

WHAT YOUR GOVERNMENT IS DOING: SUMTER CITY COUNCIL

# Manning Avenue project to alter traffic

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Sumter City Council approved first reading of an ordinance that would make specifications regarding controlled burns in the city and approved a contract for a sewer line project that will temporarily alter the flow of traffic on Manning Avenue during its meeting on Tuesday.

**ORDINANCE WOULD CREATE FINES FOR ILLEGAL BURNING**

**Reading:** First of two

**Agenda item:** An ordinance to be known as the Burn Ordinance of the City of Sumter.

**Background:** Sumter Fire Chief Karl Ford said the ordinance clarifies what kind of controlled burns can be permitted in the city to promote safety and prevent nuisances.

He said the most common problem in the city has been nuisance burns. The problem has been an enforcement matter because there are no clear standards of what constitutes a nuisance, said Eric Shytle, the city's attorney.

He said the ordinance also specifies what materials can be burned to prevent health and safety hazards. Activities such as grilling or cooking with charcoal, wood, propane or natural gas; agricultural burning; using heating devices inside dwellings; and some heating materials used for construction and maintenance will be permitted, according to the ordinance.

However, residents would not be allowed to burn garbage including food waste, packaging, animal carcasses, furniture, demolition debris, oily waste, asphalt and some other materials.

If given final approval, the fire chief would be authorized to enforce penalties for violations, which could include a fine between \$25 and \$250.

**Discussion:** Councilwoman Ione Dwyer made a motion to amend the ordinance to ban controlled burning of permitted vegetative debris on Sundays, and Councilman Steve Corley seconded. The amendment was denied in a 4-3 vote: Dwyer, Corley and Mayor Joe McElveen voted in favor.

Councilman David Merchant made a motion to relocate information about campfires to make it easier to understand what is not permitted regarding that burning method, and Galiano seconded. It was approved unanimously.

**Vote:** Unanimous approval

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# State, local test scores improve

## Department of Education releases college and career-ready assessment results

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Sumter and South Carolina students performed overall slightly better in English and math on standardized testing in 2018 compared to 2017, but most students are still not meeting grade-level expectations.

The state Department of Education released the 2018 scores for all school districts in the two major subject areas on Tuesday on the South Carolina College and Career Ready Assessments (SC READY). The SC READY test is given to third- through eighth-grade students to test their knowledge in English language arts (ELA) and math. The state also released science and social studies scores from the SC Palmetto Assessment of State Standards (SCPASS) on Tuesday.

Students are scored in four categories on the SC READY test — “Does Not Meet,” “Approaches,” “Meets” and “Exceeds” expectations.

With the exception of third-grade math, less than half of South Carolina students “met” or “exceeded” expectations. However, student achievement increased in 11 of the 12 SC READY assessments in 2017-18 across the six grade levels from 2016-17. Statewide, average scores improved in the range of 0.2 percent to 5.2 percent.

In the tri-county region that consists of five districts throughout Sumter, Lee and Clarendon counties, only Clarendon School District 3 — a small district of about 1,250 students based in Turbeville — scored competitively with state averages on SC READY. In seven of the 12 assessments, Clarendon 3 exceeded the state average — third- through sixth-graders in math and third-, fourth- and sixth-graders in ELA. The district improved its scores from 2017 in six of the 12 tests across third through eighth grade.

Behind Clarendon 3, Sumter

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**SC READY TEST SCORES**

All scores on the SC READY represent the percentage of students, by grade level and district, scoring meets or exceeds expectations in comparison to state percentages.

**ENGLISH LANGUAGE ARTS**

Grade	S.C.	Sumter	Clar 3	Clar 2	Clar 1	Lee
3rd	45.2	30.0	50.7	27.8	26.1	21.3
4th	43.9	28.7	45.7	28.7	23.0	22.7
5th	38.9	25.0	28.2	17.2	16.9	14.4
6th	39.9	23.9	50.6	26.9	20.3	17.1
7th	40.1	24.8	38.2	21.0	27.4	13.2
8th	39.2	30.6	30.3	21.9	19.0	11.9

**MATH**

Grade	S.C.	Sumter	Clar 3	Clar 2	Clar 1	Lee
3rd	55.7	44.9	60.0	42.1	37.0	29.1
4th	48.1	35.9	51.1	38.9	11.5	16.0
5th	45.2	34.1	47.1	30.7	22.0	20.0
6th	42.6	25.0	54.5	29.2	30.5	9.6
7th	34.9	18.5	33.6	18.2	14.5	6.6
8th	36.6	26.3	24.2	23.3	10.3	8.6

**SCPASS TEST SCORES**

**SCIENCE**

All scores on the SCPASS - SCIENCE represent the percentage of students, by grade level and district, scoring meets or exceeds expectations in comparison to state percentages.

Grade	S.C.	Sumter	Clar 3	Clar 2	Clar 1	Lee
4th	49.8	43.9	44.7	35.1	21.3	21.0
6th	47.7	38.7	51.9	22.9	25.9	21.2
8th	48.7	38.7	39.4	21.2	24.1	10.6

**SOCIAL STUDIES**

All scores on the SCPASS - Social Studies represent the percentage of students, by grade level and district, scoring meets or exemplary in comparison to state percentages.

Grade	S.C.	Sumter	Clar 3	Clar 2	Clar 1	Lee
5th	69.9	63.3	63.5	42.8	45.6	32.5
7th	66.4	53.5	60.0	33.9	54.8	19.0

Source: S.C. Department of Education

# New law requires active shooter drills in all public schools

Lee, Clarendon districts awarded funding for school resource officers

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Sumter School District is adhering to a new state law that will introduce required active shooter and intruder drills to public schools each semester, and public schools in Lee and Clarendon counties will also see a stronger police

presence on campus through state funding.

The South Carolina General Assembly passed a school safety law last spring after 17 students and teachers were shot to death at Parkland High School in Florida by a former student on Feb. 14. Part of the law, guidelines on which were sent to all South Carolina schools last month, according to the state Department of Education and The Associated

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President Donald Trump's Supreme Court nominee Brett Kavanaugh is sworn in before the Senate Judiciary Committee on Capitol Hill in Washington on Tuesday to begin his testimony in his confirmation hearing to replace retired Justice Anthony Kennedy.

# Kavanaugh stresses independence, won't discuss subpoenas

WASHINGTON (AP) — Pressured by Democrats with Donald Trump on their minds, Supreme Court nominee Brett Kavanaugh rejected repeated efforts at Wednesday's Senate confirmation hearing to reveal his views about a president pardoning himself or being forced to testify in a criminal case.

For a second day, the judge nominated by Trump insisted to probing senators that he fully embraced the im-

portance of judicial independence. But he refused to provide direct answers to Democrats who wanted him to say whether there are limits on a president's power to issue pardons, including to himself or in exchange for a bribe. He also would not say whether he thinks the president can be subpoenaed to testify. "I'm not going to answer hypothetical

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## My Community and Me begins 23rd year

BY IVY MOORE

Special to The Sumter Item

More than two decades ago, a fourth-grade teacher at Willow Drive Elementary School saw a gap in her students' educational opportunities and sought a way to fill it.

Rosanne DuRant saw that state and national history were included in the public school curriculum, but there was little teaching about the workings of the Sumter community. She devised a plan to help provide that information and wrote a grant to fund it. The pilot program was further developed, and, with a revised and expanded format, My Community and Me began.

In 1996, Sumter Volunteers Inc. implemented the program that has since provided a hands-on overview of the various elements that make the community what it is. Executive Director Jo Anne Morris and DuRant devised their plan for the area's students to answer three basic questions: What is My Community and Me? What will it do for me? Why is it important?

Near the beginning of each school year, Morris recruits volunteers from

several different elements important to the community; representatives from the areas of government, history, education, the arts, the military, commerce, tourism, law enforcement, media, health organizations, charities, faith communities and more visit each of the participating schools and form "Community Circles." Each volunteer participant speaks briefly about the services of his or her organization, as the fourth-graders follow along in a special, illustrated notebook that includes interactive exercises. Morris said around 1,000 of the books are distributed each year. Students can keep the books.

There is a My Community and Me song, as well as a credo to encourage citizenship:

"I am important to my community. I can make a difference in my community. I would like to make a difference in my community."

For the first time this year, the fourth-graders' notebooks will include "A Short History of Sumter County," written for My Community and Me by Betsy Humphries. The history begins in 1567 with the arrival in the area by Spanish explorer Juan de Pardo and continues

to the present. The history is well-documented, citing several sources from local and state historians.

A dozen public and private schools have elected to participate in the 2018 Community and Me program, which begins on Tuesday, Sept. 11, and Morris is seeking volunteers to fill the Community Circles. Each can select a school and date to participate.

Since 1996, Morris said, more than 21,000 fourth-graders have participated in the program. Because My Community and Me began at Willow Drive, each year the Community Circle program starts there.

Morris, the volunteers and sponsors think the program will help students gain "a deeper love, respect and commitment to (their) community," which will result in "good citizenship as (they) grow up." This, in turn, she said, will provide focus for them as they mature and learn to use their talents and skills.

If you'd like to participate as a role model in the Community Circles, choose a date and time from the list accompanying this story and call Sumter Volunteers Inc. at (803) 775-7423.

### COMMUNITY CIRCLES SCHEDULE

- Sept. 11, 9:30 a.m. – Willow Drive Elementary School cafeteria
- Sept. 12, 9:30 a.m. – Alice Drive Elementary School cafeteria
- Sept. 18, 9:30 a.m. – Millwood Elementary School cafeteria
- Sept. 19, 9:30 a.m. – Kingsbury Elementary School cafeteria
- Sept. 24, 1 p.m. – St. Anne Parish Hall
- Sept. 25, 9:30 a.m. – Thomas Sumter Academy auditorium
- Oct. 2, 9:30 a.m. – Cherryvale Elementary School gym
- Oct. 3, 9:30 a.m. – Lemira Elementary School cafeteria
- Oct. 5, 9:30 a.m. – Wilson Hall multi-purpose room
- Oct. 10, 9:30 a.m. – Manchester Elementary School cafeteria
- Oct. 16, 9:30 a.m. – Pocalla Elementary School Palmetto Room
- Oct. 17, 9:30 a.m. – R.E. Davis Elementary School gym

### No charges filed in Rembert pedestrian fatality

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The driver involved in a collision with a pedestrian in Rembert that resulted in a fatality on Tuesday will not be charged, according to South Carolina Highway Patrol.

At 9:20 p.m., the driver of a 2013 Nissan who was traveling west on Spring Hill Road struck a man who was walking in the roadway, Lance Cpl. Sonny Collins said.

The pedestrian, identified as James Leonard, 57, of Rembert, was pronounced dead on scene, according to Sumter County Coroner Robbie Baker.

Leonard's next of kin have been notified, and an autopsy will be scheduled for a later date in Newberry.

Collins said the driver was not injured and would not be charged because the pedestrian was walking in the road at the time of the wreck.

### Summerton man charged with stealing debit card

BY ADRIENNE SARVIS

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Sumter County Sheriff's Office charged a Summerton man, 25, with financial theft and fraud on Aug. 29 for allegedly withdrawing money using a stolen debit card earlier that month.

Brian Franklin Anderson, of Rowe Drive, is accused of tak-



ANDERSON

ing a debit card without consent between Aug. 7 and Aug. 8 before withdrawing \$236.50 at various locations in the city and county of Sumter.

Anderson is charged with financial transaction theft and financial transaction fraud.

### 3 charged with murder in shooting of 12-year-old

TIMMONSVILLE (AP) — Authorities say three people have been arrested in the fatal shooting of a 12-year-old girl.

News outlets report Michael Christian Barclay, Demonta Kabora Hickson and Jimmy Lee Hampton Jr. are charged with murder in the August death of Fantasia Shyann Jackson. The three appeared in court on Tuesday.

Timmons police Chief

Billy Brown tells WBTW-TV a man named Cedric Young was at a house party when he got into a fight and shot at the house. *The State* reports the Florence County Sheriff's Office says Barclay later saw Young and shot at him in retaliation, striking Jackson as she ran for cover.

Young was arrested on charges including shooting into an occupied dwelling.

### CORRECTION

In Wednesday's story on the arrest of Lamont Michael-Bryant Smith, it should have read that Smith was of Santee and was released from

jail on breach of trust charges on Aug. 26, the same day that he allegedly stole the tan 2013 GMC pickup truck.

Information was incorrectly provided to *The Sumter Item*.

## Up to the challenge



PHOTOS PROVIDED  
Regina Osborne, a fourth-grade teacher at Kingsbury Elementary School, incorporated STEM activities into her team-building plans during the first 10 days of school. Osborne's class participated in the "Saving Sam Challenge" and the "Cup Pyramid Challenge." Both activities not only required the students to use math and science knowledge, but also teamwork. "Building connections and a family atmosphere is what it is all about," Osborne said. "When children can be kind to one another, they can learn together. Give me a class of children that can get along, and we can go places!"

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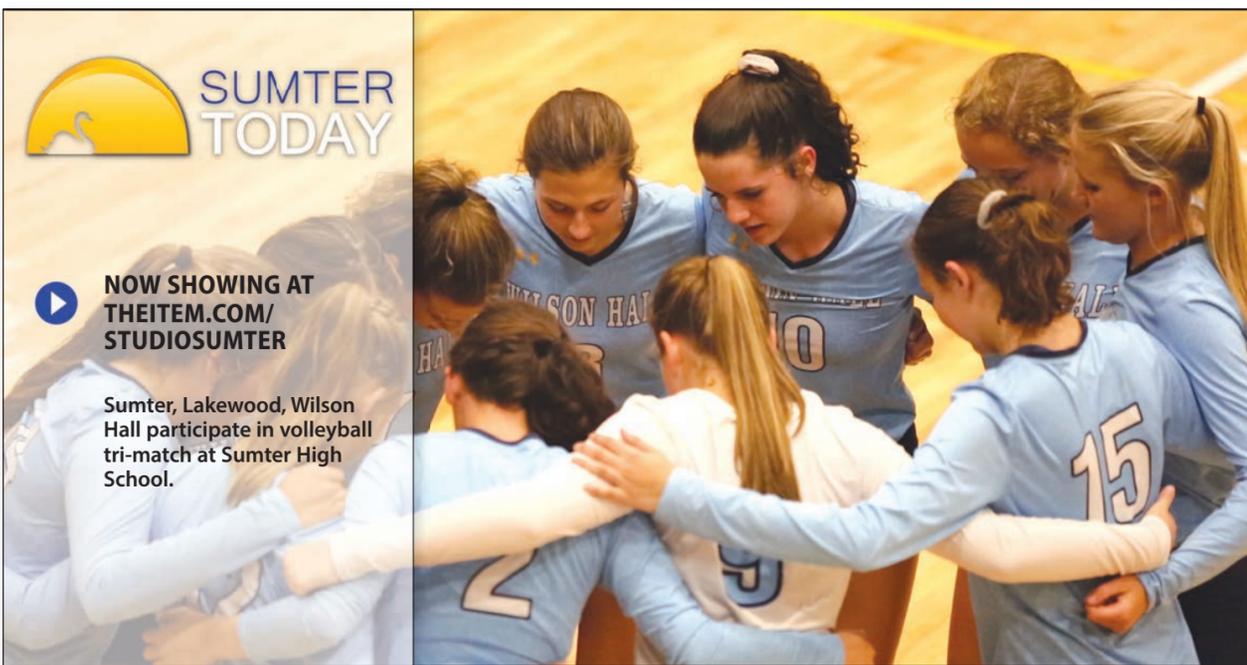
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# Overcome old habits to have a healthier lifestyle

Some of us are old enough to remember spending time preparing each meal of the day from scratch. Snack foods weren't as easy to come by, convenience stores and restaurants weren't open 24 hours, and the portion sizes were much smaller.

Opportunities to be more physically active were much greater, and with less electronics, we got a lot more sleep. Vacations were truly our private freedom because we were not easily accessible by work or distracted by devices and social media.

So many factors have played into the increased rates of obesity and the war on weight. Our health and weight are driven by our genes and our environment. No matter what, you can't reverse decades of weight gain in a few months or even years. Because it takes so long and requires commitment and diligence, most people feel powerless over the ability to



lose weight. Consequently, research shows that people are less likely to eat better and exercise if they don't feel they have control over their weight.

Losing weight alone is difficult, but maintaining that weight loss can be much more difficult. In fact, only about 20 percent of individuals who lose weight can hold their weight loss for a year. Weight loss is so much more than eating less. It truly is a combination of biology, genetics, food choices and environment. While we may have plans to lose weight, our body and our brain may have different plans. So instead of fighting a losing battle, learn to control what you can

and let the weight fall where it may.

There are plenty of tricks that have been suggested to help support weight loss: using smaller plates, hiding foods or not even bringing tempting foods in the house. This can be effective especially during times of boredom or stress when we tend to reach for comfort foods that are high in fat and sugar. Although comfort foods may make us feel better in the short term, they don't really solve the problem. Yet, we tend to repeat this behavior throughout life, and it can actually cause more weight gain.

Researchers have found that we relate food more to behavioral cues than

feelings of hunger or fullness. This is found to begin as young as 3 years old when we are told not to eat because it's too close to dinner, or clean your plate when you are already full.

Think about the habits you have created from when you were a child. Did you always get dessert after dinner, and do you still do that now? Most of what we do is learned habits that can be changed with time and effort.

While we can't stop feelings of stress, loneliness, sadness and joy, we can change how we respond to them and replace behaviors that sabotage our goals with ones that support it. Add healthy foods to your meals, get rid of distractions while you eat, take at least 20 minutes to eat, chew your food 15-20 times before swallowing, and differentiate between hunger and cravings before you help yourself to dessert or a second serving.

In the end, weight loss really shouldn't be about the scale. Focus more on creating a healthy lifestyle, where you feel good about the choices you make and have a better quality of life.

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## Sumter Utilities gift makes it easier for veterans to finish college degree

**SUBMITTED**

Supporting student military members at the University of South Carolina Sumter just got easier thanks to a generous gift from Sumter Utilities.

