-con begins a race against time to avenge his brother's murder.	*** "Faster" (2010) Dwayne Johnson. An ex-con begins a race against time to avenge his brother's murder.			
SPIKE	64	153	153	(6:00) *** "John Wick" (2014, Action) Keanu Reeves. (DVS)	Battlestar Galactica: Forty years after the Cylon wars.	Battlestar Galactica: Forty years after the Cylon wars.	Battlestar Galactica: Forty years after the Cylon wars.	ELeague "CS:GO Premiere 2017: Group C Play" (N) (Live)		ELeague "CS:GO Premiere 2017: Group C Play" (N) (Live)	ELeague "CS:GO Premiere 2017: Group C Play" (N) (Live)	ELeague "CS:GO Premiere 2017: Group C Play" (N) (Live)			
SYFY	58	152	152	(6:30) ** "The A-Team" (2010, Action) Liam Neeson, Bradley Cooper, Jessica Biel. Former Special Forces soldiers form a rogue unit. (DVS)	*** "Some Like It Hot" (1959, Comedy) Tony Curtis, Jack Lemmon. Two gangland murder witnesses disguise themselves as women.	Kindred Spirits "The Executioner" (N)	Kindred Spirits "The Executioner" (N)	Evil Things "The Room & The Nanny"		Kindred Spirits "The Executioner"	Kindred Spirits "The Executioner"	Evil Things			
TBS	24	156	156	(6:30) *** "I Married a Witch" (1942) Fredric March, Veronica Lake.	*** "San Andreas" (2015, Action) Dwayne Johnson, Carla Gugino, Alexandra Daddario. A rescue pilot must save his family after an earthquake. (DVS)	*** "Die Hard 2" (1990, Action) Bruce Willis, Bonnie Bedelia, William Atherton. Police hero spots military terrorists at D.C. airport.	*** "Die Hard 2" (1990, Action) Bruce Willis, Bonnie Bedelia, William Atherton. Police hero spots military terrorists at D.C. airport.	Comedy Knockout		Comedy Knockout	Comedy Knockout	Comedy Knockout			
TCM	49	186	186	Kindred Spirits "Buried Alive"	Kindred Spirits "The Basement"	Kindred Spirits "The Executioner" (N)	Kindred Spirits "The Executioner" (N)	Evil Things "The Room & The Nanny"		Kindred Spirits "The Executioner"	Kindred Spirits "The Executioner"	Evil Things			
TLC	43	157	157	Bones "The Boy With the Answer" Getting the Gravedigger convicted.	*** "Die Hard 2" (1990, Action) Bruce Willis, Bonnie Bedelia, William Atherton. Police hero spots military terrorists at D.C. airport.	*** "Die Hard 2" (1990, Action) Bruce Willis, Bonnie Bedelia, William Atherton. Police hero spots military terrorists at D.C. airport.	*** "Die Hard 2" (1990, Action) Bruce Willis, Bonnie Bedelia, William Atherton. Police hero spots military terrorists at D.C. airport.	Comedy Knockout		Comedy Knockout	Comedy Knockout	Comedy Knockout			
TNT	23	158	158	Carbonaro Eff. You Can Do Better	ImpRACTical Jokers	ImpRACTical Jokers	ImpRACTical Jokers	ImpRACTical Jokers		ImpRACTical Jokers	ImpRACTical Jokers	ImpRACTical Jokers			
TRUTV	38	129	129	M*A*S*H	(:36) M*A*S*H	(:12) Everybody Loves Raymond	Love-Raymond	Love-Raymond		Mom	Mom	King of Queens			
TV LAND	55	161	161	Modern Family "Leap Day"	Modern Family "Election Day"	Modern Family (DVS)	Modern Family "Disneyland"	Modern Family "Tableau Vivant"		Modern Family "Baby on Board"	Modern Family "Schooled"	Modern Family Phil gets a vasectomy.	Modern Family "Flip Flop"	Modern Family "Career Day"	Modern Family "My Hero"
USA	25	132	132	CSI: Miami "Match Made in Hell"	CSI: Miami "F-T-F"	Million Dollar Matchmaker (N)	Million Dollar Matchmaker (N)	Million Dollar Matchmaker (N)		Million Dollar Matchmaker (N)	Million Dollar Matchmaker	Love Blows (N)			
WE	68	166	166	M*A*S*H	M*A*S*H	M*A*S*H	M*A*S*H	M*A*S*H		M*A*S*H	M*A*S*H	M*A*S*H			
WGNA	8	172	172	M*A*S*H	M*A*S*H	M*A*S*H	M*A*S*H	M*A*S*H		M*A*S*H	M*A*S*H	How I Met/Mother			

Lady Gaga documentary begins streaming on Netflix

BY KEVIN McDONOUGH

Tonight's new offerings put the accent on music.

