



# Slower hurricanes over land will mean more rain

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# City council OKs 1st budget reading

## Proposed budget is balanced at \$67M

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Sumter City Council approved first reading of the city's proposed 2019 budget, which is balanced at \$67,218,077 million with revenues and expenditures each totaling \$39,365,543 in the general fund on Tuesday after

completing a series of budget workshops.

The budget still needs one more vote before it is fully approved.

Council also approved first reading of an ordinance to amend the city's 2018 budget to include a \$6 million general obligation bond, approved in March, to fund three projects: \$800,000 to reimburse the city's general fund account for improvements made to the Alice Drive fire station last year; \$4 million for finishing touches to the Public Safety complex on Lafayette

Drive; and \$1.2 million to engineer and install a new fiber loop to secure data usage for the city's departments.

The 2018 budget amendment also includes an increase in the amount of money to be transferred from the city's hospitality fund to the general fund.

Originally, it was planned that 45 percent of the hospitality fund would be transferred to the city's general fund based on the predicted hospitality revenues for the 2018 fiscal year.

However, hospitality revenues are

more than predicted, so it would be good to use that surplus to purchase park and garden equipment for the tourism department, City Finance Director Beth Reames said.

### MINI-STORAGE FACILITY PLANS PASSED

City council approved second and final reading of a request to amend the city's mini-storage warehouse development conditions to permit a

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From left, Shekinah Lonon, Morgan Pringle, J'Quan Jenkins-Johnson and Kyle Boothe never missed a day of school in 12 years. All will graduate this weekend in Sumter.

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# Perfect

## 4 seniors mark 12 years of never missing a day of school

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No one is perfect. Except four teenagers from Sumter. When J'Quan Jenkins-Johnson, Morgan Pringle, Shekinah Lonon and Kyle Boothe graduate from high school this weekend, they will complete a 12-year challenge that started in kindergarten and ended with them having not missed a single day of school. Ever.

"To graduate without missing a single day of class in your 12-year academic career is an extraordinary accomplishment that is the culmination of hard work and determination," State Superintendent of Education Molly Spearman said.

The four are among 43 high school seniors who had perfect attendance throughout their entire public school career. Spearman said in a news release that each student will receive a letter and certificate that she signed.

Jenkins-Johnson said his mom was a major part in making sure he got to school every day, to which the other three emphatically agreed.

Pringle said when she was younger, her mom would make her go to school when she didn't want to but that later in high school she took it upon herself to not miss a day because she wanted to get the certificate.

Lonon said she liked going to school every day because she could be around people who make her laugh and smile.

Boothe said making sure he got to school taught him to never stop reaching toward a

goal and that he didn't like missing school because he didn't want to fall behind.

They all also said working toward perfect attendance through elementary, middle and high school taught them about commitment, dedication and hard work.

They sat down with *The Sumter Item* to tell us a little more about themselves and their future.

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**J'QUAN JENKINS-JOHNSON**

Age: 18

Elementary school: Lemira

Middle school: Bates, Chestnut Oaks

High school: Sumter

Activity: Junior Firefighter

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# Analysis: HUD plan would raise rents for poor by 20 percent

BY JULIET LINDERMAN  
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CHARLESTON — Housing Secretary Ben Carson says his latest proposal to raise rents would mean a path toward self-sufficiency for millions of low-income households across the United States by pushing more people to find work. For Ebony Morris and her four small children, it could mean homelessness.

Morris lives in Charleston,

South Carolina, where most households receiving federal housing assistance would see rents rise an average 26 percent, according to an analysis done by Center on Budget and Policy Priorities for The Associated Press. Her increase would be nearly double that.

Overall, the analysis shows that in the 100 largest U.S. metropolitan areas, low-income tenants — many of whom have jobs — would have to pay roughly 20 percent more each year for rent under

the plan. That's about six times greater than the growth in average hourly earnings, putting poor workers at an increased risk of homelessness because wages haven't kept pace with housing expenses.

"I saw public housing as an option to get on my feet, to pay 30 percent of my income and get myself out of debt and eventually become a homeowner," said Morris, whose rent would jump from \$403 to

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Shannon Brown, 29, walks with her four-year-old daughter, Sai-Mya, in Charleston on May 17. Brown lives in public housing and could face a steep increase under a HUD proposal that would raise rents for millions of low-income individuals and families.

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## Robbery suspect leaves jacket with name, prints



**FROM STAFF REPORTS**

Not only did this suspect leave behind his fingerprint at a crime scene, but he also left behind his jacket. Better than that, it had his name on it.

According to a news release from Deputy Ken Bell, public information officer with Sumter

County Sheriff's Office, 30-year-old Jehrode William Hodge, of 1575 Robert Perry Road, was arrested and charged with burglary, second degree, pursuant to a warrant issued on May 31 and another on June 1.

The first warrant states that on April 21, Hodge reportedly entered an unlocked door in an

enclosed area at S&S Muffler Shop, 100 Myrtle Beach Highway, and once inside, entered an unlocked 2001 Saturn.

Hodge reportedly then stole speakers and amplifiers from the car valued at \$2,700 but left behind a blue jacket with the name Hodge on it.

The second warrant states that

on May 7, the suspect reportedly entered a residence in the 600 block of East Brewington Road by pushing a window air conditioner through the window and going through the opening. Once inside, Hodge reportedly stole a 32-inch Sony TV valued at \$200. This time, investigators recovered Hodge's fingerprint.

## Beware of mystery shopper scammers

**BY RHONDA BARRICK**

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Though some retailers actually hire "secret" or "mystery" shoppers, scammers are also known to use this term.

According to Emma Fletcher with the Division of Consumer and Business Education, Federal Trade Commission, this old scam is making a comeback, and this is how it works.

A letter arrives in the mail promising a job as a secret shopper and containing a check. You deposit the check, and surprisingly, the check clears your bank account. The next step is to visit the store named in the letter and test its money transfer service — Western Union or MoneyGram. Of course, the way you test it is by wiring some of the money you just deposited to the scammer. At this point, everything seems plausible. At least you weren't asked to send all of the money, right?

Now, the scam unravels.

Though banks make funds from deposited checks available within a few days, uncovering a fake check can take much longer. When your bank realizes the check is an imposter, the person who deposited the check (you) and wired the money (you) will be responsible for paying back the bank.

Another twist on this scheme: The scammer asks the "shopper" to purchase reloadable cards such as gift cards and provide the numbers on the cards (usually by texting a photo) to the scammer, who now can make purchases. You are left with useless cards and no money.

Remember, never deposit a check and then wire or send money to anyone you don't know personally. And never pay to be a mystery shopper. Typically, a mystery shopper is reimbursed for purchases and can keep the product or service they receive. A small payment is sometimes included.

If you are still interested in secret/mystery shopping, the FTC recommends visiting the Mystery Shopping Providers Association website at [mysteryshop.org](http://mysteryshop.org).

To sign up for free scam alerts, visit [FTC.gov/Scams](http://FTC.gov/Scams).



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Democratic candidate Archie Parnell is seen with his wife, Sarah, during the last District 5 Congressional race. He's running against U.S. Rep. Ralph Norman for a second time.

## House hopeful Parnell vows to remain in race

**Posts video on Facebook**

**BY MEG KINNARD**

Associated Press

COLUMBIA — A leading Democratic congressional candidate in South Carolina's 5th District said Wednesday that he's staying in the race despite calls from party leaders to quit over decades-old domestic violence.

In a video posted to his campaign Facebook page, Archie Parnell admitted that he hit his ex-wife 45 years ago and apologized for not disclosing that detail of his divorce to voters and his staff. Last month, the head of the South Carolina Democratic Party called on Parnell to withdraw after *The Post and Courier* of Charleston obtained divorce records in which Parnell's ex-wife said that he shattered a glass door with a tire iron and beat her in 1973.

Parnell told the paper that his behavior was "inexcusable, wrong and downright embarrassing." In Wednesday's video, the candidate said that he should have been upfront about the situation from the beginning.

"I want you to know I apologized and asked for forgiveness from my ex-wife, and I ask for forgiveness from God," Parnell said. "I have apologized to my wife, Sarah, and our two daughters for the suffering caused them by recent publicity of what I did terribly wrong long ago."

Parnell narrowly lost last year's special election to Republican Ralph Norman. Parnell received 48 percent of the vote in the 5th District, which spans 11 mostly rural counties as it stretches

north from Columbia, through Charlotte suburbs and then west to pick up more rural areas. It had been in Democratic hands for more than 100 years until state Republicans redrew the map, changing the boundaries to draw it more safely under their party's control. Republican Mick Mulvaney won the seat in 2010, defeating longtime Democratic U.S. Rep. John Spratt.

In the video, Parnell goes on to apologize to donors, volunteers and campaign employees for not being honest about his past. Parnell's staff left his campaign in droves, his website disappeared, and his Twitter account went dormant following the abuse reports. Wednesday's video was his first appearance on social media in nearly a month.

Even if Parnell had opted to withdraw from the race, it's too late for his name to be removed from ballots. South Carolina's primary elections are next week, and three other Democrats are seeking their party's nomination in the 5th District.

Aside from that, Parnell said quitting the race would send a negative message to anyone who has also made mistakes in their past.

"If I withdraw, I would not be fully facing my past. If I withdraw, I would be telling anyone who makes a terrible mistake that that one terrible mistake will define them for the rest of their lives," Parnell said. "I know what I did 45 years ago was horribly wrong; I am not that same person now. My name is on the ballot, and the voters of the 5th district should decide the outcome of this election."

## Dalzell man faces child porn charges

**FROM STAFF REPORTS**

A 43-year-old Dalzell man has been arrested on child pornography according to a news release from S.C. Attorney General Alan Wilson.

Chad Everett McCollam was arrested on Monday and charged with three counts of sexual exploitation of a minor, second degree, a felony offense punishable by up to 10 years' imprisonment on each count.



McCOLLAM

Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force investigators with Sumter County Sheriff's Office made the arrest. Investigators with the Attorney General's Office and Homeland Security Investigations, both also members of the state's ICAC Task Force, assisted with the investigation and arrest.

According to investigators, McCollam distributed multiple files of child pornography.

The case will be prosecuted by the Attorney General's Office.

## Man charged after 1-year-old suffers burns

**FROM STAFF REPORTS**

A Sumter man was arrested Tuesday and charged with unlawful neglect of a child after a baby in his care suffered third-degree burns.

Kevon Hayward, 26, of Babbette Road, was reportedly watching the 1-year-old child on Babbette Road while the child's mother was at work. He told the mother the child burned himself on a space heater while Hayward was playing video games, causing third-degree burns on the boy's back and legs.



HAYWARD

A warrant was issued for Hayward's arrest on May 8.

The child was taken to Augusta Burn Center for treatment.

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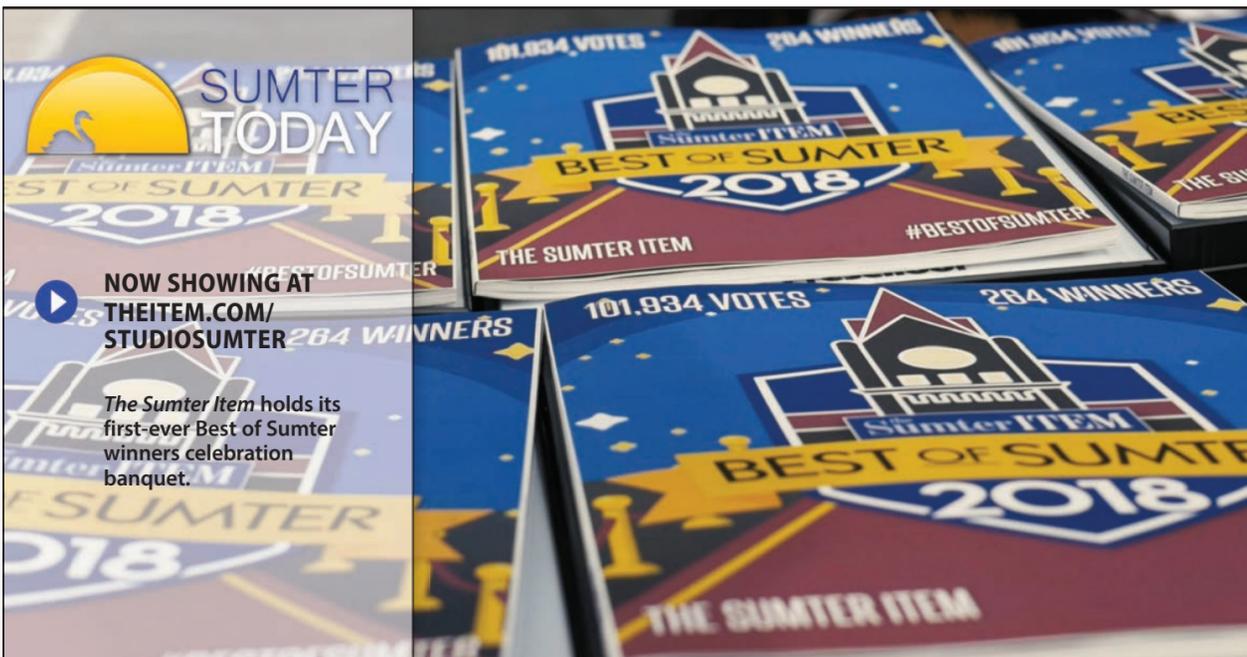
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## Lasting changes require work

According to recent research, only 20 percent of individuals are prepared to make improvements in their health behaviors. Making lasting changes requires a lot of work. A habit is something we do automatically. Forming and breaking habits can take more than two months, not just a few weeks. Initiating a new habit is challenging, but sustaining it can be the most difficult part of change.

A person's behavior is influenced by his or her relationships and environment. Family relationships, peer groups, organizations, cultures, environment and society all have a tremendous impact on behaviors. Behaviors are generally learned by observing and eventually demonstrating that same behavior. Most of these habits we pick up while we are growing up, and we carry them into adulthood. Think about the habits you have and where you learned them. Do you buy popcorn every time you go to the movies because that's what your parents did?

Because no one lives in isolation, we must learn to modify and adopt the behaviors we want to see in our own lives. Increasing your awareness and knowledge about the desired behavior can support your thoughts about it. Surround yourself with those who display the behavior you want to adopt. These individuals and their actions can help you attain your goals.

Engaging in behavior change can be quite stressful. Not only may this identify those close to you who are not supportive of this change, but it also may take

making new friends, changing the environment within your house or even finding a job that is more in line with your health goals. Stress can wreak havoc on anyone, even the most disciplined and competitive athletes. Stress elevates cortisol levels which naturally disrupts sleep patterns, decreasing your ability to implement change. Maintaining a regular sleep pattern improves the body's physiological processes and hormones which improves your chance for change.

Sometimes well-intended actions are not enough. Because the actions of many are more powerful than the actions of an individual, social interaction with like-minded individuals can increase your rate of success. However, it's more than just being with others who have the same goals. Your environment at work and home must be one that supports and assists in these changes. If you do not have the ability to change your environment at home or work, achieving these desired behaviors may take more time or may never occur, no matter how hard you try.

Whatever your goals, recognize that multiple influences have a significant impact on your ability to adopt new behaviors and sustain them. Assess all areas and aspects of your life for potential barriers and enlist the help of others who have made similar changes. In some circumstances, there may be areas where you need to seek professional guidance.

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Missy Corrigan

## BB&T Scott & Stringfellow open new office



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On May 16, BB&T Scott & Stringfellow held a ribbon-cutting event at its new office location, 216 N. Main St. The event was hosted by financial advisers L. Travis McIntosh, senior vice president; and Charles V. Noyes II, vice president; along with their client service associate Cindy B. McGhee. BB&T Scott & Stringfellow President Bryan Cram and Complex Manager Darby Henley were also in attendance. Celebrating 125 years of service, BB&T Scott & Stringfellow is a full-service regional brokerage and financial services firm with 59 offices in Virginia, West Virginia, Kentucky, North Carolina, South Carolina, Maryland, Georgia, Alabama, Florida, Texas and Pennsylvania. For additional information, call (803) 774-2700 or visit [BBTScottStringfellow.com](http://BBTScottStringfellow.com).

## S.C. BRIEFS

FROM WIRE REPORTS

### Democrat governor candidate gets backing of veterans group

COLUMBIA — A progressive veterans' group is endorsing Democratic state Rep. James Smith in the South Carolina's governor's race.

Vote Vets PAC told The Associated Press on Wednesday that Smith, who served in Afghanistan, is "the very definition of what a patriotic public servant is."

Smith was a JAG officer in the U.S. Army Reserve and South Carolina Army National Guard but resigned his commission after the Sept. 11 attacks to enlist in the infantry.

Smith says he is "incredibly honored and humbled" by the group's backing. Vote Vets describes its mission as primarily helping elect Iraq and Afghanistan war veteran candidates and educating about veterans and military issues.

Smith, Charleston consultant Phil Noble and Florence attorney Marguerite Willis face off in next Tuesday's Democratic primary.

### Officials unsure when state shrimp season will open

CHARLESTON — South Carolina officials say they are uncertain when the state's commercial shrimp catching season will be open.

The *Post and Courier* reports state Department of Natural Resources biologists did a round of sample trawls off Charleston on Tuesday to check whether the spring shrimp had spawned and whether the summer crop had grown to good size.

Department Office of Fisheries Management Managing Director Mel Bell says that in one of the nets, only around 20 percent of the spring shrimp catch had spawned. The summer shrimp were still smaller than biologists would like to see before opening this year's harvest.

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# Study: Tropical cyclones slowing down

BY SETH BORENSTEIN  
AP Science Writer

WASHINGTON — Tropical cyclones around the world are moving slightly slower over land and water, dumping more rain as they stall, just as Hurricane Harvey did last year, a new study found.

This isn't about how powerful a storm's winds are, just how fast it chugs along. Storms in the last few years — before 2017's Harvey — were moving about 10 percent slower globally than in the late 1940s and 1950s, according to a study published in *Nature* on Wednesday. Storms worldwide in 2016 moved about 1.25 mph slower than 60 some years ago.