Many people assume that active-duty military members and veterans attend college for free with the help of the G.I. Bill and other federal tuition assistance. Although these certainly help ease the financial burden of college, most military members have to pay additional out-of-pocket fees before attending class and earning their degree. That cost difference averages only \$150 to \$200 per course but often makes the difference between choosing USC Sumter or another institution that covers all of their out-of-pocket costs.

Having a Carolina degree or diploma offers a significant advantage to a military member once he or she returns to the private sector.

USC Sumter wants to ease the financial burden by creating a "last dollar" scholarship to cover the financial shortfalls between federal aid, the cost of tuition and educational fees. This scholarship is specifically targeted to students at Shaw Air Force Base

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who are enrolled at USC Sumter and Palmetto College through Shaw and was initiated by local veterans and leadership at Sumter Utilities.

"Sumter Utilities Inc. values the sacrifice and commitment of our nation's brave service

men and women, and more specifically we are proud of our home town heroes from Shaw AFB, South Carolina," Sumter Utilities President Derek O'Bradovich said.

"We are honored to live and work in the same community of such fine military professionals. The Sumter Utilities and USC Sumter Scholarship Fund is but a small token of our gratitude to the men and women that deploy and serve our country while still in pursuit of higher education."

Dean of the university Michael Sonntag added, "We are extremely grateful for the generosity of Sumter Utilities and appreciate their contribution to our community and USC Sumter. This is the beginning of a relationship between our



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**Staff Sgt. Jhodeci Redmon is one of three recipients of the Sumter Utilities and USC Sumter Endowed Scholarship Fund for Shaw Air Force Base Hometown Military Heroes.**

organizations focused on the success of our students, support of the military and economic development in our region."

The Sumter Utilities and USC Sumter Endowed Scholarship Fund for Shaw AFB Hometown Military Heroes covers active military, veter-

ans, reservists, National Guard and their families. It provides support for students pursuing their associate degree at USC Sumter or enrolled in one of 13 online bachelor's degrees through Palmetto College.

Three local military members have been named as the first recipients of this scholarship. Technical Sgt. Kathleen Brophy, Technical Sgt. Michael Leone and Staff Sgt. Jhodeci Redmon will receive enough money from the scholarship to close the gap of what they owe and help them pursue their degrees.

Charlotte native Redmon has been in military service a little less than eight years and is stationed at Shaw.

"I am going to school currently for a degree in biology to eventually get accepted into a dental school," Redmon said. "College has been a hard thing to achieve due to the constant moving, deployments and TDY's. I cannot express how much this scholarship means to me."

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# Early results boost hopes for gene editing attempt

BY MARILYNN MARCHIONE  
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PHOENIX — Early, partial results from a historic gene editing study give encouraging signs that the treatment may be safe and having at least some of its hoped-for effect, but it's too soon to know whether it ultimately will succeed.

The results announced Wednesday are from the first human test of gene editing in the body, an attempt to permanently change someone's DNA to cure a disease — in this case, a genetic disorder called Hunter syndrome that often kills people in their teens.

In two patients who got a medium dose of the treatment, urine levels of large sugar compounds that are hallmarks of Hunter syndrome had fallen by half, on average, four months later — a possible sign the treatment is working. Two others who got a low dose have seen little change in these sugars so far.

There's no way to know yet whether the change in the middle-dose patients is due to the gene editing or something else, but the fact their sugars have declined consistently since treatment suggests it might be.

"I cannot absolutely say it's a treatment effect" but the drop is "really encouraging," said the study leader, Dr. Joseph Muenzer of the University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill. The main goal of early treatment studies is to test safety, though researchers also look for hints that the therapy is working. Muenzer gave the results at a conference in Greece and consults for the treatment's maker, California-based Sangamo Therapeutics.

The company's president, Dr. Sandy Macrae, said tests in about five months will reveal more, but the change in the middle-dose group so far "looks really good."

"The most rational explanation for this is that what we hoped was going to happen has happened," he said.

Several independent experts agreed. "The results are exciting" and suggest that the gene editing is working to some degree, without safety concerns so far, said Dr. Howard Kaufman, a Boston scientist and member of a National Institutes of Health panel that reviewed the study before it began.



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Brian Madeux brushes his horse at his home in New River, Arizona. Madeux was the first person in the world to participate in a gene editing attempt in his body, for the inherited disease Hunter syndrome.

Dr. Matthew Porteus, a genetics expert at Stanford University who consults for two other companies developing gene therapies, said more time is needed to see how the patients' immune system continues to react to the treatment and whether the effects last, but added, "I would be excited about continuing to push along" based on these results.

## HOW IT WORKS

Gene editing is intended as a more precise way to do gene therapy, to knock out a bad gene or supply a good one that's missing. Doctors hope it will give a way to address a host of diseases that can't be treated well now.

In November, a Phoenix-area man with Hunter syndrome, Brian Madeux, became the first person to test this inside the body. He lacks a gene that makes an enzyme that breaks down certain large sugar compounds called GAGs. These build up in cells and cause havoc throughout the body.

Through an IV, Madeux received many copies of a corrective gene and a gene-editing tool called zinc finger nucleases to help put it in a precise spot in

his DNA. He was one of the two patients given a very low dose of the treatment, because this first-in-human testing called for extreme caution.

## EARLY RESULTS

In Madeux and the other low-dose patient, levels of the tell-tale sugar compounds in urine rose 9 percent on average after four months. Muenzer said it's hard to know whether this is a significant change; little is known about the biology of these compounds, including whether they fluctuate during the day or before or after meals.

A liver biopsy on one patient given a low dose of the therapy found no evidence that the gene editing had occurred, but Sangamo scientists said this dose is far below the level at which such signs had been detected in research on primates.

Two other patients were given a middle dose that was twice what the first two patients received. Their GAG levels declined by 51 percent after four months, on average. Two of the main types of these sugars that accumulate in tissues declined 32 percent and 61 percent, respectively.

It is not yet known if declines like these can improve patients' health or slow the progression of the disease.

"This is not proof that this is a successful therapy yet, that these patients had enough gene editing to now supply them with the enzyme they need for the rest of their life," Muenzer said.

But he said an important goal was met: the treatment seems safe. There were two serious side effects — one patient was hospitalized for bronchitis and another for an irregular heartbeat — but those were deemed due to their disease and pre-existing conditions, not the gene treatment.

Blood tests did not detect the missing enzyme. Company scientists said this could be because any that was being made was rapidly used by cells rather than getting into the bloodstream — an explanation some outside experts agreed with. What counts, they said, was seeing the result of enzyme activity, the drop in sugars.

## NEXT STEPS

Two more patients have been given the highest dose being tested — 10 times the starting dose — for a total of six patients in the study. The next step is to start taking patients off the weekly enzyme treatments they've been receiving to see if the gene therapy has changed their bodies so they make enough of the enzyme themselves.

More results are expected at a medical meeting in February.

"We need to see sustained levels for this to be practical. If this only works for six months, that's not very beneficial," Muenzer said. "Time's going to tell."

In an interview at his home in Arizona last month, Madeux, 45, told The Associated Press he volunteered for the study in hope of being able to stop the weekly, three-hour enzyme infusions, but also to help find a treatment for future generations with the disease.

"I'm old, and having Hunter's has done a lot of damage to my body," Madeux said. "I'm actually pretty lucky I've lived this long."

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## Fans rejoice: Subscription-free streaming available for NFL games

NEW YORK (AP) — The good news for football fans: It's going to be much easier to watch NFL games online this year.

The league is finally dropping a requirement that viewers sign in with a cable or satellite subscription, in hopes of expanding its online audience at a time when TV ratings are declining. Though there are restrictions — no free streaming on smart TVs, for instance — the move marks a significant departure for sports. Other major professional leagues still require TV subscriptions for hometown teams.

The NFL regular season starts today.

"We think people will still want to watch on the biggest screen possible," said Brian Rolapp, the league's chief business and media officer.

But as more people drop cable or satellite subscriptions — or never sign up in the first place — the NFL needs to be flexible in order to reach them, Rolapp said. Even those who can watch on TV are preferring phones, he said.

"If you don't get to that younger demographic, who aren't conditioned to go to the television, you do run the risk of losing them," he said.

The NFL has been inching toward subscription-free games in recent years. It made a deal with Twitter, then Amazon, to stream a handful of games online. This year, Amazon will offer 11 Thursday night games for free on its Twitch app or on its Prime Video app with a \$119-a-year Prime subscription.

Last season, Verizon customers got subscription-free access on phones to whatever CBS or Fox was broadcasting regionally on Sunday afternoons, plus all the nationally televised games on NBC, ESPN and NFL Network. Now, any wireless customer can get them on both phones and tablets. The one restriction: Seven games that are exclusive to the NFL Network channel can be viewed only on phones with a cellular connection — no Wi-Fi, no tablets.

## UK, French in talks to prevent more scallop clashes

LONDON (AP) — British and French officials and fishing industry representatives are meeting in London to try to prevent further conflicts over scallop fishing.

The talks follow an incident last week in which French and British fishermen angrily bumped boats over access to fisheries off the French coast.

About 35 French boats con-

fronted five British ones, sometimes banging hulls, in international waters during the incident.

British Fisheries Minister George Eustice said the goal of the Wednesday talks is to reach a new agreement that would prevent more confrontations.

An agreement reached in 2013 has broken down, leading to the clashes.

## Facebook, Twitter defend efforts to stop meddling

WASHINGTON (AP) — Facebook and Twitter executives, defending their companies, said Wednesday they are aggressively trying to root out foreign interests seeking to sow divisions in American democracy as the November elections near.

Facebook's No. 2 executive, Sheryl Sandberg, and Twitter's CEO, Jack Dorsey, testified before the Senate intelligence committee, but there was an empty chair in place for Google's parent Alphabet, which refused to send its top executive.

Sandberg told senators that Facebook was "more determined" than adversaries trying to meddle in the upcoming elections, and she called the fight an "arms race," as Facebook CEO Mark Zuckerberg has in the past.

Dorsey was to appear later before a House committee

amid complaints from Republicans that social media companies have shown evidence of bias against conservatives. In testimony released before that hearing, Dorsey denied that Twitter uses political ideology to make decisions.

Congress has criticized the companies over the past year as Russia's interference in the 2016 elections and beyond became clear. That scrutiny has led to additional criticism over the companies' respect for user privacy and whether conservatives are being censored.

"The companies have made progress, the government has made progress, but the bad guys have made progress as well," said Virginia Sen. Mark Warner, the top Democrat on the Senate committee. Warner has proposed ways that the companies could be regulated for the first time.

## Britain charges 2 Russians with Novichok nerve agent poisoning

LONDON (AP) — Britain charged two alleged Russian military intelligence officers with the nerve agent poisoning of ex-spy Sergei Skripal and his daughter in the English city of Salisbury, officials said Wednesday, though authorities held out little hope of being able to bring them to justice.

The men, who entered the U.K. under the names Alexander Petrov and Ruslan Boshirov, are being charged in absentia with conspiracy to murder, attempted murder and use of the nerve agent Novichok, prosecutors said.

Prime Minister Theresa May told lawmakers that British intelligence has concluded that the two men are officers of Russia's GRU military intelligence service.

May said the attack "was not a rogue operation" and was almost certainly ap-

proved at a "senior level of the Russian state."

The charges deepen Britain's diplomatic feud with Moscow, which denies involvement in the attack on Skripal, a former Russian agent who had been convicted in his homeland of spying for Britain.

Sue Hemming of the Crown Prosecution Service said the U.K. wouldn't ask Moscow to extradite the men because Russian law forbids extradition of the country's citizens. Britain has issued domestic and European arrest warrants for the suspects, meaning they can be detained if they leave Russia for another

European country.

But assistant commissioner Neil Basu, head of counterterrorism at London's Metropolitan Police, conceded it was "very, very unlikely" police would be in a position to arrest them any time soon, though he said "we will never give up."

Police say the suspects, both about 40, flew from Moscow to London on Russian passports two days before the Skripals were poisoned on March 4. Basu said the passports were genuine but the men were probably using aliases, and appealed to the public "to come forward and tell us who they are."



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<b>LOCAL CHANNELS</b>													
WIS	10	3	10	WIS News 10 at 7 (N)	Football Night in America (N) (Live)	(:15) NFL Football Atlanta Falcons at Philadelphia Eagles. Defending Super Bowl champion Philadelphia opens the 2018 schedule against Atlanta. The Eagles beat the Falcons 15-10 in an NFC Divisional Playoff matchup last year. Atlanta quarterback Matt Ryan has led his club to the playoffs the last two years. (N) (Live)				WIS News 10 at 11 (N)	(12:05) The Tonight Show Starring Jimmy Fallon (N)		
WLTX	19	9	9	News 19 at 7pm (N)	Inside Edition (N)	The Big Bang Theory "The Monetary Insufficiency"	(:31) Young Sheldon Sheldon loses at the science fair.	Big Brother Eviction; head of household competition. (N) (Live)	S.W.A.T. "Vendetta" Hondo's life and career are threatened.	News 19 at 11pm (N)	(:35) The Late Show With Stephen Colbert Emma Thompson; Troye Sivan performs. (N)		
WOLO	25	5	12	Wheel of Fortune "America's Game"	Jeopardy! "Teachers Tournament: Week 2"	Celebrity Family Feud Jeff Dunham; Ming-Na Wen;Taye Diggs. (DVS)		Match Game Mario Cantone; Sandra Bernhard. (N) (DVS)	Take Two "It Takes a Thief" Sam and Eddie track down a painting. (N) (DVS)	ABC Columbia News at 11 (N)	(:35) Jimmy Kimmel Live "Jim Carrey; Andy Cohen; Nathaniel Rateliff & The Night Sweats" Jim Carrey; Andy Cohen.		
WRJA	27	11	14	Rick Steves' Europe "North Wales: Feisty and Poetic"	Palmetto Scene	Mart to Art: A Repurposed Life		Sherlock on Masterpiece "The Final Problem" The duo's greatest challenge. (DVS)	Amanpour on PBS (N)	BBC World News	The This Old House Hour		
WACH	57	6	6	The Big Bang Theory Penny has a rival.	The Big Bang Theory	MasterChef "Cooking With Heart" Dishes inspired by loved ones. (DVS)		The Gifted "eXploited" Jace must hand over something valuable. (DVS)	WACH FOX News at 10 (N) (Live)	Sports Zone	DailyMailTV (N)	TMZ (N)	
WKTC	63	4	22	Last Man Standing "Tree of Strife"	Last Man Standing Mike gets a history of the house.	Supernatural "Funeralia" Sam and Dean must stop Rowena.		The Originals "We Have Not Long to Love" Purist vampires rise up for a showdown.	Law & Order: Criminal Intent "Assassin" Political martyr.	Law & Order: Criminal Intent "Please Note..." A killer slays parents.	The Game Keira and Malik share a tender moment.		
<b>CABLE CHANNELS</b>													
A&E	46	130		The First 48 "Killer Contact" A young man shot dead in his van.	The First 48 A father of three is gunned down. (N)	The First 48 "Standing Ground" A football player is gunned down. (N)	(:01) Nightwatch Nation A heroin overdose; emotional trauma. (N)	(:05) Nightwatch Nation "Not Today" A drug overdose causes hallucinations.	(12:03) The First 48				
AMC	48	180		(5:30) *** "Under Siege" (1992) Steven Seagal, Tommy Lee Jones.	*** "Pirates of the Caribbean: The Curse of the Black Pearl" (2003, Adventure) Johnny Depp, Geoffrey Rush, Orlando Bloom. A blacksmith and a pirate must rescue a kidnapped damsel.			(:05) *** "XXX" (2002, Action) Vin Diesel, Asia Argento. A spy tries to stop an anarchist with weapons.					
ANPL	41	100		North Woods Law	North Woods Law "Schoolyard Bear"	North Woods Law		Northwest Law "Release the Hounds"	North Woods Law "The Rescuers"	North Woods Law			
BET	61	162		(5:00) The Bobby Brown Story	The Bobby Brown Story "Part 2" Bobby and Whitney's marriage ends.			Below Deck Mediterranean A dinner leaves the guests speechless.	Watch What Happens Live	Shahs of Sunset "Bridal Bath Wrath" MJ prepares for her Bridal Bath.			
BRAVO	47	181		Shahs of Sunset MJ rides an emotional roller coaster.	Shahs of Sunset MJ tries to maintain her stability.	Shahs of Sunset "Bridal Bath Wrath" MJ prepares for her Bridal Bath. (N)		Jay Leno's Garage (N)	Jay Leno's Garage	Jay Leno's Garage			
CNBC	35	84		Shark Tank	Shark Tank Wet paintbrush storage.	Shark Tank (DVS)		CNN Tonight With Don Lemon (N)	CNN Tonight With Don Lemon (N)	CNN Tonight With Don Lemon (N)	Anderson Cooper		
CNN	3	80		Erin Burnett OutFront (N)	Anderson Cooper 360 (N)			The Office "Share-holders Meeting"	The Office "The Banker"	The Daily Show With Trevor Noah	(:31) The Office "Diwali"	(12:01) South Park	
COM	57	136		(6:50) The Office "Niagara"	(:25) The Office "Mafia"	The Office "The Lover"	The Office "Koi Pond"	The Office "Double Date"	The Office "The Banker"	Raven's Home			
DISN	18	200		"A Cinderella Story: If the Shoe Fits" (2016) Sofia Carson. A subservient stepdaughter dreams of becoming a pop star.	(:40) Raven's Home	(:05) Stuck in the Middle	Stuck in the Middle	Bunk'd	Bunk'd An abandoned treehouse.				
DSC	42	103		Naked and Afraid "Paradise Lost"	Naked and Afraid "Creepy Critters" (N)					Treasure Quest: Snake Island	Naked and Afraid		
ESPN	26	35		2018 U.S. Open Tennis Women's Semifinals.	From the USTA Billie Jean King National Tennis Center in Flushing, N.Y. (N) (Live)					SportsCenter (N) (Live)	SportsCenter		
ESPN2	27	39		SportsCenter (N) (Live)	WNBA Basketball Finals, Game 1: Teams TBA. (N) (Live)			DRL Drone Racing (Taped)	DRL Drone Racing (Taped)	Nación ESPN (N)			
FOOD	40	109		Chopped Risotto in the first round.	Chopped "Doughnut Dash"	Bite Club (Series Premiere) (N)		Beat Bobby Flay	Beat Bobby Flay	Beat Bobby Flay	Beat Bobby Flay	Bite Club	
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		
FREE	20	131		(6:00) *** "Inside Out" (2015) Voices of Amy Poehler.	*** "Forrest Gump" (1994, Comedy-Drama) Tom Hanks, Robin Wright, Gary Sinise. A slow-witted Southerner experiences 30 years of history.					The 700 Club	* "The Waterboy" (1998)		
FSS	21	47		(6:30) MLS Soccer Atlanta United FC at D.C. United.	ACC All-Access	Braves Live!	MLB Baseball Atlanta Braves at Arizona Diamondbacks. From Chase Field in Phoenix. (N) (Live)						
HALL	52	183		(6:00) "A Country Wedding" (2015) Jesse Metcalfe, Autumn Reeser.	"My Favorite Wedding" (2017, Romance) the best man at her friend's wedding.	Maggie Lawson. A woman starts to fall for		The Golden Girls	The Golden Girls "High Anxiety"	The Golden Girls "Little Sister"	The Golden Girls "Sophia's Choice"	The Golden Girls "Rites of Spring"	
HGTV	39	112		Flip or Flop	Flip or Flop	Flip or Flop	(:33) Flip or Flop	House Hunters (N)	Hunters Int'l	(:01) Rustic Rehab	House Hunters	Flip or Flop	
HIST	45	110		Mountain Men (DVS)	Mountain Men Tom returns to the field.	Mountain Men Eustace battles a beast.		(:03) American Pickers: Bonus Buys (N)	(:05) American Pickers "The Big Bet"	Mountain Men			
ION	13	18		CSI: Crime Scene Investigation The death of a high roller. (DVS)	CSI: Crime Scene Investigation "Bang Bang" Suspected killer takes hostage.	CSI: Crime Scene Investigation Team member's life hangs in the balance.		CSI: Crime Scene Investigation "Built to Kill" Cirque du Soleil murder.	CSI: Crime Scene Investigation "Built to Kill" Crime-scene replica.	CSI: Crime Scene Investigation "Built to Kill" Crime-scene replica.			
LIFE	50	145		Grey's Anatomy Amelia confronts a difficult situation.	Bring It! The final potential captains face off. (N)	Bring It! "Clash of the Titans" The Dancing Dolls in Battle Royale. (N)		Jordin Sparks: A Baby Story: Singer Jordin Sparks' new life.	(:05) Bring It! "Clash of the Titans" The Dancing Dolls in Battle Royale.	(12:01) Bring It!			
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		
NICK	16	210		The Loud House	Henry Danger	Henry Danger	SpongeBob	*** "Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles" (2014, Action) Megan Fox, Will Arnett.		(:35) Friends	(12:10) Friends		
PARMT	64	153		(:06) Friends	(:44) Friends	(:22) Friends		*** "The Breakfast Club" (1985) Emilio Estevez, Molly Ringwald. Premiere.		*** "Overboard" (1987)			
SYFY	58	152		(5:30) *** "Pirates of the Caribbean: At World's End" (2007) Johnny Depp, Orlando Bloom. Jack Sparrow's friends join forces to save him.	Seinfeld "The Wink"	Seinfeld "The Hot Tub"		*** "Annabelle" (2014, Horror) Annabelle Wallis, Ward Horton, Tony Amendola. A vintage doll becomes a conduit for ultimate evil.		*** "The Rite" (2011, Horror) Anthony Hopkins. Premiere. A skeptical seminary student attends a school for exorcists.			
TBS	24	156		Seinfeld "The Postponement"	Seinfeld "The Maestro"			The Big Bang Theory	The Big Bang Theory	The Last O.G. "Lem on Drops"	Snoop Dogg: Joker's Wild	Conan "From 2018 Comic Con: the Cast of Aquaman"	Brooklyn Nine-Nine
TCM	49	186		(6:15) *** "The Power and the Prize" (1956) Robert Taylor.	*** "A Raisin in the Sun" (1961, Drama) to move to an all-white Chicago suburb.			Sidney Poitier, Claudia McNeil, Ruby Dee. A black family plans	*** "To Kill a Mockingbird" (1962, Drama) Gregory Peck, Mary Badham. A lawyer defends an innocent black man for rape in 1930s Alabama. (DVS)				
TLC	43	157		Unexpected	Unexpected	Unexpected "It's All About Laura Now"	Unexpected "Step Up and be a Dad"			(:01) Unexpected	(12:01) Unexpected		
TNT	23	158		NCIS: New Orleans "Master of Horror" A Naval Staff Judge Advocate is killed.	*** "Live Free or Die Hard" (2007, Action) Bruce Willis, Justin Long, Timothy Olyphant. America's computers fall under attack.					*** "Source Code" (2011, Suspense) Jake Gyllenhaal, Michelle Monaghan, Vera Farmiga. (DVS)			
TRUTV	38	129		Impractical Jokers	Impractical Jokers	Impractical Jokers	Impractical Jokers	Impractical Jokers	Impractical Jokers	Impractical Jokers	Impractical Jokers	Impractical Jokers	
TV LAND	55	161		M*A*S*H	M*A*S*H	Love-Raymond	Love-Raymond	Love-Raymond	Love-Raymond	Two and Half Men	Two and Half Men	King of Queens	King of Queens
USA	25	132		Law & Order: Special Victims Unit A powerful family fights a rape charge.	Law & Order: Special Victims Unit A news anchor accuses her boss of rape.			Queen of the South "Justicia" (N)	(:01) Shooter "Patron Saint" Harris meets with a powerful ally. (N)	(:02) The Sinner "Part VI" Vera reveals Mosswood's past to Ambrose.	(12:02) Queen of the South		
WE	68	166		Braxton Family Values	Braxton Family Values	Braxton Family Values	Braxton Family Values "Wellness Hell"	Bossip on WE TV "September 6, 2018"	Braxton Family Values "Wellness Hell"	Bossip on WE TV			
WGNA	8	172		Last Man Standing	Last Man Standing	Last Man Standing	Last Man Standing	Last Man Standing	Last Man Standing	Last Man Standing	Last Man Standing	Last Man Standing	

