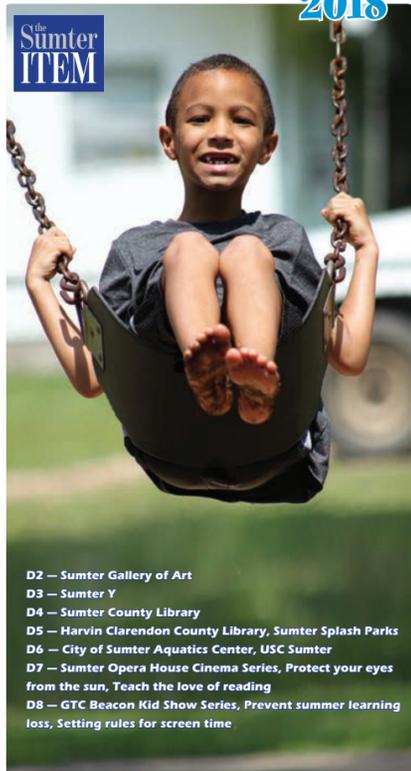


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# Suspect takes deputies on lengthy high speed chase

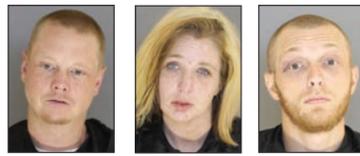
Drugs seized in 2 separate incidents

BY ADRIENNE SARVIS  
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Seizing multiple grams of drugs and chasing suspects for miles are just a few of the things law enforcement officers in Sumter demonstrated is in their job description this week.

As National Police Week comes to an end, two reports from Sumter County Sheriff's Office offer a look into an ordinary day at work.

On May 8, a deputy responded to a residence on



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Confederate Road after receiving a call about Shelby Ryan West, 32, reportedly pointing a firearm at a neighbor during an

argument that afternoon.

While conducting a search for the firearm, a deputy spotted what appeared to be heroin on the dresser in the

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# A transition made easier

## CCTC program helps vets move to civilian life

BY BRUCE MILLS  
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It's a bittersweet time for Central Carolina Technical College students Margaret Nelson and Rachael Wallace.

Both have had success in the classroom at the college in pursuit of health care careers, both are former active-duty military, both are single moms, and both are about to leave the college for their next steps in life.

Nelson, 39, of Manning, is set to graduate this summer from CCTC with an associate in arts in surgical technology after starting at the college in 2015. She said she plans to pursue her bachelor's degree online with Saint Leo University while working in her field at Carolinas Hospital System in Florence.

Wallace, 29, has only been at CCTC since January and recently completed her first full semester there with a 4.0 GPA. She will be taking a few more classes online this summer before heading to Salt Lake City, Utah, and Weber State University in the fall to pursue a degree in nursing.

When they sat down together this week, both Nelson and Wallace said what they'll miss the most about CCTC is the camaraderie among military veterans at the school.

Both worked while in school as work-study students in the college's Veteran Resource Center on the main Sumter campus, 506 N. Guignard Drive.

"We have a family environment among the veterans here at the college, and you get drawn into that," Nelson said. "I'll miss the camaraderie."



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Military veteran students Margaret Nelson, left, and Rachael Wallace talk about their experiences at Central Carolina Technical College and how the program prepared them for their next steps.

Nelson, who was previously in the Army for nine and a half years, said since she started at CCTC in 2015, the college's services and assistance offered to veterans has grown substantially.

A lot of that growth is associated with a new \$1.3 million federal Up-

ward Bound grant the school received last fall to assist veterans in getting ready for college, keep them in college and help them reach their goals. Up to 125 veterans can be served a year in the five-year grant

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# Awareness vital in inclement weather

Agencies offer safety tips ahead of predicted 'above normal' hurricane season

BY KAYLA ROBINS  
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As the threat of heavy rains and the potential for flooding streams into South Carolina this week, one nonprofit is urging residents to stay what they call weather aware.

It is important for everyone to listen closely to local weather forecasts, said Langley Cuthbert, director of communications for the Palmetto SC Region of the American Red Cross, in a news release. While hurricane season is still swirling around in the more distant future of mid- to late summer, Sumter County is already in the midst of consistent and sometimes heavy rainfall forecasts.

According to the National Weather Service, showers are likely today, with that likeliness turning toward thunderstorms tonight and through Sunday. Highs are expected to be in the mid-80s during the day before dropping to the high 60s each night.

Monday through Wednesday has forecasts showing a chance of showers and thunderstorms with the same temperature variations.

Cuthbert said the free Red Cross Emergency App gives users emergency alerts to their smart phone and shares information about what to do in case of thunderstorms, flooding and other disasters, as well as listing locations of shelters. It also includes emergency first-aid information and a "Family Safe" feature that allows users to instantly see if loved ones are OK.

It can't hurt to get prepared early when the weather is just soggy, as the Hurricane Genesis and Outlook (HUGO) Project at Coastal Carolina University is antici-

## HOW TO STAY SAFE

### Flooding

\* Be prepared to evacuate at a moment's notice. When a flood or flash flood warning is issued for your area, head for higher ground and stay there

\* Stay away from floodwaters

\* If you come upon a flooded road while driving, turn around and go another way. If you are caught on a flooded road and waters are rising rapidly, get out of the car quickly and move to higher ground. Most cars can be swept away by less than two feet of moving water

\* Keep children out of the water

\* Be especially cautious at night when it is harder to recognize flood danger

### Thunderstorms

\* If you can hear thunder, you are close enough to the storm to be struck by lightning. Go to safe shelter immediately

\* As the storm approaches, take shelter in a building

\* If you are driving, pull off the roadway and park. Stay in the car with the windows closed and turn on the emergency flashers. Avoid touching metal or other surfaces that conduct electricity in and outside the vehicle

\* If you are in a home, unplug appliances and avoid using the telephone or any electrical appliances. Avoid taking a bath or shower or running water for any other purpose

\* If you are caught outside and cannot reach a safe building, avoid high ground, water or tall, isolated trees and metal objects such as fences or bleachers. Picnic shelters, dugouts and sheds are not safe

(Source: American Red Cross)

pating a "normal to above normal hurricane season in 2018 with a "high probability" of a landfall on both the U.S. East and Gulf coasts.

The outlook predicted there will be 11-18 named

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## City council reviews use of annual funding

BY ADRIENNE SARVIS  
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Sumter City Council's evening of public hearings began with a breakdown of how the city used its Community Development Block Grant funds, issued by U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, between April 2017 and March 2018.

According to an executive summary sheet provided by Sumter Community Development Director Clarence Gaines, the \$291,838 CDBG funds were used to fund two residential sewer improvement projects; demolish three houses; repair eight houses; begin the construction of one house; upgrade the facade of one building in the downtown business area; and pay part of the salaries for 68 students participating in the annual youth program.

After receiving \$24,500 of the CDBG funding, Sumter United Ministries completed minor repairs to 12 houses, and the YMCA used its \$1,700 allocation to provide 15 youths with vouchers to participate in its programs.

### PREPARATION FOR POTENTIAL ALICE DRIVE EXTENSION

Sumter City-County Planning Department Director George McGregor said planning department staff, which reviewed the request before it was presented to council, recommended approval of a request to annex the 8.21-acre parcel at 1501 Camden Highway into the city limits.

Council approved first reading of a request to annex the 8.21 acres, and an additional .62-acre portion of South Carolina Department of Transportation right-of-way, at the intersection of Alice Drive extension and Camden Highway.

Mayor Joe McElveen said the extension of Alice Drive is in the city's long-term plan but there are currently no plans nor money to start the project any time soon.

Council also approved a request to rezone the vacant property from agricultural conservation to general commercial to make it more desirable for future development.

### LEASE PURCHASE AGREEMENT

Council approved a lease-purchase agreement to spend \$1,407,000 to purchase: a \$277,052.31 street sweeper; a \$426,949.32 pumper truck for Sumter Fire Department; a \$261,557 front-load garbage truck; a \$190,487 recycling truck; \$64,726.64 for trash trailers; and \$180,271 for a rear-load garbage truck.

City Manager Deron McCormick said the purchases were already planned for this year's budget.



Winners of the Woman's Afternoon Music Club scholarships were, from left, Eliza Ackerman, Hannah Brown and Hannah Gathers. Each received a certificate of award and \$500 to further her music endeavors.

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## Music club announces scholarship winners

### FROM STAFF REPORTS

The Woman's Afternoon Music Club has announced the winners of its annual music scholarship competition held April 22 at First Presbyterian Church. Adjudicator was Jim Mills, a retired music educator and director of the Sumter Community Concert Band.

Each of the scholarship winners received a certificate of award and \$500 to be used to further her musical study. The three musicians performed their audition selections at the May 11 meeting of the Woman's Afternoon Music Club at Mayesville Presbyterian Church.

Betsy Ridgeway is president of the

club, and Joni Brown is scholarship chair.

Eliza Ackerman, violinist, was the recipient of the Clifton Moise Instrumental Scholarship. Her audition selections were Meditation from "Thais" by Jules Massenet and Ashokan Farewell by Jay Ung.

The daughter of Kipper and Curt Ackerman, Eliza is a senior at Sumter High School, where her orchestra director is Erik Hines. She was accompanied by Kipper Ackerman.

The Sheldon Timmerman Piano Scholarship was awarded to Hannah Gathers, who played "Menuet" from French Suite No. 6 by J.S. Bach and Bagatelle, Opus 5, No. 1 by Alexander

Cherepnin.

A junior at Sumter High School, Hannah is the daughter of Rubin G. Gathers and the late Mrs. Gathers and the granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. Riley Bracey. Her piano teacher is Jane Luther Smith.

Soprano Hannah Brown was the winner of the Elizabeth Book Vocal Scholarship.

She is the daughter of Ann Brown and is a junior at Sumter High School. Her voice teacher and choir director is Ashlee Poole.

Hannah sang Alma Del Core by Antonio Caldara and Into the Night by Clara Edwards. Accompanied by Kay Rasmussen.

## Festival to honor Mary McLeod Bethune legacy

### NFL's Michael Vick to host football camp tonight

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The town of Mayesville may take up a small part of the map, but the ones running it are planning to take it over in a big way this weekend, and the festivities start today with a massive football star.

The 2018 Dr. Mary McLeod Bethune Legacy Festival is set for today, tonight and tomorrow, and the rain-or-shine event will have activities, educational workshops, food, music and sports — from camps for kids to participate in to guest appearances by superstars — for everyone, said Mayor Jereleen Hollimon-Miller.

Hollimon-Miller knows something about Mayesville, the hometown of Bethune, the educator, civic leader and political activist who founded what would eventually be called Bethune-Cookman University. She is the festival namesake's grand-niece.

"It's a chance for the community to come together, hopefully a day without rain, just a family gathering and to maybe see folks we don't often get to see," Hollimon-Miller said.

On the surface, the agenda may read like any other family-fun community event, for which the theme is "Empowering Communities Through Health, History, Art, STEM Education, Music and Sports." There will be a parade, games, food, music and vendors. But the guest list elevates the festival — timed around Bethune's passing to celebrate her legacy — and Hollimon-Miller said those attending have "really stepped up."

Michael Vick, who rose to fame as an NFL quarterback for

the Atlanta Falcons, and Jamie Dukes, who played eight of his 10 years in the NFL with the Falcons, will host a free football camp for kids from 4-7 p.m. tonight at Mayesville Elementary School.

Dukes will continue his appearance on Saturday by holding workshops discussing the opioid epidemic and his company that is working to provide treatment and recovery options.

Saturday will also feature a parade that begins at 11 a.m. at the elementary school and ends on Main Street, spilling out into a block party where people can bring lawn chairs.

The grand marshal for the parade will be Bishop Samuel Green Sr. of the 7th District AME Church.

A historical walk-a-thon hosted by NCNW, Lee County Section, will follow "In the Footsteps of Dr. Bethune" at 8 a.m.

Other notables attending will be Dale Davis and Xavier "X-Man" McDaniel, world heavyweight boxing champion James "Bonecrusher" Smith, Jacquelyn Frazier-Lyde, the daughter of world boxing heavyweight champion Smokin' Joe Frazier, and retired Harlem Globetrotters Bobby "Zorro" Hunter and Larry "Gator" Rivers.

The Mary McLeod Bethune Learning Center and Art Gallery, where a portrait by Simmie Knox of U.S. Congressman James E. Clyburn was dedicated last weekend, will be open for tours in the afternoon.

"Like any struggling rural town in South Carolina, and really everywhere, we just need a boost to spark the economy," Hollimon-Miller said. "And this way we can also show the rich history of the town."

For more information, visit [www.thebethunefestival.com](http://www.thebethunefestival.com).



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South Korean Marine force members look toward North's side through binoculars at the Imjingak Pavilion in Paju near the border village of Panmunjom, South Korea, on Wednesday. North Korea on Wednesday canceled a high-level meeting with South Korea and threatened to scrap a historic summit next month between U.S. President Donald Trump and North Korean leader Kim Jong Un over military exercises between Seoul and Washington that Pyongyang has long claimed are invasion rehearsals.

## South Korea pushes for successful Trump-Kim talks as North warns

BY KIM TONG-HYUNG  
Associated Press

SEOUL, South Korea — North Korea strongly criticized South Korea over ongoing U.S.-South Korean military exercises on Thursday and said it will not return to talks with its rival until Seoul resolves its grievances.

The comments came a day after North Korea canceled a high-level meeting with the South because of the drills and threatened to scrap next month's historic meeting between its leader, Kim Jong Un, and U.S. President Donald Trump, saying it has no interest in a "one-sided" affair meant to pressure it to abandon its nuclear weapons.

The North's threat cooled what had been an unusual flurry of diplomatic moves from a country that last year conducted a provocative series of weapons tests that had many fearing the region was on the edge of war. It also underscored South Korea's delicate role as an intermediary between the U.S. and North Korea and raised questions over Seoul's claim that Kim has a genuine interest in dealing away his nukes.

Analysts said it's unlikely that North Korea intends to scuttle all diplomacy. More likely, they said, is that it wants to gain leverage ahead of the talks between Kim and Trump, scheduled for June 12 in Singapore.

In quotes published by the North's official Korean Central News Agency, Ri Son Gwon, chairman of a North Korean agency that deals with inter-Korean affairs, accused South Korea's government of being "an ignorant and incompetent group devoid of the elementary sense of the present situation, of any concrete picture of their dialogue partner and of the ability to discern the present trend of the times."

Ri said the "extremely adventurous" U.S.-South Korean military drills were practicing strikes on strategic targets in North Korea, and accused the South of allowing "human scum to hurt the dignity" of the North's supreme leadership.

Ri was apparently referring to a news conference held at South Korea's National Assembly on Monday by Thae Yong Ho, a former senior North Korean diplomat who defected to the South in 2016.

Thae said it's highly unlikely that Kim would ever fully relinquish his nuclear weapons or agree to a robust verification regime.

Ri said it will be difficult to resume talks with South Korea "unless the serious situation which led to the suspension of the North-South high-level talks is settled."

Hours earlier, South Korea said it was pushing to reset the high-level talks with North Korea and planning to communicate closely with the U.S. and North Korea to increase the chances of a successful summit between Trump and Kim on resolving the nuclear standoff.

The South urged the North to faithfully abide by the agreements reached between Kim and South Korean President Moon Jae-in in their summit last month, where they issued a vague vow on the "complete denuclearization" of the peninsula and pledged permanent peace.

Senior officials from the two Koreas were to sit down at a border village on Wednesday to discuss how to implement their leaders' agreements to reduce military tensions along their heavily fortified border and improve overall ties, but the North canceled the meeting.

In Washington, Trump said the U.S. hasn't been notified about the North Korean threat to cancel the summit with Kim.

Annual military drills between Washington and Seoul have long been a major source of contention between the Koreas, and analysts have wondered whether their continuation would hurt the detente that, since an outreach by Kim in January, has replaced the insults and threats of war. Much larger springtime drills took place last month without

the North's typically fiery condemnation or accompanying weapons tests, though Washington and Seoul toned down those exercises.

The North's news agency said the U.S. aircraft mobilized for the current drills include nuclear-capable B-52 bombers and stealth F-22 fighter jets, two of the U.S. military assets it has previously said are aimed at launching nuclear strikes on the North. The allies say the drills are defensive in nature.

Seoul's Defense Ministry said F-22s are involved in the drills, but not B-52s. Ministry spokesman Lee Jin-woo said B-52s had never been part of plans for this year's drills, focused on pilot training, denying media speculation that Washington and Seoul withdrew the bombers in reaction to North Korea's allegation.

Kim told visiting South Korean officials in March that he "understands" the drills would take place and expressed hope that they'll be modified once the situation on the peninsula stabilizes, according to the South Korean government.

Despite Kim's outreach, some experts have been skeptical that he would completely give up a nuclear program that he has pushed so hard to build. The North previously vowed to continue nuclear development unless the United States pulls its 28,500 troops out of South Korea and withdraws its so-called "nuclear umbrella" security guarantee for South Korea and Japan.

Wednesday's threat could also be targeted at showing a domestic audience that Kim is willing to stand up to Washington. Kim has repeatedly told his people that his nukes are a "powerful treasured sword" that can smash U.S. hostility.

## House OKs expansion of private care for vets

WASHINGTON (AP) — The House voted Wednesday to give veterans more freedom to see doctors outside the Veterans Affairs health system, a major shift aimed at reducing wait times and improving medical care despite the concerns of some Democrats who cast it as a risky step toward dismantling the struggling agency.

The plan seeks to fulfill President Donald Trump's promise to expand private care to veterans whenever they feel unhappy with VA health care.

The long-awaited bill would change how veterans receive their medical treatment by allowing them to go to a private physician when they felt government-run VA medical centers couldn't provide the care they needed, with the approval of a VA health provider. Veterans could access private care when they endured lengthy wait times, or the treatment was not what they had expected.

The VA would decide in

many cases when a veteran sees an outside doctor, based on conditions it sets that determine what is inadequate care.

The House passed the bill by a 347-70 vote, with the program to be implemented later next year as the VA works to add private doctors to its network of outside referrals.

The wide-ranging plan would avert a catastrophic shutdown of the VA's troubled Choice private-sector program, which would receive \$5 billion to continue operating for another year before it is made a longer-term fixture at the VA. The program will run out of money as early as May 31, causing disruptions in care.

The \$51 billion bill has the support of nearly 40 organizations, including The American Legion and Veterans of Foreign Wars. The program could be expanded based on veterans' demand for private services and when VA care is deemed inadequate.

## 3 Japanese seek compensation, apology for forced sterilizations

TOKYO (AP) — Three Japanese who were forcibly sterilized under a government policy decades ago filed lawsuits Thursday demanding an apology and compensation, in a growing movement seeking official redress.

The two men and a woman, all in their 70s, are among at least 16,500 people who were sterilized without consent under a 1948 Eugenic Protection Law that was in place until 1996.

The law, designed to "prevent the birth of poor-quality descendants," allowed doctors to perform abortions or sterilize people with disabilities.

The three plaintiffs are seeking about \$730,000 in total. They filed their cases Thursday at district courts in Tokyo and the northern cities of Sendai and Sapporo.

Their lawyers say the government's implementation of the law violated the vic-

tims' right to self-determination, reproductive health and equality.

One of them, Kikuo Kojima, 76, from Sapporo, said he decided to speak out to let people know about the policy. He is seeking 11 million yen (\$100,000) in damages for the loss of his ability to have children and psychological pain from it.

"The same mistake should never be repeated," he told reporters outside the court. "I want the government to acknowledge its responsibility." He said he hopes other victims will join the action to seek an official apology and compensation from the government.

Kojima was forcibly sterilized in 1960 after being treated for a mental illness when he was 19. He had no choice, and was told by the hospital where he had the operation that "it would be a disaster if a person like you had children," according to public broadcaster NHK.



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# Mental illness touches us all; we all need a safe place

When I pastored in rural Kentucky, we lived in the parsonage (a house the church provides for the pastor). Because this church always wanted to know where to find the pastor, they located the parsonage right next to the church. Everyone in that rural community knew if I was home, they felt great liberty to call me and tell me someone had left a light on in the church next door.

After three years, my wife and I sensed the time had come to move on. A church in Louisville had contacted me, expressing interest. We set a time to meet with them, on the next Sunday evening.

On the appointed Sunday evening, I was finishing tying my tie, when there was a knock at my door. Opening it, there was a young woman, about 23, wearing jeans and rubber farm boots.

"Are you the preacher?" she asked. I told her I was. "I want to kill myself," she said.

I wish I could tell you my first thought was "You poor woman," but it actually was "Not now! I have an interview!" My pastoral gear did kick in, however, and I invited her in. Gina and I listened to her story — she worked on one of the dairy farms, her marriage was falling apart, and she felt like there was no hope.

I knew this woman's troubles were over my head. I told her we would get her the help she needed. I called the chair of the committee and explained the situation (if you must cancel a pastor search committee interview, dealing with a suicidal woman is a pretty good excuse). Gina and I drove the woman into Louisville, to the hospital where I had interned as a chaplain. On the way there, I asked her why she came to our house. She said, "I figured it was a safe place."

Mental illness touches one out of five Americans. Chances are pretty good you know someone who struggles with a mental health issue. Mental illness can manifest as addiction,

depression, anxiety, outbursts of anger, disorientation and disconnection from reality. In my years as a pastor, people have sought me out for these issues and more.

Pastors by nature know a little about a lot of things. We're generalists. We are not really equipped to treat people who have mental health issues. But we can do two important things.

First, we can make sure the churches we serve are places of grace. We need to make sure people know they can be real about what's going on in their souls. When the disorientation of mental illness begins, we want people to know that they can talk about it to spiritually wise people at church. People with mental illness will not be judged but loved. As churches and pastors, let's pledge to do our best to steer people toward the best care available.

Second, we can pray for God's peace in souls. I believe our God heals not just the body, but also thoughts and feelings. We do not pray enough for healing of troubled souls. There is a peace that passes all understanding, and God wants to give that to people. How much time do we spend praying for God's peace for people?

Our mayor has proclaimed this weekend as the Mental Health Weekend of Faith. He has shared with me and other pastors this is a growing concern in our community. We know that ultimately, spiritual power can overcome the evil that robs people of mental health. This is why Jesus' church must be a place of grace for all; therefore, Jesus' people must boldly pray for the peace of God to richly dwell in every heart.

A month after that Sunday night, there was again a knock on my door. When I opened the door, it was the same young woman with a bright smile on her face. She told me at the hospital she had gotten some medicine, which she considered a gift from God. She had talked to some helpful people, who gave her a different perspective. She found out she loved her life and was making plans to move ahead. I celebrated with her, prayed with her and then stood up to say good-bye. She looked me in the eye, and said, "Thank you for being there, for being a safe place when I needed one."

Somewhere in our town, someone needs a safe place of grace and a powerful prayer of peace.

*Clay Smith is the lead pastor of Alice Drive Baptist Church in Sumter.*



**Clay Smith**

## CHURCH NEWS

**Agape Outreach Ministries**, 100 E. Red Bay Road, announces:

\* Today — "A time to be healed" revival at 7:30 p.m. Apostle Dr. Phillip Coleman will speak.

**Antioch Missionary Baptist Church**, 2571 Joseph Lemon-Dingle Road, Jordan community, Manning, announces:

\* Saturday, May 26 — Scholarship ministry's May Festival / flea market from 7 a.m. until on the grounds of the parsonage, S.C. 260 and Joseph Lemon-Dingle Road, Manning.

\* Sunday, June 10 — The 35th annual youth day will be celebrated during 10 a.m. services featuring former youth choir members. The church youth and 2018 graduates will be honored. Theme: "Let the Glory of the Lord-RISE."

**Bethlehem Missionary Baptist Church**, 4319 Rowe Drive, Summerton, announces:

\* Saturday — Prayer breakfast at 9:30 a.m. honoring Sister Virginia P. Lawson. Minister Jacqueline Jackson will speak.

**Canaan Missionary Baptist Church**, 774 Douglas Ave., announces:

\* Sunday — Fruits of the Spirit at 3:30 p.m.  
\* Saturday, May 26 — Health fair at 8 a.m.

**Cedar Grove Missionary Baptist Church**, 1275 Oswego Highway, announces:

\* Sunday, May 27 — The 42nd anniversary of soloist Sister Clara Pringle will be celebrated at 4 p.m. Various gospel groups will perform.

**Child Evangelism Fellowship (CEF)**, Santee-Wateree Chapter, announces:

\* Saturday, June 2 — Benefit concert at Patriot Hall featuring the Lefevres Quartet. Doors open at 6 p.m. with concert beginning at 7 p.m.

**Church of God of Prophecy**, 718 Boulevard Road, announces:

\* Sunday — Homecoming at 10 a.m. followed by family picnic. General overseer emeritus Bishop Fred Fisher will speak. Visit [www.sumterblvd-cogop.com](http://www.sumterblvd-cogop.com) or call (803) 775-4267.

**Cross Road Christian Fellowship / St. Peter BC**, 845 Webb St., announces:

\* Today-Sunday — The 2018 Women of Faith Conference will be held as follows: 7:30 p.m. today; 8:30 a.m. Saturday; and 11 a.m. Sunday. Speakers include: Pastor Shawonder Scott-Sabb, of King-

stree Apostolic Faith Church; Pastor Maria Powell, of Fresh Start Upstate-FSU; Minister Linda Gallishaw; Pastor Bernice Mullins, Minister Stacey Champagne and Pastor-elect Samantha White-Francis. Theme: "Letting Go To Walk Into My Kingdom Assignment."

\* Sunday, June 10 — The gospel play "Church Folk Done Gone Crazy" will be presented at the Weldon Auditorium, 17 Maple St., Manning. Doors open at 3 p.m. with the play beginning at 4 p.m. Tickets are \$25 in advance or \$30 at the door. Ticket locations: The Hair Goddess Studio in Manning, Radio Shack in Manning and Imports Ltd. in Sumter.

**Edwin Boyle Santee Summer Ministry**, 1098 Lemon Ave., Manning, (across from Camp Bob Cooper), announces:

\* Sundays May 27 through Sept. 2 — Outdoor interdenominational worship service will be held at 9:30 a.m. for those who spend summer weekends at Lake Marion. Check us out on Facebook.

**Faith Missionary Baptist Church No. 1**, 115 Laurel St., announces:

\* Sunday, May 27 — Youth worship service at 11:30 a.m. Evangelist Rebecca Parrott will speak. Fourth Sunday fellowship will begin at 4 p.m. with Apostle Gregory Dennis and New Millennium Deliverance.

\* Saturday, June 9 — Friends and family picnic at noon.

\* Sunday, June 10 — Friends and family worship service at 10:30 a.m.

**Fellowship Baptist Church**, 705 W. Huggins St., Manning, announces:

\* Sunday — The 16th pastoral anniversary celebration will be held at 3 p.m.

**Friendship Missionary Baptist Church**, 182 S. Pike East, announces:

\* Sunday — Choir and praise team ministry's anniversary celebration at 3:30 p.m.

**Full Proof Healing Deliverance Ministry**, 328 W. Liberty St., announces:

\* Today — "A Night with the King" restoration worship service at 7:30 p.m. Prophet Joshua Cerone and Prophetess Tomeka Cerone will speak.

**Grant Hill Missionary Baptist Church**, 5405 Black River Road, Rembert, announces:

\* Saturday — Church anniversary fish fry 11 a.m.-4 p.m.

\* Sunday — The 155th church anniversary will be celebrated during the 10 a.m. worship service.

**High Hills Missionary Baptist Church**, 6750 Meeting House Road, Dalzell, announces:

\* Saturday-Sunday — The 150th church anniversary celebration will be held as follows: 5 p.m. Saturday, Pastor Keith Mayer Sr., of High Hill AME Church, will speak at North HOPE Center banquet; and 10:15 a.m. Sunday, Pastor Richard Addison will speak.

**Historic Mount Zion AME Church**, M.W. Rickenbaker Road, Summerton, announces:

\* Sunday — Women's Day celebration at 3 p.m. featuring the 7 UPS program.

**Hopewell Missionary Baptist Church**, 3285 Peach Orchard Road, Dalzell, announces:

\* Sunday, May 27 — The 142nd anniversary of the church will be celebrated at 10 a.m. The Rev. Donald Amis, of High Hills Baptist Church, will speak.

**Mount Nebo Missionary Baptist Church**, 10331 Plowden Mill Road, Alcolu, announces:

\* Sunday — Four gospel program at 3 p.m. featuring Deacon Timothy Blackwell, Deacon Barney Dozier, Brother David Brown and the Rev. Ricky White.

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

\* Sunday — YWA ministry's anniversary will be celebrated at 10:45 a.m. One Sumter Community monthly meeting will be held 6:30-7:30 p.m. featuring the June primary candidates for public office.

**Mulberry Missionary Baptist Church**, 1400 Mulberry Church Road, announces:

\* Sunday — YWA anniversary celebration at 10:45 a.m. Pastor Larry Blanding will speak.

\* Sunday, May 27 — Pastoral installation service for the Rev. Leroy Blanding Sr. at 4:30 p.m. The Rev. Willie A. Wright Jr., pastor of New Bethel Missionary Baptist Church, will speak.

**Pine Grove AME Church**, 41 Pine Grove Road, Rembert, announces:

\* Sunday — Annual trustee worship service at 11 a.m.

**Pinewood Baptist Church**, 10 E. Fulton St., Pinewood, announces:

\* Sunday-Thursday, June 10-14 — Vacation Bible School for ages 3 through adult as follows: 6-9 p.m. Sunday; 6:30-9 p.m. Monday-Wednesday; and 6:30

p.m. Thursday, family night and commencement followed by supper. Call (803) 452-5373 or visit [www.pinewoodbaptist.org](http://www.pinewoodbaptist.org).

**Reeseville AME Church**, U.S. 521, Alcolu, announces:

\* Sunday, May 27 — The 131st church anniversary will be celebrated. Minister Marcellas Nelson will speak at 11 a.m. and the Rev. Reginald Holmes will speak at 2 p.m. at Harvin's Haven in Alcolu.

**Reid Chapel AME Church**, 1008 Dibert St., announces:

\* Sunday — The church anniversary will be celebrated at 3 p.m. The Rev. Davie Brown, of Bethel African Methodist Episcopal Church, will speak.

**Sheppard Ministries** announces:

\* Saturday, May 26 — Southern Heritage Gospel Association's Soloist Singing from 1 to 9 p.m. at Weldon Auditorium, 7 Maple St., Manning. Tickets are \$5 in advance or \$8 at the door. Contact Chris Sheppard at (803) 464-3357 or the box office at (803) 433-7469. On the program: Doug Hudson, DJ Woodie, Jimmy Poston, Cynthia Vickery and many more.

**Smithville Pentecostal Church**, 1008 Oswego Highway, announces:

\* Sunday — Gospel singing at 11 a.m. featuring Burning Bridges. Bring a covered dish, as dinner will follow. There will not be an evening service.

**St. Luke AME Church**, 2355 St. Paul Church Road, announces:

\* Sunday — Annual missionary date at 10 a.m. The Rev. Racheal Sinclair will speak.

**St. Mark 4-B Missionary Baptist Church**, 2280 Four Bridges Road, announces:

\* Friday, May 25 — Youth conference at 7 p.m. Edward Long will speak.

**St. Mark United Methodist Church**, 1093 Oswego Highway, announces:

\* Today — Relay for Life 6 p.m.-midnight at Hillcrest Middle School stadium.

\* Saturday-Sunday — Family and friends homecoming as follows: 7 p.m. Wednesday, revival; 10 a.m.-2 p.m. Saturday, family fun day; and 10:30 a.m. Sunday, closing worship celebration.

**St. Paul AME Church**, 835 Plowden Mill Road, announces:

\* Sunday — Lay organization's annual day at 10 a.m. Minister Earlene Howell-Smith, of Trinity Missionary Baptist Church, will speak.

\* Sunday, May 27 — Senior and junior trustee annual day at 10 a.m.

\* Sunday, June 3 — Frederick F. Graves mass choir annual day at 4 p.m.

**Sumter Free Will Baptist of the Pentecostal Faith Church**, 971 Boulevard Road, announces:

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# Restored WWII bomber Memphis Belle makes public debut

BY MITCH STACY  
Associated Press

DAYTON, Ohio — Robert K. Morgan Jr.'s voice wavered with emotion when he talked about seeing the Memphis Belle all put together for the first time in 50 years.

His father, Robert Sr., had flown the legendary B-17F on 25 perilous bombing missions in World War II and worked the rest of his life to make sure the airplane was preserved.

The famed "Flying Fortress," looking better than new, was put on public display Thursday morning after a restoration project that took more than a dozen years and 55,000 hours of labor at the National Museum of U.S. Air Force.

"Dad would be so proud," said the 72-year-old Morgan, who lives in San Francisco. "I wish he were here. It means everything to me and my family. He's here in spirit."

Morgan traveled to Ohio along with families of the other Memphis Belle crew for a private unveiling of the plane Wednesday night and the public opening of the exhibit Thursday at the sprawling museum near Dayton.

The debut came on the 75th anniversary of the Belle's 25th and final combat mission of the war. Soon after the museum opened at 9 a.m., hundreds of people gathered around



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Visitors gather for a private viewing of the Memphis Belle, a Boeing B-17 "Flying Fortress," at the National Museum of the U.S. Air Force on Wednesday in Dayton, Ohio. The World War II bomber is set to go on display for the first time since getting a yearslong restoration at the museum. The B-17 "Flying Fortress" was introduced Thursday as the anchor of an extensive exhibit in the Dayton-area museum's World War II gallery.

the exhibit trying to get the best angle of the famous plane for cell-phone photos.

The Memphis Belle was trucked to the museum in corroded pieces in 2005 after efforts to restore it in Memphis ran out of money and steam. It had been displayed outdoors in its namesake city for decades after the

war and was in bad shape due to weather and vandalism.

"I promised him when he was dying 14 years ago that I would do anything I could to keep the plane alive," Morgan said. "He knew before he passed that the plane was going to come to the museum, he knew that we couldn't keep it in Memphis. And he

knew it would be preserved here, he knew it would be restored here. He was extremely glad that it would be here."

The Memphis Belle was feted as the first B-17 to complete 25 missions and return to the U.S. at a time when most crews in the strategic daylight bombing campaign were lucky to make it to a dozen.

The Belle wasn't the first B-17 to make the requisite 25 missions, it just happened to be the one that became famous, thanks to newspaper reporters and Hollywood director William Wyler, who decided to build a documentary around the last mission.

A wildly successful 32-city war bond tour around America in the summer of 1943 made national celebrities out of the airplane and crew. Wyler's 1944 documentary cemented the legacy, and a 1990 movie introduced it to a new generation.

The Belle, with the leggy, swimsuit-clad pinup girl freshly repainted on both sides of the nose, is displayed suspended above the museum floor as if in mid-flight, with bomb-bay doors wide open.

James P. Verinis, 48, came from South Kingstown, Rhode Island, to see the Belle. His father, Capt. James A. Verinis, flew missions on it as copilot and later commanded his own B-17.

"I look at it," Verinis said, "and I wonder if it ever looked this beautiful."

# Church Directory

## Adventist

**Sumter Seventh-Day Adventist**  
103 N Pike West 775-4455  
Pastor Phil Roberts  
Sat. Sch: 9:15 am, Worship: 11:00 am  
Tues. Bible Study 7 pm  
www.sumter22.adventistchurchconnect.org

## Assembly of God

**First Assembly of God**  
1151 Alice Drive \* 773-3817  
www.sumterfirstag.org  
Jason Banar, Pastor  
Sunday School 9:30 am  
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## African Methodist Episcopal

**Union Station AME Church**  
945 South Main Street, Sumter  
unionstationame@gmail.com  
(803) 775-8200  
Rev. Dr. Phil Flowers announces:  
Sun. Church School 9:00 am  
Sun. Church Service 10:00 am  
Tues. Bible Study 11:00 am  
Wed. Bible Study 6:00 pm

## Baptist - Missionary

**Jehovah Missionary Baptist Church**  
803 S Harvin St. \* 775-4032  
Marion H Newton, Pastor  
Sunday Worship: 7:45 & 10:15 am  
Sunday Youth Service: 10:45 am  
Wednesday Bible Study: 7:00 pm

## Salem Missionary Baptist Church

320 West Fulton Street  
803-775-8054  
Reverend Dr. Cartrell Woods, Jr. Pastor  
Sun. School 9:00 am  
Praise Worship 9:55 am  
Worship 10:00 am

## Baptist - Southern

**Grace Baptist Church**  
219 W Calhoun St \* 778-6417  
Dr. Stephen Williams  
drstepw@fbc-l.net  
S.S. 9:45 am; Worship 11:00 am  
Evening Worship/Bible Study 6:30 pm  
Wed. Prayer Meeting 6:30 pm  
Wed. Bible Study: 6:30 pm

## Hickory Road Baptist Church

1245 Cherryvale Dr  
803-494-8281  
Dr. Ron Taylor Pastor  
Sunday School 9:45 am  
Worship 10:55 am  
Evening Worship 6:00 pm

## Shaw Heights Baptist Church

2030 Peach Orchard Rd. • 499-4997  
Rev. Robert White, Pastor  
Sunday School: 9:45 am  
Sunday Worship: 11 am & 6 pm  
Bible School June 20th - 25th  
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## Catholic - Roman

**Saint Anne and Saint Jude Roman Catholic Church**  
216 East Liberty St \* 803-773-3524  
www.sasjrcc.org  
Fr. Giovannie Nunez, CRM  
Parochial Vicar Rev. Noly Berjuega, CRM  
Weekend Masses  
Saturday: 4:30 pm  
Sun. 8:00, 12:00 pm  
Confession: Sat. 3:00 pm - 4:00 pm

## Saint Anne and Saint Jude Roman Catholic Church

611 W. Oakland Ave • 803-773-9244  
www.sjrcsumter.org  
Rev. Giovannie Nunez, CRM  
Parochial Vicar Rev. Noly Berjuega, CRM  
Weekend Masses  
Saturday: 6:00 pm  
Sun. 9:15 am, 12:00 pm, 5:00 pm (in Spanish)  
Confession: Sat. 4:30 pm - 5:30 pm

## Church of Christ

**Plaza Church of Christ**  
1402 Camden Hwy. • 905-3163  
Sunday School: 10 am  
Sunday Worship: 11 am & 6 pm  
Wed. Bible Class: 7 pm

## Interdenominational

**Spiritual Life Christian Center**  
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Sunday Worship: 11:00 am  
Wednesday Bible Study: 7:00 pm  
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601 Pitts Rd • 481-7003  
Joann P. Murnill, Pastor  
Sunday Worship: 11:00 am  
Youth Bible Study 7:00 pm

## Lutheran - ELCA

**St James Lutheran Church**  
1137 Alice Dr, Sumter  
773-2260 / www.stjamesumter.org  
Pastor Keith Getz  
Sunday School: 9:00 am  
Sunday Worship: 10:00 am  
Thur. Bible Study 10:30 am  
Wednesday Holy Communion: 12:00 pm

## Methodist - United

**Bethel United Methodist Church**  
5575 Lodebar Rd • 469-2452  
Rev. Jeremy Howell  
Sunday Worship: 8:30 & 11 am  
Sunday School: 10 am  
www.yourbethel.org  
BMethodist@fbc-l.net

## Trinity United Methodist Church

226 W Liberty St \* 773-9393  
Rev. Joseph James, Jr.  
Blended Worship 8:45 am  
Sunday School 9:45 am  
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## Non-Denominational

**Calvary Bible Church**  
770 N. Wise Dr., Sumter  
803-774-2341  
Pastor Richard Harris  
Sunday School 9:45 am  
Worship 11:00 am & 6:00 PM

## Christ Community Church (CCC)

320 Loring Mill Rd., Sumter  
www.cccsumter.com  
803-905-7850  
Sunday Worship 9:00 & 10:45 am

## First Church of God

1835 Camden Rd • 905-5234  
www.sumterfcg.org  
Ron Bower, Pastor  
Sunday School: 9:30 am  
Sunday Worship: 10:30 am

## Greater St. Paul Church

200 Watkins Street • 803-778-1355  
Founder Bishop W.T. English  
Sunday School - 10:30 am  
Sunday Morning Worship - 11:30 am  
Wed. Mid Week Service - 7:30 pm

## The Rock Church of Sumter

365 N. Saint Paul Church Rd  
803-494-7625 (ROCK)  
Pastor Gwendolyn Credle  
Sunday School 9:30 am  
Worship 11:00 am  
Wed. Bible Study 7:00 pm

## Sumter Bible Church

420 South Pike West, Sumter  
803-773-8339 • Pastor Ron Davis  
Sunday School 10:00 am  
Worship 11:00 am & 6:30 pm  
Wed. Bible Study & Prayer 7:00 pm

## Pentecostal

## First United Pentecostal Church

14 Plowden Mill Rd • 775-9493  
Pastor Theron Smith  
Sunday Service: 10:00 am & 6:30 pm  
Wednesday Bible Study: 7:30 pm

## Sumter First Pentecostal Holiness Church

2609 McCrays Mill Rd • 481-8887  
S. Paul Howell, Pastor  
Sunday School: 10:00 am  
Sunday Worship: 10:45 am & 6:00 pm  
Wed. Bible Study/Youth Group: 7:00 pm

## Presbyterian - ARP

**Lemira Presbyterian Church**  
514 Boulevard Rd • 473-5024  
Pastor Dan Rowlen  
Sunday School 10:00 am  
Worship 11:00 am

## Presbyterian PCA

## Westminster Presbyterian Church

230 Alice Dr., Sumter • 803-773-7235  
Pastor Stuart Mizelle  
Sunday School 9:15 am  
Worship Service 10:30 am

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9 W Calhoun St (at Main St.)  
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# THE CLARENDON SUN

## USC Sumter's Upward Bound program building at MHS

BY BRUCE MILLS  
bruce@theitem.com

It's been a lot of work, but University of South Carolina Sumter and Manning High School are starting to see fruit from their first year of a five-year grant partnership to help disadvantaged students succeed in high school and beyond.