"Gaga: Five Foot Two" (TV-MA) begins streaming on Netflix. The film's title contrasts singer Lady Gaga's giant fan base and massive career with her petite stature. Contrasts continue as "Five Foot Two" follows Lady Gaga as she performs for hundreds at an impromptu street concert and as she gets ready for the biggest venue of them all, the Super Bowl halftime show. We also bounce back and forth between elaborate costumes and meticulous preparation for performances and the singer's private musings about isolation and the emotional toll of life in the spotlight.

Directed by Chris Moukarbel ("Banksy Does New York"), "Five Foot Two" follows in a long line of officially sanctioned "intimate" portraits. A difficult task to pull off. Fans may find this "real," and others a tad manufactured. But nobody, the star included, can probably say where one ends and the other begins.

Ready for a cartoon documentary series? "Mike Judge Presents: Tales From the Tour Bus" (10 p.m., Cinemax, TV-MA) is a "Behind the Music" look at country legends. It captures the larger-than-life exploits of musical bad boys (and the ladies who loved them) in two glorious dimensions.

Judge ("Silicon Valley") returns to his animation roots ("Beavis & Butt-head" and "King of the Hill") to recall the hard-drinking, rowdy and often self-destructive ways of artists including Jerry Lee Lewis, George Jones, Tammy Wynette, Billy Joe Shaver, Waylon Jennings and Blaze Foley.

The first excursion for



Viewers will get an unfiltered, behind-the-scenes look at Lady Gaga in the original documentary "Gaga: Five Foot Two," now streaming on Netflix.

Judge's "Tour Bus" is a profile of Johnny Paycheck, famous for hits including "She's All I Got" and "Take This Job and Shove It." Fame, it seemed, only fed his taste for stealing cars and taking drugs, habits that landed him in jail. While Johnny Cash once sang of shooting a man in Reno "just to watch him die," Paycheck went to trial and was imprisoned for shooting a man over a recipe for turtle soup!

It's such details that fuel the stranger-than-fiction allure of "Tour Bus."

Folks who complain that country music is a lot safer than it used to be should not miss these harrowing tales of wild success matched only by a failure to behave.

Well-established streaming series returning today include season four of "Transparent" on Amazon Prime, season three of "Fuller House" on Netflix and season two of the animated adventure "The Deep," also on Netflix.

Syfy airs the 2003 miniseries that kicked off the 2004 reboot of "Battlestar Galactica" (8 p.m.). Along with "Lost," it was one of the more talked-about series of its era — a time when people did their "bingeing" with a DVD player. In fact, the addictive, life-stopping nature of watching "Battlestar" fueled a memorable skit on the first season of IFC's "Portlandia" way back in 2011.

Season one of "Battlestar" will air on Syfy on Saturdays and Sundays, beginning at 6 p.m. All 76 episodes, includ-

ing the miniseries, will be available through Syfy on Demand for the next 30 days.

TONIGHT'S OTHER HIGHLIGHTS

- John Quinones hosts the season finale of "What Would You Do?" (9 p.m., ABC).
- A six-episode marathon of "Livin' Large" (9 p.m., Lifetime, TV-PG) profiles the Stepneys, a family with plus-sized affection for each other.
- Danny intercepts a cartel's payday on "Blue Bloods" (10 p.m., CBS, r, TV-14).

CULT CHOICE

A weekend rafting trip takes some peculiar turns in the 1972 drama "Deliverance" (8 p.m., Outdoor), starring Jon Voight, Burt Reynolds and Ned Beatty. Despite its horrifying brutality, the film helped popularize river rafting and canoeing.