# A celebration of regional chefs with 'Bite Club'

BY KEVIN McDONOUGH

A cooking competition and a glance at regional cuisines, "Bite Club" (9 p.m., Food, TV-G) unfolds over six episodes, each set in a different city. In every hour, five local chefs meet on neutral ground. A quick competition reduces two chefs to judges and pits the remaining three against each other in a lightning round of cooking battles to determine that city's Bite Club champ.

Tonight's action begins in Chicago, followed by "Bite Club" rumbles in Savannah, Indianapolis, Milwaukee, Charleston and Nashville. Veteran Food Network host Tyler Florence serves as host.

A four-part true-life tale of a botched robbery that careens into a hostage drama, "54 Hours" begins streaming on Sundance Now, the subscription service from AMC. Based on the 1988 Gladbeck hostage crisis, "Hours" follows two hapless robbers, who, during their rushed escape, manage to take a bus and its passengers hostage, greatly increasing their exposure and creating a logistical nightmare. Their amateur efforts are more than matched by the bungling of the police, and the tragic farce becomes a feast for a ravenous media.

Hulu begins streaming a second season of "I Love You, America With Sarah Silverman." The comic, best known for her explicit material, reaches out across cultural and social divides to understand her fellow citizens. Over the course of the first season, she explored the so-called War on Christmas, the rise of white nationalism, spoke with a conservative living deep in the heart of Hollywood and met with immigrants to discuss their dreams.

Nominated for an Emmy for Outstanding Variety Sketch Series, the show has received warm accolades for its resistance to hostility and emphasis on a shared humanity.

## TONIGHT'S OTHER HIGHLIGHTS

- U.S. Open Tennis (7 p.m., ESPN).
- Fans watching John Krasinski in Amazon Prime's new "Jack Ryan" series can compare and contrast his performance with that of Ben Affleck in the 2002 thriller "The Sum of All Fears" (7:55 p.m., Showx).
- The Philadelphia Eagles host the Atlanta Falcons as a new NFL season begins (8 p.m., NBC).
- A clear bridge between "The Godfather" films and "The Sopranos," director Martin Scorsese's 1990 epic "Goodfellas" (8 p.m., HBO) revolutionized the gangster genre by introducing the point of view of a woman (Lorraine Bracco), the feisty wife of the film's main narrator (Ray Liotta).
- Highlights from the confirmation hearing for Supreme Court nominee Brett Kavanaugh (8 p.m., C-Span2).
- Romance inspires the menu on "MasterChef" (8 p.m., Fox, r, TV-14).
- The mutants feel divided on "The Gifted" (9 p.m., Fox, r, TV-14).
- A friend hires the duo to find a stolen painting with a big price tag on "Take Two" (10 p.m., ABC, TV-14).
- Franklin takes extreme measures to quell dissent in his crew on "Snowfall" (10 p.m., FX, TV-MA).
- A precocious girl (Mary Badham) observes all as her widowed lawyer father (Gregory Peck) defends a black man in a rape case in



Natalie Alyn Lind, left, stars as Lauren Strucker and Percy Hynes White as Andy Strucker in the "eXploited" episode of season one of "The Gifted," which previously aired in December 2017. The episode will air again at 9 p.m. today on Fox.

Depression-era Alabama in the 1962 adaptation of Harper Lee's novel "To Kill a Mockingbird" (10:30 p.m., TCM).

## CULT CHOICE

After having become a predictable and undying franchise of dubious merit, it's easy to forget that the original 1976 "Rocky" (8 p.m. and 10 p.m., Viceland) had the feel of an independent film, one man's vision made on a modest budget that came from out of nowhere to wow audiences with an old-fashioned appeal.

## SERIES NOTES

A trip to Las Vegas on "The Big Bang Theory" (8 p.m., CBS, r, TV-PG) \* "Celebrity Family Feud" (8 p.m., ABC, r,

TV-PG) \* The boys must stop Rowena on "Supernatural" (8 p.m., CW, r, TV-14) \* Sheldon takes stock after a setback on "Young Sheldon" (8:30 p.m., CBS, r, TV-PG) \* Julie Chen hosts "Big Brother" (9 p.m., CBS, TV-PG) \* Alec Baldwin hosts "Match Game" (9 p.m., ABC) \* Vampire purists make demands on "The Originals" (9 p.m., CW, r, TV-14) \* Hondo's freelance surveillance puts his life in danger on "S.W.A.T." (10 p.m., CBS, r, TV-14).

appears on "Conan" (11 p.m., TBS, r) \* Emma Thompson and Troye Sivan are booked on "The Late Show With Stephen Colbert" (11:35 p.m., CBS) \* Blake Griffin, Paul Feig and Demetri Martin appear on "The Late Late Show With James Corden" (12:35 a.m., CBS).

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# COUNCIL FROM PAGE A1

## SEWER REPLACEMENT ON MANNING AVENUE APPROVED

**Reading:** Resolution, only one reading is required  
**Agenda item:** A procurement resolution to authorize a contract for the Manning Avenue Sewer Replacement Project

**Background:** The sewer project — which will span from the Manning Avenue Bridge to Andrews Street and portions of Watkins Street — has been contracted to B&B Construction Co. Inc. of Sumter for \$196,140 after council approved the resolution on Tuesday.

The condition of the sewer lines would require too many repairs, so the crew will do a complete rehab, said AI

Harris, assistant manager of the city of Sumter.  
 More sewer and water line projects in that area are forthcoming to try to stay ahead of revitalization of the streetscape, he said.

Harris said the project would start immediately after the resolution was approved and could take eight to 10 weeks to complete.

Some portions of lanes on Manning Avenue will need to be closed, but the entire road will not be closed, he said.

**Discussion:** Dwyer made a motion for approval, and Councilman Calvin Hastie seconded.

**Vote:** Unanimous approval

## PUBLIC WORKS TRUCKS TO BE PURCHASED

**Reading:** Resolution  
**Agenda item:** A resolution to declare the intent of the City of Sumter to reimburse itself for certain expenditures with the proceeds of tax-exempt obligations

**Background:** The city plans to acquire certain equipment including a pumper truck for Sumter Fire Department and a brush truck, clam truck, shuttle truck, rear-loader garbage truck, trash trailer and track loader with attachments for the public works department.

The estimated total of the items is not expected to exceed \$1.3 million.

The city does a lease-purchase agreement — a form of financing for capital planning purposes — each year for vehicles and heavy equipment for city departments, Shytle said.

This reimbursement resolution states

the city's intent to purchase the equipment and states the city can reimburse itself if some of those items are purchased during the year with money from the general fund, before a lease-purchase agreement is presented to council, he said.

Shytle said the IRS requires the city to state its intent to make the purchases and reimbursements before agreeing to a lease purchase.

Currently, he said, there is no incurring obligation to make those purchases.

Some time during the spring or summer of 2019, Shytle said, council will be presented a lease-purchase agreement for reimbursement.

**Discussion:** Councilman Robert Galiano made a motion for approval, and Councilman Thomas Lowery seconded.

**Vote:** Unanimous approval

## COUNCIL UPDATES ORDINANCE TO OFFSET DELINQUENT BILLS

**Reading:** First  
**Agenda item:** An ordinance relating to the recovery of collection costs as a part of delinquent debts collected pursuant to the Setoff Debt Collection Act

**Background:** Under the act, the city is considered a claimant agency and is entitled to use the procedures of the act to collect delinquent debts owed to the municipality.

Delinquent debts include collection costs, court costs, fines, penalties and interest that have accrued through contract, tort, operation of law, subrogation and any other legal theory regardless of outstanding judgments.

This is a collection tool and statewide law, Shytle said.

Occasionally, he said, some water and

sewer customers will become seriously delinquent on a bill or leave the address and make it difficult for the city to collect payment through normal means.

The Setoff Debt Collection Act, he said, is a response to that challenge that the city has been using for years.

Shytle said the city can go through the proper process of the act, file a claim and have that amount of money offset against tax refunds from the customer.

This program is operated by the Municipal Association of South Carolina, which periodically sends ordinances to participating municipalities to update local procedures to comply with its practices, he said.

He said the ordinance will not change current practice.

**Discussion:** Hastie made a motion for approval, and Dwyer seconded.

**Vote:** Unanimous approval

# SCORES FROM PAGE A1

School District's scores were generally second among the five area districts. Sumter's scores on ELA and math were below state averages, but the district showed improvement in five of the six grades on ELA and four of the six grades on math.

For ELA, only fourth grade didn't show improvement from 2017. The range of improvement in the five other grades on ELA was 0.2 percent to 3.7 percent.

The four grade levels that showed gains in math on the SC READY were third, fifth, sixth and eighth, and the improvement range was 0.7 percent to 7.4 percent.

In general, Clarendon School District 2, based in Manning, followed third in ELA and math. Clarendon School District 1 in Summerton ranked fourth, and Lee County School District's scores were generally the lowest in the region on the SC READY.

## SCPASS

The SCPASS science test was administered to fourth-, sixth- and eighth-graders across the state in 2018. Less than half of the students met the state benchmark on the three assessments.

Clarendon 3 sixth-graders exceeded the state average in science, with 51.9 percent achieving the benchmark compared to 47.7 percent statewide.

Sumter School District again followed second in the region, and its science scores were generally closer to state averages than in the ELA and math categories.

Fifth- and seventh-graders took the SC-PASS social studies test, and those scores were generally the highest of the four main subject areas tested. Close to 70 percent of the state's fifth-graders met the benchmark in social studies, and about 66 percent of seventh-graders met the benchmark.

## STATE RESPONSE

On Tuesday and Wednesday, the state Department of Education acknowledged it has

high expectations on both the SC READY and SCPASS.

Department Chief Communications Officer Ryan Brown said both assessments are aligned to the department's college and career-ready standards, which are higher than previously because of increasing workforce requirements in today's high-skills economy.

"Our college and career-ready standards in the assessments are very rigorous as far as expecting every student to know those," Brown said. "They were re-written in 2014, with the exception of social studies, which is from 2011."

Brown said research shows some districts in more affluent areas of the state do well on the assessments every year with 70 percent to 90 percent of students meeting the benchmarks. Those include Lexington/Richland 5 in Columbia, York 3 in Rock Hill, Greenville and Horry County.

However, some districts in more rural areas perform "chronically low" on the assessments — sometimes in the single digits — and that pulls the state averages down.

Bottom line, he said, is most students in the state are not performing at the level the department would like to see.

"Our job is to get them to that level, not to lower the expectations. We want to keep the expectations high for all students," he said. "Get out of the way of those schools and districts that are doing well, but really put our emphasis and expertise in those districts that are not doing well."

State Superintendent Molly Spearman echoed those sentiments.

"The results of these assessments, while just one measure of success, show that despite growth in many areas, we are still falling short of the benchmarks set to ensure our young learners are prepared and on track," Spearman said. "We will continue to work hand in hand with South Carolina teachers so they have the tools and resources to help students grow academically in their classrooms and ultimately produce high school graduates that are ready for the next step."

# HEARING FROM PAGE A1

questions of that sort," Kavanaugh said in response to a question from Sen. Patrick Leahy of Vermont about pardons. Still, he began his long day in the witness chair by declaring that "no one is above the law."

The Senate Judicial Committee hearing has strong political overtones ahead of the November congressional elections, but as a practical matter Democrats lack the votes to block Kavanaugh's confirmation.

They are concerned that Kavanaugh will push the

court to the right on abortion, guns and other issues, and that he will side with Trump in cases stemming from special counsel Robert Mueller's investigation of Russian interference in the 2016 election and possible ties to the Trump campaign. The 53-year-old appellate judge answered cautiously when asked about those matters.

Protesters continued their efforts to interrupt the hearings, but senators basically ignored their shouts as they were removed by police.

Democrats' complaints also answered that they were being denied access to records from Kavanaugh's time in the George W. Bush White House.

The committee's top Democrat, Dianne Feinstein of California, disagreed. "He's not being very specific," she said during a break in the proceedings.

The Democrats weren't the only ones who recognized the importance of questions about Trump and the Russia investigation. Committee Chairman Chuck Grassley, an Iowa Republican, asked Kavanaugh right away whether he would be independent from the president who chose him for a highly prestigious lifetime position.