In the Atlantic Ocean basin, the slowdown was not dramatic, just 6 percent. But when Atlantic storms hit land — like Harvey — the study said the slowdown is a significant 20 percent. Atlantic storms that make landfall moved 2.9 mph slower than 60

*'The slower a storm goes, the more rain it's going to dump in any particular area.'*

JAMES KOSSIN

Study author, government climate scientist

some years ago, it said.

"The slower a storm goes, the more rain it's going to dump in any particular area," said study author James Kossin, a government climate scientist. "Hurricane Harvey last year was a great example of what a slow storm can do."

Harvey, which killed at least 68 people, dropped a record 60 inches of rain in parts of southeastern Texas, ac-

ording to the National Hurricane Center.

Kossin started his research before the 2017 season, stopping his analysis at 2016. Adding last year's storms would have made the slowdown a bit more prominent, he said.

Unhurried hurricanes also mean strong winds blowing more often over the same place and possibly more storm surge, Kossin said.

The trend has all the signs of human-caused climate change, Kossin said. But the study did not look at causes by using computer models to simulate the Earth with and without warming. It is based solely on past observations, he said.

Another study that came out recently, using computer models, concluded that future storm movements will slow because of climate change.

Climate change is tinkering with and slowing down atmospheric circulation patterns — the wind currents that move weather along, Kossin said.

Outside scientists were skeptical. That's mostly because data before the 1970s is not reliable so it is hard to make such conclusions, said University of Miami hurricane researcher Brian McNoldy.

Kossin acknowledged problems with pre-1970s data but said that most of it deals with how strong storms are. Older data on location, and thus movement, are more reliable, Kossin said.

"Kossin is right that a 10 percent change in tropical cyclone motion would be an important change due to its effect on accumulated precipitation," Texas state climatologist John Nielsen-Gammon said in an email. "I just need more convincing that there actually has been a 10 percent motion change."

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## Guatemala resumes search-and-rescue operations

Firefighter spokesman:  
Chance of finding more survivors is unlikely

BY MARK STEVENSON  
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Associated Press

EL RODEO, Guatemala — Authorities cautiously resumed search-and-rescue operations Wednesday in towns and villages devastated by the eruption of Guatemala's Volcano of Fire, with time quickly running out to find any survivors.

Workers poked metal rods into the terrain to release smoke, an indication that super-hot temperatures remained below the surface three days after the volcanic explosion that killed at least 75 people. Once a verdant collection of canyons, hillsides and farms, the area was reduced to a moonscape of ash by the avalanche of fast-moving molten rock, mud and debris.

After a drone survey, police managed to reach a farm where a home had been buried and people were thought to have been trapped inside.

At least 192 people are missing, and the death toll was sure to rise.

At the wreckage in the village of San Miguel Los Lotes near the base of the volcano, rescue crews were operating again, but rain from the previous night had caused the ash to harden.

"We are analyzing the terrain," said David de Leon, spokesman for the disaster agency Conred.

Authorities warned that the rain increased the chance of muddy flows of volcanic material and other debris. A red alert remained in place for the departments of Escuintla, Sacatepequez and Chimaltenango, and people were advised not to linger near the affected zones.

Firefighters' spokesman



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The coffin of 3-year-old Jennifer Andrea Morales, who died during the eruption of the Volcan de Fuego (Volcano of Fire), is one of seven bodies being carried to the cemetery in San Juan Alotenango, Guatemala, on Monday. Residents of villages skirting the volcano began mourning the dead after an eruption buried them in searing ash and mud.

Julio Sanchez said Tuesday that 72 hours after Sunday's eruption there will be little chance of finding anyone alive.

"We don't rule out the possibility of some person alive, but the condition in which the homes are makes that possibility pretty unlikely," Sanchez said, adding that some of the ash was still at temperatures between 750 and 1,300 Fahrenheit.

On Tuesday, frightened people living near the volcano fled with their children and few possessions when authorities warned of fresh flows of super-heated debris, taking no chances after they were given

little time to evacuate before Sunday's eruption.

Traffic came to a standstill on choked roads and many without vehicles fled on foot, even from the city of Escuintla, which is located about 10 miles from the volcano and was not under an evacuation order. Businesses throughout the area were shuttered as owners joined the flood of those evacuating.

Mirna Priz wept as she sat on a rock at a crossroads, her suitcase in front of her and her 11-year-old son, Allen, and their terrier mix Cara Sucia by her side.

"You feel powerless," she

said. "I don't know where I'm going to go. To leave my things, everything I have."

But after seeing what happened Sunday, she was afraid to stay.

Also among those fleeing was Pantaleon Garcia, who

was able to load his grandchildren into the back of a pickup with a jug of water and some food. They were heading to the homes of relatives in another town.

"You have to be prepared, for the children," he said.

## May smashes U.S. temperature records

BY SETH BORENSTEIN  
AP Science Writer

WASHINGTON — Record heat returned to the United States with a vengeance in May.

May warmed to a record average 65.4 degrees in the Lower 48 states, breaking the high of 64.7 set in 1934, according to federal weather figures released Wednesday. May was 5.2 degrees above the 20th century's average for the month.

Weather stations in the nation broke or tied nearly 8,600 daily heat records in May, the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration reported. It hit 100 in Minneapolis on May 28, the earliest the city has seen triple digits.

"The warmth was coast to coast," climate scientist Jake Crouch at NOAA's Centers for Environmental Information said.

What made May seem even

warmer was that April was unusually cool for much of the United States, he said. Wisconsin had its coldest April followed by its second-warmest May.

The United Kingdom, Germany and other places also set May heat records, but overall global figures for the month are still being tabulated, Crouch said.

It was especially warm at night in the U.S. during May. The overnight low temperature averaged 52.5 degrees nationwide. That broke the record by 2 degrees which "is unheard of" at this time of year, he said.

Partly to blame is the overall warming trend from man-made climate change, Crouch said. April was cool because the jet stream brought polar air south, but it shifted out of that pattern in May. Then, a tropical system and subtropical storm Alberto brought warm moisture to the eastern

part of the country, while the West was quite dry. That allowed temperatures to heat up.

"Nature is dealing cards from a very different deck now compared to the 20th century," Pennsylvania State University climate scientist David Title said in an email.

U.S. temperature reports go back to 1895. With the new May record, six of the U.S. monthly record highs have been set since 2006.

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# Trustees report warns Medicare finances worse than thought

BY RICARDO ALONSO-ZALDIVAR AND ANDREW TAYLOR  
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Medicare will run out of money sooner than expected, and Social Security's financial problems can't be ignored either, the government said Tuesday in a sobering checkup on programs vital to the middle class.

The report from program trustees says Medicare will become insolvent in 2026 — three years earlier than previously forecast. Its giant trust fund for inpatient care won't be able to fully cover projected medical bills starting at that point.

The report says Social Security will become insolvent in 2034 — no change from the projection last year.

The warning serves as a reminder of major issues still languishing while Washington plunges deeper into partisan strife. Because of the deterioration in Medicare's finances, officials said the Trump administration will be required by law to send Congress a plan next year to address the problems, after the president's budget is submitted.

Treasury Secretary Steven Mnuchin said in a statement that there's time to fix the problems. "The programs remain secure," Mnuchin said. Medicare "is on track to meet its obligations to beneficiaries well into the next decade."

"However, certain long-term issues persist," the statement added. "Lackluster economic growth in previous years, coupled with an aging population, has contributed to the projected shortages for both Social Security and Medicare."

Social Security recipients are likely to see a cost of living increase of about 2.4 percent next year, said government number-crunchers who produced the report. That works out to about \$31 a month.

At the same time, the monthly Medicare "Part B" premium for outpatient care paid by most beneficiaries is projected to rise by about \$1.50, to \$135.50.

Both the cost of living increase and the Medicare outpatient premium are not officially determined until later in the year, and the initial projections can change.

More than 62 million retirees, disabled workers, spouses and surviving children receive Social Security benefits. The average monthly payment is \$1,294 for all beneficiaries. Medicare provides health insurance for about 60 million people, most of whom are age 65 or older.

Together the two programs have been credited with dramatically reducing poverty among older people and extending life expectancy for Americans. Financed with payroll taxes collected from workers and employers, Social Security and Medicare account for about 40 percent of government spending, excluding interest on the federal debt.

But demands on both programs are increasing as America ages.

Unless lawmakers act, both programs face the prospect of being unable to cover the full cost of promised benefits. With Social Security that

could mean sharply reduced payments for retirees, many of whom are already on tight budgets. The report said the total annual cost of Social Security is projected to exceed total annual income in 2018 for the first time since the Reagan era, meaning the program will have to tap into reserves.

For Medicare, insolvency would mean that hospitals, nursing homes and other providers of medical care would be paid only part of their agreed-upon fees.

Medicare is widely seen as a more difficult problem that goes beyond the growing number of baby boomers retiring. It's also the unpredictability of health care costs, which can be jolted by high-priced breakthrough cures, and which regularly outpace the overall rate of economic growth.

The Cabinet secretaries for Treasury, Health and Human Services, and Labor usually participate in the annual release of the report, along with the Social Security commissioner, and take questions from reporters. None of those top officials was present Tuesday; an aide cited scheduling conflicts.

The four top officials serve as the Social Security and Medicare trustees, along with two independent trustees who are supposed to represent the public. The public trustees are usually more candid, but those posts remain unfilled.

President Donald Trump campaigned on a promise not to cut Social Security or Medicare, but he hasn't offered a blueprint for either program.

Democrats, meanwhile, want to extend the social safety net by spending more on health care and education. Advocates for the elderly said Tuesday there should be no cuts to Social Security benefits.

But federal deficits keep rising, and the recent Republican tax-cut bill is expected to add to the debt.

Last year's tax law, which cut taxes on Social Security benefits, helped exacerbate the shortfall. So too did repeal of the individual mandate in so-called Obamacare, which promises to increase the number of people without health insurance and therefore Medicare payments for uncompensated medical care.

Higher deficits mean less maneuvering room for policymakers when the day of reckoning finally arrives for Social Security and Medicare.

In principle, the U.S. is supposed to be paying forward its Social Security and Medicare obligations by building up trust funds to cover future costs. That money is invested in special government securities, which also collect interest. But when the money is actually needed to pay for benefits, economists say a government deep in debt could be hard pressed to make good.



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In this March 2 photo, a man walks through a flooded sidewalk in Boston's Seaport District. General Electric is building its new world headquarters and Amazon is bringing in thousands of new workers to Boston's booming Seaport District. Trendy restaurants and apartments have gone up virtually overnight. But after bad flooding during a storm this past winter, critics wonder whether it was a bright idea to invest so much on a man-made peninsula barely above sea level.

# In Boston's booming Seaport, the namesake is also the threat

BY PHILIP MARCELO  
Associated Press

BOSTON — In this old city's booming Seaport District, General Electric is building its new world headquarters, Amazon is bringing in thousands of new workers, and Reebok's red delta symbol sits atop the new office it opened last year. Three businesses are testing self-driving cars, other dynamic companies are planting their flag, and trendy restaurants and apartments have gone up virtually overnight.

But after bad flooding during a storm this past winter, critics wonder whether it was a bright idea to invest so much in a man-made peninsula that sits barely above sea level.

"That was the first winter where we really saw waves splashing onto the boardwalk and water in the streets," said Greg Hoffmeister, who watched the flooding from the third-floor Seaport office of his real estate firm. "You start to think: Is that what we're in for, as sea levels rise?"

As they gear up to host the International Mayors Climate Summit today, municipal officials insist they're making the proper preparations for increased flooding and rising sea levels in a city that was less than 500 acres when the Puritans settled it in 1630 but now includes more than 5,000 acres of man-made landfill — one-sixth of its entire area.

"We know the water is going to be coming in through South Boston, pretty much from every direction, by 2070," said Richard McGuinness, a city planning deputy, referring to the neighborhood that includes the Seaport.

A 2016 city report projected Boston could see 8 inches of sea level rise by 2030, with the Seaport District the most vulnera-

ble area. By 2070, seas could rise 36 inches higher than in 2000 levels, the report said. Some 90,000 residents and 12,000 buildings are in the area threatened by increased flooding, and the economic loss from a powerful storm could be more than \$14 billion.

While some new Seaport developers are building with climate change in mind — especially after 2012's Superstorm Sandy slammed New York and showed what a bad storm could do on the East Coast — many office towers and high-rise condos erected earlier simply didn't. And environmental activists and some researchers complain the city isn't moving quickly or aggressively enough to change development patterns.

City officials are looking at ways to revise Boston's zoning code, moving ahead on relatively inexpensive neighborhood-wide improvements and assessing the need for the kinds of massive public works projects that European cities built long ago, Austin Blackmon, Democratic Mayor Marty Walsh's environmental deputy, said.

The Boston Planning and Development Agency also revamped in October the "climate-ready checklist" developers have been required to submit since 2007 detailing strategies they're incorporating into their designs to mitigate climate change impacts.

But despite the changes, there's still no requirement for developers to follow through, complained Bradley Campbell, president of the Conservation Law Foundation, an environmental advocacy group.

"It's a largely procedural requirement," he said. Any design changes still

need to be approved by the city, officials argue, and the checklist is just one way they're looking to steer development toward more proactive flood protection.

General Electric, which moved its corporate offices from Connecticut to temporary digs in Boston's Seaport in 2016, says the first floor of the new global headquarters it's building will be elevated nearly 5 feet, or enough to protect it from the higher sea levels projected by 2070. Electrical systems are also being placed on the second floor, and emergency generators will be on the roof of the 12-story building.

The developers of Seaport Square, a 20-block complex of apartments, office buildings and stores where Amazon has recently committed to leasing space for 2,000 workers, says its buildings stayed dry this winter, thanks to similar design features.

"We believe in science," said Yanni Tsipis, a senior vice president at WS Development. "We go into development in the Seaport with eyes wide open."

But environmental activists warn much of the district, transformed from a wasteland of surface parking lots, rotting piers and abandoned rail yards into an economic engine and one of the city's most expensive neighborhoods in a matter of years, simply isn't prepared for the long haul.

Among the most vulnerable properties are historic buildings that are extremely costly and sometimes impractical to retrofit, like some of the old brick factories and warehouses in the Fort Point section of the Seaport where GE is building, city officials said.

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# RENT

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\$600. "But this would put us in a homeless state."

Roughly 4 million low-income households receiving HUD assistance would be affected by the proposal.

HUD estimates that about 2 million would be affected immediately, while the other 2 million would see rent increases phased in after six years.

The proposal, which needs congressional approval, is the latest attempt by the Trump administration to scale back the social safety net, under the belief that being less generous will prompt those receiving federal assistance to enter the workforce.

"It's our attempt to give poor people a way out of poverty," Carson said in a recent interview with Fox News.

The analysis shows families would be disproportionately impacted. Of the 8.3 million people affected, more than 3 million are children.

Morris, a pediatric assistant, said she sometimes works 50 hours a week just to get by. Her four young children would be hit hard if her rent increases, she said.

"Food, electricity bills, school uniforms," she said. "Internet for homework assignments and report cards. All of their reading modules at school require the internet; without it they'll be behind their classmates. The kids are in extracurriculars; those would be scrapped. I would struggle just to pay my bills."

The impact of the plan would be felt everywhere.

Rent for the poorest tenants in Baltimore, where Carson was a neurosurgeon at Johns Hopkins Hospital, and where his own story of overcoming poverty inspired generations of children, could go up by 19 percent or \$800 a year.

In Detroit, where Carson's mother, a single parent, raised him by working two jobs, rents could increase by \$710, or 21 percent. Households in Washington, D.C., one of the richest regions in the country, would see the largest increases: \$980 per year on average, a 20 percent hike.

"This proposal to raise rents on low-income people doesn't magically create well-paying jobs needed to lift people out of poverty," said Diane Yentel, CEO of the National Low Income Housing Coalition. "Instead it just makes it harder for strug-

gling families to get ahead by potentially cutting them off from the very stability that makes it possible for them to find and keep jobs."

While the Department of Housing and Urban Development says elderly or disabled households would be exempt, about 314,000 households could lose their elderly or disabled status and see higher rents, according to the analysis by the policy center, which advocates for the poor.

Carson's "Make Affordable Housing Work Act," announced April 25, would allow housing authorities to impose work requirements, would increase the percentage of income that tenants are required to pay from 30 percent to 35 percent and would raise the minimum rent from \$50 to \$150. It would eliminate deductions, for medical care and child care and for each child in a home: Currently, families can deduct \$480 per child, significantly lowering rent.

Donald Cameron, president and CEO of the Charleston Housing Authority, calls the proposal catastrophic. "We'd lose a lot of people within a very short time: the ones with the smallest pocket books, the least discretionary income," he said.

Not all recipients of housing assistance think the plan is unfair. "I'm in favor of it," said Shalonda Skinner, 29, who lives in public housing with her five children.

"Housing helps a lot of people. It will probably put a good amount of people out because some people don't like to work; they're not independent. But it's fair."

If her rent were to go up, she said, "I'd work more," taking on more hair clients.

Melissa Maddox Evans, general counsel for the Charleston Housing Authority, said she thinks the proposal is based on a faulty premise — that most public housing residents don't have jobs and that rent increases will incentivize work.

"Most tenants here work two or three jobs," she said. "When they are going out and finding work, are they going to make enough to accommodate that increase?"

The policy center conducted its analysis based on 2016 HUD data.

It includes tenants living in public housing and receiving Section 8 and project-based vouchers.

It excludes housing authorities participating in the Moving to Work program, which allows districts to determine their own distinct rent policies.

*Most tenants here work two or three jobs. When they are going out and finding work, are they going to make enough to accommodate that increase?*

**MELISSA MADDOX EVANS**

General counsel for the Charleston Housing Authority

# BUDGET

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proposed mini-warehouse storage development site that exceeds the 4-acre maximum, to allow two access points from Constitution Drive and to permit a free-standing sign on the site frontage.

The request also asked council to consider approval of a major site plan for the 80,400-square-foot mini-storage facility and an 800-square-foot office at 430 Constitution Drive.

**UNUSED ASHLEY FURNITURE-OWNED PROPERTY REZONED FOR FUTURE DEVELOPMENT**

Council approved first

reading of a request to rezone 9.72 acres between 2810 and 2850 Broad St. — property owned by Ashley Furniture HomeStore — from planned development to general commercial.

The applicant intends to market the undeveloped portion of the land for future commercial development.