SERIES NOTES

Murdoc's murderous plan on "MacGyver" (8 p.m., CBS, r, TV-14) * Dean Cain hosts the season finale of "Masters of Illusion" (8 p.m., CW, TV-14), followed by a repeat (8:30 p.m.) * Saving girls from traffickers on "Hawaii Five-0" (9 p.m., CBS, r, TV-14).

LATE NIGHT

Bobby Moynihan is booked on "The Late Show With Stephen Colbert" (11:35 p.m., CBS) * Jimmy Fallon welcomes the cast of "Will & Grace," Colin Jost, Bruce Bozzi Jr. and Billie Joe Armstrong on "The Tonight Show" (11:35 p.m., NBC) * Sean Spicer and Sloane Stephens are on "Jimmy Kimmel Live" (11:35 p.m., ABC, r) * Edie Falco, Jordan Klepper and Grace Coddington visit "Late Night With Seth Meyers" (12:35 a.m., NBC) * Julia Louis-Dreyfus, Ray Romano and Billy Idol are on "The Late Late Show With James Corden" (12:35 a.m., CBS, r).

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SATURDAY EVENING SEPTEMBER 23

SP	FT	7 PM	7:30	8 PM	8:30	9 PM	9:30	10 PM	10:30	11 PM	11:30	12 AM	
LOCAL CHANNELS													
WIS	10	3	10	The Southern Weekend			Dateline NBC			Saturday Night Live			
WLTX	19	9	9	News 19 at 7pm (N)	Inside Edition Weekend (N)	NCIS: New Orleans "One Good Man" A Navy SEAL candidate is murdered. (DVS)	Criminal Minds "Mirror Image" A strange man says he's Tara's brother. (DVS)	48 Hours			News 19 at 11pm (N)	Blue Bloods "Most Wanted" An elusive international felon.	
WOLO	25	5	12	College Football Scoreboard (N) (Live)	(:37) College Football	Penn State at Iowa. Two 3-0 Big 10 teams meet at Kinnick Stadium as the Nittany Lions and Hawkeyes do battle. (N) (Live)						Gamecock Saturday Night	(:35) American Ninja Warrior "Vegas Finals" Obstacles include Psycho Chain. (Part 2 of 3)
WRJA	27	11	14	My Mother and Other Strangers on Masterpiece Dreyfuss thwarts advances from Vera.	Father Brown "The Sign of the Broken Sword" Father Brown investigates another death.	The Doctor Blake Mysteries A prominent surgeon is found dead.		Miss Fisher's Murder Mysteries "Cocaine Blues" Poisoned husbands; cocaine smuggling.		Austin City Limits "Florence and the Machine; Andra Day" Florence and the Machine. (Live)		Bluegrass Underground Bluegrass group performs.	
WACH	57	6	6	(4:00) College Football Michigan at Purdue. (N)	FOX College Football Extra (N) (Live)	College Football Notre Dame at Michigan State. The Fighting Irish travel to play the Spartans with the Megaphone Trophy up for grabs. (N) (Live)						WACH FOX News at 10 (N)	Panthers Huddle With Ron Rivera
WKTC	63	4	22	Last Man Standing Eve is asked to be a kicker.	Last Man Standing Boyd gets in trouble at a party.	Rookie Blue "The Girlfriend Experience" Gail goes under cover. (Part 1 of 2)	Leverage "The Hot Potato Job" The team recovers a stolen object.	Anger Management "Charlie's Patients Hook Up"	Anger Management	Bob's Burgers "Bye Bye Boo Boo"	Bob's Burgers "The Horse Rider-er"	To Be Announced	
CABLE CHANNELS													
A&E	46	130	(5:00) Live PD "Live PD -- 04.15.17" Riding along with law enforcement.	Live PD: Police Patrol: Overtime "Police Patrol" (Series Premiere) Teenagers shot; gang shooting. (N)						Live PD: Police Patrol: Overtime			
AMC	48	180	(5:30) *** "Armageddon" (1998, Science Fiction) Bruce Willis, Billy Bob Thornton, Liv Ullmann. A hero tries to save Earth from an asteroid.	Halt and Catch Fire Donna antes up but loses control. (N)			Halt and Catch Fire "A Connection is Made" Donna antes up but loses control.			(:16) *** "Twister" (1996, Action) Helen Hunt, Bill Paxton.			