Kavanaugh said, "The first thing that makes a good judge is independence, not being swayed by political or public pressure."

# DRILLS FROM PAGE A1

Press, requires an active shooter/intruder drill to be conducted at every school each semester in addition to and separate from fire drills.

Sumter's drills will be "developmentally appropriate" for each grade level, according to Shelly Galloway, spokeswoman for the district. Staff will also participate in the drills.

Some school districts are taking additional safety measures.

"All of our schools are equipped with front access security systems, and all visitors to our schools must enter and sign in using Ident-a-Kid with the school office," Galloway said.

She said there are security cameras in every school, and high school students are required to wear IDs "at all times."

"Our joint emergency action plans were developed in

accordance with state and federal best practices and in partnership with local public safety professionals," she said. "Law enforcement is a partner in the annual review of our plans, and they evaluate our implementation of emergency drills and provide training for school staff as requested."

Beaufort County Schools are holding three active shooter drills a year instead of the required two, including one during what they call an "inconvenient time," such as during lunch or as students are transferring between classes, spokesman Jim Foster told *The State*, the AP reported.

Beaufort County high school students are also now required to wear their school IDs at all times during the school day, Foster said.

"It does two things: allows the staff at the school to know whether someone is a student, and if a student is unresponsive, emergency responders

can easily know the student's identity," the AP reported Foster said.

In Lexington School District 2, officials are augmenting their monthly intruder drills with a key-card entry system for teachers and staff and installing strengthened glass at some schools.

Richland School District 2 is putting school security staff at its schools that don't have a full-time police officer on campus.

The same law that required the safety drills also set aside \$2 million for police officers at schools in poorer districts.

State Superintendent of Education Molly Spearman announced Wednesday which districts will be awarded funding to hire new school resource officers through that part of the law.

Of the more than 60 school districts that applied out of the 81 in the state, Lee County School District and Clarendon County School Districts 1, 2

and 3 were among the 38 selected.

Proviso 1.105 specified that while every district was eligible to apply, the state would prioritize those that "otherwise would lack the adequate resources to hire their own school resource officers."

The state education department was directed to use the most recent index of taxpayer ability as the indicator of ability to pay, with districts with the lowest index receiving priority consideration.

"There is no issue more important than the safety and well-being of our students and teachers," Spearman said in her announcement. "I appreciate the support of the General Assembly in recognizing this and taking a step in the right direction by fund-

ing new officers in those districts that have not been able to afford them. We still have a ways to go in meeting our goal for a trained law enforcement officer in every school by 2020, and I remain committed to ensuring this goal becomes a reality."

Sumter's Galloway said the district applied but was not selected. Eight school resource officers serve Sumter School District.

Funding to Lee, Clarendon's three districts and the 34 others throughout the state will go directly to local law enforcement agencies to pay for the cost of a full-time school resource officer, according to Spearman's announcement. Funds cannot be used to "supplant existing resources."

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## COMMENTARY

# Trump's good policies do not excuse behavior toward McCain

**W**ASHINGTON — Since the founding of our republic, there have been precisely 1,974 members of the United States Senate. John McCain is only the eighth senator who was not also president or vice president to lie in state in the rotunda of the Capitol — and only the 31st individual overall to be so honored in American history. Yet, for the first time in recent memory, a sitting president of the United States did not participate in the funeral or other ceremonies honoring that individual — because the president made himself unwelcome by his behavior.



**Marc Thiessen**

As recently as Aug. 21, just days before McCain's death, President Trump attacked him at a West Virginia campaign rally, declaring, "We had [Obamacare] beaten, but one man — I'm sure nobody knows who I'm talking about — voted no, shockingly." He launched similar attacks at rallies this summer in Tennessee, Nevada, South Carolina, Minnesota and New York.

At last month's signing ceremony for the John S. McCain National Defense Authorization Act (the last bill passed by the McCain-led Senate Armed Services Committee) Trump declined to even utter McCain's name, leaving it off the bill name in his remarks.

When a White House aide declared McCain's opposition to Gina Haspel's nomination as CIA director "doesn't matter" because "he's dying anyway," Trump did not permit press secretary Sarah Huckabee Sanders to apologize. And last week, after McCain died, the White House raised its flags from half-staff on Monday, until it came under pressure from veterans' groups to lower them again. When asked at press gaggles to comment on McCain's passing, Trump stared ahead in silence, unable or unwilling to muster a kind or generous word.

Add to that the fact that, to this day, the president has still never apologized for his declaration that McCain was "not a war hero" because "I like people who weren't captured" — a comment that was deeply offensive not just to McCain, but also to all American prisoners of war — and it is little wonder the McCain family wanted the president nowhere near his flag-draped casket.

Trump didn't like McCain,

in some cases with good reason. But when you are president, you sometimes have to honor people you didn't like or who didn't like you. You have to put aside personal and political differences and represent not yourself but the office you occupy and the country you lead. Trump seems to be congenitally incapable of rising to such occasions — even when it is in the national interest and his own interest to do so.

Sen. Lindsey O. Graham, McCain's closest friend in the Senate and a Trump supporter, says he's told the president "several times" that his attacks on McCain were "beneath the office," adding, "I don't see how it helps the president." To the contrary, those attacks hurt Trump. It's one of the reasons that — despite a booming economy, historically low unemployment and American factories hiring at their fastest rate in decades — a new *Washington Post*/ABC News poll found that 60 percent of Americans disapprove of the job Trump is doing, including 31 percent of self-described conservatives. Trump should be riding high in the polls, winning over skeptics with economic successes. Instead, he is managing to raise both the gross domestic product and his own disapproval at the same time.

No doubt Democrats took advantage of McCain's passing to cast Trump in a negative light. Their praise for McCain was, in many cases, opportunistic. When he was running for president in 2008, they attacked him brutally. But their hypocrisy does not justify Trump's gracelessness.

As the Senate begins hearings this week on Trump's nomination of Brett M. Kavanaugh to replace Justice Anthony M. Kennedy on the Supreme Court, conservatives are reminded how important it is that he, and not Hillary Clinton, is sitting in the Oval Office.

But this past week has also served as a reminder that good policies do not excuse abhorrent behavior. If Trump cannot muster the wherewithal to be presidential when the occasion demands it, he may end up being a successful president — but he will never be a great president.

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## COMMENTARY

# Balance sheet of the forever war

**“I**t is time for this war in Afghanistan to end,” said Gen. John Nicholson in Kabul on his retirement Sunday after a fourth tour of duty and 31 months as commander of U.S. and NATO forces.

Labor Day brought news that another U.S. serviceman had been killed in an insider attack by an Afghan soldier.

Why do we continue to fight in Afghanistan?

“We continue to fight simply because we are there,” said retired Gen. Karl Eikenberry, who preceded Gen. Nicholson.

“Absent political guidance and a diplomatic strategy,” Eikenberry told *The New York Times*, “military commanders have filled the vacuum by waging a war all agree cannot be won militarily.”

This longest war in U.S. history has become another no-win war.

Yet, if the 14,000 U.S. troops in Afghanistan were pulled out, the regime would fall, the Taliban would take over, and the massacres would begin.

So America stays in and soldiers on. For how long?

The 17th anniversary of 9/11, now imminent, appears a proper time to take inventory of our successes and failures in the forever wars of the Middle East into which America was plunged in this new century.

In Afghanistan, the Taliban presence is more pervasive in more provinces than at any time since the regime was overthrown in 2001.

In the seven-year Syrian civil war we helped to ignite by arming rebels to overthrow President Assad, the conflict appears headed for its largest, bloodiest and most decisive battle.

The Syrian army, backed by Russia and Iran, is preparing to attack Idlib province. Three million people

live there, and 70,000 rebels are encamped, including 10,000 al-Qaida fighters.

In a Monday tweet, President Donald Trump warned Syria against attacking Idlib and warned Iran and Russia against joining any such attack: “The Russians and Iranians would be making a grave humanitarian mistake to take part in this potential human tragedy. Hundreds of thousands of people could be killed.” America and Russia both have warships in the Eastern Med.

National Security Adviser John Bolton has warned that Syria's use of gas in Idlib would trigger a U.S. military response. This is an invitation for the rebels in Idlib to conduct a false-flag gas attack to lure U.S. air power to their side.

Monday in Damascus, the Iranian foreign minister said the time had come to eradicate the terrorist enclave in Idlib. If the Syrians, Russians and Iranians are not bluffing and the U.S. warnings are serious, we may be headed for a U.S.-Russia clash inside Syria.

Yet, again, what vital interest of ours is imperiled in Idlib province?

On Monday, Saudi Arabia admitted to having made a mistake when, using a U.S.-made fighter-bomber, a school bus was attacked on Aug. 9, killing dozens of Yemeni children in that humanitarian horror of a war.

The Saudi campaign to crush the Houthi rebels and return the previous regime to power in Sanaa could never succeed were it not for U.S.-provided planes, missiles, bombs and air-to-air refueling.

We are thus morally responsible for what is happening.

In Libya, where we overthrew Moammar Gadhafi, rival factions now control Benghazi in the east and Tripoli in the west. August saw fighting break out in the capital, threatening the U.N.-backed unity government there.

In Iraq, which we invaded in 2003 to strip weapons of mass destruction it

did not have, and to bring the blessings of democracy to Mesopotamia, rival factions are struggling for power after recent elections saw pro-Iranian and anti-American forces gain ground.

Meanwhile, the Iranian currency is sinking as a November deadline approaches for Europe to choose between cutting ties to Iran or losing U.S. markets. While the Tehran regime has threatened to close the Strait of Hormuz if its oil is denied access to world markets, it faces economic strangulation if it does not submit to U.S. demands.

When one adds up the U.S. dead and wounded from the wars we have launched since 2001 with the Arab and Muslim wounded, killed, orphaned, widowed, uprooted and turned into refugees, as well as the trillions of dollars lost, what benefits are there on the other side of the ledger?

Now we appear to be moving to confront Russia in Ukraine.

In an interview with *The Guardian* last week, U.S. special envoy to Ukraine Kurt Volker said Washington is ready to build up Ukraine's naval and air defense forces, given Russia's continued support for separatists in the Donbass. The administration is “absolutely” prepared to supply new lethal weaponry, beyond the Javelin anti-tank missiles delivered in April.

But if a Ukrainian army moves against pro-Russian rebels in Luhansk and Donetsk, and Russia intervenes on the side of the rebels, are we really prepared to come to the aid of the Ukrainian army?

President Trump has yet to withdraw us from any of the wars he inherited, but he has kept us out of any new wars — a record worth preserving.

*Patrick J. Buchanan is the author of a new book, “Nixon's White House Wars: The Battles That Made and Broke a President and Divided America Forever.”*

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## AROUND TOWN

**Clarendon School District One will conduct free vision, hearing, speech and developmental screenings** as part of a child find effort to identify students ages 3-5, who may need special education services and are not enrolled in a public school. Screenings will be conducted from 9 a.m. to noon at the Summerton Early Childhood Center, 8 South St., Summerton, on the following Tuesdays: Sept. 11; Oct. 9; Nov. 13; Dec. 11; Jan. 8, 2019; Feb. 12, 2019; March 12, 2019; April 9, 2019; and May 14, 2019. Call Robert Collar at (803) 574-2117.

**Lake Marion Artisans will hold an artists reception** from 2 to 4 p.m. on Saturday, Sept. 8, at 108 Main St., Summerton, in recognition of the Glorious Gourds exhibit by the Cypress Gourd Patch Organization of Sumter. The exhibit will run Sept. 1-30 and will feature painted, embellished, carved, embossed beautiful creations all made with / from gourds. Many of these items will be for sale. Refreshments will be served during the reception.

**The Lincoln High School Preservation Alumni Association (LHSPAA) will hold its first Hall of Fame celebration** at 5 p.m. on Saturday, Sept. 8, at the Historical Lincoln Center, 22 Council St. The 2018 inductees are: Dr. Leroy Bowman — 1940; Rep. James Clayburn — 1953-1956; Maggie Ellison — 1956; John H. Kilgo — 1947-1966; Freddie Solomon — 1972; Dr. Junior Earl Vaughn — 1950; and Dr. Agnes Hildebrand-Wilson — 1951-1973.

**Veterans of Foreign Wars (VFW) Post 10813 will hold a recognition program** at 6 p.m. on Saturday, Sept. 8, at 610 Manning Ave. One of the citizens being honored is a World War II veteran who served in the 1st Cavalry. Call Al Spencer at (803) 406-0748.

**The Sumter Chapter of the National Federation of the Blind** of South Carolina will meet at 7 p.m. on Tuesday, Sept. 11, at Shiloh-Randolph Manor, 125 W. Bartlette St., for a summer evening of getting to know each other while members chat-n-chew. It's time to reserve your tables for the Dec. 11 gala. Contact Debra Canty, chapter president, at (803) 775-5792 or [debra.canty@frontier.com](mailto:debra.canty@frontier.com).

**The Sumter Combat Veterans Group will hold its annual golf tournament** on Saturday, Sept. 15, at Crystal Lakes Golf Course, 1305 Clara Louise Kellogg Drive. There will be a 9 a.m. shotgun start. Registration fee is \$50 per golfer limited to the first 40 teams. Fee includes continental breakfast, lunch, souvenirs, cart, green fees and refreshments during play. Team format will be two-person Captain's Choice. There will be first- and second-place prizes for men's and women's teams, closest to the pin and longest drive. Raffle tickets for a La-Z-Boy recliner will be \$2 each or three for \$5. Call Rich Grimsley at (803) 469-6227, Earnest Roland at (803) 840-0935 or Johnny Goodley at (803) 236-0488 or email at [vnam6970@yahoo.com](mailto:vnam6970@yahoo.com).

**The Lincoln High School Preservation Alumni Association (LHSPAA) will meet** at 4 p.m. on Sunday, Sept. 16, at 26 Council St. For more information, call the alumni office at (803) 775-0444 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Monday or Wednesday.

**Lake Marion VFW Post 11078, Summerton, will meet** on Tuesday, Sept. 18, at 1 Duke St., Summerton. All VFW members are encouraged to attend. Dinner will be at 6:30 p.m. with the meeting beginning at 7 p.m. Call Carl A. Farley at (803) 460-8910.

## PUBLIC AGENDA

**CLARENDON COUNTY COUNCIL**  
Monday, 6 p.m., Administration Building, Council Chambers, 411 Sunset Drive, Manning

**SUMTER SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD OF TRUSTEES**  
Monday, 6 p.m., 1345 Wilson Hall Road

**LEE COUNTY COUNCIL**  
Tuesday, 9 a.m., council chambers

**SUMTER HUMAN RESOURCE MANAGEMENT ASSOCIATION**  
Tuesday, noon, Sunset Country Club

**LYNCHBURG TOWN COUNCIL**  
Tuesday, 6 p.m., Teen Center on Magnolia Street, Lynchburg

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Tuesday, 6 p.m., Sumter County Council Chambers

**SUMMERTON TOWN COUNCIL**  
Tuesday, 6 p.m., town hall

**PINWOOD TOWN COUNCIL**  
Tuesday, 6:30 p.m., town hall

**TURBEVILLE TOWN COUNCIL**  
Tuesday, 6:30 p.m., town hall

**MAYESVILLE TOWN COUNCIL**  
Tuesday, 7 p.m., town hall

### The last word in astrology

EUGENIA LAST

**ARIES** (March 21-April 19): Don't stagnate when you

should be moving forward. Make personal changes that will help to settle your nerves and level out your emotional stress. Take care of unfinished business so you feel free to start something new.

**TAURUS** (April 20-May 20): You'll crave change that will help you fill in any void you are feeling. Before you leap from one thing to another, consider the outcome as well as how you will affect others. Emotional situations will escalate.

**GEMINI** (May 21-June 20): Make personal changes that will bring you peace of mind. Don't rely on others or try to mold someone into being more like you. Offering freedom to those you love will ensure that you are granted the same in return.

**CANCER** (June 21-July 22): An emotional move will not help matters. Take a step back and reconsider your actions. Common sense, practicality and friendly persuasion will be the keys to getting what you want. An unusual opportunity will change your life.

**LEO** (July 23-Aug. 22): Simplicity, consistency and moderation will be necessary if you want to avoid a setback. Don't promise the impossible or make changes that aren't carefully considered. Work hard and be a team player if you want to get ahead.

**VIRGO** (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): Take the plunge and do something that makes you happy. A change will do you good, and connecting with people you have worked with or enjoyed being around in the past will lead to opportunities and new beginnings.

**LIBRA** (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): Go over every little detail before you share your plans or put them into motion. Not everyone will accept the changes you want to make. Listen to the suggestions offered to avoid a costly mistake. Don't take criticism personally.

**SCORPIO** (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): As the day progresses, anger will mount. Be sure to have an outlet for your pent-up energy or you may do something that will disrupt a relationship with a friend or relative. Listen and be willing to make concessions.

**SAGITTARIUS** (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): Take care of your financial, legal and medical issues personally. You will not be represented the way you want if you let someone speak on your behalf. Play it safe and control the situation. Don't divulge passwords or private information.

**CAPRICORN** (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): Set high standards, and don't stop until you are happy with what transpires. Your drive and determination will help you get what you want. Personal and professional gains will turn out better than anticipated if you push to finish what you start.

**AQUARIUS** (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): Personal improvements are within reach if you are reasonable. An unexpected last-minute decision someone makes will catch you by surprise. Don't feel you have to compensate for what others do. Do your own thing and follow through with plans.

**PISCES** (Feb. 19-March 20): Put your enthusiasm to work and you'll drum up support that will help you reach your goals. Putting your plans in motion will be prosperous and open a door that has been closed in the past. A partnership looks promising.