Officials from the college spoke this week on implementation of a \$1.3 million federal Upward Bound grant to help 60 Manning High students a year succeed in college-preparatory coursework and then through their college years.

Lisa Rosdail, USC Sumter's Upward Bound program director, said the initial year has been about building relationships at the high school and building program staff.

Initially, she and an administrative assistant at the college had to recruit the 60 interested students who fit the grant's profile. Forty, or two-thirds, of the 60 students in grades 9-12 had to be both low-income and potentially first-generation college students. The other 20, or one-third, had to be either low income, or potentially first-generation college students, or display a high academic need, Rosdail said.

An important piece to the puzzle, according to Rosdail, has been ensuring the Upward Bound students are enrolled in high school courses that meet college-entrance requirements and not just high school graduation requirements.

For example, she said, a student can graduate high school without taking a foreign language, but a college is expecting a high school student to take a foreign language and other rigorous coursework for entry.

A group of nine USC Sumter



PHOTO PROVIDED

Heidi Salinas, front row and center, is flanked by her parents, Maria and Jairo Salinas, recently on College Decision Day at Manning High School. Salinas is the first senior to graduate from the high school's Upward Bound grant program. In back row, from left, is Kyndall Locklear, USC Sumter's Darrin Witt and Manning High School Principal Preston Threat.

students have served as rotating after-school tutors for the Manning High students – generally in the core subjects of math, English, the sciences and foreign languages. Students are currently being tutored in preparation for state End-of-Course tests and final exams, Rosdail said.

In March, the program hired a student advisor, Kyndall Locklear, who is located on site at the high school and provides guidance for the 60 students. In April, the college hired a program coordinator, Steve Evans, who manages the program's day-to-day operations.

In addition to tutoring, the first year has included two cultural event trips for students, a trip to the USS Yorktown in Charleston and to Ripley's Aquarium in Myrtle Beach.

Evans said the new program looks to recruit students with about a 2.5 GPA or higher and tries to help students improve on that with the end goal of a 3.0 GPA, so they're eligible for

South Carolina's HOPE Scholarship or LIFE Scholarship when applying for college.

Of the 60 students in the initial year, there's just one senior, Heidi Salinas. Salinas will graduate from Manning High next month and will begin her college freshman year at USC Sumter in the fall, according to Rosdail.

As far as an ideal high school student for the program, Rosdail said it's someone who wants to take the more rigorous college-bound coursework and wants to get the after-school help and tutoring.

"It doesn't have to be somebody who is making straight 'A's,'" Rosdail said. "It's the student who wants the services and help, and is willing to put in the time to get the help so they can really end up going to college."

For more information on Manning High's Upward Bound program, contact USC Sumter's Upward Bound office at (803) 938-3929.

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## McLeod Health Clarendon honors its own for Nursing Week

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Every year, National Nurses Week focuses attention on the diverse ways America's 3.1 million registered nurses work to save lives and to improve the health of millions of individuals. In recognition of the nurses' ability to influence the profession and all aspects of healthcare, the theme for National Nurses Week is "Nurses: Inspire, Innovate, Influence."

McLeod Health Clarendon nurses were honored with a Nurses Week Luncheon and award recognition gathering. All staff nurses were asked to nominate a fellow nurse that offers above and beyond service and care of all patients, while personifying true faithfulness to their profession. McLeod Health Clarendon awarded Kathleen "Kathy" Keith as Registered Nurse of the Year and Christy Taylor, unit secretary, as Support Person of the Year.

"Nurses and nursing staff are an essential part of the healthcare team, and play a vital role in providing an excellent patient care experience during their hospital visit," Kim Jolly, Chief Nursing Officer of McLeod Health Clarendon, said. "These two women truly exemplify the four core values of McLeod Health. The Value of Caring, the Value of the Person, the Value of Quality, the Value of Integrity and our mission of providing patients with medical excellence in healthcare through the compassionate care they provide to each and every patient being cared for."



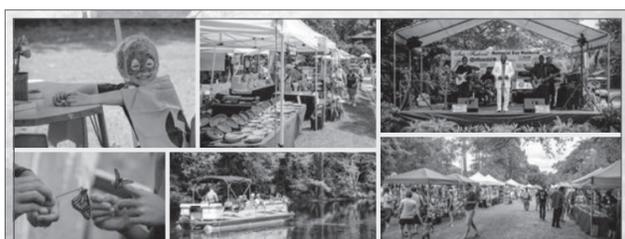
Kathleen "Kathy" Keith, left, was named Registered Nurse of the Year, and Christy Taylor, Unit Secretary, was named Support Person of the Year.

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##### IN THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS

##### CASE NO. 2017-CP-14-00487

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA  
COUNTY OF CLARENDON

First-Citizens Bank & Trust Company

Plaintiff,

-vs-

Alexander D. Hickson, Individually and as Personal Representative of the Estate of Sheryl Anne Atkins Hickson; Charlene Fay Clarke, Individually and as Heir to the Estate of Sheryl Anne Atkins Hickson, Timothy William Childs, James W. Hodge, and any other Heirs-at-Law or Devises of Sheryl Anne Atkins Hickson, Deceased, their heirs, Personal Representatives, Administrators, Successors and Assigns, and all other persons entitled to claim through them; all unknown persons with any right, title or interest in the real estate described herein; also any persons who may be in the military service of the United States of America, being a class designated as John Doe; and any unknown minors or persons under a disability being a class designated as Richard Roe, Discover Bank, South Carolina Department of Revenue, and Carmen A. Atkins,

Defendant(s)

BY VIRTUE of a judgment heretofore granted in the case of First-Citizens Bank & Trust Company vs. Alexander D. Hickson, Individually and as Personal Representative of the Estate of Sheryl Anne Atkins Hickson; Charlene Fay Clarke, Individually and as Heir to the Estate of Sheryl Anne Atkins Hickson, Timothy William Childs, James W. Hodge, and any other Heirs-at-Law or Devises of Sheryl Anne Atkins Hickson, Deceased, their heirs, Personal Representatives, Administrators, Successors and Assigns, and all other persons entitled to claim through them; all unknown persons with any right, title or interest in the real estate described herein; also any persons who may be in the military service of the United States of America, being a class designated as John Doe; and any unknown minors or persons under a disability being a class designated as Richard Roe, Discover Bank, South Carolina Department of Revenue, and Carmen A. Atkins, I, Frances Ricci Land Welch, as Special Referee for Clarendon County, will sell on **June 4, 2018, at 11:00 am**, at the Clarendon County Courthouse, 3 West Keitt St., Manning, SC 29102, to the highest bidder:

All that certain piece, parcel or lot of land, with improvements thereon, if any, situate, lying and being on the north side of Main Street, in the Town of Summerton, in County of Clarendon, State of South Carolina, and being bounded now or formerly as follows: On the South by Main Street; on the West by lands of Mildred R. DuBose; on the North by lands of Annie G. Grayson; on the East by lands of Mesdin. This property is shown on the maps for Clarendon County as tax map parcel #078-15-03-017-00.

This property was conveyed to Sheryl Anne Atkins by deed of Madeline D. Brooks dated March 26, 2010 and recorded in the Office of the Register of Deeds for Clarendon County in Deed Book 760 at Page 200 on March 26, 2010.

TMS #: 078-15-03-017-00

SUBJECT TO CLARENDON COUNTY TAXES

**TERMS OF SALE:** The successful bidder, other than the Plaintiff, will deposit with the Special Referee at conclusion of the bidding, five (5%) of his bid, in cash or equivalent, as evidence of good faith, the 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

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the required deposit at the time of the bid or comply with the other terms or the bid within twenty (20) days, then the Special Referee may resell the property on the same terms and conditions on some subsequent Sales Day (at the risk of the former highest bidder).

Should the Plaintiff, or one of its representatives, fail to be present at the time of sale, the property is automatically withdrawn from said sale and sold at the next available sales day upon the terms and conditions as set forth in the Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale or any Supplemental Order.

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.

**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 well before the foreclosure sale date.

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 5.775% per annum.

**Frances Ricci Land Welch**  
Special Referee  
for Clarendon County

**Theodore von Keller, Esquire**  
B. Lindsay Crawford, III, Esquire  
Sara Hutchins  
Columbia, South Carolina  
Attorney for Plaintiff

#### MASTER IN EQUITY NOTICE OF SALE

#### 2017-CP-14-00084

BY VIRTUE of a decree heretofore granted in the case of: **Champion Mortgage Company vs. Dorothy S. Rembert**; et al., I, the undersigned Joseph K. Coffey, Master in Equity for Clarendon County, will sell on **Monday, June 4, 2018 at 11:00 AM**, at the County Courthouse, 3 West Keitt Street, Manning, SC 29102, to the highest bidder:

All that certain piece, parcel or lot of land on the South side of Briggs Street, in the Town of Summerton, in the County of Clarendon, on a plat thereof made by W.B. Sykes, Surveyor, dated August 18, 1948, said plat being recorded in the Office of the C.C.C.P. for Clarendon County in Plat Book 11 at Page 177; and being bound, according to said plat, as follows: On the North by Briggs Street in said town; On the East by lands of the Estate of Rogan; on the South by lands of Mrs. Edna D. Williams; On the West by lot of the Methodist Church; the same being the lands heretofore conveyed unto Mary A. Sieling by deed of Florence E. Rogan, et al, dated August 18, 1948 and recorded in the Office of the C.C.C.P. for Clarendon County in Deed Book C-11 at Page 225; and devised unto the grantors and grantee by will of Mary A. Sieling.

ALSO:

All that piece, parcel, or tract of land, lying, being and situate in the South side of Briggs Street in the Town of Summerton, in the County of Clarendon, in the State of South Carolina, and having 1/2 frontage of eight (8) feet, and a uniform width of eight (8), and a depth of one hundred seventy four (174) feet, more or less, and being bounded as follows: on the North by Briggs Street; on the East by lands of T.S. Rogan; on the South by lands of Edna D. Williams; on the West by residence lot of Mary A. Sieling.

However, a plat needs to be accomplished to better determine and define the intentions of the parties and the public records.

This being the same property conveyed to Dorothy S. Rembert by Deed of Adelaide S. Elliott and Ernest H. Sieling dated November 20, 1973 and recorded November 29, 1973 in Book A-59 at Page 100 in the ROD Office for Clarendon County.

TMS No. 078-11-02-020-00

Property address:  
4 Briggs Avenue,  
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**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 1.783% 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

#### NOTICE OF SALE CIVIL ACTION NO.

#### 2017-CP-14-00375

BY VIRTUE of a decree heretofore granted in the case of: **United States of America acting through the Rural Housing Service or successor agency, United States Department of Agriculture v. Marsha Nelson**, and South Carolina Housing Trust Fund, I, the undersigned Master in Equity for Clarendon County, will sell on **June 4, 2018 at 11:00 a.m.** at the Clarendon County Courthouse, 3 W. Keitt Street, Manning, South Carolina to the highest bidder:

All that certain piece, parcel or lot of land, together with any improvements thereon, lying, being and situate in School District 1 of Clarendon County, South Carolina, fronting on Rev. JW Carter Road, containing 0.69 acres and designated

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as Lot 2 on a plat prepared by Robert G. Mathis Land Surveying on December 15, 2006; said plat being filed for record in the Office of the Register of Deeds of Clarendon County in Plat Book S52 at Page 455 and incorporated herein by reference pursuant to Section 30-5-250 of the Code of Laws of South Carolina, 1976 (as amended).

Being the premises conveyed to Marsha Nelson by deed of Bernard Burgess of even date hereof, filed for record in the Office of the Register of Deeds of Clarendon County in Deed Book A671 at Page 294.

**TMS No.: 121-00-02-017-00**  
**Property Address:**  
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**Joseph K. Coffey**  
Master in Equity

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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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#2018ES1400011

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# Election hacking puts focus on paperless voting machines

ATLANTA (AP) — As the midterm congressional primaries heat up amid fears of Russian hacking, an estimated 1 in 5 Americans will be casting their ballots on machines that do not produce a paper record of their votes.

That worries voting and cybersecurity experts, who say the lack of a hard copy makes it difficult to double-check the results for signs of manipulation.

"In the current system, after the election, if people worry it has been hacked, the best officials can do is say 'Trust us,'" said Alex Halderman, a voting machine expert who is director of the University of Michigan's Center for Computer Security and Society.

Georgia, which holds its primary on Tuesday, and four other states — Delaware, Louisiana, New Jersey and South Carolina — exclusively use touchscreen machines that provide no

paper records that allow voters to confirm their choices.

Such machines are also used in more than 300 counties in eight other states: Arkansas, Indiana, Kansas, Kentucky, Mississippi, Pennsylvania, Tennessee and Texas, according to Verified Voting, a nonprofit group focused on ensuring the accuracy of elections.

In all, about 20 percent of registered voters nationwide use machines that produce no paper record.

Many election officials in states and counties that rely on those machines say they support upgrading them but also contend they are accurate. In many jurisdictions, the multimillion-dollar cost is a hurdle.

The focus comes as states gear up for the first nationwide elections since Russian hackers targeted 21 states ahead of the 2016 presidential contest.

U.S. intelligence agencies have said that there is no evidence any vote tallies were manipulated but that Russians and others are intent on interfering in American elections again.

Last week, the Senate Intelligence Committee issued a report that recommended replacing machines that don't produce a paper record of the vote.

Some states already have taken that step or are doing so.

Virginia last year banned paperless touchscreen machines two months before the state's gubernatorial election. This year, Kentucky ordered that all new machines produce a paper trail.

Congress has allocated \$380 million to help states with election security upgrades, but that is just a fraction of what would be needed to replace all paperless machines.

Louisiana is soliciting bids to replace the state's nearly 10,000 such ma-

chines ahead of the 2020 election, though all the money has yet to be allocated. Funding also is an issue in Pennsylvania, where Democratic Gov. Tom Wolf has ordered that counties planning to replace their electronic voting systems buy machines that leave a paper trail.

"It's important because everybody needs to have confidence in the voting process," Wolf said. "And given what is alleged to have happened in 2016, I think there's some concern that maybe people aren't as confident as they should be."

The rest of the country uses either paper ballots that are filled out by hand and then read by an optical scanner, or a touchscreen machine that prints out a ballot so voters can verify their selections before inserting it into another machine to record their votes.

# Lynching memorial game-changer for Montgomery tourism

BY BETH J. HARPAZ

AP Travel Editor

MONTGOMERY, Alabama — A memorial to the victims of racial lynchings and a new museum in Montgomery, Alabama, have gotten a lot of attention since opening in late April.

Some 10,000 people visited the memorial and museum in the first week. Tourism officials estimate they could attract 100,000 more visitors to this Southern city in the next year. One young man, Dimitri Digbeu Jr., who drove 13 hours from Baltimore to see the memorial, said he thought it had singlehandedly "re-branded" Montgomery.

But tourism challenges exist. Few direct flights serve Montgomery, and it's a three-hour drive from Atlanta.

"How do we get people to come here and make the pilgrimage here?" said filmmaker Ava DuVernay at a conference marking the memorial launch. "We have to be evangelists to go out and say what you saw here and what you experienced here. ... Don't just leave feeling, 'That was amazing. I cried.'"

DuVernay, whose Oscar-nominated movie "Selma" described the 1965 civil rights march from Selma, Alabama, to Montgomery, noted that the memorial and museum were built by legal advocacy group the Equal Justice Initiative. "These people are lawyers fighting for people on death row," DuVernay added. "They're not thinking about how to market this to the wider world."

Some travelers say the new memorial and museum have changed their minds about visiting the Deep South. "As a black American, I'm not crazy about the idea of driving down streets named after Confederate generals and averting my eyes from Confederate flags," said New Yorker Brian Major. "But reconciliation and peace-making has to begin somewhere and for a project as worthy and important as the lynching memorial, I would be willing to make the trip."

DuVernay put it this way: "This has to be a place where every American who believes in justice and dignity must come."

For those who do visit, here's a guide.



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Visitors look at markers bearing the names of lynching victims at the National Memorial for Peace and Justice in Montgomery, Ala. The memorial includes some 800 markers, one for each county in the U.S. where lynchings took place, documenting the killings of more than 4,400 individuals between 1877 and 1950. A marker to victims lynched in Laurens County, South Carolina, including a woman, is shown to the right.

## LYNCHING MEMORIAL AND LEGACY MUSEUM

The National Memorial for Peace and Justice honors more than 4,000 individuals who were lynched between 1877 and 1950. Their names are inscribed on 800 steel columns, one for every U.S. county where lynchings happened. Most counties are in the South, but there are also markers for lynchings in states like Minnesota and New York.

The markers begin at ground level, then gradually move overhead, evoking the specter of hanging bodies. Some of the killings are described in detail: Victims were lynched for asking for a glass of water, for voting, testifying against a white man.

The new museum, which is

called The Legacy Museum: From Enslavement to Mass Incarceration, explores slavery and segregation in horrific detail and argues that when segregation ended, mass incarceration began. The museum cites statistics showing 300,000 people were in prison in 1971 compared with 2.3 million today, and that one in three black boys will be jailed in the 21st century if trends continue. Exhibits offer details of innocent men on death row and children imprisoned in adult facilities where they were brutalized.

Montgomery resident Shawna Brannon volunteered at the opening and said visitors of all races wept and shook their heads in dismay. "Once you go through, you will never be the same," she said.

## SLAVERY AND CIVIL RIGHTS

The Legacy Museum is located on the site of a warehouse where thousands of enslaved people were held before being sold at auction nearby. When the Civil War began, Montgomery was the Confederacy's first capitol.

Montgomery's Rosa Parks Museum marks the spot where a black seamstress was arrested for refusing to surrender her seat on a bus to a white passenger. That sparked a bus boycott by African-Americans that ended when the U.S. Supreme Court declared segregation on public buses unconstitutional.

The bus boycott also turned a young minister named Martin Luther King Jr. into a leader of the civil rights movement. That story is told

at Montgomery's Dexter Parsonage Museum, where King and his family lived when he was pastor of the Dexter Avenue Baptist Church. The parsonage porch still bears a crevice where a bomb landed (no one was hurt). Outside the Kings' bedroom is a telephone that rang all night with threatening phone calls.

The Freedom Rides Museum honors black and white students who rode Greyhound buses together to challenge segregation. A white mob attacked them when they arrived in Montgomery while police did nothing. That spurred the Kennedy Administration to send in federal marshals.

Michelle Browder's More Than Tours offers a wonderful bus tour that tells many of these stories and also shows off Montgomery's resurgent downtown, including the restored Kress Building, now home to an art gallery and cafe.

## ETCETERA

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Fans of country music legend Hank Williams should visit his impressive gravesite at Montgomery's Oakwood Annex Cemetery. Downtown, the Hank Williams Museum displays the Cadillac he was riding in when he died at age 29.

Montgomery's Old Cloverdale neighborhood is home to the F. Scott and Zelda Fitzgerald Museum. The "Great Gatsby" writer and his wife lived here in the 1930s, and you can even rent an Airbnb apartment upstairs, complete with record player and jazz albums.



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COMMENTARY

## Real news covered outside the bubble

With the nation headed in a positive direction, with the economy growing along with jobs at an all-time high and unemployment at an all-time low, it seems like happy days are here again. But not to the anti-Trump resistance movement led by the left, of which the Democratic Party is a wholly-owned subsidiary.



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excuses tour before adoring crowds. So what's left for the resistance, led by Shutdown Schumer, Nutty Nancy Pelosi, Maxine "Hissy Fit" Waters and Adam Schiff-less? This whole election

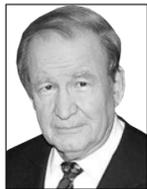
season has become like watching both political parties lined up in a circular firing squad. The loons on the left keep giving us a bit of comic relief, especially those in the downstream media like a faulty sewage plant discharging its waste on us in the country class who are "enlightened" by pretend journalists such as "Morning Joe the Rhino" on MSNBC and his girlfriend EEKA! Those of us who spend our time running our newspapers and trying our level best to cover our communities without spending too much time gazing at our navels, stroking our chins and pontificating while viewing with alarm and

pointing with pride at the good things we see on a daily basis in our community. Plus, we never forget that the main mission of good newspapers is to comfort the afflicted and afflict the comfortable. It's that simple. We in the real — not fake — news media work diligently toward accentuating the positive and eliminating the negative in our reporting and commentary. We don't always succeed, but in the immortal words of Scarlett O'Hara of "Gone with the Wind," tomorrow is another day and we'll keep the presses rolling, just as we've sought to do for more than 150 years. Keep reading.

COMMENTARY

## Israel at 70: Bibi's troubled hour of power

For Bibi Netanyahu, Israel's longest-serving prime minister save only founding father David Ben-Gurion, it has been a week of triumph. Last Tuesday, President Donald Trump pulled the United States out of the Iran nuclear deal as Bibi had demanded. Thursday, after Iran launched 20 missiles at the Golan Heights, Bibi answered with a 70-missile attack on Iran in Syria.



**Pat Buchanan**

more divided, isolated and alone. Yet, there is another side to this story, also visible this last week.

As the transfer ceremony of the Jerusalem

embassy was taking place, TV split screens showed pictures of protesting Palestinians, 52 of whom were shot dead Monday, with thousands wounded by snipers. Some 40,000 had rallied against the U.S. embassy move.

Even before Monday's body count, the Gaza Health Ministry said that, over the previous six Fridays of "March of Return" protests, 49 Palestinians had been killed and 2,240 hit by live fire from Israeli troops.

Those dead and wounded Palestinians are not likely to be forgotten in Gaza. And while Israel has never had so many Arab regimes willing to work with her in pushing back against Iran, Arab League Chief Ahmed Aboul Gheit called the U.S. embassy move to Jerusalem, a "clear violation of international law."

Gheit added: "The fall of Palestinian martyrs by the bullets of the Israeli occupation must ring an alarm ... bell to any state that does not



find anything wrong with the immoral and illegal stance that we are watching."

Last week, Hezbollah, which arose in resistance to the 1982 Israeli occupation of Lebanon, and expelled the Israeli army 18 years later, won Lebanon's elections. A Hezbollah-backed coalition will likely form the new government in Beirut.

Michael Oren, Israel's former ambassador to the U.S. and Bibi ally, said that any attack by Hezbollah, which fought Israel to a standstill in 2006, should bring an Israeli declaration of war — on Lebanon.

While Israel launched some 100 strikes on Syria in recent years, Syrian President Bashar Assad has survived and, with the aid of Hezbollah, Iran and Russia, won his civil war.

Assad and his army and allies are far stronger now, while President Trump, Israel's indispensable ally, speaks of bringing U.S. troops home from Syria. In polls, a majority of Americans lines up behind Israel in its clashes, but a majority also wants no more

U.S. wars in the Middle East.

Also, Sunday, the U.S. sustained another major political defeat.

Iraqi Prime Minister Haider al-Abadi lost his re-election bid. Based on early results, the winning coalition was that of Shiite cleric Moqtada al-Sadr, against whose forces U.S. troops fought a decade ago.

Running second was a ticket led by a Shiite militia general close to Iran. When a new government is formed in Baghdad, the orientation of Iraq seems certain to shift away from the United States.

While the Israelis are the most powerful nation in the region, how long can they keep 2 million Palestinian Arabs confined in the penal colony that is the Gaza Strip? How long can they keep the 2 million Palestinians of the West Bank living in conditions even Israeli leaders have begun to compare to apartheid?

Across the West, especially in universities, a BDS movement to have students, companies and consumers boycott, divest and sanction Israeli-produced products has been gaining ground.

The Palestinians may have been abandoned by Arab rulers and the wider world. Yet, history teaches that people forced to survive in such conditions eventually rise in rebellion and revolution, take revenge, and exact retribution for what was done to them and their own.

Republican leaders often say that we cannot permit "any daylight" between the U.S. position and that of Israel.

But can the country that decreed for decades the panicked reaction of an Ohio National Guard that shot and killed four students at Kent State University sit silent as scores of unarmed protesters are shot to death and thousands are wounded by Israeli troops in Gaza?

Bibi and Israel appear to be on a winning streak. It is difficult to see how, over the long run, it can be sustained.

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Trump lashed out at undocumented immigrants during a White House meeting, calling those trying to breach the country's borders "animals" [nytimes.com/2rJgCjs](https://nytimes.com/2rJgCjs)

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Asked about the "animals" comment this afternoon, POTUS said: "I'm referring to the MS-13 gangs that are coming in. I was talking about the MS-13...I referred to them as animals. And guess what: I always will."

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**CCTC** FROM PAGE A1

program. Wallace started at CCTC at the beginning of this year after nine years in the Air Force — her last stop being Shaw Air Force Base.

“It’s a big transition from active-duty military to civilian life,” Wallace said. “You are going from a very structured environment to something new and different.”

Wallace said she would recommend the college to any former military personnel in the area.

“I received coaching and support along the way,” Wallace said. “The help here was great.”

Nelson noted that tutoring services were especially helpful last semester “because me and math are not friends.”

It was intermediate algebra, but she made an ‘A’ on the final exam, she said.

Both said engaging with older veterans and “hearing their war stories” was fun, as well as giving guidance to the younger veterans.

In summarizing her five months at CCTC, Wallace said she’s sad to leave.

“It was that environment,” Wallace said, “where everybody helps each other and pushes you to continue on.”

**MORE ON THE GRANT PROGRAM**

Central Carolina Technical College is one of two colleges in the state to have the Veterans Upward Bound grant program. The other is Trident Technical College in Charleston, according to program counselor Wes Pelletier.

He said the goal of the program is to see veterans succeed from any branch of the military.

An Air Force veteran who served 28 years, Pelletier said the military does a good job at preparing someone for a job in the military but isn’t as well-equipped to help somebody transition out.

“When you’re starting over, it’s good to find a friend to help,” Pelletier said. “We’re here to build trust with veterans.”

To qualify for the program, a veteran must be a resident of the college’s four-county region (Sumter, Clarendon, Lee or Kershaw) and must meet one of the following criteria: be out of high school or college for more than five years; have a disability; be below a certain income threshold; or be a first-generation college student.

For more information, Pelletier said to contact him at the college at (803) 774-3378.

**DEPUTIES** FROM PAGE A1

master bedroom.

Body camera footage captured an image of the substance before 33-year-old Meredith Sloan West, Shelby West’s wife, entered the bedroom and wiped most of the substance onto the floor.

The deputy stopped the initial search after finding the suspected drug and called a narcotics investigator to execute a search warrant.

During the second search, Meredith West attempted to hide a pillow reportedly containing more than 80 grams of drugs by taking it with her as she moved to the opposite side of the couch while a deputy searched the cushions, according to an incident report. She later handed the pillow to a deputy when asked if there was anything else investigators should know about.

The pillow contained multiple clear bags that held approximately 75 grams of methamphetamine and 8.5 grams of a brown powder thought to be heroin.

The search also yielded approximately .5 more grams of suspected heroin, a black .45-caliber American Tactical C45 handgun, a spoon, pipe and other drug paraphernalia and a digital scale.

Both suspects are charged with trafficking methamphetamine, trafficking heroin and possession of a weapon during a violent crime.

Shelby West is also charged with violating parole and third-degree domestic violence. Bond was denied on all charges, and he remains at Sumter-Lee Regional Detention Center.

Meredith West was given a \$5,000 bond for possession of a weapon during a violent crime, a \$10,000 bond for trafficking methamphetamine and a \$10,000 bond for trafficking heroin. She has since been released from jail.

About a week later and seven miles away, another suspect was charged for possession of methamphetamine after leading deputies on a high-speed chase down multiple residential streets behind Sumter High School after avoiding a traffic stop on South Guignard Drive about 9:30 p.m. on Wednesday.

In the incident report, the responding deputy said he saw a blue 2009 Ford Focus, driven by 23-year-old Conner Dane Mitchum, following closely behind a 2016 Jeep Compass on South Guignard Drive headed toward the bridge and realized the Ford was touching the rear of the Jeep while traveling at a high rate of speed.

The vehicles separated by the time they reached the top of the bridge, and the deputy attempted to initiate a traffic stop on the Focus, but Mitchum turned off the headlights and continued to drive.

He turned left down McCrays Mill Road and almost struck another vehicle while turning left onto Lewis Road, according to the report.

The deputy continued to chase Mitchum as

he drove down residential streets, returning multiple times to McCrays Mill Road, until the deputy lost sight of the car when it turned onto Bay Springs Drive off of McCrays Mill Road.

Another deputy located the Focus some time later on Kolb Road and began chasing the vehicle when Mitchum failed to pull over for another traffic stop.

The vehicle later struck a stop sign at Green View Parkway and U.S. 15 South and hit a ditch while attempting to stop in the driveway of a residence on Bethel Church Road near the recycling center.

Mitchum attempted to flee the area on foot but was captured by another deputy after a brief chase.

The reporting deputy wrote that Mitchum appeared to have dropped a silver firearm — which was later recovered near the driver’s side of the Ford Focus — while fleeing on foot.

Approximately .01 grams of suspected methamphetamine was found in the center console of the car.

After Mitchum was apprehended, investigators spoke with a woman who was riding with him at the beginning of the incident. Mitchum let the woman and her three children — ages 1,4 and 5 — out of the vehicle on Shoreland Drive, about four and a half miles away from where the vehicle chase ended.

The woman said the incident with the Jeep began while Mitchum was giving her and her children a ride home that evening.

She said Mitchum stopped at a fast food restaurant on U.S. 15 South to let her make a phone call and that she saw him get out of the Ford Focus and approach the Jeep, which quickly drove away. A warrant states the driver of the Jeep has a restraining order against Mitchum.

The passenger of the Ford Focus told investigators that she and Mitchum got back into the car and followed the Jeep and allegedly pulled out a silver handgun and fired multiple shots at the other vehicle, according to the report.

The woman told deputies she asked Mitchum to stop shooting and later asked him to stop the car when law enforcement showed up because her children were in the back seat.

The driver of the Jeep did not mention hearing gun shots when speaking with investigators, according to the report.

Mitchum is prohibited from possessing a firearm, and a check with DMV revealed he does not have a driver’s license.

Mitchum is charged with possession of less than 1 gram of methamphetamine, driving under the influence, possession of a weapon by a felon, unlawful neglect of a child, failure to stop for a blue light, driving without a license and violation of a restraining order.

A South Carolina Highway Patrol Trooper also charged Mitchum for driving under the influence.

He was transported to Sumter-Lee Regional Detention Center where he awaits a bond hearing.

**WEATHER**

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tropical storms, with five-nine becoming hurricanes and two-five becoming major hurricane during the hurricane season, which spans June 1 to Nov. 30.

Scenarios for the 2018 hurricane season are dependent on a number of factors in the latter part of June and July, according to Len Pietrafesa, research professor in CCU’s Burroughs & Chaping Center for Marine and Wetland Studies and leader of the HUGO team, in a news release.

“The key issues at this point in time are, one, how the El Nino will develop and, two, how warm the upper ocean of the North Atlantic will become later in the season,” Pietrafesa said.

Updated outlooks will be released later in the season as more observational climate data become available.

Past HUGO outlook forecasts have proven to be “highly accurate.” The 2016 and 2015 outlooks were correct in nearly every category — number of

tropical storms, number of major hurricanes, landfalls on both the East Coast and Gulf Coast.

The 2015 outlook correctly forecast a most likely scenario that no hurricanes would make landfall on either coast and also correctly forecast the number of hurricanes at four. The 2016 forecasts for all numbers were spot on, including one landfall on the Gulf Coast (Hermine) and one on the East Coast (Matthew).

With last year’s catastrophic storm season, from Harvey to Maria to Irma, South Carolina is poised well compared to most hurricane-prone states.

The Insurance Institute for Business and Home Safety ranked the Palmetto State third out of 18 Atlantic and Gulf states for residential building code systems behind Florida at No. 1 and Virginia at No. 2.

The release of its annual study was well-timed, the Richburg-based research agency said, with the imminent hurricane season and as communities continue to repair and replace homes damaged by hurricanes last year.

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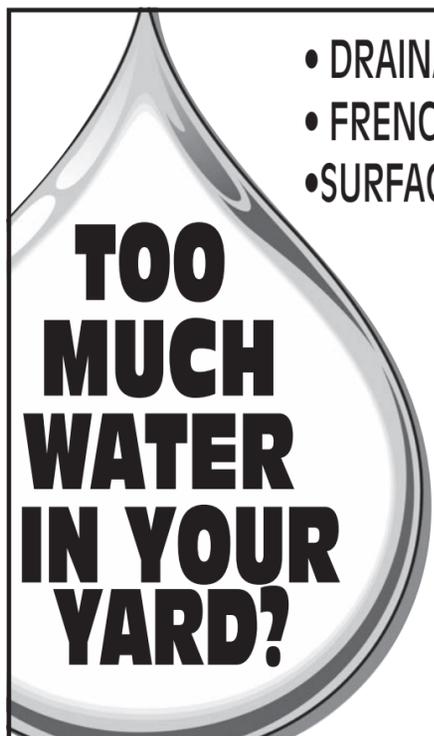


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**Rembert Area Community Coalition will hold summer camp** for ages 3 1/2 to 12 years old from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday-Friday, June 11-July 20, at the Rembert Youth Center (behind Rembert Car Wash), 20 Horatio-Hagood Road, Rembert. Breakfast will be served at 8 a.m. each day and lunch will be served at noon each day. Reduced rate for multiple children. Apply online at [www.raccinc.org](http://www.raccinc.org)

**Free diabetes, cholesterol and prostate screenings** will be available from 8 to 11 a.m. on Saturday, May 19, at Union Missionary Baptist Church, 300 Odom Lane, Wedgefield. Call (803) 774-CARE (2273) to register. Diabetes screenings available for anyone between the ages of 18-44 and are considered to be at high risk and all adults age 45 or older. Cholesterol screenings available for anyone age 18 or older and 12 hour fasting is required. Prostate screenings available for African American men ages 40-69 and all other men ages 50-69.

**Mayfest 2018** will be held on Saturday, May 19. The parade will begin at 10 a.m. at Moody and Horatio Haygood roads,

continuing on to Sumter Landing Road to the community park across from Willow Grove AME Church. Call (803) 499-2127.

**Because of God We Can Outreach Ministry will hold a give-away** beginning at 11 a.m. on Saturday, May 19, at the home of Viola Shaw, 186 Green Lane, Bishopville. Food will be served at noon. Tickets will be drawn for door prizes as well as cash prizes. Entertainment will be provided by the Goodman Family of Lynchburg and Lisa Bradley of Bishopville. Donated items include: clothes, treadmill, toys, shoes, televisions, chest freezer, dryer and more. Call (803) 428-3488.

**Tai Chi in the Park** will be held from 5 to 6:30 p.m. on Sunday, May 20, at Swan Lake-Iris Gardens (behind the playground). Presented by Phoenix Health Education and Wellness Center, this event is free to the public. Attendees will learn movements of this ancient art form of meditation in motion.

**The One Sumter Community group** will meet at 6:30 p.m. on Sunday, May 20, at Mount Zion Missionary Baptist Church, 315 W. Fulton St. The meeting will serve as a "meet and greet" the candidates running in the June primary. Call Joshua Dupree at (803) 795-3600.

**A Sumter County Job Fair** will be held 9 a.m.-1 p.m. on Wednesday, May 23, at the Sumter County Civic Center, 700 W. Liberty St. Up to 80 employers are expected to be on site for this event. From 9 to 9:30 a.m. will be for veterans only. Professional dress is required and attendees need to bring their resume. Call S.C. Works at (803) 774-1300 or (803) 432-5153 for information.

The last word in astrology

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**ARIES** (March 21-April 19): Get out and become involved. If

you stick too close to home, you'll end up facing emotional setbacks that can cause problems between someone you love and yourself. Put your energy into something constructive, not a senseless spat.

**TAURUS** (April 20-May 20): Make your move and don't look back. Let your emotions guide you; you'll attract partners who are willing to help you turn your dream into a reality. Short trips or a business meeting will impact your life.

**GEMINI** (May 21-June 20): Enthusiasm is great, but when it leads to making a hasty decision, you are better off thinking twice before you compromise your options. Learn from other people's experiences to avoid a costly mistake. Changes that require physical input are favored.