**ORDINANCES GREEN LIGHT FUTURE ALICE DRIVE EXTENSION, COMMERCIAL GROWTH**

In preparation for the possible extension of Alice Drive, council approved final reading of an ordinance to annex 8.21 acres at 1501 Camden Highway into the city and another ordinance to rezone that proper-

ty from agricultural conservation to general commercial.

During a previous meeting, Mayor Joe McElveen said there are no concrete plans yet to extend Alice Drive but that the ordinances will make the process much easier when the time does come.

**HUD ALLOCATES MORE GRANT FUNDING**

Council gave first reading of an ordinance that states the city of Sumter received a letter on May 1 from the



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# PERFECT

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**SHEKINAH LONON**

**Age:** 18  
**Elementary school:** Kingsbury  
**Middle school:** Bates  
**High school:** Sumter  
**Activity:** Cheerleading in ninth and 10th grade  
**Favorite subject:** Not math  
**Work:** Captain D's  
**Next steps:** USC Sumter for two years then Winthrop University to study nursing. She said she became interested in nursing at career fairs in elementary and middle school and that she chose USC Sumter because of a scholarship and the atmosphere.

captain; Emergency and Fire Safety Management program at the Sumter Career and Technology Center; Sumter Career and Technology Center Student of the Year; vice president of the National Technical Honor Society; football in 10th grade

**Favorite subject:** Could not decide

**Work:** Skate Station

**Next steps:** Working as a firefighter in Sumter and Olanta. He said he met a firefighter in second grade and decided then he wanted to become one because he likes helping people.

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**MORGAN PRINGLE**

**Age:** 17  
**Elementary school:** Tinker Elementary School in Oklahoma City, Oklahoma  
**Middle school:** Wilder, Bates

**High school:** Sumter

**Activity:** National Honor Society; soccer in 10th and 11th grade

**Favorite subject:** English

**Work:** Baker's Sweets

**Next steps:** USC Sumter to study nursing. She said she wants to become a nurse because her mother is one and "she has so much fun doing it." She said she picked USC Sumter because she got two free years to attend.

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**KYLE BOOTHE**

**Age:** 18  
**Elementary school:** Oakland Primary, Shaw Heights  
**Middle school:** Hillcrest  
**High school:** Crestwood  
**Activity:** None  
**Favorite subject:** Math  
**Work:** None  
**Next steps:** USC Sumter. He said he is still trying to decide what to major in but that he chose USC Sumter because it is close to his friends and family.

U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development announcing the actual allocation for the city's 2018 Community Development Block Grant will increase from \$291,838 to \$297,301.

In other news, city council approved first and final reading of a resolution to add the Sumter School District Professional Develop-

ment Conference Celebration to the list of events where beer and wine can be sold. The city of Sumter will not be providing the alcoholic beverages but will permit the sale of such drinks.

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## COMMENTARY

# Shame on Google for treating U.S. military as evil

**W**ASHINGTON — Giving in to pressure from its workforce, Google recently announced that it is pulling out of Project Maven, a groundbreaking Pentagon program to harness artificial intelligence to sift through and interpret video imagery from drones. The move came after an uprising by 4,000 Google employees who signed a letter urging the company to cancel Project Maven and promise to never “build warfare technology.” Google should be ashamed.

In their letter, the employees said that working with the Pentagon would violate Google’s longtime motto “Don’t Be Evil” and “irreparably damage Google’s brand.” Excuse me? Are they saying that the U.S. military is evil? What would damage Google’s brand is the impression that its workforce thinks they are too good to support the men and women of the armed forces who face real evil on distant battlefields so that Google workers can sleep safely in their Google “nap pods,” enjoy free massages and take free guitar lessons.

Their objections to Project Maven are nonsensical. They fear that Google technology will be used to make drone strikes more accurate. What’s wrong with that? If Google’s AI technology could make it easier for our men and women in uniform to distinguish combatants from civilians, it could help prevent the accidental killing of innocent men, women and children. Does Google not want to help save civilian lives?

If saving lives is not motivation enough, how about self-interest? Consider: Taiwan is Google’s largest R & D center in Asia.

Last September, Google announced it is investing \$1.1 billion to buy a division of Taiwan’s HTC that makes its Pixel smartphones, and in March the company announced an investment in Taiwan’s artificial intelligence research and development that was called the largest ever in that nation by an international tech company.

Who, exactly, does Google think prevents mainland China from launching a cataclysmic invasion of Taiwan? The men and women of the U.S. military. They provide the security umbrella in East Asia that allows Google to make these investments.

The free riders at Google don’t seem to understand that their jobs and livelihoods are built on the foundation of peace and security provided by the U.S. military.

Today, China is investing heavily in AI as part of its military strategy to under-

mine the Pax Americana in the Pacific. Gen. Joseph F. Dunford Jr., chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, recently testified that China will pose “the greatest threat to our nation by about 2025.”

Beijing gets 100 percent acquiescence from Alibaba and other Chinese tech companies in this effort. U.S.-based companies such as Google must decide whose side they’re on.

Fortunately, in our dynamic free enterprise system, Google’s competitors will not hesitate to jump in to fill the vacuum it has

left. President Trump spends a lot of time berating Amazon, but the company runs a giant data cloud for the CIA that allows the intelligence community to share top secret information and, along with Microsoft and other tech companies, is pursuing contracts to build the Joint Enterprise Defense Infrastructure Cloud, potentially the largest IT procurement project in history. (Jeffrey P. Bezos, the founder and chief executive of Amazon, also owns *The Washington Post*).

*The New York Times* reports that “Google is widely expected to compete with other tech giants” for a piece of that \$10 billion business. But according to Pentagon officials, the purpose of JEDI is to “increase lethality and readiness” of the military. If it does not want to be in the “business of war,” perhaps that contract should be off the table as well.

Our military strength is the best guarantee of peace. Former Google chief executive Eric Schmidt understands this. This is why he chairs the Defense Innovation Board, advising Defense Secretary Jim Mattis on ways to speed technological innovation of the armed forces. During recent congressional testimony, Schmidt praised Project Maven and urged “closer collaboration” with industry in the development of AI to “ensure American military supremacy,” warning that failure to do so “would guarantee a loss of superiority on the future battlefield.”

Schmidt is a patriot who knows that the men and women of our armed forces are not “evil” and that supporting them does not contradict Google’s core values. His old company is moving in the opposite direction. Google recently ditched its “Don’t Be Evil” motto. Too bad they seem to have replaced it with “Don’t Fight Evil.”

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## COMMENTARY

# Ruling misses point on chambers of commerce, taxpayers’ dollars

**BY MYRTLE BEACH SUN NEWS EDITORIAL BOARD**

Throughout the separate but equal branches of American governance, full transparency typically is a value more in policy than in practice. For every legislator, executive or jurist who may truly support open government and public access to information, many others — including bureaucrats that prefer no public scrutiny — work against transparency.

In a disappointing ruling about how chambers of commerce report their spending of \$60 million in accommodations tax dollars, the South Carolina Supreme Court said the Freedom of Information Act does not apply to chambers of commerce, even when acting as a municipality’s marketing organization.

The Supreme Court said the Hilton Head Island-Bluffton Chamber of Commerce is not a public body and thereby not subject to the FOIA. That chamber spent \$1.8 million in A-tax money in fiscal year 2017, in the same arrangement that the Myrtle Beach Area Chamber of Commerce spent \$2.6 million.

The 4-1 majority opinion, by Associate Justice John Kittredge, states: “While the Chamber technically expends public funds, we are firmly persuaded that the General Assembly did not intend the Chamber to be considered a public body for

FOIA purposes based upon its receipt and expenditure of accommodation tax funds.”

Associate Justice John Cannon Few dissented from the majority: “By placing the responsibility for the expenditure of public funds in the hands of a private entity such as the Chamber, and then relying on public officials for ‘oversight,’ with no right of access by the public, the accommodations tax statute actually inhibits citizens from being ‘advised of the performance of public officials and of the decisions that are reached in a public activity,’ thereby frustrating — not furthering — the ‘vital’ policy of open government.”

The ruling was in a 2013 case. *DomainsNewMedia.com*, a company owned by Skip Hoagland, sought information from the Hilton Head chamber, which refused the request claiming it was not a public body subject to the FOIA. Interestingly, Circuit Court Judge Michael Nettles ruled in favor of *DomainsNewMedia* in February 2016. The Hilton Head Chamber was allowed to bypass the Court of Appeals and go directly to the S.C. Supreme Court.

The MBACC joined the Hilton Head Chamber in hailing the Supreme Court ruling and claiming it affirms “strong oversight” is in place and A-tax dollars are spent effectively and so forth. Making chambers subject

to the FOIA would cause harm through “regulatory redundancy, additional legal red tape and the potential emergence of issues that could erode the individual privacy of employees,” the Hilton Head Chamber said in a statement.

MBACC chairwoman Carla Schuessler alluded to online reports on chamber expenditure of A-tax and Tourism Development Fee revenues. The problem is that the reports are quite broad in describing how money is spent with limited information on providers of services.

Without more details, which the FOIA could provide, taxpayers really don’t have full information about how their money is spent.

Schuessler and other Chamber officials should explain the “strong oversight” they claim is provided.

Oversight by whom and of what?

Transparency of public funds should mean complete and timely reports, open to any taxpayer, on a chamber or any other private entity’s handling of public money.

The court’s majority missed an opportunity to uphold transparency. The General Assembly should make state law clear that in reporting on spending of public money, private entities are indeed subject to the FOIA. Area legislators should put this on their agenda for the next session.

## LETTER TO THE EDITOR

### BAKER HELPED SAVE SUMTER RESTAURANT

As the June Republican primary election for the Sumter County Council District 2 seat is just around the corner, I thought of a story I wanted to share. My father, retired Air Force, has been in the Shaw-Dalzell community since 1974 and is the proud owner of a business building located on Peach Orchard Road, S.C. 441.

Through the decision of Shaw Air Force Base to relocate their S.C. 441 gate, the South Carolina Department of Transportation installed a centerline raised median in front of my father’s restaurant building, making it so that the entrance into the restaurant was blocked to all east-bound traffic. This was not

an ideal situation that we were happy with, nor would any other business owners with the median making it impossible to enter the restaurant’s gate, unless you come from the west side or make a U-turn somewhere down the road. Also, the people who are driving out of the restaurant’s other gate won’t be able to turn left onto the other lane because of the median. The livelihood of any business would greatly be affected by such action.

My father tried to contact the Shaw AFB officials and Highway Department, but no help was offered to him. As we really didn’t have anywhere else to turn, I decided to contact our Sumter County Councilman Artie Baker. He decided to meet me on site and quickly determined that if the median

were just cut back, it would help solve the problem a little, but I thought that would be easier said than done. Artie Baker quickly got on the job, and thanks to him, the median was cut back and repainted. The restaurant was saved, and I got major brownie points from my father! All of us to include the owner of the restaurant were very happy and so grateful for what Artie Baker had done for us.

We will be indebted forever to our County Councilman Artie Baker and his tireless effort to help people in the District 2 community. Again, we thank Artie Baker from the bottom of our heart for his great support and help to the people in the community!

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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)

**A "Meet the Candidates Reception"** for candidates in the 5th Congressional District, House District 64, Sumter County Council District 2 and District 6, sponsored by the Sumter Branch NAACP and League of Women Voters of Sumter County, will be held 5:30-7:30 p.m. today at Central Carolina Technical College, 506 N. Guignard Drive, building 400.

**The Par 4 Pets Golf Tournament** will be held Saturday, June 9, at Crystal Lakes Golf Course. Registration will begin at 8 a.m. with shotgun start at 8:30 a.m. Format is 4-Man Captain's Choice with entry fee of \$160 per team (\$40 per player). Entry limited to first 20 teams. During registration, Mulligans will be available for \$5, maximum of two per person. Call Kathy Stafford at (803) 469-3906, Teresa Durden at (803) 917-4710 or Mike Ardis at (803) 775-1902.

**The senior group of the Mayesville Community Center will hold a fundraiser with raffle** from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. on Saturday, June 9, at the Community Center, 55 Pringle St., Mayesville. Food available for purchase will include fried fish, hot dogs, French fries and drinks. There will also be slightly used clothing items for sale. Raffle tickets are \$1 each and raffle prizes are: \$50 gift card for first place; floor fan for second place; and household items basket for third place. Call Neola Davis at (803) 453-6078 or Margie Jefferson at (803) 453-5441.

**The Lincoln High School Class of 1968** will meet at 5:30 p.m.

on Sunday, June 10, at the Lincoln High School cafeteria, 22 Council St. Plans will be discussed for the 50th class reunion. Call James L. Green at (803) 968-4173.

**The Sumter Chapter of the National Federation of the Blind of South Carolina** will meet at 7 p.m. on Tuesday, June 12, at Shiloh-Randolph Manor, 125 W. Bartlette St. Selena Page-Black, M.A. Organizational Leadership, will speak. It's time to reserve gala tables for Dec. 11. If you know a blind person, contact Debra Canty, chapter president, at (803) 775-5792 or [debra.canty@frontier.com](mailto:debra.canty@frontier.com).

**A Juneteenth celebration** will be held beginning at 10 a.m. on Saturday, June 16, at the Mary McLeod Bethune Park, 1175 Dr. Mary McLeod Bethune Road, Mayesville. Bring your lawn chairs and umbrellas. There will be food, drink, music and more.

**The Military Order of the Purple Heart, General George L. Mabry Jr. Chapter 817, will host a cookout** from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. on Tuesday, June 19, at the VA Outpatient Clinic, 407 N. Salem Ave. Members of the chapter will be serving all veterans visiting the clinic on that date.

**In observance of "Homeownership Month," a housing and job fair** will be held 11 a.m.-2 p.m. on Saturday, June 23, at the South Sumter Resource Center, 337 Manning Ave. Find out if you qualify for a home. A drawing contest for ages 6-18 with theme of "My Dream House" and an essay contest (100-plus words) for ages 6-18 with the theme of "What Home Ownership Means to Me" will be held. Deadline for entry into contests is 5 p.m. on Monday, June 18. Refreshments, door prizes and fun for kids.

**The 12th Annual Art in the Park** will be held 9 a.m.-4 p.m. on Saturday, Sept. 22, at Memorial Park. Art and craft, community corner and children's craft center vendor applications can be downloaded at [HSNASumtersc.com](http://HSNASumtersc.com).

## FYI

**Camp Happy Days is in need of donations of caps, T-shirts, sunscreen and funds.** Held annually the first week in July, Camp Happy Days is a weeklong event helping hundreds of young cancer patients and their siblings spend time in an atmosphere of fun, laughter and fellowship. If you or your business can help in any way, contact Bill Ellis at (803) 460-7666.

**The 12th Annual Art in the Park** will be held Saturday,

Sept. 22, at Memorial Park. Art and craft vendor fee is \$50. Art and craft, community corner and children's craft center vendor applications can be downloaded at [HSNASumtersc.com](http://HSNASumtersc.com).

**The Bishopville / Manning / Shaw Air Force Base Alumni Chapter of Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity Inc.** meets at 8 p.m. on the first Tuesday of each month at Corinth Missionary Baptist Church, 25 Community St.

## The last word in astrology

EUGENIA LAST

**ARIES** (March 21-April 19): Be secretive about any personal

changes you want to make. The less people know about what you are doing, the easier it will be to complete your mission without someone meddling in your affairs. Choose intelligence over sentiment.

**TAURUS** (April 20-May 20): The changes you make should be thought out before you begin. A mistake can end up costing you your position or your assets. Weigh the pros and cons before you leverage what you've worked so hard to obtain.

**GEMINI** (May 21-June 20): Don't fold under pressure. Someone will try to persuade you to take on the impossible. Share your concerns and offer advice, but don't sign up for something you can't manage. Choose to go it alone and do things your way.

**CANCER** (June 21-July 22): An unusual partnership or connection you have with someone will develop into something you didn't expect. Don't be afraid to see where it leads. What you discover will help you bring about positive change, which will do you good.

**LEO** (July 23-Aug. 22): Make changes for the right reason. Doing something out of spite or to hide something you probably shouldn't be doing from someone who cares about you will lead to regret. Think twice before you make an untimely choice.

**VIRGO** (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): Stick to what you know, and do what you can to maintain balance and to forge ahead with integrity. Refuse to let anyone take advantage of you or to take credit for your hard work. Someone will disappoint you.

**LIBRA** (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): Get out and explore new possibilities. Avoid what's going on at home or work that could label you or lump you in with people who do not share your beliefs or standards. Use intelligence and leave your options open.

**SCORPIO** (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): Be creative, but don't go overboard. Know your limitations and refuse to let anyone put pressure on you to take part in something risky. Focus on good health and looking your very best. Choose love and romance over disruption.

**SAGITTARIUS** (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): Live and learn. Don't let someone who has let you down in the past do so again. Question anything that sounds dubious or that might jeopardize your relationship with someone who matters to you. Protect a personal relationship and your integrity.

**CAPRICORN** (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): You may need a change, but before you get started, it's best to have a budget in place. It's OK to think big, but don't let ego or someone else talk you into taking on something you cannot handle.

**AQUARIUS** (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): Time is precious and must be designated wisely. Don't disappoint someone you love because something that sounds like more fun comes along. Live up to your promises and make family and domestic situations priorities to avoid discord.

**PISCES** (Feb. 19-March 20): Emotions will be difficult to control. Avoid getting into a discussion with someone who is never going to agree with you. Do your own thing and pay close attention to where you put your possessions or how you handle your assets.