# WEATHER

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## AccuWeather® five-day forecast for Sumter

TODAY	TONIGHT	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY	MONDAY
<b>93°</b>	<b>71°</b>	<b>92° / 71°</b>	<b>92° / 71°</b>	<b>89° / 71°</b>	<b>91° / 71°</b>
Chance of rain: 25%	Chance of rain: 10%	Chance of rain: 25%	Chance of rain: 20%	Chance of rain: 45%	Chance of rain: 40%
ENE 4-8 mph	SE 3-6 mph	ENE 4-8 mph	E 3-6 mph	ENE 4-8 mph	ENE 4-8 mph

## TODAY'S SOUTH CAROLINA WEATHER

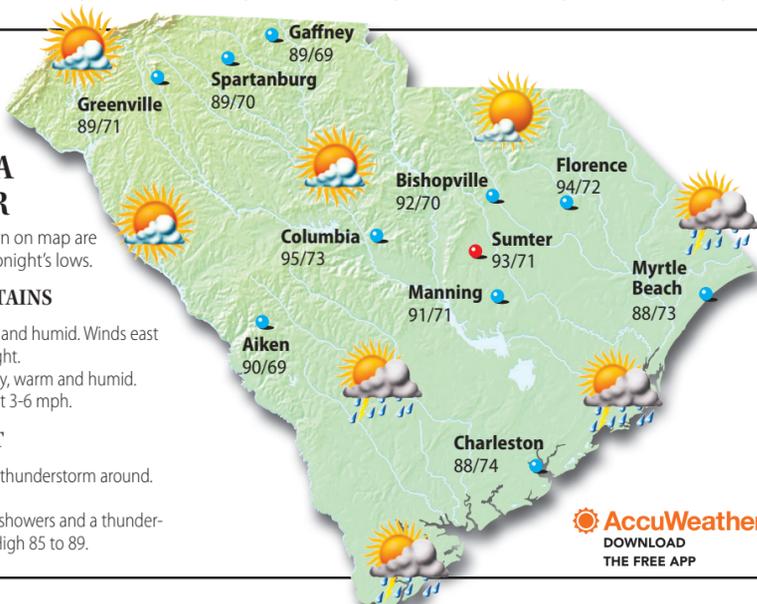
Temperatures shown on map are today's highs and tonight's lows.

### IN THE MOUNTAINS

**Today:** Partly sunny and humid. Winds east 4-8 mph. A starry night.  
**Friday:** Mostly sunny, warm and humid. Winds east-southeast 3-6 mph.

### ON THE COAST

**Today:** A shower or thunderstorm around. High 86 to 90.  
**Friday:** A couple of showers and a thunderstorm, mainly later. High 85 to 89.



## LOCAL ALMANAC

SUMTER THROUGH 2 P.M. YESTERDAY

Temperature	High	Low	Normal high	Normal low	Record high	Record low
	93°	72°	86°	66°	99° in 1954	50° in 1997

Precipitation	24 hrs ending 2 p.m. yest.	Month to date	Normal month to date	Year to date	Last year to date	Normal year to date
	0.00"	0.00"	0.65"	26.76"	27.87"	34.04"

## LAKE LEVELS

Lake	Full pool	7 a.m. yest.	24-hr chg
Murray	360	356.99	-0.04
Marion	76.8	75.40	-0.01
Moultrie	75.5	75.23	-0.02
Wateree	100	97.44	-0.04

## RIVER STAGES

River	Flood stage	7 a.m. yest.	24-hr chg
Black River	12	2.75	-0.12
Congaree River	19	3.04	+0.25
Lynches River	14	1.30	-0.01
Saluda River	14	2.14	-0.16
Up. Santee River	80	76.24	-0.08
Wateree River	24	10.45	+2.11

## SUN AND MOON

Sunrise	6:59 a.m.	Sunset	7:41 p.m.
Moonrise	3:13 a.m.	Moonset	5:38 p.m.

	New	First	Full	Last
	Sep. 9	Sep. 16	Sep. 24	Oct. 2

## TIDES

AT MYRTLE BEACH				
	High	Ht.	Low	Ht.
Today	6:21 a.m.	3.0	1:06 a.m.	0.4
	6:57 p.m.	3.7	1:14 p.m.	-0.1
Fri.	7:24 a.m.	3.2	2:05 a.m.	0.2
	7:56 p.m.	3.8	2:15 p.m.	-0.3

## NATIONAL CITIES

City	Today Hi/Lo/W	Fri. Hi/Lo/W
Atlanta	89/73/pc	90/72/s
Chicago	71/61/r	72/60/c
Dallas	92/75/pc	90/74/t
Detroit	75/60/c	76/59/s
Houston	91/74/pc	90/75/t
Los Angeles	82/65/pc	88/68/pc
New Orleans	86/78/t	87/76/c
New York	92/71/t	77/65/c
Oriando	88/74/t	87/72/t
Philadelphia	94/74/pc	81/65/t
Phoenix	105/84/s	105/84/s
San Francisco	70/55/pc	74/56/pc
Wash., DC	94/77/s	86/70/t

## REGIONAL CITIES

City	Today Hi/Lo/W	Fri. Hi/Lo/W	City	Today Hi/Lo/W	Fri. Hi/Lo/W
Asheville	85/65/pc	87/65/t	Florence	94/72/pc	93/72/s
Athens	91/70/pc	91/69/s	Gainesville	89/71/t	88/70/t
Augusta	94/70/t	94/70/s	Gastonia	90/70/s	90/69/s
Beaufort	90/74/t	89/74/t	Goldsboro	91/73/pc	91/72/pc
Cape Hatteras	89/75/pc	88/77/pc	Goose Creek	88/73/t	88/72/t
Charleston	88/74/t	89/73/t	Greensboro	90/72/s	90/70/pc
Charlotte	92/72/s	92/71/s	Greenville	89/71/pc	89/70/s
Clemson	89/72/pc	90/71/s	Hickory	87/69/s	89/69/s
Columbia	95/73/pc	94/72/s	Hilton Head	87/75/t	87/74/t
Darlington	93/70/pc	92/70/s	Jacksonville, FL	88/72/t	87/72/t
Elizabeth City	91/70/s	90/72/pc	La Grange	88/72/t	90/71/s
Elizabethtown	92/71/pc	90/71/pc	Macon	92/70/pc	93/70/pc
Fayetteville	94/73/pc	92/72/s	Marietta	87/70/pc	89/71/s
			Marion	87/66/pc	88/67/t
			Mt. Pleasant	88/74/t	88/73/t
			Myrtle Beach	88/73/t	87/72/t
			Orangeburg	90/71/t	90/71/s
			Port Royal	88/75/t	87/74/t
			Raleigh	91/71/s	91/70/pc
			Rock Hill	90/71/s	90/69/s
			Rockingham	92/70/s	90/70/s
			Savannah	89/72/t	87/72/t
			Spartanburg	89/70/pc	89/69/s
			Summerville	88/73/t	88/71/t
			Wilmington	89/72/t	88/71/pc
			Winston-Salem	89/71/s	89/71/pc

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Lilian Peter comments on her photo of the Gateway Arch, "This stainless steel arch is located in St. Louis, Missouri. Built in 1965, this 630-foot-tall arch is the tallest man-made monument in America. A tram ride goes to the top of the arch."

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PREP VOLLEYBALL

## Learning on the fly



MICAH GREEN / THE SUMTER ITEM

Senior captain outside hitter Graycie Michaelson (3) uses a bump pass to set up teammates Margaret McMahon (13), Kailin Hodge (18) and Ayanna Holland (4) for a potential score in a tri-match Tuesday against Lakewood and Wilson Hall. Sumter defeated the Lady Gators 2-0 and Lady Barons 2-1. Also during the match, Wilson Hall defeated Lakewood 2-0.

## Young SHS netters holding their own as Lady Gamecock Spike-Off nears

BY DANNY KELLY  
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Sumter High School varsity volleyball head coach Christy Kelly makes no bones about it.

“We’re a young, inexperienced team,” Kelly said. “We have 14 players, but only three

with varsity experience.”

Yet the Lady Gamecocks find themselves at an even 5-5 on the season after sweeping a tri-match with Lakewood and Wilson Hall on Tuesday at the SHS gymnasium.

The three players with varsity experience are junior middle Margaret McMahon,

senior captain outside hitter Graycie Michelson and senior outside hitter Ayanna Holland. The other three players in the starting lineup are all sophomores: middle Layken Cox, who has never played volleyball before, setter Kailin Hodge and libero Brenna Hill.

“Every day is getting better,” Kelly said. “We’re competing with teams.”

The Gamecocks defeated Wilson Hall 2-1 by the scores of 25-20, 20-25, 25-13.

“Wilson Hall beat us last year, so we returned the favor and beat them,” Kelly said. “They were solid and gave us

a good game.”

The Gamecocks also defeated Lakewood 2-0 by the scores of 25-5, 25-8.

“We played well against Lakewood,” Kelly said. “They (Lakewood) looked better than they have in the past.”

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PREP FOOTBALL

## Struggling Barons face off with Porter-Gaud

BY DANNY KELLY  
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The Wilson Hall varsity football will have to regroup this week after a disappointing 70-3 loss to defending SCISA 2A state champion First Baptist at home last Friday.

“We have to get healthy and get better,” said Barons head coach Adam Jarecki, whose team is 0-2 on the season and 0-2 in SCISA 3A play. “I’m proud of the way we didn’t quit last week against First Baptist; they’re very fast. We had the effort, but we didn’t play well.”

The Barons face another huge challenge on Friday. They play host to undefeated Porter-Gaud at Spencer Field beginning at 7:30 p.m.

The Cyclones defeated Charleston Math & Science 56-0 and Cardinal Newman 42-21, both at home, and also beat Pinewood Prep 27-0 on the road. P-G is 3-0 overall and 2-0 in SCISA 3A play.

The Cyclones are led by junior quarterback Gunnar Nistad, who has 695 passing yards and six touchdowns in three games.

“Their quarterback throws the ball well,” Jarecki said. “They pass first and run second. They



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Wilson Hall’s Doc Walker (18) and Nathan Harris (2) hit Heathwood Hall quarterback Alex Lewis (9) during the Barons’ 13-12 overtime loss in the first game of the season. Wilson Hall plays to Porter-Gaud on Friday at Spencer Field.

spread it out.”

On the ground, Porter-Gaud is led by several running backs. Senior Caleb Pierce has 12 carries for 141 yards and a touchdown, sophomore Charlie Thomas has 11 carries for 61 yards and three touchdowns, and ju-

nior Jack Faucette has 17 carries for 64 yards and two touchdowns. Pierce also has eight catches for 100 yards.

The Cyclones also have a balanced group of wide receivers.

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PREP FOOTBALL

## Cavaliers looking to stay perfect against The King’s Academy

BY DANNY KELLY  
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The Robert E. Lee Academy Cavaliers are perfect so far, and there is no doubt in head coach David Rankin’s mind as to why that is.

“We returned a lot of people on defense,” said Rankin, whose team is 3-0 on the season. “We allowed 68 yards of total offense – 30 running and 38 passing – (in a 28-7 victory) against Dillon (Christian).”

The Cavaliers will try to keep their record unblemished on Friday when they travel to Florence to face The King’s Academy beginning at 7:30 p.m. The Lions are 0-2 after losing two home games to both Dorchester Academy, 32-6, and Florence Christian, 56-21. The Lions had a bye week last week.



RANKIN

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PRO FOOTBALL

## Eagles start title defense vs. Falcons

BY ROB MAADDI  
The Associated Press

PHILADELPHIA — Before the Philadelphia Eagles begin their quest for a repeat, they’ll have one more celebration.

The first Super Bowl runner in franchise history will be unveiled in front of a sellout crowd that waited seemingly forever to witness the moment.

Then it’s on to defending their crown.

Coach Doug Pederson and

his veteran players have preached throughout the off-season the importance of moving forward and focusing on the present if the Eagles are going to have any chance of becoming the ninth team to repeat as Super Bowl champs.

They have a tough opponent Thursday night in the NFL opener. The Atlanta Falcons were 2 yards away from knocking the Eagles out of the playoffs in the divisional round, but Matt Ryan’s pass to Julio

Jones fell incomplete in the right corner of the end zone.

“It’s going to be a great night,” Pederson said. “The fans are going to be crazy and they’re going to be excited. It’s going to be great for the banner to be dropped. It’s going to be a great atmosphere. This football team, though, they understand this is a different season. It’s a new team, new year. We’re sitting here 0-0 with a great opportunity against a great opponent.



AP FILE PHOTO

Philadelphia’s Fletcher Cox (91) and Vinny Curry (75) close in on Atlanta’s Devonta Freeman (24) during the first half of their NFL divisional playoff in January in Philadelphia. The world championship Eagles play host to the Falcons today in the NFL season opener.

LOCAL SPORTS

# CSU's Tucker to keynote TD Club meeting

BY DENNIS BRUNSON  
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After losing to now No. 25 Florida 53-6 in its season opener on Saturday, the Charleston Southern football program has a week off to prepare for The Citadel. That will afford Buccaneers head coach Mark Tucker the opportunity to be the first guest speaker at the weekly breakfast meeting of the Sumter Touchdown Club presented by FTC on Friday.

Though not pleased with the final score, Tucker was pleased with the effort his team put forth in The Swamp.

"One thing I learned is that we will compete as we've always competed," said Tucker, who is in his second season as CSU's head coach after several years as its offensive coordinator. "We played hard and we gave great effort from the first snap to the last snap. We will play hard and give

great effort."

The meeting will be held at Swan Lake Visitors Center beginning at 7:15 a.m. The visitors center is located inside the gates of Swan Lake-Iris Gardens on West Liberty Street.



TUCKER

The Sumter Item Players of the Week Jonathan Henry, Tayvian Gass and Melvin Lundy of Sumter High School and Jake Jordan of Laurence Manning Academy will be honored at the meeting.

Charleston Southern went 6-5 in Tucker's first year as head coach and 3-2 in the Big South Conference. Tucker believes his squad has a chance to win the Big South title after missing out on it last season.

"I think we stack up pretty well at the FCS level," said Tucker, who was the OC when the Bucs won consecu-

tive Big South titles in 2015 and 2016. "We've had great depth up front for a long time, but we're lacking it there right now. We have to create depth and build our depth."

Charleston Southern has two former Sumter High players on its roster. Redshirt sophomore defensive end Ramero Rock is in his first year with the program after spending two years at Georgia Military College. He is listed as a backup on the depth chart, but didn't play against Florida due to a lingering injury.

"We need to get him healthy because he's a difference maker," Tucker said of Rock.

The other former Sumter High player is redshirt freshman offensive lineman Daviyon McDaniel. He played late in the game against the Gators.

"He is an immense talent," Tucker said. "We're in the process of helping Daviyon mature."

AREA ROUNDUP



# SHS girls swim team finishes 2nd, boys 4th

The Sumter High School girls swim team finished second in an 8-team meet and the SHS boys finished fourth out of eight teams on Tuesday at City of Sumter Aquatics Center.

West Florence won the girls meet with 95 points followed by Sumter with 72. Governor's School of Science was next with 57 followed by Wilson with 41, Socastee with 16, Hartsville with 14 and South Florence and Latta both with three apiece.

Sumter finished first in both the 200-meter medley relay and the 200 freestyle relay. The teams are made up of junior Abby Hoshour, sophomore Hayden Kirkhart, eighth-grader Samantha Kirkhart and seventh-grader Emily Kate Hoshour.

Individually, Hayden Kirkhart won the 200 freestyle, while Emily Kae Hoshour won the 100 freestyle. Abby Hoshour finished second in the 100 butterfly, but did so with an automatic state qualifying time. She was also second in the 100 backstroke.

Samantha Kirkhart was second in the 50 freestyle.

In the boys meet, Wilson won with 95 points. West Florence was second with 61 points followed by Socastee with 50, Sumter with 33, Governor's School of Science with 24, South Florence with 18, Hartsville with 4 and Latta with 3.

Junior Elijah Blanding led the Gamecocks with a second-place finish in the 50 freestyle and a third-place finish in the 100 butterfly.

Freshman Daniel Gilman was second in the 200 freestyle, and the 400 freestyle relay team of sophomore CJ Timmons, eighth-grader Jaime Bass, Gilman and Blanding finished second.

VOLLEYBALL

SUMTER SWEEPS TRI-MATCH

Sumter High School defeated Lakewood 2-0 and Wilson Hall 2-1 in a tri-match at the SHS gymnasium on Tuesday.

Sumter defeated Lakewood by the scores of 25-5, 25-8 and topped Wilson Hall 25-20, 20-25, 25-13.

The Lady Gamecocks improved to 5-5 on the season.

WILSON HALL SPLITS TRI-MATCH

Wilson Hall defeated Lakewood 2-0 before falling to Sumter High 2-1 in a tri-match on Tuesday at the SHS gymnasium.

Sydney Jarecki led the 3-12 Lady Barons with 10 kills, 13 assists and 10 aces. Madison Sliwonik had eight kills, Abbie Beatson had 12 digs and Andi Grae Wingate had six aces.

FLORENCE CHRISTIAN 3 THOMAS SUMTER 0

DALZELL — Thomas Sumter Academy's varsity volleyball team lost to Florence Christian School 3-0 on Tuesday at Edens Gymnasium.

FCS won by the scores of 25-18, 25-11, 25-17. Sydney Daniel led TSA with eight kills and eight assists. Karleigh Young had eight kills and Logan Scruggs had eight assists.

TSA's junior varsity team lost to Florence Christian 2-0 by the scores of 25-10, 25-12.

On Thursday, Aug. 29, in Columbia, Ben Lippen beat Thomas Sumter 3-0 by the scores of 25-18, 25-12, 25-19.

Daniel had eight kills, Young had five kills and Scruggs had nine assists.

Thomas Sumter's junior varsity team lost to Ben Lippen 2-0 by the scores of 25-5, 25-4.

GIRLS TENNIS

SUMTER 6 LOWER RICHLAND 0

Sumter High School picked up its second win of the season on Tuesday, beating Lower Richland 6-0 at the SHS courts.

SINGLES

- 1 — Whitney Crawford (S) defeated Staci Garrick 6-0, 6-2.
- 2 — Jordan Shuping (S) defeated D'Aujai Kelley 6-2, 6-2.
- 3 — Burgess Dubose (S) defeated Tyra Floyd 6-3, 6-2.
- 4 — Windsor Pittman (S) defeated Zaria Moore 6-2, 6-2.
- 5 — Carmen Carrigan (S) defeated Georgia Jackson 6-2, 6-1.

DOUBLES

- 1 — Did not play.
- 2 — Andrea Clarke/Madelyn Jordan (S) defeated Michelle Wallace/Elizabeth Brooke 6-2, 6-2.