ANPL	41	100	Pit Bulls and Parolees "Rising Tide"	Pit Bulls and Parolees "Unleashed" (N)			Pit Bulls and Parolees (N)			(:05) Pit Bulls and Parolees (N)			
BET	61	162	(5:30) *** "Boyz n the Hood" (1991) Larry Fishburne, Ice Cube.	** "Fifty Shades of Grey" (2015, Romance) Dakota Johnson, Jamie Dornan, Jennifer Ehle. Premiere. An inexperienced student begins a daring love affair.			** "Fifty Shades of Grey" (2015, Romance) Dakota Johnson, Jamie Dornan, Jennifer Ehle. An inexperienced student begins a daring love affair.			** "Fifty Shades of Grey" (2015, Romance) Dakota Johnson, Jamie Dornan, Jennifer Ehle. An inexperienced student begins a daring love affair.			
BRAVO	47	181	The Real Housewives of Orange County "Breast Intentions"	Undercover Boss "1-800-Flowers"			Undercover Boss "The Dwyer Group"			Undercover Boss "Peavey Electronics"			
CNBC	35	84	Undercover Boss "1-800-Flowers"	Undercover Boss "The Dwyer Group"			Undercover Boss "Peavey Electronics"			Undercover Boss "Phenix Salon INC."			
CNN	3	80	CNN Newsroom With Ana Cabrera (N)	CNN Newsroom With Ana Cabrera (N)			Declassified: Untold Stories-American			Anthony Bourdain: Parts Unknown			
COM	57	136	(5:50) ** "Super Troopers" (2001, Comedy) Jay Chandrasekhar.	*** "The Hangover" (2009, Comedy) Bradley Cooper, Ed Helms, Zach Galifianakis. A missing groom after a wild bash.			Three pals must find			(:25) ** "The Hangover Part III" (2013, Comedy) Bradley Cooper, Ed Helms, Zach Galifianakis. All bets are off when the Wolfpack hits the road.			
DISN	18	200	Stuck in the Middle "Raven's Home"	** "Ramona and Beezus" (2010, Children's) Joey King, Selena Gomez. A mischievous girl and her big sister must save their family's home.			(9:55) Raven's Home			(:20) Stuck in the Middle			
DSC	42	103	Garage Rehab "Grapevine Automotive"	Garage Rehab "Westside Hotrods"			Garage Rehab "Garage Hoarders" A garage in Texas and in California.			Fast N' Loud "Big Red Caddy, Part I"			
ESPN	26	35	College Football Mississippi State at Georgia. (N) (Live)	Scoreboard			College Football UCLA at Stanford. (N) (Live)			Undercover Boss			
ESPN2	27	39	College Football Syracuse at LSU. The 2-1 Orange are on the road at Tiger Stadium to do battle with the 2-1 Tigers. (N)	(:15) College Football Hawaii at Wyoming. From War Memorial Stadium in Laramie, Wyo. (N) (Live)			Diners, Drive In and Dives			Diners, Drive In and Dives			
FOOD	40	109	Diners, Drive-Ins and Dives	Diners, Drive In and Dives			Diners, Drive In and Dives			Diners, Drive In and Dives			
FOXN	37	90	Fox Report (N)	Watters' World (N)			Justice With Judge Jeanine (N)			The Greg Gutfeld Show (N)			
FREE	20	131	"Harry Potter and Half-Blood"	*** "Harry Potter and the Deathly Hallows: Part 1" (2010, Fantasy) Daniel Radcliffe, Rupert Grint, Emma Watson. Harry sets out to destroy the secrets to Voldemort's power.			*** "Harry Potter and the Deathly Hallows: Part 2" (2011, Fantasy) Daniel Radcliffe, Rupert Grint.			*** "Harry Potter and the Deathly Hallows: Part 2" (2011, Fantasy) Daniel Radcliffe, Rupert Grint.			
FSS	21	47	College Football Houston Baptist at McNeese State. From Cowboy Stadium in Lake Charles, La. (N) (Live)	Future Phenoms			Fight Sports: In 60 From Apr. 16, 2011.			Fight Sports: In 60			
HALL	52	183	"Autumn in the Vineyard" (2016, Romance) Rachael Leigh Cook, Brendan Penny, Marcus Rosner. A woman dreams of turning a ranch into a winery.	"Falling for Vermont" (2017, Romance) Julie Gonzalo, Benjamin Ayres. Premiere. A woman with amnesia finds refuge with a doctor in Vermont.			The Golden Girls			The Golden Girls			