# WEATHER

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## AccuWeather® five-day forecast for Sumter

TODAY	TONIGHT	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY	MONDAY
<b>91°</b>	<b>67°</b>	<b>91° / 68°</b>	<b>92° / 72°</b>	<b>92° / 70°</b>	<b>88° / 69°</b>
Chance of rain: 5%	Chance of rain: 15%	Chance of rain: 15%	Chance of rain: 25%	Chance of rain: 15%	Chance of rain: 35%
ENE 4-8 mph	SE 3-6 mph	ESE 4-8 mph	S 4-8 mph	S 6-12 mph	SSE 4-8 mph

## TODAY'S SOUTH CAROLINA WEATHER

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

### IN THE MOUNTAINS

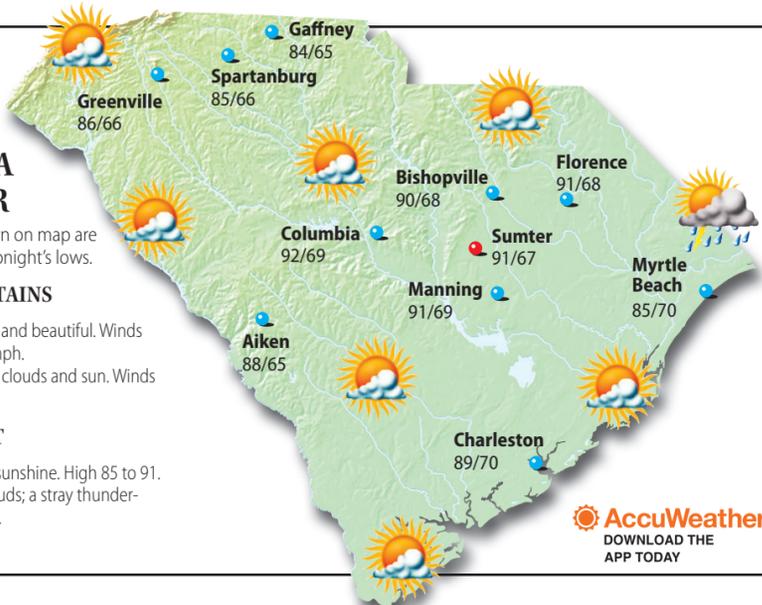
**Today:** Partly sunny and beautiful. Winds east-northeast 4-8 mph.

**Friday:** Humid with clouds and sun. Winds southeast 4-8 mph.

### ON THE COAST

**Today:** Clouds and sunshine. High 85 to 91.

**Friday:** Sun and clouds; a stray thunderstorm. High 83 to 88.



## LOCAL ALMANAC

SUMTER THROUGH 2 P.M. YESTERDAY

Temperature	Precipitation
High 88°	24 hrs ending 2 p.m. yest. 0.00"
Low 65°	Month to date trace
Normal high 86°	Normal month to date 1.00"
Normal low 63°	Year to date 13.02"
Record high 99° in 1975	Last year to date 19.01"
Record low 48° in 1976	Normal year to date 18.62"

## LAKE LEVELS

Lake	Full pool	7 a.m. yest.	24-hr chg
Murray	360	357.87	-0.06
Marion	76.8	76.24	+0.11
Moultrie	75.5	74.74	+0.09
Wateree	100	101.04	-0.10

## RIVER STAGES

River	Flood stage	7 a.m. yest.	24-hr chg
Black River	12	9.05	-0.25
Congaree River	19	5.98	-1.08
Lynches River	14	3.62	-0.46
Saluda River	14	4.79	-0.62
Up. Santee River	80	81.17	-0.32
Wateree River	24	19.10	-0.28

## SUN AND MOON

Sunrise	6:10 a.m.	Sunset	8:31 p.m.
Moonrise	2:14 a.m.	Moonsset	2:05 p.m.

New	First	Full	Last
June 13	June 20	June 28	July 6

## TIDES

AT MYRTLE BEACH				
	High	Ht.	Low	Ht.
Today	3:48 a.m.	2.8	10:50 a.m.	0.3
	4:21 p.m.	2.7	11:11 p.m.	0.8
Fri.	4:42 a.m.	2.7	11:41 a.m.	0.2
	5:15 p.m.	2.9	---	---

## NATIONAL CITIES

City	Today Hi/Lo/W	Fri. Hi/Lo/W
Atlanta	92/70/s	89/70/pc
Chicago	78/59/pc	76/60/t
Dallas	96/75/s	94/73/pc
Detroit	81/63/pc	80/63/pc
Houston	94/72/pc	94/72/pc
Los Angeles	75/60/pc	81/63/s
New Orleans	92/73/pc	92/75/s
New York	73/60/pc	82/64/pc
Oriando	88/70/t	90/69/t
Philadelphia	76/59/s	84/65/pc
Phoenix	106/78/s	107/79/pc
San Francisco	65/53/pc	70/55/pc
Wash., DC	78/64/s	85/69/pc

## REGIONAL CITIES

City	Today Hi/Lo/W	Fri. Hi/Lo/W	City	Today Hi/Lo/W	Fri. Hi/Lo/W
Asheville	84/61/s	86/62/pc	Florence	91/68/pc	92/70/pc
Athens	91/66/pc	90/66/pc	Gastonia	85/66/pc	87/67/pc
Augusta	94/68/pc	92/68/pc	Goldsboro	84/66/pc	88/70/pc
Beaufort	91/73/pc	88/71/t	Goose Creek	90/70/t	87/71/pc
Cape Hatteras	80/69/pc	83/73/s	Greensboro	82/65/pc	88/69/pc
Charleston	89/70/pc	87/71/t	Greenville	86/66/pc	89/68/pc
Charlotte	86/66/pc	90/67/pc	Hickory	82/64/pc	87/65/pc
Clemson	86/67/pc	87/68/pc	Hilton Head	87/73/pc	86/73/pc
Columbia	92/69/pc	93/69/pc	Jacksonville, FL	88/68/t	88/70/t
Darlington	89/68/pc	89/68/pc	La Grange	93/69/s	90/69/pc
Elizabeth City	80/63/pc	85/71/s	Macon	93/67/pc	90/67/pc
Elizabethtown	86/68/t	88/69/pc	Marietta	91/67/s	89/69/pc
Fayetteville	88/68/pc	92/70/pc			
			Marion	81/63/pc	84/63/pc
			Mt. Pleasant	88/72/pc	85/72/pc
			Myrtle Beach	85/70/pc	84/72/pc
			Orangeburg	90/68/pc	88/67/t
			Port Royal	89/72/pc	86/72/t
			Raleigh	84/64/pc	89/69/pc
			Rock Hill	85/66/pc	87/67/pc
			Rockingham	87/66/pc	89/67/pc
			Savannah	92/70/pc	88/70/t
			Spartanburg	85/66/pc	87/67/pc
			Summerville	90/69/t	86/70/t
			Wilmington	85/69/t	86/71/pc
			Winston-Salem	83/65/pc	88/68/pc

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## PICTURES FROM THE PUBLIC



Rose Allsbrook comments on her photo submission, "The little snake is a baby hognose snake. It was waiting at our mailbox for my husband, Stanley Allsbrook."

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PRO BASEBALL



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New York Yankees starting pitcher Jordan Montgomery reacts after Minnesota's Eduardo Escobar hit a two-run home run during the third inning of an April game in New York. Montgomery will undergo "Tommy John" surgery to repair damage to his throwing arm, and will miss at least a year.

## Yankees' Montgomery scheduled for Tommy John surgery today; to be out for at least one year

BY DENNIS BRUNSON  
dennis@theitem.com

Jordan Montgomery's fledgling, yet successful, Major League Baseball career has come to its first major crossroad.

Montgomery, the Sumter native who is in his second season as a left-handed starting pitcher with the New York Yankees, will have Tommy John surgery performed on his left elbow today in New York.

The Yankees made the announcement on Tuesday, thus bringing an end to Montgomery's season. The recovery time for such a surgery is about one year.

Montgomery, the former Sumter High School, Sumter P-15's and South Carolina standout, went on the disabled

list the first of May after suffering discomfort in his elbow after just one inning of a start. He took time off from throwing, but had started doing so again. He had been throwing on flat ground but experienced a setback in his latest stint last weekend in Baltimore.

"He wasn't comfortable, shut it down that day and then went home to just get checked on again, MRI, and this was the conclusion," Yankees manager Aaron Boone told The Associated Press on Tuesday in Toronto. "Obviously disappointed for Monty. We were hoping that he was on his way to building back up to be able to pitch for us again this year, but obviously not the case."

"I talked to him today and he's in pretty good spirits con-

sidering," Boone said. "We'll just give him the best support we can and look forward to him getting back at some point."

Montgomery was 2-0 with a 3.62 earned run average in six starts this season. He left a May 1 start against Houston after one inning because of tightness in his elbow. The 25-year-old appeared to wince and shake his arm after the last of his seven pitches in a perfect first inning.

Montgomery went 9-7 with a 3.88 ERA in 29 starts as a rookie last season.

The 6-foot-6-inch, 225-pound Montgomery won the Yankees' fifth starter job coming out of spring training after going to camp as a non-roster invitee. He pitched 155 1/3 innings, striking out 144 while allowing 140 hits and 51 walks.

HORSE RACING

## Justify arrives in New York for Triple Crown bid

BY BETH HARRIS  
The Associated Press

NEW YORK — Kentucky Derby and Preakness winner Justify arrived in New York on Wednesday ahead of this weekend's Belmont Stakes, in which the colt will try to sweep the Triple Crown.

Justify traveled smoothly to Belmont Park via a flight from Louisville, Kentucky, and a van ride from an airport on Long Island. He was greeted by a throng of media recording every step as he walked into Barn 1, the same place American Pharoah stayed before ending the sport's 37-year drought with a Triple Crown sweep in 2015 and becoming the 12th horse to achieve the feat.

"It's just a different vibe," said Bob Baffert, who also trained Pharoah. "It's like we know it can be done."

Justify will face nine rivals on Saturday in the 1 1/2-mile Belmont, the longest and most grueling of the three-race series. He brings a 5-0 career record to the race in which the colt is the morning-line favorite at 4-5 odds.

"Now he has to just close the deal," Baffert said. "It's a lot of pressure, too. You're in New York. The

place is going to be rocking. You want to see superstars."

Justify was greeted with squeals from horses already in the barn of trainer John Terranova, who hosts Baffert's out-of-town runners.

"He got their attention somehow. He must give off something," Baffert said. "When he got off the van, he was just dragging me around there."

Baffert was the victim of a bite on his hand from Justify the other day while walking the horse.

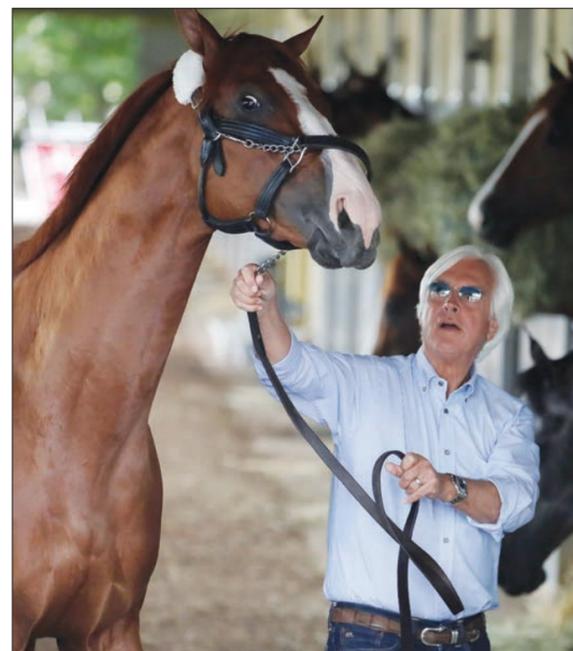
"He's a tough horse," the trainer said. "For about four seconds, you can love on him, but that's it."

Justify will step onto Belmont Park's deep, sandy surface for the first time on Thursday. Baffert had yet to decide exactly what the colt will do the next two days, although it won't be anything of consequence; his major training has been completed.

Justify won the Derby and Preakness on sloppy tracks.

Baffert's 13-year-old son, Bode, already texted his race-day forecast to his father, who read it out loud off his phone. Bode wants to be a meteorologist.

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Trainer Bob Baffert walks Justify after the Triple Crown hopeful arrived at Belmont Park in Elmont, N.Y., on Wednesday. The 150th running of the Belmont Stakes horse race is on Saturday.

AMERICAN LEGION BASEBALL

## Hartsville hands P-15's 1st league loss

BY EDDIE LITAKER  
Special to The Sumter Item

Four first-inning errors by the Sumter P-15's led to five unearned runs for Hartsville, giving Post 53 more than enough of an early cushion to hold on for an 8-4 American Legion baseball victory on Tuesday at Riley Park.

The loss, Sumter's first in League III play, came on the heels of a 4-1 P-15's victory on Monday at Hartsville and dropped Sumter to 3-2 overall and 3-1 in league play.

Sumter starting pitcher Daniel Twitty retired Hartsville leadoff batter Dariyan Pendergrass on a fly ball to left field before Keyshawn McDonald's ground ball caught shortstop Ryan Moore on a bad hop, opening the door for Post 53's big inning.

Twitty got Steve Joyner on a grounder to third, which easily could have been the inning's third out.

What followed was a walk to Alex Miller, an RBI single from Ashaunti McFarland and three more errors that left the P-15's staring at a 5-0 deficit before even stepping into the batter's box and Twitty's pitch count standing at 32 pitches.

Even with all of that going against Twitty early, he somehow made it through six full innings, hurling 103 pitches while scattering eight hits, including three of the infield variety, with two strikeouts and two walks. After two more Sumter errors contributed to two Hartsville runs in the second, Twitty began a string of eight consecutive batters retired before Post 53 struck for its final run in the fifth inning. Twitty

would retire the side in the third, fourth and sixth innings before Chandler Hunter came on to set Hartsville down in order in the seventh.

"I think Daniel Twitty did a good job," said Sumter head coach Curtis Johnson. "He threw about 35 pitches in the first inning, and we should have been out of the inning at nine. For him to maintain his velocity and his breaking ball throughout the game and continue throwing strikes into the sixth inning, get through six on the pitch count, after throwing 30 to 35 in the first, that was a good job by him. He competed his tail off."

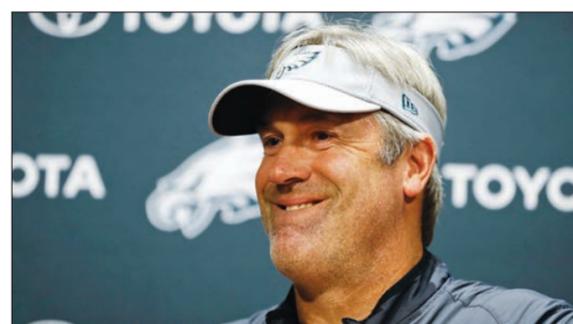


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PRO FOOTBALL



THE ASSOCIATED PRESS  
Philadelphia head coach Doug Pederson smiles while listening to a question from the media during a news conference before practice Wednesday in Philadelphia.

## AP source: 2 Eagles planned WH visit; decisions individual

PHILADELPHIA (AP) — Eagles players and officials made individual decisions to not go to the White House for a scheduled celebration of their Super Bowl title, leaving two players actually planning to make the

trip to Washington before the visit was canceled by President Donald Trump, according to players and a person familiar with the arrangements.

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SPORTS ITEMS

# Manning-Santee cruises past Lake City 16-6

The Manning Santee American Legion baseball team improved to 3-4 on the season with a 16-6 victory over Lake City on Monday at the LC field. Justin Evans pitched 6 1/3 innings for Post 68 to get the victory. Evans struck out seven batters while allowing seven hits and walking six.

M-S scored four runs in the first inning and scored two runs in each of their final six at-bats.

Jake Jordan and Luke Stokes both had two hits for Manning. Stokes had three runs batted in.

Morgan Morris had a hit and three RBI, while Taylor Lee and Tripp Prosser both had a hit and two RBI.

## DIAMOND PRO CAMP STARTS MONDAY

The Diamond Pro Instructional Base-

ball Camp will hold two sessions at Palmetto Park.

The first will be held June 11-14 and the second will be held June 18-21. The camp, which is open to children ages 7-10, will run from 8:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. each day.

The fee is \$60 for one session and \$100 if attending both sessions.

A pre-registration will be held on Sunday at 5 p.m. at Palmetto Park.

For more information, contact camp directors Frankie Ward at (803) 720-4081, Barry Hatfield at (803) 236-4768 or Robbie Mooneyham at (803) 938-3141.

## BASKETBALL CAMP STARTS MONDAY

A basketball camp for girls entering grades 5-8 will be held June 11-14 at the Manning First Baptist Church gymna-

sium.

The camp is free and will run from 9 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. each day. Jack Gibson and Betsy Reynolds will run the camp.

Emphasis will be on passing, dribbling, shooting and defensive skills.

## POP WARNER FOOTBALL REGISTRATION JUNE 16

Registration for the YAS Pop Warner Sumter Spartans Football & Cheer tackle program will be held on Saturday, June 16, at Brand University located at 4676 Broad Street.

The registration event will also consist of a car wash and fish fry fundraiser.

For more information, contact Ivan Sanders at (803) 468-7429.

*From staff reports*

## SCOREBOARD

### TV, RADIO

#### TODAY

**9 a.m.** — Professional Golf: European PGA Tour Shot Clock Masters First Round from Atzenbrugg, Austria (GOLF).

**9 a.m.** — Professional Tennis: French Open Women's Singles Semifinal Matches from Paris (TENNIS).

**11 a.m.** — Professional Tennis: French Open Women's Singles Semifinal Matches from Paris (WIS 10, NBC SPORTS NETWORK).

**12:30 p.m.** — Major League Baseball: Los Angeles Dodgers at Pittsburgh or Cincinnati at Colorado (MLB NETWORK).

**1 p.m.** — Professional Golf: Web.com Tour Rust-Oleum Championship First Round from Mundelein, Ill. (GOLF).

**2 p.m.** — Track and Field: Oslo Bislett Games from Oslo, Norway (NBC SPORTS NETWORK).

**3 p.m.** — International Soccer: England vs. Costa Rica from Leeds, England (FOX SPORTS 1).

**4 p.m.** — PGA Golf: FedEx St. Jude Classic First Round from Memphis, Tenn. (GOLF).

**4 p.m.** — Amateur Diving: FINA Diving World Cup from Wuhan, China — Women's 10-Meter Synchronized Finals (NBC SPORTS NETWORK).

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

**7 p.m.** — Major League Baseball: Detroit at Boston (ESPN).

**7 p.m.** — College Track and Field: NCAA Outdoor Championships Day 2 from Eugene, Ore. — Women's Track Semifinals, Women's 10,000-Meter Final, Hammer Final, Pole Vault Final, Javelin Final, Long Jump Final, Shot Put Final and Men's Decathlon Day 2 (ESPN2).