From staff reports

SCOREBOARD

TV, RADIO

**TODAY**  
**5:30 a.m.** — Professional Golf: European PGA Tour European Masters First Round from Crans Montana, Switzerland (GOLF).  
**9:30 a.m.** — Professional Golf: European PGA Tour European Masters First Round from Crans Montana, Switzerland (GOLF).  
**2 p.m.** — PGA Golf: BMW Championship First Round from Newton Square, Pa. (GOLF).  
**2:30 p.m.** — International Soccer: UEFA Nations League Match from Munich — Germany vs. France (ESPN2).  
**6:05 p.m.** — Talk Show: Sports Talk (WDXY-FM 105.9, WDXY-AM 1240).  
**7 p.m.** — Professional Tennis: U.S. Open Women's Semifinal Matches from New York (ESPN).  
**7 p.m.** — College Football: Kennesaw State at Tennessee Tech (ESPN2).  
**7 p.m.** — Major League Baseball: Chicago Cubs at Washington or Cleveland at Toronto (MLB NETWORK).  
**8 p.m.** — Women's College Volleyball: Southern Methodist at Texas Christian (FOX SPORTSOUTH).  
**8 p.m.** — High School Football: Omaha North vs. Millard West (STADIUM).  
**8:20 p.m.** — NFL Football: Atlanta at Philadelphia (WIS 10).  
**9:30 p.m.** — Major League Baseball: Atlanta at Arizona (FOX SPORTS SOUTHEAST, WWFN-FM 100.1, WUPB-FM 102.7).  
**10 p.m.** — Major League Baseball: Atlanta at Arizona (Joined In Progress) (MLB NETWORK).

MLB STANDINGS

AMERICAN LEAGUE

East Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Boston	97	44	.688	—
New York	87	52	.626	9
Tampa Bay	75	63	.543	20½
Toronto	62	76	.449	33½
Baltimore	41	98	.295	55

Central Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Cleveland	79	60	.568	—
Minnesota	63	75	.457	15½
Chicago	56	83	.403	23
Detroit	56	83	.403	23
Kansas City	46	93	.331	33

West Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Houston	86	53	.619	—
Oakland	83	57	.593	3½
Seattle	77	62	.554	9
Los Angeles	67	72	.482	19
Texas	61	78	.439	25

TUESDAY'S GAMES

Tampa Bay 4, Toronto 0  
 Cleveland 9, Kansas City 3  
 Boston 5, Atlanta 1  
 Texas 4, L.A. Angels 2  
 Detroit 8, Chicago White Sox 3  
 Houston 5, Minnesota 2  
 N.Y. Yankees 5, Oakland 1  
 Baltimore 5, Seattle 3

WEDNESDAY'S GAMES

Boston 9, Atlanta 8  
 Cleveland 3, Kansas City 1  
 Tampa Bay at Toronto, 7:07 p.m.  
 L.A. Angels at Texas, 8:05 p.m.  
 Detroit at Chicago White Sox, 8:10 p.m.  
 Minnesota at Houston, 8:10 p.m.  
 N.Y. Yankees at Oakland, 10:05 p.m.  
 Baltimore at Seattle, 10:10 p.m.

THURSDAY'S GAMES

Cleveland (Bieber 8-3) at Toronto (Gaviglio 3-7), 7:07 p.m.

FRIDAY'S GAMES

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

NATIONAL LEAGUE

East Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Atlanta	76	63	.547	—
Philadelphia	73	65	.529	2½
Washington	69	70	.496	7
New York	62	76	.449	13½
Miami	55	84	.396	21

Central Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Chicago	81	57	.587	—
Milwaukee	79	61	.564	3
St. Louis	77	62	.554	4½
Pittsburgh	68	71	.489	13½
Cincinnati	59	80	.424	22½

West Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Colorado	76	62	.551	—
Los Angeles	76	63	.547	½
Arizona	75	64	.540	1½
San Francisco	68	72	.486	9
San Diego	55	86	.390	22½

TUESDAY'S GAMES

Pittsburgh 7, Cincinnati 3  
 St. Louis 11, Washington 8  
 Philadelphia 9, Miami 4  
 Boston 5, Atlanta 1  
 Milwaukee 11, Chicago Cubs 1  
 Colorado 6, San Francisco 2  
 Arizona 6, San Diego 0  
 L.A. Dodgers 11, N.Y. Mets 4

WEDNESDAY'S GAMES

Boston 9, Atlanta 8  
 Cincinnati at Pittsburgh, 7:05 p.m.  
 St. Louis at Washington, 7:05 p.m.  
 Philadelphia at Miami, 7:10 p.m.  
 N.Y. Mets at L.A. Dodgers, 7:35 p.m.  
 Chicago Cubs at Milwaukee, 8:10 p.m.  
 San Francisco at Colorado, 8:40 p.m.

THURSDAY'S GAMES

San Diego (Lauer 5-7) at Cincinnati (Castillo 8-11), 6:40 p.m.  
 Chicago Cubs (Hendricks 11-10) at Washington (Strasburg 7-7), 7:05 p.m.  
 Atlanta (Sanchez 6-5) at Arizona (Greinke 13-9), 9:40 p.m.

FRIDAY'S GAMES

San Diego at Cincinnati, 6:40 p.m.

PREP SCHEDULE

**TODAY**  
**Varsity Cross Country**  
 East Clarendon in Home Meet, 5:30 p.m.  
**Junior Varsity Football**  
 Lakewood at Sumter, 6 p.m.  
 Crestwood at Manning, 6 p.m.  
 Hartsville at Lee Central, 6 p.m.  
 Wilson Hall at Porter-Gaud, 7 p.m.  
 Heathwood Hall at Laurence Manning, 7 p.m.

B Team Football

Creek Bridge at East Clarendon, 6 p.m.  
 Wilson Hall at Porter-Gaud, 5 p.m.  
 Heathwood Hall at Laurence Manning, 5 p.m.

Middle School Football

The King's Academy at Robert E. Lee, 6 p.m.  
 Thomas Sumter at Calhoun Academy, 6 p.m.  
 Clarendon Hall at Holly Hill, 6:30 p.m.

Varsity Girls Golf

Spring Valley at Sumter (at Beech Creek Golf Club), 4:30 p.m.  
 Wilson Hall at Heathwood Hall, 4 p.m.

Varsity Girls Tennis

Camden at Sumter, 5 p.m.  
 East Clarendon at Mullins, 5 p.m.  
 Wilson Hall at Dreher, 4 p.m.  
 Florence Christian at Laurence Manning, 4 p.m.

Junior Varsity Girls Tennis

All Saints at Wilson Hall, 4 p.m.

Varsity Volleyball

Scott's Branch at Crestwood, 6 p.m.

Varsity and JV Volleyball

Sumter at Dutch Fork, 5:30 p.m.  
 Wilson at Lakewood, 5:30 p.m.  
 Lee Central at North Central, 5 p.m.  
 East Clarendon at Kingstree, 5:30 p.m.  
 Augusta Christian at Wilson Hall, 4:30 p.m.  
 Laurence Manning at Carolina, 4 p.m.  
 Clarendon Hall at Holly Hill, 5 p.m.

FRIDAY

Varsity Football

Sumter at Lakewood, 7:30 p.m.  
 Manning at Crestwood, 7:30 p.m.  
 Carolina Christian at Lee Central, 7:30 p.m.  
 Aynor at East Clarendon, 7:30 p.m.  
 Scott's Branch at Edisto, 7:30 p.m.  
 Porter-Gaud at Wilson Hall, 7:30 p.m.  
 Laurence Manning at Heathwood Hall, 7:30 p.m.  
 Robert E. Lee at The King's Academy, 7:30 p.m.  
 Christian Academy at Thomas Sumter, 7:30 p.m.  
 Patrick Henry at Clarendon Hall, 7:30 p.m.

Varsity and JV Volleyball

Sumter Christian at Northside Christian, 4 p.m.

SATURDAY

Varsity Cross Country

Sumter, Lakewood in Coaches Classic (at Sandhills Research Center in Columbia), 8:30 a.m.  
 Manning in Central Carolina Invitational, TBA  
 Thomas Sumter at Spartanburg Christian, TBA

Varsity Swimming

Sumter in Upstate Invite (in Rock Hill), 10 a.m.  
 Wilson Hall at Spartanburg Day, TBA  
 Thomas Sumter in Hilton Head Meet, TBA

Varsity Volleyball

Sumter in Lady Gamecock Spike-Off, TBA

COLLEGE FOOTBALL

TOP 25 SCHEDULE

FRIDAY  
 No. 16 TCU at SMU, 8 p.m.

SATURDAY

- No. 1 Alabama vs. Arkansas State, 3:30 p.m.
- No. 2 Clemson at Texas A&M, 7 p.m.
- No. 3 Georgia at No. 24 South Carolina, 3:30 p.m.
- No. 4 Ohio State vs. Rutgers, 3:30 p.m.
- No. 5 Wisconsin vs. New Mexico, Noon
- No. 6 Oklahoma vs. UCLA, 1 p.m.
- No. 7 Auburn vs. Alabama State, 7:30 p.m.
- No. 8 Notre Dame vs. Ball State, 3:30 p.m.
- No. 9 Washington vs. North Dakota, 5 p.m.
- No. 10 Stanford vs. No. 17 Southern Cal, 8:30 p.m.
- No. 11 LSU vs. SE Louisiana, 7 p.m.
- No. 12 Virginia Tech vs. William & Mary, 2 p.m.
- No. 13 Penn State at Pittsburgh, 8 p.m.
- No. 14 West Virginia vs. Youngstown State, 6 p.m.
- No. 15 Michigan State at Arizona State, 10:45 p.m.
- No. 18 Mississippi State at Kansas State, Noon
- No. 19 UCF vs. SC State, 6 p.m.
- No. 20 Boise State vs. UConn, 10:15 p.m.
- No. 21 Michigan vs. Western Michigan, Noon
- No. 22 Miami vs. Savannah State, 6 p.m.
- No. 23 Oregon vs. Portland State, 2 p.m.
- No. 25 Florida vs. Kentucky, 7:30 p.m.

NFL STANDINGS

AMERICAN CONFERENCE

East

	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Buffalo	0	0	0	.000	0	0
Miami	0	0	0	.000	0	0
New England	0	0	0	.000	0	0
N.Y. Jets	0	0	0	.000	0	0

South

	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Houston	0	0	0	.000	0	0
Indianapolis	0	0	0	.000	0	0
Jacksonville	0	0	0	.000	0	0
Tennessee	0	0	0	.000	0	0

North

	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Baltimore	0	0	0	.000	0	0
Cincinnati	0	0	0	.000	0	0
Cleveland	0	0	0	.000	0	0
Pittsburgh	0	0	0	.000	0	0

West

	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Denver	0	0	0	.000	0	0
Kansas City	0	0	0	.000	0	0
L.A. Chargers	0	0	0	.000	0	0
Oakland	0	0	0	.000	0	0

NATIONAL CONFERENCE

East

	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Dallas	0	0	0	.000	0	0
N.Y. Giants	0	0	0	.000	0	0

## SPORTS ITEMS

## 2-run HR in 9th lifts Bosox over Braves

ATLANTA — Brandon Phillips hit a two-out, two-run homer in the ninth inning Wednesday, highlighting his long-awaited season debut and capping the biggest comeback by the Boston Red Sox this year for a 9-8 win over the Atlanta Braves.

The Red Sox overcame a late six-run deficit and seasawed past Atlanta to sweep the three-game series between division leaders.

Boston, with the best record in the majors, scored six times in the eighth to make it 7-all. After Freddie Freeman hit a solo homer with two outs in the Braves eighth, the Red Sox bounced back for their 97th win this year.

INDIANS 3  
ROYALS 1

CLEVELAND — Corey Kluber became the first 18-game winner in the majors this season, striking out 10

and pitching the Cleveland Indians past the Kansas City Royals 3-1 Wednesday.

The Indians moved closer to the third straight AL Central title and reduced their magic number for clinching the division to nine.

Kluber (18-7) allowed one run and two hits in 6 2/3 innings. The reigning AL Cy Young Award winner was pulled after throwing 105 pitches.

QUARTERFINALS FEATURE  
REMATCH OF 2014 MEN'S FINAL

NEW YORK — Marin Cilic looks for history to repeat in a quarterfinal rematch of the 2014 U.S. Open final.

The No. 7 seed faces No. 21 Kei Nishikori on Wednesday, four years after beating the Japanese player for his first Grand Slam title. Nishikori has won eight of the 14 meetings.

The other men's quarterfinal fea-

tures No. 6 seed Novak Djokovic against John Millman. The unseeded Australian knocked out 20-time Grand Slam champion Roger Federer in the fourth round to reach his first major quarterfinal.

Djokovic won his 13th Grand Slam at Wimbledon, just after beating Millman 6-2, 6-1 at Queen's Club in their only previous meeting.

On the women's side, American Madison Keys, last year's runner-up, looks to return to the semifinals for the second straight year against Carla Suarez Navarro. No. 20 seed Naomi Osaka of Japan and Lesia Tsurenko of Ukraine are both looking for their first semifinal appearance when they meet in the day's first quarterfinal in Arthur Ashe stadium.

From wire reports



MICAH GREEN / THE SUMTER ITEM

Junior middle hitter Margaret McMahon looks to return a volley during the Lady Gamecocks' tri-match at Sumter High School on Tuesday.

## SHS FROM PAGE B1

Sumter also hosted a tri-match last week with Crestwood and Orangeburg-Wilkinson. The Lady Gamecocks defeated Crestwood 2-0 by the scores of 25-18, 25-17, but fell to Orangeburg-Wilkinson 2-0. O-W won by he scores of 25-17, 25-10.

Other games Sumter has played well in include wins against Brookland-Cayce and White Knoll, and close losses to Hartsville and Ridge View.

"We've competed in all our games except for two against A.C. Flora and Westwood," Kelly said.

Sumter plays at Dutch Fork today before playing host to its Lady Gamecock Spike-Off tournament on Saturday. The tournament will include 15 teams making up three different pools with five teams in each pool.

Sumter opens the tournament with a familiar foe in Orangeburg-Wilkinson beginning a 8:40 a.m. At 9:20, Sumter will play St. James followed by Dutch Fork at 11:20 and Conway at 12:40 p.m.

Admission to the tournament is \$6. Sumter opens its Region IV-5A schedule on Tuesday at home against Lugoff-Elgin beginning at 5:30 p.m.

Another game for Sumter faithful to circle on their calendars will be senior night on Oct. 9 against Spring Valley.

## REL FROM PAGE B1

Rankin also credits the Cavaliers' winning ways to the standard the program has set over the past few seasons.

"We've won 12, 11 and 10 games in the last three years, (respectively)," he said. "They (this year's team) don't want to be the

class that doesn't win."

Rankin knows what to expect from The King's Academy.

"They're average at running the ball; they're more of a passing threat," he said. "Their defense is a 4-3 (set)."

Rankin said he won't change much to stop the Lions' attack.

"We'll run a 4-2-5 (de-

fense) like we always have," he said. "We'll do what we do. We don't change a whole lot."

The Cavaliers' biggest challenge will be covering Lions wide receiver David Russell.

"We have to contain No. 9 (Russell)," Rankin said. "We'll have to double cover and make some in-game adjustments."

As far as injuries go, Cavaliers offensive guard Tallon McPherson should be back this week after being out with a knee injury against Dillon Christian. However, offensive tackle Zane Ross will be out again this week with mononucleosis and may be out for two more weeks after that.

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In three games, senior Jack Trouche has 10 receptions for 148 yards and a touchdown, senior Walker Coleman has four receptions for 126 yards and a touchdown, senior Andrew Thomas has four catches for 96 yards and two touchdowns, sophomore Legend Waring has seven catches for 101 yards and a score and senior Willis Rogers has five catches for 66 yards and a touchdown.

Defensively, the Cyclones attack with a 3-3 stack.

"They're a good team," Jarecki said. "They have a lot of kids, not

many kids go both ways (unlike ours)."

The Barons will be led by sophomore quarterback Wise Segars, who has thrown for 40 yards and a touchdown in two games.

Wilson Hall relies heavily on its ground attack, which has been led by sophomore running backs Graham Van Patten and Nathan Harris and senior running back Landon Van Patten. In two games, Graham Van Patten has 13 carries for 78 yards, Harris has 21 carries for 81 yards and Landon Van Patten has 18 rushes for 38 yards and a touchdown. He's also recorded three receptions for 21 yards and a score.

"It's about us," Jarecki said. "We have to take care of us and get stuff in line."

Jarecki had a few injury updates.

Sophomore offensive lineman and linebacker Wade Payne will be out this week with a concussion. Also scratched from this week's game is freshman running back and outside linebacker Doc Walker.

"We're very thin (player-wise)," Jarecki said.

However, good news for the Barons comes in the form of senior tight end and linebacker Mitchell Matthews' return to the lineup after being out against First Baptist with a concussion.

## OBITUARIES

## BERTHA FELDER PEARSON

MIAMI — Bertha Felder Pearson, 81, widow of Cicero Pearson Jr., died on Friday, Aug. 31, 2018, at Claridge House, Miami.

She was born on May 15, 1927, in Manning, a daughter of the late Jimmy and Sarah Williams Felder.

Funeral arrangements are incomplete.

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

## MARY LEE G. MACK

Mary Lee "Trickie" Gregg Mack, 89, widow of Arnold Mack Sr., died on Saturday, Sept. 1, 2018, in Philadelphia.

Born on April 9, 1929, in Lee County, she was a daughter of Tom and Rosa Clark Gregg.

The family is receiving relatives and friends at the home, 327 Mooneyham Road.

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

## SAMMIE LEE JONES

BISHOPVILLE — Sammie Lee Jones, 85, transitioned from his earthly home on Sunday, Sept. 2, 2018, at McCoy Memorial Nursing Home, Bishopville.

Born in Bishopville, he was a son of the late Willie and Maggie Joe Jones.

Public viewing will be held from 3 to 6 p.m. today at Square Deal Funeral Home Chapel, 106 McIntosh St., Bishopville.