**CANCER** (June 21-July 22): Share your feelings. Once you clear the air, you will be able to set new rules and standards that will make your life and your relationships with others better. A conscious effort to be thoughtful and thorough will be appreciated.

**LEO** (July 23-Aug. 22): Don't feel you have to follow someone who is undergoing a lot of changes. Stability should be your goal. Put your energy and your effort into something that counts, not taking on someone else's burdens. Put yourself first.

**VRGO** (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): Live and learn. Take note of what others do and say and size up what works for you and what doesn't. Do your own thing and you'll become a leader instead of a follower. Network, socialize and display your ideas.

**LIBRA** (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): Avoid criticism and complaints by taking care of your responsibilities before someone says something. Personal improvements can be made that will give you greater insight into how to make your life better and your relationships more compatible.

**SCORPIO** (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): Don't get angry; get busy. What you take on and how you go about finishing what you start will impress someone who can make a difference to your life and future prospects. A unique approach to love and life is favored.

**SAGITTARIUS** (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): Not everyone will be honest with you, but it will help if you are straightforward and leave little room for evasiveness, exaggeration or out-and-out fibbing. Use your intelligence to outsmart someone who is being difficult.

**CAPRICORN** (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): Show your strengths and work on your weaknesses. Know what you are capable of doing and focus on what you want to accomplish. Take a different approach to how you earn your living or do your job. You'll flourish.

**AQUARIUS** (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): Comparisons will turn into dissatisfaction, disappointment and costly ventures. Consider your attributes and use your skills to get ahead. Don't feel the need to emulate what someone else does. Be happy with who you are and what you have to offer.

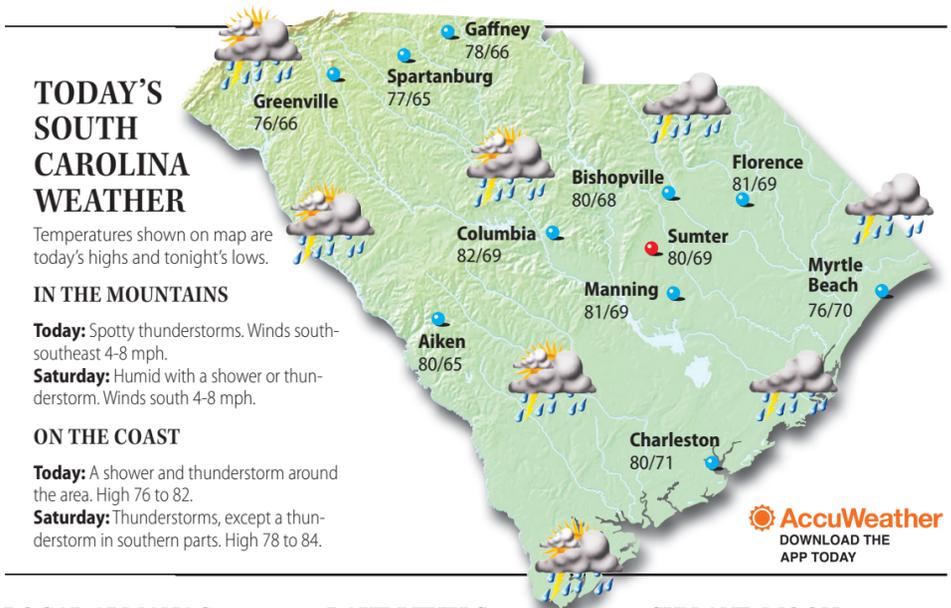
**PISCES** (Feb. 19-March 20): A change in the way you do things or with whom you hang out will improve your life. Let your intuition take over; it will lead to interesting opportunities and encounters. Kids and seniors will spark your imagination.

WEATHER

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AccuWeather® five-day forecast for Sumter

TODAY	TONIGHT	SATURDAY	SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY
<b>80°</b>	<b>69°</b>	<b>82° / 70°</b>	<b>82° / 68°</b>	<b>84° / 68°</b>	<b>85° / 67°</b>
Chance of rain: 55%	Chance of rain: 60%	Chance of rain: 55%	Chance of rain: 40%	Chance of rain: 50%	Chance of rain: 30%
S 7-14 mph	SE 4-8 mph	S 7-14 mph	SSW 6-12 mph	SW 6-12 mph	WSW 6-12 mph



TODAY'S SOUTH CAROLINA WEATHER

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

IN THE MOUNTAINS

**Today:** Spotty thunderstorms. Winds south-southeast 4-8 mph.  
**Saturday:** Humid with a shower or thunderstorm. Winds south 4-8 mph.

ON THE COAST

**Today:** A shower and thunderstorm around the area. High 76 to 82.  
**Saturday:** Thunderstorms, except a thunderstorm in southern parts. High 78 to 84.

LOCAL ALMANAC

SUMTER THROUGH 2 P.M. YESTERDAY

Temperature	Precipitation
High 73°	24 hrs ending 2 p.m. yest. 0.39"
Low 69°	Month to date 1.83"
Normal high 82°	Normal month to date 1.66"
Normal low 57°	Year to date 11.30"
Record high 96° in 1962	Last year to date 15.46"
Record low 46° in 1981	Normal year to date 16.01"

LAKE LEVELS

Lake	Full pool	7 a.m. yest.	24-hr chg
Murray	360	358.26	+0.10
Marion	76.8	75.52	-0.02
Moultrie	75.5	75.15	none
Wateree	100	97.66	+0.24

SUN AND MOON

	6:19 a.m.	Sunset	8:18 p.m.
Sunrise	6:19 a.m.	Sunset	8:18 p.m.
Moonrise	9:21 a.m.	Moonset	11:52 p.m.

TIDES

AT MYRTLE BEACH

	High	Ht.	Low	Ht.
Today	12:15 p.m.	2.9	6:53 a.m.	-0.3
Sat.	12:36 a.m.	3.6	7:47 a.m.	-0.2
	1:13 p.m.	2.9	7:52 p.m.	-0.3

NATIONAL CITIES

City	Today Hi/Lo/W	Sat. Hi/Lo/W
Atlanta	79/68/t	82/69/pc
Chicago	72/54/pc	71/55/pc
Dallas	94/73/s	92/72/s
Detroit	70/55/pc	71/58/sh
Houston	94/73/s	92/73/s
Los Angeles	71/58/pc	70/60/pc
New Orleans	93/72/pc	93/74/s
New York	62/52/r	63/59/r
Orlando	85/70/t	83/70/t
Philadelphia	62/53/r	69/63/r
Phoenix	94/69/s	96/70/s
San Francisco	66/54/pc	65/54/pc
Wash., DC	65/59/r	78/71/r

REGIONAL CITIES

City	Today Hi/Lo/W	Sat. Hi/Lo/W
Asheville	75/62/t	77/60/t
Athens	81/65/t	82/64/pc
Augusta	82/64/t	86/64/pc
Beaufort	82/71/pc	84/71/t
Cape Hatteras	80/70/t	80/69/r
Charleston	80/71/t	82/71/t
Charlotte	78/67/t	80/67/t
Clemson	79/66/t	80/65/t
Columbia	82/69/t	85/70/t
Darlington	80/69/t	82/68/t
Elizabeth City	79/72/t	80/71/r
Elizabethtown	79/70/t	79/70/t
Fayetteville	80/69/t	79/70/t

NATIONAL CITIES

City	Today Hi/Lo/W	Sat. Hi/Lo/W
Florence	81/69/t	81/69/t
Gainesville	83/69/t	85/69/t
Gastonia	78/67/t	80/64/t
Goldboro	80/69/t	78/71/t
Goose Creek	80/71/t	81/70/t
Greensboro	75/66/t	79/67/t
Greenville	76/66/t	79/66/t
Hickory	75/65/c	78/65/t
Hilton Head	79/72/t	82/72/t
Jacksonville, FL	82/68/t	84/68/t
La Grange	84/67/t	85/67/t
Macon	84/67/t	85/66/pc
Marietta	79/66/t	81/67/t

REGIONAL CITIES

City	Today Hi/Lo/W	Sat. Hi/Lo/W
Marion	75/63/t	76/60/t
Mt. Pleasant	79/72/t	80/72/t
Myrtle Beach	76/70/t	78/71/t
Orangeburg	80/68/t	84/68/c
Port Royal	81/72/pc	83/72/c
Raleigh	79/67/t	79/68/t
Rock Hill	78/67/t	81/66/t
Rockingham	79/68/t	82/68/t
Savannah	83/69/t	84/69/t
Spartanburg	77/65/t	79/63/t
Summerville	80/69/t	81/69/t
Wilmington	78/71/t	79/71/t
Winston-Salem	76/66/t	78/67/t

ANSWERS TO TODAY'S PUZZLES

CROSSWORD

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JUMBLE

GAUZE ELECT RADIUS PARLAY  
 The book about the moon's effect on the world's oceans had a — "TIDAL" PAGE

SUMTER SPCA PETS OF THE WEEK



**FAR LEFT:** Bambino, a 3-month-old terrier mix, is an active, playful and loving pup, who is lots of fun. He is wonderful with other dogs and children, and he appreciates any kind of love and attention. Bambino would make an excellent new buddy for any family.

**LEFT:** Sky, Pretzel and Wendy are just three of the many kittens available at the Sumter SPCA. Sky, an 11-week-old female, Pretzel, an 8-week-old male, and Wendy, a 5-month-old female are all playful, affectionate and active kittens, who enjoy people and other cats. They would each make wonderful new buddies for their new adoptive families. Come check out all the adoptable kittens at the Sumter SPCA.

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.sumterspcpa.com](http://www.sumterspcpa.com).

PREP BASEBALL

## Waiting for the weekend

Robert E. Lee, Pee Dee to play deciding game in 2A title series on Saturday at Baron Field

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Wednesday would have been a beautiful day to play the deciding game of the SCISA 2A baseball state championship series between Robert E. Lee Academy and Pee Dee Academy at Wilson Hall's Baron Field. The rainy weather stayed away from Sumter, but Wednesday was a scheduled off day with the game set for Thursday.

And Thursday was not a great day for baseball as a heavy morning rain led to the postponement of the game. REL and the Golden Eagles are now scheduled to play in Sumter on Saturday at 4 p.m.

"And if we can't play Saturday, we'll play Sunday at 3, and if we can't play Sunday, we'll play Monday at 7," Cavaliers head coach David Rankin half-jokingly said as the moisture coming off the coast has wreaked havoc with state playoff games since Tuesday.

After losing the opening game of the series 2-0 on Monday in Bishopville, Robert E. Lee bounced back with a 5-3 triumph on Tuesday in Mullins. REL is now 24-4 on the season, while Pee Dee is 20-3.

Rankin said his team feels pretty confident heading into the title game.

"On Monday night, we felt like we let that one get away," said Rankin, whose squad was swept by the Eagles in last year's championship series. "We had a runner on third in four innings, and we just couldn't get anyone in. We felt like we could have won that game.

"I think we were jacked up going into Tuesday, and we jumped on them for four runs in the first," Rankin said. "I think we feel like we can do what we need to do. We're pretty confident at the moment."

Rankin is planning on going with freshman right-hander Jenkins McCullum on the mound. He has been the Cavs' No. 3 starter behind Austin Windham and Dustin Kennedy all season.

"He's pitched well all season," Rankin said. "Being a freshman though, he will be on a short leash.



Gavin Melton pitched a perfect seventh inning in Robert E. Lee Academy's 5-3 victory over Pee Dee Academy on Tuesday in Mullins. The win evened the best-of-3 2A state championship series at one game apiece with the deciding game now set for Saturday at 4 p.m. at Wilson Hall's Baron Field.

If we have to go to someone else it will be Gavin (Melton)."

Melton, a senior, pitched the final inning in the win on Tuesday, putting up a 1-2-3 inning.

"He hasn't pitched a whole lot of innings for us this year, maybe eight or nine," Rankin said of Melton. "But when he's pitched, he's done good."

Rankin said he will not be surprised if Pee Dee comes back with Game 2 starter Tim Felder on Saturday. Felder only faced six batters, walking the first five, and throwing

only 27 pitches.

"The word on the street is they are going to start him," Rankin said. "He only threw three strikes the other night, and he wasn't anywhere close (to the strike zone)."

Along with getting strong starting performances from Windham and Kennedy in the first two games, REL has backed them up with strong defense.

"We're just playing great defense right now," Rankin said. "We've only made a couple of errors. It helps when you're playing good defense."

NBA PLAYOFFS

## Rockets rout Warriors to pull even in Western finals

BY KRISTIE RIEKEN  
THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

HOUSTON — The Houston Rockets were the best team in the NBA in the regular season.

They played like it Wednesday night, using a balanced scoring attack to rout the Golden State Warriors 127-105 and even the Western Conference finals at one game apiece.

James Harden and Eric Gordon each scored 27 points on a night Houston had five players score 16 points or more.

"We can beat anybody, anywhere at any time playing the way we play," coach Mike D'Antoni said.

The Rockets didn't trail after the first quarter and led by double digits for most of the night. They head to Oakland, California for Game 3 on Sunday night feeling much better after rebounding from a deflating 119-106 loss in the series opener.

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Houston forward Trevor Ariza (1) goes in for a dunk in the Rockets' 127-105 victory over Golden State in Game 2 of the Western Conference Finals on Wednesday in Houston.

USC SUMTER BASEBALL



USC Sumter baseball head coach Tim Medlin, center, saw the Fire Ants beat ASA Brooklyn 9-1 on Thursday in the opening game of the Eastern District championship. USC Sumter faces Monroe College today at noon in the winners bracket game.

## Fire Ants whip ASA Brooklyn 9-1 in tourney opener

BY DENNIS BRUNSON  
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Blake Robinson struggled out of the gate for The University of South Carolina Sumter baseball team in its opening game in the Eastern District championship against ASA Brooklyn on Thursday.

The Avengers touched up Robinson for a run in the first and had runners on second and third with no outs in the third. Robinson, the Fire Ant's right-handed pitching ace, re-

sponded by striking out the next three batters to get out of the jam.

It was all good for Robinson and USC Sumter from that point on, as Sumter took a 9-1 victory at Dutchess Stadium in Wappingers Fall, New York, in a game called after seven innings due to the mercy rule.

The Fire Ants improved to 37-21 on the season and take on host school Monroe College today at noon in a winners bracket game. Monroe beat Harford Community College

7-5 on Thursday.

The winner of the game will move on to the championship round on Saturday. The loser will face either ASA Brooklyn or Harford, which were playing an elimination game on Friday, in another elimination game following today's first game.

"Blake was just outstanding for us today," USCS head coach Tim Medlin said in a telephone interview. "He struggled a little bit early, then they had second and third with

no outs and the Nos. 3, 4 and 5 hitters coming up, and he struck them out."

Robinson, who improved to 8-4 on the season, scattered eight hits, while striking out 10 and not walking a batter.

"They're a free-swinging team, and they got some hits," Medlin said of ASA Brooklyn, which fell to 19-18 after the loss. "But Blake just doesn't walk anyone, so you have to earn your runs."

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COLLEGE SPORTS

## Visionary SEC Commissioner Mike Slive dies

BY RALPH D. RUSSO  
THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

With bold vision, keen intellect and a gentle manner, Mike Slive guided the Southeastern Conference to unprecedented success and prosperity in 13 years as commissioner. He pushed for a college football playoff years before others embraced it and was a steadying force during a time

of enormous growth and volatility throughout college athletics.

Slive died Wednesday at the age of 77 in Birmingham, Alabama, where he lived with his wife, Liz, three years after retiring to battle prostate cancer. The Southeastern Conference did not provide the cause of death.

"It's shocking," SEC Commissioner Greg Sankey, who replaced Slive, told the AP. "So many people cared for Mike, worked with Mike, knew Mike that I think it's shocking to everyone. And that's because of the impact he made on individuals and on conferences and on people across this country. He left a legacy certainly in this league of success and stability and growth that will always be remembered."

Slive replaced Roy Kramer as SEC commissioner in 2002, coming from Conference USA to help clean up an



SLIVE

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## NBA PLAYOFFS

## LeBron again forced to carry Cavaliers

BY TOM WITHERS

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

INDEPENDENCE, Ohio — LeBron James recovered quickly from his neck strain. There's still too much stress on his back.

He's carrying the Cavaliers. It's a springtime tradition.

As has been the case for much of his 15-year career, James has had to perform at an extraordinary level throughout these playoffs, most recently in Cleveland's Game 2 loss at Boston.

Bouncing back after taking a blow to the jaw from Jayson Tatum's shoulder that violently twisted his head and sent a chill down the spines of Cleveland fans, James finished with 42 points, 10 rebounds and 12 assists.

It was not enough, however. His teammates failed him and the Cavs fell into a 2-0 hole in the Eastern Conference finals.

Kevin Love (22 points, 15 rebounds) helped, so did Kyle Korver



THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Cleveland's LeBron James drives to the basket during Game 2 of the Eastern Conference finals in Boston on Tuesday.

(four 3-pointers) and Tristan Thompson (8 points, 7 rebounds). But too many other Cavs ranged

from mediocre to awful.

If Cleveland is to even the series at home, that has to change starting in Game 3 on Saturday.

"We have to ramp it up," said J.R. Smith, who didn't score in Game 2 and committed a critical flagrant foul. "We're playing too slow. We're making 'Bron play hero ball, which is tough to do, especially in the Eastern Conference finals. We got to help him. With that said, we have to give him an opportunity to make him feel confident to give us the ball so we can make the right plays. We got to help him and he's got to help us."

Cavs coach Tyronn Lue said James "did everything" in practice Thursday, but the 33-year-old had left the floor by the time media members were allowed in for interviews. James was spotted in the fitness and training area inside the facility.

Lue said the Cavs spent time breaking down video of the two losses. There was plenty to dissect.

## SCOREBOARD

## TV, RADIO

## TODAY

**5 a.m.** — Professional Golf: European PGA Tour Belgian Knockout Day 2 from Antwerp, Belgium (GOLF).  
**6 a.m.** — Professional Tennis: Internazionali BNL d'Italia Singles and Doubles Quarterfinal Matches from Rome (TENNIS).

**9 a.m.** — Professional Golf: European PGA Tour Belgian Knockout Day 2 from Antwerp, Belgium (GOLF).  
**10:30 a.m.** — PGA Golf: Kingsmill Championship Second Round from Williamsburg, Va. (GOLF).  
**10:30 a.m.** — NASCAR Racing: Camping World Truck Series North Carolina Education Lottery 200 Practice from Concord, N.C. (FOX SPORTS 1).  
**11:30 a.m.** — NASCAR Racing: Monster Energy Cup Series All-Star Open and All-Star Race Practices from Concord, N.C. (FOX SPORTS 1).

**Noon** — College Softball: NCAA Tournament Lexington Regional Game from Lexington, Ky. — Michigan vs. Notre Dame (ESPN2).  
**Noon** — College Softball: NCAA Tournament Athens Regional Game from Athens, Ga. — California vs. Northwestern (ESPN2).

**Noon** — Professional Tennis: Internazionali BNL d'Italia Singles and Doubles Quarterfinal Matches from Rome (TENNIS).

**12:15 p.m.** — NASCAR Racing: Monster Energy Cup Series All-Star Race Practice from Concord, N.C. (FOX SPORTS 1).

**12:30 p.m.** — Senior PGA Golf: PGA Tour Champions Regions Tradition Second Round from Birmingham, Ala. (GOLF).

**1 p.m.** — NASCAR Racing: Monster Energy Cup Series All-Star Open and All-Star Race Practices from Concord, N.C. (FOX SPORTS 1).

**1:45 p.m.** — NASCAR Racing: Monster Energy Cup Series All-Star Race Practice from Concord, N.C. (FOX SPORTS 1).

**2 p.m.** — College Softball: NCAA Tournament Regional Games Look-In Coverage (ESPN2, ESPN2).

**2:30 p.m.** — College Softball: NCAA Tournament Fayetteville Regional Game from Fayetteville, Ark. — Oklahoma State vs. Wichita State (ESPN2).

**2:30 p.m.** — College Softball: NCAA Tournament Athens Regional Game from Athens, Ga. — Harvard vs. Georgia (ESPN2).

**3 p.m.** — NBA Basketball: NBA Draft Combine from Chicago (ESPN2).

**3 p.m.** — Horse Racing: Black-Eyed Susan Stakes from Baltimore (NBC SPORTS NETWORK).

**3 p.m.** — Professional Tennis: Internazionali BNL d'Italia Singles Quarterfinal Matches from Rome (TENNIS).

**3 p.m.** — College Baseball: Clemson at Pittsburgh (WJMZ-FM 93.1)

**4 p.m.** — College Baseball: Butler at St. John's (CBS SPORTS NETWORK).

**4:30 p.m.** — College Softball: NCAA Tournament Regional Games Look-In Coverage (ESPN2).

**4 p.m.** — PGA Golf: Byron Nelson First Round from Dallas (GOLF).

**4:30 p.m.** — NASCAR Racing: Camping World Truck Series North Carolina Education Lottery 200 Pole Qualifying from Concord, N.C. (FOX SPORTS 1).

**5 p.m.** — College Softball: NCAA Tournament Gainesville Regional Game from Gainesville, Fla. — South Florida vs. Ohio State (ESPN2).

**5 p.m.** — College Softball: NCAA Tournament Fayetteville Regional Game from Fayetteville, Ark. — DePaul vs. Arkansas (SEC NETWORK).

**6 p.m.** — NASCAR Racing: Monster Energy Cup Series All-Star Open and All-Star Race Pole Qualifying from Concord, N.C. (FOX SPORTS 1).

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

**7 p.m.** — College Softball: NCAA Tournament Tempe Regional Game from Tempe, Ariz. — Mississippi vs. Long Beach State (ESPN).

**7 p.m.** — College Softball: NCAA Tournament Norman Regional Game from Norman, Okla. — Boston University vs. Oklahoma (ESPN2).

**7 p.m.** — College Baseball: Florida at Mississippi State (ESPN2).

**7 p.m.** — Professional Golf: Web.com Tour BMW Charity Pro-Am Second Round from Greenville (GOLF).

**7 p.m.** — Major League Baseball: Los Angeles Dodgers at Washington or Arizona at New York Mets (MLB NETWORK).

**7 p.m.** — College Baseball: Louisiana State at Auburn (SEC NETWORK).

**7:30 p.m.** — College Baseball: California at Creighton (CBS SPORTS NETWORK).

**7:30 p.m.** — Major League Baseball: Miami at Atlanta (FOX SPORTSOUTH, WWFN-FM 100.1, WPUB-FM 102.7).

**7:30 p.m.** — College Baseball: South Carolina at Texas A&M (WNKT-FM 107.5).

**8 p.m.** — College Baseball: Pacific at Brigham Young (BYUTV).

**8 p.m.** — NHL Hockey: Stanley Cup Playoff Western Conference Final Series Match 4 — Winnipeg at Vegas (NBC SPORTS NETWORK).

**8:30 p.m.** — NASCAR Racing: Camping World Truck Series North Carolina Education Lottery 200 from Concord, N.C. (FOX SPORTS 1, WEGX-FM 92.9).

**9 p.m.** — College Softball: NCAA Tournament Seattle Regional Game from Seattle — Minnesota vs. Texas (ESPN).

**9 p.m.** — College Softball: NCAA Tournament Tucson Regional Game from Tucson, Ariz. — North Dakota State vs. Mississippi State (ESPN2).

**10 p.m.** — WNBA Basketball: Dallas at Phoenix (NBA TV).

**11 p.m.** — College Softball: NCAA Tournament Los Angeles Regional Game from Los Angeles — Sacramento State vs. UCLA (ESPN2).

**11:30 p.m.** — College Softball: NCAA Tournament Seattle Regional Game from Seattle — Boise State vs. Washington (ESPN2).

**SATURDAY**

**7 a.m.** — Professional Golf: European PGA Tour Belgian Knockout Day 3 from Antwerp, Belgium (GOLF).  
**8:30 a.m.** — Professional Tennis: Internazionali BNL d'Italia Singles and Doubles Semifinal Matches from Rome (TENNIS).

**9:30 a.m.** — Professional Basketball: Euroleague Semifinal Game (NBA TV).

**11:30 a.m.** — Professional Tennis: Internazionali BNL d'Italia Singles and Doubles Semifinal Matches from Rome (TENNIS).

**Noon** — International Soccer: FA Cup Final Match from London — Manchester United vs. Chelsea (WACH 57).

**Noon** — College Softball: NCAA Tournament Regional Game (ESPN).

**Noon** — College Softball: NCAA Tournament Regional Game (ESPN2).

**Noon** — College Lacrosse: NCAA Tournament Quarterfinal Match from Hempstead, N.Y. — Loyola (Md.) vs. Yale (ESPN2).

**Noon** — College Baseball: Arkansas at Georgia (SEC NETWORK).

**1 p.m.** — College Baseball: Patriot League Championship Series Game 2 (SPECTRUM 1250).

**1 p.m.** — PGA Golf: Byron Nelson Third Round from Dallas (GOLF).

**1 p.m.** — Major League Baseball: Oakland at Toronto (MLB NETWORK).

**1 p.m.** — WNBA Basketball: Chicago at Indiana (NBA TV).

**1 p.m.** — College Baseball: Clemson at Pittsburgh (WJMZ-FM 93.1)

**1:55 p.m.** — International Soccer: German Cup Match — Bayern Munich vs. Eintracht Frankfurt (ESPNEWS).

**2 p.m.** — College Softball: NCAA Tournament Regional Games Look-In Coverage (ESPN2, ESPN2).

**2 p.m.** — College Baseball: Texas Tech at Oklahoma State (FOX SPORTS SOUTHEAST).

**2 p.m.** — Professional Tennis: Internazionali BNL d'Italia Singles and Doubles Semifinal Matches from Rome (TENNIS).

**2:30 p.m.** — College Softball: NCAA Tournament Regional Game (ESPN).

**2:30 p.m.** — College Softball: NCAA Tournament Regional Game (ESPN2).

**2:30 p.m.** — College Lacrosse: NCAA Tournament Quarterfinal Match from Hempstead, N.Y. — Denver vs. Albany (ESPN).

**2:30 p.m.** — Horse Racing: Very One Stakes, Chick Lang Stakes, Gallorette Handicap and Sir Barton Stakes from Baltimore (NBC SPORTS NETWORK).

**3 p.m.** — PGA Golf: Byron Nelson Third Round from Dallas (WLTX 19).

**3 p.m.** — Major League Soccer: Los Angeles at Portland (WACH 57).

**3 p.m.** — College Baseball: Pacific at Brigham Young (BYUTV).

**3 p.m.** — College Baseball: South Carolina at Texas A&M (SEC NETWORK, WNKT-FM 107.5).

**3 p.m.** — Senior PGA Golf: PGA Tour Champions Regions Tradition Third Round from Birmingham, Ala. (GOLF).

**4 p.m.** — IRL Racing: IndyCar Series Indianapolis 500 Pole Qualifying from Indianapolis (WOLO 25).

**4 p.m.** — Major League Baseball: Cleveland at Houston or Colorado at San Francisco (MLB NETWORK).

**4:30 p.m.** — College Softball: NCAA Tournament Regional Game (ESPN).

**4:30 p.m.** — College Softball: NCAA Tournament Regional Game (ESPN2).

**4:30 p.m.** — College Baseball: Florida at Mississippi State (ESPN2).

**5 p.m.** — Horse Racing: Preakness Stakes from Baltimore (WIS 10).

**5 p.m.** — College Softball: NCAA Tournament Regional Game (ESPN).

**5 p.m.** — College Softball: NCAA Tournament Regional Game (ESPN2).

**5 p.m.** — PGA Golf: Kingsmill Championship Third Round from Williamsburg, Va. (GOLF).

**5:45 p.m.** — NASCAR Racing: Monster Energy Cup Series All-Star Open from Concord, N.C. (FOX SPORTS 1, WEGX-FM 92.9).

**6 p.m.** — Arena Football: Albany at Philadelphia (CBS SPORTS NETWORK).

**6 p.m.** — College Softball: NCAA Tournament Regional Game (SEC NETWORK).

**7 p.m.** — College Baseball: Penn State at Iowa (ESPN2).

**7 p.m.** — Major League Baseball: Miami at Atlanta (FOX SPORTSOUTH, WWFN-FM 100.1, WPUB-FM 102.7).

**7 p.m.** — Professional Golf: Web.com Tour BMW Charity Pro-Am Third Round from Greenville (GOLF).

**7 p.m.** — Major League Baseball: Baltimore at Boston or New York Yankees at Kansas City (MLB NETWORK).

**7 p.m.** — Professional Swimming: TYR Pro Swim Series Day 4 from Indianapolis (NBC SPORTS NETWORK).

**7:15 p.m.** — NHL Hockey: Stanley Cup Playoff Eastern Conference Final Series Match 5 — Washington at Tampa Bay (WIS 10).

**7:30 p.m.** — College Softball: NCAA Tournament Regional Game (ESPN2).

**8 p.m.** — NASCAR Racing: Monster Energy Cup Series All-Star Race from Concord, N.C. (FOX SPORTS 1, WEGX-FM 92.9).

**8 p.m.** — College Softball: NCAA Tournament Regional Game (SEC NETWORK).

**8:30 p.m.** — NBA Basketball: Eastern Conference Playoffs Final Series Game 3 — Boston at Cleveland (ESPN).

**9 p.m.** — Major League Soccer: Atlanta at Orlando (FOX SPORTS SOUTHEAST).

**9:30 p.m.** — College Softball: NCAA Tournament Regional Games Look-In Coverage (ESPN2).

**10 p.m.** — College Softball: NCAA Tournament Regional Game (ESPN2).

**10 p.m.** — Major League Baseball: Tampa Bay at Los Angeles Angels or Detroit at Seattle (Joined In Progress) (MLB NETWORK).

**10:05 p.m.** — Professional Boxing: Adonis Stevenson vs. Badou Jack for the WBC Light Heavyweight Title and Gary Russell Jr. vs. Joseph Diaz Jr. for the WBC Featherweight Title from Toronto (SHOWTIME).

## MLB STANDINGS

## AMERICAN LEAGUE

## East Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
New York	28	12	.700	—
Boston	29	14	.674	½
Toronto	22	21	.512	7½
Tampa Bay	19	22	.463	9½
Baltimore	13	29	.310	16

## Central Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Cleveland	21	21	.500	—
Minnesota	18	21	.462	1½
Detroit	19	23	.452	2
Kansas City	13	30	.302	8½
Chicago	10	29	.256	9½

## West Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Houston	28	17	.622	—
Los Angeles	25	18	.581	2
Seattle	24	18	.571	2½
Oakland	21	22	.488	6
Texas	17	27	.386	10½

## WEDNESDAY

Washington 3, N.Y. Yankees 3, 5½ innings, susp. N.Y. Yankees at Washington, p.pd.

Philadelphia 4, Baltimore 1

Pittsburgh 3, Chicago White Sox 2

Cleveland 6, Detroit 0

St. Louis 7, Minnesota 5

Toronto 12, N.Y. Mets 1

Tampa Bay 5, Kansas City 3

Texas 5, Seattle 1

Boston 6, Oakland 4

Houston 2, L.A. Angels 0

## THURSDAY

Oakland at Toronto, 7:07 p.m.

Baltimore at Boston, 7:10 p.m.

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

Tampa Bay at L.A. Angels, 10:07 p.m.

Detroit at Seattle, 10:10 p.m.

## TODAY

Oakland (Anderson 0-2) at Toronto (Estrada 2-3), 7:07 p.m.

Baltimore (Cobb 0-5) at Boston (Pomeranz 1-1), 7:10 p.m.

Cleveland (Clevinger 3-0) at Houston (Morton 5-0), 8:10 p.m.

Milwaukee (Suter 2-3) at Minnesota (Gibson 1-1), 8:10

p.m.

Texas (Fister 1-4) at Chicago White Sox (Fulmer 2-3), 8:10 p.m.

N.Y. Yankees (Sabathia 2-0) at Kansas City (Junis 4-3), 8:15 p.m.

Tampa Bay (Snell 4-3) at L.A. Angels (Tropeano 1-2), 10:07 p.m.

Detroit (Fulmer 1-3) at Seattle (Hernandez 5-3), 10:10 p.m.

## SATURDAY

Oakland at Toronto, 1:07 p.m.

Cleveland at Houston, 4:10 p.m.

Baltimore at Boston, 7:10 p.m.

Milwaukee at Minnesota, 7:10 p.m.

Texas at Chicago White Sox, 7:10 p.m.

N.Y. Yankees at Kansas City, 7:15 p.m.

Tampa Bay at L.A. Angels, 9:07 p.m.

Detroit at Seattle, 9:10 p.m.

## NATIONAL LEAGUE

## East Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Atlanta	26	16	.619	—
Philadelphia	24	16	.600	1
Washington	24	18	.571	2
New York	20	19	.513	4½
Miami	16	27	.372	10½

## Central Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Pittsburgh	25	17	.595	—
Milwaukee	26	18	.591	—
St. Louis	23	17	.575	1
Chicago	22	18	.550	2
Cincinnati	15	29	.341	11

## West Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Arizona	25	18	.581	—
Colorado	23	20	.535	2
San Francisco	22	22	.500	3½
Los Angeles	17	26	.395	8
San Diego	17	27	.386	8½

## WEDNESDAY

Washington 3, N.Y. Yankees 3, 5½ innings, susp. N.Y. Yankees at Washington, p.pd.

Philadelphia 4, Baltimore 1

Pittsburgh 3, Chicago White Sox 2

St. Louis 7, Minnesota 5

Toronto 12, N.Y. Mets 1

Milwaukee 8, Arizona 2

Cincinnati 6, San Francisco 3

Miami 6, L.A. Dodgers 5

Atlanta 4, Chicago Cubs 1

## THURSDAY

L.A. Dodgers 7, Miami 0

San Diego at Pittsburgh, 7:05 p.m.

## HORSE RACING

# Half the horses in Preakness field getting 1st shot at Justify

BY DAVID GINSBURG  
THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

BALTIMORE — Half the participants in the eight-horse Preakness field have yet to experience the sensation of chasing Justify to the finish line.

Perhaps one of the new shooters in Saturday's race can find a way to leave the Kentucky Derby winner in his wake.

Quip, Sporting Chance, Diamond King and Tenfold skipped the Derby to focus on earning a chunk of the \$1.5 million Preakness purse.

History just might be on their side. A new shooter — a horse which runs in one of the two remaining Triple Crown races after passing up the Derby — has won the Preakness four times since 2000. Just last year, Cloud Computing paid \$13.40 in an upset over Derby winner Always Dreaming.

Then again... "Derby runners have done well over the course of time," insisted W. Elliott Walden, president and CEO of racing operations for WinStar Farm, which owns Justify and Quip. "Now is it because they're the better horses? Quite possibly that's the case. They're just the best horses of the crop and that's why they run in the Kentucky Derby."

The finest of the newcomers this year appears to be Quip, who has three wins and a second-place showing in five career races.

"He's a really good horse. He's fast," Justify trainer Bob Baffert said of Quip.

Trained by Rodolphe Brisset and ridden by last year's Breeders' Cup Classic winner Florent Geroux, Quip captured the Tampa Derby in March before finishing second in the Arkansas Derby.

While unbeaten Justify comes in with just two weeks' rest — the quickest turnaround of his career — Quip enters the Preakness coming off an extended break.

"Quip is a horse that has shown quality at the highest level," Walden said. "We feel like he could have run in the Kentucky Derby, but we wanted to give him a chance to catch up to himself. He's a slight-made horse we felt like would do better with the five weeks rest."

Quip had a pair of wins last year before staggering to a seventh-place showing in the Grade 2 Kentucky Jockey Club at Churchill Downs in November.

In retrospect, that might have been a turning point.

"He's changed a lot," Brisset said. "After the Kentucky Jockey Club, we



Kentucky Derby winner Justify, left, is escorted to the track for a workout on Thursday at Pimlico Race Course in Baltimore. The Preakness Stakes is scheduled for Saturday.

gave him a couple of weeks off and you could see the maturation. You still have to be a little careful when he's around too many horses, but he's way more professional."

Well, Quip — the third choice at 12-1 — will have only seven other horses to contend with on Saturday. Two of them will be saddled by Hall of Fame trainer D. Wayne Lukas.

Lukas brings back Bravazo, who finished sixth in the Derby, along with Sporting Chance.

Unlike the rest of the first-time Triple Crown participants, Sporting Chance is no fresher than the Derby horses. Sporting Chance (30-1) also ran at Churchill Downs on May 5, taking fourth in the Pat Day Mile.

Asked to assess the chances of both his entrants Saturday, Lukas shrugged his shoulders and saluted Justify's impressive performance at the Derby.

"I don't have a lot of confidence if he runs that same race. Let's be honest, at 82 you get more realistic," Lukas said. "If he's the best horse, so be it. We'll throw the bouquets his way and salute him as a second-leg winner and go on to the Belmont. But we'll try to get the best piece of this we can."

Tenfold (20-1) began racing this year. Sired by 2007 Preakness winner Curlin, the dark brown colt won his first two races before fading to third in the Arkansas Derby last month.

"We have a fresh horse; he's put on

weight since the Arkansas Derby and he's trained really well at Churchill Downs," assistant trainer Scott Blasi said. "The timing is good for us for this race."

If the track is soggy, that would be even better. Curlin earned 2007 Horse of the Year honors after slogging to victory in the muddy Breeders' Cup Classic.

"With all this wet weather, him being a Curlin, he steps up with the sloppy track and moves forward," Blasi said.

Trained by John Servis, Diamond King (30-1) won the Federico Tesio Stakes at nearby Laurel Park in April. While Diamond King probably doesn't have the speed and stamina of Justify, he does trainer who won the Kentucky Derby and jockey Javier Castellano, who guided Cloud Computing to victory at last year's Preakness.

"We've got a top jockey and the horse is doing really well," co-owner Chuck Zacney said.

Baffert has already beaten three of the horses in the field. Though he's never faced the others, they certainly have grabbed his attention.

"You've got new shooters," Baffert said. "John Servis didn't come for the crab cakes. Then you've got Quip. And Wayne? You can't count Wayne Lukas out. That's when he does the most damage, when nobody's talking about him, he's under the radar. He still knows his horses and he's up here for a reason."

## PRO HOCKEY

## Vegas' playoff run built from expansion draft bonanza

BY GREG BEACHAM  
THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

After Bill Foley agreed to pay a whopping \$500 million for the right to put a hockey team in the middle of the Mojave Desert, the NHL decided his Vegas Golden Knights deserved a chance for a swift return on that investment.

If the other NHL owners had known just how huge Foley's reward would be — and how incredibly quickly he would get it — they probably wouldn't have been quite so nice to the new guy.

It's too late now, though. After reaping a bonanza from one of the most generous expansion drafts in sports history, the Golden Knights are two victories away from an unbelievable Stanley Cup Final berth.

A brand-new team in a league that has been around for 101 years already has a Pacific Division title, two playoff series victories and a



Winnipeg center Mark Scheifele, right, crashes into Vegas goaltender Marc-Andre Fleury and left wing Erik Haula, left, during the Golden Knights' 4-2 victory in Game 3 of the Western Conference finals on Wednesday in Las Vegas.