**8 p.m.** — NHL Hockey: Stanley Cup Playoff Stanley Cup Finals Match 5 — Washington at Vegas (WIS 10).

**9 p.m.** — International Soccer: United States vs. China from Sandy, Utah (FOX SPORTS 1, UNIVISION).

**10:30 p.m.** — WNBA Basketball: Seattle at Los Angeles (ESPN2).

**11 p.m.** — Professional Tennis: French Open Mixed Doubles Championship Match from Paris (TENNIS).

**4:30 a.m.** — Professional Golf: European PGA Tour Shot Clock Masters Second Round from Atzenbrugg, Austria (GOLF).

### MLB STANDINGS

#### AMERICAN LEAGUE

##### East Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Boston	42	19	.689	—
New York	39	18	.684	1
Tampa Bay	28	32	.467	13½
Toronto	26	34	.433	15½
Baltimore	19	41	.317	22½

##### Central Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Cleveland	32	28	.533	—
Detroit	29	33	.468	4
Minnesota	26	31	.456	4½
Kansas City	21	40	.344	11½
Chicago	19	39	.328	12

##### West Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Seattle	38	22	.633	—
Houston	37	25	.597	2
Los Angeles	34	28	.548	5
Oakland	31	30	.508	7½
Texas	26	37	.413	13½

#### TUESDAY

Minnesota 4, Chicago White Sox 2, 1st game  
Washington 4, Tampa Bay 2

N.Y. Yankees 7, Toronto 2  
Baltimore 2, N.Y. Mets 1  
Boston 6, Detroit 0  
Cleveland 3, Milwaukee 2  
Chicago White Sox 6, Minnesota 3, 2nd game  
Texas 7, Oakland 4  
Seattle 7, Houston 1  
L.A. Angels 1, Kansas City 0

#### WEDNESDAY

Washington 11, Tampa Bay 2  
Baltimore 1, N.Y. Mets 0  
Cleveland 3, Milwaukee 1  
N.Y. Yankees at Toronto, 7:07 p.m.  
Detroit at Boston, 7:10 p.m.  
Oakland at Texas, 8:05 p.m.  
Chicago White Sox at Minnesota, 8:10 p.m.  
Seattle at Houston, 8:10 p.m.  
Kansas City at L.A. Angels, 10:07 p.m.

#### TODAY

Chicago White Sox (Shields 1-6) at Minnesota (Berrios 6-5), 1:10 p.m.  
Baltimore (Cashner 2-7) at Toronto (Garcia 2-4), 7:07 p.m.  
Detroit (Boyd 3-4) at Boston (Beeks 0-0), 7:10 p.m.  
Seattle (Leake 5-3) at Tampa Bay (TBD), 7:10 p.m.  
Houston (Cole 6-1) at Texas (Hamels 3-5), 8:05 p.m.  
Kansas City (Hammel 2-5) at Oakland (Montas 2-0), 10:05 p.m.

#### FRIDAY

Baltimore at Toronto, 7:07 p.m.  
Chicago White Sox at Boston, 7:10 p.m.  
Cleveland at Detroit, 7:10 p.m.  
N.Y. Yankees at N.Y. Mets, 7:10 p.m.  
Seattle at Tampa Bay, 7:10 p.m.  
Houston at Texas, 8:05 p.m.  
L.A. Angels at Minnesota, 8:10 p.m.  
Kansas City at Oakland, 10:05 p.m.

#### NATIONAL LEAGUE

##### East Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Washington	35	25	.583	—
Atlanta	36	26	.581	—
Philadelphia	32	26	.552	2
New York	27	32	.458	7½
Miami	21	39	.350	14

##### Central Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Milwaukee	37	25	.597	—
Chicago	33	24	.579	1½
St. Louis	32	26	.552	3
Pittsburgh	30	30	.500	6
Cincinnati	21	40	.344	15½

##### West Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Arizona	32	28	.533	—
Colorado	31	29	.517	1
Los Angeles	30	30	.500	2
San Francisco	30	31	.492	2½
San Diego	29	35	.453	5

#### TUESDAY

L.A. Dodgers 5, Pittsburgh 0  
Washington 4, Tampa Bay 2  
Baltimore 2, N.Y. Mets 1  
Cleveland 3, Milwaukee 2  
Colorado 9, Cincinnati 6  
Philadelphia 6, Chicago Cubs 1  
Miami 7, St. Louis 4  
Atlanta 14, San Diego 1  
Arizona 3, San Francisco 2

#### WEDNESDAY

Washington 11, Tampa Bay 2  
Baltimore 1, N.Y. Mets 0  
Cleveland 3, Milwaukee 1  
San Diego 3, Atlanta 1

Arizona at San Francisco, 3:45 p.m.  
L.A. Dodgers at Pittsburgh, 7:05 p.m.  
Colorado at Cincinnati, 7:10 p.m.  
Philadelphia at Chicago Cubs, 8:05 p.m.  
Miami at St. Louis, 8:15 p.m.

#### TODAY

Colorado (Anderson 3-1) at Cincinnati (Mahle 4-6), 12:35 p.m.  
L.A. Dodgers (Santana 1-0) at Pittsburgh (Taillon 3-4), 12:35 p.m.  
Miami (Hernandez 0-3) at St. Louis (Mikolas 6-1), 1:15 p.m.  
Philadelphia (Pivetta 4-4) at Chicago Cubs (Chatwood 3-4), 2:20 p.m.

#### FRIDAY

Pittsburgh at Chicago Cubs, 2:20 p.m.  
Milwaukee at Philadelphia, 7:05 p.m.  
San Francisco at Washington, 7:05 p.m.  
N.Y. Yankees at N.Y. Mets, 7:10 p.m.  
San Diego at Miami, 7:10 p.m.  
St. Louis at Cincinnati, 7:10 p.m.  
Arizona at Colorado, 8:40 p.m.  
Atlanta at L.A. Dodgers, 10:10 p.m.

### NBA FINALS

(Best-of-7; x-if necessary)

**Golden State 2, Cleveland 0**  
Thursday, May 28: Golden State 124, Cleveland 114, OT  
Sunday, June 3: Golden State 122, Cleveland 103  
Wednesday, June 6: Golden State at Cleveland, 9 p.m.  
Friday, June 8: Golden State at Cleveland, 9 p.m.  
x-Monday, June 11: Cleveland at Golden State, 9 p.m.  
x-Thursday, June 14: Golden State at Cleveland, 9 p.m.  
x-Sunday, June 17: Cleveland at Golden State, 8 p.m.

### STANLEY CUP

(Best-of-7; x-if necessary)

**Washington 3, Vegas 1**  
Monday, May 28: Vegas 6, Washington 4  
Wednesday, May 30: Washington 3, Vegas 2  
Saturday, June 2: Washington 3, Vegas 1  
Monday, June 4: Washington 6, Vegas 2  
Thursday, June 7: Washington at Vegas, 8 p.m.  
x-Sunday, June 10: Vegas at Washington, 8 p.m.  
x-Wednesday, June 13: Washington at Vegas, 8 p.m.

### TRANSACTIONS

#### WEDNESDAY

**BASEBALL**  
American League  
BALTIMORE ORIOLES — Named Troy Scott vice president of ballpark operations.  
HOUSTON ASTROS — Activated OF Josh Reddick from the 10-day DL. Optioned INF J.D. Davis to Fresno (PCL).  
OAKLAND ATHLETICS — Placed OF Matt Joyce on the 10-day DL, retroactive to June 3. Selected OF Nick Martini from Nashville (PCL).  
SEATTLE MARINERS — Released LHP Marc Rzepczynski.  
National League  
LOS ANGELES DODGERS — Selected the contract of LHP Caleb Ferguson from Oklahoma City (PCL). Optioned RHP Pedro Baez to Oklahoma City.  
**FOOTBALL**  
National Football League  
GREEN BAY PACKERS — Released WR Colby Pearson.  
MIAMI DOLPHINS — Signed LB Jerome Baker, TE Durham Smythe and RB Kalen Ballage.  
NEW YORK JETS — Signed S J.J. Wilcox. Waived LB Freddie Bishop.  
SAN FRANCISCO 49ERS — Signed DB Antone Exum Jr. to a one-year contract.  
**COLLEGE**  
SOUTH CAROLINA STATE — Named Audra Smith women's basketball coach.  
SC UPSTATE — Named Tim McLane interim tennis coach.

## P-15'S FROM PAGE B1

While Twitty was battling on the mound trying to keep Sumter in the game, the P-15's bats were coming up short in spots that could have made the game a lot closer. A Ryan Moore triple led to a run in the bottom of the first, with Moore coming home on a Lathan Todd ground ball, and Sumter pushed across two more runs in the second, but an untimely pickoff proved to be a rally killer.

Trent Frye opened the frame with a single up the middle but would be forced out at second on a Joey Pereira grounder to short. Daulton Dabbs followed with a single to left before RBI singles from Hunter and Trey Yates cut the Post 53 lead to 7-3. With runners at the corners and leadoff hitter Bobby Crisp at the plate, Hartsville starter Caleb Peach made three throws to first and finally caught Yates on the third try for the second out. Crisp then popped out to third, leaving Hunter stranded at third.

Todd and Jacob Holladay reached on consecutive singles with one out in the third, but Frye followed with a grounder to the mound that Peach turned into a 1-4-3 inning-ending double play.

The fourth turned into another wasted opportunity for Sumter as bases loaded with no outs translated to just one run. Pereira opened the inning with a smack down the first-base line that stayed just fair for a double and took third on an infield single by Dabbs. Hunter would reach on a base on balls to fill the sacks for Yates, who went down on strikes for the first out. After fouling three pitches off of his shin, Crisp reached on a fielder's choice that plated Pereira to make the score 7-4. With runners still at the corners, Peach induced a grounder to third from Moore that would result in the inning's final out.

Hartsville added an insurance run in its half of the fifth with a McFarland single, Owen Taylor double and sacrifice fly from Peyton Herndon.

Sumter's only base runners of the final three innings came on two bases on balls as the P-15's equaled Hartsville's eight hits but came up short mainly due to their six miscues in the field.

"Offensively, we had some shots to score some runs and we couldn't get a big hit when we needed to," Johnson said. "Our guys competed, got base runners on and it was like we just couldn't get the job done once they got on. Defensively, we can't make six errors and expect to win. That's just a simple fact. Some of those plays are not easy, but they're plays that I expect these guys to make, and they expect to make. We've just got to play clean at some point.

"You've got to give them (Hartsville) credit. They came in here and they were excited and they played hard and they ran the bases and they made contact and put some pressure on us. We didn't play very well under pressure (tonight) but there's still a lot of baseball to be played, and this game is not going to define us."

## JUSTIFY FROM PAGE B1

"Tell dad that we are having half an inch of rain on Belmont day. Cold front pushing through Elmont day of race. Showers and thunderstorms likely, with isolated downpours at times," Baffert said, chuckling. "That's my weatherman. He's always right."

Truth be told, Baffert prefers a dry, fast track.

Some of Justify's rivals have already tested the track after arriving earlier

in the week.

Hofburg, the early 9-2 second choice, galloped on Wednesday and visited the paddock where he will be saddled on race day. Bravazo, the Preakness runner-up, also galloped.

Justify and Bravazo are the only horses that will compete in the Derby, Preakness and Belmont. Justify's half-length victory in the Preakness allowed Baffert to tie D. Wayne Lukas with his 14th victory in a Triple Crown race, the most by any trainer.

Now, Bravazo and Lukas will try to

upend history.

"I think it'll get down to which horses have the pedigree and the stamina to finish," Lukas said.

That won't be known until Saturday because none of the horses has ever run 1½ miles in a race, and likely won't be asked to again in their careers.

"We've seen so many good horses come in here and get beat," Baffert said. "Is he good enough? He's good enough, but he needs to run his race. He's going to be a target now and you don't know what's going to happen."

## EAGLES FROM PAGE B1

The person spoke on condition of anonymity Wednesday because of the sensitivity of the issues.

All-Pro center Jason Kelce said players filled out forms anonymously indicating whether they wanted to go to the White House, not make the trip or go to Washington and do something else.

"It's a little bit disappointing as a country right now that we're so divided, I think that's the bigger disappoint-

ment," said Kelce, who became a folk hero in Philadelphia for an impassioned, profane rally speech he gave after a day of antics during the city's Super Bowl parade.

The players did not urge a collective decision on what to do as a team, giving each player his own option of whether to take the trip.

Defensive end Chris Long, who skipped the trip last year when he was

with the New England Patriots and again decided early to not attend, said he hopes athletes on championship teams in all sports won't have to make the decision when Trump's term is up for re-election in 2020.

"The players didn't create this division (in the country)," Long said. "I'm extremely proud to be part of this team."

Safety Malcolm Jenkins, an outspoken leader for social reforms, held up handwritten signs on issues important to him and other players instead of verbally answering questions.

"You aren't listening," one sign said. Another said that former San Francisco 49ers quarterback Colin Kaepernick gave \$1 million to charity. Kaepernick began the wave of kneeling protests in the NFL as a way to protest racism and police brutality, and is working through a grievance case against the league after he was not signed by any team following his run with San Francisco.

Another sign by Jenkins read: "More than 60 percent of people in prison are people of color."

## OBITUARIES

### CHARLES W. KERSHAW SR.

Charles Wesley Kershaw Sr., 85, died Sunday, June 3, 2018, at his home in Wedgefield, following a brief battle with cancer.

Born on March 4, 1933, in Stateburg, he was a son of Lawrence and Melissa Kershaw. He attended the public schools of Sumter County and was a graduate of Lincoln High School Class of 1951. He then joined the United States Air Force, where he took im-



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mense pride in serving the country through his military service and particularly as a serviceman in the United States Air Force. He would proudly remind family and friends that he served 26 years, one month and one day in the military until retiring in 1977. He subsequently worked for al-

most 20 more years at Crescent Tools.

He is survived by his wife of 52 years, Eulia Mae English Kershaw; his sons, Darrell Kershaw of Columbia, Charles Wesley Kershaw Jr. of Sumter, Keith (Maxine) Kershaw of Columbia, Elliott (Franchelle) Kershaw of Nashville, Tennessee, and Martin (Quinda) Kershaw of Columbia; one brother, Lawrence Kershaw II of Stateburg; a grandson, Quentin, who grew up in the home and was more like the sixth son to both Charles and Eulia; 14

other grandchildren; three great-grandchildren; a host of nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends.

The family is receiving relatives and friends at his home, 2140 S.C. 261 South, Wedgefield.

Funeral services will be held at 10:30 a.m. on Friday at High Hills Baptist Church, 6750 Meeting House Road, Dalzell.

The funeral procession will leave at 9:40 a.m. from the home.

Interment will be held at 10 a.m. on Monday at Fort Jackson National Cemetery, 4170

Percival Road, Columbia.

In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be given to the American Cancer Society in his honor.

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).

**WILBUR EARL KING**

Wilbur Earl King was born on Aug. 2, 1947, in Manning, a son of the late Frank Earl King and Ophelia DuPree King.



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He died on Saturday, June 2, 2018, at University of Miami Hospital, Miami.

Wilbur joined Williams Chapel Christen Church and was baptized at an early age.

He was educated in the Clarendon County school system, attending Wilson Elementary and Manning Training School. Wilbur played the position of linebacker and running back for the Manning Training School Tigers' football team.

In 1964, the family relocated to Miami and settled in the Richmond Heights community. Wilbur attended Mays Senior High School and graduated in 1966. He was drafted in 1968 and chose the Marine Corps for his military experience. He graduated from basic training at Parris Island on July 18, 1968, and began his tour of duty in Vietnam in October 1968. Wilbur was injured on April 13, 1969. He was awarded the Bronze Star Medal for acts of valor and meritorious service in combat and the distinguished Purple Heart for combat injury.

This Vietnam veteran went on to attend Florida Memorial University and engaged in several business ventures which included a trucking company, lawn maintenance and landscaping services, convenience store management, a night club and security services.

Wilbur married Linda Briggs on Jan. 31, 1999, and they resided in Pinewood for many years.

He was always willing to assist others. He consistently assisted with the Contractors Resource Center's Annual Turkey Drive, which fed thousands of families during the Thanksgiving holidays. This caring spirit prompted him in 2011 to become a charter member of the Elks Lodge, South Dade Lodge 2870.

Wilbur's military service and life experiences earned him entrance into the Official Congressional Record and to be permanently placed in the Library of Congress, which was facilitated by Congresswoman Frederica S. Wilson, United States House of Representatives, 24th District, State of Florida.

Wilbur leaves to cherish his memory: wife, Linda Briggs King; children, Tangela King Gunn of Chicago, Katrina King Davis of Austin, Texas, Trentin Thames, Chris Thames and Wilbur Earl Thames, both of Manning, and Jeffrey Brown of Miami; stepson, Edward (Wanda) Dawns of Newport News, Virginia; godchildren, Shawn McFadden of Manning, Raheem Briggs of Columbia and Brittany Briggs of Pinewood; siblings, Juliet King, Elsie King Hamler and Paul (Shirley) Severance of Miami; aunts, Lou Ann Keels and Clara (James) McCants of Miami; aunt-in-law, Mary Edith Dupree of Atlanta; uncle, Willie (Barbara) Dupree of Miami; mother-in-law, Camillia Briggs of Pinewood; sisters-in-law, Beverly Briggs (Elijah) and Afelia Briggs of Pinewood and Georgia Mae Briggs of Hartford, Connecticut; brother-in-law, Kenneth Briggs of Pinewood; special friend, Stephanie Norton of Miami; and a host of sorrowing grandchildren, great-grandchildren, nieces, nephews, cousins and friends.

Funeral services for Mr. King will be held at 11 a.m. on Friday at William Chapel Christian Church, 1072 Forest Trial, Manning, with the Rev. Emanuel Evans, pastor, officiating. Burial will follow at the churchyard cemetery.

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

**CHARLES M. BROWN**

URBANA, Ill. — Charles M. Brown, age 90, of Urbana, passed away at 5:45 p.m. on June 1, 2018, in Spring Arbor, Michigan.

Charlie was born on Oct. 16, 1927, in Oswego, a son of Eugene and Marie Brown.