Funeral services will be held at noon on Friday at Liberty Hill Missionary Baptist Church, 55 Dove Lane, Bishopville, with the Rev. Jerome Douglas, pastor. Interment will follow at St. John AME Church Cemetery, Pinchum Sly Road, Bishopville.

Online condolences can be sent to the family at [esquaredealfun@sc.rr.com](mailto:esquaredealfun@sc.rr.com) or visit us on the web at [squaredealfuneralhome.com](http://squaredealfuneralhome.com).

These services have been entrusted to Square Deal Funeral Home, 106 McIntosh St., Bishopville.

## KATHERINE N. FREEMAN

Katherine "Katie" N. Freeman, 23, died on Sunday, Sept. 2, 2018, at Palmetto Health Richland in Columbia.

Born in Sumter, she was a daughter of Sonny F. Freeman and the late Brenda Harbin Freeman. Miss Freeman was formerly employed by Chick-fil-A.

Surviving are her father of Sumter; a daughter, Alana Freeman; a brother, Michael Freeman (Julie); three sisters, Patricia Bowen (Danny), Robin Parker (Larry) and April Riles (Lewis), all of Sumter; and numerous cousins.

Private services will be held.

Memorials may be made to St. Jude Children's Hospital, 501 St. Jude Place, Memphis, TN 38105.

Online condolences may be sent to [www.sumterfunerals.com](http://www.sumterfunerals.com)

Elmore Hill McCreight Funeral Home & Crematory, 221 Broad St., Sumter, is in charge of the arrangements, (803) 775-9386.



## JOHNNIE MAE R. FEAGIN

Johnnie Mae Rainer Feagin, 77, widow of Harry James Feagin, died on Tuesday, Sept. 4, 2018, at Palmetto Health Tuomey.

Born on March 12, 1941, in St. Petersburg, Florida, she was a daughter of the late John Davis Rainer and Edna Lucile Hall Rainer. She was reared by her uncle and aunt, the late William and Alta Rainer. She retired from the Non-Appropriated Funds Division at Shaw Air Force Base after 32 years of service.

Survivors include three children, James Feagin (Linda) of Sumter, Cheryl Carraway (Butch) of Dalzell and Kenneth Feagin of Sumter; nine grandchildren, Cor-

bitt, Brandon, Daren, Dylan, Brooke, Clayton, Craig, John and Eden; and several special great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by a brother, John Rainer; and two sisters, Mary Rogers and Nancy Smith.

Funeral services will be held at 1 p.m. on Friday in the Elmore-Cannon-Stephens Funeral Home chapel with the Rev. Sammy Geddings officiating. Burial will be at Evergreen Memorial Park cemetery.

The family will receive friends from 6 to 8 p.m. today at Elmore-Cannon-Stephens Funeral Home and other times at the home of her daughter, 4860 Thomas Sumter Highway, Dalzell.

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

## RALPH MIZELL

On Aug. 15, 1935, Ralph Mizell, a 13-pound bouncing baby boy, was the seventh child born to the late John and Katie Wonnun Mizell. He was raised and educated in the town of Zebulon, Georgia.

At an early age, he accepted Christ and was united with New Hope Baptist Church. He enlisted in the United States Navy in June 1954. After serving his country for 24 years, he retired in June 1978. He loved the Navy, but the Lord was always first in his life: to whom he prayed for a good wife. God heard and answered his prayer and he married Dorothy on Feb. 14, 1960, which was followed by a wedding on April 1, 1961. To this union, Ralph Reginald was born on April 27, 1964, and Chandra Valtrina was born on May 12, 1969. Chandra passed away on Feb. 8, 1990, while a senior at Santa Cruz University in California. She had been accepted to Berkeley University in pursuit of a career as an attorney.

After relocating to Sumter, Ralph joined Trinity Missionary Baptist Church in September 2004. While at Trinity, Ralph served on the deacon board for 19 years, 14 of the those 19 years was as chairman. He also served on sever-

al ministries, including Sunday school teacher, Vacation Bible study teacher, midday Bible study, the pastor's aide and hospitality.

Ralph Mizell departed this earthly life on Thursday, Aug. 30, 2018.

In addition to his loving wife of 58 years, Dorothy, and son, Ralph, he also leaves to mourn from a family of 13, four of whom died as small children: two sisters, Bessie Mae Ceasar of Massachusetts and Mamie Lee Mizell of Foster, Georgia; special thanks to Glenda Phillips (goddaughter), Barbara and George Gibbons, Ronald Washington, Marcarthur Dechamps (during the last two years of Ralph's life), and Darrin and Joe Conyers (godchildren); and a host of nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends throughout the United States.

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

Mr. Mizell will be placed in the church at 9 a.m. on Friday for viewing until the hour of service.

The family will be receiving friends at 10 a.m. on Friday at the church.

Funeral services will be held at 11 a.m. on Friday at Trinity Missionary Baptist Church, 155 Wall St., Sumter, with Pastor Larry Weston officiating. Interment will follow at Hillside Memorial Park.

The family will receive friends from 4 to 7 p.m. at the home, 2640 Fossil Lane, 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](mailto:jobsmortuary@sc.rr.com) or visit us on the web at [www.jobsmortuary.net](http://www.jobsmortuary.net).

## SHIRLEY ANN G. TOMLIN

Shirley Ann Green Tomlin was born on May 12, 1953, in Harlem, New York, to the late Moses Green Sr. and Deaconess Janie Mae Harvin Green. She departed this earthly life on Saturday, Sept. 1, 2018, at Palmetto Health Richland in Columbia, surrounded by her husband, children, siblings

and other family members.

Shirley leaves to cherish wonderful and precious memories: her husband, Eugene; children, Shenika Tomlin (Kingsley) Waring of Lexington and Ryan Tomlin of the home; granddaughters, Niara and Janiya Waring of Lexington; siblings, Bertha G. (the late Tracey) Jeter, Ronnie (Carla) Green and the Rev. Carolyn G. (the Rev. Dr. Ashley B.) Vaughn, all of Sumter; aunts, Annette Smith, Helen (Freddie) Howard and Louise Cook of Florence, Hattie (Bishop Henry) Profit of Timmonsville, Bertha Peoples and Janie Mae Morris of St. Petersburg, Florida, Edith Mae Connor of Fort Lauderdale, Florida, and Mary Lou Brinkley of Killeen, Texas; uncles, Jack Cook of Florence and Sammie Cook of Sanford, Florida; sisters-in-law, Sarah China, Mary Kennedy and Deborah Ann McFadden, all of Sumter, and Ruby Tomlin of Augusta, Georgia; brothers-in-law, Herbert Tomlin of Columbia and Albertus (Betty) Tomlin of Sumter; and a host of nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends.

She was preceded in death by her parents and one brother, Moses Green Jr.

Public viewing will be held from 2 to 5:30 p.m. today at Job's Mortuary Inc.

Omega Omega Services with the Delta Sigma Theta Alumni Chapter will be held from 6 to 7 p.m. at Job's Mortuary Inc.

Mrs. Tomlin will be placed in the church at 3 p.m. on Friday for viewing until the hour of service.

Celebration of life services will be held at 4 p.m. on Friday at Beulah AME Church, 3175 Florence Highway. Interment will follow at Beulah AME Church Cemetery.

The family will receive friends from 1 to 7 p.m. daily at the home, 1210 Fallingwater Lane, Sumter.

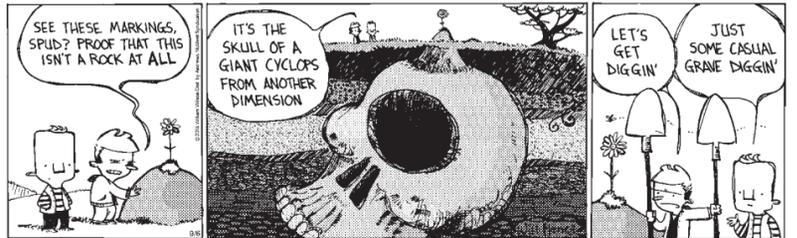
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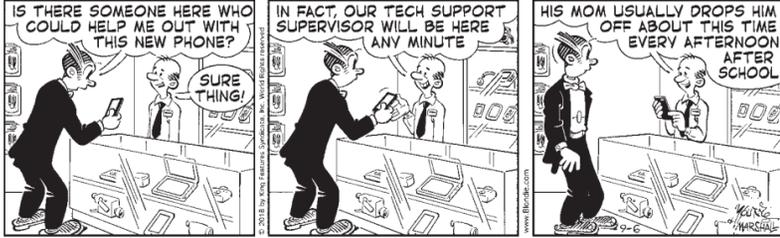
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*Boy's treatment of animals causes family alarm*



**Dear Abby**  
ABIGAIL VAN BUREN

**DEAR ABBY** — My 3-year-old grandson hurts animals. He's intelligent and articulate. He understands many concepts about all kinds of things. Frankly, I'm scared. It's because he is

swatting his bottom or his leg hoping he will understand it is unacceptable. She isn't comfortable hitting him and neither am I. My grandson knows better. I know he does.

My daughter called me this afternoon, upset because he hurt their dog again. Must we get rid of these pets? No one wants to do that. When is it too much? How can we make it stop?

*Aghast in Alabama*

Your grandson may be acting out of anger, because he has been physically or sexually abused himself or has witnessed domestic violence. This is why it's extremely important he be seen by a licensed mental health professional, who can advise his parents — and you — about how this should be handled. Without intervention, the boy's behavior could escalate, and he could seriously injure another child.

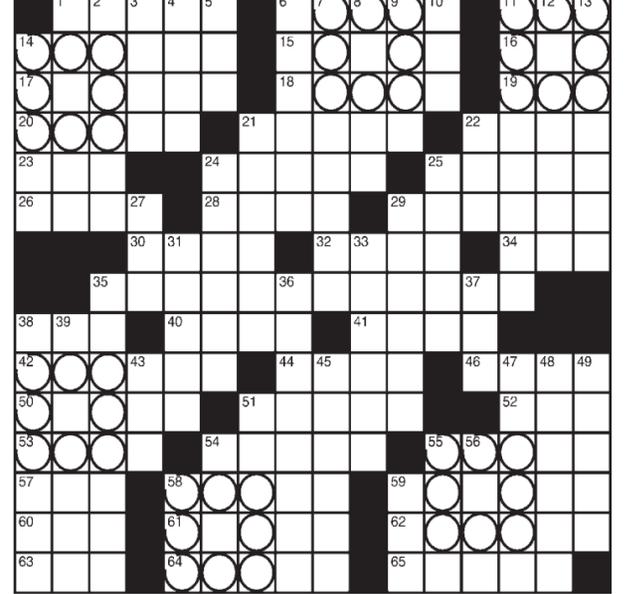
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so intelligent and high-functioning. I feel he should have more empathy than he does. He has been doing this off and on for the last couple of years. My daughter, my husband and I have been discouraging it the whole time. He gets timeouts, stern talks and toys taken away. It doesn't work. My daughter has started

**DEAR AGHAST** — It is already "too much." Your grandson's behavior isn't normal. Because he seems unable to appropriately interact with these helpless animals, he shouldn't be allowed to be around them without constant supervision. For the dog's own safety, another home should be found for it before it's hurt again.

**THE DAILY CROSSWORD PUZZLE**



**Jeffrey Wechsler**

9/6/18

- ACROSS**
- 1 Seething Jaguar weapons
  - 11 Half a dance
  - 14 Stinger ingredient
  - 15 Superman player Cavill
  - 16 "The Last Jedi" villain Kyo
  - 17 Alpine airs
  - 18 Broken out, in a way
  - 19 Days gone by, in days gone by
  - 20 Capital on the Volga
  - 21 Suppress, as a story
  - 22 Punching tools
  - 23 Suffix with fruct-
  - 24 Hall of Fame manager Stengel
  - 25 Sal of "Exodus"
  - 26 Waters down
  - 28 Taiwanese PC brand
  - 29 Rita awarded the Presidential Medal of Freedom
  - 30 Hankering
  - 32 Depilatory cream
  - 34 Historic span: Abbr.
  - 35 Impediment to creativity ... and each set of puzzle circles
  - 38 Big letters in family-owned supermarkets
  - 40 Troubadour's strings
  - 41 Uncle
  - 42 Codes of conduct
  - 44 Christian with style
  - 46 Venerated one
  - 50 Adorkable types
  - 51 Lets off steam
  - 52 JFK posting
  - 53 "Psych" finale? 54 Is after
  - 55 Field mice
  - 57 Area 51 craft
  - 58 Singer with Lawrence
  - 59 Accept, with "for"
  - 60 Greek org.
  - 61 Lyft passenger
  - 62 Difficult tasks
  - 63 Hosp. parts
  - 64 Mideast bigwigs
  - 65 Will Rogers prop
  - 8 Get under one's skin
  - 9 Small songbird
  - 10 Letters on a Qantas baggage tag
  - 11 Like many tees
  - 12 Greek
  - 13 "... et cetera"
  - 14 How some tickets may be sorted
  - 21 Scented pouch
  - 22 Put on
  - 24 Plant in many
  - 25 Dunderhead
  - 27 What Marcie calls Peppermint Patty
  - 29 Distance runners
  - 31 Cultivates
  - 33 Monastic figures
  - 35 Golden State team
  - 36 Christ the ... Rio landmark
  - 37 Crime show with several spin-offs
  - 38 "You obviously can't depend on me"
  - 39 Fetches
  - 43 Most junk mail
  - 45 Comic book personnel
  - 47 Change symbols, in math
  - 48 Opera with Desdemona
  - 49 Alters with a light touch?
  - 51 48-Down composer
  - 54 "told": "That's the rumor"
  - 55 Designer Wang
  - 56 Name in boxy cars?
  - 58 Higher ed. test
  - 59 Cardinal's letters

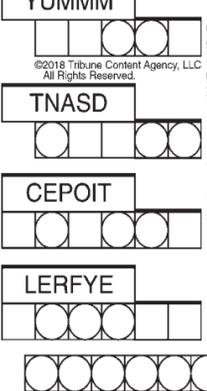
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**JUMBLE**

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.



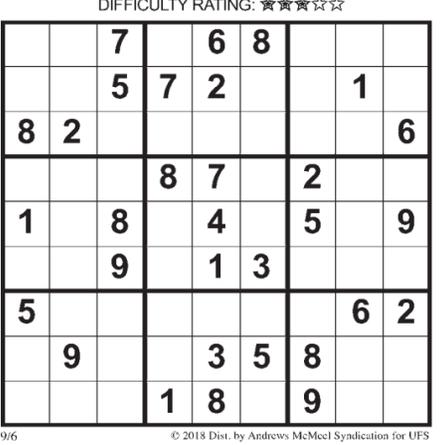
Yesterday's Jumbles: DRINK FLASH FORMAT BUTTON  
Answer: He wanted a soft mattress. She didn't and was going to — STAND FIRM

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 SUMTER EAST SELF STORAGE  
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 AUCTION  
 September 15, 2018  
 10:00 A.M.

**UNITS FOR AUCTION**  
 B-7 - Natasha M. McFadden  
 B-26 - Maria Barkley  
 C-33 - Della L. Guin  
 G-7 - Earl Bradley, Jr.  
 G-31 - Natasha M. McFadden

#### Garage, Yard & Estate Sales

INDOOR Church Yard Sale & Concessions Sat, Sept. 8th Sumter 1st Nazarene 3700 Patriot Parkway 7 am-NOON

2765 Sing Dr., Foxcroft S/D, Sat 7 am - 1 pm. Multi-family, furn., tools, hsehold, kids clothes, other misc.

Garage Sale: Sat. 8-1 at 2287 Dartmouth Dr. Household goods and misc. items.

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### LEGAL NOTICES

#### Abandon Vehicle / Boat

Abandoned Vehicle Notice:  
 The following vehicle was abandoned at 828 Bethel Church Rd. Sumter, SC 29154. Described as a 1992 Ford VIN # 1PH2U73E3Y2A7820. Total Due for storage is \$1800.00 as of August 7, 2018, plus \$40.00 per day thereafter. Owner is asked to call 803-481-9898. If not claimed in 30 days, it will be turned over to the Magistrate's Office for public sale.

#### Summons & Notice

#### SUMMONS AND NOTICES

IN THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS CASE NO. 2018-CP-43-01395

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA COUNTY OF SUMTER

Specialized Loan Servicing LLC, PLAINTIFF,

VS. Lamont Watson, individually, and as Legal Heir or Devisee of the Estate of Sheila Ruffin a/k/a Sheila Ann Correa Ruffin a/k/a Sheila Ann Ruffin, Deceased; Tara Anderson, individually, and as Legal Heir or Devisee of the Estate of Sheila Ruffin a/k/a Sheila Ann Correa Ruffin a/k/a Sheila Ann Ruffin, Deceased; Any Heirs-at-Law or Devisees of the Estate of Sheila Ruffin a/k/a Sheila Ann Correa Ruffin a/k/a Sheila Ann Ruffin, Deceased, their heirs or devisees, successors and assigns, and all other persons entitled to claim through them; all unknown persons with any right, title or interest in the real estate described herein; also any persons who may be in the military service of the United States of America, being a class designated as John Doe; and any unknown minors or persons under a disability being a class designated as Richard Roe, DEFENDANT(S).

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that an action has been commenced by the Plaintiff above named against the Defendants above named for the foreclosure of a certain mortgage given by Sheila Ruffin by Minnie Correa as Attorney in Fact to Bank of America, N.A., dated August 15, 2007, recorded August 17, 2007, in the office of the Clerk of Court/Register of Deeds for Sumter County, in Book 1090, at Page 191; thereafter, said Mortgage was assigned to Specialized Loan Servicing, LLC by assignment instrument dated March 27, 2018 and recorded March 28, 2018 in Book 1242 at Page 3936.

YOU WILL FURTHER TAKE NOTICE that unless the said Defendants, or someone in their behalf or in behalf of any of them, shall within thirty (30) days after service of notice of this order upon them by publication, exclusive of the day of such service, procure to be appointed for them, or any of them, a Guardian Ad Litem to represent them or any of them for the purposes of this action, the Plaintiff will apply for an order making the appointment of said Guardian Ad Litem Nisi absolute.