2-1 lead on the Winnipeg Jets in the Western Conference finals.

"I don't think anybody saw us here," Vegas goalie Marc-Andre Fleury said. "It's been a lot of fun to be part of it. Really proud of this team and the way these guys have

been working. We deserve to be here."

Fleury and the other players accomplishing this feat refer to themselves as the Golden Misfits, yet few of Vegas' expansion draft selections were truly undesired by the clubs that lost them

11 months ago.

Instead, general manager George McPhee took full advantage of his opportunities to compile an uncommonly talented roster, and coach Gerard Gallant turned that roster into a brilliant team in shockingly swift fashion. But it all started with the draft that allowed McPhee to build this monster in less than a year.

"It had a big impact," McPhee acknowledged. "The (expansion draft) rules were favorable. Gave us something to work with, and gave this team an opportunity to be a good team."

The NHL allowed its teams to protect only seven forwards, three defensemen and one goalie, or eight skaters and one goalie. By way of comparison, when the NHL last expanded in 2000, teams were allowed to protect a whopping nine forwards, five defensemen and a goalie, or seven forwards, three defensemen and two goalies.

## SLIVE FROM PAGE B1

SEC that was beset by NCAA compliance issues. Soon after the SEC became the most powerful conference in college football, winning seven straight national championships and landing television contracts with the ESPN and CBS worth billions.

"Commissioner Slive was truly one of the great leaders college athletics has ever seen and an even better person," Alabama coach Nick Saban said. "He was a wonderful friend to me and someone who I respected tremendously. Mike changed the landscape of the Southeastern Conference and helped build our league into what you see today."

The SEC's success was not limited to football under Slive. Overall, the conference won 81 national championships in 17 sports during his tenure.

"Mike was a giant in our industry and as remarkable as he was professionally, he was an even better person," ACC Commissioner John Swofford said in a statement.

Big 12 Commissioner Bob Bowlsby called Slive "a true visionary."

Slive played a pivotal role in the creation of the College Football Playoff. He first formally proposed the idea of a four-team playoff for college football in 2008, but it was shot down by most of the other conference commissioners.

"I think there were many who were not all the way supportive, some wanted larger and some not at all," Bowlsby told AP. "Mike's position was known and not everybody agreed with it. But he was statesman."

Finally, after two SEC teams, LSU and Alabama, played in the BCS national championship game after the 2011 season, the rest of college football's power brokers came around and constructed the current postseason system.

"He was a very good communicator, built relationships inside his conference and outside his conference," Big Ten Commissioner Jim Delany told AP. "He was also a friend. We were competitors, too, but we were always able to talk through it. Disagree and come back to the table. I respected his flexibility and human qualities. But he was a force because of how smart he was."

During tumultuous conference realignment across the nation, the SEC expanded from 12 to 14 schools with the additions of Missouri and Texas A&M in 2012 under Slive. He was the catalyst behind the creation of the SEC Network, which launched in 2014.

Slive also played a major part in ushering in a new governance model for the NCAA in which the SEC and the other four most powerful and wealthy conferences were given autonomy to create and pass legislation.

"Not just an innovator, but a creative person who had the insight to kind of peer around the corner a little bit and know what opportunities might come next," Sankey said.

Slive was born in Utica, New York, the son of a butcher. He became an attorney and founded a law firm that assisted schools with NCAA issues for before starting a long career in college sports. He was the founding commissioner of both the Great Midwest Conference and C-USA.

"Mike Slive is one of the best people I have ever met," said Charles Bloom, a former associate commissioner at the SEC who is now an administrator at South Carolina. "His impact on me was tremendous. He was a father-type figure, someone I could talk to about life issues and then we would work together on SEC office matters. He was a great leader, mentor and friend."

## ANTS FROM PAGE B1

ASA's Miguel Medina doubled to right start the game. He was sacrificed to third and scored on an Edwin Tavaréz sacrifice fly.

After the Avengers left two runners on in the second, Medina led off the third by reaching on a 2-base error. Rohandry Javier singled Medina to third and promptly stole second.

Robinson struck out Tavaréz swinging before getting Si-

ri-Jacob Ramirez and Louis Winter looking.

Sumter rode the momentum off of that, finally getting to Brooklyn starter Luis Sanchez Tejada in the bottom of the inning.

Vince Hanna led off with a single and stole second before Eric McGirt was hit by a pitch with one out. Donta Green singled to drive in Hanna to tie the game at 1-1.

Leniel Gonzalez, the former Lakewood High School standout, followed with a mammoth home run to right field to make it 4-1.

"Gonzalez hit a hanging changeup 900 miles," Medlin said. "It was one of those where the rightfielder didn't even move. They have a double wall and it easily cleared the second wall."

The Fire Ants made it 5-1 in the fifth when McGirt doubled and scored on a wild pitch. They took control of the game

in the sixth on a 2-run homer by Hanna.

Sumter scored two runs in the seventh to end the game. Junior college rules state a game can be called after five innings with a 10-run lead and after seven with an 8-run advantage.

Austin Price was 3-for-4 with two doubles and two runs scored to lead the Ants' 10-hit attack. Gonzalez was 2-for-3 with a double and walk and to go with the homer, two runs and three runs batted in,

while Hanna was 2-for-3 with two runs and two RBI.

McGirt scored two runs and Brett Young had a pinch-hit, RBI double to end the game.

"Their pitcher was throwing well early," Medlin said. "Our guys had to make adjustments and they started getting to him. We were very good at the plate today."

Right-hander Lindsey Robinson will start today against Monroe. The Fire Ants split two regular-season games with Monroe, which is 34-14-1.

## PRO BASEBALL

## Acuna gets big hit as Braves score 3 in 8th, beat Cubs 4-1

BY CHARLES ODUM  
THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

ATLANTA — Even the youngest player in the majors knows better than to be surprised by another extra-base hit from Ozzie Albies.

As Ronald Acuna Jr. has quickly learned, that's what Albies does.

Albies hit a triple and scored the tiebreaking run on Acuna's single in the eighth inning to send the Atlanta Braves past the Chicago Cubs 4-1 on Wednesday night.

It was clutch production from the youngsters at the top of the Braves' lineup.

"It doesn't really impress me because I know that's a talent he has," said Acuna, 20, of Albies, 21.

Albies leads the National League with 30 extra-base hits, including a double and triple against the Cubs. He began the night also leading the NL in total bases, runs and doubles. He was tied with Bryce Harper for the NL lead with 13 homers.

"I worked for that in the off-season and now that I'm here, it's to show what I've got," Albies said.

The 5-foot-8, 165-pound Albies continues to show surprising power. He's won over Cubs manager Joe Maddon.

"There's nothing tense about that dude's game — nothing," Maddon said before the game. "I don't care how short or how tall he is, that's real."

Carl Edwards Jr. (2-1) allowed five straight baserunners in Atlanta's three-run



Atlanta's Ronald Acuna Jr. drives in the go-ahead run with a base hit in the eighth inning of the Braves' 4-1 victory over the Chicago Cubs on Wednesday in Atlanta.

eighth, including a bases-loaded walk to Tyler Flowers, without getting an out. Justin Hancock also forced in a run with a walk to Johan Camargo.

The Braves' big inning was set up by Albies' triple to the wall in center field past Albert Almora Jr., who robbed Flowers of a probable home run earlier in the game.

"As soon as the ball fell, as soon as he dove for it, I said, 'I'm going to third,'" Albies said. "I'm not staying at second base."

Albies scored on Acuna's second hit, a sharp single to left field off Edwards. Acuna

moved to third on Freddie Freeman's single against the shift to the opening on the left side of the infield. Freeman advanced to second on the play. Following an intentional walk to Nick Markakis, Edwards walked Flowers to force in a run.

A.J. Minter (2-0) stranded two runners in the eighth. Arodys Vizcaino, who blew a save opportunity in Tuesday night's 3-2 loss to Chicago, pitched a perfect ninth for his eighth save in 10 chances.

After allowing a combined 14 earned runs on 23 hits over eight innings in losses to the

Giants and Marlins in his last two starts, Braves right-hander Brandon McCarthy gave up just one run and five hits in six innings.

Chicago's Tyler Chatwood yielded one run and four hits in 5 1/3 innings. He appeared stunned when he was pulled after a single by Acuna.

"I think it was just the competitive side in me," Chatwood said. "I wanted to stay in there."

Maddon brought in left-hander Brian Duensing, who walked Freeman before Markakis hit into his second inning-ending double play of the game.

## TRAINER'S ROOM

Cubs: Maddon said RF Jason Heyward (concussion) still has some protocol to clear but "had a good day" working with trainers on the field.

Braves: SS Dansby Swanson (left wrist inflammation) could soon be ready to play. He worked out before the game for the second straight day and his status will be determined after his wrist is re-evaluated.

## ROBBED

Chatwood applauded on the mound after Almora reached above the center-field wall to rob Flowers in the second. Almora timed his leap perfectly to make the catch near the 400-foot mark. He then turned his back to the field to watch the replay on the video board before tipping his cap.

## BIG DAY FOR BRYANT

The Cubs had one baserunner in each of the first four innings but did not score until pulling even at 1-all in the fifth. Ian Happ led off with a single and scored on Kris Bryant's single. Bryant had three hits.

## UP NEXT

Cubs: LHP Jon Lester (3-1, 2.66 ERA) is 6-2 with a 2.47 ERA in nine career starts against the Braves. He brings a 1.83 ERA in six starts at Atlanta into Thursday night's game.

Braves: Rookie RHP Mike Soroka (1-1, 3.68) will make his fourth start overall and first against the Cubs. He has failed to last as long as five innings in his last two starts.

## SPORTS ITEMS

## East Clarendon swept in 1A state softball championship series

RICHBURG — East Clarendon High School saw its reign as the 1A softball state champion come to an end with a 3-0 loss to Lewisville on Wednesday at the LHS field.

Lewisville swept the best-of-3 championship series 2-0.

Chloe Thomas tossed the shutout for Lewisville. She allowed just two hits and three walks while striking out six.

Marleigh Floyd took the loss for the Lady Wolverines, who finished the year with a 19-8 record. Floyd allowed just two hits and a walk while striking out two. All of the runs were unearned.

Elly Floyd and Caitlin Timmons each had a hit for EC.

## WILSON NAMED PRESEASON ROOKIE OF YEAR, LYNX TOP POLL

NEW YORK — The defending champion Minnesota Lynx begin the season atop the preseason Associated Press WNBA poll — again.

Also, former University of South Carolina standout A'ja Wilson, the first pick in the WNBA draft last month, was selected as the preseason rookie of the year.

The Lynx received nine first-place votes from the 14-person national media panel Thursday. It's the second time in the three



Los Angeles' Justin Turner hits a double scoring Yasiel Puig, Austin Barnes and Chris Taylor during the third inning of the Dodgers' 7-0 victory over the Miami Marlins on Thursday in Miami.

seasons that the AP has been doing the poll that the Lynx were the preseason No. 1.

Lynx coach Cheryl Reeve thanked the media for showing her team "that kind of respect."

## DODGERS 7 MIAMI 0

MIAMI — Justin Turner tied a career high with five RBIs and Kenta

Maeda pitched eight sharp innings to help the Los Angeles Dodgers snap a six-game losing streak by beating the Miami Marlins 7-0 Thursday afternoon.

Turner, who broke his left wrist in spring training and made his season debut Tuesday, hit a three-run double for the Dodgers' first hit in the third inning. He added a two-run double in the fourth and also singled in finishing 6 for 13 in the series (.462).

Maeda (3-3) allowed two hits and no walks in his longest outing of the season, and retired the final 17 batters he faced while throwing 96 pitches. Kenley Jansen gave up two hits in the ninth but struck out the side to complete the Dodgers' sixth shutout of the year.

## NADAL GETS REVENGE AGAINST SHAPOVALOV

ROME — Seven-time champion Rafael Nadal methodically wore down Denis Shapovalov in a 6-4, 6-1 win to reach the Italian Open quarterfinals and gain a measure of revenge against the Canadian teenager.

Shapovalov saved eight break points in his opening two service games before finally dropping his serve midway through the first set on Thursday.

Shapovalov, who is ranked a career-high No. 29 this week, stunned Nadal in the third round in Montreal last year to deny the Spaniard a chance at regaining the No. 1 ranking.

Nadal is also attempting to regain the top spot this week. He'll replace Roger Federer at No. 1 if he wins an eighth Rome title.

Nadal, who hasn't won the Italian Open since 2013, will next face Fabio Fognini, who beat Peter Gojowczyk 6-4, 6-4 to reach his first quarterfinal in 11 appearances at his home tournament.

## OBITUARIES

## JOHN W. SCARBOROUGH

John William Scarborough aka "Newt" was born on March 17, 1938, in St. Charles, to the late Maggie Scarborough Copeland and George Gregg Sr. He was a stepson of the late Harry Copeland Sr. In addition to his parents, John was preceded in death by his



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brother, George Gregg Jr.; and his great-grandson, Jason Cornell. John departed this life on Monday, May 14, 2018, in Sumter. John leaves to cherish his memory: his wife of 50 years, Marie Copeland Scarborough; six children, John (Marie) Scarborough Jr., Erline (Henry) Davis, Odell Scarborough, Sonya (Ruben) Haynes, Wayne (Carla) Scarborough and Carolyn (Ryan) Yates; 12 grandchildren; seven great-grandchildren; sister, Dora (James) Parrott; two sisters-in-law, Anna Copeland

and Bertha Mabry (Olen); and a host of other relatives and friends. Funeral services will be held at 3 p.m. on Saturday at St. Mark Four Bridges Baptist Church, 2280 4 Bridges Road, Sumter, with the Rev. Dr. Sammie D. Simmons, pastor, and the Rev. Ernest Brown officiating. Interment will follow at Bradford Cemetery.

A public viewing will be held from 1 to 6 p.m. today at the mortuary.

The family is receiving friends at 870 Boulevard Road, Sumter.

Messages of hope can be left at [www.whitesmortuary.net](http://www.whitesmortuary.net)

Services entrusted to Whites Mortuary LLC, 517 N. Guignard Drive, Sumter.

## JANICE R. JOYNER

Janice Rodgers Joyner, age 92, beloved wife of the late Rev. Leon Patrick Joyner Sr., died on Wednesday, May 16, 2018, at NHC Healthcare, Sumter. Born in Kingstree, she

was a daughter of the late R. Clyde Rodgers and Rebecca Hanna Rodgers. Janice served as a devoted pastor's wife in seven churches in the South Carolina Pentecostal Holiness Conference from 1952 to 1986. She will be remembered as a very loving



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mother, grandmother, great-grandmother, sister and friend. She will be dearly missed by all who knew her.

Surviving are three sons, Larry N. Joyner and his wife, Marilyn, of Monclova, Ohio, L. Patrick Joyner Jr. and his wife, Wanda, of Sumter and Ronald D. Joyner and his wife, Raye, of Georgetown; four daughters, Marie J. Steele and her husband, John, of Sumter, Rebecca J. Nichols and her husband, Robert, of Lexington, Renee J. Graham and her husband, Michael, of Chapin and Nancy J. Rodgers and her husband, Tim, of Sumter; one sister, Sara R. Harrington of Atlanta; one sister-in-law, Libby Rodgers of

Kingstree; 15 grandchildren; and 10 great-grandchildren.

In addition to her parents and husband, she was preceded in death by a brother, Richard C. Rodgers.

A celebration of her life and homegoing will be held at 3 p.m. on Sunday at the Bullock Funeral Home Chapel with the Rev. Paul Howell officiating. Interment will be private.

The family will receive friends one hour prior to the service from 2 to 3 p.m. on Sunday at Bullock Funeral Home.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to the First Pentecostal Holiness Church — Mission Fund, 2609 McCrays Mill Road, Sumter, SC 29154 or to Tuomey Hospice, 500 Pinewood Road No. 2, Sumter, SC 29154.

The family wishes to extend a special thank you to the residents and staff of NHC Healthcare and Tuomey Hospice for their love and compassionate care.

You may go to [www.bullock-funeralhome.com](http://www.bullock-funeralhome.com) and sign the family's guest book.

The family has chosen Bull-

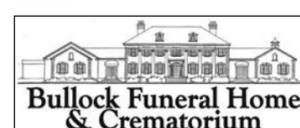
ock Funeral Home for the arrangements.



## VALERIE M. CICHY

MANNING — Valerie M. Cichy, age 93, died on Wednesday, May 16, 2018, at Lake Marion Nursing Facility.

Arrangements will be announced by Bullock Funeral Home.



## AMELIA ROSE JORDAN

RALEIGH, N.C. — Amelia Rose Jordan, 69, died on Wednesday, May 16, 2018, at her home.

Services will be announced by Elmore-Cannon-Stephens Funeral Home and Crematorium of Sumter.

**CORINNE E. HILL**

Corinne Edith "Dolly" Hill, age 66, wife of the late Daniel Hill, died on Wednesday, May 16, 2018, at Palmetto Health Tuomey.



Born in Sumter, she was a daughter of the late Martin Charles Alessandro and Norwood Schwartz Alessandro. Dolly worked as a registered nurse for many years at various facilities, where she enjoyed caring for numerous patients and their families. She loved spending time with her children and grandchildren. Dolly was loved by so many and will be greatly missed.

Surviving are two children, Tripper Lee and his wife, Laurin, and Norwood Kathryn "Katie" Lee; three grandchildren, Marley, Lainey and Cooper; two brothers, Charles Alessandro and Leslie Alessandro; and her uncle and aunt, John and Jane Boney.

In addition to her parents and husband, she was preceded in death by one brother, Martin Alessandro.

A memorial service will be held at 11 a.m. on Saturday in the Bullock Funeral Home Chapel.

The family will receive friends on Saturday, one hour prior to the service, from 10 to 11 a.m. at Bullock Funeral Home and other times at Dolly's home.

The family wishes to extend a special thank you to Dr. Clowney and Dr. Kellogg and their staff and to the Palmetto Health Tuomey Oncology Department for the care and compassion shown to both Dolly and the family.

Memorials may be made to the Leukemia and Lymphoma Society's South Carolina Chapter, 107 Westpark Blvd., No. 150, Columbia, SC 29210.

You may go to [www.bullockfuneralhome.com](http://www.bullockfuneralhome.com) and sign the family's guest book.

The family has chosen Bullock Funeral Home for the arrangements.

**LEE C. KNUCKLES SR.**

Lee Clinton Knuckles Sr., age 76, of 950 S. Main St., Sumter, passed away peacefully



at 3:57 a.m. Wednesday, May 16, 2018, at his home, after a long illness.

Born on June 17, 1941, in Gaffney, he was a son of the late Rev. London C.

Knuckles and Mary Gaffney Knuckles. He was a member of Mount Zion Baptist Church, 325 W. Fulton St., Sumter, for 55 years, formerly serving as driver for then Pastor Stallings. He was also a former member of the men's adult choir, Sunday school teacher, trustee ministry and church custodian. Mr. Knuckles is survived by his loving wife of 55 years, Sara Campbell Knuckles; and four children, Savitra Bostick and husband, Dr. Anthony Bostick, of Tega Cay, Sara Hunter and husband, retired Sgt. 1st Class Marvin Hunter of Virginia Beach, Virginia, Lucia Jacobs and retired police Lt. Gregory Jacobs of Irmo and retired Master Sgt. Lee Knuckles Jr. of Columbia.

He leaves to share fond memories: 13 grandchildren, Akilah Bostick, Jabari Bostick, Maya Bostick, 1st Lt. Nigel Bostick (2018 graduate of The Citadel) of Tega Cay, Brittany Hunter and Brianna Hunter of Virginia Beach, Jasmine Jacobs of Middletown, Connecticut, DeAngelo Jacobs of Lexington, Solomon Jacobs of Irmo, Sonalli Knuckles of Atlanta, Nandi Knuckles of Louisville, Kentucky, Lee Knuckles III and Cori Knuckles of Columbia; and one great-granddaughter, Kagome Knuckles. Also surviving are two loving sisters, Grace Knuckles Knox (the late Macon) of Lanham, Maryland, and Dr. Mary Knuckles Jones and husband, Lucious Jones, of Gaffney; and a host of nieces, nephews, cousins and friends.

Mr. Knuckles Sr. was a 1959

graduate of Granard High School, Gaffney, where he was a trumpeter and drum major with the Granard High School marching band. He attended Morehouse College in Atlanta and continued his studies at Morris College in Sumter, graduating in 1964 with a bachelor degree in science. In 1978, he received his master's degree in educational leadership from the University of South Carolina, Columbia.

In addition to serving the Sumter community as a professional educator, Mr. Knuckles served as president of the Sumter County Education Association and as a member of the S.C. and National Education Associations. He was a member of the Sumter Historical Society and served the Sumter community as a Sumter City Police Reserve Officer for more than 10 years.

The family is receiving relatives and friends at the home, 950 S. Main St., Sumter.

Funeral services will be held at 2 p.m. on Sunday at Mount Zion Missionary Baptist Church, 325 W. Fulton St., Sumter, with the Rev. James Blessingame, pastor, eulogist.

The remains will be placed in the church at 1 p.m. for viewing until the time of services.

The procession will leave at 1:30 p.m. from the home.

Services directed by 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](mailto:williamsfuneralhome@sc.rr.com). Visit us on the web at [www.WilliamsFuneralHomeInc.com](http://www.WilliamsFuneralHomeInc.com).

**MARY P. ROGERS**

Mary "Sister" Peterson Rogers, 83, departed this life on Friday, May 11, 2018, at Palmetto Health Tuomey.

She was born on Nov. 18, 1934, in Lynchburg, a daughter of the late Levi B. Peterson and Jannie Fulwood-Peterson. Mary was baptized at an early age and became a member of Mount Sinai AME Church. Mary attended the public schools of Sumter County and was a 1953 graduate of Lincoln High School. She continued her education at Morris College, pursuing her degree in early childhood. She relocated to New York City to pursue her nursing career.

She was employed by the Jewish Home Hospital of New York City.

Mary was a member of Emmanuel AME Church in New York City, where she served in the following ministries: Stewardess No. 3, senior usher, lay organization, inspiration and anthem Choirs. She then returned home in 1990 to help care for her mother and reclaimed her membership at Mount Sinai AME Church under the pastorate of the Rev. Davie Brown, where she served faithfully as president of the junior usher board and pastor aide. Sister Rogers was also appointed as class leader under the pastorate of the Rev. Moses McCants. She was an active member of the gospel and mass choirs. She was a member of the Anointed Jubilaires of Sumter. Mary enjoyed serving and caring for others with laughter that brought joy to others. She served wholeheartedly unto the Lord in all that she did. Her favorite scripture was Psalms 27.

Mary was married to David Rogers and they were blessed with one child.

Loved ones left to cherish her memories are her daughter, Wanda Rogers of Sumter; one grandson, Gary Rogers of Sumter; one sister, Janie L. Peterson of the home; one sister-in-law, Lillian Peterson; nieces and nephews, Terry (Violet) Quattlebaum of Washington, D.C., Glen Deas, Kathleen (Wade) Brown and Virgil (Geraldine) Burroughs, all of Sumter; Leroy Peterson, Michael Peterson, Donnell (A. Benet) McAlister, all of Columbia, Andre Gilliard of Atlanta, Jacqueline McElveen of Kingstree, William (Angela) Peterson and Cynthia Fairley, both of Charlotte, North Carolina, Kenneth (Arian) Peterson of Spartanburg, Theresa Kelly of Manhattan, New York, Shirley (Ernest) Smith of Greeleyville and Roger Burroughs of Philadelphia; and a host of great-nieces, great-nephews,

other relatives and friends.

Mary was preceded in death by her brothers, William T. Peterson, Llyod Peterson and Levi Peterson Jr.

Public viewing will be held from 1 to 6 p.m. today at Job's Mortuary.

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

Funeral services will be held at 1 p.m. on Saturday at Mount Sinai AME Church, 5895 Mt. Sinai Church Road, Lynchburg, with the Rev. Marie Deas Webb officiating and Pastor Donnell Peterson, eulogist.

Interment will follow at Edwards Cemetery.

The family will receive friends at the home, 15 Rast St., Sumter, SC 29150.

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](mailto:jobsmortuary@sc.rr.com) or visit us on the web at [www.jobsmortuary.net](http://www.jobsmortuary.net).

**JASON A. GEDDINGS**

Jason Andrew Geddings, 41, of Nichols, passed away on Tuesday, May 15, 2018.

Mr. Geddings was born in Sumter, a son of the late Ronnie Geddings and Veronica Hines Barrios. He was a construction worker and mechanic for Andrews Fabricators. He was a very kindhearted, loving man who will be missed dearly.

He was preceded in death by his father and grandmother, Mary Geddings.

Surviving are his wife, Rainina Turner Geddings of Nichols; sons, Cameron Geddings of Bridgeport, West Virginia, Richard (Whitney) Owens of Latta, (Tiffany) Ayers of Sumter and Matt (Donna) Riles of Mullins; grandchildren, Sophia Owens, Cayden Owens and Grayson Hayes, all of Latta, and Karma, Layla, Kennedy and Liam Ayers, all of Sumter; and brother, Chad Geddings of Sumter.

A memorial service will be held at 6 p.m. today at Union Baptist Church, 6757 Watson Bay Court, Marion, SC 29571.

Please send messages to the family at the obit section of [www.stoudenmiredowling.com](http://www.stoudenmiredowling.com).

**JOSEPH WRIGHT**

Joseph Wright, 63, departed this life on Monday, May 14, 2018, at Palmetto Health Tuomey.

Born on Dec. 19, 1955, in Sumter County, he was a son of the late Theodore Wright Sr. and Hester Nixon Wright. Mr. Wright was reared in a Christian home and learned early in life the value of discipline, hard work and the meaning of family. He attended High Hills AME Church in his youth and was educated in the public schools of Sumter County. Throughout his life, he worked for Tom Brown Construction and was self-employed as a carpenter.

He leaves to cherish fond memories: one son, Joseph Wright of Sumter; two brothers, Sammie and Peter Wright of Sumter; five sisters, Elanore Little, Lue Alice Singleton, Pamela Wright and Orbedella Wright, all of Rembert, and Carolyn Ansum of Atlanta; six aunts and uncles; a host of nieces, nephews, other family and friends.

The family is receiving relatives and friends at the home, 7335 Scales Road, Rembert.

Funeral services will be held at 2 p.m. on Saturday at John Wesley Williams Sr. Memorial Chapel of Williams Funeral Home Inc., 821 N. Main St., Sumter, with the Rev. Charlie Howard officiating, eulogist.

The procession will leave the home at 1:20 p.m.

Services directed by 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](mailto:williamsfuneralhome@sc.rr.com). Visit us on the web at [www.WilliamsFuneralHomeInc.com](http://www.WilliamsFuneralHomeInc.com)

**ELIZABETH V. REMBERT**

Elizabeth V. "Bess" Rembert, 93, widow of Herman E. Rembert Sr., entered into eternal rest on Monday, May 14, 2018, at her home, surrounded by loved ones.

Born on Jan. 3, 1925, in Sumter County, she was a daughter of the late Lennie

Vaughn Sr. and Eliza Sinkler Vaughn. Elizabeth attended the public schools of Sumter County and was a graduate of Lincoln High School. She furthered her education at Morris College, where she received a Bachelor of Science degree. She was employed by the Sumter County School District as a social worker and teacher's aide for more than 25 years, until her retirement.

At an early age, she accepted Christ and joined Antioch United Methodist Church. After matrimony on June 8, 1947, she joined her husband at Shepherd United Methodist Church, where she faithfully served on the stewardess board, United Methodist Women and as the church finance secretary. She was also active in the community as a member of the Reach Out Club, Willing Workers and the Broad Street Burial League.

She leaves to cherish her memories: one daughter, Nevetta H. Rembert; one son, Kelvin L. Rembert of Sumter; one honorary son, Timothy (Latisha) Martin; one honorary daughter, Betty Durant of Sumter; 11 grandchildren; 14 great-grandchildren; one sister, Viola Moses of Sumter; one brother, Herbert (Hattie) Vaughn of Roselle, New Jersey; two sisters-in-law; a host of nieces, nephews, other relatives, friends and special caregivers.

The family is receiving relatives and friends at the home, 1230 S. Pike East, Lot 124, Sumter.

Funeral services will be held at noon on Saturday at Shepherd United Methodist Church, 2210 N. Main St., Sumter, with the Rev. Raymond Cook, pastor, eulogist.

The remains will be placed in the church at 11 a.m.

The funeral procession will leave at 11:20 a.m. from the home.

Burial will be at White's Cemetery, Airport Road, Sumter.

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](mailto:williamsfuneralhome@sc.rr.com). Visit us on the web at [www.williamsfuneralhomeinc.com](http://www.williamsfuneralhomeinc.com).

**ELIZABETH K. BENNETT**

The relatives and friends of Elizabeth Kirkland Bennett are invited to attend her funeral service at noon on Saturday at Mount Pisgah Baptist Church, 7355 Camden Highway, Rembert. Interment at Evergreen Memorial Park, Sumter.

Mrs. Bennett will be placed in the church at 10:30 a.m. on Saturday until the hour of service.

Mrs. Bennett was born on Nov. 11, 1933, in Rembert, a daughter of the late Rev. James Edward and Caroline Alston Kirkland. She transitioned from labor to reward on May 14, 2018.

She was preceded in death by her husband, R.E. Bennett, 12 brothers and two sisters.

Mrs. Bennett leaves to cherish her memories: sons, Dr. Edwin S. Bennett of Orlando, Gregory I. Bennett of Dalzell and the Rev. Wayne A. Bennett (Kathy) of Walterboro; daughters, Jackie B. McGriff of Sugar Hill, Georgia, and Terry E. Bennett of Dalzell; brothers, Henry Kirkland and Thomas Kirkland; sister, Marie K. Jones; sisters-in-law, Vermelle Kirkland, Louise Kirkland, Alta Mae Kirkland and Vivian Dennis; 14 grandchildren; 22 great-grandchildren; one great-great-grandchild; numerous nieces, nephews, cousins and friends, Suzette Kennedy, Ulycee Aiken and Fred Harris.

Expressions of sympathy may be sent to the family at [www.murraysmortuary.com](http://www.murraysmortuary.com).

Arrangements entrusted to Murray's mortuary, 4060 Rivers Ave., North Charleston, (843) 744-5488.

**SAMUEL PRIOLEAU III**

Samuel "Monster" Prioleau III, 56, departed this life on Monday, May 14, 2018, at Palmetto Health Tuomey.

Born on Jan. 18, 1962, in Sumter, he was a son of Janie Lee Davis Prioleau and the late Samuel Prioleau Jr. At an early age, he joined High Hills AME Church. He was educated in the Sumter County

School District. He was employed at the Chef House on Shaw Air Force Base for 22 years and later with Carolina Sweeping Service in Sumter. In 1982, he was united in holy matrimony to Christine Stavis Prioleau and was a devoted husband for 35 years. They helped raise a special daughter, Trinity Shyrenee Webb.

He leaves to cherish his memories: his wife, Christine Stavis Prioleau of the home; his mother, Janie Davis Prioleau; eight brothers, William Prayleau of Temple Hills, Maryland, Rodney Prioleau of Dayton, Ohio, Micheal Prioleau, Gregory Prioleau, Rickey (Patricia) Prioleau, Dennis Prioleau, Herbert Davis and Earl (Yvonne) Davis, all of Sumter; six sisters, Janie (Maurice) Jeffreys of Baltimore, Angela Curtis of Griffin, Georgia, Minnie Russell (devoted sister), Mary Parker, Ethel Pearson and Margie (Troy) Bolden, all of Sumter; two sisters-in-law; four brothers-in-law; and a host of nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends.

The family is receiving relatives and friends at the home, 5620 Kenrose Lane, Rembert.

Funeral services will be held at 11 a.m. on Saturday at High Hills AME Church, 6780 Meeting House Road, Dalzell, with the Rev. Kenneth R. Mayes Sr., pastor, and Apostle Harold L. Bennett, eulogist.

The funeral procession will leave the home at 10:30 a.m.

Burial will be at High Hills AME Churchyard 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](mailto:williamsfuneralhome@sc.rr.com).

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**HENRIETTA RAMON**

Henrietta Ramon, 68, wife of Elden Ramon, died on Wednesday, May 16, 2018, at her home.

Born on Dec. 24, 1949, she was a daughter of Esabell Rouse. The family will receive relatives and friends at the home, 1320 Mooneyham Road.

Funeral arrangements are incomplete and will be announced by Williams Funeral Home Inc.

**GLORIA JEAN SUMPTER**

Gloria Jean Sumpter was born on March 30, 1963, in Sumter County. She was the wife of Charles Sumpter III. She departed this life on Sunday, May 13, 2018, at her residence. Gloria was a daughter of the late Matilda Anderson Cummings and James Cummings. Gloria received her education in the public schools of Sumter County, graduating with the class of 1982.

Gloria leaves to cherish her loving memories: one daughter, Lakim Cummings; one son, Christopher Cummings; four grandchildren, Trevon Fullwood, Ty'annia Franklin, Zay'vion Burgess and Elijah Cummings; sisters, Rosa Greene, Josephine Shaw, Bertha Shaw, Betty Brown, Jackie Cummings and Marie Cummings, all of Sumter; one aunt, Hattie King; one uncle, James Anderson of Brooklyn, New York; four sisters-in-law, Leslie Moore Cummings of Boston, Theresa (John) Brunson, Sandra (Willie) Richardson and Lesa Sumpter, all of Sumter; five brothers-in-law, Author Greene, Edward Daniels, Alex Shaw, John Shaw and Glen Sumpter, all of Sumter; and a host of nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends.

She was preceded in death by her parents; one son, Brandon Cummings; one grandson, Teddrick Fullwood; three sisters, Janie Daniels, Carrie Cummings and Leslie Cummings; and three brothers, Willie Cummings, Frankie Cummings and Robert Cummings.

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

Mrs. Sumpter will be placed in the church at 1 p.m. on Sunday for viewing until the hour of service.

Funeral services will be held at 2 p.m. on Sunday at Salem Chapel & Heritage Center, 101 S. Chapel Ave., Sumter, with Pastor Franklin Martin officiating. Interment will follow at Aycock Cemetery.

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**UNITS FOR AUCTION**  
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**A-8 - Stephanie Parrott**  
**B-17 - Treassie Washington**  
**B-37 - Correll Fullwood**  
**C-6 - James Byrd**  
**C-8 - James Byrd**  
**C-33 - Della L. Guin**  
**E-32 - Robert Byrd**  
**G-12 - Sonja H. Ray**

### Garage, Yard & Estate Sales

**Carolina Palms Neighborhood Yard Sale** Sat. May 19th 8AM-1PM Multi-home, furniture, baby & kids items.

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**Holiday Inn Express seeking** front desk manager, front desk clerk, maintenance & housekeepers. Please apply in person at 2490 Broad St.

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**Sumter thrift store is seeking a store manager.** The ideal individual will have demonstrated leadership skills, ability to thrive in a chaotic ever changing environment, excellent interpersonal and communication skills, and enjoy working with the public. Minimum of 3 years of relevant experience is required. BA or BS preferred; background in retail management is desired but not required. Must have a history of successfully adapting to rapidly changing conditions with unexpected shifts in priorities, ability to build community relationships, and demonstrated independent responsibility for program management and accomplishing results. Salary will be commensurate with experience. Applicants should submit a cover letter and resume by June 1, 2018 to: Box 485 c/o The Item, PO Box 1677 Sumter SC 29151

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### LEGAL NOTICES

#### Legal Notice

**Sumter Treatment Specialists** plans to submit a certificate of need application to South Carolina DHEC to establish an outpatient narcotic treatment program. In Sumter County. The estimated cost of this project is \$156,500.00.

**PUBLIC NOTICE**  
 SC Department of Health and Environmental Control  
 Bureau of Water  
 2600 Bull Street  
 Columbia, South Carolina 29201

**Public Notice No. HNC-V109-EB97P**  
 Date: May 18, 2018

#### NOTICE OF ISSUANCE OF AN AGRICULTURAL PERMIT

Permit Number: ND0090001  
 Issue Date: May 18, 2018  
 Effective Date: June 2, 2018

The Department has issued an agricultural permit to the permittee named below to operate a New Manure Brokering business and land apply manure and/or compost to agricultural lands as fertilizer.

**PERMITTEE:** Wayne Caughman, ND0090001, (Sumter County/Pee Dee BEHS, Sumter EA OFFICE), 794 TIGER LILY RD, SUMTER, SC 29153. Manure will be obtained from agricultural animal producers and then provided to crop farmers to be land applied at agronomic rates as fertilizer. All farmers receiving waste must sign a contract, approved by the Department, and will be responsible for complying with all regulations for land application of agricultural waste.

This decision of the S.C. Department of Health and Environmental Control (Department) becomes the final agency decision 15 days after notice of the Department decision has been mailed to the applicant or respondent, unless a written request for final review accompanied by a filing fee of \$100.00 is filed with the Department by the applicant, permittee, licensee, or affected person.

An applicant, permittee, licensee, or affected person who wishes to appeal this decision must file a timely written request for final review with the Clerk of the Board at the following address or by facsimile at 803-898-3393. A filing fee in the amount of \$100.00 made payable to SC DHEC must also be received by the Clerk within the time allowed for filing a request for final review. However, if a request for final review is filed by facsimile, the filing fee may be mailed to the Clerk of the Board if the envelope is postmarked within the time allowed for filing a request for final review.

**Clerk of the Board**  
 SC DHEC  
 2600 Bull Street  
 Columbia, SC 29201

Parties filing a request for final review are asked to include a statement of the grounds on which they challenge the Department's decision and the specific changes they are seeking in the decision.

In order to be timely, a request for final review must be received by the Clerk of the Board within 15 days after notice of the Department decision has been mailed to the applicant or respondent. If the 15th day occurs on a weekend or State holiday, the request is due to be received by the Clerk of the Board on the next working day.

If a timely request for final review is filed with the Clerk of the Board, the Clerk will provide additional information regarding procedures.

The Board of Health and Environmental Control has 60 days

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from the date of receipt of a request for final review to conduct a final review conference. The conference may be conducted by the Board, its designee, or a committee of three members of the Board appointed by the chair.

If a final review conference is not conducted within 60 days, the Department decision becomes the final agency decision, and a party may request a contested case hearing before the Administrative Law Court within 30 days after the deadline for the final review conference.

### Notice of Sale

**NOTICE OF SALE**  
**Case No. 2017-CP-43-00710**

**BY VIRTUE** of that certain Decree of the Court of Common Pleas for Sumter County, South Carolina, heretofore granted in the case of **SAFE Federal Credit Union v. Keith Thomas Gedamke (Deceased)**, et al., the Master in Equity for Sumter County, South Carolina or his agent, will sell on **June 4, 2018 at 12:00 p.m.**, at the at the Sumter County Judicial Center, 215 North Harvin Street, Sumter, South Carolina, to the highest bidder, the following described property:

All that certain piece, parcel, or lot of land, together with the dwelling and improvements thereon, lying and being situate in the City and County of Sumter, State of South Carolina, containing 0.09 acre, more or less, and being shown and delineated on that plat prepared by Michael C. Turbeville, III, PLS, dated February 26, 1998 and recorded in Plat Book 98 at Page 205 in the records of the Register of Deeds Office for Sumter County. 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 made in lieu of metes and bounds as permitted by law under §30-5-250 of The Code of Laws of South Carolina (1976), as amended.