HGTV	39	112	House Hunters	House Hunters			Property Brothers			Beachfront Bargain Hunt: Renovation			
HIST	45	110	Pawn Stars	Pawn Stars "If the Pawn Don't Fit"			Pawn Stars Rick heads to Los Angeles.			The Ultimate Guide to Sounding Smart: A fact-filled treasure trove of trivia.			
ION	13	18	Law & Order: Special Victims Unit A revelation threatens Rollins' future.	Law & Order: Special Victims Unit The squad looks for a missing escort.			Law & Order: Special Victims Unit Olivia's brother asks for help.			Law & Order: Special Victims Unit A kidnapping may be bogus.			
LIFE	50	145	(6:00) "The Bride He Bought Online" (2015, Suspense) Anne Winters.	"Girl Followed" (2017, Suspense) Emma Fuhrmann, Joey Lawrence, Heather McComb. A 14-year-old girl begins a friendship with an older man.			(:02) "Break-Up Nightmare" (2016, Drama) Jennifer Dorogi, Celesta DeAstis. A woman fights back when photos of her daughter go online.			(:12:02) "Girl Followed" (2017)			
MSNBC	36	92	The Rachel Maddow Show	The Last Word			The 11th Hour With Brian Williams			Lockup: Raw "The Three R's"			
NICK	16	210	Henry Danger	Henry Danger (N)			Game Shakers (N)			The Thundermans			
SPIKE	64	153	Cops	Cops "Arizona"			Cops (N)			Bellator MMA Live Lightweight contenders			
SYFY	58	152	Battlestar Galactica "Water"	Battlestar Galactica "Bastille Day"			Battlestar Galactica "Act of Contrition"			Battlestar Galactica "You Can't Go Home Again"			
TBS	24	156	Seinfeld "The Reunion"	Seinfeld "The Deal"			The Big Bang Theory			The Big Bang Theory			
TCM	49	186	(5:30) *** "Bound for Glory" (1976, Biography) David Carradine.	*** "The Treasure of the Sierra Madre" (1948, Adventure) Humphrey Bogart, Walter Huston, Tim Holt. Greed follows three hard-bitten fortune hunters in Mexico. (DVS)			*** "The War Wagon" (1967, Western) John Wayne, Kirk Douglas, Howard Keel. Two gunmen join forces to rob a gold-filled armored wagon.			The Little Couple Bill heads to Houston to help.			
TLC	43	157	The Little Couple	The Little Couple "All Aboard!"			The Little Couple Bill heads to Houston to help.			The Little Couple Bill heads to Houston to help.			
TNT	23	158	(5:45) *** "The Bourne Supremacy" (2004) Matt Damon. (DVS)	*** "The Bourne Ultimatum" (2007, Action) Matt Damon, Julia Stiles, Joan Allen. Jason Bourne continues to look for clues to unravel his true identity. (DVS)			(:31) ** "San Andreas" (2015, Action) Dwayne Johnson, Carla Gugino. A rescue pilot must save his family after an earthquake. (DVS)			(:31) ** "San Andreas" (2015, Action) Dwayne Johnson, Carla Gugino. A rescue pilot must save his family after an earthquake. (DVS)			
TRUTV	38	129	Impractical Jokers	Impractical Jokers			Comedy Knockout			Comedy Knockout			
TV LAND	55	161	The Golden Girls	The Golden Girls			Love-Raymond			Love-Raymond			
USA	25	132	NCIS "Enemy Combatant" Bishop heads to Gitmo on a murder case.	NCIS "Keep Going" The team investigates a hit-and-run. (DVS)			NCIS "Nonstop" A petty officer is murdered. (DVS)			NCIS "A Many Splendored Thing" A new lead emerges in the Chen case.			
WE	68	166	Law & Order "Family Business"	Law & Order "Entrapment"			Law & Order "Legacy"			Law & Order "Menace"			
WGNA	8	172	(6:00) *** "Ghost Rider" (2007, Action) Nicolas Cage.	*** "Ghost Rider" (2007, Action) Nicolas Cage, Eva Mendes, Wes Bentley.			Person of Interest "Flesh and Blood"			Person of Interest			