#### LIS PENDENS

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#### Summons & Notice

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YOU WILL ALSO TAKE NOTICE that should you fail to Answer the foregoing Summons, the Plaintiff will move for a general Order of Reference of this cause to the Master-In-Equity or Special Referee for Sumter County, which Order shall, pursuant to Rule 53 (e) of the South Carolina Rules of Civil Procedure, specifically provide that the said Master-In-Equity or Special Master is authorized and empowered to enter a final judgment in this cause.

TO MINOR(S) OVER FOURTEEN YEARS OF AGE AND/OR 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, Plaintiff will apply to have the appointment of the Guardian ad Litem Nisi, Warren R. Herndon, Jr., made absolute.

#### NOTICE

TO THE DEFENDANTS: YOU WILL PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the Summons and Complaint, of which the foregoing is a copy of the Summons, were filed with the Clerk of Court for Sumter County, South Carolina on July 27, 2018.

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the order appointing Warren R. Herndon, Jr., whose address is 218 E. Main Street, Suite 2, Lexington, SC 29072, as Guardian Ad Litem Nisi for all persons whomsoever herein collectively designated as Richard Roe, defendants herein whose names and addresses are unknown, including any thereof who may be minors, incapacitated, or under other legal disability, whether residents or non-residents of South Carolina; for all named Defendants, addresses unknown, who may be infants, incapacitated, or under a legal disability; for any unknown heirs-at-law of Sheila Ruffin a/k/a Sheila Ann Correa Ruffin a/k/a Sheila Ann Ruffin, including their heirs, personal representatives, successors and assigns, and all other persons entitled to claim through them; and for all other unknown persons with any right, title, or interest in and to the real estate that is the subject of this foreclosure action, was filed in the Office of the Clerk of Court for Sumter County on the 14th day of August, 2018.

YOU WILL FURTHER TAKE NOTICE that unless the said Defendants, or someone in their behalf or in behalf of any of them, shall within thirty (30) days after service of notice of this order upon them by publication, exclusive of the day of such service, procure to be appointed for them, or any of them, a Guardian Ad Litem to represent them or any of them for the purposes of this action, the Plaintiff will apply for an order making the appointment of said Guardian Ad Litem Nisi absolute.

#### LIS PENDENS

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that an action has been commenced by the Plaintiff above named against the Defendants above named for the foreclosure of a certain mortgage given by Sheila Ruffin by Minnie Correa as Attorney in Fact to Bank of America, N.A., dated August 15, 2007, recorded August 17, 2007, in the office of the Clerk of Court/Register of Deeds for Sumter County, in Book 1090, at Page 191; thereafter, said Mortgage was assigned to Specialized Loan Servicing, LLC by assignment instrument dated March 27, 2018 and recorded March 28, 2018 in Book 1242 at Page 3936.

The description of the premises is as follows:

All that certain piece, parcel and/or lot of land, together with the improvements thereon, if any, situate, lying and being in the City and County of Sumter, State of South Carolina, being shown and designated as Lot containing 0.32 acre as shown on that certain plat prepared by Allen-Makela Land Surveyors, Inc. RLS, dated December 11, 1997, and recorded in the Office of the Register of Deeds for Sumter County in Plat Book 97 at page 1485, and having such metes and bounds as are shown on said

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plat, this description being in lieu of metes and bounds, as permitted under Section 30-5-250 of the 1976 Code of Laws of South Carolina. This is the property known as 10 East Charlotte Avenue, Sumter, SC. Represented by Sumter County Parcel No. 228-04-03-016.

Please note that the above description has been modified to correct a minor immaterial clerical error in the legal description to correct the surveyor reference from Allen-Makela to Allen-Makela Land Surveyors, Inc.

This being the same property conveyed to Sheila Ruffin by deed of Federal National Mortgage Association, dated August 15, 2007 and recorded August 17, 2007 in Book 1090 at Page 189 in the Office of the Register of Deeds for Sumter County.

TMS No. 2280403016  
 Property address:  
 10 E Charlotte Ave  
 Sumter, SC 29150

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IN THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS SUMMONS AND NOTICE OF FILING OF COMPLAINT AND NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE INTERVENTION (NON-JURY MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE) C/A NO: 2018-CP-43-01318 DEFICIENCY REQUESTED

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA COUNTY OF SUMTER

NRZ Pass-Through Trust II, U.S. Bank National Association as trustee, PLAINTIFF,

vs. Willie Billups, Individually and as Personal Representative for the Estate of Wilhelmina Billups a/k/a Wilhelmina Billups a/k/a Wilhelmina Shaw Billups; Rita Mae B. Martin; John Dow; and if John Dow be deceased, then any children and heirs at law to the Estate of John Dow, distributees, and devisees at law to the Estate of John Dow; and if any of the same be dead any and all persons entitled to claim under or through them also all other persons unknown claiming any right, title, interest or lien upon the real estate described in the complaint herein; Any unknown adults, any unknown infants or persons under a disability being a class designated as John Doe, and any persons in the military service of the United States of America being a class designated as Richard Roe; South Carolina State Housing Finance and Development Authority, DEFENDANT(S)

TO THE DEFENDANTS, ABOVE NAMED:

YOU ARE HEREBY SUMMONED and required to answer the Complaint herein, a copy of which is herewith served upon you, or otherwise appear and defend, and to serve a copy of your Answer to said Complaint upon the subscriber at his office, Hutchens Law Firm P.O. Box 8237, Columbia, SC 29202, within thirty (30) days after service hereof, except as to the United States of America, which shall have sixty (60) days, exclusive of the day of such service, and if you fail to answer the Complaint within the time aforesaid, or otherwise appear and defend, the Plaintiff in this action will apply to the Court for the relief demanded therein, and judgment by default will be rendered against you for the relief demanded in the Complaint.

YOU WILL ALSO TAKE NOTICE that should you fail to Answer the foregoing Summons, the Plaintiff

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will move for an Order of Reference of this cause to the Master in Equity for Sumter County, which Order shall, pursuant to Rule 53 of the South Carolina Rules of Civil Procedure, specifically provide that the said Master in Equity is authorized and empowered to enter a final judgment in this case with appeal only to the South Carolina Court of Appeals pursuant to Rule 203(d)(1) of the SCAR, effective June 1, 1999.

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 the Plaintiff immediately and separately and such application will be deemed absolute and total in the absence of your application for such an appointment within thirty (30) days after the service of the Summons and Complaint upon you.

YOU WILL ALSO TAKE NOTICE that should you fail to Answer the foregoing Summons, the Plaintiff will move for an Order of Reference of this case to the Master in Equity in/for this County, which Order shall, pursuant to Rule 53 of the South Carolina Rules of Civil Procedure, specifically provide that the said Master in Equity is authorized and empowered to enter a final judgment in this case with appeal only to the South Carolina Court of Appeals pursuant to Rule 203(d)(1) of the SCAR, effective June 1, 1999.

#### NOTICE OF FILING OF SUMMONS AND COMPLAINT

TO THE DEFENDANTS ABOVE NAMED: YOU WILL PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the foregoing Summons, along with the Complaint, was filed with the Clerk of Court for Sumter County, South Carolina, on July 19, 2018.

#### NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE INTERVENTION

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE THAT pursuant to the South Carolina Supreme Court Administrative Order 2011-05-02-01, (hereinafter "Order"), you may have a right to Foreclosure Intervention.

To be considered for any available Foreclosure Intervention, you may communicate with and otherwise deal with the Plaintiff through its law firm, Hutchens Law Firm, P.O. Box 8237, Columbia, SC 29202 or call 803-726-2700. Hutchens Law Firm, represents the Plaintiff in this action and does not represent you. Under our ethical rules, we are prohibited from giving you any legal advice.

You must submit any requests for Foreclosure Intervention consideration within 30 days from the date of this Notice.

IF YOU FAIL, REFUSE, OR VOLUNTARILY ELECT NOT TO PARTICIPATE IN FORECLOSURE INTERVENTION, YOUR MORTGAGE COMPANY/AGENT MAY PROCEED WITH A FORECLOSURE ACTION.

If you have already pursued loss mitigation with the Plaintiff, this Notice does not guarantee the availability of loss mitigation options or further review of your qualifications.

THIS IS A COMMUNICATION FROM A DEBT COLLECTOR. THE PURPOSE OF THIS COMMUNICATION IS TO COLLECT A DEBT AND ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE, except as stated below in the instance of bankruptcy protection.

IF YOU ARE UNDER THE PROTECTION OF THE BANKRUPTCY COURT OR HAVE BEEN DISCHARGED AS A RESULT OF A BANKRUPTCY PROCEEDING, THIS NOTICE IS GIVEN TO YOU PURSUANT TO STATUTORY REQUIREMENT AND FOR INFORMATIONAL PURPOSES AND IS NOT INTENDED AS AN ATTEMPT TO COLLECT A DEBT OR AS AN ACT TO COLLECT, ASSESS, OR RECOVER ALL OR ANY PORTION OF THE DEBT

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NOTICE TO APPOINT ATTORNEY FOR DEFENDANT(S) IN MILITARY SERVICE TO UNKNOWN OR KNOWN DEFENDANTS THAT MAY BE IN THE MILITARY SERVICE OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA ALL BEING A CLASS DESIGNATED AS RICHARD ROE.

**YOU ARE FURTHER SUMMONED AND NOTIFIED** that Plaintiff's attorney has applied for the appointment of an attorney to represent you. If you fail to apply for the appointment of an attorney to represent you within thirty (30) days after the service of this Summons and Notice upon you Plaintiff's appointment will be made absolute with no further action from Plaintiff.

**IN THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS FOR THE THIRD JUDICIAL CIRCUIT DOCKET NO. 2017-CP-43-00590**

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA COUNTY OF SUMTER

Wells Fargo Bank, N.A. v.

Samuel E. Burrows, Francis Clark Burrows, Guignard Reynolds Burrows, Lillie Emma Johnson, John Henry Rogers, Essie Mae Rogers Julius, Diane Rogers Pauley, Jimmie Rogers, Timmy Rogers, Carol Rogers Major, Harold Rogers, Debra Smith, Tom Doe and Richard Roe, Representing the unknown heirs-at-law, devisees, and legatees of Lillie M. Rogers, and any other unknown persons claiming any right, title or interest in and to the property described herein, including all those unknown persons who may be minors, who are suffering under a legal disability, or who are members on active duty in a Uniformed Service of the United States of America,

TO: THE DEFENDANTS HEREIN, NAMES AND ADDRESSES UNKNOWN, INCLUDING ANY THEREOF WHO MAY BE MINORS OR UNDER OTHER LEGAL DISABILITY OR IN THE UNIFORMED SERVICES OF THE USA, IF ANY, WHETHER RESIDENTS OR NONRESIDENTS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, AND TO THE NATURAL, GENERAL TESTAMENTARY GUARDIAN OF COMMITTEE, OR OTHERWISE AND TO THE PERSON WITH WHOM THEY MAY RESIDE, IF ANY THERE BE.

**AMENDED LIS PENDENS**

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT** an action is being commenced and is now pending in the Court of Common Pleas for Sumter County, South Carolina, upon a complaint of the above-named Plaintiff against the above-named Defendants for an order declaring Plaintiff, its successors and assigns, possesses a perpetual easement over and across the property hereafter described for ingress, egress, and access, both vehicular and pedestrian, to and from property owned by Plaintiff to either Cotton Acres Road or Rogdwin Road, which easement shall run with the land. The property that is the subject of this action is situate in the County of Sumter, State of South Carolina, and more fully described as:

All that certain piece, parcel or lot of land, together with any and all

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improvements thereon, lying, being and situate in Providence Township, the County of Sumter, State of South Carolina, being shown and delineated as Tracts 1, 2, and 3 on that certain plat by McLellan and Palmer, Civil Engineers dated October 21, 1919, recorded in the Office of the Register of Deeds for Sumter County in Plat Book 0-4 at Page 196. Less however those parcels previously conveyed out by predecessor in title to Mary Waring Bailes, Hugh R. Colclough.

Pursuant to Section 30-5-250 of the Code of Laws of South Carolina (1976), reference to said plat(s) is hereby craved for particulars of the boundaries, metes, courses, and/or distances of the property delineated thereon.

**TMS # 1960002009**

**ALSO:**

All that certain piece, parcel or tract of land, with improvements thereon, containing approximately 16.35 acres, situate, lying and being in Providence Township, County of Sumter, State of South Carolina, shown as tract "E" on a plat made by H.S. Willson, R.L.S., dated April 5, 1977, of record in Plat Book Z-39, at page 354. Office of the ROD for Sumter County, said tract being bounded on the Northeast by lands now or formerly of Andrew Baldwin, Jr., on the Southeast by lands now or formerly of James Rogers, on the Southwest by other lands now or formerly of James Rogers and by South Carolina Road No. 43-596, and on the Northwest by lands now or formerly of Hugh Colclough.

**TMS # 1970002003**

**Property Address: 020 Rogdwin Road Sumter, S.C. 29153**

**AMENDED SUMMONS**

**YOU ARE HEREBY SUMMONED** and required to appear and defend by answering the Complaint in this action, of which a copy is herewith served upon you, and to serve a copy of your Answer on the subscribers at their offices, P.O. Box 1390, Columbia, South Carolina 29202, within thirty (30) days 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.

**NOTICE OF FILING AMENDED COMPLAINT**

**YOU WILL PLEASE TAKE NOTICE THAT** the original Amended Summons and Amended Complaint in the above-entitled action were filed in the Office of the Clerk of Court for Sumter County, the object and prayer of which is set forth in the Amended Complaint.

**ORDER APPOINTING GUARDIAN AD LITEM**

Upon reading and filing the Petition of the Plaintiff for the appointment of Kelley Y. Woody, Esq., as guardian ad litem for Defendants who are unknown, minors, under legal disability, or in the Uniformed Services of the United States, if any, and it appearing that said Kelley Y. Woody, Esq. is a suitable and competent person to understand and protect the rights and interests of said Defendants, and has no interest adverse to the interest of said Defendants, and is not connected in

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business with the Plaintiff in this action or with its counsel.

**IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED** that the said Kelley R. Woody, Esq., be, and she hereby, designated and appointed guardian ad litem for said unknown Defendants, minors, those under legal disability, or in the Uniformed Services of the United States, if any, and she is hereby authorized to appear and defend said action on behalf of said Defendants, unless said Defendants, or any of them shall, within thirty (30) days after the service of the copy of this Order upon them, exclusive of the day of such service, as herein provided, procure the appointment of someone on their behalf for the purposes of this action.

**ORDER OF PUBLICATION**

**HAVING READ** and filed the Motion of Louis H. Lang, attorney for the Plaintiff herein, and it appearing that this is an action for a declaratory judgment and other relief regarding real estate in Sumter County, South Carolina, and further, that the fictitious Defendants (Tom Doe and Richard Roe, representing the unknown heirs-at-law, devisees, and legatees of Lillie M. Rogers, deceased, and all other unknown persons claiming any right, title or interest in and to the property described herein, including all those unknown persons who may be minors, who are suffering under a legal disability, or who are members on active duty of the Uniformed Services of the United States of America), cannot, after due diligence, be located in Sumter County or in the State of South Carolina;

**IT IS ORDERED** that service in this matter be made upon these Defendants by publishing copies of the Amended Lis Pendens, Amended Summons, Notice of Filing Amended Complaint, Order Appointing Guardian Ad Litem and this Order, in a paper of general circulation in Sumter County, South Carolina, once weekly for three (3) consecutive weeks and by forwarding a copy of the pleadings to the Defendants, at their last known addresses.

**Louis H. Lang, Esq. CALLISON TIGHE & ROBINSON, LLC**  
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Columbia SC 29202-1390  
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**IN THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS CIVIL ACTION NO.: 2018-CP-43-00755**

**SUMMONS AND NOTICES (Non-Jury) FORECLOSURE OF MORTGAGE**

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA COUNTY OF SUMTER

Nationstar Mortgage LLC d/b/a Champion Mortgage Company, Plaintiff,

v. Jennifer Colleen Glave, Any Heirs-At-Law or Devisees of Thomas C. Glave a/k/a Thomas Charles Glave a/k/a Thomas Glave, Deceased, their heirs, Personal Representatives, Administrators, Successors and Assigns, and all other persons entitled to claim through them; all unknown persons with any right, title or interest in the real estate described herein; also any persons who may be in the military service of the United States of America, being a

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class designated as John Doe; and any unknown minors or persons under a disability being a class designated as Richard Roe, The United States of America, acting by and through its agency, the Secretary of Housing and Urban Development, First-Citizens Bank and Trust Company

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 1201 Main Street, Suite 1450, Columbia, SC 29201, 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 MINORS OVER FOURTEEN YEARS OF AGE, AND/OR TO MINORS UNDER FOURTEEN YEARS OF AGE AND THE PERSON WITH WHOM THE MINOR RESIDES, AND/OR TO PERSONS UNDER SOME LEGAL DISABILITY:**

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**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 FURTHER 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 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 and the Complaint attached hereto.

**NOTICE**

**TO THE DEFENDANTS ABOVE NAMED: YOU WILL PLEASE TAKE NOTICE** that the Summons and Complaint, of which the foregoing is a copy of the Summons, were filed with the Clerk of Court for Sumter County, South Carolina on April 25, 2018.

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**IN THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS CIVIL ACTION NO.: 2018-CP-43-00832**

**SUMMONS AND NOTICES (Non-Jury) FORECLOSURE OF MORTGAGE**

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA COUNTY OF SUMTER

Nationstar Mortgage LLC d/b/a Champion Mortgage Company, Plaintiff,

v. Any Heirs-At-Law or Devisees of James R. Suber, Jr., Deceased, their heirs, Personal Representatives, Administrators, Successors and Assigns, and all other persons entitled to claim through them; all unknown persons with any right, title or interest in the real estate described herein; also any persons who may be in the military service of the United States of America, being a class designated as John Doe; and any unknown minors or persons under a disability being a class designated as Richard Roe, The United States of America, acting by and through its agency, the Secretary of Housing and Urban Development,

Defendant(s).

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**TO THE DEFENDANTS ABOVE NAMED: YOU WILL PLEASE TAKE NOTICE** that the Summons and Complaint, of which the foregoing is a copy of the Summons, were filed with the Clerk of Court for Sumter County, South Carolina on May 8, 2018.

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