**DERIVATION:** This being the identical property conveyed to Keith T. Gedamke by that deed of Tami R. Estep dated August 1, 2006 and recorded August 4, 2006 in Deed Book 1039 at Page 1185, aforesaid records.

**TMS NO.: 228-11-02-003**  
**ADDRESS:**  
**27 Park Avenue,**  
**Sumter, South Carolina**

**TERMS OF SALE:** The successful bidder, other than the Plaintiff, will deposit with the Master in Equity or his agent, at the conclusion of the bidding, five (5%) percent of the 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 the time of the bid or comply with the other terms of the bid within twenty (20) days, then the Master in Equity or his agent may resell the property on the same terms and conditions on some subsequent sales day at the risk of the said highest bidder.

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

Purchaser to pay for the preparation of the Deed, documentary stamps on the Deed, recording of the Deed, and interest on the amount of the bid from date of sale to date of compliance with the bid at the contract rate of interest.

Attention is drawn to the Court Order on file with the Clerk of Court for Sumter County. The terms and conditions of the actual Court Order, to the extent of any inconsistencies, control over any terms or conditions contained in the Notice of Sale.

As a deficiency judgment is being demanded, the bidding will remain open for thirty (30) days after the date of sale as provided by law. THE

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**PLAINTIFF RESERVES THE RIGHT TO WAIVE THE DEFICIENCY UP TO AND INCLUDING THE DATE OF SALE.**

If the Plaintiff or its representative does not appear at the scheduled sale of the above-described property, 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.

**The Honorable Howard P. King**  
 Master-In-Equity  
 for Sumter County  
 April 19, 2018  
 Sumter, South Carolina

**Kyle A. Brannon, Esquire**  
 NEXSEN PRUET, LLC  
 Post Office Box 2426  
 Columbia, S.C. 29202  
 (803) 540-2168  
 Attorneys for Plaintiff

**NOTICE OF SALE**  
**CIVIL ACTION NO. 2017-CP-43-01808**

**BY VIRTUE** of the decree heretofore granted in the case of **BOKF, N.A. vs. Jeffrey L. McCrady**, the undersigned Master In Equity for Sumter County, South Carolina, will sell on **June 4, 2018 at 12:00PM**, at the Sumter County Courthouse, City of Sumter, State of South Carolina, to the highest bidder:

THE LAND REFERRED TO HEREIN BELOW IS SITUATED IN THE COUNTY OF SUMTER, STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA, AND IS DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS:

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 #16, AS SHOWN ON THAT CERTAIN PLAT PREPARED BY MICHAEL C. TURBEVILLE, III, RLS, DATED OCTOBER 15, 1992, AND RECORDED IN THE OFFICE OF THE REGISTER OF DEEDS FOR SUMTER COUNTY IN PLAT BOOK 92 AT PAGE 1958, 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. THIS IS THE PROPERTY KNOWN AS 1370 CROWDALE DRIVE.

THIS BEING THE SAME PROPERTY BEING CONVEYED TO JEFFREY L. MCCRADY BY DEED OF DAVID A. LINENBURG DATED FEBRUARY 9, 2007 AND RECORDED FEBRUARY 9, 2007 IN THE BOOK 1064 AT PAGE 1498 IN THE RECORDS FOR SUMTER COUNTY, SOUTH CAROLINA.

**CURRENT ADDRESS OF PROPERTY:**  
**1370 Crowdale Drive,**  
**Sumter, SC 29150**  
**TMS: 186-02-01-011**

**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 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 4.25% per annum. The sale shall be subject to taxes and assessments, existing easements and

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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 Howard P. King**  
 Master In Equity  
 for Sumter County

**Brock & Scott, PLLC**  
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 Columbia, SC 29210  
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**NOTICE OF SALE**  
**CIVIL ACTION NO. 2014-CP-43-01731**

**BY VIRTUE** of the decree heretofore granted in the case of: **Carrington Mortgage Services, LLC vs. The Estate of Evetta B. Vaughn, John Doe and Richard Roe**, as Representatives of all Heirs and Devises of Evetta B. Vaughn, Deceased, and all persons entitled to claim under or through them; also, all other persons or corporations unknown claiming any right, title, interest in or lien upon the real estate described herein; any unknown adults, whose true names are unknown, being as a class designated as John Doe, and any unknown infants, persons under disability, or persons in the Military Service of the United States of America, whose true names are unknown, being as a class designated as Richard Roe; Capitola Vaughn; Kadiah Vaughn; Marion Vaughn; Erin Capital Management, LLC, the undersigned Master In Equity for Sumter County, South Carolina, will sell on **June 4, 2018 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, TOGETHER WITH THE BUILDINGS AND IMPROVEMENTS THEREON, SITUATE LYING, AND BEING IN SUMTER TOWNSHIP, SUMTER COUNTY, SOUTH CAROLINA, BEING DELINEATED AS LOT 106 OF SECTION 3 OF GUIGNARD PARK SUBDIVISION ON PLAT PREPARED BY H.S. WILLSON, RLS, DATED NOVEMBER 1, 1993 AND RECORDED NOVEMBER 16, 1993 IN PLAT BOOK 93 AT PAGE 1960 IN THE OFFICE OF THE REGISTER OF DEEDS FOR SUMTER COUNTY, STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA, AND BEING BOUNDED AND MEASURING AS FOLLOWS: ON THE NORTH BY LOT 85 AND MEASURING THEREON 109.91 FEET, ON THE EAST BY SPAULDING AVENUE AND MEASURING THEREON IN A CURVED LINE 129.17 FEET, ON THE SOUTH BY LOT 105 AND MEASURING THEREON 107.90 FEET, AND ON THE WEST BY LOT 86 AND MEASURING THEREON 82.93 FEET, BE THE SAID MEASUREMENTS MORE OR LESS.

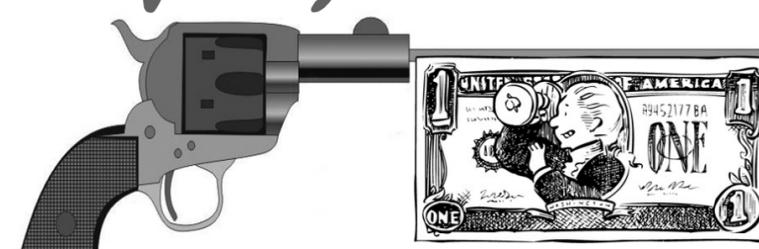
THIS BEING THE IDENTICAL PROPERTY CONVEYED UNTO EVERETTE R. BROWN AND EVETTA B. VAUGHN BY DEED OF SEVENTH EPISCOPAL DISTRICT OF THE A.M.E. CHURCH DATED NOVEMBER 6, 1992 AND RECORDED NOVEMBER 13, 1992 IN DEED BOOK 558 AT PAGE 1629 IN THE OFFICE OF THE REGISTER OF DEEDS FOR SUMTER COUNTY, STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA. THEREAFTER, EVERETTE R. BROWN CONVEYED HER ONE-HALF (1/2) INTEREST TO EVETTA B. VAUGHN BY QUIT CLAIM DEED DATED SEPTEMBER 3, 1993 AND RECORDED SEPTEMBER 3, 1993 IN DEED BOOK 580 AT PAGE 416 IN SAID RECORDS.

**CURRENT ADDRESS OF PROPERTY:**  
**1027 Spaulding Avenue,**  
**Sumter, SC 29150**  
**TMS: 2261402002**

**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

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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 7.5% 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 Howard P. King**  
Master In Equity  
for Sumter County

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NOTICE OF SALE  
CIVIL ACTION NO.  
2017-CP-43-02426

BY VIRTUE of the decree heretofore granted in the case of: Deutsche Bank National Trust Company, as Trustee on behalf of the Certificate Holders of Morgan Stanley ABS Capital I Inc. Trust 2003-NC10, Mortgage Pass-Through Certificates, Series 2003-NC10 vs. Tracey Lynn Brewer a/k/a Tracy L. Brewer; South Carolina Department of Revenue, the undersigned Master In Equity for Sumter County, South Carolina, will sell on **June 4, 2018 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 ANY IMPROVEMENTS THEREON, SITUATE, LYING AND BEING IN MIDDLETON TOWNSHIP, COUNTY OF SUMTER, STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA, DESIGNATED AS LOT NO. 1 ON A PLAT BY H.S. WILLSON, R.L.S., RECORDED IN THE R.M.C. OFFICE FOR SUMTER COUNTY IN PLAT BOOK Z-16 AT PAGE 90, THE EXACT BOUNDARIES AND MEASUREMENTS OF WHICH CAN BE DETERMINED BY REFERENCE TO THE SAID PLAT, SAID LOT NO. 1 BEING BOUNDED AND MEASURING ACCORDING TO SAID PLAT AS FOLLOWS: ON THE NORTH BY A COUNTY ROAD TO THE TOWN OF WEDGEFIELD, SAID PLAT, AND MEASURING THEREON 90.90 FEET; ON THE EAST BY LAND EITHER NOW OR FORMERLY OF GARVIN, SAID PLAT, AND MEASURING THEREON 534.20 FEET; ON THE SOUTH BY LAND, EITHER NOW OR FORMERLY, OF PRAYLOU, SAID PLAT, AND MEASURING THEREON 85.30 FEET; AND ON THE WEST BY LOT 2, SAID PLAT, AND MEASURING THEREON 502.30 FEET.

THIS BEING THE SAME PROPERTY CONVEYED TO JAMES R. BREWER, JR., TERRY LYNN BREWER, AND TRACEY LYNN BREWER BY DEED OF DISTRIBUTION FROM TRACEY BREWER, AS PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE FOR THE ESTATE OF JAMES R. BREWER DATED FEBRUARY 19, 2002 AND RECORDED APRIL 24, 2002 IN BOOK 837 AT PAGE 1769 IN THE RECORDS FOR SUMTER COUNTY, SOUTH CAROLINA. THEREAFTER, JAMES R. BREWER, JR. AND TERRY LYNN BREWER CONVEYED THEIR INTEREST IN THE SUBJECT PROPERTY TO TRACEY LYNN BREWER BY QUIT CLAIM DEED DATED JUNE 21, 2002 AND RECORDED JUNE 25, 2002 IN BOOK 846 AT PAGE 1916 IN THE RECORDS FOR SUMTER COUNTY, SOUTH CAROLINA.

ALSO

THIS BEING THE SAME PROPERTY CONVEYED TO TRACEY LYNN BREWER BY QUIT CLAIM DEED OF VERMELLE A. KEITH DATED JUNE 6, 2003 AND RECORDED AUGUST 13, 2003 IN BOOK 902 AT PAGE 1774 IN THE RECORDS FOR SUMTER COUNTY, SOUTH CAROLINA.

**CURRENT ADDRESS OF PROPERTY:**  
**4826 McClaren Road,**  
**Wedgefield, SC 29168**  
**TMS: 1300003019**

**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 7.15% 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.

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**The Honorable Howard P. King**  
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NOTICE OF SALE 2017-CP-43-02139 BY VIRTUE of a decree heretofore granted in the case of: Ditech Financial LLC against Barbara Ann Downer, I, the undersigned Master In Equity for Sumter County, will sell on June 4, 2018, at 12:00 p.m. at the Sumter County Courthouse in Sumter, South Carolina, to the highest bidder, the following described property, to-wit: The following described property: All that certain piece, parcel or lot of land, together with the dwelling and improvements thereon, lying and being situate in the City and County of Sumter, State of South Carolina, containing 0.22 acre, more or less, and being shown and delineated as Lot No. 143 of Wilson Park Subdivision on that Plat prepared by Michael C. Turbeville, III, PLS, dated March 23, 1994 and recorded in Plat Book 94 at Page 480 in the Records of the Register of Deeds Office for Sumter County. 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 made in lieu of metes and bounds as permitted by law under Section 30-5-250 of The Code of Laws of South Carolina (1976) as amended. Being the same property conveyed unto Barbara Ann Downer by deed from Jennifer S. Grinstead dated May 1, 2006 and recorded May 3, 2006 in Deed Book 1026 at Page 1821 in the ROD Office for Sumter County, South Carolina. TMS No. 2481002030 Property Address: 311 Lee Street, 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, 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 successful 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, then the Master in Equity may resell the property on the same terms and conditions (at the risk of the said defaulting bidder). Should the Plaintiff, or one of its representatives, fail to be present at the time of sale, the property is automatically withdrawn from said sale and sold at the next available sales day upon the terms and conditions as set forth in the Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale or any Supplemental Order. The successful bidder will be required to pay for documentary stamps on the Deed and interest on the balance of the bid from the date of sale to the date of compliance with the bid at the rate of 4.3750%. THIS SALE IS SUBJECT TO ASSESSMENTS, COUNTY TAXES, EXISTING EASEMENTS, EASEMENTS AND RESTRICTIONS OF RECORD, AND OTHER SENIOR ENCUMBRANCES. 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. 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 well before the foreclosure sale date. Honorable Howard P. King Master in Equity Sumter County Riley Pope & Laney, LLC Post Office Box 11412 Columbia, SC 29211 (803) 799-9993 Attorneys for Plaintiff

Plaintiff,  
**Saralyn Alston,**  
Defendant(s)

BY VIRTUE of a judgment heretofore granted in the case of Ditech Financial LLC v/k/a Green Tree Servicing LLC vs. Saralyn Alston, I, Howard P. King, as Acting Master In Equity for Sumter County, will sell on June 4, 2018, at 12:00 Noon, at the Sumter County Courthouse, 215 N. 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 State of South Carolina, County of Sumter, Rafting Creek Township, fronting on the East side of SC Highway No. 261 and containing one half (1/2) of an acre, more or less, and being bounded on the North and Northeast by property now or formerly of Douglas; on the South by lands now or formerly of Herbert Dinkins, Jr. and by highway leading from Ellerbe's Mill to SC Highway No. 261, also known as the old Charleston Highway; and on the North by property now or formerly of Douglas. This property is known as 4105 North Kings Highway, Sumter, South Carolina.

Being the same parcel conveyed to Saralyn Alston from Charlie Alston and Lenora L. Alston, by virtue of a Deed dated 09/08/2006, recorded 09/11/2006, in Deed Book 1044, Page 001052, County of Sumter, State of South Carolina.

**TMS #: 0780002031**

**SUBJECT TO SUMTER COUNTY TAXES**

**TERMS OF SALE:** The successful bidder, other than the Plaintiff, will deposit with the Master In Equity at conclusion of the bidding, five (5%) of his bid, in cash or equivalent, as evidence of good faith, the 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 the time of the 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 former highest bidder).

Should the Plaintiff, or one of its representatives, fail to be present at the time of sale, the property is automatically withdrawn from said sale and sold at the next available sales day upon the terms and conditions as set forth in the Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale or any Supplemental Order.

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.

**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 well before the foreclosure sale date.

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 4.25% per annum.

**Howard P. King, Acting Master**  
In Equity for Sumter County

**Theodore von Keller, Esquire**  
B. Lindsay Crawford, III,  
Esquire  
Sara Hutchins  
Columbia, South Carolina  
Attorney for Plaintiff

**MASTER IN EQUITY NOTICE OF SALE**

BY VIRTUE of a decree heretofore granted in the case of **Noble Capital Management, LLC v. Donnie L. Gainey, et al.** (Civil Action No.: 2017-CP-43-01554), I, the undersigned, Master-in-Equity for Sumter County, or his/her agent, will sell on **Monday, June 4, 2018, 12:00 noon**, at Sumter County Courthouse, 17 E. Calhoun St., Room 211, Sumter, SC 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. 31 of Rabon Terrace Subdivision, Section No. 2, on that certain plat by J.P. Edwards, RLS, dated September 8, 1972 and recorded in the Office of the Register of Deeds for Sumter County in Plat Book Z-32 at page 133. 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 410 Catie Street Sumter SC. Represented by Auditor's map of Sumter County as tax parcel no. 223-14-02-010.

**THIS BEING** the same property conveyed to Donnie L. Gainey and Crystal Gainey by virtue of a Deed from Gainey Construction Co., LLC dated April 1, 2010 and recorded April 6, 2010 in Book 1137 at Page 3111 in the Office of the Register of Deeds for Sumter County, South Carolina.

**THEREAFTER,** Donnie L. Gainey conveyed all his interest in subject

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**Property address:**  
**6195 Fish Road,**  
**Dalzell, SC 29040**

**TERMS OF SALE:** The successful bidder, other than the Plaintiff, will deposit with the Interim 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 Interim Master in Equity, said deposit being due and payable immediately upon closing of the bidding on the day of sale, the Interim 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 Interim 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 Interim 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.

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.

**Howard P. King**  
Interim Master in Equity  
for Sumter County

**Scott and Corley, P.A.**  
Attorney for Plaintiff

NOTICE OF SALE  
CIVIL ACTION NO.  
2017-CP-43-01794

BY VIRTUE of the decree heretofore granted in the case of: **Owen Loan Servicing, LLC vs. Sonja G. England a/k/a Sonja England**, the undersigned Master In Equity for Sumter County, South Carolina, will sell on **June 4, 2018 at 12:00PM**, at the Sumter County Courthouse, City of Sumter, State of South Carolina, to the highest bidder:

THE LAND REFERRED TO IN THIS POLICY IS SITUATED IN THE STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA, COUNTY OF SUMTER, AND DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS:

ALL THAT CERTAIN PIECE, PARCEL, OR LOT OF LAND, TOGETHER WITH THE 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 # 14, AS SHOWN ON THAT CERTAIN PLAT PREPARED BY JOSEPH R. EDWARDS, RLS, DATED MARCH 14, 1986, AND RECORDED IN THE OFFICE OF THE REGISTER OF DEEDS FOR SUMTER COUNTY IN PLAT BOOK 86 AT PAGE 320, 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.

THIS BEING THE SAME PROPERTY CONVEYED TO ROBERT A. ENGLAND BY DEED OF THE SECRETARY OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT OF WASHINGTON, D.C. DATED NOVEMBER 12, 1984 AND RECORDED NOVEMBER 12, 1984 IN BOOK 385 AT PAGE 443 IN THE RECORDS FOR SUMTER COUNTY, SOUTH CAROLINA. THEREAFTER, ROBERT A. ENGLAND CONVEYED HIS INTEREST TO ROBERT A. ENGLAND AND SONJA G. ENGLAND, AS JOINT TENANTS, WITH RIGHT OF SURVIVORSHIP, AND NOT AS TENANTS IN COMMON, BE DEED DATED OCTOBER 27, 1998 AND RECORDED NOVEMBER 2, 1998 IN BOOK 722 AT PAGE 149 IN THE RECORDS FOR SUMTER COUNTY, SOUTH CAROLINA.

**CURRENT ADDRESS OF PROPERTY:**  
**609 N Magnolia Street,**  
**Sumter, SC 29150**  
**TMS: 2490102024**

**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

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balance of the bid from date of sale to date of compliance with the bid at the rate of 6.5% 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 Howard P. King**  
Master In Equity  
for Sumter County

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NOTICE OF SALE  
IN THE COURT OF  
COMMON PLEAS  
CASE NO.  
2017-CP-43-00245

**STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA**  
**COUNTY OF SUMTER**

**Ditech Financial LLC**  
**f/k/a Green Tree Servicing LLC**

Plaintiff,  
**-vs-**  
**Saralyn Alston,**  
Defendant(s)

BY VIRTUE of a judgment heretofore granted in the case of Ditech Financial LLC v/k/a Green Tree Servicing LLC vs. Saralyn Alston, I, Howard P. King, as Acting Master In Equity for Sumter County, will sell on June 4, 2018, at 12:00 Noon, at the Sumter County Courthouse, 215 N. 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 State of South Carolina, County of Sumter, Rafting Creek Township, fronting on the East side of SC Highway No. 261 and containing one half (1/2) of an acre, more or less, and being bounded on the North and Northeast by property now or formerly of Douglas; on the South by lands now or formerly of Herbert Dinkins, Jr. and by highway leading from Ellerbe's Mill to SC Highway No. 261, also known as the old Charleston Highway; and on the North by property now or formerly of Douglas. This property is known as 4105 North Kings Highway, Sumter, South Carolina.

Being the same parcel conveyed to Saralyn Alston from Charlie Alston and Lenora L. Alston, by virtue of a Deed dated 09/08/2006, recorded 09/11/2006, in Deed Book 1044, Page 001052, County of Sumter, State of South Carolina.

**TMS #: 0780002031**

**SUBJECT TO SUMTER COUNTY TAXES**

**TERMS OF SALE:** The successful bidder, other than the Plaintiff, will deposit with the Master In Equity at conclusion of the bidding, five (5%) of his bid, in cash or equivalent, as evidence of good faith, the 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 the time of the 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 former highest bidder).

Should the Plaintiff, or one of its representatives, fail to be present at the time of sale, the property is automatically withdrawn from said sale and sold at the next available sales day upon the terms and conditions as set forth in the Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale or any Supplemental Order.

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.

**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 well before the foreclosure sale date.

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 4.25% per annum.

**Howard P. King, Acting Master**  
In Equity for Sumter County

**Theodore von Keller, Esquire**  
B. Lindsay Crawford, III,  
Esquire  
Sara Hutchins  
Columbia, South Carolina  
Attorney for Plaintiff

MASTER IN EQUITY  
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BY VIRTUE of a decree heretofore granted in the case of **Noble Capital Management, LLC v. Donnie L. Gainey, et al.** (Civil Action No.: 2017-CP-43-01554), I, the undersigned, Master-in-Equity for Sumter County, or his/her agent, will sell on **Monday, June 4, 2018, 12:00 noon**, at Sumter County Courthouse, 17 E. Calhoun St., Room 211, Sumter, SC 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. 31 of Rabon Terrace Subdivision, Section No. 2, on that certain plat by J.P. Edwards, RLS, dated September 8, 1972 and recorded in the Office of the Register of Deeds for Sumter County in Plat Book Z-32 at page 133. 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 410 Catie Street Sumter SC. Represented by Auditor's map of Sumter County as tax parcel no. 223-14-02-010.

**THIS BEING** the same property conveyed to Donnie L. Gainey and Crystal Gainey by virtue of a Deed from Gainey Construction Co., LLC dated April 1, 2010 and recorded April 6, 2010 in Book 1137 at Page 3111 in the Office of the Register of Deeds for Sumter County, South Carolina.

**THEREAFTER,** Donnie L. Gainey conveyed all his interest in subject

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property unto Crystal Gainey by virtue of a QuitClaim Deed dated August 13, 2010 and recorded August 13, 2010 in Book 1143 at Page 643 in the Office of the Register of Deeds for Sumter County, South Carolina.

**Property Address:**  
**410 Catie Street,**  
**Sumter, SC 29150**  
**TMS No. 223-14-02-010**

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 thirty (30) 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). As a deficiency judgment is being waived, the bidding will not remain open thirty (30) days after the date of sale. 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 4.5% per annum (\$11.03/day). Plaintiff may waive any of its rights prior to sale.

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.

**Howard P. King**  
Sumter County  
Master-in-Equity Court  
Sumter County, South Carolina

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CIVIL ACTION NO.  
2018-CP-43-00340

BY VIRTUE of the decree heretofore granted in the case of: 2005 Residential Trust 3-2 by Wilmington Savings Fund Society, FSB, d/b/a **Christiana Trust** as Trustee vs. **Aaron Peterson**; Twin Lake Neighborhood Coalition, the undersigned Master In Equity for Sumter County, South Carolina, will sell on **June 4, 2018 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, CONTAINING 0.60 ACRE, MORE OR LESS, TOGETHER WITH ANY AND ALL IMPROVEMENTS THEREON, LYING, BEING AND SITUATE IN SUMTER TOWNSHIP, THE COUNTY OF SUMTER STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA, BEING SHOWN AND DELINEATED AS LOT NO. 368 OF TWIN LAKES, SECTION 19, SUBDIVISION ON THAT CERTAIN PLAT BY EDWARDS LAND SURVEYORS, INC. DATED JANUARY 11, 2001, RECORDED IN THE OFFICE OF THE REGISTER OF DEEDS FOR SUMTER COUNTY IN PLAT BOOK 2001 AT PAGE 37.

PURSUANT TO SECTION 30-5-250 OF THE CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA (1976), REFERENCE TO SAID PLAT(S) IS HEREBY CRAVED FOR PARTICULARS OF THE BOUNDARIES, METES, COURSES, AND/OR DISTANCES OF THE PROPERTY DELINEATED THEREON.

THIS PROPERTY IS REPRESENTED AS TAX MAP PARCEL NO. 208-01-02-001 UPON THE RECORDS OF THE SUMTER COUNTY AUDITOR, AND IS KNOWN AS 1080 TWIN LAKES DRIVE, SUMTER SC 29154.

THIS BEING THE SAME PROPERTY CONVEYED TO AARON PETERSON BY DEED OF JAMES P. COCHRAN AND JULIE A. COCHRAN DATED JANUARY 21, 2005 AND RECORDED JANUARY 21, 2005 IN BOOK 966 AT PAGE 1629 IN THE OFFICE OF THE REGISTER OF DEEDS FOR SUMTER COUNTY, SOUTH CAROLINA.

**CURRENT ADDRESS OF PROPERTY:**  
**1080 Twin Lakes Drive,**  
**Sumter, SC 29154**  
**TMS: 208-01-02-001**

**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 7% 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. Specifically, that certain senior mortgage held by Merrill Lynch Mortgage Holdings, Inc. in the original principal amount of \$106,800.00, which was recorded/filed in the Sumter County Records on 01/21/2005 in Book 966 at Page 1647 assigned from Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. as nominee for Countrywide filed/recorded 09/11/2007 in Book 1091 at Page 2675.

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.

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**The Honorable Howard P. King**  
Master In Equity  
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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 Howard P. King Master In Equity for Sumter County

Brock & Scott, PLLC 3800 Fernandina Road, Suite 110 Columbia, SC 29210 Attorneys for Plaintiff Phone 803-454-3540 Fax 803-454-3541

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BY VIRTUE of a decree heretofore granted in the case of: Wells Fargo Bank, N.A. vs. Eric McClam; The United States of America by and through its agency the Secretary of Housing and Urban Development, C/A No. 2015CP4300378, The following property will be sold on June 4, 2018, at 12:00 Noon at the Sumter County Courthouse to the highest bidder

All that certain piece, parcel or lot of land, with any improvements thereon, lying, being and situate in the City and County of Sumter, State of South Carolina, being shown and designated as Lot No. 46, "Dabbs Subdivision," on a plat prepared by John M. Mahon, RLS, dated December 12, 1956, and recorded in the Office of the Register of Deeds for Sumter County in Plat Book Z-14, Page 44. Pursuant to Section 30-5-250 of the Code of Laws of South Carolina, reference to said plat is hereby craved for the particulars as to the metes, courses, distances, shapes, measurements and boundaries of said lot. This property is more commonly known as 916 Holly Street, Sumter, SC and is shown on the Sumter County Assessor's tax maps as parcel number 156-07-02-009. Derivation: Book 1005, Page 1508

916 Holly Dr. Sumter, SC 29154-1426

This includes a 2006, Fleetwood mobile home with VIN# GAFL535AB90923-5C11.

The property herein described includes the right, title and interest of the defendant(s) Eric McClam in, of and to any mobile home, currently situated thereon. The interest(s), if any, of said defendant(s) in the mobile home will be transferred to the successful purchaser "AS IS" WITH NO WARRANTIES OF TITLE, MERCHANTABILITY, OR FITNESS FOR ANY PARTICULAR PURPOSE or otherwise by a non-warranty deed (AND NOT BY A CERTIFICATE OF TITLE).

156-07-02-009

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 4.625% per annum. For complete terms of sale, see Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale filed with the Sumter County Clerk of Court at C/A #2015CP4300378.

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.

Howard P. King Master In Equity for Sumter County

John J. Hearn Attorney for Plaintiff P.O. Box 100200 Columbia, SC 29202-3200 (803) 744-4444 013263-06413 Website: www.rtt-law.com (see link to Resources/Foreclosure Sales)

NOTICE OF SALE 2017-CP-43-01775 BY VIRTUE of a decree heretofore granted in the case of: Nationstar Mortgage LLC d/b/a Mr. Cooper against Winifred V. Perry-Baker aka Winifred Perry-Baker and The South Carolina Department of Revenue, I, the undersigned Master in Equity for Sumter County, will sell on June 4, 2018, at 12:00 p.m. at the Sumter County Courthouse in Sumter, South Carolina, to the highest bidder, the following described property, to-wit: All that certain piece, parcel and lot of land with the improvements thereon, situate, lying and being in the County of Sumter, State of South Carolina, identified as Lot No. 57 of Pepperidge Subdivision and being more fully represented on Plat of Michael C. Turbeville dated August 24, 1993, recorded in the Sumter County Register of Deeds Office in Plat Book PB93 at Page 1543. Reference is also made to more recent plat prepared for Mary B. Chambers by Wilson Land Surveying Inc., dated August 27, 1997 and recorded September 4, 1997 in Plat Book PB97 at Page 1064. 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 of said measurements, a little more or a little less, and according to said plat. Being the same property conveyed to Winifred V. Perry-Baker by deed of Darlene Staton, dated November 20, 2006 and recorded November 27, 2006 in Deed Book

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.

Howard P. King Master In Equity for Sumter County

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1054 at Page 1483. TMS No. 226-10-03-003 Property Address: 670 Bennington Drive, 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 per cent (5%) of said 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 noncompliance. Should the successful 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, then the Master in Equity may resell the property on the same terms and conditions (at the risk of the said defaulting bidder). Should the Plaintiff, or one of its representatives, fail to be present at the time of sale, the property is automatically withdrawn from said sale and sold at the next available sales day upon the terms and conditions as set forth in the Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale or any Supplemental Order. The successful bidder will be required to pay for documentary stamps on the Deed and interest on the balance of the bid from the date of sale to the date of compliance with the bid at the rate of 4.0000%. THIS SALE IS SUBJECT TO ASSESSMENTS, COUNTY TAXES, EXISTING EASEMENTS, EASEMENTS AND RESTRICTIONS OF RECORD, AND OTHER SENIOR ENCUMBRANCES. 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. 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 well before the foreclosure sale date. Honorable Howard P. King Master in Equity Sumter County Riley Pope & Laney, LLC Post Office Box 11412 Columbia, SC 29211 (803) 799-9993 Attorneys for Plaintiff

NOTICE OF SALE

BY VIRTUE of a decree heretofore granted in the case of: Wells Fargo Bank, N.A. vs. Constance C. Lane; Wells Fargo Bank, N.A. (Charlotte, NC); C/A No. 2017CP4301649, The following property will be sold on June 4, 2018, 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 dwelling and improvements thereon, lying and being situate in the City and County of Sumter, State of South Carolina, being shown and delineated as Lot No. 6 in Block "C" on that plat prepared by Ben J. Makela, RLS, dated January 8, 2002 and recorded in Plat Book 2002 at page 13 in the records of the Register of Deeds Office for Sumter County. Said Lot No. 6 consists of 0.33 acres, more or less, being bounded and measuring as follows: On the NORTH by Lot No. 8, and measuring thereon 189.68 feet; on the EAST by North Magnolia Street, and fronting thereon 80.11 feet; on the SOUTH by lands now or formerly on Ron McKnight, whereon it measures 68.96 feet, by lands now or formerly of Willie Mae S. Dickerson, whereon it measures 60.26 feet, and Lot No. 3, whereon it measures 59.9 feet; and on the WEST by Lot No. 5 and a portion of Lot No. 7, and measuring thereon an aggregate distance of 70.02 feet. Be all said measurements a little more or a little less and according to aforesaid plat. This is the property known as 404 N. Magnolia Street, Sumter, SC. Derivation: Book 921 at Page 1636

404 N Magnolia St, Sumter, SC 29150 249-08-02-002

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 5.74% per annum. For complete terms of sale, see Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale filed with the Sumter County Clerk of Court at C/A #2017CP4301649.

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.

Howard P. King Master In Equity for Sumter County

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John J. Hearn Attorney for Plaintiff P.O. Box 100200 Columbia, SC 29202-3200 (803) 744-4444 013263-10107 Website: www.rtt-law.com (see link to Resources /Foreclosure Sales)

NOTICE OF SALE CIVIL ACTION NO. 2017-CP-43-02286

BY VIRTUE of the decree heretofore granted in the case of: The Bank of New York Mellon Trust Company, N.A., as successor-in-interest to all permitted successors and assigns of JPMorgan Chase Bank, as Trustee, for certificateholders of Truman Capital Mortgage Loan Trust 2004-1 Asset Backed Certificates, Series 2004-1 vs. Ethelle G. Wilson; Ford Motor Credit Company LLC, the undersigned Master In Equity for Sumter County, South Carolina, will sell on June 4, 2018 at 12:00PM, at the Sumter County Courthouse, City of Sumter, State of South Carolina, to the highest bidder:

THE LAND REFERRED TO IN THIS COMMITMENT IS DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS:

THOSE TWO LOTS OF LAND WITH THE IMPROVEMENTS THEREON, IN SUMTER COUNTY, SOUTH CAROLINA, DESIGNATED AS LOTS 411 AND 412 ON A PLAT BY THOMAS D. BROHUN, C.E. DATED MAY 1952 AND RECORDED IN THE OFFICE OF THE RMC FOR SUMTER COUNTY IN PLAT BOOK Z-10 AT PAGE 147. SAID PARCEL OF LAND HAVING SUCH SHAPE, METES, BOUNDS AND MEASUREMENTS AS SHOWN ON SAID PLAT.

THIS BEING THE SAME PROPERTY CONVEYED TO ETHELLE G. WILSON BY DEED OF E.H. MOSES, JR. AND D.M. MOSES, INDIVIDUALLY AND AS EXECUTORS OF THE LAST WILL AND TESTAMENT OF E.H. MOSES, DECEASED DATED FEBRUARY 11, 1969 AND RECORDED FEBRUARY 14, 1969 IN BOOK P-9 AT PAGE 395 IN THE RECORDS FOR SUMTER COUNTY, SOUTH CAROLINA. THEREAFTER, ETHELLE G. WILSON CONVEYED HER INTEREST IN THE SUBJECT PROPERTY TO CALVIN HASTIE BY DEED DATED MARCH 8, 1988 AND RECORDED MARCH 8, 1988 IN BOOK 466 AT PAGE 74 IN THE RECORDS FOR SUMTER COUNTY, SOUTH CAROLINA. THEREAFTER, CALVIN HASTIE CONVEYED HIS INTEREST IN THE SUBJECT PROPERTY TO ETHELLE G. WILSON BY DEED DATED FEBRUARY 28, 1990 AND RECORDED FEBRUARY 28, 1990 IN BOOK 502 AT PAGE 853 IN THE RECORDS FOR SUMTER COUNTY, SOUTH CAROLINA.

CURRENT ADDRESS OF PROPERTY: 239 Brent Street, Sumter, SC 29150 TMS: 251-02-03-065

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 4.5% 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 Howard P. King Master In Equity for Sumter County

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NOTICE OF SALE 2016-CP-43-01659 BY VIRTUE of a decree heretofore granted in the case of: Carrington Mortgage Services, LLC against Jeffrey D. Kelling; Phyllis N. Kelling; Household Finance Corporation II, I, the undersigned Master in Equity for Sumter County, will sell on June 4, 2018, at 12:00 p.m. at the Sumter County Courthouse in Sumter, South Carolina, to the highest bidder, the following described property, to-wit: All that certain piece, parcel, or lot of land, together with the dwelling and improvements thereon, lying and being situate in the City and County of Sumter, State of South Carolina, being shown and delineated as Lot No. 19 of Burns-Downs Subdivision on that plat prepared by Palmer & Malone, Civil Engineers, dated December 15, 1950 and recorded in Plat Book Z-10 at Page 28 in the records of the Register of Deeds Office for Sumter County. 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 made in lieu of metes and bounds as permitted by law under§ 30-5-250 of The Code of Laws of South Carolina (1976), as amended. This is the property known as 107 Alice Drive, Sumter, SC. This being the identical property conveyed to Jeffrey D. Kelling and Phyllis N. Kelling by that deed of Robbie Hodge and Paige Hodge dated February 16, 2007 and recorded February 26, 2007 in Deed Book 1066 at page 1444, aforesaid records. TMS No. 205-05-03-066 Property Address: 107 Alice 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 per cent (5%) of said 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 noncompliance. Should the successful 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, then the Master in Equity may resell the property on the same terms and conditions (at the risk of the said defaulting bidder). Should the Plaintiff, or one of its representatives, fail to be present at the time of sale, the property is automatically withdrawn from said sale and sold at the next available sales day upon the terms and conditions as set forth in the Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale or any Supplemental Order. The successful bidder will be required to pay for documentary stamps on the Deed and interest on the balance of the bid from the date of sale to the date of compliance with the bid at the rate of 6.1250%. THIS SALE IS SUBJECT TO ASSESSMENTS, COUNTY TAXES, EXISTING EASEMENTS, EASEMENTS AND RESTRICTIONS OF RECORD, AND OTHER SENIOR ENCUMBRANCES. 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. 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 well before the foreclosure sale date. Honorable Howard P. King Master in Equity Sumter County Riley Pope & Laney, LLC Post Office Box 11412 Columbia, SC 29211 (803) 799-9993 Attorneys for Plaintiff

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MASTER IN EQUITY'S SALE CASE NO. 2017-CP-43-02107

BY VIRTUE of a decree heretofore granted in the case of Trustmark National Bank against Regina H. Giles et al., I, the Master in Equity for Sumter County, will sell on Monday, June 4, 2018, 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, together with the improvements thereon, if any, situate, lying, and being in the Township and County of Sumter, State of South Carolina, being shown and designated as Lot #16 of Sellars Heights Subdivision, as shown on that certain plat prepared by D.D. Edmunds, RLS, dated January 22, 1990, and recorded in the Office of the Register of Deeds for Sumter County in Plat Book 90 at Page 180, 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. This is the property known as: 2740 Bonnell Drive, Sumter, South Carolina 29154.

This being the same property conveyed to Regina H. Giles by deed of Janice B. Jackson dated April 25, 2003 and recorded April 28, 2003 in the Office of the Register of Deeds for Sumter County, South Carolina in Book 886 at Page 482.

TMS#: 205-09-01-0016

Property Address: 2740 Bonnell Drive Sumter, South Carolina 29154

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 5.875% per annum. The sale shall be subject to assessments, Sumter County taxes, easements, easements and restrictions of record, and other senior encumbrances.