Charles was the first person in his family to attend college when, at age 16, he enrolled in Clemson University. He



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He graduated from Clemson in 1947 with a degree in agronomy and crop science. He received a scholarship to attend Wisconsin University and received his Ph.D. in agronomy from Wisconsin in 1953. Shortly thereafter, he took a position as an associate professor at the University of Illinois in the department of agronomy.

Charlie married Rosemary Pursel of Champaign, Illinois, on Aug. 10, 1957. Charlie worked his entire career in the Department of Agronomy at U of I. He eventually became the department head, but was best known for his work in breeding oat varieties. At one time, more than one-half of the oats grown in the world were varieties he developed.

Charlie retired from U of I in 1993 but continued to work in oat breeding as a consultant for Quaker Oats. In retirement, Charlie enjoyed playing golf and working as a ranger at the Orange and Blue golf courses at Savoy. Charlie was the proud owner of three holes-in-one in his lifetime. Charlie also loved to cheer for the Illini and the Cubs and he saw the Cubs win the World Series in 2016. Charlie was also a lifetime member of Elks Lodge 2497 in Savoy, Illinois.

Charlie was a longtime member of First United Methodist Church of Urbana and served there in many ways. Charlie loved his family and was a dedicated husband and father.

He is survived by his daughters, Sherry Porter (Gary) of Camargo, Illinois, and Christy Ellis (Brent) of Spring Arbor; and his son, Kevin Brown (Carol) of Hickory, North Carolina. He was the proud grandparent of eight, including Tim Porter (Nicole), Michelle Primmer (Jeff), Chad Porter (Melinda), Ryan Brown (Lauren), Amy Brown, Charlie, Lainey and Joey Ellis. He was also blessed with great-grandchildren, including Blake, Brady, Ramsey, Aiden, Dallas and Cadon. Also surviving Charlie are his brother, Melvin Brown of Sumter; and sister, Anne Partin of Charleston.

Charlie was preceded by a brother, Eugene C. Brown Jr. Visitation will be held from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. on Friday at Morgan Memorial Home, 1304 Regency Drive West, Savoy, with a service at 1 p.m.

In lieu of flowers, please make donations to First United Methodist Church in Urbana or Spring Arbor University in Spring Arbor.

Condolences may be offered at [www.morganmemorial-home.com](http://www.morganmemorial-home.com).

**LEROY WILDER**

Leroy Wilder, 77, died on June 4, 2018, at McLeod Hospice House in Florence.

Born on June 4, 1941, in Clarendon County, he was a son of the late Richard and Hattie Bell Mack Wilder.

Funeral arrangements are incomplete at this time and will be announced by Summerton Funeral Home LLC.

**ROBERT BRADLEY**

BISHOPVILLE — Robert "Bob" Bradley, husband of Lottie Mae Bradley, entered eternal rest on June 4, 2018, at Palmetto Health Richland Heart Hospital, Columbia.

The family is receiving relatives and friends at 415 Gum St., Bishopville.

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

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

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

**PEARL MURRAY HOLMES**

Pearl Murray Holmes was

the oldest of seven children born to the late Lewis and Phyllis Reese Murray. She was the widow of Luther Holmes. She departed this life at 9:15 a.m. on Friday, June 1, 2018, at Palmetto Health Baptist.

Pearl was raised in church all of her life and was a member of Wayman Chapel AME Church in Sumter, where she served with the usher's ministry. She graduated from St. Michael High School in Sumter. She continued her education at Girl's College, where she studied nursing attendant by taking evening classes. She received her diploma in 1946.

Ms. Murray was adventurous, was a hard worker and enjoyed cooking. She located to the "Big Apple," and it was there she met the love of her life, Luther Holmes.

Pearl and her three children joined Greater Abyssinian Baptist Church in Newark, New Jersey, where she was baptized and held many positions in the church. Later, she joined First Baptist Church of Crown Heights in Brooklyn, New York, in 1975. Her tenure there caused her to have a deeper love for God. She became more involved in church as she was the president of the South Carolina Ministry and a member of the missionary board in addition to the pastor's aid club and the gospel choir.

After the illness of her father and stepmother, she moved to Sumter and took care of them, until their deaths. She joined Jehovah Missionary Baptist Church in 1986, serving with the missionary ministry, fellowship choir and the pastor's support ministry. Pearl was a true Christian, a child of God, a devoted and loyal mother, grandmother, and a true friend to all she encountered. Anyone that met or knew her took her as their mother. She was Mother Holmes to some and the majority affectionately called her "mommy" and her grandsons called her "chicken bone." She encouraged others to pray and put it all in God's hands and leave it there. When you were hungry, she always cooked a large selection of food to feed many. She took care of her family, friends and whoever was sick and unable to get around. She took many to doctor's appointments, the hospital and anything else they may need.

Pearl will be greatly missed but never forgotten in the hearts of her family and friends.

She leaves to cherish precious memory: her three children, Jesse Sherman (Susan) Peterson of Sayreville, New Jersey, Mildred Reed of Sumter and Melvin Marion (Hope) Reed of Blythewood; two surviving siblings, Bernice E. David and Irvin Lee (Francine) Murray; two grandsons, Melvin Jevon Reed and Jordan Wilder Reed; and a host of nieces, nephews, cousins and friends.

She was preceded in death by her siblings, Richard, Willie, Winter, and Phyllis Murray.

Ms. Pearl will be placed in the church at 10 a.m. for viewing until the hour of service.

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

Funeral service will be held at 11 a.m. on Friday at Jehovah Missionary Baptist Church, Sumter, with Pastor Marion Newton officiating. Interment will follow at Hillside Memorial Park.

The family will be receiving friends at the home, 1890 N. St. Paul Church Road, Sumter.

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

**ELIZABETH M. BEAUFORT**

GREELEYVILLE — Elizabeth Mouzon Beaufort, 96, widow of Butler L. Beaufort, died on Wednesday, June 6, 2018, at McLeod Hospice House, Florence.

She was born on Aug. 8, 1921, in Greeleyville, a daughter of the late Louise and Mae Bell Sabb Mouzon.

The family is receiving friends at the home of her daughter, Mae B. Beaufort, 264 Pine Tree St., Greeleyville.

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

**LILLIE MAE CHINA**

Lillie Mae China, 82, wife of Elton China, departed this life on Wednesday, June 6, 2018, at Sumter Health & Rehab Center.

She was born on May 11, 1936, in Lee County, a daughter of the late Holly and Anna Wilson Montgomery.

The family will receive friends from 5 to 8 p.m. daily at the home of her daughter, 2911 U.S. 76 West, Lynchburg, SC 29080.

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

**RUTH A. YOUNG**

Ruth Adger Young, 86, widow of Clarence Young, died on Wednesday, June 6, 2018, at her home.

Born on Aug. 21, 1931, in Clarendon County, she was a daughter of James H. and Cara Bostic Adger.

The family will receive relatives and friends at the home, 3021 Prosser Ave.

Funeral arrangements are incomplete and will be announced by Williams Funeral Home Inc.

**ROMAN S. ADAMS**

Roman Santos Adams, 5, was born on Jan. 11, 2013, in Austell, Georgia, a son of Georgette Singleton Adams and Carlos Adams. He departed this life on Friday, June 1, 2018, in Marietta, Georgia. Roman was the grandson of Earl (Mary) Singleton of Sumter and Dorothy Adams of Wichita, Kansas.

He was preceded in death by his brother, Aston Steele Adams; and grandfather, Richard Adams.

Services will be held on Saturday at Greater Grace Temple COGIC in Smyrna, Georgia, with Superintendent Christopher Walker officiating.

Hanley-Shelton Funeral Directors of Marietta is in charge of arrangements.

Courtesy announcement of Job's Mortuary Inc., 312 S. Main St., Sumter.

**GLORIA ANN MCLAUGHLIN**

Gloria Ann "Sugar" McLaughlin departed this earthly life on Sunday, June 3, 2018, in Sumter.

She was born on Oct. 31, 1952, in Sumter County. She was the only daughter of the late Walter "Buster" Johnson and Martha McLaughlin Johnson. Gloria was a faithful servant for the Lord. She began her walk of faith at a young age when she joined Mt. Olive AME Church in Woodrow. She later joined First Baptist Missionary Church in Sumter, where she remained dedicated and worked faithfully. At First Baptist Church, Gloria was President of the women's missionary organization and was an active member of the outreach ministry. She taught adult Sunday school classes and traveled with the church choir to many programs. Gloria led the new members classes and was a part of the hospitality team. She was the financial secretary of the Wateree Baptist Association L.D. Women's Auxiliary and was on the steering committee of the B.G. Sanders Fellowship Day.

Gloria was an honor graduate of Sumter High School. She then matriculated from

Voorhees College, graduating Summa Cum Laude, with a Bachelor of Arts in history. She received a Master of Social Work from the University of South Carolina, and later obtained her licensed independent social worker-clinical practice credential. Gloria had an extensive work history beginning as a substitute teacher before moving to a career in the field of social work. After retiring from the South Carolina Department of Social Services, Gloria was employed by the South Carolina Department of Mental Health. To further her career, Gloria spent five years working at the William J. Bryan Dorn Veteran Hospital, where she was employed as a clinical social worker.

Throughout her career, Gloria was a committed and exceptional worker. Gloria always made her career a priority in her life. Always giving more than 100 percent in everything she did even if it meant working long hours and commuting from one city to another after a long day of work. Gloria was also an avid reader and a person who enjoyed politics as well as participating in political campaigning. She was an active member of the Sumter Branch NAACP.

Gloria's generosity extended beyond the workplace to her family and friends. She was diligent in caring for her grandmother and mother until they left to be with the Lord. After her mother's death, she became the matriarch of the family and took her role very seriously. She kept a close and watchful eye over everyone that encountered her but taking special care to ensure her baby brother, her nieces and grandnieces were okay. In doing so, she did not hesitate to redirect when necessary. She was giving but stern and didn't mind showing tough love when needed. She always stressed the importance of family and taking care of one another. We always loved coming together on Sundays and holidays at her house for those big family dinners.

Gloria leaves to cherish precious memories: two brothers, Walter Johnson and Larry Holman of Sumter; two nieces, Casandra Hales and Yakina Pringle-Porcher; three aunts, Mary McLaughlin, Ora Lee Johnson and Hannah Mae Johnson; six grandnieces, Jazzmine McLaughlin-Hales, Justice Hales, Yazzmin Porcher, Jordan Pringle, Jayda Williams and Jaylin Williams; a grandnephew, Ki'Andre Porcher; two great-grandnephews, Kayden Hales, whom Gloria raised until she could no longer care for him, and Willie Green; a great-grandniece, Ly'Ric Pringle; and three sister-friends Mary "Ann" Burton, Josephine Jupiter and Carol Singletary; and a host of cousins and friends.

The family is receiving relatives and friends at the home, 52 Carrol Drive, Sumter.

Funeral services will be held at 11 a.m. on Friday at First Baptist Missionary Church, 219 S. Washington St., Sumter, with the Rev. George P. Windley Jr., pastor, eulogist.

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

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

Burial will be at Colclough Cemetery, Dubose Siding 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).

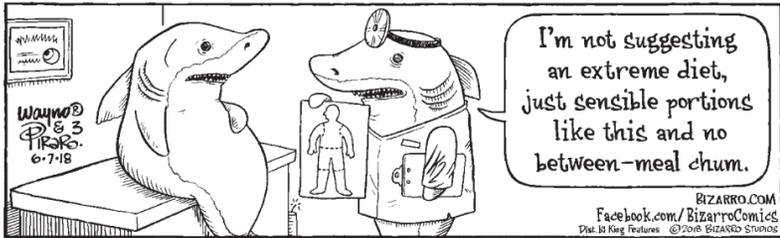
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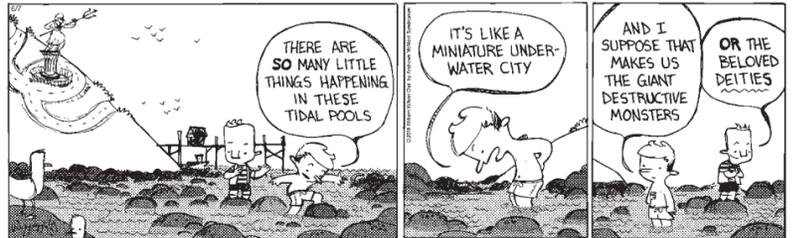
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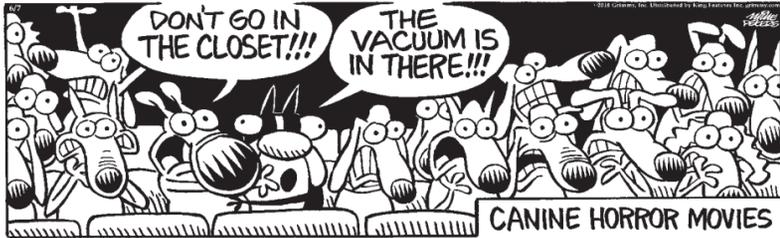
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**Dear Abby**  
ABIGAIL VAN BUREN

**DEAR ABBY** — My brother-in-law died a month ago and was cremated by the local affiliate of a prominent funeral home. To make it easier for my sister, I accompanied her to the mortuary to pick up her husband's remains. I walked in alone, and as I returned to the car with his urn, a young funeral home employee in a black suit and scuffed shoes followed me. Through the window of the car, he presented my sister an artificial red rose and said, "We're sorry for your loss." My sister and I were ap-

palled by the insincerity of this gesture, and I called and told the funeral home director that the sentiments were as phony as the rose. He said, "I thought it was a great idea," and couldn't understand our reaction. Were we wrong?  
*Resenting phony sentiments*

**DEAR RESENTING** — Yes, you were. When people are grieving, emotions are sometimes raw, so I'm not going to scold you. However, your response to the young man was ungracious. All that needed to be said was, "No, thank you."

**DEAR ABBY** — I need your advice. I'm in love with a wonderful man. He says he likes and respects me but doesn't love me. I desperately want his love, but have agreed to be friends with benefits in the hope that in the

future he may come to love me. Should I continue with this, and is there a future for me?  
*Hopeful in Telangana, India*

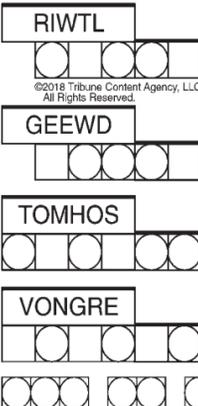
**DEAR HOPEFUL** — For many people, liking and respecting someone would make the person a candidate for marriage. The bad news is, the man you care so much about isn't one of them. The good news is, there are many eligible, emotionally available men who might value what you have to offer. Time is precious. If you want your future to be a happy one, be glad your friend with benefits has been honest with you, cut your losses and look elsewhere for love.

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**JUMBLE**

THAT SCRAMBLED WORD GAME  
By David L Hoyt and Jeff Knurek

Unscramble these four Jumbles, one letter to each square, to form four ordinary words.



Now arrange the circled letters to form the surprise answer, as suggested by the above cartoon.

Yesterday's Jumbles: AWAIT THUMP SURVEY CATCHY  
Answer: When they used freshly-picked peaches to make the pies, it was — THE PITS

**SUDOKU**

**HOW TO PLAY:**  
Each row, column and set of 3-by-3 boxes must contain the numbers 1 through 9 without repetition.

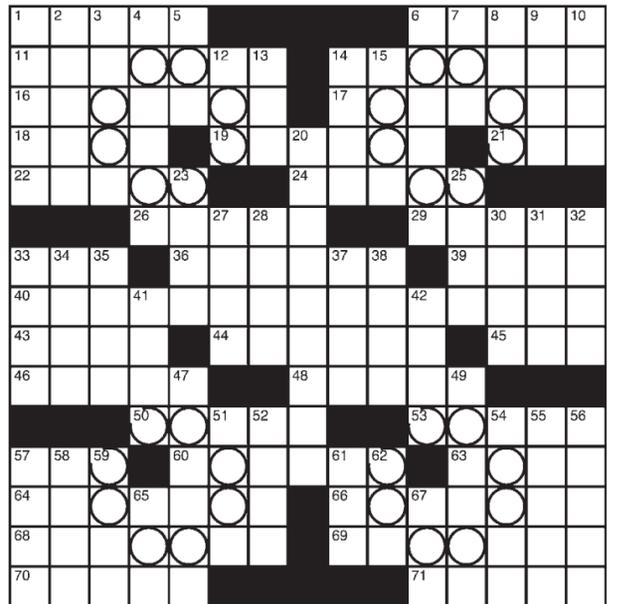
PREVIOUS SOLUTION

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9	4	3	6	5	1	8	7	2
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DIFFICULTY RATING: ★★★★★

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**THE DAILY CROSSWORD PUZZLE**



Mark McClain 6/7/18

- ACROSS**
- 1 Disheveled
  - 6 180: skateboarding trick
  - 11 Piqued
  - 14 Maximally moist
  - 16 Star name meaning "she-goat" in Latin
  - 17 Weather-changing currents
  - 18 Footless creature
  - 19 Snorkeling spots
  - 21 Letters after Sen. Schumer's name
  - 22 Eponymous brewer Bernhard
  - 24 Adjust one's sights
  - 26 Assurance on certain menus
  - 29 Uzbek neighbor
  - 33 Name prefix for "son of"
  - 36 Settled
  - 39 U.N. chief after Boutros
  - 40 How the things in the circled letters go
  - 43 Withdraw gradually
  - 44 Actor Estevez
  - 45 Hot
  - 46 Numerical relationship
  - 48 Citrus cuttings
  - 50 Red pool ball
  - 53 Bay of Naples isle
  - 57 [Shrug]
  - 60 Beer mug with a hinged lid
  - 63 Believability, briefly
  - 64 Device that builds six-packs?
  - 66 Admonish
  - 68 Like some sports contract clauses
  - 69 Jumps to conclusions
  - 70 "Hop \_\_\_": Dr. Seuss book
  - 71 Young salmon
  - 10 Crafter's website
  - 12 Southernmost of the 48 sts.
  - 13 Butter or lard
  - 14 Editorial mark
  - 15 First name in scat
  - 20 Put in order
  - 23 It may be heard on the street
  - 25 Powerful shark
  - 27 Ancient Persian
  - 28 Email folder
  - 30 Day in Dijon
  - 31 "\_\_\_ One Will Listen": Kelly Clarkson song
  - 32 Captain hanged for piracy
  - 33 Bryn \_\_\_ College
  - 34 Vicinity
  - 35 Nail polish layer
  - 37 Not engaged
  - 38 Stand during a lecture
  - 41 Army outfit
  - 42 Campus mil. group
  - 47 "Sick burn!"
  - 49 Bone at the base of the spine
  - 51 Pond plant
  - 52 Cork locale
  - 54 Teaser
  - 55 Glory (in)
  - 56 Often abbreviated Latin phrase
  - 57 When repeated including "a," fighting term
  - 58 Black, in verse
  - 59 URL intro
  - 61 Notable time
  - 62 Paris article
  - 65 Top medalla
  - 67 Ltr. addenda