'60 Minutes' returns for its 50th season on Sunday

BY KEVIN McDONOUGH

Where would cable television be without cold cases? In addition to bingeable series, social media has become a place for amateur detectives to pore over evidence and spread rumors about unsolved crimes. Sometimes in an obsessive fashion.

The six-part series "The Disappearance of Maura Murray" (8:15 p.m. Saturday, Oxygen) follows the case of a nursing student who vanished in New Hampshire on Feb. 9, 2004. Her disappearance spawned a cottage industry of blogs, books, websites and podcasts.

Investigative journalist Maggie Freling examines the case's conflicting evidence as well as its surrounding media interest. Unlike many of the "experts" who have emerged on social media, Freling gained access to Murray's family and friends, some who have not spoken to the press for the past 13 years.

"Disappearance" returns next Saturday, airing at 9 p.m.

How contagious is the obsession with this case? "What Happened to Maura Murray?" (8 p.m., ID, TV-PG) also airs on Saturday.

How old is "60 Minutes" (7:30 p.m. Sunday, CBS)? Old enough to have its own AARP card. If shows were people, "60 Minutes" would have to schedule a colonoscopy! Fifty seasons represents a ripe number for anyone or anything. But for a television series, eight good years is a very healthy run. A half-century seems impossible.

To put it another way, I'm not so shocked that "60 Minutes" has entered its sixth decade. I'm more surprised that television itself is still alive and kicking. I'm not

talking about dwindling ratings; I'm just comparing it to other broadcasting phenomena. Radio became a very big deal when it reported the results of the 1920 election. But by 1950, viewers (and, more importantly, advertisers) began to see TV as the dominant medium. That capped a 30-year reign on top for radio. Take the LP, or Long Playing, record album. It was introduced in the late 1940s and eclipsed by the CD in the late 1980s. That was a 40-year pop cultural run. Television was a good 20 years old when "60 Minutes" began, so the medium itself has been going for 70 years. That's incredible. There are fewer and fewer people who can remember life before television.

To look at "60 Minutes" in relative terms, we are as far away from its first broadcast as it was from 1919 and the end of World War I, the rise of Prohibition and the beginning of women's suffrage. Time flies.

When "60 Minutes" first aired, "Rowan & Martin's Laugh-In" was the most popular show on TV. The social and political tumult of the Tet Offensive and domestic political assassinations, covered on Sunday's installment of "The Vietnam War" (8 p.m., PBS, TV-MA, check local listings), were fresh in the air.

Tonight's "60 Minutes" embarks on its 50th season with a report on the increasing severity of hurricanes and threats to America's coastal cities from rising waters. Lesley Stahl interviews Sen. John McCain (R-Ariz.), and Oprah Winfrey examines the political divide in America.

As somebody who takes journalism seriously, I have my qualms about the place of Winfrey on any news broadcast. But I will reserve judg-

ment and comment. It's never polite to start an argument at a birthday party.

CBS revisits another institution from the 1960s with "Star Trek: Discovery" (8:30 p.m. Sunday, TV-14). A review screener has not been made available.

Viewers will be able to watch the season premiere of this newest incarnation of "Star Trek" on the broadcast network, but subsequent episodes will only be made available on the subscription streaming service CBS All Access.

Fox ventures into true crime with "Who Shot Biggie & Tupac?" (8 p.m. Sunday, TV-14), examining the two-decade-old mysteries behind the murders of the two popular hip-hop artists in 1996 and 1997. Ice-T and Soledad O'Brien are your hosts.

SATURDAY'S HIGHLIGHTS

College football action includes Mississippi State at Georgia (7 p.m., ESPN), Penn State at Iowa (7:30 p.m., ABC) and Notre Dame at Michigan State (8 p.m., Fox).

Joey Lawrence stars in the 2017 shocker "Girl Followed" (8 p.m., Lifetime) about a cranky 14-year-old (Emma Fuhrmann) who falls into a seemingly innocent relationship with a much older man. What could go wrong?

Gordon's daughter has a crisis at school on "Halt and Catch Fire" (9 p.m., AMC, TV-14).

"Declassified: Untold Stories of American Spies" (9 p.m., CNN) recalls the hunt for a heroin trafficker with links to the Taliban.