Benjamin E. Grimsley S.C. Bar No. 70335 Attorney for the Plaintiff P.O. Box 11682 Columbia, S.C. 29211 (803) 233-1177

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NOTICE OF SALE CIVIL ACTION NO. 2017-CP-43-02354

BY VIRTUE of the decree heretofore granted in the case of: U.S. Bank National Association vs. Roy A. Smith, Jr.; Brenda L. Smith, the undersigned Master In Equity for Sumter County, South Carolina, will sell on June 4, 2018 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 IMPROVEMENTS THEREON, SITUATE, LYING AND BEING IN THE TOWNSHIP AND COUNTY OF SUMTER, STATE OF CAROLINA, BEING SHOWN AND DESIGNATED AS LOT 108, SECTION 5 OF SUNWAY KNOLLS SUBDIVISION, AS SHOWN ON THAT CERTAIN PLAT PREPARED BY H.S. WILLSON, RLS, DATED NOVEMBER 17, 1972, RECORDED IN THE OFFICE OF THE REGISTER OF DEEDS FOR SUMTER COUNTY IN PLAT BOOK Z35 AT PAGE 186 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 CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, (1976, AS AMENDED). THIS PROPERTY IS KNOWN AS 820 BAY BLOSSOM AND IS SHOWN ON THE AUDITOR'S MAP OF SUMTER COUNTY AS TAX PARCEL 204-11-01-028.

THIS BEING THE SAME PROPERTY CONVEYED TO ROY A. SMITH, JR. AND BRENDA L. SMITH, AS JOINT TENANTS WITH RIGHTS OF SURVIVORSHIP, BY DEED OF DELORES R. SCOGGINS DATED AUGUST 29, 2002 AND RECORDED OCTOBER 17, 2002 IN BOOK 860 AT PAGE 1678 IN THE RECORDS FOR SUMTER COUNTY, SOUTH CAROLINA.

CURRENT ADDRESS OF PROPERTY: 820 Bay Blossom Avenue, Sumter, SC 29150 TMS: 204-11-01-028

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 6.5% 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

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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 Howard P. King**  
Master In Equity  
for Sumter County

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**NOTICE OF SALE  
Case No.  
2017-CP-43-01652**

BY VIRTUE of that certain Decree of the Court of Common Pleas for Sumter County, South Carolina, heretofore granted in the case of **SAFE Federal Credit Union vs. Claude Hendrix** and Ella M. Hendrix, I, the undersigned Master-in-Equity for Sumter County, South Carolina or my agent, will sell on **June 4, 2018, at 12:00 Noon**, at the Sumter County Judicial Center, 215 North Harvin Street, Sumter, South Carolina, to the highest bidder, the following described property:

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, shown as Lots 95 and 96 on plat prepared for Wilson Park Subdivision, recorded in the Office of the Register of Deeds for Sumter County in Plat Book Z-12 at Pages 82 and 83. 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 222 and 226 Lee Street, Sumter, South Carolina and is shown on the Auditors map of Sumter County as Tax Parcels 248-10-03-014 and 248-10-03-015.

**DERIVATION:** This being the identical property conveyed unto Claude Hendrix and Ella M. Hendrix by deed of Claude Hendrix dated October 10, 2012 and recorded in the Office of the Register of Deeds for Sumter County in Book 1178 at page 551 on October 18, 2012.

**TMS No.: 248-10-03-014  
ADDRESS:  
222 Lee Street,  
Sumter, South Carolina**

**TERMS OF SALE:** The successful bidder, other than Plaintiff, will deposit with the Master-in-Equity or his agent, at the conclusion of the bidding, five (5%) percent of the 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 noncompliance. Should the last and highest bidder fail or refuse to make the required deposit at the time of the bid or comply with the other terms of the bid within twenty (20) days, then the Master-in-Equity or his agent may resell the property on the same terms and conditions on some subsequent sales day at the risk of the said highest bidder.

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

Purchaser to pay for the preparation of the Deed, documentary stamps on the Deed, recording of the Deed, and interest on the amount of the bid from date of sale to date of compliance with the bid at the contract rate of interest.

Attention is drawn to the Court Order on file with the Clerk of Court for Sumter County. The terms and conditions of the actual Court Order, to the extent of any inconsistencies, control over any terms or conditions contained in the Notice of Sale.

As a deficiency judgment is being demanded, the bidding will remain open for thirty (30) days after the date of sale as provided by law. **THE PLAINTIFF RESERVES THE RIGHT TO WAIVE THE DEFICIENCY UP TO AND INCLUDING THE DATE OF SALE.**

If Plaintiff or its representative does not appear at the scheduled sale of the above-described property, 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.

**The Honorable Howard P. King**  
Master-In-Equity  
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Sumter, South Carolina

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**MASTER IN  
EQUITY'S SALE  
CASE NO.  
2017-CP-43-02371**

BY VIRTUE of a decree heretofore granted in the case of **South Carolina State Housing Finance and Development Authority** against **Matthew M. Welch, I**, the Master in Equity for Sumter County, will sell on **Monday, June 4, 2018, 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 Township of Providence, County of Sumter and State of South Carolina, being shown on that certain plat prepared for Watts, Inc., by Lindler Land Surveying, LLC, dated January 29, 1999, and recorded in the Office of the Register of Deeds for Sumter County in Plat Book PP2003, Page 2. 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 4470 Maxie Street, Dalzell, South Carolina and is represented by Sumter County Tax Parcel No.: 151-14-02-012.

This being the same property conveyed to Matthew M. Welch by deed of Fawn Bell Hughes dated May 12, 2016 and recorded May 12, 2016 in the Office of the Register of Deeds for Sumter County, South Carolina in Book 1221 at Page 3748.

**TMS#: 151-14-02-012  
Property Address:  
4470 Maxie Street  
Dalzell, South Carolina 29040**

**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

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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.

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**NOTICE OF SALE 2017-CP-43-01193** BY VIRTUE of a decree heretofore granted in the case of: Ditech Financial LLC against Donald Allen, I, the undersigned Master in Equity for Sumter County, will sell on June 4, 2018, at 12:00 p.m. at the Sumter County Courthouse in Sumter, South Carolina, to the highest bidder, the following described property, to-wit: 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 Lots 68 & 69, as shown on that certain plat of Palmer & Maline, CE, dated 03/24/27 and recorded in the Office of the ROD for Sumter County in Plat Book Z-7 at Page 137. 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 SC, 1976. This property is more generally known as 428 Wilkie Street. Being the same property conveyed unto Donald Allen by deed from Edward Wayne Thompson and Sandra F. Thompson dated July 19, 2007 and recorded August 7, 2007 in Deed Book 1089 at Page 1504 in the ROD Office for Sumter County, South Carolina. TMS No. 250-11-03-058 Property Address: 428 Wilkie Street, Sumter, SC 29153 **TERMS OF SALE:** The successful bidder, other than the plaintiff, will deposit with the Master in Equity at conclusion of the bidding, five per cent (5%) of said 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 noncompliance. Should the successful 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, then the Master in Equity may resell the property on the same terms and conditions (at the risk of the said defaulting bidder). Should the Plaintiff, or one of its representatives, fail to be present at the time of sale, the property is automatically withdrawn from said sale and sold at the next available sales day upon the terms and conditions as set forth in the Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale or any Supplemental Order. The successful bidder will be required to pay for documentary stamps on the Deed and interest on the balance of the bid from the date of sale to the date of compliance with the bid at the rate of 4.0000%. **THIS SALE IS SUBJECT TO ASSESSMENTS, COUNTY TAXES, EXISTING EASEMENTS, EASEMENTS AND RESTRICTIONS OF RECORD, AND OTHER SENIOR ENCUMBRANCES.** 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. **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 well before the foreclosure sale date.

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 8.375% per annum.

**Howard P. King,**  
Acting Master in Equity  
for Sumter County

**Theodore von Keller, Esquire**  
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Esquire  
Sara Hutchins  
Columbia, South Carolina  
Attorney for Plaintiff

**NOTICE OF SALE  
CIVIL ACTION  
NO. 2016-CP-43-00418**

BY VIRTUE of the decree heretofore granted in the case of: **Wells Fargo Bank, N.A. vs. Joshua M. Dunn;** Kristyn N. Dunn, the undersigned Master In Equity for Sumter County, South Carolina, will sell on **June 4, 2018 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 PROVIDENCE, COUNTY OF SUMTER, STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA, BEING SHOWN AND DESIGNATED AS LOT NO. 29, BOYKIN ESTATES SUBDIVISION, PHASE 1, AS SHOWN ON THAT CERTAIN PLAT PREPARED BY LOUIS W. TISDALE, RLS, DATED FEBRUARY 10, 2003, REVISED APRIL 2, 2003, AND RECORDED IN THE OFFICE OF THE REGISTER OF DEEDS FOR SUMTER COUNTY IN PLAT BOOK 2003 AT PAGE 200, 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.**

**THIS IS THE IDENTICAL PROPERTY CONVEYED TO JOSHUA M. DUNN AND KRISTYN N. DUNN BY DEED OF JEFFREY S. BRIDGES AND BETSY C. BRIDGES DATED APRIL 13, 2007 AND RECORDED IN THE OFFICE OF THE REGISTER OF DEEDS FOR SUMTER COUNTY IN BOOK 1073 AT PAGE 1324 ON APRIL 13, 2007**

**CURRENT ADDRESS  
OF PROPERTY:  
3345 Sheila Circle,  
Dalzell, SC 29040  
TMS: 1511301060**

**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 4% 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.

This being the same property conveyed to Santee Lynches Community Development Corporation by deed of Dalzell Developers dated March 24, 2000 and recorded on April 7, 2000 in Plat Book 2000 at Page 241 in the Office of the RMC for Sumter County. 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, Code of Laws of South Carolina, 1976, as amended.

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**Community Development Corporation** conveyed its remaining one-half undivided interest in the subject property to **Brett L. Carter** by deed dated September 8, 2000 and recorded on September 11, 2000 in Book 781 at Page 1677 in the Office of the Sumter County Register of Deeds.

**TMS #: 189-04-01-070**

**SUBJECT TO SUMTER COUNTY TAXES**

**TERMS OF SALE:** The successful bidder, other than the Plaintiff, will deposit with the Master In Equity at conclusion of the bidding, five (5%) of his bid, in cash or equivalent, as evidence of good faith, the 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 noncompliance. Should the last and highest bidder fail or refuse to make the required deposit at the time of the 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 former highest bidder).

Should the Plaintiff, or one of its representatives, fail to be present at the time of sale, the property is automatically withdrawn from said sale and sold at the next available sales day upon the terms and conditions as set forth in the Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale or any Supplemental Order.

A personal or deficiency judgment having been demanded by the Plaintiff, the sale of the subject property will remain open for thirty (30) days pursuant to Section 15-39-720, Code of Laws of South Carolina, 1976; provided, however, that the Court recognizes the option reserved by the Plaintiff to waive such deficiency judgment prior to the sale, and notice is given that the Plaintiff may waive in writing the deficiency judgment prior to the sale; and that should the Plaintiff elect to waive a deficiency judgment, without notice other than the announcement at the sale and notice in writing to the debtor defendant(s) that a deficiency judgment has been waived and that the sale will be final, the bidding will not remain open after the date of sale, but compliance with the bid may be made immediately.

**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 well before the foreclosure sale date.

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 8.375% per annum.

**Howard P. King,**  
Acting Master in Equity  
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**NOTICE OF SALE 2016-CP-43-00335**

BY VIRTUE of a decree heretofore granted in the case of **New Penn Financial, LLC d/b/a Shellpoint Mortgage Servicing** against The Personal Representative, if any, whose name is unknown, of the Estate of **James Phillips; Betty Phillips aka Betty J. Phillips, Tammie Huggins, Tabitha Amos, Faith Ladson, and any other Heirs-at-Law or Devises of James Phillips, Deceased, their heirs, Personal Representatives, Administrators, Successors and Assigns, and all other persons entitled to claim through them; all unknown persons with any right, title or interest in the real estate described herein; also any persons who may be in the military service of the United States of America, being a class designated as John Doe; and any unknown minors or persons under a disability being a class designated as Richard Roe and ISPC, I, the undersigned Master in Equity for Sumter County, will sell on **June 4, 2018, at 12:00 p.m.** at the Sumter County Courthouse in Sumter, South Carolina, to the highest bidder, the following described property, to-wit: All that lot of land, situate, in the City and County of Sumter, and State of South Carolina, designated as Lot #28 on a plat of Burr Dale Subdivision by Palmer & Malone, C.E.s, dated July 17, 1950, and of record in the Office of the C.C.C.P. for Sumter County in Plat Book Z-9 at page 118, being bounded as follows: North by Ashley Avenue, measuring thereon 90 feet East by Lot #26 on said plat measuring thereon 166.6 feet; South by Lot #29 on said plat, measuring thereon 83.9 feet; and West by Lot #30 on said plat, and measuring thereon 165.95 feet. Being the same property conveyed unto James Phillips by deed from Virginia J. Mims dated October 31, 2003 and recorded November 12, 2003 in Deed Book 915 at Page 1989 in the ROD Office for Sumter County, South Carolina. Thereafter, James Phillips died on February 18, 2015, as is more fully preserved in the Probate Records for Sumter County, in Case No.: 2015ES4300462; leaving his interest in the subject property to his heirs at law or devisees, namely, Betty Phillips aka Betty J. Phillips, Tammie Huggins, Tabitha Amos and Faith Ladson. TMS No. 2051302054 Property Address: 20 Ashley Street, 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 per cent (5%) of said 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 noncompliance. Should the successful 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, then the Master in Equity may resell the property on the same terms and conditions (at the risk of the said defaulting bidder). Should the Plaintiff, or one of its representatives, fail to be present at the time of sale, the property is automatically withdrawn from said sale and sold at the next available sales day upon the terms and conditions as set forth in the Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale or any Supplemental Order. The successful bidder will be required to pay for documentary stamps on the Deed and interest on the balance of the bid from the date of sale to the date of compliance with the bid at the rate of 7.7500%. **THIS SALE IS SUBJECT TO ASSESSMENTS, COUNTY TAXES, EXISTING EASEMENTS, EASEMENTS AND RESTRICTIONS OF RECORD, AND OTHER SENIOR ENCUMBRANCES.** 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. **NOTICE:** The foreclosure deed is not a**

**DERIVATION:** This being the identical property conveyed to William N. Manning, Jr. and Charlie Neil Manning by deed of O.D. Hester, dated April 3, 1967, and recorded April 5, 1967 in Book M-9 at Page 1174.

**TMS NO.: 155-15-01-003  
ADDRESS:  
1206 Furman Drive,  
Sumter, South Carolina**

**TERMS OF SALE:** The successful bidder, other than Plaintiff, will deposit with the Master-In-Equity or his agent, at the conclusion of the bidding, five (5%) percent of the 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 noncompliance. Should the last and highest bidder fail or refuse to make the required deposit at the time of the bid or comply with the other terms of the bid within twenty (20) days, then the Master-In-Equity or his agent may resell the property on the same terms and conditions on some subsequent sales day at the risk of the said highest bidder.

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

Purchaser to pay for the preparation of the Deed, documentary stamps on the Deed, recording of the Deed, and interest on the amount of the bid from date of sale to date of compliance with the bid at the contract rate of interest.

Attention is drawn to the Court Order on file with the Clerk of Court for Sumter County. The terms and conditions of the actual Court Order, to the extent of any inconsistencies, control over any terms or conditions contained in the Notice of Sale.

As a deficiency judgment is being demanded, the bidding will remain open for thirty (30) days after the date of sale as provided by law. **PLAINTIFF RESERVES THE RIGHT TO WAIVE THE DEFICIENCY UP TO AND**

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warranty deed. Interested bidders should satisfy themselves as to the quality of title to be conveyed by obtaining an independent title search well before the foreclosure sale date. **Honorable Howard P. King** Master in Equity Sumter County, South Carolina, heretofore granted in the case of **SAFE Federal Credit Union vs. William Nathan Manning, Jr. (deceased), et al., I**, the undersigned Master-In-Equity for Sumter County, South Carolina or my agent, will sell on **June 4, 2018, at 12:00 Noon**, at the Sumter County Judicial Center, 215 North Harvin Street, Sumter, South Carolina, to the highest bidder, the following described property:

**NOTICE OF SALE  
Case No.  
2017-CP-43-00876**

BY VIRTUE of that certain Decree of the Court of Common Pleas for Sumter County, South Carolina, heretofore granted in the case of **SAFE Federal Credit Union vs. William Nathan Manning, Jr. (deceased), et al., I**, the undersigned Master-In-Equity for Sumter County, South Carolina or my agent, will sell on **June 4, 2018, at 12:00 Noon**, at the Sumter County Judicial Center, 215 North Harvin Street, Sumter, South Carolina, to the highest bidder, the following described property:

All that certain piece, parcel, or lot of land, with the improvements thereon, situate in Statesburg Township, Sumter County, State of South Carolina, being shown and designated as Lot #1A on plat by John Mixon, R.L.S., dated April 25, 1957, recorded in the Office of the Clerk of Court for Sumter County in Plat Book Z-14 at Page 94, but more specifically shown on a plat made by John Mahon, R.L.S., dated December 11, 1956, recorded in the aforesaid office in Plat Book Z-14 at Page 44. Said Lot #1A as approximately but not specifically shown on said plat, being measured and bounded as follows: On the North by Lot #1 and measuring thereon 200 feet; on the East by Furman Drive and measuring thereon 75 feet and along the tangent thereon 25 feet; on the South by a 50 foot unnamed street and measuring thereon 175 feet and along the tangent thereon 25 feet; and on the West by lands now or formerly of Houston and measuring thereon 100 feet. This being the property known as 1206 Furman Drive, Sumter, SC. Tax Map No. 155-15-01-003.

**DERIVATION:** This being the identical property conveyed to William N. Manning, Jr. and Charlie Neil Manning by deed of O.D. Hester, dated April 3, 1967, and recorded April 5, 1967 in Book M-9 at Page 1174.

**TMS NO.: 155-15-01-003  
ADDRESS:  
1206 Furman Drive,  
Sumter, South Carolina**

**TERMS OF SALE:** The successful bidder, other than Plaintiff, will deposit with the Master-In-Equity or his agent, at the conclusion of the bidding, five (5%) percent of the 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 noncompliance. Should the last and highest bidder fail or refuse to make the required deposit at the time of the bid or comply with the other terms of the bid within twenty (20) days, then the Master-In-Equity or his agent may resell the property on the same terms and conditions on some subsequent sales day at the risk of the said highest bidder.

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

Purchaser to pay for the preparation of the Deed, documentary stamps on the Deed, recording of the Deed, and interest on the amount of the bid from date of sale to date of compliance with the bid at the contract rate of interest.

Attention is drawn to the Court Order on file with the Clerk of Court for Sumter County. The terms and conditions of the actual Court Order, to the extent of any inconsistencies, control over any terms or conditions contained in the Notice of Sale.

As a deficiency judgment is being demanded, the bidding will remain open for thirty (30) days after the date of sale as provided by law. **PLAINTIFF RESERVES THE RIGHT TO WAIVE THE DEFICIENCY UP TO AND**

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INCLUDING THE DATE OF SALE.

If Plaintiff or its representative does not appear at the scheduled sale of the above-described property, 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.

**The Honorable Howard P. King**  
Master-In-Equity  
for Sumter County  
Sumter, South Carolina

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## Farmers abandon field as income takes a dive

From lousy weather to exporting issues, the backbone of America's dinner table is being twisted and squeezed. **In Money**

### IN BRIEF

#### Senate confirms Gina Haspel as first woman to head CIA

The Senate voted Thursday to confirm veteran CIA official Gina Haspel as the first female director in the 71-year history of the agency.

Senators voted 54-45 to confirm Haspel, who has served 33 years at the CIA. Six Democrats voted for her, and two Republicans voted against her. Sen. John McCain, R-Ariz., who opposed Haspel, is being treated for brain cancer and was absent.

#### Trump donates his first-quarter salary to Veterans Affairs

President Trump is donating his first-quarter salary to the Department of Veterans Affairs, as his search continues for a nominee to lead the agency. Press secretary Sarah Sanders presented a check from the president to acting VA Secretary Robert Wilkie. Trump has pledged to return his entire salary to the federal government.

#### Senate stops effort by Rand Paul to force debate on budget

The Senate on Thursday swatted away an attempt by Sen. Rand Paul to force a debate on sweeping budget cuts and on federal deficits that are growing despite a strong economy.

After last year's tax cuts and a two-year agreement on agency budget levels, Republicans controlling Congress aren't trying to pass a budget blueprint this year. Paul, R-Ky., offered a budget with a draconian \$13 trillion worth of cuts over the coming decade. The Senate voted 76-21 to reject Paul's effort.

#### School bus collides with truck in N.J., killing 2, injuring dozens

A school bus taking children on a field trip to a New Jersey historic site collided with a dump truck Thursday, ripping the bus apart and killing a teacher and student, officials said.

Some of the victims crawled out of the emergency exit in the back of the bus and an escape hatch on the roof. More than 40 people were taken to area hospitals.

#### 'Major game changer': Ebola spreads to Congo city Mbandaka

Congo's Ebola outbreak has spread to a crossroads city of more than 1 million people. "This is a major, major game-changer," Peter Salama, a World Health Organization emergency response official, warned Thursday. One case of Ebola was confirmed in Mbandaka, a provincial capital.

#### Syrian leader Assad travels to Russia to meet with Putin

The Kremlin says Syrian President Bashar Assad has met with President Vladimir Putin at his summer residence in Sochi.

A transcript of Thursday's meeting released by the Kremlin quoted Assad as saying that Syria is making progress in fighting "terrorism," which "opens the door to the political process."

From staff and wire reports



The big day is almost here: Britain's Prince Harry and U.S.-born Meghan Markle will be married Saturday in Windsor, England. KARWAI TANG/WIREIMAGE

## First comes love, then marriage, but what's next?

Wedding of Harry, Meghan a prelude to royal duties

Maria Puente and Andrea Mandell  
USA TODAY

When Prince Harry and Meghan Markle tie the knot Saturday, the world will be watching.

And there will be questions. Oh, so many questions.

Where will they live, and what will their new jobs be in the royal firm? How long will it take for Duchess Meghan to become a British citizen, not to mention accustom herself to driving on the other side of the road? Will she be able to stay above politics, as is the royal rule?

And dare we hope to see more of this royal couple here in America?

"There are three legs of the stool for royals: Their official duties on behalf of the queen, their philanthropic activities and their family life," says Sally Bedell Smith, an American royal biographer. "For Harry, family life has always been the missing leg of the stool. Now they will have that."

Let's take a look at what might be in store for the new royal star couple:

#### Meet the new Fab Four

That's the new moniker for Will and Kate and Harry and Meghan, the leading members of their generation of royals. Smith says William and Harry have been a team since childhood, unlike their father and his siblings.

"Prince Charles and his (three sib-



Royal fans wait to watch a rehearsal of the royal wedding in Windsor, England, on Thursday, two days before the real one. FRANK AUGSTEIN/AP

"For Harry, family life has always been the missing leg of the stool" when it comes to royal expectations.

Sally Bedell Smith  
Royal biographer

lings) always worked in separate silos, as it were, so when Kate joined the family, they became a trio, and now they'll be the Fab Four, as the tabloids call them," Smith says. "They are going to do a lot of things together."

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## Lobbyists with ties to Trump reaped millions

President decried special interests, but allies thriving

Fredreka Schouten  
USA TODAY

WASHINGTON — Lobbying firms managed by former campaign aides, fundraisers and others with ties to President Trump and Vice President Pence have collected at least \$28 million in federal lobbying fees since Trump assumed the presidency, a USA TODAY analysis found.

Leading the way: Ballard Partners, overseen by Brian Ballard, a veteran Florida lobbyist who raised money for Trump's campaign and inauguration.

Its leadership includes Susie Wiles, who ran Trump's winning 2016 campaign in Florida.

Although Trump campaigned on a pledge to "drain the swamp" of Washington special interests, his former political aides and other figures in his orbit are building larger profiles in the world of influence he criticized.

In all, registered lobbyists with ties to Trump and Pence have leadership roles in at least 10 firms in Washington, a USA TODAY review shows. Other federal lobbyists with growing client lists and ties to the administration include Pence's former chief of staff Bill Smith, whose clients include AT&T; Victor Smith, who served as Pence's commerce secretary in Indiana; and Barry Bennett, a former Trump campaign aide who built a firm with a roster of domestic and deep-pocketed international clients.

Their lobbying is legal, and a spending surge is common when a new president enters the White House.

Trump's personal attorney Michael Cohen faces scrutiny about the big sums his shell company, Essential Consultants, received from blue-chip firms for insights into the administration. Since Trump's election, Cohen has received more than \$2.3 million in payments from corporate clients, including \$600,000 from telecom giant AT&T and \$1.2 million from Swiss-based drugmaker Novartis.

Cohen, the target of a criminal investigation in New York about his business dealings, is not registered as a lobbyist and instead cast himself as a

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## Earth marks 400 warmer-than-usual months

Doyle Rice  
USA TODAY

It was December 1984, and President Reagan had just been elected to his second term, *Dynasty* was the top show on TV, and Madonna's *Like a Virgin* topped the musical charts.

It also was the last time the Earth had a cooler-than-average month.

Last month marked the planet's 400th consecutive month with above-average temperatures, federal scientists from the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration announced Thursday.

The cause for the streak is unquestionably climate change from humanity's burning of fossil fuels.

"We live in and share a world that is unequivocally, appreciably and consequentially warmer than just a few decades ago, and our world continues to warm," said NOAA climate scientist Deke Arndt. "Speeding by a '400' sign only underscores that, but it does not prove anything new."

Climate scientists use the 20th-century average as a benchmark for global temperature measurements because it's fixed in time, allowing for consistent "goal posts" when reviewing climate

data. It also is a sufficiently long period to include several cycles of climate variability.

"The thing that really matters is that, by whatever metric, we've spent every month for several decades on the warm side of any reasonable baseline," Arndt said.

NOAA's analysis found last month was the third-warmest April on record globally. The unusual heat was most noteworthy in Europe, which had its warmest April on record, and Australia, which had its second-warmest. Portions of Asia also experienced some extreme heat.

# Lobbyists

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consultant in reaching the closed-door deals.

White House officials did not respond to a request for comment Thursday about the lobbying activity.

Of Trump allies who went the lobbying route, Ballard has been among the most successful. His firm has pulled in nearly \$14 million in lobbying fees since it began its Washington operations in February 2017 and has represented more than 70 federal lobbying clients, including online retail giant Amazon, reports filed with Congress show.

Ballard Partners ranks as Washington's 11th-largest lobbying operation by revenue, according to the non-partisan Center for Responsive Politics, and boasts several Democrats on staff.

Ballard, who counted Trump among his longtime Florida lobbying clients, said his firm sells expertise, not access.

"I'm proud of our association with the administration," Ballard told USA

TODAY. "But we strive diligently to prove our worth based on merits, not on who did what during the campaign. That's in the past."

## Qatar flexes lobbying muscle

In addition to its growing roster of domestic clients, Ballard's firm attracts international attention.

Records maintained by an arm of the Justice Department that monitors foreign lobbying activity show Ballard's firm signed a one-year contract worth as much as \$2.1 million with the government of Qatar. Ballard said the work is focused mostly on potential Qatari investments in Florida.

Bennett, a former Trump campaign adviser who oversees a lobbying firm and global consultancy, earns even more from Qatar through a contract he signed last July as tensions between Qatar and its neighbors worsened.

Qatar waged an intense lobbying campaign to win over the Trump administration amid a regional dispute with Saudi Arabia, the United Arab Emirates and its other neighbors.

Federal records show Qatar agreed to pay Bennett's firm \$150,000 a month — or \$1.8 million over a year. The government boosted that to \$500,000 a month for a four-month period late last year, delivering \$2 million to Bennett's Avenue Strategies Global from September to December.

Bennett said he provides Qatar and its royal family with strategic advice about navigating the U.S. government.

Last June, Trump sided with Saudi Arabia and three other Gulf nations in their efforts to isolate Qatar. In tweets, Trump indicated that his push to end



President Trump praises Qatar as an ally against terrorism April 10 during a meeting with Emir Tamim bin Hamad Al Thani. MARK WILSON/GETTY IMAGES

the funding of "radical ideology" prompted the four-state embargo against Qatar.

Bennett said he was with Qatari officials when Trump's tweets landed.

"It freaked them out," he said. "It was a baptism. I just calmed them down and said, 'This is bark, not bite.'"

As Qatar's lobbying efforts intensified, Trump's views softened. Last month, he praised the country as a partner in the fight against terrorism during a meeting with leader Tamim bin Hamad Al Thani.

In an interview with USA TODAY, Bennett defended his work as a lobbyist, saying he is transparent about his activity — unlike Cohen, who made secret deals.

Under federal rules, people who make more than one contact with a federal official on behalf of a client and spent at least

20% of their time on lobbying in a three-month period are required to register as a lobbyist.

Neither Cohen nor attorney Steve Ryan responded to an interview request.

Last week, the Public Citizen watchdog group filed complaints against Cohen, arguing that he failed to register as a lobbyist.

Fred Wertheimer, who oversees the watchdog group Democracy 21, said the race to make money off Trump connections mirrors the president's decision to retain ownership of his real estate empire while serving in the White House. "When the tone is 'I'm going to make money off my administration,' how can I complain about anyone else doing it?"

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## Wedding

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### Royal philanthropists

The modern raison d'être for royals is to prove their worth through philanthropy and public service. In Markle, Harry has found the perfect mate for a life of humanitarian work; she was an active campaigner for good causes long before she met Harry in summer 2016. "She's walked the walk for years," says

Leslie Carroll, author of *American Princess: The Love Story of Meghan Markle and Prince Harry*. "She's built wells in Rwanda, she's been an ambassador for women, she went to India to advocate for separate bathrooms and sanitary pads for teen girls."

### When do babies arrive?

We know Harry, 33, is a baby whisperer who's good with kids, and they love him. There are countless pictures of him playing with children he has befriended through Sentebale, the African

charity he helped found. Yes, his bride will be 37 on Aug. 4, but pregnancy is certainly not out of the question.

### The 'American' royal couple

There's the X factor: How much time will they spend in the USA?

"This is pure guessing, but Harry loves America; he's had adventures here. So I wouldn't be surprised if they spend some amount of time in California," Smith says. "Her mother is there; her father is close; she has friends there. She's a California girl."

# Marine colonel in Va. accused of terrorizing priest, choir director

Accounts differ on latest cases of harassment problems at Quantico

**Tom Vanden Brook**  
USA TODAY

WASHINGTON — The commander of the Marines' famed base at Quantico, Va., stormed the altar after Catholic Mass in January at the base chapel and confronted the choir director with an "I will kill you face," according to interviews and documents obtained by USA TODAY.

The actions by Col. Joseph Murray on Jan. 14, 2018 — and another incident in October in which Murray sent Marine criminal investigators to interrogate a contract priest at his off-base home about a roster of parishioners — sparked internal investigations by the Marines. Choir director Marie DeSilva believes a remark she made about the priest that day touched off Murray's temper.

An inspector general's inquiry found merit in DeSilva's complaint that Murray had intimidated her when he confronted her in a rage but could not determine if he had broken the law.

The Marines also found "no probable cause supporting any misconduct" by Murray or the investigators in the case of Father Kieran Mandato, according to a Marine Corps spokesman.

The church flap joins a growing list of problems at Quantico, known as the "Crossroads of the Marine Corps," involving allegations of sexual harassment and a toxic work environment. The base is about 30 miles south of Washington.

DeSilva and Mandato, a retired Navy chaplain and former contract priest at Quantico, said in interviews that Murray's actions had terrified them. The incidents arose from disputes about payments to Mandato, a roster of parishioners he had at his home and perceived personal slights from the pulpit.

DeSilva said in her complaint to the inspector general: "While it may be appropriate for every Marine to have an 'I



**Marine Col. Joseph Murray**  
U.S. MARINE CORPS

will kill you face,' it is not appropriate to use that face on a 52-year-old female choir director in church.

"I feared for my life," Mandato said.

DeSilva believes comments she made after the sermon triggered Murray's outburst. She took offense at a reference by another priest she believed was aimed at her and others in a church group, branding their actions "un-Christian."

Instead of announcing the final hymn, DeSilva told the priest, "You shouldn't be calling people names during Mass."

### 'Crazy look in his eye'

Murray confronted DeSilva immediately after the service, charging the altar and demanding to speak with her. In a letter to Gen. Robert Neller, the Marine Corps Commandant, DeSilva wrote that Murray "gave me the 'knife hand' numerous times close to my face and chest."

She submitted her complaint about Murray on Jan. 16, according to the Marine Corps.

"A review was conducted, which found there was no indication of credible criminal misconduct" on Murray's part, said Rex Runyon, a Marine Corps

spokesman.

Mandato, the former Navy chaplain, said his relationship with Murray had soured over a dispute about payments for services he performed outside the scope of his contract. Mandato's last Mass at Quantico was Sept. 10, 2017. At the end of the service, Mandato told the congregation that Murray had not allowed him to compete for the new contract.

Around the same date, the Marine Corps received an allegation that Mandato had fraudulently acquired a roster of church members that contained personally identifiable information, according to Runyon. On Saturday, Sept. 9, 2017, Murray asked for legal advice about how to handle that complaint and referred the matter to the Marines Criminal Investigation Division, Runyon said.

### 'Almost broke down the door'

On Sept. 13, plainclothes officers arrived at the door of Mandato's home, off the base, according to the Marines and Mandato.

The Marine Corps and Mandato disagree about much of what happened next.

Mandato did not return a "professional and respectful" phone message from investigators, Runyon said. So the investigators showed up on his doorstep and knocked, and Mandato did not answer.

Mandato saw it differently. He said the officers called him 19 times and "almost broke down the door." Their visit, he said, was designed to intimidate him.

On Sept. 14, the criminal investigators obtained the roster and found it did not contain any sensitive information, Runyon said.

They closed the case without further action and cleared Murray and the investigators.

"No probable cause supporting any misconduct was found on the part of Col. Murray or the CID investigators," Runyon said.

# ICE agents arrest more non-criminal immigrants

**Alan Gomez**  
USA TODAY

Immigration agents allowed to go after any undocumented immigrant are arresting more people throughout the USA, an increase fueled by rounding up people without criminal records, according to federal data released Thursday.

Over the first full 14 months of the Trump administration, 69% of undocumented immigrants arrested by Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) agents had a criminal record. Over the final two years of the Obama administration, that number was 86%.

ICE agents have arrested an average of 4,143 undocumented immigrants without a criminal record each month under the Trump administration. In the final two years under President Obama, the agents averaged 1,703 a month.

Those numbers show the radical change in immigration enforcement implemented by President Trump, who issued new directives to ICE shortly after taking office in January 2017.

Previously, ICE agents were told to prioritize their efforts on undocumented immigrants with serious criminal histories.

Despite his campaign vow to go after "bad hombres," Trump instructed ICE to arrest any undocumented immigrant its agents encountered.

Corey Price, assistant director of enforcement for ICE, said that shift in approach has allowed his agents to drive up their arrest numbers, nabbing both convicted criminals and those who have violated immigration laws, "all of which are federal crimes."

Critics of the administration say rounding up undocumented immigrants who are working, contributing to their communities and staying out of trouble is not only a waste of federal resources but also part of a larger effort to demonize immigrants.

## NEWS

# Lava cleanup may be months away

Volcano blows more ash skyward in weary Hawaii

Trevor Hughes  
USA TODAY

PAHOA, Hawaii — Big Island residents whose homes have been destroyed and neighborhoods filled with lava face a long road to recovery that can't begin until the volcano cools off.

The lava leaking from Kilauea has forced the evacuation of nearly 2,000 people and destroyed at least 36 structures, including 26 homes in the rural Leilani Estates neighborhood area about 35 miles from Hilo, the island's largest city.

Two weeks after cracks began opening beneath the area, the lava shows no sign of stopping. Kilauea erupted again Thursday, blasting a plume of ash and debris 30,000 feet into the air and putting Big Island residents on further notice that a bigger blast could be percolating in the volatile crater.

Anxious residents eager to return to their homes in Leilani Estates, about 25 miles from the crater, have instead built a tent city at the community center's parking lots and playing fields.

Authorities allow them to check on their homes daily. They line up each morning and trickle back out in the evening.

There's no estimate for when the lava flows will slow or Kilauea will return to its normal low level of activity, but county officials are preparing for a months-long event.

"We've made a home away from home," said evacuee Dennis Gillespie, 58, as he lounged on a cot in the tent equipped with a propane fireplace, a big-screen TV and a generator for charging cellphones. "We accept where we are now, but we are looking forward to getting home."

No injuries from the slow-moving flows had been reported, but the lava's inexorable march across the area demonstrated just how powerless humans



Orlando Corpuz of the Hawaiian Air National Guard signals a sulfur dioxide reading of zero Wednesday in the Leilani Estates area. TREVOR HUGHES/USA TODAY

are when Mother Nature reshapes the landscape.

Recovery can begin only after the lava cools and hardens to a relatively soft basaltic rock.

Those who can afford it will hire contractors with heavy equipment to clear the hardened lava from their land after county officials clear the roads and replace dozens of power poles that burned.

How many roads will be cleared and repaired remains uncertain. In 1990, a similar lava flow engulfed the nearby town of Kalapana, destroying nearly 200 homes and covering the roads leading to them. Some residents of the area scratched bumpy tracks across the lava flow to reach their homes, but most never rebuilt. The area became a tourist destination where visitors can hike out to watch small lava outbreaks ooze across older flows.

In Leilani Estates, few of the homes are elaborate, although all are beloved. Most are single-story structures fitted with solar panels and rain-catching systems because there's no municipal wa-

ter supply in the area.

Tiny homes are popular, especially because clearing larger lots is such a backbreaking process: Aside from having to gouge out holes for septic systems, homeowners must battle back the jungle that closes in, fire ants in tow.

"I think they know and understand ... that Madame Pele decides who will be impacted," Gov. David Ige said, referring to the Hawaiian volcano goddess. "Obviously, it's very different when you actually have it happen."

Longtime resident Jeno Enocencio, 67, said people who live in the area choose to take that risk.

Many do because land is so cheap. A small lot can be purchased for \$8,000 if the owner will clear it and accept the risk of living on the side of an active volcano.

Because the community sits in a zone deemed by the U.S. Geological Survey to have a high risk of lava, few insurance companies will issue policies there. And those policies that are available cost thousands of dollars a year, a hefty cost many residents simply forgo. Ac-

ording to the Census Bureau, the median family income in Pahoa is about \$30,000 annually.

"They knew what they were getting into," Enocencio said, adding that at one point he had 15 evacuees staying at his home.

That's little consolation to the people who have lost their homes. County officials are trying to ease that burden by reminding them that houses destroyed by the lava won't be taxed, and there's a system for decreasing or eliminating taxes on homes no longer accessible by road.

That's Dana Donovan's big fear. While her land and house are paid off, and the lava so far has flown in a different direction, she worries the roads will be blocked for weeks.

In the heart of Leilani Estates, the lava has flowed over streets at depths up to 20 feet. In other areas, huge gullies and chasms have split roads painstakingly cut through the thick jungle.

Contractors with experience removing lava flows said it can take months for the lava to harden and cool enough to remove safely.

"I just planted flowers," Donovan said, throwing her arms into the air.