Previous Puzzle Solved

R	I	P	N	A	S	T	A	L	A	R	M			
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J	M	O	K	V	I	I	D	E	L	I	S			
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SP	FT	7 PM	7:30	8 PM	8:30	9 PM	9:30	10 PM	10:30	11 PM	11:30	12 AM	
<b>LOCAL CHANNELS</b>													
WIS	10	3	10	WIS News 10 at 7 (N)	Entertainment Tonight (N)	2018 Stanley Cup Final Washington Capitals at Vegas Golden Knights. The Capitals take their 3-1 series lead to T-Mobile Arena for Game 5 versus the Golden Knights. (N) (Live)			WIS News 10 at 11 (N)	(:34) The Tonight Show Starring Jimmy Fallon Adam Sandler; Chris Rock; Sting; Shaggy.			
WLTX	19	9	9	News 19 at 7pm (N)	Inside Edition Samantha Bee's controversial comment.	The Big Bang Theory (DVS)	(:31) Young Sheldon (DVS)	(:01) Mom Bonnie and Adam have differing views.	Life in Pieces "Treatsure Ride Poker Hearing"	S.W.A.T. "Pilot" A former Marine runs a specialized unit.	News 19 at 11pm (N)	(:35) The Late Show With Stephen Colbert Nick Offerman; Niecy Nash; Lykke Li. (N)	
WOLO	25	5	12	Wheel of Fortune "Tennis Week" (N)	Jeopardy! (N)	Celebrity Family Feud Steve Harvey's family competes.		The \$100,000 Pyramid Leslie Jones; Willie Garson.	To Tell the Truth "Nikki Glaser; Mel Brooks; Cloris Leachman; Michaela Watkins" Nikki Glaser; Mel Brooks.	ABC Columbia News at 11 (N)	(:35) Jimmy Kimmel Live "Keri Russell; Pamela Adlon; Maddie Poppe" Keri Russell; Pamela Adlon.		
WRJA	27	11	14	Rick Steves' Europe Normandy, France; Lilly ponds.	Palmetto Scene	"Pollyanna" (2002, Drama) Amanda Burton, Georgina Terry, Kenneth Cranham. An endlessly cheery child brightens an entire town.			Last Tango in Halifax Gillian's wedding day.	Amanpour on PBS (N)	BBC World News	The This Old House Hour	
WACH	57	6	6	The Big Bang Theory	The Big Bang Theory	The Four: Battle for Stardom "Week One" (Season Premiere) Contestants vie for the prize. (N) (DVS)			WACH FOX News at 10 (N) (Live)	Sports Zone	DailyMailTV (N)	TMZ (N)	
WKTC	63	4	22	Last Man Standing Ed hires his daughter.	Last Man Standing "Odd Couple Out"	Supernatural "Patience" Dean and Jody protect a girl.	Black Lightning "Lawanda: The Book of Burial" Anissa comes into her own.	Law & Order: Criminal Intent "Saving Face" Mutilated corpse of a med student.	Law & Order: Criminal Intent "Acts of Contrition" A nun is slain in her church.	The Game Malik asks his mom to move out.			
<b>CABLE CHANNELS</b>													
A&E	46	130	Live PD: Police Patrol	Live PD: Police Patrol	Live PD: Police Patrol	Live PD: Police Patrol	Live PD: Police Patrol (N)	(:31) Live PD: Police Patrol (N)	(:02) Live PD: Police Patrol (N)	(:33) Live PD: Police Patrol (N)	(:04) Live PD: Police Patrol	(:34) Live PD: Police Patrol	(12:03) Live PD: Police Patrol
AMC	48	180	(5:30) *** "Groundhog Day" (1993) Bill Murray, Chris Elliott.	*** "National Lampoon's Vacation" (1983, Comedy) Chevy Chase, Beverly D'Angelo. A vacationing family detours into screwball side trips.	*** "The Great Outdoors" (1988, Comedy) Dan Aykroyd, John Candy. Man and family camp with obnoxious brother-in-law and family.	North Woods Law "Crossing the Line"	North Woods Law	Northwest Law "Poacher Pursuit"	North Woods Law "When Duty Calls"	North Woods Law	*** "Airplane!" (1980)		
ANPL	41	100	North Woods Law	North Woods Law	North Woods Law	North Woods Law	North Woods Law	North Woods Law	North Woods Law	North Woods Law	North Woods Law	North Woods Law	
BET	61	162	(4:35) *** "Baby Boy" (2001)	(:35) *** "Rush Hour" partners seek a kidnapped girl.	Southern Charm "Hilton Head-ache" Ashley confronts Kathryn.	Southern Charm (N)	Imposters "See You Soon, Macaroon" The group tries to stay one step ahead.	Watch What Happens Live	Southern Charm				
BRAVO	47	181	Southern Charm "What da Fuskie" Cameron plays a pregnancy waiting game.	Southern Charm "Hilton Head-ache" Ashley confronts Kathryn.	Southern Charm (N)	Imposters "See You Soon, Macaroon" The group tries to stay one step ahead.	Watch What Happens Live	Southern Charm					
CNBC	35	84	Shark Tank	Shark Tank	Shark Tank (DVS)	Jay Leno's Garage "One of a Kind" (N)	CNN Tonight With Don Lemon (N)	Jay Leno's Garage "More Power"	Jay Leno's Garage	More Power	Jay Leno's Garage	Jay Leno's Garage	
CNN	3	80	Erin Burnett OutFront (N)	Anderson Cooper 360 (N)	Shark Tank (DVS)	CNN Tonight With Don Lemon (N)	Jay Leno's Garage "One of a Kind" (N)	CNN Tonight With Don Lemon (N)	Anderson Cooper	Anderson Cooper	Anderson Cooper	Anderson Cooper	
COM	57	136	(6:50) The Office "Turf War"	(:25) The Office	The Office "New Guys"	The Office "Roy's Wedding"	The Office Jim reveals a secret.	The Office "Work Bus"	The Office "Here Comes Treble"	The Office "The Boat"	The Daily Show With Trevor Noah	The Opposition w/ Jordan Klepper (N)	(12:01) South Park
DISN	18	200	Bunk'd	Bunk'd	Andi Mack (Part 2 of 2)	Raven's Home	Stuck in the Middle	DuckTales	Bizaardvark A rich fan helps out.	Raven's Home Nia contacts her father.	Andi Mack	Bunk'd	DuckTales
DSC	42	103	Naked and Afraid	Naked and Afraid	Naked and Afraid "Episode 3" (N)	Naked and Afraid XL Pop-Up Edition	Naked and Afraid	Naked and Afraid	Naked and Afraid	Naked and Afraid	Naked and Afraid	Naked and Afraid	Naked and Afraid
ESPN	26	35	MLB Baseball Detroit Tigers at Boston Red Sox. From Fenway Park in Boston. (N) (Live)	College Track and Field NCAA Men's and Women's Outdoor Championships. From Eugene, Ore. (N) (Live)	WNBA Basketball	Seattle Storm at Los Angeles Sparks. (N) (Live)	WNBA Basketball	Seattle Storm at Los Angeles Sparks. (N) (Live)	WNBA Basketball	Seattle Storm at Los Angeles Sparks. (N) (Live)	WNBA Basketball	Seattle Storm at Los Angeles Sparks. (N) (Live)	
ESPN2	27	39	College Track and Field NCAA Men's and Women's Outdoor Championships. From Eugene, Ore. (N) (Live)	WNBA Basketball	Seattle Storm at Los Angeles Sparks. (N) (Live)	WNBA Basketball	Seattle Storm at Los Angeles Sparks. (N) (Live)	WNBA Basketball	Seattle Storm at Los Angeles Sparks. (N) (Live)	WNBA Basketball	Seattle Storm at Los Angeles Sparks. (N) (Live)	WNBA Basketball	Seattle Storm at Los Angeles Sparks. (N) (Live)
FOOD	40	109	Chopped "Cocktail Party"	Chopped "Flavor Savor"	Chopped "Surf and Turf"	Beat Bobby Flay	Beat Bobby Flay	Beat Bobby Flay	Beat Bobby Flay	Beat Bobby Flay	Beat Bobby Flay	Chopped	
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	Tucker Carlson	Tucker Carlson	Tucker Carlson	
FREE	20	131	(5:30) *** "The Incredibles" (2004) Voices of Craig T. Nelson.	Marvel's Cloak & Dagger "First Light" Two teenagers acquire superpowers.	(:03) Marvel's Cloak & Dagger Tandy's past catches up with her. (N)	The Fosters "Meet the Fosters" Major celebrations for the family.	The 700 Club	* "Zookeeper" (2011)					
FSS	21	47	Cycling	Atlanta Pregame	MLS Soccer Philadelphia Union at Atlanta United FC.	Postgame	Driven	ACC All-Access	Boxing 30	Boxing			
HALL	52	183	Last Man Standing "Eve's Breakup"	Last Man Standing "Three Sundays"	The Middle "Birds of a Feather"	The Middle "Floating 50"	The Middle "Hecks at a Movie"	The Golden Girls	The Golden Girls	The Golden Girls	The Golden Girls	The Golden Girls "Nice and Easy"	
HGTV	39	112	Flip or Flop	Flip or Flop	Flip or Flop	Flip or Flop	Flip or Flop	Flip or Flop	Flip or Flop	Flip or Flop	Flip or Flop	Flip or Flop	
HIST	45	110	Swamp People "Speed Demons"	Swamp People: Blood and Guts (N)	Swamp People "United We Stand" Mother Nature dishes up a disaster.	Blue Bloods "The Price of Justice" A hostage victim won't press charges.	(:05) Alone "Making the Cut: Season 5"	Swamp People	Swamp People	Swamp People	Swamp People	Swamp People	
ION	13	18	Blue Bloods "The Extra Mile" An eyewitness for a murder trial flees.	"Sleepwalking in Suburbia" (2017, Suspense) Lucie Guest, Emilie Ullerup, Ryan S. Williams. A sleepwalker lands in the middle of a bloody scandal.	(:03) "Cradle Swapping" (2017, Drama) Amanda Clayton, Brandon Barash, Patrika Darbo. A young couple uncover a child trafficking ring.	"Sleepwalking in Suburbia" (2017)	Rachel Maddow	Rachel Maddow	Rachel Maddow	Rachel Maddow	Rachel Maddow	Rachel Maddow	
LIFE	50	145	(6:00) "Give Me My Baby" (2016, Suspense) Kelly Sullivan, Sofia Milos.	"American Gangster" (2007, Crime Drama) Denzel Washington, Russell Crowe. Harlem's most-powerful crime boss. (DVS)	Chiwetel Ejiofor. A chauffeur becomes	Claws "Tirana" Desna is entangled in a scheme. (DVS)							
MSNBC	36	92	Hardball With Chris Matthews (N)	All In With Chris Hayes (N)	The Rachel Maddow Show (N)	The Last Word	The 11th Hour With Brian Williams (N)	Rachel Maddow	Rachel Maddow	Rachel Maddow	Rachel Maddow	Rachel Maddow	
NICK	16	210	Henry Danger	Henry Danger	*** "The SpongeBob Movie: Sponge Out of Water" (2015)	American Woman	Friends	Friends	Friends	Friends	Friends	Friends	
PARMT	64	153	Friends	*** "Pitch Perfect" (2012) Anna Kendrick. College students enter an a cappella competition.	American Woman	Friends	Friends	Friends	Friends	Friends	Friends	Friends	
SYFY	58	152	*** "Journey to the Center of the Earth" (2008) Brendan Fraser, Josh Hutcherson. A professor and his nephew go below the Earth's surface.	*** "Journey 2: The Mysterious Island" (2012) Dwayne Johnson, Michael Caine. A distress signal leads a teen to an island of treasures. (DVS)	American Woman	Friends	Friends	Friends	Friends	Friends	Friends	Friends	
TBS	24	156	Seinfeld "The Pez Dispenser"	Seinfeld "The Boyfriend"	Seinfeld "The Boyfriend"	Seinfeld "The Fix-Up"	The Big Bang Theory	The Big Bang Theory	The Big Bang Theory	The Big Bang Theory	Conan Actor Kate Mara; actor Sam Richardson. (N)	Conan Actor Kate Mara; actor Sam Richardson. (N)	Brooklyn Nine-Nine
TCM	49	186	(6:00) *** "Swing Time" (1936) Fred Astaire, Ginger Rogers. (DVS)	*** "The Wizard of Oz" (1939, Children's) Judy Garland, Frank Morgan, Ray Bolger. A tornado whisks a Kansas farm girl to a magic land.	*** "Top Hat" (1935, Musical) Fred Astaire, Ginger Rogers, Edward Everett Horton. A woman mistakes the identity of a dancer romancing her. (DVS)	*** "Three Smart Girls" (1936)							
TLC	43	157	My 600-Lb. Life "Henry's Story"	My 600-Lb. Life Diana worries about a knee injury. (N)	Skin Tight (N)	(:01) My 600-Lb. Life Diana worries about a knee injury.	Claws "Tirana" Desna is entangled in a scheme. (DVS)						
TNT	23	158	NCIS: New Orleans "Means to an End" Agent Pride's daughter is attacked.	Impractical Jokers	Impractical Jokers	Impractical Jokers	Carbonaro Eff.	Carbonaro Eff.	Carbonaro Eff.	Carbonaro Eff.	Carbonaro Eff.	Carbonaro Eff.	
TRUTV	38	129	Impractical Jokers	Impractical Jokers	Impractical Jokers	Carbonaro Eff.	Carbonaro Eff.	Carbonaro Eff.	Carbonaro Eff.	Carbonaro Eff.	Carbonaro Eff.	Carbonaro Eff.	
TV LAND	55	161	M*A*S*H	(:36) M*A*S*H	(:12) Everybody Loves Raymond	Love-Raymond	Love-Raymond	Mom	Mom	Mom	Mom	Mom	
USA	25	132	NCIS "Missing" A Marine explosives expert disappears. (DVS)	NCIS "See No Evil" Captain's family is kidnapped. (DVS)	NCIS "Vanished" A helicopter appears in a crop circle. (DVS)	NCIS "The Meat Puzzle" Ducky is kidnapped. (DVS)	(:02) NCIS "Witness" A woman witnesses a murder. (DVS)	(12:03) NCIS "Caught on Tape"					
WE	68	166	Growing Up Hip Hop	Growing Up Hip Hop (N)	Growing Up Hip Hop (N)	Growing Up Hip Hop	Growing Up Hip Hop	Growing Up Hip Hop	Growing Up Hip Hop	Growing Up Hip Hop	Growing Up Hip Hop	Braxton Family	
WGNA	8	172	*** "Sherlock Holmes: A Game of Shadows" (2011, Action) Robert Downey Jr., Jude Law, Noomi Rapace.	100 Code Conley narrows his search.	Cops	Cops	Cops	Cops	Cops	Cops	Cops	Cops	

# Marvel's TV presence grows with 'Cloak & Dagger'

BY KEVIN McDONOUGH

Any time "To Tell the Truth" (10 p.m., ABC, r, TV-PG) airs in prime time is a good excuse to check out something new.

"Marvel's Cloak & Dagger" (8 p.m. and 9:03 p.m., Freeform, TV-14) has two good-looking stars and a built-in comic book audience. Unfortunately, the pilot episode takes forever to explain the characters' origin stories, something every reader and fan already knows.

It also suffers from a common comic book ailment: the need to compensate for the juvenile nature of the genre with an impossibly bleak tone.

While set in New Orleans, neither main character affects a local accent. We first meet Tandy and Tyrone as young children, where fate (a head-on collision and a police shooting) plunges them into a large lake in the proximity of an exploding offshore rig. As with Spider-Man, or even the Powerpuff Girls, there's something in that blast that endows them with superpowers.

Fast-forward a decade or so, and Tandy (Olivia Holt) has become a sullen teen, a grifter and a thief. She meets, or becomes reacquainted with, Tyrone (Aubrey Joseph) after stealing his wallet. This less-than-charming encounter is overshadowed by the bright blast that occurs when they touch. Now that's chemistry.

It takes a solid hour for Tyrone and Tandy to become Cloak and Dagger, respectively. And by then you've already discovered that Tandy is more than a pretty face. She's pretty loathsome.

Some of the worst comedies are based on "true stories." The period series "American Woman" (10 p.m., Paramount, TV-14) isn't just an excuse to surround Alicia



Olivia Holt stars as Tandy and Aubrey Joseph as Tyrone in "Marvel's Cloak & Dagger," premiering at 8 p.m. today on Freeform.

Silverstone ("Clueless") with 1970s decor and fashion. It's apparently based on the childhood of Kyle Richards ("The Real Housewives of Beverly Hills"). How fascinating!

Bonnie (Silverstone) is first seen drinking poolside at her Beverly Hills mansion, along with the diet-obsessed Kathleen (Mena Suvari) and Diana (Jennifer Bartels), a frustrated "career girl."

Not unlike "Cloak and Dagger," it takes the entire pilot to set up the story, something "The Nanny" did with its theme song.

Bonnie quickly learns that her husband is a cheater and a fraud and that their wealthy lifestyle will soon vanish. Bonnie's need to learn to work, assert herself and live without servants coincides

with the feminist revolution of the 1970s.

Unfortunately, "American Woman" is all about clothes and interior decoration. It can't even rustle up a decent '70s soundtrack. Many of the songs featured in the pilot are from the 1960s.