A white Bengal tiger requires a hysterectomy on the series premiere of "Animal ER: Code Red" (9 p.m., Nat Geo Wild, TV-14).



JEFF NEIRA / FOX

Rapper Fab 5 Freddy, left, meets with journalist Soledad O'Brien, center, and actor and rap music icon Ice-T, right, on the two-hour investigative crime special "Who Shot Biggie & Tupac?" airing at 8 p.m. Sunday on FOX.

SUNDAY'S HIGHLIGHTS

Jamie fears his foe has become his warden on "Outlander" (8 p.m., Starz, TV-MA).

The Washington Redskins host the Oakland Raiders in "Sunday Night Football" (8:20 p.m., NBC, TV-PG).

Some things must be done delicately on "Fear the Walking Dead" (9 p.m., AMC, TV-MA).

Vincent feels blindsided by a new partner on "The Deuce" (9 p.m., HBO, TV-MA).

An old enemy returns on "The Last Ship" (9 p.m., TNT, TV-MA).

Beverly confronts Carol with bad news on "Episodes" (10 p.m., Showtime, TV-MA).

Cam proceeds from a new angle on "Survivor's Remorse" (10 p.m., Starz, TV-MA).

SATURDAY SERIES

A petty officer will never swim with the SEALs on "NCIS: New Orleans" (8 p.m., CBS, r, TV-14) * A two-hour "Dateline" (8 p.m., NBC) * Lewis' brother arrives on

"Criminal Minds" (9 p.m., CBS, r, TV-14) * "48 Hours" (9 p.m., CBS) * A repeat helping of "Saturday Night Live" (10 p.m., NBC, TV-14).

CULT CHOICE

Politics and television collide in the strangest ways in the 1987 dystopian fantasy "The Running Man" (9 p.m. Sunday, Sundance), starring Arnold Schwarzenegger.

SUNDAY SERIES

U.S. Olympic athletes play "Celebrity Family Feud" (8 p.m., ABC, TV-PG) * A season ends for "Steve Harvey's Funderdome" (9 p.m., ABC, TV-PG) * Sam goes rogue on "NCIS: Los Angeles" (9:35 p.m., CBS, r, TV-14) * "The \$100,000 Pyramid" ends its season (10 p.m., ABC, TV-14) * Fear for Henry's safety on "Madam Secretary" (10:35 p.m., CBS, r, TV-14).

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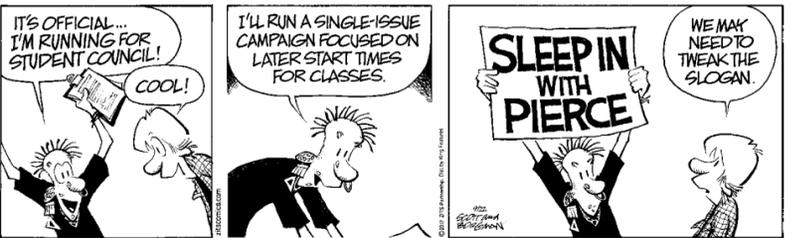
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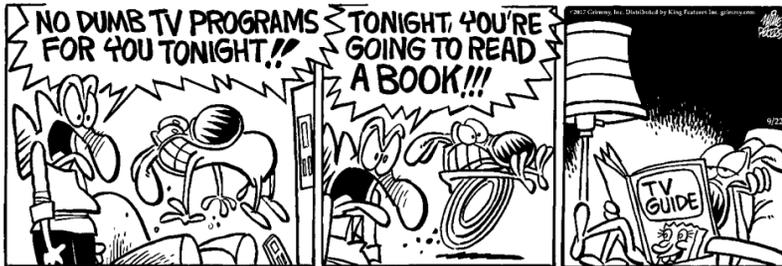
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Son's health has dad wondering about parentage



Dear Abby
ABIGAIL VAN BUREN

DEAR ABBY — My first marriage ended in divorce 35 years ago because my wife had cheated on me several times. I suspected then that I wasn't my daughter's biological father.

Lately I have been wondering about my son, too. Both are in their late 30s now. Obviously, I decided to accept them as my own.

My son and his daughter both have health problems. My granddaughter's medical problems are very serious, but the doctors aren't sure what she has. A saliva test to

determine if he is my biological son might give him or my granddaughter some insight into their medical problems. Should I have this test done?