Like many evacuees who had time, Donovan emptied her home of valuables, including her solar system and backup batteries.

April Buxton has also removed most of her valuables, although she refuses to empty her house entirely. That, she said, would be inviting trouble from the Hawaiian volcano goddess Pele.

Buxton, who is semi-retired, said most of her money is sunk into the house.

She's used much of her savings to buy supplies to make the Pahoa tent city more comfortable for her and her neighbors, from the pop-up shelters to the food they prefer to what the Red Cross offers.

"I'm not giving up my house to Pele. In my mind, if I empty it, she'll take it," Buxton said. "And if it goes, I'll lose everything."

## Funds running out for critical VA program

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USA TODAY

WASHINGTON — More than a million veterans annually rely on a Department of Veterans Affairs program to get private-sector medical care at VA expense — a program set to run out of funding in two weeks, according to data provided to USA TODAY.

Populous states with large veteran populations, such as Texas, California, Florida and Arizona, notched the highest numbers of veterans who have used the Choice program since it was created in 2014 after veterans died waiting for medical care at the Phoenix VA hospital.

More rural or remote states, such as Alaska, Hawaii and Montana, showed higher percentages of their veterans relied on Choice, which allows them to get VA-funded care in the private sector if they have to wait longer than 30 days for a VA appointment or live more than 40 miles from a VA health care facility.

In all, 2 million veterans have used the program since its inception, including 550,000 this year.

The House passed legislation Wednesday that would make the program permanent and provide the necessary funding, and the Senate could take the measure up next week.

The bill drew opposition from Rep. Tim Walz, D-Minn., the highest-ranking Democrat on the House VA committee, who said it could undermine the VA by diverting money to the private sector. But more than 100 Democrats joined Republicans to pass the bill.

The legislation would combine the Choice program with six others that allow veterans to get private-sector medical care at government expense and task the VA with creating rules for obtaining outside care. It would create a commission to assess VA assets and make recommendations about which medical facilities are worth repairing, where new ones might be needed, and where others might be shuttered and private-sector care provided.

Montana Sen. Jon Tester, the highest-ranking Democrat on the Senate VA committee, said he supports the mea-

sure. So do more than two dozen veterans' groups, including the Veterans of Foreign Wars, Disabled American Veterans and the American Legion.

"We strongly encourage the U.S. Senate to pass this important legislation swiftly," said Denise Rohan, national commander for the Legion.

Federal employee unions are dead set against the bill and urged lawmakers to reject it.

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If the measure passes the Senate, which is likely, it would be a significant legislative victory for President Trump, who repeatedly promised during his campaign to overhaul the VA and expand veterans' options to get VA-funded private-sector care.

"Who will stand with our Great Vets, caregivers, and Veterans Service Organizations?" Trump tweeted before the House vote Wednesday. "Must get Choice passed by Memorial Day!"

If the legislation fails, Congress could pass a stopgap measure to keep the program funded past May 31, when it is expected to run out of money. Lawmakers have passed two such measures in the past year.

If they don't, the Choice data from recent years illustrate how many veterans could be stuck waiting again or traveling long distances for VA care.

Though the VA was able to accommodate veterans within 30 days at its medical facilities for 92% of appointments as of March 1, more than 740,000 veterans waited longer than a month for VA appointments, according to VA statistics.



Artist Greg Zanis of Aurora, Ill., installed 58 crosses on Las Vegas Boulevard to honor those killed in a mass shooting last year. TOM TINGLE/ARIZONA REPUBLIC

## New documents detail deadly Vegas rampage

John Bacon  
USA TODAY

Newly released documents from the investigation into the nation's deadliest shooting rampage detail the rants of gunman Stephen Paddock and the panic and chaos that swept through the Las Vegas Strip as scores of concertgoers were felled by an unrelenting hail of bullets.

Paddock, 64, fired from a 32-floor hotel room overlooking a crowd of more than 20,000 people Oct. 1. He killed 58 and wounded hundreds more in a 10-minute barrage before killing himself as police moved in.

Las Vegas Metropolitan Police made the documents public this week after the Associated Press and other media outlets sued for release of the information. No witness names were released.

One woman said she thought the gunfire was just firecrackers until she saw a man fall to the ground with open, "lifeless" eyes. Another told police she refused to leave her lifeless friend, whose lips turned blue, until a group of men lifted her up and guided her to the protection of a fence.

One woman who was wounded — and saw a nearby woman shot five

times — said she decided to play dead. "A good guy just grabbed me and said, 'Love, you're gonna die here if I leave you here,'" she told police.

The documents included statements from people who said they previously heard Paddock slam the government.

One woman said she overheard a man she thought was Paddock talking with another man at a Las Vegas restaurant days before the massacre. She told police Paddock seemed angry about the 1990s armed standoffs that ended in tragedy at Waco, Texas, and Ruby Ridge in Idaho.

"I just thought 'strange guys,'" she said. "I wanted to leave."

One man said he declined a request from Paddock to convert his semiautomatic weapons into automatic guns. He said Paddock claimed temporary communities set up after Hurricane Katrina in 2005 were a prelude to "kickin' down doors" and seizing guns from citizens.

"Somebody has to wake up the American public and get them to arm themselves," the man said Paddock told him less than a month before the assault. "Sometimes sacrifices have to be made."

Police say Paddock acted alone but have not determined a definitive motive for the attack.

Contributing: Associated Press

FRIDAY EVENING MAY 18

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 (N)	Blindspot "In Memory" (Season Finale) Jane and Weller hunt down Roman. (N)	Dateline NBC (N)		WIS News 10 at 11 (N)	(:34) The Tonight Show Starring Jimmy Fallon Sterling K. Brown; Willie Geist. (N)		
WLTX	19	9	9	News 19 at 7pm (N)	Inside Edition (N)	Undercover Boss: Celebrity Edition "Idina Menzel" Idina Menzel goes undercover. (N)	Hawaii Five-0 "Waiho Wale Kahiko" (Season Finale) The team discovers a Russian spy ring. (N)	Blue Bloods "Out of the Blue" A detective is killed before testifying. (DVS)	News 19 at 11pm (N)	(:35) The Late Show With Stephen Colbert Benedict Cumberbatch; Mary Gallagher. (N)		
WOLO	25	5	12	Wheel of Fortune "Shopping Spree" (N)	Jeopardy! (N)	Once Upon a Time "Leaving Storybrooke" (Series Finale) Wish Rumple's evil plan is revealed. (N) (DVS)	(:01) Marvel's Agents of S.H.I.E.L.D. "The End" (Season Finale) The team face a massive decision. (N)	(:01) 20/20 The women in Prince Harry's life. (N)	ABC Columbia News at 11 (N)	(:35) Jimmy Kimmel Live "Ryan Seacrest; Gillian Jacobs; Julia Michaels" Ryan Seacrest; Gillian Jacobs. (N)		
WRJA	27	11	14	Samantha Brown's Places to Love	This Week in South Carolina	Washington Week	In Principle (N)	American Masters "Hedy Lamarr" Hedy Lamarr's work as an inventor. (N) (DVS)	Royal Wedding Watch "Happily Ever After" (Series Finale) The final countdown to the wedding. (N)	BBC World News	NHK Newsline	
WACH	57	6	6	The Big Bang Theory	The Big Bang Theory Stuart asks Amy out on a date.	MasterChef "Junior Edition: The Finale Pt 1; Junior Edition: The Finale Pt 2 - The Winner" (Season Finale) Three chefs cook; a winner is revealed. (N) (DVS)	WACH FOX News at 10 (N) (Live)		Sports Zone	DailyMailTV (N)	TMZ (N)	
WKTC	63	4	22	Last Man Standing "Bridezilla vs. the Baxters"	Last Man Standing Mike wants Chuck to sell him a car.	Harry and Meghan: A Love Story: Prince Harry and Meghan Markle.	Life Sentence "What to Expect When You're Not Expecting" Stella and Wes discuss their future. (N)	American Ninja Warrior "St. Louis Finals Hour 2" (Part 2 of 2)	American Ninja Warrior "Miami Finals" Top competitors face the finals course. (Part 1 of 2)	The Game Chardonay wants to even the score.		
CABLE CHANNELS												
A&E	46	130	(5:00) Live PD "Live PD -- 05.12.18" Riding along with law enforcement.	Live PD: Rewind "Live PD: Rewind No. 111" (N)	Live PD "Live PD -- 01.13.18" Riding along with law enforcement.	Live PD "Live PD -- 01.13.18" Riding along with law enforcement.			Live PD "Live PD -- 01.13.18" Riding along with law enforcement.	Live PD "Live PD -- 01.13.18" Riding along with law enforcement.		
AMC	48	180	(4:55) *** "Open Range" (2003) Robert Duvall, Kevin Costner.	*** "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.		(:05) Fear the Walking Dead "Laura" John Dore gets a visitor.	(:12:11) Into the Badlands	(12:05) Tanked		
ANPL	41	100	Tanked	Tanked: Unfiltered "Shark Byte" (N)	Tanked "The Amazing Piano Tank" (N)	Tanked "The Amazing Piano Tank" (N)		(:02) Tanked "Gangster Tank"	(:04) Tanked	(12:05) Tanked		
BET	61	162	(4:40) ** "ATL" (2006)	** "This Christmas" (2007, Comedy-Drama) Delroy Lindo, Idris Elba, Loretta Devine. A reunion at the holidays tests family ties.	** "This Christmas" (2007, Comedy-Drama) Delroy Lindo, Idris Elba, Loretta Devine. A reunion at the holidays tests family ties.	** "This Christmas" (2007, Comedy-Drama) Delroy Lindo, Idris Elba, Loretta Devine. A reunion at the holidays tests family ties.		Martin "Working Girls"	Martin The Paynes shop for a house.	Martin	Martin	
BRAVO	47	181	(6:26) ** "No Strings Attached" (2011, Romance-Comedy) Natalie Portman, Ashton Kutcher. Two lifelong friends try not to let sex ruin their relationship.	(6:26) ** "No Strings Attached" (2011, Romance-Comedy) Natalie Portman, Ashton Kutcher. Two lifelong friends try not to let sex ruin their relationship.	(6:26) ** "No Strings Attached" (2011, Romance-Comedy) Natalie Portman, Ashton Kutcher. Two lifelong friends try not to let sex ruin their relationship.	(6:26) ** "No Strings Attached" (2011, Romance-Comedy) Natalie Portman, Ashton Kutcher. Two lifelong friends try not to let sex ruin their relationship.		(:26) *** "The 40-Year-Old Virgin" (2005) Steve Carell, Paul Rudd.				
CNBC	35	84	Shark Tank	Shark Tank	Shark Tank	Shark Tank		American Greed "EaSy Being Green"	American Greed			
CNN	3	80	Erin Burnett OutFront (N)	Anderson Cooper 360 (N) (Live)	CNN Special Report	CNN Special Report		Royal Wedding Countdown (N)	Royal Wedding			
COM	57	136	(6:50) The Office "The Return"	(:25) The Office "Ben Franklin"	The Office "Phyllis" Wedding	*** "Dumb & Dumber" (1994, Comedy) Jim Carrey, Jeff Daniels, Lauren Holly. Two witless wonders take a cash-laden briefcase to Aspen.		Taskmaster "Hostage" (N)	Taskmaster "101 Ducks"	South Park "The Losing Edge"	South Park "The Losing Edge"	
DISN	18	200	(:05) Gravity Falls Animated. Ford discovers Bill's true motives.	DuckTales (N) (DVS)	*** "Ratatouille" (2007, Children's) Voices of Patton Oswalt, Ian Holm. Animated. A French rat enjoys good food and longs to become a chef.	DuckTales		Raven's Home	Bunk'd	DuckTales		
DSC	42	103	BattleBots "It's Robot Fighting Time!"	BattleBots "Are You Yeti to Rumble?"	(:01) Bering Sea Gold (N)	(:01) Bering Sea Gold (N)		(:01) Deadliest Catch: Decked (N)	(:01) Bering Sea Gold	Deadliest Catch		
ESPN	26	35	College Softball Mississippi vs Long Beach State. Regional. (N) (Live)	College Softball Texas vs Minnesota. Regional. (N) (Live)	College Softball Texas vs Minnesota. Regional. (N) (Live)	College Softball Texas vs Minnesota. Regional. (N) (Live)		SportsCenter (N) (Live)	SportsCenter	SportsCenter		
ESPN2	27	39	College Softball Boston University vs Oklahoma. Regional. (N) (Live)	College Softball North Dakota State vs Mississippi State. Regional. (N) (Live)	College Softball North Dakota State vs Mississippi State. Regional. (N) (Live)	College Softball North Dakota State vs Mississippi State. Regional. (N) (Live)		College Softball Sacramento State vs UCLA. Regional. (N) (Live)	College Softball Sacramento State vs UCLA. Regional. (N) (Live)	College Softball Sacramento State vs UCLA. Regional. (N) (Live)		
FOOD	40	109	Diners, Drive	Diners, Drive	Diners, Drive	Diners, Drive		Diners, Drive	Diners, Drive	Diners, Drive		
FOXN	37	90	The Story With Martha MacCallum (N)	Tucker Carlson Tonight (N)	Hannity (N)	The Ingraham Angle (N)		Fox News at Night with Shannon	Tucker Carlson	Tucker Carlson		
FREE	20	131	(5:40) "A Walk to Remember" (2002)	(:45) ** "The Notebook" (2004, Romance) Ryan Gosling, Rachel McAdams, James Garner. A man tells a story to a woman about two lovers.	The 700 Club	The 700 Club		** "The Wedding Planner"	** "The Wedding Planner"			
FSS	21	47	Cape Cod/Bigs	College Baseball Texas Tech at Oklahoma State. From Allie P. Reynolds Stadium in Stillwater, Okla. (N) (Live)	Raceline (N)	3 Wide Life (N)		ACC All-Access	College Baseball	College Baseball		
HALL	52	183	(6:00) "Very, Very Valentine" (2018, Comedy) Danica McKellar.	"Sun, Sand & Romance" (2017, Drama) Tricia Helfer, Paul Campbell, Sadie Robertson. Kate meets an old friend during a trip to Cancun.	The Middle "The Carpool"	The Middle "Hungry Games"		The Golden Girls	The Golden Girls	The Golden Girls		
HGTV	39	112	House Hunters	Dream Home	Dream Home	Dream Home		House Hunters (N)	Hunters Int'l	House Hunters	Hunters Int'l	
HIST	45	110	Ancient Aliens "Destination Mars"	Ancient Aliens A strange object.	Ancient Aliens "Earth's Black Holes"	(:03) The Tesla Files "Tesla's Tower"		(:05) Ancient Aliens	CSI: Crime Scene Investigation Langston's wife visits the crime lab.	CSI: Crime Scene Investigation		
ION	13	18	CSI: Crime Scene Investigation A pedophile is suspected of murder.	CSI: Crime Scene Investigation "Man Up" A call girl is found dead.	CSI: Crime Scene Investigation A body has unusual burn marks. (DVS)	CSI: Crime Scene Investigation Scholarship foundation director dies.		CSI: Crime Scene Investigation Langston's wife visits the crime lab.	CSI: Crime Scene Investigation	CSI: Crime Scene Investigation		
LIFE	50	145	(5:00) ** "90 Minutes in Heaven" (2015) Hayden Christensen.	"Harry & Meghan: A Royal Romance" (2018, Biography) Parisa Fitz-Henley, Burgess Abernethy. Meghan and Harry meet after being set up by friends.	Harry & Meghan: Royal Rebels: Royal wedding traditions.	(:02) Biography "Kate Middleton: Uncommon Bride" Kate Middleton.		The 11th Hour With Brian Williams (N)	Rachel Maddow	"Harry & Meghan: A Royal Romance"		
MSNBC	36	92	Hardball With Chris Matthews (N)	All In With Chris Hayes (N)	The Rachel Maddow Show (N)	The Last Word		Friends	Friends	Friends		
NICK	16	210	Henry Danger	The Thundermans	** "The Princess Diaries" (2001, Children's) Julie Andrews, Anne Hathaway.	Friends		Friends	Friends	Friends		
PARMT	64	153	** "The Waterboy" (1998, Comedy) Adam Sandler, Kathy Bates.	** "Happy Gilmore" (1996) Adam Sandler, Christopher McDonald.	** "Tropic Thunder" (2008) Ben Stiller.							
SYFY	58	152	(6:00) ** "Jurassic Park III" (2001) Sam Neill, William H. Macy.	** "The Lost World: Jurassic Park" (1997, Adventure) Jeff Goldblum, Julianne Moore, Pete Postlethwaite. An expedition returns to monitor dinosaurs' progress.	Futurama (Part 1 of 4)	Futurama (Part 2 of 4)		Futurama (Part 3 of 4)	Futurama (Part 4 of 4)	Futurama (Part 5 of 4)		
TBS	24	156	Bob's Burgers	Bob's Burgers	Bob's Burgers	** "San Andreas" (2015, Action) Dwayne Johnson, Carla Gugino, Alexandra Daddario. A rescue pilot must save his family after an earthquake. (DVS)		ELEAGUE Challenger: Street Fighter V-Winner Winner. There can be only one.	** "Wanderlust" (2012)	** "Wanderlust" (2012)		
TCM	49	186	(6:15) *** "Mata Hari" (1931) Greta Garbo, Ramon Novarro.	** "School for Scoundrels" (1960, Comedy) Ian Carmichael, Terry-Thomas. A school teaching one-upmanship transforms a chronic loser.	** "The Belles of St. Trinian's" (1954, Comedy) Alastair Sim, George Cole, Joyce Grenfell. British schoolgirls foil the theft of a famous steed.							
TLC	43	157	When Harry Met Meghan	Prince Harry: Wild No More	Meghan Markle: A Royal Love Story	Secrets of the Royal Wedding		Meghan Markle: A Royal Love Story	Secrets	Secrets		
TNT	23	158	NCIS: New Orleans A Navy lieutenant commander is poisoned.	*** "The Hunger Games: Catching Fire" (2013, Science Fiction) Jennifer Lawrence, Josh Hutcherson. The 75th Annual Hunger Games may change Panem forever. (DVS)	(:45) *** "The Hunger Games: Mockingjay, Part 1" (2014) Jennifer Lawrence. Katniss fights for Peeta and a nation moved by her courage. (DVS)							
TRUTV	38	129	ImpRACTical Jokers	ImpRACTical Jokers	Carbonaro Eff.	Carbonaro Eff.		Carbonaro Eff.	Carbonaro Eff.	ImpRACTical Jokers	ImpRACTical Jokers	
TV LAND	55	161	M*A*S*H	M*A*S*H "Heroes"	Love-Raymond	Love-Raymond		Mom	Mom	King of Queens	King of Queens	
USA	25	132	Law & Order: Special Victims Unit A college student becomes a target.	Law & Order: Special Victims Unit Investigating a child pornography site.	Law & Order: Special Victims Unit Investigating a string of rapes.	Modern Family (DVS)		Modern Family "American Skyper"	Modern Family "Summer Lovin'"	Modern Family Phil cares for his eggs.	Modern Family Phil cares for his eggs.	
WE	68	166	CSI: Miami "By the Book"	Marriage Boot Camp: Reality Stars	Marriage Boot Camp: Reality Stars (N)	(:13) David Tutter's CELEbrations		Marriage Boot Camp: Reality Stars	(12:13) Bridezillas	(12:13) Bridezillas		
WGNA	8	172	M*A*S*H	M*A*S*H "Edwina"	M*A*S*H	M*A*S*H "Tuttle"		M*A*S*H	M*A*S*H	M*A*S*H	Rules/Engagement	

# The brilliant mind behind Lamarr's beautiful face

BY KEVIN MCDONOUGH

Is beauty a burden? Celebrity a distraction? "American Masters" presents "Bombshell: The Hedy Lamarr Story" (9 p.m., PBS, TV-14, check local listings), a profile of one of the most beautiful movie stars from Hollywood's Golden Age. In addition to turning heads in everything from "Algiers" to "Samson and Delilah," Lamarr lived a secret life as an inventor and amateur scientist, patenting a radio guidance system during World War II for torpedoes designed to defeat German jamming efforts.

While her invention was shelved by condescending Navy brass, the technology behind it was employed by the military in the 1960s and influenced such 21st-century applications as Wi-Fi and Bluetooth.

Born Hedwig Eva Maria Kiesler in Vienna, she was influenced by the cosmopolitan city's arts scene and ventured into films as a teenager. Her brief nudity and apparent rapture in the 1933 film "Ecstasy" scandalized the world, and it forever marked her as a mere sex symbol even after she departed Europe for Hollywood and adopted the screen name Lamarr.

"Bombshell" details Lamarr's collaboration with avant-garde musical composer George Antheil on her wartime inventions as well as the resistance to the idea that someone so beautiful could be taken seriously as a scientist.

The film goes on to catalog Lamarr's decades of mistakes, financial troubles and her descent into drug addiction, which stemmed from the Hollywood studios' abuse of stimulants and barbiturates to keep their contract players on the job.

Having introduced the idea that Lamarr had a fascinating



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Hedy Lamarr stars in a scene from the 1938 movie "Algiers."

and serious side, "Bombshell" spends entirely too much time in "True Hollywood Story" mode, presenting a parade of husbands and face-lifts. The documentary includes jokes from Mel Brooks and observations by the late Robert Osborne and runs at least a half-hour too long.

• Martin Freeman (" Fargo ") stars in the 2017 zombie apocalypse thriller "Cargo" (TV-MA), streaming today on Netflix.

### TONIGHT'S ROYAL WEDDING SPECIALS

• "Harry and Meghan: A Love Story" (8 p.m., CW, TV-PG) reviews the courtship of a cable star and a Windsor heir.

• Lifetime reruns the 2018 drama "Harry & Meghan: A Royal Romance" (8 p.m., TV-PG), offering a scripted take on the couple.

• "Prince Harry: Wild No More" (8 p.m., TLC, TV-PG) recalls past mischief and more recent domestication.

• I'm just assuming "Dateline" (9 p.m., NBC) might be wedding-related.

• "Harry and Meghan: A Very Modern Romance" (9 p.m., BBC America, TV-PG) is not to be confused with "Meghan Markle: A Royal Love Story" (9:02 p.m., TLC, TV-PG).

• "20/20" (10 p.m., ABC, TV-PG) discusses Prince Harry's relationships with his mother, Diana, and his fiancée.

• "Prince Harry's Story: Four Royal Weddings" (10 p.m., National Geographic, TV-14) surveys the groom's growth.

• "Secrets of the Royal Wedding" (10 p.m., TLC, TV-PG) handicaps the big events, anticipating traditional touches and departures from the norm.

• "Royal Wedding Watch" (10:30 p.m., PBS, TV-PG, check local listings) wraps up its weeklong glance at tradition and protocol.

### TONIGHT'S SEASON FINALES

• Jane and Weller take Roman back to his origins on the recently renewed "Blindspot" (8 p.m., NBC, TV-14).

• A winner emerges on the

season finale of "MasterChef: Junior" (8 p.m., Fox, TV-PG).

• Regina tries to stop Rumpel on the series ender of "Once Upon a Time" (8 p.m., ABC, TV-PG).

• A spy ring may be linked to the arrival of a Russian sub on "Hawaii Five-0" (9 p.m., CBS, TV-14).

• The fate of the Earth hangs in the balance (again) on the just renewed "Marvel's Agents of S.H.I.E.L.D." (9 p.m., ABC, TV-14).

### TONIGHT'S OTHER HIGHLIGHTS

• "Vice" (7:30 p.m., HBO, TV-14) examines elections and resistance in Russia as well as a White House "gag order" cutting funding for Planned Parenthood services throughout Africa.

• A witness is silenced on "Blue Bloods" (10 p.m., CBS, r, TV-14).

### CULT CHOICE

Viewers who've had their fill of Harry and Meghan might enjoy the 1999 romantic comedy "Runaway Bride" (7:01 p.m., Starz Encore), starring Julia Roberts and Richard Gere.

### SERIES NOTES

Idina Menzel appears on "Undercover Boss: Celebrity Edi-

tion" (8 p.m., CBS) \* Unexpected stirrings on "Life Sentence" (9 p.m., CW, TV-PG).

### LATE NIGHT

Benedict Cumberbatch and Mary Gallagher are booked on "The Late Show With Stephen Colbert" (11:35 p.m., CBS) \* Jimmy Fallon welcomes Sterling K. Brown, Willie Geist and Danny Bowien on "The Tonight Show" (11:35 p.m., NBC) \* Ryan Seacrest, Gillian Jacobs and Julia Michaels appear on "Jimmy Kimmel Live" (11:35 p.m., ABC) \* Tracee Ellis Ross, Cameron Monaghan, Joe Pera and Aaron Spears visit "Late Night With Seth Meyers" (12:35 a.m., NBC, r) \* Evan Rachel Wood, Don Johnson and Pentatonix appear on "The Late Late Show With James Corden" (12:35 a.m., CBS, r).

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SATURDAY EVENING MAY 19

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	NHL Hockey Washington Capitals at Tampa Bay Lightning. Eastern Conference Final, Game 5. (If necessary), (N) (Live)				Saturday Night Live (N)		WIS News 10 at 11 (N)	(:29) Saturday Night Live "Tina Fey; Nicki Minaj" (Season Finale) Host Tina Fey; Nicki Minaj performs. (N)		
WLTX	19	9	9	Maintain Your Health	Paid Program Paid programming.	Royal Romance: The Marriage of Prince Harry and Meghan Markle: The actress joins the royal family.		48 Hours		News 19 at 11pm (N)	Blue Bloods "Hard Bargain" Danny is asked to help Linda's brother. (DVS)		
WOLO	25	5	12	Wheel of Fortune "College Week"	Jeopardy!	American Idol "117 (Top 5)" The top five contestants perform.		20/20 "The Royal Wedding" Highlights from the royal wedding. (N)		ABC Columbia News at 11 (N)	American Ninja Warrior "Indianapolis Finals" The top 30 contestants compete.		
WRJA	27	11	14	Masterpiece Classic "The Paradise, Series 2: Episode 3" Moray clashes with Katherine and Tom.	Father Brown "The Lepidopterist's Companion" Father Brown discovers a secret.	The Doctor Blake Mysteries "Measure Twice" A retired carpenter is murdered.	Miss Fisher's Murder Mysteries "Blood and Money" A street urchin hires Phyrne.		Austin City Limits "Zac Brown Band" Southern country rockers Zac Brown Band.	Bluegrass Underground The Mavericks perform.			
WACH	57	6	6	Mike & Molly Molly has lunch with Mike's mother.	The Big Bang Theory	MasterChef "Junior Edition: The Finale Pt 2 - The Winner" The winner is announced.	Showtime at the Apollo "Week 10" Performers with various talents compete. (DVS)	WACH FOX News at 10	The Simpsons Animated. The Simpsons travel to Italy.	Showtime at the Apollo "Week 11" Performers with various talents compete. (DVS)		Ring of Honor Wrestling	
WKTC	63	4	22	Last Man Standing Mike fears for his family's privacy.	Last Man Standing Mike encourages Ryan and Kyle.	Rookie Blue "A Real Gentleman" The officers race to find Traci.	Saving Hope "Consenting Adults" Alex's patient falls into a coma.	Leverage "The Two Live Crew Job" A crew of thieves.	Impractical Jokers "Water Torture"	Impractical Jokers Tonight's big loser faces the music.	Impractical Jokers The guys ask strangers for help.		
CABLE CHANNELS													
A&E	46	130	(5:00) Live PD "Live PD -- 05.11.18" Riding along with law enforcement.	Live PD: Rewind "Live PD: Rewind No. 112" (N)	Live PD "Live PD -- 02.16.18" Riding along with law enforcement.			Live PD "Live PD -- 02.16.18"			Live PD "Live PD -- 02.16.18"		
AMC	48	180	(4:55) *** "Independence Day" (1996) Will Smith, Bill Pullman.	*** "Run All Night" (2015, Action) Liam Neeson, Ed Harris, Joel Kinnaman. Premiere. The estranged son of an aging hit man becomes a mob target.	*** "Ocean's Twelve" (2004, Comedy-Drama) George Clooney, Brad Pitt, Matt Damon. Indebted criminals plan an elaborate heist in Europe.								
ANPL	41	100	The Zoo "Training Dragons"	(:01) The Zoo: Bronx Tales (N)	(:01) The Zoo: Bronx Tales (N)		(:01) The Zoo: Bronx Tales (N)		(:01) The Zoo: Bronx Tales (N)		Bronx Tales		
BET	61	162	(5:29) *** "Big Momma's House 2" (2006) Martin Lawrence, Nia Long.	*** "Diary of a Mad Black Woman" (2005, Comedy-Drama) Kimberly Elise, Steve Harris, Shemar Moore. A woman starts over after her husband leaves her.	*** "Obsessed" (2009, Suspense) Idris Elba, Beyoncé Knowles. A stalker threatens a married man's idyllic life.								
BRAVO	47	181	(6:35) *** "The 40-Year-Old Virgin" (2005, Romance-Comedy) Steve Carell, Catherine Keener. Three co-workers unite to help their buddy get a sex life.	(:10) * "What Happens in Vegas" (2008, Romance-Comedy) Cameron Diaz, Ashton Kutcher, Rob Corddry. Two strangers awake together and find they are married.	(:20) * "What Happens in Vegas" (2008) Cameron Diaz.								
CNBC	35	84	Undercover Boss "Synagro"	Undercover Boss Lynne Zappone.	Undercover Boss		Undercover Boss "Maaco"		Undercover Boss "Hudson Group"		Undercover Boss		
CNN	3	80	The Royal Wedding: Coverage of the royal wedding.	(7:55) *** "Dodgeball: A True Underdog Story" (2004) Vince Vaughn, Christine Taylor, Ben Stiller. Dodgeball teams compete for \$50,000 in Las Vegas.	*** "Dodgeball: A True Underdog Story" (2004, Comedy) Vince Vaughn, Christine Taylor. Dodgeball teams compete for \$50,000 in Las Vegas.			*** "Obsessed" (2009, Suspense) Idris Elba, Beyoncé Knowles. A stalker threatens a married man's idyllic life.		(12:05) ** "Bad Teacher" (2011)			
DISN	18	200	Gravity Falls	*** "Beauty and the Beast" (1991, Children's) Voices of Paige O'Hara, Robby Benson, Richard White.	*** "Stuck in the Middle" (2016, Comedy) Peyton List, David Beron. A girl is stuck in the middle of her parents' divorce.		Bunk'd Ravi starts dating a girl.		Bunk'd		Liv and Maddie: Cali Style		
DSC	42	103	Street Outlaws (Part 1 of 2)	Street Outlaws (Part 2 of 2)	Street Outlaws "Back of the Track" Street-style rules take over.			Street Outlaws "Texas Grudge"		Street Outlaws			
ESPN	26	35	SportsCenter (N)	NBA Countdown (N) (Live)	NBA Basketball Boston Celtics at Cleveland Cavaliers. Eastern Conference final, Game 3. (N)			SportsCenter With Scott Van Pelt (N)		SportsCenter (N)			
ESPN2	27	39	Bases Loaded	College Football NCAA Tournament, Regional: Teams TBA. (N) (Live)	Bases Loaded		College Football NCAA Tournament, Regional: Teams TBA. (N) (Live)		NBA Combine		NBA Combine		
FOOD	40	109	Diners, Drive-Ins and Dives	Diners, Drive-Ins and Dives	Diners, Drive-Ins and Dives		Diners, Drive-Ins and Dives		Diners, Drive-Ins and Dives		Diners, Drive		
FOXN	37	90	Fox Report (N)	Watters' World (N)	Justice With Judge Jeanine (N)		The Greg Gutfeld Show (N)		Watters' World		Justice Judge		
FREE	20	131	(6:42) ** "Just Go With It" (2011, Romance-Comedy) Adam Sandler, Jennifer Aniston, Nicole Kidman. A man's careless lie spins out of control.	(:25) * "Grown Ups" (2010, Comedy) Adam Sandler, Kevin James, Chris Rock. Five friends learn that age and maturity do not, necessarily, coincide.	College Baseball Texas Tech at Oklahoma State.			June Weddings Preview 2018		The Golden Girls "Rose the Prude"	The Golden Girls "Transplant"		
FSS	21	47	Fight Sports: Boxing (N)	MLS Soccer Atlanta United FC at Orlando City SC.	Royally Ever After (2018, Romance) Fiona Gubelmann, Torrance Coombs. Premiere. A teacher learns that her boyfriend is actually a prince.		House Hunters Renovation (N)		Mountain Life (N)		Mountain Life (N)		
HALL	52	183	"Royal Matchmaker" (2018, Romance) Bethany Joy Lenz, Will Kemp, Brittany Bristol. A matchmaker realizes she is the perfect match for a prince.	Fixer Upper	Fixer Upper		Fixer Upper		House Hunters Renovation (N)		Mountain Life (N)		
HGTV	39	112	Fixer Upper	Fixer Upper	Fixer Upper		House Hunters Renovation (N)		Mountain Life (N)		Mountain Life (N)		
HIST	45	110	American Pickers (DVS)	American Pickers (DVS)	(:02) American Pickers "Rat Rod Rolls"		(:05) American Pickers (DVS)		(:05) American Pickers		American Pickers		
ION	13	18	Law & Order: Special Victims Unit When a 9-year-old girl calls for help.	Law & Order: Special Victims Unit "Ripped" A suspect attacks Fin.	Law & Order: Special Victims Unit		Law & Order: Special Victims Unit A school shooting leaves students dead.		Law & Order: Special Victims Unit "Name" Remains of a missing boy.		Law & Order: Special Victims Unit		
LIFE	50	145	Coverage of Royal Wedding	(:02) "Harry & Meghan: A Royal Romance" (2018, Biography) Parisa Fitz-Henley, Burgess Abernethy.	Hardball With Chris Matthews			The Beat With					
MSNBC	36	92	The Rachel Maddow Show	The Last Word	The 11th Hour With Brian Williams		Deadline: White House		Hardball With Chris Matthews		The Beat With		
NICK	16	210	Henry Danger	Henry Danger (N)	Kid Danger	Full House		Full House		Friends		Friends	
PARMT	64	153	The Expendables *** "The Expendables 2" (2012, Action) Sylvester Stallone, Jason Statham, Jet Li.	*** "The Expendables 3" (2014, Action) Sylvester Stallone, Jason Statham.									
SYFY	58	152	(5:00) ** "The Lost World: Jurassic Park" (1997) Jeff Goldblum.	*** "Jurassic Park" (1993, Adventure) Sam Neill, Laura Dern, Jeff Goldblum. Cloned dinosaurs run amok at an island-jungle theme park. (DVS)	(10:55) Futurama			(:26) Futurama "That Darn Katz!"		(11:57) Futurama			
TBS	24	156	Seinfeld "The Slicer" Seinfeld "The Betrayal"	The Big Bang Theory	The Big Bang Theory	The Big Bang Theory	The Big Bang Theory	The Big Bang Theory	The Big Bang Theory	Full Frontal With Samantha Bee	The Last O.G. "Lemon Drops"	Snoop Dogg: Joker's Wild	
TCM	49	186	(6:15) ** "Valley of the Kings" (1954, Adventure) Robert Taylor.	*** "Desk Set" (1957, Romance-Comedy) Spencer Tracy, Katharine Hepburn, Gig Young. An efficiency expert and a TV executive lock horns.	*** "Pat and Mike" (1952, Comedy) Spencer Tracy, Katharine Hepburn, Aldo Ray. A promoter turns a female athlete into a celebrity. (DVS)			*** "Crime Wave" (1954)					
TLC	43	157	Trading Spaces (N)	Trading Spaces "Barefoot & Fancy" (N)	(:05) Nate & Jeremiah by Design (N)		TLC's Royal Wedding Revealed		(:08) Trading Spaces		Nate & Jeremiah		
TNT	23	158	(4:52) *** "Star Wars: Attack of the Clones" (2002) Ewan McGregor.	*** "Star Wars: Revenge of the Sith" (2005, Science Fiction) Ewan McGregor, Natalie Portman, Hayden Christensen. Anakin Skywalker joins the dark side and becomes Darth Vader. (DVS)	(:06) ** "Star Wars: The Phantom Menace" (1999, Science Fiction) Liam Neeson, Ewan McGregor. (DVS)			Game Show		Game Show			
TRUTV	38	129	Impractical Jokers	Impractical Jokers	Impractical Jokers	Impractical Jokers	Impractical Jokers	Impractical Jokers	Impractical Jokers	Impractical Jokers	Impractical Jokers	Impractical Jokers	
TV LAND	55	161	The Golden Girls	The Golden Girls	Love-Raymond	Love-Raymond	Love-Raymond	Love-Raymond	Mom	Mom	King of Queens	King of Queens	
USA	25	132	NCIS "Dog Tags" Abby risks her career to save a dog. (DVS)	NCIS "Toxic" (DVS)	(:44) NCIS "Enemy on the Hill" A killer targets a lieutenant commander.	(:28) NCIS "Hit and Run"	(:12) NCIS "Lockdown" Abby is trapped in a pharmaceutical lab. (DVS)	(10:57) NCIS "Family First" The team hunts for an escaped spy.	(11:59) NCIS "Something Blue"				
WE	68	166	Criminal Minds "Carbon Copy"	Criminal Minds "The Gathering"	Criminal Minds "Restoration"		Criminal Minds "Pay It Forward"		Criminal Minds "Alchemy"		Criminal Minds		
WGNA	8	172	Last Man Standing	Last Man Standing	Last Man Standing	Last Man Standing	Last Man Standing	Last Man Standing	Last Man Standing	Last Man Standing	Last Man Standing	Person of Interest	

# Do themes of 'Fahrenheit 451' echo in digital world?

BY KEVIN McDONOUGH

Does "Fahrenheit 451" (8 p.m. Saturday, HBO, TV-14) still matter in a post-print world? Does the title even make sense? While the original Ray Bradbury novel was named after the temperature at which paper ignites, the futuristic firemen of this HBO production have to take on a world of digital downloads and internet connections. The sight of Guy Montag (Michael B. Jordan) and his superior, Captain Beatty (Michael Shannon), dousing desktop computers and servers with gasoline and setting them ablaze just doesn't quite seem the same as the literary conflagrations in the 1966 Francois Truffaut adaptation.

As in that film, Montag is bewitched by a literary beauty, Clarisse, a sphinx-like woman of few words. Portrayed here by Sofia Boutella, Clarisse inspires him to resist the system and join the bookish underground.

This version of "Fahrenheit 451" emphasizes the visuals and evokes memories of "Blade Runner" with a shared web experience called "The Nine" that's projected on glass skyscrapers in dazzling fashion. The film hedges its dystopian bets, blaming a vague civil war for inspiring a crack-down on any books or ideas that disturb collective societal happiness.

This totalitarian vision seems more like political correctness run amok than a traditional dictatorship. Like "The Handmaid's Tale," this movie was in production for some time before the election of 2016. But that won't stop some from projecting current concerns about authoritarianism and anti-intellectualism onto this adaptation.