Silverstone looks good in some of her outfits, but that doesn't make Bonnie interesting. She graduates from spoiled to helpless and then moves on to shrill. "American Woman" can't bring back the '70s, but it makes 22 minutes seem like a decade.

Avery has to face a skeptical media to explain Juliette's extended absence, as "Nashville" (9 p.m., CMT, TV-PG) returns for the second half of its sixth and final season. The finale will air July 26. Since

taking over "Nashville" from ABC with considerable fanfare, CMT has gotten out of the scripted show business.

## TONIGHT'S OTHER HIGHLIGHTS

- The Vegas Golden Knights host the Washington Capitals in **Game 5 of the NHL Stanley Cup Final** (8 p.m. NBC).
- "**The Four: Battle for Stardom**" (8 p.m., Fox, TV-14) returns.
- Hondo is given his new assignment on "**S.W.A.T.**" (10 p.m., CBS, r, TV-14).

## CULT CHOICE

Featuring the Emerald City, ruby slippers, a Horse of a Different Color and the Yellow Brick Road, the 1939 mu-

sical "**The Wizard of Oz**" (8 p.m., TCM) became a television favorite back when most people still had black and white sets.

## SERIES NOTES

Sheldon's secret is revealed on "**The Big Bang Theory**" (8 p.m., CBS, r, TV-PG) \* Steve Harvey hosts "**Celebrity Family Feud**" (8 p.m. ABC, r, TV-PG) \* Missouri returns on "**Supernatural**" (8 p.m., CW, r, TV-14) \* Latchkey kids on "**Young Sheldon**" (8:30 p.m., CBS, r, TV-PG) \* Aisle is seeing you on "**Mom**" (8 p.m., CBS, r, TV-14) \* Celebrities play "**The \$100,000 Pyramid**" (9 p.m., ABC, r, TV-14) \* Anissa comes into her powers on "**Black Lightning**" (9 p.m., CW, r, TV-14) \* A message from the future on "**Life in Pieces**" (9:30 p.m., CBS, r, TV-PG).

## LATE NIGHT

Regina King is booked on "**The Daily Show With Trevor Noah**" (11 p.m., Comedy Central) \* Kate Mara and Sam Richardson appear on "**Conan**" (11 p.m., TBS) \* Nick Offerman, Niecy Nash and Lykke Li are booked on "**The Late Show With Stephen Colbert**" (11:35 p.m., CBS) \* Jimmy Fallon welcomes Adam Sandler, Chris Rock, Sting and Shaggy on "**The Tonight Show**" (11:35 p.m., NBC, r) \* Keri Russell, Pamela Adlon and Maddie Poppe appear on "**Jimmy Kimmel Live**" (11:35 p.m., ABC, r) \* Mindy Kaling, Ellie Kemper, Liz Garbus and Steven Wolf visit "**Late Night With Seth Meyers**" (12:35 a.m., NBC, r) \* Sandra Bullock, Sarah Paulson, Awkwafina and Shawn Mendes appear on "**The Late Late Show With James Corden**" (12:35 a.m., CBS).

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All Types of Roofing & Roofing Repairs All work guaranteed. 30 yrs exp. SC lic. Virgil Bickley 803-316-4734.

Tree Service

Newman's Tree Service Tree removal, trimming, topping, view enhancement pruning, bobcat work stump grinding, Lic & insured. Call 803-316-0128

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

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

MERCHANDISE

Want to Buy

Will buy furniture by piece or bulk, tools, trailers, lawn mowers, 4 wheelers, or almost anything of value. Also old signs & lawn furniture Call 803-983-5364

Auctions

I-deal Auction 256 S. Pike W. Sumter, SC Auction will be held every Fri. & Sat. starting at 7pm. Alton Meeler SCAL#4571

Farm Products

Lakeside Market 2100 Wedgefield Rd Boiled peanuts & Watermelons

Garage, Yard & Estate Sales

Multi Fam. Yard Sale 2480 Edmonds Dr. Sat 7-? Baby items, washer/dryer & more

Gigantic Yard Sale & Community Event at John's Hand Car Wash 1694 Peach Orchard Rd. Sat. June 16th. Vendors welcome call before date of event. Arts & crafts. For information call 803-316-5919

Indoor Carport Sale: Sat. 8-1 at 958 Westfield Court. Large variety of items! Rain or shine!

WE WILL BUY YOUR CAR OUTRIGHT!

Regardless of year, make or model, we will pay you good money for your current vehicle. We can give you a fair price appraisal in 15 minutes. Call Dealer For An Appointment 855.223.5023

Garage, Yard & Estate Sales

672 Mattison Ave. Sat. 7 am - 12 noon. Clothes, furniture, sporting goods, other misc. items.

Yard/Estate Sale: June 9th 8-? at 44 Briarwood. Lots of golf clubs, putters, drivers, ect.. Washer, dryer, dresser, chest, table/chairs, and much more.

SUPER YARD SALE Sumter United Ministries Fri & Sat June 1 & 2 8 & 9 from 7-3 "HUGE BAG SALE" & "LOTS OF JEWELRY" Liberty & Artillery

Yard Sale: June 8th 5pm-8pm & June 9th 7am-12pm at 2061 Charleston Ave.

Estate Sale: 1220 Gullidge Cir. Fri. & Sat. 8-1 Follow signs. Kitchenware, hard back & soft back books, and lots more.

Big Yard Sale: Sat. June 9th 8-12 at 540 Benton Ct. Baby/kid shoes, toys, equipment, clothing, books, teacher stuff, books and much much more. Good prices. Something for everyone!

For Sale or Trade

4 Cemetery Plots in Evergreen Cemetery \$4000 for all 4 OBO Call 803-775-4045

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

EMPLOYMENT

Help Wanted Full-Time

Truck Driver Needed! Home every night. \$1500-\$2000 w/ky with \$1000 sign on bonus. 1 yr of experience and CDL is required. Call or text 704-968-7319.

Ashley Furniture HomeStore of Sumter is searching highly motivated individuals to join our Sales team. Must be goal-oriented and have exceptional interpersonal skills; basic computer skills, financing knowledge, and a passion for building strong client relationships.

Nesbitt Transportation is now hiring Class A CDL Drivers. Must be 23 yrs old and have 2 yrs experience. Home nights and weekends. Call 843-621-0943 or 843-659-8254

Now hiring assemblers, machine operators, material handlers, and much more in Sumter. If interested, please contact Trisha Fennessey at 781-328-8205, or email trisha@dbhealthcare.com

Hiring Restaurant manager for local Quick Service Restaurant. Needs to have min of 2 years Restaurant Management experience, be self-motivated, hard working with a good sense of urgency. Servsafe Certified is a plus. Please contact Dwain to apply- 706-726-0372

Help Wanted Part-Time

Exp. Trailer switcher needed in Sumter to move trailers in yard. Do washouts & minor repairs. Thurs., Fri. & Sun. 7 am - 5 pm. Must have 2 yrs exp. CDL & clean driving record. 803-938-2708 M-F 9am-3pm lv msg with experience.

Trucking Opportunities

Tractor trailer driver needed in Sumter. Must have CDL & clean driving record with 2 years exp. Call 803-938-2708 lv. msg.



CONTRACTOR WANTED!

Hwy 261 & Horatio areas

If you have good dependable transportation and a phone in your home and a desire to supplement your income,

CALL REDA HOLIDAY at 774-1257 come in and apply at

the Sumter ITEM 36 W. Liberty Street

RENTALS

Unfurnished Apartments

Senior Living Apartments for those 62+ (Rent based on income) Shiloh-Randolph Manor 125 W. Bartlette. 775-0575 Studio/1 Bedroom apartments available EHO

HUNTINGTON PLACE APARTMENTS RENTS FROM \$650 PER MO.

LEASING OFFICE LOCATED AT ASHTON MILL APARTMENT HOMES 595 ASHTON MILL DRIVE 803-773-3600 OFFICE HOURS: MON-FRI 9-5

Unfurnished Homes

3BR/1BA new paint, new floors \$600mo+Dep. Contact Terry 803-458-8333 or 803-494-4046 and Tina 803-840-4968

Unfurnished Homes

\*\*Summer Special\*\* Qualified Applicants get half off deposit until June 15!!

121 Brent St. 2bd/1ba \$425.00 4270 Hickory Rd 3bd/2ba \$550.00 4266 Hickory Rd. 2bd/1ba \$375.00 Come fill out your applications at 294 Bultman Dr. or call 8203-938-5524.

12 Burgess, 3 Br, 1 Ba, CHA, \$545 mo. Sec. Dep. 803-983-5691 or 803-305-1581.

Mobile Home Rentals

2BR 1BA SW located off 521 South. \$400 Rent & Deposit. Call 803-464-5757

Office Rentals

Office space for rent. Available now, 2 private offices, shared conference room. Guignard/Bultman area. Utilities furnished, can be rented separately. For info call 803-773-7526 or 803-775-6800

REAL ESTATE

Land & Lots for Sale

1-5 Acre lots (or more) \$15,000 per acre. Peaceful quiet country living just outside Sumter. Located on London road. From Plowden Mill, about 2 tenths down on the right. 803-223-1164.

TRANSPORTATION

Miscellaneous



Refurbished batteries as low as \$45. New batteries as low as \$65. 6, 8, & 12v golf cart batteries avail. Lawnmower batteries \$38.95. Auto Electric Co. 102 Blvd Rd. 803-773-4381

LEGAL NOTICES

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SUMMONS AND NOTICES (Non-Jury) FORECLOSURE OF REAL ESTATE MORTGAGE

IN THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS C/A NO.: 2018-CP-43-00779

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA COUNTY OF SUMTER

U.S. Bank National Association, as indenture trustee, for the CIM Trust 2016-2, Mortgage-Backed Notes, Series 2016-2, Plaintiff,

Gene Allen Weaver; Any heirs-at-law or devisees of Dorothy M. Weaver, deceased, their heirs, Personal Representatives, Administrators, Successors and Assigns, and all other persons or entities entitled to claim through them; all unknown persons or entities with any right, title, estate, interest in or lien upon the real estate described in the complaint herein; also any persons who may be in the military service of the United States of America, being a class designated as Richard Roe; and any unknown minors, incompetent or imprisoned person, or persons under a disability being a class designated as John Doe; HSBC Bank Nevada, N.A., Defendant(s).

TO THE DEFENDANT(S) ABOVE NAMED: YOU ARE HEREBY SUMMONED and required to appear and defend by answering the Complaint in this action, a copy of which is hereby served upon you, and to serve a copy of your Answer on the subscribers at their offices at 3800 Fernandina Road, Suite 110, Columbia, SC 29210, within thirty (30) days after the service hereof, exclusive of the day of such service; except that the United States of America, if named, shall have sixty (60) days to answer after the service hereof, exclusive of the day of such service; and if you fail to do so, judgment by default will be rendered against you for the relief demanded in the Complaint.

TO MINOR(S) OVER FOURTEEN YEARS OF AGE, AND/OR TO MINOR(S) UNDER FOURTEEN YEARS OF AGE AND THE PERSON WITH WHOM THE MINOR(S) RESIDES, AND/OR TO PERSONS UNDER SOME LEGAL DISABILITY: YOU ARE FURTHER SUMMONED AND NOTIFIED to apply for the appointment of a guardian ad litem within thirty (30) days after the service of this Summons and Notice upon you. If you fail to do so, application for such appointment will be made by Attorney for Plaintiff.

YOU WILL ALSO TAKE NOTICE that Plaintiff will move for an Order of Reference or the Court may issue a general Order of Reference of this action to a Master-in-Equity/Special Referee, pursuant to Rule 53 of the South Carolina Rules of Civil Procedure.

YOU WILL ALSO TAKE NOTICE that under the provisions of S.C. Code Ann. § 29-3-100, effective June 16, 1993, any collateral assignment of rents contained in the referenced Mortgage is perfected and Attorney for Plaintiff hereby gives notice that all rents shall be payable directly to it by delivery to its undersigned attorneys from the date of default. In the alternative, Plaintiff will move before a judge of this Circuit on the 10th day after service hereof, or as soon thereafter as counsel may be heard, for an Order enforcing the assignment of rents, if any, and compelling payment of all rents covered by such assignment directly to the Plaintiff, which motion is to be based upon the original Note and Mortgage herein and the Complaint attached hereto.

LIS PENDENS NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT an action has been or will be commenced in this Court upon complaint of the above-named Plaintiff against the above-named Defendant(s) for the foreclosure of a certain mortgage of real estate given by Dorothy M. Weaver to Beneficial South Carolina, Inc. dated March 29, 2007 and recorded on April 5, 2007 in Book 1072 at Page 001338, in the

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Sumter County Registry (hereinafter, "Mortgage"). Thereafter, the Mortgage was transferred to the Plaintiff herein by assignment and/or corporate merger.

The premises covered and affected by the said Mortgage and by the foreclosure thereof were, at the time of the making thereof and at the time of the filing of this notice, more particularly described in the said Mortgage and are more commonly described as:

ALL THAT PIECE, PARCEL, OR LOT OF LAND IN CONCORD TOWNSHIP, SUMTER COUNTY, SOUTH CAROLINA ABOUT 800 FEET WEST OF THE RADICAL ROAD, AND FRONTING ON THE LAWRENCE PUBLIC ROAD; CONTAINING ONE ACRE AND BEING MORE FULLY SHOWN ON A PLAT OF H. S. WILLSON, RLS DATED JANUARY 24, 1962. RECORDED IN THE OFFICE OF THE REGISTER OF DEEDS FOR SUMTER COUNTY IN PLAT BOOK Z-18 AT PAGE 95, MEASURING AND BEING BOUNDED AS FOLLOWS: ON THE NORTH BY LANDS OF D. F. MIXON AND MEASURING THEREON 262.1 FEET, ON THE EAST BY OTHER LANDS OF D. F. MIXON AND MEASURED THEREON 168.2 FEET; ON THE SOUTH BY OTHER LANDS OF D. F. MIXON AND MEASURING THEREON 262.1 FEET, AND ON THE WEST BY THE SAID LAWRENCE PUBLIC ROAD AND MEASURING THEREON 168.2 FEET. BE OF SAID MEASUREMENTS A LITTLE MORE OR LESS. THIS PROPERTY IS KNOWN AS 1800 RACE TRACK ROAD, SUMTER, SOUTH CAROLINA.

This being the same property conveyed to Dorothy M. Weaver by deed of the Estate of Franklin D. Weaver dated June 29, 2006 and recorded June 30, 2006 in Book 1034 at Page 1330 in the records for Sumter County, South Carolina.

TMS No. 265-00-04-004 Property Address: 1800 Race Track Road, Sumter, SC 29153

NOTICE OF FILING COMPLAINT

TO THE DEFENDANTS ABOVE NAMED: YOU WILL PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the original Complaint, Cover Sheet for Civil Actions and Certificate of Exemption from ADR in the above entitled action was filed in the Office of the Clerk of Court for Sumter County on April 30, 2018. A Notice of Foreclosure Intervention was also filed in the Clerk of Court's Office.

ORDER APPOINTING GUARDIAN AD LITEM AND APPOINTMENT OF ATTORNEY

It appearing to the satisfaction of the Court, upon reading the filed Petition for Appointment of Kelley Woody, Esquire as Guardian ad Litem for unknown minors, and persons who may be under a disability, and it appearing that

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Kelley Woody, Esquire has consented to said appointment.

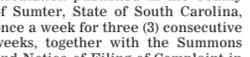
FURTHER upon reading the filed Petition for Appointment of Kelley Woody, Esquire as Attorney for any unknown Defendants who may be in the Military Service of the United States of America, and may be, as such, entitled to the benefits of the Servicemember's Civil Relief Act, and any amendments thereto, and it appearing that Kelley Woody, Esquire has consented to act for and represent said Defendants, it is

ORDERED that Kelley Woody, P.O. Box 6432, Columbia, SC 29260 phone (803) 787-9678, be and hereby is appointed Guardian ad Litem on behalf of all unknown minors and all unknown persons who may be under a disability, all of whom may have or claim to have some interest or claim to the real property commonly known as 1800 Race Track Road, Sumter, SC 29153; that he is empowered and directed to appear on behalf of and represent said Defendants, unless said Defendants, or someone on their behalf, shall within thirty (30) days after service of a copy hereof as directed, procure the appointment of Guardian or Guardians ad Litem for said Defendants.

AND IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that Kelley Woody, P.O. Box 6432, Columbia, SC 29260 phone (803) 787-9678, be and hereby is appointed Attorney for any unknown Defendants who are, or may be, in the Military Service of the United States of America and as such are entitled to the benefits of the Servicemember's Civil Relief Act aka Soldiers' and Sailors' Civil Relief Act of 1940, and any amendments thereto, to represent and protect the interest of said Defendants,

AND IT IS FURTHER ORDERED That a copy of this Order shall be forth with served upon said Defendants by publication in The Item, a newspaper of general circulation published in the County of Sumter, State of South Carolina, once a week for three (3) consecutive weeks, together with the Summons and Notice of Filing of Complaint in the above entitled action.

Brock & Scott, PLLC 3800 Fernandina Road, Suite 110 Columbia, SC 29210 Phone 844-856-6646 Fax 803-454-3451 Attorneys for Plaintiff



WE'RE ALL EARS Questions? Comments? Story Ideas? Let us know how we're doing. the Sumter ITEM 36 W. Liberty Street 803.774.1200 www.theitem.com

City of Bishopville Public Hearing Proposed FY 2018/2019 Budget

Pursuant to Section 6-1-80 of the S.C. Code of Laws, public notice is hereby given that the Council for the City of Bishopville will hold a public hearing on the municipal budget for the 2018/2019 fiscal year on June 26, 2018, at 6:30 p.m. in the Colclough Memorial Building at 111 East Council Street.

Table with 4 columns: Current Fiscal year Revenue, Projected Revenue 2018/2019, Percentage Change in Revenue, Current Fiscal Year Millage.

Table with 4 columns: Current Fiscal Year Expenditures, Projected Expenditures 2018/2019, Percentage Change in Expenditures, Estimated Millage for 2018/2019.

Estimated millage equals \$132 per \$1,000 of Assessed Property Value. Estimated value of 1 mill is approximately \$6,500

In order to discharge its fiduciary responsibilities, the City Council has found the current millage remains the same.