Questioning in the South

DEAR QUESTIONING — Because you feel there is the possibility the test might shed light on genetic medical conditions, discuss it with your son and let him decide whether he wants it done. If there is a chance that the health problems affecting him and his daughter are inherited from his paternal bloodline and you turn out not to be his father, he may want to ask his mother who the person is and see if the man would be willing to have genetic testing done.

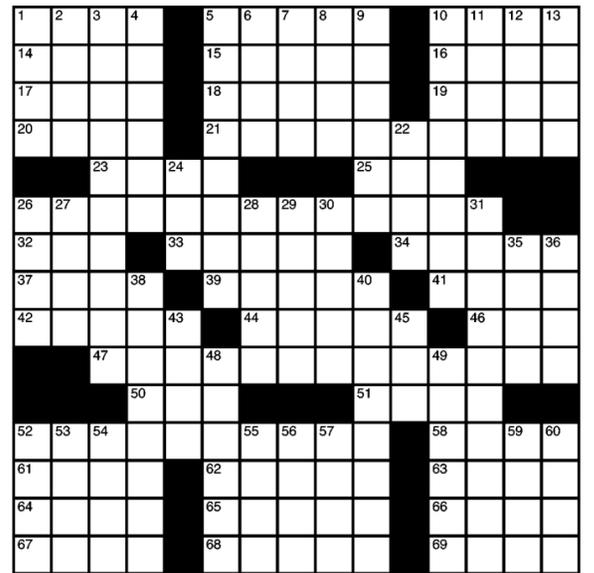
DEAR ABBY — A few months

ago, I hired a woman to keep house for me. She's a single mom and not well off. I cleaned out my closet recently and selected more than 100 items to donate. I told my cleaning lady to go through them and choose anything she might wear, but asked that she take only things she really wanted because I planned to donate the rest to a charity. To my surprise, she took two-thirds of the stuff. I hope she isn't selling it. I'm not sure if I should say anything to her. What do you think?

New to this in Arizona

DEAR NEW TO THIS — I think that the next time you decide to clear out your closet, you offer the woman a limited number of garments and that's all.

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By Jeffrey Wechsler

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 - 40 Pursued vigorously
 - 43 Homo sapiens relatives
 - 45 63-Across alternative
 - 48 Small wading bird
 - 49 State of matter
 - 52 Constitutional
 - 53 Strong farm team
 - 54 Overhaul
 - 55 Gift from Prometheus
 - 56 Beginning
 - 57 Play polo, say
 - 59 Relay
 - 60 Word that can replace "your"

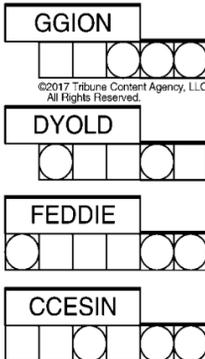


JUMBLE

THAT SCRAMBLED WORD GAME

By David L Hoyt and Jeff Knurek

Unscramble these four Jumbles, one letter to each square, to form four ordinary words.



TO GET INFORMATION BEFORE CUTTING HAIR, THE SALON OWNER DID ---

Now arrange the circled letters to form the surprise answer, as suggested by the above cartoon.

(Answers tomorrow)

Yesterday's Jumbles: SHINY GAVEL BITTER REGRET
Answer: The Alaskan fishing-boat captain was disoriented and needed to get this — "BERING STRAIT"

SUDOKU

HOW TO PLAY:

Each row, column and set of 3-by-3 boxes must contain the numbers 1 through 9 without repetition.

PREVIOUS SOLUTION

5	8	2	3	6	1	7	9	4
6	7	4	8	2	9	1	5	3
1	3	9	4	7	5	2	6	8
9	4	1	5	8	6	3	7	2
2	6	7	9	4	3	5	8	1
8	5	3	7	1	2	6	4	9
7	9	5	1	3	8	4	2	6
3	2	8	6	5	4	9	1	7
4	1	6	2	9	7	8	3	5

DIFFICULTY RATING: ★★☆☆☆

			9	6				3
9					4			
5	6	8			1			
			2					
	3				9	8	7	
4	6	9	8		7			
	9						3	
8			3	5				

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