• Networks strike a musical note as "American Idol" (8 p.m. Sunday, ABC, TV-PG) airs its final performances on its first season on ABC. Also, NBC will be airing the **Billboard Music Awards** (8 p.m.) for the first time. Kelly Clarkson, the first winner for "Idol" when it aired on Fox, will host the

event. Network switching and swapping appears to be the theme of the month. Just as ABC picked up Fox's cast-off, "Idol," Fox has announced that it will re-launch "Last Man Standing" a year after ABC canceled the series.

Jake and Amy tie the knot on what was supposed to have been the series ender for "Brooklyn Nine-Nine" (8:30 p.m. Sunday, Fox, TV-14). But the series will go on to live again on NBC.

These are hardly the first series dropped by one network and picked up by another. "JAG" was developed by NBC but later dropped and then picked up by CBS. It inspired "NCIS," arguably the most popular prime-time drama of this century. The classic comedy "Taxi" aired four seasons on ABC and a fifth on NBC from 1978-83.

Two CBS dramas wrap up their seasons in true cliff-hanger fashion. Sam (LL Cool J) takes a bullet during a firefight with the cartel on a two-hour helping of "NCIS: Los Angeles" (8 p.m., TV-14). Meanwhile, on "Madam Secretary" (10 p.m., TV-14) the fourth season concludes with the threat of a nuclear missile exchange. Both series will return next season.

• Four wives adjust to their husbands' gender change in the new reality series "Lost in Transition" (10 p.m. Sunday, TLC, TV-14).

• "Carriers at War" (8 p.m. Sunday, Smithsonian) is a four-part series documenting life aboard the U.S. Navy's supercarriers. Episode one features the nuclear-powered USS George H.W. Bush and its spring 2017 deployment in the Arabian Gulf.

SATURDAY'S HIGHLIGHTS

- "Royal Romance: The Marriage of Prince Harry and Meghan Markle" (8 p.m., CBS) recaps the day's events. Other royal recaps air on BBC America (8 p.m.) and CNN (7 p.m.) as well.
- The Washington Capitals and Tampa Bay Lightning meet in **Game 5 of the NHL Eastern Conference Final** (7



Michael Shannon, left, stars as Captain Beatty and Michael B. Jordan as Guy Montag in "Fahrenheit 451," premiering at 8 p.m. Saturday on HBO.

- p.m., NBC).
- A flashback to Patrick's upbringing explains much about his addictions on "Patrick Melrose" (9 p.m., Showtime, TV-MA).
- "20/20" (10 p.m., ABC) recalls the royal wedding.
- Tina Fey hosts the season finale of "Saturday Night Live" (11:30 p.m., NBC, TV-14), featuring musical guest Nicki Minaj.

SUNDAY'S HIGHLIGHTS

- "Great Performances at the Met" (noon, PBS, check local listings) presents "La Boheme," produced by Franco Zeffirelli.
- Scheduled on "60 Minutes" (7 p.m., CBS, r): questions about Google's dominance of internet search; inside the Theranos corporate scandal; allegations against a celebrity chef.

- Dire news about Mr. March rattles the family on the conclusion of the 2018 adaptation of "Little Women" on "Masterpiece" (8 p.m., PBS, TV-PG, check local listings).
- Intrigue in Moscow on "Killing Eve" (8 p.m., BBC America, TV-14).
- Eddy continues to grieve on "Vida" (8:30 p.m., Starz, TV-MA).
- "Anthony Bourdain: Parts Unknown" (9 p.m., CNN, TV-PG) visits Armenia.
- Strange doings at the Stadium on "Fear the Walking Dead" (9 p.m., AMC, TV-MA).
- It's a Shogun world on "Westworld" (9 p.m., HBO, TV-MA).
- Axe looks for money from a sketchy source on "Billions" (9 p.m., Showtime, TV-MA).
- Brett Dalton guest-stars

- on "Deception" (10 p.m., ABC, TV-PG).
- Young Paul is delivered but never quite escapes the experience of his captivity on the second-to-last episode of "Trust" (10 p.m., FX, TV-MA).
- Edgar and Ernie take a not-so-sure bet on "I'm Dying Up Here" (10 p.m., Showtime, TV-MA).

CULT CHOICE

Spencer Tracy and Katharine Hepburn star in the 1952 sports comedy romance "Pat and Mike" (10 p.m. Saturday, TCM).

SATURDAY SERIES

A winner is crowned on "MasterChef Junior" (8 p.m., Fox, r, TV-PG) \* The top five perform on "American Idol" (8 p.m., Fox, r, TV-PG) \* Steve Harvey hosts "Showtime at the Apollo" (9 p.m., Fox, r, TV-14) \* "48 Hours" (10 p.m., CBS) \* A vintage helping of "Saturday Night Live" (10 p.m., NBC, TV-14).

SUNDAY SERIES

Bart sees dead people on the season finale of "The Simpsons" (8 p.m., Fox, TV-PG) \* A comatose Peter has a religious experience on the season finale of "Family Guy" (9 p.m., Fox, TV-14) \* The Belchers cater a wedding on the season finale of "Bob's Burgers" (9:30 p.m., Fox, TV-PG).

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# Sumter Gallery of Art offers 6 weeks of fun

Sumter County Gallery of Art, 421 N. Main St., will hold six weeks of Summer Art Camp from June 11-Aug. 3. Call (803) 775-0543 to register.

**WEEK 1, JUNE 11-15**

- 9 a.m. to noon — 3D Insect Art with Alison Smith (4-7 years old); Fun in the Mud with Morgan Edwards (4-7 years old); Hey, Kids! Comics! with Kyle C. Coleman (8 and up)
- 1 to 4 p.m. — Fun with Robots with Alison Smith (8 and up); Colored Pencil Drawing with

Maya Smith (9 and up)

**WEEK 2, JUNE 18-22**

- 9 a.m. to noon — What I Really Want to do is Paint! with Maya Smith (4-7 years old); Fun in the Mud with Morgan Edwards (4-7 years old); and Creative Painting Techniques with Connie Brennan (8 and up)
- 1 to 4 p.m. — Youth Pottery with Morgan Edwards (8 and up) and Fabulous Fibers: Weaving and Dyeing with G. Cole Miller (9 and up)

**WEEK 3, JUNE 25-29**

- 9 a.m. to noon — Rainbow Fish / Under the Sea with Alison Smith (4-7 years old); Storytellers with Kyle C. Coleman (4-7 years old); and Colored Pencil Drawing with Maya Smith (8 and up)
- 1 to 4 p.m. — Youth Pottery with Morgan Edwards (8 and up) and Stamp, Stencil and Stationary with Sarah Jones (9 and up)



the Yogi with Morgan Edwards (8 and up)

**WEEK 5, JULY 16-20**

- 9 a.m. to noon — 3D Insect Art with Alison Smith (4-7 years old); What I Really Want to do is Paint! with Maya Smith (4-7 years old); and Clay-mation 101 with Kelly Melton (8 and up)
- 1 to 4 p.m.

— FX Makeup with Kelly Melton (8 and up) and Portraiture: Art of the Selfie with Sarah Jones (9 and up)

**WEEK 6, JULY 30-AUG. 3**

- 9 a.m. to noon — Garden Art with Sarah Jones (4-7 years old); Fun in the Mud with Eric Burress (4-7 years old); and Creative Painting Techniques with Connie Brennan (8 and up)
- 1 to 4 p.m. — Youth Pottery with Morgan Edwards (8 and up); Stamp, Stencil and Stationary with Sarah Jones (9 and up) and Metal Sculpture with Eric Burress (10 and up)



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**WEEK 2 | JUNE 26 & 28**  
**WEEK 3 | JULY 10 & 12**  
**WEEK 4 | JULY 24 & 26**

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# Keep active, entertained at the Y

Sumter Y, 510 Miller Road, has numerous activities to keep children engaged and having fun this summer.

## FUN FACTORY

Fun Factory provides a safe, nurturing environment to learn, grow and thrive. Weekly activities revolve around themes that include age-appropriate games, swimming, field trips, sports activities, arts, crafts and songs. Quiet time is incorporated to help campers get through the long day, and each day has a balance of indoor and outdoor activities. Campers are divided into the following age groups: Half-pints (3-4); Rising Stars (5-6); Daybreakers (7-8); and Pathfinders (9-10).

## CAMP MAC BOYKIN

Camp Mac Boykin offers the fun and freedom of being outdoors while learning new skills and making new friends. Located in Pinewood on 55 beautiful acres, Camp Mac Boykin offers many activities while keeping true to the Y's goals of providing an exciting, yet safe, community for young people to explore outdoors, build self-esteem, develop interpersonal skills and make lasting friendships and memories. Camp Mac Boykin counselors are selected for their special skills and experience, as well as their personality and ability to develop relationships.

Campers can experience the excitement of overnight camp. They'll enjoy dinner, make s'mores, play fun games and tell campfire stories. Children must be enrolled in Camp Mac Boykin during the week of the overnight. The cost is \$25 per child and includes dinner, breakfast and lunch for the next day.

## TEEN SCENE

The teen camp experience is a safe atmosphere with positive, fun and energetic role models. Teen Scene is filled with exciting day trips allowing teens to feel like they are hanging out with friends in a supportive and challenging environment. Youth are challenged to set goals, take risks and push themselves to new heights in a safe, supervised environment while participating in age-appropriate field trips and activities. Teen Scene will have one overnight camp at Camp Mac Boykin.

## WATER CAMP

Campers will spend the week at the pool learning how to be safe around water, participating in swim lessons



and simple rescue techniques. Please send a healthy snack for your child to enjoy mid-morning. Limited to the first 20 participants. If children stay for extended care, please pack a lunch.

## MULTI-SPORTS CAMP

If your child enjoys variety, here's a camp for him or her. What a great way to get a taste of basketball, football, volleyball, dodgeball, racquetball, soccer and much more. Each week focuses on a different sport. Your child will learn the fundamental skills of each sport while embraced with Christian principles. Please send campers with water and a packed lunch.

## YFIT KID'S NUTRITION CAMP

This is a week-long program focusing on exercise and nutrition for children ages 6-14. Cooking demonstrations will be held along with exercise classes and nutrition education/application. Snack and lunch is prepared by and provided for all campers.

## GYMNASTICS CAMP

The Y is offering its first gymnastics camp. Campers will flip, tumble and roll with indoor and outdoor activities. Those who participate in extended specialty camp care will also be provided with transportation to and from the gymnastics facility from the main Y facility.

## COUNSELOR IN TRAINING

The Counselor in Training program provides teens with training in how to use effective leadership skills throughout their lives and how to effectively lead children. C.I.T.s are provided with training, leadership and mentors as they assist in day camp programs and field trips. This program is designed to give teens who are interested in one day becoming camp counselors

or leaders in the community a head start on that experience.

## SPRINT SWIM LESSONS

Lessons are held Monday through Thursday for ages 3-12.

The Y offers an extensive learn-to-swim program for all ages. Whether you are new to the water or looking for advanced techniques, the YMCA has a program for you. There are eight classes in each sprint session. Parents are encouraged to attend the fourth and eighth class.

Pre-school (3-5 years old) meet 12:30 to 1 p.m., 1 to 1:30 p.m. or 1:30 to 2 p.m. Members, \$40; potential members, \$60.

Youth (6-12 years old) meet 12:30 to 1:15 p.m. or 1:15 to 2 p.m. Members, \$50; potential members, \$75.

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# Music, origami, crafts and more at Sumter County Library

Don't forget to visit the three branches of the Sumter County Library this summer. Each branch is offering a lot more than reading material. Numerous activities are available for children of all ages, and the programs are all free.

**• Performance: Jungle Jim** — Friday, June 8, at 10 a.m., Main Library. Audiences last year loved Jungle Jim's blend of balloon art and comedy — don't miss this show. For all ages.



**• Meet Pete the Cat** — Saturday, June 9, at 3 p.m., Main Library. Listen to stories, make a Pete-themed craft and take a picture with Pete himself. For all ages.

**• Storytime and a Craft with Pete the Cat!** — Monday, June 11, at 10 a.m., South Sumter Library. Listen to picture books, sing songs and make a simple craft to take home. Best for ages 2-5. Call (803) 773-7273 to register.

**• Instant Acting** — Tuesday, June 12, at 2 p.m., Main Library. Play fun theater games, and try your hand at improvisational acting.

**• Teen Advisory Board Meeting** — Tuesday, June 12, at 6:30 p.m., Main Library. Meet with fellow teens to help plan future library programs and find out about volunteer opportunities. For ages 13-18.

**• Rhythm Jam: Performance by the Lemira Percussion Ensemble** — Wednesday, June 13, at 10 a.m., Main Library. This acclaimed group from our very own Lemira Elementary School will dazzle you with musical skills. For all ages.

**• Origami: Paper Art Fun\*** — Thursday, June 14, 10 a.m., Wesmark Library. Origami is the art of folding a single sheet of paper into decorative shapes and figures. Make a jumping frog, a flapping bird, a box and more. Best for ages 6 and up. Call (803) 469-8110 to register.

**• Storytime and a Craft with Pete the Cat!** — Friday, June 15, at 10 a.m., Wesmark Library. Listen to picture books, sing songs and make a simple craft to take home. Best for ages 2-5. Call (803) 469-8110 to register.

**• Father's Day Craft\*** — Saturday, June 16, at 3 p.m., Main Library. Here's your chance to make a gift for Dad. For all ages. Call (803) 773-7273 to register.

**• STEM: Scratch Computer Coding\*** — Monday, June 18, at 10 a.m., South Sumter Library. Create a retro video game using MIT's Scratch to learn basic coding concepts. Beginners are welcome. Best for ages 6 and up. Call (803) 773-7273 to register.

**• Baby and Me Storytime** — Tuesday,

June 19, at 10 a.m., Main Library. Bring the baby and listen to stories, sing songs and socialize with other new parents. Best for ages 0-1.

**• Movie at Main, "Boss Baby"** — Wednesday, June 20, at 10 a.m. and again at 2 p.m., Main Library. For all ages.

**• Performance: ScienceTellers — The Wild West: The Mystery of the Haunted Piano** — Thursday, June 21, at 10 a.m., Wesmark Library. This performance is a fun blend of theater and spectacular science tricks. Don't miss this classic action-packed western adventure story with "notes" of science. For all ages.

**• Storytime and a Craft** — Friday, June 22, at 10 a.m., Wesmark Library. Listen to picture books, sing songs and make a simple craft to take home. Best for ages 2-5. Call (803) 469-8110 to register.

**• Club LEGO** — Saturday, June 23, at 3 p.m., Main Library. Work alone or with others to build your LEGO masterpiece. Best for ages 6 and up.

**• Rhythm Jam: Learn to Tap Dance** — Monday, June 25, at 10 a.m., South Sumter Library. We'll show you a fun hack to temporarily turn your sneakers into tap shoes. We'll learn a few basic steps, and then you will create your own routine. Best for ages 6 and up.

**• STEM: LEGO Robotics\*** — Tuesday, June 26, at 2 p.m., Main Library. Work in teams to help build and program creations with the LEGO WeDo, Mindstorms EV3 and Simple and Powered Machines. Beginners are welcome. Best for ages 6 and up. Call (803) 773-7273 to register.

**• Performance: Explore World Instruments** — Wednesday, June 27, at 10 a.m. and again at 2 p.m., Main Library. You will hear a wide variety of instruments from around the world — and you might even play one yourself! For all ages.

**• Rhythm Jam: Craft Musical Instruments\*** — Thursday, June 28, at 10 a.m., Wesmark Library. Learn how to build simple musical instruments from materials you might already have around the house. For all ages. Call (803) 469-8110 to register.

**• Movie at Wesmark** — Friday, June 29, "Leap" at 10 a.m., and "Middle School: The Worst Years of My Life" at 2:30 p.m., Wesmark Library. For all ages.

**• Rhythm Jam: Craft Musical Instruments\*** — Saturday, June 30, at 3 p.m., Main Library. Learn how to build simple musical instruments from materials you might already have around the house. For all ages. Call (803) 773-7273 to register.

**• Storytime and a Craft\*** — Monday, July 2, at 10 a.m., South Sumter Library. Listen to picture books, sing

songs and make a simple craft to take home. Best for ages 2-5. Call (803) 773-7273 to register.

**• Scavenger Hunt** — Tuesday, July 3, at 2 p.m., Main Library. Race to be the first to find every item on the list. Best for ages 6 and up.

**• Learn to Garden with Lowe's\*** — Thursday, July 5, at 10 a.m., Wesmark Library. Join representatives from Lowe's as we make our "library rock!" with flowers. Learn the basics of caring for flowers and growing your own vegetable garden. Best for ages 6 and up. Call (803) 469-8110 to register.

**• Movie at Wesmark** — Friday, July 6, "Rock Dog" at 10 a.m. and "Captain Underpants" at 2:30 p.m., Wesmark Library. For all ages.

**• Reading Buddies** — Saturday, July 7, at 3 p.m., Main Library. Reading practice was never so fun. Come and read to Sparky, a trained therapy dog who loves to listen! Best for ages 6 and up.

**• STEM: Scratch Animations\*** — Monday, July 9, at 10 a.m., South Sumter Library. Animate a character using MIT's Scratch. Beginners are welcome. Best for ages 6 and up. Call (803) 773-7273 to register.

**• Rhythm Jam: Learn to Play a Percussion Instrument** — Tuesday, July 10, at 10 a.m., Main Library. Have you always wanted to be a drummer? Learn the basics of drumming and other simple percussion instruments with an experienced musician. Best for ages 6 and up.

**• Movie at Main, "Ferdinand"** — Wednesday, July 11, at 10 a.m. and again at 2 p.m., Main Library. For all ages.

**• STEM: Fun with Makey-Makey\*** — Thursday, July 12, at 10 a.m., Wesmark Library. You will be surprised to discover how to turn common objects like Play-doh into touch pads. Beginners are welcome. Best for ages 6 and up. Call (803) 469-8110 to register.

**• Performance: Yasu's Magic Show** — Friday, July 13, at 10 a.m., Wesmark Library. This fantastic storyteller combines magic and origami art in an amazing performance you won't soon forget. For all ages.

**• Club LEGO** — Saturday, July 14, at 3 p.m., Main Library. Work alone or with others to build your LEGO masterpiece. Best for ages 6 and up.

**• Hip-Hop and Step Dance** — Monday, July 16, at 10 a.m., South Sumter Library. Learn a few basic moves and then put them together with your own inventions to create a unique dance. Best for ages 6 and up.

**• Creative Writing Workshop** — Monday, July 16, at 6:30 p.m., Main Library. Connect with other young peo-

ple as we free-write and share. Best for ages 13 and up.

**• Baby and Me Storytime** — Tuesday, July 17, at 10 a.m., Main Library. Bring the baby and listen to stories, sing songs and socialize with other new parents. Best for ages 0-1.

**• Movie at Main, "Coco"** — Wednesday, July 18, at 10 a.m. and again at 2 p.m., Main Library. For all ages.

**• Battle of the Puzzles** — Thursday,

July 19, at 10 a.m., Wesmark Library. Compete to be the first team to put together a puzzle, and challenge your brain with mind teasers like Tetris and tangrams. For all ages.

**• Storytime and a Craft\*** — Friday, July 20, at 10 a.m., Wesmark Library. Listen to picture books, sing songs and make a simple craft to take home. Best for ages 2-5. Call (803) 469-8110 to register.

**• Teen Advisory Board Lock-In\*** — Friday, July 20, from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m., Main Library. Game on! Come meet fellow teens as we plan future library programs and play games together. For the lock-in, be sure to pick up a permission form and register so that you can attend this special event. For ages 13-18. Call (803) 773-7273 to register.

**• Family Board Games** — Saturday, July 21, at 3 p.m., Main Library. The whole family can join in to play classic board games. For all ages.

**• Storytime and a Craft\*** — Monday, July 23, at 10 a.m., South Sumter Library. Listen to picture books, sing songs and make a simple craft to take home. Best for ages 2-5. Call (803) 773-7273 to register.

**• STEM: Scratch Picoboard\*** — Tuesday, July 24, at 2 p.m., Main Library. This cool piece of equipment can sense changes in light, sound and more. Learn how to use it to communicate with MIT's Scratch computer coding. Beginners are welcome. Best for ages 6 and up. Call (803) 773-7273 to register.

**• Performance: Porkchop Productions** — Wednesday, July 25, at 10 a.m., Main Library. Enjoy this comedic theater performance! For all ages.

**• String Art with Lowe's\*** — Thursday, July 26, at 10 a.m., Wesmark Library. Make a classic craft to decorate your wall with the help of representatives from Lowe's. Best for ages 6 and up. Call (803) 469-8110 to register.

**• Storytime and a Craft\*** — Friday, July 27, at 10 a.m., Wesmark Library. Listen to picture books, sing songs and make a simple craft to take home. Best for ages 2-5. Call (803) 469-8110 to register.

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# Free activities at Harvin Clarendon County Library

Harvin Clarendon County Library, 215 N. Brooks St., Manning, will offer special programs and activities during the months of June and July. All programs and activities are free, but seating space and craft supplies are available on a first-come, first-serve basis. The library can accommodate 100 participants for each special program and for each craft pick-up activity. Call (803) 435-8633 or visit [www.clarendonlibrary.com](http://www.clarendonlibrary.com) for further details.

## JUNE PROGRAMS

- 2-3:30 p.m., June 5 — **Libraries Rock Craft Activity: Rock Painting** (12-18 years old)
- 3 p.m., June 7 — **Science Tellers presents "Wild West: The Mystery of the Golden Piano."** Throughout this wild adventure story, volunteers from the audience will help explore the fascinating science behind chemical reactions, combustion, air pressure, inertia and more.
- 2-3:30 p.m., June 12 — **Libraries Rock Craft Activity: Recycled CD Coasters** (12-18 years old)
- 10 a.m., June 14 — **Jolly Lollies Concert Performance.** Sing along with this children's band based out of



- Charlotte, North Carolina.
- 2-3:30 p.m., June 19 — **Libraries Rock Craft Activity: Graffiti Art and Lettering** (12-18 years old)
  - 2 p.m., June 21 — **RAPunzel presented by Porkchop Productions,** a favorite South Carolina theater group, is a fun-filled version of the classic children's story.
  - 7-9:30 p.m., June 22 — **Teen Movie Night: "Black Panther"** (12-18 years old)
  - 2-3:30 p.m., June 26 — **Libraries Rock Craft Activity:**

- 10:30 a.m., July 23 — **Magic Show by Rockstar Magicians**
  - 2-3:30 p.m., July 24 — **Libraries Rock Craft Activity: Guitar Picks** (12-18 years old)
  - 6-9:30 p.m., July 27 — **National Teen Lock In.** Join us for food and games, including music trivia and glow in the dark bowling. Pre-registration at the library is encouraged as space is limited to 30 teens. Ask at the front desk about reserving your space. (12-18 years old)
  - 2-3:30 p.m., July 31 — **Libraries Rock Craft Activity: Crocheted CDs** (12-18 years old)
- In addition to the special programs and activities, the library holds storytimes for young children at 10:30 a.m. each Wednesday featuring stories, songs, fingerplays and other activities for babies, toddlers and preschoolers up to age 6 with a caregiver.
- There will also be Craft Pick-Up Activities for children of all ages in June and July. Stop by the library each week to pick up a music-themed craft to take home and create.
- Also, read for fun this summer and earn prizes. Readers may join the Reader's Club, pre-readers may join the Early Literacy Club and teen students age 12-18 may join the Teen Reading Club. All reading clubs will run from June 1 through July 31.

up as well as teens and adults.

## JULY PROGRAMS

- 10-11 a.m., Thursdays, July 5, 12, 19 and 26 — **National Park System Junior Ranger Program: Geology & Fossils.** Attend all four of these Thursday morning activities to learn about geology and fossils and work through the NPS program booklet. Students attending all dates will receive a patch from the National Park System and will get to meet a Congaree park ranger at the July 26 program. Program presented by Carrie Sinkler-Parker with the National Council of Negro Women. (7-12 years old)
- 2-3:30 p.m., July 10 — **Libraries Rock Craft Activity: Tie Dye T-Shirts** (12-18 years old)
- 10:30 a.m., July 13 — **Peggy Parish Birthday Party,** presented in partnership with Main Street Manning, will include stories by Peggy Parish, a craft activity and birthday themed snacks.
- 10:30 a.m., July 16 — **Aquarium Rovers.** Visit with animals and educators from the South Carolina Aquarium in this fun, interactive program.
- 2-3:30 p.m., July 17 — **Libraries Rock Craft Activity: Sheet Music Art** (12-18 years old)

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- **Lip Sync Battle** — Saturday, July 28, at 3 p.m., Main Library. Bring your favorite family appropriate song and battle it out to show that you have the most star power. For all ages.
  - **STEM: Snap Circuits\*** — Monday, July 30, at 2 p.m., South Sumter Library. Have fun exploring electricity and building circuits. Beginners are welcome. Best for ages 6 and up. Call 773-7273 to register.
  - **STEM: Snap Circuits\*** — Tuesday, July 31, at 2 p.m., Wesmark Library. Have fun exploring electricity and building circuits. Beginners are welcome. Best for ages 6 and up. Call 469-8110 to register.
  - **Movie at Main: A Wrinkle in Time** — Wednesday, Aug. 1, at 10 a.m. and again at 2 p.m., Main Library. For all ages
  - **Wrap-Up Party!** — Friday, Aug. 3, from 9:30-11 a.m., Wesmark Library. Come join us for fun and games as we celebrate your Summer Reading success! For all ages.
- Programs marked with \* require registration.**

Libraries are located at: Main Library, 111 N. Harvin St., (803) 773-7273; Wesmark Library, 180 W. Wesmark Blvd., (803) 469-8110; and South Sumter Library, 337 Manning Ave., (803) 775-7132.



Children scream with delight as water jets turn on at the splash pad in Palmetto Park during a past summer.

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Sumter has five splash parks to cool off in, and all are opening Memorial Day weekend. There is no cost, so choose one of the following locations:

- **Crosswell Park,** corner of Lafayette Drive and Yeadon Street;
- **North HOPE Park,** 904 N. Main St.;
- **South Sumter Park,** corner of South Sumter and Atlantic streets;
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- **Palmetto Park,** off Theatre Drive, between the tennis center and ball fields.

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## City of Sumter Aquatics Center Opening Splash Day on May 26

City of Sumter Aquatics Center, 1115 S. Lafayette Drive, will begin the swimming season with its free Opening Splash Day from 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. on Saturday, May 26.

Want to learn to swim or become a lifeguard? Red

Cross certified instructors are on staff to get you trained and in the water. Open Tuesday through Sunday, the Aquatics Center is the place to spend your summer.

Open swim is held from noon to 5 p.m. Tuesday through Friday, 11 a.m. to 6

p.m. Saturday and 2 to 6 p.m. Sunday. Friday Night Fun Night is held from 7 to 10 p.m.

For additional information on swim lessons and other activities, call (803) 774-3998 or visit [www.facebook.com/AquaticsCenter](http://www.facebook.com/AquaticsCenter).

## USC Sumter adds eSports, art to camp choices

Mock trial, history, science, writing among other options

BY MISTY HATFIELD  
Special to The Sumter Item

University of South Carolina Sumter is expanding summer camp options again this year for students ages 9-14 from June 11 through June 29.

Due to the popularity of last year's new options, which included a mock trial camp and a history camp, organizers have added art and eSports classes for a total of six class options.

The Summer Scholar Series is available to students ages 9-14, and class size varies for each camp so early registration is strongly encouraged.

Print, Paint, Shape, Create is a week-long art studio class with projects designed to enhance student's creative problem-solving skills. Students will learn about distinctive artists and styles and will print, paint, shape and create their way through the gyotaku fish prints of Japan, build a painting from dark to light with local artist Amanda Cox, paint colorful majolica pottery and shape Alexander Calder-type mobiles. On the last day of class, there will be a small art show.

In "Write On!" writing camp with Leah Kiernan, students participate in fun, interactive and independent writing exercises that explore the techniques of mystery writing, creative fiction, realistic narrative fiction and non-fiction. Students learn how to get started, how to "reel the reader in" and how to use the five senses to unlock the power of descriptive writing.

History Camp, "From Sumter to Appomattox," with Dr. David Decker explores the strategies and military tactics of the Civil War through a hands-on, interactive ex-

perience. Students will learn about infantry, artillery and cavalry from a leading historian and active re-enactor.

"Mad About Science" Science Camp with Dr. Dan "The Science Man" Kiernan introduces students to human biology, environmental science, psychology, biochemistry and physics in fun and interactive ways. Participants conduct scientific experiments and explore first-hand the environment in which we live.

"Mock Trial" with Dr. Damien Picariello explores the court system from the inside, acting as lawyers, judges, witnesses and jurors as they try their own court cases. It is a great opportunity to have fun while building valuable skills, including public speaking, logic, reasoning, reading and writing.

Finally, in E-Sports Hands On camp, students experience what it is like to be a part of an eSports program and learn how to: practice, study gameplay, discuss tactics and strategies and learn about streaming!

Associate Professor of English Dr. Ray McManus organized the Summer Scholar Series in hopes of attracting young students to the campus.

Students may participate in one or multiple camps. Details about all of the camps are located at [www.uscsumter.edu](http://www.uscsumter.edu).

Choose "For the Community," "Continuing Education," "Summer Camps." For more information, please contact one of the following: Lara Richardson, (803) 938-3890; Fran Castleberry, (803) 938-3793; or Dr. Ray McManus, (803) 938-3817.

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# Don't forget to protect your eyes from sun's rays

Blue skies and ample sunshine help make summer special. Come summer, many people spend more time enjoying recreational pursuits, and everything seems a bit more laid back.

Even though people may take a more relaxed attitude in summer, the National Eye Institute says people should wear sunglasses that block UV radiation whenever they head outdoors in daylight hours. This is essential for men, women and children. Sunglasses are necessary during the times of day when the sun's rays are at their strongest, but wearing them anytime the sun is out can protect one's vision.

Sunglasses present a great defense against UV rays that can cause short- and long-term eye damage, states the American Academy of Ophthalmology. Diseases such as cataracts, cancer and growths on the eye all can result from prolonged exposure to UV rays, which can damage the eye's surface tissues as well as the cornea and lens. Prolonged exposure to UV rays also may affect retinal cells.

When purchasing sunglasses to protect the eyes, consumers should consider these important factors.

• **Ultimate protection.** The American Optometric Association says that sunglasses should offer 100 percent protection



against both UVA and UVB rays. Some glasses will simply list a numerical indicator. In such instances, sunglasses that offer protection against UV 400, which will encompass the wavelengths for both UVA and UVB rays, are best.

• **Buy from a reputable retailer.** Not all sunglasses live up to their claims. Sunglasses sold at doctors' offices, department stores and sunglass speciality shops often meet the standards for protection, advises The Vision Council, a trade organization for the optical industry.

• **Choose tint for activity.** Tint will not affect UV protection, but it can make certain activities more enjoyable. Darker lenses may help at the beach, where there is more reflective light. Orange or yellow lenses increase contrast while

driving or fishing. On cloudy days, amber or rose lenses can help improve contrast. Customers should choose a tint that makes them feel comfortable.

• **Polarized lenses help fight glare.** Polarized lenses and those with anti-reflective coatings can alleviate glare. Such lenses work by only letting in specific amounts of light at certain angles, which helps to reduce the brightness of that light, says the Discovery Eye Foundation.

• **Go big.** Bigger frames or wrap-around designs can further block UV light from different angles, particularly the side of the eye.

Consumers should consider various factors when shopping for their next pair of sunglasses. For more eye safety tips for the summer, visit [www.aao.org](http://www.aao.org).

## Cinema Series is back at Sumter Opera House

The Sumter Opera House, 21 N. Main St., is bringing back its Summer Cinema Series with an all new lineup of movies. Showtimes are 10 a.m., 1 p.m. and 7 p.m. unless otherwise noted. Admission is \$1. Concessions are also available for purchase. Please do not bring in food or drink.

- June 7 — "Ferdinand"
- June 14 — "Boss Baby" (no 1 p.m. showing)
- June 21 — "Kung Fu Panda 3"
- June 28 — "The Emoji Movie"
- July 5 — "The Book of Life"
- July 12 — "Willy Wonka and the Chocolate Factory"
- July 19 — "Lego Ninjago Movie"
- July 26 — "Paddington 2"
- Aug. 2 — "Cars 3"
- Aug. 9 — "Wonder"

For additional information, call (803) 436-2616.

# Teach your children the love of reading

Reading is a passion for many people. But even avid readers may not know just how far back their love of reading stretches.

According to the American Academy of Pediatrics, children who find pleasure in reading have the potential to become lifelong readers. In addition, studies have shown that reading to children can help kids become familiar with sounds, words and language, helping them in their earliest stages of cognitive development. So, adults who love books might be able to trace their passion for page-turners to those times their mothers and fathers read aloud to them as youngsters.

Parents who want their children to

learn to love reading can rely on various techniques to accomplish that goal. Summertime is the perfect time to try the following:

• **Make reading a routine.** Routine is a necessity for parents, helping children learn when it's time to eat, play and go to sleep, among other things. Parents can include reading to their children as part of their daily routines. As noted, doing so will promote language skills and cognitive development while also acclimating children to books and providing valuable time for them to bond with their parents.

• **Create a distraction-free reading environment.** When reading to children, parents can create an environment with little to no distractions. This al-

lows kids to focus on their parents' voices as well as the story they're being told. Parents can turn off the television and the radio when reading to their kids. In addition, moms and dads should leave smartphones or tablets in another room so they aren't distracted by alerts or tempted to check for incoming messages or emails.

• **Read aloud together.** Some children may shy away from reading if they struggle in their initial efforts to read. That does not mean kids won't ultimately enjoy reading. It just means a little more effort may be required on the parents' part to help kids overcome any issues they have. Reading aloud to children can help

little ones learn how to become good readers, as they will learn how to pronounce words and form sentences. Kids who know how to read can be encouraged to read to their parents, which can instill self-esteem. If kids struggle with certain words or sentences when reading aloud, parents can read those words and/or sentences aloud to them and ask them to repeat the phrases back.

• **Let kids pick their own books.** When reading to youngsters, whether they're babies, toddlers or already in school, parents should let sons and daughters choose their own books. Children might be especially enthusiastic about reading if they're allowed to choose their own books and stories.

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## Beacon shares summer lineup

GTC Beacon Cinemas will once again offer its Summer Kid Show Series at its theaters in Wesmark Plaza, 1121 Broad St.

Movies will be shown on Tuesday and Thursday mornings in June and July and will start promptly at 10 a.m. Doors will open at 9:15 a.m. Admission is \$1.50, with drinks and popcorn sold for \$1.50 each.

- Movies to be shown are:
- June 5 and 7 — "Lego Batman"
  - June 12 and 14 — "Ferdinand"
  - June 19 and 21 — "Boss Baby"
  - June 26 and 28 — "Captain Underpants, The First Epic Movie"
  - July 3 and 5 — "Smurfs, The Lost Village"
  - July 10 and 12 — "The Emoji Movie"
  - July 17 and 19 — "Lego Ninjago"
  - July 24 and 26 — "Despicable Me 3"
- For additional information, call (803) 418-5312.

## Have fun, prevent learning loss

Summer vacation presents an opportunity for students to enjoy an extended break from the classroom. While this respite from routine may be a welcome change to youngsters, teachers frequently lament that valuable educational lessons seem to be forgotten each summer. Educators then face tougher hurdles when students return to school in the fall.

Such a phenomenon is dubbed "summer learning loss," but it can occur during any extended break from school. Scholars have realized for some time that students' rate of academic development declines during summer vacation. Oxford Learning, a tutoring and education training group, offers these eye-opening statistics.

- Over the summer, students tend to lose 2.6 months of math skills and two months of reading skills.
  - Summer learning loss can be seen in students as young as 6.
  - It can take up to two months from the first day of school to get students' brain development back on course.
- Summer learning loss, sometimes called "brain drain," can be prevented.

Proponents of year-round schooling at The National Association for Year-Round Education recommend a more balanced school year, where summer vacation lasts only 30 days and other school breaks are lengthened. In this scenario, the school year would still last about 180 days but without the lengthy breaks.

Parents may prefer the status quo, and those who do can take several steps to prevent summer learning loss from affecting their children.

- **Encourage more reading.** Schools recommend summer reading lists, but students should also learn to read for pleasure. Research from the National Literacy Trust indicates reading for pleasure can improve reading attainment and writing, as well as one's general knowledge. Children can bring books to the beach that they can read between frolicking sessions in the waves.
- **Enjoy family game nights.** Games can be customized to highlight certain skills that require reinforcement. For example, math-centered games that require counting or addition can strengthen generalized math skills. Problem-solving board

games may help children become better critical thinkers.

- **Make vacations educational.** Add travel to historical sites or other places of interest to help history come alive. When visiting new towns and cities, read the placards that explain important moments in history that took place in each town or city, making sure to include some thought-provoking areas of interest on your itinerary.

- **Look for science moments.** Trips to the ocean, parks and much more present myriad opportunities to learn about science. Children can stage their own experiments with items they find in nature, such as learning about tides, wind and water flow by sailing homemade boats.

- **Teach kids through daily tasks.** Barbecuing, making a cake, building a raised garden bed, seeding the lawn — each of these moments present educational opportunities for parents who want to keep their kids' minds sharp during summer.

Children need not fall victim to summer learning loss when their days are filled with educational but fun activities.

## Hot days mean more screen time; implement rules

When the days of summer get hotter and hotter, kids will be more inclined to stay indoors, which means they will want more media time.

Families spend more time staring at screens than ever before. Screen time can adversely affect one's ability to sleep and eat and may make people less likely to engage in physical activity. Researchers at the University of California, Los Angeles have found that children's social skills may be declining as they have less time for face-to-face interaction and reduced inability to read emotional facial cues due to increased digital media use.

In 2016, the American Academy of Pediatrics released new policy recom-

mendations on screen time for children. Children younger than 18 months should avoid screen media except for video chatting. Children between the ages of 2 and 5 should limit screen use to one hour per day with high-quality content. Children ages 6 and older should have consistent limits placed on the time they spend using media so that it doesn't impact behaviors essential to their overall health. This gives caregivers a wide berth in determining just how much media is right for their families.

Because media is ubiquitous, families must weigh the pros and cons of screen time in developing media plans that work for their unique situations.

A healthy media diet includes smart choices about what media to engage with. Here's how to get started.

- Determine when screen time seems most disruptive or negatively impactful to the family. This may include during dinnertime or when the family would normally socialize. Make those moments screen-free times.
- Encourage creative pursuits when consuming media. These can include making videos or learning to code video games rather than just watching videos or playing games.
- Make sure to keep bedtime tech-free so that screen time does not interfere with sleep or keeps children

(and adults) from getting the quality sleep they need. Many experts recommend avoiding screens at least an hour before retiring.

- Encourage electronic limits and curfews so that kids and adults can get creative with their free time instead of simply turning to technology. Have plenty of other screen-free options available, such as books, newspapers, board games and craft items.

- Modify guidelines as necessary for the family. This way no one is pigeonholed by strict rules. For example, screen time may be increased if a child is home sick from school or if someone can use some distraction while on a long car ride.

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